# Governor's Guide Governor Robert Williams

# 8-C-1-1 <u>General Correspondence</u>

#### Box 1

#### Folder 1:

### "A" (1) January-March 1915.

Endorsements and applications for offices such as Commissioner of the Supreme Court and Oil and Gas Inspector. Correspondence includes call for funding of state immigration bureau, fish hatchery at Ft. Towson, and one time cash allotment to members of the Chickasaw nation. Correspondence questions treatment of inmates and fitness of staff assigned to state mental and penal institutions. Letters discuss state's liquor and tobacco prohibition measures and Smith-Lever Cooperation Agricultural Extension Act.

#### 2: "A" (2) January-March 1915.

Correspondence from American Motor Association and Citizens Committee to memorialize 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Civil War. Correspondence of J. M. Aydelotte, Chairman of the State Board of Public Affairs, and state Attorney General, S. P. Freeling. Correspondence consists of job appointments, legislation, and invitations to events.

# 3: "B" (1) January-March 1915.

Letters by school administrators requesting building appropriations for state colleges, preparatory schools and normal institutions. Official bulletin from Nevada concerns closing borders to Oklahoma cattle. Correspondence includes Commission for Relief in Belgium and movement to liberalize prison letter writing policies. Correspondence includes creation of Confederate Pension Office and Confederate Veterans Home, appointments, and favors.

# 4: "B" (2) January-March 1915.

Correspondence on practice of homeopathy, farmer requesting aid from governor in these 'hard times', and endorsement of governor's participation in Topeka Convention of Peace Advocates. Correspondence includes better highways and improved roads, and "Road Law." Communications between Williams and Commissioner of Charities and Corrections, Kate Barnard. Correspondence regarding appointments, invitations, legislative comments, resignations, and reports on preparation of Southern Commercial Congress planned for Muskogee.

# 5: "C" (1) January-March 1915.

Correspondence with adjutant general, F. M. Canton, about location of army training camp at McAlester and obtaining governor's assistance in appropriating funds from the legislature. Communications from National Child Labor Committee, Commission on Uniform Industrial and Insurance Legislation, Oklahoma Branch of the International Congress of Farm Women, and Committee of Mercy. Letter from a Hollis, Oklahoma, merchant asks the governor to send a "Secret Detective" to stop threats to resident agricultural laborers. Correspondence on pending legislation, road improvement, alcohol distribution, job appointments, and invitations.

#### Box 2

# Folder 1: "C" (2) January-March 1915.

Correspondence on regular session of the 5<sup>th</sup> Legislature. Letter from district navy recruiter asking for an anti-uniform amendment to the pending "Movie Censorship" law. Letter from a Temple, Oklahoma, physician protesting the licensing law for

chiropractors. Correspondence between Williams and Governor Arthur Capper of Kansas about the success of Oklahoma's mortgage tax law. Topics are falling petroleum price list of products, alcohol dealerships, job appointments, invitations, and requests.

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#### "D" January-March 1915.

Letters from Shirley Dyer concerning affairs of State Capitol Commission. Correspondence about institutional affairs, state's mental facilities, and construction of new buildings for state schools. Letter from McAlester warden, R. W. Dick, informing Williams about history of prison's early release program. Erie City Iron Works and U. S. Merchant Marine Association correspondence about the "Safety First" campaign in American industry. Correspondence from the state's Democratic Central Committee, including former chairman of the committee and early Oklahoma Supreme Court justice, Jessie Dunn. Topics include introduction and endorsement for the judge and his California-based Tour Company, invitations, salutations, appointments, and appeals for gubernatorial intervention. Contemporary chairman and U. S. congressman, James Davenport, discusses current legislative session and poll tax bill, Confederate Pension Bureau bill, Railroad Hospitalization bill, and budget appropriations.

### 3: "E" January-March 1915.

Correspondence between the governor and President Charles Evans of Central State Normal School. Letter to State Capitol Commission from a private company requesting a bid deadline extension, and another from Murray County Secretary of the Democratic Campaign Committee concerns effect of a tax payment extension on sale of state bonds. Letters include a young farm girl asking the governor's advice on personal matters, a citizen of Calumet discusses the relations of political parties to Blacks and industrial capitalists, and possibility of a new Civil War.

#### 4: "F" January-March 1915.

Topics are invitations, inquiries for information, employment, legislation, convict labor, development of prison industries, and stronger enforcement of usury laws because "high interests rates in banks are converting honest democrats into socialists." Correspondence between Williams and former territorial governor, T. B. Ferguson, concerning an Arapaho-Cheyenne tribal delegation bound for Washington, D. C.

# 5: "G" January-March 1915.

Correspondence between Williams and Senator T. P. Gore. Samuel Gompers of the A. F. L. correspondence concerning the Oklahoma City Trades and Labor Council meeting. Correspondence on the failure to make appointments for Supreme Court Commission through the legislature, and state hospitals and homes, institutions, and school administrators need for funds to construct buildings. Letter from president of the Board of Agriculture, F. M. Gault, about duplication in curriculum in state's colleges. Letter to state normal and preparatory school superintendents asks them to select natives for employees rather than non-residents. Correspondence on alleged hospitalization of a Negro in the Central State Hospital in Norman, invitations, letters of advice, appointments, and legislative inquiries, "Cruel economy" program, and State Fish Hatchery to be located at Ft. Towson.

### 6: "H" January-March 1915.

Letters concern private and state institutions for the insane, orphaned, and criminal, investigations of Pauls Valley State Home and State Orphans Home at Pryor, and public funding for Oklahoma Benevolent and Orphans Association and Cornish Orphan's Home, purchase of Central State Asylum by the state from a private company, and complaint from a former prison guard about corrupt administration of the McAlester Penitentiary. Correspondence on Association of Negro Teachers requests a facility for

needy and delinquent Negro children. The State Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Association requested establishment of medical college for Negroes. Letter from a white citizen of Jennings asked the governor to stop social "mingling" in the community. Topics are 8-hour workday bill for women, W.C.T.U. and prohibition, and Democratic victory poem entitled: "The Extravagant Promises-The Zenith and Downfall of the Republican Party and the Triumph of Jeffersonian Democracy."

# Box 3

Folder 1:

#### "I" January-March 1915.

Correspondence includes International Travel Club concerning the Good Roads and Highway movement and Union veteran asks defeat of provision in the Confederate Pension Bill limiting the numbers of pensions issued. Letter from a former Cherokee nation official discusses career as a "reformer" in tribal government. Letter from Seventh Day Adventists' Conference in Oklahoma concerns the proposed Sunday closing law. Letter from International Typographical Union pleads for end to printers' strike in New Orleans, Louisiana.

### 2: "J" January-March 1915.

Invitations, appointments, and inquiries about legislation. Letter from prohibitionists from Okmulgee requesting end of illegal liquor trade. Letters from future governor, Henry S. Johnston.

# 3: "K" January-March 1915.

Letter from Oklahoma Democratic State Campaign Committee chairman to Senator R. L. Owen, discusses problem of spoils patronage in the U. S. post office. Correspondence concerns Democratic State Central Committee establishment of a Party Press Bureau for the purpose of publicizing the administration, and Oklahoma Supreme Court Chief Justice, Mathew J. Kane, asks advice in applying for a federal judgeship.

# 4: "L" January-March 1915.

Correspondence between governor, commissioner of the land office, and U. S. Attorney, D. H. Linebaugh, concerning removal of oil from under bed of the Cimarron River by companies not paying royalties to the state government. Chickasha Musicians Protective Association and Chickasha Trades Council support eight-hour workday bill and oppose the bill expanding the duties of the labor commissioner. Letter from a minister representing a group of Pryor citizens requests investigation of moral conduct at State Orphans Home. A Hollis citizen speaking for area farmers asks help to end harassment by racists of Black farm laborers. Anti-Horse Thief Association seek reward payments.

### 5: "M" (1) January-March 1915.

Correspondence from Congressman William H. Murray on state constitutional issues and creation of a "rural credit system". Correspondence with Alger Melton, chairman of the Oklahoma State Democratic Central Committee, about reorganization of the state's judiciary. Letters request tax relief for business interests like railroads and farmers, and proposed railroad fee increase. Anti-Horse Thief Association pleads for payment of rewards to horse thief apprehenders, and political ally warned of Republican plan to dominate the board of agriculture.

### 6: "M" (2) January-March 1915.

Correspondence regarding political appointments, alcohol bonds, and horse-thief and criminal apprehension rewards. Communications with Democratic Central Committee chairman, Alger Melton, concerning political and administrative matters. Correspondence from Congressman William H. Murray about fiscal considerations on the state constitution. Correspondence concerns osteopaths protesting a licensing bill, and railroad owners protesting regulations and taxes. A Hinton Negro requests protection from racial

harassment. Correspondence between the governor, William D. Mathews, the commissioner of charities and corrections, and C. E. Castle, Wagoner County Attorney concerns the need for an institution for delinquent Negro boys.

#### Box 3

# Folder 7: "Mc" January-March 1915.

Letter from the M. K. and T. Railroad Employees Hospital Association about the "Hospital Bill" and letter from the Pull Together Club of Chandler requests funds for the Oklahoma National Guard.

#### Box 4

#### Folder 1: "N" January-March 1915.

Correspondence from National Soil Fertility League asked to examine and endorse a tariff proposal, and Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America requested support creating storage facilities for agricultural products during times of low farm prices. The development of public institutions and facilities concerned National Highway Association and National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor. Letter from National Board of Censorship of Motion Pictures asked stricter enforcement of censorship laws. European war and possible military intervention by the U. S. in Europe, and invitation to Navy League of the United States annual meeting.

# 2: "O" January-March 1915.

Correspondence with U. S. Senator Robert L. Owen on proposed money payments to members of the Chickasaw nation and pending federal legislation. Correspondence concerns "Oil Conservation Bill" (H. B. 168).

#### 3: "P" January-March 1915.

Correspondence with State Examiner and Inspector, Fred Parkinson. Letters from Gabe E. Parker, Superintendent for the Five Civilized Tribes, concerning Indian Appropriations Act of 1914, educational opportunities for Indians, and tribal property. Letter from Farmers' Fraternal, Economic, and Business Organization advocated passage of a proposed bill extending the time period for payment of tax and interest incurred on farm property. Letter from Illinois state tax official inquired about legislation delaying interest payment to mortgage holders. Correspondent requests emergency appropriation of \$50,000 for the containment of "foot and mouth" disease. Invitations.

# 4: "Q" January-March 1915.

#### 5: "R" January-March 1915.

Correspondence with legislator George S. Ramsey, discussing inheritance laws of the civilized tribes and constitutional amendments. Letters from prominent Negro leaders including Frank W. Reed, acting president of the State Negro Democratic Club and aspirant to superintendent of State School for Delinquent Negro Boys. Letter from Tulsa city attorney curate requests assistance to check the industrial pollution in the Arkansas River. Philanthropist and humanitarian, Blanche Estabrook Raebling, requests a contribution of poetry or prose from Williams for a volume whose proceeds would benefit infant health programs. Solicitations from national organizations such as "Buy It Now" campaign committee attempting to stimulate a lax economy, and Refugee Colony Association attempting to find Oklahoma homes for war refugees. Letter from future governor, J. B. A. Robertson, refused his appointment to the Supreme Court Commission, and a telegram to former President Theodore Roosevelt invites him to the Southern Commercial Congress on immigration.

#### Box 5

#### Folder 1: "S" (1) January-March 1915.

Communication from G. A. Smith, secretary to the Commissioners of the Land Office. Dr. E. F. Seifert of Natural Water Healing Institution of Oklahoma City invitation for a personal health consultation. Chaplain of Fort Sill, A. D. Sutherland, requested a memento to be awarded to the company with the largest numbers of "temperance men." Oklahoma State Manufacturing Association sought help with a workers compensation bill and Interstate Association of Southwest Threshermen invitation to their annual convention. Editor of <u>Tulsa Star</u>, A. J. Smitherman, requested aid in passing H. B. 188 to establish institutions for delinquent children. "Resolution" from Maryland Citizen's Committee for the Furtherance of American Neutrality favoring an embargo on the exportation of American war material to Europe.

#### 2: "S" (2) January-March 1915.

Appointments, alcohol bonds, and legislative endorsements. Letter of introduction to Cato Sells, Commissioner of Indians Affairs, for delegates from the Cheyenne tribe concerned over the approaching expiration of the federal trusteeship over their lands. A citizen of Georgia conducting a single-handed letter-writing campaign requested military intervention in Mexico to the president. Letters concern passage of pending legislation such as "cigarette bill", "insurance commission board bill", and road and highway improvement legislation. An Idabel merchant warns about a volume of petitions favoring the passage of a railroad rate increase.

### 3: "T" January-March 1915.

Correspondence from University of Oklahoma Department of Civil Engineering Director, James I. Tucker, consults and counsels on proposed highway and reservoir construction legislation. Correspondence with Senator J. Elmer Thomas, chairman of Senate Appropriations Committee of the state legislature, regarding fiscal matters. Son of a confederate veteran complains about management of Confederate Veteran's Home in Ardmore, while Oklahoma County attorney consulted about prosecution of Capital Commission Board members taking bribes.

