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"It is not necessary to enter into detail as to the earlier financial trans-

Danger in Amortization

"These earlier financial transactions,

perhaps, are no matter of concern to the city as a lessor so long as it re-ceives full rental and finds the stipula-

tions of the contract performed, except as the amortization of these funds to obtain return of their capital to the

one of which a gas commission was appointed to make a thorough inquiry

of the situation, especially as it related to the property of the city and the up-

to-dateness of the works, with reference

to their producing capacity should the

"Until the early part of 1920 there

was no public suggestion that the com-

Co. first brought the subject to

vided for in the contract.

period, December 31, 1927.

gas consumers except the fe

value.

are concerned only with the heating

."In this formal presentation of the

cluding those of the winter of 1921

It would then be feasible to take

Be it remembered that the lease of

Rates to Be Unchanged

missioners, all experts being required, whereas the Mayor pointed out that

non-experts—more in touch with the public interests—should be appointed

tract, of the heat standard known

delphia should have the benefit of a general survey of the gas situation and

the advice of experts concerning these and other matters involved in the future

operation and development of the gas

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suspension

standard

The veto was sustained, and subse-

no way a factor.

was to the city.

along with experts.

by such amortization, detract

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PRICE TWO CENTS

FOR NEW LEASE

Urges Council to Aid in Framing Stable Policy With U. G. I.

NO INCREASE UNTIL AGREEMENT IS MADE Hall Ordinance Failed to Pro-

Moore Declares COUNCILMEN CRITICIZED

tect City or Consumer,

FOR IGNORING EXPERTS stockholders and bondholders if necessary at the termination of the lease, Mayor Moore vetoed the Hall gas

ordinance, increasing the price from \$1 to \$1.10 a thousand cubic feet, this A new, permanent gas lease and the

adoption of a permanent policy for the operation of the city-owned gas works were recommended by the Mayor. "In no event, until a new permanent base is made or a definite policy adept-

ed." wrote the Mayor, "should the consumers of gas be called upon to pay a higher rate than that provided for in the existing contract."

Public Not Safeguarded

In his message to Council, covering pany desired or needed any relief from sixteen closely typewritten pages, the its contract stipulations. Mayor declared that the Hall ordinance dent of the United Gas Improvement contained no safeguard for consumers attention of the Mayor prior to May or taxpayers .. He summarized all the 19, 1920. recommendations of the municipal Gas Commission and refered to them as of tion of the Mayor, the president of the great importance in the matter of time, nomy and efficiency.

Referring further to the commission's ecommendations, the Mayor stated: "Along with their detailed report and stitution of the British thermal unit their schedules, which constitute an in- standard for that of twenty-two-candle teresting chapter in the history of finance of 1897. Mr. Bodine rested his request and gas-making, they substituted spe- for the change of standard upon the eific recommendations, many of them increased price of fuel, particularly gas

plainly in the interest of the city and oil used in the manufacture of high the gas consumers, without being un-fair to the United Gas Improvement that 'candlepower means nothing to any Co. In fact, their figures and state- use open-flame burners, who by changments were publicly stated to be ac- ing to incandescent-mantle burners, curate by the president of the U. G. I. can put themselves on the same basis Co. at a hearing held in the Mayor's as all other users of gas appliances who

"These recommendations, however, based as they were upon an inquiry problem the president of the United Gas Improvement Co. and sanctioned by Council and the B. T. U. standard for the candlenower. standard, we will order coal gas apparatus for immediate requirements, in-Mayor, have been totally ignored in the so-called emergency ordinance recently ed by Council and submitted for the Mayor's signature.

Reduced City's Revenues At another point in the message, Mr.

The emergency ordinance, granting in mind the maintenance of the value of the Philadelphia Gas Works not only direct and not conditional relief to the United Gas Improvement Co., is not in the interest of the city, or of the consumers of gas. The additional twenty-five cents a thousand cubic feet is an 1807 agreed to before gas heat Eve cents a thousand cubic feet is an arbitrary fixing of relief not based on any facts shown by the company or the (gas) commission."

