

IN THE BOOK, IS CRY OF 'DRYS'

Governor's Diary of "Little Truths" May Be Campaign Document

WOULD SUPPORT O'NEIL

The little black book will get you if you don't watch out," may become the campaign cry of the J. Denny O'Neil dry adherents led by Governor Brumbaugh.

"It is in the book," may also become a popular "dry cry," for the Governor himself says he has many jottings about the attitudes of Senator William C. Sprout on the liquor question.

Senator Sprout could not be reached for comment today, but one of his closest friends came out with the assertion that the Governor's admission that he has been keeping a diary "accounts for" the Governor's doing, since he doesn't drink.

While Governor Brumbaugh was addressing the Methodist conference, Senator Sprout was at a banquet of the Vessel Owners and Captains' Association at the Bellevue-Stratford, where he was the principal speaker. He received a big ovation on entering the banquet hall.

The Delaware County Ratification League, the Anti-Saloon League, Delaware County Co-operative Temperance League, the Dry Federation of Pennsylvania, the W. C. T. U. of Delaware County, the Women's Suffrage Party and the Federation of Women's Clubs of Delaware County have endorsed the following candidates for the Legislature from Delaware County:

First District Chester—Republican, Elgin E. West; Democratic, William Ward; Prohibitionist, D. G. Hendricks.

Second District, outside of Chester—Republican, John B. Simpson, Benjamin F. Fields; Democratic, Louis C. Simon; Harvey T. Cadden; Prohibitionist, Joseph H. Paschall, Lewis B. Distrow.

Senator Vare said today that when the City Committee meets to endorse candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs, seats in Congress and the Senate Legislature, the committee would extend invitations to the heads of nearly all of the city and county offices.

Among those invited will be Mayor Smith, Sheriff Bamsley, Receiver of Taxes Kendrick, Recorder of Deeds Hazlett, Registrar of Wills Sheehan, City Solicitor Cramer, Engineer S. C. Bingham, District Attorney Rabin, Coroner Knight and County Commissioners Holmes and Kuesel and all of the Organization Republican ward leaders who are not members of the City Committee.

There are forty-eight members in the City Committee, and with the extra leaders and officeholders the attendance is expected to reach nearly 100. About 1000 division leaders are employed in the various city and county offices.

RECEPTION TO JUDGE BY BENCH AND BAR

Judge Staake's Half Century at the Bar Receives Tribute From Association

A reception to William H. Staake, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas No. 5, was tendered at the Bellevue-Stratford last night by the Bench and Bar Association of Pennsylvania. The occasion was the fiftieth anniversary of Judge Staake's admission to the bar.

Addresses were made by Judge Martin, John M. Patterson, Charles B. McMichael and Walter George Smith.

TO RESTORE ADDRESSES IN U. S. CASUALTIES LISTS

Semimonthly Publication is Favored by Acting Secretary of War

Washington, March 15.—The American casualty list will soon be issued once or twice a month, and then with addresses of victims.

NEW TRAIN DE LUXE

Congressional Limited Will Increase New York-Washington Service

CITY TAKES BEST OF CARE OF VISITING SOLDIER GUESTS



Bound from Buffalo to an Atlantic port, two truck trains of the United States Engineers, comprising sixty-eight trucks and five tanks manned by 150 men, arrived in Philadelphia this afternoon and were housed in City Hall as the guests of the Councilman's committee on care of the city's soldiers.

The photograph shows the visitors in their comfortable quarters at City Hall.

MAYOR SMITH BACK FROM ATLANTIC CITY

Said to Be Planning Visit to Receiver of Taxes Kendrick in Florida

Mayor Smith is back today from a week's rest at Atlantic City. Rumor has it that he is planning a Florida trip to join his friend and fellow officeholder, Receiver of Taxes Kendrick, who has been living in the South almost continuously since the first of the year.

Early in his administration the Mayor was dubbed by City Hall employees "the absent Mayor" because apparently his official life was just one trip after another and he became a vacation "bug" of the most pronounced type.

During the last twelve months the Mayor has to a certain extent altered the situation by spending more lengthy periods at his desk at City Hall, and although he lived at Atlantic City for many months, he made almost daily visits here to attend to matters of city routine and to confer with political contractors.

