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Craig Shows How City May Even Now Retrench Expenses

RECEIVERS NAMED BY FEDERAL COURT FOR U. S. MAIL LINE

E. J. McCormack and Herbert Noble Chosen After A. J. Baldwin Declines Job. WILL KEEP UP SAILINGS. Appointees, in Joint Statement, Retain Counsel and Promise Financial Report Soon.

Judge Manton in the Federal Court today appointed Emmet J. McCormack of the shipping firm of Moore & McCormack, No. 5 Broadway, and Herbert Noble of the law firm of Noble, Estabrook & McHarg, No. 115 Broadway, joint receivers for the United States Mail Steamship Company, under a joint bond of \$50,000.

The appointment followed a conference by the Judge, attorneys for the line, its creditors and the Shipping Board. Judge Manton said he had conferred with both men and they would accept.

The appointment was made necessary by the refusal of Arthur J. Baldwin to serve. Mr. McCormack is the Treasurer of Moore & McCormack, which operates fifty ships, thirty of which fly the American flag and are from the Shipping Board, fifteen the Swedish, and four former German liners the British flag.

Mr. McCormack also is interested in the Commercial Coal Company, organized in 1901. It mines coal and sells ships at New York, Norfolk, New Orleans and Mobile. He is about forty-five years old, lives on the Shore Road in Brooklyn and is active in Democratic politics, but has never held an office.

Among shipping men the appointment is considered an excellent one because of the known ability and activities of Mr. McCormack.

MASKED MOB TAKES BODY OF NEGRO AND BURNS IT.

Smalley Had Killed Two and Injured Four in Augusta, Ga. AUGUSTA, Ga., Aug. 17.—A masked mob forced its way into the University Hospital here shortly after 4 o'clock this morning, secured the body of Walter Smalley, the negro who ran amok and killed two white men and injured four others late yesterday, and, carrying it beyond the city limits, burned it to a crisp. What was left was then returned to the hospital.

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CITY DEPARTMENTS THAT EARN PROFITS SHOULD HAVE OVERPLUS PLACED TO CREDIT, SAYS CRAIG

This Plan Would Pay Off Debts of Former Operation of Such Bureaus. BROOKLYN HAS EXAMPLE

Its Waterworks Excess Income of \$2,400,000 Used to Finance Greater City.

Comptroller Charles L. Craig, growing more genial as he grows less suspicious of the designs upon his reputation for financial ability by former Senator Elon R. Brown, counsel for the Meyer Legislative Committee investigating the City Administration, joined with Mr. Brown today in setting forth clearly and emphatically faults in the maze of laws and rules and customs in handling the city's resources.

The accord between the Comptroller and the committee's investigator reached the point where Mr. Brown, as one asking a favor, got Mr. Craig to put on the record the following opinion: "My present judgment is that it is entirely irregular and unsound to take the revenues received from self-sustaining properties for which debt has been incurred and apply those revenues for any other purposes than to the payment of the interest and the amortization of that debt, except where there may be a surplus so great that you can never have any possible use for it. Then I think you could very well apply it to the interest and amortization of some other debt that is not self-sustaining. That principle can't be put into effect in the City of New York without radical changes in the statutes as they now exist."

"I thank you very much for that answer," said Mr. Brown. "It will save my making other inquiries wherever such a condition exists, whether in rapid transit or docks or elsewhere. We will consider that issue settled."

"But do you agree with me?" asked the Comptroller earnestly. "I do, most heartily," said the examiner.

"You are going to agree with me on one or two other things before we get through," said Mr. Craig, smiling grimly.

"I expect to, on quite a number," replied Mr. Brown, with every appearance of cordiality.

BROOKLYN PRESENTS STRONG OBJECT LESSON.

A few moments before that Mr. Craig had explained how the water revenues of the old City of Brooklyn paid all the costs of supplying water to Brooklyn in 1920, paid the interest of the plant and paid \$2,400,000 surplus into the sinking fund to pay off the debts of the water system of the old City of New York.

But the water revenues of Brooklyn are practically the only exception to the rule that city utility revenues are paid into the treasury to meet public expenses while the interest on the utility debts is paid out of tax moneys.

"This system has prevailed a long time here," it was asked Mr. Brown. "I didn't create it," said the Comptroller.

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SHE LOST HER TIGHTS, SO SHOW IS CALLED OFF

Fair Acrobat Cancels Trip to Press Suit Against Youth. Bella Golla, an acrobat known as the "human pinwheel," displayed indignation last night when William Luff of No. 235 Alexander Avenue, the Bronx, is charged, stole her grip containing her gymnastic lights. Luff was arrested on the charge of grand larceny.

"I had an engagement at Providence, R. I.," said Miss Golla when Luff was "knocked" last night by William Luff of No. 235 Alexander Avenue, the Bronx, is charged, stole her grip containing her gymnastic lights. Luff was arrested on the charge of grand larceny.

EXPOSES SLAYING BAND, HAUNTED BY PAL HE SLEW

Member of International Organization Surrenders, Tells of Killing Best Friend. SIX OTHERS ARRESTED.