1897. agreed to before gas heat had come into general use, did not mention heat, but provided solely, so far

The U. G. I. now receives seventysee cents for every \$1 of gas sold, the
ty receiving the remainder are a reported. city receiving the remainder as a rental. sured 22-candlepower light, that being The Hall ordinance would have steen the principal desideratum of the con-Hall ordinance would have given company \$1 of every \$1,10 of gas

Text of Message

"It is proper before acting thereon in accordance with law, to submit my views with respect to the bill entitled 'An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the Gas Improvement Co., its successors and assigns, by the City of Philadelphia. for the least to the former of the gas works, street mains, conduits, pipes. Services, meters and other property, real and personal, of the latter, used for and in connection with the manufacture and distribution of mas in said city by said. execution of a contract with the United the United Gas Improvement Co., its successors and assigns, etc., etc., 'ap-proved the twelfth day of November, 1897, and authorizing the Mayor to eninto an agreement with said the United Gas Improvement Co., amending quently another ordinance was intro-and modifying the said lease of Novem-ber 12, 1807. quently another ordinance was intro-duced and passed by the Council. This ordinance, authorizing the employment Wilson's cash drawer.

ber 12, 1897.

"This measure proposes, by amendment to the contract of November 12.
1897, between the City of Philadelphia
and the United Gas Improvement Co., to
thange the twenty-two conditions of the contract of them to be public utility experts, was approved by change the twenty-two candie-power light standard therein guaranteed, to a the so-called emergency ordinance now the so-called emergency ordinance now ing Rainstorm to advance the price of gas to the consumer from \$1 per 1000 cubic feet to \$1.10 per 1000 cubic feet, and to raise the amount to be paid to the United Gas Improvement Co. from seventy-five cents per 1000 cubic feet to \$1 per 1000 cubic feet, thus reducing the restal of a larger amount of all then is not and is was accessive feet. cubic feet, thus reducing the rental to be paid to the City of Philadelphia from twenty-five cents per 1000 cubic feet to ten cents per thousand cubic feet, efen cents per thousand cubic feet, efting an aggregate reduction of re- power standard, as provided in the conturn to the city in this instance, and tesulting in a benefit to the United Gas the British thermal unit; that Council Improvement Co. of approximately \$1 bad passed an ordinance, which the

bad passed an ordinance, which the Mayor had approved July 19, 1920, for ement Co. of approximately \$4,-000,000 for the year.

"There is no provision in the ordithe temporary twenty-two candle-power standard and the substitution of the heat stand he consumer who, in the end, by an inobliged to make up this and other allowcompany desired to make permanent; that the lease or contract expired De-cember 31, 1927, when some new ar-rangement will have to be made for Gas Improvement Co. by the ordinance. the operation of the gas works; that it was desirable that the city of Phila-

Commission Favored The recommendations made by the

Gas Commission appointed by the Mayor Aursuant to the ordinance of Council. tured in by the Council January 20, Mance of the United Gas Improvement Co.—are wholly ignored in this proposed To fully appreciate the gas situa-an and the significance of the ordi-

vorks, and that a sufficient sum should be appropriated to carry this purpose These were the reasons set forth

nance under discussion a brief statement is in order. The United Gas Improvement Co. is a Philadelphia creation, having been organized and in operation prior to November 12, 1897, when
it came to an agreement with the city
of Philadelphia formerly operating its
own gas works, to take over the entire
city plant under a lease which was to
terminate in thirty years.

"Much public excitement attended EFFORTS TO SEIZE terminate in thirty years.

"Much public excitement attended the negotiations leading up to that lease and in the consummation thereof. The company, turning in its own works valued at \$1,060,000, promptly took possession of the city works—which had suffered scandal due to alleged mismanagement by the municipal authorities—proceeded to arrange its financial affairs through syndicates and subsidiaries and in a remarkably short time established an improved service which **RUM BANK BOATS**

More Customs Officials Join Those Hunting Liquor Smugglers at Shore established an improved service which tended to restore public confidence in the enterprise.

CLAIM NEW INFORMATION. BUT GUARD IT JEALOUSLY

detail as to the earlier linancial trans-actions of the company (they have been commented upon by the Gas Commis-sion in the report forwarded to the Mayor and Council under date of May 14, 1921), except as reference may be made to the operations of the Equit-able Illuminating Gas Light Co, which Atlantic City, N. J., July 28 .-Aroused to desperation over the report that hundreds of cases of Scotch whisky appears to have turned into the treas-ury of the United Gas Improvement Co. in the earlier stages of its opera-tion \$6,200,000 in cash, the proceeds of the disposal of stocks and bonds of a par value of \$10,625,000 from the schooner Henry T. Marshall are being landed through inland passage on Egg Harbor Bay, Government agents spent all last night in a hunt along the three-mile limit endeavoring to catch up with some of the bank boats that are reported engaged in this illehat are reported engaged in this ille-

gal traffic.

