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TO THE  
Board of Control

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LOCATION.

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2305 South Washington Street, Denver, Colorado.

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Take University Park car, get off at South Washington  
Street and walk two blocks south.

In driving, take South Logan.



## FACTS.

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### CONCERNING THE STATE HOME FOR DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

This is the only State institution for the care of the dependent, neglected and maltreated children of Colorado.

It is supported by State appropriations.

No church collections are solicited.

No county or individual contributions received.

The children are all committed by the County Courts of the various counties of the State.

The county pays the court costs and the expense of transportation for the children to the Home.

There are desirable children now in the Home, to be placed in good families upon adoption or indenture.

The court and other expenses for adoption or indenture papers are paid by the individuals securing the same.

The State agent receives no commission on children received, or on those placed in private homes.

The members of the Board of Control serve without compensation,

“The said Board are hereby made the legal guardians of the persons and estates of all children admitted to said Home, pursuant to law, which guardianship shall continue during the minority of such children, except in the cases where, under this act, the guardianship may be cancelled by resolution adopted by said Board.”

(From section 5 of chapter 26, Session Laws, 1895.)

For placing a child, no remuneration is required or received of the counties or individuals who are charitably disposed.

Parents are not encouraged to part with their children.

It is not the aim to make institutional children.

According to chapter 26, Session Laws of 1895, all children free from chronic or contagious disease, who are dependent upon the public for support, and those who are neglected, maltreated or in evil environments, are eligible as inmates of the State Home.

Before contributing to the support of private societies and institutions, ascertain how many of their children may be classed as above.



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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

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Office of the State Home for Dependent  
and Neglected Children,

December 1, 1908.

To His Excellency,

HENRY A. BUCHEL,

Governor of Colorado.

Sir—We have the honor to transmit to you the seventh biennial report of the Superintendent of the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, covering the two fiscal years ending, respectively, November 30, 1907, and November 30, 1908.

BOARD OF CONTROL,

Per DORA E. REYNOLDS,

President.





FLAG PRESENTED ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY, 1908, BY COLORADO  
CHAPTER OF THE "DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION."



SEVENTH BIENNIAL REPORT  
OF THE  
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TO THE  
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The seventh biennial report of the Superintendent of the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, presented herewith, reviews the work accomplished during the period beginning December 1, 1906, and ending November 30, 1908.

Through the kindness and generosity of many individuals, firms, clubs, schools, churches, editors, publishers, musicians, Sabbath school teachers, and elocutionists, the children have had the most enjoyable period in the history of the Home. In addition to the bountiful supply of presents, candies, nuts and fruits, there have been several very happy surprises in the way of trips and entertainments. In June, 1907, the Denver Automobile Club took the children to City Park in their machines, gave them a ride in the launches on the lake and a treat of ice cream and other good things. In July, 1907, and June, 1908, the publishers of the Denver Evening Post provided complimentary tickets to the Sells-Floto Show. In July, 1907, the City Ticket Agent of the "Moffat Road" furnished a coach to Tolland, where the children greatly enjoyed the mountain climbing as well as the appetizing lunch, which was donated. The Denver Post had a part in this excursion also. The Denver City Tramway Company very kindly gave free transportation upon all occasions requiring the use of the street cars. In October, 1907, at the request of the noted actor, Thomas Jefferson, the children of the third, fourth and fifth grades were presented with complimentary tickets to the matinee, "Rip Van Winkle." The Post Printing and Publishing Company provided tickets for 100 children to witness the "Buster Brown" play in December, 1907. In addition to the kindness of friends of former years, the B. P. O. E. of Denver, added much to the pleasure of the children on Christmas eve, 1907. The lodge gave a present, an orange, candy and nuts for each child,



and two trees with their decorations. A few of the members with friends witnessed the presentations, which were made by one of their number, who acted as Santa Claus. Music was also furnished by the lodge. Through the News-Times collection dressed turkey was provided for the Christmas dinner. Several outings in Elitch's Gardens and the City Park were made possible through the kindness of friends.

On Washington's birthday the Home was the glad recipient of a very beautiful flag, the gift of the Colorado Chapter of the "Daughters of the American Revolution." A few of the members were present and made addresses and witnessed the raising of the flag on a forty-foot staff on the campus. Much to the delight of friends and children, the guests of honor were Count and Countess Magri (known as General Tom Thumb and wife). The Countess made a charming informal address to the children and the day will long be remembered by all who were present.

In June, 1908, it was learned that the will of the late Edward C. Howe, of Telluride, bequeathed to the Home one thousand dollars, to be used exclusively in the purchase of toys and games for the children. This is the first will which has named the dependent children of Colorado as beneficiaries. Mr. Howe had been instrumental in having a number of children committed to this Home and became interested in the work. He had a desire to help the unfortunate, but he had in no way manifested his intention of bequeathing this legacy. It came as a surprise and is greatly appreciated.

Visits made by members and officers of the State Board of Charities and Corrections have been helpful and encouraging. The railroad companies have assisted in the State Agency work by granting courtesies. The officers of the State Bureau of Child and Animal Protection have been willing counsellors. Officers of the City Board of Health have aided us greatly in promptly caring for diphtheria and scarlet fever patients. The visiting staff of physicians has faithfully treated the sick, several epidemics having occurred which required many calls. The members of the consulting staff have willingly responded to all demands since the opening of the Home. The members of the visiting and consulting staff have served without compensation. The members of the Board of Control have, as in the past biennial periods, given much time and thought to the furthering of the work. I thank most heartily, all these friends who have in many ways contributed to the welfare and happiness of the children.

#### SCHOOL.

In the fall of 1907, the Superintendent of the city schools kindly arranged to have all the children over 6 years of age attend school in the Home school building, and furnished four rooms for that purpose, providing a teacher for each room, the highest grade being the seventh. It has been a great advantage





SLOYD CLASS.





