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ABOLISH BOROUGH HEADS, COMBINE ALL USELESS JOBS TO REDUCE CITY'S BUDGET

Restriction of Estimate Board and Comptroller to Duties Specified by Charter, Other Reforms Needed in Effort to Place Local Government on Efficient Basis.

The Board of Estimate having, on motion of Comptroller Craig, extended an invitation to the newspapers to recommend reductions in city expenditures where they may be made without crippling any public service, this newspaper ventures to present a recommendation, to wit:

Amend the Charter to abolish the office of Borough President.

Establish a central bureau of public works to take care of all engineering and supervision.

Wipe out overlapping engineering, inspection and auditing activities and restrict the work of the Board of Estimate and the Comptroller to the duties imposed upon them by the Charter.

The Evening World submits to the Board of Estimate and the taxpayers and rent-payers of New York City the following figures which show that, judging from the only comparative basis available in budget compilations the establishment of the five Borough Presidents, which will cost the taxpayers 130 per cent. more in 1921 than they cost in 1917, will do 3½ per cent. less tangible work than they did in 1917.

In 1917 the people of New York, aroused by the increasing tax rate, repudiated the Mitchel Administration. The appropriations for the five Borough Presidents in 1917 amounted to $8,883,302. These appropriations were made by the Mitchel Administration, but spent by the Borough Presidents in the Hylan Administration.

The total appropriations for the five Borough Presidents for 1921 in the tentative budget amount to $20,472,721. This is an increase in four years of $11,589,419, or, as hereinbefore stated, 130 per cent.

The increase in appropriations for the President of the Borough of Manhattan for 1921 over 1917 is $2,681,201, or 98 1-2 per cent.; for Bronx, $1,436,798, or 121 per cent.; for Brooklyn, $3,430,643, or 160 per

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BOARD OF ESTIMATE REVOKES FOUR OF THE CONTRACTS FOR ERECTION OF NEW COURT HOUSE

Mayor Alleges Collusion in the Bids—$5,000,000 to $6,000,000 Involved.

The Board of Estimate to-day rescinded all the Court House contracts except one, involving a total of $6,000,000 to $6,000,000, according to an estimate made by President La Guardia of the Board of Aldermen.

The rescissions were the resolutions by the Mayor, who said in each case he had been informed that a combination existed to prevent open competition in the bidding.

Comptroller Craig at first supported the action and then suggested a postponement. When he discovered that his stand could not cause a delay he refused to vote on the proposition. Public Works Commissioner Flynn of the Bronx, who appeared for Borough President Bruckner, also refused to vote.

The amounts of the courthouse contracts revoked were as follows:

Hanlon Son, limestone work, $2,372,000.

Wells & Newton, drainage and plumbing, $166,030.

Bethlehem Steel Bridge Corporation, steel framework, $1,277,000.

Herman & Grace Company, superstructure and roofing, $218,300.

The contracts revoked last week were those awarded to Dennis Con-

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CAN'T GET BACK HOSE HE GAVE GIRL

Teacher's Former Suitor Ordered to Stop Annoying Her and to Put up $500 Bond.

Miss Henrietta Holes, thirty, a pretty teacher at Public School No. 178, at 104th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, asked Magistrate Schwab in Yorkville Court to-day to reprimand Edward J. McCallie, thirty-eight, of No. 249 Lexington Avenue, who requested the return of a pair of silk stockings, which he had given her when their friendship was at its peak.

Miss Holes met McCallie at a church social in April. She dismissed him from her mind, she said, Sept. 16. Since that date, she told the Court, McCallie has written her letters assailing her character, has telephoned her at her home and in her school, and demanded the return of presents he gave her. She said she returned all of them, except the stockings, which were in use.

Magistrate Schwab said: "McCallie, I believe you are an educated man, but have a distorted mind. Please deposit a $500 bond to keep the peace and cease annoying Miss Holes. Otherwise you will go to the Penitentiary Work."

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SAYS HE'D LOSE $1,000,000 IF FORCED TO TELL ABOUT COMBINATIONS IN BUILDING

Plumbing Contractor Makes Further Revelations at Housing Inquiry.

BRINDELL IN DENIAL.

