

BRUMBAUGH WILL GET PROBE BILL TOMORROW

Presiding Officers of Senate and House to Sign Resolution Tonight

MEASURE TO BE VETOED

Ripper Legislation Also Likely to Be Killed by Executive's Pen

The presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives will sign the bill resolution creating a Lexow commission to investigate Governor Brumbaugh and the State administration when the Legislature reconvenes tonight.

The probe will be in the hands of the Governor tomorrow, but no action upon it is looked for from him until after next week. The Governor has ten days in which to act upon any appropriate measure, and unless he signs it or vetoes it it becomes a law without his signature.

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These ripper bills include one to rip out of office the present Public Service Commission, and to rip out the Board of Mercantile Appraisers in Philadelphia. Both are being held in committee.

JERSEY COUNTIES GET LEGACY TAX SHARES

Retiring State Comptroller Distributes Part of Income From Inheritance Taxes

TRENTON, Feb. 18.—One of the last important official acts of Edward L. Edwards, the retiring State Comptroller, was the distribution today of the five per cent of the amount of the transfer tax from the property of resident decedents to the various counties as their statutory share of the inheritance tax.

Passaic County's refund for 1915 is \$255,81 and for 1916 it is \$469,49. Union County's refund for 1915 is \$636,73 and for 1916 it is \$648,75.

Table with 3 columns: County, 1915 Refund, 1916 Refund. Lists counties like Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, Warren and their respective refund amounts.

CAMDEN POLICE SHOW TO BE OPENED TONIGHT

Queen Contest, Bun and Pie Eating Competitions and Many Other Features Planned

The annual carnival and industrial show, conducted by the Camden Police Beneficial Association will open tonight in the Third Regiment Armory, Haddon avenue and Mickle street, and continue every evening this week.

Chief interest is centered in the "Queen contest," in which ten young women are striving for the diamond ring which goes to the one securing enough votes to be crowned "Queen of the Carnival" when the affair closes on Saturday night.

Mayor Charles H. Ellis will touch an electric switch tonight at 8 o'clock, flooding the big armory with light from fifty strands of colored lamps, and the show will be formally declared open.

"Tuesday night's 'four dive' will be staged and Nicola Bernardo, the Young Men's Christian Association's bootblack and piano-accompanist, will entertain the pie-eating contest and baby show will be the feature on Wednesday night, while city officials will be honored with a reception Thursday.

The "shoe-and-socking" race, which promises much laughter, will be staged Friday, when the dancing prizes will be awarded.

The affair will close Saturday with the evening of the queen. Numerous vaudeville features will be held throughout the week. The music will be furnished by Eckstein's Third Regiment Band.



MISS FLORA O'NEIL MISS MARION E. WILSON who will take part in "Caught in a Trap," to be given tonight in St. Columba's Hall, Twenty-third street and Lehigh avenue, for the benefit of the Church of the Holy Souls, Nineteenth and Tioga streets.

STERN BILL WILL BE PASSED, FIREMEN TOLD

Measure to Increase Men's Salaries and Improve Working Hours Has Strong Backing

Promises of legislative support to the Stern two-patoon bill and inspiring speeches in favor of more adequate salaries have renewed the hopes of the firemen of Philadelphia that their long-fought campaign for reasonable hours of labor and proper remuneration is nearing its goal.

The Stern bill is slated for passage during 1916, and one of the speakers was the Rev. Dr. John G. Wilson, a brother of the Director of Public Safety.

From their representatives at Harrisburg the citizens' campaign committee, which is supporting the firemen, and the firemen's campaign committee itself have received word that the Stern bill is slated for passage during 1916, and one of the speakers was the Rev. Dr. John G. Wilson, a brother of the Director of Public Safety.

The Stern bill, which is really an amendment to the measure passed by the 1915 Assembly, simply increases the operation of that law to cities of the first class. It creates a day turn of duty of ten hours and a night turn of fourteen hours. To apply it to Philadelphia would necessitate in addition approximately one-third of the present force. Provision for these men and their salaries would be up to Councils.

