

CLEANING STATUS UNDECIDED

Asking Bids Does Not Mean City Gives Up Right to Do Work, Expert Says

COST TO BE CONSIDERED

Advertising by the city for street cleaning bids does not necessarily indicate that the present contract system will be continued next year, according to Thomas Raeburn White, one of the framers of the new city charter.

Mayor Moore has announced he will invite bids for street cleaning and the collection of ashes and rubbish so the figures may be included in the budget for next year.

The new charter empowers the city to do this work directly. Inclusion of this power in the charter is a fundamental one of the great victories achieved in the Legislature last year by foes of the so-called contractors' combine.

Mayor's Move Disappoints Supporters of the new contract who believed they saw in the Mayor's announcement an open door for continuation of contractor influence expressed disappointment over the move.

Mr. White, however, says one of the leaders of the new charter movement, takes the view advertising for bids does not indicate what will be done. He pointed out the charter suggests such procedure.

Senator Vane, who holds street cleaning contracts for two districts, will not indicate what he will do. He pointed out the charter suggests such procedure.

It depends very largely on how the work is let, he replied. "If the specifications are sensible and right I will submit bids, if not, I will not."

The charter provides that if the Mayor and the majority of Council decide in favor of the contractor system the municipal plan may be postponed.

Mayor Explains Plans Mayor explained his plan at a meeting of officials of the administration and representatives of mercantile and banking firms and newspaper publishers in his office yesterday.

Bids will be asked for "long and short periods," he said, that is, for one and three-year terms. By this plan it is hoped outside contractors will be called in to back the "contractor combine."

Mr. Moore explained that whatever plan is best for the city will be followed and that the administration is proceeding with plans for a municipal street cleaning plant also.

Such a plant was recommended by the specifications of the three appointed by the Mayor to investigate the problem in this and other cities and then suggest the best way out.

BATTLE AT COAL MINE

1000 Shots Fired in Affray on West Virginia-Kentucky Border

Williamson, W. Va., July 23.—(By A. P.)—Two miners were wounded today when the Portsmouth Virginia Coal & Coke mine was attacked by persons hidden in the hills of West Virginia and Kentucky sides of the river.

A detachment of the state constabulary with bloodhounds, were sent out from Williamson to the scene of the shooting.

According to stories reaching here from Freeborn, the miners handling coal from the mouth of the mine, which is on the Kentucky side of the river, to the railroad tracks in West Virginia, when the firing began, they came from a party hidden in the hills of West Virginia and Kentucky sides of the river.

Guards stationed at the mine are said to have returned the fire, but attacking parties were not driven off until two of the workmen had been wounded, one seriously. It was estimated that the mine that fully 1000 shots were fired.

NEGRO DIES ON SCAFFOLD

Legally Hanged After Unsuccessful Attempt at Suicide

Wilmington, Del., July 23.—(By A. P.)—After an unsuccessful effort to commit suicide by swallowing a dose of cyanide, a negro, was hanged early today in the jail at Easton, Md.

A policeman found Fountain trying to hang himself by the neck of a chair. Fountain was convicted twice on the charge of assaulting Bertha Simpson, a white girl, fourteen years old.

He committed two other offenses in the search for him. Several attempts by mobs to lynch him were frustrated. On one occasion the governor declared martial law and troops were stationed around the courthouse. The state paid a reward of \$5000 for his second capture.

BLAZE ON RACE STREET

Firemen, Aided by Rain, Extinguish Fire in Four-Story Building

During the height of the storm, at 4:30 o'clock this morning, fire was discovered on the fourth floor of the plant of the Electric and Chemical Co., a four-story brick building at 1227-29 Race street.

Patrolman Miller, of the Eleventh ward, who was on duty, turned in the alarm, and, aided by heavy rain, the firemen succeeded in quenching the flames. The entire fourth and part of the third floor were burned. The damage is unknown as yet, and the origin of the fire undetermined.

COURT HOLDS PATROLMAN

Witnesses Say Hawthorne Used Blackjack While Drunk

Charged with brutally attacking a man and woman while intoxicated, John Hawthorne, a patrolman, was held in \$1500 bail by Magistrate Carney today, following charges preferred by Joseph Cioce and his wife, Mary, the victim of the alleged attack.

