No Salary Boosts, No New Jobs, No Improvements, Is Idea

TO KEEP TAX RATE DOWN

Worried City Financiers Prepare to Use Heroic Measures to Reduce Expenses

Badly frightened at election results, memsers of the Vare-Smith Administration today thaugurated a financial retrenchment system that, if carried out, means no new ent improvements, no new places, no salary increases, no extensions of city service and no new temporary improvesits during the remaining two years. With city progress blocked, other than on work provided for in 1916 loans, Mayor th's financiers hope to avert a material come in the 1918 tax rate, even if it becomes necessary to borrow money

current expenses and deficiency bills, acing demands for \$49,791,771.27, with an income well over \$19,000,000 under that to-tal if the present tax rate is to remain un-disturbed, and with a deficit of from three to four millions to make up for 1917, the worried financiers today prepared to use heroto measures rather than saddle the Adninistration with the onus of a second tax crease in two years. Demands of members will be cut and slashed, demands will be ignored, but the payroll will be kept intact.

present city and county payroll in

nearly 14,000 persons. Rather than to to abolish places where needless tion admittedly exists, the financiers rill pure costs by cutting off all money that be used for improvements. The over and declared too dangerous political standpoint.

NO SALARY INCREASES

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Instead, it has been decided that improvement funds must be cut to the vanishing point and that no salary increases shall be allowed and few. If any, new places created. Changes, including removals and new appointments, are rumored as the result of lost wards and divisions, and these changes are to be used in caring for the faithful who are now out in the cold.

In the first year of the Smith Administration it became necessary to float a loan of nearly \$5.000.000 to provide for deficiency bills and current expenses. This was in face of the fact that the Blankenburg administration jets but a very small deficit, the major portion of the deficiency being made up of bills incurred by the new Smith heads. This year only a temporary loan ends. This year only a temporary loan rill be made and several millions in old tills to over to be cared for out of the 1918

If the deficiency bills of 1917 and man If the deficiency bills of 1917 and man damus needs are ignored for another year and the pay-as-you-go act quietly abandoned, another loan for these needs will fave to be forced through before the end of the administration. The loan for current expenses will, under present plans, be for five years and like the existing one will become a heavy drain on income during the next administration.

LIEN ON FUTURE OFFICIALS

expenses and deficiency bills is an surrent expenses and denciency bearing to easile and quieter method than resorting to tax rate increases and coming into the open with a demand that directly affects the bearing of every property holder in the ocketbook of every property holder in the dry. If another loan is floated for deficiency tems for 1917 or 1918 it would merely emarrass future administrations and would save the present set of officeholders free f a second tax rate battle.

All of 1918 demands will be passed upon by the present body, in which the Vares have a two-thirds or absolute control. The 1919 demands will be the first to be hanfled by the body as elected on Tuesday. Whether or not the new Councils will agree to resort to borrowing money for current needs and thus play the game of the poli-ticians who fear an open tax rate fight, time mione can tell.

In discussing the plans and hopes of the administration to prevent a new tax-rate increase battle, Chairman Gaffney, of Councils' Finance Committee, today said: 'I have called a meeting of the Finance Committee for tomorrow and we will start out with the budgets for the county offices. with the budgets for the county offices. I mean to suggest that we hold over all demands for salary increases and for new places until all of the budgets have been gone over with the utmost care. The demands will be cut in every way possible. I am not surprised at their big total, but when we get through with them they will be many millions less than they are at the present time.

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"Many directors ask for everything in sight, hoping to get what they actually Many directors ask for everything in sight, hoping to get what they actually need. They will have to convince the members of the Finance Committee of the urgent need for every item that is allowed them for 1818. It may take many meetings for the Finance Committee, but every head is going to be asked to explain fully and clearly the need for the money he demands, and he will have a hard time to convince us that demands represent used. clearly the need for the money he demands, and he will have a hard time to convince us that demands represent needs. If the committee acts on my suggestions many tame will be cut out entirely and new items of expense will not be allowed at all at this

Chairman Gaffney, who is a member of Councils from the Twenty-sixth Ward, the home of Congressman William S. Vare, is admittedly the Vare leader in a Vare-controlled Councils. A statement of retrenchment plans from him is nothing short of an order to the other members of the Nissans Committee.

