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Salt Lake City, Utah, December 31, 1904.

To the Governor:

Sir:—Chapter 96 of the Session Laws of Utah, 1903, provides for the creation of a commission, whose duty it is to make a display of Utah's resources at the Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair at Portland, Oregon, in 1905. It prescribes the duties of this commission and its officers, and appropriates the sum of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the act. Among other requirements is one to the effect that upon the conclusion of its services the commission shall make to the Governor a complete report of its proceedings. There are numerous reasons, however, why a report should now be presented; and these, where not already apparent, will be shown in that which shall follow. Of course, the commission has not concluded its services—it has in fact scarcely commenced them; but it feels that such progress as has been made, and such expectations and recommendations as ought to be presented, may properly be submitted for your consideration and for the information of the people of the State at this time.

The law creating the commission provided that the Governor shall be its chairman and that the remaining four members should be appointed by him, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Under this author-

ity the following appointments were made and duly confirmed, all the members having later qualified as provided by law:

Gen. H. B. Clawson.
Hon. Geo. P. Holman.
Hon. A. B. Lewis.
Hon. Fred T. Kiesel.

The first meeting of the commission was held on March 27th, 1903, conjointly with a similar commission having in charge an exhibit of the State's resources at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, to be held at St. Louis, 1904. At this meeting was decided that the office expenses and salary of Secretary should be borne jointly by the two commissions until otherwise ordered; that Mr. Geo. P. Holman should be Treasurer, and that he and Gen. Clawson be constituted a committee on transportation. John Q. Cannon was elected Secretary. At a meeting three days later the present office of the two commissions was decided upon and due notice of the organization of the commission and the location of its headquarters was ordered to be given through the press for the benefit of the public.

The third meeting of the joint commissions was held on the 13th of June, 1903, and the salary of the Secretary was fixed at \$100.00 per month; one-sixth (1-6) to be paid by this board and five-sixths (5-6) by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Commission; and when he was instructed to open negotiations with the railroads for the transportation of exhibits for both expositions to and from this State.

This commission being, under the terms of the law, the legatee of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, in that the exhibits collected by the former board, or such portion of them as may be desired, are directed to be turned over to this board for use at the later Exposition, there seemed to be little to be done until the former board should have finished its labors and complied with this provision of the Statute. With a view to reaching an understanding on these matters, however, a meeting of the commission was held on October 20, 1904, when a resolution was adopted to the effect that a member of this commission be requested to proceed to St. Louis and collaborate with a member of the other board, as to the selection of such portion of the exhibits there as might be desirable for exhibi-

tion at Portland. In the event of the inability of a member of the commission to go to St. Louis as directed, then the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Whitaker, the Director General for Utah at St. Louis, that the commission would entrust this duty to him. The latter instructions were complied with; but at a subsequent date Mr. Holman was able to take the trip and perform the duty indicated, and in collaboration with a representative from the other board, and with the Director General, he completed the work of selection, in accordance with the sentiments of the commission, as expressed at the meeting referred to. A final meeting of the commission was held on the 30th of December, 1904, when a draft of this report was presented and approved, and when all remaining unpaid claims were audited and ordered paid. The report of the Treasurer was also presented and approved and is herewith attached to, and made a part of, this report. It will be seen that the expenditures of the commission, during the two years of its existence, amount to \$616.10, for which vouchers have been filed as follows:

Stationery and general office expenses	\$153.20
Secretary's Salary to close of the year '04.....	366.65
Expenses of Commissioner Holman on St. Louis trip	96.25
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Total.....	\$616.10

There has been drawn from the State Treasury, upon the proper estimate of the commission, the sum of \$1,000.00, of which amount \$383.90 remains unexpended in the hands of the Treasurer of this board, while it has also \$9,000.00 out of its original appropriation which has not yet been drawn. Vouchers for all the amounts expended have been taken in duplicate, one copy accompanying the statement of expenditure, filed with the State Auditor, the other retained in the Secretary's office.

Little more remains to be said, except as to the importance, in the minds of this commission, of making as creditable and worthy an exhibit at Portland as can possibly be done. The markets of the Far East are opening to the products of American enterprise and ingenuity, and it is the sincere feeling of this board that an opportunity so valuable for advertising the resources of Utah should be improved and taken advantage of to the fullest

