

WOMEN ENDORSE FIREMEN'S FIGHT FOR HIGHER PAY

New Century Club, After Visiting Firehouses, Appoints Committee

WILL SEE MAYOR SMITH

Men Whose Vigilance Guards City From Fire

THE fire extinguishing service of the Bureau of Fire comprises 1050 men, divided into eleven battalion areas. The quota for this duty follows:

- 1 Chief Engineer
1 Deputy Chief
11 Battalion Chiefs
77 Captains
79 Lieutenants
59 Engineers
81 Firemen
97 Drivers
18 Tillermen
646 Hose and Laddermen
1050

Women's organizations interested in municipal affairs and social betterment have joined in the campaign being waged to obtain for Philadelphia firemen a scale of wages that will place the Bureau of Fire on a par with similar departments in other cities.

The New Century Club has named a committee which will wait upon Mayor Smith and urge his favorable interest in the movement to obtain a higher wage scale. This proposed personal appeal on behalf of the firemen resulted from a visit made by several members of the club to fire stations in various parts of the city.

Guided by members of the committee in charge of the campaign the ladies were taken through the quarters of engine company No. 17, on Fifteenth street below Vine, in the rear of the Twentieth District police station. Here the routine of a fireman's life was explained by personal observation and the various parts of the apparatus and fire-fighting paraphernalia, together with their uses, were illustrated. The headquarters of Engine No. 15, on Parrish street near Sixteenth, and of engine No. 43 and truck No. 8, on Market street west of Twenty-first, were also visited by the New Century Club members. Headquarters of the high-pressure service No. 2, at Sixth street and Lehigh avenue, also came in for inspection.

As a result of their better acquaintance—a first introduction for most of them—the committee members became ardent supporters of the firemen's appeal for a fair salary and an opportunity to see his family often, than the three hours a day now prevailing.

Arrangements are now pending with the Civic Club toward a similar "personally conducted tour," and a delegation from this organization is expected to make a trip to various company headquarters within a few days. The firemen are confident that their campaign will gain influential and powerful support from civic and other organizations interested in their welfare in proportion as the members of these bodies become familiar with the conditions under which the firemen now labor.

With the petition which was presented to Mayor Smith late yesterday by William C. Lynch, chairman of the citizens' committee in behalf of the firemen, was a letter addressed to the Mayor by Mr. Lynch.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE APPEAL. This communication read, in part, as follows: "As chairman of the citizens' committee interested in the city firemen, I appeal to you in the name of over 2500 leading merchants, manufacturers and professional men of our fair city to ask you to simply say the word to the Finance Committee Council requesting them to find the means to provide better conditions and adequate compensation to these brave and faithful employees of the city."

"The men of the Fire Department for the last two or three months have conducted a beautiful and noble campaign of education and the general public has very readily responded thereto. The people of the city of Philadelphia are perfectly willing that both the police and firemen shall be properly taken care of by the proper authorities, especially in the case of the firemen. The consensus of opinion both by the men in City Councils and citizens alike is that this matter is up to you, Mr. Mayor, and now—what will you do for them?"

"Can it be true that you intend to throw them down at this time? I do not believe it, nor do the other members of the committee."

"It is a well-known fact to every one that the firemen are working under the most deplorable conditions since the organization of the Fire Bureau in 1871, and no increase in salary has been given them since 1902, while other cities have been more kindly to their firemen."

"Since making an investigation for myself and others interested in the firemen, I have learned a great deal of the true condition of the men of the Fire Bureau, and can frankly and seriously state to you, Mr. Mayor, that unless some speedy change is made for these men, to their advantage, both in time and money, the morale and tone of the department will be seriously affected and the brains and brawn of the service will seek service elsewhere, as the conditions in the service are intolerable. You do not have to take my word for this, but simply call on your chief engineer and the deputy chiefs."

SPEAKS OF PENSION FUND. "The pension fund is not in a very healthy condition and is a source of great alarm to the men, as at the present time twenty per cent of the men are eligible for pension and dare not think of such a thing at the present time to go on the pension, as the fund will not continue to exist more than three years until it is entirely depleted and exhausted unless conditions are made better. Can you then get young men to go into the service? Can you get them to stay in now? How many are resigning every month? Learn these conditions from your chief engineer."

