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FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF REGENTS

OF THE

GIRLS INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

OF TEXAS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1902.

REPORT OF BOARD OF REGENTS.

*To His Excellency, Joseph D. Sayers, Governor of Texas,
Austin, Texas.*

SIR: The undersigned constitute the Board of Regents of the Industrial Institute and College for the White Girls of Texas. This is the first report of the Board of Regents of said institution. The act of the Legislature establishing said industrial institute provided for the creation of a commission to locate said industrial institute, and under certain circumstances it provided for a Board of Regents to administer said institute and college when located. It may not be amiss to briefly recall the work of the commission which has preceded the work of this Board.

The commissioners to locate the Industrial College for Girls, under call of your Excellency, met in Waco, Texas, on the first day of October, 1901. The following named persons constituted the commission by congressional districts:

W. D. Cleveland, of Houston, Texas, representing the First Congressional District; Dr. J. B. Roberts, of Woodville, Texas, representing the Second Congressional District; Hon. R. T. Milner, of Rusk, Texas, representing the Third Congressional District; J. H. Rowell, Sr., of Jefferson, Texas, representing the Fourth Congressional District; Hon. Rosser Thomas, of Bonham, Texas, representing the Fifth Congressional District; Hon. O. B. Colquitt, of Terrell, Texas, representing the Sixth Congressional District; Hon. W. L. Radney, of Waco, Texas, representing the Seventh Congressional District; Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, of Fort Worth, Texas, representing the Eighth Congressional District; A. P. Wooldridge, of Austin, Texas, representing the Ninth Congressional District; Hon. John M. Moore, of Richmond, Texas, representing the Tenth Congressional District; Hon. E. A. Atlee, of Laredo, Texas, representing the Eleventh Congressional District; Hon. George H. Pfeuffer, of San Antonio, Texas, representing the Twelfth Congressional District; Mr. J. E. Hooper, of Colorado, Texas, representing the Thirteenth Congressional District.

This commission organized by the selection of O. B. Colquitt as president, A. P. Wooldridge as vice-president, and Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard as secretary, and appointed an itinerary of the State, to start from Austin on the 7th day of January, 1902. The commission on its itinerary visited the cities of San Antonio, Texas; Austin, Texas; Taylor, Texas; A. and M. College, Texas; Waco, Texas; Walnut Springs, Texas; Dublin, Texas; Hillsboro, Texas; Denton, Texas; Amarillo, Texas; Greenville, Texas; Terrell, Texas; Jefferson, Texas, and Huntsville, Texas. After com-

pleting its itinerary the commission adjourned to meet in Austin, Texas, on the 3rd day of February, 1902, at which time and place the claims of the various cities were carefully and most conscientiously gone over in great detail, and thereafter a ballot was had for the purpose of selecting such place as the commission should deem most fit for the permanent site of the Industrial College. Upon the seventy-sixth ballot the town of Denton, in Denton County, was chosen the site for the Industrial College, and a tract of about seventy acres of land in the northeast portion of that city, known as the Collins-Lattimore tract, was selected for the site of the institute. This tract of land is beautifully situated, gently rolling to the south and west, and commanding an exceptionally fine view of the town and surrounding country. Most of the soil is fertile, and the larger portion of the tract is in excellent state of cultivation, and there are valuable permanent improvements upon the grounds. In addition to this grant of land, the people of Denton gave \$16,050 as a money bonus, and agreed to dig upon these grounds a six-inch artesian well, guaranteeing therefrom an abundant flow of water. The northeastern portion of the tract is beautifully wooded. The site in the town of Denton is regarded as particularly well adapted to the wants of this institution.

The commissioners, by a vote, determined that the Girls' Industrial College and Institute should be administered by an independent Board. Your Excellency appointed the undersigned to be the first Board of Regents of the Girls' Industrial College and Institute of Texas, and pursuant to the call of your Excellency, this Board met in the city of Denton, Texas, on the 2nd day of April, 1902, for the purpose of permanent organization. A. P. Wooldridge was chosen President of the Board; Miss M. Eleanor Brackenridge, of San Antonio, Vice-President; Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, of Fort Worth, Secretary, and John A. Hann, of Denton, Treasurer.

After careful consideration of the immediate requirements of the institute in the way of buildings, this Board, on the 2nd day of May, 1902, invited architects to furnish plans and specifications for a building for the Industrial College and Institute for the White Girls of Texas. The idea of the Board was to have in mind a building which, when completed, would be adequate to the wants of the institution, but which could not, for lack of means, be finished in its entirety at the present time.

About nine architects competed for this building, submitting elaborate plans and general specifications of their designs. At a meeting of the Board, held in the city of Denton on the 1st day of July, 1902, the plans of the several architects were carefully considered, and those of the firm of Messrs. Dodson & Scott, of Waco, Texas, were adopted by the Board, and those architects were instructed to prepare building plans and detailed specifications of said building. These plans and specifications were sub-

sequently passed upon by the Building Committee of the Board, and bids from contractors to construct said building were invited. On the 7th day of August, 1902, certain five bids were received varying in amounts from about \$65,000 to about \$45,000, the bid of Mr. Dennis Mahoney, of Waxahachie, Texas, of \$45,462 being the lowest bid, and at the same time a substantial and responsible bid, was accepted by the Board, and the contract for the main building of the college was awarded to him for the price of \$45,462. This contract was closed on the 11th day of August, 1902, and under its terms the contract is to be completed within eight months after that date.

