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OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT

OF THE

Nevada School of Industry

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ELKO, NEVADA, December 30, 1916.

Honorable EMMET D. BOYLE, Governor of Nevada.

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to transmit my first annual report of the Nevada School of Industry. This school was opened for the reception of recalcitrant boys by your proclamation of June 15, 1915.

It affords me great pleasure to state that although the increase in the number of boys is not great since the school was opened, the increase has been a wholesome one of even-tenored accomplishment, unaccompanied by any deep failure or sensational achievement.

One fact, however, is reasonable and securely gratifying. The school is today in every particular abler to do the things for which it was designed than ever before. Many of the boys committed have been in one, two and three public institutions before coming to this school. While nearly all cases are covered by larceny and incorrigibility, the latter nearly always involves stealing and other criminal charges.

A code of rules has been adopted for the governing of this school known as the "honor system." There is no corporal punishment and I find that we are obtaining good results from that system.

The interest of the boys must be always uppermost. The school is maintained for their benefit. We have a graduate of our State University as teacher and the school is conducted on our State public school system.

Boys, or rather young men, must have an abundance of nourishing food and it is the State's duty to provide it. A good sanitary water supply is as indispensable as its liberal external application is desirable. I am gratified to state that we have an abundance of pure water for this school, also a sufficient quantity developed to irrigate thirty acres of land in addition, which is raised to the surface by a pumping system. I find an abundance of water from twenty-five to fifty feet in depth for all practical purposes. If a boy's institution is organized for his needs and its best ideals are lived up to, then fortunate is the boy who is confined to its care.

I take the privilege of this opportunity to return my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the Governor, Secretary of State, State Controller, State Treasurer, Attorney-General, and the members of the Board of Control, for the many courtesies extended and assistance rendered in conducting the affairs of this school.

STATEMENT OF PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENTS

A great amount of improvements have been made since the school opened. Thirty acres of heavy sagebrush land have been cleared, ten acres of which was planted in oats and alfalfa, and have been bearing crops for two years, and which will save the State from buying hay for the stock. We have ten acres prepared for crops the coming spring, which will be also planted in oats, wheat and alfalfa.

A barn has been erected on modern plans and a shed for our farm

implements, chicken-house, garage and blacksmith shop has also been erected.

An orchard and shade trees have been planted, but owing to the late and early frosts of last year it retarded their growth.

A water system has been installed to irrigate lawn, orchard and garden; also a large swimming pond 80x50 feet has been excavated and is ready for cement. It is intended for the benefit of the students of this School as a swimming pond in summer and a skating rink in winter, and we can also cut sufficient ice for use in the summer which will be quite a saving to the State and pay for the amount of cement required to cement the pond in a few years.

The State owns 80 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres of land in connection with the School, the exterior of which has all been fenced in a strong and substantial manner with new cedar posts, barb and smooth wire, besides cross fences. A beautiful boulevard has been constructed from the county road to the School.

Three large shafts have been sunk to develop water—No. 1, 24 feet in depth, 10x10; No. 2, 34 feet in depth, size 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{2}$, and No. 3, 51 feet in depth, size 8x8, all securely timbered. A new centrifugal pump and 5 h.p. dynamo will be required for No. 3 shaft the coming spring.

LIVE STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS

We have five head of shorthorned Durham thoroughbred registered stock, two fine horses, two wagons, two harrows, one harvester, one hayrack, one hay rake, one mower, one disk, and other farm implements required to properly cultivate and work the acreage.

LIBRARY

A new library has been started to which a number of citizens have contributed good books for the cadets, but there is space for many more books and all citizens wishing to donate will be appreciated by the management of the School.

COMMITMENTS

Boys are received on commitments from the courts of the State from the ages of 9 to 18 years of age, on a general charge of incorrigibility and delinquency. All boys are sentenced until they reach the age of twenty-one years unless sooner released by order of courts. This law should be amended and the power to release boys, after being committed to this School, should be delegated to the Board of Control only when a favorable recommendation is made to them by the Superintendent for a boy's parole. A rule should be adopted that with good conduct a boy can gain his release on parole in eighteen months.

NATIVITY OF BOYS COMMITTED

The number of boys committed to this School since it was opened, is nineteen.

Washoe County	6
Storey County	1
White Pine County	4
Elko County	6
Clark County	2
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Total	19

Three have been paroled from Washoe County by order of the District Courts, and three are absent without leave. Only four of the above number are natives of this State.

The nativity of the inmates is given in the following table:

Colorado	5
Ohio	1
New York	1
California	1
Illinois	1
Nebraska	1
Kansas	1
New Mexico	1
New Jersey	1
Missouri	1
Pennsylvania	1
Nevada	4
Total	19

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend that the name of the Nevada School of Industry be changed to the Nevada Industrial Training School. I also recommend a law regulating the manner of delivery to the Nevada School of Industry of boys committed thereto and providing for the parole of inmates thereof. I further recommend that the Juvenile Court law relating to dependent, neglected, and delinquent children be amended, defining the duties of the Court and the officers of this School more clearly. The above law may be found in Revised Statutes of Nevada, 1912, Vol. 1, Section 728.

