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The Board of Regents met in the Office of the President of the University on February 5, beginning at 9:30 A.M. Present were Regents Henderson, Pratt, Codd, O'Brien and Sullivan, and President Hendrick and Assistant Secretary Gorman.

The question of the position of Mr. Richard Brown to the College was discussed. It was decided to request certain of his friends among the alumni to prepare a bill to be submitted to the Legislature to request the establishment of emeritus positions in the University for employees of long standing. Upon motion of Pratt, seconded by Codd, it was ordered that Mr. Brown be paid \$100 for his services to the University during the month of January, 1915, and that he be notified to cease his connection with the Mechanical Laboratory.

A request was received from Mr. George E. Williams of Fallon, through Dr. O. P. Johnstone, for an analysis of a cow's stomach for cyanide. The President was instructed to write Mr. Williams that under the law the University was not permitted to make this examination, that the State Analytical Laboratory was authorized to make examinations of soils and minerals, that the State Hygienic Laboratory was confined to contagious diseases in humans, and that the Veterinary Bacteriological Laboratory was confined to the examination of specimens to determine whether there were communicable diseases among the stock of the State, and that there was no authority for the examination requests. Before action was taken, Dr. Mack of the Veterinary Department was called before the Board to explain the situation.

Adjournment was taken at 11 o'clock for the purpose of accepting an invitation of the Nevada Packing Company to lunch, to resume the meeting at 2 o'clock at the office of the President of the Union Land and Stock Company in the Nixon National Bank building.

At 2 o'clock the Board reassembled and held a joint meeting with the Executive Committee of the Nevada Cattle Owners' Association and Governor Boyle. There were present at this meeting Regents

Henderson, Codd, O'Brien, Pratt and Sullivan, President Hendrick, Mr. Gorman and Dr. Mack for the University, and the following members of the Nevada Cattle Owners' Association: W. H. Moffatt, T. J. Bell, John Henderson, George Russell, Jr., R. C. Turritin, W. C. Pitt, J. B. Garat, H. G. Humphrey, F. Dangberg and D. Staunton.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the University's policy and needs, particularly in the College of Agriculture. President Hendrick presented the needs of the University, pointing out the advantage to the Stock Industry of the State of the possession of a College of Agriculture suitably housed at the University, and also of a College Farm suitably equipped and stocked. Considerable discussion took place which was participated in by Messrs. Moffatt, Pitt, Bell, John Henderson and Charles H. Henderson, which resulted in the passage of the following resolutions:

Reno, Nevada, February 5, 1915

To the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Nevada,

Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, it appears from a consideration of the future welfare of the State of Nevada that to plan for the development of its Agricultural Industry is essential; and

WHEREAS, it appears to us to be the duty of the University of Nevada, through its College of Agriculture, to give thorough and reliable instruction in the economic production of crops and treatment of the different soils of the State of Nevada in such a manner as to secure the largest returns from it without impairing its fertility; to teach the principles of breeding and management of livestock, including the control of animal diseases, and to give thorough knowledge of the various breeds and market classes; an economic and unsatisfactory production of dairy goods, and the best methods to meet existing market demands and of extending and developing trade in the agricultural products of the State; and

WHEREAS, in order to attain efficiency in these functions it is essential that laboratories of sufficient equipment and sufficient space should be supplied and that excellent men should have an opportunity to work out these problems; and

WHEREAS, the State University has not now any suitable

quarters in which to house these various Departments which are directly related to the Department of Agriculture;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Nevada Cattle Owners' Association meeting this day in the office of the President, do hereby heartily endorse and urge upon the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Nevada the appropriation of \$80,000 to be used in the construction of an Agricultural building at the State University, in which these essential functions so necessary to the Agricultural Industry of the State shall be performed efficiently.

Signed on behalf of the Cattle Owners' Association of Nevada.

W. H. Moffatt, President
D. Staunton, Secretary

R. C. Turrittin
John Henderson
T. J. Bell
John B. Garat
F. Dangberg
Executive Committee

Reno, Nevada, February 5, 1915

To the Governor and the
Legislature of the State of Nevada

Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Cattle Owners' Association has given consideration to the problem of the help which the University can grant to the Stock Industry of the State, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Cattle Owners' Association believes that the services to the Stock Industry by the State University will be benefitted by the building of an Agricultural building, and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Association that there is a necessity for the supplementing of the theory and Science of Agriculture given at the University by proper application of those theories on an Agricultural Farm, and

WHEREAS, the University does not now possess such a farm of

such proportions and of such equipment as to permit of the application of the scientific knowledge of the Department of Agriculture, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Cattle Owner's Association believe that the welfare of the State and of the Stock Industry will be greatly benefitted by supplying to the University such a farm,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Cattle Owners' Association, assembled in the office of the President do urge upon the Governor and Legislature of the State of Nevada the appropriation of \$70,000 to be used for the purchase of a suitable farm, its equipment and stocking, and

WHEREAS, it may be felt that in the granting of an appropriation for the College of Agriculture in addition to the appropriation for the College Farm, that the amount is too great a burden upon the State in the next biennial, that the Executive Committee of the Cattle Owners' Association recommends that in the event of this feeling prevailing in the Legislature, that there be granted to the Board of Regents of the State University of Nevada, permission to lease such a suitable farm for the purpose of the University's Department of Agriculture, and that provision by law authorizing this lease with the understanding that this farm shall be equipped out of other funds of the University with buildings, etc., sufficient for the needs of the biennial, and that the next Legislature make provision for its purchase.

Signed,

W. H. Moffatt, President

D. Staunton, Secretary

John Henderson

T. J. Bell

John B. Garat

R. C. Turrittin

F. Dangberg

Executive Committee

Thereupon the meeting adjourned to meet Saturday morning, February 6th at 10:00 o'clock, in the Office of the President of the University.