It's a Regular Family Habit Now—Right After Dinner Gather About the Lim'ricks—See Page 2

THE WEATHER
Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Friday; much warmer tonight with lowest about 36 degrees; fresh southerly winds.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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PENROSE ATTITUDE AND ASSEMBLY ROW JOLT JOB COMBINE

Vare-Brown-Cunningham Faction's Weakness Taken as Indication of Dissension

DISSATISFIED LEADERS WILL MAKE WAR ON CROW

By GEORGE NOX M'CAIN

Harrisburg, Jan. 20.—The unqualified indorsement by Senator Penrose yesterday of Mayor Moore's purpose to continue to give Philadelphia a clean, businesslike administration put a fresh crimp in the Brown-Vare-Cunningham combination plans.

The latter have been pretty badly twisted this week. The junta has gained nothing in the House, and had a hard struggle to hold a footing in the Senate.

President Weglein, of Council; Senator Vare and "Tom" Cunningham, clerk of courts, figured largely in the Assembly pre-organization midnight conferences. They gave them their personal attention.

But they do not seem to have got anywhere.

The chairmanship of the important Senate committee on appropriations slipped from their grasp.

Senator A. F. Daix, who headed the appropriations committee last session, was pulled from his pedestal and Senator T. Larry Eyre, who went after the chairmanship, with a cleaver, was elevated in his stead.

Senator Daix by right of possession and experience should have been continued. He did final by gain a place as chairman of the finance committee, which Senator Crow surrendered to him by resigning, but the general result indicates a structural weakness in the combine.

Combine Structurally Weak

There have been persistent rumors that while surface indications were toward harmony among its members, such is not the case. President Weglein is the only member who is not charged with any suggestion of double-crossing.

In the House their lack of power and initiative is still more apparent.

With a membership on the floor comprising one-fifth of the entire House, Philadelphia, in the matter of appointments, should have come down to the front with bands playing, and gonfalons flying.

What is the showing?

Leopold C. Glass, as chairman of the judiciary special committee, and James A. Walker, of the committee on centennial affairs, which may have to do with the state's participation in the sesqui-centennial of 1926, is really the best showing they made.

Three other committee chairmanships awarded to the delegation are of minor importance.

The friends of Mayor Moore were left out, a fact which later on in the session will not by any means contribute to harmony and the gayety of nations. They took their medicine without a murmur.

Philadelphia Contingent Leaderless

The Philadelphia delegation is without leadership. It is divided in interest, and its forty-one votes will be scattered on pretty nearly every big issue that comes before the House. That is unless conditions change.

The George S. Oliver contingent in the Allegheny county delegation returned to Pittsburgh last night with blood in their eyes and what the late James S. Sweeney would have characterized as "hell in their hearts."

In auction bridge parlance, they got the "grand slam."

Editor Oliver asked for the reappointment of J. Edgar Brackney as assistant clerk of the House against the opposition of Senator Max Leslie, State Chairman Crow was the arbiter, and he decided against Oliver.

The intense bitterness engendered by Senator Crow's decision finds expression in the charge by Walter S. Christy, correspondent of Mr. Oliver's Pittsburgh Gazette, and formerly Republican chairman of Allegheny county, that the state chairman violated "his unequivocal pledge of support in the face of a signed request of a majority of Allegheny county representatives."

The Oliver people make no concealment of their purpose to fight Senator Crow from now on and spread disaffection through western Pennsylvania against him.

Kephart May Land Soft

Harmon M. Kephart, present state treasurer, who goes out of office shortly, is slated for a new $10,000 job. Mr. Kephart rose to his present position from a railroad brakeman. He has been continuously in office for many years. The new deal is not going to popularize him in certain quarters.

In his message Tuesday, Governor Sproul pointed to the fact that there was a vast accumulation of securities represented by bonds in the hands of the state treasurer. There are millions of dollars in the aggregate, and he suggested some provision for the care and accounting of these should be made.

As the outgrowth of this there is a proposal to create by act of Assembly a new office which might be designated "custodian of sinking funds," with a salary of $10,000 a year.

