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PUBLIC GOUGED IN SHOE PRICES, SAYS U. S. BOARD; FISHER TO DROP MacBURNEY IN NORTH PENN PROBE

NEW PROBER TO BE NAMED

Banking Commissioner Learns That MacBurney Once Examined North Penn Books

ANOTHER INSURANCE COMPANY IS INVOLVED

Fisher Does Not Criticize His Aide-Says He Was Not Familiar With Law

More 'Eye-Openers' as Bank Wreck Scandal Grows Daily

James W. MacBurney, in charge the state probe at the bank, to be dropped by John S. Fisher, bank

Following collapse of New York National Insurance Company, due to North Penn failure, New York officials say Ralph T. Moyer, accused cashier, certified to \$129,000 deposits never made in the bank.

Another insurance company said to be involved. James T. Cortelyou, chief detective, in New York city working on case. Detectives said to have warrants

for several persons implicated in wrecking North Penn. James W. MacBurney, special repre-

sentative of the state banking commissioner, will be relieved of his duties as the state chief investigator of the North that demand in a very short time. Penn Bank muddle. John S. Fisher, state banking com-

missioner, made this announcement to-Burney's appointment as special deputy in charge of the investigation because of at least, his previous utterance, viz. : Information he had received showing loner. Mr. MacBurney will con- ments. tinue, however, as a state bank exam-

Another Company Invelved

In addition, the state probers announced that a second New York in- finish. surance company is involved as heavily as the New York National Insurance Company which went on the rocks following the loss of deposits in the North defunct bank.

the Boland interests, which controlled the wrecked insurance company but is regarded as being stronger financially James T. Cortelyon, chief of the dis-York, today.

To Revoke Commission

Mr. MacBurney's commission will be revoked as soon as Commissioner Fisher is able to obtain the consent of another man, to whom tender of the special deputyship has already been made. The name of the new appointee is expected to be made public later today.

Removal of Mr. MacBurney is due to his surprise, that MacBurney was the bank examiner who in September, 1918. under the administration of former Banking Commissioner Daniel F. Lafean, made an examination of the institution, and who at that time reported

shortage of \$50,000 to his superior. Following his discovery Mr. Mac-Burney called a meeting of the directors of the North Penn Bank and they made up the \$50,000 shortage and handed money and securities aggregat. ing that amount to Mr. MacBurney. who took them with his report to Har-

MacBurney soon afterward severed his connection with the State

A'S AND PHILS IDLE

Rain Stops Games With White Sox and Pirates Today

There was nothing doing in a base-The rain forced an early postponement of the Phillies' game in Pitts-burgh, while the Shibe Park manage-ment called off the dual engagement with the White Sox shortly before game time on account of wet grounds. The Macks and White Sox will play two games tomorrow.

Allies' Decision Unaltered, Bonar

MOORE TO BE UNBOSSED MAYOR IF HE IS CHOSEN, COL. M'CAIN EMPHASIZES

Congressman's Platform Seen | Pearls of Wisdom as Surprising Penrose More Than Vare

REGULARS' ATTITUDE TERMED CONTEMPTUOUS

Indications Point to Stand-Upand-Knock-Down Battle at Election

OPPONENTS WILL DELAY

Action on Candidate Deferred Until Lawmaker Announces He Will Run

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN

When Congressman J. Hampton Moore announces the platform upon which he will stand as a candidate for Mayor it will contain some surprises UNCLE DAVE WAGS for the Penrose Independents and the Town Meeting party rather than for the Vare organization.

Senator Boies Penrose is aware of this. Up until yesterday Senator Penrose maintained the unqualified position that the man whom the Republican Alliance would indorse must come out and without equivocation declare himself opposed to the Vares and all their

Recalling this reiterated statement of the senior senator yesterday I secom- AS TO PENROSE-HA! HA! panied it with the statement that there would be a material qualification of

Penrose Soft-Pedals

day. He said he would revoke Mr. Mac- Moore's candidacy was definitely set- lutely. tled, the senator issued a statement which did materially modify, in words

