

NEW SUBWAY PLAN HOTLY OPPOSED BY THE OLD GUARD

McCall Also Joins in Criticizing Proposition by Mitchell and Maltbie.

HITS THE MONEY TRUST.

Calls for City Built Routes, and If Necessary Operation by the City as Well.

How solution of the subway problem presented by John Purroy Mitchell, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Public Service Commissioner Maltbie met with opposition to-day. The plan was sent to Commissioner McCall last night, and this morning the new head of the commission declared it didn't look feasible from a financial standpoint.

But while Chairman McCall and Commissioners Rustie and Williams were saying uncomplimentary things about the new plan, Commissioner Cram said as far as he could see from a cursory examination of the scheme it was a good one.

"I have always contended the city is one to build the system," he said. "The city has enough money to start the work, and before it is completed will have had all that is necessary. This is far better than a dual ownership plan in which the city would be sure to get the little end of it in the long run. I have always voted for elevated extensions and third tracking, and I can see nothing wrong with the plan right now."

PRENDERGAST IN A STATEMENT DENOUNCES PLAN. Comptroller Prendergast gave out a long statement denouncing the plan. He dwelt at length on the mention of Mr. McAdoo as a possible operator, and assailed Mr. McAdoo's fitness for such a place.

"Mr. McAdoo utterly failed," he said, to entice the necessary financial support for his first proposition to operate an independent subway system; this in the latter part of the year 1918.

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SUNDAY WORLD WANTS WORK MONDAY WONDERS.

How Fred Stone's Laugh-Making Wand Drew a Big Building from People's Pocket.

It Is the Biggest House He Ever Drew and It Cost \$450,000, but the Comedian Had Lots of Fun Making the Money That Paid for It.

There Are Three Reasons for the Thrift of the Fun-Maker, Namely, His Wife and Two Children.

Does it pay to be funny? Go down to No. 11 Madison avenue and look up. Up, up, nearly stories, and read the answer. No. 11 Madison avenue is a stone building. It's Fred Stone's building—Fred Stone of Montgomery and Stone, the fumblers of "The Lady of the Slipper."

Next door is Dr. Parkhurst's church. Dr. Parkhurst is a good man. All his life he has been fighting vice, seeking to better the condition of humanity, to make the world look brighter to his people. Dr. Parkhurst is a churchman. His church is a massive stone structure of one story and a half, surmounted by a great dome. Fred Stone is a comedian. His building is fifteen stories and a half. His great dome is under his hat. All his life he has been engaged in making the world look brighter to the people in it. His mission in life is to make people forget their troubles—to make them laugh.

Eighteen years Montgomery and Stone have been together. Merry minstrel they have been. Clowns they have made of themselves. They have been in "stock," they have been in vaudeville. For eighteen years they have been getting the laugh. Mr. Stone has just paid for the new Pullman Building at No. 11 Madison avenue. He has been doing some laughing too. It has been his policy to laugh and grow "fat."

For eighteen years he figured in the theatrical columns. Now he is in the real estate and financial columns. Fred's name will be as well known as Wall and Broad streets as it is in Broadway. Morgan and his partners have their eyes on him. Fred was born in Denver. They called that the West when he was born, but a greater empire was being built still further west. When a boy Stone was the admiration of Horace Greeley: "O West, young man; go West." And he replied to himself and Horace: "I'm coming East, old man; coming East."

And the rest is history. But a comedian with half a million or so to juggle big buildings with is worth observing, even in his own country. He is offering community of billions and millions and skyscrapers. But it looked as if a man who was playing all the time, making people laugh and getting the laugh in return, owed an explanation to the public when he stepped into the ready limelight.

You might think it made Fred Stone angry when an Evening World reporter asked him where he got all this money. It didn't. He just laughed. "Singing and dancing," he echoed, starting some more straw into his clothes. "Oh, no, I didn't get it that way. I just sold thirteen lots on Riverside Drive."

"Well, you got those through singing and dancing," piped Dave Montgomery, with an injured air, rubbing more red paint viciously into his features. "Oh, yes, I guess I did," responded the comedian, laughing. "Yes, it all came through making fun. I wanted a building like that. Some day when Dave and I are sixty or seventy years old and we can't do these stunts any more it will be a haven of rest for us. There's two elevators in the building, and we are going to learn to run them in our old age."

"It'll be a great sport talking about old times," said Montgomery. "While we keep the people waiting for the lift we can do a little step, and I can say to you: 'Member the time, old hoss, when we was in the 'Wizard of Oz'?"



