

PUNISH MEN WHO LOSE BANKS' CASH, SAYS WILLIAMS

Comptroller of Currency Seeks to Stop "Breaking From Inside"

WANTS LAWS CHANGED

Annual Report to Congress Asks Power to Make Institutions Obey Statutes

Laws Urged by Williams to Protect Depositors

Provide prison sentences for infractions of the banking laws. Prohibit bank officers from lending bank's money to themselves. Empower the Comptroller to impose and collect fines for the payment by banks of overdrafts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Strong recommendation for legislation providing for the criminal prosecution of officers and directors of national banks through whose negligence or wrongful actions stockholders and depositors lose money, will be contained in the annual report to Congress of John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency. The report is expected to be completed within the next few days.

Comptroller Williams is determined to break up the practices by which, he says, banks "are breaking from the inside." He declares that depositors and bank stockholders have a right to insist upon legislation safeguarding their interests against criminal bank officers and directors.

THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Comptroller desires sufficient power to enable him to compel banks and bank officials to obey the national banking laws and the regulations of his office. He will recommend legislation: Limiting the amount of a bank's money which can be lent directly or indirectly, to one borrower. Empowering the comptroller to fine banks and their officers for violation of regulations and to recommend prison sentences for infractions.

BADEN INCOMES MUST PAY HEAVIER TAXES

Twenty Per Cent. Added; Prussia and Saxony to Follow Example

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The movement for an increase of taxation by the German States has begun with Baden, where the Diet has just passed a bill increasing the income tax 20 per cent, on incomes above 2400 marks (about \$450).

LAUGH AT COOKE'S ATTACK

Gas Director Declares Charges as to Prices Are Absurd

Common Councilman William J. McGonigley, of the 16th Ward, and one of the city's members of the Board of Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Company, has characterized as "absurd" the charges of Director Cooke that the Councilmen on the gas company's board have been negligent in looking after the interests they represent.

SUFFRAGE VALIANTLY UPHELD BY WOMEN OF DELAWARE COUNTY

Lines Strengthened for Campaign for Equal Franchise Which Will Be Maintained With Unabated Zeal

DIVISION VICE CHAIRMEN

New System Designed to Increase Efficiency of Organization

Those persons who believe that suffrage for women has been dropped into the discard since the great election have only to look into the active work going on in Delaware County to realize their mistake. A reorganization of the entire county has just been accomplished, and a new system of division with a vice-chairman for each section has been installed.

At present the County Headquarters are in Media, but they will be moved to Chester where the work will be mainly concentrated for the next four or five years. It will take that long in the opinion of the suffragists to get Chester fairly fair.

Mrs. J. Claude Bedford, the former County leader, who recently declined reelection in order that other women might have the training and experience necessary for the work in speaking of the Federal amendment, said: "No matter whether you are working for a Federal or State amendment the Federal amendment has no guarantee that they will vote for the ratification unless their constituents want them to. It is the constituency that counts in the final analysis. Suffragists do not realize that there is no royal road to voting any short cut; they have to get down to work for what they want."

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ROTDARIANS FEAST KIDDIES

Wilmington Members Have 50 Poor Children as Guests

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 23.—Members of the Rotary Club of this city gave a dinner today to 50 poor children at the Hotel du Pont. One of the best menus ever served at the hotel for a similar party was on the table.

LEWIS SAYS INTERESTS FAVOR ROOSEVELT

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That Colonel Roosevelt can pose before the masses as representing the people, while he has a private understanding with the masters that he will represent the financial interests. With this understanding they would support Colonel Roosevelt in the coming election.

ROOSEVELT BOOM A 'FEELER'

REPUBLICAN CHIEFS SAY

Colonel's Supporters Want to See How His Name Will "Take"

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Roosevelt boom for the Republican presidential nomination has been shot out through the country by ardent admirers of the colonel to see how it would "take," in the opinion of several Republican National Committee and party leaders who are here to meet with National Chairman Charles D. Hilles today.

A Christmas Lesson for a Troubled World

By ISAAC SHARPLESS President of Haverford College. The translation of the American revisers of the song of the angels at the first Christmas is: "Glory to God in the highest; Peace on earth among men in whom He is well pleased."



