

HIGH COST OF LAW SEEN IN CITY BILLS

Claims for Outside Counsel Total \$119,560 in Few Years FAVORITES' FAT FEES COST OF EXTRA LEGAL SERVICES TO CITY IN LAST FEW YEARS

William Draper Lewis, work on transit lease \$23,500 Assistant counsel and expenses on transit lease 4,500

William M. Hargest, in suit for City against Provident Life and Trust Company 36,000

Pierson & Shertz, for winning reduction in coal rates for Philadelphia 31,500

E. Spencer Miller, an old claim 3,000

The high cost of law to the city of Philadelphia is startlingly shown by bills introduced and about to be reintroduced in Council by outside lawyers and firms who are seeking settlement of claims totaling \$119,560, or only little less than Senator Vaux's "moral claim" for League Island Park work.

Taken in connection with the fact that the city has a lavishly equipped and costly law department of its own, the total of outside claims makes the grand total cost for law that Philadelphia will be called upon to pay this year about \$210,750.

Persons familiar with the recent activities of improvement and progress movements in the city remember with pride the record made by former Congressman George D. McCleary, who as City Treasurer declined to take the big salary and fees accruing to him for that service, but left the money for the public benefit.

Another instance of unselfish service that is forcibly brought back to memory is the fact that former Mayor Blanton served for years as a member of the Board of County Commissioners and devoted all of his accruing salary to the general good, declining to accept it himself.

HARGEST'S BILL MULTIPLED Deputy Attorney General William J. Hargest was engaged when Michael J. Ryan was City Solicitor to argue the city's suit against the Provident Life and Trust Company to recover personal property taxes in the lower court. For this service he received \$250.

The appeal was taken to the Supreme Court Mr. Ryan retired, and Mr. Connelly succeeded him. When the case came up in the higher court Mr. Hargest was again retained to repeat the argument for which he had been paid \$250.

The Supreme Court found in favor of the city, causing the company to pay into the City Treasury nearly \$1,000,000 in back taxes. Mr. Hargest, in his request to Council, that will now have to be repeated, as it did with the old Council, asks an amount 200 times as great as he received for his first argument in the lower court.

The claim of the law firm of Pierson & Shertz for \$21,500 for winning a reduction of \$1,500,000 a year in coal freight to the people of the city has been itemized as follows: \$21,000 for legal services, \$4500 for expenses and \$9000 to pay Harry E. Bell, who was summoned as an expert witness. This claim, like that of the one made by Mr. Hargest, will have to be reintroduced before it can be acted upon by Council.

For services rendered the city is obtaining a reduction in electric rates, which meant a saving of millions to the city and to the users of electricity, former Director of Public Works Morris L. Cooke was allowed expenses and a fee for legal services. William Draper Lewis was counsel in this controversy. As this bill has been introduced, it is not included in the present list.

The claim of E. Spencer Miller for services rendered the city some years ago has never been completely settled.

JAPAN PREPARES, BUT MARKS TIME

Tokio Wants Agreement With Powers Before Acting in Siberia FOES AT VLADIVOSTOK Released Teuton Prisoners Reported Arming Themselves From Allies' Supplies

LONDON, March 1.—Announcements have been published in Tokio pointing out the necessity for safeguarding the peace of the Far East, according to dispatches received here today.

Some quarters are said to be already apprehensive of the possibility of enemy submarines and airplanes operating from Vladivostok.

"The government is silent, but there is reason to believe that preparations are completed for enabling the nation to rise to the occasion whenever the necessity demands," said an agency dispatch.

"The government is believed to have carefully avoided anything inviting the Powers' suspicions of its true purpose."

"Some members of the Cabinet favored consulting the Powers after taking action, in view of the gravity of the situation. It is, however, generally surmised that the government is strongly impressed with the necessity of preventing a misunderstanding."

Released Austrian and German prisoners are reported to have arranged to supply themselves from the Allied supplies at Vladivostok.

HIGH WAGES INCREASE THE EATING OF MEAT

Consumption of Cheaper Cuts Greater, While Demand for Expensive Ones Falls Off

Despite the conservation program, the meat consumption of this country has increased during the last year as a result of the high wages being paid.

