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The Finance Committee of the Board of Regents was called to order on December 30, 1918 at 3:00 by Chairman Baker in the Office of the President of the University.

Present: Chairman Baker, Regents O'Brien and Sullivan. Absent: Regent Curler.

The first matter presented was a letter from Senator Charles B. Henderson relative Senate Bill 5203, introduced by himself, asking that the Secretary of War be instructed -- directed to deliver to the University of Nevada at Reno, Nevada, one gun or howitzer acquired through the war with suitable complement of cannon balls, etc., for exhibition purposes.

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that the Secretary of the Board write and forward to Senator Henderson resolutions saying the Regents are in favor of his plan of obtaining and having sent to the University the guns and shells, etc., mentioned in the bill which he introduced in the Senate (S. 5203, December 17, 1918).

A letter was presented from Dr. Lincoln, recommending that beginning January 1, 1919, Mr. Henry Higgins, in charge of the work of the Analytical Laboratory and the State assay work, should receive \$100 per month from the State Mining Laboratory and \$100 per month from the State Assayer, it being understood that when both positions cannot be carried, even with the aid of a student assistant, Mr. Higgins will be assigned to one of them at a salary of \$150 per month, paid wholly by the Division to which he is assigned. The President recommended that this compensation be made Mr. Higgins as outlined in Dr. Lincoln's letter.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the recommendation of the President be approved in regard to the salary of Mr. Higgins.

Vote:

Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye

The President read to the Board the resignation of H. B. Bulmer, Acting Commissioner of the Departments of Food and Drugs Control and Weights and Measures, effective December 31, 1918, and recommended that the same be accepted.

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that the resignation of H. B. Bulmer be accepted effective December 31, 1918.

The President brought to the attention of the Board the fact that a Russian student, J. Harmaza, with small funds, had become sick with pneumonia and had to be sent to the hospital for medical attention. The bill for the hospital services, \$36.10, he recommended should be paid from military funds because the University Hospital where Mr. Harmaza might have gone was in use by the S. A. T. C. The doctor's bill (Dr. Gardner) was for \$42.50. The President explained to the Committee that Mr. Harmaza had some funds, about \$70, and he had said to him that he should assume part of the doctor's bill, and asked if the balance of the bill might not be paid from the Regents' Contingent Fund. Discussion of Mr. Harmaza and his position and views in general was held.

Dr. Sullivan moved the authorization of the payment from the Regents' Contingent Fund of Dr. Gardner's fee or such part of it as J. Harmaza could not pay. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye

The President brought to the Board a matter omitted from the meeting of December 10, 1918, by oversight, that of the resignation of Mrs. Catherine Luke as Clerk in the Comptroller's office and the transfer of Miss Joanna Brown from Dean Knight's office, at a salary of \$100 per month, effective November 11, 1918.

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that on the recommendation of the President the transfer of Miss J. Brown to the position of assistant in the Comptroller's office be approved at a salary of \$100 per month, effective November 11, 1918. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan	Aye
Mrs. Baker	Aye

Mr. O'Brien Aye

The recommendation of Dean Knight, approved by the President, for the appointment of Florence T. Anderson for the clerical and stenographic work in the College of Agriculture, beginning January 1, 1919, at a salary of \$85 per month, was presented to the Committee.

It was moved by Regent O'Brien that the President's recommendation in regard to Florence T. Anderson be approved and that she be appointed for the clerical and stenographic work in the College of Agriculture at a salary of \$85 per month, effective January 1, 1919. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye

It was moved by Regent Sullivan that Mr. O'Brien be allowed the sum of \$25 to be paid from the Regents' Contingent Fund, to cover his expenses in attending Regents' meetings during the past two years. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mrs. Baker Aye
Mr. O'Brien Aye

Dr. Sullivan requested Mr. O'Brien to take the Chair, and moved that Mrs. Baker be allowed the sum of \$25 from the Regents' Contingent Fund, to cover her expenses in attendance on meetings of the Board during the past two years. Vote:

