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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE VEST STEPHENS, 1897-1901

Abstract: Records (1897-1900) of Governor Lawrence Vest Stephens (1858-1923) contain appointments, correspondence, directives, petitions, and resignations.

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HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Lawrence Vest Stephens was born December 21, 1858 in Boonville, Cooper County to Joseph Lafayette Stephens and Martha J. Gibson. He attended schools in Boonville and earned a law degree from Washington and Lee University, Virginia in 1877. Stephens returned to Boonville and edited the Boonville Weekly Advertiser until he left to travel throughout Europe.

When he returned, Stephens married Margaret Nelson in Boonville on October 5, 1880. He subsequently took a position with the Central National Bank in Boonville where he built a financial reputation. Stephens served as assistant cashier, vice president, and director.

When the Fifth National Bank of St. Louis was declared insolvent in 1887, Stephens was named receiver because of his standing in the financial community. Within three years he had returned ninety-eight cents on the dollar to depositors. Governor David Rowland Francis appointed Stephens in 1890 to fill out the term of the Missouri state treasurer who was convicted for embezzlement. By 1892, Stephens restored state finances and was elected for another term.

At the Democratic Party gubernatorial convention in 1896, Stephens was nominated by acclamation. Elected governor on November 3, 1896, he was sworn into office as Missouri's 29th governor on January 11, 1897. During his administration, Missouri voters authorized the appropriation for the St. Louis World's Fair; the Missouri State Penitentiary became self-sustaining, and a fourth hospital for the insane was established in Farmington. In 1901, the first State Fair was held at Sedalia under the auspices of the Board of Agriculture. During Stephens administration, the State Historical Society of Missouri was made a trustee of the state in 1901.

At the onset of the Spanish-American War of 1898, Governor Stephens refused to send Missouri National Guard troops until the federal government agreed to provide them with uniforms and supplies. Determined to keep state expenditures down, he declined to call a special session to appropriate funds, instead waiting on the arrival of federal assistance. As a result, Missouri troops lacked appropriate clothing and their provisions and weaponry were out of date. Although they arrived late, ultimately six regiments of Missourians served in Cuba. In May 1890, when violence erupted during a labor strike by streetcar workers in St. Louis, Stephens made efforts to secure a successful resolution but refused to send the militia. He maintained that St. Louis bore responsibility for managing the situation.

Upon the end of his term, Governor Stephens returned to private life in St. Louis. He continued to write editorials and articles for the Boonville Weekly Advertiser while maintaining financial interests in banks across Missouri. He died in St. Louis on January 10, 1923. He is interred in Walnut Gove Cemetery, Boonville, Cooper County.

ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

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Related Material

Detroit Public Library, Detroit Michigan holds the *Hazen S. Pingree Papers*, 1889-1926 which includes correspondence from Governor Lon V. Stephens.

Neilson Library, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts holds *Letters, 1917-1922*. Correspondence between Lon V. Stephens, William McAdoo and Woodrow Wilson comprise the collection.

State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia holds the following manuscript collections and references to Stephens within other collections.

- C311 Margaret Nelson Stephens (1862-1929), Papers, 1823-1927 The diaries of the former Missouri first lady comprise the bulk of the collection. Additional documents include correspondence, financial records, genealogical materials, two muster rolls from the Civil War, and a bill of sale for slaves.
- C1725 Lon Vest Stephens (1858-1923) Letters, 1897
 Five letters and petitions to the governor of Missouri from T.J. Delaney,
 Judge W.D. Hubbard, members of the Springfield bar, and citizens of Christian
 County, MO, asking for commutation of the sentences of Amos Jones and
 William Stanley, convicted bald knobbers.
- C2455 Lon Vest Stephens (1858-1923) Papers, 1897-1898 Three letters to the governor of Missouri concerning Missouri state bonds; the financial state of the Security National Bank of Grand Island, NE; and a reorganization of the Florida State Militia.

CORRESPONDENCE, 1897-1900

Extent: (5 folders)

Arrangement: Chronological and thereunder alphabetical.