# 4: "*U*" *January-March* 1915.

Letter from Upsher and Upsher, an apothecary bonding company.

# 5: "V" January-March 1915.

Letter from Oklahoma Graduate Veterinary Medical Association concerns appointments to Board of Veterinary Examiners. Craig County attorney, Willard Vayles, letter to Williams about financial partisan activities of the county.

# 6: "W" (1) January-March 1915.

Correspondence concerns an illegal Russian émigré and A. Wolff, Imperial Russian Consul. Letter from Muskogee citizen, J. A. Wood, addresses citizenship, tax status, and land tenure of the Indians. Letter from Western Petroleum Refiners Association about drafting of a pending "oil inspection law." Letter from the minister of the First Baptist Church of Porter concerns promised veto of the "pool hall bill". Invitations.

# Box 6

# Folder 1: "W" (2) January-March 1915.

Invitation to President Wilson to attend Southern Commercial Congress and his declining reply. Letter from a farm equipment dealership about unrest among farmers caused by price increases and decreases in availability of binder twine around harvest time, and asks to contact William Jennings Bryan. Letter from R. H. Wilson, superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction, concerns payment of oil royalties to the Creek Nation.

Letter from World's Purity-Federation secretary to appoint delegates to annual meeting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

# Box 6 Cont'd

Folder 2: "X,Y,Z" January-March 1915.

# 3: "A" April-May 1915.

Correspondence from J. M. Adyelatte, chairman of State Board of Public Affairs, concerns financial matters, purchase of a state prison farm by the board, and the uses of convict labor. Letter from B. F. Abner, secretary of the Negro National Education Congress, requests information about administration of institutions for "delinquent boys and girls of the colored race." Correspondence with Attorney General, S. P. Freeling.

# 4: "B" April-May 1915.

Correspondence regarding invitations, appointments, recommendations, and administrative directives. Mabel Bassett, Kate Barnard, and others received invitations to represent the state at Southern Conference on Women and Child Labor, National Conference of Charities and Corrections, World Court Congress, and Southern Sociological Congress. Correspondence with state college and university administrators discussing budget and bonding of professors on leaves of absence. Construction of the state capitol building. Letter from W. V. Buckner of McAlester about expansion of prison work program and his endorsement of a constituent's proposal to exchange some "coal land" with the state for prison labor needed to clear farm land in Tishomingo. H. R. Bell, a Negro booster for the Democratic party, sought aid to politically educate Black people. A Sapulpa business school proprietor accused county officials of corruption. A letter includes a petition requesting an end to prostitution and drunkenness in Drumright.

# Box 7 Folder 1: "C" April-May 1915.

Oklahoma Branch of the International Congress of Farm Women correspondence. Congress petitioned to insure half of the appropriations for the Smith Lever Act be available to women's projects, and asked for appointment of more women delegates to Southern Sociological Congress. Communications with J. W. Cantwell of Ft. Worth, and F. M. Gault, President of the Board of Agriculture, about former becoming president of Oklahoma A & M College. Correspondence from State Capitol Commission concerning the budget for the capitol. Letters with Oklahoma Adjutant General, Frank M. Canton, about the National Guard. Telegram from Judge James B. Cullison of Garfield County asks for a call-up of the guard to put down riots caused by I.W.W. agitators.

### 2: "D" April-May 1915.

Correspondence from Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice Jesse J. Dunn regarding the establishment of an Oklahoma Pavilion at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Communications with Dr. J. W. Duke, State Commissioner of Health, and U. S. Department of Health about public health matters.

#### 3: "E" April-May 1915.

Correspondence from President Charles Evans of Central State Normal School requesting appointment as president of Oklahoma A & M College, Stillwater. Letters from Ed Emberson, a prosperous farmer from Calumet, warn about the danger of corporate monopoly in every economic sphere from agriculture to railroads, and he constructed legislative reforms to combat the monster of monopoly.

#### Box 7 Cont'd

### Folder 4: "F" April-May 1915.

Invitations and appointments. Letter to C. A. Finley of Pushmataha County concerns an appointment at the state prison and using convict labor for road construction and improvement. Letter from Edgar Fenton, President of the Oklahoma State Federation of Labor, expressing the union's position on the appointment of an industrial commissioner.

#### 5: "G" April-May 1915

Correspondence about information, favors, and applications for vacant positions. Letters relating to appointment of Neil B. Gardner as superintendent. Senator T. P. Gore has recommendation letter for the postmaster position in Guthrie. Letters of Gid Graham. Letter from Senator Gore regarding the blacklist referring to the Guthrie group.

#### Box 8

# Folder 1:

"H" April-May 1915.

Call for delegates to World Court Congress on May 12-14, 1915, in Cleveland, Ohio. Correspondence refers to leasing part of the Arkansas Exhibition Building at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco, and legal opinion from the Arkansas attorney general.

### 2: "I" April-May 1915.

Topics are alcohol problem, insurance board, and cottonseed oil.

# 3: "J" April-May 1915.

Offer by Arkansas to lease part of their building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition was withdrawn. Letters deal with disputes on the Election Board. Recommendation relating to Gid Graham.

- 4: "K" April-May 1915.
- 5: "L" April-May 1915.

# 6: "M" April-May 1915.

Correspondence from Board of Agriculture. Letter refers to the State Capitol Commission about plans and specifications about the building stone. Correspondence concerns the 101 Ranch of Ponca City offering their services as a Wild West Show for the Panama-Pacific Exhibition in San Francisco as well as a motion picture project.

#### 7: "Mc" April-May 1915.

Delegates list for the Southern Sociological Congress at Houston, Texas, and constitutionality of appointment of a secretary to a dual position.

# Box 9

# Folder 1:

# "N" April-May 1915.

Appointments, invitations and information. Topics are ballot box tampering, and disapproval of a bill regarding deficiency funding to the Pioneer Telephone and Telegraph Company. Requests from the <a href="New York World">New York World</a> discuss German relations, Lusitania sinking, and maintenance of a strong navy.

# 2: "O" April-May 1915.

Correspondence regarding the Southern Commercial Congress. Topics are a state's responsibility to a resident, considered insane, who moved to New York, and Robert L. Owen suggests the state purchase a quarry to build the capitol then sell it at a profit.

#### Box 9 Cont'd

#### Folder 3: "P" April-May 1915.

Invitations. Letters refer to Fred Parkinson, State Examiner and Inspector. Letters and reports of agencies and institutions. A contract refers to leasing of the Arkansas Building located at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco.

### 4: "Q" April-May 1915.

Letters on immigration to Southern Commercial Congress, appropriation to International Dry-Farming Congress, and listing and invitation to the Ozarks Trails Association.

# 5: "R" April-May 1915.

Correspondence relates to defining the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas. General Land Office commissioner, J. T. Robison of Texas, wrote regarding the creation of a boundary commission to determine a state line. Correspondence on American Academy of Political and Social Science annual meeting and includes an agenda.

# 6: "S" April-May 1915.

Appointments, invitations, and letters of thanks. Letters and petitions regarding a reformatory for Negro youths, most from Caesar F. Simmons, postmaster in Boley and teacher at Langston University. Communication about smallpox case from A. V. Skelton, warden at the Oklahoma State Reformatory. Contribution to the Belgian Relief Fund, which passed on to the treasurer of the Oklahoma committee. Mrs. Fred E. Sutton indicates problems with the Oklahoma building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Letter from Commissioners of the Land Office concerns the two-cent fare.

# 7: "T" April-May 1915.

Correspondence about special officer commission, commission of a delegate to the Southern Sociological Congress, apothecary bonds, and certification of an election. Letter concerns progressive politics of J. W. Cantrell in response to the state Board of Education. Correspondence on a minor court case in O'Keene in which Mr. Murdock stands accused of abuse toward a group of female basketball players. Topics are farm loans, widows and orphans bill, rewards for bank robbers, grand jury in Stillwater, and benefits of World War. Letters from M. L. Turner of the Western National Bank to Attorney General S.P. Freeling discuss labor decisions and railroad cases decided by U. S. Supreme Court. Letters on allegations of unprofessional conduct by the Woodward county attorney, murder of Pauline Amsel, and correspondence with Elmer Thomas.

### Box 10

# Folder 1: "U" April-May 1915.

Correspondence includes apothecary bonds, widows' pensions, and political affiliation of a potential government employee.

#### 2: "V" April-May 1915.

Correspondence about the requisition for Homer and Oscar Scott, fugitives in Arkansas, and leniency toward female prisoners.

# 3: "W" April-May 1915.

Correspondence regarding school land fund and white support for a black family under pressure to leave Anadarko. Suggestion to eliminate the office of probation officer and complaint against the oil "trust." Topics are widow's pension, American Civic Institute literature, Granite warden, initial message of Governor Ferguson to the Texas legislature, rules for using contingency funds, Langston, eleemosynary expenditures, apothecary bonds, patronage and disappointed seekers, vice and politics in Woodward, prison labor, Father's Day, and support for the incumbent president of Southwestern State Normal.

#### Box 10 Cont'd

# Folder 4: "*X,Y,Z*" *April-May 1915*.

Correspondence about a reward and amending the Lawton city charter.

#### 5: "A" June-August 1915.

Correspondence about State Capital Commission, permanent school funds rewards for violations of the fish and game laws, revocation of notary commissions, property titles, roads, internal improvements, job seekers, alcohol authorizations, mental patients at East Central Hospital, Dry Farming Congress, silver service for the battleship Oklahoma, warden at Granite, convict labor, and truant. An Oklahoman offers an airplane to the Oklahoma National Guard, and letters discuss the anti-saloon league and appointment of a superintendent of the Negro delinquent school.

### 6: "B" June-August 1915.

Correspondence includes copy of the Lawton city charter, a letter from Major Charles Barrett about the National Guard encampment, and items from Barrett's State Democratic Press Bureau. Topics are Bates Detective Agency seeking reward information, prohibition violations in Seiling, Stillwater banker complains about a rival banker, unfair distribution of patronage jobs, solicitations, governors' conference, state election board, convict labor, Industrial Commission, University of Oklahoma, capital punishment, sabbatical bonds, rewards, and a political machine at East Central Normal in Ada. Included are Panhandle A & M literature, State Geological Commission meeting minutes of June 20, 1915, and petition from Eagletown for protection against the White Cap night riders.

# Box 11

# Folder 1: "C" June-August, 1915.

Items are contract for sand for the state capitol, state depositories, president of Southeastern State Normal, invitations, militia matters, and concerns about appointments of state employees. Correspondence regarding Southern Sociological Congress report, Red Cross appeal for Mexico, road taxes for convict labor, Major Hugh Scott, Oklahoma A & M, governors' conference, calling the National Guard to Enid, extraditions, apothecary bonds, and the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

# 2: "D" June-August 1915.

Complaints about appointees, allegations of abuse of alcohol licenses, Panama-Pacific Exposition, apothecary bonds, and Dry Farming Congress.

### 3: "E" June-August 1915.

Includes requisitions, state depositories, Central State Normal, apothecary bonds, and problems with the president of Southeastern State Normal. Correspondence on convict labor tax levy, banditry in Cushing, granite for the capitol, and appointment complaints.

# 4: "F" June-August 1915.

Correspondence relates to Okmulgee County Democrats' resolution for a renewed grandfather clause, and appointment and selection of presidents for Southeastern and Southwestern Normal schools. Letter from Governor Ferguson of Texas discusses the 1916 Democratic National Convention. Communications include definition of requisition policy, petitions requesting an audit of Noble County records, state depositories, dispute between the governor and the secretary of the Supreme Court, president of Northwestern Normal, state capitol construction, and complaints about appointments.

#### Box 12

# Folder 1: "G" June-August 1915.

Correspondence with Senator Thomas P. Gore and Judge John Goodall about the grandfather clause. Items include national defense, lost child reward, copy of <u>Technical Educator</u>, a Tonkawa newspaper, Belgian relief souvenir thank you cards, attack on the college president at Tonkawa, overworked guards at Granite, granite for the capitol, appointments to the Election Board, apothecary bonds, mental patient, convicts for road work in Delaware County, and road levy. Letter from a Guthrie minister supports Langston's attempt to keep literature courses.

#### 2: "H" June-August 1915.

Correspondence relates to convict labor, clemency, habeas corpus case of Charles D. Glass, and requisitions. Judge W. C. Hall sent a racist letter. Correspondence on liquor licenses, prison shooting, Negro National Education Conference delegate selection, prison farm, rewards, presidencies at Southeastern, East Central and Southwestern Norman schools, dispute with the Supreme Court clerk, patronage professorship, and grandfather clause. W. F. Harn claims that E. D. Oldfield is not a judge. Letters concern Major Charles Barrett's absence from National Guard encampment, problems at the Confederate Home, pardons for women, state highway, railroad captive mines, company stores, and Panama-Pacific Exposition.