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One result of the retrenchment plan will nean the abandonment of a scheme to increase the service of the city's water system by the comstruction of a new pumping station and the establishment of a direct main to feed the southern and central sortion of the city. This long-felt need would coat the city over \$7,900,000, but a start that would materially aid a bad slightly could be made with half that mount. Many other improvements of a more or less permanent character will have to be abandoned by the heads who have song toped for appropriations.

Pimilico Entries for Tomorrow ruce, two-year-olds, claiming, 6 fur-labilities, 101; Pinafore II, 112; inry 100; Tumble In, 100; Misa Sweep, ah Pass 100; Killarucy, 100; Sister 100; Eing of the Wind, 112; Sunny 1 Micoschend, 101; Arisona, 100; Car-121; Hope, 104; Tady Misen, 109; Cla-121; Hope, 104; Tady Misen, 109; Cla-121; Tope, 104; Midnight Sun, 117.

IS HELD IN BAIL

Officials of First Division of Fourth Ward Accused by Voter

WAS DRIVEN FROM POLLS

Complainant Forced to Move Because of Attack on Home Election Night

Judge Brown, sitting as committing magistrate in the Municipal Court, today held under \$1000 ball each the members of the election board in the first division of the Fourth Ward, on charges of conspiracy to interfere with an elector. George Chris-tian, colored, the judge of election in that division, had an additional charge of as-sault and battery preferred against him. The other defendants who were held are John Casey, an inspector in the Bureau of Highways and a Republican watcher on election day; Joseph Casey, majority in-spector; John Coleman, colored, minority spector, and Freeman Snyder and Thomas O'Toole, clerks of election. Immediately after the hearing before Judge Brown, Sam uel W. Salus, counsel for the defendants, appealed to Quarter Sessions Court on a writ of habeas corpus, alleging that the men

were illegally held. Michael Dowbenko, who now lives at 528 South Second street, in the Fifth Ward, but prior to election day lived at 605 South Front street, was the complainant against the board. He said that he made three at-tempts to vote on election day, but was each time forcefully ejected from the polling place. On the first occasion he received a ballot from Christian and was stepping into the booth when John Casey challenged hin on general grounds. He said he asked to hear the objections stated, as he had voted at the primary election, and he would not give up his ballot until they explained their objections. Christian, Dowbenko tes-tified, then grabbed his arm and, twisting it behind his back, made him release his hold on the ballot.

BRINGS NATURALIZATION PAPERS Belleving that the objection had been raised because there might be some doub as to his citizenship and registration, Dow benko went home and procured his naturalization papers and certificate of registration and again went to the polling place. He showed the papers to Christian and again asked permission to vote. The judge of election ordered him from the place and when he would not go voluntarily he was shoved out by Christian. The third attempt met with like results, and he then appealed to Clerk Thomas Sherman, in the Municipal Court, for a warrant charging the men with

the offenses for which they were held.
On election night, Dowbenko testified, while he was sitting in his house a crowd gathered outside and some one threw a piece of broken bottle through the window. Other windows were broken by missiles thrown by members of the crowd. He said he was afraid to continue to live there, so the next day, Wednesday, he moved to the South Second street address. He said he could not recognize any of those in the crowd that attacked his home HELD FOR ASSAULT

