

BRUMBAUGH DENIES REPUDIATING BILL FOR CHILD LABOR REFORM

Governor Agreed to Withdraw Support of Phipps Measure Because He Decided to Have Better One Drafted.

BRUMBAUGH, Feb. 17.—Governor Brumbaugh denied today the assertion of organization leaders that he had "repudiated" the Phipps child labor bill in agreement with a conference last night with members of the Joint Committee on Legislation.

The Phipps bill was drafted by the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association. "I was never arbitrarily for the Phipps bill," however, because I considered it the best that had been introduced and an improvement over existing child labor laws.

When the Phipps bill was introduced representatives of the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association issued a statement in which the measure was called the "Brumbaugh bill." The Governor today said that this was done without any authorization from him.

"If the Phipps bill should pass," he said, "Pennsylvania would have one of the best child labor laws in the country. It is my own ideas concerning child labor legislation are carried out Pennsylvania will have the best child labor law."

The Governor, it became known today, was willing to compromise with the child labor problem to the extent of permitting children under 15 years of age to work under certain conditions. In his message to the Legislature he declared that no child under 15 should work for compensation, and he is now trying to make the legislative leaders support him in this.

He is willing, however, to meet certain conditions by permitting the physically fit children between 14 and 16 years of age to work under regulation that would make industry subservient to education and the child is employed for the continuation school provision of the new administration bill carries out this idea. It provides that all children between 14 and 15 years of age must attend school one day each week, and all children between 15 and 16 years of age one day each week. The new bill also extends the hours of actual employment to 48 hours.

Arrangements have been made for a public hearing on child labor, to be held in the House chamber at 10 o'clock on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 9.

NEW HOUSING CODE PASSES FIRST READING

Announced Opposition Fails to Materialize. HARRISBURG, Feb. 17.—The proposed new housing code and the bill repealing the existing law passed first reading in the House today and will be fought out on the floor of that body before the "toothless" measure goes to the Senate.

Opposition to the new code developed in the ranks of the Republican members immediately after Representative Sigmund J. Oana, of Philadelphia, hurriedly called a meeting of the House Committee on Public Health and Sanitation at midnight Monday, and had the measure reported out of committee.

An effort to have the new code and the repealer measure passed by the House today, when the bills come up on first reading in the House, Representative I. Gordon Foster, of Philadelphia, before the House met, announced his intention to oppose the bills. He said that he would vote against the bills, but that he would support the repealer bill if it were passed.

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GOVERNOR TO STAY ON JOB Will Not Take Vacation When Legislature Is in Recess.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 17.—Governor Brumbaugh will not take a vacation when the Legislature takes its recess until March 1.

"I will be in session for four years," he said. He intends to avoid the vacation which the Legislature takes in the winter while the Legislature is in session in Florida.

The Governor today conferred with Senators McNeil and Crow. The latter two discussed the provisions of the general deficiency bill, which the Governor will act upon tomorrow. Senator Vane, ex-Auditor General Sison, visited the executive offices and talked with the Governor regarding an appropriation for the Perry memorial at Erie.

ARMED MAN HOLDS CROWD OF 200 AT BAY

Arrested After Stabbing Antagonist, Who Is Found in a Hospital.

A man with a long-barreled revolver held a crowd of nearly 200 men at bay at 10th and Market streets this morning, after he is alleged to have stabbed another man.

The man with the stab wound was found in the Pennsylvania Hospital. He is Pasquale Vitale, 411 Montrose street. The man accused of the stabbing is John Viola, 829 South Mildred street.

Mounted Policeman Layre saw the crowd forming while he was riding down Market street. He had trouble forcing his mount through the throng, but finally got close enough to see the man with the revolver backed up against the wall.

When Layre drew his revolver the Italian surrendered his weapon. It was fully loaded. Viola was held in \$1000 bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Renshaw at Central Station, and Vitale was held in \$500 bail as a material witness.