extent. It is perhaps not too much to say that more direct benefit will result to this State from a proper representation at Portland, than can come from the greater exposition at St. Louis. This is distinctively a Western Fair, although nearly all of the States of the Union will participate in it. But those commonwealths situated on the western side of the Rocky Mountains, and between that great range and the Pacific Coast, have a right to regard this Exposition as peculiarly their own. The Fair will undoubtedly be attended by thousands of those who may be considered homeseekers; specially low rates have already been secured, and it is confidently expected that the travel from the east to attend this Exposition, on the part of those who constitute the thrifty middle-class of our national population, will be very great. It will undoubtedly prove a great stimulus to colonization in these far western regions; and being planned upon a smaller and less extravagant scale than the Exposition at St. Louis, where a youthful State like Utah could not hope to make a very startling showing, it presents an unusual opportunity for us to do our very best, in which case we ought to be able to excel every competitor. This hope is justified by the fact that the experience gained in the great Exposition of this year will be immediately available for the Portland Fair of next year. There is a general impression, fortified by the experience referred to, that it will be of greater practical benefit to this State, from a commercial and industrial standpoint, than any previous Exposition in which we have participated. Further strong reasons why Utah should prominently and generously take part, are that she belongs to the same family and group of States; the people of Oregon are our close neighbors; many of them were former residences of this State, and still have important interests here; some of the earliest settlements in Oregon were made by Utah people; and on a whole there is an identity of interest and a measure of friendship which at this time can be accentuated and made valuable for all time.

We have every reason to expect that no proper request from this board will be refused by the Exposition authorities. They have indeed indicated that whatever Utah wants, Utah can have. Attached hereto is a letter from the Secretary, expressing the views just set forth.

For all of these reasons and for many others which might be stated, but which will no doubt suggest themselves to those who read this report, the commission feels to urge that generous support be given to it in attempting to carry out the provisions of the law under which it is acting. As stated, it has still at its disposal \$9,383.90; it is estimated that thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) additional will be needed to make such an exhibit as shall be worthy of our prominence among our neighboring States. With this sum, there is the confident feeling that the fame, enterprise and resources of our fair young State can be spread, not only throughout the West, but throughout the Orient, and that lasting credit and profit will flow to the State, and the people of the State, from such an expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Biennial Term ending Dec. 30, 1904

Salt Lake City, Utah, December 30, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

1903		
April 11th, Warrant.....	500.00	
1904.		
Oct. 28th, Warrant.....	500.00	

DISBURSEMENTS.

1903.			
June 16th, Jno. Q. Cannon, per Chairman's and Secretary Order No. 4.....		50.00	
June 16th, Utah Litho. Co., per Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 2.....		127.00	
June 16th, Deseret News Book Store, per Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 1.....		13.20	
June 16th, Deseret News, per Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 3.....		13.00	
Aug. 15th, Jno. Q. Cannon, Salary to Sept. 30th, per Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 7.....		50.00	
Dec. 21, J. Q. Cannon, Sal'y to Dec. 31		65.00	
1904			
Mar. 10, J. Q. Cannon, Sal'y to Mar. 31	} Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 5	50.00	
July 8, J. Q. Cannon, Sal'y to June 30		50.00	
Sept. 26, J. Q. Cannon, Sal'y to Sept. 30		50.00	
Oct. 28, J. Q. Cannon, Sal'y to Dec. 31		51.65	
Dec. 30th Expense Commissioner Holman to and from St. Louis, per Chairman's and Secretary's Order No. 6.....		96.25	
Dec. 30th, By Balance.....		383.90	
		<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

To Balance \$383.90

GEO. P. HOLMAN,
Treasurer.

Portland, Oregon, October 28, 1904.

Mr. John Q. Cannon, Secretary, Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition Commission for the State of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah:

My Dear Sir:—I have for acknowledgement your distinguished favor of the 24th inst. Responding, will say that it has been the pleasure of the Exposition management within the past month to allot sites for the State buildings of States of Massachusetts, California and Oregon. We have been visited by Hon. Wilson H. Fairbank, of Boston, Executive Commissioner for Massachusetts, who has selected a site, made all necessary arrangements for a State building and received estimates of cost of construction. He will report findings to his commission in the early part of next month, when contracts will be awarded. The Oregon Building is under construction, and work on the California Building is expected to begin soon. We have been informed that New York has decided to erect a State building covering its appropriation of \$35,000, and we are looking for the arrival almost any day of a Commissioner representing Governor Odell.

Your letter advises me that your board has decided to begin such preliminary operations for Utah's participation as seem timely and advisable, and in this connection you invite any suggestions I may have to offer in furtherance of your programme. Acting upon your kind invitation, I desire to express to your board the pleasure it would be to the Exposition to have the State of Utah represented at Portland by a State building, and by a full and complete exhibit of its resources and potentialities. Among the methods of representation that suggest themselves are one favored by California and Oregon and the one adopted by Massachusetts. All three of these states will have State buildings. The California and Oregon plan is to place their exhibits in the regular exhibit buildings and to use their State buildings for headquarters. On the other hand, the Massachusetts plan is to assemble the State exhibit on the lower floor of the State buildings, and use the upper floor for State headquarters. In either

case, all exhibits made will be both competitive and collective. I hope that your board will consider what I say in regard to a State building as merely tentative, as I am reluctant to offer even a suggestion upon a detail of participation concerning which some, and perhaps all, of the members of your board may entertain divergent views. I have thought that a State building would best meet all the requirements of Utah's participation, and have availed myself of your courteous invitation to put my thought into form.

