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# To: All Members of the Faculty <br> From: John N. Durrie, Secretary 

Subject: Faculty Meeting
The regular October meeting of the Faculty has been postponed until Tuesday, October 20th. An agenda will be mailed to all members prior
to the meeting.


To: All Members of the Faculty
From: Jo'n N. Durrie, Secretary
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The monthly meeting of the Faculty, postr ned from October 13, will be held on Tuesday, October 20, in Mitchell Hall 101, at

4 p.m.

The agenda will include the following items

1. Remarks by President Popejoy.
2. Nomination by the Policy Committee to fill a cormittee vacancy.
3. Announcement by the Graduate Committee concerning nominations for the awarding of honorary degrees.

A copy of the Voting Faculty list for Ser ster I, 1953-54, is attached to this notice.

stating that the University has been fortunate thus far in receiving far better than its pro rata share of fellowships.
Dr. Riebsomer, for the Policy Committee, nominated Professor Nason Dr. Riebsomer, for the Policy Committee, nominated Professor Nason ination was approved

Dean Castetter, on behalf of the Graduate Committee, called the at tention of the Faculty to the availability of Social Science Re search Council faculty and research grants. Further details are available in Dean Castetter's office. Dean Castetter also requested that Faculty recommendations for candidates for honorary degrees be presented to the Graduate Committee before Christmas.
Professor Healy, for the University Film Society, announced the Society's sponsorship of the Flaherty Film Festival in Albuquerque.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

John N. Durrie, Secretary.


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whole; (4) requirements for admission and graduation and for honors and scholastic performance in general 5) approval of candidates for degrees; (6) regula policies of appointment, dismissal, and promotion policies of appointment, dismissal, and promoti Provided, however, that actions taken by the University faculty shali be subject to the authority of the Regents in matters involving finance, personnel, and general University policy."
Many new members of the Faculty and perhaps members who have come since the time the constitution was adopted moy not have this document in your files. I would sug est that you re-read this particular section, and other sections, of the Faculty Constitution.

Another important section under Article I relates o committees. I will not read all of that section but Committe only part of it to point out the importance of one of the committees, namely the Policy Committee:
"There shall be a Policy Committee empowered
(1) to define duties, nominate members, and designate chairmen for the standing committees of the University aculty, subject to consultation with the President ulty; (2) to schedule reports from any of these committees at designated meetings of the University Facilty; (3) to designated meetings of educational policy in general whenever such matters are not appropriate to any special committee; (4) to make reports and recommendations direct to the University Faculty for action by that body; and (5) to express to the Regents and thers Faculty points of view when authorized to do so by the Voting Faculty. By petition of members of the Faculty, singly or in groups, the Policy the Reshall serve to represent such members before the Re-

And the constitution provides for the creation of other committees. By and large, since this Faculty has been organized on this basis, a large part of the business of the Faculty has originated in committees, and naturally we expect these committees, appointed or elected by the aculty, to carry on a great deal of the responsibilities of the general Faculty.

I read these sections, not with the idea of limit ing or inhibiting you in any way, but mainly to stimu-

which has been approved by the Regents and which gives to you a great deal of power and responsibility for the academic life of the institution. I believe it approwhich are coming to all institutions of higher education in the next decade or so

Many problems were discussed at the meeting in Nashington which we have discussed here. The leaders were mainly concerned with the tremendous responsibility hich higher education will have, particularly with th increased enrollments which will come and are expected mated that enrollments will increase in that time by mated that enrollments will increase in that time by fifty or sixty per cent. Along with these problems the many important decisions. One naturally has to do with increased number of offerings in the curricula -- new departments, new divisions, increased staff for existing departments and divisions. These problems must be faced y faculties and administrations unless we want others (and perhaps this is something we should seriously consider) to start institutions in our area or within our own boun daries where the responsibility for that instruction irst rested. We should give serious consideration to admission requirements as related to the number of gradates coming out of the high schools in the area served by the institution. We found considerable difficulty last spring in selling to the legislators in Santa Fe any planning that was concerned with enrollments six or seven years from now. Their general attitude seemed to e, "Let's take care of that when the time comes. Of course, we realize that it is hard sometimes to visualiz precisely what the enrollment will be in the future, b unless some important event should change the present trend, we surely will have an increase at over the nation in all institutions.