Mr. Kephart, taking a nonslip grip on the forelock of time, is slated for the new job when it is created. At least that is the inside tip on Capitol Hill.

"GASSED" VETERAN DIES

Frank H. Charlton Was Former Phila. Traffic Policeman

Frank H. Charlton, thirty-six years old, of 2410 Lombard street, died today in a rest home at Langhorne from gas poisoning, one of the after-the-war victims of the battle of St. Mihiel, and the first Philadelphia patrolman to die from the effects of being gassed in the war.

Charlton served as a member of the Philadelphia Police Department for four years, and for the greater part of his period he was stationed at Thirty-fourth and Walnut streets, as a traffic officer. He enlisted early in 1917 and was assigned to the 103d Military Police. In the battle of St. Mihiel he was gassed.

He is survived by a wife and two children. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

City Transit Clerk Wins

LIMERICK No. 28

Said Miss Dina, "I can't eat
tonight;
I really have no appetite."
(I'd explode if I ate
What they put on her
plate)
*'Twould be-Hoov(h)er to
Dina "wee mite."*

WILLIAM R. PIKE
1419 West Sixty-ninth Ave.
Oak Lane
Clerk in Department of
City Transit

Another Limpin' Lim'rick Is Printed Today—See Page 2

WEGLEIN PREDICTS LOAN BILL PASSAGE

Street Improvements to Be Made Possible by New Legislation

APPROVED BY GOVERNOR

A vista of extensive work on the streets of this city, making them among the best cared for in any city in the country, was opened up today by Richard Weglein, president of Council, who predicted speedy passage by the Legislature of a short-term loan bill.

This bill, drafted by Mr. Weglein would change the city charter so that repaving of streets could be financed with short-term bonds instead of from current revenue, a restriction which is said to hamper a general repaving program.

"The measure is approved by Governor Sproul and by Chairman Daix, of the Senate finance committee," Mr. Weglein said on his return from Harrisburg this morning. "I believe the Legislature will pass it speedily."

Members of Council who called at the Council president's office congratulated him on his successful visit to the state capital. They told him passage of the bond would help relieve the unemployment situation here, because hundreds of men could be given work fixing the streets.

Estimates have been made that a general repaving program would cost close to $20,000,000. The $33,000,000 loan authorized last year has a $750,000 item for grading streets and another of $500,000 for paving.

Councilman Hall predicted the bill would become a law within thirty days. He said under the bill's provisions the city could float a $5,000,000 loan for the estimated life of the street improvements.

Mr. Weglein said the bill will be presented in the Legislature in the near future.

LOVE SUIT GOES TO JURY

Laura Heller's Action Against E. C. Hillegas, Doylestown, on Trial

The case of Miss Laura Heller, of Quakertown, who is suing Erwin C. Hillegas for $10,000 to pay her for "twenty years lost time," went to the jury at 10:30 o'clock today in the Bucks county court, at Doylestown.

Miss Heller alleges Hillegas courted her for twenty years, then married a young girl. In her testimony she admitted he had never asked her to marry him, but said she had told him she would be his wife.

There is one woman on the jury.

DELAWARE OFFICIALS HELD

Embezzlement Charged to Newcastle Deeds Recorder and 3 Others

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 20.—Furman Cole, recorder of deeds, of New Castle county, his father, William Cole, deputy recorder, and two clerks from the recorder's office, Walter Babcock and Harry Fennimore, were arraigned before Magistrate Broman today and formally charged with embezzlement of $15,000 in county funds.

Each waived a hearing and was held in bail to await the action of the grand jury, which meets in March. Recorder Cole was held in $10,000 bail and each of the others in $5000 bail. In each case friends furnished personal bonds.

BOY KILLED BY TRUCK

Slips Under Heavy Machine While "Hitching" a Ride

While roller skating on Reed street late yesterday afternoon an eleven-year-old boy slipped under an auto-truck on which he was taking a "hitch" and died from injuries.

He is John McCone, of 1330 South Thirty-first street.

At about half-past four in the afternoon he, with a companion, saw a large express truck approaching and decided to take a "hitch." The companion seized the rear, but McCone found a place on which to hold on one side of the machine.

