SMITH'S OPEN SHIFT TO GOVERNOR AS STATE LEADER IS BIG SURPRISE

Politicians Had Not Expected Mayor to Announce Alignment With Brumbaugh

REVERSES FORMER VIEW

The amouncement made by Mayor Thomas it. Smith, when he heartily indorsed the presidential candidacy of Governor Brumbaugh, occasioned considerable surprise among Philadelphia poli-

While the fact that the Mayor is ailled fith the Brumbaugh-Vare faction has been known since he went into office, it had been expected that he would not openly align himself with the Brumbaugh candidacy because of the attitude he had assumed regarding the delegates situa-tion before the first of the year.

In unqualifiedly indorsing the Brum-baugh candidacy, the Mayor completely reversed the position which he took last

On December 10 he issued a statement in which he said:

There is no reason or excuse for any faction in Philadelphia or in the State trying to start a political fight. We have had enough fighting in the past with the resulting party defeats. Particularly in Philadelphia, I will not stand for any factional warfare in the party by contractors or any one class. party by contractors or any one cise, and I have the real settled conviction that in the greatest Republican city in the country the party should not be open to the reproach of contractor leadership.

I have known Senator Penrose well for a score of years and have steadily supported him in his political efforts. I reafize his great influence in the national councils of the Republican party and how valuable are his services at this time on account of his long and wide experience.

Representative historical party and

Representative business men and political leaders of the different Conpolitical leaders of the different Congressional districts will be elected delegates to the National Convention, and it is my desire that they should be in harmony with Mr. Penrose and sustain his leadership for the welfare of the State and nation. The statement issued last night by the Mayor was telephoned by the Chief Executive from Alken, S. C. where he is restling for a week or ten days with Senator Edwin H. Vare and several Vare followers.

ollowers.

In it the Mayor placed his stamp of ap-graval upon the statements made by Reproval upon the statements made by Re-publican National Committeeman Henry G. Wasson, who, in his letter asking Governor Brumbaugh to consent to the use of his name for the purpose of uniting the Republicans and Progressives, pointthe Republicans and Progressives, point-ed to Senator Penrose's leadership as being responsible for the Republican de-feat in 1912. The Mayor, referring to the letters exchanged between the Gov-ernor and Mr. Wasson, said, "I wholly and heartily approve their spirit and

HIS NEW ATTITUDE The Mayor's statement was:

The letter of Mr. Wasson to the Governor and his reply will be most welcome to the people of Pennsylvania, and is the beginning of a new era in Republican politics in this State. They are statesmanlike papers, and I wholly and heartily approve of their spirit The Governor's life has been one

of successful effort for the public wel-fare. From information of political conditions throughout the state I am satisfied that he is the only man under whose leadership the Republicans and Progressives can unite and thus avoid the disastrous result of 1912. He represents all that is best in American character and citizenship and it will be my personal pleasure and duty to do all in my power to support and aid him to the end that there shall be a united Republican party, led by one who knows the needs of the people and has the ability and courage to be and do the right.

Senator Penrose has so far remained lent regarding the Governor's announce-tent. He is marshaling his forces as rapidly as possible, however, and has prepared

or three days SEES FLINN'S HAND.

William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, Progressive leader in Pennsylvania. It is generally believed along the political rialto that Flinn will maintain only a skeleton of the Washington party State organization, and thus be able to throw many votes to Brumbaugh at the primaries. Wasson is a lieutenant of Flinn, and in political circles it is believed that he did not act without first having consulted with Flinn.

COURTROOM IN UPROAR AS WOMAN HITS MAN

Free-for-all Fight Narrowly Averted at Central Station

The fist of a 198-pound woman "landed" on the chin of a man whose remarks she did not like today and a free-for-all fight on the third floor of the Federal Building among nearly 400 court spectators and friends of prisoners awaiting trial was only

averted by the prompt action of deputy marshals, who rescued the man who was the centre of the fight.

