## **BLACKMAIL GANG** SUSPECTS FACING TRIAL AS SLAVERS

Will Be Brought Here From Chicago and Taken to New York

BUTLER HOUSE MYSTERY

Rich Visitors Often Seen at Modest Residence in City

Interest in the nation-wide blackmall plot against persons of wealth who violated the Mann white slave act promises to shift back to Philadelphia, following a decision of the Federal authorities to bring the alleged blackmallers to trial in this city and New York.

A long conference held at the Department of Justice at Washington yesterday was attended by John C. Knox. Assistant United States District Attorney, of New York: Captain W. M. Offley, chief of the Investigating Bureau of the Eastern Division of the department, and Frank Garbarito, special agent of the department in Philadelphia, all of whom are working on the case in this city. All the facts were laid before Attorney General Gregory.

The Federal Government is discriminating in the matter of prosecuting alleged violations of the Mann act, according to Francis Fisher Kans, United States District Attorney in this city. The act is employed only where there is "such enticement as amounts almost to coercion."

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"We prosecute only in cases where there is evidence of a commercial aim." said Mr. Kane. "Only a very small proportion of the complaints that reach us are ever taken into court. I recollect only three cases that have been tried under the Mann act here in the three years that I have been District Attorney."

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"Then the victims of the blackmailers' gaing were put in fear of something that would not happen even if they were guilty, were they not?' Mr. Kane was asked.

"You can reason that out for yourself from what I have told you," he replied.

Following proceedings on Tuesday, when William Butler, of 602 North Thirteenth street, this city, reputed to be one of the three directing heads of the syndicate, which has been said to have taken \$1,000,000 from wealthy persons, was held in \$55,000 ball, and his brother, George Butler, released under \$2000 ball, the investigation had temporarily halted yesterday.

William Butler, who is detained in Camden jall, spent the day in the United States Marshal's office in Philadelphia. He was visited by his wife, Mrs. Grace Butler; his brother George, and his attorney, Henry R. Stevenson, The two brothers spent the entire afternoon in close conversation. George was much improved in appearance since Tuesday, when he was released after seven weeks in jail on the charse of being implicated with William. pearance since Tuesday, when he was re-leased after seven weeks in jail on the charge of being implicated with William in an attempt to extort \$8000 from Mrs. Susan G. Winpenny, widow of J. Bolton

The home of the Butlers, at 602 North Thirteenth street, does not wear an air of prosperity. One of the ordinary "Vacan-cies" signs on cardboard is in a window. The place is one of mystery in the neigh-borhood. The Butlers moved into it two years ago. From then until a year ago the place, which is declared by agents of the Government to have been used as a headquarters by the members of the syndi-cate, was frequented, say those living nearby, by well-dressed men and women. who always came in taxicabs

## HUGHES LAYS SIEGE TO INDIANA'S VOTE

Makes Whirlwind Campaign for Important State-To Last Three Days

LAPAYETTE, Ind., Sept. 21.—Charles E. Hughes invaded Indiana—the naton's 1916 battleground—today on the third lap of his saign through the middle west.

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Indiana, with two vice presidential and one presidential candidate this year, and a delicate situation as regards the Republican-Progressive status promises to be a pivotal State and Hughes will devote three days to carry the gospel of unity and Republicanism to its voters.

Monon was the first stop and then the special moved on to Lafayette, Deiphi, Decatur, Portland and Winchester.

A crowd of 500 persons greeted him at Monon, He specke for fifteen minutes from the rear end of his private car, roundly demouncing the Underwood act.

"It is an un-American policy that does not protect the wage of the American workingman," he declared. "Should this condition continue there is not the slightest doubt that its effects will produce agitation, confusion and serious disturbances to the social order of the nation."

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A crowd of more than 5000 awaited the Hughes train at Lafayette. The candidate was conducted to the veranda of the Lincoln Club. from which many presidential candidates have spoken to Indiana voters.

Mr. Hughes resumed his attack on the tariff policy of the Administration in his Lafayette speech. He evoked a great outburst of applause when he declared for a "protection of the rights of American workingmen and the rights of the American nation." Particularly did Mr. Hughes lay stress on his demand for protection to commerce. This also was greeted with cheers.

stress on his demand for protection to com-merce. This also was greeted with cheers. The strenuous day will wind up with a mass meeting at Richmond tonight.

Mr. Hughes has withstood the rigors of the last two arduous days remarkably well. His throat, which gave hip some trouble on his first tour, has become hardened to simost constant speaking and he now ex-pects little troubis.

