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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE
COLORADO STATE HOME
FOR DEPENDENT AND
NEGLECTED CHILDREN

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Eighth Biennial Report

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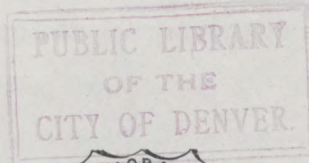
Colorado State Home
for Dependent and Neglected
Children

TO THE

Board of Control

2305 South Washington Street
Denver, Colo.

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FACTS.

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 Juvenile or 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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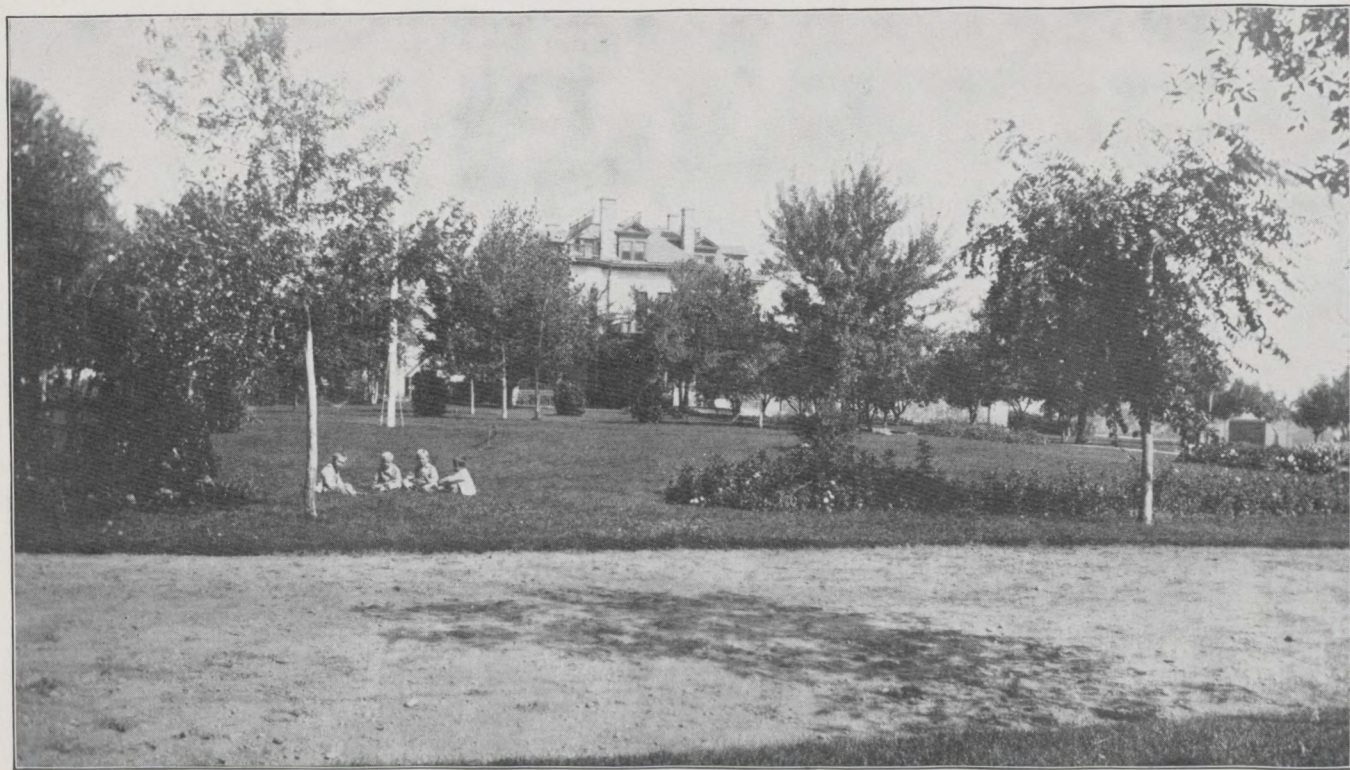
Office of the State Home for Dependent
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December 1, 1910.

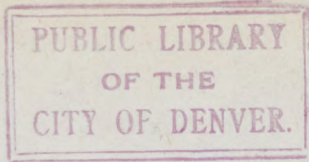
To His Excellency,
JOHN F. SHAFROTH,
Governor of Colorado

Sir—We have the honor to transmit to you the eighth biennial report of the Superintendent of the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, covering the two fiscal years ending, respectively, November 30, 1909, and November 30, 1910.

BOARD OF CONTROL,
Per DORA E. REYNOLDS,
President.



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Eighth Biennial Report
OF THE
Superintendent
OF THE
**Colorado State Home for Dependent
and Neglected Children**
TO THE
Board of Control

The eighth 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, 1908, and ending November 30, 1910.

In adopting progressive methods and making improvements, the members of the Board of Control have given earnest thought and wise counsel and have devoted much time to considering the welfare of the children and their home. The Superintendent heartily thanks the members for their interest and support.

It is a great pleasure to report the continued generous interest of Mrs. Charles Ruter and family, the Denver Automobile Club, Lodge No. 17, B. P. O. E. of Denver, the executive officers of the Denver City Tramway Company, the officials and representatives of the railroad companies, all contributing to the pleasure of the children and extending courtesies which materially aided in the economics of the Home. These and other friends made it possible for the children to have a delightful Christmas in 1908; also, to attend, in 1909, the Western National Stock Show in January; the Gypsy Smith Children's meeting in March; the Shriners' Show at the Stock Yards in April; to receive an automobile ride to City Park in June; to visit Elitch's Gardens the same month; to attend the concert given by the Philippine Constabulary Band in the Auditorium in September and to end the year with a most merry Christmas. During the year 1910 they were permitted to attend the musical festival given in the Auditorium in April; to witness the Lyman Howe moving pictures in June and to be given an automobile ride to the City Park during the same month.