Seventeen witnesses appeared against Hawthorne to testify that a week ago he broke into the Cioce home during a wedding, blackjacked Cioce and his wife, who attempted to protect her husband. He charged today he had not been intoxicated at the time.

SPELLACY WON'T TAKE JOB

Has No Ambition to Succeed F. D. Roosevelt

Washington, July 23.—(By A. P.)—Thomas J. Spellacy, of Hartford, Conn., who is understood to have been selected to succeed Franklin D. Roosevelt as assistant secretary of the navy when the latter retires next month to make the way for the Democratic vice presidential candidate, said today he had not been offered the post and would not accept if offered.

Only ambition is to get back to his home, said Mr. Spellacy.

FATHER DEFENDED BY GIRL HE BEAT

Tells Court She Incensed Him Until He Didn't Know His Actions

IS HELD WITHOUT BAIL



MISS EUGENIA BLANDIN

Daughter of the late Lieutenant John J. Blandin, hero of the U. S. S. Maine in the harbor of Havana, with her mother, is spending some months in Washington

Anna McGarrity, a pretty brunette, of Forty-eighth street, below Girard avenue, took the stand in Central Station today and tried to save her father from punishment for alleged brutality.

Her white throat still bore the impression of the father's fingers and one of her warm brown eyes was badly discolored, but she took the stand and tried to defend her father's action in beating her.

The father, Frank McGarrity, was arrested Wednesday on a produce farm operated by the McGarrity family, near West Chester, Pa.

When the girl went to the farm Wednesday she found a number of her father's relatives there gathering some of the vegetables for their own use. The girl remonstrated with them, and was ordering them from the farm, when, police say, the father intervened.

It was charged today that he seized his daughter by the throat, choked her, and threw her to the ground.

"It was my fault," the girl said today, "and I am sorry, but I was incensed by the father's attitude, and I was doing, I would like to withdraw the charges against him."

The girl spoke in modulated tones. Tears filled her eyes as she pleaded for her father's freedom.

Magistrate Carson held the father without bail for a further hearing next Friday.

BATHING SITES PICKED

Professor Cret Says He Will Not Make Locations Public for Month

Two locations for bathing beaches at Fairmount Park have been designed by Paul Cret, professor of architecture at Pennsylvania University, and a member of the art jury and the Fairmount Park Art Association.

Mr. Cret made this known today on his return from a trip to the site. He explained he had chosen these locations as part of a survey he is making of Fairmount Park for the Fairmount Park Commission. It will take him another month to complete his survey, on which he has spent a month already. Until it is complete and turned over to the park commission he will not make the locations public.

He declined to take sides in the controversy over the placing of the Johnson art collection, but said in his opinion the total number of art works owned by the city is too small to justify looking them in separate buildings. He expressed the hope Joseph R. Taylor would consider his resignation from the art jury.

TO TEST YOUTH'S SANITY

Attack on Father is Halted by Neighbors and Police

Leonard Winter, twenty-one years old, who was charged with attacking his father, was held in custody on July 23. The attack on Winter's father, who was charged with attacking his father, was halted by neighbors and police.

Patrolman Weir arrested the young man this morning after a fight with his father, in which it is said the father tried to shoot the older man. Neighbors who came in during the fight kicked the pistol out of reach, after the father had succeeded in disarming the son.

According to the older man, the boy has been irresponsible since he accidentally shot himself in the arm some years ago during a running fight. The arm was amputated and since that time the father had to look after him. His son has been in jail several times and four times has been in asylums.

VICTORY MEDALS FOR ALL

Legion to Have Charge of Presentations on Armistice Day

Indianapolis, Ind., July 23.—(By A. P.)—The American Legion's plans to assist in the distribution of Victory medals now being issued by the War Department from an act of Congress, July 5, it was announced at Legion national headquarters here today. Formal presentation in a series of simultaneous ceremonies will be made under Legion auspices Armistice Day.

Under the Legion plan the various posts will take care of the filling out and the awarding of medals to veterans not only for legionaries, but for all other ex-service persons and the next of kin of those who died in the service, so far as the latter desire to avail themselves of this service.

Three-Day Forecast for Week-Enders

Friday—Unsettled; occasional thunderstorms tonight; continued warm.

Saturday—Unsettled with probable thunderstorms; gentle to moderate southerly winds; fair to clear.