"I will be glad to have the opporthat MacBurney was examiner of the family to support for Mayor any randi books of the institution when it was date who openly without any equivocation or compromise is pledged to carry found unsound, under the administration out the spirit of the new charter legisof Daniel F. Lafean, former banking lation and to live up to all its require-

The fact is that in all of his conamong the early developments today in one knows perhaps Senator Penrose expressed it was like this:

Penn. That concern is alleged to have within the Republican ranks. That it more than \$200,000 deposited in the not only included contractors, but national Republican leaders as well, to candidate This second concern is connected with say nothing of idealists in the shape of Boland interests, which controlled radical reformers, captains of industry with, if such there be, meat axes to grind for the labor element and its leaders. In this respect I believe there, oralty nomination had narrowed down But this is considered unlikely. The trict attorney's detectives, is in New will be a decided shock for some who are figuring largely upon sitting at the dispensing favors with outstretched arm.

Fair Deal for Republicans

In connection with such a platform taxes there would naturally follow the explicit declaration that there will be fair play Continued on Page Four-Column One

From "Uncle Davy"

So far as the Vare organization is concerned, Congressman Moore is out of the mayoralty race; should he run he'll have the Vare machine to fight.

The organization's choice of a candidate has narrowed down to Judge John M. Patterson, former Governor Stuart, W. Freeland Ken-drick and City Solicitor Connelly. Senator Penrose is not a political factor in Philadelphia. He never

carried a ward in his life. 'The committee of one hundred is an immaterial quantity in the cam-

"They are very nice people with very uncertain ideas. Among them are a number of very estimable la-dies. Some of them do not live in the city at all.

"The independents cannot hope to win, for the organization will be united for a popular candidate.

FINGER AT HAMP

Warns Congressman Moore Vares'll Fight Him if He Runs for Mayor

Atlantic City, Aug. 6 .- So far as the Vare organization is concerned. Con-Last night, before he left for New gressman J. Humpton Moore is out of York knowing that the question of Mr. the Philadelphia mayoralty race abso-

If Mr. Moore harkens to the siren oice of Senator Penrose and the independents he will have the Vare mahipe to tight.

Vares in their greatest battles, made the statement with great positiveness at the Hotel Strand, his summer headquarters, today.

Mr. Lane with equal emphasis, clim ferences with men of action and po- inated Senator Penrose as a political This announcement came as a surprise litical workers, and for all that any factor in the city of Penn. The way he

himself. Mr. Moore has positively de-clared that if he accepted the nomina- Mr. Penrose has in mind. He is not on trustees sided Michael Murphy to agement and labortion he would be, in case of his election, a political factor in Philadelphia. Mr. climb two flights of iron stairs to the "an unbossed Mayor" from start to Penrose never carried a ward in Philathird tier. Murphy, who has a year to delphia in his life." serve, will be assigned his regular cell he had presented his formal statement. delphia in his life."

A New Charter Mayor

And, moreover, that this included Mayor And, moreover, that this included South Warner's after Mr. Lane him
And, moreover, that this included the control of the co every faction and faction of a faction self and some others had gone so far taken to cell No. 32, directly opposite as to say that he would make an "ideal Hayden's. They will each serve a year

four men. They are:

Edwin S. Stuart, former Governor Judge John M. Patterson.

W. Freeland Kendrick, receiver

John P. Connelly, city solicitor, Asked about the elimination of Con-Continued on Page Two-Column Thre

Removal of Mr. MacBurney is due to the discovery of Commission Fisher. Moyer Is Linked Up With Insurance Company Crash

Buffalo Firm Goes to Wall-New York them for the part they played in the crimes of the "Bloody Fifth's" primary election campaign of September two what Mr. Stone thought Congress should Officials Say North Penn Cashier Certified to \$129,000 Deposits—No Record of Money

The insidious financial trail of Ralph from the North Penn Bank that the T. Moyer, accused as the wrecker of money had been deposited there, This into the collapse of the New York Na- the bank." tional Insurance Company, of Buffalo, by the New York insurance authorities. Continued on Page Two-Column Four

That company went to the wall following the scuttling of the Philadel-phia institution. It had \$220,000 de-posited in the North Penn Bank. we were naturally interested and torney, arrived at West Checked up on the alleged bank deposits. In 1:10 o'clock this morning after making We learned from the Pennsylvania au-

Today it was announced by Jesse S. Phillips. New York state superintendent of insurance, that Moyer certified to deposits of at least \$120,000 insurance funds which never saw the North Penn Bank.