"Kindly consider this matter from the employer's point of view, that if this bureau is placed in the condition it should be by making the proper and necessary changes, in having more men of the proper type in the service, and this can only be done by giving them better working conditions and some increase in salary, and \$1200 per year is not too much for the ordinary fireman, when the New York men receive \$1800 for like service and they only have to respond to alarms of fire in their own district, then the city will have better protection and our insurance rates will be materially lessened."

"You have no doubt received many letters from citizens asking you to do what you can for these brave men, and I again urge you to take up the gauntlet for these brave men and the police also if you will, and not allow them to become patrons for other competing interests, and let me assure you you will receive the plaudits of the citizens for your stand on their behalf."

Mayor Smith in receiving the petition and letter promised to give the subject consideration, although he is referring to the question of higher salaries at this time.

The day after receiving more money and should get it sooner or later," he remarked, "I am a fireman and I have not had it sooner, but I will have it even if they have

NATIONAL PROHIBITION BOOSTERS IN CONGRESS SEE DEATH OF BOOZE

Amendment Certain to Be Presented to States, Temperance Advocates Say—"Wets" Admit Weakness

PREDICT FINAL VICTORY

By a Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Returning members of Congress see nationwide prohibition close at hand. With sixty-two per cent of the people of the United States and eighty-five per cent of its territory now dry as a result of Michigan, South Dakota, Nebraska and Montana voting last week to abolish the saloons, advocates of a constitutional amendment say booze is doomed. They believe a resolution, submitting the question to all the States of the Union, will be adopted by the necessary two-thirds vote at each of the houses of Congress during the short session, which begins next month.

Even the "wet" members of Congress admit that the "dry" have a majority of the votes in the House and Senate, that their only hope of preventing the question being put only to the States in the form of a constitutional amendment is to defeat a two-thirds vote. Since twenty-four States have voted "dry" and twenty-four have elected Governors and Legislatures pledged to prohibition, and even wide-awake Alaska has joined the list, it is believed that nationwide prohibition will pass as soon as a serious question can be brought before the various State Legislatures.

These are some of the outstanding features of the election in this country, which put four States in the dry column. Approximately 5,000,000 persons were added to the population under Statewide prohibition.

The "bone dry" amendments, which prohibit the shipment of liquor into the State for personal use, were voted by Arizona and Oregon. Colorado, Oregon and other States in which it was proposed to permit the sale of beer, light wines and other "temperate" drinks rejected the proposals by overwhelming majorities. Denver, which voted "dry" when Colorado went "dry" two years ago, this year voted 16,000 "dry" against the prohibition law.

The Anti-Saloon League of America and other prohibition leaders had their eyes on Ohio as the next big State in which to wage a vigorous fight. While the State voted "wet" by a large majority a short time ago, attention is being called to the fact that this year the majority in favor of saloons in Missouri, generally regarded as an "ultra-wet," was reduced by 100,000, and that Kansas City voted "dry."

During this year's election it was stated that many States adjoining "dry" States followed the lead of their neighbors, and it is believed by prohibition leaders here that Ohio will follow Michigan and Iowa in the "dry" column. The successful candidate for Governor in South Dakota argued in all his speeches that his State should be put on a level with North Dakota. It is generally believed that Kansas and Iowa had an effect on Nebraska.

Two Senators, who always voted "wet," were defeated in Indiana this year, largely because of the action of scientists, Harry R. Lee and James Watson, pledged themselves to vote for submission of nationwide prohibition to a vote of the States.

GROWTH OF PROHIBITION. In the last seven years the number of prohibition States has grown from nine to twenty-three. A year ago there were only sixteen. At that time a resolution to submit the question of nationwide suffrage to a vote of the States carried in the House by a vote of 197 to 189. The States that have voted dry are: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Maine, Michigan, Montana, North Carolina, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

In addition, Utah has elected a Governor and a Legislature pledged to prohibition. Florida took action similar to that of Utah, but prohibition leaders do not count on the State going dry because of constitutional obstacles. While the decision of Alaska to go dry will not have any effect on the national situation the prohibition leaders are particularly pleased over the "wild and woolly" territory's decision. It is believed it will have a good "psychological" effect, according to the Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of America.

