



ALWAYS A CHANCE FOR DRINK VICTIM IN ST. PAUL'S CLUB

Derelicts Lifted From Seemingly Hopeless Degradation and Made Useful and Self-respecting Citizens.

A sudden wreck of a man shuffled along the river front and wondered how long it took to drown. He had had a long fight with John Barleycorn—and he had lost. He had nothing to live for. He had lost everything he had to love, family, friends, business and health. The whiskey had even taken away his appetite for food, and now he could not even get whiskey. So he nerved himself and crept closer to the bullhead. The waves murmured invitingly.

A laborer on his way to work noticed the letter and intercepted him. There was a short conversation and the two went off together. They turned in at the Lombard street club, St. Paul's Club, and the man to whom death had called was put to bed. Then, in the brutally direct parlance of the street, he went to the mat.

This is almost an everyday occurrence at St. Paul's. Sometimes every one of the beds in the institution is occupied, and none but inebriates are admitted. The club might be called the house of the last chance. Its avowed object is to give to the man who has lost everything, who has given up the fight against liquor, another chance.

As a matter of fact, St. Paul's gives each man four chances before it classifies him as a congenital drunkard. It is the first, second or third time after the club has "put him on his feet" his sponsor is bound by his pledge to bring him back. Putting a man on his feet at St. Paul's means just that. He is fed and cared for until he is able to work. Then a job is obtained for him and he is kept until his first payday.

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The whole scheme of the club is marvelously simple. With the exception of the house it occupies, which is donated by the Episcopal City Mission, the organization is self-supporting. There are no stated dues. Each member contributes what he thinks he can afford. No questions are asked and nothing is accepted from a five-cent piece to a five-dollar bill.

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Old St. Paul's also has a superintendent, but one man rarely stays in this office. Sometimes a man holds the office one day. The superintendent is a man who has been brought in off the streets to take the care for drunkards. He is generally in the institution, ready to make a new start in the world by training some one else in the simple duties of the superintendent. No questions are put to the man who is taken in by St. Paul's. If he is coherent he is asked to make a simple pledge. He abstains from the use of any intoxicant. He goes where he is pleased to go, and where he is pleased to go, he takes a stronger pledge. He promises to stand by his ability, to claim him in every way he can, to follow him if he falls off the wagon, and bring him back for another chance.

No medicine is given the patient, and his treatment at the club is calculated to show whether or not he has that quality in a man known as the "will." If he has not, the club makes it its business to do everything possible to make of him a good citizen.

It is told plainly that the club cannot help him unless he has some will-power of his own and is determined to use it. Then, if he has been drinking enough, he goes to the mat and sees the angles of what is best for the patient.

The Friday evening following the admission of a patient he is proposed for membership at the regular meeting of the club by his sponsor. His name is duly entered on the books and everything is sent on him is charged on against him. When work is obtained for him, after he has recovered and is able to work, he pays back to the club the money he made to collect it, however, should the beneficiary prove ungrateful. He may walk out next free, and not a hand will be raised to help him. The rate of payment is like the dues—anything the man can afford.

The officers and members of the club, however, are rather proud of the fact that they are seldom "drunk-dead." They don't say of the professional bun, and it is the claim of the officers that this type of man is an exception, but not often.

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CITY REGISTRATION NOT UP TO FIGURES OF THE FIRST DAY

Unofficial Returns Indicate That Voters Show Less Eagerness to Qualify Than On September 3.

Register and Make Certain of Your Vote

Register tonight. You can do so until 10 o'clock. Failure to register means loss of your vote at the election, November 3. Large registration, reform leaders say, spells defeat of Penrose. October 3 will be the only other registration day. Registrars will sit in every polling place from 7 a. m. to 10 a. m. and from 4 p. m. to 10 p. m. Enrollment under a party name is not necessary. Poll tax or property tax receipts dated since November 3, 1912, will qualify elector for registration. Poll tax receipts may be bought from the division registrars, if the elector's name appears on the assessor's list.

Official registration returns made to the headquarters of the various parties at noon today indicated that the registration for the three hours the polls were open this morning was moderate. While the registration seemed to exceed considerably that of the second registration day last year, still it was far below that of the first, second or third time after the club has "put him on his feet" his sponsor is bound by his pledge to bring him back. Putting a man on his feet at St. Paul's means just that. He is fed and cared for until he is able to work. Then a job is obtained for him and he is kept until his first payday.