The Sabbath School, under the supervision of Mr. W. C. Jay, has assembled every Sabbath afternoon at 3:30. Thirty-two classes and a primary department were organized, but there have

been only fifteen regular teachers. These have entertained their classes at their homes, the parks, and in various ways, affording the children much pleasure.

In behalf of the children, the Superintendent thanks these friends for their kindness.

HEALTH.

The physicians have continued their generous custom of giving prompt attention to the sick and injured without compensation. During an epidemic of scarlet fever in 1909 it was found necessary to enlist the services of Dr. Daniel F. Richards; increasing the visiting staff to five members. After a most successful service of from three to six months each year for a period of seven years, Dr. R. S. Allen, in January, 1910, found it necessary to resign as a member of the visiting staff; Dr. John C. Herrick was appointed his successor. To the consulting staff there have been added, Dr. Newton Wiest and Dr. H. G. Stover. In lieu of Dr. E. C. Rivers, who served for a number of years, Dr. John Chase was appointed. To these busy men we are grateful. A very large number of eye, ear and throat cases were presented for treatment and consultation in the offices of the various specialists. These cases, with the number treated and cared for in our hospital, will give some conception of the work performed by the physicians: Scarlet fever, 29 (2 fatal); diphtheria, 4; pneumonia, 5 (3 fatal); mumps, 36; specific trouble, 2 (both fatal); inanition, 13 fatal cases; intestinal infection, 5 fatal cases; cholera infantum, 4 (2 fatal); abscess of the ear following scarlet fever, 1 (fatal); foetal heart, 1 (fatal); rheumatism, 6; pleurisy, 1; neuralgia, 1; tonsilitis, 44; bronchitis, 9; croup, 5; eczema, 2; quinsy, 1; broken arms, 2; sprains, 15; chicken pox, 14. With one exception the fatal cases were those of children under twenty-four months of age, the average age being six months.

Three successful operations were performed in St. Luke's Hospital by members of the staff: Inguinal hernia, 1; appendicitis, 1; mastoid operation, 1.

SCHOOL.

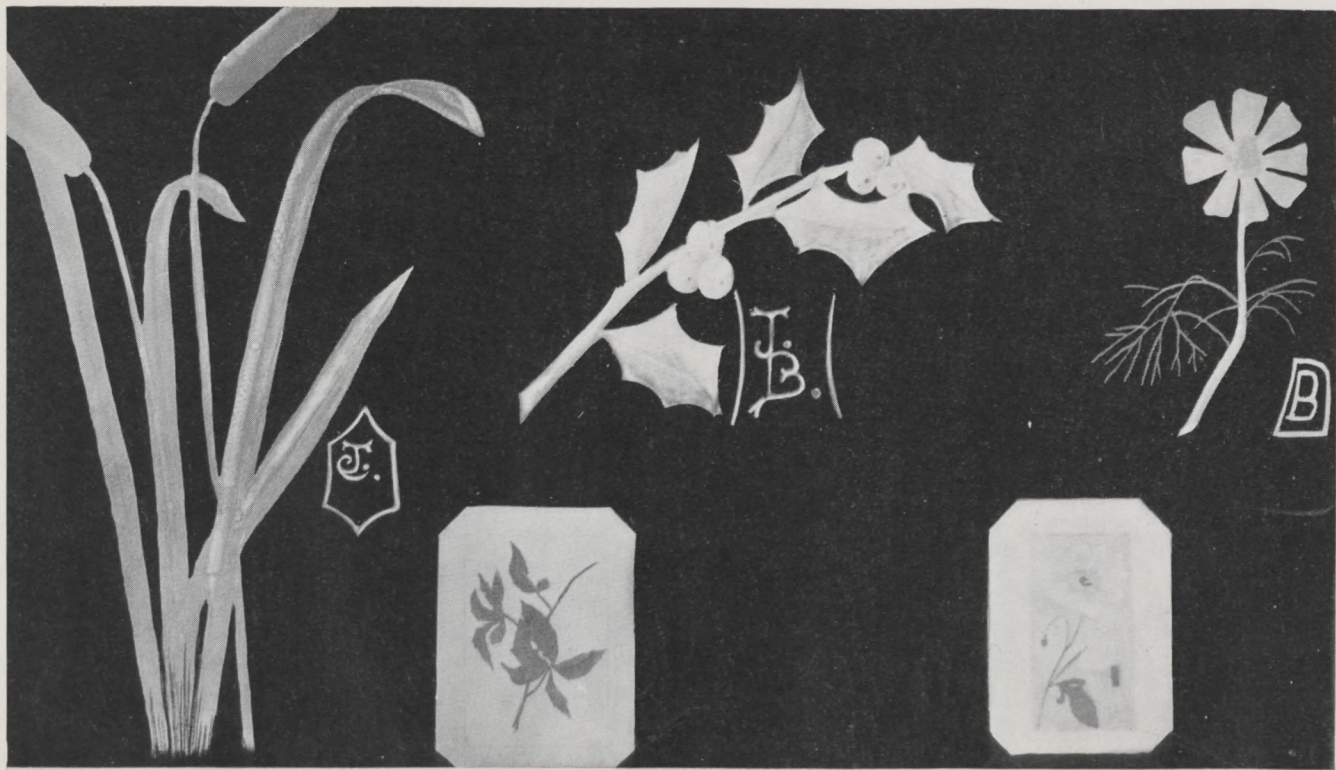
Teachers assigned—

For the year beginning September, 1908:

Miss Louise A. Merrill, head teacher, sixth and seventh grades; Miss Ethel Thornburgh, fourth and fifth grades; Miss M. E. Howerton, third grade; Miss Nettie Russell, first and second grades; Miss A. Sherrer, sloyd.