Rice's Yacht Sails for the Amazon. NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice and party of scientists will sail from this port today aboard the yacht Alberta on an exploration cruise of 6000 miles in the Amazon, Rio Negro and other South American rivers for the purpose of mapping unknown land in Brazil. Mrs. Rice, formerly widow of George D. Widener, a victim of the Titanic disaster, will make the cruise. Others in the party will be William T. Connelman, professor of pathology at Harvard; Ernest H. Howes, a geologist of Newport, and Earl E. Church, of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.

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GOVERNOR PLANS DEATH BLOW FOR PENROSE FACTION

Public, However, Yet to Learn His Avowed Progressive Program

WHAT THIS CITY SEEKS

By a Staff Correspondent. Governor Brumbaugh and his political coalition, in which the Vares are the principal factors, will make a vigorous fight to annihilate the faction within the Republican organization headed by United States Senator Boies Penrose, during the session of the Legislature that opens on the first Tuesday of next January.

What the Governor has announced in a general way that he would advocate and urge a program of progressive legislation, he has refused to make public any details of his plans, particularly in reference to amendments needed by Philadelphia.

Governor Brumbaugh as yet has not declared himself in regard to the Magistrate system under which "justice" is operated in Philadelphia in regard to the drug evil, which has isolated so many Philadelphiaans in regard to home rule for Philadelphia, in regard to a revision of the insurance laws, which would free Philadelphia from the incubus of "mutual" companies, such as have been disclosed recently; in regard to the burden of toll-road taxation, in regard to the submission of suffrage to the voters again, in regard to dual officeholding, by means of which the organization in Philadelphia rose to power and has been able to maintain control here and in regard to the development of the ports of Philadelphia.

The Governor, however, has announced that he will wage his campaign during the next session on a "comprehensive, progressive program of legislation." At the opening of the Republican campaign in this State at York six weeks ago he declared unequivocally that he stood for a program of legislation to be enacted by the next Legislature that would place Pennsylvania in the Republican column for twenty years to come.

The Governor's announced program included: A great highway system. Social legislation that will keep pace with the future. Among other things, this means a readjustment of the child labor and workmen's compensation laws enacted in 1915. Education that will equip every boy and girl in the State to meet the battles of life. Laws that will bring labor and capital nearer and closer in their relations to workers and employers.

There will be close fight for control of the next Legislature, according to the returns from the election of last Tuesday. The Republicans will maintain their usual overwhelming dominance of the Assembly, but the division of power between the Penrose-McNichol machine and the Brumbaugh-Vare machine is still in doubt, and probably will remain in doubt until a Speaker is chosen for the House of Representatives.

According to the returns, the Senate will be composed of thirty-nine Republicans, ten Democrats and one Washington party man, who most probably will side with the minority. The House will be composed of 169 Republicans, thirty-seven Democrats and one Socialist.

The future of the Governor's announced program of legislation, for which he is pledged to fight, and the future of the program of legislation urged by Philadelphia will depend upon the outcome of the pre-Assembly maneuvers of the two factions and the willingness of the winning faction to espouse the cause of this city.

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Girl Dies of Hydrophobia. CHESFIELD, Md., Nov. 15.—Margaret Goldsborough, who was bitten at her home here by a stray dog September 22 and who ten days ago returned home from Baltimore where she took the Pasteur treatment, died of hydrophobia. The dog that bit the Goldsborough child also bit two other children and a horse. The horse has died.

A Motor of Many Uses. THIS motor will run a sewing machine; it will grind knives, polish silverware and operate a fan attachment—at a cost of four-tenths of a cent an hour!

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DEMOCRATS HOPEFUL OF GAINING CONTROL OF THE NEXT HOUSE

Chairman Doremus Believes Soldier Vote in Doubtful Districts Will Give His Party Advantage

REPUBLICANS UNSHAKEN

By a Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Control of the next House, claimed by the Republicans by a plurality of five, may be changed by official returns and give to the Democrats the entire control of the Federal Government for the next two years at least. The Senate in the Sixty-fifth Congress will be Democratic by a majority of twelve instead of sixteen, as at present.

Representative Frank E. Doremus, chairman of the Democratic congressional committee, today said that he was hopeful that the official returns and the counting of the soldier vote would assure the Democrats of a majority in the next House.

