

NEWS OF STEELTON
SCHWAB DESCRIBES EXPENDITURE OF HUNDRED MILLION
CLERK COLLECTS \$75; DISAPPEARS

South Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 1.—The Bethlehem Steel Corporation today announced detailed plans for an expenditure of over \$100,000,000 in improvements during the next two or three years.

The Bethlehem Steel Company today took over the American Steel and Iron Manufacturing plants at Reading and Lebanon, the coke ovens of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company at Lebanon.

At the Steelton plant, purchases include broad gauge locomotives, steel coke cars and locomotive cranes. This year also will find three additional 500-ton blast furnaces in operation.

Large expenditures will be made in improving the steel making department. The changes and additions now under way will include: A new twenty-ton converter; one 2000-ton tilting furnace; one 2000-ton waste heat boiler at all tilting furnaces; an additional pit furnace to the 44-inch bloomer; and a new 40-inch bloomer with 25-inch rough, and 24-inch finishing stands.

The power plant will get three 3,000-kilowatt generators which will be driven by Bethlehem gas engines; modern grinders and planer will be installed in the frog and switch departments, and the capacity of the steel mill fireproof pattern storage building will be doubled.

At the Lebanon plants plans for large extensions are under way. The work at this plant will be consolidated with that of the Cornwall ore mines. The capacity of the plant will be doubled, the output to be about 1,000,000 tons each year.

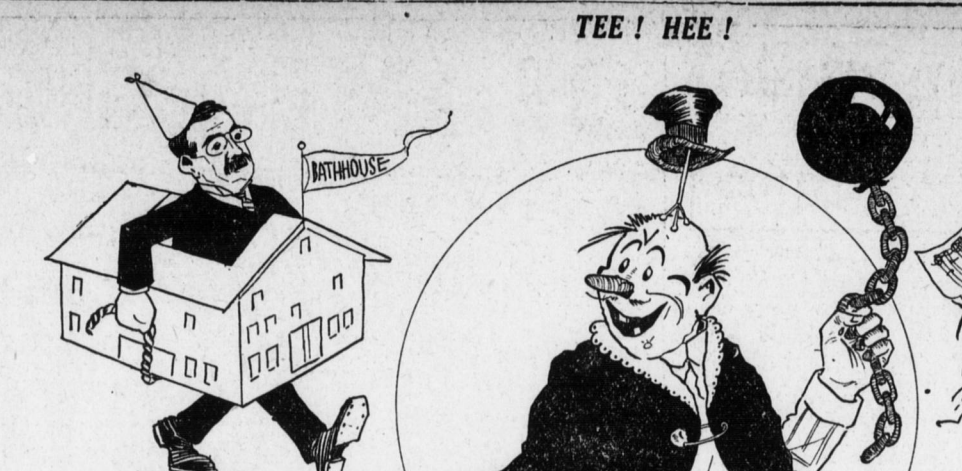
Lehigh plant, South Bethlehem—New machine shop for rough and finished machining of large gun forgings; new ironing mill; new oil tanks for heat treatment of the gun forgings.

Other improvements are three crane scrap breaking plants; new coaling station; ash handling and sand drying plants; locomotive cranes; steel gondolas; gas tractors; guage and narrow gauge tracks; locomotive steam boilerhouse, with 3,500 horsepower capacity; installation of three 3,000-kilowatt generators in an enlarged power house; new gas driven engines; installation of two-stand turning machines in the blast furnace department.

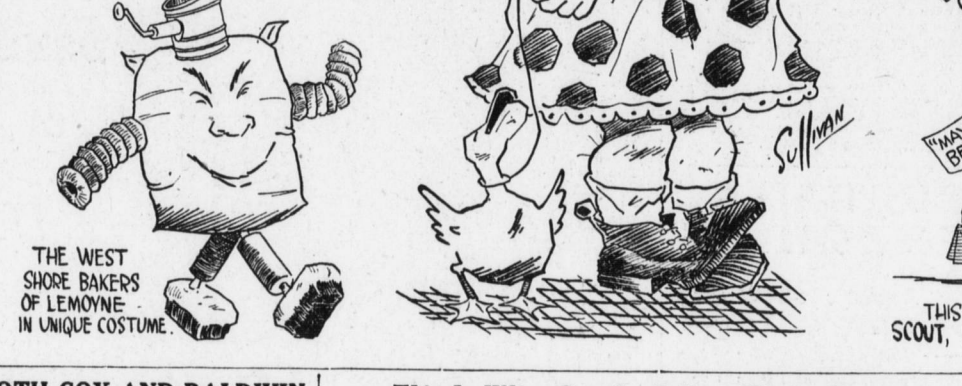
Improvements in progress include the installation of the open-heart of an additional 5-ton bessemer vessel, two 200-ton tilting furnaces, new 1300-ton mixer, new stock yards, mold yards, gas producers. This new plant will be ready about June 1.