DOMESTIC SCIENCE CLASS. GRADUATED SEPT. 6, 1907.



to the pupils to be permitted to attend school at home, as the quarantine law does not compel their absence from school when one of their number is afflicted with a contagious disease. On account of epidemics of mumps, diphtheria and scarlet fever, many of the pupils were deprived of their school privileges, therefore could not pass their grades, but with a corps of sympathetic teachers the fall term of 1908 opened most encouragingly. The additional time given to the pupils in the Sloyd department has been very kindly continued by the supervisor. The work accomplished is a credit to the school and the interest of the boys is manifest.

Several of the older boys became anxious to learn a trade or business and become self-supporting. As there are no facilities at the Home to assist them in this way, positions were secured in a shoe factory, wholesale bakery and cracker factory in the city, where they are now working. As their wages have been too small to enable them to pay regular board and buy sufficient clothing, they have been permitted to live at the Home, paying a small sum each week for board and purchasing their own clothing. Five of these boys have earned \$1,200.00 during the last fifteen months.

#### DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

The Domestic Science Department was opened on July 5, 1906, just five months before the close of the sixth biennial period, therefore the last report could not give results of the work accomplished. It is a pleasure to give in the seventh biennial report an account of this department. The first class, composed of nine girls from 15 to 17 years of age, graduated on September 6, 1907. As soon as possible these girls were placed in homes where they received from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per month and as they merited it, these wages were increased to from \$12.00 to \$20.00 per month. When they left the Home, each was permitted to take the work of her own hands in the following articles: One flannel skirt, two corset covers, two undershirts, one long-sleeved night dress, one low-necked night dress, one white shirt waist suit, one straw hat and colored aprons. Since they were placed in good positions, only two have been returned to the Home for any length of time; the seven have been practically self-supporting since the graduation.

About January 1, 1909, the second class of ten girls, 16 and 17 years of age, will graduate. It is hoped they will be equally as successful in filling positions as were the members of the first class. All the work in the department is the most practical. The forenoons are devoted to the copying of recipes and the practice in cooking vegetables, meats, fish, poultry and game, and the baking of bread and pastry. Particular attention is given the best methods of warming over and preparing the remnants, thus instilling habits of economy. The sewing is not done upon sam-



ples, models and doll clothes, but upon aprons, skirts, under-waists, waists, night dresses, dresses, boys' shirts, all for actual wear and tear, the same to be patched and darned when necessary, by the pupils under the supervision of the instructor. In addition to the cooking and sewing, the girls receive instruction in raffia work. A large number of beautiful baskets are now on sale in the department. A few girls show marked talent in this line. The classes are given special instruction in the making of hats. They are taught to make the wire shapes, to fit the individual, sew on the braids, face, line and trim them, using their own tastes in the selection of colors and trimmings.

#### SEWING.

Upon receipt of various requisitions, properly inspected and signed by the Superintendent, the steamstress, with some assistance, made the following articles: Dresses, 443; gowns, 519; petticoats, 138; corset covers, 19; boys' shirts, 330; baby napkins, 120; nursery dresses, 16; boys' jackets, 38; boys' aprons, 133; nursery sheets, 32; skull caps, 20; roller towels, 68; dish towels, 30; iron holders, 40; shirt waists, 6; table napkins, 48; table cloths, 3—a total of 2,003 pieces.

#### HEALTH.

The biennial period just closed was one of epidemics of contagious diseases in the Home. Owing to the lack of room to isolate sick children, it was impossible to prevent the spread of these diseases. During the period the following cases were treated: Mumps, 56; measles, 4; measles and pneumonia, 1; chicken pox, 1; diphtheria, 28; scarlet fever, 28; diphtheria and scarlet fever, 7 (2 fatal); erysipelas, 1; inanition, 9 (all fatal); tuberculosis of bowels, 1 (died in private home); specific trouble, 1 (fatal); mitral stenosis, 1 (fatal); tubercular meningitis, 1 (fatal); gastro-enteritis, 1 (fatal). The following operations were performed at St. Luke's Hospital: Appendicitis, 2; straightening foot, 1; inguino hernia, 2; broken nose from kick of horse, 1; eye, 1; ear, 1.

In order to keep an exact account of diseases and injuries, treated in the Home hospital, no child was admitted by the nurse in charge without permit from the office. These permits are prepared and printed as follows: Number, name of child, name of matron, date admitted, name of disease or injury, attending physician, dates of doctor's visits, date of operation, date of death, cause of death, date returned to matron, Superintendent's signature, nurse's signature, remarks. When the patient is released from the hospital the permit is returned to the office and kept on file for future reference.

#### STATE AGENCY.

The State Agent has labored very persistently to complete the work of visiting all applicants and children placed.





DAIRY HERD.



In 1907, 1,564 miles by livery and 19,869 miles by railroad, a total of 21,433 miles, were traveled, making 145 visits to applicants and 220 to children placed and taking out to private homes, sixty-three children all at a total expense (including Agent's salary) of \$1,386.95. In 1908, 1,813 miles by livery and 24,574 by railroad, a total of 26,387 miles, were traveled, making 109 visits to applicants and 252 to children and taking out to private homes fifty-nine children, at a total expense (including Agent's salary) of \$1,557.75. On the basis of the total number of visits, the average cost per visit is a small fraction over \$3.47 and a small fraction less than this amount was the cost of visits during the previous (or sixth) biennial period. This cost represents for the last four years the average expense of placing and visiting a child in a private home in any part of the state of Colorado. It includes hotel, livery and salary, expenses in making three trips: first, a visit to the applicant; second (if the application is approved), a trip with the child selected, to the nearest railroad station; and third, at least one, and often two or more visits each year to the same child and others in the same vicinity.