Between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets he slipped underneath the rear wheel. He was rushed to the Children's Hospital, but died shortly after admittance. The wheel had gone squarely over his body and internal injuries are said to have caused death.

The truck was driven by John P. Topfer, of 1025 Glenwood avenue, who was arrested by police of the Twentieth and Buttonwood streets station. He will have a hearing today before Magistrate Dougherty.

ALCOHOL IS SEIZED AS SHOTS HALT MAN

Patrolman Arrests Two and Takes Truck With $5000 in Spirits

THREE ELUDE CAPTURE

Fourteen barrels of alcohol, worth $4500, and six cases of whisky, worth $500, were confiscated by the police and two men were arrested early today when a motortruck stalled at York avenue and Buttonwood street.

Three men of the group of five first seen on the truck escaped. One of the two captured surrendered only after patrolmen had chased him five squares and fired a number of shots at him.

The men under arrest are Abram Finestein, of Girard avenue and Franklin street, and Harry Fishman, of Germantown avenue near York street. Fishman posed as a federal agent, and Finestein declares he was merely the driver of the truck and was employed by the others. Both were held under $2000 bail by Magistrate Grelis for a further hearing January 27.

The alcohol and whisky are being held at the Fourth and Race streets station. It is believed to have been the proceeds of a robbery in that section. The truck also is being held.

Patrolman Connelly, of the Third and Race streets station, saw the stalled truck at York avenue and Buttonwood street, at 2:30 this morning. As he walked toward the machine one man jumped and ran, closely followed by two others.

The patrolman ran to the side of the truck before Finestein and Fishman had a chance to run. Fishman explained he was the driver. Finestein as volubly protested he was a federal agent, with a perfectly good right to transport the alcohol—but at the first opportunity, he jumped and ran, with Connelly in pursuit.

Connelly fired several shots and was joined in the chase by Patrolman Kelleher and the man was captured. The patrolman returned to the truck and found Fishman, who had made no effort to escape. The men were then taken to the station house.

LIVE COAL CAUSES FIRE

A live coal dropping on the oilcloth is believed to have caused the fire that was discovered shortly after 1 o'clock this morning in the kitchen of Mrs. Mary Horwitz, 2415 South American street. The family were getting ready for bed when some one went into the kitchen and discovered it in flames. A family fire brigade put the fire out with buckets of water before the engines arrived. The loss was trifling.

MAID IS DRUGGED, BEATEN AND BOUND, BUT ROUTS ROBBER

Girl Battles Intruder in Home of Locust Street Physician and Saves Silverware

OUTCRIES BRING HELP BEFORE LOOT IS TAKEN

Geraldine Gish, eighteen years old, a maid employed in the home of Dr. Rufus S. Reeves, of 2026 Locust street, fought a Negro robber yesterday, although he knocked her down, beat her and finally etherized and bound her.

In the end she frightened him off, for she revived from the fumes of ether when he was piling up the family silver to carry off, broke her bonds, and screamed for help. The crime was reported by the police today.

Geraldine, a prepossessing country girl from Freeville, N. Y., answered the doorbell at noon. Dr. Reeves was out visiting patients. Mrs. Reeves had gone out calling a few minutes before. The cook and a washwoman were in the basement.

Inquires for Doctor

A man, thin and about five feet ten inches tall, dressed in gray overcoat, gray hat and gray gloves, and wearing army shoes, was at the door.

"Is the doctor in?" he asked.

"No," the maid answered.

"Let me in," the man demanded.

Geraldine tried to shut the door, but the man forced it open violently and rushed past the girl into the doctor's office.

Although she was badly frightened the girl rushed after him and attacked him. He turned on her, struck her twice in the face and knocked her down. She got up dazed and went back at him, striking at him and clawing at him with her nails. She used her teeth as well when he tried to subdue her.

The robber cornered the girl, reached for a can of ether and a roll of cotton, saturated a ball of it with the drug and crushed it to the girl's mouth and nose. She lost consciousness, and he tore her apron into strips, and bound her wrists and ankles. Then he cut the telephone wire and began a methodical search of the office for valuables.