Dr. Sullivan Aye
Mrs. Baker Did not vote
Mr. O'Brien Aye

The President then read to the Board the financial report as presented by the Comptroller, giving first a brief statement of the condition of the Federal funds as follows: That the Hatch and Adams Funds were slightly overdrawn for the first half of the year; the Smith-Lever funds (Agricultural Extension) were on the dot; the A & M Fund shows a balance of \$600 for the first half of the year. The Dining Hall was clear; the Dairy and Farm are clear and were cleared through using the balance in the A & M for the purchase of feed for the Dairy. The Military funds were still in solution. Two government men on settlement, construction, etc., were here on the Saturday previous to this meeting. The President hoped however for an equitable settlement on the

Barracks so that the balance to be brought to the State to assume would be small, probably not more than \$5000 out of the \$15,000 granted by the Board of Examiners for Barracks construction and equipment.

The report on State Funds follows. Below you will find preliminary report showing the condition of State Funds, as of December 31, 1918:

State Tax Fund

Income January 1, 1917 to and including	
November 30, 1918	\$199,462.92
Income December, 1918	32,959.67
Total Income for Biennial Period	\$232,422.59
Overdraft on January 1, 1917	\$ 33,232.48
Claims filed to December 31, 1918	198,985.51
Balance on Hand - December 31, 1918	204.60
	\$232,422.59

Note: The overdraft of \$33,232.48 on January 1, 1917 does not include outstanding bills amounting to \$4394.79, which were paid during the month of January 1917, nor does it include the \$10,000 in the Revolving Fund, which has been entirely refunded during the present biennium. As you know, the Legislature made a Deficiency Appropriation of \$30,000 to cover part of this over expenditure.

Contingent University Fund

Balance on Hand January 1, 1917	\$ 2,879.44
Income for Biennium Ending November 30, 1918	4,446.31
Total Income	\$ 7,325.75
Expended during Biennium Ending Dec. 31, 1918	\$ 6,761.49
Balance on Hand December 31, 1918	564.26
	\$ 7,325.75

90,000 Acre Grant Interest Account

Income January 1, 1917 to November 30, 1918	\$ 10,347.31
Overdraft Balance on January 1, 1917	\$ 671.35
Expended January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1918	6,536.61
Balance on Hand December 31, 1918	3,139.35
	\$ 10,347.31

Note: The statements for Contingent University Fund and the 90,000 Acre Grant Interest Account do not include the December 1918 income. As soon as these figures are received from the State Controller, they will be entered and the credit balances changed accordingly for the final report.

Public Service State Tax Fund

Balance on Hand January 1, 1917	\$ 9,027.44
Income January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1918	16,574.38
Total Income	\$ 25,601.82

Expended during Biennium	\$ 16,095.71
Balance on Hand December 31, 1918	9,506.11
	\$ 25,601.82

The following special appropriations have been entirely expended:

Deficiency Appropriation	\$30,000.00
Farm Purchase	\$43,000.00
Farm Operation	\$ 6,500.00
Agricultural Building	\$80,000.00
Gutter and Curbing	\$ 288.00
Public Service Appropriation	\$47,300.00

Departmental detail of expenditures are in course of preparation and will be included in the final report.

Very truly yours,

/s/ C. H. Gorman
Comptroller

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The President explained certain economies and savings through the war compacting of the faculty, the fact that no repair work was done on the buildings, although much needed, and that the number of tax delinquents this year was low. In this way it was possible to come out with a clean sheet. Departmental reports will be given in the Regents' Report.

The Committee approved the following claims:

List of Claims against the State of Nevada, No. 55, Claims 598 to 623, inclusive, amounting to \$27,827.29.

List of Claims No. 31, against the State of Nevada, Claims

292 to 304, inclusive, amounting to \$47,334.93.

Payroll for the month of December 1918, amounting to \$16,260.55.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Edna C. Baker
Chairman

Louise Blaney
Secretary