PAULA STONE, DOROTHY STONE, FRED STONE.

Goah! they don't make actors like we was. "Did you always save your money?" Mr. Stone was asked. "The wrinkles in the comedian's face had to be pried apart so that he could get the point in, in this question struck him so funny."

"Save!" he said. "I should say not. Dave and I have been in every branch of the profession. We've even been in stock. We have been in the minstrels, the circus, vaudeville, burlesque, pantomime and Indian medicine shows. I played one performance in 'The Ranch.' That gave me my card to the Wild West Show and rounded out the orbit of entertainment. In those days we used to think if we ever got to the point of a salary of \$125 a week we were sure to be topnotchers—\$125 a week!"

"Yes, Mr. Morgan—er, Stone." "But as soon as I found they were getting the big money I went after it. Save—that was a joke in those days—'Them Was the Childhood Days.' I went into the real estate business fifteen years ago for all that. I bought three lots at Bergen Beach. McIntyre of McIntyre and Heath sold them to me. McIntyre got rich out there. I didn't; but I sold the lots anyhow ten years ago. I hadn't got my stride yet."

Then the comedian had to go out, for Elsie Janis, Cinderella, had called upon her fairy godmother to make man of Spooks and Funks and make them show. "Love Me Like a Real, Real Man," they sang, and as if they didn't have a bean and the Crown Prince was only a make believe. There was a big house to erect them, but it wasn't in it with that \$400,000 house next to Dr. Parkhurst's church.

"You ought to change the name to the Stone Building," suggested Montgomery, as the last call for the stage was sounded. "Why, anybody can see it's a stone building," returned his partner.

BOTH the basic Piano and the Player action are the product of our own factory. The utmost genius and skill are devoted to one distinct purpose in the building of the Rehning Player Piano. It offers the completed lines to the Brooklyn Rapid Transit for operation on equitable terms which at the same time will insure both good service and fair profit for the city. But if the R. T. should refuse the opportunity the plan suggests the lines be let to an independent operator, such as William G. McAdoo, head of the company operating the Hudson River tunnels, who already has shown his willingness to co-operate with the city in its subway troubles.

As a final contingency, the plan provides that the city may operate the lines itself, the authors of the plan pointing out the system would be a unit in itself and easily capable of independent operation. It is estimated the new lines would cost the city \$60,000,000 to build, and exclusive of equipment it is figured that by extending the city's borrowing capacity for the next few years it would be possible to build the lines without additional financing, but as an alternative a plan for "rapid transit certificates," which would be a lien on the earnings of the system and not a part of the city's debt, is suggested.

Engineer, Hit by Car, Dies. Charles Newland, sixty-three, of No. 188 Summer avenue, Brooklyn, an engineer in the employ of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, died in the Hudson Street Hospital last night. His skull was fractured by a Broadway surface car at Broadway and Fulton street Thursday night.

James McCreery & Co.

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On Tuesday, February 18th.

ADVANCE SALE Light Weight Laces

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Shadow and Chantilly Edges and Insertions in Black, White and Ecu. 10c to 95c yd.

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An extensive variety of models for every type of figure. Made of Figured Silk Batiste, Broche and Coutil. 4.00, 5.00 to 12.00

Women's House Gowns

Special Sale of Spring Models

Negligees of Messaline, trimmed with shadow lace and chiffon; sun-plaited skirt. 12.50

Negligees of Crepe de Chine, trimmed with hand-embroidery; sun-plaited skirt. 9.75

Kimons of Crepon, trimmed models. 1.15, 1.45 and 1.95

House Dresses, attractive models. 95c, 1.10, 1.35, 1.50

Leather Goods & Stationery

At Greatly Reduced Prices

Shopping Bags of Seal, Morocco and Goat Seal; silk lined. values 2.75 to 3.50. 1.95

Limousine Cases of Morocco, fitted with celluloid toilet articles. value 10.00. 6.95

Special Cabinets of Writing Paper containing 4 quires of paper with envelopes. White only. 40c value 50c

One Quire box of Paper with Envelopes, tissue lined. values 75c and 95c. 55c

Favors & Decorations

An attractive assortment of "Washington Birthday" Favors, comprising Colonial Hats, Hatchets, Cherries, Candy Boxes. 5c to 50c

Silk Flags mounted on staffs. 5c to 1.50

Best quality, All Wool Standard Bunting Flags. 4x8 ft. 2.35 5x8 ft. 3.00 6x10 ft. 4.75 8x12 ft. 6.50

Blankets and Comfortables

Below Regular Prices.

