

Biennial Report

of the

Capitol  
Commission

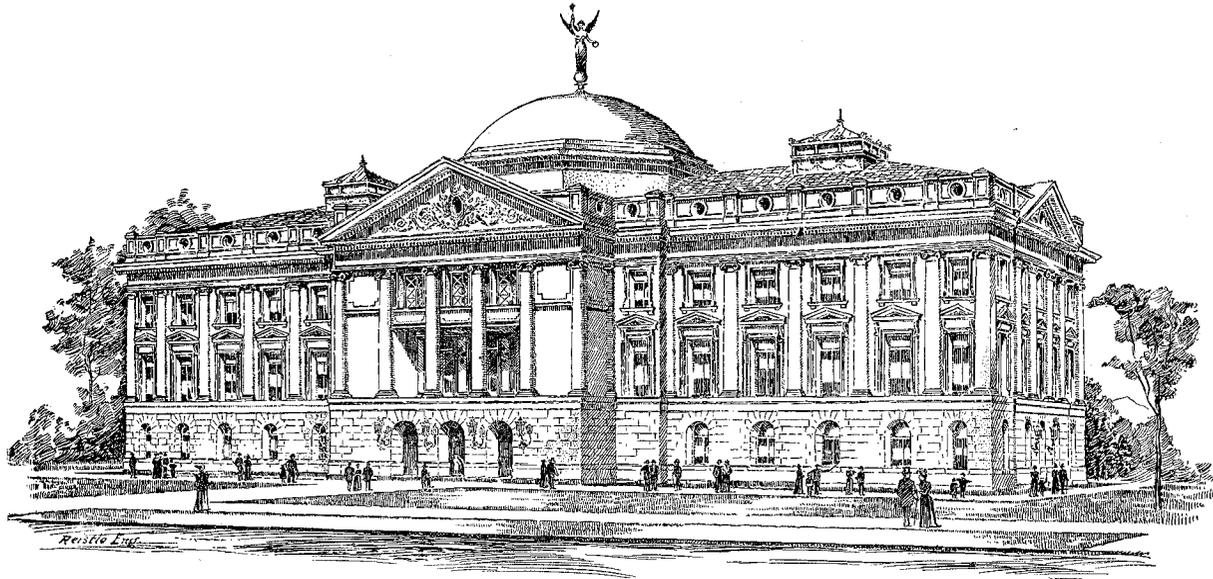
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CAPITOL BUILDING, PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

REPORT  
OF THE  
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Phoenix, Arizona, Jan. 1, 1901.

*To His Excellency*

N. O. MURPHY,

*Governor of Arizona.*

In compliance with the law we have the honor to transmit herewith our report covering the period from January 1, 1899 to January 1, 1901.

It has been our endeavor in the progress of our labors to strictly comply with the requirements of the law.

The history of the capitol building will show that we had but One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000,) as an available fund for its erection and completion.

We feel gratified, however, in being able to state that an inspection of the Capitol building will demonstrate the fact that we have done as well as our means would permit, and that no effort has been spared on the part of this commission to make the Capitol building a credit to the Territory of Arizona.

Conscious of having endeavored to discharge our duty in all matters appertaining to our trust, we respectfully submit the result of our labors to your Excellency, and to the people of Arizona.

Funds for the construction of a Capitol building were provided by a Territorial bond issue of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000,) to which was added an appropriation by the Twentieth Legislative Assembly, making the total available fund for the erection of the Capitol building about One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.)

REPORT OF THE  
HISTORY OF THE BUILDING.

On November 1, 1898, the Commission proceeded to select from sixteen different sets of plans the one which they thought was best adapted to suit the requirements for Arizona's future capitol. The plans selected are so arranged as to answer all present requirements and will admit of future additions without detracting from the appearance of the building.

Sealed proposals for the erection of the Capitol building were received and opened January 10, 1899.

After due deliberation the commission accepted a bid made by Mr. Lovell, of which the following is a copy.

Form of proposal must be prepared on the following blank form, copies of which can be had upon application to the architect or F. H. Parker, Secretary of the Capitol Site and Building Commission, Phoenix, Arizona. Proposals upon any other form will not be considered.

Phoenix, Arizona, Jan. 10, 1899.

To F. H. Parker, Secretary Capitol Site and Building Commission,  
Phoenix, Arizona.

