

BLAME COUNCILMEN FOR FILTH VICTIMS, IS APPEAL OF BISHOP

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland Declares Those Responsible for Tenement Conditions Should Pay Penalty.

How Bishop Suffragan Garland, of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania, was rebuffed by Councils Finance Committee when he pleaded for a chance to discuss living conditions among the poor of the tenements, became known today.

The request of Bishop Garland was made last summer in a written communication. Later he telephoned. Both requests were ignored.

Bishop Garland today made an impassioned plea in behalf of persons who live in the insanitary tenements and urged an appropriation by Councils Finance Committee for the new Division of Housing and Sanitation.

Two more Select Councilmen today declared they would vote against the Division of Housing and Sanitation. This department was created by the Legislature a year ago. The Select Councilmen, who also are members of the Finance Committee, who are against granting appropriations are Edward W. Patton, of the 5th Ward, and William Conroy, of the 20th Ward, a real estate assessor and secretary to Senator Edwin H. Vore.

Other Councilmen who will vote against appropriations are Select Councilman Buchholz, of the 12th Ward. He is a dual officeholder. Buchholz stated that foreigners can't be taught the art of cleanliness merely through bath tubs. He said foreigners would use bath tubs for coal bins.

Select Councilman Flaherty, of the 13th Ward, also a dual officeholder. Common Councilman Morton, of the 20th Ward, also a dual officeholder. He is a coroner's physician.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

"If the new Division of Housing and Sanitation," said Bishop Garland, "is not passed we can't blame the Legislature, the Governor or the municipal administration. The fault will lie with the Finance Committee who can change the present social problem in the congested section of Philadelphia.

"For more than a year we have been pleading for Councils to grant the appropriations. They have ignored all requests of civic organizations and representative men. If the Finance Committee refuses to grant the appropriations asked, the municipality sooner or later will pay financially for the refusal.

"Hospitals, almshouses and other charitable places will become crowded with women and men who are afflicted with various ailments, all due chiefly to the filthy rooms in the tenements. I am not judging the tenements from what I have heard. I have seen the houses and have been inside many of them. They sleep in some rooms on the floor. Some of the scenes which I observed are not fit for publication.

"The whole thing is a nutshell is that politicians are selling the birthrights of our children for a mess of political portage. Such conditions, which exist in Philadelphia in the 20th century, are of disgrace and shame to the fair name of this city.

"If our physicians were to inscribe the real story on every death certificate of infants who die, of the majority of the deaths were directly due to living conditions in the tenement dens.

WOULD HOLD COUNCILMEN

"Councilmen who today are refusing to grant the appropriations ought to be held responsible for every death directly traced to filthy conditions. I was on a jury listening to a story of a man, woman or child dying from filth. I would hold the Councilmen responsible, and insist they pay damages to the relatives of the deceased.

Select Councilman Patton dictated the following statement giving his reasons for being opposed to the new Division of Housing and Sanitation:

"I am opposed to the act as it now stands. I am in favor of better housing and sanitation act and will vote for one if it presents itself what I believe to be fair to the property owner and the tenant. "Until such amended act is passed I must refuse to vote for any appropriations by Councils to enforce the present drastic act. I will not vote for an appropriation for the new division for the reasons given above."

DROWNED IN FOOT OF WATER

Boy Believed to Have Been Stunned in Fall From Bridge.

The body of 4-year-old Henry Straub, drowned in a foot of water in Tacony Creek beneath the Mill road bridge in Melrose, is at his home today in Mill road, and plans are being made for the funeral. Students of the Cheltenham High School found the body on their way home from school.

WHOLESALE VIOLATIONS

Replying to Select Councilmen Patton and Finley, Bernard J. Newman, of the Philadelphia Housing Commission, today said:

"There are about 14,000 houses in wards where the laws are being violated. The wards comprise from the 5th to the 13th, inclusive, and from the 15th to the 18th and the 20th Ward. Of that number about 8,400 houses are rented by property owners. About 1,000 houses are actually occupied by the owners. We have found that every man who owns his own house keeps it in good order and lives up to the requirements of the law. This is further proof the men who are opposed to the act being enforced are big property owners."

