

THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES

June 10-11, 1914

For the confidential information
of the Board of Trustee

The regular annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming was held this date pursuant to call, with Mr. T. F. Burke in the chair and also present, Messrs. Gibson Clark, L. H. Brooks, W. S. Ingham, C. D. Spalding, A. B. Hamilton, C. S. Beach, and President Duniway. Mrs. Mary B. David was absent in California. The minutes of the meeting of the Board for December 12th were read and approved. The minutes of the Executive Committee meetings for the year July, 1913 - June, 1914, were read and approved.

The matter of the letter of Mr. W. C. Deming, Editor of the Wyoming Tribune, was then taken up. In this letter Mr. Deming made a proposition that the University abandon the publication of the Wyoming Farm Bulletin and use instead thereof a couple of pages each month in the Wyoming Stockman-Farmer. This letter of Mr. Deming's had previously been considered at the January meeting of the Executive Committee, but by that committee had been referred to this meeting of the full Board. The Board, after a full discussion, decided upon motion of Mr. Ingham that, in view of the value of the Wyoming Farm Bulletin to the University of Wyoming, its publication be continued, and that we do not at this time enter into any contract with another paper. Carried.

At this point Mr. Burke explained to the Board the difficulties that the Executive Committee had had with its coal contractor, full particulars of which will be found in the minutes of that committee for the months of February, March, April and May. The Board concurred in the action of the Committee in refusing to pay the extra twenty-five cents per ton as demanded by him for the coal.

The Secretary then read the following letter from Dr. Grace Raymond

Hebard to President Duniway:

April 11th, 1914.

Dr. C. A. Duniway,
President of the University,
Laramie, Wyoming.

My dear Dr. Duniway:

Several years ago Dr. Wergeland made a will in which she gave me all of her library, stating that I was to donate books to any library that I might select. When in California last summer, we talked of disposing of our books, and both came to the conclusion that to donate our library while we were alive to the University of Wyoming would be of great satisfaction to us both, and we hoped, of benefit to the library in which we had spent so many years of our lives. When Dr. Wergeland was last ill she made another will, and made me her heir. Although the books would legally come to me, I am very anxious to carry out her wishes and our desires, and hence have placed all of her books in the library, not as a donation from me, but as a donation from her, and have placed in each book her bookplate and donation mark. There are over a thousand of these books, covering many subjects in ten languages. In 1903, the year after Dr. Wergeland came to this University from Chicago, she made a donation to the library of all her books on art and architecture - from a financial standpoint perhaps the most valuable donation she has made. Since that date, from time to time, she has made generous donations of books on subjects which this University did not offer for instruction, until the library, as a recipient, is now richer by over two thousand volumes by her benevolence. It is easy to count the number of books in the donation; it would not be difficult to estimate the cost of the books, which would be several thousand dollars, but the value of the donation as a whole, because there are many rare and out-of-print books, books out of the ordinary channels, books

on subjects which perhaps no library in the Rocky Mountain region possesses - cannot be expressed in dollars and cents, or in immediate use, or in future usefulness. These books represent an accumulation of over forty years in many countries and two hemispheres where she has lived, read, and studied.

Respectfully,

(Signed) GRACE RAYMOND HEBARD.

This letter had previously been presented to the meeting of the Executive Committee for that month, but that Committee had decided that it should be brought before the whole Board for appropriate action. By resolution, the Chair was instructed to appoint a committee to draw up a suitable minute of thanks to Dr. Hebard, and Mr. Burke appointed as such a committee President Duniway and Mr. L. H. Brooks.

Mr. Burke called to the attention of the Board the fact that there was considerable money in the State Treasury belonging to the University waiting to be invested in the proper bonds. Mr. Burke also stated that the University sometimes lost a chance to make a good investment as the State Treasurer had to act at once in making purchases, and was not able to wait for approval of committees. A resolution was introduced by Mr. Spalding that it is the sense of the Board that in event of an emergency requiring immediate action Mr. Burke be appointed a committee of one to co-operate with the State Treasurer in the purchase of bonds for investment, and the Secretary is hereby instructed to so notify the State Treasurer. Carried.

