

DEATH CAUSES NEW POLITICAL LINE-UP IN CITY

Elimination of Penrose and Strong Independent Party Forecast

VARES EXPECTED TO GAIN STRENGTH

McNichol's Shoes as Leader Not Likely to Be Filled, Say Politicians

DESERTIONS PROPHESED

The political map of Philadelphia and the state was changed in a moment today by the death of Senator McNichol.

The annihilation of United States Senator James Penrose as both a Pennsylvania and Philadelphia political power, and the formation of a strictly independent party as a tremendous force to fight the Vares domination of the city government, were among the results that astute political leaders saw in the unexpected demise of the man who controlled the political destinies of Philadelphia for many years.

The Penrose political machine depended almost entirely upon Senator McNichol for its strength in Philadelphia, and the senator himself depended in a large degree upon "Sunny Jim" for advice in conducting his State campaigns.

The McNichol followers who remained loyal to their chief when the Vares captured the city two years ago stood by McNichol almost to a man, out of personal regard for the man they had fought scores of bitter political battles with.

For this reason, politicians generally took the view that no one will be found to fill Senator McNichol's shoes as leader of the anti-Vares forces within the Republican Organization.

TRAINER'S BREAK RECALLED Harry J. Trainer, Select Councilman from the Third Ward, was mentioned as a possible successor to McNichol, but it was admitted on all sides that Trainer would not be able to hold all of the McNichol strength for Penrose.

With the lack of a strong and dominating leader to take McNichol's place, the political map of Philadelphia is expected to be divided into several camps.

Perhaps the strongest personal follower of Senator McNichol was Mercantile Appraiser James A. Carey, who was blackballed in the "Bloody Friday" War, where he is leader while fighting to win the ward for McNichol at the primary election.

With the Vares virtually unopposed in their domination of the Republican machine in Philadelphia, even the turn-over of Carey, whom they opposed this year more bitterly than any other McNichol ward leader, is looked for by Vares followers.

DESERTIONS PREDICTED The loyalty to Senator McNichol was not confined to ward leaders, however. In a dozen wards where the anti-Vares strength within the Organization has been a serious factor, the division of the Vares forces by McNichol out of personal friendship, even to the extent of bolting the Republican party. Hundreds of them will now "line up" with the Vares, in the predictions of the politicians come true.

The swing to the Vares started in the last campaign, while Senator McNichol was confined to his sick-bed.

Charles Seger and Charles Hall, who were aligned with the Penrose-McNichol forces for twenty years, threw the Seventh Ward, which they control, to the Vares ticket. City Solicitor John P. Connelly, who was Senator McNichol's own selection for the office he holds, also "went along" with the Vares.

Of the sixteen wards in the city where the Penrose-McNichol forces were powerful, Senator Penrose may have left only the Third, the Sixth, which is Penrose-Democratic, and the Eighth, his own ward.

In the Fourth Ward, County Commissioner Robert J. Moore will continue the fight against the Vares. In the Fifteenth Judge Charles L. Brown is the Penrose leader, and in the Eighteenth, Robert Grier. They probably will remain in the Penrose camp.

The Town Meeting party will lose much of its party machinery through defections from the Penrose-McNichol wing of the Organization and will have left as a nucleus for a strictly independent party the reform element that combined with Penrose and McNichol to overthrow the Vares-Smith administration this fall.

Senator Penrose's State power will be seriously jeopardized by the loss of strength in Philadelphia, and the loss in this city may swing the balance of power against him in the State campaign next year, when a Governor, a Legislature and Congressmen are to be elected.

Penrose, with the assistance of Senator McNichol, has been able to obtain between 75,000 and 100,000 votes in Philadelphia. With the loss of most of the McNichol

"SUNNY JIM" IN A RELAXING MOMENT



Politics, business and family affairs occupied most of the time and attention of the late Senator McNichol. The characteristic picture above, however, shows the dead leader in an "off moment." An admirer of blooded horseflesh, he rarely failed to attend exhibitions or important races whenever opportunity permitted. Chewing a cigar, an almost constant habit, the Senator is discussing with a friend the merits of the entries in a recent meet.

strength, the Vares, according to politicians, would be able to sweep this city in the gubernatorial fight by 100,000.

