

### WOMEN HAD FULL VOICE, SAYS CROW

#### Senator Says Mrs. Warburton Was Asked Regarding Appointees to Committee

#### "TRIVIAL," SHE ASSERTS

Senator Crow, who stopped in this city on his way to a rest at Atlantic City, said emphatically that he had consulted with Mrs. Warburton, vice chairman of the Republican State Committee, before he appointed the women members of that committee. Mrs. Warburton, he said, had approved the appointments made. The Senator, as chairman of the State Committee, has received numerous letters of protest from Republican women, who declare the women members of the committee were "hand-picked" and chosen for wealth or social position.

As for Mrs. Warburton, she said today: "The women who are protesting are under misapprehension. The appointments to the State Committee are not important anyhow. The women only serve until next May, when every woman will have a chance to be elected by the people directly."

She denied there had been any "high-handed methods" or that persons had been selected for wealth or social position.

"We did everything possible to preserve harmony in the various districts of the State," she said.

#### Mrs. Woods Consulted

Mrs. Leonard Woods, of Pittsburgh, who also protested, was consulted, she said. "Mrs. Woods is the woman representative from Pennsylvania on the Republican National Committee. The real organizations," said Mrs. Warburton, "are the county committees that work under the Republican Women's Committee of Pennsylvania."

When announcement of the appointments and nominations was received discussion was started in the city among the women, especially in the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth senatorial districts. "There is a great row in those districts," said Mrs. Harry J. McGough, a ward chairman in the Eighth District. "The women feel bitterly over the appointments made Monday, and we are not going to accept them without a struggle."

According to Mrs. McGough, women who have been slaving to organize the women of the Republican Party have passed over in favor of women who have money or social standing. "The women also take strong exception to the appointment of Mrs. Charles L. Brown, wife of Judge Brown, of the Municipal Court, and to the appointment of Mrs. William C. Warden, of Germantown."

"Mrs. Brown is not affiliated with our organization," said Mrs. McGough, "and Mrs. Warden is not even a registered voter. It is easy to see Senator Penrose's influence behind it, and he wants to have a hand in it all."

#### Says Chandler Co. Sold Clients' Stock

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Finally sure of the apparent position we were in.

#### Knew of the Firm's Shackiness

"By the middle or latter part of March, Clark, Childs & Co. had full knowledge of our condition as above indicated, but they had no knowledge of the money P. M. Chandler owed to the firm, as, several months before for the purpose of concealing this from any one who might examine the books, P. M. Chandler had all of his individual accounts as well as the syndicate accounts of the firm closed on the books, and all carried over into the account of what was known as '50'."

There were "innumerable conferences" between the two firms, until March, when "Mr. Burbank and Mr. Forest, his counsel, came over and met P. M. Chandler, and myself at the Ritz-Carlton. Mr. Burbank said his firm had been obliged to sell 100,000 shares of stock for the Chandler ac-

count, and unless \$100,000 was forthcoming, it would be necessary next morning to sell out the balance of the account.

#### Juggled Clients' Stocks

"Up to this time," said Mr. Mendonhall, "we had been able to take care of all our cash transfer transactions, and had not used any of our customers' securities excepting such as had been sold out by Clark, Childs & Co. or Arthur Lipper & Co. in the marginal accounts, with the exception of the fact that where a customer had closed his accounts and had stocks standing to his credit, we should have taken those stocks out and set them aside as his property, which we did not do in all cases, but in certain cases permitted them to remain in the margin or loan accounts. In other cases where we could, we took them out and set them aside."

The crisis in the company's affairs was precipitated after a brief respite. A former market was enabling the company to buy back some of the hypothesized securities, Mr. Mendonhall said, when Jacob L. Fisher, a New York customer, called at the Chandler offices and paid \$25,000, "stating that in a few days he would pay the balance due us and take up all the securities he was carrying."

