

PENNSY RATIFIES U.S. RENTAL PLAN

Accepts \$15,174,719 Annually for Lines West of Pittsburgh

STOCKHOLDERS AGREE

Financial Arrangements Between Company and Government Completed

The Government will pay the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and underlying companies the sum of \$15,174,719 annually for the use of the lines west of Pittsburgh.

An agreement to this effect between the railroad directors and Director General McAdoo, on behalf of the Federal authorities, was ratified today by stockholders of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who held a special meeting for the purpose at Broad Street Station.

The agreement ratified by stockholders today, includes the following companies: Pennsylvania Railroad Company, the Pennsylvania Company, the Wheeling Terminal Railway Company, the Cincinnati, Lebanon and Northern Railway Company, the Ohio River and Western Railway Company and the Manufacturers' Railway Company.

The meeting was brief and formal. President Rea presided. A resolution was adopted ratifying the draft of the agreement between the company and the corporation and empowering the railroad directors to agree to any necessary modification of the agreement, either before or after its execution.

Mr. Rea told the stockholders today that this former agreement had not yet been executed, but probably would be today. It will be executed by Director General McAdoo.

The money paid by the Government will be used to meet all the fixed charges of the railroad, and is expected to be sufficient to pay the usual stock dividends.

To Discuss U. S. Ownership The important question of continued Government ownership of the railroad will be discussed by the leading railroad executives of the country at a meeting in New York tomorrow.

They are organized as the Railway Executive Association, and W. de Witt Taylor, of the city, is chairman. He and Mr. Rea are expected to take a prominent part in the discussion tomorrow.

There have been three meetings of the association so far to discuss the post-war disposition of the railroads. Two sessions were held in New York and one in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in this city. In announcements already made, the railroad executives have taken a stand for prompt return of the railroads to private ownership, but with strict Government supervision, and against Director General McAdoo's proposal to continue Government control for five years.

DETECTIVE AND RATS JAILED

Head of "Rubber" Agency in Difficulty With Hotel

Robert Sergeant Wobeko, head of the Rubber Detective Agency and constant companion to a couple of white rats, went to jail again today. The rat rackets went to jail and the rat rackets presenting a trained animal act before Magistrate Harris.

The magistrate sent him to a cell in default of \$500 bail on a charge of obtaining board and lodging by fraud from the Rittenhouse Hotel. He is accused of leaving the hotel without paying a bill of \$121.12 for himself, his wife and his mother.

The white rats made a playground out of Wobeko's shoulders, arms and pockets during the hearing. "Why do you call it the Rubber Detective Agency?" Magistrate Harris asked the prisoner. "Is it because it bounces around from place to place and has no permanent office?" "That's my business," Wobeko informed the court.

Wobeko spent fourteen days in jail late in November because he was unable to pay a fine of \$125.00 after he had been arrested in a charge of running an automobile at night without lights.

"One of my rats saved my life that time," Wobeko said, in telling of his imprisonment. "He ate the food they gave me in jail, and died."

He doesn't like Philadelphia, although his cards announce that he is from New York, Philadelphia and Annapolis. "Believe me," he said, "I'd rather be a lamppost in New York than Mayor of this old town."

SPROUL DELAYS NAMING STAFF

Governor-Elect Will Wait for Action on New N. G. P.

Pending Federal action on the status of the National Guard, Governor-elect Sproul will make no appointments to his personal staff, he announced this afternoon.

The existing State law clearly gives him the power of creating the staff, he said, but he would rather wait to see what action is taken to form a new guard or re-establish a new State militia. The question has arisen whether or not the Governor's staff automatically goes out of existence with the passing of the National Guard.

Some legal authorities believe it does. Others contend it will be retained. Adjutant General Heary recently announced that opportunity would be afforded the former guardsmen to enroll in a State organization with which he plans to supplant the former State Guard.

There are always many applicants for honor of serving on the Governor's staff, which carries with it the title of "aide." No salary is attached to the position, and the recipient of the honor must bear the expense of purchase of his uniform and equipment.

