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Insurance Companies Enter Objections to Receivership Appointments

WILL BE JOINT RULING

Commissioner O'Neil Confident Exceptions Will Be Overruled and He Will Take Charge of Affairs

HARRISBURG, Jan. 3.—Exceptions to the receivership decrees granted at the request of State Insurance Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil by the Pension and Casualty Insurance Company and the Pennsylvania Life Insurance Company are being argued in the Dauphin County court today.

Commissioner O'Neil went into court confident that his contentions would be upheld. The stockholders of the companies have admitted larger liabilities than have been brought by the State charged in the suits brought by the Insurance Department and their exceptions are in the way of mere technicalities.

Led by Lyndon D. Wood and some of his friends, a few stockholders in each company notified the courts to set aside the receiverships on the ground that the insurance act of 1915 is unconstitutional and that the insurance department and representative of the Attorney General's office who have gone over the exceptions pronounce them weak and say they will support them if they are not immediately set aside and the receivership decrees sustained.

WILSON'S LATIN-AMERICAN POLICY CALLED FAILURE

People of U. S., Never Held in High Esteem, Now Rated Lower, Says Naturalist

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Emiliae Conto, Governor of the Mexican State of Lower California, plans to secede his territory from the United States, according to Dr. Edward A. Mearns, naturalist, who registered at the Ketchikan yesterday after an 18,000-mile, fifteen-month cruise in his yacht Wildom along the Central and South American coasts.

Dr. Salsbery, who was accompanied on the long trip by Doctor Rinehart and his wife, Mrs. Mary Roberts Rinehart, the author, and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Beach, comes back convinced that ninety per cent of the American trade is up in South America will return to get an old British merchant at the close of the war.

Another conviction is reached by Doctor Salsbery was that President Wilson's methods toward the Latin countries has been a flat failure, and that Americans never had a nation in very high esteem, are now rated even lower. Doctor Salsbery said that his conclusion as to the failure of his foreign policy had not been formed out of political gossip at the American clubs, but was the result of "personal contact with South Americans of high and low degree."

BREWER TO BE SENTENCED FOR NO-LICENSE SALES

Westmoreland Man Accused of Violating Law in Fayette County—Order Issued for Arrest

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Jan. 3.—Upon motion of former County Detective Frank McLaughlin, Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen signed an order for the arrest of Michael Burke, president of the Europa Brewing Company, in Uniontown, Westmoreland County, to be brought into court for sentence on a charge of selling liquor without license.

Although news was made that the brewery of which Burke is president has been selling liquor unlawfully in Fayette County. While manager of the Europa Brewing Company in 1911, Burke was indicted on a charge of violation of the liquor law. He pleaded not guilty, and the case was allowed to stand upon a promise that the company would cease selling liquor in Fayette county.

BABY BOY BURNED TO DEATH

Children at Play Upset Lamp While Mother Is Away

BANGOR, Pa., Jan. 3.—Leaving the house for a few minutes last night, Mrs. Bonnett Hamilton, of Pen Argyl, returned to find her five-month-old boy burned to death in his coach, which stood near the supper table.

The baby had been left in charge of several older children, one of whom tugged at the tablecloth and upset a lighted lamp which toppled into the coach and set fire to it. The boy was burned on the body, face and head.

Ships for South American Trade  
NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Increased shipping facilities for the South American trade through transfer by charter of the fast Mallory freighters, Neches and Medina, to the Lamport and Holt Line, have been announced here. The vessels, which are 2,000 tons net, have been employed in the cotton trade between this port and Galveston. The charter is for twelve months. It was announced at \$75,000 monthly for each ship. It was stated they would be used to exclusively neutral trade between ports of North and South America.

Bridgeton Girl Rescues Skater  
BRIDGETON, N. J., Jan. 3.—Miss Fanny Pollock, a high school girl, rescued a girl friend who had broken through the ice, from drowning in Jedd's Pond.