Fails to Get Loot

In a few moments he had ripped out the drawers of the doctor's desk and instrument cabinet, strewing the papers and instruments about. The police think he may have been looking for a hypodermic set in the instrument chest.

He got nothing in the office that he considered worth carrying off, and then went to the dining room. Here he found a quantity of silver, and carefully selected the best pieces, piling them on the floor.

It was when he was thus engaged that Geraldine revived. She struggled with the strips of cloth that bound her hands and wrenched free. It took but a second to remove the gag and sever the knots at her ankles. She could hear the robber moving about in the dining room and reached for the telephone. The line was "dead," and a glance at the cord showed it had been ripped from the wall.

Screams Attract Aid

She risked the man's return to stun her a second time, and screamed as loudly as she could. A maid employed next door heard her and telephoned to City Hall.

The robber took fright at the girl's cries and fled, abandoning his loot. The police could not determine whether he went out the yard window, making a ten-foot drop, or out the front door. He was gone when Detective Foy, of the Fifteenth and Locust streets station, arrived a few minutes later.

Held for Fatal Accident

Magistrate Price, at the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station, today, held Arthur W. Gilbert, motorman of a Fox Chase trolley car, without bail for the action of the coroner in connection with the death of William Borrell, sixty-five years old, of 536 West Lehigh avenue. Borrell was struck by Gilbert's car Christmas Day at Rising Sun lane and Fisher's avenue. He died Tuesday in the Jewish Hospital as the result of the accident.

FUGITIVE COLONEL'S BRIDE NEEDS NO PITY, SAYS FRIEND

New Mrs. Beatty, Who Vanished With Bail-Jumping Airman, Having Time of Her Life, Declares Miss Murray—But He's Bald

"Oh, nobody needs to pity her; she's having the time of her life."

Thus did Miss Mary Murray, of 1604 Van Buren street, Wilmington, a close friend of Mrs. George W. Beatty, who is said to have been whirled away from the big little Delaware town in a taxicab by her brand-new six-foot husband, Colonel Beatty, of the American and British air services, loyally flip away expressions of sympathy at the "plight" of the young bride.

The "million-dollar" bridegroom was arrested on the eve of a honeymoon in Europe for alleged nonsupport of a child by one of two former marriages. Therefore the flight.

Miss Murray let slip another secret. A man may have a Rolls-Royce that burns up all the roads; he may have a rich suite at the du Pont Hotel; he may be an aviator and everything; but if he's bald he's no hero. And that's what's what. The ninety-day wonder of Wilmington is lacking in a set of hair.

Works in Bank, Too

"He's bald," confided Miss Murray.

Miss Murray is employed in the Security Trust Co., the bank where Mrs. Beatty, who was Miss Lillian Shaw until ten days ago, was employed. It is said the fleeing bride is very pretty, with dark hair and blue eyes. But, looking at Miss Murray sort of makes the casual observer wonder just why it didn't happen to be a certain little golden-haired slip of a girl with Irish eyes for whom the Rolls-Royce waited every afternoon in front of the bank.

Bit by bit she unfolded the romance that began when the stranger in town opened an account in the Security Trust Co., progressed when he became a frequent caller at the modest little two-story house at 2515 West street, and had its spectacular climax Wednesday, when Colonel Beatty whirled his bride away from Wilmington in a taxicab, speeding toward Philadelphia and hurling back the challenge at the Wilmington police that "by this time tomorrow he would be seasick."

"She was very much in love," Miss Murray commented. "Yes, I guess she was swept off her feet. She had plenty of beaux before, though. She's a pretty girl with dark hair and blue eyes, the sort of a girl the men would call pretty. They sort of 'fell for her.' She had a way with her.

Not Good-Looking

"Was he good-looking? Well, I wouldn't call him that. Yes, he was tall and straight and everything, but—" the vivacious raconteur, who was sitting where the light threw a very pretty glow on her face, hesitated, "why, he was bald!

