

"MONEY TO SPEND" BOUGHT BY SMITH; TAX RATE LATER

Loan Question First—"Pay Back" Problem for Future Consideration

SEEKS WAY FOR ACTION

Municipal loan questions take precedence over any serious consideration of an increase in the city tax rate, according to Mayor Smith, who is anxious that "money to spend" be found before "money to pay back" is considered.

CLAIMS FOR "BIG THINGS"

It is generally admitted that the Smith administration, which started out with ambitious claims for "big things," can accomplish little in the first year, no matter how good the intentions of the mayor and his advisers.

A MAKESHIPT PLAN

The Councilmanic loan, which may be about \$5,000,000, will provide the operating expenses of the city not covered by current revenues and will increase the fixed charges that will have to be met in future years.

NAMING OF GARRISON'S SUCCESSOR DELAYED

President Wilson Returns, but Hasn't Picked War Secretary

FIVE ABOVE ZERO; COLDEST DAY YET

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Order for wholesale arrests was issued by Superintendent Robinson, if snow is not cleared off pavements by 4 o'clock this afternoon, and ashes, cinders or sawdust sprinkled on the ice that cannot be removed.

Accident wards of all the city hospitals are kept busy. To the long list of injured treated early this morning others were rapidly being added, no less than 50 persons already having been taken to hospitals with broken limbs and fractured skulls as a result of accidents encountered in walking, coasting or working on the slippery streets.

Among those reported injured today are: Mrs. Matilda Weber, 45 years old, 2220 Almond street, slipped in front of her home; fractured skull; Episcopal Hospital.

James Gavin, 38 years old, 222 Sumac street, buried in snowdrift; Manayunk avenue and Sumac street; hands and feet frozen; St. Timothy's Hospital.

James Hillis, 51 years old, no home; head and body cut; Episcopal Hospital. John Murphy, 160 Filmore street, sprained wrist; Frankford Hospital.

James Cleary, 152 Sumner street, fractured leg; Garretton Hospital. Henry Brown, 51 years old, 123 Winter street, fractured leg; Hahnemann Hospital.

Harry Kurtz, 22 years old, 2815 Poplar street, fell from electric light pole, 8th and Nectarine streets, fractured leg; Hahnemann Hospital.

William Sanford, 40 years old, Fisher's lane and Wyoming avenue, sprained wrist; Frankford Hospital.

No trouble was reported by the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Philadelphia and Reading Railway and the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, as a result of the ice-bound tracks, but gangs of workmen were sent out early today in case of emergency.

Between 200 and 300 stations of the Bell Telephone Company, out of the 150-000 in the Philadelphia district, were reported out of order today by the company as a result of the storm. No further trouble was expected by the company unless a high wind should set in today.

Forty wires of the Western Union Telegraph Company between Philadelphia and Baltimore, and 25 between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh were reported as having given way beneath the weight of ice. The company reported that its service to New York, the West and the South had not been interrupted.

Fruit growers in South Jersey declared that the storm would be beneficial to their trees if no wind breaks the ice-coated boughs.

Many wires are down in Camden. Both telegraph and telephone companies have large forces of men at work repairing the damage. Some trolley cars were delayed as much as an hour, especially in the outlying sections. Three of the hundreds of pedestrians who slipped and fell were taken to hospitals.

At Woodbury, N. J., much damage was reported as a result of broken telephone and electric light wires.

Falls Dead in Bourse Building

An unidentified man fell dead in the Bourse Building shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. He was ascending the steps leading from the basement when he stepped over backward. A bootblack and George Lohmann, 224 Stillman street, picked him up and called an ambulance. He was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital and then to the morgue. He was about 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighed about 150 pounds and had grayish hair. He wore a blue suit with a gray sweater underneath a short coat. He wore a black derby hat, black shoes and knitted mittens that had no fingers in them.

Crew of Sunken Ship Picked Up

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Captain St. Clair and three of the crew of the 664-ton British steamship Cedarwood, sunk several days ago, have been picked up, according to dispatches received here today.

Springfield to Raise Taxes

With a financial assessment aggregating \$4,611,519 in Springfield township, and with extensive highway improvements to be made during the year, the commissioners will increase the available revenues by raising the tax rate from 6 to 7 mills, making \$500 additional.

Rea 'Mum' on Commuters' Plea

President Rea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, in a second letter to the South Jersey Commuters' Association, has refused to discuss the reasons why the Pennsylvania charges a full mile from the Market street ferry to Camden, when the distance one-half mile, why the company sells 100-trip tickets from all points except Camden, and why rates are relatively lower in North Jersey than in South Jersey. These questions, Mr. Rea says, are now before the Public Utility Commission, and therefore cannot be discussed with propriety by a company official. The commuters declared today that they were preparing a direct appeal to the Legislature to increase the powers of the commission in matters of railroad-rate regulation.

Crushed to Death in Iron Works

Injuries received when he was crushed by machinery at the Camden Iron Works, where he was employed, were fatal for David Taylor, 65 years old, 516 Trenton avenue, Camden. He died in the Cooper Hospital.