For the year beginning September, 1909:

Miss Louise A. Merrill, head teacher, sixth and seventh grades; Miss Abigail Kendall, from February, 1910, fifth grade; Miss Ethel Thornburgh, fourth grade; Miss M. E. Howerton, third



SEVENTH GRADE FREE HAND DRAWING—BLACKBOARD WORK.

grade; Miss Nettie Russell, first and second grades; Mrs. Winona F. Andrew, sloyd.

For the year beginning September, 1910;

Miss Louise A. Merrill, head teacher, sixth and seventh grades; Miss Abigail Kendall, fifth grade; Miss Ethel Thornburgh, third and fourth grades; Miss M. Virginia Jones, second and third grades; Miss Nettie Russell, first and second grades; Mrs. Winona F. Andrew, sloyd; Miss Harriet E. Middleswarth, kindergarten; Miss Clara C. Tuttle, kindergarten assistant.

Through the kindness of Dr. C. E. Chadsey, superintendent of the city schools, the corps of most excellent teachers appointed in 1908 continued during 1909 and 1910 with the exception of one, who retired at the close of the term in June, 1910, and a successor appointed.

On account of the increase in numbers it was found necessary to open the fifth room at the beginning of the term in September, 1910.

The average number of pupils from November 30, 1908, to June, 1909, was 150; from November 30, 1909, to June, 1910, 169. In September, 1910, there were enrolled in the first grade 8 boys, 7 girls; second, 20 boys, 15 girls; third, 25 boys, 18 girls; fourth, 13 boys, 8 girls; fifth, 28 boys, 8 girls; sixth, 11 boys, 2 girls; and seventh grade, 8 boys and 4 girls; total, 175. During the same month 3 boys and 1 girl entered the eighth and 1 girl the ninth grades in the Grant school building. The work in all grades is progressing satisfactorily and the teachers are pleased with the results.

In December, 1909, a cantata, under the direction of the teachers, was rendered by the children in a most successful manner, and was received enthusiastically by the friends who witnessed the same, and no less applause was given the entertainment produced in May, 1910. In July, 1909, Professor Wilberforce J. Whiteman, supervisor of music in the city schools, delivered an address to the National Educational Association in session in Denver. To demonstrate his methods he selected from the third grade 14 boys and 18 girls, who appeared on the platform to sing under his direction. Their work on this occasion was highly complimented.

For several years the need of a kindergarten has been manifest, and an appeal for teachers and supplies was made to the City Board of Education. The members very kindly responded and opened this department on September 6, 1910, with an enrollment of 29, under the care of one teacher and an assistant, who instruct the little people of the nursery, conducting only forenoon sessions.

The boys of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades are greatly interested in the sloyd department. There are five classes, each having two lessons per week. The work accomplished is a great credit to teacher and pupils.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

The opening of the fifth room for the grade work in school necessitated the removal of the domestic science department, new quarters for which were installed in the basement of the domestic building. Two rooms are conveniently arranged, one for the kitchen and the other for a dining and sewing room. The instructor is giving special attention to the plain cooking, and is endeavoring to prepare the girls for efficient service in all branches of practical household duties.

On February 16, 1909, the second class, composed of six girls 16 and 17 years of age, graduated from this department. On July 2, 1909, class No. 3 graduated, there being six members from 15 to 18 years of age; and on July 8, 1910, the fourth class completed its course; the nine girls were from 16 to 18 years of age. These girls are all self-supporting, each receiving from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per month. On October 10, 1910, class No. 5 was organized, consisting of six girls.

SEWING.

The one seamstress, with little assistance, made the following articles: Dresses, 573; gowns, 598; skirts, 176; shirts, 308; baby napkins, 480; aprons, 115; coats, 18; shirt waists, 28; corset covers, 8; towels, 36; making a total of 2,340 pieces.

GARDEN, FARM AND DAIRY.

Owing to the prevalence of grasshoppers during the summer of 1910 the returns from the garden and hay land were disappointing. These pests destroyed three-fourths of the cabbage and lettuce, all of the first crop of turnips and carrots and all the onions grown for winter supply. During the two seasons the following were produced: Asparagus, 1,663 pounds; beets, 1,714 pounds; cabbage, 3,077 pounds; cucumbers, 3,305 pounds; sweet corn, 954 dozen; cauliflower, 113 pounds; onions (green), 974 dozen; pumpkins, 11,111 pounds; parsnips, 2,187 pounds; popcorn, 400 pounds; peppers, 61 pounds; squash, 1,099 pounds; turnips, 1,956 pounds; tomatoes, 7,388 pounds; also a good supply of radishes, green beans and peas.

The apple crop of 1909 amounted to 13,164 pounds, the same being a failure in 1910.

The production of alfalfa in 1909 amounted to 24 tons, and in 1910 18 tons. The grasshoppers reduced this crop also.

As additional feed for the cows there were raised 19 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons of mangel-wurzel.

From the poultry yards there were received 1,970 dozen eggs.

In 1909 an average of 12 cows produced 16,303 gallons of milk, at an average cost for feed of 13 $\frac{8}{10}$ cents per gallon. In 1910 an average of 17 cows produced 20,840 gallons, at an average cost of 13 cents per gallon. The total production for the two



GRADUATES DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT, 1910.

years, 37,143 gallons, purchased at the wholesale price of 18 cents per gallon, would have cost the State \$1,717.87 more than the amount paid for feed.