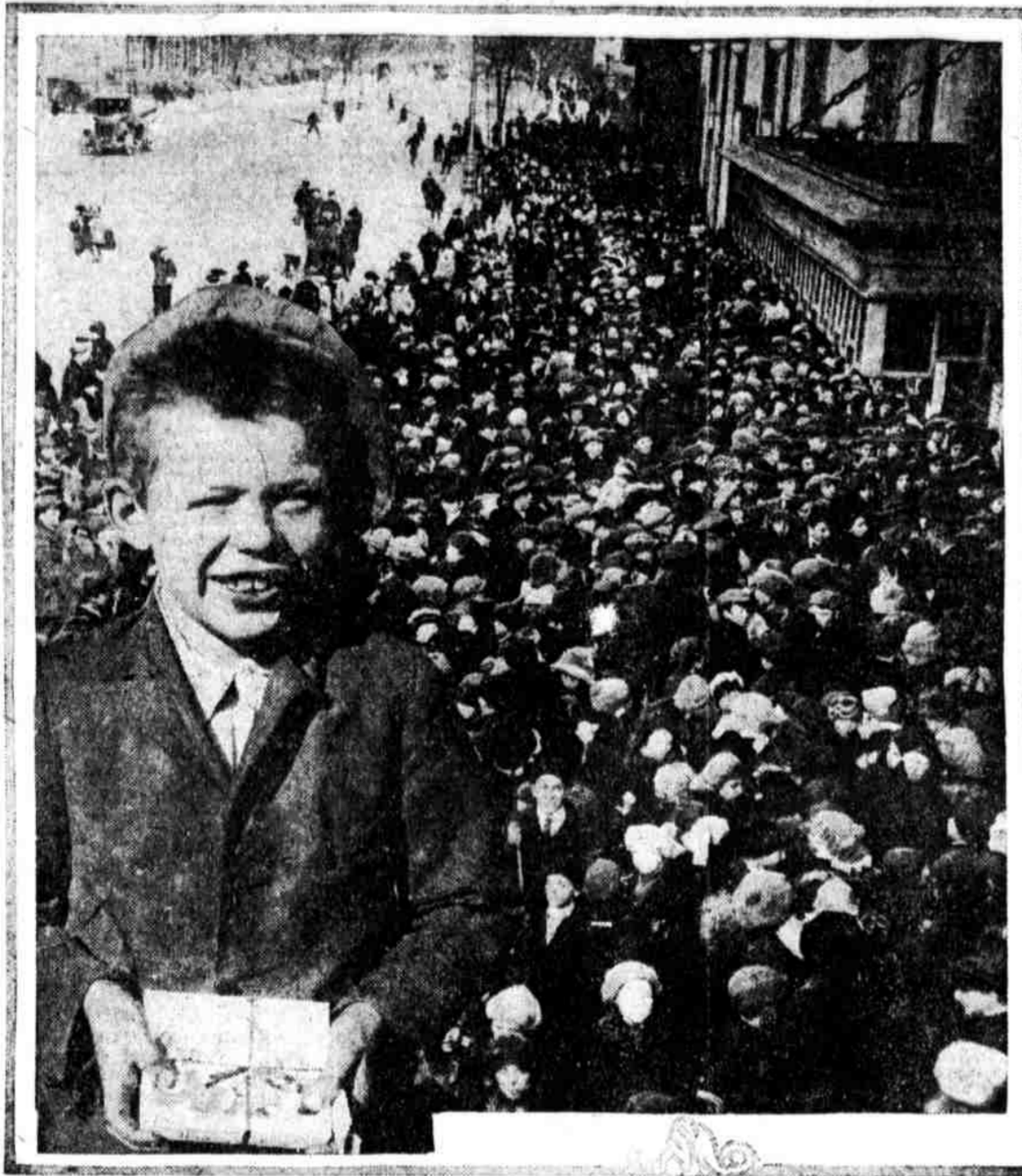
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Coroner Criticizes Elevator Bureau During an inquest into the death of Russell Harrison, sixteen years of age, 2642 South High street, who was crushed to death by an automobile, which fell on him from an elevator at the Penn. Garage, 2919 South Juniper street, Coroner Knight, for the second time recently, criticized the Bureau of Elevator Inspection for negligence.

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TRYING TO GET INTO VARE'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



Nine thousand downtown youngsters pushed and struggled trying to get into the Plaza Theatre, Broad and Porter streets, today. The "cause" was Congressman William S. Vare's annual Christmas party to downtown boys and girls. Those who succeeded in fighting their way in received gifts of candy from the Congressman.

CHILDREN GUESTS OF VARE

9000 Downtown Youngsters at Congressman's Theatre Party

When 9000 youngsters try to get into a theatre that holds only 1200, something has to give. In this case it was fifteen patrolmen who tried to hold back the juvenile offensive.

The scene was at the Plaza Theatre, Broad and Porter streets. The "cause" was Congressman William S. Vare, who invited downtown boys and girls to his annual Christmas party today.

Baby brothers were checked outside while big brothers fought their way into the mass of struggling arms and feet, emerging with two boxes of candy and a few scratches.

The guests were supposed to pass in one door and out another after receiving a box of candy at the conclusion of the show. This worked in some cases, but not in all. Many youngsters "repeated" right under the eyes of Select Councilman William E. Finley and Fred Willard, expert politicians, who aided in receiving the guests.