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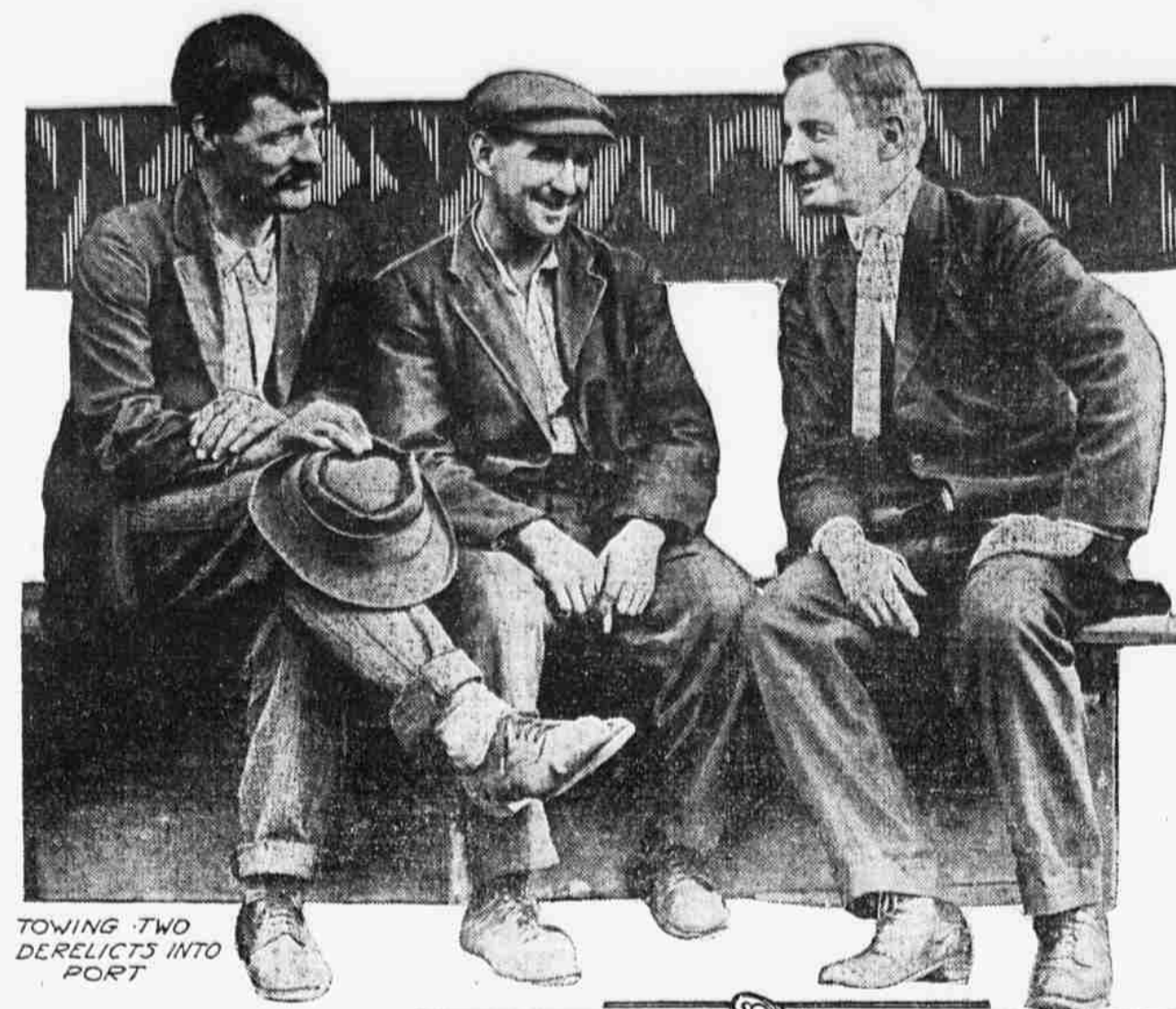
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HOW OLD ST. PAUL'S MEMBERS WORK



TOWING TWO DERELICTS INTO PORT

ROOSEVELT LEAVES THURSDAY TO TALK IN MIDDLE WEST

Colonel Will Return October 1 and Will Begin New York Campaign One Week Later.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will leave Oyster Bay next Thursday for a two weeks' speaking trip in the Middle West. He will extend his tour four days longer than originally intended. He will return on October 1, and after a week's rest will begin his political campaign in New York City.