Late last night three more customs officials came here to re-enforce the inspectors already here, and without any help from other Government departments the customs men took it upon themselves to try to establish definitely that the Marshall is laying off shore and unloading its cargo into the smaller

The customs officials will not verify The customs officials will not verify in any manner the report that the Marshall has been off this resort for the last week unloading booze, nor will they confirm another report that the Marshall defied every known Federal marine law and came into the Inlet and up to Gardner's Basin and unloaded under the very noses of customs officials 400 cases of Scotch. from the rentals to be paid the city, neglect the physical property, or force an increase in gas rates over those pro-"These phases of the problem muse be borne in mind in connection with the proposed ordinance and prior ordinances submitted in the interest of the United Gas Improvement Co., under cases of Scotch

Say They Know Lots One customs official, who has been working on the smuggling charges for several days, admitted that they knew lots, but were afraid to "tip off" any of it for fear of a "leak."

"The booze is here and it's coming in almost daily," said this official. "We are covering up every point possible in our effort to locate the exact leading place of this booze and we are

ease be suddenly terminated or should it expire at the end of the thirty-year landing place of this booze and we are sure to come up with it soon. We know that plenty of booze is brought in through the inland passages toward Port Republic and Tuckerton. But so far our efforts to grab the guilty ones bave been fruitless."

The customs officials admit they are somewhat skeptical of the story told of the daring deeds of the bold skipper. "On that date, following a suggescompany put in writing a statement of Marshall, but they are, one and all, ready to admit this skipper bold is "playing it safe" by plying his lucrative business on the seaside of the three-mile line. They also admit that its proposal. This statement is of record in the printed proceedings of the It was in the nature of a request for one thing only-the subthis island is simply stocked to capacity with choice brands of Scotch, and also admit that if the stuff is the real article it must have come over the deep, deep sea into the shallow waters of Mullica and Bass Rivers. whence it was loaded into waiting au-tomobile trucks and thence forwarded

However, every one nowadnys tells of this and that rum-laden schooner. There must be at least forty vessels of the schooner type engaged in this sea trade today if all the yarns brought in ments. She was held in \$1500 bail for and Sixty-ninth street terminal, Philaby the legitimate bank fishermen are court. to be believed. Every one that comes in tells of the many "three-mile houses" with "seaside bars" that are neat straw hat. She listened in matterlocated just over the line. One fisherman said he has seen more schooners booze-laden in the last three weeks denounced her. She smiled approvingly than boats actually engaged in fishing.

"Some Business" "It's some business," said this fish-1922. It would then be feasible to take the time necessary for a detailed, care-the they also seem to be able nuc, said the girl, with two others, the young aviator took a wild, quick full study of how provisions should be to get away with it, but I don't want called at her place about four weeks the young aviator took a wild, quick chance and made a landing in a buildthe time necessary is the remainder of the lease, but to get away with it. Some day some anything to do with it. Some day some in mind the maintenance of the value of these boats may slip over the line in mind the maintenance of the value of these boats may slip over the line articles the other two selected what they wanted. When they had gone in they wanted. When they had gone in they wanted in the platform of the elevated railroad. Fifteen minutes later their automobile, the witness said, furs afterward, when they are returned to good-night. The wise guys around here may

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WOMAN BATTLES ROBBER FOUND IN CAMDEN STORE

Man Caught in Chase After Beat-

An alleged footpad, surprised today in the grocery store of Mrs. Mary Wil
on July 7. They asked many questions, said the wouldn't tell me. They just said she was sick. Why, she was alive and well on July 7. They asked many questions, yesterday afternoon—she went downson, 430 South Fifth street, Camden, but made no purchases. The struck the woman and fled, but was valued at \$100 disappeared. caught by a detective after a chase

"In addition, the rates to the con-sumer were to be held at the scale fixed, as also were the rentals to the city, of two blocks. the contract or the agreement being John Allyn, a Negro, Pine street Efforts by the Magistrate to obtain then regarded of greater interest to the United Gas Improvement Co. than it man, later was identified as one of two She just listened and occasionally John Allen, a Negro, Pine street Efforts by the Magistrate to obtain f two She just listened and occasionally Earl smiled. But her smile faded entirely who bound and robbed "The Mayor forwarded the formal re- Whina, in his Camden store last Mon- when she was led toward a cell.

