

CITY FINANCIERS FEAR OPONENTS WILL KILL GENERAL LOAN BILL

Forces Hostile to Administration May Defeat \$47,425,000 Measure in Councils or at Polls

22 "REBELS" INSISTENT West Philadelphia Councilmen Demand Share in Improvement Program

Fear that the \$47,425,000 municipal loan will be defeated either in Councils tomorrow or at the polls on May 16, was expressed today by councilmanic financiers.

The West Philadelphia fight reached a head today when members of Councils from that section of the city lying west of the Schuylkill River, for the third time, called the Mayor's attention to their demand for money for the improvement and extension of Cobb's Creek Park and for paying for other highway improvements in the six wards west of the river.

The general loan bill provides for all municipal improvements other than transit and port and for maintenance items, as well as deficiency bills for 1915. Should it, for any reason, go down to defeat, the city's financial condition would be chaotic and the Mayor and his directors would find themselves unable to proceed with even the most necessary improvements, let alone any consideration of Art Museum, Public Library and other undertakings.

West Philadelphia's demands as placed before the Mayor today for the last time include a total of \$2,620,000 for needed improvements. The allowance in the loan that comes up for passage by Councils tomorrow is \$30,000. Should preliminary loan legislation require a two-thirds vote in both branches of Councils, as is the case when the time arrives for the final appropriation of the money, there would be grave doubt of the general loan passing tomorrow.

Few, if any, of the 22 West Philadelphia Councilmen will, in advance of the meeting, go on record as opposing the loan to the extent of voting against it even should their demands today receive no more attention than they have down to date.

'PEEPING TOM' PEERS THROUGH PERISCOPE Looked in Windows to See How Comfortably Some Folk Lived, He Says

MYSTIC, Conn., April 10.—Of "Tom the Peeper" everybody has heard, of course. But this town has just discovered a new and entirely up-to-date variety, namely—

A man who was arrested here on the charge of prowling beneath bedroom windows of the villagers, had in his possession, according to Probation Officer Richard W. Mansfield, a home-made contrivance resembling a cane, which was in reality a periscope.

With this, through an arrangement of mirrors, he was enabled to remain in the darkness below the window sill and yet see what was going on in the room. For more than two weeks the police had heard of a strange prowler, but no complainant had ever seen a face at the window pane.

The prisoner said he was Charles Totton and that his only reason for looking into the bedrooms of Mystic people was to see how pleasantly some folk lived. He had been sleeping so much in the open air, and in barns, he said, that he couldn't resist the temptation of stealing glimpses of warmth and comfort.

Aged Pair Found Dying From Gas Found unconscious yesterday morning at 602 Avon street, Camden, George P. Walker, 87 years old, and Mrs. Sarah Carman, 59 years old, were taken to Cooper Hospital by members of the household, and were reported in a critical condition from inhaling gas. When they regained consciousness they said that the supply pipe had been opened accidentally.

Reading Refunds \$1400 Coal Tax POTTSTOWN, Pa., April 10.—The Reading Coal and Iron Company today will refund \$1400 in coal tax to its employees of the Pottsville repair shops. A record of the purchases of coal made by each employe was kept by the company.

Penrose to Speak at Lancaster Senator Penrose will go to Lancaster tomorrow to deliver a address at a dinner of the Republican Club of Lancaster County. While in that city he will confer with Congressman Griest, Lieutenant Governor McClain and other Lancaster County leaders.

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HIS NINTH YEAR OF BUSINESS

The ninth anniversary of 17-year-old Edward Buckley's "going in business" will be celebrated with more than the usual ardor this year. According to John, Edward's 12-year-old brother, who acts as his chief clerk, Edward's profits have materially increased—and this has come about because of the growth in popularity of the Evening Ledger. Edward lives with his mother, brother and sister at 2525 North 9th street, and what money he makes in the sale of Ledgers goes entirely to the support of the "family."



TWO MULES, PLUS AUTO HORNS, ONE COP AND TRAFFIC EQUAL A TANGLE

Animals Hear "Honk, Honk" and "Hike, Hike" at Rapid Rate on Broad Street, While Chauffeurs Say Some Strong Words

One cop and two mules twisted Broad street traffic out of shape today for several blocks.

The mules looked threadbare and homeless. But they trudged contentedly down Broad street until they reached Callowhill. On arriving at this point, both were somewhat dizzy from dodging automobiles.

The animals paused and looked aguish at the platoon of demon-like cars which glared at them in all directions. Then a battery of arrogant Klaxons were let loose.

The mules tried to rush down the right side of Broad street, but the snorting red devils, gray demons, and even gurgling Fords barked at their heels. Then the victims darted over to the left and ran against the traffic. Chauffeurs shouted and horns blew in vain.

Policeman Steering arrived. He dodged between several cars and told the mules to "whoa". They smelted sardonically at Steering and wiggled their stumpy tails to show contempt. Then the animals zig-zagged down Broad street by taking the Broad street was a hopeless mass of wriggling cars which darted about like rats on a rampage.

TO INSPECT SEWAGE PLANTS Philadelphia Officials Leave on Trip to Middle West Cities

Director George E. Datesman, of the Department of Public Works; Chief Chester E. Albright, of the Bureau of Surveys, and W. S. Stevenson, the assistant engineer, who will aid in designing sewage disposal plans for this city, left today to investigate sewage disposal plants in Milwaukee, Chicago and Cleveland.

First City Troop to Drill The 1st City Troop will hold a drill in its armory, 234 and Ranstead streets, tonight for the purpose of reviewing a portion of the work accomplished during the winter. Captain J. Franklin McFadden will command.

matter where they turned and spluttering motorcycles added to the spirit of the chase.

