

MAJOR WILL TEST COUNCIL'S SUDEN ZEAL FOR THE IDLE

Hopes for Definite Decision on a Plan to Use City Funds to Give Work to the Unemployed.

Organization Men's Abrupt Solicitude for Relief of Distress Suspected of Being a Pre-Election Change of Heart.

The conference of city officials advocated by Mayor Blankenburg to determine definitely the means for releasing the idle millions in the City Treasury to provide work for the unemployed during the coming winter will be held within the next two weeks.

John P. Connelly, chairman of the special joint Councilmen's committee, named to devise means of furnishing relief to the unemployed, said today that he and Select Councilman E. W. Patton, of the 27th Ward, would represent Councils at the conference. The other members of the conference will be Mayor Blankenburg, City Solicitor Ryan and City Controller Walton.

A final settlement of the controversy on the amount of municipal funds available for contract and the placing of those funds under actual contract, supporters of the Administration declare, will be accomplished if the Mayor receives general co-operation and support from the members of the committee.

It is unlikely, even if the funds are made available by Councils in their sudden solicitude, concern over the unemployed, that more than 200 men could be put to work on actual construction projects during the approaching winter months, which are ordinarily unseasonable for such work.

Independent forces saw in the abrupt "relief" campaign of Councils a pre-election activity. Mayor Blankenburg, however, attended the meeting of the Councilmen's committee and made the suggestion that will, if carried out, afford genuine relief.

Among 250 items from 15 best bond issues are many small unexpended balances that could be transferred to the Sinking Fund and thus increase the borrowing capacity of the city for other important projects.

Mayor Blankenburg is of the opinion that all funds that can be made available would provide work for probably 500 men this winter.

Director Porter, of the Department of Public Safety, said that he could provide employment for 300 or 400 men in the Electrical Bureau, on construction and repair work, if funds were made available.

Director Porter and Director Cooke, of the Department of Public Works, are now making efforts to avoid laying off through lack of funds, men now employed.

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the support of the local Progressive ticket, he continued his attacks upon Penrose as a blot upon national politics.

The Colonel returned to Unifontain in time for a meeting at 2:30 this afternoon.

Roosevelt started to celebrate his birthday at 8 o'clock by repeating his vicious attacks upon Penrose to 1000 workmen, who stood on box cars and in the square on 31st avenue in McKeesport, the heart of ex-Congressman Dalzell's famous district.

William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, joined the party at McKeesport and rode with Roosevelt on the special train. Penrose was the day. R. H. Quay is not with the party.

At Monongahela City 1200 school children greeted the train. Penrose was the day. R. H. Quay is not with the party.

"I have come into Pennsylvania," said the Colonel in Charleston, "to ask you men to be true to yourselves, to your wives and to the children who come after you by finishing the work started two years ago. We must invade the work and smash the whole Penrose machine."

Fully 2500 persons thronged the station platform to hear him.

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BRUMBAUGH TELLS FARMERS HIS PLANS FOR BETTER ROADS

Promises Immediate Reorganization of State Highway Department on Triumphant Tour of Democratic Berks.

From a Staff Correspondent WOMELSDORF, Pa., Oct. 27.—Escorted by a party in 16 automobiles decorated with flags, Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Republican candidate for Governor, made a triumphant tour through Berks County, a Democratic stronghold, today.

In spite of the sudden cold which made outdoor campaigning uncomfortable, an enthusiastic greeting was given Doctor Brumbaugh at the five towns between here and Reading where stops were made.

Better roads for the farmers was the keynote of Doctor Brumbaugh's speeches. He told the people frankly that conditions in the State Highway Department at present were not what they should be. One of his first official acts when elected, he declared, would be the thorough reorganization of the Highway Department from the standpoint of efficiency instead of politics.

One hundred cents worth of service for every dollar spent on the roads must be given by those in charge of our highways, he declared, and to this end he promised that the men in charge of politicians would immediately be placed in the responsible places.

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A member of the committee had composed the following song which was sung in honor of the candidate.

"Bring in your votes for Brumbaugh; he is the man you're looking for, we will bring back to good old times. We will boost our man today; may he continue our way on the coming election day."

Among those at the station were J. H. Cummings, president of the Station Hat Company; Mayor Ira W. Stratton, ex-Mayor William F. Shanaman, County Commissioner Eugene I. Sands, J. Brumbaugh, president of the Penn National Bank, and Republican County Chairman Dr. C. D. Werley.

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DR. J. C. DOANE NAMED HEAD OF PHILA. HOSPITAL

Provisional Appointee Finished Second in Competitive Examinations.