Wide Vendetta Described by Self-Confessed Slayer Who Fears for Own Safety.

Bartolow Fontano, the self-confessed murderer of Carmelo Caizzo, his best friend, near Asbury Park on July 30 last, was driven to give himself up to justice, according to the police, and to reveal the existence of an alleged band of murder dealing Sicilians charged with the murder of sixteen others, by the ghost of his victim.

Haunted by an apparition of the murdered man pistol in hand, Detective Michael Fiasechelli says, the boyish looking murderer grew apprehensive and the "gang" accused him of weakening. Then he knew that the hand of death was on his back and he wanted to get into prison, safe from the gunmen who shoot from behind.

He made an appointment with Detective Fiasechelli in Bronx Park for last Saturday afternoon, but then was afraid to tell all or any part of what he knew. The detective dined him and engaged a room for them in a Broadway hotel near Police Headquarters. Early in the morning Fiasechelli said that he was awakened by a scream from Fontano.

"Mike, Mike!" he cried. "Caizzo is at the foot of the bed with a gun!"

He sprang from the bed, and the detective caught him in time to prevent him from going through the window.

"My God!" he wailed. "I killed my best friend!"

Fontano has been in New York for nine years, seven of which he worked as a barber. For the last two years he has done nothing. Because of his youthful appearance, the police say that he told them, he was selected by lured victims, his ingenious manner winning their confidence. The police charge that he is implicated in other murders.

Caizzo, it is claimed, killed the brother of Stefano Magaddino, a member of the New York organization, and then escaped from Italy. The gang here was notified of his sailing, and Fontano was selected as the avenger. Fontano chattered with

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BROKER SLASHED HIS BODY WITH RAZOR, POLICE SAY.

Wife Said He Was in Financial Difficulties, They Assert. Thomas A. O'Connor, a cotton goods broker, is in Kings County Hospital with cuts on the throat, body and wrists, said by the police to be self-inflicted with a razor. Mrs. O'Connor this morning found her husband unconscious in the bathroom at their home, No. 230 Catalpa Avenue, Ridgewood, Queens.

The police declared Mrs. O'Connor told them her husband had been in financial difficulties and had been treated for melancholia.

TRAINMAN KILLED AS HE SUBSTITUTES FOR FRIEND.

Head Strikes Iron Girder of B. R. T. Elevated Structure. Suspecting for a friend to-day, Richard P. Clayton, twenty-six, of No. 917 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn, a Long Island Railroad brakeman, was instantly killed when his head struck an iron girder of the B. R. T. elevated structure near the Van Sicken Avenue cut as he was riding on the top of a freight train. Clayton, whose wife and child live in Ansonia, Conn., gave up his own "living" or off time, that his friend might keep an engagement.

"MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL" WILL WED QUAKER CITY MAN



Gertrude M. Fisher, Photographers' Choice in Contest, Is Engaged to Carl F. Lauber Jr., Manufacturer.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Miss Gertrude M. Fisher, pronounced "the most beautiful girl in America" by a jury composed of photographers six years ago and who as a result was the recipient of hundreds of offers of marriage, is engaged to marry Carl F. Lauber Jr. of this city, it was announced today. The prospective groom manufactures soft drinks.

BERLIN BOURSE STOPS TRADING

Stock Exchange Temporarily Suspends Because of Too Much Speculation.

The Berlin Bourse has temporarily suspended operations because of the recent high pressure of activity, according to advices received here today by international bankers.

In the last three weeks speculation on the Bourse has attained enormous dimensions, exceeding in volume almost any pre-war period. In some instances industrial issues have sold at highest prices in seven years, advancing 10 to 20 points in one day.

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS R. R. BILL

Vote Is 7 to 2—Measure Not Expected to Pass Before the Recess.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The Administration bill extending financial relief to the railroads was ordered favorably reported to the Senate today by the Interstate Commerce Committee by a vote of 7 to 2, with La Follette (Republican) and Stanley (Democrat) in the negative.

Senator Kellough said that Eugene M. Meyer, Director General of the War Finance Corporation, is endeavoring to interest big financiers in the formation of a syndicate to take over the financing of the railroads. The measure authorizes the War Finance Corporation to purchase railroad securities not to exceed \$50,000,000 from the Railroad Administration, this money to be turned over to the railroads to aid them in their present financial difficulties.

WOMAN, BEATEN, TRAPS BANDITS BY 'PLAYING POSSUM'

Mrs. Weber Pretends She Is Unconscious from Blow, Then Blows Whistle.

NEIGHBORS JOIN CHASE. Police Catch Two Fugitives—Broken Cuff Link and Watch Incriminate Them.

Mrs. Ida Weber returned to her apartment at No. 214 East 20th Street late yesterday afternoon from a shopping trip and surprised two burglars in her bedroom in the act of looting her bureau. Near them was a bag filled to capacity with silverware, jewelry and other valuables belonging to the housewife.

Before she could scream one of the burglars knocked her to the floor with a blackjack. She pretended she was unconscious until they had gone back to the bureau and were gathering more loot. Then she sprang to her feet and ran into another room, blowing a police whistle.

