

PROFIT TAX REPEAL IS DISCUSSED HERE

Senators Penrose and Watson Confer on Proposed National Legislative Changes

GRUNDY IS ALSO PRESENT

Possible repeal by Congress of the excess profits tax was among the legislative matters discussed today by Senator Penrose, chairman of the Senate Finance committee, and Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana.

Joseph R. Grundy, president of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association, was present at the conference, held in Senator Penrose's home, 1331 Spruce street. Senator Watson came from Washington for the meeting.

The Indiana senator, a member of the Senate finance committee, has been handling details of the financial policy because of the prolonged illness of Mr. Penrose. The discussion today comes on the eve of the short session of Congress.

Business men over the entire country are deeply interested in the possible repeal of the excess profits tax. The last payment this year is due December 15 and would extract millions of dollars from business men when industry is "making time" for the business revival to come.

The discussion of the two United States senators covered the range of legislation to be considered at the short session. Routine appropriation measures will absorb much of the time of the legislators.

Senator Watson was met at the West Philadelphia station by Mr. Grundy and Leighton C. Taylor, secretary to Senator Penrose. After luncheon at the Union League the visiting senator was taken to Mr. Penrose's home.

Incidentally, while Senator Penrose is arranging for a resumption of his legislative duties, he is preparing to adjust the state situation to his liking.

Friends of the senator say he will insist on naming the speaker of the state House of Representatives.

Senator Vane was in Mr. Hall's office when the councilman was stating he could not greet the governors.

Saturday the governors will go to Chester, Governor Spruill's home town, and inspect the historical city hall, which was restored largely through the financial aid given by Mr. Spruill.

Housing Question Discussed

The governors virtually wound up their business sessions yesterday when the acute housing situation was discussed, and the decision was reached by Congress to provide relief for farmers who face loss because of inability to move huge crops which are rotting in the harvest fields.

The agricultural and housing situations were by far the most important things discussed.

Both matters, on the suggestion of Governor Spruill, will be combined and presented to the next Congress with an urgent appeal that federal relief be provided.

Last night the governors were guests of State Highway Commissioner Lewis E. Sadler at his home in Carlisle. General John J. Pershing, leader of the American expeditionary forces, was the guest of honor at the reception tendered by Commissioner Sadler.

French Church Holds Bazaar

A two-day bazaar in aid of the French Episcopal Church of St. Sauveur, Twenty-second and De Lancey streets, was opened yesterday under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society in the hall adjoining the church on De Lancey street. French people from all parts of the city were present in large numbers. The hall was richly decorated with the French and American colors and over the booths were the flags of the two nations.

Former Teacher Dies

Miss Helen Hutchison Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, 16 Mercer avenue, Lancaster, died yesterday, after an illness of several months. Miss Moore, a graduate of the Philadelphia Normal School, had been for several years a teacher in the Barry public school, at Fifty-ninth and Race streets.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—A diamond pin, Thursday evening, December 2, in or near the Academy of Music, toward 11th and Locust streets.

DEATHS

FOURTH—On Dec. 2, ANNA J. widow of Daniel Dinter, Relatives and friends invited to her funeral, which will be held at her late residence, 2309 E. Locust place, Wednesday, Dec. 3, 10:30 a. m. Interment private.

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FOURTH—On Dec. 2, JOHN NORTON, formerly of 2407 Montrose st., Relatives and friends invited to funeral, which will be held at St. Ignace church, 17th and Locust streets, at 10 a. m. Interment Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

HELP WANTED—MALE

URGE REDUCED PRODUCTION

Farmers Also Indorse Wheat Growers in Withholding Grain

St. Louis, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Reduction of production "to minimize losses," a protective tariff "against the importation of cheap wheat, grain, wool, hides and other similar farm commodities" and the enactment of a federal law to stop gambling in grain futures, are advocated by the directors of the Missouri Farmers' Association, in a statement made public today. The association closed a two-day meeting here last night.

The statement indorse the action of wheat growers who have withheld their product from the market.

Youth of 17, Shot Resisting Bandit

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ing. He does not live in the building. Residents of that section say they rarely see a patrolman in that neighborhood. The beat which "covers" the tailor shop, it is said, extends from Eleventh street and Susquehanna avenue to Berks, then to Diamond street and east on Diamond to Sixth—a distance of about twelve blocks.