The fight started in the lobby of the Inited States District Court after Joseph efaky, 21 years old, of 2425 South ulah street, had been sentenced to 60 lays in jail under the Mann act by Judge Thompson on the charges of Mrs. Fannie Levine, of 2620 South 7th street. She said that Shefeky had induced her to leave her husband and go with him to Baltimore with her two children. He left her there, she said. Shefsky, however, who is nearly ten years younger than the woman, and is of siender build, said that the woman had failen in love with him and had persuaded him to take her to Baltimore against his wish. caltimore against his wish. When he calized his mistake he left her, he said. Its 19-year-old mother was in court to Strauss, of \$12 Pierce street. After the trial, the witnesses left the court room and Strauss accused Mrs. Levine of being untair in her testimony. She resented his words with a lusty swing to the jaw. The jobby was crowded with "hangers-on," who at once took sides, with screams and tho at once took sides, with screams and

Highway Job for Phoenixville Man HARRISBURG. March 14 .- The ap HARRISBURG, March 14.—The ap-pointment was announced at the State Highway Denartment today of H A. Thomson, of Phoenixville, as engineer of the analy created district No. 1 in the Bureau of Township Highways. Thom-son has been attached to the desartment forces in District No. 7, with headquarters is Billinglights.

OO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION HELP WANTED-FEMALE Wanted young lady of refin-itsuring parter, 425 Widens

"Invasion" Means Long Marches for U.S. Troops

Some idea of what it means to patrol the Mexican border and the distances that must be covered in an "invasion" of Mexico is gained in the accompanying table. Of course, an army traveling along the casiest routes would in some instances cover about twice as many miles as the distances given be-

From the eastern to the western end of the Mexican border the straight line distances are:

From Brawnsville to Laredo From Laredo to Del Rio From Del Rio to El Paso From El Paso to Bishee From Bishee to Yuma

Starting from El Paso the invading Americans would cover following distances to Mexico City:

GERMANTOWN APPEAL REJECTED BY COURT

option" vote against a proposed saloon at 52d and Ranstead streets was announced by Judge Staake as "not binding" in the decision he made.

PUT IN WASTE BASKET. An attitude unfavorable to the Geranntown remonstrants made itself almost as soon as the court opened. Fifty of the remonstrants were in court; oth-ers expected to be there later, but the ers expected to be there later, but the session was over before they arrived. When the decision against hearing the remonstrances were announced, court clerks gathered up the great heap of remonstrances, on which 3405 names appeared many of them duplicates, and dropped them into a waste basket which was returned to the Germantown delegation.

Judge Barratt summed up the attitude of the court toward the Germantown pro-tests. "What authority has the court," he asked "to divest the licensee, who may have large sums invested in his business of his license unless a specific violation of his license unless a specific viola of the law is charged against him?"

Both devoted considerable time to discussing the question from all its angles and defining their position. Mr. Sheppard came in for criticism, as to the purpose of the remonstrants and their right to pro-test against regranting licenses unless they accused the saloonkeepers of breakng the law.

"This is a question of absolute prohibi-on, isn't it?" Judge Barratt asked. "It s not a question of regulation. You want us to say to these licensees: 'We're going put you all out of business." Isn't that hat you want us to do?"

SENTIMENT HAS CHANGED.

Sheppard replied that, on the surface, that appeared to be the purpose, but de-clared the number of remonstrances to be sentiment regarding saloons in the neigh 'It isn't a physical change in the neigh-

borhood that we will attempt to show," he said, "but a change in the attitude of the neighborhood toward saloons. At the last session of the court one of the Ger-mantown saloons moved to West Phila-delphia. That showed there was no necessity for one that had been there before. We want to bring out that there may be others which are not necessary. D. Clarence Gibboney, of the Law and

Order Society, said his opposition to the principle the Germantown remonstrants purposed to work under in appealing to he court, was based on the fact that the State, which was virtually in partnership with the saloon, because of the taxes, had no power to abolish saloons and the capital invested in them.

"There isn't a drink sold over a bar that doesn't pay its share to the State and to the United States Government." "There isn't a drunkard walking the streets who hasn't been brought to his condition to the profit of the Com-

LEHIGH NAVIGATION IN COURT

Company Indicted at Trenton for Receiving Rebates

TRENTON, March 14,—The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company was placed on trial in the Federal Court today on an Behind the Brumbaugh candidacy many politicians believe they see the hand of William Finn, of Pittsburgh, Progressive ceiving rebates in coal shipments from the ceiving rebates in coal shipments from the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey.

carrying the shipmen jurymen began today.

U. S. Again Proclaims Neutrality

WASHINGTON, March 14 .- President by this country.