New Mexico has a particular problem. From 1940 to 1950, the population increased twice as fast as the national average -- and the population of Albuquerque in creased four times as fast in that same span of years. he public schools in Albuquerque now have twice as tudents as they had in 1946. Those examples point n a small way the trend of enrollment where average.
of increase has been faster than the national average.
This fall at the University some of the enrolment ics are interesting (and I don't intend to enrollment
-- I mean the enrollment of beginning freshmen, freshmen who registered last fall for the first time, was some $40 \%$ higher than in the fall before; that is, in 1952 the enrollment of beginning freshmen was $40 \%$ higher than the enrollment of beginning freshmen in the fall of 1951. In the fall of 1953, the increase over 1952 for beginning freshmen was only $2 \%$. If you analyze that a little more carefully, you will find that the increase in New Mexico freshmen this
fall was some $14 \frac{1}{2} \%$, with a decrease in freshman enrollment from outside the state of $27 \frac{1}{2} \%-$ an over-all increase of $2 \%$, the weight being in the New Mexico enrollment. Our judgment is that the enrollment at this institution will stay on a plateau for some four or
five years, perhaps with some slight increase, but as we approach the end of this decade we will begin to note the tremendous influx of college students which is anticipated in the $60^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$.

Then what are some of the urgencies at the pres- Fewer ent time? One of the first has to do with staff. It is the judgment of people who were at the Washington meeting that the number of graduate students enrolling in our universities will fall off in the immediate universities offering the Ph.D. will be smaller and smaller for four or five years. As a result, when a great deal of pressure is put upon the institutions to expand their staffs in 1958 or 1959, the number of people available will be relatively small.

Other problems have to do with requirements for physical facilities, increased support from the State, etc. These are obvious needs.

The trend of the thinking in the nation, as it was expressed clearly at this meeting, also dealt with with U.S. problems which are coming up now in federal legislation. This was pointed up almost precisely in the contract which 46 institutions received late this summer from the United States Armed Forces Institute. This contract had to do, and we have had it here for a number of years, With correspondence courses offered by the Extension Division to members of the armed forces. When the contract came to the respective offices in the nation of the forty-six institutions involved, several presidents referred it to some other officer in the university and it was accepted. In some cases the contract was signed and sent back to Washington without the knowledge of the president. Some presidents were in Europe, and now I find that many are really disturbed over the fact that the contract was signed.

I would like to read the part of the contract which created a tremendous allergy on my part toward signing it. I had no opportunity to talk to other presidents. Some members of our faculty were here when the contract arrived. We referred it, of course, to the Extension Division, and I am sure that Dr. Ried and Dr. Scholes had some conversations with the people at Madison.
"The Contractor will maintain in such instruction, including correction of student lesson papers, for which a uniform lesson service fee shall be charged for each individual lesson paper, the same methods and quality of teaching and standards of correction as the Contractor regularly furnishes to its correspondence course students. The Contractor shall make available to the Government the professional records and so much of the following data as are arailable to Contractor on all individuals who are to render services under this contract: (a) Name, (b) Date and place of birth, (c) Name of spouse, if any, (d) Present residence, (e) Present employer, (f) Residences during past ten years, and (g) Places of employment during past ten years. It is further provided that the information required in (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) must be furnished."

Then the clinching statement was made:
"The Contractor will not employ or retain for the performance of services under this contract such persons as are disapproved by the Government. In each instance where a person has been disapproved by the Contracting Officer, notification of such disapproval will be forwarded in writing to the Contractor and the person concerned will be barred from rendering any further services under this contract thirty days after receipt of such notification by the Contractor, or if the person is disapproved prior to employment he shall not be employed...."
And then there follows some statements about appeal from this decision, hearings, and the like.