The railroad companies have granted transportation for the agent and one child each trip, which courtesy has saved the state a large sum of money. As in former years, it may be said that, with few exceptions, the children visited were giving perfect satisfaction and the homes selected have proven quite desirable. Many people have manifested the selfish spirit of wanting a boy or girl for the work they could accomplish with only board and scant clothing as remuneration. With few exceptions, all of such cases were discovered at the time the application was presented and the same declined.

#### DAIRY.

The herd of Holstein cows has sustained the reputation given it in the last biennial report. The average production per day being three gallons per cow, figured on the basis of 365 days per year, but if figured on the basis of the lactation period, the average is  $4\frac{3}{4}$  gallons per day. The largest producer, at present being milked three times daily, averaged during the month of November, 1908,  $7\frac{1}{4}$  gallons per day, her largest day being  $8\frac{3}{8}$  gallons and her total for the year 1,598 $\frac{1}{2}$  gallons.

The average number of cows for 1907 was thirteen, which produced a total of 14,541 gallons. During 1908 the average number of fifteen cows gave 17,673 gallons. Six of the herd are young stock, all showing the qualifications of most excellent dairy cows, but will not reach their greatest capacity until they have grown several years older.

As the price of feed advanced about 50 per cent. during the last year, the cost of production of milk for the period has increased. In 1907 it averaged 8 cents per gallon and in 1908 13 cents, making an average of  $10\frac{1}{2}$  cents for the two years, which is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents more per gallon than the cost during the previous



period. On the basis of the total cost of feed consumed and the wholesale price of milk per gallon (18 cents) the dairy saved the state during the period \$2,327.68.

#### GARDEN.

Although not as productive as in some former seasons, the farm and garden yielded a goodly amount of fresh vegetables and fruits for the children and feed for the stock.

The following is a partial list of the crops: Asparagus, 166 pounds (from a new bed); beans, 1,300 pounds; beets, 1,100 pounds; cabbage, 2,300 pounds; lettuce, 1,200 pounds; onions, 1,350 pounds; peas, 850 pounds; pumpkins, 2,800 pounds; rhubarb, 330 pounds; spinach, 650 pounds; squash, 300 pounds; sweet corn, carrots, cauliflower, cucumbers, radishes and tomatoes were also produced. The alfalfa crops amounted to sixty-one tons.

The frost destroyed the apple crop of 1907, but in 1908 a few trees escaped serious damage and about 3,500 pounds of apples were gathered.

From the poultry yards there have been received 2,260 dozen eggs.

#### IMPROVEMENTS.

The Sixteenth General Assembly was asked for \$80,000 to be used for the erection of much-needed buildings, electric light plant, barn and other improvements. Only the sum of \$10,000 was appropriated for the purposes. This amount being too small to build a cottage for either boys or girls, it was difficult to decide in what way to expend the money to give the greatest relief. After due consideration, the Board of Control decided that by erecting a new administration building to be used for offices and Superintendent's living rooms, the large stone building, which had been partly used for these purposes, could be given entirely over to the children. The nursery now occupies the first floor, the large girls were taken from the overcrowded quarter and placed on the second floor and the small girls remained on the third. Thus it was made possible to divide the large family of small boys and place part of them in the domestic building, in the room formerly occupied by the nursery. These changes were made as soon as possible after the 20th of November, 1907, when the new building was completed at a cost of \$8,122.59.

#### NEEDS.

The Honorable members of the Seventeenth General Assembly will be called upon to make appropriations for the support of the Home. A few statements are respectfully presented to give each member an idea of a limited number of needs.

The nursery cannot be properly conducted in its present quarters. The rooms were not built for the purpose, but are being used temporarily until a more suitable, properly ventilated





DUCKS RAISED IN 1907.



building can be erected, containing bathrooms, playrooms, sun-rooms, dormitories and special wards for infants, where they can be isolated from the older nursery children.

It is important that an assembly hall be built, with a capacity for 350 seats, as there is no room large enough to accommodate the children when necessary to assemble them for Sabbath school, church services, entertainments, etc.

Each year, as the number of inmates in the Home increases, greater difficulty is experienced in controlling and successfully preventing contagion. If there were only one or two contagious or infectious diseases with which to cope these might be handled with comparative ease and safety, but when, as often happens, a half dozen or more children are suffering each with a different malady, necessitating isolation, the present hospital accommodations are wholly insufficient.

Experience has proven beyond doubt that much of the contagious illness is introduced into the Home by the reception of new children who have previously been exposed and whose cases fully develop within three weeks after arrival. At present the new people must be at once placed in the various families without isolation, therefore when the disease develops many of the other children are directly exposed, which results in a general epidemic. If such could be segregated and isolated the number of cases of illness would be greatly reduced. The same cottage should be used for convalescents to relieve the crowded condition in the hospital, where it has been necessary many times to place patients in the vestibule at the front door, the bath rooms, the drug room and the halls. The epidemics of scarlet fever and diphtheria, which added over thirteen hundred dollars to the expenses of this biennial period, could have been prevented had there been sufficient room for isolation. A detention cottage for this purpose is greatly desired.

Since the recent various epidemics of typhoid fever, which were caused by unsanitary dairy-stables and milk houses, it is of the greatest importance that serious consideration be given to the dairy of this Home, where there are so many children. The milk is the chief article of diet, therefore the most sanitary methods in handling the same should be adopted. The stable built in 1902, of the very cheapest lumber, was expected to do service for not to exceed two years. The only suitable location for a barn was reserved for the permanent structure, therefore the temporary building was located on flat ground, where proper drainage is impossible. To supply the children with pure, wholesome milk there must be a sanitary barn and equipment.

The girls' building cannot be comfortably heated with the hot water system which was installed years ago before the property was purchased by the State. The radiation, which is inadequate, should be greatly increased and the heating system connected with the central steam heating plant, thus avoiding danger by fire and the saving of the purchase of lump coal.



From the report of operations it may be seen there is need of an operating room in connection with the hospital. To provide this a small addition will be necessary.