### 3: *"I" June-August 1915*.

Correspondence on appointment of college physician at Oklahoma A & M, irrigation congress, Insurance Board, and International Peace Congress.

#### 4: "J" June-August 1915

Items concern Leo Frank, invitations, job requests and favors.

# 5: "K" June-August 1915.

Correspondence relates to State Capitol Commission, opening of the Houston ship channel, prohibition, and job requests.

# 6: "L" June-August 1915.

Materials regarding rewards, state depositories, auto taxes, and suggestion that Democrats hold their 1916 convention at Dallas. Correspondence with Robert Lansing, U. S. Secretary of State. Letters relating to Jim Crow violations at Childers and Anti-Saloon League 1915 convention program.

# Box 13

# Folder 1: "M" (1) June-August 1915.

Correspondence relates to grandfather clause, auto tax, convict labor, mental patient, and alcohol. A lawyer opposes black rights and D. P. Marum expresses his opinions on taxes. Correspondence on apothecary bonds, requisitions, governors' conference, pardons, investigative report of Confederate Veterans Home, attempt to oust the Creek County Sheriff, Lawton charter amendments, League to Regulate International Relations, and problems at Southeastern and Southwestern Normal schools.

# 2: "M" (2) June-August 1915.

Correspondence about grandfather clause and the Charles Glass connection to the missing child. Copy of L. G. Mitchell's address on oral hygiene. Topics include politics in Stillwater and Payne counties, warehouse laws, politics in Tulsa, Father's Day, Mississippi Valley Tuberculosis Conference, rewards, senatorial politics interpreted by D. C. McCurtain, and problems of the East Central Normal president.

#### Box 13 Cont'd

# Folder 3: "N" June-August 1915.

Material on National Drainage Congress, National Tax Association, Southeastern State Normal, and National Association for Constitutional Government. Telegrams concern measures taken by Great Britain and Germany and war. Topics are vice in Eagletown, Negro National Education Congress, audit request in Murray County, granite for the capitol, problems at East Central Normal, National Conference of Highways and Roads, and National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

# 4: "O" June-August 1915.

Correspondence regarding grandfather clause, federal funds for Oklahoma A & M, and committee report investigating the Supreme Court Clerk. Items deal with the capitol, alcohol, fiscal agent, Sequoyah statue, Guinn and Beale pardons, and correspondence with Senator Owen.

#### 5: "P" June-August 1915.

Includes financial report of Prairie Oil and Gas Company, and audit report of Walters County. Topics are Southeastern Normal, cotton, apothecary bonds, taxation of pipeline companies, prohibition, roads, and patronage.

# 6: "Q" June-August 1915.

Correspondence and brochure about Pryor and Mayes counties.

# 7: "R" June-August 1915.

Correspondence on grandfather clause, home ownership loans, finances at Central State Normal, electric chair, fiscal agent, convict labor, stone for the capitol, textbooks, requisitions, alcohol, and patronage.

# Box 14

# Folder 1: "Sa-Sm" June-August 1915.

Topics are J. E. Sandlin about Southeastern Normal, visit to state training school, wayward girls, 1916 Democratic National Convention, home ownership, and liquor law violations in Ottawa County. Topics include Negro notary, patronage, National Negro Education Conference and Caesar Simmons, prohibition violation in Cushing, school lands, firing of the warden at Granite, Deep Fork Drainage Ditch, and apothecary bonds.

# 2: "Sn-Sy" June-August 1915.

Correspondence regarding grandfather clause, prison labor at the school for the blind, Panama-Pacific Exposition, capitol granite, rewards, convict labor, patronage, problems with Supreme Court Clerk, state depository, widow's pensions, alcohol, Father's Day, requisitions, apothecary bond, the county road levy, and Southern Commercial Congress.

### 3: "Wa-Wi" June-August 1915.

Topics include textbooks, apothecary bonds, Governors' Conference, overcrowded docket of Supreme Court, Supreme Court Commission claims, state depository, U. S. Labor Department Conference on Employment, political factionalism in Payne County, and railroad rates. Letters on land matters, divorce, and telegram to Woodrow Wilson.

# 4: "Wo-Wy" June-August 1915.

Topics include educational survey of Oklahoma, trustees, Purity Congress, jobs, vice in Creek and Payne counties, telegram to New York World on Woodrow Wilson.

#### 5: "*X,Y,Z*" *June-August 1915*.

Topics include jobs, rewards, and passport information.

#### Box 14 Cont'd

#### Folder 6:

# "A" September-November 1915.

Correspondence about clemency for Guinn and Beale, job requests, brochure about Oklahoma College for Women, Belgian relief, constitution of the Oklahoma Municipal League, hog cholera, patronage, increased state bank deposits, disallowed deficiencies, the constitution, state Publicity Bureau, Carnegie Libraries for Oklahoma, Oklahoma State Poultry Show, and Governor's Cup. Topics include Edmond Enterprise, and Daisy Circles of the American Civic Reform Union.

# 7: "B" (1) September-November 1915.

Correspondence on judicial appointment, genealogy of a Brown family, Fred Branson fights Canada in a civil case, building and loan associations, cancelled bonds for druggist, apothecary bonds, requisitions, double dipper, and job seekers. Letter from a "socialist" attacks administration, and Williams disagrees with a Presbyterian minister.

#### Box 15

#### Folder 1:

# "B" (2) September-November 1915.

Correspondence on Guinn and Beale case, state depository, abolition of county court, parole for Mrs. Bayse (husband poisoner), apothecary bonds, and Great Southern Oil Company. Topics on vice, School for the Deaf claims, bonds, applications, and pensions. Letters with Chief Mine Inspector and superintendent of the School of the Deaf.

#### 2: "B" (3) September-November 1915.

Letters from Mrs. James Bennett concern Blacks voting. Correspondence about president of Southeastern Normal, rewards, usury, apothecary bonds, school lands, widows' pensions, and requisitions. Items on murder of Max Cohn at Holdenville, Congressman C. D. Carter, finances at an Anadarko bank, and alcohol for medical doctors.

#### 3: "C" (1) September-November 1915.

Correspondence includes apothecary bond, prohibition violations in oil towns, county roads and convicts, militia, cotton seed, jobs, starving Mexicans, Julia Ward Howe memorial park, and national guard's rifle team and rejected offer to form a colored rifle company. Topics are mental deficient, president of Southwestern Normal, student immorality at Langston, and prison transfers from Leavenworth to McAlester.

# 4: "C" (2) September-November 1915.

Materials on grandfather clause, special session, reward for Henry Starr, requisitions, military department and airplanes, slow pay at state colleges, Cameron administration, postponed grand jury at Nowata, national guard participation at capitol cornerstone laying, good roads, pardons, land appraisal in Roger Mills County, and apothecary bonds.

#### 5: "C" (3) September-November 1915.

Correspondence includes apothecary bonds, pardon and paroles, requisitions, alcohol, report of the National Association of Railway Commissioners on railroad tax procedures, railroad safety, alleged graft in Nowata, claim for the School for the Deaf, controversy with Supreme Court secretary, and a jail break in Tulsa County.

#### 6: "D" September-November 1915.

Items deal with Guinn and Beale pardons, land claims, county roads, apothecary bond revocation, "socialist" G. L. Branson, alcohol for medical doctors, Lee Cruce, grocery license fee, health inspectors, pardon and parole, apothecary bond renewals, and requisitions.

#### Box 16

### Folder 1: "E" September-November 1915.

Topics are apothecary bonds, Central State Normal, clemency, auditor, football, game wardens, school lands, and National Guard rifle team.

# 2: "F" (1) September-November 1915.

Correspondence includes Supreme Court Clerk controversy, and Henry Ford's peace pilgrimage. Letter and publications from Charles B. Gifford lambastes Williams and state abuses.

### 3: "F" (2) September-November 1915.

Correspondence about "socialist" W. E. Stoner, Great Southern Oil and Gas Company, Wynona bank robbery, Southern Commercial Congress, Supreme Court Clerk controversy, building and loan associations, bonds and tax assessments, and disfranchisement by constitutional amendment. Correspondence on national defense address by Governor Fielder of New Jersey, apothecary bonds and problems at Southeastern and Southwestern State Normals.

#### 4: "G" (1) September-November 1915.

Topics include Panama-Pacific Exposition, patronage, farm loans, Capitol Commission, apothecary bonds, cows, and criticisms and support for the governor from faculty at University Preparatory School. Letters concern Cynthia Jack's admission to the Holmes Home for Redeeming Love, prohibition violations in Tulsa, E. F. Giddings' crusade against usury.

# 5: "*G*" (2) September-November 1915.

Correspondence about Guinn and Beale, rewards, jobs, special session, requisitions, and another "socialist" jobholder.

# 6: "H" (1) September-November 1915.

Topics include highway receipts, prohibition, rifle team, highway engineers, Oklahoma Central Railroad, land office loans, auditors' reports, cornerstone laying, bank examiners, First Oklahoma Infantry, oil and gas, Depew, and University Preparatory School.

# 7: "H" (2) September-November 1915.

Topics include Guinn and Beale, Hornaday Plan for stocking national forests, L. C. McNabb disbarment, state depository, alcohol, usury, prohibition, Supreme Court Clerk controversy, requisitions, and Ford's peace commission.

# 8: "I-J" September-November 1915.

Includes special session, grandfather clause, Guinn and Beale, and alcohol.

# Box 17

# Folder 1: "K" September-November 1915.

Items concern usury, racism, appointments, Tulsa grand jury, tick eradication, inmates of assorted mental institutions, military training, banking laws, rewards, clemency, gasoline prices, apothecary bonds, and storm damage to the Midland Valley Railroad.

# 2: "L" September-November 1915.

Topics are convict labor on roads, automobile, Democratic convention in Dallas, Tulsa grand jury, state depositories, mental patients, Shaffer County, taxes, apothecary bonds, and Oklahoma Dental Society members.

#### Box 17 Cont'd

#### Folder 3:

#### "M" (1) September-November 1915.

Correspondence concerns prohibition violations, religious prejudice, requisitions, state accounting system, deaf school at Sulphur, cement roads, bank deposit guarantee system, Colored A & N school, economic crisis in LeFlore County, and rewards.

### 4: "M" (2) September-November 1915.

Topics are bank robbery, Colored A & M School, Southern Commercial Congress, school lands, cornerstone laying, crimes and criminals, good roads, special session, and military training.

# 5: "M" (3) September-November 1915.

Correspondence discusses apothecary bonds, unregistered nurses, Franklin dispute, Bill Tilghman, and a deficiency for the University Preparatory School. Other items deal with taxes, socialism, and Panama-Pacific Exposition corn medal and Oklahoma float.

### 6: "N-O" September-November 1915.

Correspondence regarding Guinn and Beale, National School Camp Association, parole and clemency, electoral politics, Navy League, minor National Guard affairs, preparedness, attempt relieve a GI from service, and home ownership bill.

# 7: "P-Q" September-November 1915.

Correspondence contains a recommendation for accounting system, a copy of <u>K Lamity's Harpoon</u> for September 15, and material from Gifford Pinchot's Commission on Church and Country Life. Topics include prison clothing, cornerstone ceremony, murder in Wilburton, school land, farm loans, military training, Lake Mohawk Conference on Indians and Other Dependent Peoples, America First, and Auditor and Examiner.

### Box 18

# Folder 1: "R" September-November 1915.

Includes special session, Fred Branson's fight with Canada, socialism, (ultra-liberated woman) Rachel A. Rees, missing person, disaster in Ardmore, crimes and criminals, Raymond McClain, state depositories, Indian rolls, dog and poll taxes, and pardons.

# 2: "S" (1) September-November 1915.

Correspondence about Senator Morris Sheppard, textbooks, political enemy at Granite, school land, extraordinary session, Southern Labor Congress, oil investments, crimes and criminals, and National Guard.

# 3: "S" (2) September-November 1915.

Included topics are Oklahoma State Fair School, cornerstone laying, usury, Democratic convention at St. Louis, crimes and criminals, school for the blind report, poultry show, Panama-Pacific Exposition corn medal, boxing match between Carl Morris and Jess Willard, roads, Southwestern State Normal, Oklahoma Gas and Electric rate case, and military training.

### 4: "T" September-November 1915.

Contents deal with crimes and criminals, trees for the Confederate Home, safes, grandfather clause, requests to exam county records, money from the national forests, and highway engineer.

#### Box 18 Cont'd

#### Folder 5: "U-V" September-November 1915.

Correspondence concerns a railroad bridge, juvenile delinquency, forest fire protection, crimes and criminals, apothecary bonds, and violations of liquor laws. Enclosed is a map of Arkoma, Oklahoma.

#### 6: "W" (1) September-November 1915.

Letters of J. A. Whitcomb concern a farmer's perspective on usury and other matters. Topics include state depositories, crimes and criminals, and usury material from the United States Treasury.

