

POLICE HEADS CLOSE MOUTHED

McADOO AND McAVOY AT WORK WITH LITTLE TO SAY.

More Light on District's Predicament—Reports to Be Submitted on Monday.

The new Police Commissioner, William McAdoo, his secretary, William Howell, and his first deputy, Thomas F. McAvoy, who isn't really green about police routine after all, started in yesterday to run the department.

Deputy McAvoy announced that he wasn't going to do any talking for publication hereafter and that everything to be said must come from Commissioner McAdoo. The latter gave the impression that he isn't going to confide in the public to any great extent either.

"I'm not going to make any forecasts or pronouncements," he said. "I'm not going to do a lot of talking or be a ready letter-writer or a graphophone."

"I haven't yet appointed the second deputy commissioner, and I can't say exactly when the appointment will be made," was his answer to a question about the man who will be in charge in Brooklyn. This he added: "I'm looking for the best man to fill the place."

However, it is well understood that ex-Police Justice Henry F. Haggerty, the Democratic leader of the Tenth Assembly district, Brooklyn, will be appointed and sworn in as second deputy on Monday.

This positive statement was made at the Thomas Jefferson Club, the headquarters of the Kings county Democratic organization, last evening. Mr. Haggerty was present at the time chatting with Senator Patrick H. McCarran and other Democratic leaders.

Shortly before 5 o'clock last evening this general order was communicated to all the station houses in the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens:

To all Commands and Precincts in this Borough of Queens: The following orders are hereby made to be observed by all commands and precincts in this Borough of Queens:

Until further orders Inspector P. H. McLaughlin will be in charge of the precincts in Brooklyn and Queens. All reports hereafter made to or sent through the Deputy Police Commissioner in charge of the precincts in Brooklyn and Queens will be sent to the office of the Deputy Police Commissioner.

First Deputy Commissioner.

Commissioner McAdoo was anxious to have First Deputy Commissioner Estlin hold over for a week or ten days at least, and it was with this view in mind that he was reported to have written to Major Estlin on Friday.

Major Estlin arrived at Headquarters Commissioner McAdoo said to him: "Major Estlin, I have not as yet made a selection of a deputy for Brooklyn, and I would like you to remain in the place for a week or so."

This was very gratifying to Major Estlin, but he hastened to explain that it was impossible, as he was no longer a Deputy Commissioner.

"Gen. Greene," he said, "was anxious that his deputies and in their resignations. I did so. My resignation went into effect at midnight Thursday, and Gen. Greene accepted it as soon as I had forwarded it to him. Then there is another complication, even had I not resigned, I was the First Deputy Commissioner, and you have already filled that place by the appointment of Thomas F. McAvoy. I could not be the Second Deputy Commissioner unless I was appointed to that place."

"I'm sorry," he said, "I was in hopes that you could hold over for a time at least." Major Estlin's friends said yesterday that Gen. Greene was responsible for Major Estlin being left in so awkward a situation.

"If Gen. Greene had not asked for the resignation of Deputy Commissioners," they said, "it would have been an easy thing for Commissioner McAdoo to let Major Estlin hold over for a time at least. He could have appointed Thomas F. McAvoy Second Deputy Commissioner, until such time as he desired to make a change. Deputy Commissioner McAvoy could have been in charge of Manhattan and the Bronx, just as he is present."

It was Secretary Howell who announced that Major Estlin would hold over. He made the statement on Thursday night to seven or eight reporters when he was giving out the names of the appointees for the first and third deputy positions. Secretary Howell said he was asked by Major Estlin to be held over only until his successor could be chosen or if he would be retained permanently.

"I really cannot say," Mr. Howell replied. Mr. Howell was asked about this yesterday and replied:

"Major Estlin's resignation was accepted by Gen. Greene, so he couldn't hold over." "But it was said that he was to do so," a reporter remarked.

"That was only newspaper talk," answered Mr. Howell.

The uniformed men detailed at Police Headquarters got up early, stilled their bodies but not their tongues, and were talking before 9 o'clock, to be there when the new heads arrived. Deputy McAvoy came first, about 9 o'clock, and he was in the office that Big Bill Devery used to have. He looked over a pile of papers for a while and then went upstairs to the office with Chief Inspector Cortright for an hour.

McAvoy was asked if he contemplated any changes, and replied that all that would be done by a change in the department was "I have very little to say about those things," he added. When he was asked how he got around the fact that he was doing a pensioner's job, he said he had a new job, McAvoy said he hadn't got around it at all.

