

STABILIZER OFF TO ENGLAND FOR USE IN WAR Automatic Balancer for Hydroplane America Leaves on Adriatic. Other Devices to Follow.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Aboard the Adriatic of the White Star Line, sailing today for Liverpool, one of the most important consignments is a small box containing 37 pounds, shipped to the British Admiralty. It contains an automatic balancer for aeroplanes of the gyroscope type, purchased by the United States Navy, and is the first of these machines to be sent abroad for use in a foreign navy. Others already ordered by England will follow.

McNichol Men Hold Committee Fort

Continued from Page One unless the wave of public demand forces the McNichol Councilmen to represent their constituents instead of the political bosses. It is now likely that the Taylor program will not be reported favorably at the next meeting of Council on Thursday, February 18.

Several of the Vare Councilmen placed the responsibility for the program of political juggling and delay directly on the shoulders of Chairman Connelly. Mr. Connelly, they said, tried to throttle Director Taylor's plan about a week ago, when he was advised that the Vare Councilmen were ready to fight for the favorable consideration of the ordinance providing for prompt action.

ONE McNICHOL MAN CANDID. One McNichol Councilman, John J. McKinley, selectman from the 33d Ward, was frank enough to admit that he was unable to say anything about the plans until he heard from the "fellows at the street."

HARD PRESSED FOR EXCUSES.

The attitude of the men interviewed made it plain that they realized the dangerous position in which they were placed by the McNichol stand, menaced on one side by the universal demand for action and for real rapid transit and restrained on the other by the attitude of "the boss."

VARE MEN'S VIEWS.

This is what some of the Vare Councilmen had to say: Select Councilman William E. Finley, of the 8th Ward, who is secretary to Senator Vare, said he favored the \$30,000,000 loan, the Taylor rapid transit plan and a special election in April. Another member of Council's Finance Committee who wants to see the transit bill reported out is Councilman John H. Baisley, of the 8th Ward.

ing, I will vote to report it out in order that Common Council may vote on it." "GO TO MEN HIGHER UP." R. E. McElroy, of 1234 Bainbridge street, Common Councilman from the 30th Ward, and a clerk in the Sheriff's office, said: "I am in favor of the \$30,000,000 loan as well as an early special election, but I do not intend to be guided by the clamor of a mob. All this agitation and criticism of Council's Finance Committee is doing more harm than good.

"Wing of the committee members of Council's Finance Committee on this matter?" "Smiling, he added, 'Why don't you go to the men higher up?'" "Who are the men higher up?" Mr. McElroy's smile broadened. "Go to Penrose, McNichol and Vare," he suggested.

Mr. McElroy said he didn't believe in rushing tactics. He added that he did not believe in saddling a great debt upon the city. He would not say if he was prepared to have the bill reported out of committee.

W. J. Crawford, of 2036 Fitzwater street, Select Councilman from the 30th Ward, said: "I am in favor of having the subway issue settled one way or the other. I am also in favor of having the transit loan bill reported out of Council's Finance Committee. I have had no conference with politicians. I will vote according to my convictions."

TRAINER FOR HIS WARD.

Henry J. Trainer, a Select Councilman, a member of the Finance Committee of Council and a wholesale dealer in liquors at 800 South Front street, believes in transit and believes that the sooner the city gets it the better, but he wants it to go down into the Third Ward.

McNICHOL MEN'S OPINIONS.

This is what the McNichol followers offered: John J. McKinley, Select Councilman, 33d Ward, when informed that John P. Connelly had announced that a meeting of the Finance Committee of Council would be called, said: "I am in favor of a \$30,000,000 loan for rapid transit if it will satisfy the people."

"Will you vote to report the bill out of the committee at the next meeting?" he was asked. "I won't say anything about that," said McKinley, "because I haven't seen anybody about it and don't know how the fellows at the front feel about the matter."

Peter E. Costello, a member of Common Council, and of the Finance Committee of Council, will not vote to report the transit ordinance out of committee at once so that the special election may be hunched about it." Fred Schwarz, Select Councilman from the 4th Ward, said: "I am certainly in favor of reporting the rapid transit bill out of the Finance Committee in order that it may come before Common Council for action. From the start I have been in favor of getting the bill out of committee in order that there be no delay in securing rapid transit for Philadelphia."