The Colonel is due in Kansas on Saturday, and that night will speak in Wichita. The following Monday he will speak in Kansas City, and on Tuesday he will address a meeting in Lincoln, Neb. His other engagements are as follows: Wednesday, September 23, Des Moines; Thursday, 24th, Chicago in the morning and East St. Louis in the evening; Friday, 25th, Indianapolis. He will be in Ohio on September 28 and 29, and in Bay City, Mich., on September 30.

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CARRIAGE HITS MAIL CAR

Runaway Horse Drags Man Who Attempted to Stop It.

A runaway horse, dragging a man who vainly attempted to stop it, crashed into a trolley mail car at 52d street and Hurler's avenue this morning, and then careened against a telegraph pole, striking the light carriage to which it was attached to killing. The man, John Kelly, an employe of St. Paul's Livestock stable, and Bromhall, a woman, were escaped with a crash in the head and several bruises.

The horse is the property of the Pitt department. It was being closed in front of the livery stable when it became frightened by a passing automobile and bolted. Kelly, who was driving the carriage, was lifted off his feet and, although in danger of being pinned by the shaft of the carriage, held on.

A small car was passing 52d street on Baltimore street when the runaway turned out of Broad street. The man, who was driving the carriage, struck the horse, and in recovering the animal dragged a telegraph pole and this brought the runaway to a stop.

Kelly was taken to a drug store for treatment and then sent to the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital in the patrol of the 24th and Pine streets station. His condition is not serious. The horse was not injured.

REV. DR. COLFELT TO RETIRE

Pastor of West Green Street Presbyterian Church Resigns.

One of the city's oldest and best-known Presbyterian ministers, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence M. Colfelt, pastor of West Green Street Presbyterian Church, Nineteenth and Green streets, is to retire. His resignation and the matter of selecting a successor will be considered at a congregational meeting to be called in the near future.

Dr. Colfelt came to the city to become pastor of Oxford Presbyterian Church in 1881 and has served the West Green street congregation since 1899.

It is believed in the light of the resignation that no new pastor will be called and that the congregation will disband. Once a prosperous church the attendance has so dwindled in the last few years and the membership dropped off to such an extent through removals and other causes that it is the consensus of opinion among the congregation that it is inadvisable to continue.

The church property, which cost \$20,000 to build, will in case the church disbands be disposed of by the Presbytery.

Local Men Aid British Hospital.—The second list of subscriptions to be raised by American women in England for funds to equip a surgical hospital and an ambulance ship has been started. Robert E. Strawbridge and Anthony J. Irvell, of Philadelphia, each subscribed \$100, the first day the books were opened.

WAR RISK BUREAU TELLS OF CARGO INSURANCE PLANS

Rates to Be Determined by Nature of Shipments and Dangers Involved in Reaching Foreign Ports.

Instructions were received in this city today from the Federal War Risk Insurance Bureau, operating under the act of August 10, 1911, which provides for covering conditions under which the bureau is to issue war risk insurance.

The bureau asks that all applications for insurance of this sort be directed to the local agents of the various companies, but that the value of the cargo be less than the value of the policy the bureau will pay a return premium for the amount of insurance in excess of the actual value.

The new war risk policies will be rated almost exclusively on the character and character of the cargo and the risks involved in reaching the port for which the vessel is cleared.

The new fire insurance company, which has been chartered by J. S. Fenwick, C. V. Meserve and other New York interests will shortly be launched, according to present plans. It is proposed that the company will have a capital of \$500,000.

SERGEANT VICTOR IN HARD STRUGGLE WITH HIGHWAYMEN

He Captures One and Beats Two Others After They Attack Him—More Arrested On Suspicion.

Three highwaymen, who jumped out of an alley and attacked Acting Sergeant Wildridge of the Twentieth and Federal street police station, near Twentieth and Ellsworth streets, are being watched along in plain clothing early today, found that they had picked the wrong man after a fight of 15 minutes, in which all three were badly beaten and one was captured.

The sergeant, bruised from head to foot and at the point of exhaustion, brought John McCarty, 23 years old, of six Stanton street, to the station after his other assistants had fled. Later Richard Meade, 25 years old, of 2113 South Eighth street and Stephen Conway, 22 years old, of 229 South street, were arrested by Patrolmen McHenry and Schwering on suspicion at 18th and Morris streets.

