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The adjourned meeting of the Board of Regents convened at 1:30 P.M. Commencement Day, May 10th, 1926. There were present Chairman Pratt, Judge Talbot and Mrs. Williams of the Regents and President Clark.

On motion of Judge Talbot, the Chairman of the Board was authorized to sign for the Board of Regents a contract with E. K. Fowler for the enlargement and alteration of the present Dining Hall, in accord with the plans and specifications of Architect De Longchamps, for the sum of \$21,878, Contractor Fowler to furnish bond for the completion of the work on or before the 14th day of June, a penalty of \$20 per day to be exacted for completion beyond the date June 14, 1926. Vote:

Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye

Judge Talbot moved that the Chairman of the Board and the President of the University be authorized to apply to the State Board of Examiners and proper State authorities for privilege to expend in excess of the funds now available for University use from the State the sum of not to exceed \$15,000 for the purpose of moving the Hatch building, placing it in another location on a good foundation and putting it into usable shape, and any other expenses incidental thereto. The reason for this request is the gift of a fine Memorial Library to this University, the Library building to occupy the present site of the Hatch Station and to extend back toward the south end of the Agricultural building. Vote:

Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye

It was suggested that in the event of this privilege being granted, request will be made of the next Legislature that a special

appropriation to cover this not to exceed \$15,000 expenditure be covered in a special grant to the University in view of the gift acquisition of a \$140,000 Library building without expense to the State.

The Secretary was instructed to incorporate into the minutes of the meeting the telegrams from Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr. and from Mr. Clarence H. Mackay as read by the President at the Commencement exercises just concluded, in which these gentlemen authorize public announcement of their respective great gifts to this University of Nevada.

New York City
May 7, 1926

President Walter E. Clark
University of Nevada
Reno, Nevada

In sending you greetings and best wishes for a most successful Commencement I wish to express my appreciation of the very interesting and lucid report which Professor Palmer brought me recently and which has been prepared by Director Fulton of the Mackay School of Mines. As you know, the Mackay School of Mines is very close to my heart and I consider as of the greatest importance that every step taken in building for the future should be given the most careful and expert consideration. I note that the first recommendation that is made for bringing immediate results is to enlarge the present School of Mines and which means increasing the physical capacity of the building and buying the necessary equipment for which Professor Palmer told me the sum of \$100,000 would be required. As this seems to me the most important step for the present, I am wiring you to say that in my message of greeting is included the amount of \$100,000 for the purposes above mentioned, and which will be at your disposal whenever called for. My cordial good wishes to you, Trustees and members of the faculty and students. Tell the students for me never to forget their Alma Mater and to keep the name of the University of Nevada high.

Clarence H. Mackay

Los Angeles, California
May 8, 1926

W. E. Clark, President
University of Nevada

Reno, Nevada

You may make public announcement at your coming Commencement on 10th of May regarding building of my memorial library. We expect to have bids by Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Farquhar and I will be in Reno on Saturday the 15th to confer with you. Letter follows in confirmation. Best wishes.

W. A. Clark, Jr.

The Board members hope to have early opportunity to express in person to both Mr. Mackay and Mr. Clark their heartfelt appreciation of the generous aid given to this University in its building program, since Mr. Clark and his architect plan to be in Reno on May 15th and Mr. Mackay expects to visit the University about the middle of the month.

On motion of Mr. Pratt, the Board of Regents hereby formally expresses its great appreciation of authorization that announcement be made that Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr. will erect upon the University Campus a Memorial Library, the entire supervision and control of the construction of the building to be in hands of Mr. Clark and his representatives, it being understood that Mr. Clark will turn over the completed building as his finished gift to the Board of Regents. The Board hereby formally authorizes Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., through his representatives, to erect a Memorial Library, substantially in accordance with plans now drawn, a copy of these being in the possession of the Board, on the site agreed upon for the proposed Library, namely, a site covering in part the present site of the Hatch building and situated between the Campus main driveway and the Lake and south of the Agricultural building. Vote:

Mrs. Williams	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Talbot	Aye

No meeting of Board members is to be attempted until June 26th, the date of the next regular Board meeting, when both Mrs. Williams and Mr. Williams can be present. The payrolls and claims for the month of May are to be mailed to Mrs. Williams for her signature and also to Judge Talbot for his signature should he be out of town and near Nevada, otherwise they are to be mailed to Regent Frank Williams at Goodsprings.

Adjourned.

Walter E. Pratt

Chairman

Carolyn M. Beckwith
Secretary