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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

OFFICE OF THE STATE HOME FOR CHILDREN

December 1, 1924.

To His Excellency,

WILLIAM E. SWEET,

Governor of Colorado.

Sir: We have the honor herewith to transmit to you, as required by law and as meeting with our pleasure, the fifteenth biennial report of the Superintendent of the Colorado State Home for Children. This report covers the accomplishments of the Home during the fiscal years ending November 30, 1923, and November 30, 1924.

Very respectfully yours,

PERMELIA CURTIS PORTER,

President State Board of Control.

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FIFTEENTH BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT

OF THE

Colorado State Home for Children

TO THE

BOARD OF CONTROL

HONORABLE BOARD OF CONTROL:

I am submitting herewith the fifteenth biennial report of the Superintendent of the Colorado State Home for Dependent Children.

Another two-year period has passed into a memory. It has been a time of readjustment, and this, with a change of administration, has perhaps hindered the work to a certain degree, but we take comfort in the thought that much has been done to make life better and brighter for a goodly number of children; and as the child life of a country is its greatest asset, we are proud that we have had a part in the betterment of this great commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. RANKIN,
Acting Superintendent.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

By appropriation February 20, 1923	\$ 30,000.00
By appropriation April 27, 1923.....	140,000.00
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	\$170,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING
NOVEMBER 30, 1924

	1923	1924	Total
Salaries	\$ 28,270.82	\$ 29,499.27	\$ 57,770.09
Provisions	12,594.70	12,303.75	24,898.45
Clothing	5,823.12	6,179.16	12,002.28
Furniture and Fixtures	1,013.20	1,768.80	2,782.00
Light	975.07	1,229.08	2,204.15
Fuel	7,217.99	7,923.06	15,141.05
State Agency	942.86	1,880.48	2,823.34
Drugs and Instruments	1,553.44	1,758.64	3,312.08
General Expense	3,801.70	3,130.20	6,931.90
Household Furnishings	2,850.61	2,896.17	5,746.78
School Supplies	79.13	83.81	162.94
Stationery, Printing and Office Expense	336.36	391.77	728.13
Telephone	276.35	252.15	528.50
Insurance	876.98	960.41	1,837.39
Laundry	357.30	596.23	953.53
Water	1,645.20	1,613.50	3,258.70
Undertaker	45.00	85.00	130.00
Chicken Feed	188.92	39.32	228.24
Cow Feed	6,622.19	7,933.45	14,555.64
Buildings	513.75	100.26	614.01
Building Improvements and Repairs...	2,085.77	7,184.92	9,270.69
Farm and Garden	329.15	507.00	836.15
Implements and Tools	1,413.35	792.11	2,205.46
Stock	62.50	1,016.00	1,078.50
	\$79,875.46	\$90,124.54	\$170,000.00

CASH FUND

Dec. 1, 1922—By balance Cash Fund.....		\$2,122.13
By total deposits, 1923-1924		3,540.26
1923		
Jan. 4—To disbursements	\$ 72.19	
Jan. 1—To disbursements	25.00	
Feb. 1—To disbursements	2,185.47	
1924		
Nov. 1—To disbursements	230.00	
Nov. 22—To disbursements	678.61	
Dec. 1—By balance	2,471.12	
	\$5,662.39	\$5,662.39

NURSERY BUILDING FUND

By appropriation, April 27, 1923.....		\$25,000.00
1924		
May 1—To disbursements	\$ 5,829.50	
June 2—To disbursements	4,200.00	
Aug. 1—To disbursements	8,094.00	
Sept. 2—To disbursements	5,265.28	
Sept. 15—To disbursements	182.00	
Nov. 22—To disbursements	1,429.22	
	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00

EDBROOKE LEGACY FUND

Dec. 1, 1922—By balance	\$4,648.99	
Aug. 7, 1923—By legacy	2,133.57	
May 28, 1924—By legacy	6.35	
1923		
Jan. 2—To disbursements	\$4,279.10	
Jan. 2—To disbursements	369.89	
1924		
Aug. 1—To disbursements	429.16	
Nov. 22—To disbursements	163.42	
Dec. 1—By balance	1,547.34	
	\$6,788.91	\$6,788.91

E. C. HOWE CASH LEGACY FUND

December 1, 1922—By balance	\$104.00	
December 1, 1924—By balance	\$104.00	
	\$104.00	\$104.00

MOVEMENT OF POPULATION, COST, ETC.