Man Injured in Fall Down Stairs

John H. Scott, 23 years old, of 2427 Wharton street, is in the Polyclinic Hospital from a possible fracture of the skull, received when he fell down the stairway at his home yesterday.

TO DENOUNCE SCHOOL SYSTEM HERE, PLAN OF PROPOSED GATHERING

Call Issued by Germantown Patrons in Protest Against Removal of Principal Sowden From Fidler

NEW CODE ADVOCATED

Steps to hold a mass-meeting in the Metropolitan Opera House were taken today by citizens of Germantown to protest against the Board of Education in its general management of the school system here. The transfer of William H. Sowden, principal of the Fidler Public School, against the wishes of Germantown patrons brought matters to a climax.

Hundreds of letters were sent out to civic, fraternal, business and industrial associations in all parts of the city calling attention to the necessity of amending the school code. These communications were signed by Samuel J. Houston, chairman of the committee appointed by the parents who protest against Mr. Sowden's removal.

NEW CODE PLANNED

The chief purpose of the proposed meeting is to discuss the advisability of taking steps to amend the school code. If the Board of Education were made an elective instead of an appointive body, it is contended that the people would have a more equal chance.

In discussing the matter, Mr. Houston said the Board of Education seemed to be able to do just as it pleased. "The people have no say whatever and can't even cross the first line of trenches," he said. "I know of no other school system which has a Board of Education selected in such a manner."

"The proposed meeting is not aimed at any individual. The case of Principal Sowden just brought matters to a climax. There are other instances in which the Board of Education showed poor judgment. These cases were never brought to light because the people had no support back of them and no organized movement."

Many organizations throughout the city, it is said, have expressed a willingness to participate in such a meeting and it is proposed to select representatives at the meeting for each organization which takes part in the movement. These representatives will form a general committee and map out definite lines to bring about the proposed legislation.

It is the hope of those planning the mass-meeting to hold it within the next three weeks.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Richard Austin, 2114 E. Allegheny ave., and Annie C. Bevier, 122 W. Thompson st.; Harry C. Belver, 128 W. Allegheny ave., and Clara Corvino, 215 N. 17th st.; and Dorothy P. Field, 113 N. 20th st.; Charles F. Standenburgh, 240 N. 19th st., and Martha A. Suedel, 248 S. Delat st.; Norman Jackson, 1814 Shaverswood st., and Louise Fieba, 1814 Shaverswood st.; Harry D. Hanson, 211 N. 20th st., and Lillian A. McKee, 220 N. Daubish st.; George A. Laff, 145 S. 2nd st., and Josephine C. Hubler, 432 Brown st.; Peter Okalik, 475 Stiles st., and Anna Hodson, 2753 Tucker st.; Albert Scholtz, 420 Tacony st., and Olozar Krasny, 421 Melrose st.; Harry D. Dowling, 2213 N. Sedwinton st., and Emma P. Meyers, 1824 Thompson st.; Theodore E. Moore, 820 Belgrave st., and Edna M. Luffery, 150 Orange st.; Aaron H. Haulley, 431 Dickinson st., and Ella Jensen, 109 Holman st.; John E. Schell, 122 W. Seltzer st., and Ida Velt, 282 N. 8th st.; Charles E. Smith, 6111 I. st., and Mary A. Freeman, 2736 W. Cabot st.; William G. Gault, 240 N. 11th st., and Ursula Kilste, 540 N. 11th st.; Frederick S. Walker, 426 E. Conestoga st., and Rose Haberler, 1424 Thompson st.; Wladyslaw Kwiatkowski, 2017 Emery st., and Wladyslaw Zebrowski, 2720 Albert st.; Sebastian Meyer, 21 South st., and Sadie Johnson, 185 Waverly st.; William Morgan, 1322 S. 31st st., and Susie Baldwin, 1000 Vigen st.; George C. Schenckler, 904 Vigen st., and Dorothy K. Schneider, 1647 N. 29th st.; James R. Fischer, 1424 Thompson st., and Ida Thomas, 1254 S. Ringgold st.; Walter J. Arnold, 2122 S. 3rd st., and Anna E. Stacey, Cornwellia, Pa.; John H. Schaefer, 16 Webster st., and Bertha F. Collins, 2827 Pine st.; Roy T. Lettelle, 3017 Warren st., and Mary P. Madigan, 2628 Mellon st.; Alphonse Becker, 1577 S. Chawick st., and Dorothy Welch, 2922 S. 3rd st.; Ray W. Shuster, Easton, Pa., and Althea E. Oliver, Easton, Pa.; Harry J. Stewart, 2562 Jaeger st., and Josephine M. Kerner, 1607 Taylor st.; Thomas G. Morris, 1027 Summer st., and Gladys March, 1027 Summer st.; Robert Sobush, Trenton, N. J., and Louise Remer, 6112 Cleveland ave.; Henry Seltzer, 2906 Belmont st., and Anna Herran, 2614 E. Cambria st.; Vincent Grindol, 812 Tucker st., and Ella Bennett, 1212 Montrose st.