Out of the forty-six institutions, fourteen refused to sign the contract. The University of New Mexico found itself in rather good company in its refusal to sign. A little later a counter proposal was received from the Government which introduced a phrase, "The Contractor w111 not employ or retain for the performance of service under

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This contract was on my desk shortly before my recent trip east. Again my reaction was something like this: I did not like this revision any better
than the original proposal. I did not know what the than the original proposal. I did not know what the reaction of the Department of Defense might be, but I thought of a plan which might work to our advantage in this case, and that was to refer to the constitution of the State of New Mexico. We have sometimes criticize it has come to our rescue. Article 12, Section 3, reads as follows:
"The schools, colleges, universities and other educational institutions provided for by this con-
stitution shall forever remain under the exclusive control of the state...."

## And Section 13 of that same Article states:

"The legislature shall provide for the control and management of each of said institutions by a Board of Regents for each institution, consisting of five members, who shall be qualified electors of the State of New Mexico...."

We cited those two articles to the proper official in Washington. They did not seem to believe that we needed to live up to these constitutional provisions, but nevertheless they were used by us. On this trip I found that the fourteen institutions who refused to sign be fore have now refused again. It is my hope -- and I will you will join with me in this attitudract places upon an outside refuse as long as any con for control of anything dealing with our educational institutions. It is of the dealing with our educational importance that we protect the autonomy of educational institutions over the land. As a result of this move by the fourteen institutions, I am convinced that the different authorities involved know now that they should not place such requirements in contracts. It is essential to recognize the fact that if we allow the particular provision of this contract to prevail, the next move would be in the direction of including such a provision in all of our contracts with the federal gover fees for have, for example, a contract with other fees and flow to the salaries of this staff If we ther fees and flow to the salaries or next move could be that contract, and any number of other contracts.


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It is my judgment that this particular decision -and I should say right now that I was dealing in the most part with your money (some twenty-six or -sever respondence teaching) -- I want to say that the decision we have made, which has the complete support of the Regents, joined with that of the other institutions will, I think, reverse any trend toward interference by the Government. Applause

I had an opportunity to attend several sections of the American Council meeting. Unfortunately they all met at the same time! The section which particular ly seemed to draw me had to do with Congressional investigations and that sort of thing. go on to something stay there for an hour or so and stayed through the whole afternoon and went back for the meeting next morning. It was excellent, had capable people on the panel, and out of it I got this feeling: We have heard a lot recently about academic reedom. Some institutions have been compelled to take stands on some of these matters. Several individuals have been concerned. But out of this whole session, it seemed to be the concensus that as educational administrators, as members of the faculties, we should always has grown up over several hundred years in this country. We should up our command to protect it. But joined with that effort, we should assume at the same time the responsibility -- which we have -for constant demonstration of the values of academic reedom to the public, to ourselves, and we should formulate from time to time a statement, not only of of the rights and privileges, but the responould spring academic freedom. Any such statements should spring from faculties throughout the country. I don't want to give any impression of pessimism; I believe that higher ducation will come through this batis a feeling on the part of practically all -- and at this meeting we had representatives from A.A.U.P. and similar organizations that progress is being made and that the traditions of reedom of inquiry, freedom of teaching, will continue to develop.

I am not asking any committee here to undertake a definition or statement of our responsibilities under his concept of academic freedom, but it would be thing you would all want to think about. prepared by other faculties.

Academ1 Freedom


From Washington I went to a meeting of the Faculty Fellowship Committee of the Fund for the Advancement of Education. The meeting was held in New pork. This is the committee for fellowships from year to year. I bring it up at this time because I would like to solicit the interest of the faculty in this program. Five members of our faculty in the last two years have been able to receive such fellowships for study away from the campus. If we had received our pro-rata share of the fellowship grants, we would have had one in the last two years. Let me say right here that there is no advantage at all in having your president on that co mhtee -- they see to it that he of his own faculty. But there is nothing to stop me from making enthusiastic reports to you and asking your complete cooperation. There are limitations, of course. Age is one, and there are other limiting factors. We will shortly have an announcement for this year's program and I hope many of you will be interested.