STATE AGENCY.

According to reports from the State agent all the children remaining in the private homes are satisfactorily placed. One or more visits were made each year to each child placed on indenture and to all but a few who have been adopted. The agent labored continuously to promptly visit all applicants. In 1909, 20,562 miles by railroad and 1,645 miles by livery, a total of 22,207 miles were traveled, making 150 visits to applicants, 309 visits to children placed, and taking out to private homes 55 children, all at a total expense (including agent's salary) of \$1,583.90.

In 1910, 21,344 miles by railroad and 1,585 miles by livery, a total of 22,929 miles, were traveled; making 162 visits to applicants, 288 to children placed, and taking out to private homes 43 children, at a total expense (including agent's salary) of \$1,777.68.

On the basis of the total number of visits, the average cost per visit is \$3.34. This cost represents the average expense of placing and visiting a child in a private home in any part of the state. It includes salary, hotel and livery 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 vicinity.

The state agency work has become so extensive the employment of additional help in this department is earnestly recommended.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Seventeenth General Assembly provided an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose of erecting one cottage, one barn, completing, repairing and painting the domestic, school and hospital buildings, boys' cottage and laundry building, repairing and painting girls' building, for additional radiation and connecting girls' building with steam heating plant, three fire escapes, building brick smoke stack for heating plant, for cement floor in laundry, one root cellar, five thousand feet of cement walk. All of these improvements have been satisfactorily completed for the sum above mentioned.

The new cottage, 45 x 60 feet, for boys, was completed according to plans and specifications, and occupied on March 12, 1910. It is thoroughly lighted and ventilated, and has dormitories, dressing rooms, matrons' rooms, reading room, detention rooms, baths, lavatories and toilets.

The concrete dairy barn, 38 x 64 feet, was first occupied on February 26, 1910. It has cement floor with good drainage,

cement mangers, 28 steel swing stanchions, King ventilating system, and thoroughly lighted.

The root cellar, 31 x 55 feet, with concrete walls, steel and concrete roof, will give ample storage room for apples and vegetables.

The concrete sidewalks connecting the buildings have added both comfort and pleasure to the children and friends.

NEEDS.

During the period, 50 per cent. of the children enrolled were under six years of age and 25 per cent. were under two years, which fact clearly demonstrates the imperative need of a new building for the nursery, which has been in inadequate quarters for the past three years. The 10 to 15 infants and 20 other children daily found in this department can not be properly cared for until suitable bathrooms, toilets, sunrooms, play-rooms, dormitories and special wards for the infants are provided. The urgent request for this building was made in the last biennial report, as was also an appeal made for an operating room in connection with the hospital.

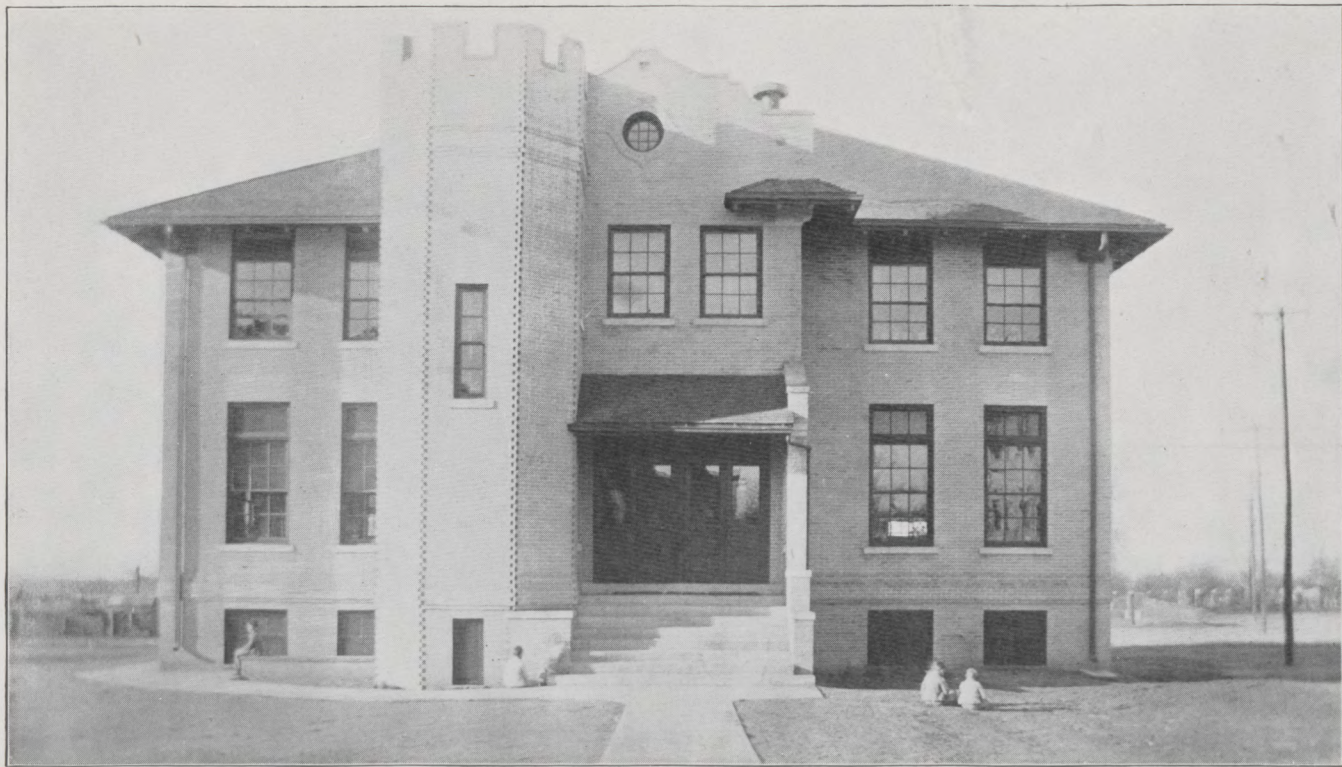
The building occupied by the girls was built for a private residence by a former owner of the property, therefore it is not constructed for the use of a large number, but it has been necessary to care for 60 girls on the third floor under the supervision of one matron. As there is no possible change to be made to relieve this congested condition, a request for a new cottage for girls is necessary.

