

SEEK OUT
VARE-SMITH
ORGANIZATION
Town Meeting Party Leaders
Predict Sweeping
Victory Tuesday
\$2.35 TAX, SAYS TAYLOR

Former Director Declares City's
Finances Are in frightfully
Chaotic Condition

A sweeping landslide against the Vare-Smith organization next Tuesday was predicted by scores of Town Meeting speakers and workers after an enthusiastic tour of the city. A Merritt Taylor, former Transit Director, addressed four meetings. He predicted that a \$2.34 tax rate would be required by the "gang rule" for 1918. The city's finances are in a frightfully chaotic condition, Mr. Taylor said. The increase in the tax rate will be brought about through mismanagement, he said. A call was issued to all citizens to call a halt on the existing program of extravagance. Following the meetings an announcement was made that all indications point to a complete rout of the Vare-Smith organization next Tuesday. Not only are the independents claiming the election of their entire ticket, but it also was said that they are counting on the support of the Council in wards which heretofore have been among the most stalwart of the organization ranks. The reelection of Samuel P. Rotan as District Attorney is taken as a matter of course by Town Meeting party managers. Thomas E. Armstrong, for Receiver of Taxes; William R. Nicholson, for City Treasurer; and Walter George Smith, for Register of Wills, also are given a substantial majority by the voters of the city, according to predictions made at the new party headquarters. Former Director Taylor was received enthusiastically at the meetings. He struck a sympathetic cord vibrating on the pocket-books of Philadelphians when in straightforward-the-shoulder method he pointed out what the voters might expect from mismanagement of the present administration. He said the administration was headed straight for a tax rate of \$2.34 for next year, or an increase of fifty-nine cents over the present rate of \$1.75. He intimated that the administration was headed for bankruptcy unless stringent methods were adopted by the voters at the polls next Tuesday.

TEN SUFRAGE PICKETS
RELEASED FROM JAIL
Met by Party of Banner Bearers
Demanding Release of
Alice Paul

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Ten suffrage pickets, still militant, were released from jail here today, at the end of sixty days' sentences for carrying suffrage banners through the streets. Auto parties bearing banners met the pickets as they left jail. The banners demanded that Alice Paul, chairman of the national league, be released from jail. The ten women released today are Lucy Burns, New York; Eleanor Calnan, Mrs. Mass.; Mrs. Brainerd, Philadelphia; Mrs. W. J. Bartlett, Putnam, Conn.; Mrs. Annie Arbell, Wilmington, Del.; Miss Mary Winsor, Haverford, Pa.; Maude Malone, Jamaica, N. Y.; Mrs. M. J. G. Jones, Buffalo; Edith Adams, Youngstown, O.; and Mrs. Pauline Adams, Norfolk, Va. The suffragists released from jail will be given a supper at the Hotel Hamilton. The Woman's party headquarters, Cameron House, Washington, D. C. The arrangements are in charge of Mrs. W. Thompson Baruch, District of Columbia, chairman of the Woman's party, and Mrs. Donald Hooker, of Baltimore, wife of Professor Hooker, Johns Hopkins University, will preside. Miss Mary H. Ingham, acting State chairman; Mrs. N. G. Halligan, Miss Elizabeth McShann, Mrs. Mary Carroll Dowell, Miss Ellen Winsor, Mrs. Lawrence Lewis and Miss Caroline Katzenstein will represent Pennsylvania at the supper. Miss Ellen Winsor is a sister of Miss Mary Winsor.