The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Davis, pastor of Vore Memorial Church, expressed the belief that the city would soon recognize and appreciate the value of the firemen's service and reward them properly. The memorial service, held in Scottish Rite Hall, Broad and Race streets, was attended by nearly 1000 persons, including relatives of the fifteen firemen who lost their lives in the year recently ended.

THREE PERSONS INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASHES

Woman Knocked Down When Machine Runs Wild—Two Hurt When Touring Car Hits Light Vehicle

Three persons are suffering from injuries today as the result of automobile accidents. An automobile went wild at Eighteenth and Federal streets, knocking down Mrs. Mary Goto, fifty years old, of 2345 South Rosewood street. The woman is in the Polyclinic Hospital, where her condition is said to be serious.

A heavy touring car driven by A. R. Waterall, of Wynnewood, Pa., crashed into a light machine in which were Frank Rodenbusch, twenty-four years old, and Carolina Leines, twenty-two years old, both of Pottsville. Harry Gilfoyle, driver of the second car, said that Waterall was running at the rate of sixty miles an hour. The accident happened at Conshohocken road and City Line. Miss Lewis and Rodenbusch are suffering from broken shoulder blades and other injuries. Waterall will be arraigned before a magistrate at Ardmore today.

FIRE CAUSES \$25,000 DAMAGE IN GILBERTON

Several Structures Destroyed by Flames—Others Damaged—Neighboring Firemen Aid Rescue Work

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 18.—An early morning fire destroyed \$25,000 worth of property in the East Ward of Gilberton early this morning, upon which there was little insurance. The sufferers are: James Hollman, grocery store and residence, two-and-a-half-story frame building; Mrs. Mary Francis, two-and-a-half-story frame dwelling.

Several other establishments were damaged, among them John Chinaky's poolroom, Ashland and Mahanoy City firemen came to the aid of the local fire fighters. The flames of unknown origin, started in Chinaky's poolroom, located in an upper story of the theatre, at about 5 o'clock, were at the head with great rapidity, and

JERSEY SENATE TO PASS OPTION BILL TONIGHT

Gaunt-Mackay Compromise Measure Scheduled for Adoption—House to Decide

TRENTON, Feb. 18.—The Senate is scheduled to pass tonight the Gaunt-Mackay local option bill, prepared as a compromise after two measures differing materially were introduced in the Senate. The Anti-Saloon League, which for years has sought to have a law enacted placing in the hands of the courts the question as to whether or not there should be a wet or dry election, and the supporters of the Mackay bill, who want the governing bodies of municipalities to determine this point, have agreed on the compromise, and both are flourishing on eleven votes out of twenty-one for the bill.

This means that the question as to whether local option will prevail will again be put up to the Assembly, and the anti-saloonists are primed for an effort to squeeze the measure through. They have demanded a hearing in the House. In addition to this, the Rev. James M. Shields, State superintendent of the league, has issued a request to the churches of the State to introduce a bill on Sunday, February 25, from the pulpits for the passage of the bill.

In the conferences held on the two local option measures, Senator Mackay, of Bergen County, notified the anti-saloonists that he intended to introduce a bill in committee in the Senate and Mackay will endeavor to have it reported.

In a statement issued by Mr. Shields, he expressed the thought that the vote by which several members of the Legislature were elected on local option platforms, a general sentiment throughout the country is being out of the liquor question, and the plea in the Republican platform to give the people "the largest measure of home rule possible under the constitution" should combine to assure success for the bill this year.

SEVERAL SEEK GAUNT'S SEAT IN THE SENATE

Promised Retirement Starts Activity for the Nonfiction in South Jersey

MULLICA HILL, N. J., Feb. 18.—With the general understanding that Senator George W. F. Gaunt, president of the State Senate, will retire from the Senate at the expiration of his third term this year, political leaders are already getting ready for what gives promise of being one of the liveliest of political campaigns in Gloucester County.

In addition to a Senator, there are to be elected in this county this year an Assemblyman, Sheriff, County Clerk and Coroner. There is said to have been a general understanding among party leaders for some time past that this would be Senator Gaunt's last year in the Senate. The talk is that he is to be "taken care of" at Trenton with some political appointment by Governor Edge, which would automatically remove him from the senatorial fight.