rear of her store and heard the till to have been stolen from some of the opened. As she hurried into the store several stores were found in her room.

and was struck a blow in the face which dazed her. City Detective Fitzgerald was walking nearby and saw Al-len running. Recorder Stackhouse later remanded Allen to jail on a charge of

RELIEF SHOWERS ON WAY

Thunder showers will arrive late this afternoon, according to the weather man, and give some relief from the

The temperature at 3 o'clock was 93 and is was accompanied by a humidity

The forecaster predicts that today will be at least as hot as yesterday with the highest temperature DI degrees. Continued warm weather is predicted for tonight and tomorrow

Hourly Temperatures

	DEI ENDO UNO INCINENCE
Temperature Sectorday Today	Plants at \$16,750,900 In an effort to justify increased rates or service, the Philadelphia and suburban Gas and Electric Co. today duced before the Public Service Commission a valuation of its plants which was said to be \$16,750,900, allowing or improvements and depreciations. Complaints against the rate increases and been filed with the commission by hirty-seven individuals and associations located in this city. Giencide, West Chester, Chester and other communities near Philadelphia. C. H. Hahn, an engineer, who super-

Penrose Is Put 'Up a Trée' by City Political Situation

Senator, in Quandary, "Keeps Hands Off," but Any Combine Ticket Unprotested by Him Will Bear His Label

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN

To Spend Little Time Here

expect for some time to visit Philadel-

Plausible as this might seem, there

larly also when the rivulets of patron-

age, outside certain restricted offices,

Through Night From Parkes-

burg, Pa., on Sad Errand

Lieutenart Louis M. Robb, twenty-

delphia, in thirty-five minutes.

With his machine slung low to the

ground so that no time might be lost in

When he arrived at Sixty-ninth street

Sees Undertaker's Wagon

At the door there stood an under

"You see," said the young aviator sitting on the porch of his home this morning, "she-she was dead when

town. I can't believe it. Miss Selma

l'homas, a friend, broke the news to me

at the door, although I guess I realized when I saw the undertaker's wagon."

Robb, who was an army avintor and

Parkesburg, Pa., is a tall, blonde

slim young man, given to erect walk-

"JAZZ BURGLAR" IS SHOT

FLEEING FROM PATROLMAN

Drops Silverware at Forty-ninth

Street and Chester Avenue

ing wild music from a mandolin, was shot in the arm early today as he fled

from a patrolman at Forty-ninth street

and Chester avenue. He escaped, but dropped a bag of silverware and cut

Patrolman Murphy, of the Fifty-fifth

and Pine streets station, at 7 o'clock this morning saw a Negro carrying a

bag. He called to the man to stop, but the Negro stepped on shoeleather.

The bluecont fired one shot in the air and then pointblank at the running

man, who dropped the bag and clapped a hand to his arm. His feet were all right, however, At the station house the silverware

and glass were identified by James C. Hillery, 1002 South Forty-ninth street

awoke this morning. Hillery found in

his kitchen a mandolin showing hard

MAYOR TO VETO HALL BILL

Moore Expected to Stick to Stand

on Recreation Center Name

veto, but notwithstanding this fact is expected the name of "Phillis Wheat

the majority of the people of the ward.

Cardinal Gibbons Urged All Catholics to use the MANUAL OF PHAYERS.—Adu.

will stick because it is favored by

and Council this afternoon vetoing ar

Mayor Moore will send a message t

who found his rear door open when

engaged in commercial flying

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morning, "she-she was dead they called me up last night, only

pected to finance the fight.

My informat was positive in the

If Senator Penrose, who holds the daily, possibly until October. His pres key of the Cunningham-Brown-Vare ence is necessary at each meeting, an combination, could be convinced that any absence in the cercumstances would this group could win the autumn elec- be occasion for very just criticism." tions without prejudice to his reputed political sagacity, his enmity to the Vares, or his pocketbook, the triumvirate would have been in the field before this with sabers upraised and gon- phia again for a stay longer than a day

But Senator Penrose has not given take precedence over the minor affairs the word. It is probable he will not. of Philadelphia politics. Inferentially, The Senator is in a quandary. He has Penrose will let matters in this city adgiven no encouragement to Mayor just themselves without his direct in-Moore, nor has he issued a mandate terference. to the combination.