DIVORCED AT 20, TO WED AGAIN

License Issued to Charles Dougherty and Lillian Storms, Whose First Husband Deserted Her

Just past twenty years old and divorced rum her first husband, Lillian Storms, of 99 West Moyamensing avenue, arrived at 109 Mest Moyamensing avenue, arrived at 109 Mest Moyamensing avenue, arrived at 109 Mest Moyamensing Bureau today with her sther and her intended husband, Charles ougherty, and obtained a license to wed the latter. Mrs. Storms has a four-year-old by by her first marriage. Dougherty, an extroplater, resides at 1716 West Pas-yunk avenue. He is twenty-four years old.

Storms obtained a decree of divorce her first husband on the grounds of on. It was granted by Common Court No. 5 on November 27, 1915, ther of the girl consented to the sec-



EDWARD DONAHUE One of the "Beau Brummels" who belonged to the alleged blackmailing gang which preyed on promi-nent men and women. He was ar-rested in Chicago, where it is esti-mated that blackmailers reaped \$200,000 yearly.

# City News in Brief

THE JUDGMENT of probation officers in cases of disorderly women will not be re-lied upon in the future by the Judges of the Municipal Court, who have ordered that the Municipal Court, who have ordered that hereafter these attaches of the tribunal shall report to the court the details of the cases so that the Judges may use their discretion. The innovation was recommended by Assistant District Attorney Fox, approved by the court and placed in operation yesterday. It appears that heretofore when a defendant was placed on probation it was seldom that the court heard of what was being done toward reclaiming an offender.

HARRY HYMAN, eight years old, of 368 Winton street, was struck last night at Fourth and Tree streets by an automobile driven by Meyer Paul, of 1898 South Fifth street. The boy suffered a broken leg and cuts on the body. Paul raid the steering gear refused to work. He was arrested on a charge of reckless driving by the police of the Fourth street and Snyder avenue station. The machine belongs to his

THE BRITISH STEAMSHIP Deminion arrived in this port yesterday with a four-inch gun mounted on the quarter-deck for defensive purposes. A report was made to Washington by the local customs authori-ties. This case will be determined before her date of clearance

DELEGATES FROM the nine commercial organizations comprising the Philadelphia Joint Committee on the Reasonable Regula-tion of Railroads will meet next Tuesday in the Bourse to formulate the joint body's course of action in the congressional inestigation of railroad regulation and to make further plans to crystallize a national sentiment for exclusively Federal regulation of the failroads. The meeting was called yesterday by Malcolm Lloyd, Jr., chairman of the joint committee.

A LIGHTED CIGARETTE thrown into the bakery of Robert Steffens, at the north-east corner of Sixtleth and Vine streets, fell into a pan of fat, ignited it and set fire

THE GASOLINE-SOAKED GLOVES of THE GASOLINE-SCARED GLOVES of John Matthews, a truck driver, took fire when he started to light a cigarette at Broad and Oxford streets. A physician who happened to be near smothered the flames and advised him to go to St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment. The helper of Matthews started to take him to the hospital on the truck, but it broke down three squares from its destination. Then an automobile picked Matthews up and carried him the rest of the way He up and carried him the rest of the way. He is twenty-six years old and lives at 2050 Emily street.

A THIRTY-FIVE-TON bank vault, being carted along Broad street last night by twenty-eight horses, stopped suddenly on its way to the Franklin Bank when the rear wheel grew hot and plowed into the asphalt at Pine street. The trip was resumed after the summer recess, but today he will ask the Councils to recall the ordinance authorizing the condemnation of properties in the seventh Ward bounded by Naudain and Rodman and Tenth and Eleventh streets.

SUIT TO RECOVER \$10,000 damages SUIT TO RECOVER \$10,000 damages for personal injuries has been brought by Daisy Trumbore in the Common Pleas Court against Clarence C. Wagner. The plaintiff alleges that she was struck by Wagner's machine at Broad and Oxford streets on March 5, 1916. She charges that the machine was being operated at a high rate of speed. Judge Audenried issued a capias for the arrest of the defendant and fixed bail at \$1000.

DIFFICULTY IN explaining the presence of five \$50 bills in her pocket, following her arrest as a coal picker, forced Mrs. Maggie Mandosky, of Second and Mountain streets, to plead at length to Magistrate Baker before she was released. She said that the money represented years of savings.