Sunday—Probably fair; gentle southerly winds.

FIRE HEROES' DEATH USED FOR SWINDLE

Police Say Confidence Man Got Money Alleging It Was for Victim's Widow

CASH FOUND ON SUSPECT

An alleged confidence man was arrested last night on a charge of collecting money under the pretense that it would be used to buy flowers for Captain Edward Schwartzkopf, one of the victims of the Fritz & La Rue fire Wednesday.

The man is Louis Smith, alias "Black Louie," well known, police say, as a confidence man.

It was collecting the money for the flowers and to "aid the widow" a few doors from where Captain Schwartzkopf lay dead, at 509 Perth street, when he was recognized and placed under arrest, the police say.

Smith is said to have boldly operated in the neighborhood all yesterday afternoon, taking advantage of the neighbors' sympathy for the family of the heroic fire captain.

Smith was recognized at the Tenth and Huttenwood street station, recognized Smith at Ridge avenue and Noble street. The patrolman shadowed the man and saw him bring a sordid and filthy money bag to a housewife, he said.

Zepf then approached Smith and asked him why he was collecting the money. Smith gave an evasive reply. Zepf detained him.

When the woman, who had given part of her savings in a hat and \$45 in his pockets. He admitted the \$45 belonged to him.

Schwartzkopf knew nothing of Smith's efforts to raise money, ostensibly for her aid. Neither did officials of the police or fire departments.

Smith will be given a hearing before Magistrate Carson on a charge of obtaining money under false pretense. He lives on Franklin street above Vine.

Funeral services of Harry Wolfgram, another fireman who died in the Fritz & La Rue fire, will be held at his home, 2216 Croft street, at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Firemen from Wolfgram's company, Engine No. 43, will act as pallbearers and form an honorary escort to the grave. Wolfgram, who was thirty-one years old, had been married nine years. He is survived by his widow Hester.

Body of Woman Found in Trunk

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There were some indications that the woman might have been strangled before the body was thrust into the trunk.

The woman apparently was twenty-five to thirty years old, the police say. She was five feet tall, had blue eyes and had bright, curly, good-looking, wavy teeth on the left side of her upper jaw slightly protruded, but this is believed to be a natural formation. She was a brunette, the police say.

A large crowd assembled in front of the express company's building, and police reserves had to be summoned to keep the street open for traffic.

Det. Mich., July 23.—(By A. P.)—The body of a woman found in a trunk in the trunk of a car in the city of Detroit, Michigan, was found in a trunk in the trunk of a car in the city of Detroit, Michigan.

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BEAUTY PARLOR EXPERTS

SIRENS? NO! SAYS JUDGE

Physical Culture Teacher Thought They "Vamped" His Patients, but Their Smiles Won Legal Tilt

Judge Rogers was disillusioned today. In open court, before his very eyes, which blinked with amazement, several blonde and several dark-haired beauty specialists from the parlor of Anna R. Stratton unfolded the secrets of the profession of pulchritude.

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APARTMENT "RAFFLES" IN COURT



On the left is George Little, of Detroit, and on the right, Frank Reed, of Pittsburgh. They are the two men who were chased after robbing the Kingscourt Apartments yesterday and caught after a revolver battle. Mrs. Glenn, of the Norton Apartments, Germantown, today identified them as the men who stole a \$3000 bracelet from her flat

BREAK OF LADDER MAYOR AND MITTEN

BLAMED ON WIRES CONFER ON TRANSIT

Apparatus Had to Be Put Up at Dangerous Angle, Says Davis

Discusses Frankford "L." Fares and Support of Management

REPORTS TO THE MAYOR WORKERS PASS PAY RISE

Poor judgment in placing the "death ladder" at sharp angle, and not faulty construction in the ladder itself, was cited by Acting Fire Chief Davis as the cause of the double fatality Wednesday.

This was the acting chief's conclusion in a report made to Director of Public Safety Cortelyou and announced by the fire chief today.

A fire captain and another fireman plunged to death in front of 1615 Chestnut street when an extension ladder collapsed.

"This fire has demonstrated the necessity of placing all ladders under guard as soon as possible," Director Cortelyou asserted.

His reference to overhead wires, the director explained, was based on one feature of the acting fire chief's report.

Mr. Davis told the department head the ladder truck was in front of 1613 Chestnut street when the ladder was elevated and swung over at an angle to raise the long span fire.