THEODORE VOORHEES **BURIED AS MAGNATES** AND TOILERS MOURN

Entire Reading System Halts During Impressive Funeral Services for President of Railroad

SOCIETY WOMEN WEEP

Every train of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad came to a standstill at 11 o'clock today. Every trackwalker stood silent, with bared head, every track recairer dropped his pick and for one minute the entire railroad system and office force ceased to operate and did honor to the memory of Theodore Voorhees, late president of the company.

At the same moment, the Rev. David M. Steele, rector of the Church of St. Luke M. Steele, rector of the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, bowed his head in prayer over the body of Mr. Voorhees at Colony House, the Voorhees residence at Elkins Park. About the coffin were grouped the leading railroad magnates of the United States, the most prominent men of Philadelphia, standing shoulder to shoulder with conductors, brakemen, engineers, flagmen and other employes of the railroad.

Common grief over the death of Mr Voorhees created a bond of sympathy among these men who represented every class from the highest to the most humble. Railroad presidents and other high officials sidently shook the hands of messengers. Women prominent in society wept with the wives of employes of the railroad who had known Mr. Voorhees. It vas the most cosmopolitan service that has marked the funeral of a prominent Philadelphian.

Outside of the Voorhees residence there was another group of mourners. They too represented every rank of society, and stood with bowed heads during the entire time the service was being conducted.

Most of those who attended the service ame to Elkins Park on a special which left Reading Terminal at 10:15 o'clock. Among the well-known faces seen among those on the train was that of "Diamond" Jim Brady.

The Rev. Dr. Steele was assisted at the funeral service by the Rev. J. Thom-son Cole, rector of St. Paul's Church, at Ashbourne. At the conclusion of the ceremony at the Voorhees residence eight messengers who had served Mr. Voorhees for years on the fourth floor of the Reading Railway Building carried the body to an automobile hearse, which carried the body to the yard of St. Paul's Church, Ashbourne. Each of the pailbearers was to his bills uniform. They were Alfred in his blue uniform. They were Alfred Shissler, Thomas Audis, Michael A. Nor-ton, Walter J. Bradley, Daniel Peters, Harry Johnson, Matthew Somers and Joeph Cavanaugh

Among those who attended the services

E. T. Stotesbury, Oliver Blackwell, pres ident of the Wildwood Steam Railway Company; former State Senator David S. Chew, M. C. Kennedy, president of the Cumberland Valley Railroad; H. C. Clark, the American Electric Association; "Diamond Jim" Brady, of New York; T. Schoen, retired capitalist of Philadel-phia; Daniel T. Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; W. J. Richards, president of the Coal and Iron Com-pany of Reading. Pa.; Samuel T. Wagner, chief engineer of the Reading Company; E. D. Hilleary, of Harrisburg, and C. H Ewing, of Reading.

L. D. Townsend, president of the Wiliamsport North Branch Railroad; D. Slaughter, general manager of the Wildwood and Delaware Bay Railroad; Wildwood and belaware Bay Railroad; W. J. Crout, president of the Union Trans-fer Company; W. H. Keffer, superin-tendent of the Reading Division; I. J. Stackhouse, superintendent of the Harris-burg Division of the Reading Railroad; W. S. Eckert, superintendent of the Wilmington-Columbia Division of the Reading Railroad; Charles superintendent of the New York Division

of the Reading Railroad. George Ziegler, vice president of the Read- | trict, he said. ing Company; J. V. Hare, secretary of the Reading Company; H. D. Paisley, treas-urer of the Reading Company; W. G. Bessler, of the Jersey Central Rallway Company; W. H. Cruesdale, president of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad: D. H. Smith, president of the New York Central Railroad, and Joseph E.

Wills Probated Today

The wills of William G. Lees, 5215 Ridge avenue, disposing of effects valued at \$12,500; James McCaffney, 856 North 44th street, \$6000, and Theresa McNulty, who died in St. Joseph's Protectory, \$2200. WASHINGTON, March 14.—President Who died in St. Joseph 8 Protectory, \$2200, Wilson today signed a proclamation of neutrality in connection with Portugal's the estate of Isabella Parrell has been entry into the war. The proclamation is the same form as those previously issued \$8505.13; Thomas Shriner, \$2588.45; Charlotte Barnett, \$2188.96, or Physic \$270.850. and Emma Bilyeir, \$2796.50.

