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CORRUPTION CHARGES

In Connection With the New High School Building.

PROTEST OF A GENTLEMAN

He is of the Opinion That Everything Regarding the Way Construction Work is Being Done is Not Just Right.

GREAT FALLS, April 15.—The STANDARD has been told to notice the open charges of corruption made in connection with the work on the new high school building, which, according to the original plans, was to cost about \$80,000, but which will cost, if the present rate of overcharges is maintained, at least a quarter of a million dollars. But rumors have become so frequent and charges are so well defined that it is necessary to refer to the subject.

In conversation with a representative of the STANDARD today a heavy taxpayer of this school district, who has children in the schools, said: "I have long believed that the foundation of the high school building is rotten throughout, and recent events have forced me to conclude that the entire deal has been rotten, and I believe that the school board, the contractors' acts, and the deeds of Architect White have been in the same condition. I want it distinctly understood that I cast no reflection upon the new trustees, Cooper, Brown and Luckett. I have made a thorough investigation and find that William White has received \$2,792.25 from the district. McKay Bros. have received \$21,418.53, all of which has been assigned to the Northwestern National bank. Smith and Duncaen have received \$125 for water pipe, an extra which Architect White recommended, and the Northwestern National bank has received \$4,300.00 interest on \$15,412.68, which is advanced. This makes a total of \$27,792.25 and it was stated at the last meeting of the school board that the foundation is not yet completed. I have maintained silence too long on this subject, and the straw that broke the camels back was the \$792.25 claim by White for plans which his own mistake—which I believe was intentional—made necessary, and the allowance of that amount, less \$100. It is on this extra foundation that the jobbery has been done, and I have investigated the circumstances.

"Sept. 14, 1891, White recommended that the extra work be done. He stated that there would be 1,118 cubic yards of excavation and 825 perches of rubble stone work, and recommended that the work be given to McKay Bros. at 60 cents per yard for excavation and \$5.50 per perch for stone work. Gockstetter inquired that McKay Bros. be given the contract at those figures and Earl seconded the motion. This motion was lost. A motion was made to advertise for bids for the work until Sept. 19. Gockstetter was again on hand with an amendment to advertise for 30 days, but the amendment was lost. The original motion was carried. The board met Sept. 19. On motion of Gockstetter, the contract was awarded to McKay Bros., the lowest bidders. But McKay, for some reason, had raised his figures, and his bid for excavation was \$1 per yard and for stone work \$4.75 per perch. This was \$5,036.75 for the job. The work proceeded until the supreme court declared the bonds invalid. Later the following report was made:

GREAT FALLS, Dec. 14, 1891. To the Officers and Members of the Trades and Labor Council of Cascade County: Brothers—At the meeting of the council on Friday night, Nov. 16, the chairman of the school board committee was instructed to call to his aid such members of the council or any member of a labor organization who would be competent to inspect the work on the Central High school building. The following gentlemen were selected: A. DeLong, Bricklayers' union; W. F. Gay, Carpenters' union; W. D. McFarland, Plasterers' union, and Charles Carlson of the Stonemasons' union. "After reading the specifications and inspecting the plans of the building, the work on the school house was investigated. The following facts were discovered: In the beginning the architect did not test the ground or drill to see how deep it was necessary to go to find bed-rock or a suitable foundation, which is customary before giving an estimate on the cost of a building, thereby creating an extra expense to the school district for excavating and the construction of a foundation of this superstructure. "The specifications state that the footings shall be through stone, squared and hammer dressed. This has not been done. On the contrary, it is found that the footings are composed of two rocks side by side in place of through stone. This is inferior workmanship and is a saving to the contractor of several hundred dollars and a loss to the taxpayers of this district. The cement mortar used was not, in a great many instances, according to that called for in the specifications. The specifications call for 'headers' every four feet in length and two feet in height, 'headers' to be through stone. The specifications have not been lived up to in this particular. The tower footings have not been laid according to the lines on the plans, thereby causing a portion of the wall to set on one side or on the edge of the footings. In the tower circles the footing should be six feet eight inches in width, the second course of footing five feet two inches and the third course four feet. Instead of the main wall resting upon the center of the third footing it rests upon the inside edge of the lower footing. In other words the footings are of no service to the wall on one side. In some places the partition walls were found to be out of plumb and out of line, in some instances three inches. "Some of the cut stone used in the foundation is certainly unfit for a building of the proportions such as the High school building is to be. In the laying of the cut rock the specifications call for a one-quarter of inch joint. On the contrary the joints in places are from a half to seven-eighths of an inch. The east wall is out of line one and one-half inches; this defect being plainly perceptible to the naked eye. "In some instances the cut stone and the backing up are separating for the want of headers and anchors. Estimates have been given and the money paid over to the contractor for material that had not been used in the building. "The committee has carefully and can-