Scope and Content

Five folders of appointment materials comprise the collection. Primarily correspondence, the collection also includes supporting petitions and appointment directives from the governor to Alexander A. Lesueur, secretary of state.

All references to places are within the state of Missouri unless indicated, and county is specified when known. The spelling of proper names varies greatly. When correct spelling could not be determined the original spelling was retained. Officeholders are Missouri officials unless noted (U.S. Senator, U.S. Secretary of State). State Representatives are referred to as Representatives. U.S. Representatives are noted with the title Congressmen.

Three letters written to Governor Stephens were removed from RG3.28, Records of William Joel Stone and filed with RG3.29:

April 7, 1898 John Sherman, Washington, D. C. December 30, 1898 Leroy B. Valliant, St. Louis John Hay, Washington, D. C.

Container List

Location	Box	Folder	Date	Contents
1B/1/5	1	4	No date	Correspondence: S. V. Stoller, Hamilton, Caldwell County; recommends Dr. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	1	February 9, 1897	Correspondence: Petition, Pemiscot County citizens of Caruthersville; recommends William H. Huffman to the board of the St. Francis Levee District; note from Alexander A. Lesueur, Huffman issued commission on February 22, 1897

1B/1/5	1	1	March 7, 1897	Correspondence: H. G. Mead, Slater, Saline County to Edward T. Orear; property lies just outside city limits of Slater; request appointment to unnamed position
1B/1/5	1	1	March 25, 1897	Correspondence: Edward T. Orear, St. Louis; recommends H. C. Mead as coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	1	March 27, 1897	Correspondence: H. A. Newman, Jefferson City, Cole County; board meeting for the Confederate Soldier's Home (Higginsville, Lafayette County) terms of office set for the board; James Baunerman, B. C. Jones, Charles H. Vandiver, N. C. Bronaugh, B. F. Murdock, John W. Halliburton, Frank L. Pitts, H. A. Newman, and Al. L. Zollinger; charter sent to state officials
1B/1/5	1	1	May 18, 1897	Correspondence: Petition, Chariton County, mayor and members of the board of aldermen of Salisbury; recommends Bentley Heryford as coal oil inspector; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, Heryford issued commission on May 21, 1897
1B/1/5	1	1	May 27, 1897	Correspondence: H. C. Mead, Slater, Saline County to Ed T. Orear, St. Louis; good visit in Jefferson City with the governor; personally requests assistance to obtain position as coal oil inspector for Saline County
1B/1/5	1	1	August 5, 1897	Correspondence: Petition, Sullivan County citizens; recommend C. A. Schoene of Milan as coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	1	August 5, 1897	Correspondence: from Paul B. Moore, Jefferson City, Cole County to C. A. Schoene, Milan, Sullivan County; present term as coal oil inspector does not expire until August 10 th ; petition for reappointment will be presented at that time

1B/1/5	1	1	October 12, 1897	Correspondence: C. A. Schoene, Milan, Sullivan County; encloses \$2 fee; status of reappointment as coal oil inspector; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued and filed on November 8, 1897
1B/1/5	1	2	April 7, 1898	Correspondence: John Sherman, Washington D. C.; invitation to attend centenary celebrations in Florence, Italy.
1B/1/5	1	2	May 18, 1898	Correspondence: T. W. Cunningham, Joplin, Jasper County; resignation of R. B. Shannon from board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; recommends Joseph D. Elliff
1B/1/5	1	2	May 18, 1898	Correspondence: C. W. Lyon, Joplin, Jasper County; recommends Joseph D. Elliff; resignation of R. B. Shannon from board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School
1B/1/5	1	2	May 19, 1898	Correspondence: Clark Craycroft, Joplin, Jasper County; recommends Joseph D. Elliff to board of regents Warrensburg Normal School
1B/1/5	1	2	May 19, 1898	Correspondence: M. K. Morrow, Warrensburg, Johnson County; recommends Charles E. Morrow to board of regents Warrensburg Normal School
1B/1/5	1	2	May 19, 1898	Correspondence: H. E. Warren, Richland, Camden County; requests appointment to the board, Confederate Soldier's Home of Missouri in Higginsville, Lafayette County; Union service during the Civil War; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued and filed on May 24, 1898
1B/1/5	1	2	May 20, 1898	Correspondence: Nick M. Bradley, Warrensburg, Johnson County; resignation of Harry A. Peed; recommends Charles E. Morrow to board of regents Warrensburg Normal School

