

REPORT
OF THE
JOINT COMMITTEE
OF THE
TWENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE
STATE OF IOWA,
APPOINTED TO VISIT THE
PENITENTIARY,
LOCATED AT
ANAMOSA.

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REPORT.

To the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Your committee, appointed by concurrent resolution to visit and examine the penitentiary at Anamosa, Jones county, Iowa, beg leave to say that they have performed that duty, and respectfully submit the following report in accordance with instructions given by the General Assembly.

The property of the state at Anamosa consists of the prison proper, the farm and a stone quarry. The prison is located on thirteen acres of land situated in the city of Anamosa, ten acres of this land being inclosed by a stone wall twenty feet in height. The buildings are located inside the walls. Besides the above, the state has a farm of sixty acres located near by, on which is raised vegetables for the prison, and eighty acres, on which is located the state's stone quarries. The farm and stone quarries are both operated by the convicts under the supervision of suitable foremen.

Your committee finds that the moneys appropriated by the Twenty-fifth General Assembly seem to have been wisely and economically expended for the purposes designated, and that such funds have been drawn from the treasury of the state in accordance with the spirit and provisions of the acts making the appropriations.

FOR THE "CENTER" BUILDING.

The Twenty-fifth General Assembly appropriated \$31,465.07 to further the construction of the new building commonly called the "Center" building. At the commencement of the biennial period, April 1, 1894, \$673.45 of a former appropriation for this building remained unexpended. From other sources this fund has received \$51.60, making a total of

\$32,138.52 available for this building. Of this amount there has been expended up to January 23, 1896, the sum of \$28,020.65, leaving yet unexpended \$4,117.87, which amount will meet all the necessary drafts on this fund to the close of the biennial period.

THE CONTINGENT AND REPAIR FUND.

For this fund the last General Assembly appropriated \$4,000. There was left from a previous appropriation, \$132.42; from other sources \$42.70 was received, making a total for this fund of \$4,174.12. Up to January 23, 1896, there had been expended of this fund the sum of \$3,958.67, leaving a balance of \$215.45, which will not meet the necessary expenses of this fund for the remainder of the biennial period.

CELL HOUSE ROOF FUND.

The Twenty-fifth General Assembly appropriated \$1,400, and \$43.55 was received from other sources, making a total of \$1,443.55 available for use. With this money, which has all been expended, a new tin roof has been put on the cell house and a layer of concrete about eighteen inches thick has been placed over the ceiling of the upper tier of cells, which formerly had only a flagstone ceiling from six to ten inches in thickness.

WARDEN'S HOUSE FUND.

For this fund \$200 was appropriated by the Twenty-fifth General Assembly. From other sources there has been received \$26.87, making a total amount available for this fund of \$226.87. There has been expended of this fund \$198.94, leaving yet unexpended on January 23, 1896, the sum of \$32.93.

TRANSPORTATION OF DISCHARGED CONVICTS' FUND.

The Twenty-fifth General Assembly appropriated \$600, there being \$1,500.81 left from a previous appropriation, making a total of \$2,100.81. Already \$1,996.47 has been paid out on January 23, 1896, leaving but \$104.34 to meet the expenses of the remainder of the biennial period. This will be insufficient. The increase in the number of convicts will necessitate an increased appropriation to meet the demands on this fund.

Your committee did not find that any indebtedness had been contracted in excess of the moneys appropriated nor has there been any diversion of funds; except, that upon the advice and

consent of the executive council, the warden has purchased and has nearly placed in position an eighty-horse power boiler to replace one of the old boilers heretofore in use. Prior to this improvement, the prison had two boilers which had been in continuous use for nineteen years, and two other boilers which had been in use for the past fourteen years. Payment for the new boiler has been ordered from the general support fund. Your committee fully approves of this expenditure and recommends an appropriation of \$1,200 to reimburse the general support fund for this expense which properly belongs to the contingent and repair fund.

Your committee has made a thorough investigation of the conditions and needs of the penitentiary at Anamosa and recommends that the following appropriations be made for the next biennial period:

For finishing the female building, now under roof.....	\$10,000
For completion of the center building, now under construction.....	32,348
For foundation of the north wing of the cell house.....	25,000
Contingent and repairs.....	7,000
Eighty-horse power boiler, complete.....	1,200
Warden's house.....	300
Transportation of discharged convicts.....	3,000
Rotary oven for new bakery.....	1,600

Owing to the constant increase in the number of convicts, your committee deems the above appropriations almost an absolute necessity. At present the prison is crowded, there being 566 convicts confined in 875 cells. Of these convicts 23 are women, who are confined in 11 cells of the insane department. A large, well-built, commodious structure designed for the female department is all completed save the inside finishing. To complete this \$10,000 are asked, and your committee deems it important that the money should be appropriated.

Of no less importance is the \$25,000 appropriation asked to lay the foundation for the north wing of the cell house. This north wing is to contain 400 cells when completed, and the appropriation asked is intended to complete the basement walls to the water table. The expenses for such work at the prison consists of freight on rock, powder for quarrying and salaries for foreman. All the work is done by convicts. It will require from four to six years to complete the cell house, hence it is imperative that this work commence at once. Both prisons are already crowded.