Owing to the great expense, the consumption of light and water has been kept to the minimum. The installation of an electric light plant and the boring of an artesian well would permit the maximum use of these utilities, thereby improving the lighting of the buildings and campus, affording better fire protection, and the enlargement of the lawns and flower gardens commensurate with buildings and other improvements. These changes will materially lessen the expenses.

To care for the milk in a sanitary manner there should be a milk house erected and well equipped.

The city ditch, which traverses the play grounds, has been enlarged to permit the larger flow of water. To protect the children from the danger of drowning, and to avoid foreign matter being thrown into the ditch, a suitable wire fence should be constructed.

The municipalities for the past few years have been giving much attention to establishing play grounds thoroughly furnished with swings, gymnasium and other apparatus. In the absence of an interior gymnasium an out-door equipment for the young wards of the State would aid in keeping them contented and happy.



BOYS' COTTAGE, 1910.

New roofs are greatly needed on the laundry building, and on a portion of the domestic building.

As the hospital is removed two blocks from the other buildings, a cement walk is quite essential.

The average daily attendance for the period was 221, an increase of 22 over the previous biennial term. Anticipating the same increase in population, the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000.00) will be required to expend for the maintenance.

After careful consideration the above mentioned "needs" are thought to be essential in promoting the best interests of the children and the Home. A request to the Eighteenth General Assembly for appropriations to provide funds for the same is respectfully recommended.

1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925
1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035

STATISTICAL FORM

PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION. ADOPTED MAY 15, 1906.

POPULATION.

	Year 1909			Year 1910		
	Male	Fem.	Total	Male	Fem.	Total
Number of inmates present at beginning of fiscal year	131	72	203	144	71	215
Number received during the year (new admissions)	61	53	114	73	80	153
Children returned	69	35	104	76	48	124
Number discharged or died during the year	117	89	206	141	109	250
Number present at the end of the fiscal year	144	71	215	152	90	242
Daily average attendance during the year (i. e., number of inmates actually present)	138	71	209	150	81	231
Average number of officers and employes	6	18	24	6	19	25

EXPENDITURES.

Current Expenses—

1. Salaries and wages	\$11,344.61	\$12,399.18
2. Clothing	4,170.08	3,376.97
3. Subsistence	12,363.18	14,598.16
4. Ordinary repairs	731.61	2,037.30
5. Office, domestic and outdoor expenses.....	7,933.18	8,841.98
Total	\$36,542.66	\$41,253.59

Extraordinary Expenses—

1. New buildings, land, etc.....	\$19,675.00	
2. Permanent improvements to existing buildings	5,325.00	
Total	\$25,000.00	\$61,542.66
Grand Total		\$102,796.25

DISBURSEMENTS FOR BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
NOVEMBER 30, 1910.

MAINTENANCE.

	1909	1910	Total
Buildings		\$ 670.39	\$ 670.39
Salaries	11,344.61	12,399.18	23,743.79
Provisions	8,973.65	9,834.87	18,808.52
Clothing	4,170.08	3,376.97	7,547.05
Household furnishing and furniture	1,229.58	2,549.51	3,779.09
Light	481.35	563.30	1,044.65
Fuel	1,756.12	1,934.05	3,690.17
State agency	713.90	857.68	1,571.58
Drugs and instruments	321.33	628.40	949.73
General expense	1,170.42	1,093.33	2,263.75
Postage	93.75	88.38	182.13
School supplies	80.14	48.19	128.33
Stationery, printing and office supplies.....	230.26	153.21	383.47
Telephone	162.40	181.95	344.35
Laundry	386.11	303.34	689.45
Water	510.30	866.05	1,376.35
Drayage	15.00	14.65	29.65
Undertaker	71.00	240.00	311.00
Building improvements and repairs.....	731.61	1,366.91	2,098.52
Campus improvements	79.49	158.75	238.24
Farm and garden	122.53	276.30	398.83
Implements and tools	215.89	150.08	365.97
Stock	220.15	76.00	296.15
Feed, cows	2,259.58	2,858.38	5,117.96
Feed, horses	223.47	96.28	319.75
Feed, chickens	175.79	134.16	309.95
Insurance	804.15	333.28	1,137.43
Total	\$36,542.66	\$41,253.59	\$77,796.25
New buildings, etc.....		\$19,675.00	
Permanent improvements to existing buildings		5,325.00	25,000.00
Grand Total			\$102,796.25