Picket Boat Sinks;
Entire Crew Missing

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of his father, George Atwood, 618 Warren Street, Baltimore.
ARTHUR FLOW, seaman, second class; next of kin, Mrs. F. W. Flow, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
ANDREW F. MEISTER, gunner's mate, third class; next of kin, Mrs. A. F. Meister, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
WALTER H. FISCHER, coxswain; next of kin, Mrs. F. Fischer, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
CLARENCE LESLIE JONES, seaman; next of kin, Mrs. Laura Frances Jones, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
JAMES F. TAYLOR, coxswain; next of kin, Mrs. H. Taylor, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
JAMES F. YOUNG, chief gunner's mate; next of kin, Mrs. J. Young, 2121 Market Street, Philadelphia.
GEORGE MELVILLE HEDMARCH, Jr., seaman, second class, national naval volunteer; details information regarding him not at hand.
The department statement did not stipulate which of the men's bodies had been recovered. The announcement read that all are believed to have been lost.

DOPE BRACELET LATEST
WRINKLE IN CRIME GAME
Innocently Appearing Article Hollow
Band Filled With Knock-
out Drops

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Through the confession of a white-slave trafficker, New York officials are in touch with the latest innovation employed by the women members of an organized gang of thieves—the "dope" bracelet.
The innocently appearing ornament is merely a hollow band filled with "knockout drops," which are produced in the usual inspection fails to note a tiny spring which may be easily released by the wearer, and which, in turn, releases the contents of the bracelet.
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BOYS' BRIGADE IN CONVENTION
Annual State Meeting Held Tonight
British Officers to Speak

The annual Pennsylvania state convention of the Boys' Brigade of America will meet this evening at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the First Regiment of the Philadelphia Independent Baptist Church at the Adelphi Hotel. The convention will be held in the city of Philadelphia. The British officers will be present and will address the convention. The convention will be held in the city of Philadelphia. The British officers will be present and will address the convention.

"MOYA" IS VERY
GOOD OR VERY BAD
Grand Jury's Criticism
Starts Discussion as to
Merits of Prison

SOME FOLKS UPHOLD IT

The Reed Street County Prison, commonly called Moyamensing and in the vernacular of the police and those they deal with addressed to "the Moya," is either unusually good or unusually bad.
It is one of the best prisons in the United States or it is one of the worst.
The superintendent, Fred A. Cooke, and the board of prison inspectors, headed by Dr. Joseph M. Reeves, should either be locked up in the cells of the prison in punishment for the way in which it is managed or be publicly commended.
Those are the unsatisfying facts as obtained from persons who know Moyamensing as Prison or, having seen it, ought to know it.
A reader who has never set out to find whether such an institution is good or bad may think the issue a simple one. "Just ask the prisoners," he may say. Yes, ask the prisoners. Well, they say it is a terrible place; the conditions are intolerable. No, only some of the prisoners. Others say it is a first-class prison, the inmates of which are well cared for. So far as prisoners' opinions are concerned, the conditions of the Moyamensing prison depends on which prisoners' opinion you want to take. A good many folks don't want prisoners' opinions at all, putting little or no value on the statements of anybody who is in had enough of unfortunate enough to get into jail.
NO USE TO ASK KEEPERS
"Well, you can ask the keepers." As well ask Mr. Jones if his small son is the brightest boy in the square. Mr. Jones will say he is unless the child is an absolute and hopeless idiot. Mr. Jones is prejudiced in his son's favor. He is his son. Maybe he really is the brightest boy in the square, but Mr. Smith who is not his son won't admit it. Superintendent Cooke and Doctor Reeves say the prison is well managed.
"Well, let the Grand Jury say whether it is good or bad." The Grand Jury has said it's bad. The October Grand Jury in its final presentation yesterday said the conditions were so unsatisfactory that Cooke and Reeves should be removed and inspectors should be put in the cells until they should come to their senses, when they would be better fitted to conduct an institution of the kind.
But—
Samuel Thompson, secretary of the Grand Jury, while admitting that conditions at Moyamensing might not be perfect, refused to sign the report. He thought it was unjustified by the facts.
"Try the inspector of the Pennsylvania Prison Society."
The inspector of the Pennsylvania Prison Society is Frank J. Pooley. He says the prison compares favorably with the best prison in the country.
So there you are. If you are not satisfied go to "the Moya" yourself and look it over and form your own opinion. But if you express it, be prepared to have an argument.

