Reno, Nevada

May 29, 1900

The Board of Regents met at their Office at 8:30 A.M. Tuesday, May 29, 1900, a full Board being present.

Minutes of February 19, 1900 and April 25, 1900 were read and approved.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Professor J. M. Wilson be authorized to be absent from the University from time to time to do such work in California in connection with his Irrigation duties until the first of October, 1900.

The invitation of the Senior Class for 1900 to attend the annual reception Thursday evening, May 31, was accepted with thanks.
The Board adjourned until 2:00 P.M., this day.

The honorary members of the State Board of Visitors met in the Regents Room at 10:00 A.M. Tuesday, May 29, 1900, the following members being present:

M. S. Bonnifield, Chairman  Humboldt County
J. W. Freeman                  Churchill County
Andrew Manto                   Nye County
T. V. Julien                   Washoe County
Bert S. Smith                  Eureka County

Board met at 2:00 P.M., May 29. All members present.

President Stubbs placed the following names in nomination:

Charles P. Brown for the position of Professor of Metallurgy at an annual salary of Eighteen Hundred dollars commencing with July 1, 1900.

Mr. L. S. J. Winkle for the position of Professor of Mining and Civil Engineering at an annual salary of Twenty-Five Hundred dollars, commencing with September 1, 1900.
Miss Maude M. Wheeler for the position of Instructor in Latin and Mathematics at a salary of Seven Hundred dollars per annum, commencing with September 1, 1900.

Miss Elizabeth S. Stubbs to the position of Secretary to the President at a salary of Six Hundred per annum from September 1, 1900.

Miss Ada F. Edwards to the position of Instructor in Hygiene at a salary of Six Hundred dollars per annum from September 1, 1900.

Professor Henry Thurtell to the position of Dean of the Faculty and Professor of Mathematics.

All of the above nominations was duly confirmed.

President Stubbs recommended a leave of absence to Samuel B. Doten for 9 months for study in the Department of Experiment Stations at Washington D. C. to take effect September 1, 1900.

Upon motion, the leave of absence was granted to Mr. Doten without salary.
It was moved, seconded and carried out that the communication of Professor Phillips of this date be spread upon the minutes and the following reply be ordered and signed by the President of the Board of Regents:

Hon. J. N. Evans,

Chairman of the Board of Regents of the Nevada State University

Sir:

I desire to make a statement to the Board of Regents of the facts and conditions, and their effect upon me, that led up to my action of last January, and to show the reasons for my belief that I was justified in that action. Since your peremptory dismissal of me from the faculty of the University I have felt it a duty that I owe to myself to make a statement.

I further desire to show that your official action concerning me at the meeting of January 16 was based entirely upon false premises.

I pray for the privilege of going before the Board at this
meeting to make such statements, and I furthermore desire
to have Dr. Stubbs and Professor Thurtell present.

Respectfully yours,

J. Warne Phillips

Received at 9:30 A.M., May 29, 1900.

Geo. H. Taylor
Secretary

Office of the Board of Regents
State University
Reno, Nev.

May 29, 1900

Dr. J. Warne Phillips
Reno, Nevada

Dear Sir:

On the 13th day of January, 1900, in the absence of both
the President and Acting President of the University, when
the students were laboring under great excitement which re-
quired the active influence of every member of the faculty
to prevent overt acts of insubordination, you wrote and
published in one of the newspapers of Reno the following
letter:

Reno, Nevada, January 13, 1900

Prof. Henry Thurtell,

Acting President of the University

My dear Sir:

I learn from the University bulletin that our honored and
esteemed associate, Prof. R. D. Jackson, has resigned the
Professorship of Mining and Metallurgy in the University,
which, it is intimated, has been forced from him. Official-
ly, as a member of the faculty, I know nothing of it. The
faculty has not been convened to inaugurate the work of the
term. No statement has been made and no opportunity has
been given us to express the deep regret we feel on account
of his departure.
I regret that I am impelled to say that I cannot meet my students to given them instruction until the faculty receives a statement from the President or the Board of Regents vindicating their recent action taken in regard to Professor Jackson and removing the cloud under which he is leaving us.

