

HEATING THE CAPITOL

The Board Locate the New Plant in the Library Building

Yesterday the Board of Capitol Commissioners met to take final action on the location of the heating plant for the Capitol building and new Library.

The letting of the contract was held over until the Library building was located and under way that the heating of the two buildings might be considered to the best advantage.

At the request of the Board, Architect Curtis, made a report of the proper location of the heating plant, as follows:

To The Honorable The Board of Capitol Commissioners, Carson City Nevada.

Gentlemen:—In regard to heating the State Capitol Building, would state the conditions as I find them, as follows:

The basement of the Capitol building, although large in area, is cut up into small compartments with thick and heavy stone walls, scarcely 7 feet in height, poorly lighted, with no outside doors, small and high windows.

To properly set in this basement a modern heating plan of steam or vapor you will have to excavate a pit of ample depth and width for the boiler, so the condensed water can return to boiler by gravity and be immediately pumped into the boiler.

We find that in the entire building there is not a flue or chimney larger than 8 inches by 14 inches, which is entirely too small for a heating plant, and these small flues being carried up in stone partitions it is impossible to enlarge them; therefore a new flue of brick must be made, not less in size than 14 inches by 24 inches in the clear. This flue must start from the basement and extend up and through the roof to at least 6 feet above the ridge of roof for draft; the walls of this flue to be not less than 13 inches thick, up to and through the second floor, and from there the walls of flue can be 9 inches to the top, properly topped out and vented.

This flue or smokestack, including foundation, concrete floor for boiler, repairing rooms through which flue passes, properly flashing at roof line will cost at least eighteen hundred dollars, (\$1800).

If this work is properly installed it will give, without doubt, good satisfaction and would be entirely satisfactory; it would be nearly impossible to heat the Library from this point, (or practically so), the Library being much lower; as we cannot run steam down-hill without trapping the pipes with water.

On the other hand, the plant could be set in the basement of the Library the flue of ample size can be constructed, and all finish of any extra kind, needed or required for this extra work, including the concrete foundation for the boiler, for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, (\$250).

The steam pipes of ample size, from this boiler, can be carried into the basement of the Capitol building, for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, (\$150).

I would advise, as your Architect, for both buildings, that the heating plant be installed in the basement of the Library building, but your honorable Board must certainly make your own choice.

Respectfully submitted
M. J. CURTIS.

Slot Machine Robbed

Some time last night the nickel in the slot machine at the Barkley saloon was robbed. It was evidently the same operator who has been doing business in this city for several months, this being the fourth machine broken open and the contents taken. There is no clue as to who did the work.

The work of last night netted the operator about forty dollars as near can be figured, the cash being quarter dollars. The same tactic were used, the back door broken open and the machine ripped apart with a pry. It is to be hoped that the petty thief can be caught and landed in jail.

Lookout For Fakers

Today a big husky man who represents himself as a cripple worked part of the town. The sheriff was notified and is on the lookout for him. Any such characters should be reported to the Sheriff and he will put them in the cooler, report all such people to the authorities.

CONCRETE TANK

New Experiment To Be Tried In Carson Valley

Jim Logan, the stone mason, who has been employed at the new town of Minden, came down yesterday. He reports things pretty quiet at the new town pending the time when the railroad arrives at the new terminal.

Jim, has tried a new scheme in concrete work. At the Springmeyer farm one of the largest holdings in the valley, he has lately constructed a concrete water tank. Originally a wooden tank was mounted on the tower. This leaked and an iron tank was placed inside of it. This in time rusted through and Jim conceived the idea of filling the space with concrete. There was a six inch space between the two walls and this was filled with concrete while a new bottom was laid of the same material. The inner lining of iron was then taken out leaving a concrete tank. Water has been turned into the new tank and it holds without leak. The effect of weather and cold will be watched carefully and should this new idea result as is anticipated there will be a number of the same kind erected in Carson Valley.

FIRE PROOF VAULT

New State Bank Vault Will Offer Great Protection

Contractor Hollsworth, is making ready to construct the new bank vault for the State Bank & Trust Company. At the present time the workmen are busy cutting up a lot of steel cable that was used on the Comstock for hoisting. This heavy steel is to reinforce the walls of the concrete vault from every side and over it. The lesson shown in San Francisco has taken its hold here and the new bank will have a safe that is absolutely fire-proof. Any paper that is placed in the enclosure will be safe as far as the elements are concerned.

The new vault for the Tonopah Bank is to be constructed on the same lines, as half of the big coil of cable is being cut for that purpose.

The amount of cable required for each safe amount to over seven hundred feet, and weighs over three tons. By the time this is reinforced with concrete the outer walls will be as near burglar proof as material can make it. The most improved steel safe goes in the enclosure so that burglars or fire will have a hard time making an impression. It is one of the most modern appliances for safety and Carson and her banks can feel easy in regard to valuables, once they are under cover.

Annual Dinner

The ladies of the Methodist church will give their annual dinner on Decoration Day in Odd Fellows' hall. The proceeds will be used to repair the church.

NOT ASTRONOMERS

The Convicts of the Prison Dont Sleep Out of Doors

The story in the News and Journal that the convicts are now all out of doors sleeping under the stars, is all moonshine.