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"SNOW WHITE," CLEANEST BUM IN HOBO "KINGDOM," TURNS LOOSE A "DELUGE"

Wrong, He Believes, to Keep Water in Captivity, and He Opens a Square Mile of Fireplugs—Escapes as Cops Approach

The police are looking for "Snow White," "Snow White" is not an artist's name, an author, or a movie actress. He is a bum. He's known as the cleanest hobo in Hoboken. To sit in a white bathtub with a can of clean white soap in his hand and a quantity of fresh white towels dangling about the room is the happiest moment of his life.

To have a bath every day was one of "Snow White's" ambitions. He made enough money now and then by mending umbrellas to get into sixth or seventh class boarding houses. But he was always chased out for failing full payment of the bath.

And so he became a drifter. Early today he drifted into the neighborhood of Fifth and Lehigh avenues and held a water carnival all on his own account. He turned on nearly one square mile of fireplugs in the northeast. He incited every plug from Berks to Lehigh avenue and from Front to Seventh streets.

"Snow" contends that it's wrong to keep the water in captivity and, if more of it were liberated, human beings would look more natural. "White" approached each plug steadily with a monkey wrench and grabbed it by the throat. Then he turned the wrench heartily until the fire plug opened its mouth and cried. When the water gushed

forth "Snow," regardless of the weather, the police say, started to remove his clothing. The first attack was made on an innocent plug at Second and Cumberland streets. Word was passed to the police that a strange hobo was trying to connect the famous Dyche before a plug in that neighborhood. Lieutenant Kelly sent two cops and a hury. They saw the stranger getting ready to lunge before the gushing water, but he slipped the cops before they got near and ran off. He disappeared in the mist of the snow, while the cops returned to turn off the plug.

In quick succession similar complaints came from Fifth and Lehigh avenues, Sixth and Lehigh avenues, Third and Cumberland, Fourth and Cumberland, Fourth and Third, and other places where the hobo was "Snow White" trying to take a bath at the city's expense, despite the high cost of water.

The calls kept a hobo can busy all morning. They caught drifting glimpses of "Snow White" in other sections, but he was never seen in each case.

The regular hobo who inhabits the "free rooms" and county prison dock like "Snow" because he is a hobo. The last time he was arrested he was brought before Magistrate Baker. When searched the only thing found on him was a can of soap and a Turkish towel.



LORD ROSEBERY  
Canada hears a story that he will succeed Sir Cecil Spring-Rice as British Ambassador at Washington.

Man's Legs Broken by Motorcycle

No one has been found whereby the motorcycle which killed Edward Lee Walters, 1224 Hill street, may be found. Walters was on his way to work at the Midvale Steel company and was struck at the intersection of Hunting Park avenue and Kensington street. Both his legs were broken. There were many witnesses, but they were all expected they forgot to note the motorcycle's make, number and the driver did not have time. Walters was taken to St. Luke's Hospital.

U. OF P. MAY BUILD HALL FOR STUDENTS' DRILLS

Military Committee Will Discuss Plans to Improve Course in Preparedness Training

The question of more ample provisions for the military training course at the University of Pennsylvania will be discussed at an early meeting of the special military committee of the University trustees, which has charge of the organization of the course. No definite decision could be obtained from any of the members as to the recommendations to be made concerning the needs of the military course. It is understood that an answer will be made by the committee at a meeting on Thursday.

Bryan Laughs at Preacher's Story

LANSDALE, Pa., Jan. 3.—J. W. Bryner received a letter from Evangelist Weigle, who conducted a six weeks' campaign here, which says the writer dined with William Jennings Bryan in Florida and that Mr. Bryan was much amused by the Rev. Mr. Weigle's account of the attempt to rotten-egg and kidnap him here.

CAN'T MAKE SCHOOL BOY APOLOGIZE TO TEACHER

Jersey Commissioner Orders Reinstatement of Pupil Who Had Been Suspended

TRENTON, Jan. 3.—Declaring that a pupil in the public schools of the State cannot be compelled to apologize to a teacher for an offense, Commissioner of Education, Curtis S. Kendall, today ordered the reinstatement of Edward Boyd, a student in the sixth grade of the school in the borough of Bergenfield, Bergen County. It was alleged that Boyd acted disrespectfully to his teacher, Miss Gertrude Martin, November 2 last, whereupon he was suspended to apologize for his conduct.

