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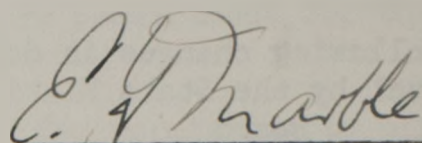
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E. G. Marble, Secretary

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April 9, 1946

1. A meeting of the faculty was held in Science Hall 107 at 4:10 p.m. on call of President James A. McCain, who presided.

Present: Ames, Armsby, Atkinson, Badgley, E.E. Bennett, Bischoff, Briggs, Browman, Bue, Campbell, Chatland, Clapp, W.P. Clark, Cogswell, Coleman, Crow, Crowder, Dietz, Dubisch, Dugan, Eablen, Ford, Frost, Freeman, Gillingham, Hathaway, Hetler, Hoffman, Jeppesen, Jesse, Kelly, Leaphart, McCain, Marble, McGinnis, Mason, Martell, Marvin, Meadows, Maucker, Merriam, Merrill, Miller, Mirrielees, Moore, Morris, Nutterville, Noble, Paton, Perkins, Rich, Sappenfield, Severy, Phallenberger, Sorenson, Mrs. M.B. Swearingen, T.G. Swearingen, Toelle, Turner, Turney-High, Wilson, Wright.

Accounted for: Arnoldson, Beaver, Edna K. Bennett, Brownell, Castle, Davis, Ely, Ferguson, Flint, Fritz, Garlington, Gates, Gillespie, Hovee, Howard, Russell Smith, Spaulding, J.B. Speer, Lucile Speer, Suchy, Hubbell, Tascher, Van Vorous, Weisberg, Worden, Jacobs, Karlin, Kramer, Lory, Platt, Nelson, Ramskill, Florence Smith.

2. The minutes of the meeting of March 21, 1946, were distributed at the outset of the meeting. Dr. W.P. Clark stated that he was mis-quoted in his statements about the 12 month contract. It was moved, seconded and passed that the part of section 9 on page 2 of the minutes be revised to read as follows:

"During and following the report of the Budget and Policy Committee there was general discussion of the various problems presented.

Dr. Browman explained the advantages of participating in the Graduate Record Examination and urged that favorable action be taken. President McCain questioned whether the results would be of value because of the large veteran enrollment. After some discussion on the matter, a show of hands was taken with 32 in favor of participation and 15 against.

President McCain stated that he would be happy to reopen the subject of the 12 month contract if we are to go to a dual contract but not back to the old system. It was moved by Mr. Atkinson, seconded by Dr. W. P. Clark and unanimously passed that the President be requested to re-open the problem with the State Board.

Dr. Merriam asked whether writing was considered as research. President McCain answered that creative writing would not be considered as research. A show of hands was requested as to how many were in favor of going on a 9 months' contract with a \$350 reduction in salary. Nineteen voted yes and the same number voted no."

3. Dr. H.G. Merriam introduced the following new staff members in the Department of English:

Mr. Keith Rinehart
Mr. George W. Sherman

4. President McCain made the announcement for Mrs. Arnoldson, Chairman of the Courtesy Committee, who was unable to be present, that less than 40% of the faculty have paid their dues. Mrs. Arnoldson is sending a reminder and will appreciate payment immediately.
5. Professor E. A. Atkinson, Director of Extension, requested faculty members to not make free speeches out of town except for strictly high school affairs without clearing through the Extension Service so that expenses can be charged.

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Miss Kathleen Campbell, Librarian, related the very unsatisfactory experience the library was having with regard to examination questions filed in the Library for student reference. Miss Campbell moved that the present system of making examination questions available to students through the Library be discontinued and that 3 copies be filed in the Library for the archives only.

Professor Atkinson proposed an amendment to the effect that examinations be made available to students through the student store for a small charge.

With the motion and the amendment were seconded and passed.

Professor Cogswell announced the Alumni dinner and meeting to be held at the Florence Hotel on Thursday evening, April 4th at 6:30 p.m. and urged those desiring to go to make the necessary reservations immediately.

Wright announced that the AAUP meeting scheduled for Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Bitterroot Room will be an open meeting and all faculty members are invited to attend.

President McCain made the following brief announcements:

He stated that Dr. Renne had clarified M.S.C.'s estimate of 3000 students for next year by explaining that that figure was an estimated gross for the entire year.

He announced an unofficial and informal statement from two members of the State Board of Education that the exception clause which permits 9 months contracts where conditions justified might be employed more frequently in the administration of the present contract.

The president's office and the housing office will be glad to give all aid possible in obtaining priorities, etc., in connection with housing requirements of faculty members.

