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Minutes of the Meeting of Executive Committee  
 University of New Mexico  
 Held at Office of Chairman, 2 p.m., May 22, 1919

Present:- Dr. Reidy, Mr. Brooks, last named in the Chair.

Oil Head

The Chairman called attention to the motion passed at the last Board Meeting to obtain an oil head so that the big motor could go on the surface instead of at the water level on the well at the Campus, the supposition being at that time that the cost would be about \$1,500., or \$1,600. He further reported that he had been in correspondence with Layne & Bowler and had found that the expenditure, including freight and installation, would be between \$4,000. and \$4,500.; He further showed a letter from Layne & Bowler stating that very few oil heads were now being used, and that their price complete with tubing would be \$3,500., f.o.b. Los Angeles.

He further reported an interview with Mr. John F. Wolking, the well man who has made all pump installation for the University up to this time, written notes of which interview were taken down at the time, reading as follows:-

Office Memo.

May 17, 1919, 10:45 A M

In a talk with Wolking May 17, 1919, he made the following statement:

First, That the contract with Layne & Bowler called for the return of the pump at nearly full credit, we to pay the freight both ways in order that a similar pump could be installed if we were not successful in getting the amount of water hoped for.

Second, That the oil balance at \$1,000. f.o.b. Los Angeles was not put in at the time on account of the extra expense, for one thing, and more particularly because we did not know what water supply we would get, and that should we get a water supply between 100 and 250 gallons, there would be no occasion for an oil balance.

Third, That the installation of the 50 h.p. motor was the thing to do at the time, not only because it was impossible to buy a 75 h.p. motor but more particularly because the chances were much better that the supply of water would not exceed 200 gallons a minute, than that we could get a large supply of water, which developed, and that if the supply of water should be less than 350 gallons a minute, Layne & Bowler had advised that a 50 h.p. motor would be ample in every respect.

Fourth, That when L&B stated the expense of an oil head would be \$1,000. f.o.b. Los Angeles, both he and I understood it to mean, complete, and did not know that it did not include the column which would extend from the surface to the bottom of the well, which they now claim will cost \$2,500., to which another thousand would have to be added for the oil head.

Fifth, That he was told by drummers for other pump manufacturers about that time and later that the oil head was proving to be a failure and that they were being

thrown out in Texas, southern Arizona, and California, where they had already been installed.

Sixth, That both the Bowlers at that time were shouting that the oil head was just the thing and was going to be very popular and would be installed all over the country, and that they had the only oil head, which was controlled by their patents. Mr Wolking called attention to the fact that there would seem to be something strange or odd about the indication in their letter that the oil head manufactured at that time is no longer being made, and that they now make a larger and stronger oil head intended for heavier duty, and that they now state that oil heads are very seldom used anywhere, and further that this indicates to him (Wolking) that there is something wrong about the oil head, and that it must have proved to be a partial failure at least.

Seventh, That in his opinion there was no good reason why the installation of our 75 h.p. motor should not prove successful, and that the expense for the future in connection with it should not be very heavy, and that with proper attention, it should very seldom get out of order to the extent that the smaller one did a short time ago. He also was of the opinion that had Frank Anderson remained in charge of the well and motor, the pump would have been running and doing full duty up to this time. In other words, that the motor would not have given out if it had had as full attention as FMA would have given it, he understanding what was necessary better than any one else on the hill.

(Signed)-G.L.B.,

The Chairman further reported that the expense for city water, through the delay of not installing our big motor at the water level, was costing more than \$10. a day; that it would not take very long for Mr. Wolking to install the motor as he had already completed most of the work, and urgently recommended that this be done at once, not only to stop the expense for city water, but also because it was out of the question to further consider the putting in of an oil head at great expense.

Thereupon, motion was made and carried that Mr. Wolking be notified to resume the installation of the big motor, and to put it in as quickly as possible.

There being no further business, adjournment was taken subject to call.

(Signed) GEORGE L. BROOKS  
Chairman.

## LIST OF BILLS

May, 1919

First Nat BkState Nat Bk

V/2982--City Eletr Co., Note	\$1,200.00	
2983--Water Dept Albq., -----	5.00	
2984--PETTY CASH, Frt. Exp., Stmps &c--	79.93	
2985--J P Williams, Trvlg Exp.	-- 200.00	
2986--Hotel Craig (Trk Mt)	-- 15.00	
2987--Overland Hotel	-- 12.00	
2988--Angelus Hotel	-- 18.00	
4001--A. Huning Eletr Co.		-----139.43
2989--Matthew D&S Co., Apr.	-- 50.00	
2990--Union Store Apr.	-- 58.43	
2991--J. Korber & Co.,	-- 140.13	
4002--S F R/Way Co., Scrip-bk		-----90.00
4003--A.O. Weese-as Dean		-----33.33
4004--PETTY CASH-frt, exp, stmps &c		-----73.17
4005--N.W. Steel & Iron Wks		-----10.50
4006--Evening Herald -Apr.		-----196.10
4007--Note-for deposit only		-----3,500.00
4008 State Council Dfnc.		
--Dallas Wells		-----16.20
4009--UNM Dining Hall (Track)		-----46.40
4010--W.R. Humphreys "		-----10.25
4011--Mrs. F. Hamm (Angelus Hotel) Track		-----33.00
D.H.-Chk O'Hara ret'd		-----20.00
4012--Ath Assctn-Dstrbtn fees.		-----147.00
4013--UNM Weekly " "		-----18.00
4014--PAY ROLL-D. Hall (May)		-----416.25
4015--A.O. Weese (as Dean, May)		-----33.33
4016-53, SALARIES, May		-----4,479.55
4054- Univ. News-claims		-----4.27
4055- Allie Atkinson-claim		-----15.00
4056- PAY ROLL, Labor Manual (May)		-----891.40
2996- Armour & Co., May	--111.60	
2997- Albq Gas Elct Co	--127.70	
2998- Central Prtg Co. (Evng Hrlld)	--128.05	
2999- Chas Ilfeld Co.	--186.64	
3000- L B Putney	--106.43	
3001- Sinclair Fefg Co.	--127.45	
3002- Water Dept Albq.	--378.40	
4059- PETTY ACCTS, May		-----1,227.38
	<u>2,944.76.</u>	<u>11,400.56.</u>

SUMMARY; 2,944.76  
11,400.56

14,345.32--See May Report.