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R. L. CLINTON DISCUSSES BUTTE SCHOOLS' PROGRESS

"Mr. Lane and myself have been on the school board since 1898, the other two nominees have served one term," said Mr. Clinton to an Inter Mountain man this morning, "and while we were not at all anxious to serve again in what is a profitless and often a thankless position, we appreciate the compliment which the people of the city paid us last even-

families making an unusual strain upon the school facilities.

"In spite of the increased demand for school accommodation the new buildings which we have been called upon every year to erect, the district is not only the most prosperous in the state but makes a remarkable showing for so young a community.

"Five years ago we were compelled to issue due bill for our pay rolls and other expenses; now we pay cash and have a surplus of almost \$100,000 in the treasury.

District Credit Good.

"We have never had any difficulty in floating bonds above par at a small premium of 4 per cent.

"We have now a bonded indebtedness



W. McC. WHITE.

ing in nominating us for another term.

"It would be interesting to follow the history of the Butte schools even during the last five years. Since 1898 the board has built the Grant, Webster and Sherman schools, besides remodeling and in some cases almost reconstructing many of the others.

"I believe the Lincoln and Garfield are the only two schools in the entire city that have not been reconstructed.

"Great as was the increase in population in the city during the last five years,



R. L. CLINTON.

of \$150,000 against a valuation of \$37,000,000. Of this indebtedness our sinking fund will soon provide for \$50,000.

"We could have avoided this indebtedness by making special levies but that has not been the board's policy. The bonding distributes the indebtedness much more evenly as we are continually enabled to take up some of the indebtedness by our sinking fund which is considerable. In that way the burden does not all fall on one year. We have now no floating indebtedness and that's a



E. B. WEIRICK.

record no other district in the state can show."

Influx of Families.

"A very few years ago Butte was composed chiefly of unmarried men, or men who, because of the poor facilities for the training and education of children, and the smoke and sanitary arrangements did not bring their families with them, but in recent years there has been a remarkable influx of married men and



C. H. LANE.

When asked about the condition of the schools, Mr. Clinton said: "Well, we take the vote last evening as an admirable tribute to the school system in general. We believe ours is not excelled by any school system in the state and we have the results to show for it."

LIQUOR DEALERS' OFFICERS.

The Silver Bow Retail Liquor Dealers' association held its semi-annual election yesterday. The results were as follows:

President, Thomas Trevalle; vice president Adolph Wetstein; treasurer, Frank Walker; secretary, Gus Nissen; sergeant-at-arms, Nick Knock; trustees, Jerry Mullins, T. P. Fitzmaurice and John Milch.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS.

The stockholders of the Montana Standard Mining company held their annual meeting in the office of the company, 106 West Granite street, a few days ago and elected the following trustees for the ensuing year:

Phil T. Davis, F. T. Britton, D. C. Smith and A. N. Yoder of Butte; L. Wottrich of Marysville, Mont.; and N. L. Lennan of St. Paul. Phil T. Davis was elected president, L. Wottrich vice president, Frank Britton treasurer, and W. H. Lindsey secretary.

During the meeting the stockholders purchased treasury stock to the extent of \$5,000, and let a contract for a 400-foot extension of the La Blanche tunnel.

ASKS JUDGMENT FOR \$10,000.

Joseph P. Collins, as administrator of the estate of William Courtney, filed in the United States court today his second amended complaint in the damage suit instituted against the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company in behalf of the heirs of Courtney.

Judgment for \$10,000 is demanded by the plaintiff on account of Courtney's death, which, the plaintiff alleges, occurred May 22, 1900, and was due to the carelessness of the defendant company.

Courtney was a lineman in the employ of the telephone company, and at the time of his death was repairing a wire at the top of a pole in East Broadway. While thus engaged he came in contact with a live wire, and the shock threw him from the top of the pole to the ground. He was killed instantly.

The plaintiff alleges that the accident was the result of the telephone wire coming in contact with a live wire of the street railway company and that the defendant was negligent in not having its wires protected.

FORSYTHE MAKES PURCHASE.

George I. Forsythe has brought a large tract of ground just this side of Columbia Gardens from Walter W. Adams and wife for the sum of \$26,000. The deed has been filed in the county clerk and recorder's office.

The ground takes in portions of the Williams and Jim quartz claims and the improvements upon them, including the ice houses and saloon west of the Gardens.

Mr. Forsythe is a son-in-law of Morris, the confectioner, and he had the concessions at Columbia Gardens last year. What he will do with his new acquisition is not known.

ELKS GO OVER TO MISSOULA.

A band of 20 Elks went to Missoula today for the purpose of assisting members of the order in that city to organize a lodge. They were accompanied by the Boston & Montana band, which will render some popular airs at the evening ceremonies and on the way back to this city.

At Durant the party was joined by about a dozen members of the Anaconda lodge, and at Deer Lodge a few more swelled the total.

The entire delegation from this city was chaperoned by Fred Sterling, who came from Missoula last night for the purpose of piloting the boys to his town. There are 92 persons to be Nellized at Missoula, and about four times as many who have been through the ordeal will witness the tribulations and mishaps to which it is said those who ride the Elk-tonian billygoat are sometimes victims.

Insurance Paid.

The Mutual Life Insurance company of New York yesterday paid Mrs. Philip Best of this city, through W. C. Bacheiler, district manager, five thousand and eight dollars, the amount of insurance held in this company by the late L. P. Best of the Centennial Brewing company.