HELGIUM NOT REGARDED AS PAWN BY AUSTRIA

Count Czernin Forcing Germany to Speak Clearly on Aims—Vienna Pessimistic on Peace

Amsterdam, March 15.—Vienna is pessimistic despite peace with Russia in contrast with the diplomatic world. Pan-Germans in forcing events are severely condemned, says the Vienna correspondent of the Times.

NATIONAL GUARD LINES GO

New System of Filling Up Gaps Designed to End Distinctiveness

Washington, March 15.—The National Guard is destined to lose its State flavor, army men believe today.

WASHINGTON, MARCH 15

"You have no idea," said Representative Lenroot to Francis J. Kearful, assistant Attorney General, "that the Secretary of the Interior, in the exercise of his discretion under the proposed oil-leasing bill, would grant leases where actual fraud was proven, have you?"

ELIZA A. MEUTCHEEN DIES

Eliza A. Meutchen, seventy-seven years old, died at the residence of her nephew, Robert D. Webb, 2168 East York street, yesterday afternoon.

NEW YORK TRAIN AND BALTIMORE SLEEPING CAR CHANGE

Effective next month the Railroad train for New York from leaving West Philadelphia at 7:30 p. m. will be changed to leave from East Philadelphia at 8:30 p. m.

KILLS WIFE AND SELF AS SHE SPURNS HIM

Children on Way Downstairs Hear Shots That Take Mother's Life

George Pearson, denied reconciliation with his wife, killed her and himself early today at his home, 234 North Marston street, with their three children within hearing of the pistol shots.

"Kiloe, forgive me," said Pearson, following his vain plea. Then he fired four times at her. A moment later he killed himself in an alley in the rear of 2323 North Twenty-sixth street.

The three children—William, twelve years old; Richard, eleven, and Ruth, ten—were listening from the head of the stairs when the shooting occurred. They had been awakened when Mrs. Pearson got out of bed to answer a ring at the door about 5 a. m. They recognized the voice of their father and were on their way to welcome him when Pearson drew his revolver.

Mrs. Pearson was struck four times, once in the temple, once in the region of the heart, once in the abdomen and one shot entered the left leg.

The shots and the cries of the children awakened Miss Lillian Foster, another occupant of the house. She went downstairs and found the body of Mrs. Pearson on the kitchen floor.

Later he was placed on a stretcher and taken to the University City Hospital. The body of the wife was buried in the cemetery at Oaklands.

FIREMAN FOR 47 YEARS

Driver John J. Warring, of Engine Company No. 41, at Sixty-first and Thompson streets, has been in the service of the city since the Fire Department was created. He is still on the active list.

MAIL CARRIERS SELL WAR SAVING STAMPS

Five Thousand Men in Gray Wear Buttons Advertising Patriotic Business

I sell thrift stamps—ask me!

This little slogan, printed on red, white and blue "war savings buttons" is now seen on 5000 letter carriers' caps, the buttons having been distributed today. The carriers have both war savings and thrift stamps on their routes about the city.

FRIENDS OF GERMAN DEMOCRACY MEET

Rudolph Blanckburg Will Preside Tonight—Franz Sigel and Herbert Welsh Speakers

Rudolph Blanckburg, former Mayor of Philadelphia, will preside at the public meeting of the Friends of German Democracy Society tonight.

SUBURBANITES PROTEST LIGHT PRICE INCREASE

Public Service Commission Hears Gas and Electric Complaint of Delaware County

The protest of the People's Association of Delaware County against the proposed 20 per cent increase in rates of the Philadelphia Suburban Gas and Electric Company is being heard today before the Public Service Commission.

WHITMAN WON'T URGE "DRY" RATIFICATION

Governor's Failure to Send Message Seen as Blow to Anti-Liquor Forces

Albany, N. Y., March 15.—Governor Whitman will not send a special message to the New York Legislature for ratification of the Federal prohibition amendment.

STEADY BRITISH GAINS IN TURKEY ALARM HUNS

London, March 15.—The steady advances of the British force through Mesopotamia and Palestine, in Turkey, is causing the German military authorities anxiety, according to reports reaching here today.

PRESIDENT CALLS NATION'S BOYS TO SERVE ON FARMS

Calls on All Not Permanently Employed to Enlist for Food as Patriotic Duty to Help Win the War

Washington, March 15.—President Wilson has called on all American boys of sixteen years of age and over not permanently employed to enlist in the United States Boys Working Reserve.

The purpose of this national enrollment is to call the nation to the help of the Government by working on the farms and to urge them to enroll in the reserve.