	1923	1924
Under jurisdiction, beginning fiscal year.....	416	394
Admitted during year	120	143
	536	537
Total cared for directly	\$79,875.46	\$90,124.54
Total maintenance		
Cost per capita—		
Total cared for directly.....	149.02	167.82
Dismissed permanently (adoptions, self-supporting, returned to county, returned to parent, attained majority, died, married)	104	85
Dismissed tentatively (trial adoption, trial indenture, trial parent, at work, etc.)	146	146
	250	231
Total Dismissed	21	19
Average placed per month	394	409
Total enrolled at end of fiscal years		

SUMMARY TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS

Received November 30, 1924	2,900
In Homes, on trial	168
In Homes, on indentures	18
In Homes, adopted	810
In Homes, on special contract	69
In Homes, returned to parent	456
Married, attained majority, self-supporting	773
Died in Homes and in Institution	202
Returned to Counties from which they came	201
Returned to Guardian	2
Returned to County, Temporary Commitments	47
Present in Home, November 30, 1924	154
	2,900

FIFTEENTH BIENNIAL REPORT

STATE AGENCY

ONE AGENT

Number of Visits—		1923
To Children in Homes		412
To Applicants for Children		160
Applications for Children received		149
Applications Approved, 66% of number received		95
Applications not acted upon		5
Transfers—		
Children taken to Private Homes		40
Children returned from Private Homes		16
Mileage—		
Railroad	21,390	
Auto	4,262	
		25,652
Expenses		\$ 942.86

TWO AGENTS

Numbers of Visits—		
To Children in Homes		800
To Applicants for Children		203
To References on Applications		614
Applications for Children received		161
Applications Approved, 64% of number received		104
Applications not acted upon		6
Transfers—		
Children taken to Private Homes		39
Children returned from Private Homes		9
Children transferred outside of Institution		10
Mileage—		
Railroad	26,228	
Auto	5,289	
		31,517
Expenses		\$1,785.20

STATISTICS FOR THE TWO YEARS RESPECTIVELY

	Boys	Girls	Total
Number received during the year (new admissions)			
.....1923	49	33	82
.....1924	65	35	100
Number adopted			
.....1923	16	14	30
.....1924	7	11	18
Number on special contract			
.....Nov. 30, 1923	25	31	56
.....Nov. 30, 1924	32	31	63
Number on special indenture			
.....Nov. 30, 1923	20	19	39
.....Nov. 30, 1924	20	19	39
Number declared self-supporting			
.....1923	18	....	18
.....1924	20	....	20
Number on trial, indenture, adoption			
.....1923	56	34	90
.....1924	82	57	139
Number on trial with parents			
.....1923	10	9	19
.....1924	22	13	35
Number returned to counties			
.....1923	9	3	12
Number returned to parents			
.....1923	12	10	22
.....1924	16	3	19
Number that became of age out of Home			
.....1923	....	16	16
.....1924	....	17	17
Number died in Institution under six months			
.....1923	....	....	....
.....1924	1	....	1
Number died in Institution over six months			
.....1923	1	1	2
.....1924	....	....	....
Number died in private homes under six months			
.....1923	....	....	....
.....1924	....	....	....
Number died in private homes over six months			
.....1923	1	....	1
.....1924	2	....	2
Married with consent of Board of Control			
.....1923	....	3	3
.....1924	....	2	2
Average age of those received			
.....1923	8.2	8.1	8.15
.....1924	6.4	6.7	6.6
Average age of those adopted			
.....1923	2.8	4.6	3.7
.....1924	1.5	4.3	3.2
Average age of those who died			
.....1923	9.75	11.6	10.7
.....1924	3	....	3
Average age of those in Home			
.....Nov. 30, 1923	10.3	12.1	11.2
.....Nov. 30, 1924	12.3	10.3	11.2
Average daily attendance			
.....1923	101	78	179
.....1924	100	75	175
Number present in Home			
.....Dec. 1, 1922	107	83	190
.....Nov. 30, 1923	91	70	161
.....Nov. 30, 1924	93	61	154

COMBINED STATISTICS FOR TWO FISCAL YEARS

	Boys	Girls	Total
Total number of new admissions.....	114	68	182
Number adopted	23	25	48
Number declared self-supporting	38	...	38
Number returned to counties	13	5	18
Number returned to parents	28	13	41
Number that became of age out of Home.....	...	33	33
Number married with consent of Board of Control....	...	5	5
Number who died	5	1	6
Average age of those adopted.....	2.2	4.5	3.3
Average age of those present, Nov. 30, 1923.....	10.3	12.1	11.2
Nov. 30, 1924.....	12.3	10.3	11.2
Average daily attendance	101	76	177