"There's nothing to it, as far as I know," he said. "There's nothing in the law, I think, to prevent my taking a pension and accepting pay as a Deputy Commissioner, and I haven't even taken any legal advice on the subject."

Commissioner McAdoo arrived about 10:30 o'clock, trudging through the snow, and he held a briefcase which he carried in the second deputyship he said:

"All I can say in addition to that is that as soon as I get a chance I am going to take the position of second deputy in order to make it as safe as possible."

Some people think that Deputy McAvoy is to be the real head of the department, and others think that he is to be a pensioner. "Have you had a conversation with Commissioner McAvoy with a view of ascertaining what policy to pursue?" Mr. McAdoo thought a moment and then answered deliberately:

"Mr. McAvoy is here to do what I request him. Will you be the administrative head and the executive head of the department?" "I can't discuss that," Mr. McAdoo replied.

"Will you say anything about the enforcement to-morrow of the excise law?" "Not a thing." This was said very positively, and after a moment on the subject brought the same reply.

"Is the return to the three-plate system being contemplated?" was asked.

"I haven't considered that," he said.

Then Mr. McAdoo was asked about shake-ups.

"I guess we won't prescribe for the patients until we see how sick he is," answered the Commissioner.

"Well, do you believe that periodic shake-ups are good for the department?" "Not a word as yet."

Mr. McAdoo did say, however, that Third Deputy Commissioner Cowan is to preside at the police trials. Mr. McAdoo said first that Cowan would preside at all the trials, but changed his statement a moment later, leaving the question of who will preside at the trials of the Brooklyn cops unsettled.

Before Gen. Greene left office he transferred his personal sergeant, Edward Bourke, to the Morrisania station. The post near Bourke's home. Commissioner Greene then desired Bourke to headquarters for five days so that he could help the new Commissioner if he were needed.

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 Greater by many thousands of cases than the importations of any other brand.



PARSIFAL and the PIANOLA

We have published for the Pianola the principal selections from Wagner's great music drama, Parsifal.

This music has been arranged under the supervision of Mr. Alfred Hertz, who came to this country especially to conduct the performances of Parsifal at the Metropolitan Opera House, and who is universally recognized as one of the world's greatest interpreters of this remarkable opera.

The music is published on rolls and includes the following selections:

- 1—Prelude
- 2—"Amfortas"
- 3—"Das Heilthum" ("The Sacred Relics")
- 4—"Der Schwann" ("The Swan")
- 5—"Einszug in die Gralsburg" ("The Entry into the Castle of the Grail")
- 6—"Das Liebesmahl" ("The Eucharist")
- 7—"Klingor and Parsifal"
- 8—"Die Blumen-Mädchen" ("The Flower-Maidens")
- 9—"Herzeleid" ("Heart's Affliction")
- 10—"Chrafttrag's-Zauber" ("Good Friday Spell")
- 11—"Titurel's Todtenfeier" ("Titurel's Funeral")
- 12—"Die Erlösung" ("The Redemption")

PETITIONS BOARD OF ESTIMATE.

Charity Organization Deprecates Cut in Special School Appropriation.

The committee on the prevention of tuberculosis of the Charity Organization Society passed yesterday the following resolutions:

Whereas the Board of Estimate and Appropriations has made the appropriation for general and special school purposes in the city of New York for the current year...

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RIVALRY FOR \$60,000 OFFICE.

LOW, ON JAN. 1, APPOINTS CLARK; McLELLAN, FITZGERALD.

Courts to Settle Whether Our Mayor's Term Expires at Noon on Jan. 1, as the Charter Says, or at the Old Year, as the Constitution Seems to Say.

Mayor McClellan does not believe that former Mayor Low had authority to appoint Appleton L. Clark a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, Second Department, which includes Kings, Queens and Richmond.

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WHITMAN ON THE BENCH.

New Magistrate Starts in the Essex Market Court.

Magistrate Charles S. Whitman, who was recently appointed by Mayor Low, presided yesterday for the first time in the Essex Market police court.

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PARK COMMISSIONERS MEET.

Make Willis Holy Secretary and Then Adjourn to Monday.

Park Commissioners John J. Pallas, William P. Schmitt and Michael J. Kennedy went to the Arsenal in Central Park yesterday afternoon and, after inspecting the building, held their first meeting, electing Willis Holy as secretary.

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SULLIVAN KEEPS HIS JOB.

The Warden of Ludlow Street Oves His Place to John C. Sheehan.

Warden Thomas Sullivan of the Ludlow Street Jail received several handsome floral pieces yesterday after it was officially announced that Sheriff Erlanger had reappointed him. He also received a number of telegrams of congratulation.

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