The ladder was elevated in that position, Acting Chief Davis stated, because overhead wires made it impossible to raise the ladder straight in front of the Fritz & La Rue establishment.

According to Mr. Davis, the ladder truck was too far out in front of the building and had too much of an angle. It would have been possible, he said, to descend the rungs as easily as a stairway.

In making public the substance of Acting Chief Davis's report Director Cortelyou said he would not lay blame on any fireman's shoulders until after a more thorough investigation.

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CLAIMS 2 'RAFFLES' IN COURT

STOLE \$3000 GEMS

TRACE DOZEN ROBBERIES

The two alleged "society" crooks arrested after a thrilling chase and a revolver fight in West Philadelphia yesterday this afternoon charged by Mrs. John M. Glenn with the robbery May 21, of her diamond bracelet valued at \$3000.

The identification of the two prisoners by Mrs. Glenn, who lives in the Norton Apartments, Water street and Johnson streets, as the men who visited her apartment ostensibly to submit it, discredits the story of George Little, one of the men, who broke down this morning and alleged that he had been made the dupe of the other.

Detectives McCready and Cave, who arrested last Saturday night, the two men, say they are connected with a dozen similar robberies, in which they posed as flat hunters and realtors in order to gain entrance to smart apartments.

According to the detectives, the men have been operating in Philadelphia at intervals during the past several months. Detectives say both men have confessed that they pawned Mrs. Glenn's bracelet in New Orleans for \$1000 and lost the money at a gambling table.

They also are alleged to have confessed that they recently lost \$8000, obtained here, while attending the races at Windsor, Canada.

Mrs. Glenn recognized both Little and Frank Reed, alias Reber, as the men who had called at her apartment May 20, in connection with the robbery. She said the men were for next day. Reed returned alone and when he left he discovered the theft of her bracelet.

Both men held in ball She was the chief witness at the second hearing accorded the men today. They were charged with the robbery of Magistrate Harris at the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue station in connection with the robbery of the Kingscourt Apartments, Water street, or Reber, also was held without bail on a charge of attempting to kill William Price, an ice man, who pursued the men as they left the Kingscourt Apartments.

Magistrate Carson, at this afternoon's hearing in Central Court, held the men in \$2500 bail each for a further hearing.

Before Magistrate Harris passed judgment on the men, this morning, he asked Little if he had anything to say. "Yes," Little replied, "I would like to say. This man made a dupe of me and got me into all this mess. I met him in November, 1919, in Detroit, where I am a chemist. It was when I was married."

He borrowed \$2000 from me and later disappeared. Last Friday I saw him again in Detroit and he told me that if I accompanied him to Philadelphia he would pay me my \$2000.

Another man accompanied us and we went to the Kingscourt Apartments. This man left Sunday and Reed took his place without registering.

Wednesday Reed went to the Kingscourt Apartments and asked Mr. Watson about subletting her apartment. I accompanied him there Thursday not knowing his intentions. I believed that if he rented the apartment I would be his commission would help repay me.

"Shoot Me," Says Reed "This man is responsible for my predicament. I will never be able to face my wife who comes from one of the best families in Detroit and she has to get out of this scrape and meet Reed again I'll kill him."

Reed averted his gaze as Little uttered the threat against him. Turning to the magistrate he said: "Why don't you take me out and let the police shoot me?"

"You deserve to be shot," Magistrate Harris replied. "All right, I'm game," said Reed. The magistrate then held the two men. He is being taken to City Hall, Little burst into tears.

The men will be held until the police communicate with the authorities in the western cities, where they are alleged "raffles" are thought to have been a trail of apartment robberies.

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BEAT PLAYGROUND TEACHER

Men Take Revenge for Ejection of Disorderly Boys

Abraham Tobias, thirty years old, 845 South Cecil street, was attacked by two men when he got off a trolley car today at Claghorne Playground, Twenty-first street and Susquehanna avenue, where he is an instructor.

"They struck him over the head and face and hurled him against a telegraph pole. He was taken to the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital, where he was treated for shock and wounds of the face and scalp. He may also have a fracture of the skull."

He is about fourteen years old, and seems confused mentally. He told a rambling story, saying he feared being run over by automobiles. He is being held at the station house awaiting a mental examination.