Mr. Doremus said that the certain political complexion was: Democrats, 212; Republicans, 211; Doubtful, 9. Other parties, 3.

Representative Frank Woods, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, asserted this morning that the Republicans would have a majority of five, including the vote of the soldiers, if the doubtful districts are, according to the Democratic chairman:

In Pennsylvania three—the Thirtieth, Thirty-second and the Twenty-fifth. In the former Representative Coleman has been elected on the surface by a majority of twenty, while Braichfeld lost by a majority of eleven. The counting of the soldier vote from the districts of these two men may either elect or defeat both of them. Representative Rowland, of the Twenty-first District, has a majority of 160 from the civilian vote, and it is believed that the count of the vote of the soldiers on the border will upset his majority. Charles N. Crosby, of Lancaster, telegraphed to Mr. Doremus today that the official count is showing a greater vote for him and he feels confident.

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City News in Brief. BERNARD, JUDE & CO., custom brokers, have opened new offices in the Commercial Trust Building, with facilities to assist Philadelphia business concerns in promoting their foreign trade.

JAMES POLLOCK, textile manufacturer, Park Commissioner and clubman, who has been ill for several weeks, has considerably improved. At his home in Chestnut Hill today it was said that he had been resting comfortably and his physicians were encouraged by his condition.

AN IMPROVEMENT in the freight collection at terminal points throughout the city and nearby places was reported by railroad officials. They expect to modify the embargo that prevents shipments of freight to this city, with the exception of livestock and provisions, by the end of the week.

CITY APPOINTMENTS today include: Thomas C. Hare, 1406 North Boulevard street, inspector, Bureau of Highways, salary \$1200; Thomas E. Lewis, 634 West Vantage street, inspector of public squares and parks, \$4 a day, and Edward H. Tate, 302 North Fifth street, recorder, Bureau of Surveys, \$34 a month.

MAJOR THURBER T. BRAZER, of Oak Lane, was today placed on the retired list of the National Guard, at his own request, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. The advance in rank was due to his services in the Spanish-American War. Major Brazer was in command of the infantry battalion of the State Penitentiary, First Brigade.

CAMDEN BRIEFS. A \$10,000 SUIT was started today against the Atlantic City Railroad by James C. Hare, for fourteen-year-old James Johnston, of 291 Liberty street. The boy alleged that he is maimed for life as the result of injuries suffered when run down by an express train last spring.

A BEAN IN THE EAR of Harry Cresson, ten years old, of 425 Van Hook street, gave him so much pain for two days that he was removed to the Cooper Hospital this morning, where an operation was performed.

DRIVING AN AUTOMOBILE without a license cost Louis Komsky, twenty-six years old, of 1528 South Eighth street, Philadelphia, \$20 and costs today. Recorder Stackhouse fined him on testimony of Inspector Campbell, who brought the charge.

THE EXPLOSION of a gas stove this morning in the blacksmith shop at 226 Spruce street, near Third street, caused severe burns of the hands and face. Physicians say he will recover.

EMBEZZLEMENT of \$300 was charged against Edward McCarthy, of 249 Lansdowne street, this morning, by Louis Weidman, of 28 Polk street. The prisoner was said to have sold two horses from the plant and kept the money. Recorder Stackhouse held him under \$300 bail for court.

TWO BEDRAGGLED girls walked into Camden police headquarters this morning hungry and wet. "We're hungry," they said, and after Matron Kirkpatrick had warned them with sterning frowns they told her they had left the children's home at Moorestown, on Sunday with five other girls. The girls gave their names as Madeline Russell, sixteen years, and Alice Brown, fourteen. Chief of Police Bradford, of Moorestown, took them back to the home.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

LANSDALE, Pa., Nov. 15.—There have been 127 "trial biters" here since the opening of the Weigle evangelistic campaign two weeks ago. The highest number for a day was registered on Sunday, when there were seventy-one. It is announced that the total budget of expenses of the campaign, about \$2000, will be realized in another week. The services will continue until the middle of December.