COURT TAKES CHARGE
OF BAKING COMPANY

U. S. Judge Dickinson Appoints
Receiver for a Period of
Thirty Days
Lack of funds with which to continue the business resulted in the appointment today by Judge Dickinson, of the Federal Court, of a receiver for the Baking Company, which conducts a large manufacturing and wholesale and retail bread and pastry business at No. 9 to 21 North Fifth-second street, this city.
Upon a bill in equity filed by three creditors, Judge Dickinson appointed Winfield S. McHenry temporary receiver for thirty days, authorized to conduct the business under a bond of \$5000.
Though the company is a Wilmington corporation and maintains a nominal office in that city, as required by the Delaware laws, its entire affairs and assets are situated on North Fifth-second street. It was capitalized at \$150,000.
For some reason not explained several of the officers of the company have recently resigned, and the affairs are now without a capable and responsible management. On top of this situation building and loan does upon mortgages amounting to \$35,000 against the property are in arrears, and in addition the company owes merchandise and sundry debts of \$11,000. The current earnings of the company are insufficient to meet obligations as they fall due, and all the money the corporation has in bank, it is declared, is \$105.87.
It is difficult to state the exact amount of the assets, creditors assert, because they have been carried on the books of the company at a value of \$100,000.
With a considerable amount of raw materials on hand, and in view of the general need and scarcity of foodstuffs, the creditors hope that the receiver will be able to run the business to the advantage of creditors and stockholders, with the ultimate view that it might be brought to a condition where it could be sold to a going concern.
The company filed an answer in which it stated that it had no objection to the appointment of a temporary receiver, and submitted itself to any order the court might make.

BROKER SHOP AT SEASIDE
CLOSED; TWO WANT MONEY

Manager and Creditor Take Out Attachments on Property of
Easterday
ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 2.—"Bulls" and "bears" did not prance today about the Boardwalk shop of W. W. Easterday, stock broker. The tickers were silent, the board was absent and the patrons' chairs empty. On the door were two attachment notices.
One of these was obtained from the District Court by Lewis T. Hall, manager, who has a claim for \$250. Another was taken out by Charles Koppmeyer, who is anxious to collect \$1000. If they are not forthcoming, the furnishings will be sold under the hammer.

AMERICAN SHAFT FOR MARNE FIELD
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Americans will place a monument on the battlefield of the Marne to mark where the French halted Germany's advance against Paris. This became known today when it was announced that Frederick MacMonnies, sculptor, has been selected to design the memorial. Many prominent men and women are on the committee charged with placing the monument. Contributions will not be solicited until after the war ends.

LIBERTY BOND IN PAWN
Only Lending \$15.50 on \$50 Certificate,
Harrisburg Man Tells Police

HARRISBURG, Nov. 2.—A "loan office" operator called up the police and notified them a man wanted to pawn a \$50 Liberty Bond. He asked if it would be all right to make the loan. The police said they had no objection. "How much are you offering?" asked a sergeant. "I want \$15 on it, but I'll only give him \$15.50,"

SPURN FROG-HOLLOW AID AT POLLS,
BLANKENBURG WARNS ALL VOTERS

ASSISTANCE forced upon timid voters in the marking of their ballots is one of the chief weapons of the Frog Hollow desperadoes. They will use it to the limit on election day.
Let me urge all voters who are offered assistance by tools of the contractor gang to decline emphatically this insidious offer, to cast their ballot unaided and to refuse to let any gang volunteer enter the booth with them.
There will be enough friends of the Town Meeting party at all the polls to see that voters are protected in the free exercise of their franchise.

