

HEAVY REGISTRATION REVEALS BITTERNESS OF FACTIONAL STRIFE

Penrose-McNichol and Vre-Brumbaugh-Smith Leaders Send Big Forces to Enroll

26,320 NAMES ADDED

The factional fight between the Penrose-McNichol and the Brumbaugh-Smith forces brought out a large registration force...

Figures showing the additions to the voting lists were compiled yesterday afternoon...

The board today said it expected to strike off an additional 2500 names before the primary election day...

Last autumn 28,726 voters registered, and most of these are entitled to participate in the primary election this year...

Table with columns: Ward, Registered, Stricken Off. Lists wards from First to Forty-eighth with corresponding numbers.

WILL HEAR PETITIONS TODAY

The Board of Registration Commissioners will sit today to hear the petitions filed by the police to strike off approximately 2500 names...

The petitions were filed after a canvass had been made by uniformed policemen yesterday...

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The petitions already filed ask the removals by wards as follows: Third, 120; 4th, 189; 5th, 84; 6th, 22; 7th, 946. Today the petitions will ask removals from the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th wards...

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Convict Will Be Permitted to Point Out Place of Alleged Burial

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 27.—Octave Glennorris, the convict whose startling statements have put the New York police once more on a search for the lost Dorothy Arnold, will be permitted to go to New York and point out the house near West Point under which, he has declared, her body was buried.

This Is New! Tango Aviation

NEW YORK, April 27.—Tangoing in the air in biplanes is the latest development of sensational aviation, and New York is to get the first demonstration of it when the aerial preparedness exhibition is being held at the Sheepshead Bay Speedway on May 6 and 7.

Bull Gores Farmer to Death

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Military Men's Speeches Followed by Donations to Equip 48,000 Volunteer Soldiers

MESSAGE FROM BAKER

It took only five minutes to raise \$13,344 at the Hotel Adelphi last night, when Philadelphia men and women, who are conducting the half million-dollar preparedness campaign...

This money was collected at the dinner which opened the campaign at the Hotel Adelphi by the various team captains who during the next 10 days will work unceasingly to raise the half million.

The sum was raised within five minutes after Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the Department of the East, and Major General George Barnett, commander of the United States Marine Corps, had told the team captains...

Secretary of War Baker sent an inspiring message to the men and women who will be collecting money for preparedness, in which he congratulated Mr. Biddle and those working with him on the undertaking...

Major General Wood, the first speaker, congratulated Mr. Biddle on the work he has done in the interest of preparedness and his efforts at the present.

"We don't look for war, we men of the service," he said, "but it is our business to get you out of the trouble you got us into. We don't want to see you thrown into war unprepared. Are you women willing to send your unprepared men into battle with men who know their job?"

"This is the issue you must face, and you must remember that the man who sends such men into battle is guilty of murder."

Major General Barnett, in opening his address, said the city deserves the thanks of the nation in instituting such a campaign as is now under way, and declared it would prove an inspiration to other municipalities.

When Dr. Johnson, of St. Mary's Hospital, arrived the woman was dead. In one corner of the room the physician found Harry, her husband. He had sustained a fractured arm and contusions about the body and was unconscious.

Both were taken to St. Mary's Hospital. A few minutes later Coroner Wagner returned a verdict that the explosion was the result of an accident. Meantime a crowd had collected and the police reserves were called out.

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NEW YORK, April 27.—In order that Joseph Castell might be free of his wife, who would not divorce him, Frank Veteri lured Mrs. Castell to New Haven and pounded her to death with an iron bar while Castell, who had followed secretly, looked on. All involved in the unusual crime are deaf mutes.

Veteri killed Mrs. Castell because of his friendship for her husband and for a slight financial gain, the police say. The men are in jail here and both confessed today.

Mrs. Castell was struck many times. Unable to cry out, she could only struggle silently and was slowly pounded to the floor, where she was found after the men had fled. She was removed to a hospital. The crime occurred Sunday; Mrs. Castell died Monday. That her death was due to several skull fractures was determined Tuesday. She was identified Wednesday and the arrests followed. Early today, after Veteri and Castell had been bribed by a heavy meal, they confessed, each racing with the other to get his admissions on paper.

Veteri coaxed Mrs. Castell to elope with him Sunday, he wrote. They went to New Haven and engaged a room. Castell followed. He crept quietly into the room and secreted himself in a clothes closet. Veteri had a light iron bar, not much heavier than a pencil.