The sergeant, on his way home, had just passed the entrance of a dark alley between 20th and 21st streets, when, without warning, the three men pounced on him. He was knocked to the ground. His assistants dragged him into the alley and tried to rob him, he declares. Wildridge succeeded in pulling out his blackjack. He struck at his feet, striking out right and left. The men kicked, punched and tried to choke him, but Wildridge kept his feet and in a few minutes McCarty was knocked down by a blow from the blackjack. The others fled.

All of the men arrested are known to the police. Three of the highwaymen, however, have been reported in the neighborhood downtown within the last few weeks.

School Repair Contracts Let.—The Property Committee of the Board of Education opened bids for awarded contracts aggregating \$100,000 this afternoon for repairing and installing new lighting fixtures, repairing heating apparatus and making other improvements in 18 public school buildings.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTE OPENS DOORS FOR 91ST YEAR

Mechanical Arts School Has Largest Enrollment in Its History.

The Franklin Institute School of Mechanical Arts last night began its 91st year, with the largest enrollment in the history of the institution. The classes in mathematics, mechanics, naval architecture and drawing showed gains in popularity.

Congressman George W. Edmonds, of the Fourth Pennsylvania District, has offered five scholarships. They cover a period of two years, and are offered in the departments of drawing, mathematics, mechanics and naval architecture. Samuel M. Vauclain, vice president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, has offered a prize for the pupil who shows most merit in the department of mechanics. W. D. Baldwin, president of the Otis Elevator Company, and J. R. McCall, president of the Philadelphia Electric Company, have offered prizes for students showing the most aptitude in drawing and mathematics.

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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TWENTY Boys and Girls Will Have Free Tuition at Turgeimede.

The names of ten boys and ten girls from the elementary schools will be selected from a list furnished by principals September 25 for scholarships, to be given by the Philadelphia Turgeimede in honor of Captain Louis Hilbrand. The scholarships will provide free tuition for one year in gymnastics, swimming, German, drawing, modeling and handwork in classes conducted by the Turgeimede.

So that the work will not interfere with school classes the lessons will be given after school hours and on Saturdays. Pupils from the seventh and eight grades will be preferred. The selection will be made by the officers of the Philadelphia School Committee, chairman of the Scholarship Committee and the Superintendent of Schools.

GIRARD PROPERTIES SOLD

City, as Trustee, Disposes of Lots at Third and Porter Streets.

Two adjoining properties occupying the northwest and southwest corners of Third and Porter streets respectively, have been sold by the city of Philadelphia, trustee of the Stephen Girard estate, to Mark Haller, who will develop the ground with dwellings.

One property comprises a front of 228 feet on Ritten street, with a depth of 125 feet and the other a front of 226 feet on Ritten street, with a depth of 125 feet on Stone House lane. Both lots are assessed at a total of \$2,000 and the purchase price was \$4,000, comprising a \$2,500 mortgage on the Ritten street lot to J. H. Weintraub and a \$1,500 mortgage on the Ritten street lot.

WORKERS APPLAUD GOMPERS

Garment Makers Receive His Congratulations and Praise Porter.

Congratulations were extended by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, at the Academy of Music last night, to the garment workers who recently settled their grievances with the local manufacturers. An air of peace prevailed, and the enthusiastic workers applauded all suggestions for square dealing.

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MAINE DEMOCRATIC BY 2698 AFTER EXCITING CONTEST

Curtis Defeats Governor Haines and His Party Wins Legislature—Three of the Four Congressmen Republicans.

PORTLAND, Maine, Sept. 15.—In one of the closest elections the State has ever known, the Democrats yesterday elected Oakley C. Curtis Governor. The several thousands of voters who supported Roosevelt in the 1912 election flocked to the polls yesterday to back the Republican ticket, but their number was not enough to down the Democrats.

Owing to the exceedingly closeness of the vote no one could be at all confident of the result until the last ballot had been counted. The returns from all the cities, towns and plantations gave Curtis, Democrat, 55,577; William T. Haines, Republican, 56,179, and Gardner, Progressive, 17,147; Curtis' plurality, 2995.

The four Congressmen, Asher C. Hinds, John A. Peters and Frank E. Guernsey, Republicans, and Daniel J. McMillen, Democrat, were re-elected, according to the same returns as those received in the governorship contest. The missing towns are too small to change the count, although the plurality may be reduced somewhat.

The returns indicate that the Democrats have made gains in the Legislature. The representative districts reporting have elected 46 Democrats, 12 Republicans and 2 Progressives, just the reversal of the Democratic and Republican count of two years ago, while the Progressives at that time reported three. The Senate appears to be about the same as two years ago. The House elected then was made up of 72 Republicans, 82 Democrats and 7 Progressives.