"We were obliged to tell Mr. Fisher that we believed it would be impossible for us to deliver to him all of his securities, inasmuch as we had suffered through the decline in the market, and had a number of other customers to whom we had sustained, but we promised to give him as many as we could within a few days."

#### Sought Way Out of Tangle

Meanwhile P. M. Chandler had been discussing with Harry E. Clark and J. E. Clark of the Chandler firm a proposed plan of raising a large sum of money from the larger creditors and of having them postpone payment of their claims for a period of years, so that the solvency of Chandler Brothers & Co. could be effected and additional working capital be secured.

A meeting was arranged to talk this over. Present were Harry Sinclair and Mr. Wollberg, his secretary; Harry E. Clark, J. F. A. Clark, James Elverson, Jr., Jacob L. Fisher, P. L. Mahaffey, who was a substantial friend of Harry E. Clark; Mr. Waring, F. T. Chandler, Jr., P. M. Chandler, Joseph Gilliland and myself, and later E. S. Little."

#### Deficit Put at \$5,000,000

Mr. Mendonhall said that Mr. Sinclair had wished an audit of the books. "This had not been completed when the meeting was held. The Chandler firm's own auditors set the total deficit at a little less than \$5,000,000."

"At that meeting J. F. A. Clark stated to those present that while the business had been heavily mismanaged by allowing accounts to show big losses which should never have occurred, and by too large fixed charges, that there was a substantial and fairly good profitable business if additional capital could be extended over three or four years. Clark, Childs & Co. agreed to supervise the Chandler business and make certain arrangements which should result in a great financial saving, Harry E. Clark, the members of the Chandler firm and Mr. Elverson agreed to put in not in no more money, but would allow all or part of his claim to be waived for the present; Mr. Mahaffey said he could put in no more money, but would help in any way possible."

#### P. M. Chandler "Edged Out"

"P. M. Chandler was asked what he would contribute, and he stated that he had no interest in the firm whatsoever or no financial relation with the firm; that his interest was a friendly one and that he was in no position to contribute any money. When asked finally by Colonel Elverson what he would contribute, Mr. Sinclair said that if such a proposition was the best that could come from Chandlers (as he put it) that he was not willing to put up any more money nor was he willing to waste any more time in futile conferences and the meeting broke up."

"His last words were: 'If you can raise a substantial sum of money I may talk business.'"

#### Fire Damages Grocery Basement

The basement of the John Scott Company, grocers, American and Diamond streets, was slightly damaged by fire at noon today. The blaze is believed to have been started by a coffee toaster. A patrolman sent in an alarm, but by the time firemen arrived the flames had been extinguished by employees of the concern.

### Fifth Body Found in Tragedy of Sea

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the foreman, George Redding, an Angeleno borough clerk.

Captains Munson and Mausika were out of the Wildwood shore dragging for the bodies when their names were drawn for jury duty. They arrived in their sea-clothes and added a nautical touch to the grim proceedings. Prosecutor Cole charged the jury, saying their duty was to decide whether it was a case of manslaughter or a misadventure. At this juncture several of the jurymen said they had not seen the bodies and the entire party went to the Morgue to view them.

The first witness called was Robert McCarthy, a chief boatwain's mate at the Angelsea Coast Guard Station No. 133. He testified that the first he had heard of the trouble that the boats were in was when a man came to the guardhouse about 6 P. M. and said that the boats were missing. He said the crew immediately manned the big lifeboat, but could not get the engine started and that they did not get to sea until 10:30.

McCarthy also testified there was a smaller motorboat available, but that he believed the sea was too rough to go out in her. He said he had been on watch from noon to 4 o'clock in the afternoon, that there was a light rain falling, and that the weather was so thick that he could not see the pinnacles.

Mausika, one of the jurymen, asked him why they had not come out in the small boat, and he replied that Captain Price would have to answer that question. He added that after they had left the station at 10:30 o'clock they searched the sea until 4 the next morning.

