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UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REGENTS MEETING March 17, 1952

The Board of Regents met in regular session in the President's office on Monday, March 17, 1952. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 10 A.M. Present: Regents Lombardi, Hardy, Arentz, Crumley and Ross; Comptroller Hayden and President Love. Also present were J. Springmeyer, Legislative Counsellor, Chester Smith, State Budget Director, reporters William Gillis and Ted Scripps.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- (a) Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 4, 1952 be approved, and that the reading thereof be dispensed with.
- (b) Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that the actions of the Executive Committees, as recorded in the minutes of their meetings on January 19, 1952, March 1, 1952 and March 5, 1952, be approved, and that those minutes be made a part of the permanent record.

2. Claims

The following claims had been approved by the Executive Committee, and

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that they be approved by the Board:

Regents Checks, Nos. 12-103 to 12-118 inclusive for a total of \$151,938.27 for January 1952.

State Claims, Nos. 12-72 to 12-83 inclusive for a total of \$91,766.06 for January 1952.

Regents Checks, Nos. 12-119 to 12-135 inclusive for a total of \$125,427.87 for February 1952.

State Claims, Nos. 12-84 to 12-95 inclusive for a total of \$96,885.62 for February 1952.

3. Lincoln Hall Renovation

The matter of Lincoln Hall remodeling and renovation was discussed. It was pointed out that the necessity for removing the center stairway and relocating stairways on either side of the building (as a safety measure in case of fire) had run the cost of initial remodeling to an amount which does not permit 2/3 of the work to be done with the amount appropriated by the State Legislature for the job. It was the unanimous opinion that Mr. Mills, the architect, be consulted and that, after further study, the Executive Committee be empowered to act.

4. Student Union Building

The University of Nevada was named in the Will of Mr. W. E. Travis, who died on February 24, 1952, to receive a sum of money toward the erection of a Student Union building as follows:

University of Nevada
Reno, Nevada 30% but not to exceed \$300,000

Said bequest to the University of Nevada, is made on the specific condition that it be used to construct on the Campus of the University of Nevada at Reno, Nevada, a building to be known as the "Jot Travis Student Building" for use by the students of the University of Nevada for recreation purposes and containing suitable offices for bona-fide student organizations and offices for the Alumni Association and upon the further condition that at least an equal sum be furnished by the State of Nevada and/or others within two (2) years after my death for use in conjunction with my said bequest for the construction of said building.

An ad had been published in local papers asking for credentials and references from architects interested in being considered for the Student Union building. Local architects also received letters giving the same information. Following general discussion, it was the unanimous opinion of the

Board that the President meet with the members of the State Planning Board to discuss further procedure.

5. Charles Thompson

The Comptroller distributed copies of a letter from Sidney W. Robinson, Attorney for Charles Thompson, claiming that there is due him for work in connection with various application engineering services furnished to the University a total sum of \$2,035. Chairman Ross referred the material to Regent Arentz, who had served as a committee of one in regard to Heating Plant matters, so that he might study the claim.

6. Personnel

(a) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that Dr. C. B. Hutchison be appointed Dean of the College of Agriculture, Director of Resident Teaching, and Director of the Agricultural Extension Division, effective July 1, 1952, at a salary of \$8500 per year (including salary as Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station - see item c below).

(b) Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that Mr. Paul Maloney be made Acting Associate Director of the Agricultural Extension Division, effective July 1, 1952, and until the arrival of Mr. Hutchison, who will then be asked to make recommendation.

The Board recessed as a Board of Regents and met as a Board of Control for the Agricultural Experiment Station.

(c) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that Dr. C. B. Hutchison be appointed as Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, in addition to his above assignments, effective July 1, 1952.

(d) Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that Mr. C. E. Fleming be made Associate Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, effective July 1, 1952.

(e) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that Dr. Joseph Robertson be appointed as Head of the Department of Range Management in the Experiment Station, in addition to his other assignments.

The Board adjourned as a Board of Control for the Agricul-

tural Experiment Station and reconvened as a Board of Regents.