Six years have been spent on the new property without a walk of any description, which is quite essential with so many children. The fences are almost beyond repair. The root cellar has never been completed with the concrete roof and walls. The plans for the laundry embodied cement floor, but to save or delay expense the wooden floor was left without the cement and is much needed at this time to protect the coal and boiler which are located underneath.

The girls' building, the oldest of all, is sadly in need of paint and repairs. The domestic building, boys' cottage, the hospital, laundry and school building were never entirely completed on account of the lack of funds. Money expended on these would not only complete them but preserve them.

With the great increase in the cost of provisions, cotton goods, feed and many other commodities; with an average daily attendance of 199 during this biennial period, it has been difficult to keep the running expenses within the limits of the appropriation. Many needful articles were not purchased on account of the lack of funds. To prepare for the usual biennial increase and to provide the necessities and comforts, a larger appropriation for the next period is imperative. After due consideration and consultation with the members of the Board of Control, in view of the facts herein set forth, appropriations of \$80,000.00 for maintenance and \$50,000.00 for buildings and improvements are respectfully recommended.



STATISTICAL FORM

PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION OF THE NATIONAL  
CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, ADOPTED

MAY 15, 1906.

POPULATION.

	Year 1907			Year 1908		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Number of inmates present at beginning						
of fiscal year.....	131	75	206	129	62	191
Number received during the year (new						
admissions) .....	35	34	69	47	41	88
Children returned .....	74	48	122	41	42	83
Number discharged or died during the						
year .....	111	95	206	86	73	159
Number at end of the fiscal year.....	129	62	191	131	72	203
Daily average attendance during the year						
(i. e., number of inmates actually						
present) .....	128	71	199	134	65	199

EXPENDITURES.

Current Expenses—

1. Salaries and wages.....	\$ 9,182.19	\$10,797.30
2. Clothing .....	3,320.13	2,531.57
3. Subsistence .....	9,445.27	11,794.99
4. Ordinary repairs .....	711.24	725.06
5. Office, domestic and outdoor ex- penses .....	6,812.91	7,760.55
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$29,471.74</b>	<b>\$33,609.47</b>

Extraordinary Expenses—

1. New buildings, land, etc.....	\$ 8,122.59	.....
2. Permanent improvements to ex- isting buildings .....	.....	.....
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 8,122.59</b>	<b>.....</b>
<b>Grand total .....</b>	<b>\$37,594.33</b>	<b>\$33,609.47</b>



DISBURSEMENTS FOR BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING  
NOVEMBER 30, 1908.

MAINTENANCE.

	1907	1908	Total
Salaries .....	\$ 9,182.19	\$10,797.30	\$19,979.49
Provisions .....	7,022.22	8,085.98	15,108.20
Clothing .....	3,320.13	2,531.57	5,851.70
Household furnishing and furniture.....	1,037.86	1,906.77	2,944.63
Light .....	547.20	501.31	1,048.51
Fuel .....	1,880.51	1,615.23	3,495.74
State agency .....	608.95	724.30	1,333.25
Drugs and instruments.....	426.93	488.89	915.82
General expense .....	836.60	787.70	1,624.30
Postage .....	69.68	87.15	156.83
School supplies .....	72.37	81.71	154.08
Stationery printing and office supplies.....	128.82	77.39	206.21
Telephone .....	184.35	155.76	340.11
Laundry .....	325.31	274.25	599.56
Water .....	721.81	1,087.65	1,809.46
Drayage .....	13.15	12.25	25.40
Undertaker .....	70.65	158.00	228.65
Building improvements and repairs.....	711.24	725.06	1,436.30
Campus improvements .....	11.58	194.55	206.13
Farm and garden .....	249.29	134.75	384.04
Implements and tools .....	198.77	250.79	449.56
Stock .....	17.68	17.00	34.68
Feed, cows .....	1,161.91	2,308.93	3,470.84
Feed, horses .....	158.78	33.63	192.41
Feed, chickens .....	131.26	144.05	275.31
Insurance .....	382.50	427.50	810.00
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	\$29,471.74	\$33,609.47	\$63,081.21
Administration building .....			\$ 8,122.59







## TABULATED STATEMENT—Concluded.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVED FROM AND  
PLACED IN THE VARIOUS COUNTIES.

	Received					Placed				
	1907		1908		Total	1907		1908		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
Saguache .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	8	
San Miguel.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	
Summit .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	
Teller .....	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	
Washington .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	
Weld .....	..	..	1	1	2	2	1	3	7	
Yuma .....	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	
Outside of State										
with relatives... ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	
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Total.....	35	34	47	41	157	25	30	28	39	113



STATISTICS FOR THE TWO YEARS RESPECTIVELY.

		Boys	Girls	Total
Total enrollment .....	1907	35	34	69
	1908	47	41	88
Number adopted .....	1907	7	14	21
	1908	13	17	30
Number indentured .....	1907	18	16	34
	1908	15	13	28
Number out under special contract, Nov. 30	1907	5	12	17
	Nov. 30 1908	9	7	16
Number declared self-supporting .....	1907	..	..	..
	1908	1	..	1
Number out on trial.....Nov. 30	1907	9	13	22
	Nov. 30 1908	12	6	18
Number out on trial with parents Nov. 30	1907	..	..	..
	Nov. 30 1908	4	1	5
Returned to counties .....	1907	..	1	1
	1908	5	2	7
Returned to parents .....	1907	5	4	9
	1908	5	5	10
Released to relatives .....	1907	..	1	1
	1908	..	..	..
Ran away from private homes .....	1907	3	..	3
	1908	3	1	4
Ran away from institution .....	1907	1	..	1
	1908	..	1	1
Died in private homes .....	1907	1	..	1
	1908	..	..	..
Died in institution .....	1907	3	1	4
	1908	7	5	12
Died in hospital .....	1907	..	1	1
	1908	..	..	..
Average age of those received.....	1907	7.83	6.63	7.23
	1908	6	8	7
Average age of those adopted .....	1907	4.64	5.52	5.08
	1908	5.5	6.3	5.9
Average age of those indentured.....	1907	12.1	11	11.55
	1908	12.84	8.87	10.95
Average age of those in the home, Dec. 1	1906	9.65	11.31	10.48
	Nov. 30 1907	10.09	11.45	10.77
	Nov. 30 1908	10.37	12.53	11.45