A consignment of Oregon boots however arrived at the State Prison this morning. This particular form of footwear is becoming quite fashionable in certain quarters, where the social exigencies do not make it positively necessary that cottillions and garmans shall constitute a stock form of amusement.

Five were received from Sheriff Ferrall, of Washoe, and will be placed upon convicts whose services are needed in the construction of the new cell house at the prison, but whose aversion to work and fondness for freedom are so great as to tempt them to lose no opportunity to take French leave. In every institution of the sort there are always a few unreliable individuals of the type referred to, and they are generally cared for in the dungeon, but at a time like this when the work of every inmate is desirable and when the unavoidable noise occasioned by the tearing out of old cells and the installation of new ones would rather tend to favor under-ground tunnel work, the Warden prefers to have such individuals in the yard, assisting in the work, and restrained from any foolish attempts at a break by the affectionate embrace of the Oregonian foot gear.

Half the prisoners from the cell-house are now domiciled at night in the old shoe shop, where under constant guard, they are as secure as can be expected. The building is stoutly constructed of stone, and the windows barred with iron. To reach the outside by an upward movement they would have to penetrate two ceilings and a roof of iron.

The work of demolishing the old cell-house is proceeding at a rapid rate, and the lower half of the structure looks on the inside as though it had been struck by a cyclone. A good deal of fine building stone went into the construction of many of these cells and it has been carefully taken out, as with but slight alteration it is being made over for use in the new supreme court building. This is probably the first instance on record where a prison has furnished the basis on which to support the supreme bench.

Notice to Voters

All persons whose names do not appear on the official register of the last general election and wish to register for the school election to be held in Carson School Dist., No. 1, on Monday the 28th inst., will have the opportunity to place their names on the registry list by applying at the Appeal office. The registry will close on Tuesday evening, May 22.

D. K. Smith, Registry Agent.

THE FISH COMMISSIONER

Why the Appointment Did Not Go To Washoe County

The Journal and News, are accusing Governor Sparks of bad faith in connection with the appointment of a Fish Commissioner.

It appears from the record that Mr. McCarran tendered his resignation to the Governor and recommended Mr. Morton to the vacancy.

He withdrew his resignation, which had been accepted, and then the Washoe County Commissioners met and passed a resolution recommending Mr. Bender to the place. A fight started in Washoe county over the matter which finally resulted in the Governors appointing some one outside of that county.

Washoe county had once been honored by the Governor by the appointment of a Washoe county man and if here had been no local fight there, over the matter, Washoe could have still kept the office.

Mr. Yerrington was very strongly recommended and there is now a quorum of the Board at the Capitol where they meet officially.

The Governor states that he did not maliciously ignore the Board of Washoe Commissioners or Mr. Morton. He believes that the next Legislature should have a man in every county in the State as auxiliary members. The following corresponded is interesting:

Tonopah, Nev. Mar. 8th. 06.
Mr. Walter Morton, Reno Nev.

Dear Friend:—I have this day sent in my resignation from the State Board of Fish Commissioners, and have recommended your appointment to that place.

I believe that Washoe county should have a member on that commission and as I have located permanently I believe that it is nothing more than right that I should resign and that some one who had the welfare of the business at heart should take the place. Knowing your interest in the matter, I have this day recommended your appointment to the Governor. Wishing you every prosperity,
I remain Yours Respectfully,
P. A. McCARRAN.

P. S. The enforcement of the laws for the protection of the fish is in the hands of the district attorney only; the State Board has no power in the matter.

Tonopah, Nev., Apr. 30 06.
Gov. John Sparks, Carson City Nev.

Dear Friend and Governor:—Some months ago I tendered my resignation to you from the appointment as a member of the fish commission of Nevada.

Mr. Mills has requested that I should remain on the commission on account of the fact that he and I had planned some work along lines of benefit to the industry in the State.

For that reason, I desire to withdraw the resignation tendered, if the same has not been accepted by you at the receipt of this letter. Trusting that all is well with you and yours,
I remain Yours Respectfully,
P. A. McCARRAN.

Reno, Nev., May 10th, 1906.
John Sparks, Governor of Nevada.

Dear Sir:—At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County, Nevada held on the above date, it was ordered that this Board respectfully request his excellency, the Governor of the State of Nevada, to appoint as a member of the State Board of Fish Commissioners.

Charles T. Bender,
of Reno, Washoe County, Nevada.
Vice Hon. P. A. McCarran resigned.
By order of the Board.
W. A. FOGG County Clerk.

Notice to Contractors

The State Board of Capitol Commissioners will receive bids for the construction of a heating plant suitable for heating the State Capitol and the Library building now in the course of construction, up to June 4th, 2 o'clock p. m.

Bids should be specific as to the kind of machinery proposed.

Information can be obtained from M. J. Curtis, Architect, Reno Nevada, as to the necessary requirements in the construction and connections to be made.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Address.— W. R. Davis, Clerk of the Board of Capitol Commissioners sealed and marked proposals for heating plant.
Carson City May 19th, 1906.

S. R. Davidson of Goldfield is a visitor.

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