- (f) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the following be retired with emeritus rank, and with appreciation for their long years of service to the University:

Effective June 30, 1952

Helen Joslin, Lecturer in Art

Alice B. Marsh, Associate Professor of Home Economics

Walter S. Palmer, Professor of Metallurgy and Director of the State Analytical Laboratory

Cecil W. Creel, Director of the Agricultural Extension Division

Fred W. Traner, Dean of the School of Education

Vincent P. Gianella, Professor of Geology

Effective July 31, 1952

Jeanette C. Rhodes, Registrar

The President reported that Dr. E. Ericksen, Lecturer in Philosophy, will not return after the current semester. He has emeritus rank from the University of Utah.

- (g) Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that M. J. Webster be retired as of June 30, 1952, having reached retirement age, but that he be rehired as Professor of Economics, Business and Sociology for the year 1952-53.

- (h) Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that the following promotions be approved, effective June 30, 1952:

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

John Bonell, Department of Civil Engineering

J. Craig Sheppard, Department of Art

R. E. Worley, Department of Physics

From Instructor to Assistant Professor

T. V. Frazier, Department of Physics (dependent upon Ph. D. degree)

G. J. Paolozzi, Department of Foreign Languages

Eric Axilrod, Department of Economics, Business
and Sociology

W. S. Shepperson, Department of History and
Political Science

- (i) Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that Dr. H. N. Brown be named Director of the School of Education and Director of Special Services.
- (j) Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that Charles Monson be appointed as Instructor or Assistant Professor (dependent upon whether or not he has the Ph. D. degree) in the Department of Philosophy, at a salary of \$3800 for the academic year 1952-53.
- (k) Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that the attached salary and personnel list for the year 1952-53 be approved (filed with permanent minutes).
- (l) Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the following appointments be confirmed:

Francis W. Barsalou as Instructor in the Department of Economics, Business and Sociology, at a salary of \$1900 for the Spring semester 1952.

Joseph B. Key as Lecturer in Animal Husbandry at a salary of \$300 for the Spring semester 1952.

Mrs. Katharine Phillips as Loan Librarian, effective January 1, 1952, at a salary of \$235 per month.

Miss Gloria Griffen as sub-professional Assistant in the Library, effective February 1, 1952, at a salary of \$175 per month.

Miss Mary F. Alvey as Librarian and Map Curator for the Mackay School of Mines and the Nevada State Bureau of Mines, effective February 27, 1952, at a salary of \$4000 per year, on a 12 months basis.

7. Easement - Victory Heights

Comptroller Hayden reviewed the history of the easement, saying that when the University obtained the land at the north end of the Campus from the Evans Estate, there was a road leading from Highway 395 to the section now known as Victory Heights. The easement for the road was in the deed

granted to the University by the Evans Estate, and that deed carried the provision that when the land is no longer used for Agricultural purposes, the easement is to be abandoned. Recently, the road has been and is now being used as a short cut by residents living in the northwest section of town and traffic is becoming heavy and unsafe for individuals living in Victory Heights.

For the above reasons, and with the permission of the Reno Fire Department (providing that the gate be held by a chain which they could cut), and with the approval of the City Councilman representing that district, the Comptroller recommended that the road be closed and fenced on the east and the west.

Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that the recommendation be approved and the Comptroller be authorized to proceed with the closing of the road.

8. Right-of-Way - Astronomical Observatory

In order to provide power service to the newly constructed Astronomical Observatory on the Campus, the Sierra Pacific Power Company has asked for a right-of-way along the northern fence line of the Campus, at no cost to the University, to provide such a power line.

Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that the President be authorized to negotiate with the Sierra Pacific Power Company in granting a right-of-way for the purpose of serving University buildings, providing that the power line is put 20 feet south of the University property line.

9. Easement - South Virginia Farm

At the present time, an easement is held by the University of Nevada, granted by Perry Morgan, whose property joins the South Virginia Farm, for ditch purposes. Mr. Morgan desires that the easement be terminated, and a new easement be granted which would alter the course of the ditch. Since the diversion would need to be replaced whether or not a new easement is granted, it was pointed out that the expense would be practically the same in either case.

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that the President be authorized to sign the necessary papers, to be drawn up by the Attorney General, covering the change in easement.