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CONSPIRACY CASE

CONTRACTOR ROACH'S CONFESSION INTRODUCED AT TRIAL.

TWO DEFENDANTS INVOLVED

What the Man Who Is in Chains Says in Letter to Contractor Riddell About George Ramsey and Charles Sulter.

The confession of C. E. Roach, one of the contractors who built the school of mines building, was introduced in evidence in the suit on trial in Judge Harney's court, in which Roach's former partner, J. A. Riddell, sued Charles Sulter, another partner, and G. I. Ramsey, a Bozeman bank manager, to recover \$8,200, which Riddell alleges he was defrauded of through a conspiracy between Roach, Sulter and Ramsey when the school of mines was being builded.

Riddell claims that the others diverted the money, which had been deposited in the bank which Ramsey managed, from him and pretended to pay it out on claims. The confession of Roach is as follows:

Butte, Mont., March 23, 1897.—Joseph A. Riddell, Esq., Butte, Mont.—Dear Sir: After mature consideration I wish to make you the following statement:

In presenting my report on the illegal accounts of the firm of Riddell & Sulter, I wish first of all to state how my report is to be made. In the first place it is not necessary to state to you a great many circumstances connected with my being with you and Sulter and also of the connection of George I. Ramsey and John C. Paulsen had to the contracts you two had on hand and the various meetings had between us in Butte while you were absent; in fact, no meeting would be held with you present except to throw you off your guard.

A great many payments have been made in an unauthorized manner, or at least in a way which no one can find authority, having been paid by Sulter without having been reported on to the office and approved. In such cases vouchers of authority may have existed, but have not been produced by Sulter.

Many Irregular Payments.

The partial and final payments for all sub-contracts have as a rule been misleading and the books do not show total rock work executed at Dillon nor Bozeman, and does not show cut stone work done in Boulder. No sub-contracts were allowed to remain in the office. Sulter kept them in his house for the reason that I would not know prices and could not check anything. This system has to my own knowledge been pursued by Sulter for the purpose of drawing illegally money out of the work through sub-contractors, who would in some cases sign checks in blank, as will be seen by this report, and turned over to Sulter for his disposition of same. The rule laid down by the firm was not carried out by Sulter, as a great many irregular payments have been made without even coming to the office, being paid in Bozeman and elsewhere by Sulter, on account of it being so "pressing," as he claimed, and it is a peculiar fact that all the large sub-contracts were settled by Sulter in Bozeman and Dillon and Boulder and paid by him there in "person" before any statement ever came to the office, and right up to the present time I have never seen any statement showing a detailed account that he settled in this manner, although they are the most important vouchers, and run up to several thousand dollars.

I frankly admit to you that I was led into several deals through the strong arguments of Ramsey, Paulsen and Sulter, who did all they could to turn me against you, and they said "to fleece you and get a share of the plunder," as Sulter stated you were no use to us in the business and a damage.

Moved by Sacred Duty.

I stand ready to make good anything I have done wrong through such influences, and assure you most sincerely I regret from the bottom of my heart I ever met the trio. They have led me to believe they were my "close" friends, but I have discovered they are a curse to me and your dead enemy. It is not necessary for me to state to you how I have assisted Sulter in getting this work, as you are familiar with all details pertaining to same.

I make this confession to you, as I feel it my sacred duty to myself and you, with the assurance of forgiveness, as I believe you have a heart that can realize the strain I have been under and the pressure that was brought to bear on me by Ramsey, Paulsen and Sulter. I fully realize the seriousness of the wrong I have done.

I consider I am doing the correct thing in running down such a double-dyed scoundrel as Sulter, who poses to be "so good and honest," but is worse than a highwayman.

Trusting that this report, which is herewith attached, will receive your careful consideration, I am, sir,

Yours very respectfully,

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- One granite sauce pan
- Two chopping knives
- One large roasting pan
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- One granite pudding pan
- One good stove brush
- One yellow mix bowl
- One iron fry pan
- One glass sugar bowl
- One wire toaster
- Two cake turners
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ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on the first Monday in April (April 7), 1902, at the designated polling places in the several wards of the city of Butte, Silver Bow county, state of Montana, a general election will be held for the following officers of said city, viz:

- One alderman from the First ward.
- One alderman from the Second ward.
- One alderman from the Third ward.
- One alderman from the Fourth ward.
- One alderman from the Fifth ward.
- One alderman from the Sixth ward.
- One alderman from the Seventh ward.
- One alderman from the Eighth ward.

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cordance with Ordinance No. 612, of the series of ordinances of the city of Butte. The polls of said election will be open at 8 o'clock in the morning and continue open until 6 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

The polling places in the several wards have been established as follows, to-wit:

- First Ward—No. 21 East Quartz street.
- Second Ward—North-east corner Granite and Montana streets.
- Third Ward—Melles' carpenter shop, near northeast corner Broadway and Arizona streets.
- Fourth Ward—Sutton's opera house, West Broadway.
- Fifth Ward—No. 330 East Park street.
- Sixth Ward—North-west corner Galena street and Renshaw alley.
- Seventh Ward—No. 1268 East Second street.
- Eighth Ward—Miller block, No. 549 South Main street.

Dated this 26th day of March, A. D. 1902.

W. K. QUARLES,

Clerk of the City of Butte.

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