Improvements aggregating \$50,000,000 are included in the plans for enlargement of the plants at Reading, Pa., New Castle, Del., and Sparrows Point at Bethlehem, ore plant at unstable Hook, forging and machine plant at Titusville; elaborate changes Maryland Sparrows Point, Md.; enlargement of Sparrows Point ship building plant; extension to plant in California, at the Union Iron Works at San Francisco and Alameda, Cal.; extension of ship building plant at Hunters Point, San Francisco.

The plants of the Samuel L. Moore & Sons Corporation, the Bethlehem Hill Iron Mines Company, Cuban Mines, Mayar division, the Penn-Mary Coal Company at Hellwood, Pa.



COMMISSIONER LYNCH DIDN'T DISGUISE HIMSELF AS A BATHHOUSE



THE WEST SHORE BAKERS OF LEMOYNE IN UNIQUE COSTUME

Both Cox and Baldwin claim victory won. [Continued From First Page]

were dealing with figures and names and the Cox people were general in their statements. George W. Williams, Toga, the third candidate, said he was in the race to the finish and inclined to be emphatic about it.

Baldwin Stands by Claims. At the Baldwin headquarters his managers said at 1 o'clock that there were enough members of the Republican caucus in the city at that hour to nominate Baldwin and that more were coming in this afternoon.

Without giving out any figures or names the boomers of Mr. Cox were claiming he would win. Their headquarters were scenes of the greatest activity and the leaders were working under forced draft in their efforts to get hold of every incoming member.

Mr. Williams said that he was a candidate to the finish and was popular with the Cox men. Mr. Williams' name will be presented by his colleague, Frank H. Marvin, who has been exceedingly busy working for him.

Oliver Branches Rejected. In spite of denials there was some waving of olive branches between dusk and dawn and there were suspicions that unofficial, unaccertified, but nevertheless, reliable emissaries had been sent to the Governor's State Treasurer Young was said to have been endeavoring to heal the breach, but he had nothing to say.

One of the reports was that some one in the friendship of men aligned with the Cox candidacy had suggested to Williams that the Cox men would throw him their votes, but Mr. Williams said that no one had been whispering in his ear and added that he was not making deals with anybody. Incidentally, he said he would be a candidate to the end.

The Baldwin people not only declared they would have no compromise but said that what had been going on under cover convinced them more than ever that the Cox-State administration forces had been routed and were seeking to palliate the wrath to come, while statements drew the usual tart rejoinders from the Cox managers, who made some remarks about "entertaining fiction."

This comment was countered by a Baldwin leader who said "cold facts" and urged the Cox people to use the "acid test" on their list and make it public.

Lightning Rods Up. Several lightning rods were reported as having been erected in the hope of a compromise, but their reputed owners were very coy about them. For instance, Arnon B. Hess, member from Lancaster city, who will likely get the votes of the Lancaster men, except Quentin Reitzel, who is with the Fourth infantry at the border, was mentioned as a good candidate upon whom all might unite. Naturally, he was willing, but not advertising.

Joseph H. Phillips, of Clearfield county, was also in a hopeful state and thoroughly imbued with his qualifications as a harmonizer and presiding officer.

Fred C. Ehrhardt, of Scranton, one of the grandjurors of the House, was also put in the possibility class because of some statements he made a few days ago.

Democratic Bosses Meet. In an effort to give the warring Republicans an example of brethren dwelling together in unity the Democratic ringmasters committee, composed of the leading bosses outside of the national and State chairmen and national committeemen, met and decided to support Herr Wilson C. Sarig, of Temple, Berks county, Pa., as the candidate of the reorganized, untrified, temporary united Democracy of Pennsylvania as represented in the lower house of the Legislature by exactly 37 out of 207 votes. There were

RAILROAD NEWS
GREETINGS FROM GENERAL MANAGER

Thanks Penny Employes For Hearty Co-operation During Prosperous Year. Greetings to the employes of the Pennsylvania railroad east of Pittsburgh and Erie, from General Manager S. C. Long were posted to-day at Union Station and DE offices, as follows:

"In wishing every one of you a Happy and a Prosperous New Year, it is a great pleasure for me to join with you in the past year's achievements of the year which has just closed.

"During 1916 the Pennsylvania railroad rendered to the public the greatest and most important service of its history. We carried, with safety and dispatch, more passengers and more freight than ever before in twelve months' time, a result which reflects great credit on the organization which accomplished it, and of which we are all proud.

Proud and Thankful. "We are particularly proud and deeply thankful for the fact that we have closed another year—the fourth in successful operation—which has been on the Pennsylvania railroad has lost his life in a train accident.

"Co-operation and loyalty—which means simply whole-hearted working for a common purpose—never proved their worth better than in the busy year which ended yesterday. Let us strive in 1917 to work together even more unitedly, in order that we may do the fullest justice to the public whom we serve, and to the continued development of the vast property which the stockholders of this company have entrusted to us."

CAR SHORTAGE HITS FURNACES. Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 1.—The iron and steel industry in the Pittsburgh region is suffering with increased severity on account of a lack of coke due to car shortage, according to officials of the leading plants. More than thirty blast furnaces have been banked.