Director Harte, of the Department of Public Health and Charities, today appointed Dr. Joseph C. Doane as chief resident physician of the Philadelphia General Hospital at a salary of \$1000 a year. Doctor Doane has been provisional appointee for some months. He came to this city from the Miners' Hospital at Scranton.

A civil service examination was held at the post, and Doctor Doane stood second with an average of 86.46. First on the list was Dr. Charles F. Sanborn, of the City Hospital, Clinchfield, with an average of 88 per cent. He looked upon by physicians as a remarkably good. Doctor Harte said today that Doctor Sanborn was unavailable.

The former chief resident at the Philadelphia General Hospital was Dr. J. C. Doane. Among those who took the civil service examination, in which the resident clause was waived, were Drs. Mark C. Fleming, of the Bellevue Hospital, New York, and Robert C. Crumpton, of St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago.

MANY DIE IN MINE TORN BY EXPLOSION

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In a pocket in the drift Harris found 15 dazed and injured miners. He led them out an adjoining drift untouched by the flames.

Immediately after the explosion, word was sent to the mine rescue stations at Ronton, Ill., and St. Louis, and soon a special train of rescue workers was rushing to Royaltown with their rescue crews. When the extent of the accident became known, the mine officials saw the need of a rescue party to handle the situation, and word was then sent to Springfield, Ill., which is a considerable distance from here, to send a rescue party to Royaltown there.

The mine was one of the largest and richest in the Big Muddy district and southern Illinois, producing the finest quality of coal in the Middle West. The shaft was comparatively new, having been sunk less than ten years ago. It was near the famous Letter mine at Ziegler, which was wrecked several years ago by a gas explosion.

DR. WALTER D. GREEN KILLED

Death by Express Train in North Jersey Announced Today.

Dr. Walter D. Green, a well-known Philadelphia physician and medical inspector, was killed Sunday night by an express train near Bellemont, Somerset County, N. J., it was announced today.

Somerset County officials believe Doctor Green wandered to the Reading Railway tracks from a sanatorium at Bellemont, where he was recovering from an illness.

Doctor Green was born in New Jersey, the son of the late Judge Edward T. Green. He received his medical training at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He was a resident physician at the Presbyterian Hospital and subsequently accepted an appointment as medical inspector of the Philadelphia General Hospital.

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TEACHING OF LITTLE PUPILS GREAT WORK OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Mrs. John Loman Points Out to Philadelphia Workers the Importance of Elementary Instruction.

The most important work done in the Sunday schools is the teaching of elementary pupils, was an opinion advanced this afternoon by Mrs. John Loman, diocesan visitor of Episcopal Sunday schools, in an address before a large number of Philadelphia workers in attendance at the "elementary day" session of the Philadelphia County Sunday School Association, in Mesiah Lutheran Church, 16th and Jefferson streets.

For this reason, Mrs. Loman showed the importance of teachers in the elementary schools being trained to teach the truths of the Bible to the children, and not simply to act as caretakers of the little folk for an hour a week, as was customary years ago. She said in part:

"In the 19th century, when a teacher was needed for the primary department of a school, the school board would select a woman who was a mother of 3 to 13 years of age, the question was asked, 'Will you teach?' which meant, 'Will you come to the Sunday school for a lesson to a class of 5-year-olds on the Pauline Epistles—the trained teacher teaches them of the Heavenly Father's love and care.'

"Now happily, this is changed and the question of the 20th century is, 'Can you teach?' Have you the ability to plant seeds of truth in the fresh young minds?"

"God long unspokeably that His plan for each young soul be carefully worked out, and to the elementary teacher is given the inestimable privilege of laying the foundation stones of Christian character."

"Careful training is needed for God's fellow-workers, for the education of souls cannot be accomplished without prayerful preparation. An untrained teacher is a lesson to a class of 5-year-olds on the Pauline Epistles—the trained teacher teaches them of the Heavenly Father's love and care."

"The untrained teacher looked upon her class as 'a lot of little dumb animals they won't talk or sing—and taught them in that spirit.'"

"The trained teacher saw in that class beautiful plastic material to be made for the Master's use, and poured out her love in her teaching."

"Know the child, know the lesson, honor the child, and the work will be done. Blessings will crown your efforts."

Following Mrs. Loman's address, the workers joined in a discussion of the subject, with Mrs. Emilie F. Kaeser as moderator. Sectional conferences were then held at the luncheon hour.

The speakers at these were Miss Josephine M. J. Baldwin, Miss Cora N. Coates and Miss Rose Russell.

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POSTOFFICE ALTERATIONS

Space Will be Provided for Handling Large Amount of Mail.

Work on the proposed alterations in the Postoffice Building, at 9th and Market streets, will be started in the near future, according to an announcement made today by Postmaster John A. Thornton.

