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PARTNERS FOR THE FIRST DANCE ON THE PAVEMENT MONDAY NIGHT



MRS. ARTHUR WALCOTT

President of the Daughters of the Confederacy and who gave the site for the State Confederate Home



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President of the Ardmoreite Publishing Co., and who has a national reputation as a good roads advocate

GOV. APPROVES CREATION OF A DEFICIENCY

ON RECOMMENDATION OF STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR \$100,000 FOR MAINTENANCE OF PENITENTIARY.

Oklahoma City, April 8.—On recommendation of the state board of public affairs, Governor R. L. Williams Friday approved the creation of a deficiency of \$100,000 for the maintenance of the state penitentiary at McAlester during the remainder of the present fiscal year, which expires on June 30. The maintenance fund at present is exhausted and the creation of the deficiency is absolutely necessary, according to the communication from the board of affairs to the governor.

Five reasons are given by the board for the necessity of the deficiency. One of these is the general advance in the price of food supplies occasioned by the war, which alone has increased the maintenance cost of the prison 25 per cent during the past twelve months. Another is the fact that there are now and has been for some time, approximately three hundred more persons in the prison than was estimated at the time the last legislature made the general appropriation.

Reasons for Deficiency.

The reason for the deficiency are set forth in the letter from the board to the governor, as follows:

We beg to advise you that the maintenance appropriation for the state penitentiary at McAlester for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, has been exhausted, and in order to maintain this institution until June 30, it will be necessary to create a deficiency.

We find by going into this proposition thoroughly that this deficiency will be larger than we anticipated, and we therefore beg to explain the necessity for the same by setting out the following conditions which have existed:

First—The appropriation of \$180,000, House Bill No. 534, by the fifth regular session of the legislature, was made on a basis of 1,100 prisoners at \$163.63 per capita. The number of prisoners has exceeded the estimate by an average of three hundred to date, and at present we

have between fifteen and sixteen hundred prisoners incarcerated, which number will probably not be reduced during the present fiscal year.

Second—Conditions created by the war now being waged in Europe has increased the cost of maintenance at least 25 per cent during the past twelve months.

Third—A great deal of the maintenance appropriation has been used in establishing new industries, such as the manufacture of brick, mattress factory, tin shop, new dairy barn, dairy herd, building of four eight-room brick residences, and other improvements that really should not be charged to maintenance.

Fourth—It is also found by examination of the records and from information given by the chief clerk, who has been in the office for several years, that it has been the custom from the time the institution was established, to carry approximately \$50,000 in claims over the past fiscal year to the new fiscal year, paying the same after July 1, by certifying that the supplies were on hand. We find that this was done last July, and that approximately \$50,000 was paid out after the first of July, that was really spent for supplies during the fiscal year 1914.

Necessary Expenditures.

Fifth—Of the \$70,988.31 appropriated by senate bill No. 14, extraordinary session of the Fifth legislature, only \$49,912.31 is available for use as maintenance of prisoners in the penitentiary. We give below a summary of the items mentioned above, which go to make up a deficit, in order that you may see why it is necessary to create such a large deficiency for this institution.

Cost of brick plant operations, \$12,189.92; mattress factory, \$1,406.92; dairy herd and barn, \$6,793.84; advance on cost of provisions, clothing, etc., at 25 per cent, \$32,270; claims carried over and paid from 1915 appropriation, approximately \$50,000; amount paid out of maintenance for 1916, that was not anticipated when the appropriation was made, \$192,660.58; amount that should have been appropriated for maintenance of 1,400 prisoners at \$163.53, \$229,082; amount expended (not maintenance), including advance cost of provisions, clothing, etc., \$192,660.58; total, \$331,742.58. Amount of appropriation made by Fifth legislature \$180,000; amount of appropriation by extraordinary session, \$49,912.31; total appropriation, \$229,912.31; deficiency as shown above, \$101,830.27.

Now in order to maintain this institution to the end of the fiscal year, without having to carry over this \$50,000 which was carried over from the last fiscal year, and which it

appears has been done at the end of each fiscal year since the institution was established, we feel that it will be necessary for you to authorize a deficiency of \$100,000.

It is really unlawful, under present statutes, to pay claims for purchases made during one fiscal year out of appropriation made for the next fiscal year, and in order to clear this whole matter up, and start in the new year with a clean slate, we feel that enough should be authorized to actually clean upon the business, and we further feel that it cannot be done for a less amount than the above specified.