STATISTICS FOR THE TWO YEARS RESPECTIVELY

		Boys	Girls	Total
Total enrollment	1909	61	53	114
	1910	73	80	153
Number adopted	1909	11	18	29
	1910	23	17	40
Number indentured	1909	14	14	28
	1910	17	20	37
Number out under special contract	Nov. 30, 1909	7	13	20
	Nov. 30, 1910	6	15	21
Number declared self-supporting	1909	12	2	14
	1910	9	1	10
Number out on trial	Nov. 30, 1909	11	7	18
	Nov. 30, 1910	15	14	29
Number out on trial with parents	Nov. 30, 1909	6	3	9
	Nov. 30, 1910	7	4	11
Returned to counties	1909	1	4	5
	1910	4	..	4
Returned to parents	1909	5	..	5
	1910	4	2	6
Number became of age	1909	..	10	10
	1910	4	14	18
Ran away from private homes	1909	7	2	9
	1910	3	..	3
Ran away from institution	1909	15	..	15
	1910	2	..	2
Died in private homes	1909	..	..	..
	1910	1	1	2
Died in institution	1909	2	3	5
	1910	9	11	20
Died in hospital	1909	1	1	2
	1910	1	1	2
Placed in other state institutions	1909	..	..	..
	1910	4	..	4
Average age of those received	1909	6.29	7.18	6.7
	1910	5	5.74	5.37
Average age of those adopted	1909	5.6	5.75	5.7
	1910	4.14	4.48	4.31
Average age of those indentured	1909	12.7	11.3	12
	1910	11.12	11.17	11.14

STATISTICS FOR THE TWO YEARS RESPECTIVELY.—
Concluded.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Average age of those died	1909.... 4.75	.45	2.60
	1910.... .52	.5	.51
Average age of those in the Home.....	Dec. 1, 1908.... 10.37	12.53	11.45
	Nov. 30, 1909.... 9.75	11.02	10.38
	Nov. 30, 1910.... 9.6	10.3	9.95
Daily average attendance	1909....138	72	210
	1910....150	81	231
Number present	Dec. 1, 1908....131	72	203
	Nov. 30, 1909....144	71	215
	Nov. 30, 1910....152	90	242

COMBINED STATISTICS FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS
ARE AS FOLLOWS:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Total number enrolled	134	133	267
Number adopted	34	35	69
Number indentured	31	34	65
Number declared self-supporting	21	3	24
Number returned to counties.....	5	4	9
Number returned to parents	9	2	11
Number became of age	4	24	28
Ran away from private homes.....	10	2	12
Ran away from institution	17	..	17
Number who died	14	17	31
Number placed in other institutions.....	4	..	4
Average age of those received	5.65	6.46	6.05
Average age of those adopted	4.9	5.02	4.96
Average age of those indentured.....	11.9	11.23	11.56
Average age of those present Nov. 30, 1909 and 1910.....	9.7	10.66	10.16
Average daily attendance	144	77	221

NUMBER AND AGES OF CHILDREN RECEIVED DURING
BIENNIAL PERIOD.

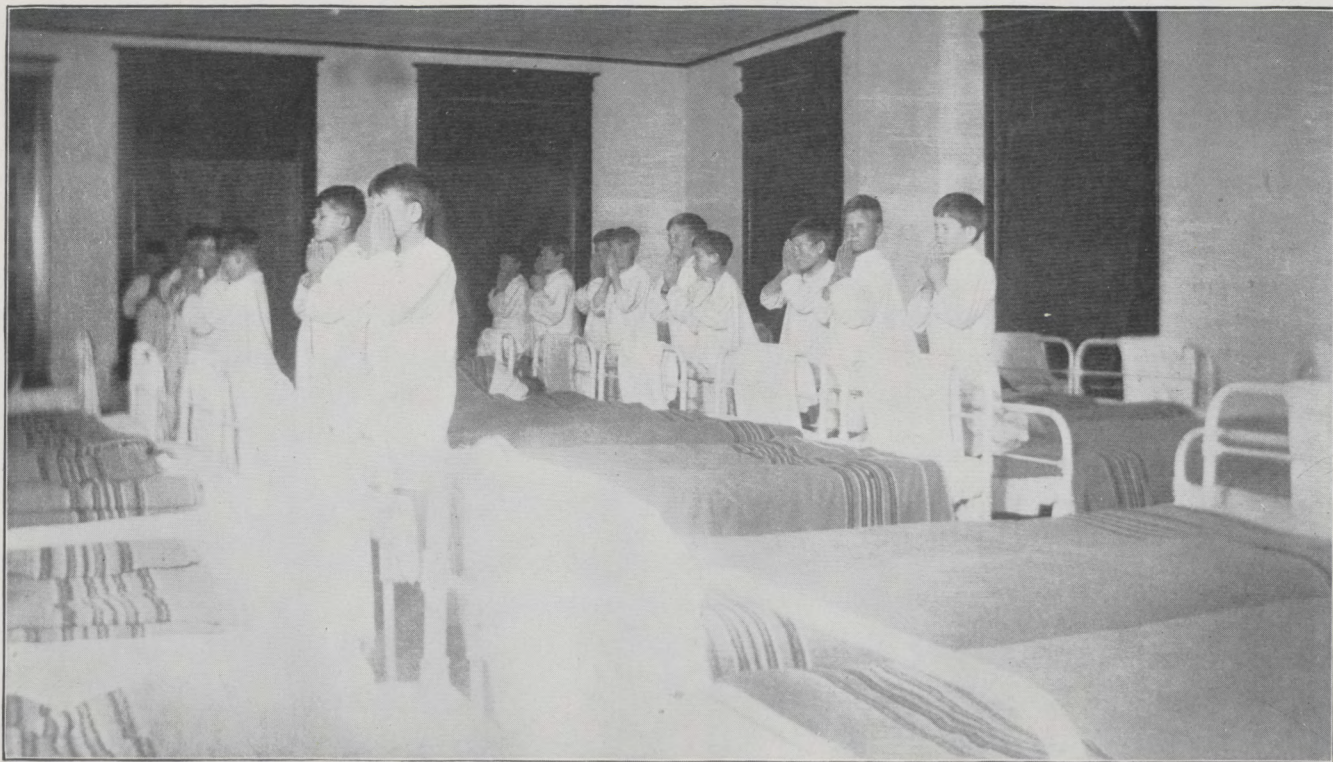
	1909			1910		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months	7	6	13	20	17	37
From 6 to 12 months	1	1	2	5	5	10
From 1 to 2 years.....	2	2	4	3	2	5
From 2 to 3 years.....	5	2	7	11	3	14
From 3 to 4 years.....	4	4	8	2	6	8
From 4 to 5 years.....	6	1	7	3	5	8
From 5 to 6 years.....	4	2	6	2	4	6
From 6 to 7 years.....	6	5	11	0	5	5
From 7 to 8 years.....	3	5	8	4	8	12
From 8 to 9 years.....	6	9	15	4	3	7
From 9 to 10 years.....	3	1	4	2	3	5
From 10 to 11 years.....	3	4	7	4	7	11
From 11 to 12 years.....	6	3	9	5	3	8
From 12 to 13 years.....	1	2	3	1	1	2
From 13 to 14 years.....	1	3	4	3	3	6
From 14 to 15 years.....	3	2	5	3	1	4
From 15 to 16 years.....	..	1	1	1	4	5
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	61	53	114	73	80	153
Average ages in years.....	6.29	7.18	6.7	5	5.74	5.37

