

MANY MORE ARRESTS

Scheduled to Be Made Under the Auspices of the Reform Association in Allegheny.

AFTER THE FRONT OFFICE FORCE.

Suits for Conspiracy to Be Entered Against the Mayor's Clerk and Several Clerks.

MORE ATTORNEYS WILL BE EMPLOYED.

Preparations to Defeat Any Movement for Delay on Chief Murphy's Part.

If Mayor's Clerk Hunneshagen and the front office force in Allegheny have been congratulating themselves on their escape from accusations in the renovating process going on over the Northside, they are fooling themselves, but not the reformers.

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The request for help came from Attorney Langfitt, who says the cases are so complex that the lawyers engaged are not able to attend to the work. It is not known yet whether or not Attorney Robb will be employed in the cases.

CANNOT DELAY THE GAME.

If the chief and his counsel then show any indications of trying to delay the investigation a motion will be made to refer the matter to Councils with the recommendation that criminal proceedings be instituted.

The sub-auditing committee will meet tomorrow evening and receive a further report from the auditors with reference to money due from street railway companies.

DEMOCRATS IN MONTANA.

Channey Black's Clubs Doing Good Work in the Northwest.

G. O. Reed, a prominent Helena merchant, was a passenger on the Eastern express for New York last evening. He says the question at issue in the Northwest is irrigation.

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MAKES TITLE HUNTING EASY.

Colonel J. W. Bissell, who was well known in military circles in connection with the Missouri Engineer Regiment and in other ways, and who died at his boarding house on South Highland avenue on Monday, was the man who devised the block system of keeping records of sales of realty.

THE GROWTH OF THE Y. M. C. A.

General Secretary J. B. Griggs, of the Young Men's Christian Association, has just issued his fifth annual report. It shows the organization has increased in every respect.

THE COST REDUCED

On Arc Lamps for Street Lighting—The Allegheny County Light Company Bids Lowest and Secures the Four-Year Contract—Gasoline Takes a Rise.

The contract for lighting the streets of the city was awarded yesterday to the Allegheny County Light Company at \$99 per candle-power arc lamp. The East End Light Company, which has the present contract, bid \$98. These were the only bidders for electric lighting.

For the past three years the East End Company has had the contract at \$120 each per year for the 400 lamps but at the time the last contract was made it was not thought advisable to use so many lights, as the venture was somewhat experimental.

The total cost of lighting the city for a year under the old contract, exclusive of salaries to city employees, was \$190,232, of which \$118,800 was for 1,158 arc lights at \$100 each, \$12,000 for 100 arc lights at \$120 each, \$29,376 for 2,448 gasoline lamps at \$12 each, and \$3,776 for 322 incandescent lamps at \$12 each.

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"We have a good supply in our mains furnished by the Murrayville, Jefferson township, Coraopolis and other fields we have been drawing on for some time. We also have a big well in Stowe township and another in North Strabane township, Washington county, not yet turned into our mains.

"Is there any likelihood that there will be an increase in the price of gas?" was asked.

"None whatever, that I have heard of, at least, as far as Pittsburg is concerned."

NOT PLEASED WITH HEYDRICK.

Attorney George P. Murray returned from the East yesterday. He spent considerable time in Philadelphia and Harrisburg and says he found that Governor Pattison's appointment of Mr. Heydrick to the Supreme bench gave much dissatisfaction in those cities.

NEED A HUNDRED THOUSAND.

B. F. Benbow, general agent of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association, has fixed the last Sunday of December for taking up a collection. It is desired to raise \$100,000, to be distributed equally among the Allegheny General, West Penn, Homopathic and Southside hospitals.

SICKNESS AMONG CHILDREN.

Especially infants, is prevalent more or less all times, but is being arrested by giving proper nourishment and wholesome food. The most successful and reliable of all is the Gail Borden "Eagle" Brand Condensed Milk. Your grocer keeps it.

GOT PAST THE GAUGE.

Local Government Officers Who Are Now Under Uncle Sam's Ban

SAID TO HAVE NEGLECTED DUTY.

Collector Warmcastle Says Nothing Serious Will Result.

INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL AGENTS

For some few weeks there have been several special agents of the Government in Pittsburg. They are representatives of the United States Internal Revenue Department at Washington, and their business was to look up little matters which savor of irregularity in office.

The gaugers are the officials touched upon most prominently. In a few of the distilleries these important factors in office are said to have been playing in their business. A week or so ago Special Agents Brooks and Mason stopped at the Central Hotel, and upon being asked by a DISPATCH reporter whether this business in Pittsburg was of any public interest, Mr. Brooks said: "Yes, it would be of very great interest if it would care to divulge it."

RUNNING TOO OPEN.

The charges made officially at Washington are that certain distilleries were running so fast that they pleased and surprised any Government official there to over-see things as is prescribed by the President. It is a well known fact to everyone generally acquainted with the business that a gauger's occupation is a very important one. He is supposed to take care of all distilled goods until they are sold to a wholesale dealer or jobber.

The gauger sizes up the amount of spirits manufactured, makes his report to the local officials and upon it being properly authenticated, the goods are out of his jurisdiction. It is said that negligence on the part of several gaugers has been plainly proven. The names of three delinquent officers will be given by Collector Warmcastle and the special agents who were here investigating matters are now in Washington.

The reports are thought to be magnified by some of the officials in the Internal Revenue office and that no serious culmination will be the result. Collector Warmcastle said that some of the reports were true, but he anticipated no sensational ending in the matter as was predicted by a few people. Said he:

SOME OFFICERS ARE NEGLECT.

