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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF REGENTS
Wednesday, May 5, 1920, at the Office of Mr. A. A. Sedillo.

Present: - Messrs Reidy, Sedillo, Montoya, & Hill.

At this meeting seven matters were considered:

Geological Research Two letters from Professor Robert W. Ellis of the State University were read, as follows:

"President Hill:

I wish to call your attention, and the attention of the Board of Regents, to a condition of affairs whose consideration seems of great importance to the welfare of the University. I refer to the matter of the collection and publication of information on the mineral resources of the State. The following facts present themselves:

1. There is no legislative appropriation for the State Geological Survey.

2. The State has abounding mineral wealth, some of which has been partly exploited; there are doubtless vast quantities of materials of economic importance that have not been discovered.

3. Daily requests are coming to me, as State Geologist, for information concerning oil and gas, mica, clays, iron, coal, etc. These requests are from nearly every state in the Union and by parties who are looking toward the development of one or another of these resources. The most insistent demand is for a geological map and literature on the oil possibilities of the State.

4. The State School of Mines has by some means published two reports within the past two years, dealing with important geological topics. It cannot be denied that the issuance of such matter must have little weight when another appropriation from the Legislature is asked for. This University, the State University, although it is the leading and by far the most important educational institution in the State, is not doing anything to promote a proper adjustment of relations between commercial enterprise and geologic science.

The neglect on the part of the Legislature is already sadly apparent. The requests for literature have been coming in for a year or two, and there has been no published information to meet the most of these requests.

In this emergency, help from the Legislature being at least a year away, I am asking if it would be agreeable to you, as well as a possibility, to devote a limited sum to the preparation of a geological bulletin. For the securing of data for such a bulletin, I should be willing to give two months of the coming vacation without pay and would furnish an automobile. The cost of operating the car, gasoline, oil and repairs, etc., with my sustenance and necessary railroad fare, I asking to be defrayed from other sources. These costs I estimate would be approximately $300.00. In addition there would be the cost of printing the bulletin, which would also be in the neighborhood of $300.00."
With the time at my disposal during the remainder of the summer, I think I could have the report ready for publication by the first of October. The amount of time necessary for the field work, as well as for the preparation of the report, would depend on the nature of the problem undertaken.

Several phases of geological work appear important at this time. Some of these are the preparation of a geological map of the State; a study of all the possible mineral deposits of a restricted area.

Kindly consider this matter, and as soon as convenient grant me the favor of an answer, indicating what can be expected in the way of financial support."

Robert W. Ellis.

"President David S. Hill:

Replying to your request for further information relating to proposed geological investigations, I will say:

1. The specific work that seems to me most necessary this summer is to secure data on the oil possibilities of the State.

2. The list of my publications is as follows: "Road and Road Materials of Southeastern Indiana"; "A Soil Survey of Clark, Floyd, and Harrison Counties, Indiana"; "Glacial and Post-Glacial Phenomena of the Portage Region, Wisconsin"; "The Geology of Adams, Franklin, and Harlan Counties, Nebraska."

Robert W. Ellis.

It was resolved by the Executive Committee, as follows:

Resolved:

That the proposition of Professor Ellis is considered favorably. President Hill is authorized to arrange with Professor Ellis for the expenditure of the $300.00 requested, for a definite Geological Research under conditions to be prescribed by him. It was also the sense of the Executive Committee that the results of the said Research would be published, subject however, to the approval of the President and of the Board of Regents.

Insurance

In accordance with the instructions of the Board at the last meeting, President Hill presented a memorandum prepared by Mr. Williams for the proposed allotment of insurance for the University to be allotted on or before May 20, 1920. Mr. Williams was questioned concerning the following plan of allotment:
Bids for Coal requirements for the state University for the coming year ending March 31, 1921, were received from the following:

- W. H. Hahn Coal Co.
- Aztec Fuel Co.
- New State Coal Yard
- Diamond Coal Co.
- Coal Supply Co.

The bid of the Hahn Coal Company was the lowest for the quality of the coal and services needed; it was as follows:

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Total insurance $294,150 --which leaves $14,150 not yet apportioned. This can be divided evenly among the above or in any special amounts to certain agents.

John P. Williams

It was resolved by the Executive Committee of the Board as follows:

Resolved:
That the insurance for the years 1920-23 inclusive shall be allotted according to the above memorandum and the business with the Companies and their agents should be closed promptly.

The Board also agreed to expend about sixty ($60.00) dollars for liability insurance to protect the University against the possibility of an accident which might be incurred by employees who during each week must descend the well on the Campus which has a depth of two hundred seventy-five feet.
"We will be pleased to furnish you the following grades of coal and coke at the prices mentioned below:

- Cerillos Fancy Lump Coal: $9.25 per ton
- " Egg ": $9.25 per ton
- " Nut ": $9.00 per ton
- " Engine ": $7.50 per ton
- Forked Gashouse Coke (May delivery): $7.50 per ton
- Gashouse Coke (Delivery after May): $8.00 per ton

The above prices are all F.O.B. your bins at the University and are subject to advance in price, only in case freight rates are advanced, and then only in the exact amount of the actual freight rate advance.