FIFTY-FIFTY PARTY'S "LAST DITCH"
COUP ON EVE OF MUNICIPAL CONTESTS

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teenth street, anti-Smith leader in the Mayor's own ward, the Twenty-eighth.
FRED H. McINTIRE, 5219 Chester avenue, a real estate broker and active Town Meeting worker in the Fortieth Ward.
B. F. EDMIE, 5601 Whittby avenue, a Town Meeting worker in the Fortieth Ward.
All three were held in jail for court by Magistrate Penock at the Central Station.
Ball for Stern, accused of perjury, was fixed at \$1000 without his appearing in court. According to William Gray, counsel for the Republican Organization City Committee, Stern told Judge Davison that he was perjured himself when they testified that they did not sign Town Meeting nomination papers. The warrant for his arrest was sworn out by Gustav Kopp, 2325 North Van Pelt street. Stern is the man who led the bitter fight against the Mayor in the Twenty-eighth Ward. He challenged the Mayor to a duel at the Central Station and presided over a meeting at which the title of "cellars and cutups" was conferred on the city's Executive.
McIntire, arrested at his home this morning, was held in \$1000 bail on charges of forgery and filing false nomination papers. The warrant was sworn out by Ferdinand J. Miller, 2601 Whittby avenue, accusing him of signing the names of Stanley and W. C. Boden to Town Meeting nomination papers.
Edmie, also a Fortieth Ward worker, was held in \$1000 bail on charges of perjury, forgery and filing false nomination papers. The warrant, also sworn out by Sebring, accused him of signing the names of Charles J. Miller, 2601 Whittby avenue, to nomination papers of the new party.
Town Meeting leaders got wind of the forthcoming arrests yesterday and by last night had arranged to have their names on independent workers who would be arrested. First reports, said to have been "inspired" in the Vare-Smith camp, had it that the names of the independent workers would be arrested in the process of intimidation. The number reported to be in peril of arrest had dwindled to six.
Capt. Penock, who is in charge of the connected with the warrants, denied today that he had a hand in it.
"As far as I am concerned there are no warrants out for the names of the independent workers. No warrants were left with me to be executed."
He admitted the possibility of the warrants having been given to a lieutenant to be served.

FEDERAL AGENT SEIZES
LIQUOR IN WILMINGTON

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 2.—Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Armstrong today seized several hundred gallons of whisky, alleged to be the property of Charles Winkler, owner of one of the leading cafes of the city, on suspicion that the liquor was being concealed with the intention of defrauding the Government of the new war tax of \$2.18 per gallon.
The seizure included twenty to thirty barrels of whisky and gin, averaging about thirty-five gallons each, and between 2000 and 3000 bottles of whisky and several cases of liquors.
The booze was found, it is said, in the basement of the Colonial Inn, on Sixteenth street near French. The Government tax collector, who would aggregate approximately \$2500.
Winkler is the owner of the Hofbrauhaus, at the corner of Tenth and Shipley streets, and the Hotel du Pont and the Hotel du Pont building. He is widely known in Wilmington and the seizure of liquor goods by the Government authorities created a sensation here this afternoon. The seizure of the liquor and the tax collector will vote upon the question of "wet" or "dry" next Tuesday lends additional interest to the action of the Government officials.

WAR TAXES TO CONTINUE
Predicting a continuance of war taxation, he said:
"The large expenditures of the Government on account of the war will make necessary an elaborate program of Federal taxation for the next number of years. The issue of war bonds, which have been so liberally subscribed, will eventually have to be disposed of by direct levy on the people. A great sinking fund must be provided against the days of maturity, and meanwhile a considerable part of the war budget of each year will be paid out of the revenue of current years."
"It is very desirable that the tax-gathering machinery be perfected in every respect and that the fullest possible expression be given to the experience of the public and the Government with the operation of the first war-revenue act, and that the consistency in the existing revenue scheme may be removed in later legislation if only the present program is intelligently and fairly carried out and subjected to constructive and helpful criticism. To this end the Bureau of Internal Revenue, in analyzing the new law, is creating two files, one of administrative practices, rules and regulations; the other of needed legislative redress and relief to be submitted to Congress. This seems but just, when the Government is asked to shoulder the burden of encouraging and supporting our boys in the trenches."