On the most unquestioned authority he has expressed his views on the Phil- Senator Penrose gives the cue to the adelphia situation as "a murky outlook." Further, he is disposed, up to or names its candidates, he will be exthe present, to let it take care of itself without his intervention.

The gentleman through whom this information came, in justifying the leaders during the Moore Administra-Senator's attitude, said:

"Senator Penrose is in better shape first took sick. He is taking excellent care of bimself. It is necessary that he should do so. As chairman of the Finance Committee of the Senate he has greater responsibility upon him than

"Fiscal affairs aggregating \$20,000. 000,000—the greatest in the history of civilization-have to be disposed of by his committee. The committee will sit

OF GIRL BANDITS

Storekeepers Accuse Annie Gal-

lagher-Smile Fades as

She Goes to Cell

Annie Gallagher, alleged leader of a

The defendant, twenty years old, was

of-fact fashion to her accusers and

barely raised her eyebrows when they

she had a refined and lady-like manner.

a dry goods store at 4032 Girard ave-

Peak, clerk in a store at 27 South

Morris Roberti, who conducts a store

Although counsel had been engaged

The girl was arrested last Saturday

while asleep at her home. Goods said

LIVELY, MURDERER, CAUGHT

IN CHICAGO. REPORT STATES

Wanted in Moorestown

in June, may be under arrest in Chi-

A positive statement that the fugi-

Gilbert Crawford, a detective of Dela

to Crawford to communicate with Ellis Parker, Burlington County detective, and himself got into communication with the Burlington County authori-

uch doubted that Lively had been

graphed to him last night for informa-

DEFENDS GAS INCREASE

ion was wired immediately.

He said Crawford had tele

ware County, in a telegram to District Attorney William Taylor. District Attorney Taylor wired back

had been arrested was made by P

Lewis Lively, the Negro wanted for the murder of Matnilda Isusso, seven years old, in Moorestown, N. J., early dromes

by the defendant he failed to appear.

no purchases. Two dresses

at 2033 Kensington avenue, said the

she said, "and after they left four good dresses were missing. I think they put the dresses on under their own and sitting on the

Firty-second street.
"The girls each tried on a dress.

got out without being detected."

valued at \$145 were missing.

before Magistrate Yates in the Front his mother in an airplane hist night.

Mrs. Mollie Backhaut, who conducts ascent, he cut the night like a bullet.

alued at \$145 were missing.
Similar testimony was given by Mabel at 416 North Fortieth street.

Officials Here Doubt Captive Is Man self between housebreakings by pluck-

for service, the Philadelphia and Suburban Gas and Electric Co. today placed before the Public Service Commission a valuation of its plants which

was said to be \$16,750,900, allowing as the Charles Seger Recreation Center

SCANDAL IN COUNCI

Calls Committee's Findings an Attempt to 'Whitewash' Guilty Parties in \$25,000 Bribe Case

HALL, VON TAGEN, WEGLEIN statement that Senator Penrose did not SPEAK IN FAVOR OF REPORT

Councilman Roer refused today to or so. The affairs of Washington will sign the report of the councilmanic ommittee appointed to investigate the by Andrew B. Smith, of Sears-Roebuck & Co., denouncing the report as a whitewash.

The committee, which was appointed

are other considerations involved. If directly after the scandal came to light, ubmitted its report to Council this aftcombination to go ahead, if he indorses ernoon without Mr. Roper's signature. The charges investigated were to the effect that a member of Council had approached Mr. Smith and asked for \$25,000 for some one "higher up" so

The usual sources of campaign funds have been shut off from the combine that the Sears-Roebuck Co. could get a tion. Their only hopes are in the assessments that can be jevied on the emstreet railway that it desired on the ployes of the county offices and the Municipal Court. Roosevelt boulevard. Immediately after making these charges Mr. Smith left Under certain circumstances Senator Vare might be depended upon for large contributions. With his street cleanthe city, returning to Chicago. Several attempts were made to have him reing contracts vanishing and heavy exinditures that are always entailed upon a political tender, it is not likely that charged that Councilman Limeburner he will march up to the captain's desk and settle as in former years, particu-

was the man who approached Smith. The special committee appointed by Council was made up of Edward R. bave dried up. That the Cunningham-Brown-Vare Hall, Von Tagen, Weglein, Roper and Patton. Their lengthy report, detailng all the testimony taken and several meetings that have been held was sum-

'Recentl ythe chairman of the comthe honor or integrity of Council or upon any member thereof, and that he Louis M. Robb Races Here had so notified the Mayor.