The show provided included some interesting "movie" thrillers and vaudeville stunts. Incidentally, Congressman Vare made a speech.

At any rate, it was a big party and no boy or girl got "left." Several hundred boxes of candy were also sent to the children in St. Agnes, Mount Sinai and Methodist Hospitals, as well as to those at the Southern Home for Destitute Children.

PIEZ URGES TRADE EXPANSION

Opportunities Await U. S. in Latin America, He Says

The United States merchant marine is facing the greatest opportunity in its history for building up a South American trade that will introduce American-made goods, business methods and business men there.

This opinion was expressed today by Charles Piez, director general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

"It is up to the merchant marine to establish more steamship lines to South American ports," he said. "Even if the lines do not pay at first, they will advertise the fact that we are alive up here and sooner or later they will be placed on a paying basis."

Just as in any other successful advertising campaign, we will have to follow this up with an intelligent sales campaign, to be followed by an influx of young men who would be willing to settle down there. That is how Germany got control of the Latin-American trade.

"South America today offers a great field for the younger generation. If I was a young man, I would get a working knowledge of Spanish and go to South America."

WOMAN BADLY BURNED

Clothing Catches Fire and She Is Not Expected to Live

Mrs. Margaret McQueen, twenty-four years old, wife of John McQueen, 5100 Master street, was burned probably fatally this afternoon, when her clothing caught fire from the kitchen range.

The woman was rushed to the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital. Her body was scorched from ankles to head and all her hair was burned off. Physicians at the hospital said she could not recover.

SOME say reconstruction, some re-adjustment, others re-adjustment—yet all agree that never before has American business been forced to meet so many new, so many daily differing conditions. One of the advantages of advertising is its adaptability—when done rightly.

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TEACHERS GOING TO CONVENTION

Many From Here Expected at Educators' Meeting at Harrisburg

OPENS THIS EVENING

Salary Increase Bill Will Be Discussed Wednesday—Penn Professors to Attend

Hundreds of teachers from Philadelphia are expected to attend the annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Educational Association, which will open tonight in Harrisburg.

Many of these are already in Harrisburg for the opening, and the others will be there before the meeting closes Thursday night.

Sessions tonight will be preliminary to the formal opening tomorrow afternoon, when Governor Brumbaugh will welcome the teachers to the capital. The Americanization round table, led by Dr. John P. Garber, Superintendent of Schools here, will be the feature of tonight's meeting. Several prominent educators will take part in the discussion.

Tomorrow night, S. F. Weber, of Scranton, president of the association, will deliver his annual address, in which he will outline the state public schools will take in the country's readjustment to peace basis. Dr. David Swedden, of Columbia University, and Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, of Brooklyn, will also speak tonight, discussing the same topic.

Perhaps the most important session of the convention will begin Wednesday morning, when the proposed bill asking the State Legislature to appropriate money to give teachers of the State an

increase in salary of 25 per cent will come up for discussion.

Dr. Oliver P. Cornman, associate superintendent of schools here, is chairman of the committee on legislation of the association, which will play a big part in framing the legislative program of the teachers.

Dr. William Chandler Bagley, of Columbia University, and H. W. Dodd, superintendent of schools at Allentown, will make the principal addresses on the salary increase measure Wednesday. Provost Edgar F. Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, will deliver an address on "The Contribution of Chemistry to Human Society." Other University of Pennsylvania men scheduled to deliver addresses during the four days' session are Dr. A. Duncan Vocum, Dr. Harlan Updegraff and Dr. Leroy.

The convention guests will include Provost Smith, Dr. E. A. Courtes, expert in educational measurements, Detroit, Mich.; County Superintendent Lee L. Driver, Randolph County, Ind.; Dr. Francis G. Blair, State superintendent of Illinois; Dr. Henry B. Jackson, of the United States Bureau of Education, and Major W. H. Henderson, United States army.

MILK CHEAPER, BUT NOT TO US

Price to Farmers Cut Next Month. Consumers Not Affected

There will be no change in milk prices next month. Through an arrangement between farmers, buyers and representatives of the food administration, the farmers, beginning Wednesday, will be given nine and one-half cents per quart, free on board, Philadelphia, for milk containing 4 per cent of butter fats. The present price is ten and one-fourth cents per quart for milk of the same grade.

The price to the consumer, however, will remain the same as at present, namely fourteen cents a quart and eight cents a pint.

In December the dealers received for their services in the city of Philadelphia three and three-fourths cents per quart. Their "allowance" beginning with January 1, will be four and one-half cents per quart, which the food administration finds will cover all of their costs. As the price to the consumer remains unchanged, the agreement means a redistribution of that price between the farmers and the dealers.

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