MERCHANTS WIN PRIZES

Blue Ribbons Awarded for Best Window Displays in Germantown.

Blue ribbons for the winners in the window display contest, conducted by the Germantown Avenue Business Men's Association, were awarded last night to James J. Fletcher & Brothers, 908 Germantown avenue, and Mitchell, Fletcher & Co., 426 Germantown avenue. Both had the best glass cases. Other prizes were awarded to Harry V. Rooney, 1247 Germantown avenue; Robert Cherry & Son, 401 Germantown avenue; and George F. Heston, 1247 Germantown avenue.



ALBERT BEYER City Commissioner, Atlantic City, and Director of Revenue and Finance, who has refused to surrender the office of City Treasurer, which he fills without pay aside from his salary as Director, to Alfred M. Heston.

COMMITTEE'S PLEA FOR NEEDS OF POOR (AT OUR OWN DOOR)

Emergency Aid Workers Face Difficult Situation With Determination to Institute Effectual Campaign.

Definite plans for raising sufficient money to care for the poor of Philadelphia will be completed this afternoon at a meeting of the Executive Board of the Emergency Aid Committee at its headquarters, 1423 Walnut street.

So numerous have been the appeals from the congested districts of the city that quick action must be taken at once, it is said, and the meeting will be devoted to home relief work.

The home relief department of the committee has been working day and night to answer these calls "at our own back door," but its funds are fast being depleted. Unless contributions are forthcoming soon the department will be rendered ineffectual, with a difficult problem of winter work before it.

Mrs. A. J. Cassatt, chairman of the Executive Board, announced that, although the collections for war victims in Europe were for a worthy cause, the poor of Philadelphia must not be neglected under any circumstances. Conditions, she said, have been found to be worse than ever before, and a definite decision will be made this afternoon of ways and means to alleviate the suffering.

Social workers have found pitiful cases—little children huddled together in dimly rooms with hardly any clothes, no shoes, no stockings. Their confinement is spreading disease among them, and many of these little sufferers are fit subjects for a hospital.

The campaign of the home relief committee will be carried into every section of the city by means of a proclamation that is now in the hands of the printer. This proclamation will explain why so many men have been thrown out of work as a result of the war, and ask that every one contribute something, large or small. Copies will be posted in conspicuous places throughout the city.

Many sewing circles are being conducted by the committee. These committees serve the double purpose of providing work for poor women and clothing for the poor. The cost of maintaining such circles is about \$100 a week. Work was received yesterday by Mrs. Grooms that a group of sewers would be organized at Touro Hall, 19th and Carpenter streets, by Miss Helen Fielesher.

There are 1000 needy families in Philadelphia. If every voter in Philadelphia would contribute one dollar, there would be enough money to give every one of these poor families the happiest year it has ever known, members of the committee said today.

A brilliant audience is expected to crowd the Metropolitan Opera House tonight to hear the musical stars who have offered their services free for the benefit of the various relief movements carried on by the Emergency Aid Committee.

From a social point of view the concert will be highly interesting. The appearance of Madame Schumann-Heink, Albert Cornfeld, Leopold Godowsky and Paul L. Myer will bring society out in force.

Apparently the lad climbed to the bridge rail and fell into the creek. The distance was not more than six feet, but it is thought the child was stunned by striking his head on a stone. There were indications that he had tried to drag himself from the creek. The body was hurried to the Abington Hospital, where physicians pronounced the lad dead.

"SONS OF ELI" MEET

Yale Alumni Association in Annual Gathering Here.

"Sons of Eli," old and young, overflowing with college spirit, sang campus songs and talked over old college days at the annual meeting of the Yale Alumni Association of Philadelphia in the University Club last night. President L. B. Runk called the meeting to order. In speaking for the Scholarship Committee, Mr. Runk announced the number of scholarships at Yale for the year 1914-1915 had been increased from one to two.

Judge Robert N. Wilson, Thomas De Witt Chrysler, Dr. G. Hudson Makum and Dr. Edward L. Duer were elected fellows of the association.