"Yes, there seems to have been some laziness among our officials, according to the reports made by Special Inspectors Brooks and Mason, but of the individuals they refer to I know nothing. I have not yet received the official notice from Washington before I can tell. I don't think it will be anything serious. From the talk I think the Joseph Finch distillery is the one most at fault. Under the old plan they were found all right. As to what I shall do regarding this case is dependent upon the report of the commission. I have to make a thorough investigation, report it to the commission and then act according to his dictation."

EXTENDED THE TIME.

Creditors of J. P. Withrow & Co. Give the Firm a Chance to Recover—Debit to Be Paid in Four Annual Payments Bearing Interest.

The creditors of J. P. Withrow & Co. met at the Monongahela House yesterday and granted the firm an extension of four years. As soon as Mr. Withrow can make arrangements with Receiver Thompson in the Lawrence court, the firm will be turned over to him. At the meeting of creditors a week ago, Messrs. King, of Jones & Laughlins; Atwood, of Atwood & McCaffrey; and Denny McKnight were appointed to go over the statement of assets. They valued the New Castle plant, including the machinery and stock on hand, at \$325,000. They considered this a low estimate, as the original cost was \$388,000.

The committee recommended that \$82,000 owned by the Sheffield Iron Company and tied up in the Southern Courts should be hypothecated for the purpose of raising money. The creditors would not agree to this proposition, and it was withdrawn. The firm built some furnaces for the Sheffield company and received a security bond for the amount. Since then the bondsmen became insolvent, but the debt is considered good, and will be paid in course of time.

The first mortgage against the firm for \$75,000, held by the Bank of Lockhart, was extended with the other debts.

It was stipulated that the liabilities should be paid off in four annual payments, bearing 6 per cent interest, the first to be made on December 31 of next year. An extension was granted by a unanimous vote and the best of feeling prevailed. Mr. Withrow is confident that he can pay his debts in the required time, and he is feeling better about the situation than he was at one time. During the receivership part of the New Castle works were operated to fill orders on hand. The entire plant will now be started.

VALUATIONS AWAY UP.

Only eight or ten assessors have returned their books containing the triennial valuations to the County Commissioners' office, but some of the returns are calculated to give some taxpayers a pain. In one town down the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad, from which the book has not been returned, it is said the valuation is about three times what it has been the last three years, but radical as it may appear the valuation is still below the prices demanded by owners for their property, which is nearly all on the market. If the plan be followed throughout the county some people will find their next year's taxes considerably lower than heretofore.

GOFF WANTS TO BE VICE PRESIDENT.

F. G. Smith, a prominent Wheeling lawyer, was in Pittsburg yesterday. He makes some statements about next year that may put Indiana in the background as a pivot State. General Goff of West Virginia is out for the Vice Presidency, and Smith claims whether he is nominated or not that the Republicans will carry the State. This will change a small number of Democratic electoral votes to the Republican column. General Goff, of Wheeling, is a candidate for Governor next year. Steve Elkins is also mentioned for the place. It is thought that the job is too small for Elkins and he will not run.

REO BROS. & CO. READY FOR SETTLEMENT.

Reo Bros. & Co. have issued a notice to the effect that holders of their extension notes, given in settlement with their creditors for 50 per cent settlement of their claims (50 per cent having been paid in cash), dated October 2, 1891, payable one year after date, with the right to anticipate, can present the same for payment.

IT WAS A SURPRISE.

Senator Rutan's Candidacy for the Lower House Confuses Northside Politicians—A Lively Fight Along the Line Is Predicted.

The announcement that Senator Rutan had decided to be a candidate for Assembly in the Second district, Allegheny, was a surprise to the Republican politicians of the Northside. They were prepared for almost any other announcement, and Senator Rutan's candidacy complicates Allegheny politics considerably.

"It looks like a fight from this time on," said James Simpson, the Sixth ward Allegheny politician. "If there has really been a break between Senator Rutan and Senator Quay it is a trifle difficult to tell whether the Rutan guns will be turned on Marshall or Graham, the present member of the Lower House from that district. But Senator Rutan will encounter some rough sledding in any event. In his campaign for Senator he was supported by Mayor Wyman and all the Wyman people. In the coming fight Wyman and his followers will be turned against Rutan. He firmly believes that Rutan and his followers are personally responsible for the trouble into which Wyman and Chief Murphy have been plunged and they will therefore fight against him."

"Senator Neeb's friends will also be against Rutan, as they see in Rutan's candidacy for the lower House a stepping stone to the Senate, and Mr. Neeb's friends are anxious that he be returned for another term."

Senator Neeb knew nothing of Rutan's candidacy other than what he had read in THE DISPATCH. He would not state his position in the fight, and said circumstances would govern his course.

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W. J. Brennan went to Washington last evening to be present. He said Harity wanted the place, and he would probably get it. J. M. Guflay is a candidate also, but Mr. Brennan claimed he wasn't sure that Mr. Guflay would apply for the position. In the same way, it is thought that Mr. Brennan's friends that Mr. Guflay is a candidate, and that Brennan will support him. The County Chairman delights in being mysterious for some reason or other.

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They have written letters, made speeches, and at various times uttered deep threats against the Art Committee for not getting down to work. Now the committee has determined to get even by inviting the citizens to co-operate in it in securing a collection, and giving them joint authority in its control and management. Nothing has yet been formally done, but the matter has been discussed so thoroughly that there is no doubt as to the course that will be pursued.

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