VIRARD'S column in the

descendant of all the

J Public Ledger is a direct

table-talks, from Martin

Luther to the Autocrat. Girard

talks at more breakfast tables

every morning than anyone in

Philadelphia and he never

spoiled a single breakfast.

PRAYER A POTENT INFLUENCE EVENING LEDGER BOY

Rev. J. W. Walker in Lenten Sermon Points Out Its Value

A panic is close upon the heels of the present "era of prosperity" and can only be thwarted through prayer, was the subbe thwarted through prayer, was the sub-stance of the noonday Lenten sermon de-livered today by the Rev. John W. Walker, Vicar of the Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, at Old St. Peter's Church, 3d and Pine streets. As proof of his assertion, the Hev. Mr. Walker recounted history, show-ing that famine invariably proceeds a time of presentity.

time of prosperity. The speaker spoke on "The Need of Prayer." He cited instances in which men achieved what they desired by pray-

"This age, being a prosperous one," the Rev. Mr. Walker said, "should be the oc-casion of fervent and devout prayer, and the impending danger of a probable panic may be averted by the grace of the

"MARRIAGE FOR MONEY A CLAW THAT RENDS"

Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman Deplores Conditions That Lead to Divorce

"Marriage for money manifests a materialism which murders marital happi-

the Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman in the course of a sermon on "The Christian Family," at St. John's Church, Race street

He deplored the lack of love in many He deplored the lack of love in many homes and pointed out that where love is left out of the married state there is heli. After dwelling at length on the Christian limitations of divorce, the speaker said "the golden claw does not bind, but rends. God is a wooer that wins when other charms fall." when other charms fall." Mansions without love and with richer

are prisons. Cottages without wealth and having love are palaces. Love is the guard which keeps the older of the

guard which keeps the olicer of the divorce court away.

"What does it profit the wedded to gain onulence and lose the joy of the married state? Does it pay to barter nuptial bliss for the sumptuous fare and the select company and the gorgeous apparel? The time for frank speaking has come.

The Reno and Cheyenne divorce colonies tell a story of sadness unspeakable.
"Legislation shows itself almost with-

out influence in staying the swelling tide of diverces in all States except in South Carolina, where a divorce has never been granted. Jurists and moralists and lovers of the home agree that the Church of Christ is right in the position it takes that when a man and woman consent gether in holy wedlock the obligation is until do us part.'

In conclusion the speaker urged that all strive to avoid the beginnings that sepa-

"NEVER WHOLLY HELPLESS"

Rev. Edwin C. Van Etten Encourages the Despondent

Persons who are so discouraged from having things "going against" them that they feel helpless were given a lot of encouragement today by the Rev. Edwin C. van Etten at the noonday Lenten service in the Garrick Theatre.

Mr. van Etten, who is rector of Chris Thurch, New York city, pointed out that courage is most essential in the making of our happiness, and that to have cour ge it was essential to have religion. "Man is never wholly helpless," he

"No matter where he may find himself, he can do something, however small or trivial, if he is only able to face the present moment and see it through. The only time we have to live is just for the present, and we must not be discouraged if for the present, something goes wrong What we need is courage and lots of it, and to have courage we must be backed by religion and a sublime faith in God."

Americans Fleeing Mexico

WASHINGTON, March 14.—American Consul Letcher, at Chihuahua City, Mex., J. B. Warrington, superintendent of the Philadelphia Division of the Reading Railroad; S. M. Falk, superintendent of the Atlantic City Railway; Agnew T. Dictivity President of the Reading Railroad; vice president of the Reading Railroad; remain in the city and surrounding dis-

M/ASHINGTON 3-DAY TOURS March 23; April 6 17, 25; May 4 and 18

\$10.50 \$12 \$13 According to Hotel Selected Proportionate Rates from Other Points Itineraries and details from F. B. Barnitz, Division Passenger Agent, 1433 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, or nearest Ticket Agent.

Pennsylvania R. R.