The increase has been in the cheaper cuts of meat. The consumption of the more expensive cuts and the high-grade corn-fed cattle has fallen off considerably, he explained. The result has been a gradual increase in the price of rough cattle and a decrease in the market value of the best grades.

The government is now working out plans to reduce this situation and to protect the cattle raiser from serious losses, he said.

One of the factors operating to complicate the situation has been the high price of feed. "Although there was a plentiful supply of corn, the breaking down of the transportation facilities prevented the producer from shipping to the miller," he said.

The government is also compiling cold-storage statistics throughout the country with a view to ascertaining how much of the high grade meats can be stored, Mr. Glasgow announced.

The Philadelphia and Pennsylvania food officials were complimented by Mr. Glasgow on the work they had done. He said that Washington thought very highly of their efforts and that they were considered to have obtained the best results of any of the State or city administrations.

The administrators were served today with pie and bread baked with 60 per cent of substitutes by Miss Miriam Moses, dietitian in charge of the menu, as dictator to the food officials. Miss Moses announced she would familiarize herself with all the food regulations and see that none of the administrators violated them.

AUTO LICENSE REVOKED

The automobile license of John Phillip Badenhausen, a civil engineer of Philadelphia, has been revoked by State Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neill on the complaint of E. A. Baughman, commissioner of motor vehicles for Maryland.

Commissioner O'Neill said that his action in revoking the license was taken after Badenhausen had twice been notified to appear before him in regard to the Maryland complaint and had failed to comply with the notice.

HUBLER FOR CONGRESS

SCRANTON, Pa., March 1.—H. C. Hubler, president of the Scranton Board of Trade, has announced himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress from this district.

Mr. Hubler, who is an attorney, says he will support the President in all year measures. He invites the opposition of all pro-Protections of every breed, kind, description and previous condition of servitude," says Mr. Hubler.

DANGER TO ALLIES SEEN IN TOKIO INTERVENTION

By J. W. T. MASON NEW YORK, March 1.—Military intervention by any of the Allies in the internal affairs of Russia at this time would be interpreted at Petrograd as contrary to the Allies' professions of democracy and "self-determination," and would probably be harmful to the cause of international democracy.

Japan's insistence at the conditions of interest on the Russian mainland close to her shores is explicable; but there is no possible danger to Japan in a complete cessation of the present process of democratic readjustment in Russia.

It is essential for the Allies to hold at this stage of the war matters as much as that, in so far as the future of the world is concerned, if there is to be future cooperation with Russia the Russian people must not be permitted to entertain any doubts as to their faith in international democracy.

An expedition to march into Siberia could serve no democratic purpose whatever. It would be imperialistic in character and would be a violation of the general policy of international self-determination.

The Allies, therefore, cannot afford to risk a wrong impression being placed on their motives because of the questionable advantage of a military intervention by foreign military intervention.

BRITISH PRESS AT ODDS ON ACTION BY JAPANESE

LONDON, March 1.—Commenting on the Japanese proposal to land troops in Russia the Star today said: "If Japan lands an army in Russia it will be for the benefit of Russia and the world."

The Pall Mall Gazette said: "America is sensitive on questions of self-determination. She may feel uncertain as to how far Japan will observe them after a victory. We do not think there should be any obstacle or reservation, such issues can be brought to a settlement at the peace conference."

The Manchester Guardian said: "There are vital political objections to any Japanese action at Russia's expense. It is not clear what military service could not put into the field an army that would result from an advance into Siberia."

REBUKE FOR WORKERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Lack of Activity Shown Disappoints East Pennsylvania Evangelical Association

NORRISTOWN, Pa., March 1.—Sunday school workers were rebuked at today's session of the East Pennsylvania conference of the Evangelical Association for not showing the activity expected.

"The time was," observed the Rev. W. A. Leopold, of Norristown, "when rebuked could be had from other denominations, but it is not so now. We must get the rebuke from our own Sunday schools and do this better work must be done in the Sunday schools."

