

CITY DEPARTMENT MERGER PLANNED TO CUT EXPENSES

Health, Charities and Allied Hospitals May Be Put Under One Head.

With increased efficiency and greater economy as objects, Mayor Mitchell and Comptroller Prendergast plan the reorganization, under one head, of the Health and Charities Departments and the Bellevue and Allied Hospitals Bureau.

The plan will require a revision of the city charter, and it is proposed to ask the Legislature to make the change.

The new department, which would handle about \$3,000,000 yearly, and which it is proposed to call the Department of Social Service, may be put under Dr. Edmund S. Goldwater, who resigned last Saturday as head of the Health Department. Dr. Goldwater has already agreed to accept the post, if asked, and strongly indorses the plan, which promises greatly to reduce overhead expenses, unnecessary salaries and the duplication of work.

The Comptroller favors merging into the new department the reformatory part of the Department of Correction, the penal institutions being put under State control. The Mayor, however, is said not yet to have indorsed this idea.

The salaries of two department heads and their office staffs is a small part of what Comptroller Prendergast believes will be eliminated.

The three departments purchase supplies and equipment aggregating \$2,500,000, on which it is believed a considerable saving could be effected by having the purchasing done by a single head.

CONVICTS "CONSENT" TO POSE IN MOVIES; REFUSE? IMAGINE IT!

No Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Unfortunates to Intercede for Them.

Persons who have written to the authorities and newspapers protesting against cruelty to animals in the movies will soon have an opportunity to sit in judgment on a film in which the Joint Committee on Prison Reform portrays the humiliation and suffering of the unfortunates in State prisons. The makers of the film had the advantage of selecting actors who not only could not escape being photographed if they wanted to, but who were in such position that they had to say yes when their jailers said: "Of course you are willing to be photographed and exhibited in your disgrace, are you not?"

The films are to be shown at a private view at matinee at the Lyric Theatre, Nov. 18. The attraction is announced officially thus: "The public will soon be afforded a remarkable opportunity to see for the first time absolutely truthful motion pictures of the Prison System of New York State, taken and produced by the Joint Committee on Prison Reform, under exceptional conditions and with the co-operation of the authorities of the Prison Department and the several State Prisons."

The first three-reel film records Thomas Mott Osborne's voluntary imprisonment at Auburn. Mr. Osborne, rivaling William Sulzer's achievement in posing and galloping through films portraying his speech-making and removal from office, is shown in his home library at the opening "where his son and a friend are trying to reform" pictures, and undertake his plan. Later in the prison there is a delectable scene which depicts graphically the old method of punishing a prisoner for talking. The prisoner is strung up and whipped. "To make the film portrayals true in every detail, forty prisoners shaved their heads," says the announcement. Two-thirds of the cost of making the films was "contributed" by prisoners in Auburn. Great Mendoc and Sing Sing pictures fill out the entertainment.

Licenses Commissioner Bell yesterday closed two theatres for giving indecent shows. He has not yet seen the prison "reform" pictures, and it is not known what action he will take regarding them.

SHOT WOUNDS POLICEMAN. Active in Gang Arrests, His Life Had Been Threatened.

A Policeman Michael Eagan of the East Sixty-seventh Street Station approached the entrance of No. 270 East Seventy-eighth Street early this morning the door was suddenly opened and a man within fired a revolver, the bullet cutting a gash on the policeman's right cheek and felling him.

ANNA HELD MAY WED A RUSSIAN PRINCE AND THEN, TOO, MAYBE NOT

Actress Makes Coy Admission, But His Name? No, Zat Ees Secret.

Anna Held admits she's contemplating matrimony, but it's a mysterious admission. The man in the case is a Russian prince, she asserts, but she could not possibly tell his name—because set one a secret. However, here are the facts.

On the steamship St. Louis, which arrived at this port Oct. 14 last, bearing Miss Held, came a Russian who was very attentive to the actress all the way over. Being of genuine blue blood, according to Miss Held, he travelled incognito, looked on the passenger list merely as a diplomat. He had business with the Russian consular here, for one thing, and he was in love with the actress for another.

Since arriving here Miss Held and the Russian have been in each other's company nearly every evening and have been seen at theatres together frequently. Yesterday the news leaked out that the actress had received a proposal of marriage from him and was seriously considering becoming his wife. Miss Held leaves to-day for Los Angeles. She was to have gone yesterday, but delayed her departure one day.

"Oh, I cannot tell her name," said Miss Held at her apartment in the Savoy Hotel. "He does not want it known. He is from Moscow and I have known him several months. Why, he gave me his beautiful necklace of pearls I am wearing."

"The man intend to marry him?" was asked.