At this point the Board decided that it would adjourn at 6.15 to dine at the Women's Hall, and that it would re-convene at 7.15 and adjourn at 8.15 to attend the exercises of Class Night, and to assemble immediately thereafter to complete its business.

President Duniway then began the reading of his annual report. It was listened to by the Board with great interest. Upon the conclusion of the reading, Judge Clark moved that the Board express to the President its appreciation of his report, which was both full of interest and of such a comprehensive nature that the Board felt that it had a complete record of University affairs. Carried.

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The Board re-convened at twenty-five minutes past seven. The matter of the Budget was first taken up. The Board decided to act upon it in two parts; first the salary list and then the Departmental Appropriations. President Duniway withdrew and the matter of his salary was considered. Upon motion of Mr. Brooks, as a mark of appreciation the President's salary was raised to \$4,700 for the academic year ending August 31st, 1915, together with the use of the house as heretofore. Carried. Upon motion of Mr. Ingham, seconded by Dr. Hamilton, the Salary Budget as recommended by the President was adopted. Upon motion of Judge Clark the Departmental Appropriations Budget was adopted. Complete copies of the Budget are filed in the Office of the Secretary.

Judge Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Spalding, that the appropriation budget of the State Extension and the Smith-Lever Act funds be adopted, with power to the Executive Committee to amend or change the same as may seem necessary.

Upon motion of Mr. W. S. Ingham, the following degrees as recommended by the Faculty were granted:

THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

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MASTER OF ARTS

Jesse Menander Mann, B. A.'

Verner H. Rowland, B. A. in Education.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

George Abbot.'

John Edward Anderson.'

Gladys Eloise Corthell.'

Eleanor Trace Foster.'

Mildred Elaine Hicks:

Oakley D. Overton.'

J. Francis MacBride:

Marion Roberts.'

John Theodore Pierce, Jr.'

Lucy Mays Taylor.'

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

Margaret Louise Arnold:

Edgar Howard Davis.'

Alice Downey.'

Selma Josephine Lauritsen.'

Katherine Elinor Nenno:

Leora Lida Smith.'

Edith Irene Hynds.'

THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

Ross Leon Bancroft.'

T H E C O L L E G E O F E N G I N E E R I N G

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Lewis Thornton Cook.

Wallace Charles Taylor..

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Harry Stanley Rogers.

Francis Stowers Sutphin.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MINING ENGINEERING

Charles Lynn Thompson.

T H E D E P A R T M E N T O F H O M E E C O N O M I C S

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOME ECONOMICS

Maybelle Marie Freeman.

Lucile Wright.

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Upon motion of Judge Clark, the following diplomas were also granted:

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Mrs. Meriba May B. Boyle (Voice):

Margaret F. Coughlin (Piano):

T H E N O R M A L S C H O O L

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Lena Natrona Brooks:

Ella Marion Lyle:

Esther Adell Overton:

Nora Ellean O'Mara:

Ruth Marion Thobro:

Henrietta Emma Smith:

Emma Lorena Welty:

Megan Myfanwy Thomas:

Margaret Elizabeth Mullison:

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The President reported that the students of the University of Wyoming had presented to the University a tablet in memory of the late Dr. Wergeland. The President exhibited this tablet to the Board. Upon motion of Dr. Hamilton, the matter was referred to the committee previously appointed by Mr. Burke, who were instructed to prepare a suitable resolution of thanks, and the Secretary was instructed to convey the same to the student body.

The President further reported that the University had been made a gift of an excellent portrait of the late Dr. Wergeland, and similar action was taken with reference to this portrait.

The following letter to Mr. Burke, the President of the Board, was then read:

June 6th, 1914.

HON. T. F. BURKE,
PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING,
LARAMIE, WYOMING.