Mrs. Anna Waters, sixty-eight years old, was the victim of the "meanest" thief of the last twenty-four hours. The thief, who became ill at Orthodox and Leiper streets after drawing \$505, virtually her whole savings, from a bank near her home.

One of the first persons to go to her assistance was a young man, well dressed. He escorted her to her home. When anxious neighbors entered he turned to summon a doctor. When they returned he had left with the \$505.

Thomas Fagan, a soldier on leave from Reading, was held up at Eighth and Brandywine streets by three automobile bandits. Two jumped out and at the point of revolvers robbed him of \$350.

Mrs. Virginia Quinn was held up by two men at the lonely intersection at Torresdale avenue and Cottman street. Miss Quinn had just alighted from a trolley car when the two men came from a city park there, and after taking \$12 she was driven into the park and made her escape.

James Quigg was robbed at Twenty-first and Berks streets, within sight of the Twenty-third and Berks streets station house. The hold-up man, who also operated with a revolver, got away with \$20 and some jewelry.

PATROLMAN IS "LECTURED"

Dr. Strecker Released When Magistrate Hears of "Loitering"

Dr. Henry A. Strecker, 1318 Pine street, assistant chief medical inspector of the Bureau of Health, who was arrested by Reserve Patrolman Landy for loitering last night at Thirteenth and Market streets while waiting for a car, was released by Magistrate Reardon in Central Station today. Landy was reprimanded for lack of discretion in making the arrest by the judge.

Landy said he had orders to compel all window-gazers on Market street to move on because store proprietors claimed that such crowds collected that people could not get into the stores.

Dr. Strecker stood on his rights to wait for a car at that corner. Landy said that orders were orders. Magistrate Reardon said that fact always proved a valuable asset to a patrolman.

WILL LECTURE TO PHILOSOPHERS

Baron de Geer, vice rector of the Stockholm Academy, will speak at 8 o'clock this evening before the American Philosophical Society at Independence Square on "Spitzbergen as the Key to the Origin of Northern Europe and North America, or the Starting of Exact Geochronology." The lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides.

U. S. Soldiers Abroad Aid Red Cross

Coblenz, Dec. 3.—Announcement was made here that every man attached to American forces in Germany had become a contributor to the funds of the American Red Cross.

MRS. M'SWINEY'S LANDING DELAYED

Probably Will Not Set Foot on American Soil Until Tomorrow

3 BANDON CIVILIANS SLAIN

By the Associated Press

New York, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the lord mayor of Cork who saved herself to death in a British prison, probably will not set foot on American soil until tomorrow morning.

This was announced today by officials of the White Star Line, who said the steamship Celtic, bearing Mrs. MacSwiney to the United States to testify before the committee of one hundred investigating conditions in Ireland, would not reach quarantine by noon today, as expected.

The Celtic reported by wireless that she had been delayed by thick weather and had passed Nantuxet at 4 o'clock this morning. This should put her into quarantine about 5 p. m. today. The sun sets officially at 4:27 p. m., and under rules of the quarantine service ships are not boarded after sundown.

It is possible, however, that a tug may be sent down the harbor to bring Mrs. MacSwiney ashore this evening for the reception planned by Irish sympathizers in her honor and that Miss Mary MacSwiney, her sister-in-law, who accompanies her.

London, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Three civilians are reported to have been shot dead this afternoon near Bandon, County Cork, following the ambush of a party of police, says the Central News Dublin correspondent. The police escaped without casualties, he adds.

Dublin, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—At the royal barracks yesterday the Countess Georgiana Markievicz, member of Parliament, was tried by court-martial on a charge of conspiring to organize a "Flanna Eirinn," otherwise known as Sinn Fein Boy Scouts.

This organization has been charged with conspiracy to murder military police, with unlawful drilling, the carrying of arms, furnishing recruits to the Irish volunteers and generally promoting disaffection.

FIREMAN RESCUES CHILD

Carries Girl Asleep From House He Once Occupied

A fireman who formerly lived at 6061 Calowhill street, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Egan, saved the life of Reardon's five-year-old daughter Rose early today when fire started from an overheated stove.

It was shortly after midnight when flames started on the second floor and awakened the Reardon family. Reardon and his wife escaped to the street hurriedly and then realized their daughter had not come with them.

Hoeman Charles Austin, of Engine Co. No. 41, at Sixty-first and Thompson streets, who lives in the neighborhood, saw the flames and told Reardon that he would go up after the girl.