WHILE PLAYING with matches, Bella Jasse, three years old, of 519 South Reese street, set fire to her clothing, and is in a serious condition in the Pennsylvania Hospital. Rebecca Jasse, her mother, was burned about the hands when she attempted to extinguish the flames.

B. KELLY, general secretary of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, will tend the convention of the National Association of Commercial Organization Secre-taries in Cleveland next week, representing the Philadelphia chamber.

CITY TREASURER McCOACH'S weekly statement filed today shows that Philadel-phia has a balance of \$15,349,564.85 in cash, not counting the sinking fund. For the week ending today \$133,246.85 was re-ceived at the City Tressurer's office. For the same length of time \$858,139.22 was paid

## PLAN TO ENLARGE REVENUE OF CITY BEFORE COUNCILS

Taxes Probably Will Be Increased and Water Rate Raised

\$6,000,000 MORE NEEDED

Revenue Increase Plans Taken Up by Councils

MAYOR in message may outline
his plans for future finances.
New bill that almost doubles certain classes of water rentals.
Measures looking toward increasing revenues of certain departments.

ing revenues of certain departments. A bill increasing the pay of city policemen.

A plan to insure all persons on the city and county \$13,000,000

A movement to increase municipal rev enues to offset in part anticipated salary increases and proposed new places will be inaugurated by Councils today, but even the most optimistic of the members are not hopeful of avoiding a material and pronounced increase in taxes if the city in the future is to live up to the pay-as-you-go act and abandon the plan of paying running expenses from borrowed money.

The most important piece of legislation dealing with the subject of revenues, was the bill for the revision upward of all the water charges, both meter and fixture.

MAYOR SMITH'S PLANS The water rate bill is but the first of a series planned with a view to increasing revenues, and it is not unlikely that Mayor Smith, in a message, will outline to the Councilmen his plans so as to keep the tax rate as low as possible if the planned increased expenditures are finally authorized.

Mayor Smith's administration is pledged Mayor Smith's administration to provide sufficient revenues to meet au-thorized expenses for next year, and the final problems involved will occupy the at-tention of Councils during most of the fail It has been estimated that at least

\$6,000.000 in new revenues will have to be provided from one source or another. All of the budgets of the various departments will be in the hands of Councils in the next few weeks, and after Mayor Smith has made known his schemes for increasing rev-enues it will be a matter of mathematical calculation to decide upon the tax rate that the realty owners of the city will be called upon to pay for 1917. Many new obligations are threatened in

Many new obligations are threatened in addition to the fixed charges of years part. Chairman Gaffney, of the Finance Committee, will introduce a bill at today's session providing for increased pay for policemen. The bill is based upon an approximate increase in pay of fifty cents a day for each officer. The administration is also pledged to increase the police force by 500 men. These two actions would result in the drain of an additional 31 000 men. 500 men. These two actions would result in the drain of an additional \$1,000,000 a year from the city treasury.

In the Department of Public Works there are a number of bureau chiefs who say that they are losing their best men because of the low scale of wages paid. This is particularly true of the Water Bureau and of the Highway Bureau. No estimate of the increases needed along this line can be made before the first meeting in forthers. before the first meeting in October, when Councils will receive the budgets from the

The one important financial measure to be hurried through Councils at this time makes an appropriation of funds to pay interest and Sinking Fund charges on the \$10,000,000 portion of the recently au-thorized loans for \$114,525,000 which it is proposed to sell this fall.

Mayor Smith has signed most of the bills left with him by Councils at the close of the summer recess, but today he will ask the Councils to recall the ordinance authorfor playground purposes so that another block can be included and the boundaries block can be included and the boundaries extended from Naudain to Lombard street. He will also ask the recall of the bill to enlarge Reyburn Park, already containing ten and one-half acres, to which a strip of 200 feet in width is to be added.

Ardmore Country Place Sold

The handsome country residence of the late Byron P. Moulton, on Ardmore avenue, west of County Line road, Haverford, with about seventeen and one-half acres of ground, was sold at public sale yesterday by Samuel T. Freeman & Co. to Stacy B. Lloyd for \$51,000.

> TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION LOST AND FOUND

GOLD FIN—Lest, on Sept. 11. in Phila, or on a Delaware road train, I small keld pin in shape of crescent and star; engraved on back are H. E. S. B II. 1911; on front in enamel KE, Reward of 14 if returned to H. Elmore Smith, Harrisburg, Pa.