For several days agents of the Postoffice Department from Washington have been in the city looking over the local postoffice and deciding on certain alterations to give more room for handling a larger amount of mail.

According to the plans, the money order department, now on the second floor, and the postal savings department, at the end of Chestnut street, corner of the building, will occupy the quarters of the parcels post department at 9th and Market streets. These two departments will be in charge of Timothy J. Keohane, superintendent of finance.

The parcel post department will be removed to the new parcels post station at 27th and Market streets. Additional packages will be received at the central office.

The space vacated by the postal savings bank department at 9th and Chestnut streets will be occupied by the inquiry department. Much of the business of the inquiry department will be transacted on a mezzanine floor, which will be built along the Chestnut street side of the building. The mezzanine will be an office will be kept on the main floor to receive public complaints.

A large platform giving 40 feet of additional space will be built along the rear of the building, which will be used for motor trucks load mail for distribution. This change will facilitate the handling of the Christmas rush.

CHRISTMAS SHIP TO BE HERALD OF CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

City Hall Pavilion a Revelation of Self-sacrifice of Givers to War's Helpless Victims.

If you want to be imbued with the real Christmas spirit; to see exemplified the real principle of generous giving, the giving which represents a sacrifice and which takes no thought of a gift to be received in return, then pay a visit to the Christmas ship pavilion in the City Hall court, where overflowing the counters and piled ceiling high are packages and crates of contributions for the youngsters of warring Europe.

You wouldn't believe that any such things as "hard times" or "financial depression" were in existence, and yet, according to the officials of the Child Federation, it is just those people least endowed with this world's goods who are giving the most.

Five and ten dollar bills are being dropped into the contribution bowls as though those precious notes grew on trees in the streets. Expensive blankets and coats are being given away. Gifts which cannot be bought for a song are being carried in cartloads.

The parcel post automobile and huge quantities of clothing are being packed each other out of the way in an endeavor to deposit their burdens. Little pushcarts bearing gifts wedge their way between the counters and the people who are doing it. Never has City Hall court seen such a sight before.

EVERYONE AFFLICTED SEND AID. From all over the State and from many of the bordering States the gifts are coming. Even the State Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb is contributing. This morning the Pennsylvania Institute for the Deaf and Dumb sent a box containing one half dozen warm caps and a half dozen equally warm mittens. In fact, there is scarcely a school or an institution within a hundred miles of Philadelphia which has not given.

Mrs. Thomas Hobbs and her corps of assistants are doing their very best to keep their heads level in an endeavor to meet the onrush with equanimity and to keep from being swamped by it. Packages are being shipped upon feverishly and hatches are being lifted to make huge crates yield their contents.

The sounds of industry fill the air. In addition to opening the packages every single article is being checked and packed to the large blankets, is being listed. This means work, and work is being done. Prospective contributors are still crying for more time.

"Do not close the pavilion tomorrow afternoon," say they, "and the orphans will receive even more presents."

And then the Child Federation is put to the test. It is necessary to close the pavilion on the 25th is necessary for the success of the expedition. The task of delivering the gifts to the various counties is a task of such a very colossal one that time will be needed to get them to their destination and every child on Christmas morning.

WHERE GIFTS WILL BE LANDED

Bordeaux will be the port of entry for France. Germany will be served by Rotterdam. Belgium will be taken care of by England, but Russia, Austria and Servia present problems. Negotiations with the Swedish and Norwegian Ministers are in order at present to see if it will be possible to reach the Czar's children across the Finnish frontier by way of Bergen. The Servian remembrances will be sent to the Greek port of Salonica and it is thought that the Austrian youngsters will be served through Trieste, though the mined Adriatic seems a difficult route. But there doesn't seem too much to expect that the good ship Jason freighted with her precious cargo will sail safely in, watched by some special guardian angel, and no little child even in the most remote and benighted nation will be disappointed.

G. A. R. RELIEF MEETS

250 Women Attend 21st Annual Convention in Roxborough.

CALAMITY HOWLERS, LED BY PENROSE, PUT DAMPER ON TRADE

Kensington Textile Men Deprecate His Speeches. Shopkeepers Cheerful, but a Few Manufacturers Disapprove Evening Ledger.

"Calamity howlers," of whom the chief is United States Senator Boies Penrose are responsible for the comparatively slight business depression existing in Kensington, Philadelphia's vast textile district, according to bankers, business men and workingmen.

Penrose is being criticized today in Kensington even by the men who declare their intention of voting for him in the belief that he will protect business interests. His talks of business depression, these men say, are doing more harm than anything else to hurt conditions.