WOMEN TO HONOR STATESMAN Delaware Suffragists Will Place Wreath on Tablet of J. A. Bayard.

DOVER, Del., Feb. 17.—A tablet in memory of James Asheton Bayard, the signer of the Treaty of Ghent, presented by the U. S. Daughters of 1812, will be unveiled in the State House tomorrow.

After the ceremonies attending the unveiling have been concluded a number of Delaware suffragists, led by Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles, the great-granddaughter of the distinguished statesman, will proceed from the suffrage headquarters at State street to Dover, where brief addresses on peace will be made.

The suffragists will then march to the State House and there place an ivy wreath beneath the tablet. It is the desire of the suffragists to indicate their respect for the great treaty signer who aided in establishing a century of peace between England and America, and to emphasize women's need of representation in government that decides for war or peace.

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LENTEN PERIOD OPENS; SEASON OF PENITENCE

Services in Many Churches Will Continue Daily Until Easter Eve.

"The new and far-reaching influences which have come as a result of the evangelistic spirit in Philadelphia must be utilized," declared Bishop Thomas J. Garland, in the first of the noonday Lenten services at St. Stephen's Church, 301 Chestnut street, today.

"We must help to strengthen the hands of those who have borne the burden and the heat of the day and who need our assistance. It will be unfortunate if this Lenten season should prove to be temporary. Men's thoughts are being turned to the things of earth, and many hearts have been touched and lives influenced. Heretofore there has been too little attention given to evangelistic work and to the needs of the people.

The reflex influence of the war in Europe has aided, he said, in making keener our appreciation of suffering in this city and to teach people how "the other half" lives. He praised the work of the Society for Organizing Charity and the Emergency Aid Committee, which, he said, are following the example of Christ in not only preaching the Gospel, but in ministering to the bodily needs of the people.

He concluded with an appeal for cooperation. "We all justly condemn many present conditions, religious, social, economic, and in doing so we condemn ourselves," he declared. "It is axiomatic to think that such conditions will continue unless they can't be loved our neighbors as ourselves."

Noonday services were held in various parts of the city by many religious denominations. In addition to the churches of all creeds held special evening and Sunday services up to the end of Easter.

Among the edifices in which special noonday services were held are Old Christ Church, the Rev. Dr. Louis C. Washburn, pastor; Old St. Peter's, the Rev. E. M. Jeffrey, pastor; St. John's Lutheran Church, the Rev. E. S. Sibbe, pastor; Old St. Paul's Church, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, who also had charge of the Garrick Theatre Lenten services, in the Lincoln Building, and left their gifts.

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BISHOP AT GARRICK THEATRE

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander Speaks on Future's Cares.

Bishop Philip M. Rhinelander, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, spoke on the future and the need of looking out for its development in his sermon at the Garrick Theatre Lenten services. Briefly he defined activity as a birthright and the future as an inheritance.

He argued the need of having the future in mind at times and said that one of the most important periods in the life of a man is that when he must finally decide of what nature his activities shall be, and into what field his endeavors shall lead him.

NEED HEROIC RELIGION Rev. Dr. Washburn Preaches on Necessity of Lent Today.

"Our human nature needs a heroic religion," declared the Rev. Dr. Louis C. Washburn, pastor of Old Christ Church, 23 street above Market street, in the first of the noonday Lenten services today.

"Make it easy to do right and man will do it just because it is easy; but make a man want to do right and nothing can hold him back from doing it. Character comes not in a fit of absence of mind."

"Never was the hallowed season of Lent more eagerly welcomed by us. Its searching message and sane methods are deeply felt in the present conditions. And the initial note which we would sound this morning rings out from the Master's stirring challenge: 'The Kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force.'"

CATHOLICS AT SERVICES Special Lenten Program at Church of St. John the Evangelist.