HELP WANTED-FEMALE

CLERK-Young lady about 25 years of age; one acquainted with drivers routes and city streets; salary \$8. M 240. Ledger Central, HOUSEWORK-GIRL WANTED WITH REF. ERENCE, 510 W. COULTER ST., GTN.
CYLINDER PRESS FEEDER WANTED—Girl with experience, modern shop conditions with advancement. Mr. Gentzsch. 240 W. Somerset,

HELP WANTED-MALE

MACHINISTS, erectors and floor men, experi-enced on textile machinery. Apply ready for work, Smith & Furbush, Hancock at en-trance, above Lehigh ave.

SITUATIONS WANTED-MALE



### **NEW YORK CAR STRIKE** NEWS AT A GLANCE REACHES CRISIS TODAY;

LONDON, Sept. 21. - Many financial malgamations of interests have been taking

SELINSGROVE, Sept. 21 - The first

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 21 .- Mrs. Zeta

Unless Union Demands Are Met 700,000 Workers Will Be Called Out Tomorrow Is Threat

DIM HOPE FOR PEACE

RIOTING GETS WORSE

NEW YORK, Sept. 21—New York's traction strike situation approached a crisis today. The last day which labor leaders have allotted the efficials of the traction companies to accept the proposals of Mayor Mitchel for further negotiations was ushered in with increasing violence and with no sign of wavering by either side.

Unless their demands are met union organizers are prepared to call tomorrow for the greatest walk-out in the history of the city, a sympathetic strike of 700,000 union workers.

President Shonts, of the Interborough,

announced today that the position of the company "will not be altered under any circumstances."

Organizer Fitzgerald declared that "unwar bonus. This is a compromise, giving the men half the ten shillings demanded.

less the carmen's grievances are adjusted a general strike will certainly be called Fri-day." Crowds of strikers and sympathizers are growing harder and harder to handle as the crisis in the situation draws near. Five hundred strikers and their sympathizers engaged in a running battle with the police in Central Park West last night, in the worst outbreak since the strike began, A police captain was knocked unconsicous

and an aged woman seriously hurt.
The police department today united with
the district attorney's office and the magistrates' courts in a determined effort to stamp out rioting. Long-term sentences have been threatened and more than a score now face terms of from five to twenty years.

### LEAVES WITH HIS GIRL'S \$1300

Butcher Faces Fraud Charges Also, Then His Wife Arrives From Wildwood

A butcher, who won the affections of a girl, took her savings of \$1300 and left town, will have a hearing tomorrow before Judge Monaghan on the charge of conceal-ing and removing his property and assets with intent to defraud creditors.

The butcher, Charles H. Wolfe, formerly of Logan, but more recently of Wildwood, was arrested yesterday on the complaint of Miss Blanche Grayson. The shattered romance was complicated by the arrival of a young woman, who followed Wolfe from Wildwood, and who said she was his wife. Arnold Dunlap, thirty years old, was found beaten to death in a boarding house on East Third street here, by the proprietor of the place. Police are seeking a man named Joe, as the slayer. Her brother, Charles Arnold, who established her

clothes made to order.

materials that will stamp him as a person of importance.

WILKER BARRE, Pa., See. 31.—Seven Identity, said she was the wife of Frank bunded men of Cork Lane and Brownown have banded together for the projection of their properties and families from the was the wife of Frank Duniap, from whom she had been separated three years.

\*\*BICHMOND\*\*, Ind., Sept. 21.—The peace committee of the Indiana Yearty Meeting of Friends will make a report to the meeting here advocating steps to oppose military.

SYCHMOND, Ind., Sept. 21.—The peace committee of the Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends will make a report to the meeting here advocating steps to oppose military training in schools. The report will be made today. It will suggest for schools training in discipline, physical culture and morals. The report of the committee is expect to be indorzed by the meeting. BERLIN, Sept. 21.—During an inspection of the Dutch steamship Koninginder Nederlanden by men from a French cruiser, a Dutch citizen was arrested without any reason, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Overseas News Agency. His family has protested to the Dutch Foreign Office.

HARRISBURG, Sept. 21. — The Fifty-second Street Building and Loan Associa-tion, of Philadelphia, has filed notice of increase of stock from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,-000 and the Pairmount Building Association from \$600,000 to \$2,000,000. LANCASTER, Ps., Sept. 21.—With prices of leaf higher than they have been for more than a dozen years, many tobacco growers are holding back for still higher HOSKINSVILLE, Ky., Sept. 21.—The birthplace of Jefferson Davis, at Fairview, near here, will be converted into a public park if plans discussed at a meeting of figures. The new crop, just about sixty per cent harvested, is selling from fifteen to sixteen and one-half cents a pound for wrappers and five to eight cents a pound for fillers, but many growers demand more.