"I know the house like a book, for I lived there once," he said. Hurrying through the flames and smoke, Austin was gone only a short time and when he returned he carried little Rose in his arms, peacefully sleeping.

STUDY AID FOR FARMERS

Treasury Officials and Committee Have No Solution as Yet

Washington, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Treasury officials have given no thought to the situation the farmers face as a result of the falling prices of their products than they have to any other question, but they have arrived at no solution of the problem, Secretary Houston declared today before the joint Senate and House agriculture committee.

Mr. Houston said he had "grave doubts" that a revival of the War Finance Corporation would help, explaining that that organization was created as a war emergency measure.

BATTLE OF WORDS OPENS FIUME WAR

Only Evidence of Conflict So Far Is Poet Warrior's Fierce Verbal Attack on Cavaglia

OCCUPATION FORCE CUT OFF

By the Associated Press

Trieste, Dec. 3.—A state of war between the Kingdom of Italy and the "republic" of Quarnero at Fiume began at midnight, but up to a few minutes before that time there was no visible evidence that actual hostilities intended. The blockade of Fiume was continuing, and the only indications of trouble were the fierce pronouncements of Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio against General Cavaglia and the regular Italian troops which were surrounding the city.

Communication between Fiume and the islands of Arde and Veglia was cut by an Italian patrol in the gulf of Quarnero, and supplies cannot be taken to them from the city. Thus the poet-soldier's occupational forces there appear to be isolated.

Railroad traffic was functioning late last night, but the usual restrictions were enforced on the line of demarcation between Fiume and the occupation zone outside. The passage of the D'Annunzio legionaries through the lines being forbidden.

Embassies of D'Annunzio are going to and fro explaining his point of view, but shortly before midnight there were no extraordinary signs that the threat of war would take a more concrete form. General Cavaglia has been able to lighten the conditions under which D'Annunzio's forces are held in Fiume, and all ships under the command of the poet-soldier remain in the harbor, not venturing beyond the breakwater of the port.

Fiume seemed tranquil yesterday, with the exception of unimportant raids by submarine chasers. There was not the slightest movement of the population, which was maintaining an indifferent attitude toward the legionaries who were engrossed in the work of defense.

A member of D'Annunzio's staff told the Associated Press yesterday that D'Annunzio wished recognition from Parliament for his services in occupying Fiume, and that he would become conciliatory in that event.

"No one can deny," he continued.

RIGHTS OF PUBLIC FIRST, SAYS AINEY

Commission Head Asserts Utility Contracts Must Give Way When Service Is Hampered

Commerce Chamber Guest

Public utility contracts which hamper public service must give way before the paramount interest of the public, W. B. Ainey, chairman of the Public Service Commission, declared here today.

Mr. Ainey spoke before members of the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in the Ritz-Carlton. His statements were general in their application. The chairman refrained from singling out any public utility company for his remarks.

Mr. Ainey's statement concerning public utility contracts deeply interested the business men in his audience because of the transit situation here.

An effort by the commission to investigate the underlying companies of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. was halted by the Superior Court on application of counsel for the subsidiaries. Creation of the Public Service Commission, Mr. Ainey reminded his audience, was an invasion of the charter rights of all public utility companies.

Reasoning from that point, he continued:

"When contracts prevent a utility from giving adequate public service, such contracts must give way for the same reason that the charter rights had to give way. Adequate public service is of paramount importance.

"Charters or municipal contracts," he added, "must give way to the rulings of the Public Service Commission when public interest is at issue."

David Kirschbaum acted as chairman of the meeting. After Mr. Ainey's address an open discussion was held.

MAY CUT GREEK FINANCES

Allies Discuss Plans to Be Adopted if Ex-King Returns

London, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Details of financial and commercial measures which might be adopted toward Greece in the event of ex-King Constantine's return to the throne were among the subjects for discussion at today's conference between Premier Lloyd George, Premier Leysgues of France and Count Stofra, the Italian foreign minister.

The note sent by the British, French and Italian governments to Greece yesterday contained a declaration that the restoration of Constantine, whose disloyal attitude had embarrassed the Allies during the war, would create a new and unfavorable situation in the relations between them and Greece, and that the governments reserved to themselves "complete liberty in dealing with the situation thus created."

TEEN RESCUED FROM MINE

Entombed Nine Hours by Fall of Coal

Small Fire in Bakery

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CHILD CALLS AMBULANCE

Surgeon Finds Boy's Father's Hands Burned and Cellar Afire

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