James J. Boland, of Scranton, president of the company, and Moyer, who is now held in \$25,000 bail on criminal

DETERMINED TO TRY KAISER pany, said Mr. Phillips today in Albany. "and found that something was "Yes, we have wrong. That was in March.

Denden, Aug. 6.—(By A. P.)—The Allies have not altered their decision to hold the trial of the former German emperor in London. Andrew Bonar was more than \$200,000. In checking Moyer Certified Deposits to hold the trial of the former German position from the Mark Roman was more than \$200,000. In checking up the account we found that one definitions?"

In the House of Commons today, He said no action in the matter could be taken until the German peace treaty is ratified.

Was more than \$200,000. In checking up the account we found that one definitions?"

I'm glad to see you," the deputy said.

"I'm not glad to see you," was the found. In this plan, he said, the work-trict attorney. I want to get all the company and when we asked for verification we were shown a certificate

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Continued on Page Fourteen—Column One

the North Penn Bank, has been traced certificate was signed by the cashier of A. "Ralph T. Moyer?" he was asked.

"When the North Penn Bank failed thorities that they had found a memo-randum of this deposit, but it does not a square from the West Chester court appear on the books of the bank. In house, and ordered what they termed other words, we have a certificate of "their last meal" at a hotel. But they deposit, but there are probably no funds did not eat it. to back it up."

"Then some one certified to a false

"I am simply saying that we have "We made an examination of the New York National Insurance Company," said Mr. Phillips today, "But you have Mr. Movae,"

"Yes, we have that." Who negotiated with Mr. Moyer?" "Mr. Boland."

Not Interested in Criminal End "Are you contemplating criminal pro ceedings and will you join the Pennsylvania authorities in their prosecu

TO PRISON CELL

Uram First Locked Up in West Chester Jail

DYING MAN IS CHOSEN CELLMATE BY BENNETT

Ordeal-All Get Prison Bath and Suits

Bennett Chooses Ill Man as Cellmate to Aid Him

"I wanted Uram for a cellmate because he is in such poor physical condition. I don't expect that he will live through it. And perhaps I'll be able to comfort him a little." -Licutement Bennett.

Former Police Lieutenant David Ben nett and the five former patrolmen con- Labor makes no strike threats to enforce victed with him in the Fifth ward election conspiracy of September, 1917, are now in prison.

They have received their first prison baths. They have been clothed in the Department of Justice agents are trackprison uniform of blue and white jumpers and overalls. Various claborate Federal trade commission report says toilet articles they expected to keep during their confinement have been taken from them. They were locked today in cells of the county jail at West Ches-

Bennett and Emanuel Uram were the the first to hear the double doors of ized labor has no concrete suggestion for are in cell No. 24, on the second of the reducing the cost of living, it may later. three tiers of cells of which the prison after a more thorough inquiry, advocate bonsts. Bennett will serve eighteen a firing squad for some of those remonths, and I ram one year.

"I wanted Uram for a cell mate is David H. Lane, spokesman for the cause he is in such poor physical sweeping over the country, Warren S. Friday to make recommendations for perhaps I'll be able to comfort him a House interstate commerce committee today at the White House,

Hayden Has Cell Alone

was the next man placed in a cell. He will occupy cell No. 31 for six months.

He was Fred Curtis, six for the nttorney general issued late yes ing on the Plumb plan for railroad contents.

He was Fred Curtis, six Harden row, Bryn Mawr.

It was to the effect that the probable be made to have their cases reheard choice of the organization for the may- in the United States Supreme Court.

prisoners themselves even doubt it. whom Mr. Penrose also seems to regard liam A. Gray, attorney for the six men, demanded an increase in wages, prewas with them until the last moment He stated that he would confer with Mr. Gray in the near future and, al- ing. though he did not say it was likely that a new trial would be asked, he consid-

The men had little to say before they raise wages or value latter you seem imprisoned. With the exception When you reduce the latter you seem imprisoned industrial of Hayden, they appeared to accept their fate cheerfully. They were rest. friendly with every one they saw, even Re with Truman D. Wade, the district attorney of Chester county who prosecuted them for the part they played in the

As Bennett and Uram started up the have done. Mr. Wade called good-bye to them. "Good-bye," Bennett said. Uram remained silent.

