

**HUMORS RUN WILD
AS SPROUL RETURNS**

Home From Washington and Gossip Names a Horde of New Governors for Pennsylvania

OTHERS ASK PENROSE AID

Governor Sproul returns today after a short visit to Washington in the course of which he had a telephonic conference with Senator Penrose. The Governor's primary purpose in visiting Washington was to attend a dinner given by Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge.

Several other Pennsylvania politicians called on Senator Penrose during the day. Among them were Thomas Seidel, of Reading, Republican chairman for Berks County; Charles Johnson, of Norristown, treasurer of the Republican State Committee, and E. Carothers, chairman of the Republican Committee for Washington County.

Sproul chatted with Senator Penrose on the telephone last night, but did not disclose the subject of their talk. The Governor had a long visit with a Senator two weeks ago. They talked late politics at that time, running the gamut of subjects now uppermost in connection with the framing of a state ticket. The suggestion was thrown out while the Governor was here last night that political topics were excluded on his earlier visit and were far as he and Senator Penrose are concerned, "politics is adjourned" until after Christmas.

Many Aspirants Talked Of
Nevertheless his chat with the Senator and a series of calls by other Pennsylvania Republicans in the last day or two have served to revive political gossip. Attorney General Alter, of Pittsburgh; Banking Commissioner Fisher, of Indiana County; Highway Commissioner Sadler, of Luzerne County; and John A. Bell, of Pittsburgh, have named here in the tentative discussions. All of them are rated as aspirants.

For Lieutenant Governor the favorite seem to be David J. Davis, of Lancaster, chief of staff of the Twenty-eighth Division in the World War, and chief of staff of the Pennsylvania National Guard, also City Solicitor of Lancaster and an authority on municipal legislation; Brigadier General Asher, of Wilkes-Barre, another soldier in the World War, who came back with a leg and with several citations for heroism; and Colonel "Joe" Thompson, of Beaver Falls and Pittsburgh, a former football coach, lawyer and department commander of the American Legion.

Of course, the Congressman-at-large who will leave out by the "reapportionment" will be the State, unless there should be an increase in the House membership which would enlarge the State's representation. At present not in the foreground.

Fisher Playing Two Cards
Banking Commissioner Fisher's call on Penrose started gossip going in two directions—one that he was sounding out the Senator on the governorship, or other that he came down to urge an appointment of James McGregor, of Indiana County, for United States Marshal at Pittsburgh, to succeed Marshall John Short, Democratic incumbent, and to see what there was to the story that State Representative John Davis, of Blairsville, Indiana County, is to be the new Prohibition director for Pennsylvania.

Heiress to Wed Again



MRS. JOHN L. DE SAULLES
The engagement of Mrs. de Saullles and a Chilean mining engineer was announced. Mrs. de Saullles shot her former husband when he refused to give up their son after she had obtained a divorce.

LEIB REJECTS PARDON PLEA

Petition Drawn Without His or Family's Consent. He Says
William S. Leib, who is serving from three to five years in the Eastern Penitentiary for fraudulently making a written instrument, has requested that an application for his pardon be withdrawn from consideration by the State Board of Pardons.

D. T. McCool, of Philadelphia, who filed application for the former resident clerk of the House of Representatives and former Republican leader of Schuylkill County, appeared to argue the case. "Neither Mr. Leib nor his friends are responsible for the filing of this application," he said, "but it is out of gratitude for many kindnesses received when he was happy and prosperous in the place last night, but took no part in the raid."

ASSAULT B. & L. TREASURER

He Fights Off Two Men—Thinks Attack Was Hold-Up Attempt
Felix Gambino, treasurer of a building and loan association at Broad and Federal streets, was attacked in front of his home, 3724 Chestnut street, at about 11 o'clock last night by two young men.

Mr. Gambino was about to ascend the front porch of his home when the men leaped from the porch, one of them striking him on the head with a blackjack. Gambino, although dazed, fought and shouted for help. The men became alarmed and escaped in an automobile standing nearby.

Gambino said he thinks the men attacked him in the belief that he was carrying a large sum of money. His head was bruised and he was treated at Misericordia Hospital.

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**U. S. TO PROSECUTE
MARTIN CAFE MEN**

Warrants Prepared After Liquor Is Seized in Raid by Enforcement Agents

FORGERIES ARE CHARGED

The Federal District Attorney's office announced this morning that three warrants are being prepared for the proprietors of the Martin Cafe, Walnut street near Twelfth, raided early this morning by prohibition agents, who say they seized a quantity of liquor.