CHILDREN DRENCHED AT FIRE
Hose Is Uncoupled Before Water Is
Turned Off

A score of children who had gathered to watch a fire in the home of Robert M. Kinley, 1525 North Bailey street, were drenched when firemen uncoupled the hose before the water was turned off by the plug.
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WILLS PROBATED BY REGISTER

Wills probated today include those of Jane V. Stiden, 1806 North Broad street, which, in private bequests, disposes of property valued at \$117,000; Benjamin B. Lewis, Highland Park, \$12,000; Andrew Brown, 218 Poplar street, \$18,800, and Amelia B. Stone, Evergreen and Stenton avenues, \$7000.
An inventory of the estate of Horace P. Weeks filed today places the valuation of the personal effects left by the testator at \$281,243.00.

ALHAMBRA SPANISH CABINET
MADRID, Nov. 2.—Marquis Alhambra today succeeded in forming a Cabinet and will head the new Spanish Government, it was announced. The success of Premier Alhambra followed the failure of former Premier Maura to form a Cabinet, and was preceded by a conference between General Weyer and the King, at which it is presumed the support of the army was pledged to the Alhambra Government.

WAR TALKS AT BUSINESS CLUB
The war was brought home to members of the Business Club in the Bellevue-Stratford when addresses were made by Major W. A. Garrett, U. S. Army, who recently returned from the front, and Lieutenant James W. P. Skidmore, First Canadian Battalion.

REPORT PHILADELPHIAN SLAIN IN FRANCE
The Canadian War Office in Ottawa today announced the death of P. S. Claggett, of this city, who was killed while fighting in France. Neither the street directory nor the telephone book contains the name of "P. S. Claggett."

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TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION
POLIARD.—At 5238 B. 12th st., Nov. 2, MARY E. POLIARD, wife of Thomas Poliard, North of Federal Lane, a young P. DAVIS, relatives and friends invited to the funeral, 8 p. m., Cream Ridge Presbyterian Church.

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WHIRLWIND TOURS
FOR MAYORALTY
Struggle Between Penrose
and Brumbaugh Forces
Nears End
CHARGES BY BOTH SIDES

DANGER OF INFLATION

The warning that "war taxes" must go on for a number of years, no matter how soon the war may terminate, in order to pay off the issues of Liberty Bonds which have been made necessary by the large wartime expenditures of the United States, was sounded today in this city by Daniel C. Roper, who, as Commissioner of Internal Revenue, is the man who is responsible for the collection of the war taxes which have just been laid upon the American people by the last Congress. Commissioner Roper came from Washington to address the conference called to discuss war figures by the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and whose sessions are being held in the assembly room of the Chamber of Commerce.
Proceeding Mr. Roper's address this afternoon, A. C. Miller, of the Federal Reserve Board, Washington, made an equally significant address at the morning session. Mr. Miller, who was brought to the Federal Reserve Board from the University of Georgia because of his reputation as one of the leading financial experts in the country, asserted that in his opinion the annual income of the nation, that is to say, the total of the gross annual production of American industries, could now be estimated at not less than fifty billion dollars, and the net income of the nation, since the beginning of the war, at between ten and fourteen billion dollars annually. In spite of this enormous wealth, however, he contended, some way must be discovered by which the Government can raise the money not serving as soldiers or as producers of supplies intended for the prosecution of the war to double the pre-war productivity of the nation.
TAX COLLECTION A HUGE TASK
Commissioner Roper, after discussing the problem of administering the war revenue act just put into effect, and of collecting from each citizen the full amount of his contribution to the war effort, said that the last year was 780,000, the number estimated for 1918 is 6,350,000.
A largely increased number of employees will be necessary, together with the creation of an excess profits advisory board and a board of legal review by the President. Commissioner Roper laid emphasis on the fact that the latter board will be recruited from unofficial life. Eminent lawyers, said he, should be asked to contribute their services for advice to the bureau.
"The new law presents many problems of construction and interpretation which are not without grave consequences to the public revenue and to business," said Mr. Roper. "The creation of the Board of Legal Review along the lines contemplated is an essential part of the program. It will not be dealt with in a narrow bureaucratic way, but that they will be solved in the light of the broadest and most constructive legal knowledge and experience available."