I believe that summarizes all the remarks I wanted to mave that summarizes all say to you, referring vanted to make, except possibly to say to you, refer solicit your continued interest in University problems I hope you will exercise fully all responsibilities, and if from time to time you want to suggest some problems which some committee should undertake, I hope you will feel free to do so. The Policy Committee is the one which will determine where any matters should go, so far as committees are concerned. The Policy coling ittee is elected by you, and I am sure it is may to cooperate with you on any matters whit bring to its attention.

The next item on the agenda has to do with a nomination by the policy Committee to fill a vacancy.

DR. RIEBSOMER: Dr. LaPaz has found it necessary to resign from the Student Publications Board. The Policy Commita him. I so move.
DR. WELLCK: Second.
Motion carried.
MR. POPEJOY: The next item on the agenda is an announcement by the Graduate Committee.

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ships of the Advancement of Education.

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DEAN CASTETTER: I have two announcements, the one having come up since the agenda was prepared. There has just come across my desk a notice from the Social Science Research Council regarding the availability of faculty and research grants. It is possible that some of the chairmen of social science departments have received the same announcements. We are anxious that they get wide circulation, and so I bring them before this group.

There are available, first of all, Research Training Fellowships in the social sciences --pre- and post-doctoral fellowships offered to men and women "who have demonstrated exceptional aptitude for research, and who wish to obtain more advanced research training than that which is provided in the usual Ph.D. program.... Upper age limits of 30 and 35 years will normally apply to predoctoral and post as a rule be available before completion of at least two years of graduate study and fulfillment of all requirements for the $\mathrm{Ph} . \mathrm{D}$. degree, with the exception of the dissertation...."

There are also Undergraduate Research Stipends, granted with the understanding that senior students who are awarded these stipends and who show superior promise will also be awarded a First-Year Graduate Study Fellowship.

Third, there are Faculty Research Fellowships which "will be awarded to probably not more than ten persons, for three-year terms during which one-half or more of each fellow's time is to be devoted to selfdirected research and the rest to his regular academic duties." Faculty members receiving these awards will remain in their own institutions and will be expected to be given a much reduced teaching load in order to carry on subsidized research.

And fourth, Grants-in-Aid of Research "are offered to help individual investigators meet the expenses of their own research projects."

The detailed announcements are avallable in the Graduate Office. Also in that office we keep a running file of grants available for faculty and graduate students, offered by the various foundations and organizations which have this kind of money. We are glad to have you come in and look at them.


Now the second announcement: It has been requested that from now on the Graduate Committee make their recommendation for the awarding of honorary degrees before January ist, in order to give I want to read the policy as recommended by the Graduate Committee and approved by the general Faculty on November 12, 1951:
"Inasmuch as the University of New Mexico recognizes that one of its primary institutional responsibilities is to serve the people of the state of New Mexico and of the Southwest in any way it can, he University individuals by giving preference in on the part of individuals by giving preference in who have contributed significantly to the cultural or scientific development of the region, or to the spiritual or material welfare of its people. Such preference is not meant to discourage the granting of special honors to eminent individuals whose contributions have been made to other or broader geographic areas. However, in no case should a passing courtesy to the University of New Mexico, such as the delivery of a commencement address, be the sole or principal cause for such honorary awards.

I am calling this to your attention and asking that any of you who wish to make recommendations for candidates for honorary degrees at the June, 1954, Commencement get them into the hands of the Graduate Committee before Christmas -- the sooner the better.

POPEJOY: Professor Healy, do you wish to make an announcement?

PROFESSOR HEALY: I hope you have all seen the posters around the campus. We are really honored by having the first Flaherty Film Festival here. I Berlin, Venice, and other European cities; now we are to have one in Albuquerque. I wish to extend a cordia invitation to each one of you on behalf of the Film Society to attend this Festival. There is one correction to be made in the list of films as announced on the posters. The last film will not be shown; subtituted for it will be "The Little Fugitive. Flaherty will be present in person at some of the films. I don't know which, but if you come to all and if you won't miss her. I hope appreciate your bringing th appropriate I should antion of your students.

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