# 7: "W" (2) September-November 1915.

Topics include Lindley v. Land Commissioner, Supreme Court Commission Secretary controversy, roads, crimes and criminals, books for Granite Reformatory, oil and gas leases and Rural School Improvement Commission. Moses E. Wood of Central State Normal discusses merits of military training versus athletics, and problem of literacy.

8: "X,Y,Z" September-November 1915.

Correspondence with president Zollers of Phillips College.

# 8-C-1-2 General Correspondence

#### Box 1

# Folder 1: "A" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence deals with problems at the Oklahoma College for Women, Oklahoma Municipal League's convention, San Antonio Bi-Centennial, bird hunting, labor department deficiency, fire at Wirt, roads, and William's speech before the Municipal League convention. Topics include alcohol delivery authorizations, license tag machine, trees and shrubs for the Confederate Veterans Home, septic tank for the home, insurance coverage of the Langston fire, commitment of a juvenile to the Pauls Valley home, construction at the State Penitentiary, and Arkansas River Indian lands.

#### 2: "B" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are voting law, socialists, Working Class Union, tick eradication vats, Oklahoma Gas and Electric valuation case, home loans, interest rates, Panama-Pacific Exposition, state depository, fruit for the deaf school, preparedness, gambling, banks, schools, extra session, grain testing, auto license, railroad ties, taxes, usury, violence, Bozell conflict, oil well problem, military training, University of Oklahoma, and Williams' Sunday School experiences. Included are pamphlets about the growth of Oklahoma's schools, and the Blake Rifle Company.

#### 3: "C" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are franchise, Guinn and Beale, special session, roads, revolving fund, grand jury, payroll for troops at the cornerstone laying, quail season, National Guard at Muskogee, airplanes, convicts and roads. Correspondence on Henry Bookman's execution, prohibition, usury, crimes and criminals, apothecary, farm loans, Corporation Commission report for fiscal year 1915, John Mosley Rhodes Scholarship, Effingham Democrat concerns farm cooperatives, National Guard, and Game and Fish Department.

# 4: "D-E" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence includes confidential report of Democratic opinion about the special session, and transcript on Board of Equalization v. Prairie Oil and Gas. Topics are oil and gas, road money, tax levies, usury, apothecary bonds, game law violations in McCurtain County, state depositories, Oklahoma Engineering Society, Christmas tree

ceremony at Edmond, Charleston conferences on labor, Confederate Home trees, and Bureau of Explosives Bulletin number two about Ardmore explosion.

# Box 2

# Folder 1: "F" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence about Guinn and Beale, patronage for a Kingfisher County newspaper, pardon, fish hatcheries, special session, prison made goods, state depository, convict labor, road bonds, school lands, Fireman's Ball, and statistics on brick production at the state penitentiary.

# 2: "G" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence on Guinn and Beale, U. S. v. Mosely, et al, blueprints of A. L. Goodnight's air brakes, Saskatchewan government official, ward trustee appointment, black school at Spiro, taxes, legislative vacancy, McNabb disbarment, state schools, jitneys, tick eradication, Oklahoma A & M, roads, and usury. Telegrams with Samuel Gompers.

# 3: "H" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence deals with Guinn and Beale, grandfather clause, special session, and McNabb. Matters include property taxes, roads, clemency, drainage districts bonds, Confederate Home, usury, Muskogee bids on state democratic convention, rewards, highway department apportionment, prohibition violations, Prairie Oil and Gas, loans, another state depository, crimes and criminals, county officials, banking law violations, apothecary bonds, Bookman execution and Frisco railroad reorganization.

# 4: "I,J,K" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are election laws, Jewish relief, roads, calling the militia in Tulsa, taxes, usury, appointment of judges, and apothecary bonds.

#### 5: "L" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are University Hospital lease, usury, paroles, prohibition, auto tax money apportionment, the "Socially inadequate," corporation legislation, gambling, and budget request from the University Medical School.

# 6: "M" December 1915-January 1916.

Items concern Guinn and Beale, special session, taxes, usury, bonds, roads, oil and gas leases of E. W. Marland, minor investigations, woman suffrage, election law, banking law, burglar alarm, pardons, apothecary bonds, prohibition, and rewards. GI Finis Daught tries to become a civilian, and rumors Eugene Debs might appear in Stillwater.

#### 7: "N-O" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence includes Guinn and Beale, apothecary bonds, slot machines, school land loans, Belgian Relief, National Forward to the Land League, prohibition violations in Ottawa County, Southern Commercial Congress resolutions, Frisco reorganization, taxes, usury, fiscal year change, roads, and special session.

#### Box 3

# Folder 1: "P-Q" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence includes copy of the <u>Fort Gibson New Era</u> for January 27, 1916, usury, misadministration in Seminole County, rewards, land, report of state deposits, life insurance, wagons, crimes and criminals, Prairie Oil and Gas, taxes, and William's letter "to the farm boys of the South."

#### Box 3 Cont'd

# Folder 2: "R" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are usury, crimes and criminals, special session, lands, vice in Collinsville, legislative vacancy, loans, apothecary bonds, rewards, and requisitions.

# 3: "S" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics include grandfather clause, grand jury in Rogers County, books for Granite, bank assessment, legislation about office terms, grass production tax, misadministration in Seminole County, conditions at Granite, school lands, rewards, usury, special session, crime and criminals, oil and gas, Finis Daughty, School for the Blind, vice in Rogers County, township bonds, leap year, capital punishment, and Southern Commercial Congress.

# 4: "T" December 1915-January 1916.

Items on Guinn and Beale, legislative vacancies, University Medical School, election law, oil and gas inspection, usury, rewards, farm loan, land photographs, fish hatchery, prohibition violations, safes, roads, rivers and harbors congress, and apothecary bonds.

# 5: "U-V" December 1915-January 1916.

Topics are legislation, apothecary bonds, lands, loans, and salaries.

# 6: "W" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence concerns land dispute, taxes, embezzlement case of State v. Robert Hubbard, bank robberies, Pauls Valley, legislation, another state depository, Belgian relief, Shaffer County, usury, economy, Williams' statement about Booker T. Washington, and wedding announcement of Woodrow Wilson and Edith Bolling.

# 7: "X,Y,Z" December 1915-January 1916.

A map of the Port Arkansas, Texas vicinity.

# 8: "Miscellaneous" December 1915-January 1916.

Correspondence includes Prairie Oil and Gas case, list of banks whose securities exceeded the maximum permissible, Williams' 1915 address before state bankers, telegram about starving Poles, copy of the initiative petition for State Question 79 relating to woman suffrage, copy of a house bill concerning real estate, and report of the Permanent School Fund.

# Box 4

#### Folder 1: "A" February-March 1916.

Topics are township assessors, volunteers for service in Mexico, requisitions, abuses at the Confederate Home, preparedness, rewards, financial report of the Oklahoma woman's college, Checotah IOOF cemetery, hog cholera, itinerant peddler, game law violations, railroad rates, and National Guard's spring encampment.

# 2: "B" February-March 1916.

Items concern franchise, convict labor, land for the deaf school, Confederate Home, crimes and criminals, rewards, and book sales.

# 3: "Ca-Ch" February-March 1916.

Correspondence concerns socialist circular dealing with election law, cattle market report, request for a discharge, J. B. A. Robertson, Democratic politics, Frisco railroad deficiency, volunteers for Mexican service, prohibition, and report of the Pauls Valley School. Topics are township bonds, resignation of Frank Canton as Adjutant General, Choctaw and Chickasaw payments, hog cholera convention, cement products exhibition,

usury, Southeastern Normal presidency, apothecary bonds, twine production at McAlester, and plan to build schools on a North-South axis to aid geography lessons.

### Box 4 Cont'd

# Folder 4:

# "Co-Cr" February-March 1916.

Topics are Lee Cruce, twine production at McAlester penitentiary, fishing law, fish hatchery, preparedness, motion picture companies, Corporation Commission data concerning the two-cent fare, pamphlet from The Armed International Tribunal Association, and roll call from the House of Representatives.

#### 5: "D" February-March 1916.

Items include report of conditions at the University Medical School, annual report from the Highway Department, requisitions, labor problems suffered by the capitol granite contractor, metal bed plant at McAlester penitentiary, general problems in Muskogee County, highway money in Murray County, Daughty's discharge, coal lands in Coal County, taxes and "cruel economy," United Spanish War Veterans, and pensions for widows and Confederates.

#### 6: "E" February-March 1916.

A letter from John Embry concerns the literacy test for voting and J. E. Crust discusses a political machine. Topics are Southwestern State Normal, farm loan, chickens and eggs for Oklahoma A & M, Muskogee County, taxes, requests for audits, and Lawton Natural Gas Company school land lease.

#### 7: "*F*" *February-March* 1916.

Correspondence concerns socialism, Mosely and civil rights abuse cases, fish hatchery at Fort Sill, requisition of William Mulvey, Central State Normal, Mexican volunteers, Northwestern Normal, Custer County, rewards, apothecary bonds, State Firemen's Association, and suggested bill about lands for the University of Oklahoma.

# 8: "Ga-Go" February-March 1916.

Correspondence about Mosely case, state Democratic convention, national committee and committeeman, clemency, usury, taxes, report of the Oklahoma State Home and addresses of Boise Penrose and William Jennings Bryan before the Moose Party.

# 9: "Gr-Gu" February-March 1916.

Topics are Mosely case, telegram to Gompers about convict miners at McAlester, improvements at Granite, usury, normal schools, requisition for Jim Glass, poor farms, and legislation.

### Box 5

# Folder 1: "Ha" February-March 1916.

Items deal with McNabb disbarment case, Pauls Valley school, Langston, crimes and criminals, corruption in Grady County, controlled substances, and land for the Confederate Home.

#### 2: "Hi-Hy" February-March 1916.

Topics are oil and gas, rewards, cotton market, Moose lodge, Spanish War veterans, usury, homesteads, Indian rolls, requested grand jury for Hughes County, Vian flood, grandfather clause, patronage, oil production figures, and control of motion pictures.

# 3: "I" February-March 1916.

#### Box 5 Cont'd

# Folder 4: "J" February-March 1916.

Items deal with the election laws, Western Passenger Fares Case, post office legislation, rewards, party matters, roads, legislation, prisoners petition for parole and resolutions of the cottonseed crushers association.

# 5: "Ka-Kl" February-March 1916.

Topics are appointments, Blaine County health officer, usury, penitentiary lands, bleaching process, and convict farm.

# 6: "Kl-Kq" February-March 1916.

Letter about Williams' address to the Ministerial Alliance.

#### 7: "La-Ly" February-March 1916.

Topics are state Democratic convention and Working Class Union, resolutions of the Southern Conference on Employment, Collinsville annexation, appointments, voting legislation, Alva high school, quail season petition, and protested check.

# 8: "Ma-Mc" February-March 1916.

Correspondence includes election law modification, Missouri governor requests endorsement for his vice-presidential candidacy, capitol, roads, socialists, and ouster against the Ottawa County sheriff. D. P. Marum's views on international affairs, and topics are jitneys, capitol lands, bonds, hog cholera, washed out bridges, and flood relief.

# 9: "Me-Mi" February-March 1916.

Topics are Democratic politics, election law, usury, Canadian River Bridge, McMurry coal lease, and auto licenses.

# 10: "Mo-My" February-March 1916.

Items deal with Democratic politics, property taxes, and financial problems of Oklahoma Presbyterian College for Women.

# Box 6

# Folder 1: "N" February-March 1916.

Correspondence about "Paint Up and Clean Up" campaign, National Geographic Society, women suffrage, solid south, rewards, penitentiary land, usury, and Frisco railroad receivership.

### 2: "O" February-March 1916.

Letters deal with freight rates, homestead, American Peace Bell, abolition of the prohibition enforcement department, expert medical testimony, House of Southern Governors, and pamphlet entitled Suggestions for Changes in State Road Laws.

#### 3: "P" February-March 1916.

Topics are electoral laws, personal tax problem of J. J. Platten, Langston, gross production tax, financial problem at the Collinsville school, usury, and illegal tax levies.

#### 4: "*O*" February-March 1916.

# 5: "Ra-Rl" February-March 1916.

Included is a report of local opinion about legislation.

#### 6: "Ro-Ry" February-March 1916.

Items concern socialists in Rogers County, paupers, and Good Roads Association.

#### Box 6 Cont'd

# Folder 7: "Sn-St" February-March 1916.

Topics on convict labor, prohibition violations, Southern Sociological Congress, National Guard and Mexico, capitol, Senate Journal for February 1, 1916, election legislation, personal tax problems, election in Sand Springs, and Panama-Pacific Exposition.

# 8: "St-Sa" February-March 1916.

Topics are Shaffer County, usury, state normal schools, party matters, training school, Debs' visit to Stillwater, another state depository, renovation of the University Preparatory School, motion pictures, gross production tax, and loans.

# 9: "Ta-Ti" February-March 1916.

Issues are franchise cases, Oklahoma City University's dispute with the University of Oklahoma, and land matters.

### 10: "To-Ty" February-March 1916.

Items concern national bureau of standards, Shaffer County, and a reward.