Frank G. Smith, of 1432 Poplar street Frank G. Smith, of 1432 Poplar street, a Republican watcher in the Ninth Division of the Fifteenth Ward, was held under \$1000 ball for assault and battery on George Dawley, colored, of \$38 North Fifteenth street, a clerk in the Municipal Court, and a Town Meeting party watcher to the division on election day. Division of In the division on election day. Dawley told Judge Brown that on election day Smith was entering the booths with voters and helping them mark their ballots, without helping them mark their ballots, without any solicitation on the part of the voter. Dawley objected to this and appealed to the judge of election to have Smith stopped from assisting the voters when his service was not asked. Smith, the witness said, became angry at him and ordered him, Dawley, out of the polling place. Dawley refused to go and Smith, placing his hand on the shoulder of the Town Meetical hand on the shoulder of the Town Meeting party's watcher, marched him from the place. The assault was a technical one, but sufficient, Judge Brown ruled, to hold

COAL DEALERS WILL AID RAILROADS IN CRISIS

Agree to Receive and Unload Cars Nights and Sundays to Relieve Famine Conditions

Plans to rush coal into Philadelphia to remedy the shortage here are being fomul-lated by representatives of the Pennsylvania Railroad working in co-operation with the Philadelphia Coal Exchange.

An important conference on the subject An important conference on the subject was held in the Broad Street Station. The railroad was represented by H. C. Clevenger, A. B. Clark and A. Strickland, of the embargo and transportation departments. The exchange was represented by a committee consisting of Samuel B. Crowell, Maurice Crean, James H. Kelly, Charles K. Scull and John E. Lloyd.

In response to the request of the railroad, made at a former meeting, the committee was able to bring a unanimous report from

was able to bring a unanimous report from the dealers that they would be glad to as-sist in the dispatch of cars by allowing sist in the dispatch of cars by allowing them to be put in nights and Sundays. The committee further promised, on behalf of the exchange, to ask all dealers along the Pennsylvania line to unload any cars that would be easiest for the railroad to place, regardless of size or kind, thus eliminating a great deal of the shifting and keeping the terminal points clearer for more anthracite to come into Philadelphia.



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Leave Allentown on Thirty Motortrucks to Cheer Comrades in Football Game

MARINES FOR OPPONENTS

Two battalions of "Usacs," the name bulance corps service, will arrive in Phila-delphia this afternoon as rooters for the Ambulance Corps-Marine game which will be played tomorrow afternoon at Franklin Field. They will camp at the Commercial Museum field. Thirty-fourth and Spruce streets.

streets.

The men about 500 strong, left Allentown this morning on thirty motortrucks. The privilege of making the trip was accorded all sections, and those chosen were the first that voted to go. Some sections voted not to go and the full complement of two battaliens was made up of individual soldiers who desired to make the trip. Many who desired to see the game preferred to remain in camp at Allentown until Saturday and then go to Philadelphia by train.

The Ambulance team was put through its hast scrimmage for its meeting with the Marines on Muhlenberg field, at Allentown, this morning. Tomorrow morning they will get a final signal drill.

Although Johnny Dunn, the regular quarterback, is out of the Allentown Hospital, where he was treated for a broken rib and bruised shoulder. Coach Clark said he did not intend playing him against the Marines, selecting young Mike Murphy for quarterback to work. quarterback to start. Beck, of Penn State, was injured a third time in practice yesterday and is also out of the game, as in Housten, of Columbia, who is on crutches with a bad knee.

MOVE TO OUST PRICE

A recommendation to oust Ell Kirk Price Pairmount Park Commissioner, has been made to the board of directors of the Cham-ber of Commerce, following the storm of indignation aroused by his reported refusal to permit a detachment of the United States army ambulance corps to bivouse on Belont Plateau in the park. Mr. Price has denied the charges against him.

It is planned to call for the immediate removal of Mr. Price from the membership of the Park Commission if he "is guilty of such action." The Board of Judges will e appealed to in the case.