READING, Pa., Nov. 15.—Henry Schermer, fifty-eight years old, an inmate of the Berks County almshouse, committed suicide today by drinking poisonous disinfectant. Schermer was admitted to the institution more than two years ago from Reading.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Nov. 15.—Following the defeat of the loan in two of the districts involved, school directors of Camp Hill, Levois and Womelsburg are considering going ahead with the plan for a central high school to include only the three districts. It was originally intended to include West Fairview and East Pennsboro and to spend \$50,000, but the two latter defeated the loan at the last election. The building for the three districts would cost \$45,000 and would do away with the sending of pupils to high schools in neighboring towns.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Nov. 15.—By the employment of special policemen, the borough of Camp Hill has begun a war on auto speeders in the town, which is one of the points on the main highway from Harrisburg west to Pittsburgh.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Nov. 15.—An important business transaction was the purchase today from Ivan T. Arnold, of West Chester, of a business building here by Harry Bowman, of Harrisburg, a department-store man. The building here is occupied by a branch of the Harrisburg concern. Extensive improvements involving the expenditure of \$20,000 additional will be made, making the total cost of the purchase and improvements \$50,000.

LANCASTER, Nov. 15.—A Democratic demonstration in Mandolin last night evolved into a near riot when some men applied a torch to the tail of a mule which was in line. The tail of the mule became a torch and the mule dashed through the line of marchers.

HARRISBURG, Nov. 15.—According to a report just compiled by the State Forestry Department, about 8,000,000 trees will be available for next spring's reforestation operations.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today awarded a medal of honor to E. W. Landrum, of Brookfield, Mo., in recognition of his bravery in climbing out on the pilot of a locomotive on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad at Cameron, Mo., September 5, 1910, and pushing A. W. Thomson, an aged deaf man, from the tracks and saving his life.

LANCASTER, Pa., Nov. 15.—Charles Poyvel, of Philadelphia, a Pennsylvania Railroad brakeman, was instantly killed last night at Conowingo. He was standing beside a siding on which his train was entering when a freight train sidwiped it. He was caught between the trains and terribly mangled.

Aged Man Kills Chicken and Dies. ALLENTOWN, Pa., Nov. 15.—Solomon Stauber, a well-known retired citizen living in the suburbs, died today while killing a chicken for the family dinner. He was seventy-six years old, and the doctor, finding that he had a leaking heart, said the excitement of killing the fowl and seeing the headless hen flop around had proved fatal.

Infantile Paralysis in Lehigh County. ALLENTOWN, Pa., Nov. 15.—Another case of infantile paralysis developed in Lehigh County today, when James Jones, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones, of West Bethlehem, was found to have the disease. The case was quarantined by Dr. Theobald Butz, Allentown's health officer. The child's condition is critical.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION. DEATHS. RONA HOHNSTEIN—On Nov. 4, COUNTY OF LEHIGH, STRITZ, died in action in Romania, to the 40th year of his age. New York and other western papers please copy. KINSMAN, Nov. 14, GUSTAV A. KIND, MARK, aged 62. Relatives and friends, Kreutzler Lodge, No. 46, I. O. O. F., 35, Jody's Yearly Republican Assn., invited to funeral, Sat. 10 a. m., from 1247 Hurst at Galloway and Thompson. Remains may be viewed Fri. 8 to 10 p. m., Int. Old Fellows' Cem.

LOST AND FOUND. 10127.—Lost, generator chain belt for automobile. Reward. Phone 2934.

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VILLE de PARIS 1422 Walnut St. A Wonderful Reduction Sale of Women's Suits has been arranged for tomorrow and the balance of the week. A VERY attractive collection of imported and domestic suits, formerly priced at \$40 up to \$235 are now offered at \$25 up to \$195. In the collection are suits of velvet, velveteen, satin, velours, novelty suitings, etc. A Notable Assemblage of Coats In sizes from 16 to 53 \$35, \$45, \$55, \$65 up to \$155

The Cleveland On Sunday, November 26, a new all-steel through over-night Pullman train—The Cleveland—will be placed in service to Cleveland, leaving North Philadelphia 8:37 P. M. and arriving Cleveland 7:30 the next morning. It will also carry through sleeping cars to Akron and Youngstown. Beginning same date a companion through train — Buckeye Limited — will leave Cleveland 5:15 P. M. and arrive North Philadelphia 6:04 A. M. PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD The Standard Railroad of the World

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