In the event that your board shall decide to erect a State building, we will immediately allot the necessary site so that you may proceed with your plans for construction. If you decide to place your exhibits in the regular exhibit buildings without erecting a State building, please advise me and I will communicate with the Director of Exhibits, now at St. Louis, relative to the allotment of space for such displays.

Trusting that I have given you the information your board requires, and assuring you of our appreciative interest in Utah's participation in the Centennial Exposition, I am

Very respectfully,

HENRY E. REED, Secretary.

CHAPTER 96.

LEWIS AND CLARK CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION.

AN ACT Creating a Commission to Provide for the Display of Utah's Resources at the Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair at Portland, Oregon, in 1905; to Define Its Duties and Powers, and to Make an Appropriation Therefor.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Utah:

Section 1. That for the purpose of advertising the resources of this State, the State of Utah shall participate in the Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair, at Portland, Oregon, in the year 1905, and for that purpose a commission, to be known as the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition Commission, is hereby created, to be composed of the Governor and four members to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor shall be the chairman of such commission, and a Secretary and Treasurer shall be appointed by the commission, the Treasurer to be appointed from the members thereof. Any vacancy occurring in such commission shall be filled by appointment by the Governor.

Sec. 2. Before entering upon the duties of their offices, the members, except the Governor, shall take the constitutional oath of office, and the Treasurer shall give a bond in such sum as shall be fixed by the commission, such bond to be approved by the commission.

Sec. 3. The said commission shall have full power to devise and execute plans for the display of such exhibits from the State of Utah as may, in the opinion of the commission, be advisable to represent the resources and advantages of the State; to secure, encourage and aid exhibitors to make exhibits from this State at such exposition, and shall have control of such exhibits and the general di-

rection of all matters connected therewith, and may adopt rules for carrying into effect the purpose of this act and the plans of said commission.

Sec. 4. The commission is hereby authorized to provide, upon the grounds of said Exposition, a suitable building for the State of Utah for the purpose deemed necessary, or may unite with other States in the construction of a building to be used in common.

Sec. 5. The commission is hereby authorized to engage such employees as may be necessary for the securing, arranging, transportation and display of exhibits, and for the erection, maintenance and management of the building herein provided for; provided, however, that the construction of said building and the expense of such exhibit shall in no case exceed the amount appropriated in this act.

Sec. 6. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed their necessary expenses while actually engaged in the work of the commission, which shall be paid upon vouchers approved by the commission out of the appropriation hereinafter made.

Sec. 7. The treasurer of the commission shall from time to time, as the funds may be required to carry out the provisions of this act, present estimates to the commission, and if approved by the commission, the chairman thereof shall so certify to the State Auditor and make requisition for the amount of the estimate, and the Auditor shall thereupon draw his warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the commission for the amount of such estimate.

Sec. 8. All payments for the expenditure of the commission shall be made by the Treasurer thereof upon orders issued by the Secretary and countersigned by the chairman of the commission. The Secretary shall take and retain complete vouchers of all expenditures, and no orders shall be issued from the Treasurer until such vouchers have been approved by the commission or a committee thereof.

Sec. 9. The commission shall file with the State Auditor quarterly reports of its receipts and disbursements, accompanied with proper vouchers of all expenditures, which reports shall be duly verified by the oath of the Secretary of the commission. Upon the conclusion of its ser-

vices the commission shall make to the Governor a complete report of its proceedings under this act, and if any money remains unexpended, the same shall be recovered into the State Treasury.

Sec. 10. The sum of ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act.

Sec. 11. All exhibits of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition belonging to the State of Utah and being in the custody of any commission which may have been created by law, which may be deemed necessary by the commission herein provided for, are hereby donated for exhibition and use at said Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair. Said exhibits shall be delivered over to said Lewis and Clark Centennial Commission upon application thereof, and upon the execution of a receipt for the same to the parties legally in charge thereof. It is made the duty of the commission to carefully preserve said exhibits and place them in charge of a trusted agent and at the close of the exhibition aforesaid to cause them to be returned in like good condition and without expense to the State; provided, that in the judgment of said commission any exhibit may be sold and the proceeds of such sale shall be recovered into the State Treasury.

Sec. 12. This act shall take effect upon approval.
Approved this 12th day of March, 1903.