Mr. Price's alleged action was termed a disgrace to the city of Philadelphia. The removal resolution was adopted at a spe-cial meeting of the committee on municipal Edgar Fahs Smith, provost of the

University of Pennsylvania, said the detachment of the United States Army Amdetachment of the United States Army Ambulance Corps, which had been refused a permit to bivounc on Belmont plateau, had formally accepted the offer of a camp site on the museum field of the University, where the First Regiment was stationed last summer. This was accepted because of its proximity to Franklin Field, where the "Ussacs" will play the marine corps football team Saturday. When the resolution was brought to the

attention of Theodore Justice, another mem-ber of the commission, he said Mr. Price ber of the commission, he said Mr. Price had acted in full authority, as his position as chairman of superintendence carries with it power to act for the commission in such ready to talk I'll talk."

Jail Superintendent Sinkham Said.

I have mothing else to say. When I am ready to talk I'll talk."

emergency cases, although his acts must be approved at the stated meetings of the commission, Mr. Justice added. NO APPLICATION, SAYS PRICE

No actual application for permission for e ambulance detachment to camp in Fair-ount Park was ever received by the Park mount Park was ever received by the Park Commission from Colonel Franklin or any one else, according to Mr. Price. He said: "Our conversation was of the most casual kind, during which Colonel Franklin said he was thinking of bringing some 600 of the ambulance men from their camp at Al-lentown to Philadelphia to see the football game between the ambulance team and that f the marines at Franklin Field on Satur

day next.
"He said they expected to motor down "He said they expected to motor gown on Priday and stay over Sunday, and he was looking for a suitable place for them to pitch a camp for the three days and nights. "He asked whether Belmont Plateau would be available for the purpose, and when informed that the Park Commission had found it inadvisable to permit its use for a large camp extending over several days although it was frequently used for days, although it was frequently used for drilling purposes, Colonel Franklin said that he would have no trouble in securing an-other site for his camp and left, apparently satisfied with the information he had ob-

HUNGER STRIKERS ARE REPORTED VERY WEAK

Alice Paul and Rose Winslow Still Holding Out in Prison

PICKETS PLAN BIG PARADE

WASHINGTON, NOV. 5 The hunger-striking Woman's party mili-tants—Alice Paul and Rose Winslow—en-tered the seventy-second hour of their starvation fight today. So far as known, jail officials have not yet kept their threat forcible feeding.

While party leaders bombarded the district commissioners with letters and de-mands, arrangements were made for the biggest picketing demonstration before the White House on Saturday. The nonmilitant national American Woman Suffrage Association has arranged for a delegation of newly enfranchised New York women, flanked by nonvoters from Ohio and In-

Miss Paul and Miss Winslow, in the first protracted hunger strike in this country's history, are held incommunicade in the District jail here. Jail officials refuse information regarding their condition, al-though sister militants declare Miss Paul must be very weak from lack of food. The strike is "a matter of eggs and

milk," said Woman's party headquarters.
Miss Paul claims the other suffrage prisoners in the jail are being starved and broken in health by the bread-coffee-park-subtrablance diet. Party saven months. broken in peans and cabbage diet. Facing seven months imprisonment, such food will break down imprisonment, such food will break down women, it was said Jail physicians plan to give eggs and milk when life demands, but return to the reg-ular prisoner diet when vitality is restored. Miss Paul and Miss Winslow refuse eggs and milk in the hospital ward as long as the other suffrage prisoners are denied

TO COAST OF JERSEY

Philadelphia Sportsmen Take Toll by Thousands as Fowl Fly Southward

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 8.
Ducks, flying in flocks so thick they almost "hide the sun," when rising from bays to continue their voyage to the southand, offer a possible solution of the high-cost-of-living problem for thousands of Jersey coast watermen and their families, according to hunters who returned here from Great Bay, which lies between Atlantic City and Barnegat.

Hundreds of sportsmen, many of whom come in automobiles from Philadelphia and New York, to rise before the sun and take toll from the fowl, are enriching the waterside guides and killing thousands. The moving armies of black ducks, bluebilis and mallards, which settle on the marshes around Great Bay every night shortly before dark, start to feed at daylight. Then the sportsmen and propressional guinners he sportsmen and promessional gunners urn loose their trained decoys to entice heir wild relatives into gun range. The Federal law, which forbids the kill-

The Federal law, which forbids the killing of migratory game except during the
period from October 1 to January 15, is
credited with providing this fail the finest
sport big city gunners and baymen have
known for two decades. Many of the latter now are earning \$5 a day in providing
boats, "stools" and trained tame ducks for
the city hunters.

