

ALLOT-BOX OPENING
DECISION DUE MONDAY

Election Court Jurists Hear Pleas of Opposing Counsel, Then Direct Adjournment
BRIEF TIME INTERVENES
Judge Finletter Suggests Division Officers Be Not Allowed to Lock Up Corruption

Open Ballot-Boxes, Is Object of Court Fight

LEGAL battle of Town Meeting party for last election opens in Election Court today.
Petition with sweeping accusations against Organization to be presented.

Decision on the petitions of the Town Meeting candidates to open the ballot-boxes probably will be given by the election court on Monday.
The court adjourned this afternoon after hearing lengthy arguments from both the Town Meeting and Republican party counsel.

As December 6 is the last date on which a contest of an election could be filed in Quarter Sessions, according to the law, Judge Finletter said he thought there might not be time enough to open the ballot-boxes in the 1346 divisions throughout Philadelphia.

Henry J. Scott, of counsel for the Town Meeting party, suggested that sufficient clerks and watchers should be engaged for this task. He said that time could be saved by submitting only the questionable ballots to the court.
Judge Finletter said he thought it would be a good thing to open the ballot-boxes so that the election officers could know that they were not so sure that they could lock up corruption.

Mr. Scott pointed out that the Town Meeting party had filed petitions to open boxes in 667 divisions and that the Republicans had filed petitions to open the boxes in 161 divisions, making a total of 828 divisions which are questionable.
He asserted therefore that it would be just as well to open all the boxes.

W. Horace Hepburn said there was a clause in the election law which stated that all petitions for opening boxes should be disposed of three days after the official count was begun.
If there were such a law, Mr. Scott said, it was certainly unconstitutional.

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EMPLOYEES PAY RESPECTS TO POSTMASTER THORNTON



Philadelphia's postal chief is fifty-four years old today, and in honor of his birthday employees at the Federal Building presented him with a huge bouquet. In the picture, left to right, are Postmaster Thornton and Assistant Postmaster John E. Lister.

to count and include in their return of votes, will aggregate 20,000 and upward, and that if the ballot-boxes are divided into two groups where said discrepancies in the number of votes cast and the number returned appears to exist, the election will be held on a ballot-by-ballot basis.

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SEVENTH. That the election officers were not allowed to receive a full return of the number of votes cast in each division, but that they received only a partial return, thereby depriving voters of their votes.

Scranton Street Car Strike Settled. The motor-car conductors, barmen and track hands of the Scranton Railway Company have accepted the company's offer of three cents per hour.

Train Carrying Soldiers Wrecked. A train carrying soldiers was wrecked at the crossing of the two roads in the Yorkville yard today.

MYSTERY ISLE THREAT TO BIG U. S. SHIPYARD

"Discover" Opposes Permit to Build Ways and Bulkheads. Can't Find Island on Maps. A mysterious island, supposed to be in the Delaware River opposite the site of the Hog Island shipyard, now being created by the American International Shipbuilding Corporation to turn out standard steel destroyers, threatens to delay the construction of the mammoth plant.

Application for a permit to build shipways and bulkheads from the Commission of Navigation was opposed by Frank M. Zeller, the discover of "New Providence Island," which does not exist, according to Government maps.

Zeller, officials say, has been making his island an excuse for opposing the plans of the Government shipbuilding program. He claims to have the island in the area of the Chesapeake Bay.

Shipping men along the riverfront say they had never seen this island and that there is no island there today.

"The survey records on file in this office do not indicate the present or past existence of an island on the Pennsylvania side of the Delaware River between the mouth of Fort Mifflin and Tincum Island."

SHIPMENT OF DEFENSE WEAPONS. The American Federation of Labor is opposing a bill which would permit the shipment of defense weapons through the mail.

Bouquet for Postmaster Thornton. Employees of the postoffice presented a bouquet to Postmaster John M. Thornton today.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE DENIED TO FRAZEE

Elementary Schools Committee Refuses Permission to Work With Government

The Board of Education through its elementary schools committee today refused Frazee, associate superintendent of schools, to grant a leave of absence to take a position with the Federal Government.