At Arch street the mules, after a running conference, decided to separate. One continued running against traffic on the east side, while the other darted over to the west side.

But some one had flashed word to City Hall and a semicircle of machines closed in on the mules when they reached Filbert street.

Steering grabbed them by their frayed rope halters, and true to his name, took them to the east entrance of City Hall. There he was informed that the prisoner would have to be taken to the van stables. He manna a motorcycle and towed them there after several mirthous outbreaks on the way.

There was nothing on the mules to lead to their identity. One of them is a decided brunette, somewhat worn in spots. A portion of his left ear is missing and he needs the attention of an oculist. The other is a sort of dark ketchup color. He has knobs on his front legs and his general appearance indicates a past which was none too rosy.

SUNDAY INTEREST WANES Attendance at Baltimore Meetings Yesterday Smallest on Record

BALTIMORE, April 10.—Although the Sunday campaigners expected that the attendance and the number of trail-hitters would increase toward the close of the revival as they did in other cities, they are beginning to fear that it will not be so here. The aggregate attendance at the three services yesterday was the smallest of any Sunday of the campaign. He again attacked Baltimore people.

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\$12,000 GEMS GONE; WHO GOT 'EM PUZZLES COPS

Fifth Avenue Dealer Says Diamond Setter Kept Them. 'Frame-up,' Cries Prisoner

NEW YORK, April 10.—Mystery surrounds the disappearance yesterday of a \$12,000 diamond brooch and chain. The gems are the property of E. M. Gattie, jeweler, of 630 5th avenue.

Mr. Gattie had given the diamonds to Nathan Greenberg, head of the jewelry firm of Greenberg & Co., in the same building, to be reset.

Last night Greenberg had Edward Walder, 27 years old, of 215 West 42d street, locked up, charged with the theft of the jewels.

Walder declares he is innocent and has been "framed up" by Greenberg. He told the following story to Lieutenant Burns, of the West 47th street station, before being locked in a cell:

Greenberg had employed Walder as a diamond setter until two weeks ago. Walder opened a jewelry shop at 215 West 42d street after he left Greenberg & Co. On Saturday, Walder said Greenberg brought him the diamond brooch and chain to be reset. He promised to have the job finished Monday.

Greenberg left the shop, says Walder but returned again in about five minutes and asked for the diamonds, saying he wanted to show them to some one. He took the gems away, and did not return. Yesterday Greenberg returned and demanded the gems. Walder said he was thunderstruck and thought Greenberg "was crazy." He says Greenberg insisted that he had left the diamonds to be reset. The two left Walder's shop arguing, and at Broadway and 42d street Greenberg asked Policeman Van Hagen to lock Walder up on a grand larceny charge.

Last evening Mr. Gattie went to the West 47th street station and asked that Walder be sent to the Second Branch Detective Bureau to be questioned by detectives at work on the case. Mr. Gattie also said another man was involved in the case.

The missing gems are said to have been purchased from Mr. Gattie by a prominent New York society woman, who wanted the design changed.

Ardmore Folk to Organize "Army" Individual members of the Ardmore Civic Association have started a movement for the organization of a company of the Drexel-Biddle citizens' army, on the same lines as that started at Bryn Mawr by Miss Natalie Sellers Barnes. Back of the movement are Dr. Ross Hall Skillern, president of the association; Henry S. Spackman, James S. Knipo and several others.

Won't Explain His Broken Jaw Richard Guttridge, 47 years old, of 1141 Newton avenue, Camden, walked into the Cooper Hospital yesterday with a broken jaw. After he had received treatment he left, refusing to tell how he had been injured.

MOTHER ON FRUITLESS CLUE TO JIMMY GLASS

Haggard After Trip to Kentucky Mountains, She Says Boy Isn't Her Son

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 10.—A woman, haggard from a sleepless 24-hour railway journey, arrived here late yesterday afternoon and went to the little village of Pink, in the mountains of Jessamine County, where she believed her missing son was waiting for her to take him home. She was Mrs. Charles L. Glass, of 13 Lineau place, Jersey City, whose four-year-old boy Jimmy disappeared last summer while in Greeley, Penn.

Once again she was following one of the fruitless clues which have dragged her 5000 miles across the United States since her child vanished. She said the boy at Pink was not her son.

Accompanied by her husband and a Jersey City detective, Mrs. Glass made the nine-mile journey at night over rough roads to Pink. At Pink live Mr. and Mrs. Link Miller and the boy they are caring for. They say his name is Holly Ray Fairchild. But the child speaks of himself as "Jimmy."

On May 12, 1915, Jimmy Glass was playing in the front yard of his father's summer home at Greeley. Then suddenly he was gone. The family searched for him all that day, but he could not be found. He left no trace. The mother has been looking for him ever since.

Once she traveled to Oklahoma, certain that the lost boy held there was her son. Again, she went to South Carolina, sure that Jimmy would greet her at the end of her journey. Both times she came back broken by the disappointment.

Saturday Mrs. Glass left Jersey City on the old, bitter track which has always led to nothing. Yesterday, as she neared the place where "Holly Ray Fairchild" was waiting for her, she was again certain that this time she would find her son.

No one knows who the little boy she went to meet is—the Millers no more than their neighbors. According to their story, in June of last year two women and a man came to a cabin they were living in on Poor Creek, Gerrard County, and left the child with them. They remember the names the three gave—Minnie Woody, a Miss Lohr and Pies Barnett.

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