"We saw literally millions of ducks," said Alfred Reed, of this city, who returned from Great Bay. "They rose in flocks so dense as to obscure our view of the early morning sun. Black ducks were most nu-merous, but there are limitless numbers have been seen along the Jersey coast for many years."

PLENTIFUL VEGETABLES COMPARATIVELY CHEAP

Potatoes May Be Had for \$1.40 to \$1.65 a Bushel; Cabbage Reasonable

Wholesale prices for vegetables that are plentiful are comparatively cheap, accord-ing to the report of Dr. J. Russell Smith. chairman of the food commission of the Philadelphia home defense committee. Po-tatees are in this class and can be had for \$1.40 to \$1.66 a bushel. Cabbage is also plentiful and sells for a reasonable price. Spinach is cheap, at thirty to forty ents for a five-eighths husbel basket. Fish continues to come to the market in arge quantities, and the prices quoted are

the ip, the report says. Whiting and ling are the most plentiful. The report follows:

ABUNDANT—Sweet polatoes, letture, radthes, romaine, carrots, bests, pumpkins,
ranges, quinese lemons,
NORMAL—Caulifower, onlors, cabbage, poatoes, spinach, turnins, celery, grapes, pears,
NCARCE—Apples, placapples, bananas, cranerries, totaloes.

Three Killed, 15 Hurt in Trolley Crash KENT, O., Nov. 8. — Three men were killed and fifteen persons injured when two northern Ohlo traction cars collided headon near here this morning. The dead are George Bender, motorman, Akron; William Wiler, conductor, Cuyahoga Falls, and G. O'Dell, passenger, Ravenna

AWARDS AT "MUM" SHOW FOR BEST SPECIMENS

H. A. Poth Victor in Class for Display of Four Plants

Awards for the best specimens were made today at the eighty-ninth annual chrysan-themum show, which opened yesterday in the First Regiment Armory, Broad and Calnowhill streets. The winners were:
Display of four plants—Won by H. A.
Poth; second, C. B. Newbold.

Best display of a specimen chrysanthe-tum in bloom—Won by George H. McFad-en; second, J. W. Pepper, Jenkintown. Best specimen plant, yellow—Won by H. A. Poth; second, Mrs. J. Leslie Davis, Hayerford, Pa.

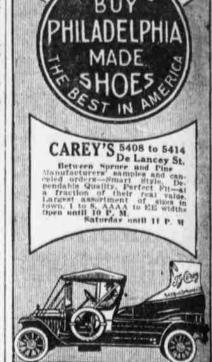
Best specimen plant, pink, in not more than fourteen-inch pot—Won by H. A. Poth second, Mrs. Walter M. Jeffords. Best specimen plant, white, in not n than fourteen inch pot—Won by H. Poth; second, Mrs. Walter M. Jeffords.

Child Falls Into Scalding Bath Lillie Mararo, three years old, of 1812 South Twelfth street, fell in a bathtub of scalding water at her home today and suf-fered burns which may prove fatal. She was taken to St. Agnes's Hospital.

Wills Probated Today Wills probated today included those of Leopoid Bellak, 1307 North Thirteenth street, \$32,000; Sallie Walten, 1323 North Thirteenth street, \$20,000, and Bertha Vance, 5821 Thomas avenue, \$6500.

Man Falls Into Boiling Water Vat Louis Sibert, twenty-two years old, of Paulsboro, N. J., is dying in the Cooper Hospital, Camden, today, from burns re-ceived when he fell into a large vat con-

hospital.



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includes heavy Ulsters and conservative black and Oxford satin-lined Overcoats. Men's \$35.00 and \$40.00 \\$28.50 Heavy Ulsters, Trench and plain Overcoats.

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