300 PROMISE TO PRAY FOR DARBY DAILY AS NOON WHISTLES BLOW

Evangelist Opens Campaign With Successful Meeting Despite Boiled Shirt and Flimsy Pulpit

BIG AUDIENCE ATTENDS

The Rev. William P. Nicholson, the Scotch-Irish gymnastic evangelist from Belfast, opened a revival campaign in Darby last night, and, despite a boiled shirt and a flimsy pulpit which prevented acrobatic preaching, won the promise of 300 persons to pray for the welfare of Darby whenever the noon whistles blow during the six weeks of the revival. The service was attended by 500 men and women.

"It's a guild," said he, "to see that Darby's none afraid of the storm. Darby does na' believe in sitting with its feet up against a hot-air hole singing 'Rescue the Perishing.' Guild for Darby."

"I weigh 178 pounds, and it's all muscle," Mr. Nicholson continued, shaking his pulpit. "It's a good pulpit. That is, its intentions are all right, but it wasn't built by any one who knows me, that's evident. Why, mon alive, I'd topple the thing over into the sawdust if I got a bit excited into the now."

BROTHERS IN WILL CONTEST

File Caveats Protecting Against Probate of Documents

Brother is arrayed against brother in the contest over the will of Mrs. Mahala McCallum, who died December 23, 1915, at 642 Germantown avenue, leaving effects valued at \$14,000.

Register of Willis Sheehan has been informed that Mrs. McCallum executed two wills, the first dated February 28, 1909, and the second, January 14, 1915. The first will provides that the entire estate be equally divided between two sons, William H. and Irving McCallum. The second will leaves all the household effects, four dwellings on Spring street, Germantown, and four \$1,000 bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad to Irving McCallum and leaves the remainder of the property in equal parts to both sons.

Both sons have filed caveats, that of Irving McCallum being a protest against the probate of the will dated seven years ago, and that of William H. McCallum in opposition to the will executed in January of last year. The latter in his petition alleges that at the time the last will was executed the testator did not possess sufficient testamentary capacity to make a will and that the paper was obtained by undue influence and fraud. The hearing of the contest will take place before the register in the near future.

Farmers Made Homeless by Fire

SEIBSVILLE, Del., Feb. 14.—Many farmers were made homeless by fire that caused \$100,000 loss here today.

DIAMONDS

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SEASHORE SALOONDOM STIRRED, STOUGH SAYS

Pastors Want to Raise Larger Fund for Evangelist—Will Remain Another Week

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 14.—There is no joy in shore saloons today. Gloom thick enough to cut with a knife also pervades the Riddle political clubs. After having been battered unceasingly for six weeks to the approving shouts of legions at the Stough evangelistic tabernacle and to count the days to the wind-up only to have it prolonged, is disappointing.

Instead of being on a train this morning speeding for Tampa, as the automobiles and "City Hall gang" fully expected, Stough is here. Furthermore, he is to stay for another week of saloon assault activities. Everything was decided in keeping with the original plan until late yesterday afternoon. Then it was found that all appeals for a liberal free-will offering to the evangelist for what he had done for the town had produced but \$2200. Last night the "closing" service produced \$100 additional. Still the shore pastors were not satisfied with what they regarded as a sorry showing, since Hazleton gave Stough \$7000. They pressed Stough to stay for another seven days and give Atlantic City a chance to "make good."

He acceded and will go back to the spring line tomorrow afternoon. The Christian Workers' League, which is going after Mayor Riddle's scalp, now has 800 members.

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Velvet Joe



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Advertisement for Velvet Joe tobacco, featuring a cigarette pack illustration and descriptive text.

Advertisement for Fur Sets and Fashionable Fur Coats by Mawson & DeMay, including a list of fur types and prices.

Advertisement for Sorosis Shoes, featuring a woman in a dress and text describing the shoes.

THE APPEAL TO WOMEN! FINE, dainty apparel appeals to all types of femininity. But, alas! not every woman has the wherewithal to purchase it. The "better-than-average" buyers, whose incomes encompass life's little luxuries, look upon the Public Ledger as an index to the sources of supply. Most Philadelphia merchants know that the Ledger covers the city's strongest buying power; that it has an appeal to women—to the type of women who purchase dainty better-than-average apparel; and that in many instances the Ledger is the only Philadelphia newspaper such women read. The gown illustrated on the left is reproduced from the advertisement of a local Ledger advertiser.

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The greatest opportunity you ever had to purchase high grade footwear—at positive savings. Every Shoe and Slipper in the lot is a genuine Sorosis and bears the label.

Lot No. 1—400 Pairs Tan Women's Shoes \$2.95

Lot No. 2—600 Pairs Satin Slippers \$2.95

Lot No. 3—300 Pairs Women's Shoes \$3.95

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Here Are a Few That You Will Want to Have

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