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TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM C. SHAMBAUGH.

The witness was duly sworn by the Chairman.

The Chairman. You are the blacksmith here?

Mr. Shambaugh. Yes, sir.

The Chairman. Do you teach blacksmithing to the pupils?

Mr. Shambaugh. Yes, sir. I do the general work for the school too; yes, sir.

The Chairman. How many ^upupils do you instruct?

Mr. Shambaugh. Now, last month I had 26.

The Chairman. Do they learn it pretty well?

Mr. Shambaugh. Not the full blacksmithing. I do not pretend — I try to make them good efficient helpers. The last year they got a number of applicants for boys to go out in shops for the summer, and they get the real work there of a general blacksmith.

The Chairman. What length of time does your course contemplate?

Mr. Shambaugh. Three years — that is, out in the shop. That is what I served.

The Chairman. What do they pay you here?

Mr. Shambaugh. \$800 a year.

The Chairman. How many boys do they detail, you say?

Mr. Shambaugh. I had 26 last month, I think. I think I had 13 in the forenoon and 13 in the afternoon. This month now I have had one or two more.

The Chairman. Are you furnished with quarters here?

Mr. Shambaugh. No, sir. I asked, but they refused to give me quarters. When I came here I came under the conditions that

I was to get my \$900 the same as the other men, and they said they did not have quarters. And, of course, Mr. Mercer left, and this man --- I asked this man also, and he did not give me any quarters, and I did not get my raise either.

The Chairman. Neither the wagon maker, the tinner, the painter, nor the carpenter get quarters?

Mr. Shambaugh. No, sir. I don't know whether the others asked. I know some of the rest did ask and were refused.

The Chairman. What percentage of the boys detailed to you learn the trade?

Mr. Shambaugh. A very small percentage.

The Chairman. Why?

Mr. Shambaugh. Of course, this last year or so it is not so bad, but heretofore they used to change the boys and take them out, and the boys had lost interest in the business, and only a boy that had aptitude would stick to it and learn the business. It is about three years now that they have had the cutting system now, and they go out and earn a little money and also learn. There might be 8 or 10 boys I could mention that I could mention that is carrying on business for themselves and working that have made a success out of it.

The Chairman. Does the superintendent appear to be interested in the boys who engage in this work? Does he come around the shop there?

Mr. Shambaugh. He walks through, but he seldom stops and gives any encouragement. He finds fault sometimes with things that are absolutely unnecessary in my estimation.

The Chairman. He does not give you much encouragement,

or the boys either?

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Mr. Shambaugh. No, sir.

The Chairman. Do you know that the boys complain that they do not get enough to eat?

Mr. Shambaugh. Yes, sir.

The Chairman. What is their feeling generally, so far as you know it, toward the superintendent?

Mr. Shambaugh. The majority of them have lost respect for their head.

The Chairman. And they manifest that?

Mr. Shambaugh. Yes, sir.

Representative Stephens. Are there any buildings on the grounds belonging to the school that would be available for housing you gentlemen?

Mr. Shambaugh. I do not know. They have one right up here next to the superintendent that is empty, for friends. I don't know whether the friends have more money than the industrial men here or not. Down here is Mr. Warner, the athletic man — he has got one. Here is a nice place where a man has a whole house; that is, Mr. Stauffer.

The Chairman. Room could be provided for both families?

Mr. Shambaugh. I think so. Up here is a nice house that the assistant superintendent used to be in. It would be a nice house for a man that had a family.

Representative Stephens. ^{re} Has any of you ^{ever} represented these facts to the authorities?

Mr. Shambaugh. When he put up the double cottage that the carpenter spoke of I asked them for quarters, and he said that he could not give individual quarters to the industrial

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at that time.

TESTIMONY OF H. GARDNER.

The witness was duly sworn by the Chairman.

The Chairman. What are your duties here, Mr. Gardner?

Mr. Gardner. Assistant carpenter.

The Chairman. Do you give any instruction to the pupils?

Mr. Gardner. I do.

The Chairman. Would it be practicable, in your judgment, for the carpenter and assistant carpenter with proper details of students to do the work on the buildings — the repair work and construction work?

Mr. Gardner. New buildings? I do.

The Chairman. How is it now done generally?

Mr. Gardner. Here of late we have been hiring a good bit of outside help, and the boys are sent out on farms. That is about why we do not get our buildings accomplished.

The Chairman. Who constructed the old buildings here?

Mr. Gardner. I did, sir.

The Chairman. How was that done? Was that done with student labor principally?

Mr. Gardner. The biggest part of it. The building you are in now was built by the boys.

The Chairman. Who was superintendent at that time?

Mr. Gardner. General Pratt.

The Chairman. How is the discipline compared to what it was under other administrations?

Mr. Gardner. Well, it is not what it ought to be.

The Chairman. What is the feeling among the pupils toward the superintendent?