He refused and was sent to the principal, Miss Lachmann, to whom he promised to apologize to his teacher on the next day. He returned to school, however, the next morning with a note from his mother saying that if he were again re-suspended to apologize he was to return home.

The Bergenfield School Board, at a special meeting November 15, permitted Edward to return to school temporarily until the board could investigate the matter. At a meeting November 21 adopted a resolution declaring that if Edward did not apologize at once he was to be suspended until such time as he did apologize.

The apology related to the act of defiance," says Commissioner Kendall, "and this cannot be the primary reason for a suspension. Teachers or Boards of Education cannot make a rule providing for the enforcement of an apology. The offense on the part of the pupil is the primary thing that must be taken into consideration. A pupil may voluntarily apologize for an offense. He cannot, however, be made to apologize for an offense. The only punishment for disobedience that the law provides is suspension or expulsion from school. It does not provide that a pupil for a certain act can be suspended and at the same time can be forced to make an apology. The board, therefore, had no right under the law to suspend Edward Boyd from school and at the same time to say that he could not return until he had apologized to the teacher for his conduct. In other words, there was a double punishment provided—first, suspension, which the law recognizes; second, a forced apology, which the law does not recognize. The error the board made was in not making the suspension definite in time. If Edward Boyd had voluntarily apologized to the teacher for his misconduct, the teacher may or may not have accepted the apology as proper grounds for the offense committed in school. She still would have the right to suspend him. It is a very doubtful practice and one that has led to a great deal of trouble to base the suspension of a boy from school on the making of an apology. For it will appear that if he refuses to make an apology (then he will have been suspended because of the refusal and not because he has committed an offense against the good order of the schoolroom.)

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LIEUTENANT MUMFORD, WAR VETERAN, DEAD

Had Record for Gallantry—Left Souvenir of Imprisonment in Libby

A small brass carved from a bone, which he got with his food in Libby Prison, was among other things that Lieutenant Thomas H. Mumford gave to his wife just before his death today at his home, 75 North Thirty-eighth street.

He fought with the Second Pennsylvania Artillery during the Civil War, and was frequently promoted for bravery. His death was due to bronchial pneumonia and, according to Dr. W. O. Higante, can be traced to the soldier's confinement in Libby Prison.

Lieutenant Mumford was taken prisoner at the battle of Chancellorsville and remained there for six months in the prison which was famed for its horrors. Only once while he was confined in the prison was meat furnished with meals. It was from this piece of meat that the lieutenant carved the cross. This enabled him to pass the time away and the task required nearly six months.

Mumford became connected with the Philadelphia Electric Company early in the year and remained with that concern more than twenty-five years.

He organized Post 2 G. A. R. and was also a member of the first class of the order of the Loyal Legion. Lieutenant Mumford celebrated his fiftieth anniversary of his connection with the G. A. R. last May.

He is survived by a widow, four sons and one daughter. The funeral will take place on Friday. Interment will be in Arlington cemetery. It was near the spot on which the cemetery stands that Lieutenant Mumford was stationed during the war, when, under General Dimes, he had charge of the defenses at Washington.

McKINLEY'S AID IN TROUBLE

Man Once Secretary to Martyred President Found in River

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—James Boyle, of Columbus, formerly American consul general to Liverpool, secretary to Governor William McKinley, and until recently a member of the State Tax Commission of Ohio, was found in the Soloto River half drowned and almost frozen to death.

When he regained consciousness at a hospital Boyle was unable to explain how he came to be in the river. Physicians say that his condition is not critical unless pneumonia should develop.

A native of England and a former newspaper man of Toronto, Boyle has for years been active in Republican politics in Ohio.

Maurice River Cove Oysters Scarce

BIVALVE N. J., Jan. 3.—Owing to the rough condition of the water, the oyster fleet has found it almost impossible to dredge in the Maurice River Cove, causing a scarcity of the output in the market. Even here some of the restaurants have found it necessary to get a supply from Chesapeake shores.

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