"You heard all those stories that the Wilmington newspapers printed about the Prince Charming and the four-carat diamond engagement ring he gave her. Weren't they terrible? Miss Shaw

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MRS. N. SNELLENBURG DIES ON EVE OF GOLDEN WEDDING

Wife of Department Store Founder Was 73 Years Old—Ill 7 Months

Mrs. Nathan Snellenburg, wife of the founder of N. Snellenburg & Co., died last night at her home, 2129 North Broad street, after an illness of seven months. She was seventy-three years old.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, the fiftieth anniversary of her marriage, in Kenseth Israel synagogue. Burial will be in Mount Sinai Cemetery.

Mrs. Snellenburg was born in Germany and was married in this country. Two years after the wedding her husband founded the department store now at Twelfth and Market streets.

Her illness in recent months was complicated by her grief over the death of her daughter, Mrs. Hortense Kohn. She is survived by her husband and four sons, Joseph N. Snellenburg, Abraham Snellenburg, Harry Snellenburg and Stanley Snellenburg.

Mrs. Snellenburg was interested in numerous charities and was widely known for her quiet philanthropy. Prior to her marriage she was Miss Minna Anant.

MAN HURT IN EXPLOSION IN WEST PHILA. BAKERY

Blast at Market and Felton Streets Shakes Neighborhood

One man was injured shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon in an explosion in a bakery at Market and Felton streets. He is believed to be the proprietor of the shop.

A heavy blast shook the neighborhood. Scores of persons ran to the store. The injured man was taken to a hospital in an automobile pressed into service. The cause of the explosion is not known.

SKATING IMPERILED

Warm Weather Ahead—Good Ice on Lakes Today

While excellent skating may be had on park and suburban lakes today, the weatherman says warmer weather is coming and the good old sport may be interrupted.

Concourse, Hunting Park, Haverford College and Merion Cricket Club lakes are open today. Gustine is closed.

Probable rain this afternoon and a temperature of 40 degrees before nightfall is the prediction of the forecaster today.

The temperature this morning at 7 o'clock was 25 degrees, 18 higher than the same time yesterday. At 9 o'clock it was 27 degrees, with prospects of rising to 30 by 10 o'clock. The coldest mark last night was at 11 o'clock, when the thermometer stood at 20 degrees.

Winds changing from northerly to southwest were the cause of the ending of the cold snap, according to the forecaster.

JUST COULDN'T WAKE UP

Servant Says She Knew Thief Was in House, but Slept On

"Judge, I knew there was a robber in the house. I could hear him moving around. But I just couldn't get awake till he slammed the door going out."

Lucy Hoskins, a colored servant in the home of Edward D. Pascoe, 6536 North Twelfth street, offered that testimony before Magistrate Price at the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station today in explaining the robbery of her employer's home Tuesday night.

When the Pascoes were summoned home by a telephone call they discovered that $60 had been taken from the drawer of a bureau in Mr. Pascoe's room.

The servant was arrested later, charged with the robbery. She disclaimed any part in it, and said that the robber had entered her room and taken $8 belonging to her.

Magistrate Price held her in $400 bail for a further hearing next Thursday.

SAY THUGS CONFESSED

Police Declare Robbery of Aged Woman Is Solved

Three men who, the police say, have confessed to entering the store of Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis, 508 South Twenty-first street, last Friday, and after beating Mrs. Lewis into unconsciousness, stealing $45 from the till, were held today without bail for court.

The men are Leroy Dill, twenty-eight years old, and William Davis, twenty-seven years old, of Lombard street near Twenty-first; and John Lamb, thirty-two years old, of Eleventh street near Bainbridge. They are Negroes.

They were captured last night by Sergeant Tyrell, Sergeant Mullen and Patrolman Anderson, of the Twelfth and Pine streets police station. Davis and Lamb were arrested at their homes. Dill was captured after the police had chased him four squares from his home and fired several shots at him. Dill jumped from a second story in an effort to escape.

NOT A WOMAN HATER, BUT—

McCullough Wants Fair Sex to Observe Before Acting as Jurors

"Mister District Attorney, are you a woman hater?"

Miss Catherine O'Brien, impaneled on the jury list of Criminal Court No. 2, stopped Assistant District Attorney Michael F. McCullough in a corridor at City Hall today and asked him that question.