1B/1/5	1	2	May 20, 1898	Correspondence: J. W. Farris, Lebanon, Laclede County; recommends H. E. Warren to the board, Confederate Soldier's Home of Missouri in Higginsville, Lafayette County
1B/1/5	1	2	May 21, 1898	Correspondence: Congressman Maecenas Eason Benton, Washington, D. C.; resignation of R. B. Shannon from board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; recommends Joseph D. Elliff as replacement
1B/1/5	1	2	May 23, 1898	Correspondence: J. M. White, Carthage, Jasper County; resignation of R. B. Shannon from board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; recommends Joseph D. Elliff
1B/1/5	1	2	May 24, 1898	Correspondence: Harry A. Peed, St. Louis; resignation from the board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School, Johnson County; leaving for military service (Spanish-American War)
1B/1/5	1	2	May 26, 1898	Correspondence: S. Finis King, Warrensburg, Johnson County; recommends C. A. Shepherd to board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School
1B/1/5	1	2	May 27, 1898	Correspondence: Johnson County citizens of Warrensburg; resignation of Harry A. Peed from the board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; recommends Charles E. Morrow
1B/1/5	1	2	May 28, 1898	Correspondence: E. F. Swinney, Kansas City, Jackson County; recommends J. M. Greenwood to the board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to J. M. Greenwood on May 31, 1898

1B/1/5	1	2	May 28, 1898	Correspondence: Johnson County citizens of Warrensburg; resignation of Harry A. Peed from the board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; recommends Charles E. Morrow
1B/1/5	1	2	May 29, 1898	Correspondence: William M. Hamilton, Warrensburg, Johnson County; recommends Charles E. Morrow to board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; Free Silver Democrats; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to Charles E. Morrow on May 31, 1898
1B/1/5	1	2	May 29, 1898	Correspondence: S. R. Sankey, Holden, Johnson County; recommends Charles E. Morrow to the board of regents, Warrensburg Normal School; resignation of Harry A. Peed
1B/1/5	1	2	June 7, 1898	Correspondence: Nelson Cole, St. Louis; resignation as trustee of the Federal Soldier's Home in St. James; taken a position with the U. S. Army; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to W. H. Wakefield, June 21, 1898
1B/1/5	1	2	July 25, 1898	Correspondence: Frances V. Mudd, St. Charles, St. Charles County; requests appointment at coal oil inspector for St. Charles
1B/1/5	1	2	July 25, 1898	Correspondence: Frances V. Mudd, St. Charles, St. Charles County; term of incumbent Julius F. Rauch expires in August, has held the position for 10 years and does not need the salary; Mudd's qualifications for the position
1B/1/5	1	2	July 28, 1898	Correspondence: H. C. Lackland, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends Miss Frances V. Mudd as coal oil inspector

1B/1/5	1	2	July 30, 1898	Correspondence: Frances V. Mudd, St. Charles, St. Charles County to J. E. Edwards, Jefferson City, Cole County; Julius F. Rauch; supporting materials in her behalf
1B/1/5	1	5	September 1, 1898	Correspondence: Petition, St. Charles County citizens of St. Charles; recommend Miss Frances V. Mudd for coal oil inspector; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to Mudd on September 1, 1898
1B/1/5	1	2	December 30, 1898	Correspondence: Leroy B. Valliant, St. Louis; resignation as judge of the 8 th Judicial Circuit
1B/1/5	1	3	March 31, 1899	Correspondence: Hoyt Humphrey, Lamar, Barton County; recommends Joseph Martin to State Board of Embalming; includes list of board members and their respective terms
1B/1/5	1	3	May 5, 1899	Correspondence: New Madrid County citizens and taxpayers; death of J. F. Girvin; recommends Jesse F. DeLisle to replace Girvin; also recommends that J. J. Williams be reappointed; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commissions issued to DeLisle and Williams on May 5, 1899
1B/1/5	1	4	May 16, 1899	Correspondence: Governor Allen Daniel Candler, Atlanta, Georgia; recommends Dr. J. Harvey Moore
1B/1/5	1	4	May 25, 1899	Correspondence: U. S. Senator Alexander Stephens Clay, Marietta, Georgia; recommends Dr. J. Harvey Moore
1B/1/5	1	3	June 22, 1899	Correspondence: C. C. Fogle, Lancaster, Schuyler County; resignation of William B. Hays from the Kirksville Normal School; requests the appointment