#### 11: "*U-V*" February-March 1916.

Topics are county indebtedness and apothecary bonds.

# 12: "W" February-March 1916.

Correspondence concerns franchise legislation, motor vehicle registration, land sales, rewards, political races, appointments, training school inmate, and Confederate and widows' pensions. A telegram from Williams to Woodrow Wilson informs the president that the National Guard is ready.

### 13: "Wr-Wy" February-March 1916.

Letters deal with socialism, voters' registration and election procedures, Confederate pensions, and Williams' definition of patriotism.

14: "*X,Y,Z*" *February-March* 1916.

# 8-C-2 **Appointments (1914-1915)**

Boxes 1-6 Contains applications and endorseme

Contains applications and endorsements to state agencies, boards and commissions. Folders are arranged alphabetically by county.

# 8-C-3-1 Administrative Correspondence (1914-1916)

# Box 1

# Folders 1-2: Alexander Drug, 1915-1916.

Alcohol and apothecary bonds.

# 3: Anonymous Letters, 1916.

Topics are vice and disfranchisement. Clippings from the <u>Oklahoma Appeal</u> include excerpts from the writings of Jefferson and Lincoln and an item by Kate Barnard about voting legislation.

#### 4: Attorney General, September-November 1915 (3).

Opinions about the president's house of Central State Normal, a single person holding two offices, admission to the deaf school, and court costs. Topics are criminal violations at Bigheart, Bank Guaranty Fund, pharmacy board membership, and a writ of mandamus.

#### Box 1 Cont'd

### Folder 5: Attorney General, January 1916 (4).

Materials from the Attorney General discuss the two-cent passenger rate case, residence change by a county commissioner, stallion registration, gambling law, penitentiary lands, grandfather clause cases, and Muskogee grand jury.

- 5a: Attorney General, December 1915-March 1916.

  Correspondence concerns removal of officials.
- 6: Aydelotte-Morley, Board of Affairs, November-December 1914.
- 7: Bank Commissioner, November-December 1914.
  Applications and endorsements.
- 8: Board of Affairs, 1915.

Topics are labor conditions at the state hospital in Norman, road work at Shawnee, conditions at Granite, brief from Edgar Fenton's Oklahoma Federation of Labor and Pete Hanraty letter about convict labor in the McAlester penitentiary mines. Items deal with proposed convict farm in Bryan County, applications for employment, convict labor, quarters for Chief Mine Inspector Boyle, Spratt Shelton's salary claim, and prison records on O. L. Wiley and George Anastas. Material on the expiration pardon for James R. Bayless and testimony transcript of S. P. Simpson.

9: Board of Affairs, 1916.

Topics are money shortage at the McAlester penitentiary, improvements at the Confederate Home, report of granite sales at Granite, and proposed convict miners.

10: T. D. Brooks, Southeastern Normal, 1916.

Correspondence about the appointment of a new president.

- 11: Oklahoma Republican and Democrat-member, Board of Affairs, 1914.

  Applications and endorsements, most on behalf of Fred Sutton.
- 12: Capitol Commission-Building Material, 1915.

Correspondence includes report of expenditures, offer of marble, proposal from architect A. F. Wasielewski of a new mode of construction for the capitol, and petition against the foreman of the construction job.

#### Box 2

Folder 1: Capitol Lands, Oklahoma City, 1915-1916.

Bills due in August 1916 and letters from 1915 about paying taxes.

1a: Charities and Correction, 1915.

Letters from Kate Barnard about individuals and institutions.

2: Corporation Commission, 1915.

Newspaper biography of W. R. Kelly and information about J. A. Norman, the father of Oklahoma statehood.

3-5: *Corporation Commission.* 

Endorsements.

6: Embalming Board, 1916.

Endorsements of O. L. Calloway.

#### Box 2 Cont'd

Folder 7: *Fish Hatchery*, 1915-1916.

Topics are bills, blueprint on the establishment of the Fort Sill fish hatchery, and hiring of manager P. W. Howe.

- 8: Secretary to Insurance Commission, 1915.
- 9: *Joint Resolutions*, 1916.

Pamphlet listing proposed constitutional amendments.

10: Messages from the Legislature, 1916.

Correspondence includes governor's message about the gross production tax, memorials from boards requesting legislation, governor's notifications of approval of legislation, and messages about money matters.

11: Messages, October 1914-January 1915.

Includes report of oil operations of the Cimarron River in Creek County, allegations of unfair practices by the township board of Kingfisher County, "Report of the Committee on Grade Crossings and Trespassing on Railroads," proposed bran and feed tax, and proposed farm legislation. Topics are complaint about fire insurance rates, Judge Tom McKeown's proposals for legislation, complaint about mortgage laws, pamphlet about the Smith-Lever Act, cotton and workmen's compensation, copy of a bill requiring uniform warehouse receipts, taxes, and banks.

- 12: Miscellaneous, 1914-1915.
- 13: Miscellaneous Applications, 1915.
- 14: Nurses, State Board of Examiners.

Includes copies of the regulations governing nursing, applications, endorsements, and an appointment.

14a: Oklahoma A & M College, 1916.
A report of needs.

- 15: Pardon and Parole Officer, 1915.
- 16: Penitentiaries.

Undated list of Granite employees and inquiries about political loyalty.

#### Box 3

Folder 1: C. N. Pinkerton's Endorsements, 1915.

Endorsements for Republican member of the Board of Education.

2: *Proclamations*, 1915-1917.

Proclamations deal with Clean-up Week, Educational Rally Week, Fire Prevention Day, Red Cross drive, George Dewey mourning, Tushka bank robbery reward, Bird Day, capitol cornerstone laying, church attendance, fasting and prayer, Food Pledge Campaign, Labor Day, Liberty Loans, Mothers' Day, week for singing patriotic songs, state fair, draft registration day, and Thanksgiving.

3: Proposed Legislation.

Contains copy of an act creating the Supreme Court Commission.

#### Box 3 Cont'd

#### Folder 4: Road Building, 1915-1917.

Includes Third Annual Report of the State Highway Engineer, and letter analyzing a road building material sample.

5: School Land Appraisements (Moore and Allen), June-October 1915.

Correspondence about the investigation of fraudulent land loans made under Cruce and about the appraisements made under Williams.

6: School Land Department, 1916.

Correspondence about Department of the Interior decision in Iowa, Kansas, and the Oklahoma Mining Association v. Oklahoma, and copy of a circular letter of the Oklahoma Land Department about home loans.

7: Shaffer County, 1915.

Correspondence about the hearing and election to establish a new county.

- 8: Special Investigation of Loans by the Commissioners of the Land Officer, 1911-1916.

  Contents are loan applications and notifications of reductions in loan amounts that resulted from the land loan investigation.
- 9: Special Session, 1915.

Correspondence with Senator T. P. Gore on voting reform and usury legislation. Topics include bill establishing literacy test as voting requirement, University Preparatory School claims, proposals for special interest legislation concerns mineral leases, utilities, Gompers-Williams telegrams about convict labor, and bill about the gross production tax.

10: *In Re: Special Session, 1915 (1).* 

Topics are Negro voting, protection from socialism, inquires and replies about the agenda for special session, petition for judgeship in twenty-second district, copies of the proclamation calling special session, draft copy of a pauper law, Muskogee National Bank about the economic outlook for Oklahoma, and suggested legislation about teachers, compulsory education, trusts, oil and gas, loans, and taxes.

#### Box 4

#### Folder 1: Special Session, 1915 (2).

Correspondence includes Senator Thomas P. Gore, land office suggests a rental law, copies of Williams' letter seek opinions from Democrats, <u>Oklahoma Thoroughbred Journal</u> for November 6, 1915. U. S. Department of Justice letters about usury, and communications from officials of states' penitentiaries discuss binder twine plants.

2: Special Session, Yes Members, 1915.

Expression of legislative support for the session. Opposition letter from Senator R. L. Davidson of Tulsa.

3: Special Session, No Members, 1915.

Express of legislative opposition. Copy of a proposed bill regarding budget making.

- 4: State Election Board.
- 5: School for the Deaf, Sulphur.
  - J. W. Blattner appointed.
- 6: State Teachers Association, 1915.

University Preparatory School salary claims.

#### Box 4 Cont'd

Folder 7: Supreme Court Commission.

8: Supreme Court Commissioner.

# 8-C-3-2 Administrative Correspondence (1917-1919)

#### Box 1

Folder 1: Adjutant General, 1917-1918.

Topics on ammunition and rifles to the home guards, creation of insignia to differentiate the militia from military, local medical boards, hiring clerks, and court of inquiry.

2: Adjutant General of Army, Washington, D. C.

Topics are appointments of National Guard members to the army, soldier's vote, alcohol for army purposes, and Fort Benjamin Harrison.

3: A & M College, Stillwater.

Correspondence includes overdue bill for paper, 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Report of the Agricultural Experimentation Station, food conservation, revolving fund reports, A & M payroll, harvest hands, vouchers outstanding, resolution about A & M funds, sheep for the Armstrong Game Preserve, reduction in faculty, Cantwell's critics, faculty members running for office on university time, and faculty members accused of disloyalty by the Council of Defense. Includes band director's affidavit that his band never played the German national anthem and related items about "disloyal" episodes and investigations.

4: Alexander Drug Company.

Apothecary bonds and alcohol shipments.

5: Allen-Major-Adjutant General at Camp Travis. 1918.

Correspondence about bringing the 179<sup>th</sup> brigade to strength as an all Oklahoma unit with Indian draftees.

6: Americanization of Aliens.

Correspondence about Department of Interior Bureau of Education Division of Immigrant Education, Council of National Defense bulletins and manuals, "War Facts", anti-German items from the National Committee of One Hundred, National Education Association, and New York Rotary club.

7: *Armstrong Fish Hatchery*.

Topics are yellow perch, stocking of fish and an estimate of production. Other items concern wood, fruits, animals, land acquisition, and needs operate the hatchery.

8: Armstrong Fish Hatchery re: Seldner Land, 1917-1918.

Includes condemnation proceedings to obtain land for the hatchery.

9: *Attorney General, 1917-1919.* 

Topics are grand jury at Ardmore, prohibition violations, violence, requests for assistance in cases, inquiries about constitutional questions, pollution of the Verdigris River, recognition of Panama, storage of explosives, roping contest, money matters, and oil and gas leases, capitol, bonding, community property, Seldner condemnation, Southern Trust Company taxes, Fred Barde estate, revocation of a notary license, murder case of U. S. v. Jesse Littrell, Council of Defense concerning eligibility to hold office, and copy of a bill about servicemen's civil rights.

#### Box 2

Folder 1: Beckham County Commissioners, 1917-1918.

#### 2: Board of Affairs, 1916-1918.

Correspondence concerns a deficiency for the Confederate Home, enlargement of the Supreme Court chambers, overdue electric bill at the Feeble Minded Institute, capitol repairs, armory and gymnasium at the University of Oklahoma, Colored A & N school, Russell Industrial School, University Hospital, East Central Normal, Oklahoma State Home at Pryor, tuberculosis hospital at Supply, and other institutions requesting money. Items concern road work at Antlers, tornado insurance, a convict camp offered to Mayes County, road gangs, coroner's inquest into the Norman hospital fire with a related report, Oklahoma regiment, complaints about the Confederate Home, meatless and wheatless days at the McAlester penitentiary, and Greer County road camp.

#### 3: Board of Agriculture, 1917-1918.

Correspondence includes Food Administration, payrolls and lists of employees for the Agricultural Board, tick inspectors, Market Commission, board-meeting minutes of December 1, 1917.

4: Board of Education and State Superintendent of Public Education, 1915.

Included are resignation of J. G. Ralls, report of the division of mine extension education, Ralls' criticism of wastefulness at state universities and normal schools, economizing, Western Oklahoma Orphanage, revolving fund, and petition opposes President Briles of East Central. Williams suggests to Ralls that patriots must be blatant.

5: Board of Equalization re: assessment of pipeline company, 1918.

Correspondence on rates with facts and figures, minutes from March and April, report on collections for fiscal year, and copy of Oil and Gas News.

### 6: *Briefs and Opinions*, 1901-1917.

Correspondence about 1901 contract and Attorney General's opinion concerning the Norman Insane Hospital, list of employees at the hospital, opinions on claim for services for Ancel Earp and Dr. LeRoy Long, and defendant's arguments before the Supreme Court in W. H. Coyle v. State, case concerning the movement of the capital. Cases on bank assessments, involving funds and a mandamus in the delivery of notary commissions. Argument opposes socialist State Question 80 about elector registration. Case #9694 and #23023 on sacramental wine, and #9346, Mutual Benefit Life Insurance v. State. Cases include Oklahoma Operating Company v. Corporation Commission, Cortez Oil and Alvarado Oil v. State, and Texas case about constitutionality of prohibition and dissenting opinion.

- 7: Bryan County Commissioners, 1918.
  Appointments, Hultsman and Rambo.
- 8: *Caddo County Commissioners, 1918.*Appointment of J. H. Scarth.
- 9: Carter County Commissioners, 1918.
- 10: Chiropractic Bill.

