

NIGHTTIME MAYOR FIGHTS FOR HIS JOB

Lippincott Says He Was Elected by the People of Haddonfield and Means to Stick

RECEIVED LOWEST VOTE

"I was elected Mayor of Haddonfield by the people and I'm going to stay on the job regardless of political manipulators."

John H. Lippincott, Jr., made this declaration today at his office, 1717 Sansom street, in tones which indicated that he meant every word. He is tall and sinewy and can undoubtedly, physically at least, back up anything he says.

Mr. Lippincott was elected on a ticket with Morris R. Clark and Fred T. Holloway. All were elected to the Board of Commissioners. According to rules of the borough, commissioners must also fill three other jobs, namely, Mayor, Director of Department of Finance and Director of Public Works.

Clark claimed that he ought to be chosen Mayor because he received the highest vote. Therefore, he objected when Mr. Lippincott announced that he would be the chief executive.

Holloway also questioned the claim of Mr. Lippincott. He asserted that he also polled more votes than the latter.

Regardless of these claims, however, Mr. Lippincott said that he was the Mayor and would prove it tonight when the board meets to organize.

Says He Don't Believe in Talk. "I don't believe in talk," said Mr. Lippincott, but, candidly speaking, these men who contest my claim are simply switching. Mr. Clark went before the people as a candidate for Director of Finance and Mr. Holloway proclaimed himself as candidate for Director of Public Works.

"They put for the pamphlets which announced what office they sought and on the same folder I was announced as candidate for Chief Executive. There is no higher office than that of Chief Executive, therefore I was elected Mayor."

Mr. Lippincott has been referred to as the "Nighttime Mayor."

"Is it true that you can only perform your mayoralty duties at night?" Mr. Lippincott was asked.

"That is not true," replied Mr. Lippincott, "while I am absent from the borough on account of my private business during the day, nevertheless, I am always in touch by telephone."

"Were previous Mayors absent during the day?"

"Yes, my predecessor was. He is Joseph K. Lippincott, my cousin. I frequently saw him returning from his farm at night."

Offers to Take Lower Salary. Mr. Lippincott sighed and looked out the window. "The salary attached to

Runaway Girl



ANNA MAY CLARK. She testified today against Fred Heiman, twenty years old, in connection with her disappearance from her home, 2001 Summer street, April 28. She was located May 19 near Valley Forge. The youth was held without bail.

of the office of Mayor," he added, "is \$1000. The other two posts carry salaries of \$750. To show that I am not actuated by any financial gain I suggested that the Mayor's salary be reduced. But the other two members of the board want their own salaries increased."

"What do the people say about this?" he was asked.

"Ah, that's the question," concluded Mr. Lippincott, "what will the people say about that?"

TO SCATTER LANE'S ASHES IN YOSEMITE

Remains to Be Cast to Winds From El Capitan Peak, as He Wished

CREMATE BODY IN CHICAGO

By the Associated Press. Chicago, May 19.—The body of Franklin K. Lane, former Secretary of the Interior, who died in Rochester, Minn., yesterday, was cremated here today and the ashes will be taken to the top of El Capitan peak in the Yosemite Valley, Calif., and scattered to the four winds, in compliance with a request made by Mr. Lane prior to his death.

Relatives of Mr. Lane explained the unusual request by saying that he had spent much of his life in the Yosemite region and had grown to love it so much that he wished his remains to be taken there when he died. The body arrived here this morning from Rochester and was immediately taken to Graceland cemetery for cremation. There were no funeral services—another request of Mr. Lane's—and only the immediate family attended the cremation. The ashes will be taken West immediately, it was said.

Washington, May 19.—To some of Franklin K. Lane's most intimate friends here, there had come before his death a remarkable message, dictated by him in the hospital in Rochester, Minn., after the operation which preceded his death by only a few days. The message showed the former secretary had undergone the operation with full consciousness and acceptance of the fact that he might not survive it. It told in detail of his sensations before

during and after the operation, of which he was fully conscious, as the condition of his heart would not permit the use of a general anesthetic. The message follows in part: "I have seen death come to men in various ways, some rather novel and Western. I once saw a man hanged. And I have seen several men shot, and came very near going out that way myself two or three times, but always the other fellow aimed poorly. I was being shot at because I was a newspaper man, and I should have been shot at. There must be public concern in what is printed, as well as its truth, to justify it. That is something that newspapermen should get to know in this country. After the earthquake in San Francisco I saw walls topple over upon a man. And I have had more intimate glimpses still of the picturesque and of the prosaic ways by which men come to their taking off."

"But never before have I been called upon to deliberately walk into the Valley of the Shadow, and say what you will, it is a great act. I have said during the last months of endless exami-

nation that a man with little curiosity and little humor, and a little money, who was not in too great pain, could enjoy himself studying the ways of doctors and nurses as he journeyed the invalid's path. "Lead Kindly Light" "For two days I had knowledge that this operation was to take place at this time, and my nerves had not been just as good as they should have been. Those men who sleep twelve hours perfectly before being electrocuted have evidently led more tranquil lives than I have or have less concern as to the future. Ah, now I was to know the great secret! For forty years I had been wondering, wondering. Often I had said to myself that I should summon to my mind when this moment came some words that would be somewhat a synthesis of my philosophy. Socrates said to those who stood by after he had drunk the hemlock, 'No evil can befall a good man whether he be alive or dead.' I don't know how far from that we have gone in these 2400 years. "The apothegm, however, was not apposite to me, because it involved a declaration that I was a good man, and

I don't know any one who has the right to appreciate himself. And I had come to the conclusion that perhaps the best statement of my creed could be fitted into the words, 'I accept,' which to me meant that if in the law of nature my individual spirit was to go back into the great ocean of spirits my one duty was to conform. 'Lead, kindly light, was all the gospel I had. I accepted. "JACK THE CLIPPER" AGAIN West Phila. School Girl Has Hair Snipped Off on Vacant Lot A "Jack the Clipper," in large in West Philadelphia, is being sought vigorously today by police as a result of the latest outrage against a child. Louise Boyle, a pretty thirteen-year-old girl, who lives at 4525 Sansom

street, was the victim of the "Clipper" yesterday as she was crossing a vacant lot at Forty-seventh and Locust streets. Other girls of her own age, and after the game walked to the home of one of them. She crossed the lot while returning to her own home and noticed a middle-aged man approaching. The stranger's actions did not arouse suspicion, and she was about to pass him when he seized one of the plaits of her brown hair and snipped it off with a pair of scissors. ZEISSER'S SITE SOLD Title to Zeisser's hotel property at Walnut and Darien streets has been taken by J. O. Meyers from A. J. Henry, subject to mortgages of \$50,000. The assessed valuation of the property is \$65,000.

6TH BOXCAR FIRE IN WEEK

Latest Blaze of Kind at American and Diamond Streets. The sixth freight car fire within a week occurred early this morning on a boxcar belonging to the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co., at American and Diamond streets. The car was one of a long train loaded with hay. A pedestrian, seeing smoke coming from the side of the freight, sounded an alarm, and engine from the Fourth street and Girard avenue fire station responded. The firemen had little difficulty in controlling the blaze, which was confined to the outside of the car.

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