"Maybe. He will be in Los Angeles while I am acting in six pictures and maybe we are married out there. But," she continued, "maybe not. He wants me to give up my stage and I love it so. A married woman, her husband give her been money, but I like to earn my own penn money."

The Prince could not be located, despite the fact "that he sea tall and handsome and wears a monocle."

Rumors say the Russian is known as Prince Florine, but, as to his family name—that is yet to be supplied.

RETURNS LIFE BLOOD GIVEN BY LOVE RIVAL

Man Saved From Death by Transfusion Repays Debt to One Who Aided Him—Court Same Girl.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—Gus Born, engineer of a fast Western mail train out of Chicago, to-day paid back a quart of blood given him recently by George Davenport, head switchman in a local railroad yard and Born's rival for the hand of pretty Essie Kneer.

Four weeks ago Born was taken ill. The physicians said only blood transfusion would save him. They advertised. A big, brawny man—just the kind they wanted—applied, saying he would accept no pay. The man was Davenport. The quart of blood was drawn from Davenport and sent into Born's veins. The latter recovered.

On Saturday Davenport's leg was crushed. He lost much blood. The physicians decided there must be blood transfusion to save Davenport's life. They advertised. Born answered and offered himself.

"I wish some one would help me and out which one I really love," said the girl to-day when she heard of Born's offer.

HAD SAILOR OUTFIT ON WHEN KILLED ON "L"

Victim of Accident at Sixty-seventh Street Station Was Not a Member of U. S. Navy.

The body of the supposed United States sailor, who was killed by a Third Avenue elevated train at Sixty-seventh Street Monday last, was identified at the morgue to-day as that of John M. Jones, son of the late William Jones, a retired Baptist minister, of No. 34 Leggett Street, Woodhaven, L. I.

The victim was injured by a fall in crossing, among them that of dressing in uniform of the United States army and navy. He was wearing a quartermaster's uniform of the navy when he was caught between the platform and train and crushed to death. Just before he was taken to the hospital where he died, the young man received the last rites of the Roman Catholic church by a priest who reached him on the "L" structure by means of a ladder.

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Under these circumstances the flour is moving out of our 257 Stores in such quantities that if put in barrels, and the barrels placed end to end, the line would stretch many miles. If piled up, such a column would seem to reach the sky.

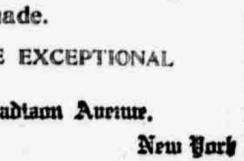
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Baking Powder Blue Ribbon... 1-lb. can 35c 1/2-lb. can 18c 1/4-lb. can 10c

Baking Powder Triumph Brand... 1-lb. can 20c 1/2-lb. can 10c 1/4-lb. can 5c

Evaporated Milk, Lakeview Brand, nowhere else can you buy a tall can of such rich, sterilized, absolutely healthful and wholesome milk for the small sum of... 6c

Butler's Condensed Milk, Rich whole milk in sanitary cans, each... 8c

Essie Condensed Milk, Richest and best for babies, in regular sized sanitary cans; each, 10c

Essie Peaches, Most delicious for dessert, California's choicest yellow clings in richest syrup, large 2 1/2 lb. can... 15c

Triumph Oats, Best of all breakfast foods for brawn or brain, highest grade of new sweet oatmeal, fresh-milled, large 10c package... 7c

Swift's or Butler's Borax Soap, 8 Cakes 25c

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Sirloin Steak, From prime city-dressed beef... lb. 22c

Roasting Chicken, Plump, tender, Milk Fed... lb. 23c

Sugar-Cured Bacon, In boneless lean strips... lb. 18c

At All 133 James Butler Inc. Licensed Stores Four Highly Favored Whiskies—All Underpriced

Old Crow Rye, H. P. Kirk & Co.'s Famous Kentucky Whiskey; bottle... 95c

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Guinness's Stout, dozen bottles, \$1.30; dozen splits, 90c

Bass Pale Ale, doz. 18c, \$1.45; doz. splits, \$1

Allowance of 15c per dozen bottles and 10c per dozen splits for empties.

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The Best 25c Broom in America Parlor Brooms, large No. 7 size, regularly 25c

Housekeepers' Canned Vegetable Special Tomatoes, in large No. 3 cans } 3 cans, 25c

Early June Peas, new pack } one of each

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Potatoes, Selected from best Maine and Pennsylvania shipments... lb. 2c

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Turnips, Canadian yellow, sweet and sound... 25c

Apples, Finest ripe, red and rosy; dozen... 20c

Oranges, First of the Porto Ricans; not sweet, but juicy and healthful; dozen... 12c

Lemons, Big bright, juicy, Palermos, dozen... 25c

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