MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF REGENTS
State University of New Mexico.
Thursday, November 4, 1920, Office of President Hill.

Present: Messrs. Sedillo, Reidy, and Hill.

Construction of Home Economics Building.

The complaint of one A. E. Smith of Roswell, New Mexico, addressed to President Jaffa, alleging imperfections in the construction of the Home Economics Building and unwise deviations from the specifications, was read. The Executive Committee and the President of the University Mr. Cristy, the architect and Mr. Marchant, the contractor, visited the Building and went over each matter in detail. It was unanimously agreed that the allegations of Mr. Smith were unwarranted.

Mr. Marchant stated that Smith was discharged by him for cause and read a letter to the Board indicating that he, Smith, claims a check or bonus for his work. Following are the letters from Mr. Smith and Mr. Marchant respectively.

October 30, 1920.

Mr. Nathan Jaffa,
President, Board of Regents,
University of New Mexico,
Roswell, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

If you have not made final settlement on the Economics Building at Albuquerque, you should deduct amount sufficient to cover the difference between the present building, and what was contracted for.

The foundation is not put in according to details, and door jambs have no anchors. The roof is cut down one-fourth in height and plans show the two brick walls in hall should have been 13 inches but are 9 inches, and one-half the partitions are not anchored to walls.

The inside trim is got out of No. 1 sheeting maple. Flooring is B. clear, and should be A. clear, and the hardware is the cheapest that could be bought that would fill the bill. All is imitation bronze, the very cheapest that was on the market.

The building is about 22 inches short of full height.

I was foreman on said job for Mr. Marchant, and if you care to send to President Hill of the University for the plans of the building, I will explain wherein contract was not carried out.
Hoping you will look into this matter before final settlement is made, I am,
Respectfully,
A. E. Smith.

November 3, 1920.

Mr. E. B. Cristy,
Architect.

Dear Sir:

As requested will answer the following list whether or not these items were done according to Plans and Specifications on University Home Economics Building.

(1) Foundation 6" to 8" deeper than Plans show as requested by you to overcome frost-line.
(2) Door jams are fastened with wood jam blocks.
(3) Pitch of Roof exactly as specified % to 1" fall.
(4) Brick wall in hall put in according to Plans.
(5) Anchors in Partitions -- bolts used for fastening.
(6) Inside Trim -- have bills showing that clear material was used.
(7) Maple flooring -- bills show that this flooring is clear material and was bought for best grade.
(8) Finish hardware -- you want and picked out this yourself and was satisfied that what I got was as specified.
(9) Height of Building -- exactly as the Plans scale.

Yours respectfully,
E. J. Marchant."

The attention of the Executive Committee was called to the tremendous growth of the work of the State Health Laboratory maintained in cooperation with the University.

Miss Myrtle Greenfield, Bacteriologist, has just completed the following report for the month of October.

Diphtheria Diagnosis
Positive-----------------28
Negative-----------------39

Diphtheria Release
Positive-----------------174
Negative-----------------553

Gonococcus
Positive-----------------1
Negative-----------------1

Tuberculosis
Positive-----------------3
Negative-----------------6

Wasserman
Positive-----------------9
Negative-----------------37
The following letter from Commissioner Waller was read and the accompanying check for $250.00 contributed by Mr. G. A. Kaseman was received and ordered turned over to the Financial Secretary Miss Parsons. The action of President Hill in appointing Miss Flora Chess as Laboratory Technician at $100.00 per month was approved.

"Dr. David S. Hill, President
University of New Mexico,
Albuquerque, N. M.

Dear Dr. Hill:

Referring to our conversation of last Thursday, I wish to nominate for appointment as Technician in the State Public Health Laboratory, Miss Flora Chess of Albuquerque, effective October 15, 1920, at a salary of $100.00 a month, for such period of time as may be covered by funds available for this purpose. The expense for salary will be met by the State Health Department, through funds secured from private sources.

It is suggested that the monthly salary payments can be handled most satisfactorily by the Treasurer of the University, as is done with regard to Miss Greenfield. I am therefore forwarding a check for $250.00, received from Mr. Kaseman, to be deposited with the Treasurer for this purpose. It is hoped that other funds will be made available, in which event the checks will be remitted to the Treasurer as received.

Cordially,
C. E. Waller". 
Attention was called to an invitation from President Jessup of Iowa University requesting the presence of President Hill at a Caucus of the Separated State Universities to be held on November 11, in Washington in order to consider the grave matter of legislation which is brewing looking toward the limitation of all Federal appropriations for education to land-grant institutions and which proposal President Jessup regards as a menace to education.

The matter of securing for another year the appropriation of six thousand six hundred dollars from the Interdepartmental Social Hygiene Board was discussed also.

The Committee invited President Hill to go, but the necessity of his remaining in Albuquerque at this time appealed to him strongly and he decided that it was best to remain here for the present.

Dr. Reidy delivered two checks for six dollars each from the Great American and Hudson Insurance Companies respectively in part-payment of the claim for the burning of the small building on the Campus recently. Attention was directed to the fact that the distribution of our insurance to more than fifty companies in the attempt of the Board to be fair in its distribution is resulting in the piling up of unnecessary clerical work as there will be more than fifty small checks received and accounted for in the settlement of this claim.

The Executive Committee was apprised of the fact that the Student Body in cooperation with the Administrative Council of the Faculty and the President, is working on a Constitution to effect more definitely a satisfactory form of self-government.

A report from Miss Parsons indicated the following balances:

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$40,321.71

PSB Fd.----------------- 914.97
SSR Fd----------------- 50.00

Another memorandum from Miss Parsons shows the outstanding obligations in the form of notes as follows:
November 4, 1920.

Memo. of Obligations:

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After discussion it was agreed that the Executive Committee should await receipt of Lands Income money from Santa Fe before attempting to take up any one of the three notes referred to above. After further informal discussion the meeting adjourned.

Signed:

(copy) J. A. REIDY
Secretary-Treasurer, Board of Regents

Date: November 4, 1920