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\$100,000 TO FIGHT CANCER

Emil C. Bondy Wills Funds to Columbia for Research Work.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Emil C. Bondy, who died in Summit, N. J., bequeathed \$222,500 to charitable institutions and left the residue of his large estate to Louis C. Bondy, a brother, of Denver, and to Richard C. Bondy, a brother, of Denver, and to a sister, of Vienna. The latter also is beneficiary under a \$300,000 trust fund. The brothers and several nephews are left specific bequests of \$50,000 each.

SELF-SACRIFICE FUND REACHES \$80,000 MARK

Fifty Dollar Contribution Comes as "Conscience Debt of 25 Years."

A \$50 contribution labeled "A Conscience Debt of 25 Years" was received today in the basement of the Lincoln Building by the Home Relief Division of the Emergency Aid Committee before 1:30 o'clock. At that hour the total subscription toward the \$100,000 fund was \$50,121.

The total contributions made until that hour today was \$1,173.63. It includes a donation of \$200 from Walter Horstmann; a \$100 contribution from Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Smith, and a \$50 contribution from J. Bunford Samuel. This last \$50, with 10 other items totaling \$55, was obtained through Miss Helen Fleisher.

Today is the sixth day of self-sacrifice, and it is hoped that the amount necessary to complete the \$100,000 will be greatly lessened. Since the first two days there has been a daily contribution of about \$500. Much of this has been collected through the three charities now in operation and through the mail, though thousands of dollars have been given by contributors who have come in person to the Home Relief Headquarters, in the Lincoln Building, and left their gifts.

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"CONNIE MACK" CAPTURED

It Is Not the Baseball Chieftain, However, Only a Dog.

Connie Mack was captured today by having a basket thrown over his head, and he was taken to the Germantown police station. Policeman Fisher is the man who performed the feat, single-handedly.

Admirers of the tall leader of the Athletics need not become alarmed, however. As this particular Connie Mack is a large liver-and-white setter, named in honor of Cornelius McGillicuddy.

Fisher saw the setter at Germantown avenue and Ritzenhouse street this morning, evidently lost, and after making vain attempts to capture him, finally dropped the basket over his head.

"Connie Mack" on the collar made him open his eyes. The dog is the property of Andrew Johnson, 533 Magnolia street, who is an intimate friend of Connie Mack; the two men having been next door neighbors.

STREET REPAIRS AT NIGHT

Breaks in the water mains or similar repairs will be made hereafter in the central section of the city at night, whenever possible, in order that traffic may not be blocked more than is absolutely necessary.

Chief Davis, of the Water Bureau, has assigned a gang of workmen to night duty at 12th and Reed streets to answer fire and emergency calls and make repairs that can be postponed until night.

Bill Defeated at Harrisburg

HARRISBURG, Feb. 17.—The first bill to meet defeat in the 1915 Legislature was the measure introduced by Representative Lipschutz, of Philadelphia, permitting Judges to suspend jail sentences in cases of persons unable to pay judgments in civil actions, such as slander or malicious mischief.

The House turned down this measure by a vote of 94 to 74.

Boy Injured by Auto

Edward Filmore, 7 years old, of 1924 Oxford street, was seriously injured today when he stepped in front of an automobile driven by Joseph Graham, of 2947 Oxford street, at 15th and Harlan streets. The boy is in St. Joseph's Hospital. Graham was held for a hearing in the 19th and Oxford streets station tomorrow morning.

COUNCILS' NEW PLAN TO SHELVE HOUSING

Protest Will Be Made to Supreme Court Against Judge Ralston's Order.

A new plan to avoid or delay the establishment of a Division of Housing and Sanitation has been decided upon by Councils. It was learned today that attorneys representing Select and Common Councils were preparing an appeal to the Supreme Court against the writ of peremptory mandamus requiring Councils to establish this division of the Health Department.

The writ was issued January 19 by Judge Ralston and gave Councils 30 days to establish the new division.

With the appeal the attorneys will present a petition bearing the signatures of the Select and Common Councilmen who have received orders to sign it. The petition will allege that the proceedings were improperly brought and that the court had no jurisdiction in the matter.