Mr. McCullough turned to the pretty woman and then blushed.

"Why, no," he replied after some hesitation, "where did you get the idea that I am a woman hater?"

"Because you challenged fourteen other women and me and wouldn't let us sit on a jury," Miss O'Brien replied.

"This court will be in session till January 31," said Mr. McCullough. "I want you women to sit on the side lines for a couple days until you see how court is operated. Then I'll be glad to have women jurors."

D'ANNUNZIO IN VENICE; SILENT

London, Jan. 20.—Gabriele D'Annunzio, former insurgent head of Fiume, arrived in Venice Tuesday, says a dispatch from Rome. D'Annunzio retired to the Barbarigo palace and refused to talk.

Man Is Found Dead

Peter Blair, fifty years old, who occupied a room at 1219 Summer street, was found dead by Mrs. Anna Rigner, proprietress of the rooming house, last night. Physicians said heart trouble was the cause of death.

KELSEY WILL SEEK TRUE BILL AGAINST DIX'S COMMANDER

Burlington County Prosecutor Writing Ultimatum to Gen. Summerall, Charging Aggression

SAYS HE PRAISED SOLDIER FOR SHOOTING A CITIZEN

Prosecutor Kelsey, of Burlington county, is preparing an "ultimatum" which he says he will send to Major General Edward P. Summerall, commanding officer at Camp Dix.

The prosecutor says he will ask the grand jury of the county to review alleged acts of "military aggression" on the part of the commandant, and if the evidence warrants cause his indictment and trial.

The trouble began when officers with children of school age, who had been sending them to the Pemberton High School, refused, under General Summerall's instructions, it is said, to pay tuition, and when the school board refused to teach the children had them sent to the Mt. Holly schools, where they are pay pupils.

Prosecutor Kelsey says that following this incident the general inaugurated a system of petty persecutions; threw an armed guard around Pemberton, and refused to let soldiers enter the place, declaring the town was insanitary and immoral.

"I just heard today," said Mr. Kelsey, "about a citizen of New Egypt by the name of Richard Parker who was held up when driving his automobile near Camp Dix, and who was shot by a military policeman when he refused to comply with demands made on him.

Soldier Convicted

"As county prosecutor it was my legal right to be informed of this occurrence. Instead, it was hushed up. The injured man was taken to a military hospital and treated. The guard, James E. Murray, a private in the military police, was court-martialed and convicted of willfully, maliciously and feloniously firing an automatic pistol at Parker and wounding him, and his discharge was recommended with forfeiture of pay.

"General Summerall reversed the decision of the court, I understand, and praised Murray for his act. This happened about three months ago and was hushed up until now."

The prosecutor said the citizens living in towns near Camp Dix have been annoyed in other petty ways, principally by the theft of their fowls. They complain most, however, of being stopped on public roads by armed guards and searched on the pretext that they may be carrying liquor into camp.

"A full report will be presented to Governor Edwards," said the prosecutor today, "and the facts will be brought also before the grand jury. I am assured by the attorney general that my police power extends to Camp Dix.

"General Summerall has brought back to this country the methods used on the Rhine. They won't go here among free American citizens. We do not propose to have a military autocracy in the midst of our community.

"General Summerall has slandered and insulted us on every hand.

"When the citizens have gone to the general to protest against the annoyances put upon them by the soldiers, he has answered, 'snow me the map and I'll see they are tried.' Obviously it is impossible to identify the culprits."

General Summerall himself refused to be interviewed today about the controversy with the town. Colonel S. O. Fugua, his chief of staff, though he would not talk for quotation, said a full report is being prepared, which will be sent to the War Department, and given out by it if at all.

FINDS HOME RANSACKED

A sneak thief gained entrance to the apartment of Mrs. J. Mathews, 6149 Market street, yesterday, and stole pieces of jewelry valued at $350. Mrs. Mathews, who was out shopping, returned to find the lock of the door forced and the apartment ransacked.