On September 19, which was primary election day in 1917. George Eppley, a special patrolman, was murdered in front of a polling place in the Fifith ward by a gang of New York

gunmen imported to this city. The six defendants, with their at-

All Carry Umbrellas

All of the men carried umbrellas and small traveling bags. After the meal was ordered, they walked to the court house with the intention of leaving their luggage there. They planned to return to the hotel and eat. Sheriff Clarence H. Ortlip received

the men in the courthouse. But once they were inside he refused to permit This was at 11:30 o'clock. appeared. Bennett shook hands as they were introduced, and Wirtschafter fol-

Former Police Lieutenant and Brotherhood Head Says Labor Won't Use Club to Force Tripartite Control

LOWER COST OF LIVING

URGED TO ALLAY UNREST Wants to Cheer Him Through Stone Hints at Firing Squad

for Food Profi-

Labor and Price Situation Today

Labor leaders tell House interstate commerce committee that 6,000,000 workers are united in demanding con-

If Congress cuts down living cost, it will solve problem of industrial unrest, Warren S. Stone, head of railroad workers, tells House committee. triparte control of railroads, he

President Wilson will go before Congress Friday to present message on living cost problems. ing down profiteers and food hoarders.

high price of shoes is due to exces- President Will Appear Person- Motortruck, Carrying Poor Kidsive profits. Three remedies are of

By the Associated Press Washington, Aug. 6 .- While organ

sponsible for the wave of profiteering son will address Congress in person carrying twenty-one poor children of

Clarence Hayden, who is a negro, mittee as the first witness at the hear- were at work to carry out the order trol by the public, the operating man-

Questioned by Chairman Esch after food control act. In the event the committee rejected the plumb plan, it would be the policy of plumb plan, it would be the policy of plumb plan, it would be the policy of plumb plan. It would be the policy of plumb plan it would be the policy of plumb plan. It would be the policy of plumb plan it would be the policy of plumb plan. It would be the policy of plumb plan it would be the policy of plumb plan. It would be the policy of plumb plan it would be the policy of p there is still a chance that a fight will ment in and out of Congress to force the food and fuel administrations, and boys. its adoption.

Thomas E. Cogan, associate of Wil- in this connection. "We have not even ers, but ferring a reduction in the cost of liv-

> zation will strike simply to force the Plumb plan." Mr. Stone continued. "I Continued on Page Fourteen—Column Five Paradise Special." think some organizations will strike unless something is done immediately to raise wages or cut down the living cost, the entire problem of industrial un-

Representative Winslow, Republican,

"Congress could have seen what was steps to their cell both Mr. Cogan and coming months ago." the witness replied. "Congress was so busy playing politics it could not think of the com mon people. If there were no laws to deal with the problem laws should have

been passed."

Asked by Chairman Esch if he had any concrete suggestions, Mr. Stone re

"I think we might possibly offer many suggestions. We have not got them in concrete form at this time. It might be before we get through we would advocate a firing squad for some people. Chairman Esch said he had seen this suggestion made in some European countries.

Answering Representative, Sanders Republican, Indiana, Mr. Stone said the time was coming when the price of coal would be fixed by the government "so men won't get rich while others freeze.

Labor Believes in Bill, Says Stone Declaring that American democracy was controlled by an autocracy in incould be no solution and no lowering 1332 South Lambert street. them to return to the hotel. There was of the cost of living as long as con-Labor's belief in the Sims bill, em-

Lansing Says U.S. League Plan Was Not Presented

Tells Senators Wilson Enjoined Secrecy on Discussions—Unaware of Japanese-Allied Treaty While Dealing With Ishii

Lansing told the Senate foreign relations committee today that the Ameri-"not pressed" at Versailles and never the witness replied: was presented to the full Peace Con-

hearing of the committee, said he did Brandegee. not know whether a copy of the American draft still was in existence. He Lansing. presumed, he said, that the draft was The secretary said he thought the plan made by President Wilson, and added now embodied in the league covenant that a copy might still be in the Presi- was a "decided improvement" on the

Didn't Know of Secret Treaty

the treaty, Secretary Lansing said the Lansing-Ishii agreement, made to obtain reaffirmation by Japan of the open general lines" as the one adopted. door policy in China, was entered into resolution "covering general principles by the American Government without of a league, but no action was taken knowledge of the secret treaty between on it Japan and the Allies for a transfer of German concessions in Shantung to Japan.

