

BETTER TO BASE WAGE APPEAL ON BUSINESS SENSE

Better Pay Means Better Protection Will Be New Argument

COUNCILMAN GIVES PLAN

Morris E. Conn Advises Association—Other City Fathers—Pledge Support

Many Dependent on City's Gallant Fire Fighters

MARRIED firemen far outnumber the bachelors and widowers in the Bureau of Fire, as the following figures, compiled from reports made to Chief Murphy, show:

Men in service..... 995
Married..... 853
Having dependent children..... 694
Having wives, but no children..... 157
Single or with no dependents..... 148

A new phase was given to the firemen's campaign for a fair living salary and equitable working conditions when a movement to place the situation in a new light before the business men of Philadelphia was begun.

The men in the service as well as their leaders are to be after all, the problem of an adequately paid and equipped fire-fighting organization affects the property owner as vitally as it does the men in the ranks of the engine and truck companies.

They believe that when the facts of their condition are known to the men whose property is in their hands all hours of the day and night the merchant's business instinct will lead him to demand from the Mayor and Councilmen men and equipment like adequate in number and condition to safeguard the millions he has at stake.

Result of this realization of present conditions, they believe, will strike the most cautious observer of facts in his own tender spot, his pocketbook, and induce him to bring pressure to bear upon his Councilman and the Mayor, as a plain matter of civil justice, to create a fire department paid and maintained upon a plane befitting the city and its requirements.

NEW PLAN PROPOSED
The germ of this new move was launched at a meeting of the Hose and Laddermen's Association last night at Veteran Firemen's Hall. Tenth street above Broad, where a company in the city was represented by a delegate and the full membership of the campaign committee was also present.

Morris E. Conn, Common Councilman from the Eighth Ward and a member of the Committee on Finance and Police and Fire, was the chief speaker. Two other Councilmen, Frank Gray, of the Thirty-fourth Ward, another member of the Committee on Police and Fire, and I. Walter Thompson, of the Fortieth Ward former of the pending ordinance granting a pay increase and a re-adjustment of the firemen's working hours, also spoke.

All three Councilmen pledged their individual support to the campaign and virtually assured their hearers that the fight had reached a stage where a victory might be anticipated. Messrs. Thompson and Gray declared that their associates in the West Philadelphia wards were with them in their stand that popular sympathy west of the Schuylkill was a unit on behalf of the firemen.

Mr. Conn, however, sounded the keynote of the meeting. As a member of the Finance Committee, he declared that the course of action was to take up the fight on the floor of Councils when the budget for next year came up for action. Then, he urged, the champions of the firemen should insist that provision for the proposed salary change be incorporated. To create sentiment that should be convincing to the framers of the appropriation bill, he advised that business men be interested more actively in the question from the selfish viewpoint of their own pocketbook. It is more than a mere salary question that confronts the merchant and property owner, he said. With an underpaid, overworked and undermanned fire department after the millions of dollars in buildings and contents now located in the city's center, Mr. Conn contended, he must be a poor business man who will operate his measure looking to greater safeguarding of his great investment, even if that added protection involves a matter of two or three cents a year in the amount of taxes assessed against the property under protection.

MATTER OF SELF-INTEREST
He promised success to the fireman if the business interests of Philadelphia would regard the problem in its proper aspect as belonging to them and primarily designed to afford them and their goods greater security. That the firemen themselves profited was secondary, he argued.

Acting upon the suggestion thus held out, the campaign committee decided to inaugurate a new visitation of the business interests which already have signed their petition to the Mayor and solicited their personal influence and efforts to bring about early legislation.

The firemen are much encouraged by the ready co-operation shown by the men at the head of the Bureau of Fire. Both Chief Engineer Murphy and Deputy Chief Ross Davis have expressed themselves in full sympathy with the cause of the men and are lending every assistance to express upon the public the justice of the claims they are now pressing.

Battalion chiefs and other officials of the bureau are in equal accord with the movement and their assistance in aiding to inform the public of the hitherto unknown details and incidents of the firemen's lot is doing much to encourage the rank and file in their campaign.

That Mayor Smith will be found among the supporters of their plea before Councils many of the firemen today believe. The Mayor, they declare, has never manifested the slightest intent or desire to stand in opposition to public desire. The recent awakening of popular interest on the firemen's behalf, based upon the justice of establishing a fair living wage and more bearable working hours for men who now do heroic work at less pay than rewards the day laborer, and the fact that the public is growing so rapidly and with such force that the men of the bureau believe that the Mayor will be found, when the time comes to speak, in the forefront of their advocates with Councils.

PUBLIC RESPONDING SWIFTLY
The alacrity and unanimity with which the Methodist Preachers' Association espoused their cause is accepted by the firemen as indicative of similar action by other representative bodies. Not only do they, but of business organizations as well. The chief obstacle of the campaign has been the clearing away of the prevailing ignorance on the part of the public of just what a fireman is called upon to do. It is sought to show the public that this duty extends far beyond the spectacular, although dangerous, response to alarms of fire.