Average daily attendance .....	1907	128	71	199
	1908	134	65	199
Number present Dec. 1.....	1906	131	75	206
	Nov. 30 1907	129	62	191
	Nov. 30 1908	131	72	203

COMBINED STATISTICS FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS  
ARE AS FOLLOWS:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Total number enrolled .....	82	75	157
Number adopted .....	20	31	51
Number indentured .....	33	29	62
Number declared self-supporting .....	1	..	1
Number returned to counties .....	5	3	8
Number returned to parents .....	10	9	19
Number released to relatives .....	..	1	1
Ran away from private homes .....	6	1	7
Ran away from institution .....	1	1	2
Number who died .....	11	7	18
Average age of those received.....	6.9	7.3	7.1
Average age of those adopted .....	4.8	5.9	5.4
Average age of those indentured.....	12.4	9.9	11.2
Average age of those in the home Nov. 30, 1908.....	10.37	12.53	11.45
Average daily attendance .....	131	68	199

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENROLLED SINCE OPENING IN  
MARCH, 1896.

	Boys	Girls	Total
1896 .....	31	21	52
1897 .....	31	30	61
1898 .....	34	25	59
1899 .....	19	15	34
1900 .....	30	24	54
1901 .....	39	31	70
1902 .....	57	24	81
1903 .....	42	24	66
1904 .....	42	36	78
1905 .....	53	50	103
1906 .....	62	54	116
1907 .....	35	34	69
1908 .....	47	41	88



NUMBER AND AGES OF CHILDREN RECEIVED DURING BIENNIAL PERIOD.

	1907			1908		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months.....	4	2	6	9	5	14
From 6 to 12 months.....	1	1	2	..	1	1
From 1 to 2 years.....	1	5	6	4	..	4
From 2 to 3 years.....	1	5	6	..	1	1
From 3 to 4 years.....	..	2	2	3	4	7
From 4 to 5 years.....	2	..	2	3	2	5
From 5 to 6 years.....	2	4	6	4	3	7
From 6 to 7 years.....	1	2	3	4	4	8
From 7 to 8 years.....	2	1	3	5	..	5
From 8 to 9 years.....	2	..	2	1	4	5
From 9 to 10 years.....	6	1	7	4	1	5
From 10 to 11 years.....	4	2	6	1	2	3
From 11 to 12 years.....	2	3	5	3	3	6
From 12 to 13 years.....	5	1	6	3	1	4
From 13 to 14 years.....	1	2	3	2	4	6
From 14 to 15 years.....	..	1	1	1	4	5
From 15 to 16 years.....	1	2	3	..	2	2
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals .....	35	34	69	47	41	88



NUMBER AND AGES OF CHILDREN APPLIED FOR DURING THE BIENNIAL PERIOD.

	For Adoption			For Indenture		
	1907 and 1908			1907 and 1908		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months.....	6	3	9	..	1	1
From 6 to 12 months.....	2	4	6	..	..	..
From 1 to 2 years.....	3	10	13	..	1	1
From 2 to 3 years.....	2	14	16	..	3	3
From 3 to 4 years.....	4	10	14	..	..	..
From 4 to 5 years.....	1	3	4	1	5	6
From 5 to 6 years.....	5	3	8	..	2	2
From 6 to 7 years.....	3	2	5	2	3	5
From 7 to 8 years.....	1	6	7	..	2	2
From 8 to 9 years.....	2	4	6	..	3	3
From 9 to 10 years.....	3	3	6	2	3	5
From 10 to 11 years.....	2	5	7	2	6	8
From 11 to 12 years.....	4	..	4	6	7	13
From 12 to 13 years.....	2	5	7	5	10	15
From 13 to 14 years.....	3	2	5	9	4	13
From 14 to 15 years.....	1	1	2	8	8	16
From 15 to 16 years.....	..	1	1	1	3	4
From 16 to 17 years.....	..	..	..	..	5	5
From 17 to 18 years.....	..	..	..	..	2	2
Over 18 years of age.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals .....	44	76	120	36	68	104
Average ages in years.....	6½	5½	6	12½	10 7-8	11 11-16



NUMBER AND AGES OF CHILDREN PRESENT AT THE  
CLOSE OF EACH FISCAL YEAR.

	1907			1908		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months.....	1	..	1	1	..	1
From 6 to 12 months.....	1	..	1	1	..	1
From 1 to 2 years.....	1	1	2	2	..	2
From 2 to 3 years.....	1	..	1	1	..	1
From 3 to 4 years.....	1	4	5	1	..	1
From 4 to 5 years.....	4	..	4	2	1	3
From 5 to 6 years.....	4	2	6	6	2	8
From 6 to 7 years.....	6	4	10	8	2	10
From 7 to 8 years.....	10	1	11	10	5	15
From 8 to 9 years.....	13	4	17	12	3	15
From 9 to 10 years.....	16	3	19	9	8	17
From 10 to 11 years.....	14	6	20	16	4	20
From 11 to 12 years.....	20	5	25	15	6	21
From 12 to 13 years.....	15	6	21	19	7	26
From 13 to 14 years.....	8	6	14	10	7	17
From 14 to 15 years.....	7	5	12	7	6	13
From 15 to 16 years.....	3	9	12	5	8	13
From 16 to 17 years.....	4	5	9	4	10	14
From 17 to 18 years.....	..	1	1	2	3	5
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Totals .....	129	62	191	131	72	203



NUMBER OF CHILDREN PLACED SINCE OPENING IN  
MARCH, 1896.