Includes copies of the Appellate Court Reporter, letters to Carver Chiropractic College, pamphlet, and petition in opposition.

11: Coakley Investigation, 1918.

Correspondence on draft board official accused of selling an exemption.

#### Box 2 Cont'd

### Folder 12: Coal County Commissioners, 1917.

Appointment of H. T. Jordan.

#### 13: Commissioners of the Land Office, 1918.

Includes copy of laws regarding the sale and lease of school lands, request for a deficiency, and material on lease problems.

# 14: Confederate Home Board, 1915.

Endorsements, Mrs. T. W. Culbertson.

#### 14a: Confederate Home, 1918.

Includes picture postcard about Cora Youngblood Corson's Instrumentalists, and report for fiscal year.

### 15: Congratulatory Letters.

Correspondence between doughboys and Williams, some provides impressions and comments about the war. Lists of names by training company, transfers and advancements, and Williams' Christmas letter.

# Box 3

# Folder 1: Corporation Commission.

Correspondence concerns jurisdictional dispute with the mine inspector, fuel conservation meeting, court documents on Oklahoma Operating Company v. Corporation Commission, equity #273.

#### 2: Cotton County Commissioners, 1918.

Correspondence about resignation and appointment of W. L. McNatt.

# 3: Cotton Seed Investigation, 1916-1918.

Includes postcards with 1917 cottonseed prices, correspondence about individual situations and Texas officials, map showing distribution of gins throughout the state and holdings of ginning companies, copy of "typical" contract, prices and operating methods, and list of mills.

# 4: Cotton Seed Oil Mill, 1915.

Correspondence from equipment manufacturers bidding on the McAlester cottonseed oil mill contract.

# 5: Council of National Defense, 1918.

Correspondence on postwar continuation of organization, Philadelphia victory celebration, and enrollment of H. H. Gipson in the volunteer medical corps.

# 6: Deficiency Certificates, 1915-1918.

# 7: Dental Board, 1916-1918.

Correspondence on appointment by the Dental Association, dental license, and disgruntled dentist, W. W. Bryan. Applications and endorsements.

# 8: Drought.

Correspondence concerns War Finance Corporation and money for southwestern Oklahoma, money for banks, resolutions of the Oklahoma Cotton Ginners Association, seed grain loans, including copies of forms and regulations, and press releases.

#### Box 3 Cont'd

#### Folder 9: *Election Board*.

Correspondence about appointment of county registrar for army registration in Muskogee County, report of election results from Camp Cody, New Mexico, report of vote by county, list of secretaries and chairmen of county election boards, and proceedings at Camp Cody.

### 10: Dewey Fire Investigation, 1918.

Telegrams, one from the NAACP, discuss the mob violence. Includes investigative report, letters from the district judge about the riot and grand jury, telegrams demand justice and request investigation and rumor race riot at Bristow, and preliminary report of the assistant county attorney.

#### 11: Form Letters, 1918.

Correspondence concerns chairmen of County Councils of Defense about registration, confidential communications about the round-up of slackers, law "moratorium benes" guaranteeing protection of military personnel and dependents from civil actions, and invitation to address by Robert Owen.

#### 12: Fish and Game Warden, 1916-1919.

Correspondence on Robertson's appointee at Durant, minutes, "Re-Stocking a Paradise" by G. A. Smith, anti-pollution message to oil men from Mid Continent Oil and Gas Association, <u>Tulsa Democrat</u> for fish as a meat substitute, quarterly report, purchase of bison, game law violations and enforcement, claims, opposition to pollution, water shortage at the Medicine Park hatchery, excerpt from the <u>Bulletin of the American Game Protective Association</u>, International Association of Game and Fish Commissioners convention, land purchase in Cherokee County, slackers, copy of "The Poisoning of the State," money matters and animals, game preserves elsewhere, Oklahoma conditions, canned jackrabbit, and U. S. Department of Agriculture poster explains hunting season.

#### 13: Game Preserve, 1917-1918.

Topics are purchase of 11,000 acres in McCurtain County, buffalo sale and the care and feeding of buffalo calf, temporary buildings for rangers on the land to be purchased, individuals deal with leases on the affected lands, "Refuge for Beaver Fowls and Game" by state representative B. E. Hill, oil lands, copies of the bill concerning the sale of Choctaw and Chickasaw mineral lands, blueprint map of McCurtain County, township map of LeFlore County, other maps, notice of auction of timber and mineral lands, excerpt from California Fish and Game, and another list of prices for land.

#### Box 4

#### Folder 1: *Game Preserve Bill #3969, 1917-1918*.

Correspondence between Williams and D. W. Franchot on appointment of a game warden and the building of a house for him. Correspondence on needed legislation for the game preserve, land descriptions and titles, congressmen express their willingness to cooperate, constituent support, acquisition of the game preserve, and copy of the funding act for the Bureau of Indian Affairs for 1918.

# 1a: Garrett, W. B., 1919.

Letter from Garrett about Campbell Russell speaking before "socialists".

### 2: Garvin County Commissioners, 1918.

Appointment of W. P. Mays, includes correspondence about his rival.

#### Box 4 Cont'd

#### Folder 3: Governor's Office, 1917-1918.

Correspondence and instructions about the organization and federalization of National Guard units.

# 4: Williams Highway, 1918.

Correspondence on Broken Bow to Bethel leg of the road, federal instructions to bidders, Ed Turrentine about Smithville's fears that the road might bypass the town (including concern about corruption), and A. N. Leecraft for treasurer campaign card.

#### 5: Highway Commissioner, 1916-1917.

Topics are appointment of state aid to counties, report of postage stamps used for the purchase of merchandise, procedures to be followed by counties seeking money, report deals with appropriations and deficiencies, <u>The Enid Daily News</u> for December 5, 1917 on arrest of a county engineer, correspondence with that engineer, Bankhead National Highway, convict labor and camp, report about the McAlester reservoir site, copies of bid and contract forms, auto registration forms from McAlester, postal highways, individual auto license problem, surveying problems, and additional stamps and mail routes.

6: Hoffman, Roy re: Chandler Range Claims filed in Legislature, 1909-1918.

Correspondence deals with improvements to the rifle range, appointment of the Judge Advocate General, response to Pershing's decision not to let doughboys vote and letters from France on situation there and with Hoffman's hospitalization.

- 7: Hughes County Commissioners, 1918.
- 8: Industrial Commission Appointment, 1918.

E. W. Vance.

8a: IWW, 1917.

Includes letter warning Williams away from an area, correspondence on beatings by vigilantes in Tulsa, Industrial Works of the World letter of Thomas Potter about Knights of Liberty, and editorial about the IWW.

- 9: Leflore County Commissioner, 1918.
- 10: Legislative Material, 1918-1919.

Includes lists of appointments requiring senate approval, Condensed Property Statement, governor's fiscal year report, and reports and statements of needs come from McAlester, Cameron State, Granite, and other institutions. A Legal Reform Bureau letter on usury legislation, appropriations for fiscal year 1919, suggested legislation to protect surveyors, and public affairs reports about insurance.

11: *Liberty Loan, 1918.* 

Notes about individuals who refused to buy bonds.

- 12: McClain County Commissioners, 1918.
- 13: *Marland Leases, 1916-1917.*

Includes Attorney General opinions about leases, index of the Land Office minutes concerning E. W. Marland, correspondence with Ledbetter, Stuart and Bell, and briefs and petitions.

#### Box 5

### Folder 1: Marland Leases, 1911-1917.

Correspondence concerns copies of oil and gas mining leases, list of leases under Cruce and Haskell, appraisal of the costs of Marland's drilling, reports of pipeline runs, statements about the Marland leases, minutes of the land office meeting for April 20, 1917, other meeting summaries, Marland leases, Attorney General opinion, and senate bill concerning the leasing of state oil and gas lands.

2: Marland Leases, Pleadings.

Includes petitions, answers, and amended petitions.

3: *Medical Examinations Board, 1917-1918.* 

Report of funds, and resignation and appointment.

4: Medicine Park Fish Hatchery, 1917-1918.

Correspondence about commissioners' report of proceedings to determine a just and fair price, problems of private sale by Indians, Indian who refused to sell, condemnation references, other commissioners reports, water problem at Fort Sill, personnel problems and expenses, convict labor, progress report, condemnation, road, water pump, prisoners, ducks, and copies of <u>Oklahoma Pond Fish Culture</u> include the draft and the finished illustrated pamphlet.

5: *Mineral Lands, H. R. 195, 1917-1918.* 

Correspondence about United Mine Workers opposition, district president Wilkinson about the bill, estimate of amount of coal under the McAlester penitentiary, H.R. 195, related house reports, and copies of the Oklahoma bill to authorize convict coal miners.

6: *Miscellaneous*, 1914-1919.

Correspondence deals with reward proclamation, letter to J. B. A. Robertson from R. R. Anderson, certified copy of SB 227 authorizing revolving funds in 1917, Morrill funds, 1914-libel suit of J. E. Richardson v. W. R. Whiteside, and a deed.

7: Morely, Sam L., State Penitentiary, 1917-1918.

Topics are cotton picking convicts, binder twine, Aylesworth farm, Marquess of Langston, problem prisoners, prison record of Bud Smith, army commission for Victor M. Locke, convict labor, visitors at an execution, Southwest Eagle treats the question of convict road gangs, alleged law violations by Warden Morley, report of earnings by prison industries, prisoners to be executed, governor's land for sale, trusties and escapees, printing plant, county Councils of Defense, John Slaughter writes Morely about camp life, coal mines, pardons and paroles, furloughs and expiration pardons, and leaves of absence.

- 7a: Muskogee County Commissioners, 1918.
- 8: *Navy*.

Note about the requirements for ensign school.

9: Newsboys-List of Names-1918 Thanksgiving Dinner Letter.

Petitions from newsboys sacrificing their dinner and letters of thanks.

#### Box 6

Folder 1: Noble County Commissioner, 1917-1918.

Investigation file in the case of J. E. Ledbetter who may not have been residing outside of his district.

#### Box 6 Cont'd

Folder 2: Notaries of Public-Revocation of Commissions, 1918.

Notifications of intent to revoke, protests, affidavits, investigators' reports in cases on illegal charging of fees to draft registrants and soldiers.

- 3: Nurse Examining Board, 1916-1918.
- 4: *Oil Inspectors, 1917-1918.*

Includes appointments, copy of the oath of office, security bond, Corporation Commission Regulations and inspection laws, transcript of proceedings of the Corporation Commission establishing rules and regulations for inspection, oil and gas lease of Marland, and copy of the Tulsa Oil Review for March 15, 1918.

5: Oklahoma Block, New York, 1918.

Correspondence on the decoration of Fifth Avenue for the doughboys homecoming.

6: Brig. General J. P. O'Neil and Officers Training Camp, 1917-1918.

Topics are commission for Ancel Earp, lists of newspaper received by the men, government insurance, camp matters, and matters from Europe.

- 7: Optometry Examining Board, 1918.
- 8: Osage County Commissioner, 1918.
- 9: Fred Parkinson, State Examiner and Inspector, 1917-1919.

Correspondence about unpaid paving bonds in Alva, requests for audit, <u>Daily Oklahoman's</u> views on realty, report of the Game Protection Fund, University Hospital funding, reduction of 1915 appraisals, rentals by the Land Office, and help for Supreme Court Commission Clerk Franklin.

10: Penal, Eleemosynary, and Educational Institution.

#### Box 7

Folder 1: Pharmacy Board, 1916-1918.

2: *Press File, 1918.* 

Topics include Franco-American solidarity, J. B. A. Robertson, road contracts, Board of Affairs, soldiers' voting, liberty bonds, special session, home guards, Angola prison farm, cottonseed investigation, New Year's message for 1918, Young Democrats, clipping service, Oklahoma patriotism, unconditional surrender, third Liberty Loan, social diseases, Liberty Day, appointments to the Corporation Commission, War Work Fund drive, Christmas paroles, and drought.

3: Recommendations for Army Service.

Commissions and transfers for individuals in military branches.

4: Red Cross Correspondence, 1917-1918.

Correspondence concerns recruitment, Junior Red Cross membership bulletin, telegram about Pullman contribution, inquiry about seed wheat, copy of a Red Cross Service Enrollment Application, defense against criticism of nursing program, reports of disease in Lawton and Coalgate, services to dependents, events by the Oklahoma Home Service Conference, wool sales, loyalty checks, Red Cross National Council of Defense cooperation, and brochure about the anti-Spanish flu campaign.

#### Box 7 Cont'd

#### Folder 5: Registrars, County and Precinct, 1918.

Includes letter sent to each county giving the number of draft registrants, explains the terms of payment for registering draftees, and procedures for filing a claim.

#### 6: Draft Registration Claims, 1918.

Includes vouchers and letters, copy of the registration notification handbill, recapitulation, lists by type of service.