The Board recessed at 12:15 noon for lunch.

The recessed meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 2:45 P.M. in the President's office. All Regents were present, the Comptroller, the President, Attorney General Mathews and Deputy Foley, and reporters Gillis, Johnson and Scripps.

10. Right-of-Way - South Virginia Farm

The Comptroller presented the request for a right-of-way on the property of the South Virginia Farm for an anchor from poles which would carry power and telephone lines.

Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that authority be granted for such right-of-way.

11. Gifts

- (a) From Basic Refractories, a pilot plant now located at Gabbs, Nevada, when housing can be provided on the Campus. This gift was made through Mr. Howard Eells, President of Basic Refractories.
- (b) From Arthur E. Orvis of Reno, \$1000 for the President's Discretionary Fund.
- (c) From Mrs. G. B. Ethington of Salt Lake City, Utah, photostat copies of "Mormon Station, Memoirs of John Reese" for the Department of History and Political Science.
- (d) From General Electric Company, a distribution type transformer for the Electrical Engineering Department.
- (e) The Reno Branch National League of American Penwomen is giving an award this year to an Art student of the University of Nevada in the amount of \$50.
- (f) From the Estate of Anne Henrietta Martin, \$250 which represents 1/2 the amount bequeathed to the University to be used for bringing the books from her library to the University and for bookplates and a plaque, as provided in her Will.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that these gifts be accepted with appreciation, and that a special note of thanks be sent to Mr. Eells.

12. President's Informal Report

- (a) As authorized by the Regents at their meeting on January 4, a Library Advisory Committee has been formed, and the following have accepted membership:

Mr. B. F. Schlesinger, Palm Springs, California
(Chairman)
Dr. Fred Anderson, Reno
Mr. Walter V. T. Clark, Iowa City, Iowa
Mrs. Harriet Craven, Fallen Leaf Lake, Lake Tahoe
Mrs. Thomas Craven, Reno
Dr. Paul Eldridge, University of Nevada
Mr. Duncan Emerick, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.
Mr. Robert A. Griffen, Reno
Mr. Joe Mc Donald, Reno
Mr. George Ogilvie, Elko
Mrs. H. W. Sawyer, Fallon
Mrs. Gerald Wyness, Boulder City

- (b) Professor J. E. Martie has been named to represent the University in the State Civilian Defense Program.

- (c) Correspondence - Notes of appreciation for sympathy extended in the name of the Board of Regents were received from:

Mrs. James R. Brown and family
Mrs. John J. Sullivan and family
Mr. W. T. Mathews and family

- (d) Regent Hardy and Professor Joe Moose will go to Washington, D. C. on March 23 to meet with government officials in regard to a possible research project to be conducted on this Campus.

- (e) Reverend Fred Trevitt, graduate of the University of Nevada, has accepted an invitation to deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon. It was unanimously agreed that Dr. Monroe Deutsch be invited to give the Commencement Address. (Dr. Deutsch has accepted.)

13. Sheeketski Contract

Mr. Mathews and Mr. Foley, being present for the purpose of discussing the contract between the Board of Athletic Control and Coach Joe Sheeketski, told the Regents of their

study of the contract and its termination by the Regents. In the general discussion which followed, it was brought out that Mr. Sheeketski had received \$2000 on the contract for the current fiscal year. It was understood that Mr. Sheeketski had received from outside earnings during the fiscal year, about \$6,500. The Attorney General suggested the possibility of a year to year settlement of the contract which would give Mr. Sheeketski the difference between his receipts and the amount of the contract. An alternate proposal was that a cash settlement might be agreed upon in conference with a representative of the Board of Regents or its Council, and Mr. Furrh, together with his client, Mr. Sheeketski, and that payment might be made over a period of 3 years. Since the money, in either case, is not presently in the University budget, action of the State Legislature would be necessary.

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that a member of the Board of Regents be appointed to consult with the Attorney General with the view to arranging a conference with the Attorney General and Deputy Foley, Mr. Furrh, Mr. Sheeketski and the representative of the Board of Regents. Report of the conference would be submitted to the Board of Regents for action.