At this date it is impossible for this Board to submit to your Excellency a detailed statement of its requirements for the next two years. Such detailed statement, however, will be furnished to your Excellency not later than the 1st day of January, next. In the meantime, the Board respectfully represents to your Excellency that not less than \$20,000 per year for the next two years will be required for the maintainance and operation of this institution, and that the sum of not less than \$15,000 will be required to equip the central building with the necessary and indispensable furniture and apparatus requisite for the occupancy and use of the same, and not less than the sum of \$5,000 will be required to put the grounds, fences, fields, yards and outbuildings in proper condition, which sums we respectfully memorialize your Excellency to recommend to the favorable consideration of the Legislature at its forthcoming session.

Of the \$50,000 heretofore appropriated by the Twenty-seventh Legislature for the Girls' Industrial Institute, the sum of \$5,198.-75 has been expended, an itemized statement of which is appended hereto, and marked "Exhibit A."

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. WOOLDRIDGE,
M. ELEANOR BRACKENRIDGE,
HELEN M. STODDARD,
MRS. CONE JOHNSON,
JOHN A. HANN,
ROSSER THOMAS,
CLARENCE OUSLEY,

Regents.

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Amount Expended by Locating Committee.

Oct. 4, 1901	E. A. Atlee	\$	28 00
Oct. 10, 1901	R. T. Milner		24 80
Oct. 12, 1901	A. P. Wooldridge		15 50
Oct. 18, 1901	Rosser Thomas		18 40
Jan. 21, 1902	J. H. Rowell, Sr.		26 80
Feb. 6, 1902	Rosser Thomas		151 05
Feb. 6, 1902	J. E. Hooper		220 25
Feb. 6, 1902	Wm. D. Cleveland		129 45
Feb. 6, 1902	George H. Pfeuffer		240 85
Feb. 6, 1902	J. H. Rowell		246 40
Feb. 6, 1902	John M. Moore		154 65
Feb. 6, 1902	J. B. Roberts		217 85
Feb. 6, 1902	O. B. Colquitt		214 40
Feb. 6, 1902	R. T. Milner		182 30
Feb. 7, 1902	W. L. Radney		234 25
Feb. 8, 1902	Helen M. Stoddard		200 84
Feb. 14, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		179 35
Feb. 14, 1902	E. A. Atlee		208 00
Feb. 24, 1902	O. B. Colquitt		40 60
Feb. 28, 1902	W. L. Radney		27 50
Mar. 7, 1902	Rosser Thomas		24 10
Mar. 13, 1902	Rosser Thomas		109 20
	Total	\$	2,894 54

Amount Expended by the Board of Regents

Apr. 10, 1902	Mrs. Cone Johnson	\$	33 40
Apr. 10, 1902	Miss Eleanor Brackenridge		33 60
Apr. 10, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		33 00
Apr. 10, 1902	Clarence Ousley		37 00
Apr. 10, 1902	John A. Hann		10 00
Apr. 10, 1902	Helen M. Stoddard		11 10
Apr. 10, 1902	Rosser Thomas		25 20
June 6, 1902	Rosser Thomas		363 68
June 9, 1902	Rosser Thomas		36 30
June 9, 1902	Miss Eleanor Brackenridge		14 80
June 9, 1902	Helen M. Stoddard		20 00
June 9, 1902	Clarence Ousley		23 00
June 9, 1902	John A. Hann		27 90
June 18, 1902	Capital City Book Co.		6 15
July 9, 1902	Dallas Morning News		4 14
July 12, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		5 00
July 15, 1902	Rosser Thomas		14 00
July 15, 1902	Clarence Ousley		30 00
July 15, 1902	Helen M. Stoddard		11 90
July 16, 1902	Helen M. Stoddard		75 00
July 18, 1902	Express Publishing Co.		2 78
July 19, 1902	Capital City Book Co.		27 04
July 21, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		31 50
July 23, 1902	Mrs. Cone Johnson		24 90
July 30, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		42 35
Aug. 1, 1902	Rosser Thomas		40 80
Aug. 14, 1902	Houston Printing Co.		4 32
Aug. 18, 1902	Mrs. Cone Johnson		31 70
Aug. 18, 1902	Mrs. Cone Johnson		17 80
Aug. 18, 1902	John A. Hann		33 50
Aug. 21, 1902	A. P. Wooldridge		5 00
Aug. 21, 1902	Rosser Thomas		36 50
Sept. 8, 1902	John A. Hann		21 40
Sept. 11, 1902	Dodson & Scott (architects' fee)		1,156 55
Sept. 18, 1902	Rosser Thomas		21 00
Sept. 22, 1902	Houston Printing Co.		3 78
Sept. 25, 1902	City National Bank		3 22
Total		\$	2,304 21
Total amount expended			5,198 75
Balance on hand			44,801 25