The two men bolted for the stairway, leaving their bag and loot. Mrs. Weber ran after them, still blowing the whistle. Other women in the apartment house poked their heads out of windows, yelling "Police! Police!" and some joined in the chase.

Detectives Brennan and Donlin of the East 23d Street Station heard the screams and the sound of the whistle and joined the chase. After firing several shots they caught the fugitives at Second Avenue and 19th Street. Mrs. Weber was close behind them and positively identified them as the burglars. They said they were Edward Romer, No. 1677 24th Street, Brooklyn, and Andrew Boscoe, No. 221-2 Macdougall Street. They emphatically denied they were burglars.

A search of Romer revealed a gold wrist watch which was identified as Mrs. Weber's. The second man still denied the charge, and the police went to Mrs. Weber's apartment in search of more clues. On the floor near the rifled bureau they found a part of a cuff link which one of the burglars had torn off in his haste to get away. One of Boscoe's links was broken, and the piece the detectives found fitted it exactly and tallied identically with the link in Boscoe's other sleeve.

Boscoe, the detectives said, looked at the missing link, threw his hands in the air, and said, "Oh, what's that?"

The two men, before Magistrate Hyttenberg in Yorkville Court today, were held for the Grand Jury in \$5,000 bail each, charged with burglary.

DRIVES GOLF BALL INTO POCKET OF ANOTHER PLAYER

So Runs the Story Vouched For by Two Veracious Members of Port Chester Club.

The Port Chester Country Club believes it has something on all the "down in one" stories ever told, and George E. Metz Jr. and August M. Brezovsky both vouch for it.

Metz, driving from the fifth tee, recently, lost his ball. Brezovsky, playing for the fifth hole, in the path of Metz's ball, felt a stinging sensation in his side which he couldn't account for.

After Metz had taken a stroke with a new ball Brezovsky found Metz's ball in the side pocket of his coat. Metz positively identified the ball as the one he had lost.

"NEVER PART OF THE UNION, THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION OF SECESSION," SAYS LEADER

Mr. De Valera Declares "The Irish People Are Not Going to Be Fooled This Time"—Arbitration for Ulster Suggested.

DUBLIN, Aug. 17 (Associated Press).—Eamon de Valera, Irish Republican leader, declared today that the Dail Eireann would not accept the terms offered by the British Government, extending to Ireland an offer of Dominion status.

Mr. De Valera made this declaration at the second session of the Dail Eireann, held in the Mansion House to take up the question of the negotiations with Premier Lloyd George with regard to a possible Irish settlement.

"From the reports this morning in the British and foreign press," said Mr. De Valera, "there seems to be doubt as to what our attitude is toward the British proposals. There seems to be doubt as to whether what I have said or whether our letter means acceptance or rejection.

"There ought to be no doubt in anybody's mind. We cannot and will not, on behalf of this nation, accept these terms.

"There is an Indian proverb reading 'Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me.' The Irish people will not be fooled this time. "It is said we are offered the status of Dominion Home Rule for Ireland—the status of the British dominions. Ireland is offered no such thing. The statement that Ireland was offered a dominion status contained two falsehoods. Where is Ireland? There is no Ireland in the terms, but two broken pieces of Ireland.

"What was offered was not even Dominion status. It was admitted the dominions had the right to secede and could get out if they desired. We are told we must stay in whether we like it or not.

"We are not claiming the right to secede. There cannot be a question of secession, because there has never been union.

"Northern Ireland has regarded itself from its own viewpoint, and in entering negotiations they need not give up that point of view. I would be willing to suggest to the Irish people that they give up a good deal in order to have Ireland able to look into the future without anticipating distracting internal problems.

"All the time these negotiations have meant an attempt to get into touch with the people of the North and tell them we have no enmity and would make sacrifices for them which we would never make for Britain. We will be ready to give them every safeguard any reasonable person could say they were entitled to, and we are ready to leave the question of the North to external arbitration, or leave the whole question to external arbitration.

"England's claim is unreasonable. The claims of the minority in Ireland are unreasonable. But even unreasonable claims we would be ready to consider, and I for one would be ready to go a long way to give way to them, particularly to their sentiment, if we could get them to come with us and consider the interests of their own country and not be allying themselves with foreigners."

WOMEN TAKE PART IN ARMS PARLEY

President Gives Assurance, But Does Not Define Their Duties.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—President Harding gave assurance today that women will have a part in the disarmament conference.

Whether a woman will sit as a delegate or as a member of an advisory board which the President contemplates appointing is still to be decided apparently.

Fifth Avenue Bus Starts Runaway. Backfire of a Fifth Avenue bus frightened a horse drawing a delivery wagon of the lace manufacturing firm of J. K. Stiesel & Co., No. 126 Fifth Avenue, at Broadway and 65th Street this afternoon and the runaway dashed down Broadway. Thomas Schupp of No. 284 Avenue B, the driver, was flung out at 61st Street and a newstand was overturned. At 60th Street Patrolman Hollinger of the West 64th Street Station brought the horse to a standstill.