In the election this fall the Penrose strength in Pittsburgh, which formerly gave a majority of 30,000, was cut down to 5,000, and Penrose lost the anthracite region for the first time. In the light next spring the State administration will be used to the limit against Penrose. This, in addition to the Vares strength in Philadelphia and the anti-Penrose forces in the various local districts, caused the Penrose followers here today to take a gloomy view of their prospects for 1918.

ENTIRE STATE SENATE MAY ATTEND FUNERAL HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 14.—Belief at the capital is that the entire State Senate will be appointed a committee to attend Senator McNichol's funeral. He numbered all the members among his personal friends.

Senator William E. Crow, Republican

MAYOR RETAINS GRIP ON CITY COUNCILS

Administration Men Claim Safe Majority of Members Under Written Pledges

LENNON'S PLACE SECURE

Doctor Gleason Also to Remain as President of Commons if Plans Go Through

Pledges of support from enough members of both branches of Councils to warrant their control by the Administration have been obtained by Mayor Smith, according to those close to the Organization leaders.

These pledges, it is said, have been made in writing and the Mayor has enough now, according to Organization leaders, to have a majority control, with prospects of obtaining many more. During the last few days the Mayor has been sending for members of both branches and convincing them, it is said, that the Organization would be in full power during the next two years.

The men summoned have been asked to support the Administration and approve the councilmanic bodies as now organized with James E. Lennon, Vares leader of the Twenty-sixth Ward, Elias Abrams, Sixteenth Ward, and Dr. E. B. Gleason, of the Ninth Ward, president of Commons.

Most of the Councilmen summoned, including several Penrose-McNichol adherents, have promised their support to the administration, it is said. A few of those sent for are reported to have asked for more time to consider the matter. Although none of the avowed independents have been sent for, it is rumored that some of these may be counted upon to "go along."

Among others who are expected to appear in this connection were the following: Councilman William H. Quigley, Twenty-eighth Ward; William E. Finley, Thirty-sixth Ward; Elias Abrams, Sixteenth Ward; John E. Flaherty, Thirtieth Ward; John J. McKinley, Jr., Thirty-third Ward; and Edward Buchholz, Nineteenth Ward.

Two-thirds control is essential to push through appropriation bills, but confidence has been expressed that sufficient numbers will be obtained for this important work. Councils will organize on the first Monday in January. It is the purpose of the Organization to endeavor to keep the present officers in power and also control the important committees.

ART SALE ATTRACTS

Large Attendance of Connoisseurs Attends Disposal of Shields Treasures

A big crowd of art admirers attended the third session of the sale of the effects of the late A. S. L. Shields, the noted Philadelphia lawyer, at the Philadelphia Art Galleries this afternoon, but the bidding for the artistic articles, faded life and many things sold at a mere fraction of their worth.

The big library was reached today and a precious volume, "The Great Opera," worth about \$500, sold for \$150. This book was made especially for Mr. Shields after his own plan. It is filled with remarkable illustrations in color. An orchestra, which originally was organized on the first Monday in January, was put up for sale, but had not been disposed of at time for closing. The sale will last several more days.

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GOVERNMENT URGENTLY NEEDS STENOGRAPHERS

Demand So Great in This and Other Lines That Aliens Are Eligible

One stenographer is worth ten soldiers to the Government at the present time, according to officials of the legal civil service commission, who have received word from Washington to that effect.

More than 10,000 stenographers and typewriters are needed, and the scarcity is so pronounced that officials declare the preliminary work of the war on the part of the Government has temporarily paused. They declare that unless relief is obtained through the entrance of more stenographers into Government work, the situation will become a menace of serious proportions.