We are naming you prices on your entire requirements for the coming season ending March 31, 1921, as we understand it is your intention to contract for this period. If your idea is to ask for prices for present shipment only, we will be pleased to revise our quotation."

Student Fees and Expenses.

The matter of student fees and expenses for the coming year was gone over carefully. The matter was considered in the light of the School Law (.5164), Section 147, and also of the necessity of increased revenue for the University. The following statement was authorized for the new Catalog:

**EXPENSES**

In accordance with the desire of the people of the State, it is the policy of the State University to reduce its fixed charges to a minimum sum. Board and lodging for a limited number of students is furnished upon an approximate cost-basis. The Board of Regents reserves the right to change the rates at any time the interests of the institution may demand.

**Fees**

- Registration, per semester: $3.00
- Tuition, per semester: $5.00
- Non-Resident Tuition, per semester: $12.50
- Student Activities Fee (voted by students) per semester: $3.75
- Special Examination Fee: $2.00
- Late Registration Fee: $2.00
- Guarantee Deposit: $10.00

**Board & Lodging**

In the Residential Halls for Men and for Women respectively, in connection with the Dining Hall, or University Commons, board and lodging are furnished for $27.50 per month. By order of the Board of Regents, students occupying University property for residential purposes are required to pay this sum ($27.50 per month). The rate is not subject to deduction except on account of absence on seven consecutive days, excused by Deans. The privileges of the Residential and Dining Halls may be withdrawn from any person violating the rules and regulations of the University.

Quarters for resident students are provided in the two Residential Halls, one for men and one for women. These Halls are divided into suites, each consisting of two bedrooms and a study. Two students, as a rule, occupy one suite. The rooms are furnished and electric light and steam heat provided, but students supply their own bedding, towels, etc., and pay
their own laundry bills. The Men's Residential Hall is in charge of a Proctor and the Women's Residential Hall is in charge of a Supervisor.

Persons connected with the State University who do not reside in University property may procure meals at the following rates:

**Meals**

Meals for one month, $22.50, cash in advance. Sold only to students or faculty members not domiciled in University property, non-transferable and good only during current month, and the rate is not subject to deduction except on account of absence on seven consecutive days, excused by Deans.

**Coupon Books**

Good only for noon-day luncheon on weekdays (except holidays)

Price, $7.00 for 20 coupons, which are non-transferable.

**Single Meals**

In the interest of service, economy, and health the buying of single meals is discouraged. However, single meals will be supplied to those connected with the University at the following rates:

- Breakfast: 40¢
- Dinner: 60¢
- Supper: 60¢
- Dinner (Sundays and holidays): 85¢

It is the intention of the Board of Regents to supply good board and lodging at cost. The above prices are subject to change at any time.

Two communications, one from Mr. Williams addressed to President Hill and one from the University Heights Development Company addressed to the Board of Regents, were read, as follows:

"President Hill:

Col. Sellers, of the University Heights Company, would like to know if the University would be interested in considering a proposition to furnish water to that Company. He estimates that throughout the summer they will need about 75,000 gallons per day and he offers to pay the University the same as he is now paying the City, 15¢ per thousand, to start immediately. It looks like it might be a good proposition. Do you want me to go ahead and do anything further in the matter.

John P. Williams"

"Board of Regents":

The University Heights Development Company is desirous of arranging to connect your water system with that of the University Heights Development Company, and for you to furnish the Development Company with water by pumping the same to our stand tank. You to establish a meter where the water enters the main, and the Development Company to pay you for all water passing through the meter at the rate of 15¢ per thousand gallons.

At the present time we are getting our water from the City Reservoir, which connection we would maintain to be used in the event of an emergency. We might also say that
our stand tank would be at your service in the event anything should happen to your plant, and whereby you could be assured of water and hydraulic pressure.

If such an arrangement could be effected, we would be pleased to enter into a contract with you to take effect just as soon as connections would be made.

University Heights Development Co."

It was resolved by the Executive Committee, as follows:

RESOLVED:

That the University is not in a position to enter into this contract to furnish water, and the proposition is respectfully declined.

Correspondence with the Purchase, Storage, and Traffic Division, Washington, D. C. (E. C. Morse, Director of Sales, A. A. Fuller, Chief, Machine, Tool Section) was read by President Hill.

Coupons, signed by E. C. Morse, placing the State University of New Mexico on the accredited list, were exhibited. Statements of the War Department, that under certain conditions surplus materials could be obtained from the War Department by educational institutions at 15% of cost, were also read and descriptions of materials were shown to the Committee.

It was resolved:

That President Hill is authorized to use his discretion in the purchase of such materials from the War Department from time to time at a total cost not to exceed $1,000.

A further discussion of the location of the Home Economics Building resulted in the decision to authorize the location of the Building on the lot about fifty feet to the east of the main Avenue on the Campus, north of Central Avenue and just to the south of the Men's Gymnasium.

After informal discussion of the question of the employment of a Specialist in Rural Education, the meeting adjourned.

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J. A. Reidy
SECRETARY & TREASURER, BOARD OF REGENTS

Date: May 8, 1920