

SMITH IS CALLED "WORST MAYOR"

George D. Porter So Styles Him at Independents' Meeting

PLAN FIGHT FOR VOTERS

Forty-sixth Ward Men Start Campaign to Qualify 20,000 Citizens for Primary

Forty-sixth Ward Independents have started a campaign to qualify 20,000 citizens of the ward for the primary ballot next September.

George D. Porter characterized Mayor Smith as "the worst Mayor the city has ever had"

Mr. Porter said he has nothing against Mr. Smith, but he said that as a public official he is unfit, and the sooner we get rid of him the better.

Says City Will be Redeemed "We had Blankenburg and he had been fighting the battle of reform from the top. He did not know what the little fellow wanted."

Legislature Holds Remedy John C. Winston referred to the many spasmodic reform movements that have taken place in Philadelphia during the past fifteen years.

George W. Coles also voiced the opinion that the voters of Philadelphia have not had a fair chance.

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL DRIVE

Presbyterian and Reform Churches Seek \$150,000 Fund A campaign to raise \$150,000 in ten days for the Philadelphia School for Christian Workers will be started at 6:30 o'clock this evening.

Headquarters have been established in the Bellevue-Stratford and will begin active work tomorrow.

SOCIETIES TO GIVE PLAYS

Jewish Organizations Will Renew Social Activities Tonight

The Mikva Israel Association, in cooperation with the Junior Society, will stage two one-act plays, followed by a reception and dance.

GARDEN DEMONSTRATION

Exhibit and Lecture on Vegetable Raising This Afternoon

C. E. Meyers, of Pennsylvania State College, will lecture this afternoon on "Planning and Preparing the Vegetable Garden for the Coming Season."

Eats 50 Oysters for \$10; Nearly Dies

Henry Samuels, of Joppatowne, nearly died as the result of eating fifty oysters on a bet of \$10 he could do it.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

NEW CLASS A short course in self-confidence, self-development, public speaking, etc., begins Monday, March 18, at 8 o'clock.

NEFF COLLEGE

CHARLES PULLEYS COMPANY 617-619 Arch St. Shafting, Hangers, Belting

INCOME TAX DELINQUENTS LOSE 'EASY PAYMENT' PLAN

Legitimate Delays Are to Be Shown Sympathetic Leniency, Internal Revenue Collector Heretofore Explains, as Figures Indicate 60,000 Paid About \$17,000,000 on Saturday

Persons who neglected to pay the first installment of income tax Saturday have lost the installment payment privilege, and must now pay their entire tax upon demand of a revenue collector.

To avoid the penalty of 25 per cent. in addition to the regular tax, persons who failed to file returns Saturday may now submit belated returns with a sworn statement of the reason for delinquency. Without this the penalty will be imposed.

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SHORT WEIGHT DEALERS FINED

Nine Violators of Ordinance Pay From \$25 to \$75 for Offenses Nine violators of the regulations regarding weights and measures were fined by Magistrate Costello on Saturday.

Frank Sagerman, of 1811 South street, a butcher, was fined \$25 and costs. Samuel S. Heston, of 15th and Olive avenues, who used short measure baskets, was fined \$25 and costs.

DEAD MAN SHOCKS CITY HALL

Lt. J. E. Kerst, Wounded, Re-sumes Job in Surveyor's Office Chief Abright, of the Bureau of Surveyors, was not sure whether it was a ghost or a man who had died.

Will Dispose of \$192,000 Estate

Wills probated today include those of John Witt, 612 West Hottel street, who left property valued at \$192,000 to his son and grandson.

Shirt-making to your order is a fine art

Walter G. Becker has practiced it for many years. There is no stronger evidence than the three shirts he'll make you for a 10-dollar bill and a fifty-cent piece.

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PORT IS SPEEDING GREATEST FLEET

Cargoes Approximating \$50,000,000 Being Loaded Here for Europe

CAPACITY TAXES PIERS

Signs Point to Resumption of Foreign Trade, Say Shipping Men

Cargoes approximating in value \$50,000,000 are now being loaded at this port for Europe. There is quartered at this port the largest fleet of foreign trading vessels to assemble here within the memory of the oldest shipping men.

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VARE BUDGET HITS SNAG

Controller Walton's Opposition May Postpone Proposed Bill The budget bill that Senator Ears introduced City Solicitor Connelly and Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of Councils' Finance Committee, to draw up has struck a snag.

TO HONOR FORMER PRESIDENT

Pupils of Grover Cleveland School to Hold Exercises Pupils and faculty of the Cleveland School, Nineteenth and Butler streets, will observe the birthday anniversary of former President Grover Cleveland with special exercises at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Galvanized Boat Pumps

Salesman With Established Clientele Wanted by a Philadelphia Stock Exchange House C 118, Ledger Office

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LAST SALE OF THE SEASON! Odd Lots and Broken Sizes IN SPRING OVERCOATS AND TOPCOATS

formerly \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$38, \$40 now to be closed out at \$15, \$20, \$25

Spring Overcoats and Topcoats formerly \$20—reduced to \$15

Spring Overcoats and Topcoats formerly \$25, \$28, and some \$30—reduced to \$20

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Such a chance as this comes only once in a while. The Spring Overcoats in this one and only clearance sale of its kind this season are one-hundred-per-cent-right merchandise, and are sacrificed in a clearaway sale only to make room for new stocks which are arriving so fast that these are crowded out.

Single-breasted and double-breasted models; conservative models; loose-fitting models, snug-waisted Spring Overcoats—Staple blacks and Staple Oxfords, some full lined with silk; browns, grays, blues, tans, heather mixtures in knitted fabrics, beautiful herringbone patterns faced with gray silk to front edges and skeleton lined; velvet collars and self-cloth collars; fly fronts and button-through fronts, cravenetted cloth raincoats—Spring Overcoats for every taste and temperament at prices for which we cannot produce them today!

An investment that will bring returns for several seasons to come!

PERRY & Co. "N.B.T." 16th & Chestnut Sts.

A perfect dinner demands Whitman's Salted Nuts, Favors, Bon Bons to harmonize with the table decorations 1716 Chestnut St.

THE HOUSE of WENGER 1229 WALNUT ST. Sable and Silver Foxes Having foreseen the phenomenal increase in the cost of furs, Mr. Wenger has purchased many thousands of dollars' worth of these scarce pelts, so that his patrons may have the economical advantage of the present prices.

Two modern methods of handling mail— In years gone by, mail was carried by courier. It took two weeks to summon members of the First Continental Congress. Then came the stage-coach and following that, express trains. Today you read about airplane mail service—at 150 miles an hour. Filing methods show similar progress. Before Library Bureau originated vertical filing—all letters, reports, records, etc., were filed on hooks or in boxes. Even before the days of the L. B. Automatic index there were filing methods that seemed speedy. BUT— The L. B. Automatic index is as much speedier than the old methods of filing as the airplane is speedier than the express train—or the express train speedier than the stage-coach. It is the quickest, most accurate, and the most practical method of filing and un-filing ever devised. It is the modern method. It should be your method. For a demonstration, call at the L. B. office or telephone for the L. B. representative. Write for catalog G5018 Library Bureau Card and filing systems Founded 1876 Filing cabinets wood and steel M. W. MONTGOMERY, Manager 910 Chestnut St., Philadelphia Salesrooms in 49 leading cities of the United States, Great Britain and France

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