In view of the great labor shortage in this and other lines, Washington has let down the bars to unnaturalized citizens, according to word received by the loyal officials today.

The Government is also facing a shortage of labor in the shipbuilding industry. Many sailmakers, coppermiths, blacksmiths, shifters and mechanics are needed. It is pointed out that the new naval aircraft station now nearing completion in this city will need about 3000 men and that about 5000 men are urgently needed at the naval gun factory in Washington, D. C.

BANKERS HONOR OHIO MEN

Warren S. Hayden, of Cleveland, Made President of Investment Association

BALTIMORE, Nov. 14.—Warren S. Hayden, of Cleveland, today was elected president of the Investment Bankers' Association, in convention here.

Mr. Hayden will succeed Lewis B. Franklin, of New York.

Child Seriously Hurt by Auto

While playing in front of his home at the corner of Green and Logan streets today Arthur McGinnis, five-year-old son of Dr. Arthur McGinnis, was struck by an automobile driven by C. Warren Miller, twenty-seven years old, of 2114 Diamond street, suffering a compound fracture of the right leg and a severe injury to his skull. The child was taken to the Samaritan Hospital in an automobile by his father. Miller was arrested by the Germantown police and held for a hearing.

SCOTT NEARING FINED \$50

Former U. of P. Professor Guilty of Making Anti-War Speech

DULUTH, Minn., Nov. 14.—Scott Nearing, former professor of political economy at the University of Pennsylvania, who was arrested while making an alleged anti-war speech here, was arraigned in police court here and pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct. He was fined \$50.

Four others arrested with him were held on a charge of vagrancy.

Professor Nearing left here for New York, saying he had canceled his western speaking tour because of his arrest. Federal authorities had refused to accept Nearing as a prisoner after his arrest in a raid by the police on an alleged antiwar meeting Monday night. The police were debating on what course to pursue when, after sixteen hours' incarceration in the city jail without bail having been set, Nearing offered to plead guilty to disorderly conduct.

Five Hunters Fined

MARYSVILLE, Pa., Nov. 14.—Five residents of the Liverpool section were arrested by State game wardens and fined by a justice of the peace for violation of the hunting laws. Frank Boyer was fined \$5 for hunting without a license, hunting on Sunday and killing game out of season. Art Boyer, P. A. Moyer, Frank Comford and W. H. Updegrave paid fines of \$20 for

FOR BANKERS' CHRISTMAS

LANCASTER County Soldiers to Get \$2500 Worth of Presents

LANCASTER, Pa., Nov. 14.—About 600 boxes have been placed in Brinkman's Hall in aid of the Red Cross Christmas Fund for presents to be sent to France. The presents to be sent to the Lancaster County soldiers will have a money value of \$1000. A number of boxes were shipped yesterday and more will be sent out today and tomorrow.

A part of yesterday's shipment went to the members of the machine gun company, sanitary corps and ambulance corps from this city, now in different camps in the United States.

THINK MARLBOROUGH UNITED

English Report Causes Speculation in New York Society

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—New York society speculated today as to whether the Duke of Marlborough and his duchess, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, were reunited after a formal separation of ten years.

Sheffield Plate For Holiday Gifts. Platters, Covered Dishes, Trays, Tea Sets, Cracker and Cheese Dishes. Pierced Bowls, Bon Bon Dishes, Cake Baskets, Sauce Boat and Stand. Wright, Tyndale & van Roden, Inc. 1212 Chestnut Street

Mid-Month Bargains Give Double Importance to Our 26th Anniversary Tomorrow. \$30 Buffet \$24.98. Lit Brothers. ONE YELLOW TRADING STAMP WITH EVERY 10c PURCHASE ALL DAY. Market Eighth Filbert Seventh

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Start Christmas Shopping NOW—Pay in January, 1918. Enjoy the Triple Advantage of First Choice—Plenty of Leisure—Wonderful Anniversary Economics. To be very explicit, this offer exactly means that All purchases made from now until the end of December will be charged on December bill, payable in January.

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