Mr. Lansing did not recall how the

Washington, Aug. 6 .- Secretary from that eventually adopted. Asked Senator Brandegee, Republican Connecticut, whether it was true that the American plan was drafted by two can plan for a league of nations was New-York lawyers for the President

"I think that is not true." "And was the plan not destroyed The secretary, appearing at a public because it was so absurd?" asked Mr

American plan. He could not go into details, however, because he was not Discussing the Shantung provision of a member of the commission which drafted the covenant. The American

> Mr. Lansing said he had presented a U. S. to Determine Expenses

Asked how expenses of the league

WILSON ON FRIDAY

ally to Offer Recommenda-

tions to Reduce Prices

Washington, Aug. 6 .- President Wil-

Mg. Stone appeared before the com- throughout the country today already Hospital. food and other necessities be trucked down and proscented under the Lever committee of three, appointed by the boys ran from behind an automobile

for the disgorging of all supplies now

this city back from an onting under the direction of the Children's Country

dies to Country, Runs Over

Two Children

avenues, Bryn Mawr. One of the boys died a short time quaint the consumer with the selling after he was taken to the Bryn Mawr trice of the manufacturer.

The packets were charged with hav-

The boy who was injured is Lynod Snyder, seven years old, also of

Mrs. A. N. E. Miller, of the Chilheld by the government, were approved,

The administration has decided upon riding in the front seat of the truck.

To show the any strike threats," the witness said no course with respect to the pack. She says that White was in no way to last four years have made unwarranted in this connection. "We have not even ers, but it was learned that Attorney blame for the accident. White, she increases in the price of "packer"

CONGRESS TOLD

Packers, Tanners, Makers and Retailers Pyramid Prices, Trade Commission Finds

RELIEF FROM 'INTOLERABLE' CHARGES IS PROPOSED

"I never heard of that," said Mr. Three Measures Urged on Lawmakers-Statement in Hands of President Wilson

By the Associated Press

Washington, Aug. 6 .- Unprecedented profits taken by slaughterers, tanners. manufacturers and dealers for which there was no justification are responsible for the high prices of shoes, Congress was informed today by the Federal Trade Commission, which recently completed on inquiry into the shoe business for the period from 1914 to 1918.

The commission's complete report was not available, but President Wilson was understood to have ordered a detailed summary printed immediately and transmitted to Congress in connection with efforts of the government to com bat high living costs.

Representative Ign v. Democrat. Missouri, now has per ling in the Democrat. House a resolution providing for an inquiry into shoe prices by the commission, but his efforts to get action on it

repeatedly have met with failure. Suggests Three Remedles

After reviewing profits in each sec-SUGGEST NEW LAWS ONE LAD SLIGHTLY HURT tion of the shoe industry, the commission said some relief from the "intol" The "Paradise Special" motortruck, erable prices" paid by consumers might be had by rigid enforcement of laws against monopolistic control of comcondition." Bennett said. "I don't ex- Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood legislation designed to aid in reduc- Week Association, today ran over two modities; legislation forbidding propert that he will live through it. And of Locomotive Engineers, told the ing the cost of living. This was learned little boys at Lancaster and Central business and adoption of means to be business, and adoption of means to

He was Fred Curtis, six years old, of by an unwarranted increase in the price of hides, the supply of which they were said to control. ton of this in The truck was near the top of a taken "exceptional profits," while the committee of three, appointed by the have charged prices that are "not jus-

ommendations of the subcommittee for stop the machine. Before it came to of an exhaustive inquiry into the price was disclosed in a statewas disclosed in a stateLane released here on beCounsel for the men said today that labor, he added, to create enough sentitime powers of the Lever act, creating a standstill it had passed over the two of hides, leather and shoes begun more than a year ago, it was said.