Sir:—I hereby propose to erect the new Capitol building at Phoenix, Arizona, on or before Jan. 1, 1900, in strict conformity with the drawings and specifications as prepared by James Riley Gordon, architect, of San Antonio, Texas, accepting all stipulations and conditions therein contained, in a true and workmanlike manner, not including plumbing, heating and wiring, for the following sums:

Basement of Phoenix Press, superstructure of Phoenix Press, trimmings of Flagstaff stone.....	\$77,153 00
Basement of brick, superstructure of brick.....	
Basement of El Paso Brick, superstructure of El Paso Press Brick .....	78,342 00
Basement of Tucson Stone, superstructure of Tuc- son Stone, trimmings of Tufa.....	85,184 00
Basement of Gila Bend Stone, superstructure of Gila Bend Stone, trimmings of Gila Bend Stone...	85,900 00
Basement of Granite, superstructure of Phoenix Press Brick, trimmings of Red Stone .....	86,610 00

Basement of Rock Butte, superstructure of Flagstaff Stone, trimmings of Flagstaff Stone ..... 87,562 00

Basement of Granite, superstructure of Tufa, trimmings of Tufa..... 88,383 00

Fireproofing as shown on beam plans and added to the specification, including iron stairways, add to each bid Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-seven (\$7,867 00) Dollars.

For granite steps at entrances, add One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, for finishing woodwork inside of sash in quarter sawed oak, add Eight Hundred and Fifty (\$850 00) Dollars.

For additional or deducted excavations per cubic yard, Thirty-five cents; for added or deducted foundation brick work, per cubic foot Twenty-nine Cents.

For additional or deducted concrete, per cubic foot, Thirty Cents. If 12x12 marble floors are used instead of tile, add Eight Hundred and Seventy (\$870.00) Dollars.

For figure on top of dome of white zinc, add One Hundred and Seventy-five (\$175.00) Dollars.

Respectfully,

TOM LOVELL.

A contract was entered into with Mr. Lovell on Feb. 13, 1899.

This contract left the selection of material for exterior walls with the Commission. The Commission after visiting and inspecting the stone quarries at Tucson and Rock Butte, and viewing the deposits of Tufa near Kirkland, decided to use granite for the sub-story walls and Tufa for the superstructure.

As the law required the commission to employ a competent builder to act as Superintendent of Construction, the Commission employed Jo Fifield to act as Superintendent. His services were performed with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the commission.

A number of changes from the original plans were made by the Commission, and each of such changes were made for the purpose of securing for the people of Arizona a substantial and safe Capitol building.

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## PLUMBING, HEATING, WIRING AND GAS-PIPING.

Bids for plumbing, heating wiring and gas-piping were received on July 18, 1899, and as Mr. Lovell had the lowest and best bid, he was given the contract for the entire work at a cost to the Territory of \$9,450.00.

## ELEVATOR, ELECTRIC MOTOR AND ENCLOSURES.

Plans for an elevator and enclosures were prepared and adopted by the Commission. Bids were advertised for and opened April 2, 1900. The Otis Elevator Company of Chicago, having the lowest bid, were awarded the contract for elevator, electric motor and enclosures, at a cost to the Territory of \$5,750.00

## ELECTRIC LIGHT AND GAS FIXTURES (COMBINATION.)

Bids for combination gas and electric light fixtures were received and considered on September 20, 1900. The Scoville Plumbing Company of Phoenix, having the lowest bid, were awarded the contract, at a cost to the Territory of \$2,097.00.

## COMPLETION OF CONTRACT.

On the 4th day of August, 1900, Mr. Lovell completed his contract and delivered the Capitol building to the Capitol Commission. On motion, and by full vote of the Commission, a resolution was adopted, returning a vote of thanks to Mr. Lovell for his earnest, faithful and efficient work on the Capitol building.

The following claims have been allowed and certificates issued on the Capitol Building Fund from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1901:

Jan. 13, 1899.	Arizona Republican, advertising . . . . .	\$ 68 25
	Phoenix Daily Herald, advertising . . . . .	68 25
	Arizona Gazette, advertising . . . . .	68 25
	J. N. Preston, estimating cost of building . . . . .	25 00
	A. W. Gregg, estimating cost of building . . . . .	15 00
	J. A. Fleming office rent for Jan. 1899	12 50
	Phoenix Light and Fuel Co., gas for Nov. and Dec., 1898. . . . .	8 40
Feb. 4,	Pinney & Robinson, rent of type- writer . . . . .	5 85