Your committee would recommend that the salary of the clerk be increased from \$70 to \$100 per month, and that the bond for that officer be \$40,000. At present the pay is *not* proportionate to the labor, responsibility and abilities demanded to properly and conscientiously fill said office. The clerk is the purchasing and distributing agent at the prison and has charge of the financial management under the supervision of the warden, hence the salary should be sufficient to secure men of ability.

Under the provisions of chapter 20, acts of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly, there was shipped free of all charges, except transportation, from the prison, 235 cars of broken stone for use as macadam. Of this shipment, 213 cars were sent to Jones, Jackson and Linn counties. Ten cars were sent to Dubuque county and twelve to other counties.

Your committee visited and fully investigated each department of the prison and all things appeared neat, clean and conducive to good health. The prison diet is sufficient and wholesome, the prison clothing is comfortable and all that the state should be expected to furnish. The prisoners have the best of medical attendance and the benefit of good sanitary regulations. Your committee has nothing but words of endorsement and commendation for the heads of the various departments.

J. A. RIGGEN,

For Committee of the Senate.

CHARLES L. EARLY,

FRANK F. MERRIAM,

For Committee of the House.

EXHIBIT "A"—SALARIES PAID MONTHLY.

P. W. Madden, warden.....	\$165.67
George Andrew, deputy warden.....	110.00
C. J. Madden, assistant deputy warden.....	83.33
T. E. Patterson, clerk.....	70.00
L. J. Adair, physician.....	100.00
Mrs. Jennie A. Powers, matron.....	75.00
J. M. Crocker, teacher and chaplain.....	70.00
J. N. Gale, hospital steward.....	50.00
E. N. Cowen, turnkey.....	50.00
John Archibald, foreman of stonemasons.....	100.00
H. B. Maskery, foreman of stonemasons.....	85.00
T. C. Mollet, foreman of derricks.....	75.00
F. O'Rourke, foreman of quarry.....	70.00
H. J. Kelsey, assistant foreman of quarry.....	60.00
J. H. English, engineer and electrician.....	90.00
J. Frank Barnes, architect and master mechanic, receives pay for all expenses and a per diem of.....	5.00
A. E. Andrews, guard.....	50.00
F. E. Ash, guard.....	50.00

A. N. Rowell, guard.....	\$50.00
J. H. Barnard, guard.....	50.00
C. A. Boema, guard.....	50.00
E. Covell, guard.....	50.00
D. T. Clark, guard.....	50.00
J. D. Dunningham, guard.....	50.00
Taylor Boeke, guard.....	50.00
B. B. Blackstone, guard.....	50.00
William Barlow, guard.....	50.00
Tom Barlow, guard.....	50.00
Charles Boeckner, guard.....	50.00
Robert Ewing, guard.....	50.00
George L. Erwin, guard.....	50.00
W. H. Ebersole, guard.....	50.00
F. Eri, guard.....	50.00
J. T. N. Glenn, guard.....	50.00
E. J. Gill, guard.....	50.00
H. P. Gillilan, guard.....	50.00
J. N. Hathaway, guard.....	50.00
T. E. Hartman, guard.....	50.00
Benjamin Jennings, guard.....	50.00
Maek Johnson, guard.....	50.00
A. F. Kemp, guard.....	50.00
J. W. Kirk, guard.....	50.00
S. E. Larimer, guard.....	50.00
C. J. Lawson, guard.....	50.00
Joseph Landis, guard.....	50.00
Charles Landis, guard.....	50.00
H. Leighton, guard.....	50.00
H. LaFollette, guard.....	50.00
W. P. McDonald, guard.....	50.00
J. M. McCord, guard.....	50.00
J. C. McCartney, guard.....	50.00
M. McCarty, guard.....	50.00
M. N. Madden, guard.....	50.00
J. M. Miller, guard.....	50.00
J. S. Outland, guard.....	50.00
Charles Porter, guard.....	50.00
J. H. Ramsey, guard.....	50.00
Daniel Ross, guard.....	50.00
C. M. Smith, guard.....	50.00
H. P. Smith, guard.....	50.00
George Smith, guard.....	50.00
C. E. Sawley, guard.....	50.00
George H. Scott, guard.....	50.00
James Stewart, guard.....	50.00
J. H. Stewart, guard.....	50.00
C. P. Scroggs, guard.....	50.00
J. W. Sturdevant, guard.....	50.00
E. E. Sargent, guard.....	50.00
F. Stone, guard.....	50.00
W. H. Shum, guard.....	50.00
C. A. Wilder, guard.....	50.00
T. M. Wilds, guard.....	50.00
E. J. Wilson, guard.....	50.00
Joe Worden, guard.....	50.00
M. A. Watson, guard.....	50.00
A. W. Waggoner, guard.....	50.00
J. W. Williams, guard.....	50.00
L. D. Bennett, guard.....	50.00
S. D. Gillilan, guard.....	50.00
Mrs. E. Hallott, guard.....	50.00