The committee voted unanimously, John Wanamaker being absent, at the meeting held today to instruct Secretary William Dick to inform the Board of Education that the board would accept Mr. Frazee's resignation if he desired to do so.

Magistrate Beaton Holds Man for Court, Saying There Is Too Much "Adjusting". Magistrate Beaton, in the Tenth and Buttonwood streets police station, today issued a warning to all automobile thieves and drivers.

GERMAN PRISONER INSANE FROM BROODING ON WAR. A German prisoner of war, who had been held in the Federal Detention Center at Fort Mifflin, has been found insane.

Lack of Material Closes Plant. The plant of the Delaware Valley Paper Company has been shut down for lack of material.

Today's City Appointments. City appointments today include those of Thomas P. Torpey, 1122 Girard avenue, clerk, Department of Supplies, \$1100.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO CUTS DOWN PASSENGER SERVICE. Two express and four local trains are discontinued and other changes made.

SEEK DEAD MAN'S ASSAILANT. Mysterious Assault Victim Refuses Treatment and Removes Bandages. Detectives are searching for the assailant of James Griffin, 46 years old, 1025 Snyder avenue, who died last night at his home.

SAMMEES' TRENCHES TURNED TO QUAGMIRE

Normal War Activity and Abnormal Amount of Mud Mark Situation on American Front. The American Federation of Labor is opposing a bill which would permit the shipment of defense weapons through the mail.

GOMPERS RE-ELECTED BY TREMENDOUS VOTE

Only Two of 600 Delegates Stand Against Wilson's Champion. The American Federation of Labor is opposing a bill which would permit the shipment of defense weapons through the mail.

SKILL OF SURGEONS SAVES WOMAN WHO SHOT HOTEL MAN THROUGH BODY MERELY ACCUSED OF ASSAULT

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 24.—Marvellous surgical skill saved Edie Mitchell, twenty-two years old, from facing a charge of murder when she was attacked before a hotel in Atlantic City.

LAFAYETTE'S COACH BECOMES WAR WORKER

Berryman Resigns as Leader of Easton Eleven—Made Good With Poor Material. Robert M. Berryman, coach of the Lafayette College football team, has resigned his position to enter war work.

TITLE DEALERS ALARMED BY THREATENED EMBARGO

Fear Japan Will Capture American Market if Industry Is Shut Down. ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 24.—Pennsylvania manufacturers and dealers will have to carry a large share of the loss, it was declared today in reports presented to a joint meeting here of the Eastern District Title and Mantel Association and the Title Manufacturers' Representatives' Club.

DR. MALATESTA BURIED

Requiem High Mass Held Today at St. Rita's Church. The funeral of Dr. Joseph M. Malatesta, who died Wednesday night after an illness of several weeks, was held today from his residence, 1612 South Broad street.

TRANSIT LEASE MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL DEC. 3

Failure of Conference to Agree on Exchange Ticket Abolition Method Causes Delay. Announcement was made today that the meeting of the Joint Committee of Finance and Street Railways of Councils to take up the matter of the Smith-Mitten transit lease will be postponed until December 3.

GERMAN AGENTS AT WORK AGAINST CONSERVATION

Insidious Stories of Wastage at Camps and Wheat Being Sold to Teutons. Reports made to the Committee of Public Safety are to the effect that pro-German agents are working actively to undermine the plans to inaugurate a general program of seven weekless days a week suggested by the food administration.

SEEKS LICENSE TRANSFER FROM SITE ON PARKWAY

Two Remonstrances Filed Against Joseph Pentony's Petition—To Be Heard Wednesday. Joseph Pentony, who conducted a saloon and restaurant at 1421 Belmont street, which was taken over by the city for parkway purposes, today filed a petition with William Turner, in Quarter Sessions court, for a transfer of the license privileges to 1638 Market street.

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