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	C. W. Sturgis, livery for commission..	5 00
	Western Union Telegraph Co .....	4 40
	J. A. Fleming, rent for Feb. 1899....	12 50
	C. Wamsley, for typewriting .....	5 00
	Freight and drayage on sample stone.	2 00
Feb. 27,	J. Riley Gordon, plans for Capitol...	2,250 00
Mch. 2,	McNiel & Co., stationery for office...	2 60
	J. A. Fleming, rent for office for March, 1899 .....	12 50
	Western Union Telegraph Co .....	1 37
	Phoenix Light and Fuel Co., gas for January and February, 1899.....	6 80
Mch. 4,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 1.....	1,860 91
	Jo Fifield, superintendent, February.	90 00
Mch. 24,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 2.....	2,922 39
	Phoenix Light and Fuel Co., gas for March .....	1 40
	Phoenix Water Co., 4-inch water main in grounds .....	85 00
Apr. 4,	J. A. Fleming, rent for April, 1899..	12 50
	Abstract of title to Capitol grounds..	14 40
	H. R. Patrick, surveying center line of grounds .....	2 50
	Jo Fifield, salary for April .....	115 00
	F. H. Parker, salary as secretary and clerk of Capitol Commission for January, February and March.....	225 00
	McNiel Co., stationery for office.....	10 05
Apr. 8,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 3.....	1,828 00
Apr. 22,	Ryder, lumber for flumes in grounds.	36 40
Apr. 24,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 4.....	3,638 00
May 11,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 5.....	1,131 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for April, 1899..	75 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for April, 1899.....	125 00
	J. A. Fleming, office rent for May, 1899 .....	12 50
May 23,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 6.....	2,435 00
June 3,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 7.....	2,616 00
June 6,	J. A. Fleming, office rent for June, 1899 .....	12 50
June 7,	Jo Fifield, salary for May, 1899.....	135 00
	Recording deed of Capitol grounds..	1 95

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	F. H. Parker, salary for May, 1899...	75 00
June 17,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 8.....	3,404 00
June 27,	P. B. Laidlaw tracing plans for heater	22 00
	Harry Clusky, typewriting specifica- tions .....	5 00
	Certificate issued January 1, to June 30, 1899.....	\$23,465 17
July 3, 1899.	Arizona Republican, advertising ....	\$ 8 50
	F. H. Parker, salary for June, 1899..	75 00
	Jo Fifield, supt., salary for June, 1899	130 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for July, 1899...	12 50
	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 9.....	4,186 00
July 11,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 10.....	3,050 00
	Builder and Contractor, advertise- ment for bids .....	4 00
	Arizona Gazette, adv. for bids.....	16 50
July 28,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 11.....	5,009 00
Aug. 1,	Dorris Bros., rent of tables .....	8 50
	F. H. Parker, salary for July, 1899..	75 00
	F. H. Parker, trip to Los Angeles to change plan of steel beams in rotunda .... ..	30 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for July, 1899.....	130 00
Aug. 9,	J. A. Fleming, rent for Aug. 1899...	12 50
	McNiell Co., supplies .....	7 80
Aug. 18,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 12.....	3,983 00
Sept. 1,	Jo Fifield, salary for August, 1899...	135 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for August, 1899.	75 00
	H. W. Clusky, typewriting specifi- cations .....	5 00
	J. A. Fleming rent for Sept., 1899...	12 50
Sept. 8,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 13.....	2,722 00
Sept. 22,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 14.....	1,952 00
Oct. 7,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 15.....	4,459 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for Sept. 1899.....	130 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for Sept., 1899..	75 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for Oct., 1899...	12 50
	L. R. Ligier, inspecting quarry .....	5 30
Oct. 21,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 16.....	3,854 00
Nov. 4,	Jo Fifield, salary for Oct., 1899.....	130 00
	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 17.....	2,961 00
Nov. 18,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 18.....	3,531 00

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Dec. 2,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 19.....	1,989 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for Nov., 1899.....	130 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for Nov., 1899 and Dec., 1899 .....	25 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for Oct. and Nov., 1899 .....	150 00
Dec. 16,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 20.....	2,497 00
Dec. 30,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 21.....	4,936 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for Dec., 1899..	75 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for Dec., 1899.....	130 00
	DeMund Lumber Co., lumber for flumes .....	20 23
Certificates issued from June 30, 1899, to Jan. 1, 1900		\$46,749 83
Jan. 12, 1900.	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 22.....	\$ 4,095 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for Jan., 1900...	12 50
Jan. 26,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 23.....	6,498 00
	Peter B. Laidlaw, tracing plans for elevator .....	56 15
Feb. 2,	F. H. Parker, salary for Jan., 1900..	75 00
Feb. 9,	Jo Fifield, salary for Jan., 1900.....	135 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for Feb., 1900...	12 50
	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 24.....	2,448 00
Feb. 23,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 25.....	9,053 00
Feb. 28,	Jo Fifield, salary for Feb., 1900.....	120 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for Feb., 1900...	75 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for March, 1900..	12 50
Mch. 10	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 26.....	3,025 00
	Fickas & James premium on insurance	50 00
Mch. 24,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 27.....	3,597 00
Apr. 4,	J. A. Fleming, rent for April, 1900..	12 50
	Jo Fifield, salary for March, 1900....	135 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for March, 1900.	75 00
	P. B. Laidlaw, making blue prints of elevator .....	3 00
Apr. 7,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 28.....	4,886 00
Apr. 20,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 29.....	2,785 00
	C. L. Longstreth, testing wires in Capitol .....	15 00
May 5,	Jo Fifield, salary for April, 1900....	125 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for April, 1900..	75 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for May, 1900...	12 50
	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 30.....	3,375 00