ARDMORE'S BEST ASSET

Peoples Building and Loan Association Continues Rapid Growth.

The Peoples Building and Loan association has just closed its third quarter since the re-organization of the association last July. The secretary is printing his report for general circulation. The report speaks volumes for the progressive spirit of Ardmore, and for the determination of the directors to make the Building and Loan association Ardmore's best and greatest asset. This institution is under the supervision of the state banking department, and twice every year a report is made to the state banking department.

The report of June 30, 1915, showed less than \$20,000 of the capital stock of the association as sold, and less than \$8,000 of assets. The report for the quarter ending March 31 shows almost \$400,000 of the capital stock sold, and over \$60,000 assets.

Last fall two of the directors who had made a fortune in oil, placed \$20,000 cash each with the association. That money has now all been loaned, and loans have been made since the first of the month that has placed every dollar of the association out at interest. The secretary stated to the directors at the last meeting that he was satisfied that the funds would all be loaned by the time of the next meeting of the directors. He was instructed to go ahead and continue to secure all good loans on Ardmore city property, and that the directors would see that the association was furnished with the necessary funds.

The association now has 176 members. Some few of these have pre-paid and deposit stock, but nearly the entire list is paying monthly dues into the association, ranging from 50c per month to \$250 per month. Fifty cents per month pays the dues on \$100 of stock, and a person can take out as little as \$100 of stock, but the majority are paying on \$1,000 or more.

The association is loaning its funds at 10 per cent per annum, and

the stock of the association is not subject to taxation. Hence, an investor gets 10 per cent per annum on his investment, compounded twice a year, with no taxes to pay. No wonder the stock is a popular investment. People who began last year by taking \$1,000 are now taking \$5,000, \$10,000 or \$20,000, and in some cases even more.

The Peoples Building and Loan association makes it possible for every wage earner in the city of Ardmore to accumulate a competency, and encourages home ownership by making it just as easy to own a home as it is to pay rent.

SEEK DATA ON COTTON

Would Ascertain Amount Consumed in Explosive Manufacture.

Washington, April 8.—After a hard fight, Mr. Heflin of Alabama secured passage in the house of his bill directing the director of the census to ascertain and publish the amount of cotton being consumed in the manufacture of gun cotton and other explosives. The objection was based upon belief that the department already had authority.

Mr. Davis of Texas, in support of the bill, construed the existing law to authorize the department of commerce to follow cotton in the preparation of statistics from the planting to sale in the bale, but not the actual consumption in the future desired.

"The Almighty blessed the south by giving it a monopoly upon the production of cotton in the United States," said the Texas member, "and notwithstanding that it has to go five thousand miles to find a market, it is of such importance to the south that it affects the welfare of the bootblack as well as the bondholder. Last year we were told that owing to the war in Europe, cotton had no market, and it sold for half price. In fact, it was developed, all countries in Europe save Germany and Austria, took increased consignments, and we learned that American cotton was going into ammunition in great quantities. Had the south known this at the time the market was being depressed, its cherished crop would not have gone to rack and sold below the cost of production in many instances. I have gathered figures showing that the European armies are burning in powder five hundred bales of cotton per day."

Death of R. H. Law.

R. H. Law died at his home in this city Tuesday night at 3 o'clock. His death was very sudden, taking place while his wife had stepped into an adjoining room to get some medicine. The cause of his death was heart failure, superinduced by swelling glands in his neck, with which he

BAND CONCERTS TODAY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

The two concerts by the Fifth Field Artillery Band, under the direction of Chief Musician Alfred Montin promise to be the musical treat of the season and will be attended by large crowds.

The afternoon concert will begin at 2 o'clock.

The evening concert will begin at 8:30 so that worshippers at the various churches can also attend the concert.