Underwood & Underwood

PEGGY MARSH

Former chorus girl whose marriage to Albert L. Johnson, New York and Cleveland clubman and sportsman, has just become public. The wedding was on January 5

HARDING SEEKS BIG MEN FOR CABINET

Party Receiving Secondary Consideration in Choice of Ministers

NO DEFINITE OFFERS MADE

By CLINTON W. GILBERT

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Marion, Jan. 20.—"I am going to have a Republican cabinet, but no selection will be made because of party obligation without consideration for the best service of the country."

Many here see in these words from President-elect Harding's statement on the cabinet and in his postponing of cabinet announcements the ending of the politicians' hope that the organization will be recognized to the extent of four places in the cabinet.

They indicate the real difficulty Mr. Harding is having in trying to reconcile two kinds of interests—those of the politicians and those of the public. This difficulty has seemed bigger to the President-elect as time has gone on. Immediately after election we would have thought it easy to pick a cabinet. The men who surrounded him, the men whom he had worked with, seemed fitted for the cabinet posts. Gradually the public aspects of his tasks grew to have more importance and the conflicts between them and his own inclinations, the claims of friendship and party obligation became more apparent.

A month ago he thought he could easily reconcile these opposite interests sufficiently to announce two or three appointments before going South for his holiday. Now he finds the difficulties of fitting together an administrative organization so great that he will make no definite tenders until he has a complete organization in mind.

No Definite Tenders

The positive statement that no definite tenders have been made should set at rest all the reports coming from time to time that various men have received and accepted offers of places in the cabinet. All that Mr. Harding has done even in the case of Mr. Hughes, who is regarded as a cabinet secretary of state, has been to approach men conditionally and tentatively. Mr. Harding has been quoted by these reports in the press which have kept definite tenders and acceptances of places in the cabinet had been made. It was this which led him to make yesterday's public statement. One story that caused annoyance at headquarters here was to the effect that ex-Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, on his recent visit here, had protested against the appointment of Will H. Hays as postmaster general.

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SENATORS APPROVE DISARMAMENT BILL IN MAKING REPORT

Foreign Relations Committee Recommends Naval Holiday Resolution

MINE REGULATION URGED IN CALDER BILL HEARING

By the Associated Press

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Borah's resolution proposing negotiations for reduction of naval building by the United States, Great Britain and Japan was reported favorably today by the Senate foreign relations committee.

No record vote was taken on it, but the resolution offered by Senator Walsh, proposing that the United States have an American representative participate with the disarmament commission of the League of Nations, was defeated 8 to 3 on a straight party alignment.

In lieu of the original Borah proposal that the negotiations look to a reduction of 50 per cent in future building for five years the committee proposed that the negotiations provide for such reductions as can be agreed upon.

Text of Resolution

As approved, the Borah resolution reads:

"Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is requested, if not incompatible with the public interests, to advise the governments of Great Britain and Japan, respectively, that this government will at once take up directly with their governments and without waiting upon the action of any other nation the question of naval disarmament, with a view of promptly entering into a treaty by which the naval building programs of each of said governments, to wit, that of Great Britain, Japan and the United States, shall be reduced annually during the next five years to such an extent and upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

"Section 2. That this proposition is suggested by the Congress of the United States to accomplish immediately a substantial reduction of the naval armaments of the world."

General Pershing and Henry White, former ambassador to France, are expected to appear tomorrow before the House naval affairs committee to discuss disarmament.

Urges Mine Regulation

The United States will be driven to nationalization of coal mines unless some system is found to keep competition alive in the industry, Chairman Thompson, of the Federal Trade Commission, declared today before the Senate commerce committee. He added that this was a thing he personally did not want to see.

The Calder bill for federal regulation of the industry, which is before the committee, was described by the witness as "prophylactic legislation—preventative, not parental." Congress has constitutional powers to enact such legislation, Mr. Thompson said.

"By this bill," the witness continued, "the trade commission can demonstrate to the consumer when he is called upon to pay such prices as $18 a ton, as the shipping board was last year, the cost of coal. Then there will have to be some explaining done before transactions are made.