#### 7: Resolutions, 1917.

Correspondence includes petition from blacks about equal rights, resolution concerning the revolving fund, and a resolution establishing the Henryetta night mine school.

# Box 8

# Folder 1: Secretaries of State, 1916-1918.

Includes pamphlets from Wisconsin, Ohio and Utah with a roster of state officials, Arkansas State Register, North Dakota Directory, Delaware laws, Arizona Blue Book, and Tennessee Directory and Official Vote.

### 2: Secretary of State Robert Lansing, 1918.

Correspondence deals with exclusion of Mexican citizens from Oklahoma City parks, inquiry from Spain about a tax on electric light, and suggestion that the Italian flag fly on the Oklahoma capitol on the third anniversary of Italy's entry into the war.

# 3: Secretary of War Newton Baker.

Items deal with Williams' visit to Camp Travis, protection of returned servicemen from liquor and loose women, congratulations to Baker on winning the war, commission, transfers, offers of service, 179<sup>th</sup> brigade, arms for radicals, and civil rights of soldiers and sailors.

#### 4: Small Arms Firing Club, Perry, 1918.

Correspondence deals with appointments to the Oklahoma Civilian Rifle Team invited to Camp Perry, Ohio for matches and training school. Copies of War Department circular.

# 5: Speeches and Statements by Governor, 1915-1918.

Topics are Young Men's Christian Association, excerpts from the legislative message of January 17, 1916, <a href="Daily Oklahoman">Daily Oklahoman</a> editorial about the veto of the Orphans' Home appropriation, war as the crucible of progress, <a href="Daily Oklahoman">Daily Oklahoman</a> item entitled "Governor for Selective Draft", vetoes of appropriations, oil and gas leases, increasing production recruiting and patriotism, "Oklahoma, the Young Man's State," an address at Tahlequah, woman suffrage, pardons and paroles, cottonseed, J. E. Love funeral, Confederate Reunion, Camp Travis, "Do Not Rock the Boat with Dissension," Democratic Convention, judicial records, pardons and paroles report for 1915-1918, proclamation of the hour of victory, appointment of delegates, thank you to newsboys, registration, Red Cross Week, Thanksgiving proclamation, and proclamations of soldier cleanliness and selective service.

#### 6: *State Auditor E. B. Howard, 1916-1917.*

Includes cover letters and forms for the transmittal of warrants, letters about the 1917 income tax, and Comparative Statement of Apportionment of Collections.

# 7: State Capitol, 1917.

Applications and endorsements for chief engineer, policeman, janitor, etc.

#### Box 8 Cont'd

#### Folder 8: Statements and Political Dope, 1918.

Correspondence includes lists of Supreme Court justices and districts, Eight Congressional District appointees, First Congressional District appointees, Bryan County committeemen, anti-J. H. Johnston material, Johnston material attacking Williams, chiropractors, Williams' defense of Leecraft, governor's staff, appointments, important events during the Williams administration, list of school district treasurers, Pawnee County committeemen, Mayes County committeemen, Osage County committeemen, Ottawa County committeemen, and letters advocate the election of all Democrats.

- 9: Stephens County Commissioner, 1918.
- 10: Supreme Court, 1918.
- 11: Surgeon General William C. Gorgas, 1918.

Includes news photo of Gorgas' replacement, recommendations for the medical service, request for a special discharge, warning letter to cease using outside influence for personal favor, and agreement for an inspector general at Camp Joe Johnston.

12: James C. Sutherland, et al, 1917-1919.

Correspondence on returning witnesses from the military to testify in robbery cases.

- 13: Tillman County Commissioners, 1918.
- 14: Treasury Department, W. G. McAdoo, 1917.

Correspondence concerns Interior Secretary Lane about Indian lands as homes for veterans, McAdoo about a Liberty Loan, U. S. Forester sends forest monies to Oklahoma, McAdoo of the Railroad Administration about freight and servicemen, Orient Railroad, railroad taxation, McAdoo's visit to Oklahoma, requested national bank, money from the sales of public lands, Liberty Day, request for a mechanical inspection of Oklahoma, and the Financial Statement of the U. S. Government for December 31, 1917.

15: *Union Soldiers' Home, 1917-1918.* 

Includes 1911 Oklahoma City map, applications and endorsements, organization of Board of Trustees, Grand Army of the Republic resolutions, suggestions that the home should be delayed, and needs.

### Box 9

# Folder 1: Veterinary Board, 1917-1918.

2: Vocational Education, 1917-1918.

Correspondence includes "Federal Vocational Education Bulletin #6, Training of Teachers for Occupational Therapy for the Rehabilitation of Disabled Soldiers and Sailors," "Vocational Education Plans of the Oklahoma State Board of Vocational Education," 1917 federal board letters about needs and programs, circular about the Students Army Training Corps, vocational training at Colored A & N, and vocational rehabilitation pamphlets designed for popular consumption.

3: Voters-Soldiers in Army Camps.

Contains voting package which includes ballots and certification forms. Includes telegrams about voting, letters to camp commanders, certifications, call-ups for Fort Oglethorpe and Camp Travis, list of officers, form letter of introduction for George Smith (assigned to assist in voting process), schedules for troop movements, call-ups, and copy of a senate resolution promoting voting.

#### Box 9 Cont'd

Folder 4: War Department.

Correspondence about medical officer appointments, Wilburton's ordinance testing machine, rejected flying officer application, officers' training school, request for inspection, denied age waiver, and organization of additional Oklahoma units.

- 5: Washita County Commissioner, 1918.
- 6: West Point and Annapolis Applications, 1918.

  Request for assistance with none forthcoming.
- 7: Woodward County Commissioner, 1918.

# 8-C-4-1 State Council of Defense-National Guard

Box 1

Folder 1: Adair County, 1918.

Includes adjutant general letter about the procedure for the call-up and items about commissions and assignments.

2-3: Blaine and Bryan Counties, 1918.

Applications for commissions.

4: Caddo County.

Commissions, applications and a report of physicals passed.

5: Canadian County.

Applications for commissions.

6: *Carter County*.

Applications for commissions, Council of Defense recommendations, and notification of General Pentecost's visit.

7: Choctaw County.

Council of Defense recommendations and appointments.

8-9: *Cleveland and Cotton Counties*.

Applications for commissions.

10: Craig County.

Applications and Council of Defense recommendations.

11: Creek County.

Applications, and inquiry about the draft.

12: El Reno.

Request for commission.

13-14: Frederick and Garfield Counties.

Organization of companies.

15: Garvin County.

Applications for commissions.

Box 1 Cont'd

Folder 16: *Grady County*.

Organization of new units and requests for commissions.

17-19: Harmon, Jackson, and Johnston Counties.

Commissions requested.

20: Kay County.

Commissions requested and Pentecost visit.

21: Kiowa County.

Commissions requested.

22: LeFlore County.

Organization of a company.

23: Lincoln County.

Commissions requested.

24: Logan County.

Commissions requested and a company organized.

25: Murray County.

Commissions requested.

26: Muskogee County.

Applications for commissions.

26a: McCurtain County.

Commission applications, recommendations, and company organization.

27: McIntosh County.

Organization of a company.

28: Okfuskee County.

Commission applications and organization of a black company at Boley.

29: Oklahoma County.

Commissioning of Baird H. Markham.

30: Okmulgee County.

Appointment of a physical examiner and a chaplain, and Pentecost visit.

31: Osage County.

Inquiry about an individual.

32: Ottawa County.

Commissions and the organization of a company.

Box 2

Folder 1: Pawnee County.

Organization of a company.

2: Pittsburg County.

Commissions and organization of companies.

Box 2 Cont'd

Folder 3: *Pontotoc County*.

Organization of a company.

4: *Pottawatomie County*.

Commissions and companies.

5: Rogers County.

Commissions and organization of both black and white companies.

6-9: Sequoyah, Tillman, Tulsa, and Wagoner Counties.

Commissions.

10: Washington County.

Pentecost visit.

11: Woodward County.

Commissions and the organization of a company.

12: Miscellaneous.

Includes official roster of the third regiment of the National Guard, roster of the second regiment, notice of inspection, commissions requested, and requisition for chevrons.

# 8-C-4-2 State Council of Defense-Home Guard

Box 1

Folder 1: Adair County.

2: Alfalfa County.

Includes training program of Carmen Commercial Club.

3: Atoka County.

Request for arms and reports of slackers and dissenters.

- 4: Beaver County.
- 5: Beckham County.

Application for admission into Officers' Training Camp.

- 6-11: Blaine, Bryan, Caddo, Canadian, Carter, and Cherokee Counties.
- 12: Choctaw County.

National Guard items.

- 13-19: Cimarron, Cleveland, Coal, Comanche, Cotton, Craig, and Creek Counties.
- 20: Custer County.

References to other volunteer organizations.

- 21-24: Delaware, Dewey, Ellis, and Garfield Counties.
- 25: Garvin County.

Reference to a rifle club.

26: *Grady County*.

Box 1 Cont'd

Folder 27: Grant County.

Mention of the Sons of Liberty.

28: *Greer County*.

Box 2

Folder 1-9: Harmon, Harper, Haskell, Hughes, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnston, Kay, and Kingfisher Counties.

10: Kiowa County.

Includes concern about socialists.

11: Latimer County.

12: LeFlore County.

Socialism and the Industrial Workers of the World.

13: Lincoln County.

Working Class Union.

14: Logan County.

Blacks and whites organize.

15: Love County.

16: *Major County*.

Socialists.

17: Marshall County.

18: Mayes County.

Socialists.

19-20: Murray and Muskogee Counties.

21: McClain County.

Socialists, IWW, and WCU, county residents organized a rifle club.

22: McCurtain County.

Mennonite menace and WCU infiltration of the Smithville Home Guard.

- 23-24: McIntosh and Noble Counties.
- 25: Nowata County.

Blacks want to organize a company, and whites fear socialist infiltration.

Box 3

Folders 1-2: Okfuskee and Oklahoma Counties.

3: Okmulgee County.

Colored Patriotic League, IWW, WCU, and unionized miners.

4-5: Osage and Ottawa Counties.

Box 3 Cont'd

Folder 6: Pawnee County.

IWW and German sympathizers.

7-9: Payne, Pittsburg, and Pontotoc Counties.

10: Pottawatomie County.

Asher reports WCU violence.

11: Pushmataha County.

12: Rogers County.

Dynamite found led to concern about radicals.

13: Roger Mills County.

Socialists torched railroad stations.

14: Seminole County.

Blacks organized their own unit.

15-19: Sequoyah, Stephens, Texas, Tillman, and Tulsa Counties.

20: Wagoner County.

Blacks and whites organized units.

21-24: Washita, Washington, Woods, and Woodward Counties.

25: Miscellaneous.

Includes blank enlistment form, copy of the Texas home guard law, list of units, correspondence with the national council, copies of the oath, list of officers, home guard requisitions of supplies from the chief of ordinance, correspondence with states about their home guards, and customary commission requests.

# 8-C-4-3 <u>State Council of Defense-Liberty Loans or Bonds</u>

Box 1

Folder 1: Second Liberty Loan, 1917.

Correspondence about sales and quotas and lists by county.

2-75: Counties.

Reports of totals for each county, reports of crop failures, opposition and apathy, reports of a bumper crop, opposition by bankers, and slackers.

76: Second Liberty Loan Preparation.

Correspondence with county chairmen and national publicity manager about posters, speakers, and supplies. Includes copy of the publicity bureau cuts for newspapers, map of districts, government publications, forms, form letters, and press release.

Box 2

Folder 1: Third Liberty Loan, 1918.

2-19: Lists, 1918.

Material on speakers, meetings, and organization.

#### Box 3

Folder 1: Third Liberty Loan Correspondence, 1917.

Includes telegrams concerning organizational matters, lists of county chairmen, schedule of speakers, and correspondence with Kansas City about Oklahoma problems and publicity ideas. Committee on Public Information Bulletin #29, how-to book for patriotic fundraisers. Items are press release, inquiries about bonds, bills, Creek County campaign plan, "Obstacles," "Plans," lists of chairmen, suggestions for permanent organization, sample front page with cartoon, publicity department leaflets and pamphlets, correspondence with the Committee on Public Information, and publicity department press releases.

2-12: *A-L*.

Schedules, reactions, claims, vouchers for speakers whose last names begin with "A-L."

Box 4

Folders 1-10: *M-W*.

Schedules, reactions, claims, vouchers for speakers whose last names begin with "M-W."

11: Third Liberty Loan Quotas.

Telegrams, clippings, and summary by county.

12: Third Liberty Loan Administration.

Telegrams and letters about speakers.

# 8-C-4-4 <u>State Council of Defense-Wheat and Seed Lists</u>

Box 1

Folders 1-10: Lists, 1918.

Township lists of seed needs and crops for sale broken down into corn, kafir, feterita, cane, maize, potatoes, and cotton.

Box 2

Folders 1-8: *Lists, 1918*.

Box 1 continued.

9: Miscellaneous.