#### Captain Price Testifies

Captain James C. Price, head of the coast guard station, was the next witness. He said the first he heard of the trouble the boats were in was when a man named Hanson informed him at the guard house. He said his men did everything they could to start the engine, but could not do so until 10:30 o'clock. He did not go out in the small boat, because he was under the impression the boats needed a tow and the smaller boat would not have been equal to the task, he added.

"Do you feel you made every effort

### Briand Most Colorful Figure at Parley

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son, who will some day be Premier. He has industry; he works while others flirt. He is resourceful. He is not troubled by excessive scruples, having once been a French journalist, an excellent training for French public life. Briand seemed to fall. But now the sense of the proprieties save him. "He has accepted the invitation of good friends across the Atlantic. He must go. It would not be come if I fault to change now."

#### Not the "Defendant"

He comes at a pleasant moment. As a witty French journalist put it here the other day: "This is the first conference in many years where France has not been the prisoner at the dock. As we step aside we bow low to Japan."

Briand and Visiani, when he succeeds him, can do the pretty thing. They will be our very best friends. It is a pity that we can't hear then say in their very best oratory. It is not that they love their ally, England, less, after the indifference England has shown to her valuable friendship, but that they love us more.

No issue can arise between us and France until that point in the agenda which says "land disarmament is reached." And it is prayed by the French here that it will never be reached. When you touch assumptions of France's safety you touch something that turns Briand into Clemenceau. But until then!

If he succeeds in charming us he will return to France and charm the Deputies and the rising — well, M. Andre Tardieu—will have to sit back and wait. But not for long. As at a tea party, the hostess does not permit one to monopolize her too long, the hostess France does not permit her friends or any one else to prevent her from distributing her favors and her smiles.

#### Mrs. Anna R. Warner's Funeral

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna R. Warner, widow of John B. Warner, formerly a Wilmington lawyer, who died at her home, 142 West Chelton avenue, Germantown, after a brief illness, will be conducted Saturday in the home of her sister, Mrs. Annie Mendonhall, 1401 Pennsylvania avenue, Wilmington.

### possible to locate the vessels?"

Prosecutor Cole asked him after he said that they had searched until 2 o'clock in the morning, thus setting the time two hours shorter than the member of his crew who had testified before.

#### Sees Nothing Left Undone

"As you look back now, do you see anything left undone that might have been done?"

Captain Price was asked if he kept a ship's log and when he answered in the affirmative was asked to bring it to the hearing. He said that he did not have the power to do this but that the jury could look at it if they cared to go to the station.

McCarthy was recalled and asked what his duties were, and he stated that they were to look for passing vessels and report those in distress. He said that Monday he could not see on account of the fog.

Leslie Smith, assistant engineer at the coast guard station, was the next man called. He said he had been on watch during the morning and the first he heard of the trouble was when he was returning from supper, about 6 o'clock. In answer to questions, after he had said every effort had been made to start the engine, Smith asserted the engine was hoisted, that four men worked cranking at it continually from 8 to 10:30 o'clock and that when they finally did locate the trouble it was not in the batteries. It was announced then that John Miller, sales agent for the motor in the boat, who had previously stated around the streets that his offer of assistance had been spurned, had been subpoenaed.

Captain Jesse G. Heron, head of coast guard station No. 132 at Stone Harbor, said he received his first notice of trouble at 9:15 o'clock, when the Angelsea station phoned him, and he immediately put to sea, crossing the bar about 9:50. When asked if he had seen the two pound boats earlier in the day, the line of questioning was objected to by Juror McKinley. He was then asked if he had reported them passing his station to the Angelsea station, and he said that he had not because they did not appear to be in a precarious condition.

Juror McKinley objected again and, after some acrimonious debate, Coroner Way threatened to have him locked up. There was some more debate, McKinley subsided and the jury adjourned for an hour to eat lunch.

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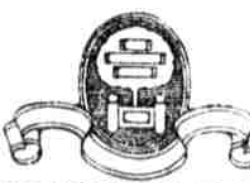
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