WHIRLWIND TOURS
FOR MAYORALTY

FITTSBURGH, Nov. 2.—In the last stages of the campaign for the mayoralty of Pittsburgh William A. Magee, former Mayor and Public Service Commissioner, and Edward Voss Babcock, Penrose-Leslie candidate and wealthy lumber dealer, are conducting whirlwind tours of the city, while the voters are being swamped with literature of all sorts.
Even the women of the city, though they have no voice in the matter, are being urged to use their influence toward bringing the votes of their husbands, sweethearts or brothers, the Magee faction using this method.
Urging his election on his business record, Babcock has invited an investigation of his record, with the result that the city is agog with the stories related by Magee and the other hand, Magee's record as former Mayor has been produced by the Babcock leaders, and the Brumbaugh-Vare candidate has been characterized as a spender and a "double-crosser." Dr. J. P. Kerr, third candidate for the nomination in the primaries, president of City Council and formerly chief Magee lieutenant in this city, has been published and talked of, while his alleged antagonism to union labor has been played to the limit by speakers of the opposing faction.
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ROOMER PUTS QUARTER IN METER
While Jet Is Open—Saved
By Injured Hand

Five persons narrowly escaped death early this morning when a roomer in the home of Ephraim Holiday, 2041 North Marple street, put a quarter in the gas meter while one of the jets was open.
Several times during the night Holiday had retired with an injured hand, was awakened by the pain. It was shortly after 3 o'clock that he smelled gas. He awakened his wife Caroline, and they, nearly overcome by the fumes, hastened to the room occupied by Leah Poplar and George Sheppard. With difficulty they succeeded in arousing the men. The four went to Robert Gray's room and there found gas escaping from the gas meter. When the police arrived, they found the meter open and the jet of the Twenty-eighth District were called they brought a lung motor and attempted to revive Gray as they rushed him to the Women's Hospital. Physicians there said that their work would probably save his life.
According to the police, Gray fell asleep while reading in bed and the gas in the meter burned at Sheppard's feet. The police say, went into the basement to replenish the gas supply.

ROOBER TAKEN TO STEAL \$13,
ACCORDING TO MR. JONES
Three Negroes Took His Cash, but
Police Quickly Arrest
Trio

It had luck to steal \$13. Within half an hour after three negroes forced William Jones to part with this sum much against his will, four blacks had been gathered in by the police on a section of the street. Jones was on his way home. The money was camouflaged within his shirt. It seems that one of the quartet who accosted him knew this. He took the money, tore open the bosom of Jones's shirt and drew forth the money immediately.
Jones assumed the police would be slightly lenient. He told Policemen Foster and Stevenson, in giving details of the robbery, they walked straightway to a restaurant near Thirtieth and South streets, where he noted for its brand of food. Three negroes were seen to enter a mammoth meal when the cops arrived. They attempted a rush for the street, but were conquered after a battle. Jones said the men looked very much like those who took his money. The prisoners declined to discuss the matter. They gave their names as William Patterson, William Graf and Joe Johnson. All were taken to the Eleventh and Pine streets station.

SHOT AT TWICE ON TRIP FROM AKRON TO CLEARFELD, PA.

CLEARFELD, Pa., Nov. 2.—The United States Government's spherical balloon which left the Goodyear Rubber Company grounds at Akron, O., early today for an endurance test, landed here yesterday before noon. The balloon carried five persons and traveled 297 miles.
The men report they were shot at twice while making the journey.

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