Includes letters from county tax assessors, Council of Defense letter about seed census, Illinois brochure discusses seed shortage, lists of breeding stock and grains, Oklahoma Agriculture Department reports on resources, and seed census totals.

10: Miscellaneous.

Discusses lack of coordination between state and federal censuses, problem with farmers exaggerating needs, procedural matter, and excuses.

Box 3

Folders 1-21: *A-Y*.

Requests by farmers for seed and business arrangements with bankers, railroads, and seed dealers to purchase and distribute the seed.

Box 4

Folder 1: Patriotic Farm Census, 1918.

Includes requests for aid in completing occupation cards, Council of Defense questionnaire, progress reports, flyer about Farmers Trade Day, War Requirements for Southwestern Oklahoma, and material about seed.

Box 4 Cont'd

Folders 2-13: *A-N*.

Lists of farmers with seed to sell.

Box 5

O-W.

Lists of farmers with seed to sell.

# 8-C-5 <u>Requisitions</u>

Box 1

Folders 1-3: 1916-1918.

Requests to capture fugitives.

# 8-C-6 Governor's/Executive Reference Bureau, 1917

Box 1

Folder 1: A.

Summaries of bills for the Governor.

2: B.

Requests for information for the Governor.

3: *C*.

Topics are martyrs and clerks' fees in states.

4: *E*.

Data on Eastern University Preparatory School.

5-6: *H and J*.

7: *K*.

Material about an epileptic.

8: *L*.

Epileptics.

9: *R*.

Capitol custodians.

10: *S*.

Summaries of bills for the governor to Mr. Snyder.

11: W.

Empty.

12: *W*.

Summaries of bills for the governor, deed to the land for University Preparatory School, lands in McCurtain and LeFlore counties, child labor, appropriations, capitol custodians, and more bills.

# 8-C-7 <u>Legislative File</u>

#### Box 1

Folder 1:

Legislative Bills (1).

Copies of bills pertaining to appropriations, oil and gas leases, land office, game preserves, University Medical Center, National Guard, power lines, Supreme Court, leasing of penitentiary lands, vocational education, school bands, foreign corporations, Board of Regents, dormitories, convict labor, salaries, normal schools, revolving funds, municipal levies, state penitentiary, auditor's office, University Preparatory School, Union Soldier's Home, Labor Department, road construction, deficiencies, public corporations, capitol custodian, and rental fees.

# 2: Legislative Bills (2).

Topics are transfer of pupils, elections, tolls, Supreme Court, state institutions, taxes, corporations, courts, unfair competition, criminal identification, vocational education, bank robbery, alcohol, high sheriff, suspension of officials, and state capitol.

#### 4-5: *Legislative Letters*, 1917.

### Box 2

Folder

1:

Legislative Material (1).

Topics are payroll, Oklahoma Deaf School, utilities for capitol, modifications of vehicle laws, poor and insane laws, estimate of costs for the power plant, report of common school fund, estimated money requirements for state institutions, Board of Education, list of appointees, and requests for judges, buildings, or special favors through legislation.

#### 2: Legislative Material, 1916-1917 (2).

Includes annual reports, summary of needs, soil survey, petition for establishment of public administration education programs, list of appropriations bills, list of counties due extra representatives, and newspaper about the Alabama State Training School.

# 3: Legislative Material (3).

Correspondence on telephone lines, redistricting of the Supreme Court, firemen's pensions, registration, needs of institutions, court fees, Supreme Court reports, corporation fees, courts, school land leases, school superintendent's recommendations, income tax, itemization of items for the capitol, coal report, normal schools, opposition to woman suffrage, Mental Anguish Bill, Supreme Court Commission, Creek-Seminole Agricultural College, prohibition, capitol, and drainage assessments.

#### 4: Legislative Material (4).

Topics are Washington Monument, financial reports, electric lights for capitol, deed to University Preparatory School, money for post road, drainage tax, land office, justice of peace, uniform warehouse receipts act, water, fire marshal annual report, land tax, warrants, blue sky laws, escapees, Commission on Uniform State Laws, and primary elections.

#### Box 3

Folder 1:

Legislative Material, 1917 (6).

Topics are utilities, financial condition of the University Preparatory School, <u>Journal of the Oklahoma State Medical Association</u> for January 1917, money requests, financial reports, and William H. Murray letter about records of the Constitutional Convention.

#### Box 3 Cont'd

#### Folder 2: Legislative Material (7).

Includes list of appointees, requests for special favors, Attorney General opinions about appointments, deed for School of Mines, material on Morrill fund, revolving fund information from McAlester penitentiary, repairs at University Preparatory School, deficiencies, and list of appropriations bills.

3: Legislative Matters, 1915.

Topics are game laws, dead cows, and special pension.

4: Legislative Messages, 1917 (2).

Transmittal letters.

5: Legislative Messages, 1917 (1).

Transmittal letters and veto explanations.

6: Legislative Vetoes, Appropriations, 1917.

Lists of vetoes and letters.

7: Legislative Vetoes, 1917.

Appropriations and general measures.

8: State of State Message, 1918.

Financial reports, war registration, and escheats.

#### Box 4

#### Folder 1: Special Session, 1915-1916.

Includes message and joint resolutions concerning the gross production tax, bill on utility tax, 1915 confidential report concerns Democratic opinion about a special session, and bills on usury and elections. Topics are township bonds, compensation in eminent domain cases, insurance policies, McAlester revolving fund, Insurance Board dispute, initiative and referendum procedures, Cause #1999, T. R. LeGrandt v. First National Bank of Roff, and material from the South Carolina election code.

2: Legislative Action, 1915 (1).

Correspondence about proposed legislation, financial report of the Corporation Commission, school land lease legislation, recommendations by Williams to the special session, and messages.

3: Legislative Action, 1915 (2).

Contents deal with committees, miners in the state penitentiary, and transmittal letters for bills signed.

4: Legislative Action, 1914-1915 (3).

Includes roll call for SB 398, tax bill, information about state's delegation of powers to commissions, suggestions for legislation, workman's compensation bill, list of Senate Joint Resolutions, copy of the 1914 U. S. bill to establish a land bank, deficiency request for Granite, transmittal letters, bills approved, and appointments.

5: Legislative Action, 1914-1915 (4).

Includes transmittal letters for bills approved, proposed constitutional amendment to enlarge the Supreme Court, application for a pension for fire chief, roll calls, expiration pardons for Christmas, Harry Stege letter opposing the formation of the Oklahoma Rangers, report of the Secretary of State, material on salary reductions in the School Land Commission, suggested banking law modifications, appointment to the Supreme

Court Commission, American Book Company textbook bid, suggested modifications of the workman's compensation laws, term pardons from 1909 through 1911, "ruggedness in citizenship" speech, and authorization for the Supreme Court Commission.

#### Box 4 Cont'd

Folder 6: Legislative

Legislative Action, 1916 (5).

Items on regulation of women's labor, revision of road laws, banking matters, fence cutting, initiative and referendum, chattel mortgages, estates, gross production tax, cotton manufacture, land, and classification of cities. Includes <u>Senate Journal</u> for February 1, 1916, <u>House Journal</u> for January 31, 1916, Industrial Commission report, and Highway Commission recommendations.

7: Legislative Action, 1915 (6).

Topics are McAlester penitentiary coal mine, penitentiary twine factory, Confederate pensions, and University Hospital.

8: Legislative Action, 1915 (7).

Materials on oil and gas taxation, conservation, petitions, and legislation.

Box 5

1915-1917.

Contains Governor's report of pardons, paroles, and clemency.

# 8-C-8-1 Claims--Governor's Office

Box 1

Folders 1-23: Claims, 1917-1918.

# 8-C-8-2 Claims--Fish and Game Warden

Box 1

Folders 1-16: Claims, A-O, 1917-1918.

Box 2

Folder 17: Claims, P-W, 1917-1918.

# 8-C-9 Miscellaneous Filings

Box 1

Folder 1: Numbers 48-55, 58, 1916.

Contents are five institutionalization orders. Proclamations calling a special election, declaring a first class city in Drumright, and election to transfer part of Creek County to Pawnee County.

2: Numbers 60-68, 1916.

Items are institutionalization, special election on state questions, revocation of a warrant of foreign requisition, commission, creation of a special election commission in the Creek County election, and proclamation of Sand Springs as a first class city.

3: *Numbers*, 70-74, 76, 79, 1916.

Includes resignations of Supreme Court Commissioners, appointments of new members, proclamations of special election in Pawnee County, Creek County election results,

special election on constitutional amendments, institutionalization, and appointment of an election board chairman.

#### Box 1 Cont'd

Folder 4: Numbers 82, 83, 86, 88-90, 96, 1916.

Includes commitment, special election result in Pawnee County, results of the State Question elections, and institutionalization.

5: Numbers 101-110.

Commitment and election results.

6: Numbers 112, 117-126.

Appointments of presidential and vice-presidential electors and prisoner delivery.

7: *Numbers 127-130, 132-168, 1917.* 

Items are monthly reports of Russell Industrial School, Cherokee-Wagoner County line adjustment, confinements, Mrs. Russell agreement about terms of her operation of the school, and disqualification of a judge.

8: *Numbers 171-181, 1917.* 

Includes election returns for State Questions and Initiative Petitions, and canvass certifications in special election, census, and petitions of Bristow.

9: Numbers 183-191, 193-194, 197-199, 1915-1916.

Items are appointments of Supreme Court Commissioners, disqualification of a judge, and appointment of a replacement judge.

10: Numbers 200-211, 213, 214, 218, 219, 1915-1917.

Includes monthly report of Industrial School for Girls, special election to move land from Cherokee to Wagoner County, appointments to Supreme Court Commission, and commitments.

11: Number 220, 1917.

Charter government in Blackwell.

12: Numbers 228-254, 1918.

Commerce and Yale became first class cities.

#### Box 2

Folder 1: Numbers 255-257, 296, 299-318, 320-339, 1917.

Items on Yale election judges and the Yale election, Commerce petition, and removal of the governor's aide-de-camp.

2: *Numbers 342-343, 347, 350-351, 354-357, 359-360, 370-374, 376, 1918.* 

Includes Commerce election judges, canvass in Commerce, proclaim a city, appoint Supreme Court Commissioners, elect Hominy a city, declare mourning for Charles Thacker and A. J. Seay, provide arms permits, allow purchase of the Barde estate, call for U. S. Shipyard Volunteers, remove notaries, commit individuals, and publicize the Junior Red Cross.

3: *Numbers* 387-395, 397-400, 470, 477-479, 1918.

Proclamations of Boys Working Reserve, bonds, social hygiene, coal, and war savings stamps. Topics are monthly reports from the Girls Industrial School, commitments, arms permits, proclamations of Fourth of July and Flag Day, Supreme Court Commission,

report of the Dental Examiners' Board, mourning for J. E. Love, Daylight Savings Time, resignations, election officials, election of judges in Hominy, and Liberty Day.

#### Box 2 Cont'd

Folder 4: Number 489, 491-494, 497, 1918.

Includes arms permit, resignation of district judge, and proclamations of Americanization Day, Resignation Day, Labor Day and Newkirk City Charter.

5: *Petition for Special Election, Hominy.* 

Petition forms and governor's proclamation.

6: *Proclamation of Election, Hominy.* 

Includes assignment of wards and other details.

- 7: Commissioners for Heavener Election, 1918.
- 8: Proclamation of Heavener a City, 1918.

Includes governor's proclamation, petition for election, blueprint map of Heavener, and correspondence.

- 9: Receipt Book for Legislative Bills, 1916.
- 10: Miscellaneous Filings (unnumbered), 1915.

  Request and approval of vacation of a Supreme Court appointment.
- 11: Charters Granted by Secretary of State, 1916.
- 12: State Capitol Commission Reports, 1916-1918.
- 13: Confederate Pension Warrants, 1917-1919.
  Transmittal forms.

### Box 3

Folder 1: Case Made, State v. Roswell Westbrook, 1916.

- 2: Proclamation Declaring Morris a City, 1918.
- 3: Charter, Sand Springs, 1918.
- 4-5: Proclamations: Constitution Day, 1918, and United War Work Campaign, 1918.
- 6: Resolutions, Okmulgee County Bar Association, 1916.
  Request for an additional judge.
- 7: *Permit to Carry Arms*.

R. E. Maxey.

8: *Proclamations 516-518, 1918.* 

Two notary revocations and Fire Prevention Day.

9: Numbers 524, 528, 531, 534, 539, 1918.

Proclamations concern United War Work, Gas Mask Day, day of prayer, arms permits, Thanksgiving Day, United War Work extension, and cotton price.

Box 3 Cont'd

Folder 10: Suffrage Proclamation, 1918.

Deals with 1918 passage, undated road work levy in Washita County, and proclamation

of Over There Day.

11: Land Office Farm Loan Division, 1913-1917.

# 8-C-10 Photographs

Box 1

Contains five envelops with photographs, primarily of war heroes for the Liberty Loan campaigns.

# 8-C-11 <u>Executive Journals (Ledgers)</u>