I desire you, in your official capacity, to have my classes taken care of, that my students may not suffer from my action.

Respectfully yours,

J. Warne Phillips

You acted as you stated by your letter you would act until the Board met, January 16, 1900. You neither performed nor offered to perform any of your duties. You neither apologized nor offered to apologize for publishing such a letter or for your neglect of duty. For these acts and omissions of yours, we, on the 16th day of January, removed you from your position as a Professor of the University. On the 28th day of May, 1900, you sent us the following communication:

Hon. J. N. Evans
Chairman of the Board of Regents of the
Nevada State University

Sir:

I desire to make a statement to the Board of Regents of the facts and conditions, and their effect upon me, that led up to my action of last January and to show the reasons for my belief that I was justified in that action. Since your peremptory dismissal of me from the faculty of the University, I have felt it a duty that I owe to myself to make a statement.

I further desire to show that your official action concerning me at the meeting of January 16th was based entirely upon false premises. I pray for the privilege of going before the Board at this meeting to make such statements, and I furthermore desire to have Dr. Stubbs and Professor Thurtell present.

Respectfully yours,

J. Warne Phillips
After having over three months to reflect, you wish to appear before us to make a statement, in which you propose showing that our action in removing you was based upon false premises. As you wrote and published the letter above quoted and as you neglected your duties as you threatened to do, and as we removed you for these causes, we fail to see what good purpose would be reached by your making a statement to us.

By order of the Board. Respectfully,

J. N. Evans,

President

Nevada State University,

Reno, Nevada

To the Honorable Board of Regents of the

Nevada State University

Gentlemen:

I recommend that the degrees as approved by the faculty of the University be confirmed by your Honorable Board.
Very respectfully yours,

J. E. Stubbs,

President

Approved by the Board of Regents, May 29, 1900, as follows:

Nevada State University

Registrar's Office

Dr. Joseph E. Stubbs,

President

Nevada State University

Dear Sir:

At a meeting held this day the faculty recommended for graduation the following students:

For the degree of Bachelor of Science, School of Agriculture:

John Hitchcock Chism

For the degree of Bachelor of Arts, School of Liberal Arts:
Mary Eugenia Arnot
Ida May Holmes
Lucy Grimes
John Birchin Jones
Scott Elliott Jameson
George Allen Leavitt
Clara Angelina Rammelkamp
Amelia May North
Margaret Elizabeth Rousseau
Frances Adina Skinner
Carlotta Dodd

For the degree of Bachelor of Science, School of Mines:

William Frank Berry
Alfred Merritt Smith
William Harry Brule
Gustave Harry Sielaff
Daniel William Gault
William Francis Norris
David Walker Hayes

The faculty beg leave to recommend further that the degree
of Bachelor of Science be conferred on Edward Emory Hardack and that he be graduated regularly from the School of Mines. Also, that the degree of Mining Engineer be conferred upon John M. L. Henry, a graduate of the class of 1896 who has completed the necessary amount of study and work to entitle him to said degree.

We recommend further, that the following students be graduated from the four year course in Nevada State Normal School:

Alice Comerford
Sadie May Hatherell
Florence Rosaline Wittenberg
Frances Kerby
Ethel May Peckham
Margaret Veronica O'Brien
Vernie Adelia Frazer
Edna Willma Bean
Teresa Janet Fitzgerald
Myrtle Montrose
Mabel Spinner

From the three year course:
Regent Deal moved, seconded by Starrett, that the President and faculty be authorized to publish a quarterly magazine devoted to University work when the advertising and subscriptions reached a sufficient amount to cover expenses of publishing said magazine.

Upon motion of Regent Deal, seconded by Regent Starrett, the Secretary of the Board was authorized to issue a letter of recommendation to Professor Hillman on his retirement from the University in August next.