The early returns favored Curtis, then the tide turned toward Haines, but after midnight Portland and Bangor were heard from, and the former failed by 1000 to keep up the pace set by the more sizable white Bangor fell off completely on Haines' votes.

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BRUMBAUGH STANDS SQUARELY ON PLEDGE MADE TO PEOPLE

Republican Candidate for Governor Refuses to Be a Party to Political Bargain or Treachery.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 15.—Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Republican candidate for Governor, this morning issued the following statement in reply to the offer of the Philadelphia North American to support him if he would repudiate Penroseism.

"My attention has been called to a letter addressed to me and appearing in a newspaper. I have had no copy of this sent me.

"In this letter it appears that the writer, under the assurance of a proffered support to me, seeks an excuse to give support to the opposition. Each one has a perfect right in this campaign to follow whatever guidance he may select, but I wholly refuse to be made a party to any political bargain or treachery.

"It seems that some people are unable to understand the language in my primary platform. I infer this from a statement of the editor of the North American, in the use of language, finds my statements vague and indefinite. It is, however, comforting that the voters generally seemed to understand my language and comprehend my motives. To make clear my position in the several matters referred to in the letter above cited, I wish to state as follows:

"First, I stand for every statement in my primary platform. I shall use my best endeavor to keep faith with the people. The things I have said I shall continue to stand for and work for.

"Second, I have no understanding with anybody to do or not to do anything in any way that will promote or promote while in office. I know no boss. I never will. Even a newspaper cannot boss me. My hands are open, my heart is free, my mind is clear. I have no ulterior motive. I have one unswerving purpose—to live with my conscience whether I hold office or not.

"Third, I have declared for local option and stand by that declaration. I have assured people in a score of utterances that I shall do all I honorably can to promote local option in this State. What more can an honest man say or do?"

"Fourth, I have always been a friend of the laborer. I have given my life in a large way to conserve and promote the strength, the education, the moral welfare of all our people. I have had many years of practical experience in dealing with the labor of this State. No man has had a larger or more sacred record to the problem. I refer to my record. I shall allow no one, even in an accidental discussion, to state any facts for the best possible legislation for all our workers, men, women and children.

"As a teacher I have found it necessary to repeat what has already been said. Some pupils learn only after such repetitions. Some refuse to learn even then, because they are resolved not to do so.

"On May primaries 23,000 voters of Pennsylvania, all legally qualified people, gave me their support as a candidate on the Republican ticket. I carry their pledge. I shall do so to the end. The other Republican candidates also carry a direct pledge from the people who supported them at the primary. I shall lend myself to no leader or group or faction in this State. I shall do so to the end. I have no ulterior motive. I have one unswerving purpose—to live with my conscience whether I hold office or not.

"Doctor Brumbaugh issued the above statement last before leaving the train for Donora this morning, where he will dedicate a new school this afternoon.

BULL MOOSE COMMITTEE TO MEET AT HARRISBURG

Substitution of McCormick for Lewis Is Expected.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 15.—Members of the Washington Party State Committee and other leaders of the Bull Moose party seem to be in no hurry to come here to tomorrow's meeting of the Bull Moose Committee. None is in until tomorrow morning, with possible exceptions in the case of members from distant counties, who have to come today to make sure of being here.

State Chairman A. Nevin Dietrich has reserved his usual headquarters on the second floor of the Hotel Hamilton for the Bull Moose meeting. He has wired that he will be here tomorrow morning.

The worst case of the Bull Moose party is expected to be the Philadelphia men will arrive late tomorrow forenoon.

Substitution of Vance C. McCormick for Governor in place of Dean Lewis is confidently expected, and the returns of the Maine election have not tended to lessen this belief.

BRUMBAUGH DEDICATES SCHOOL in Speech at Donora.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 15.—Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh dedicated the new Donora High School here this afternoon. The ceremony was short, owing to the late start of the train. Brumbaugh, chairman of the State Committee met Dr. Brumbaugh at the Union depot and had a long subject matter talk with him. What the subject of their conversation was could not be learned.

From this city the gubernatorial party went to Monacaqua, Pa., where they will stop over night. From there they will go to Monacaqua.

Tonight Dr. Brumbaugh will deliver an address in Greensburg, after which he will leave for Harrisburg.