The following officers were elected: President, Louis B. Runk; vice president, William B. Runk; secretary and treasurer, Howard Evans, Jr.; member of the Executive Committee, Tom Manning, 1247 Germantown avenue; representative of the Alumni Advisory Board, Thomas De Witt Chrysler and Noah H. Traeger.

GREAT SUMS SPENT BY PARTY MANAGERS IN STATE CAMPAIGN

Expense Accounts Show Outlay of Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars by Rival Organizations.

Enormous sums were spent by the various political organizations in the last campaign, according to the expense accounts as filed yesterday. The Republican State Committee expended the largest amount. Their account showed expenditures of \$238,261. This organization is now facing a deficit of \$2,412.82, as the contributions totaled only \$121,898. W. Atlee Burpee, treasurer of the committee, raised \$62,000. Charles Miller led the list of the other contributors, with \$2000. Doctor Brumbaugh contributed \$1000 to the State Committee fund. The largest item of expenses was \$115,250.43 for publicity.

The Brumbaugh Citizens' Committee filed an account showing expenditures of \$28,899.56, with contributions of \$20,988.92. Louis J. Kolb was the heaviest contributor to this fund, with \$4800. The money was spent for printing and postage, traveling expenses and general expenses of maintaining a headquarters. Doctor Brumbaugh's personal expenses were \$4969.32, of which \$1000 was contributed to the Republican State Committee and \$3969.32 to the Brumbaugh Citizens' Committee.

The Republican City Committee spent \$71,823.04. The contributions were \$75,874.74, leaving a deficit of \$16,431.70. The expense account filed by the Democratic State Committee showed that the total receipts were \$81,427.56, with expenditures of \$81,322.50. There are outstanding obligations of \$14,670.65, which makes the total cost to the Democratic State Committee \$96,063.28. Vance C. McCormick contributed \$13,000 to the fund. He spent \$21,578.64 in the fall campaign, in addition to the \$33,000 he spent in the primaries.

The Democratic City Committee received contributions of \$604.65. Their expenses were \$481.98. They showed a balance on hand for the last two years of \$242.5.

The Washington Party City Committee spent \$14,823. They received contributions totaling \$16,175, leaving a balance of \$1352.

The Keystone Party City Committee received \$1000 and spent it. The Local Executive Committee of the Socialist party spent \$604.07. They received contributions totaling \$428.64, leaving a deficit of \$175.

VICTIM CONTINUES HICCOUGH

Michael Campson Puzzles Physicians With Peculiar Malady.

Michael Campson, who started to hiccough seven weeks ago, is in the Hahnemann Hospital, today, hiccoughing as consistently as ever. Campson, who is 30 years old, and lives at 1634 Federal street, went to the hospital yesterday and begged the doctors to do something for him. He failed to respond to treatment, and the physicians today said his was the most puzzling case of the kind ever encountered in this city.

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Christmas Fashion Sale going wonderfully--there never was a sale so good and timely. Suits, Wraps, Dresses for every woman at remarkable saving prices (First Floor, Central)

Fine Novelty Gift Silks Are Reduced Before Christmas Generally it is some time after the holidays that these beautiful silks (the most of them exclusive imported varieties) come down so remarkably in cost. This year we have changed the prices so that people who want to give them as Christmas presents may profit by the savings. Roman striped velvets, 42 inches wide, \$2.50 a yard. Black brocaded chiffon velvets, 42 inches wide, \$3 a yard. Black brocaded velour, \$2.50 a yard. Black brocaded velvets, 54 inches wide, \$3 a yard. Colored silk plush, 42 inches wide, \$5 a yard. Velour and velvet brocades, evening colors, \$5, \$6 and \$8. Metal chiffon brocades, \$5, \$6 and \$10 a yard. Metal and satin brocades, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$20 and \$30 a yard. Martine silks, \$1.50 a yard. (First Floor, Chestnut)

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Men's Derby and Soft Hats Reduced to \$2 A collection of odd lots of hats that have been set for \$1.50 more in our own stocks. All good, new styles, and a large variety to choose from. Among the soft hats are tweeds. (Subway Floor, Market)

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