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May 22,	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 31.....	1,500 00
June 4,	W. E. Warren, services as watchman..	12 00
	Tom Lovell, estimate No. 32.....	1,500 00
	J. A. Fleming, rent for June, 1900..	12 50
June 30,	F. H. Parker, salary for June, 1900..	75 00
Certificates issued from Jan. 1, to June 30, 1900.....		\$43,863 15
July 3, 1900.	F. H. Parker, salary for June, 1900..	75 00
July 25,	J. W. Walker premium on insurance on capital .....	100 00
Aug. 2,	Tom Lovell, of contract .....	2,500 00
	F. H. Parker, salary for July, 1900..	75 00
Aug. 4,	Otis Elevator Co., one-half cost of elevator .....	2,875 00
	Tom Lovell, balance on contract ....	7,063 98
	G. W. Shay, Dayton, O., mantel for Capitol .....	100 00
Sept. 1,	Henderson & Houlahan cement floor and plastering .....	52 00
	John Q. White, extra painting .....	23 00
	A. G. Stark, salary as janitor for Aug	60 00
	P. B. Laidlaw, drafting and blue prints	11 00
	Otis Elevator Co., balance on ele- vator .....	2,875 00
	Jo Fifield, salary for May, June and July, 1900 .....	225 00
	T. E. Dalton, premium on insurance..	40 00
	Fickas & James premium on insurance	40 00
	Weirick & Latham, premium on in- surance .....	40 00
	J. A. Kurtz, premium on insurance..	40 00
	L. E. Hewins, premium on insurance	40 00
	Talbot & Hubbard, hardware.....	37 65
	F. H. Parker, salary for Aug.....	75 00
Sept. 20,	B. Heyman, window shades for Cap- itol .....	807 20
	Scoville Plumbing Co., extra plumbing .....	237 50
Oct. 2,	A. G. Stark, janitor's salary for Sept., 1900 .....	60 00
	F. H. Parker, salary as sec. for Sept..	75 00
Oct. 23,	B. Heyman, carpets and furniture...	656 50

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Nov. 5,	A. G. Stark, salary as janitor for Oct., 1900 .....	60 00
	G. H. Smith, for gravel and labor on grounds .....	112 55
Nov. 14	Scoville Plumbing Co., extra plumb- ing .....	268 70
	Fifield & Gallagher, carpenter work..	12 00
Nov. 28,	G. H. Smith, gravel and labor on roadbed .....	269 05
Dec. 4,	Harry Taffe, lettering doors in capitol	16 00
	Phoenix Wood and Coal Co., wood...	9 50
	Linen Exchange, during Nov.....	4 00
	Talbot & Hubbard, Janitor's supplies.	66 80
	A. G. Stark, salary for Nov., 1900....	60 00
Dec. 18,	B. Heyman, furniture for capitol....	757 20
Dec. 20,	Scoville Plumbing Co., one-half pay for fixtures .....	1,048 50
Certificates issued from June 30, 1900 to Jan. 1, 1900..		\$20,868 73

RECAPITULATION.

Certificates Issued on Capitol Building Fund From September 15, 1898, to January 1, 1901.		
Certificates issued from Sept. 15, 1898, to Jan. 1, 1899 .....	\$	827 41
Certificates issued from Jan. 1, 1899, to June 30, 1899 .....		23,465 17
Certificates issued from June 30, 1899, to Jan. 1, 1900 .....		46,749 83
Certificates issued from Jan. 1, 1900, to June 30, 1900 .....		43,863 15
Certificates issued from June 30, 1900, to Jan. 1, 1901 .....		20,868 78
Total amount issued from Sept. 15, 1898, to Jan. 1, 1901 .....		\$135,774 29

The above figures show that the amount expended by the Capitol Commission exceeds the appropriation of the Legislature for the Capitol building by \$5,774.29.