The Attorney General was authorized to notify Mr. Furrh of the action of the Board of Regents.

Mr. Mathews, Mr. Foley, Mr. Springmeyer and Mr. Smith left the meeting at 3:10 P.M.

Chairman Ross appointed Regent Sam Arentz to represent the Board of Regents in a conference concerning the Sheeketski contract.

14. Charles Thompson (continued from item 5)

Mr. Arentz reported that he had reviewed the letter and other material from Mr. Charles Thompson, and felt that his study would require conferences with Mr. Hayden and Mr. Horn.

Motion by Mr. Arentz carried unanimously that he be given further time for his study of the Thompson claim and that after such study he will recommend to the Executive Committee of the Board what disposition should be made of the items in the account.

15. Wesley Elgin Travis

Motion by Mr. Crumley carried unanimously that copies of the following resolutions on the death of Mr. W. E. Travis be sent to the members of his family.

RESOLUTIONS
WESLEY ELGIN TRAVIS

News of the death of Wesley Elgin Travis, who died on January 24, 1952, was received with great sorrow on the Campus of the University of Nevada. He was a real friend to the students - his loss is deeply mourned. They had looked forward to associating with him, because of the fine and interesting person that he was, and because of his expressed desire to visit the Campus and to become acquainted with them.

Born in Hamilton, Nevada, 140 miles from the nearest railroad, he early realized the need for transportation facilities. In the 1890's, when he and his father operated a stagecoach business, he found his life's interest. Motor transportation caught his imagination, and he made it his career. As the industry grew, he grew, until he became President of the Pacific Greyhound Lines; and then, in 1946, was made Chairman of the Board of the Greyhound Corporation and Chairman of the Executive Committee. The steady growth of motor transportation helped westward expansion. A fine service was thus performed, which becomes a part of the history, not only of the West, but of the whole United States.

His was a full and useful life. In it, he saw the country grow and the West come into its own. He contributed immeasurably, and reaped the reward of satisfaction which comes to men of accomplishment.

The University of Nevada is glad that it had the privilege of conferring on Wesley Elgin Travis the Doctor of Laws degree at its last Commencement, and is happy that he was on the Campus to receive it.

The Board of Regents pay their sincere respects to this outstanding man. They recognize his great works. They appreciate his love for Nevada and its University. They express their sorrow and extend their sympathy to the family.

These resolutions are a part of the minutes of the meeting of March 17, 1952 of the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada.

16. Candidates for Graduation

The following candidates for graduation were approved by the faculty at its meeting on February 19, 1952.

Motion by Mr. Hardy carried unanimously that the candidates be approved as follows and that they be granted the indicated degrees and diplomas:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts

John Michael Barry	Gail Moana Monroe
Frederick E. Conelly	Robert H. Moore
Francis E. Couch	James Scott Morrison
Ruth Fyfe	Marlene Nyberg
John Andrew Gonda	Patricia Elaine Pike
Virginia Carlyle Grafton	George Edward Reading
David Dale Hanna	Myrna Varnes
Portia Hawley	George Edward Waxham
Malcolm Gene Matteucci	Frank Whitman Wilson, Jr.
Blanche Mary Ann Mc Clure	

Bachelor of Science

Robert Stuart Leonard	Gordon I. Saxton
John Shurtliff Mc Culloch	

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Frank D. Kiser, Jr.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Charles William Goff	Leland John Virag
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Bachelor of Science in Home Economics

Carol Elizabeth Mac Iver

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Marshall J. Cuffe Norman Sidney Hall

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Lester G. Brownell Roy White
Paul Edward Gieselmann

MACKEY SCHOOL OF MINES

Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering

Donald Clarence Norseth

ADVANCED DEGREES

Master of Science

Glen C. Christensen

17. Investments

Following general discussion on investments of University endowment funds,

Motion by Dr. Lombardi carried unanimously that the Comptroller prepare a list of current assets in University invested funds with the view to studying these investments, and that he be authorized to seek information and advice from a bank, or investment company, and to make recommendation to the Board of Regents.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M. until the Commencement meeting unless a special meeting is called by the Chairman.