BABY HIT BY TROLLEY

Morris Street Accident Expected to Result in Fatality

Samuel Mielche, two and a half years old, 523 Pierce street, was probably fatally injured today when he was struck by a trolley on Morris street while he was playing in front of 610 Morris street and tore his right arm from the shoulder. He also received internal injuries and was taken to Mt. Sinai Hospital in a passing automobile.

Doctors hold out little hope for the child's recovery.

DRINKS ACID AND DIES

Reading Man Ends Three Weeks' Spree by Poisonous Draught

Reading, Pa., July 23.—John K. Rahmer, who had been on whisky spree for three weeks, ended it last night by drinking three bottles of carbolic acid. He drank the contents of two of them and died almost instantly. Rahmer was found by his wife at his home, with the two empty bottles at his side.

Mrs. Rahmer said her husband had been crazed with drink during his confinement. She said she had a foreman carpenter of the Reading Railway for the last twenty-eight years, and was forty-nine years old.

NEGRO ADMITS 7 MURDERS

California Prisoner, Under Sentence of Death, Confesses

Los Angeles, July 23.—(By A. P.)—Mose Gibson, negro, sentenced to hang for the murder of Roy Truff, Fullerton, Calif. rancher, has confessed to seven murders, including the slaying of J. R. Reavis, of Baton Rouge, La., according to a telephone message received today by Sheriff J. E. Jackson, of Los Angeles county, from Sheriff J. E. Jackson, at Santa Ana.

SEEK TO CUT RED TAPE

Officials Confer on Methods of Caring for Dependent Children

A discussion of methods for caring for dependent children and suggestions for simplifying the procedure took place this afternoon at a meeting of the Council committee on public welfare. Present at the meeting were Director Tustin, of the Department of Public Welfare; George Holmes, county commissioner; representatives of the Juvenile Court; the Court of Charities; Resolutive and welfare organizations.

COURT MUST DECIDE WHICH IS WAR HERO

"Pemberton Puzzle" to Have Federal Adjudication and Fur May Fly

They tore the false face from another "war hero" here today. The man who was hailed before United States Commissioner Manley last Monday, charged with peddling false and who proudly told of being one of the eight surviving members of the original famous Princess Pat regiment is a false alarm, federal agents say.

It is said that he never saw a battlefield, in fact, federal agents have a strong suspicion he is a draft dodger. Arrested last Saturday night, the man said he was Earl T. Pemberton, of Detroit, and at that time he showed real scars and said they were from German shrapnel. He told a stirring story of a beautiful wife lost through separation after she became a drug addict and of his hunting her all over the country and pretending he was selling done to locate her.

His real name, United States agents said today, is Louis Brown. On January 11, 1915, they say, he got one year for breaking and entering a house at 232 North Tenth street.

The real Pemberton, who was one of 400 Princess Pat survivors from Montreal and sailed October 2, 1914, is due here tomorrow. He will attempt to unmask his alleged impersonator, and if well calculated to loosen the teeth of a beautiful wife lost through separation after she became a drug addict and of his hunting her all over the country and pretending he was selling done to locate her.

Meanwhile the British consul general here is looking out for the interests of the other Pemberton.

FLAG INCIDENT? EXPLAINED

U. S. Consul in Bermuda Says British Offenders Were Punished

Washington, July 23.—(By A. P.)—A supplemental report received by the State Department today from the American consul at Hamilton, Bermuda, indicated that first reports of the flag incident there on July 4 had been exaggerated.

The consul said the sailors from a British warship in the harbor had started to haul down an American flag which had been flying at the pier. He rebuked it when persons on the hotel veranda called to them.

Previous reports had said that the sailors had hauled the flag down and trampled on it. The consul said the sailors were intoxicated and that they had been arrested immediately on orders from the colonial authorities and were punished by close confinement.

Admiral Napier, commanding the British ship, the consul said, had promptly offered his official and personal regrets and Governor General Willcocks called at the consulate to express his deep regret over the incident.

REAL ROCK-A-BYE-BABY

Boy Found in Tree-top Was Afraid of Automobiles

Search is being made for the parents of a boy giving his name as Joe O'Neill, and his address as Sixteenth and Cadwalader streets. He was found asleep in a treetop on the Roosevelt boulevard near Fifth street this morning.