I sincerely hope that the young men of the country will respond to this appeal and over not permanently employed, and especially the boys in our high schools, will enter heartily into this work and join the Boys Working Reserve in order that they may have the privilege for such I believe it to be, of spending their spare time in productive enterprises which will certainly aid the nation to win the war by increasing the means of providing for the forces at the front and for the maintenance of our home front service.

OLDEST FIREMEN ARE STILL MOST ACTIVE

Seven Survivors of Earliest Days Have Seen Many Changes

Those seven veteran firemen who helped to put out fires in the days when this city had hand-drawn hook-and-ladders and engines, and still belong to the Philadelphia Bureau of Fire—wholly by the way, is forty-seven years old today—reported for duty this morning with smiles on their faces.

"We are in as good shape to make a run to a four-bagger as we were a year ago," said Captain John Rumney, of Engine Company No. 12, Manayunk.

Though an anniversary marks the recurring anniversaries of the fire-fighting army of this city, the seven veterans, most of whom are close to seventy or over, make it a point to exchange congratulations. These good wishes come via the telephone or through a letter.

Those who have been in the service continually since the Fire Department of this city was created, besides Captain Rumney, are William Ignigan, driver of Engine Company No. 12; Captain Charles S. Williams, of Engine Company No. 25, at 1916 Adams street; Captain Samuel Millam, Sr., Engine Company No. 27, at Fifty-fifth and Pine streets; Engineer William C. Robertson, Engine Company No. 11, at Tenth and South streets, and Driver John Warring, of Engine Company No. 41, at Sixty-first and Thompson streets.

POTTER SEES RELIEF IN COAL SITUATION

State Fuel Administrator Reports "Very Satisfactory" Visit to Washington

Relief for the fuel situation at Hog Island is seen as a result of the visit to Washington of State Fuel Administrator William Potter, who returned here today. Mr. Potter would not give out a statement as to his conferences in Washington, but he said his visit had been "very satisfactory."

ORDER COMMANDEERING TUG ATLANTIC CANCELED

Navy Department Heeds Protest From Commercial Interests of Philadelphia

Secretary Daniels issued orders today canceling the commandeering of the tug Atlantic at this port. He is now considering canceling the order which commanded the tug Captain.

BEERS TO BE SMALLER BY FEDERAL REQUEST

Government Wants Brewers' Output Reduced 30 Per Cent to Save Grain

The height of an average beer this summer will be greatly diminished. Its general rotundity will also suffer.

MITTEN ADMITS BAD CAR SERVICE

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As much as 70 per cent of the service of the company "off the streets."

Mr. Mitten admitted, however, that every effort is being made to improve the service and that this effort is being met with success.

POLO PLAYERS GO TO FRANCE

Chew, Mather and Devereux Will Handle U. S. Army Horses

Three Philadelphia club men, who gained national fame as polo players and in hunt racing, have been sent to France to supervise the management of Uncle Sam's thousands of horses, which will be used in various ways in the war.

CITY'S JEWISH LEGION IN FAREWELL PARADE

Final Honors Sunday for 100 Volunteers Off to War in Holy Land

A farewell parade in honor of 100 members of the Jewish Legion, enlisted in the British army for service in Palestine, will be held Sunday morning in the city.

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SPRINKLERS
AHEAD OF THE FIFTEENTH

Seven and one-quarter per cent of the old rate

BOULEVARD FROM CITY TO DELAWARE LINE

Chamber of Commerce Approves, but Project Must Await State Approval

Plans have been prepared by the survey bureau for a boulevard to extend from the city line at Cobbs Creek, on the Delaware State line. The roadway is intended to afford traffic facilities in the residential developments in Delaware County, but cannot be built until after action by the Legislature.

ELBRIDGE M'FARLAND, OF NORRISTOWN, DIES

Woolen Manufacturer, Banker and Head of Railroad, Succumbs After Brief Illness

Norristown, Pa., March 15.—Elbridge McFarland, one of Norristown's representative citizens, died last night at his residence, 1028 De Kalb street, after a very short illness.

NEW JERSEY TO SECURE WATER FRONT TITLES

Cash Expenditures Not Necessary Under New Law Recently Passed

Trenton, March 15.—Declaring that recently enacted law provides whereby the State may acquire waterfront without the actual expenditure of cash and secure uniform rather than piecemeal development, was one of the first bills to pass the New Jersey Legislature today.

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