They believe wrappers will go to twenty DAYTON. O., Sept. 11.—Two hundred third and fourth class postmasters are at the convention of the National Postmasters' League. The convention will conclude to-LONDON, Sept. 21.—The railway crisis arising out of the demands of the men for an increase of ten shillings (12.50) a week has been settled on the basis of doubling the

Confederate veterans at Fairview are car

HARRISBURG, Sept. 21.—The Department of Fisheries has entered suit against the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company. at Willamsport. Pa., for polluting the Juni-ata River. The defendants were found guilty and the \$100 fine prescribed by law was pald.

clince in the British shipping trade recently o meet the "after war" situation and to actifate the obtaining of the new tomage needed. Shipping shares are being bought as freely as they are put on the market. made of a report that the Pope's health has been poor. He received seven persons in private audience yesterday and several hun-dred in a collective audience. PANAMA, Sept. 21.—The National A. embly has elected Circo Urriola, a distinguished physician. Ramon Acevedo, man

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—By a vote of 11,332 to 8040, former Representative Vic-tor L. Berger, National Executive Commitdefeated presidential candidate in 1912, first, second and third vice presidents of the teeman of the Socialist party, has been con teeman of the Socialist party, has been con-tinued in office. Complete returns of the referendum held to recall him because of his militarist ideas have just been yabu-lated. At the same time three anti-mil-tarist planks contained in the minority recase of infantile paralysts in Snyder County has been found by Harry F. Wagonseller, county medical inspector, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob F. Whitmer, two miles from this place. Their four-year-old son William is the victim. port on the Socialist national platform were

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—The death of Major Christopher Magee Anderson, Eight-centh Pennsylvania Infantry, yesterday, at the base hospital at Fort Bliss, was re-ported to the War Department today. The message gave no further details. SHAMORIN, Pa., Sept. 21.—Five hundred Knights Templars marched over the streets of this city late yesterday as the opening feature of the annual field day of the eighteenth and twenty-first divisions of the grand commandery. Bloomsburg, Sunbury, Ashland and Mahnnoy City sent delegations. A review at Edgewood Park was followed by a supper.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Charles William Reginald Duncombe, second Earl of Feversham, major of the Yorkshire Hus-sars, has been killed in action, it was an-nounced today.

graph Company has a dispatch from Am-sterdam reporting a movement on foot among German Catholics to restore the temporal power of the Pope.

DEMAND RELEASE OF JAILED RIOTE

Striking Miners Make Freeing at I. W. W. Agitators Condition of Return

PITTSON, Pa., Sept. 21.—Bix has Italian mine workers of the Pennyis Coal Company, who have been idle for weeks in the I. W. W. strike, met has stone Hall and voted to continue their until the officials of Lackawanna and zerne Counties release the 360 process who have been arrested for unlary sembly, inciting to riot and other a growing out of the strike.

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Italian merchants, whose business suffered, have been urging the man to within to work. Meetings of the strikes been prohibited for two weeks, but the ness men prevailed on the Mayor to conto the meeting on the ground that the work to vote to return to work passes.

A committee was named to subshit to a Pennsylvania Coal Company a demand but the atrikers be given their old works places if they return and to ure the thorities to release the imprisoned Three hundred and sixty-two of the poners were captured when the State raided an I. W. W. meeting at Old Pur

### WARM-HEARTED COPS FEED DESERTED MOTHER AND KID

Policemen at Fifteenth and Race Str Station Make Collection

A mother and her three small chin-deserted by her husband, applied to sistance last night at the Fifteen Race streets station and the police to a collection, giving the family about I

The little ones had the whooning and were weak from hunger. The this gave the name of Liddle Suntmayers and the children here from Syraens formerly lived in this city. He descriptions are the several days ago, leaving them several them to the Philadelphia Hospital and the point will in the meanwhile attempt to fist in husband.

Denies Quoting Allies Needed American

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.-W. Can NEW YORK. Sept. 21.—W. Carrier Forbes, former Governor of the Philipse today issued a statement, formally design that he had told a gathering of Republication of Republication of the Beaten without the advanced to the State of sisted by other countries or not



The more conservative man will find the subdued colorings and the genteel

May we have the pleasure of showing you through?