As an additional technicality, it will be contended that the writ is directed against Councils as a body, no individuals being named.

FINGER FOUND IN SANDWICH

Student Loses Member in Accident. Chum Discovers It.

A Junior in the Central High School came very near becoming an involuntary cannibal during lunch hour today, when he found the tip of a finger in a lettuce sandwich which he was eating in the lunch room. The discovery caused a sensation among the many students eating lunch at the time.

Harold Murdock, of 302 Sydenham street, was the student who found the object in his sandwich. Investigation by George E. Roth, in charge of the lunch room, revealed that Russell Witman, of 231 Susquehanna avenue, another student, had cut his thumb in an operation and through the mail, though thousands of dollars have been given by contributors who have come in person to the Home Relief Headquarters, in the Lincoln Building, and left their gifts.

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SEEK TO ESCAPE DEATH CHAIR

Many Petitions Filed With Board of Pardons.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 17.—Petitions urging the commutation of the death sentence upon Andrew Malinowski, of Pittsburgh, were presented to the State Board of pardons today, bearing the signatures of all the Allegheny County Senators and Representatives, and by Sheriff George W. Richards and two of his deputies.

Malinowski shot and killed his wife in a drunken fit, and tried to kill himself. It is now set forth that in the absence of proof of premeditation he should not suffer the death penalty.

In the case of Arthur Simons, of Toaga, the first degree murder, the board directed that an alumnus be appointed to inquire into his sanity.

The board also heard applications for commutation of the death sentences of Carlo Rizzatto, of Philadelphia, and Nicolò Mondello, of Fayette County.

JEWELRY STORE ROBBED

Thief Gets \$500 While Pretending to Measure Windows.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 17.—This afternoon, while Mrs. Harry Schlotzner was alone in her attendance at C. G. Vollmer & Co.'s jewelry store, which is closing out to quit business, a stranger entered and said he had been sent to measure the show window. Two hours later it was discovered that he had robbed the window of diamond rings worth \$500.

Mr. Schlotzner, owner of the store, had been called to the place shortly before the stranger appeared by a 'phone message and it is believed this was a trick to get him out of the way.

MISS IRWIN'S ESTATE

Personal Property Appraised at \$67,584—Wills Probated.

The personal property of Miss Agnes Irwin, who conducted a girls' school in De Lancey street, has been appraised at \$67,584.

Milton M. Broad, late of 431 Green lane, left an estate of \$14,000 in private bequests. Other wills admitted to probate today include those of Louis Weber, 225 North 17th street, who left property aggregating \$600; Elizabeth F. Egert, 4045 Ashmun street, \$250; Randolph Jones, who died in Hahnemann Hospital, \$375; David R. Davis, 7105 Edmon street, \$220; James T. McAnulty, 1447 South 8th street, \$255.

U. S. SHELLS, USED IN WAR, DEADLIER THAN FRENCH

Only 10 Per Cent. Fail to Explode. Germans Aroused.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—A recent issue of the Frankfurter Zeitung prints the following dispatch from Mannheim: "The hospital train Auguste Viktoria arrived here yesterday (January 15) from its first trip to the western war front. The 238 badly wounded brought in by the train were disembarked at Speyer."

"According to the assurances of the military escort of the train, Captain Trutscher von Falkenstein, 50 per cent. of the wounds were inflicted by shells of American origin. Since the middle of December the French have been using American shells in increasing quantities. In the case of American shells it was found that only 10 per cent. failed to explode, while the French shells showed 50 per cent. that failed to explode. A report concerning this American 'neutrality' is being prepared for the proper authorities."

AUTO THIEVES FLEE IN CHASE

Abandon Machine as Policeman Follows Close on Their Heels.

A policeman leaping from one trolley car to another pursued three men in a stolen automobile for several squares and pressed them so closely that they were compelled to abandon the machine and take to their heels.