1B/1/5	1	3	June 22, 1899	Correspondence: William B. Hayes, Lancaster, Schuyler County; resignation from the board of regents, Kirksville Normal School, Adair County; age, press of personal business; recommends C. C. Fogle as his replacement; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to C. C. Fogle, June 23, 1899
1B/1/5	1	3	June 28, 1899	Correspondence: George C. Noel, Lee's Summit, Jackson County; inquiry as to when to expect the appointment of Joseph Martin to the State Board of Embalmers; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to Martin on July 1, 1899
1B/1/5	1	3	September 22, 1899	Correspondence: W. S. Bryan, St. Louis; resignation from commission established to "locate the fruit experiment station" in southern Missouri; regrets that he cannot leave publishing business at this time; must resign commission
1B/1/5	1	3	September 28, 1899	Correspondence: James L. Buchanan, California, Moniteau County; enclosed bond, commissioner State Insane Asylum No. 4 (Farmington)
1B/1/5	1	4	December 28, 1899	Correspondence: E. Younkin, St. Louis; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	January 1, 1900	Correspondence: M. M. Hamlin, St. Louis; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind (note: letterhead of the American Medical Journal, St. Louis)
1B/1/5	1	4	January 3, 1900	Correspondence: Nugent Luyties, St. Louis; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind (note: letterhead of the Luyties Homeopathic Pharmacy Company)

1B/1/5	1	4	January 6, 1900	Correspondence: John Hay, Washington, D. C.; testimony required of Joseph Little of St. Louis in a court case against Spanish citizens accused of swindling
1B/1/5	1	4	January 22, 1900	Correspondence: E. Lee Standlee, St. Louis; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind (note: letterhead of the National Eclectic Medical Association)
1B/1/5	1	4	February 14, 1900	Correspondence: Charles H. Rigg, Middletown, Montgomery County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind (note: letterhead of the State Lunatic Asylum No. 4, Farmington)
1B/1/5	1	4	March 20, 1900	Correspondence: J. Harvey Moore, St. Louis; personal application for position of eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind; qualifications including education, locations of practice
1B/1/5	1	4	April 24, 1900	Correspondence: J. B. Fleet, New Franklin, Howard County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	April 25, 1900	Correspondence: J. Harvey Moore, St. Louis to E. L. Rice, Otterville, Cooper County; requesting letter of recommendation to the governor
1B/1/5	1	4	April 25, 1900	Correspondence: E. L. Rice, Otterville, Cooper County to C. S. Clark, location unknown; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	April 27, 1900	Correspondence: S. G. Meredith, Cowgill, Caldwell County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind

1B/1/5	1	4	April 27, 1900	Correspondence: Carr Edwards, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends Bernhard Avermann to replace Miss Frances Mudd as coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	4	April 27, 1900	Correspondence: A. F. Stephens, St. Joseph, Buchanan County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	April 28, 1900	Correspondence: C. W. Hamlin, Springfield, Greene County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	April 30, 1900	Correspondence: J. M. T. Smith, Hendrickson, Butler County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	May 1, 1900	Correspondence: J. F. Cromley, Lamar, Barton County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind; Missouri Eclectic Medical Association
1B/1/5	1	4	May 1, 1900	Correspondence: D. S. Talbott, Appleton City, St. Clair County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	May 3, 1900	Correspondence: Claud L. Clark, Jefferson City, Cole County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind; E. L. Rice
1B/1/5	1	4	May 3, 1900	Correspondence: D. P. Haggard, Joplin, Jasper County; recommends J. Harvey Moore as eye surgeon to the Missouri School for the Blind
1B/1/5	1	4	June 13, 1900	Correspondence: S. R. Inglish, Olean, Miller County; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture as a favor to J. W. Farris of Lebanon, Laclede County