The Committee on Admission and Graduation, Dr. Ames, Chairman, recommends that the following candidates for the Bachelor's degree at the end of the Winter Quarter, 1946, graduated with honors, since they were certified by the Registrar as having a "B" average at the beginning of the last quarter of residence and were recommended by the chairmen of their major departments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Major Department</u>	<u>Grade received in senior examination</u>	<u>Scholarship index to Winter, 1946</u>
Charles L. Frank	Education	B	2.16
Frank F. Jestrab	Law	B	2.09
Elizabeth Marie Olcott	Spanish	A	2.53
Wayne Jay Sandell	Chemistry	B	2.39

There were no other changes in the list of candidates for degrees presented to the faculty on March 21, 1946.

Professor Atkinson presented for reconsideration by the faculty the final report and commendations of the Special Salary and Rank Research Committee. (Copies already distributed to faculty).

The recommendations of the committee as follows came before the faculty as a seconded motion as a result of Dr. Merriam's motion for reconsideration made at the meeting of March 12, 1946.

Since your Special Salary and Rank Research Committee is convinced of the need of an appointments and promotions committee, we therefore recommend that the appointments and promotion committee consist of: the vice-president, the chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, and one member elected from the faculty, the last named member must be on permanent tenure, to be chosen from the divisions or schools not represented by the chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee and the vice-president. This committee shall meet with the president or at his direction."

The motion was taken on the above motion by means of ballot, the recommendations being adopted by a vote of 28 to 26.

President McCain stated that he would accept the faculty's action for a one-year period. At the end of this time he and the committee would report to the faculty the work of the committee and make recommendations for any modifications in the membership or activities of the committee as seemed advisable.

Balloting on the member of the new committee to be elected was postponed until the next meeting.

12. There being no further business to come before the faculty, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

E. G. Marble
Secretary

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4/9/46

April 18, 1946

1. A meeting of the faculty was held at 4:10 p.m. on the call of President James A. McCain, who presided.

Present: Ames, Armsby, Arnold, Arnoldson, Atkinson, Bischoff, E.E. Bennett, Briggs, Browman, Bue, Campbell, Chatland, Clark, Cogswell, Coleman, Crow, Davis, Diettert, Dubisch, Dugan, Ely, Emblen, Flint, Frost, Ford, Freeman, Gillingham, Hathaway, Hoffman, Jeppesen, Jesse, Kramer, Leaphart, Lowell, McCain, Marble, McGinnis, Martell, Marvin, Meadows, Mauker, Merriam, Merrill, Sappenfield, Severy, Shallenberger, Frank Smith, Sorenson, J.B. Speer, Miller, Mirrielees, Mollett, Moore, Nutterville, Noble, Paton, Payne, Lucile Speer, Suchy, Mrs. M.B. Swearingen, T.G. Swearingen, Tasher, Turner, Turney-High, Waldon, White, Williams, Wilson, Wright.

Accounted for: Beaver, Edna K. Bennett, Berg, Brownell, Castle, Clapp, Clark, Ferguson, Fessenden, Fritz, Garlington, Gates, Gillespie, Gulbrandson, Hetler, Howe, Howard, Hubbell, Jacobs, Lory, Mackey, Mason, Morris, Nelson, Peterson, Pope, Ramski, Florence Smith, Russell Smith, Van Vorous, Waters, Weisberg, Worden.

2. The minutes of the meeting of April 9, were approved.
3. Dr. Ames announced the need of the Montana Education Association for funds to subsidize a survey of the financial structure of Montana Schools.

It was moved by Dr. Merrill, seconded and passed that the faculty express its approval of the proposition and invite solicitation by the Missoula County Education Association for contributions on somewhat the same basis as for grade and high school teachers.

4. The President called for nominations for a new secretary to the faculty to relieve Mr. Marble. Dr. Browman nominated Mr. Gillingham; Dr. Jesse nominated Mrs. Armsby; Dean Leaphart nominated Mr. Martell. After some discussion the nominations were withdrawn and a motion was made by Atkinson, seconded and passed that the faculty authorize the President to appoint a secretary for the faculty.
5. Dr. Merriam introduced Mr. Calder T. Williams and Mr. Philip W. Payne who will be instructors in the Department of English.
6. The President made the following announcements:
- Chancellor Selke will be our commencement speaker.
 - Dr. Theodore H. Smith has been appointed by the State Board of Education as Dean of the School of Business Administration, effective July 1.

7. In the absence of Dr. Waters, in charge of the Awards and Prizes Convocation, Mr. Marble announced that that Convocation would be held on June 7th, and suggested that no announcements be made relative to the recipients of the awards prior to the convocation. He requested that the Registrar's Office be notified of all awards and prizes so that the Commencement Program can be prepared and preparations made for the convocation.
8. The President announced that the faculty would proceed with elections for the ensuing year of a member to the new Appointments and Promotions Committee; that following previous practice, (unless the faculty objected), nominations be made by ballot; a majority on nominating ballot would constitute election; if no majority, the two highest in the nominating ballot would be voted on. Bue and Miller were appointed as tellers to assist the secretary in distributing and counting ballots.