Now that the campaign of publicity has in a great measure established the true condition, the firemen are receiving responses of encouragement from all directions. Most of the private individuals and business men are declaring themselves in favor of the firemen's petition, but members of Councils as well as other influential public officials are more conservative. Some believe in the

PRESIDENT'S RETALIATORY POWER IN INTERFERENCE WITH U. S. TRADE

Section 806—That whenever, during the existence of a war in which the United States is not engaged, the President shall be satisfied that there is reasonable ground to believe that any vessel, American or foreign, is an account of the laws, regulations, or practices of a belligerent Government, making or giving any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage in any respect whatsoever to any particular person, company, firm, or corporation, or any particular description of traffic in the United States or its possessions, or in subjecting any particular person, company, firm, or corporation or any particular description of traffic in the United States or its possessions, or in subjecting any particular person, company, firm, or corporation to any undue or unreasonable preference or disadvantage, or in discriminating in regard to accepting, receiving, transporting, or delivering, or refusing to accept, receive, transport, or deliver, any cargo, freight or passengers, or in any other respect whatsoever, he is hereby authorized and empowered to direct the United States to withhold clearance from such vessel, to forbid its departure, and to revoke, modify or renew any such direction. That whenever, during the existence of a war in which the United States is not engaged, the President shall be satisfied that there is reasonable ground to believe that under the laws, regulations, or practices of a belligerent country or Government, American ships or American citizens are not accorded any of the facilities or privileges equal to those accorded to citizens of that belligerent country or Government, or are not accorded by the belligerent equal privileges or facilities of trade with vessels or citizens of any nationality other than that of such belligerent, the President is hereby authorized and empowered to withhold clearance from one or more vessels of such belligerent country until such belligerent shall restore to such American vessels and American citizens reciprocal liberty of commerce and equal facilities of trade; or the President may direct that similar privileges and facilities, if any, enjoyed by vessels or citizens of such belligerent in the United States or its possessions be refused to vessels or citizens of such belligerent; and in such case he shall make proclamation to that effect, stating the facilities and privileges which shall be refused, and the belligerent to whose vessels or citizens they are to be refused, and thereafter the furnishing of such prohibited privileges and facilities to any vessel or citizen of the belligerent named in such proclamation shall be unlawful; and he may change, modify, revoke, or renew such proclamation; and any person or persons who shall furnish or attempt or conspire to furnish or be concerned in furnishing or in the concealment of furnishing facilities or privileges to ships or persons contrary to the prohibition in such proclamation shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$2000 nor more than \$50,000 or to imprisonment not to exceed two years, or both, in the discretion of the court. In case any vessel which is detained by virtue of this act shall depart from the jurisdiction of the United States without clearance or other legal authority, the owner or master or person or persons having charge or command of such vessel shall be severally liable to a fine of not less than \$2000 nor more than \$10,000, or to imprisonment not to exceed two years, or both, and in addition such vessel shall be forfeited to the United States. That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such part of the land or naval forces of the United States as shall be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. Extract from "An act to increase the revenue, and for other purposes," passed by Congress and approved by the President September 8, 1916.

HUGHES FELICITATIONS FOR PRESIDENT READY

Letter Probably Will Be Transmitted After Conference of Leaders Today

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Charles E. Hughes is expected to send his felicitations to President Wilson on his re-election today or tomorrow. He is understood to have written a congratulatory letter, but has been asked to delay its transmission until after a conference of Republican national managers called for today. Chairman Wilcox, George W. Perkins, National Committeeman Herbert Parsons, of New York, and National Committeeman Charles E. Warren, of Michigan, will act as a campaign board of strategy, today will analyze the very latest official returns from California. If these returns demonstrate to their complete satisfaction that the President has surely won in that State, the board of strategy will so inform Mr. Hughes and advise him to offer his congratulations without delay.

ADVERTISE FOR HELP TO PROVE INNOCENCE OF MURDER

Accused Wants Witnesses to Prove His Presence in Hotel at Time of Killing

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Daniel A. Farrell, a stenographer, today is advertising for help in proving that he did not kill Richard Hatfield in a saloon hold-up here October 30. Farrell was registered at the Y. M. C. A. Hotel, and upon the time he registered there his life may depend. His advertisements ask that others who were at the hotel that night come forward and give the hour at which their names were placed on the register, in order that the time at which he registered may be ascertained. Farrell, who came here from Brooklyn, was arrested because he resembled a man whose picture was in the Rogues' Gallery. One of the wounded victims of the hold-up identified him and he was held.