Cortelyou Has No Evidence "Director Cortelyou also stated that he had no evidence or information to

lay before Council.
"The refusal of Mr. Smith to reap-LAWYER FAILS TO APPEAR GUIDED BY RAILROAD LIGHTS final reports of the District Attorney the committee to consider that the charges reflecting on the honor and integrity of the individual member and the Council as a whole bave not been maintained." and the Director of Public Safety impel had the firing been accidental. band of girl robbers, stood complacently five years old, sped to the deathbed of The committee asked to be dis-

and Master streets police station today At the rate of eighty miles an hour charged. than a dozen storekeepers he raced through the night, covering the Councilmen Von Tagen, Weglein and while more than a dozen so forty-five miles between Parkesburg. Hall all spoke in favor of the report, tsetified she was the directing genius of Pa., where the message reached him. Just as Mr. Hall had concluded his several robberies at their establish- Pa., where the message reached him. "I am not here to wash dirty linen. There are lots that I could say-things Only the lights of the railroad signal that I have heard about-but I'll not towers guided his course. Buildings and trees loomed threateningly in the dark-trees loomed threateningly in the dark-transaction." ness, but he whizzed on and by them.

Shocked by Tragedy

MRS. HARRY H. DURYEA Whose husband was killed in New York yesterday by his own revolver. Although authorities called it sui-cide, Mrs. Duryea is sure her hus-band had no cause to end his life. She was formerly Miss Minga Pope and has long been prominent in Long Island society

BY OWN REVOLVER

Medical Examiner Calls Death of Prominent Long Island Man Suicide

ACCIDENT, ASSOCIATES SAY is being forced to avoid imposing some

New York, July 28 .- Alone in his private office on the eighteenth floor of the Equitable Trust Co.'s building. Harry H. Duryea, of the prominent Long Island family of that name, died mittee and the president of Council called on the District Attorney and were informed that he had concluded his investigation and had discovered nothing that involved or reflected upon the purchased.

was based on an investigation by Dr. Thomas H. Gonzales, who said the wound was of the "direct contact" sort and that the bullet had passed exactly and horizontally through the heart. which it probably would not have done

But Mr. Durven's attorney, Alexander S. Andrews, who took charge of the here seriously thinks that the Governoffice immediately after the tragedy, was ment has sided the railroads for the quite at firmly convinced the death was last time. The report of Director Genan accident; that the weapon was dis-charged by mishap while Mr. Duryea large unpaid bills, and that they have it or experimenting with it.

Planned Mountain Vacation The lawyer declared his client's financial and family affairs were in only a short time, and then the duty perfect order, that he was planning a mountain vacation for next week (which

was why he purchased the revolver) and that there was not the slightest Continued on Page Six. Column Five

TODAY'S RACING RESULTS

First Empire City-Dexterous, 110, Snedman, 20-1, 8-1, 4-1, won; Premenade, 105, Penman, 18-5, 7-5, 7-10, second; Finnish Maid, 100, Bullman, 13.5, 7-5, 7-10, third. Time, 1.03.

ROPER WOULD EXTEND B. T. U. UNTIL DECEMBER

Councilman Roper introduced an ordinance to give the U. G. I. permission to continue the B. T. U. system until December 31, 1921. The ordinance was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Utilities. The present extension of the time limit on the B. T. U. system expired July 15, and under the law the company is liable to a fine of \$500 a day. Roper's ordinance will be retroactive and save the company the cost of fines.

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TODAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

Totals....

DETROIT...... 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 - 2 10 ATHLETICS(1st) 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 3 8 Middleton and Bassler; Rommel and Perkins. Mayor Moore already has named the plot the "Phillis Wheatley Recreation Center" in honor of a Negro poetess, Council is almost sure to override this

BOYS FALL OFF RAFT; ONE DROWNED, TWO SAVED Walter Dandle, five years old, 303 Fulton street, was drowned this afternoon from Pier 28 at foot of South street when he and his two brothers, Joseph and Leon, fell off a raft while playing. The others were rescued.