INJURED ON SILIUS 'Newsie". Only American Injured on Vessel Torpedoed by Submarine

John Hartmann, the only American injured when the Norwegian bark Silius was sunk was an Evening Legger news-boy, who ran away from his home at 2441 Coral street eight weeks ago to see the

"Johnny" was known to hundreds "Johnny" was known to hundreds of Philadelphians who passed the corner of Front and York streets daily. He is almost 18 years old and created such a favorable impression with his patrons that many would pause on their way home from work to chat with him. The boy did not devote all of his time to selling Eventual the box factory of Joseph T. Pearson, at Boston avenue and Adams street.

The night before Johnny disappeared rom his home he confided to a chum that from his home he confided to a chum that he was "gonna take a trip somewhere." When he vanished the police were unable to find any trace of him. Johnny was the oldest of 11 children, and there was much weeping in the Hartmann residence when he did not return. Four-year-old Tommy

seemed to miss his brother more than the others and was almost heartbroken over MAN AND WIFE BADLY

his continued absence.

John G. Hartman, the boy's father, is a fireman at the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company's car barn at Ambler street and Lebigh avenue. Hoping against hope that "Johnny" would return, the father took up the boy's Evening Lapozer trade at the Front and York streets stand. He hoped that some one of "Johnny's" numerous enterprise might bring some word. merous customers might bring some word of the missing boy.

The first word of "Johnny" came from Censul Osborne, at Havre, France, who informed the State Department today that the Hartmann boy was the only American injured in the sinking of the Silius. It was said the boy is in a hospital, and is in a satisfactory condition, suffering only from a fractured thigh. Consul Osborne's report also stated the Silius was not armed, that it was laden with grain, carried no passengers and a orew of 17. Two Norwegians, including the captain and one Dane, lost their lives, according to the report.

It is believed that when "Johnny" Hart-

mann disappeared from this city be pro-ceeded immediately to New York and shipped with the Silius as a deckhand.

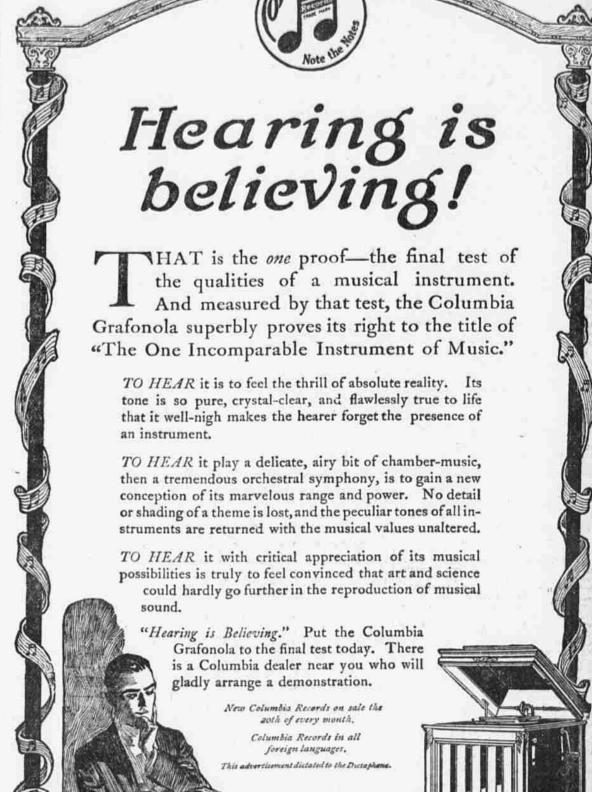
D. A. R. Hear Plea for Better Navy A pien for a better navy was voiced to-day by Mrs. H. C. Cupitt in a talk on "The Navies of the World" before the In-dependence Hall Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at their regu-lar meeting in the New Century Club.

BURNED BY ALCOHOL

Their Clothing Ignites When Lamp Used in Sickroom Bursts.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., March 11,-Caught by flames from an exploding alcohol lamp, Mr. and Mrs. Martin R Girven were badly burned this morning before neighbors rushed in and extinguished the blaze that was rapidly esting away their clothing. Both wen burned on the arms and hands, and Mrs. Girven was burned on the body. She le in a serious condition from her injusted and shock.

The alcohol lamp was being used by Mrs. Girven in connection with bathing Mr. Girven, who is in ill health. Mrs. Girven ran downstairs, her clothing ablaze, and called her daughter to get help and take care of her husband. Persons on the street heard her screams and saw smoke. Their prompt action saves the two from fatal injury. The house was not damaged.



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