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NAVAL BOARD MEMBER QUILTS TO RAP WILSON

Henry A. Wise Wood Says He Can't Stand President's Weak Policy

NEW YORK, Dec. 23. Secretary of the Navy Daniels's refusal to make public the recommendations of the general board of the navy stirred yesterday the ire of Henry A. Wise Wood, preparedness advocate, who is a member of the Naval Consulting Board, and Alan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America.

SUIT TO FORCE PUBLICITY OF TEXTBOOK CO.'S AFFAIRS

Rozier C. Bowman Alleges Frauds in T. J. Foster's Concern

Alleging fraud in the sale to him of International Educational Publishing Company stock, Rozier C. Bowman has brought suit for \$500 damages against the International Textbook Company, in an effort to force full publicity of the affairs of all corporations floated by T. J. Foster.

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WILLIAM S. TWINING

Political gossip says he will be appointed Transit Director in a few days, succeeding A. Merritt Taylor.

TWO BOYS ACCUSED OF HIDING WITH LOOT

Saloonkeeper Says He Discovered Them on Fourth Floor of Home—Two Escaped

Two lads of innocent face and mild manner are at the House of Detention awaiting trial today accused of being members of a gang that for months has been stealing clothing and other articles and storing the booty on the fourth floor of a saloon building at 8th and Vine streets.

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VILLA AND COMRADES FLEEING TO ARGENTINA; HIS BROTHER ARRESTED

General, Family and Followers Will Go to New Orleans and Embark on Liner—Will Run Cattle Ranch

HIPOLITO SEIZED IN U. S.

"Colonel" Taken From Southern Pacific Train at San Antonio by Federal Officials

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 23.—Hipolito Villa, brother of the revolutionary leader, was taken from a Southern Pacific train here last night by Federal authorities and locked up.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 23.—United States Consul Thomas D. Edwards, of Juarez, left here yesterday for Sierra Blanca, where he expects General Francisco Villa to cross from the Huastillas ranch with General Jose Rodriguez and his 4000 bodyguards. They were expected to cross some time last night by Consul Edwards, who was ordered there by the State Department to escort Villa through the United States to New Orleans, according to Mrs. Edwards, who is acting Consul in Juarez.

Villa is making his way to the border on horseback and the progress of his company is necessarily slow.

Tickets have been purchased here at a local railroad and steamship office to New Orleans, over the Texas and Pacific Railroad and from New Orleans to Havana, Cuba, by boat of the United Fruit Company line. The sailing time, according to the railroad agent, is Saturday morning, and Villa is expected to take the train tonight or Friday in order to join his family in New Orleans by that time. Mrs. Villa, who is the wife of Colonel Hipolito Villa, arrived in New Orleans yesterday afternoon.

From New Orleans they will go to Havana and from there sail for Buenos Aires, where Villa, through local intermediaries, has arranged for the purchase of a 5000 acre cattle ranch stocked with cattle. He will manage this and employ a number of his former commanders and bodyguards as vaqueros. Villa has been assured by courier that he will have a safe conduct through the United States if he brings the 30 Americans from the Huastillas. General Edwards has been assured by courier that he will have a safe conduct through the United States if he brings the 30 Americans from the Huastillas. General Edwards has been assured by courier that he will have a safe conduct through the United States if he brings the 30 Americans from the Huastillas.

NOT SEEKING DELEGATES

Brumbaugh Not Trying to Get State Support in Convention, Mayor-Elect Intimates

Mayor-elect Thomas B. Smith, upon his return from Harrisburg, where he played golf with Governor Brumbaugh, intimated that the Governor might make no attempt to capture the Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican National Convention, and that there would be harmony among all factions of the Republican party in the State when it comes to electing the delegates next May.

"Is it true that Governor Brumbaugh intends to make a fight for national delegates?" he was asked.

"I do not think the Governor has such intentions," replied the Mayor-elect. The visit of the Mayor-elect was a social one, according to both Mr. Smith and the Governor. They denied that anything except golf had been discussed.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

ANDERSON.—On December 23, 1915, SUSANNA K., widow of George W. Anderson, aged 90 years. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services, on Friday, at 1 p. m., at her late residence, 121 West Laurel Hill.

SMITH.—On December 23, 1915, SAMUEL H. SMITH, aged 81 years. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, on Friday afternoon, at 2 p. m., at the home, 2331 North Broad st. Interment at West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

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