The car of W. Mercer Baird, of 1611 North 18th street, was taken from in front of his home yesterday afternoon. A short time afterward Policeman Greene, of the 19th and Oxford streets station, recognized the license number of the car when three men drove it down 19th street. Greene sprang into a passing car and followed. When the men turned at Ridge avenue the policeman jumped on a Ridge avenue car and set out in pursuit. The men, realizing that they could not escape at this rate, turned up 15th street to elude their pursuer.

The determined policeman abandoned the trolley car and set out on foot, calling for assistance. Another trolley car was coming up 15th street when the three passengers in the machine leaped out of the car at 18th and Seybert streets and ran. The car was not damaged. The case was reported at headquarters today.

TO REMARRY FOR SON'S SAKE

Father's Promise Saves "Bad Boy" From Truant Home.

Little Joe Dayton, 8 years old, "a bad boy" who was arraigned in the Juvenile Court this afternoon, was saved from commitment to an asylum on a charge of truancy when saved by his father promising that he would marry a second time, in the near future, to give Joe and his four other motherless children some one to care for them.

"That's a bad boy in some respects," said the elder Dayton. "He smokes cigarettes, but he takes care of his four little brothers and sisters and is the only 'mother' they have."

"That will solve the problem," said Judge Gorman, and sent father and "incorrigible" son to their home at Germantown and Alexander avenues.

With Joe Dayton were arraigned Joe Brosilo, 8 years old, and Bob Bell, of the same tender age, both cigarette smokers and truants. They had cigarettes in their pockets and their fingers and lips were stained. Judge Gorman tried to wheedle from the boys information as to where they got their cigarettes, but they would not tell.

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COUNSEL FOR BECKER

WILL ASK NEW TRIAL Appeal Will Be Based on Affidavit of James Marshall, Made in Philadelphia.

Before the end of this week counsel for Charles Becker, the police lieutenant of New York who is awaiting execution in Sing Sing prison for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, will make a motion in the Supreme Court of New York for a new trial for Becker, the argument being based upon the affidavit made in the Eversong Lagoon office last Saturday by James Marshall, the negro actor. In this affidavit Marshall repudiated a statement that he made as a witness at the trial of Becker, to the effect that he had seen the defendant and Jack Rose talking together on the street. This was the much-needed connecting link in the testimony and convicted Becker.

If this motion is denied, J. E. Johnson, Becker's counsel, said it will be made a supplemental brief to the appeal now before the Court of Appeals of New York State.

Marshall, who is in this city, yesterday attempted to speak to Messrs. Manton and Johnson, Becker's counsel, over the long distance telephone. Mr. Johnson said afterwards that he was not interested in anything that Marshall might have to say about the case.

"Marshall has made two affidavits since he made the first one. The first one, which he made in New York, repudiates the one he made here. His second affidavit in New York was a denial that he had made the previous one."

Mr. Manton yesterday made a proposition to District Attorney Perkins, of New York, to have Jack Rose, under promise of immunity, examined before a competent referee, that Becker might have the advantage of a promised recantation by Rose of damaging testimony he gave against Becker at both of his trials. Mr. Perkins laughed at it and refused to comply.

STUDENT CUTS A SWATH WITH A BARBER POLE

Causes Sensation on Market Street Until Captured by Policeman.

Several amazed pedestrians were suddenly bowled over in Market street today by a wild-eyed student, who was rushing westward with a barber pole over his left shoulder and two lighted lanterns in his left hand. He ran on the sidewalk and then on the street, and missed numerous automobiles and trolley cars by a few inches.

He had good reasons for haste, as Policeman Smith, with an angry expression and a drawn revolver was a few feet in back of him. The pursuit started from the barber shop of Philip Pinatra, at 19 North 11th street, where the student pulled the pole from the sidewalk and started off. Fat women and tall women, long men and lean men, littered the street after coming in contact with the pole.

When ordered to stop the student picked up the lanterns and waved them in the policeman's face. This caused Smith to put on more speed, and he captured the youth at 15th street.