dily considered the present situation as it presents itself to the people and the taxpayers of this school district, and we are of the opinion that it is in the interest of the workingmen and taxpayers that certain members of the present school board resign from their positions forthwith and stand aside so that men who will perform the duties of the office to which they were elected be placed in their stead. "At meetings of the school board attention was called to the fact that the construction of the high school building was not being done according to the plans and specifications, yet there was an effort on the part of certain members of the board to smother these matters to the detriment of the public. We recommend that in the event of these members of the board who have not performed their duties in the interest of the people refusing to resign the workingmen of Great Falls will not vote the \$80,000 bonds called for by the board, the election for which is to be held on Dec. 27, 1894. "The trustees were evidently seared by this time and appointed a committee of citizens to inspect the foundation. The chairman declined to serve, on the ground that a more competent committee had already reported, and the committee went to pieces. Architect White replied to the charge of the trades and labor committee, and it is, in my opinion, the defense of a guilty man. He does not justify his own plans, but says: 'Anyway it would have been necessary to place extra foundations under any of the other buildings had their (meaning other architects) plans been used instead of mine; for none of them went any deeper than mine. I consider that a cowardly defense and here is a significant fact: The competing architects used non de plumas, their plans were supposedly secret, and I would like to know how White saw the plans. The foundation was rotten according to the labor committee's report in December. There has been no investigation, and nearly \$25,000 has been expended for a foundation which mechanics condemn. There are other features of the situation which I am investigating and I may be heard from in the future."

he has held for three years. There are several applications from other cities for positions as teachers. All teachers are applicants for reelection but one, and it is whispered that she will soon marry a prominent young lawyer of the city. A marriage license was to-day issued to Oscar Johnson and Alma Carlson, both of Butte. Judge Benton to-day denied the motion for arrest of judgment in the case of the state vs. Peter Filmeram, convicted of illegally branding cattle, and sentenced defendant to three years' imprisonment. It is alleged that W. F. Brown, recently elected school trustee for district No. 1, claims residence on a ranch which he pre-empted in district 17, and efforts will be made to oust him. Tim Mulvihill, who arrived from Butte Saturday, and at once proceeded to steal a pair of pants from Strain Brothers' store, had his preliminary hearing before Judge Hawkins to-day. He has every appearance of a tough and has a dark record in Butte. He was held to the district court on a charge of burglary. Bail was fixed at \$500, which he cannot furnish. Henry Cahill struck town this morning with a gang of toughs from Butte. The police kept cases on the crowd and when Cahill stole a firkin of butter from P. J. Regan's delivery wagon, which was standing on Central avenue, Officer Johnson nabbed him. Cahill pleaded guilty and got 60 days in the county jail. All public offices and banks will close to-morrow to observe Arbor day. The schools will not observe the day.

DIED IN A FIT. An Old Time Resident of Great Falls Suddenly Expires. GREAT FALLS, April 15.—About 9 o'clock to-night Capt. P. L. Stacey entered the Great Falls saloon at No. 4 Second street south. He threw up his hands, fell in an epileptic fit and expired in a few minutes. He once owned considerable property in Great Falls but had lost it. He had been a hard drinker for years and recently began the use of opium. He had been subject to frequent attacks of epilepsy and often expressed fears that he would die in a fit. The body was taken to McBratney's undertaking rooms, where Coroner Weitzman will hold an inquest to-morrow morning. Captain Stacey was a man about 50 years old. He has been a resident of Great Falls for several years, coming here from Bismarck, N. D. He formerly served in the regular army at Fort Lincoln and was at one time captain of the Governor's guards, a crack military organization of Bismarck, where he has many friends.

The Wool Growers. Special Dispatch to the Standard. MILES CITY, Mont., April 15.—The Eastern Montana Wool Growers' association met in annual session to-day and was called to order by John L. Truscott, president of the association. Much more interest was taken this year than last, though the attendance was not as large. The meeting was addressed by Dr. Bird, state veterinarian, and the interests of sheep men were discussed by many growers, as well as representatives of eastern wool commission houses. It was generally considered that coarse wool sheep are preferable to fine in this country, as they stand the winter better. The subject of railroad rates was discussed and though the motion was voted down it was generally understood that the road giving lowest rates would get the shipments. A far better feeling is manifested on account of the advances in the price of mutton and the exceptionally fine winter, with no losses reported, though wool is expected to be lower. W. H. Wiley was elected president, C. L. Carter secretary and treasurer for the ensuing year.

Silver Delegates. SALT LAKE, April 15.—Governor West to-day appointed as delegates to the silver conference to be held here on May 15, R. C. Chambers and C. C. Goodwin of Salt Lake and David Evans of Ogden.

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