Dear Sir:-

In June 1902 your honorable Board of Trustees elected as Professor of History and head of that Department Dr. Agnes Mathilde Wergeland, Doctor of Philosophy, Zurich 1890. Since that time until her death, March sixth, 1914, Dr. Wergeland, with rare ability, marvelous fidelity, - always with extreme modesty, - performed the duties assigned her in such a manner as to leave to her memory a heritage greatly to be envied and very difficult of emulation. These last twelve years

of her life were happily spent in her service for this University. Her ambitions were identical with those of the institution she represented and her interests and hopes for it were the highest.

Dr. Wergeland and I had frequently counseled together as to what might be possible for us in the future to do to show our substantial interest in this institution where we had toiled for its true intellectual growth and where we had been intimately associated for twelve very fruitful years.

In order to fulfill in some slight degree some of the things hoped for for this University, I enclose herewith bank checks on the Hibernian Bank of Chicago, aggregating One Thousand Dollars, endorsed payable to the University of Wyoming, which I ask you to accept from me in memory of my friend and companion, Doctor Agnes Mathilde Wergeland, to establish a perpetual fund for the purpose of endowing and establishing a scholarship in History in this University to be known for all time as the "Agnes Mathilde Wergeland History Scholarship". The income of said fund to be awarded and paid to students of the University under such regulations as may be made from time to time to be adopted by the Board of Trustees. Said fund shall be invested in high grade securities, safety being the first consideration, only the net income of said funds shall be used, and then only when the recipients are deemed worthy. The Board may in its discretion reserve the income, or any portion thereof, to increase the principal, but when said principal is increased, it shall not be decreased.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) GRACE RAYMOND HEBARD.

Upon motion, this matter was also further referred to the committee consisting of President Duniway and Mr. Brooks in order that they might draw up suitable resolutions of thanks.

At this point the Board adjourned to attend the Class Night exercises.

The Board re-convened at 10.25 with all the members present except Judge Clark. The matter of the Wergeland Historical Scholarship was again taken up and the Secretary was instructed to spread the letter of Dr. Hebard on the minutes, and also to write a letter to Dr. Hebard which should contain both a certified copy of the minutes of the Board with respect to this donation, and also a copy of the resolutions to be presented by the committee. The Board further appointed as a committee on the details of the Scholarship President Duniway, Dr. Hebard and Professor White of the History Department with instructions to this committee to draw up suitable rules and regulations, the same to be reported to the next meeting of the Executive Committee. *

President Duniway reported that the adding of the Agricultural Hall to the heating plant necessitated some improvements in the same. He stated that he wished to employ Professor Hoefer to supervise the work at a salary of \$200. Upon motion of Dr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Ingham, this was duly sanctioned.

Upon motion, the Secretary in consultation with the President, was authorized to re-appropriate the unexpended balances as appearing upon the Secretary's books at this time. Carried.

Upon motion, the Executive Committee was empowered to transact all necessary routine business between the sessions of the Board. Carried.

The Board then proceeded to its election of officers, and upon the motion of Mr. Brooks, the old officers were re-elected, and the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot for the same, which was unanimously carried. Mr. Burke appointed Dr. Hamilton and Mr. Ingham, in addition to himself, as members of the Executive Committee.

The Secretary then submitted the following report of the condition of the Agricultural Hall account to date:

Hall
STATEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ACCOUNT TO DATE

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<u>1912</u>	Architectural Competition	\$ 500.00
	Advertising for Bids for Foundation	27.61
	Laying Foundation	2,177.90
	Expenses incident to Laying Cornerstone.	141.17
	Advertising for Bids for Construction of Building	56.32
	William Dubois, Architect, on account	2,500.00
	Archie Allison, on account of construction of the building (including \$5,000 to be paid at this meeting of the Exec- utive Committee)	59,209.75
	Advertising for Bids for Electrical Construction	10.43
	On Account of Electrical Construction Contract	950.00
	Advertising for Bids for Heating and Plumbing	38.34
	On Account of Plumbing Contract (including \$1,200 paid in the Executive Com- mittee held today)	3,700.00
	Safe or Vault Door	81.00
	Total paid to date	\$ 69,392.52
	Balance due on Building Contract	22,550.25
	Balance due on Plumbing and Heat- ing Contract	4,797.00
	Balance due on Electrical Contract	935.00
	Total	\$ 100,174.77

*Balance due on Architects fee
estimated*

2,215.99
\$102,390.76

Mr. Ingham presented the following resolutions upon the death of Dr. Wergeland, and upon motion of Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Spalding, the same were adopted.