	Adoptions		Indentures		Totals for Period
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
1896 .....	1	1	1	..	3
1897 .....	2	5	4	2	
1898 .....	11	16	4	5	49
1899 .....	5	6	4	5	
1900 .....	5	5	10	10	50
1901 .....	3	7	10	18	
1902 .....	3	3	24	17	85
1903 .....	6	3	18	21	
1904 .....	12	11	17	17	105
1905 .....	11	8	13	17	
1906 .....	7	17	20	20	113
1907 .....	7	14	18	16	
1908 .....	13	17	15	13	
	—	—	—	—	
	86	113	158	161	518

Respectfully submitted,  
H. W. COWAN,  
Superintendent.





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## APPENDIX.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

The object of the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children is that of giving a home to those who are dependent upon the public for support, maltreated and in environments of vice. All such are eligible and under the State law should be committed by the County or Juvenile Court of the county in which they are living. Very often parents or relatives come to us with their children, expecting to place them in the institution and pay their board, and occasionally a parent or relative asks the privilege of placing a boy with us on account of having lost control of the child.

This is by no means a prison, reformatory or boarding school, but a home, and in every way possible we endeavor to have our children realize the fact. In a short time many of them become desirable for private homes into which we place them on adoption or indenture.

## HOW TO HAVE CHILDREN COMMITTED.

It is the duty of the county commissioners or officers of the State Bureau of Child and Animal Protection to petition the county judge to give an order of admission for any child under sixteen years of age who is adjudged dependent upon the public for support, or who is neglected or maltreated, or whose environments are such as to warrant the State assuming guardianship of said child, and is sound in mind and body. The citizens of a certain portion of a county may know of cases which are wholly unknown to the officers; it is their duty to inform the authorities and to see that the children are brought before them, that an investigation may be made. If the court commits the child to the Home, it must be examined by the county physician, who shall certify in writing under oath that the child examined by him is of sound mind and has no chronic or contagious disease, and has not been exposed to any contagious disease within fifteen days previous to such examination. A certified copy of this certificate, with a certified copy of the order for admission *must* accompany the child when brought to the Home.

Parents, guardians or relatives who are giving up their children should fully understand that as soon as they are committed to the State Home for Dependent Children they forfeit all rights over, or to, the custody or service, or earnings of each child, and that they are released from all parental duty. Friends of the parents should see that this portion of the law is explained.



The Colorado Humane Society is now a State bureau of child and animal protection, and it is the duty of said bureau to secure the enforcement of the laws for the prevention of wrongs to children and dumb animals. In communities where there is no representative of the bureau, and there is need of an officer to enforce the law, communicate with Mr. E. K. Whitehead, Secretary of the Bureau of Child and Animal Protection, Room 30, Capitol building, Denver, Colorado, who will give all worthy cases the most prompt and careful attention.

#### TO APPLICANTS.

We do not wish our children raised in idleness, but we want them placed in good homes, where they will receive a mother's love and a father's tender care, and be taught habits of industry and self-reliance. Many people have a desire to secure a child to do the work of a man or a woman, and thereby save the expense of paying a servant a salary, and the Board has to contend continually with just such applicants. When you have decided to take a child, visit the Home, if possible, that you may select for yourself the child you wish, but do not expect to take it with you. You will be furnished an application blank, which must be properly filled out, signed by husband and wife. The signatures and addresses of two taxpayers, other than relatives, are also necessary as references. After securing the necessary signatures, return the application to the Home and as soon thereafter as possible the State agent will visit your home and make such investigations as are necessary to satisfy the management of your capability for raising and educating a child. The personal investigation has proven to be the only safe way of deciding the fitness of a home for a child, and even with this precaution, there are mistakes made. The destiny of the child depends upon the home selected for it, and the members of the Board of Control keenly feel the responsibility devolving upon them, and take the greatest care in making their selections.

At the first meeting of the Board after the visit by the State agent, the application is presented for their consideration, and they approve or disapprove, as they see fit. It is their intention to send a child into a home that is mutually suitable, considering intelligence, disposition, modes of living, environments, personal habits, appearance, and all conditions which tend to affect the future of a child. Upon the approval of the Board, the State agent takes the child to your home at the expense of the State. It is allowed to remain sixty days on trial, during which, or at the expiration of which time, if not satisfactory, you may return it to the Home at your expense, and another may be given a trial. When satisfied with the child it is necessary, at your own expense, to secure adoption or indenture papers and furnish us with a certified copy of the same. The blanks for each will be furnished by the Superintendent. A copy of these contracts may be found in this appendix.





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If the applicant can not visit the Home, a child will be very carefully selected by the Board and Superintendent, who will give such information regarding its history and that of its parents as they may possess. These selections have been, with a few exceptions, perfectly satisfactory. After knowing the character of the family home and having the thorough acquaintance of our children, the management is well qualified to fit the child to the home and the home to the child. We earnestly request a notice of any removals or changes in address of foster parents. The object of establishing this Home was to care for and educate the children whose parents could not or would not, and, in so doing, make good citizens for the State of Colorado, and under her laws only are we permitted to make adoptions. For these reasons we are compelled to disapprove applications received from neighboring states.

#### THOSE WHO SIGN AS REFERENCES.

If you sign the application of someone who applies for a child, our State agent will call upon you for personal interview, and the Superintendent will send you a blank list of questions which you are requested to kindly fill out and promptly return to him.

If you have only a business acquaintance it is unwise to attach your name to the application. The most important information desired is to that regarding the home life and the moral character of the applicants.

The references are understood to be interested in the family applying for the child, and are furthermore interested in his welfare.