It has been in the President's hands To show that the packers during the n this connection. "We have not even lemanded an increase in wages, prelemanded an increase in the price of "packer"
low for the accident. White, she
says, did everything possible to avoid
the tunning over the children.

Coroner Neville, of Montgomery
county, held an inquest later in the
day at the Ardmore police station. A
lemanded an increase in wages in the price of "packer"
had been considering the charges against
day at the Ardmore police station. A
lemanded an increase in wages, prelemanded an increase in the price developed to avoid
the truning over the children.

Coroner Neville, of Montgomery
county for the accident.

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and "country" hides, the price differential between their hides
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Makers Get Big Profits

Charges of excessive profits against the tanner and the shoe manufacturer were said to be supported by "the high rates of return on investments" in both

ndustries following the price increases "The public." said the report, "had to pay prices for shoes that not only could not be justified because retail shoe dealers took too much profit, but because the dealer had to pass on to the consumer the excessive profits received by butchers for hides, and also the excess profits of tanners and shoe manu-

Calls Gains Unprecedented

While noting that because of increases in the cost of materials during the war period "prices were bound to advance considerably, even though no large profits were obtained," the commission said leather manufacturers, shoe manufacturers and retail shoe merchants all

perhaps a majority of cases carnings were 10 per cent or more and only few suffered losses. By 1916 and 1917 it was rather unusual for a company to earn less than 20 per cent. "A similar comparison for manufacturers of shoes shows that more than twice as many made a profit of 20 per

more in 1916 and 1917 as

did in 1914. Rate of Return Uncertain "The rate of return on investment to

old, and Jack Lonigan, twenty-one, they had and from the gross margins of both of South Boston, Mass., were that their business was very profitable "Taking into consideration all the

slaughterers for hides, by shoe me

nade "unprecedented profits." "Even in 1914 the tanning industry was prosperous." said the report. dresses Congress on Friday it is expected that one of his

TWO TOBOGGAN TO DEATH Boston Boys Take Fatal Slide Down

cradle of a baby cost tile life of Cath- A. P.)-Harry Clauson, nineteen years is evident from the volume of business sumers had to pay extertionate profits one in the room attempted to light a killed yesterday when a plank upon Deputy Sheriff William R. Cresswell on their own earnings in purchasing the preased. Bennett shook hands as they necessaries of life.

one in the room attempted to ngut a match. The head flew off and dropped into the caselle, setting the child afire.

DREXEL & CO. GET CITY LOAN AT \$101-533 City Controller Walton announced this afternoon that

Drexed & Co. had been awarded the \$2,000,000 city loan issue at \$101,533. JOHN W. MOSS, RETIRED BANKER, DEAD

John W. Moss, eighty-one years old, of 2214 De Lancey

Place, for many years a banker and broker in this city, died at a

beach-front hotel in Atlantic City last night. Mrs. Moss was with him at the time of his death. He had retired from business WILSON MAY ASK "TEETH" FOR ANTI-GOUGING LAWS WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 .- When President Wilson ad-

recommendations will be "more teeth to make existing laws ef-

fective to adequately cope with profiteering. He also may ask

for a modified licensing system under which margins of profit

could be controlled so as to bring an immediate reduction in price.

BABY BURNS TO DEATH

Head of Match Fell in Cradle, Igniting Covers A match carelessly struck beside the

dustry. Mr. Stone argued that there erine Begnan, eighteen months old, of The child was sleeping when some

bodying the railroad employes' plan for and Federal streets station, heard the Jacob's Ladder.

Mt. Washington Railway on Plank Bretton Woods, N. H., Aug. 6 .- (By shoe merchants cannot be stated, but it

Detective Rinehold, of the Twentieth flew off the rails a few yards above gaged in war, the large profit taken h The young men were hurled 100 feet facturers and retail shoe dealers

succeded in extinguishing the fire, but the child was so badly burned that she dibd last night in the Polyclinic Hospital.

The young men were the form the track and their bodies were the justified, and there is concerning to justification for prices that expenditude to prices that expendit