Whereas: Dr. Agnes Wergeland, professor of History and Spanish at the University has been removed by death:-

Be it resolved that this Board expresses its appreciation of her work and its realization that she attained the highest aims of her profession as an educator, and that as a woman of lofty ideals and useful life, she was a power for good in all of her relations with the students and the institution.

We would express also the feeling of the Board that in the death of Dr. Wergeland, the University of Wyoming has suffered a loss which will be long felt, and that her place as an educator and as a woman will be perhaps impossible to entirely fill. We would express as well the personal loss experienced by each individual member of this Board.

Be it resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy be sent to her nearest relatives and friends.

The Board then adjourned, to meet the following morning at nine o'clock.

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June 11th, 1914.

The Board re-assembled at a quarter of nine, with Messrs. Spalding, Hamilton, Ingham, Beach, Brooks and President Duniway present. Judge Clark came in later.

The President then brought up the matter of leaves of absences for members of the Faculty. He recommended that at the end of six years ^{those} ~~with~~ with the rank of Professor, Associate Professor, or Assistant Professor, who had served for that period of time, be allowed a leave of absence for a year, if the said leave be recommended by the President and approved by the Board, during which time the Professor on leave would receive as a salary the difference between his full salary and the amount required to pay for his substitute, ^{in the performance of the most essential portions of the} the substitute in every instance to be a ^{was} man recommended by the President and approved by the Board. Judge Clark moved that this recommendation by the President be adopted. Mr. Brooks seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried. ^{the}

The Committee consisting of President Duniway and Mr. Brooks then reported with reference to the various Wergeland Memorials. The reports are as follows:

Your committee appointed to prepare a suitable resolution on the gift to the University of an excellent photograph of the late Professor Wergeland report as follows:

This Board accept with hearty thanks the gift of a beautiful photograph of Dr. Agnes Mathilde Wergeland from Professor Grace Raymond Hebard, the intimate friend and associate of the late Professor Wergeland. It is most fitting that the presence of the scholarly Dr. Wergeland should continue not only to be felt in the library through the beneficent influence of the gift of her personal library, but also to be made visible by her portrait as a constant reminder of her beautiful character.

Your committee also report the following in relation to the presentation of a Memorial Tablet:

The thanks of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming are tendered to the students of the University who have presented a beautiful bronze tablet to be placed upon the walls of the Library, suitably engraved to commemorate the distinguished services of the late Agnes Mathilde Wergeland.

Your committee would further report on the gift of the Agnes Mathilde Wergeland History Scholarship as follows:

The grateful thanks of the Board of Trustees are tendered to Dr. Grace R. Hebard, Professor of Political Economy in the University of Wyoming, for her memorial gift of one thousand dollars to endow a scholarship under the name of Agnes Mathilde Wergeland History Scholarship. This gift is a notable fact in the history of the University of Wyoming, since it is the most considerable private endowment which has yet been given to this institution. The Board of Trustees will faithfully observe the conditions expressed by the donor for the administration of this fund. It is most fitting that a life of consecrated scholarship and years of devoted service given to the University of Wyoming by Dr. Wergeland should thus be commemorated by the generous act of a loyal friend.

In acknowledgment of the letter from Professor Grace Raymond Hebard transmitted by President Duniway, the Board of Trustees desire to record their appreciation of the gift of the library of the late Professor Agnes Mathilde

Wergeland. This collection of scholarly works, representing the acquisitions and the activities of the late Professor Wergeland, will be a fitting memorial for her years of devotion to the University of Wyoming. As the students of after years consult these books, containing book-plates showing from whence they came, they will profit not merely by utilizing the particular books they need, but also by her spirit and example. Gifts of this nature will exercise influence for good indefinitely.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.



Secretary.