Refutes Charges of $25,000 Bribe, in Statement, Not Accepted by Committee.

The Lockwood Committee to-day adjourned until Nov. 4, after the name of Robert P. Brindell, President of the Building Trades Council, in whose name it had been testified that $25,000 was exacted to stop a strike, had been again brought into the record by the testimony of Milton Schnaier, No. 202 West 76th Street.

Schnaier pleaded that his $1,000,000 business would be "sacrificed" if he was compelled to tell about an interlocking combination of contractors and labor agents, in fear of which he said he had given up 4 per cent. of his gross business turnover, through membership in the Master Plumbers' Association.

"I have given you a good enough lead," he pleaded with Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the committee. "Let some of the others tell. Do not sacrifice me."

Schnaier had testified that he went to the office of John T. Hettrick, No. 165 Broadway, the attorney who operated the "code of practice" under which the big plumbing contractors were supposed to conduct their business. He said he had given up his share of the assessment levied, and had received no benefits and wanted to get out of the organization.

"You could have resigned the month, couldn't you?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

COULD HAVE RESIGNED, BUT UNDER PRESSURE.

"Well, under pressure," said Schnaier, reluctantly, and opened the door to the following examination:

Q. Weren't you a free agent? A. To a certain extent.

Q.—To what extent were you not a free agent? A.—You brought it out yourself here with Mr. Brindell.

Q.—You mean that if you did not belong to that association, even though you were a union shop, Brindell would pull off his men; is that it? A.—Mr. Untermyer, you don't want me to have my doors closed with a million dollars' worth of business by answering you those questions here?

Q.—No, but we will close Mr. Brindell's doors. A.—Then there will be somebody else step in Mr. Brindell's place, the same as he is the successor of Sam Parks.

Q.—Mr. Schnaier, take your courage in your hand and let us try to see—— A.—I have courage, but I have all I have in this world at stake.

Q. I appreciate your position perfectly, but we have got to break up this sort of thing and you have got to

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MONKEY'S ATTACK ON KING OF GREECE A PLOT, SAYS VIDAL

KING ALEXANDER.

Noted Surgeon Declares Animal Had Been Artificially Inoculated With Rabies.

ROME, Oct. 22.—Injuries inflicted upon King Alexander of Greece by a monkey were the result of a plot to assassinate the young monarch, according to Dr. Georges Fernand Vidal of Paris, who has been attending the King and was interviewed by the Messagero while passing through Rome on his way home from Athens.

"While the story of the monkey biting King Alexander is true," Dr. Vidal is quoted as saying, "the monkey was suffering from rabies, with which it had been artificially inoculated. Hence, a veritable attempt against the King's life was committed."

ATHENS, Oct. 22.—King Alexander of Greece was resting easily shortly before midnight last night, according to a bulletin issued by his physicians at 11 P. M. The King at that hour was in a calm sleep. His temperature was 102 Centigrade (102.56 Fahrenheit).

The reports regarding the King's condition, however, were not considered at all satisfactory. His temperature, it was stated, had shown disquieting fluctuations.

The bulletin issued at 7 o'clock last evening said the King had spent a restless day and that his temperature was then 104, with pulse of 136 to 150 and respiration 40 to 48. The day had brought about no improvement in his condition, it was added.

At 7 o'clock this morning the bulletin from the sick room said the King was restless constantly and his temperature was fluctuating between 100.4 and 104. The dressing on his wound caused intense pain, the bulletin stated.

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Prof. Vidal, who was called to Athens from Paris to attend King Alexander, had been given a fee of $50,000 by the Greek Government, says an Athens despatch to the Daily Mail.

The King is said to be resting easier and, while his condition is critical, hope is still held out for recovery.

Found Guilty of Not Heating Her House.

Mrs. Gussie Schlipsky of No. 108 South 4th Street, Brooklyn, was found guilty in Special Sessions to-day of having failed to provide heat for the tenants in the building where she lives. Mrs. Sarah Schilling who lives on the top floor was the complainant. Sentence will be imposed on Oct. 29.

ENGLAND TO GO ON WAR BASIS TO FIGHT STRIKE OF THREE BIG UNIONS, 3,000,000 MEN

Emergency Bill in Parliament Revives War Powers and Gives Right to Use Military Forces "For Any Purpose."