Those named in the warrants are Arthur Schwartz, president of the corporation and one of the cafe managers; H. M. Berg, treasurer, also one of the managers, and Frank Schelly, secretary. They are charged with the illegal possession of liquor.

The raid was conducted by Harree T. Dunne and Robert L. Abel, of the State Prohibition Director's office, with more than thirty agents, who stormed the place through front and rear doors while guests danced to the strains of a jazz band. The agents say they got a quantity of whiskey, champagne and "high-tower" beer.

The raid was the result of purchases made in the place by prohibition agents posing as guests. Several agents were in the place last night, but took no part in the raid.

Find Forged Prescriptions
Prohibition agents investigating reports that drug stores near the University of Pennsylvania had been selling whisky to students came across a number of forged permits, according to a statement of S. F. Rutter, associate prohibition director. Mr. Rutter's name and that of William McConnell, State director, were found on the permits.

The discovery was made, he added, in a Woodland avenue drug store. When agents asked to look over the drug store records they found evidence that some one had supplied a complete set of "cover-up" papers, including prescriptions and permits. Some of these were signed with rubber stamps, and, according to Mr. Rutter, clever imitations of those used in his office.

No arrests were made, but the agents will continue their investigation, and if the drug store owners are found at fault prosecution and revocation of the legal permits will follow, Mr. Rutter said.

Imit Collins' Woman Pal
The search is continuing for the woman who is believed to be the confederate of "Dapper Don" Collins, skipper of the rum-saundersing yacht Nomad. The woman is known as "Mollie" to her friends, clever imitations of those used in his office.

**Moya Prisoners Give \$100
Purse to Freed Convict**

The news of Sabatino De Masi's pardon for a double murder which no one ever believed he committed was telephoned to the Eastern Penitentiary last night by C. Stuart Roney, Jr., his attorney.

The prisoners heard the call and cheered. "Thank God," said De Masi, "get someone to tell my sister in Germantown I'll be home for Christmas."

The prisoners subscribed a purse of \$100 to give the freed man a new start in life.

of the Nomad, now held by the Government, developed that Collins personally did not negotiate for the purchase of the sub-chaser, although the man who did used the name of Cromwell and said he was Mr. Stotesbury's stepson.

The Nomad was purchased from Henry A. Hittner & Sons Company, through the name of C. J. MacMullin, an official of that corporation. Mr. MacMullin said yesterday three or four confederates of "Dapper Don" were present while negotiations were under way for the purchase of the smuggling craft.

In response to inquiries from Mr. MacMullin as to the use to which the purchasers intended putting the boat, members of the Collins crew said they were about to take a pleasure cruise to Florida waters.

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**WILL FREE INNOCENT
MAN IN JAIL 12 YRS.**

Pardon Recommended for Sabatino de Masi on Confession of Real Slayer of Two Men

WOMAN AIDS IN FREEDOM

Sabatino De Masi, who has served twelve years in the Eastern Penitentiary for a murder he did not commit, may be home by Christmas. A pardon has been recommended by the State Pardon Board at Harrisburg.

De Masi was the victim of the spite and vengeance of the real murderer, Michael Comporto, now a prisoner in the State Hospital for the Criminally Insane, at Fairview. When Comporto was arrested for the murder of James Quinn and Henry C. Saylor, in Quinn's saloon, Broad and Locomotion streets, in September, 1909, he was told that De Masi had "squealed" on him. He at once confessed and implicated De Masi in the shooting.

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De Masi expects to spend Christmas with his sister, whom he brought to this country from Italy seven months ago with money he had earned making hooded bags at the penitentiary. When he was told of his pardon by Warden Meekley, De Masi was moved to tears. He had been a model prisoner through all the twelve years, according to the warden.

"It's been a wonderful day," Mrs. Roney said. "Charlie knew De Masi was innocent and he was sure he would be freed."

"On behalf of the defense, we want to thank the District Attorney's office for the fairness and courtesy it has shown to us in this case, and especially Major Wynne, for his untiring efforts and skill in uncovering evidence of material importance."

"Late to Work" Excuse Confirmed
Market street cars were held up twenty minutes this morning when the brake of a Route 21 car became jammed in rounding the loop on Front street at about 8 o'clock. A service truck was rushed to the scene, but the tie-up had extended beyond Eleventh street before the crippled car was repaired and continued on its way.

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