This expenditure was unavoidable, as it was absolutely necessary in order to enable the commission to complete the Capitol building in time for the meeting of the Legislature.

## THE CAPITOL GROUNDS.

The Capitol grounds are clean and in good order. Most of the trees and shrubs have made a good growth and are handsome specimens of their kind. Although this is the case, it is necessary to state that in common with all gardens there are annually natural deaths among the trees, shrubs and plants, but up to date little or no provision has been made for replanting substitutes, so that in time, if attention is not paid to this matter,, unsightly gaps may be noticed.

The lawns, as stated in the previous report, are largely made up of weeds and river grasses; yet they have responded to the care bestowed upon them, and have made a fairly satisfactory appearance.

On completion of the Capitol building the Commission decided to improve the grounds near the new building. The design for these improvements was prepared by the gardener, George Haugh Smith, and as they harmonized with the original plans for the Capitol building—being simple and appropriate— they were adopted by the Commission. Instructions were given Mr. George Haugh Smith to proceed with the work.

The additions made are seven new lawns, gravelled walks and ample driveways to front and rear of the Capitol. The driveways have a good bottom of broken rock, levelled up with dirt, and topped with gravel. These improvements are durable and add to the appearance of the grounds and Capitol building. Looking to the future of the Capitol grounds, it will, we think, be well to carefully consider their needs. These grounds will be very noticeable to the people of the Territory and visitors from every part of this great republic; therefore proper provision should be made fo their development and maintenance.

## CAPITOL GROUNDS FUND. CERTIFICATES ISSUED

JAN. 1, 1899, TO JUNE 30, 1900.

Jan. 13, 1899.	G. H. Smith, Salary as gardener, Dec. 1 to 20, 1899 .....	\$ 40 00
	J. A. Marshall, repairing tools.....	1 25
	G. H. Smith, team work on Capitol grounds .....	2 50
	Talbot & Hubbard, tools for Capitol grounds .....	5 50
Mch. 24, 1899.	G. H. Smith, salary Dec. 20, 1899 to March 20, 1899 .....	180 00

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	G. H. Smith, extra man seven days at \$1.50 .....	10 50
Apr. 24,	G. H. Smith, salary March 20 to Apr. 20 .....	60 00
May 11,	G. H. Smith, salary Apr. 20 to May 1..	20 00
June 6,	G. H. Smith, salary for May .....	60 00
	G. H. Smith, frt. and hauling cactus plants .....	14 40
June 27,	Salt River Valley Canal Co., 10 inches summer water .....	7 50
July 3,	G. H. Smith, salary for June .....	60 00
	G. H. Smith, extra work in June .....	2 25
Aug. 1,	Talbot & Hubbard, tools for grounds..	11 35
	G. H. Smith, salary for July .....	80 00
Sept. 1,	G. H. Smith, salary for August .....	80 00
Oct. 7,	Tom Lovell, sprinkling grounds .....	14 81
	Salt River Canal Co., winter water....	15 00
	G. H. Smith, salary for Sept. ....	80 00
	G. H. Smith, team work in grounds...	7 50
	E. S. Wakelin, cyanide of potassium...	1 50
Nov. 4,	G. H. Smith, salary for October .....	80 00
Dec. 2,	G. H. Smith, team work in grounds...	3 85
Dec. 30,	G. H. Smith, salary for Nov. ....	80 00
Jan. 12, 1900.	Phoenix Hay and Grain Co., Grass and seed .....	15 00
Feb. 2,	G. H. Smith, salary for January .....	80 00
Feb. 28,	G. H. Smith, salary for February .....	80 00
Apr. 14,	G. H. Smith, salary for March .....	80 00
	G. H. Smith, sulphur for ants .....	75
May 5,	G. H. Smith, salary for April .....	80 00
June 4,	Salt R. V. Canal Co., summer water for grounds .....	7 50
	E. S. Wakelin, ant poison .....	1 25

Certificates issued Jan. 1, 1899 to June 30, 1900...	\$1,422 41
Balance in Grounds Fund Jan. 1, 1899 .....	49 25
Appropriation by Legislature .....	2,000 00

Total fund for grounds .....	\$2,049 25
Certificates issued to June 30, 1900 .....	1,422 41

Balance in Capitol Grounds Fund, June 30, 1900...\$ 626 64  
All of which is respectfully submitted by

F. H. PARKER,  
Secretary Capitol Commission.