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

	For Adoption			For Indenture		
	1909 and 1910			1909 and 1910		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months	6	9	15	..	..	..
From 6 to 12 months.....	4	4	8	..	..	..
From 1 to 2 years.....	12	14	26	1	1	2
From 2 to 3 years.....	12	22	34	..	..	..
From 3 to 4 years.....	9	12	21	..	2	2
From 4 to 5 years.....	4	4	8	..	..	..
From 5 to 6 years.....	1	7	8	2	2	4
From 6 to 7 years.....	4	5	9	1	3	4
From 7 to 8 years.....	4	8	12	..	1	1
From 8 to 9 years.....	1	9	10	1	6	7
From 9 to 10 years.....	2	6	8	2	4	6
From 10 to 11 years.....	3	5	8	..	10	10
From 11 to 12 years.....	3	2	5	6	7	13
From 12 to 13 years.....	10	8	18	18	10	28
From 13 to 14 years.....	2	3	5	6	8	14
From 14 to 15 years.....	4	2	6	11	8	19
From 15 to 16 years.....	..	1	1	1	8	9
From 16 to 17 years.....	1	1	2	2	4	6
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	82	122	204	51	74	125
Average ages in years.....	5.47	5.16	5.32	11.84	9.9	10.87

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

	Special Contract Returned to Parent					
	1909 and 1910			1909 and 1910		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
From 6 to 12 months.....	..	..	..	1	1	2
From 1 to 2 years.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
From 2 to 3 years.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
From 3 to 4 years.....	..	..	..	2	1	3
From 4 to 5 years.....	..	..	..	2	..	2
From 5 to 6 years.....	..	..	..	2	1	3
From 6 to 7 years.....	..	..	..	2	1	3
From 7 to 8 years.....	..	..	..	1	4	5
From 8 to 9 years.....	..	..	..	1	2	3
From 9 to 10 years.....	..	..	..	1	1	2
From 10 to 11 years.....	..	..	..	1	1	2
From 11 to 12 years.....	..	..	..	3	..	3
From 12 to 13 years.....	..	..	..	1	2	3
From 13 to 14 years.....	..	..	..	3	2	5
From 14 to 15 years.....	12	13	25	1	2	3
From 15 to 16 years.....	12	13	25	2	1	3
From 16 to 17 years.....	..	14	14	..	..	..
From 17 to 18 years.....	..	2	2	1	..	1
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	24	42	66	23	19	42
Average ages in years.....	14.5	16.42	15.46	9.35	9	9.18



BED-TIME.

WRITTEN APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND DISPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS:

	1909	1910	1909	1910	
	Approved		Declined		
Adoption—					
Boys	25	26	9	6	
Girls	24	39	26	17	
	—	—	—	—	
	49	65	35	23	
Indenture—					
Boys	15	19	3	2	
Girls	20	21	14	8	
	—	—	—	—	
	35	40	17	10	
Special—					
Boys	4	..	3	..	
Girls	9	2	..	..
	—	—	—	—	
	13	2	3	..	
Returned to Parents—					
Boys	4	3	7	5	
Girls	1	9	6	4	
	—	—	—	—	
	5	12	13	9	
	—	—	—	—	
Totals	102	119	68	42	
			1909	1910	Total
Applications Cancelled—					
Boys			4	3	7
Girls			7	7	14
			—	—	—
			11	10	21
Applicants Not Visited—					
Boys			4	19	23
Girls			5	11	16
			—	—	—
			9	30	39
			—	—	—
Totals			20	40	60

TABULATED STATEMENT

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

	Received					Placed				
	1909		1910		Total	1909		1910		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
Adams	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arapahoe .....	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	4
Boulder .....	..	..	7	6	13	..	..	3	3	6
Chaffee	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	1
Cheyenne .....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1
Custer .....	..	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Delta .....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Denver	32	28	31	32	123	7	11	8	15	41
Douglas .....	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	5
Eagle .....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Elbert .....	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	7
El Paso	9	10	13	7	39	3	3	3	..	9
Fremont .....	..	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Garfield .....	..	..	3	5	8	..	..	..	1	1
Gilpin .....	..	..	2	3	5	..	..	..	..	..
Gunnison .....	..	1	..	2	3	1	..	..	3	4
Huerfano	1	..	1	..	2	2	..	1	..	3
Jackson .....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2
Jefferson .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	4
Lake	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
La Plata	4	2	1	2	9	..	1	..	..	1
Larimer	4	1	2	4	11	1	1	1	..	3
Las Animas .....	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	1	1	2
Logan	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Mesa .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	6
Montrose	2	..	..	2	4	..	..	1	..	1
Morgan .....	..	..	2	3	5	..	1	..	..	1
Otero .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	4
Phillips .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Pueblo	1	2	4	2	9	..	2	2	..	4
Pitkin	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Prowers .....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rio Grande .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Routt .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
San Miguel .....	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..