Comparison of the conditions existing now in Kensington with the records of employment, bank deposits and mills working in 1910, not to mention the years of 1907 and 1908, indicate that Kensington is not experiencing hard times.

PENROSE SPEECHES HARMFUL. Short-time schedules are being used at many of the mills, but this does not mean that the workers are being subjected to hardships. The average textile worker on short time is working five days a week. Comparatively few have been laid off, and none of the really big mills has been closed.

Bankers and others in a position to know the Kensington situation who vote for Penrose, openly declare that the things are responsible for any depression that may exist at present. The first is the lack of initiative on the part of the business men, they assert.

BUSINESS GOOD IN KENSINGTON. Most of the plants closed in Kensington are those of small firms employing on the average about 20 workers. Careful investigation by the EVENING LEDGER indicates that 75 per cent. of the 19,000 textile workers are on short time, averaging four or five days a week. Recalling the panic years and the fact that in some instances in those years workers were laid off altogether.

Small storekeepers in Kensington laugh at the idea of business depression. They say that in the panic years and the fact that in some instances in those years workers were laid off altogether.

The same thing applies to the moving picture houses, all of which are doing a good business. Restaurant proprietors also are doing their very best to object to present-day conditions.

MANUFACTURERS CRITICAL. Some of the larger business men in Kensington criticize the EVENING LEDGER for its denunciation of Penrose and Penroselism. A typical instance is the statement made by John W. Snowden, vice president and general manager of the Stead & Miller Company, manufacturers of upholstery and draperies, at Cambria and Lettow streets. He said:

"I won't tell you whether we are working or not, but I will tell you what we are doing. I need agents to whom we are doing business. I don't like the Ledger because of its attitude toward Senator Penrose."

Harry Lonsdale, of F. A. Bochmann Company, 20th and Chestnut streets, said:

"We have dropped many men. The present depression is due to the tinkering with the tariff, attacking Penrose, too much legislation and restrictions on the railroads."

Investigation at the Bochmann plant led to the information that but few of the workers have been "dropped." Most of them are on short time. Mr. Lonsdale declined to give any figures as to the number of employees now as compared to records of 1907, 1908 and 1910.

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER. Many manufacturers were seen at the Cosmopolitan Club, Lehigh avenue and Washington streets, last night. The statement of Thomas J. Keon of the firm of Pollitt, Le Fort & Keon, manufacturers of lace curtains, at 3d street and Columbia avenue, was as follows:

"There is no change at the present time wouldn't help. Things could be worse. I believe that with the change of weather conditions will change. The mills are doing better. There may be a little depression, but why do political speakers continue to give that feature publicity? We haven't discharged any of our help since this depression talk started. The outlook is better today than in 1907 and 1908."

AGAINST CALAMITY HOWLS. A similarly optimistic statement is made by Leon Worms, president of the Lehigh Silk Hosiery Company, of Jasper and Orleans streets.

"The worst help is working," said Mr. Worms. "We have bought new machinery. Our force is working on full time. Calamity howlers are injuring business a great deal. There may be a little depression, but why do political speakers continue to give that feature publicity? We haven't discharged any of our help since this depression talk started. The outlook is better today than in 1907 and 1908."

PROPERTY HELD FOR HOSPITAL

Woodland Avenue Business Men Take Option on Building.

An option has been taken on the William H. Whitely property at Main and Summit streets, Darby, by business men of Woodland avenue. The property is the Delaware County General Hospital. The property is valued at \$30,000. No alterations will be made and the property will not be purchased until the summer of 1915. An organization meeting of stockholders will be held within two weeks.

Borrowed Hammer Leads to Arrest

A borrowed hammer led to the arrest of Frank Burns, 28 years old, 51st and Spruce streets, who was arraigned before Magistrate Penneck in the Germantown station today on the charge of carrying concealed weapons.

Burying Leaves Ignite Shed Roof

Children burning leaves set fire to a chicken coop up the grounds of a building on 27th and Spruce streets today. A puff of wind blew some of the burning leaves on the roof of the structure. The blaze was soon subdued by the fire department.

4 SERIOUSLY HURT WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTOBUS

Collision Near Altoona Caused by Chauffeur's Failure to Hear Signal.

ALTOONA, Pa., Oct. 27.—A Pennsylvania Railroad local freight, eastbound, struck an autobus on the grade crossing at Burns station on the Hollidaysburg branch three miles south of here today. The following bus passengers were seriously injured:

FRANK A. FLICKINGER, 49, Altoona, married, occupation of bus, fracture of leg, fracture of ribs, fracture of hip, fracture of shoulder, fracture of neck, fracture of arm, fracture of hand, fracture of foot, fracture