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Britain was being put on a war basis to-day. Confronted by a virtual industrial revolution, the Government to-day gave notice in Parliament of the introduction of an emergency bill giving it war-time powers, the right to use military forces for any purpose, and authority to ration and control all resources. The notice was given by Home Secretary Shortt.

The Government's move followed the announcement of a call for a general meeting of the Trades Union Congress to consider what should be done to bring about a settlement of the miners' demands. The congress will meet next Wednesday.

Taken in connection with the announcement of the transport workers yesterday that failure to resume negotiations immediately with the miners will array the Government against the working classes, the call to-day was accepted as a threat that all British labor will consider joining the miners. The congress comprises delegates from all labor unions.

One important group of railway workers, the engineers and firemen, not allied with the national union, will decide Monday whether to strike. There are 72,000 members of this organization.

Prior to the call the Parliamentary Committee of the congress served notice on the Government that negotiations with the miners must be resumed before midnight to-night or the meeting would be held. The fact that action was taken before this ultimatum expired was taken as an indication that the more radical element had obtained control of the committee, just as they had in the railway and transport workers' unions.

The Government, in addition to the emergency legislation, proceeded with other plans for combatting the strike. All the measures adopted during the last railway strike were in effect to-day. Railway schedules were being cut and supplies of rations hastened to distribution centres.

The Emergency Bill, permitting the Government to use troops for any purpose, was taken to mean that if necessary trains and ships will be operated by soldiers. They may even be used in the mines. The troops also would serve the Government in distributing supplies, taking the place of chauffeurs, porters and all others who would quit work if a general strike were called.

The Government has been assured that many conservative labor men would refuse to strike. If they were ordered to walk out, it was believed, many would continue in essential occupations if assured that protection would be given by troops.

The speed with which the various labor organizations have hastened to back up the miners has alarmed officials who had discounted the strength back of labor leaders who demanded nationalization. Some of the leaders of the miners, transport and railway workers stated frankly their purpose was to overturn parliamentary government.

It was stated semi-officially to-day that members of the Cabinet saw no hope of meeting the demands of the ultimatum for immediate resumption of negotiations with the miners. They were said to consider the situation was dark.

One grave peril seen in the situation is the evident gains which have been made by the radicals in their efforts to secure control of the unions. Conservative councils are being brushed aside more and more, while

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M'SWINEY VERY ILL AFTER TAKING FOOD; IS STILL DELIRIOUS

End Was Expected Last Night and Family Gathered at Bedside.

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Terence MacSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, was delirious this morning, and the prison authorities continued to force food in his mouth in spite of his protests, according to a bulletin issued by the Irish Self-Determination League.

"He went to sleep for about an hour," continued the bulletin. "At about 4.45 o'clock he seemed to be rallying to his senses, but relapsed almost immediately. This occurred again between 7 and 8 o'clock, when his sister Annie was with him. He suddenly asked what were the month and the year, where he was, and was the Irish Republic established and recognized.

"It seemed as if he might recognize his sister. But he became delirious again, muttering: 'We did some grand marching during the night; they were marching as well, but we beat them. It's glorious.'

"About 8.30 this morning a nurse held a spoon of meat juice to his lips, but he muttered: 'No, no; take it away,' and closed his lips firmly. The performance was repeated twice when his head fell back from exhaustion and the spoon was inserted in his mouth.

"The League's mid-afternoon bulletin stated that Mayor MacSwiney had been in more or less semi-conscious condition all morning.

"He recognized his sister Mary, but no one else," the bulletin added. "The delirium continues at intervals in a more extreme form. He now is calm."

The Central News says MacSwiney was only partially conscious this morning, having passed a very bad night. It believes a doctor again administered liquid food, and that subsequently the Lord Mayor became violently ill and was in an exhausted condition.

It was believed last night that the Mayor's mother was at the point of death and his relatives gathered at his bedside in the expectation that he would not live through the night.

This is the seventy-first day of his fast.

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POSSES RUN DOWN CONVICTS WHO FLED FROM SING SING AND HID IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Stivers and Bassett Surrender Without a Fight, Having Thrown Away Their Guns After Ammunition Was Exhausted—Four Hundred Men in Posses.