1B/1/5	1	4	June 13, 1900	Correspondence: Petition, Laclede County citizens of Lebanon; recommend Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 15, 1900	Correspondence: W. R. Wilkinson, St. Louis; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 18, 1900	Correspondence: Alexander A. Lesueur, Jefferson City, Cole County; members of the board of managers, Missouri School for the Blind, St. Louis appointed; James C. Jones, E. C. Waters (Jones and Waters confirmed by Senate, January 25, 1901), and J. Harvey Moore; commission issued and filed
1B/1/5	1	4	June 18, 1900	Correspondence: Edwin William Stephens, Columbia, Boone County; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 19, 1900	Correspondence: F. J. Hiss, Wolf Island, Mississippi County; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 20, 1900	Correspondence: H. M. Whelpley, St. Louis; recommends the reappointment of Adolph Brandenberger of Jefferson City to the Missouri Board of Pharmacy
1B/1/5	1	4	June 23, 1900	Letter; Shepard Barclay, St. Louis; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 23, 1900	Correspondence: August T. Fleischmann, Sedalia, Pettis County; highly recommends the reappointment of Adolph Brandenberger of Jefferson City to the Missouri Board of Pharmacy; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to Brandenberger and filed July 9, 1900; confirmed by Senate on January 25, 1901

1B/1/5	1	4	June 23, 1900	Correspondence: William Jefferson Pollard, St. Louis; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 25, 1900	Correspondence: George B. Ellis, Appleton City, St. Clair County; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	4	June 30, 1900	Correspondence: A. F. Luckett, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 2, 1900	Correspondence: Carr Edwards, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 5, 1900	Correspondence: J. W. Farris, Lebanon, Laclede County; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture (note: written on letterhead of the Federal Soldier's Home, St. James)
1B/1/5	1	5	July 7, 1900	Correspondence: Congressman James Cooney, Washington, D. C.; recommends the reappointment of Lewis F. Luthey to the State Board of Agriculture
1B/1/5	1	5	July 15, 1900	Correspondence: Petition, St. Charles County citizens of St. Charles; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 16, 1900	Correspondence: Charles J. Walker, Wentzville, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 17, 1900	Correspondence: Earl R. Britt, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 17, 1900	Correspondence: August E. Hucker, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector

1B/1/5	1	5	July 17, 1900	Correspondence: J. Bernard Weseman, St. Charles, St. Charles County; personal; request for position as coal oil inspector
1B/1/5	1	5	July 19, 1900	Correspondence: Charles J. Walker, Wentzville, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector; includes note from Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to J. Bernhard Weseman on September 8, 1900
1B/1/5	1	5	August 20, 1900	Correspondence: Carr Edwards, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector; scandal involving Miss Frances V. Mudd
1B/1/5	1	5	August 23, 1900	Correspondence: Alexander A. Lesueur, Jefferson City, Cole County; commission issued to Lewis F. Luthey
1B/1/5	1	5	August 28, 1900	Correspondence: Carr Edwards, St. Charles, St. Charles County; recommends J. Bernhard Weseman for coal oil inspector; Miss Frances Mudd should not be reappointed
1B/1/5	1	5	October 22, 1900	Correspondence: H. S. Booth, Centralia, Boone County; death of S. L. Puller; recommends T. P. King for marshal of Court of Common Pleas
1B/1/5	1	5	October 23, 1900	Correspondence: Omar D. Gray, Sturgeon, Boone County; recommends P. T. King for marshal of Court of Common Pleas
1B/1/5	1	5	October 23, 1900	Correspondence: Alexander A. Lesueur, commission issued to P. T. King and filed

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