

ANSWER GIVEN BY AUDITOR

Brewer Replies to Charges Against Tuberculosis Hospital Work

His M. Brewer of the board of auditors. "This contract was awarded by the building committee without the taking of competitive bids because it was an emergency. We acted only after obtaining advice of counsel that the procedure was proper. As we understand it the state law under which the sanitarium was built contemplates the letting of contracts by bids only for the construction and equipment of hospitals.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Melvin C. Hart, principal, Baldwin High School; C. R. Evans, former Birmingham businessman who left for London, England, Tuesday, is one of the finest men who will be missed very much by those who have known him.

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BOWLING

Scores from Merchant League games played Monday night at the Birmingham Recreation office.

Table with columns for team names (e.g., Gray Sweet Shop, Mulholland's, Frederick) and scores.

HEALTH EXAMS CONTINUE HERE

272 Children Tested, Report Of Department Shows

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SEE BIRD

Most of the world's gold comes from South Africa, about five-eighths of it coming from the Johannesburg district alone.

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"The work started at once and was carried to completion as rapidly as possible and was done in a manner that was entirely satisfactory to the special building committee."

"I approved the first two, Fred Debnberger and Ed. Sevenser the third one and Mr. Sevenser the fourth one. The special building committee passed a resolution authorizing the payment of the sums."

They found that 110 children needed attention because of tonsils and recommended that 114 children consult a dentist.

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"The records of the building committee and Board of Auditors are open to public inspection at any time and we welcome an examination of them from any who have criticized our work."

"We have an investment of over \$400,000 in our new tuberculosis hospital which is one of the finest buildings of that kind in the state. When you consider the amount of work that had to be done on the surrounding property before the hospital could be used for patients the sum paid for grading is not unreasonable."

Other activities of the department included the visiting of 172 stores and 2 dairies for various inspections.

"There has been comment because Alfred Gale looked after some of my duties while I was in attendance at the American Legion convention last fall. Mr. Gale was selected to take charge of building operations in which we were then engaged because he was chairman of the building committee and was in a position to carry on the work."

"For this service he received \$8 a day for 32 days. He used my office as his headquarters but had nothing to do with any other county business aside from the work that was being supervised by the building committee. The selection of Mr. Gale for this work had the approval of the whole building committee."

The examinations by the schools 191 160 133 484 are to be continued, if it is planned, 189 156 177 513 are to be continued, if it is planned, 108 181 170 519 The work is under the supervision of Dr. A. W. Newitt, village health officer.

Mlle. Jeanette, aged 30, of Boulogne, France, was committed as insane after she tried to kill her 10-year-old blind brother "to put him out of misery."

A. J. Hill, a butler of New Orleans, was awarded \$250 damages against his employer, who called Hill a "d— fool."

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