

DOCK HANDS WALK OUT, MISTAKING INTENT OF COMPENSATION LAWS

Longshoremen Tie Up Traffic of Southern Steamship Co., Which Shifts Liability to Subcontractors

MAY SETTLE DIFFERENCE

Confusion brought about by failure to understand the workmen's compensation law, which went into effect January 1 today, caused a strike on the docks of the Southern Steamship Company, Pier 11, Delaware River, and a temporary tie-up in freight handling.

In reality, the company proclamation, phrased in terms a little too technical for the understanding of the negro and foreign workmen employed on the docks, notified them that they must look to the subcontractor who employs them for compensation under the act.

COULD SUE COMPANY.

Mr. Mackey said that the company was "jumping out of the frying pan into the fire." Workmen unfamiliar with the law immediately came to the conclusion that they were being deceived.

NOTICE TO WORKMEN.

The notice which caused the trouble, and was duplicated on posters placed about the company's property, reads as follows: "You are hereby notified that this company does not accept the provisions of the act of 1915, and will not pay the schedules of compensation there established."

CLASH IN PENNSYLVANIA DELEGATION IN HOUSE

Continued from Page One going to recognize Senator Penrose as the republican leader in Pennsylvania.

Other speakers, many of them Penrose men, deprecated a fight, and urged the candidates should withdraw. Representatives Grist and Graham were suggested as compromises.

MILLER ATTACKS PENROSE.

Representative Samuel H. Miller, of Mercer, showed considerable feeling in his remarks, declaring that "the less Penrose has to say about naming the next Republican presidential candidate the better off will be the Republic."

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GRIP TAKES FOUR LIVES IN A SINGLE FAMILY

Terrible Toll of Malady Includes James F. Meloney and Three of Relatives

Four deaths in three weeks was the terrible toll of grip on the family and relatives of James F. Meloney, who is now living in this city.

The first victim was William H. Meloney, 31 years old, and a great-grandfather, who died on December 11 after an attack of grip that left him lifeless inside of five days.

The second victim was a superintendent of the Fairhill Cemetery for Friends. He contracted the disease while on the rounds of his daily tasks.

Five days after these two deaths, Mrs. Ellen C. Meloney, 31 years old, a great-grandmother and the wife of William H. Meloney, the first victim, died in the same house where her husband had passed away before her.

Today his aunt, a sister of Mrs. Meloney, also died of pneumonia, following an attack of the grip. She, too, helped to nurse William H. Meloney, the first victim, and contracted the disease, it is thought from him.

A niece of William H. Meloney, is now in a serious condition at the home of other relatives in Darby. She came here after her uncle's death and helped to nurse her aunt. She lives in South Bethlehem. Every effort is being made to save her life.

FRANK GARADINO, "HALL'S" VETERAN BOOTBLACK, WINS COVETED PLUM

Official Shoe-Shiner "Reappointed" to Post by Mayor Smith Against Plea of Henry Johnson, Who "Sho Did Want Dat" Job

An appointment, regarded as significant by politicians, was made today, after a two-day's hot political fight, when Frank Garadino was reappointed official bootblack by Mayor Smith.

The appointment is only temporary, it was pointed out, because of the temporary nature of the appointment. He acted through his messenger, Daniel Webb, who at the stroke of 12 o'clock Henry from the room, where he and Frank have been hovering for the last two days, lining up their friends and brushing shoulders with other nervous candidates for municipal offices.

Senator Nicholas, who also declined to comment on the appointment, Senator Penrose was out of the city. Frank has been the official mayorality bootblack during the last four administrations. Previous to holding this office he shined shoes on the Piazza del Popolo. He shines shoes dark as well as light and adds a touch of "dressing."

Friends of Henry, who sought the office on a "progressive" platform, stated today that the reappointment of his rival is not to be taken as a reflection on his efficiency as a bootblack. If he had been reappointed with the plum, it was pointed out, he would be a dual officeholder, a condition inconsistent with a businesslike administration. In addition to his janitorial duties he shines shoes "on the side."

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The subject was about 40 years old. He wore a green-striped brown suit, a black overcoat and low shoes. About 5 feet 6 inches tall, he weighed 130 pounds.