The following are the programs:

PROGRAM Afternoon Concert—2:00 O'Clock

PART ONE

1. March "National Emblem".....Bagley
2. Overture, "Poet and Peasant".....Suppe
3. Polonaise, "On Mountain Heights".....Keisler
4. Vocal Solo
(a) "Un bel di Vedremo".....Puccini
(b) "I Hear You Calling Me".....Marshall
MRS. N. C. WOOD
5. Medley, Remicks Hits 1916".....Lampe

PART TWO

6. Overture, "Barber of Seville".....Rossini
7. Vocal Solo
(a) "The Cry of Rachel".....Salter
(b) "A Bowl of Roses".....Clarke
MRS. L. W. BURROWS
8. Selection, "The Pink Lady".....Caryll
9. Vocal Solo
(a) "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice".....San Saens
(b) Selected.
MISS SELMA COUCH
10. (a) Serenade, "La Paloma".....Yradier
(b) Dance, "Manana".....Missud
Miss Missud
11. Pot-Pourri, "Southern Melodies".....Hecker

Sacred Concert—At 8:30 p. m.

PART ONE

1. March, "Grandioso".....Losey
2. Overture, "Hungarian Lustspiel".....Keller-Bela
3. Chorus, "Hallelujah" from "The Messiah".....Handel
4. Vocal Solo
(a) "Ave Maria".....Mascagna
(b) "Lullaby".....Godard
MRS. E. E. GUILLOT
5. Poem, "Morning," from "Peer Gynt".....Grieg
6. Valse de Concert "Eternelle Ivresse".....Ganne

PART TWO

8. Largo, "New World Symphony".....Dvorak
9. Prelude, "Simple Aveu".....Thome
10. Vocal Solo
(a) "The Rublican".....Van de Water
(b) "O Rosary".....Nevin
MRS. HOMER ADAMS
11. Cornet Solo, "Through the Leaves".....Schubert
CHIEF TRUMPETER DE ANGELIS
12. Suite Romantique, "A Day in Venice".....Nevin
(a) Dawn.
(b) Gondolies.
(c) Venetian Love Song.
(b) Good Night.

had been afflicted for two or three years.

Awaiting the arrival of relatives from a distance, the funeral has been delayed till Friday afternoon, and will be held at the family residence at 2 o'clock, Rev. E. H. Driscoll conducting the services.

Robert H. Law was born in Indian Territory, south of Ardmore, September 3, 1872. His father, Rev. N. F. Law, was a pioneer Methodist preacher in this Indian country. The deceased was twice married, first to Miss Laura Reed of Ardmore, who died February 12, 1898. One grown son, Charles Vivian, who lives with his grandmother, Mrs. Charles Powers at Ada, survives this union. Both arrived yesterday to attend the funeral. His second marriage was to Miss Alice Proctor of Belton, Texas, to whom he was married on May 22, 1902. The wife and five children survive, viz: Robert Jr., Leland Hunter, Fannie and Lovie (twins), and Wallace. He is also survived by his mother and three sisters, Mrs. Lula Law of Patterson, Texas, who lives with her daughter, Mrs. Iona DeWitt, Mrs. Eugene Crosthwaite, of Mansfield, Ore., and Mrs. Geo. Zion of Kansas City; and three brothers, Rev. Lovie P. Law of Siloam Springs, Ark., John R. Law of Maysville, Okla., and Frank L. Law of Kansas City. The brothers will all be here for the funeral; the mother and sisters were unable to come.

Mr. Law was a prominent citizen of Davis, having lived here something like ten years. Part of the time he engaged in buying cotton, and was in the feed and seed business awhile. Of late he devoted much of his time in trying to develop the oil fields near Homer, and

it is said that he and his associates have valuable holdings in that vicinity. He was a member of the Methodist church, and was a noble progressive citizen, a kind and sympathetic husband and father and a faithful christian gentleman. His many friends are saddened at his sudden demise, and the sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved ones. Mrs. Fannie Proctor of Belton, Texas, Mrs. A. C. Enochs of Oklahoma City, Will and Henry Proctor of Oklahoma City and Hugh Proctor of New Orleans, mother, aunt and brothers respectively of Mrs. Law, are here or will be here to attend the funeral.—Davis News.

Do You Know That—

Sags in roof-gutters may act as mosquito-breeding places. America's most valuable crop is babies? The public cigar-cutter is a health menace? The United States public health service maintains a loan library of stereopticon slides? The typhoid rate measures accurately community intelligence? Whooping cough annually kills over ten thousand Americans? Bad housing produces bad health? Rocky mountain spotted fever is spread by a wood-tick?

Unless the Mexican situation clears considerably, it is probable that President Wilson will spend the most of his summer in Washington this year. Mrs. Wilson and Miss Wilson, however, are preparing for their summer recreation. The wife of the president has been swamped with invitations to visit various fashionable summer resorts.