RAILROAD INSURES EMPLOYEES. New York, Jan. 1.—The insurance which the Union Pacific railroad system recently announced it had placed on the lives of its employes covers 40,000 persons and amounts to \$30,000,000, was signed last night by the Equitable Life Assurance Society, which wrote the contract, effective to-day.

C. V. BUYS LAND. Hagerstown, Md., Jan. 1.—The Cumberland Valley Railroad Company has purchased a fifty-three-acre tract in the northern suburbs from Samuel W. Somers, and will lay additional tracks and make other extensive improvements.

Advertisement for Santol Tooth Powder or Paste, featuring a portrait of Thomas P. Moran and text: 'Keeps the Teeth White and Healthy'.

SPANISH SCHOOL, SECOND AND STATE STS.
Beginners Class Friday, January 5, at 8.15 p. m. Open daily for registration—daily 12.30 to 2, and Thurs. Eve. 7.30 to 10. Phone 3153-J mornings.

Advertisement for Jitneys' Look for 100, featuring a portrait of Edwin R. Cox and Richard J. Baldwin, and text: 'Predictions were made yesterday at the meeting of the Jitneys' Indemnity Association that at least 100 jitney licenses will be taken out this week during the present year.'

NEW FEDERAL TAX EFFECTIVE
Are You One of the Ones to Be Soaked? Better Read Pretty Carefully

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—New Federal taxes on incomes, munition manufacturers, corporation stocks and certain businesses, became effective with the new year to-day and revenue collectors are making vigorous efforts to obtain early returns. The taxes are provided by the emergency revenue bill enacted by Congress, September 8.

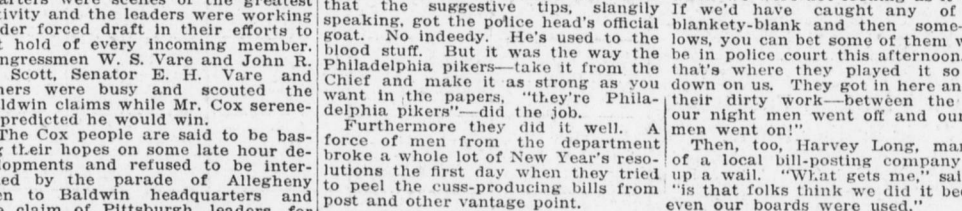
Unmarried persons, with net income of \$3,000 or more, and heads of families with incomes of \$4,000 or more, are subject to pay a normal tax of 2 per cent. Instead of the present rate of 1 per cent, and additional taxes are imposed on incomes of more than \$20,000 by graduated scale running from 1 to 6 per cent.

Among the new annual taxes of special business are these: securities brokers, \$20; pawnbrokers, \$50; custom brokers, \$100; ship brokers, \$20; theaters, \$25 to \$100, according to seating capacity; with rates one-half as great in towns of less than 5,000 population; \$100; other public amusement shows, excepting chautauqua and circuses; \$100; billiard rooms, \$50; bowling alleys and billiard rooms, \$50; each alley or table; tobacco manufacturers, sliding scale of rates determined by amount of production.

Special taxes heretofore collected from commission merchants and commercial brokers are abolished.

"Owl Car" Whistles Will Save Papa's Light Bills. Mantua, N. J., Jan. 1.—Sultors from out of town who make Sunday night calls upon Mantua girls no longer have to keep the lights turned high so that they can watch the clock. Such precautions are no longer necessary, as the Public Service Corporation has installed whistles on its cars.

This Is What Got the Police Chief's Nannie!



A corner of Capitol Park showing how thoroughly the pasting crew did its work.

POLICE CHIEF RAILS AT FLYING-PASTING CORPS

"But the fact that the pasting was done and done just after our order against this sort of thing, isn't what gets my nannie," snapped Chief Wetzel to-day. "It's the way they went about it. I understand that a force of men from a Philadelphia bill-posting company did it. But it was done when we were not looking as it were, if we'd have caught any of the blankety-blank and then some—fellers, you can bet some of them would be in police court this afternoon. But that's where they played it so low down on us. They got in here and did their dirty work—between the time our night men went off and our day men went on!"

Then, too, Harvey Long, manager of a local bill-posting company sent up a wall. "What gets me," said he, "is that folks think we did it because even our boards were used."

rumors that B. Morrison Straus, of the flourishing borough of Mohnton, Berks county, and Harvey Chrisman, Lindfield, Montgomery county, had ambitions, but they were not on exhibition very long.

The Democratic ringmasters adopted a glowing program of legislation for the session of the General Assembly and seemed to be proud of the work.

The Democrats will parade their program and demand that every Democrat vote for the Democratic candidate for speaker upon pair of displeasure and seemed to be proud of the work.

Advertisement for Rival Speakership Candidates, featuring portraits of Edwin R. Cox and Richard J. Baldwin, and text: 'The Governor did not name a successor to A. Nevin Pomeroy as superintendent of public printing and binding, who resigned on request some time ago as the first of the martyrs.'