The members of the Board of Control consider those who sign as references willing to share the responsibility of placing a child with the applicants to such an extent as to report to the Superintendent any change of address or any ill treatment of the child.

#### TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

We hope every county commissioner, incumbent or elect, may receive a copy of the report, and that he may become so familiar with its contents as to be deeply interested in the children who should be placed here, and in assisting us in securing good family homes for those already in the State Home. Read chapter 26 of the Session Laws of 1895, and especially sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16; also parts first, second and third of section 7. From this it is very evident that you have a prominent part to perform in looking after the welfare of the children who are neglected, maltreated, and in the environments of vice, as well as those who are dependent on the public for support.

The dependent ones are by no means the dangerous ones, but the greatest danger is to those who are surrounded by vice of



every description and those who are so abused as to become firm in the belief that every man is an enemy, and therefore always on the defensive. As long as these children are permitted to remain in such circumstances, crime of the lowest degree will be propagated from year to year. It is therefore due to this commonwealth that all officers and citizens, who in any manner have to do with child saving, be diligent in the performance of their duties, and by so doing advance the greatest remedy for crime. No fee is charged by the State for any child committed. The only expense to the county is that of transportation and court costs.

The children must be brought to us accompanied by a certified copy of the order for admission and the county physician's certificate. The county sending is then fully released from all care and expense unless the child should have to be returned to the county for reasons stated in parts first, second and third of section 7, chapter 26, Session Laws of 1895.

*To the Honorable Judges and the Clerks of the County Court:*

Your attention is respectfully drawn to sections 10, 11 and 12 of chapter 26, Session Laws of 1895; also to the foot notes on the "petition to commit" and "the order for admission."

The record of each child admitted is kept in the office of the Home. The only reliable source of information is the order for admission. It is, therefore, of the greatest importance that a condensed history, secured from facts related in the petition and from testimony given in court, be set forth in the order.

#### TO COUNTY VISITORS.

No doubt there are those of your number who are not aware that in section 15, chapter 26, of the Session Laws of 1895, provision is made whereby you may be asked to visit a child which has been placed in your county by the management of the Home. You may think this is asking a great deal, and in some cases it is, but you are not asked to make a visit to relieve someone of his duty or for the purpose of relieving the Superintendent or State agent. The visit is for the good of the child, and it was certainly in the mind of the Legislature to use every means practicable in securing information regarding the treatment of our children during the life of the indenture contract. Residents of the county have a better opportunity of gaining the acquaintance and learning the reputation of foster parents than those who reside in other parts of the State.

You can also greatly assist the county commissioners and humane society by bringing before them children who are dependent, neglected, maltreated or in evil environments, and who should be committed to our care. We will greatly appreciate any effort you may make to bring this Home to the notice of anyone desiring a child, and thus putting us in touch with them by a visit or correspondence. It is our aim to place all our desirable children in the best homes in Colorado.



APPLICATION FOR A CHILD.

FROM THE STATE HOME FOR DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN,  
2305 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET, DENVER, COLORADO.

....., Colo., .....190..

To the Board of Control:

I hereby make application to have a child of said Home.....  
.....(write "indentured" or "adopted")  
to me pursuant to law.

I am a resident of.....  
(if in the country, give township and section; if in the city, give  
street and number) in the county of.....  
My postoffice address is.....  
and my nearest railroad station is.....  
on the.....R. R.....(state  
distance and direction from R. R. station). I will promptly  
notify your Superintendent of any change I may make in my  
postoffice address.

I own the following real estate (if farm land, state whether  
improved or unimproved, and number of acres tillable) :.....  
.....

I rent the following real estate.....  
.....

My occupation or profession is.....  
I have no other income (if you have other income, state it here)  
.....I am.....  
years of age, in .....health, and my nationality is  
..... My wife is..... years of age, in  
.....health, and her nationality is.....  
The names and ages of my children living at home are.....  
.....  
.....

The other members of my household are: (State names and rela-  
tion to you, also the number of hired men and women).....  
.....

The district school, which is maintained.....months  
each year, and which could be attended.....months in  
the year by a child living in my family, is (give number of miles  
or blocks).....from my residence.

I am.....(if not a member, insert the word "not")  
a member of.....(denomination) church; my wife is  
.....a member of.....church. We are.....  
(regular or irregular) attendants of.....(denomina-  
tion) church.



I desire a.....(boy or girl), about..... years of age.....nationality preferred.

.....

(Give name of child, if one has been selected, or a further description of such a child as you would like.)

My object in taking a child is.....

My wife unites with me in making this application.

.....

Husband and wife sign here.

R. R. Station.....

Date of Visit.....

.....Approved.....

COLORADO STATE HOME

FOR

DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN

2305 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET, DENVER, COLORADO.

APPLICATION.

By .....

For .....

(Name of child)

Date .....19.....

To the Board of Control:

We, the undersigned taxpayers, after a careful investigation, certify that the within named applicant is a resident of the place named, where he has a good home, and that he is a proper person to have the care and education of a child. We further certify that he is a person of good moral character; that he is temperate and that he does not sell intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, and that we believe he will properly provide for and educate said child, and will otherwise faithfully execute the contract required. The statements apply fully to husband, wife and their children. We are not relatives of the applicant's family.

Dated.....19..

Have three taxpayers sign here.

Name .....

Address .....

Name .....

Address .....

Name .....

Address .....







INDENTURE.

THIS INDENTURE, made this.....day of..... A. D. 190.., by and between the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, of the State of Colorado, part of the first part, and.....of.....County of.....and State of Colorado.

WITNESSETH: That, whereas, the party of the first part is the legally appointed guardian of.....under the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Colorado, entitled "An act in relation to the establishment of a State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children; and making an appropriation therefor;"

NOW, THEREFORE, the party of the first part, for and in consideration of the covenants and agreements of the party of the second part, contracts and agrees that said.....is of the age, to wit.....years; that.....shall remain with the party of the second part until.....attains the age of.....years, and that.....will learn the occupation of.....