He crept upon Mrs. Castell and struck her. His weapon descended again and again until Mrs. Castell was unconscious on the floor. Meanwhile the husband peered from the closet, watching his friend feed free of his wife who would not be divorced.

The mother and sister of the slain woman reported the disappearance of Mrs. Castell after the husband, who returned here, refused to say.

Veteri was best man at the wedding of Castell and the slain woman, then Mrs. Antonia Masaro, divorced and mother of three children. Castell recently offered his wife \$100 to permit him to get a divorce. She refused. After arrest, the men, in writing their answers to police questions, denied guilt for several hours. Then they wrote that if fed they would tell all.

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Dr. W. S. Erdman Defends Himself in Slander Suit Brought by Woman

DOYLESTOWN, Pa., April 27.—The third day of the hearing of the \$10,000 slander suit instituted by Miss Cora Fuller, deposed principal of the Buckingham High School, against Dr. W. S. Erdman began this morning. It will likely continue throughout the day and probably tomorrow. Dr. Erdman resumed his testimony this morning. He was on the stand when adjournment came last night. His was the most important testimony given yesterday.

The physician denies flatly the allegations made by Miss Fuller that he called her a thief and that she stole money from the church and the school. He laughs at the charge of Miss Fuller that he used his influence to have her little home which adjoins his estate at Buckingham. She says her barn obstructs the view from his house. Doctor Erdman also denies he said to A. K. Stover: "I'll give you \$50 to get her out."

Bearing on the testimony given by Miss Fuller, Doctor Erdman says he did say this to her: "If you tell the School Board you paid certain money for the baccalaureate sermon, you are a liar; if you deny that you took books belonging to the schools, you are a thief."

During his testimony Doctor Erdman created a stir when he produced three articles clipped from a newspaper which he says were written by Miss Fuller and which he says she does not deny. These articles are signed, "Tear-dimmed Fossil," and treat with the system of the rural school. Doctor Erdman says he told Miss Fuller the articles were a "disgrace to a high school teacher." There was a snicker through the courtroom when Doctor Erdman said: "Whenever she passes me she turns up her nose." He says on two occasions he said to her, "Who do you think you are?"

Miss Fuller contends that because of the statements and activities of Doctor Erdman against her it is hard for her to find a position and thus her income is lessened.

Buy Lot From Pennys E. M. Harrie has purchased through Mastbaum Bros. & Fleisher, from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and the Shirley estate, a lot on Lancaster avenue west of 34th street, with a frontage of 175 feet and an irregular depth. The ground was held for sale at \$25,000. It will be improved with a large building.

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BOY BROKE INTO HOUSE FOR "OWNER," HE SAYS

Man Paid Him Ten Cents, He Declares, and Then Proceeded to Rob Place When He Entered

Reading Man Says Wife to Drive Away Will

READING, Pa., April 27.—That his wife put suit in his bed and slept with a knife under her pillow and treated him sick by faith cure methods, meanwhile getting to cook his meals, were some of the allegations made by Joseph H. Gable, who is suing his wife Laura for divorce. She was a believer in witches, he said. Gable says she often awakes suddenly, seized the knife and drove it into the pillow within a few inches of his head. The suit, he says, she put in his bed to drive away "spooks." The couple were married 20 years.

Abe Valinsky, 13 years old, 813 McKean street, while languishing in jail, has come to the conclusion that it does not pay to believe everything he hears. Young Valinsky was arrested because he accepted 10 cents for breaking into a house at the request of Barney Valindo, when under the impression he was breaking into the house of Valindo, the owner, who had been locked out. In truth, he was breaking into the house of Samuel Elkman, 325 McKean street.

The lad says he had no idea he was doing housebreaking for an alleged thief. While in the house he saw a bicycle in the cellar, which he bought from the supposed owner for 50 cents, and then went out and sold it for \$1.50 to Nathan Jaffe, 18 years old, of 2135 South 5th street. When Valinsky returned to the Elkman house he struck the older man waiting for him with a bag filled with watches, jewelry and other valuables worth several hundred dollars.

The man and the boy are both held. Valinsky told his story when he appeared before Magistrate Benton last night.

Union Official Operated on Thomas Nolan, vice president of the International Organization of Boilermakers and Shipbuilders, whose home is in Portsmouth, Va., and who is here endeavoring to bring about a peaceful solution of the strike of boilermakers at Cramp's shipyards, has just undergone a dangerous operation of the left side of his face, which became infected a week or ten days ago. He