Sheriff Robert Mead, of Glassboro, is being mentioned by Republicans as Gaunt's successor. William Albright, of Woodbury, State committee man from Gloucester County, has senatorial ambitions. Ex-Prosecutor Alex Rogers, of Woodbury, is mentioned as a senatorial candidate who would better please the strong Progressive wing of the party in this county. Wilson T. Jones, State prison inspector, of Franklinville, is talked of as a Democratic candidate for the Senate.

Assemblyman Oliver J. West, Republican, has already announced his candidacy for the county clerkship. This opens the field for new Assembly candidates from both parties. James J. Lafferty, of Sewell, the present Democratic incumbent of the county clerk's office, made his campaign on a one-term plank. It is said that he will keep his faith with the Progressive party, a candidate for re-election, but he may run for some other office.

Frank D. Pedrick, of Woodbury, now chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee, wants the six nomination. Ex-Mayor J. M. McCowan, of Pitman, who was defeated in a close fight for this office six years ago, is being boomed again for the nomination by his friends, and Freeholder S. P. Clark, of the same place, is being talked of as a candidate.

County Clerk Lafferty is looked upon as a shrewdly possible by the Democrats. Freeholder George W. Carr, of Mantua township, is being mentioned as a Democratic candidate for either Sheriff or Senator.

CAUGHT TRYING TO ROB POSTOFFICE IN DRUG STORE

Seventeen-Year-Old Boy, Discovered by Watchman, Falls in Attempt, at Flight

Through the quick action of Daniel McDonald, a watchman, Richard R. Patche, alias Page, seventeen years old, was caught early today while attempting to rob the sub-postoffice in the drug store of W. L. Cliffe, Kensington avenue and Somerset street. The boy, who the police believe is responsible for many robberies in the Northeast, gained entrance to the store, it is said, by forcing a window with a jimmy. McDonald aided as he entered and followed. Patche jumped through a window and tried to scale a nearby fence when the watchman captured him.

The boy, according to the police, has served time in Glen Mills. The police believe that he is responsible for the theft of \$500 from the hardware store of Nolan Brothers, 3204 Kensington avenue. Patche was held without bail for court at a hearing today before Magistrate Wrigley at the Front and Westmoreland streets station.

Advertisement for F.C. Peignot Jewels, 1331 Walnut Street. Remodeling old-fashioned jewelry into pieces of modern design. Drawings and estimates submitted without obligation.

POLICE SEEK SLAYERS OF FRANKFORD VICTIM

Robbery Believed Motive in Murder of Arsenal Employee by Highwaymen

The police today are making a widespread search for two highwaymen who shot and killed Samuel Jenkins, a master electrician at the Frankford Arsenal, on Saturday night, within two blocks of his home, 3122 Howell street. A reward has been offered for their arrest.

It is believed that robbery was the motive and that Jenkins may have been mistaken for a wealthy resident of that section. The body of the unconscious man was found at Terresdale avenue and Post street by James McLaughlin, of 1341 East Wenalee street, motorman of a Terresdale car. He died in the Frankford Hospital. He had been shot in the abdomen and his skull crushed by a blackjack. When picked up he moaned that he had been attacked by two men.

Jenkins was on his way home when attacked. He was a powerful man and bruises on his hands and knuckles are evidence, the police say, that he gave the highwaymen a hard battle before he was shot down.

While Detective Rehsaw, of the murder squad, and Detectives McColeman and Dougherty searched the lots near the spot of the crime for clues, members of the Wisconsin Improvement Association held a special meeting at the home of the president of the organization, George A. Campbell, on Van Kise street. It was decided to offer a reward for the capture of the highwaymen. Jenkins is said to have been much respected in the neighborhood.

The police have learned that two men were seen running away shortly before Jenkins was found. He was fifty-eight years old. He had been an electrician at the Frankford Arsenal for fourteen years. He was unmarried and lived with his sister, Mrs. Sarah Butterworth.