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That said party of the first part may cancel this agreement whenever it deems the interests of the said child require it.

And the party of the second part hereby covenants and agrees on.....part that.....will educate said child in the public school where.....reside.....at least six months in each year; that.....will teach.....some useful occupation; that.....will kindly and properly treat said child as a member of.....family; and that.....will pay on the termination of this contract, to said party of the first part, for the use and benefit of said child, \$....., or, that.....will pay to said party of the first part, for the use and benefit of said child \$..... per month, beginning with.....sixteenth year; provided, .....is not kept in school after that age.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That said second party reserves the right to cancel this agreement at any time within sixty days from the date of this contract, upon returning said child to said Home, free of expense to said Home.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties aforesaid have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

STATE HOME FOR DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN,

By..... President.

Attest:..... Secretary.

..... (Seal.) APPROVED this.....day of.....A. D. 190..

..... County Judge.



PETITION FOR ADOPTION.

State of Colorado, County of....., ss.  
 In the.....Court.....Term, A. D. 190..  
 To the Hon.....Judge of said court:  
 Your petitioners,.....

.....of.....in said  
 county, would respectfully show unto your honor: That they are  
 residents of said county and inhabitants of this State, and are  
 desirous of adopting a child so as to render it capable of inher-  
 iting their estate. That the name of said child is.....  
 that it was of the age of.....years on the.....day of  
 .....last, and is a.....child. And further, that your  
 petitioners desire the name of said child changed to that of.....  
 ..... Your petitioners would further show unto  
 your honor that the said child became an inmate of the State  
 Home for Dependent and Neglected Children on, to wit, the  
 .....day of.....190..., by virtue  
 of an order of the County Court of.....County, the  
 said Board of Control of which consents to its adoption by said  
 parties, which consent is annexed hereto, and that it would, there-  
 fore, be to the interest of said child to become the adopted child  
 of your petitioners, and that said petitioners are willing and able  
 to maintain and educate said child properly as their own child.

Your petitioners would, therefore, pray this honorable court  
 to make an order declaring said child to be the adopted child of  
 your petitioners, and capable of inheriting their estate, and that  
 the name of said child be changed to that of.....  
 .....as provided by the act of the  
 General Assembly of the State of Colorado, approved March 31,  
 1895.

State of Colorado, County of....., ss.  
 .....  
 the above named petitioners, being duly sworn, depose and say  
 that the facts contained in the above petition, by.....  
 subscribed, are true according to the best of.....knowledge,  
 information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....  
 day of.....A. D. 190..  
 .....  
 .....



AFFIDAVIT FOR ADOPTION OF CHILD.

State of Colorado,.....County, ss.  
.....of lawful age, being duly sworn, upon his oath, says: That he is Superintendent of The State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado.

That....., a..... child of the age of about.....years, was committed to said Home by an order of the Judge of the County Court of..... County. (If the foregoing clause does not apply, state the facts as they exist.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of.....190...

CONSENT TO ADOPTION OF CHILD.

The Board of Control of The State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, of whose temporary home and asylum a minor..... child of the age of about.....years and under fourteen years, is an inmate, does hereby consent to the adoption of said child by..... and his wife.....in manner and form as provided by the laws of the State of Colorado.

Dated at Denver, Colorado, this.....day of....., 190...

THE BOARD OF CONTROL,

By....., President or Superintendent.

CONSENT OF CHILD, BEING OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, TO ADOPTION.

I,..... being now an inmate of The State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, and being at this date over fourteen years of age, do hereby consent to being adopted by..... of the county of....., Colorado, as their child as provided by the laws of Colorado relating to the adoption of children.

CONSENT OF THE COUNTY AGENT OF BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS OR BOARD OF COUNTY VISITORS.

Consent is hereby given as required by section 8, of chapter 26, of the laws of Colorado, being an act in relation to the establishment of a State Home for Dependent and Neglected



Children, for the adoption of said child in accordance with the laws of Colorado and according to the prayer of the foregoing petition.

.....  
Agent of Board of Charities and Corrections for.....  
County, Colorado.

.....  
By.....  
President of said Board.

DECREE.

State of Colorado, County of....., ss.  
In re the petition of.....and  
.....for the adoption of  
the minor child.....  
This cause coming on to be heard this.....day  
of....., A. D. 190...., upon the petition of  
.....  
and .....  
duly verified, for the adoption of the minor child heretofore  
known as.....the said  
petitioners .....and  
.....appearing in  
their own proper persons and by.....  
their attorneys, and the court having read said petition and hav-  
ing examined upon their oaths the said.....  
.....and .....  
and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony submitted  
herein of the ability of the petitioners to properly rear, educate,  
support and maintain said child, and it appearing to the court  
upon the examination of.....  
the said wife, that she, of her own free will and accord, desires  
the adoption of said child; and the court being further satisfied  
of the fitness and propriety of such adoption, and of the willing-  
ness and wish of said petitioners and each of them to adopt said  
child as their own; and it further appearing to the court that  
said child has become an inmate of The State Home for Depend-  
ent and Neglected Children, an organization existing under the  
law of the State of Colorado, on, to wit, .....day of  
.....190...., by being committed to said Home  
by order of the judge of the County Court of.....  
county, and it further appearing to the court that consent in  
writing hath heretofore been given by.....  
president of said society, to the petitioners herein, for the adop-  
tion of said child, and the court being now fully advised in the  
premises.



It is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, that the said minor child heretofore known as..... shall be from this date, to all legal intents and purposes, the child and legal heir of the petitioners,..... and that the name of said child is hereby changed, altered and declared to be ..... and said child shall be, and is hereby, entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all legal obligation in respect to said petitioners as if to them born in lawful wedlock.

.....  
Judge of the County Court.



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