

COMMITTEE OF AWARD ANNOUNCES DECISION

Successful Competitors for Municipal Building Plans Are Cope & Stewardson, of Philadelphia.

Appropriation Inadequate for the Erection of a Creditable Structure—A Larger Lot Recommended

The commission created by law to take charge of the purchase of the site and construction of the proposed municipal building, held a meeting yesterday in the office of the Secretary of the Treasury to receive the report of the committee of award on the plans of architects.

and it was found that Cope & Stewardson, of Philadelphia, were the successful competitors in the preliminary contest for plans. They were authors of design No. 3, decided upon by the committee on Friday.

The report follows: "We respectfully report that we have carefully examined and compared the twelve sets of drawings submitted in competition for your municipal building. We recommend that the authors of the design marked No. 3, be appointed architects for the new municipal building.

"We submit that it is evident from a consideration of all the designs that entirely satisfactory plans for a District Building cannot be made for a lot of such small dimensions; that it is necessary for the structure to be six stories high. We therefore recommend that, if possible, a larger lot be secured, so that the building need not be more than four stories high, in which case we are satisfied by the character of their work, the architects selected are competent to make an entirely satisfactory design.

"The amount of the appropriation is evidently inadequate to secure the construction of the number of cubic feet required for your building, unless the exterior walls are plain brickwork, and the interior finish is that of a factory." The report was signed by the members of the committee of award, George B. Post, D. H. Burnham, Robert S. Peabody, John Biddle, and James Knox Taylor.

Upon receipt of the report the commission, consisting of the Secretary of the Treasury, the three District Commissioners, and Mr. Taylor, their professional adviser, opened the envelope marked No. 3, and found the name of the firm of Cope & Stewardson given as the authors of the design accepted.

To Draft New Design.
The commission then entered into a long discussion of the situation, and decided to frame a report setting forth the facts and submit it to the committee of the District in Congress. In the meantime the architects will be requested to draft a new design four stories high, containing the same features as the plans submitted, to be built within the appropriation. Such a building would be of brick and would have much less space inside than the plans of the commission contemplated. The facts will be laid before Congress and the commission will ask for instructions as to how to proceed under the circumstances.

is too small to admit of a building such as is needed for the home of the District government, unless it is built six stories high above the basement and sub-basement. Another important consideration is that the amount of money available is too small to build anything but the plainest kind of structure.

With Further Appropriation.
The commission hopes that when these facts are presented to Congress it will, at least, appropriate enough money to construct a suitable building on the site acquired, or that it will provide a large enough fund to acquire the square back of the one purchased and make the structure only four stories high, giving the architects opportunity to treat the exterior according to the classical models, to correspond with the principal public buildings already in existence.

It is understood that the report of the commission, with the new design, will be ready for submission to Congress immediately after the holidays. While the committee of award and the building commission are well pleased with the design selected, regret was felt that a local architect was not successful in winning the prize. It was said unofficially that the plans of two local men were considered by the committee and were regarded as next to the one chosen in point of excellence.

MAJOR GLENN'S SECOND TRIAL BEGINS MONDAY

Asks That Generals Chaffee and Smith Be Subpoenaed as Witnesses.

MANILA, Dec. 12.—The court-martial for the second trial of Major Edward T. Glenn, of the Fifth Infantry, on charges of cruelty to natives in the Samar campaign, will assemble on Monday.

Major Glenn has requested that Major General Chaffee, and Brig. Gen. Jacob Smith, retired, be subpoenaed as witnesses. He has also asked that all the correspondence and orders relating to the campaign in Samar be produced. Major Glenn claims that General Chaffee has publicly and officially approved General Smith's order to "burn and kill" in Samar.

MRS. COOKE TO REMAIN IN HUSBAND'S CUSTODY

Hearing in Reform School Case Postponed

Hearing on the petition of George A. Cooke to have the Supreme Court of the District grant him legal possession of his wife, Grace E. Cooke, which was to have taken place yesterday before Justice Barnard, was postponed until Saturday next. In the meantime Mrs. Cooke will remain in the custody of her husband, who a week ago gave bond to produce her in court when required to do so.

Mrs. Cooke was before her marriage Miss Grace E. Myers, and is about eighteen years old. Several years ago she was committed to the Reform School by Judge Kimball, presiding in the Police Court. She was charged with being incorrigible. The sentence of the court was that she remain in the Reform School until she became twenty-one years of age. On August 30 last the

girl escaped from the Reform School. She was met by Cooke a short distance from the institution and they went to Baltimore and were married the day following.

They returned to this city and resided with Mr. Cooke's father until October 3 last, when the bride was arrested by the local police and returned to the Reform School. She remained there until about two weeks ago, when her husband commenced proceedings in habeas corpus to regain possession and legal custody of her.

At the hearing the Reform School authorities were represented by Assistant District Attorney Glassie, who protested against the release of the girl from the institution. In his answer to the petition for habeas corpus Mr. Glassie contended that Grace Myers, by the order of Judge Kimball, was within the control of the United States Government, and no act of her own, no matter what it was, could vitiate or annul the power and authority of the Government over her.

DAMAGES BY FIRE.
G. B. Coleman, Superintendent of Repairs, has forwarded to the District Commissioners a report of damages done to the main building at the Thompson School by fire, and the matter has been referred to the Auditor for settlement with the insurance company.

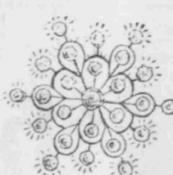
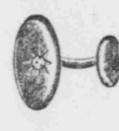
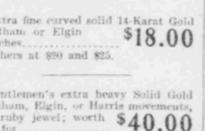
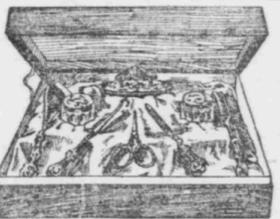
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