TABULATED STATEMENT—Concluded.

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

	Received					Placed				
	1909		1910		Total	1909		1910		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
San Juan	1	..	..	3	4	1	..	1	..	2
Summit .....	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
Teller	2	..	2	..	4	1	1	2	..	4
Weld .....	..	1	1	..	2	1	1	..	2	4
Yuma .....	..	..	1	3	4	1	1	2	..	4
Washington .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Outside of state										
with relatives ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	5
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	61	53	73	80	267	25	32	40	37	134

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

	1909			1910		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months	1	1	2	6	6	12
From 6 to 12 months.....	1	..	1	3	..	3
From 1 to 2 years.....	1	1	2	3	..	3
From 2 to 3 years.....	4	..	4	3	..	3
From 3 to 4 years.....	6	..	6	3	2	5
From 4 to 5 years.....	3	1	4	3	..	3
From 5 to 6 years.....	8	2	10	6	4	10
From 6 to 7 years.....	11	5	16	7	3	10
From 7 to 8 years.....	9	6	15	14	8	22
From 8 to 9 years.....	11	7	18	10	10	20
From 9 to 10 years.....	18	6	24	13	9	22
From 10 to 11 years.....	11	5	16	19	5	24
From 11 to 12 years.....	17	5	22	9	8	17
From 12 to 13 years.....	12	7	19	13	6	19
From 13 to 14 years.....	16	8	24	13	8	21
From 14 to 15 years.....	6	6	12	11	9	20
From 15 to 16 years.....	6	5	11	8	7	15
From 16 to 17 years.....	3	4	7	3	4	7

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

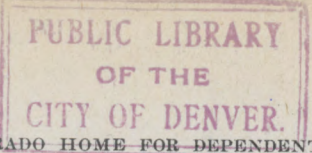
	1909			1910		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
From 17 to 18 years.....	1	2	3	4	1	5
Over 18 years.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
Totals	144	71	215	152	90	242
Average age	9.75	11.02	10.38	9.6	10.3	9.95

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
1909	61	53	114
1910	73	80	153
Totals	656	542	1,198



BALL TEAM, 1910.



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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	
	—	—	—	—	113
1909	11	18	14	14	
1910	23	17	17	20	
	—	—	—	—	134
Totals	120	148	189	195	652

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. COWAN,
Superintendent.

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 or in environments of vice. All such as 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 and Neglected 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 three 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 the 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, and a copy of these contracts may be found in this appendix.

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 its 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, or 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 the 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 and Juvenile Court:

Your attention is respectfully drawn to sections 10, 11, and 12 of chapter 26, Session Laws of 1895; also to the foot note on the "decree in dependency."

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 the facts related in the petition and from testimony given in court, be set forth in the decree.

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. PHONE SOUTH 226.

....., Colo. 191...

TO THE BOARD OF CONTROL:

I hereby make application* to have a child of said Home placed on sixty days' trial for.....(Write "indenture" or "adoption") 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 no 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 relation 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 de-
scription 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)

Date191.....

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 the proper per-
son to have the care and education of a child. We further cer-
tify that he is a person of good moral character; that he is tem-
perate 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.

Dated191....

Have three taxpayers sign here.

Name

Address

Name

Address

Name

Address

THIS INDENTURE, made this.....day of.....
A. D. 191.. by and between the State Home for Dependent and
Neglected Children, of the State of Colorado, party of the first
part, and.....of.....
County of....., 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 establish-
ment 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
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
.....kindly and properly treat said child as a member of.....
family; that in case of injury or illness of said child.....will
at...own expense secure the services of a competent physician;
that...will pay to said party of the first part, for the use and
benefit of said child, \$.....per month, payable monthly,
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 here-
unto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above
written.

STATE HOME FOR DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED
CHILDREN.

By.....
President.

Attest.....
Secretary

.....[SEAL]
Husband and wife sign here.

Approved this.....day of.....A. D. 191...

.....
County Judge.

PETITION FOR ADOPTION.

State of Colorado, County of.....ss.

In the.....Court.....Term, A. D. 191...
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.....191..., 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,
therefore, 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 Arapahoe, 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. 191.

.....
.....

AFFIDAVIT FOR ADOPTION OF CHILD.

State of Colorado,.....City and 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 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.....191...

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.....191...

THE BOARD OF CONTROL.
By.....Pres. or Sup't.

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 Sec. 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.

COLORADO STATE HOME
FOR
DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN,
DENVER, COLORADO.

PETITION FOR ADOPTION.

Name of child.....
Adopted by.....

STATE OF.....County.

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.....A. D. 191... at.....o'clock.....M.,
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Judge.

Clerk.

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. 191... 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
having 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 willingness 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 had become an inmate of The State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children, an organization existing under the law of the State of Colorado, on the to wit:.....day of191..., by being committed to said Home by an 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 the Board of Control of said Home, to the petitioners herein, for the adoption 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 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 or Juvenile Court.

State of Colorado,County, ss.

I,of theCourt in and for said County in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete copy of the Decree of Court in the matter of the adoption of the minor child,....., byand his wife,

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, at....., this..... day of....., A. D. 191....

.....
of the.....Court.
 By.....Deputy.

DECREE

The Petition of.....and
For the adoption of the minor child.

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