(Special Despatch to The Evening World.)

WARNER, N. H., Oct. 22.—George Stivers and Marcus Bassett, the convicts who escaped from Sing Sing last Saturday, were to-day captured in the woods into which they were driven last night by the posses that had taken up the chase.

The capture was made by Edwin L. Forsaith and Carl W. Rowe, members of the posse of Sheriff Wooster, on a slope of Corey Hill. The fugitives offered no resistance, having abandoned their guns yesterday when they exhausted their ammunition. They were turned over to Deputies of Warden Lawes, Keeper of the Sing Sing Prison, and taken to Concord.

The posses were composed of 400 men armed with guns, pistols, axes and pitchforks, and had spent the morning surrounding and beating the woods.

Sheriff Wooster had planned to call for a National Guard unit if the local man hunters failed to seize the fugitives, who took to this cover after their thrilling ride from New York in stolen automobiles. Warden Lawes of Sing Sing and three prison guards arrived during the morning to aid in the round-up.

George Tucker, one of the posse, reported that he had talked with the convicts early to-day and that, with revolvers pointed from their pockets at him, they had made him pretend they were members of the searching party when real man-hunters in an automobile passed nearby. Tucker said that he stumbled over the pair, who stood up to him while they asked him about the country and the search. After the machine carrying posse men passed the convicts darted back into the wood, which is a mile by three miles.

Women and children had been ordered to stay indoors. Guards had been assigned to all isolated farm houses. All railroad approaches were guarded and all automobiles searched.

Sheriff Wooster had established headquarters in a farm house on Mink Mountain overlooking the woods and had deputies at telephones in farm houses all around the wooded refuge of the convicts, so that he could send out a heavy force in automobiles to any spot where they appeared to make their break for the bigger forests. Besides the armed members of the posse, the roads and fields were dotted with youngsters and old men militantly bearing pitchforks and clubs and not a few Amazonian young women fired with the ardor of the man hunt.

MRS. MABEL KENYON IS FOUND GUILTY

Convicted of Manslaughter by Norwich Jury in Killing Dr. Herbert Tetlow.

NORWICH, Conn., Oct. 22.—Mrs. Mabel C. Kenyon to-day was found guilty of manslaughter in killing Dr. Herbert Tetlow. The jury was out ninety-five minutes.

Mrs. Kenyon was sentenced to serve from 10 to 15 years in prison.

When Foreman Noyes informed Judge Hinman that a verdict of "guilty" had been found, asked "what degree?"

"Manslaughter," replied the foreman.

Mrs. Kenyon with counsel and those of her family who had been with her throughout the trial retired to a side room. Once there was some one heard to cry out, but in the court room there was no expression of emotion from any of the party.

MILL WORKERS TO TAKE WAGE CUT

Fall River Operatives Willing to Work for Less to Keep Big Plant Running.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Oct. 22.—Six hundred workers employed by the Mansfield Manufacturing Company of this city notified the operators of the big plant that they would accept a decrease in wages, if that would prevent the threatened shutdown announced by the company.

It was said that the declining market had brought its manufactures—cleaning waste, packing and coarse cotton mop yarns—to such a low level that operation was no longer profitable.

UTICA, N. Y., Oct. 22.—The Utica Knitting Company, one of the largest manufacturers of knit underwear in the world, announced to-day that two more of its mills will be closed on Saturday. Cancellation of buyers to place orders until the market becomes more settled was given as the cause.

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PRINCE OF SIAM DUE HERE.

Purachatra Is on the Mauretania, Wireless Says.

Prince Purachatra of Siam is due here to-morrow on the Cunard liner Mauretania and with his suite will stop at the Hotel Biltmore. Eugene D. Miller, Secretary and Treasurer of the hotel, received a request by wireless to make reservation for His Royal Highness.

No details were given as to the accommodations needed.

To Make Ellis Island a Garden Spot.

Congress is to be asked to appropriate $5,000,000 for the improvement of Ellis Island. Plans have been made for the improvements under instructions of Assistant Secretary of Labor Louis F. Post and Immigration Commissioner Wallis and the expenditure will make a palatial reception ground for the aliens. Besides increasing the accommodations for them and their friends and relatives in this country.