NUMBER AND AGES OF CHILDREN RECEIVED DURING BIENNIAL PERIOD

	1923			1924		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 6 months	2	4	6	9	5	14
From 6 to 12 months.....	1	...	1	...	...	...
From 1 to 2 years	2	2	4	4	2	6
From 2 to 3 years	2	2	4	8	2	10
From 3 to 4 years	3	...	3	2	1	3
From 4 to 5 years	1	1	2	6	2	8
From 5 to 6 years	5	3	8	4	2	6
From 6 to 7 years	2	2	4	2	3	5
From 7 to 8 years	5	1	6	3	2	5
From 8 to 9 years.....	5	3	8	6	3	9
From 9 to 10 years.....	3	1	4	6	3	9
From 10 to 11 years	6	1	7	5	1	6
From 11 to 12 years	2	3	5	4	3	7
From 12 to 13 years	4	3	7	...	2	2
From 13 to 14 years	3	4	7	3	1	4
From 14 to 15 years	3	2	5	2	1	3
From 15 to 16 years .....	..	1	1	1	2	3
Total	49	33	82	65	35	100
Average ages	8.2	8.1	8.15	6.4	6.7	6.6

NUMBER OF CHILDREN COMMITTED FROM AND PLACED
IN THE VARIOUS COUNTIES

	Committed					Placed				
	1923		1924		Total	1923		1924		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
Adams	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	1	12
Arapahoe	..	..	1	2	3	4	3	3	1	11
Baca	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Boulder	1	..	2	2	5	1	..	3	1	5
Chaffee	..	..	4	2	6	..	..	3	..	3
Clear Creek	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Conejos	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	5
Custer	..	..	3	1	4	..	..	..	..	..
Delta	4	3	1	3	11	..	..	1	..	1
Denver	12	4	14	4	34	13	23	24	22	82
Douglas	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	2	7
Elbert	..	..	1	1	2	6	2	4	..	12
El Paso	1	..	2	1	4	1	3	..	3	7
Fremont	2	..	3	1	6	..	..	1	1	2
Garfield	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Grand	..	2	..	..	2	2	1	1	..	4
Gunnison	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	4
Huerfano	1	..	1	1	3	1	..	..	..	1
Jefferson	3	..	..	..	3	8	1	4	3	16
La Plata	..	1	4	4	9	1	..	..	..	1
Larimer	6	6	2	..	14	..	7	1	1	9
Las Animas	1	2	4	..	7	..	2	3	3	8
Lincoln	..	..	4	2	6	..	..	..	..	..
Logan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Mesa	..	..	2	2	4	..	3	1	1	5
Montezuma	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	2
Montrose	1	3	1	..	5	1	..	..	1	2
Morgan	5	3	..	1	9	2	3	3	1	9
Otero	..	..	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	1
Pitkin	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Prowers	..	..	2	1	3	1	1	1	..	3
Pueblo	6	3	5	1	15	3	4	5	1	13
Rio Grande	..	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	1
Routt	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	2
Saguache	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
Summit	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	4
Washington	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	6
Weld	4	4	3	4	15	4	3	3	2	12
Yuma	2	1	1	..	4	..	10	1	6	16
Out of State	..	..	..	..	..	6	4	6	5	21
Totals	49	33	65	35	182	68	78	82	64	292

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

	1923			1924		Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	
Totals	91	70	161	93	61	154
Average ages	10.3	12.1	11.2	10.3	12.3	11.2

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENROLLED SINCE MARCH, 1896

	Boys	Girls	Total
Total	1,628	1,272	2,900

CHILDREN PLACED SINCE OPENING IN MARCH, 1896

	Adoptions		Indentures		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
Total	396	404	328	279	1,407

FARM AND GARDEN REPORT FOR STATE HOME FOR
CHILDREN, 1923-1924

Alfalfa, tons	30	Oats, bushels	785
Apples, pounds	4,850	Onions, dozen	5,882
Asparagus, pounds	3,670	Peas, pounds	1,025
Beans, pounds	2,460	Pumpkins, tons	1½
Beets, table, pounds	9,770	Radishes, dozen	2,050
Beets, stock, tons	12	Rhubarb, pounds	4,290
Butter, pounds	9,145	Spinach, pounds	6,460
Cabbage, pounds	18,090	Swiss Chard, pounds	4,140
Kraut, barrels	5	Tomatoes, pounds	13,305
Cantaloupe	400	Watermelons	959
Carrots, pounds	12,505	Strawberries, pints	272
Cauliflower, pounds	3,840	Wheat, bushels	180
Cucumbers, dozen	1,075	Chickens raised	550
Pickles, gallons	350	Chickens eaten	500
Corn, sweet, dozen	1,790	Stock sold, head	34
Corn fodder, tons	18	Pork, young	22
Corn silage, tons	250	Pork sold, 4,360 pounds	20
Eggs, dozen	6,679	Pork eaten, 648 pounds	3
Lettuce, head, dozen	484	Straw, tons	37
Milk, gallons	73,017	Wheat, baled, tons	4

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