Three Die in Quebec Conflagration QUEBEC, Feb. 18.—Three firemen were killed and five were seriously injured by falling walls of burning buildings today in the seventh serious conflagration Quebec has had in a month. Investigation as to the cause of today's fire is in progress. Six business blocks were destroyed.

CAMDEN URGES WORKERS TO LIVE ON JERSEY SIDE

Board of Trade Opens Campaign to Bring Philadelphians Across River

BIG PLANTS CO-OPERATE

The Camden Board of Trade wants Philadelphians employed in Camden to reside in Camden. It is going to urge them to, and a systematic campaign is under way to bring these Philadelphians to Camden and to build up their city in so doing.

The movement was inaugurated by Francis B. Wallen, following his induction into office as chairman of the Board of Trade. Persistent agitation has helped in the matter, and as a result the executive committee of the board has placed the matter in the hands of the publicity committee, of which Walter L. Tushingham is the chairman.

Camden is now about at its limit so far as the real estate situation goes. There are less houses with the "For Rent" sign on them than ever before in the history of the city. But that is no bar to the plans of the publicity committee.

"If we haven't the houses to rent," said Mr. Tushingham today, "we will build them. We will do anything in our power to bring to Camden those persons who are now employed here, but who live in Philadelphia."

It is estimated that seventy-five per cent of the employees of the plants of the Victor Talking Machine Company, the New York Shipbuilding Company, the Campbell's Soup Company, the E. M. Hollingshead Company, the Camden Iron Works and other industrial plants of Camden live in the city of Philadelphia.

Likewise it is pointed out that the time consumed by Philadelphians in coming to their places of employment in Camden runs into weeks and even months in some cases, and that it would be a saving of this time and money as well for them to reside in Camden or the immediate vicinity.

While the Board of Trade has been talking about the project for several years, no concrete effort has ever been made to induce these Philadelphians to reside in Camden. President Wallen, who was formerly chairman of the publicity committee, urged

WOULD MAKE BAKER MARK WEIGHT OF LOAF

New Jersey Official Recommends the Passage of Compulsory Law

TRENTON, Feb. 18.—Recommendation for a law which will compel bakers to mark their loaves of bread with the weight is made in the annual report of State Superintendent of Weights and Measures William L. Waldron today. Waldron decries the increase in the price of bread in New Jersey and declares bakers should be forced to tell the consumers how much bread they are receiving for their money.

Waldron also recommends that the Bureau of Weights and Measures be authorized to test gas, electric and water meters.

"After we have done this we promise to obtain the names of the several thousand Philadelphians employed in Camden and send to them circular letters, in the various languages, showing them the advantages of settling in Camden.

"We will urge them to settle here for economic reasons. They will be spared their employment. They will not be annoyed by the delays that occur in the winter time at the ferries. They will save money in carfare, besides being nearer the farmer and thus in a position to reduce the cost of living.

"Take the time, for instance. It takes, say, fifty minutes to go from the Victor plant across the ferries to Philadelphia. That is 100 minutes per day spent in travel, in addition to the eight hours required for work. Now suppose that some workman lives in East Camden. It will take him only twenty minutes to reach his home, or, in other words, he saves sixty minutes per day, or one hour.

"In other words, he saves 300 hours per year in travel, or twelve and one half days. Is that something to think about, or is it immaterial?"

"These figures of travel do not lie, and we intend to show it to these Philadelphians. We want them here and we are going to convince them that they ought to live here, nearer their employment, for economic, health and financial reasons."

Mr. Tushingham stated that the publicity committee had already obtained the cooperation of the officials of the Victor Talking Machine Company and of the Campbell's Soup Company and that they were now lining up the officials of the New York Shipbuilding Company. The first two companies, according to Mr. Tushingham, will even go so far as to permit the Board of Trade officials to hold meetings in their plants and present arguments to the employees.

Advertisement for Resinol Soap. "What a pity she doesn't know that Resinol Soap would clear her skin." "She would be a pretty girl, if it wasn't for her complexion!" But the regular use of Resinol Soap, aided at first by a little Resinol Ointment, would probably make it clear, fresh and charming. If a poor skin is your handicap, begin using Resinol Soap and see how quickly it improves.

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