

Inquiry Into State Building Contracts Is Voted by Senate

Adopts Resolution to Check Up Alleged Irregularities Despite Opposition of Tammany, Led by Walker

From a Staff Correspondent
ALBANY, April 16.—The Senate today adopted the Towner resolution providing for an investigation of the letting of contracts on public buildings by the State Architect's Department, of which Louis F. Pilcher, of Brooklyn, is the head. Mr. Pilcher was originally appointed at the instance of John H. McCooey, the leader of Tammany's Kings County annex.
 Senator James J. Walker, leader of the Tammany minority, fought the adoption of the resolution, and declared that if there was any wrongdoing it should be investigated by Governor Miller under the Moreland act and by the Legislature.
 In this he was supported by the chairman of the Finance Committee, Senator Charles J. Hewitt.
 This brought Senator James E. Towner, Republican, the introducer of the resolution, to his feet protesting.
 "I charge," said Senator Towner, "that a contract was entered into by the State Architect's office in the Middletown State Hospital for \$80,000, without public letting, in violation of law, and that contracts for the prison at Wingdale and on other state buildings have been over-certified."
 Senator Alvah Burlingame, spokesman for Jacob Livingston in the upper house, rushed to the rescue by demanding a slow roll call, and the resolution was finally adopted by a vote of 28 to 14.
 When Senator Towner's name was called he amplified his charges, saying: "My charges are based on records

which I obtained in the Attorney General's office, and which are to be had in a case where the state sets up a defense when sued on an illegal contract. Contracts at Wingdale and Sing Sing have been over-certified. That is not all. I gave these facts to the chairman of the Finance Committee. He didn't see fit to examine these figures. I asked him if he had shown them to the majority leader. He said he had not. Then I took the matter up with Senator Lusk, who told me to introduce a resolution, which I have done."
 This brought Senator Hewitt to his feet in protest.
 "The statement of Senator Towner," he said, "is partly correct. He said there were things in the State Architect's department. I was busy and didn't have time to examine them. I told him I would tell the Governor when the Legislature adjourned. He said that Mr. Henderson, of the Attorney General's office, knew about it."
 "The statement just made by Senator Hewitt is not true," Senator Towner responded. "I did tell him I had the figures and got them from the Attorney General's office. My statement was not only partially correct, but entirely correct."

Bain Chosen for Mine Chief And Woman for Labor Post

WASHINGTON, April 16.—H. Foster Bain, of California, was nominated today by President Harding to be director of the Bureau of Mines.
 Mary Anderson, of Illinois, was nominated by the President to be director of the women's bureau of the Department of Labor.
 Favorable action on the nomination of former Representative Eech, of Wisconsin, to be a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission was taken today by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee. Senator La Follette, Republican of Wisconsin, was said to have withheld his approval of the appointment.
 Nominations of new major and brigadier generals in the army, recently announced, were sent to the Senate today by President Harding. Nominations of officers to head the various bureaus of the War Department also were transmitted.

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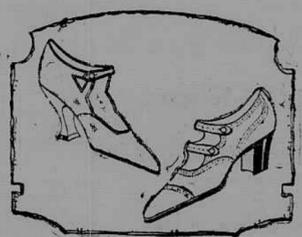
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