CONCLUSION

I appeal to the Governor, State Officers and the Legislative bodies for a liberal appropriation for maintainence and further improvements of this School. An estimate for the amount required for the coming two years is herewith attached and made part of this report.

MATTHEW KYLE,

Superintendent.

**Estimate Amount Required for Salaries and Other Expenses To Meet the
Running Expenses for the Nevada School of Industry, for Years 1917-1918**

Superintendent and Matron salary, \$200 per month for 2 years (Statutes 1913, page 384, section 9).....	\$4,800.00
One manager for boys, \$80 per month for 2 years.....	1,920.00
One school teacher, \$70 per month, 9 months a year for 2 years.....	1,260.00
One cook, \$50 per month for 2 years.....	1,200.00
One laundress, \$45 per month for 2 years.....	1,080.00
One farmer, \$50 per month for 6 months a year for 2 years.....	600.00
Dentistry for 2 years.....	150.00
Doctor for 2 years.....	600.00
Subsistence 15 cadets and 6 employees, total 21, 60 cents per day per head for 2 years.....	9,072.00
Overalls for 15 boys at \$1.25 a pair, for 2 years, 3 pair a year.....	112.50
Shirts for 15 boys at \$1.50, 6 a year for 2 years.....	270.00
Underwear for 15 boys at \$1 a suit, 4 a year for 2 years.....	120.00
Socks for 15 boys at 25 cents a pair, 6 pair a year for 2 years.....	45.00
Working shoes for 15 boys at \$3.50 a pair, 4 pair a year for 2 years.....	420.00
Dress shoes for 15 boys at \$5 a pair, 1 pair a year for 2 years.....	150.00
Nightshirts for 15 boys at \$1 each, 2 a year for 2 years.....	60.00
Dress hats for 15 boys at \$2 a hat, 1 a year for 2 years.....	60.00
Straw hats for 15 boys at 35 cents a hat, 1 a year for 2 years.....	10.50
Gloves for 15 boys at 50 cents a pair, 3 pair a year for 2 years.....	45.00
Suits for 15 boys at \$12.50 a suit, 1 suit a year for 2 years.....	375.00
Overshoes for 15 boys at \$2.25 per pair, 1 pair a year for 2 years.....	67.50
Blankets, sheets, pillow-slips, face and bath towels, table linen, napkins and pillows for 2 years.....	100.00
Kitchen utensils and dishes for 2 years.....	100.00
Gasoline for 2 years.....	145.00
Electricity for farm and school for 2 years.....	550.00
Drugs for 2 years.....	75.00
Upkeep of auto for 2 years.....	125.00
Farm implements for 2 years.....	100.00
Coal, 3 cars a year for 2 years.....	2,000.00
Postage stamps for 2 years.....	120.00
Stationery, school books, etc., for 2 years.....	75.00
Brooms for school and barn.....	20.00
Sewing machine.....	50.00
Piano.....	400.00
Telephone rent and calls for 2 years.....	100.00
Telegrams for 2 years.....	50.00
Phonograph records for 2 years.....	20.00
Cement, 620 sacks at 80 cents per sack, for 2 years.....	496.00
Centrifugal pump and dynamo.....	365.00
Lumber for 2 years.....	400.00
Laundry supplies for 2 years.....	20.00
Improvements, permanent for school.....	500.00
Sheriff or probation officer traveling expenses, including boys, from various counties committed to this school, estimated for 2 years.....	500.00
1,000 pounds seed potatoes.....	60.00
2,000 pounds bran.....	45.00
2,000 pounds oats.....	45.00
2,000 pounds wheat.....	50.00
300 pounds alfalfa seed at 24 cents per pound.....	72.00
Estimate cost to build and equip a carpenter shop for manual training, including a turning lathe, tools and motor.....	750.00
3 additional wash trays and plumbing for laundry.....	60.00
Total.....	\$29,810.50

Receipts and Disbursements, January 1, 1914, to January 1, 1917

Receipts

State of Nevada, apportionments.....	\$45,112.97	
State of Nevada, appropriations.....	50,000.00	
Town of Elko, donations.....	5,000.00	
Sale of right-of-way to Bell Telephone Co.....	50.00	
Elko Lamoille Power Co., refunds credited on power and light bills, etc., power line.....	512.96	
		\$100,675.93

Disbursements

Real estate and improvements.....	\$6,220.54	
Buildings—Construction.....	42,443.97	
Buildings—Expense of establishment.....	1,299.12	
Furniture and fixtures.....	4,554.68	
Tools and equipment.....	1,588.50	
Live stock.....	850.00	
Power line (to be refunded).....	1,850.00	
Superintendent's salary and management.....	7,470.47	
Household expense.....	3,048.75	
Boarding expense.....	1,107.72	
Medical expense.....	656.10	
Insurance.....	240.00	
Repairs and maintenance.....	487.58	
Farm operation.....	2,066.40	
Apprehension and transportation of cadets.....	924.75	
Power pumping.....	200.00	
Total disbursements.....	\$78,327.49	
Balance Nevada School of Industry funds.....	22,348.44	
		\$100,675.93