A request for a change in the location of a church from Acquiholico to Palmerton was granted. Another request granted was the change from a mission to a self-supporting station of St. Luke's church, Bethlehem.

A subject referred to the ways and means committee was an abandoned church at Pleasant Valley, in the Helton charge.

The ways and means committee was also entrusted with the request of a which was recently renovated at a cost of \$1000.

The conference ratified the sale of three churches, one at Spring Mills, Center County; another at East Point, Luzon, Tioga County.

On the request of the Rev. Mr. Munson, the mission church at Elizabethville was made an independent church.

A letter of regret was read from the Rev. William Yost, Cleveland, O.; the Rev. J. K. Earl, Sinking Springs, Pa.; and the Rev. J. G. M. Swengel, Altoona, Pa. The Rev. Mr. Swengel, a retired clergyman, told the conference in a letter that he had preached twenty-five sermons recently for which he was paid \$16.

The position of radio operator in the navy will not be open to women, aspirants for the post have been informed by the Navy Department. The long and arduous service required both on land and sea is given as the reason for barring women from these jobs.

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SERB CABINET CHANGE WON'T AFFECT POLICY

Political Parties United on War, Despite Differences on Internal Affairs, Officials Say

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Resignation of the Serbian Cabinet is in no way to be taken as indicating a less vigorous prosecution of the war, according to Serb officials here today.

Political parties in Serbia, it is said, though divided on internal questions, are united in their plans for carrying on the war to a victorious conclusion.

Division of home affairs is considered responsible for the withdrawal of the present Cabinet. The government party, it is pointed out, was only slightly stronger in number than the combination of the opposition parties which made a change in the Cabinet necessary.

The new government, it is asserted, will continue Serbia's policy of war until a lasting peace can be obtained, and its aim will be in complete harmony with those of its allies.

Appointment of the new Cabinet is expected shortly.

MAY ASK RECEIVERSHIP Shareholders of Oil Company Call for Financial Statement

LANCASTER, Pa., March 1.—At a meeting here of stockholders of the American Independent Oil Company, having headquarters at East Indiana, Pa., the officers were directed to prepare a full financial statement for review at a later date.

It will then be decided whether a receivership shall be asked.

About \$200,000 worth of stock was sold in Lancaster County and \$60,000 in eastern Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware, in Lebanon alone there are a hundred stockholders.

The company was organized by J. C. W. and C. W. MacGregor, of Indiana, Pa., who received each \$20,000 in cash and \$250,000 worth of stock for the being plant and their good will, most of which they sold. The only assets in sight are the refining plant at Pittsburgh and stores at Indiana and Lancaster, where oils are sold. The Lancaster store does not pay.

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'ONLY ONE REPUBLICAN PARTY,' AVERS HAYS

New Chairman Optimistic for Future—Progressive Leaders Declare Faith in Him

NEW YORK, March 1.—"The parties are already united. There is only one Republican party," declared Will H. Hays, chairman of the National Republican Committee, when asked here today if his visits to Progressive and Republican leaders had the object of bringing about a final reunion.

"We have much work to do," he continued, "for the good of the country, and we are going to do it."

The statement was given out after a meeting between Hays and Senator Johnson, of California.

"We have entire confidence in this young man," said Johnson, following the meeting, "and also faith in what he will accomplish. We are all with him."

Plans of Hays to meet former President Taft at the latter's home in New Haven probably will fall through. Hays expects to leave the East tomorrow for Indianapolis. Taft is on a speaking tour. It was said arrangements may be made for Taft and Hays to meet on the train which will carry Hays back to Indiana.

Former Progressives and old guard Republicans joined today in greeting Hays at a luncheon at the Bankers' Club here. William H. Wilcox, former chairman of

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Final Clean-Up Women's Boots AT GEUTING'S \$4.90 Formerly \$7.50 to \$10.50 Excellent assortment of models in colored tops, plain leathers; patent leather, black kid with white washable kid topping—all sizes in the lot. A remarkable sacrifice at \$4.90. Sensible women will buy two and three pairs.

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