BEGIN SUIT TO RECOVER DIAMONDS HELD BY BANK

Jewelers Allege That Ex-Police Captain Obtained Them on "Memoranda"

A replevin suit was begun by A. Simon & Sons today against John W. Emery, a contractor, and the Guarantee Trust and Safe Deposit Company to recover jewelry valued at \$10,000.

The case is being tried before Judge Judge Martin, of Common Pleas Court, No. 5. It is contended by the plaintiff that Mr. Emery, who was formerly a police captain, obtained the jewelry, which included 15 diamond rings and a pair of earrings, on what was known as "memoranda," and that later he needed ready cash to fulfill certain building agreement obligations. Subsequently, it is contended, he obtained a loan from the Guarantee Trust and Safe Deposit Company and gave the jewelry as collateral. Later, it is alleged, Emery defaulted in his payments to the jewelry firm for the diamonds and the concern issued a writ of replevin against the trust company last February for the jewelry, claiming that it was their property, as Emery had not purchased the jewelry, but merely obtained it on "a bailment lease."

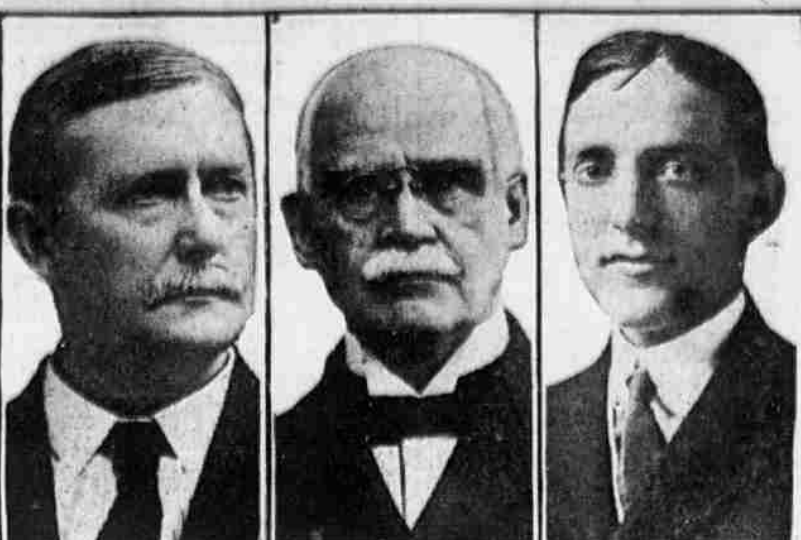
The legal question involved is whether the defendant obtained the jewelry on a lease or made an absolute purchase on long-time credit.

The trust company maintains that it was an innocent party when it took the jewelry as collateral for loans to Emery, as it had no reason to believe that Emery was not the bona fide owner of the jewelry.

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Left to right are Peter Bolger, Chairman Frank M. Ritter and Lewis H. Van Dusen, composing the present Civil Service Commission, which Mayor Smith is trying to oust.

SMITH UNDISTURBED BY CIVIL SERVICE BOARD'S REFUSAL TO RESIGN

Mayor Declines to Indicate Course He Will Pursue to Oust Commission Appointed by Predecessor

Mayor Smith said today that he would "in all probability reply to the letter," which the members of the Civil Service Commission sent him, declining to resign at his request.

"With whom will you fill the vacancies on the board?" he was asked. "Why, there are no vacancies yet," he replied, with a smile. "The gentlemen won't resign."

The Mayor said he had received letters from a number of persons and societies asking him to retain the present commission, but he had had no opportunity to go over this correspondence carefully. More important things, he said, had to receive his attention.

"Do you intend to dismiss them, Mr. Mayor?" The Mayor made no reply. He remarked that he thought he had done right in asking for the resignations.

The Mayor said he had his new commission ready to announce, but that he was withholding the names of his appointees until after he had disposed of the problem of removing the Blankenburg commission.

The Mayor on Monday requested the resignations of Chairman Frank M. Ritter, Secretary Peter Bolger and Lewis H. Van Dusen, the members of the commission. Yesterday the commissioners acknowledged receipt of the Mayor's letter, and asked the Mayor to state his reasons for requesting their resignation.