CONGRESS PRESSED FOR WAYS TO MEET REVENUE DEMANDS

Federal Auto License Fees, Stamps on Checks, 3-Cent Postage Considered

POLITICAL DANGERS SEEN IN NEW KINDS OF LEVIES

House Leaders Confer With Harding Tonight

Washington, July 28.—(By A. P.)—Another White House dinner conference will be held tonight between President Harding and about a dozen Republican leaders in the House in furtherance of the legislative program understood to have been agreed upon by Senate Republicans who conferred with the President

Definite arrangement of the House rogram to fit in with the Adminisration plan, especially as to passage of the Tax Bill, was expected to reult from the conference.

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Copurisht, 1921, by Public Ledger Co. Washington, July 28 .- The definite decisions to add a Federal automobile license tax to the stamp tax upon bank checks and the increased postage on letters shows to what lengths Congress form of sales tax. It was greatly desired by the Administration to avoid imposing a tax upon automobiles on the ground that its imposition would be

sense that in the present state of business returns from income and corporation taxes would fall off seriously has led to the realization that not enough money would be raised by increasing rates upon the corrying of mail and by imposing a tax upon bank checks to make up for the deficit caused by doing away with the excess profits tax the lowering of the higher brackets of the income tax.

The situation of the railroads and of the Shipping Board have especially made the tax lawmakers anxious. Mr. Lasker, chairman of the latter board, presented the Government with an unexpected call for \$300,000,000 to mest allowed their repairs upon ro'ling to fall far behind. Unless but improves, the \$500,000,000 which the Government has paid them will will once more face the country,

May Come to It at Last Therefore, it is probable that before taxation law goes through both houses of Congress, a sense of the financial difficulties to the Government will lead to the search for more new taxes to add to the automobile license tax and the stamp tax on checks and the increased postage. As the special taxes now cover about everything which can be special-taxed, the Administration may feel in the end that some form of consumption tax or sales tax will be necessary. Without one a deficit in revenues is likely unless business greatly

In the framing of the new tax law. political considerations are uppermost. By nothing which it does is the Administration likely to be judged so sharply as by its policy of raising revenues. Congress knows this and is timid. All of the House and one-third of the Senate will be up for re-election in a year.
In general Congress feels that in taxation it is best to let sleeping dogs lie. Seen as Obstacle to Business

Rightly or wrongly, the whole country—the laborer out of a job as well as the capitalist whose factories are idle s persuaded that this tax is an obstacle the recovery of business. Every one virtually desires to have But no one wishes to be abolished. taxed and to make up the deficiency in the revenue which its abolishment will Congress is looking about for taxes

which will rest lightly upon the public; taxes whose payment will not be noticed or taxes whose imposition will new strike the country as much of an inno-The bank-check tax fits into this description because the country has resorted to it before. The public is used to it. Its imposition will strike cople as a nulsance, but not enough of one to cause a political overtura. Similarly the increase in postage rates. For a similar reason all the so-called nuisance taxes are to be retained. The average citizen is accustomed to paying taxes on his purchases of clothing, to-bacco, soft drinks, drugs, theatre, movie and baseball tickets. He will not get upon his hind legs politically over any of these taxes. They might be sub-stituted and the bank check and automobile taxes and increased postage rates might be avoided by the imposition of a sales tax, but every one takes to his cyclone cellar at the mention of sales

Let Sleeping Dogs Lie Even the bad tax upon freight and

passenger transportation is to passenger transportation is to be retained on this same principle of letting sleeping dogs lie. It is generally agreed that the high cost of transportation is one of the causes of the delay in business recovery. The Government might lessen that cost by abolishing the tax on transportation, but this, too, points to a sales tax, and every one shudders. The sales tax, it is felt, would be a radical departure which would bring home to every one the cost of Government. We all pay a sales tax when we pay the dozen and one auisance taxes on special commodities and when taxes on special commodities and when we buy transportation. But we pay it in happy ignorance. It is better, so say the politicians.

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If the sales tax in the end becomes inevitable it will probably be called a resolution tax, not a consumption production tax, not a consum tax, though it will really be a tax, though it will really be a con-sumption tax no matter what it is called. That is to say, if once im-posed it will be imposed as far away from the eyes of the ultimate burer as possible, namely, at the factory where the article is produced.

The Mayor's message follows: