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SCENE AT POINT BREEZE OIL WORKS FIRE

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ominued from Page One tended for the length of a city square along the eastern river front near Pass-yunk avenue. As the wind increased in volume, the wall of fire bent over at right angles, the entire length of flame

ling a mighty torch. Fire Starts in Tanker

The fire began in the hold of the tanker and within a few minutes was beyond control. Three alarms were struck in rapid succession and city fire-boats raced toward the blaze. RECOUNT YEAR'S WORK

Tongues of flame and myriad sparks fired the docks and, spreading to the pipelines, soon had jets of fire run-ning along the ground some distance.

Secretary

HOLDS ELECTION

Annual Meeting Follows

Closing of Polls for

Directors

Accomplishments for City and

Nation Set Forth by

The annual meeting of the Philadel-phia Chamber of Commerce was held this afternoon in the assembly room of the chamber in the Widener Building. In the absence of Ernest T. Trigg. president, who is out of town, A. C. Mc-Gowin, a vice president, presided, The meeting followed the closing of

It was reported that four of the Swedish tanker's crew were badly burn-ed in the first efforts to check the rapidly spreading flames.

their forces, one group centering its attention on the tanks.

The burning oil sent columns of jet-black smoke for hundreds of feet into the air. The wind forced the smoke clouds over the lower part of the city. For several miles the widespread pillar of smoke over the oil company's plant could be seen, with long, quivering

 GLASSES CLINK GLOOMILY AS SALOOON GETS DRY NEWS
 FATHER GETS TROPHY FROM YOUNG SEAMAN
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Within fifty feet of the doomed tanker, was the American tanker J. E. O'Neil, loaded with oil and prepared to begin a voyage. Firemen played powerful streams on the dock to which the O'Neil was moored, while auxiliary streams were guided by the tanker's crew. The O'Neil's hawsers were cast off and the vessel began moving slowly out in the vessel began moving slowly out in the stream just as a high line of flames swept down to the dock it was quitting. the polls for the election of ten bers to the board of directors. The candidates were as follows: E. G. Budd, Walter I. Eckhardt, Stan-

About one block to the east are scores of big tanks, most of them filled to capacity. As red showers of sparks rode on the high wind toward the enormous drums, fremen, fighting desperately to prevent a series of explosions, divided their forms one group conjusting it atley G. Flagg, Jr., Alba B. Johnson, James Collins Jones, A. C. McGowin, Albert E. McKinley, Joseph N. Pew, Horace T. Potts, Franklin Smedley, William L. Turner, Daniel Whitney and Montgomery H. Wright.

Of these candidates, Messrs, Johnson, Flames Leap High lones, McGowin, Potts, Smedley, Whit-

he board. The general secretary of the chamber. N. B. Kelly, presented a brief summary of the work of the year. In introducing this he said: "The year 1918 was one of the most successful years of the

CHESTER SHIPDUILDING COMPANY, Ltd.



amendment has been accepted by the United States just thirteen months, lacking one day, after the joint resolution by Congress was submitted to the states for ratification. Fourteen of the states which have ap-proved the resolution have certified their action to the State Department. **CHARTER FIGHT** A question as to the effective date of the amendment was raised today when news came that Nebraska, the thirty-To Launch Attack This

sixth state, had voted ratification, by a statement of Senator Sheppard, of Texas, author of the resolution, that the coun-"HANDS OFF!" DEMAND

until one year from formal certification by the thirty-sixth state. Possibility of a difference of months in the calculations of the effective date was foreseen. Mississippi, the first State to ratify the amendment, has not yet certified its action to the State De-partment, authough the affirmative vote on the amendment was taken more than a year ago, January 8, 1918. Unconcerned Over Date

Opponents of charter revision, insofar as it affects Councils, have completed plans for an attack upon the single body idea, which is to be launched simul-taneously in both chambers this after-noon.

noon. A resolution calling uport the Gov-ernor and the State lawmaking bodies to keep hands off Philadeiphia will be the exuse for the demonstration. Speakers have been choosen to cham-pion the cause of Councils as now con-situated and action will be called for upon the resolution unless last-minute-orders change the program. Care in drawing the resolution will for his approval or disapproval as to usual with councilmanic actions of this type. The Mayor is on record as favor-ting a small councilmanic body, and for this reason the resolution does not inthis reason the resolution does not be clude the main clause. "To be sent to the Mayor for his amproval or disate proval."

COUNCILS PLAN

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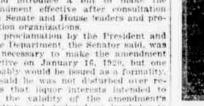
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Blazing oil floated out over the Schuylkili River when a blaze, started on an oil tanker at the Atlantic Refining Company's dock, spread to the big tanks on shore. Many seamen jumped into the midst of the burning oil to escape being caught in the great rush of flames that attacked several vessels Will Attack Revisionists Thampions of the resolution, which sovers, a Twentieth Ward follower of pavid Lane, have a program of argo-ment mapped out that includes an at-tack upon individual members of the fromtas of their failing to vate in the fromtas of their failing to vate in the inter residence outside city manic actions under former Mayor Blankenburg and Mayor Smith, if war well blankenburg and Mayor Smith, if war well resentation, that more than 3000 bills were distinguished to rest we administration the curve sector of the Administration is also planned to review found blankenburg and Mayor Smith, if war resentation, that more than 3000 bills were distinguished to the failing to vate the former. The full to make the amendment the promotion of such beverages. States, states the is an ender the rest the failer of the failer is also planned to review found blankenburg and Mayor Smith, if war resentation, that more than 3000 bills were distinguished to first great FALSE, SAYS VARE, GLASSES CLINK GLOOMILY **OF NOBRE CHARGE**

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Missouri, Kanasa, Louissina and Utak. In California court action has already been taken to restrain the Governor from certifying the action of the Legis lature to Washington. Every resources of the distillers with \$1,000,000,000 available will be emplored in the supreme effort to save their biporteses. It is said. An important meeting of the distillers committee will be held at New York of January 28, when is is planned to adopt a detailed program.

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