Winter Weight Blankets,—full size. 3.50, 4.50, 6.00 and 8.00 pair Comfortables,—1.25, 2.45 and 2.95 each

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White goods and white embroideries are two things a woman can always buy, lay away, and be sure of finding useful some day. Now, with summer coming on and white frocks, undermuslins, children's dresses to be made—they are very present needs. Substantial savings on any of the following:

- Long cloth in 12-yard pieces, \$1, usually \$1.25—For some years we have sold this identical quality for \$1.25. By special agreement, we have taken all the mill can ship us to sell at \$1 the piece. Fresh and new, 50 inches wide. 5000 yards embroidery—underripped at 8c to 15c yard—Some a half, some a third less than usual. Edges in almost any width desired. Attractive pattern on cambric, Swiss and nainsook. No two pieces alike. 30-inch India linen, 10c yard—These who know value this the best cloth at the price to be found in America. Pure white and free from blemishes of any sort. 30-inch cotton voile, 25c yard. Instead of 35c—Exceptionally even in weave. White, cream and ecru. Subway floor, Old Building.

Items of Interest In the Notion Sale

The following have been chosen as being particularly good but there are more than twenty other special offerings, too. These include pins, threads, sewing tapes and braids, etc. Wanamaker sewing cotton, equal to any 5c spool—35c dozen spools, No. 8 to 100. Dress shirtings of fine nainsook, light weight. Every pair guaranteed; sizes 2, 3 and 4—14c pair, \$1.54 dozen. 16c, 20c and 23c qualities. Snap fasteners with spring—card of 1 dozen, 3c; gross 33c—should be 55c gross. O. N. T. darning cotton—48 yards—black, white, tan; 17c dozen for 24 dozen quality. Enamelled wire hairpins, heavy or invisible—1 ounce envelope, 1c—regularly 5c. Sale continues Tuesday and Wednesday. Subway floor, Old Building.

Cretonne-Covered Cushions at 95c All Kinds of Imported Buttons, 10c a card

We never sold cushions so good at such a price before—and we doubt if you ever bought any. Oblong and square; filled with floss; covered with English, French and domestic cretonnes. Limited quantity. On sale tomorrow. Subway floor, Old Building. Not a card originally sold for less than 20c and some have been 45c. This importer's clearaway includes the newest sorts. Crystal buttons for summer blouses and gowns, large coat buttons, suit buttons, tiny trimming buttons. Cards hold four, six or a dozen buttons. Subway floor, Old Building.

What Waists Do You Wish at \$1?

Better waists than you may suppose possible at that price will be here Tuesday. White lawn with pleated skirt bosom effect—very manish and yet the sheer material makes it feminine. Cotton bengaline shirts with turn-up cuffs and a breast pocket. Women's shortwaists tailored by a man's shirt maker—plain, well-cut covered madras and mercerized white cotton. Subway floor, Old Building.

Best Skirt Manufacturer Disposes of All His Sample Spring Skirts

The New Price, \$4.25, Regularly \$5.75 to \$10 Fine serge and mixtures in a number of plain and more elaborately shaped skirts offer our customers opportunity to save often as much as \$5 on a single skirt. They are from the finest skirt maker. He gives his whole attention just to the making of skirts. His styles are different, his materials a bit finer, his workmanship the best possible. All the new ideas will be found in these samples. They are splendid for spring wear. Sizes 25 and 26 waist and 41 and 42-inch lengths. Subway floor, Old Building.

Wash Dresses for House Mistresses

Attractive styles at \$1 are of percale in lavender, black or blue and white effects, with a fichu arrangement given by flat embroidery. Plain colored percale dresses with checked gingham trimmings are also \$1—wonderfully good. Many other Spring styles at \$1.50, \$2 and \$3. At \$3.75, plain colored cotton in white, dark blue, light blue or tan, trimmed with hand embroidery. Some in Bulgarian colors. Third floor, Old Building.

Not Very Many of These \$15 Vacuum Cleaners for \$8

There is a vacuum cleaner which has been selling for \$15— Selling by the thousands— And things don't sell by the thousands unless they come up to the buyers' expectations. In other words, these vacuum cleaners are a success at the price, \$15. But we are enabled to offer this self-same vacuum cleaner for \$8. If the thousands who bought this dependable machine at \$15 are satisfied, how much more satisfied will the other thousands be who take advantage of this offer—a \$15 Vacuum Cleaner for \$8. Subway floor, New Building.

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