

# MAYOR ASKS HONOR TO WASHINGTON

### Moore Proclamation Urges Observance in Churches Sunday and at Independence Hall

### RECALLS NATION'S BIRTH

### Proposed Observances of Washington's Birthday

Special religious observance Sunday, February 22, by all the churches.

Patriotic decoration of all homes, business houses and public buildings.

Patriotic ceremonies at Independence Hall Monday, February 23, shortly before noon.

The first national flag of the government of the United States will be raised on the staff of the old State House.

Addresses by leaders in public life of the city and state.

The Mayor urges the closing of all business and industrial establishments.

Fitting observance of Washington's Birthday Sunday and ceremonies at Independence Hall Monday have been urged by Mayor Moore.

In a proclamation issued by the Mayor he advocates a revival of real patriotism especially at this time, following the great war and in recognition of the great tasks which were overcome by the country's forefathers in acquiring independence.

Adequate decoration of homes and public buildings and the closing of stores and factories are suggested, so that the people may pause for a moment in the rush for the material and give a thought back to those through whose efforts they received the blessings which came with American liberty.

### The Proclamation

The proclamation follows: "Amidst our manifold activities, following close upon a period of war that has shaken normal conditions throughout the world, it is appropriate that we pause for a day to test our moorings and take account of our patriotic stock. At no place can we stop more reverently to appraise our national beginning and to inquire as to the roads into which we are drifting, than Philadelphia, the birthplace of American liberty, the home of the Constitution and the abiding place, in Independence Hall, of the nation's sacred trophy, the Liberty Bell.

It was here the founders of our country proclaimed the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution; it was here the immortal Washington, the Father of His Country, inspired the great men and the great movements to whom and to which our more than 110,000,000 of Americans owe their proud history and ennobling institutions.

Urges Setting of Example "That the people of Philadelphia may not forget the benign influence of our

forefathers, their endeavors and sacrifices, the moral and the civic strength of their works, and that they may set an example to the compatriots elsewhere throughout this broad land, I call upon them to lay aside their ordinary daily business affairs during Washington's Birthday shall be loyally and patriotically observed throughout the city.

"Let the churches in this city of American homes and ideals draw upon our wealth of history and tradition that Sunday, February 22, may be duly celebrated.

"And on Monday, February 23, let our stores and factories be closed, or operated at a minimum, in order that our country and what it stands for may share in the thoughts of the hundreds of thousands whose busy lives have been compelled to think generally, and sometimes selfishly, of material things only.

"In this, my first proclamation as Mayor of Philadelphia, I request a religious observance throughout the city of Washington's Birthday (Sunday, February 22), and on Monday, February 23 (a legal holiday), a cessation of all unnecessary business, that the people may be given opportunity to throw out the national colors, renew their faith in and allegiance to the constitution and flag of our country, repair to our patriotic shrines, and proclaim the virtue of those principles government upon which the safety and perpetuity of the nation depend."

### MERIT MEDALS GIVEN

### Franklin Institute Makes Awards to Scientists

The Franklin Institute has presented the Edward Longstreth medal of merit to William Wallace Kent and to William H. Van Horn, both of Baltimore, Md., for extraordinary work in the field of "air and gas mixing."

The awards were received by Mr. Kent in person at the Institute last night. After the presentation Dr. Irving Langmuir, of the research laboratory, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., lectured on "The Structure of Atoms and Its Bearing on Chemical Valence." The scholarly paper dealt with a highly technical theory which gives a concrete picture of the mechanism of chemical action.

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# JOHNSON PAINTINGS WILL BE EXHIBITED

### Decision Follows Mayor's Demand of Action in Return for \$115,000

### ATTORNEY WORKS ON PLAN

Executors of the John G. Johnson estate and Mayor Moore are at work on a plan to place the famous Johnson art collection on public display in the near future.

This became known after Mayor Moore delivered an ultimatum to the effect that the city would not pay the additional \$115,000 necessary for maintenance unless some plan for public display is perfected.

Maurice Bower Saul, counsel for the estate and intimate friend of the late donor of the art treasures, said he is at work on a proposition that he believes will fit in with the Mayor's dictum.

"The executors are anxious to get \$115,000 to pay expenses not provided for by the interest on the \$1,000,000 fund already set aside by Mr. Johnson's will," Mayor Moore said after a conference with Mr. Saul and C. S. W. Packard, president of the Pennsylvania Co., representing the estate, late yesterday.

"I don't see why the city should

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stand the expense of paying out great sums for art treasures which are decaying in some warehouse," Mr. Moore continued. "I am going to hold out until I can see some public benefit coming from the investment of additional funds.

"In the three years since the pictures were willed to the city by John G. Johnson not a single picture of the collection has been seen by the public. But about \$785,000 of public money is invested in their upkeep and restoration."

Mayor Moore is said to favor some plan whereby the collection might be displayed in the new \$4,000,000 art museum planned by the city on the Parkway. The exhibition of the collection in the Johnson home on South Broad street, he said, would keep it in constant danger, as the building has been designated as a firetrap.

Mr. Saul is absolutely opposed to the showing of the pictures in the proposed art museum.

"I think Mayor Moore is right in his desire to inform himself of every detail regarding the situation between the city and the custodian of the collection," Mr. Saul said.

"He is properly anxious to get the pictures on public display at the earliest possible time, and I am going to prepare a proposition along that line. As to ever putting the collection in the art museum, that is impossible."

The conference took place in Mayor Moore's office.

### PAYS STRANG'S DEFICIT

### Wife Sells Former North Penn's Teller's Home to Settle Account

By the sale of their home at Cynwyd, Mrs. Elwood H. Strang, wife of the former paying teller of the wrecked North Penn Bank, has settled Strang's personal indebtedness to the institution.

Following Strang's arrest in New York, his wife, it is said, persuaded him to plead guilty to the charges.

It was found by experts figuring on the books of the bank that Strang had a personal overdraft of about \$4000, Mrs. Strang, who was known as Mrs. Caldwell, a name assumed by her husband, made settlement to this amount with Colonel Fred Taylor Pusey, special attorney general, in charge of liquidating the affairs of the bank.

Two of the men arrested in connection with the bank crash, according to District Attorney Rotun, will be brought to trial next month.

### HAGAN FOR LEGISLATURE

### Boom for Forty-fourth Ward Man is Started—McTaggart a Candidate

Frank A. Hagan is being boomed by officers of the Penrose Republican Club of the Forty-fourth ward for state representative from the Seventeenth legislative district, West Philadelphia. Thomas J. Weldon, president of the club and a candidate for the Republican

city committee, is one of those behind Hagan.

At a meeting of the club recently members decided to call upon Thomas W. Cunningham, president of the Republican Alliance, for greater recognition of the Moore workers in the ward.

Another West Philadelphia candidate for the Legislature is John J. McTaggart, who carried the Twenty-sixth division of the Fourth ward in the primaries for the Moore forces. McTaggart is a candidate from the district west of the Schuylkill and south of Market street.

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### Senate Too Busy With Other Important Legislation at Present

Washington, Feb. 19.—(By A. P.)—Leaders in the treaty fight indicated today that the controversy would be permitted to drag on indefinitely, while the Senate is considering railroad and other important legislative business. There was doubt, however, whether the issue would command attention on the floor or "play possum" for several weeks, as it did yesterday when

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