"Justice in all these industrial problems and the testimony that has gone before in congressional committee investigations that the only time the interest of the consumer comes in is when the trade commission brings it in. All the other questions are those raised by an element of an industry trying to get an advantage against the others, or preventing others from getting from an advantage against it.

EISENLOHR FIGHTS SUMATRA TARIFF

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, Jan. 20.—Charles J. Eisenlohr, of Otto Eisenlohr & Bros., Philadelphia, protested to the ways and means committee today against a high-duty on imported sumatra tobacco used for cigars.

"Every American manufacturer protests against higher sumatra duties," he said. "We put in a few manufacturers who make leaf tobacco in Connecticut, Florida and Georgia. The production of cigars in the United States is covered about one-half by American and one-half by foreign wrappers. "Shall the farmers of Pennsylvania and Ohio be asked to shift to those who grow a shorter quantity of this shade-grown tobacco?"

Mr. Eisenlohr could not tell the cost of growing sumatra.

"The whole thing hinges on that," Congressman Longworth told him.

Mr. Eisenlohr asked if it was not necessary to judge conclusively before a tariff can be bought.

Mr. Longworth said that you have to take the price that is fixed," Mr. Eisenlohr said.

"As to competition there is nothing unusual or alarmingly unfair," Mr. Eisenlohr said. "Prices are sometimes somewhat high. Auction prices at Amsterdam range from $1.50 to $3.50, and sometimes that we have to pay $1.85 duty." He said there was plenty of competition.

The Havana cigar today has no standing on the market any longer, he said, due to Mr. Eisenlohr.

How soon will tobacco prices come down?" Representative Bacharach inquired.

"In case leaf tobacco comes down it will be a year or two before prices can come down," Mr. Eisenlohr said.

"Why should tobacco prices not come down as prices for everything else?" Congressman Tincher asked.

"Tobacco prices did not go up for two years after other things went up," the witness said. "The cases where five-cent cigars have gone up to ten cents are isolated cases. "I hope you people will leave us alone on sumatra tobacco imports. We do not want the committee to change the rates of duty."

Asked if he was interested in any tobacco rates or legislation pending in the Senate Mr. Eisenlohr said, "I have arranged to have a little meeting before Senator Penrose at 1 o'clock.

EGYPTIAN SYNDICATE PLANS TO HOLD COTTON

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 20.—A co-operative syndicate has been formed to hold two million cantars of cotton in the hope of raising the price of the commodity. A cantar ranges from 100 to 130 pounds. The syndicate apparently is acting on the assumption that the banks will advance the necessary funds, but cotton experts here are doubtful whether its members have sufficient knowledge of the world's markets to carry out the operation. Authorities have been approached for moral support, but such support is improbable.

URGE IMPROVEMENT OF THREE RIVERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Improvement of the Mississippi, Ohio and Missouri rivers, to insure year-round navigation between Minneapolis and St. Paul and St. Louis and Pittsburgh and Kansas City was urged today before the House rivers and harbors committee by a delegation of shippers and barge line operators from the middle west. The improvements, it is estimated, would cost $60,000,000.

BANDIT ROBS CAMDEN MAN HOME DISTILLER ARRESTED

Rainey Ducoin Held Up and Compelled to Give Up Pay

Rainey Ducoin, 112 Linden street, Camden, was held up by a Negro highwayman at midnight at Second and Pine streets, Camden, and robbed of $32, his pay.

The highwayman is described as six feet tall, well built, smooth-faced and about thirty years old. He wore an army sweater over a fur-collared corduroy overcoat.

Ducoin handed over his money when the highwayman placed a revolver in his face and told him he "would shoot if you don't come through."

Camden Man Taken When Neighbors Complain of Odors

Thomas Devoney, 1618 Kaighn avenue, Camden, was arrested early this morning when Sergeant Abbott and several patrolmen of the Camden department raided the Devoney home.

Neighbors said they were bothered with the resultant odors of home-made "booze." Sergeant Abbott and his men found an "amateurish constructed still," a barrel of mash, and other essentials for making liquor.

Devoney will have a hearing before United States Commissioner Craig today.

Cardinal Gibbons Urges All Catholics to use the MANUAL OF PRAYERS.—Adv.