HOLY GHOST SISTERS RECEIVE POSTULANTS

Archbishop Presides at First Public Function in Chapel of Divine Love

For the first time in the history of American Catholicism, the solemn profession of the Sister Servants of the Holy Ghost was held in the United States, when the ceremony took place in the newly founded convent on the southwest corner of Twenty-second and Green streets this morning. One of the purposes of the order is the perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Some of the members of the Sister Servants of the Holy Ghost are present in the chapel day and night. The local community consists of eight professed sisters, and three postulants. Two of them were formally admitted today. The house and chapel were presented to the order by C. A. Lutz, of the firm of Allen, Lane & Scott. The Sisters are obliged to earn their own maintenance in various ways, such as making vestments, lace and doing hand painting. The ceremonies were largely attended by

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PONY, DENIED EXERCISE, LOSES POWER TO WALK

Three Years Stabling Virtually Paralyzes Locomotion of Animal, Which Is Shot

A photograph illustrating this story appears on the pictorial page.

One of the most remarkable cases ever brought to the attention of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in this city is that of a pony, which, after more than three years' confinement in a stable, during which time it never received any exercise, had not only lost the power of locomotion, but had become a physical wreck.

Strange as it may seem, the animal was not kept in its stall through any act of wanton cruelty on the part of its owner. On the other hand, it was more a case of misplaced sympathy, and no action is contemplated against the owner by the society.

The animal, once a beautiful black pony, presented a pitiful sight as it stood in the society's stables in the rear of 1277 Chestnut street, awaiting the execution of the death penalty prescribed against it, as a means of ending its sufferings.

All four hoofs had grown to three times their normal size, and the animal was virtually standing on its heels.

The hoofs of the forelegs had actually begun to curl upward. The rear legs were "cow-lagged." The teeth had grown to an enormous length, and the eyes had become dimmed. When it attempted to walk its legs simply refused to leave the ground, and officials of the society believe it developed a case of spinal meningitis.

Secretary Lutherford, of the society, declared that never in his experience in connection with work among similar societies had he ever encountered such a case.

The animal was purchased about four years ago by Francis E. Petel, of 264 North Darton street. He presented it to his son and the animal was christened Boos. After a few weeks the son grew tired of the animal and refused to ride it any longer. Then it was placed in the stable. Petel told the society agents:

"It is simply a case of misplaced sympathy," said Secretary Lutherford. "The owner believed he was doing right by the pony by not working it. The animal was well fed, I am confident of that, but the lack of exercise is what caused its ruin. There is absolutely no hope for it now. Its nerves are shattered. There will be no prosecution because we are confident it was not a wanton act of cruelty. There was such a case years ago in Wisconsin, where a man through spite placed a horse in a stall and confined it for several years because it had become balky and ran away with him."

Agents Henry Lepper and Richard Ryan discovered the animal's plight yesterday and had it removed to the society's headquarters. The pony was not able to walk into the ambulance.

The animal was relieved of its misery with the aid of the Greener Humane Killer, a gun which fires a large-caliber bullet into the brain, causing instant death.

FIRE-TRAPPED WOMAN THROWS BABY TO COP

Child Caught Unhurt—Fourteen Families Rescued in New York Tenement Blaze

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—With the stairways cut off by flames, firemen and police rescued fourteen families from a four-story brick tenement house in Brooklyn. The fire, which started in the basement, was licking the steps and filling the halls with smoke before the occupants were warned.

When a truck No. 146 arrived, in charge of Lieutenant McAllister, a woman yelled, "Catch my child!"

"Don't throw that baby!" McAllister commanded, but down came a bundle from the second floor, and McAllister caught Tessie Ninkro, three-month-old daughter of Mrs. Bessie Ninkro. The baby had been wrapped in a blanket and was unhurt.

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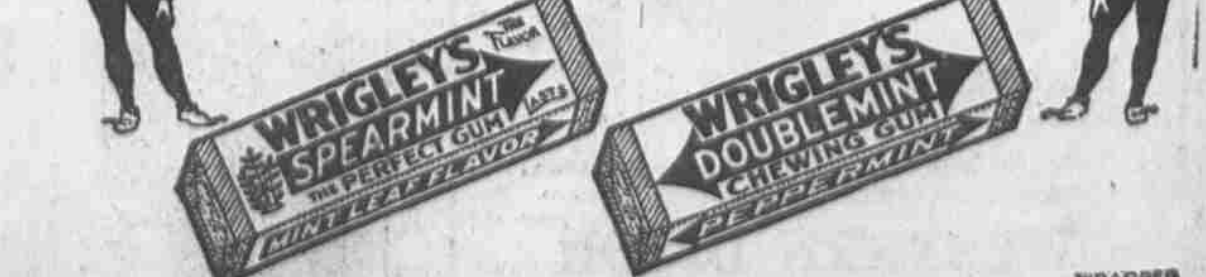


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Man Hears Chickens Squawk, Grabs Gun and Slays Marauder

PHILIPSBURG, Pa., Nov. 21.—With a shot from a rifle Calvin Bell, of Morris Township, Clearfield County, ended the career of a chicken thief. Bell was eating dinner, and hearing the chickens squawking, seized his gun and entered the coop. He found a big wildcat chasing the chickens. One shot at close range killed the cat. The pet and bounty will bring \$5.

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