Their answer was lengthy, and to the effect that to resign would be an admission that they had failed to perform their duty in sustaining the merit system of qualifying persons for public service. They requested that the demand for their removal be justified by any charges of derelictions or favoritism, or any other cause which might suggest a basis for their removal.

The Civil Service Association has lined up behind the commissioners in the contest. It became known today that before Mayor Smith went into office the association sent him a letter asking him to retain the present commission. Their letter follows:

"In the first place, under the civil service act, it is expressly provided that the commissioners shall be appointed to serve for five years. The terms of the commissioners, moreover, expire two years apart. It is the manifest purpose of the law in making the terms of the commissioners five years, and the expiration of their several terms at different periods, to assure some permanency to the commission, and to protect, if possible, the administration of this branch of the public service from complete change at the end of the term of office of any Mayor. We are advancing these provisions of the law, not as indicative of restrictions upon your right of dismissal, but merely as reasons found in the law itself for the continuance of the present commissioners, at least throughout the remainder of their respective terms of office."

The Mayor yesterday afternoon, asking him to send his nominations for bureau chiefs to that body. The commission today announced that a public hearing would be held next Monday to decide whether to suspend the regulations and confirm the appointment of Chester E. Albright as chief of the Bureau of Surveys without holding any competitive examination for the position.

Main Line Physicians Organize

Fifty prominent physicians of Main Line towns have organized the Main Line branch of the Montgomery Medical Society, with headquarters at the Merion Cricket Club, at Haverford. Meetings will be held twice monthly. Dr. Walter Chrystie, of Bryn Mawr, has been elected president. Dr. H. F. Smythe, of Wayne, is corresponding secretary, and Dr. John Harvey, of Bryn Mawr, is recording secretary.

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BABY RALLIES AFTER BLOODLESS OPERATION

Little Aaron Grossman in Fine Condition, but Puzzled by Inability to Move Leg

Little 15-months-old Aaron Grossman, the subject of the bloodless operation for a dislocated hip at the Jefferson Medical College Hospital yesterday, is in splendid condition today.

Ever since he came out of the anesthetic in the children's ward yesterday afternoon he has been rallying. When he did come to and opened those large brown baby eyes, his mother, Mrs. Joseph Grossman, 3149 Wilt street, was beside him.

Mother hands were there to smooth the troubled child's brow. Although there are six other children in the little Grossman home, Aaron is the baby, and his mother wanted to be with him when he regained consciousness. She left the rest of the family and came to the hospital. With husky voice she tells of the struggle she has had with herself deciding whether it would be best to have little Aaron operated on, and then have him in a cast for eight whole months.

"It seemed so dreadful to have him in a plaster cast for nearly a year," said the mother, with brimming eyes, "and that is what this means. But my husband, who is a cabinet maker, employed down on Second and Market, and I talked it all over, and we decided that if there was a chance of having our little boy saved from the life of a cripple we ought to take the chance. So we brought him."

She says the baby never had a fall, and that she has no idea how the hip became dislocated.

Baby Grossman is perhaps more surprised than he is hurt today. Now that the stupor of the anesthetic has worn off, he finds that he cannot move his right leg above the knee on account of something cold and hard—the cast. He tried wiggling. He tried wriggling—but all to no avail.

With his soft baby "paddies" he is making a tour of investigation of this strange thing which envelops his little hip. It was not there when he went to sleep yesterday morning in that big white room, with many young men, all seniors at the Jefferson Medical College, looking on. He cannot understand where it came from or why it is there.

With luminous eyes, ever that look like those of a frightened fawn, under his soft brown hair, he looks questioningly at the nurse when she comes to his tiny bedside.

Barber Saves Tailor From Flames

SEAFORD, Del., Jan. 4.—George Scott, proprietor of a cleaning and dyeing establishment, was saved from severe burns when Harold Graves, a barber, walked into his establishment and discovered that Scott's clothes and his place of business were on fire. Scott, who had lighted a cigarette, was holding the match in his hand and failed to notice that his clothing and some waste nearby had become ignited until Graves rushed in. A bucket brigade was soon formed and the flames extinguished, Scott receiving several slight burns.

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