FLAHERTY WON'T TALK.

John F. Flaherty, a Select Councilman, a subordinate in the clerk's office of the Court of Quarter Session and a member of the Finance Committee of Council, said: "I won't talk transit to anybody. I have more important things to think of." "What are those important things?" "I won't talk transit," shouted Flaherty, "to anybody or at any time. It's nobody's business what I privately think of transit. I'll say what I think in Councils." Mr. Flaherty is a dual officeholder.

APPOINTMENT SURPRISES SNOCH.

Henry R. Snoch, Select Councilman, 4th Ward, expressed surprise when informed by the Evening Ledger that he had been appointed a member of the Finance Committee of Council. "If I have been appointed a member

of the committee this is the first intimation that I ever had of it. Only yesterday I saw Mr. Hall, clerk of Council, and he never said a word to me about the appointment," he said. "I am in favor of any public improvement that will be the best for the entire city," said Mr. Snoch, when asked whether he was in favor of immediate action on the rapid transit bill.

"Will you be in favor of reporting the rapid transit bill out of committee?" "I can't say what I will do on the matter until I attend the meeting and hear discussion on the bill." Louis Hutt, Select Councilman from the 25th Ward, a member of the Subcommittee on Finance, said: "I am in favor of rapid transit which will be fair to all the people and all the taxpayers. There are so many financial problems to be weighed when considering the transit program that I am not ready to commit myself on anything definite until we have received the information asked for by Director Taylor in the resolution passed last week."

CALLS PLAN 'INCOMPLETE.'

Dr. E. B. Gleason, of 203 Chestnut street, a member of Common Council and of the Finance Committee, will not vote to hasten the course of the transit ordinance through committee in order that the projected extension of the subway and elevated may be begun this year. He said: "I stand with the majority of the Finance Committee in the belief that the Taylor plan is incomplete; that its success is not assured, because the matter has not been deeply gone into. I am a believer in improved transportation facilities, but I think that a plan that takes in the whole city should be worked out and that each year a part of money should be appropriated and that work on the several lines needed to go to all quarters of the city might be built section by section until all are completed."

"You understand what I mean, that a link in the chain should be built every year and not that one long line that leaves out the most important parts of the city be built at one time." Robert Smith, Common Councilman from the 30th Ward, whose political allegiance is not clearly defined, said: "I will say that I am in favor of better transit facilities for Philadelphia. In view of the request made by Director Taylor by Councils at their last meeting, I am not in favor of having the resolutions reported out until this information has been received." When asked if he would favor reporting out the transit special election bill from committee, Select Councilman Charles Seger, chairman of the Subcommittee of Finance, said, "I have nothing to say."

LEDGERS' GUESTS TO HAVE FINE TRIP TO GOLDEN GATE

Stopovers Will Be Allowed at Many Wonder Spots of the West on Exposition Tour.

Contestants working for free trips to the Pacific coast prize offered to 50 winners in the subscription contest of the EVENING LEDGER and PUBLIC LEDGER are notified by the Contest Editor that subscriptions they obtain must be from new subscribers to gain credits. This has been explained at length before in the news columns and in the advertisements, but the Contest Editor thought it would bear repeating for the benefit of the many new contestants who have entered their names within the last few days.

Subscriptions inside of Philadelphia and Camden, and for a period of less than six months, do not have to be paid in advance. Only paid in advance subscriptions are received from outside the city and for those that run over a term of six months, no matter where the subscriber lives. As has been told before, the 50 winners in this great contest will be sent free of charge to the Panama-Pacific and Panama-California expositions, respectively, at San Francisco and San Diego, California.

FOR STRICTER CENSORSHIP

A stricter censorship of the moving picture dramas of today has been advocated by a number of Germantown women. They contend that the corruption of young girls' minds is liable to result from scenes of sex questions which seem to have a preference in the movie drama of today. At a meeting of the Mothers' Club of Germantown, Frankford and Philadelphia, held yesterday in the Central Guild, 1307 Locust street, this question was carefully explained by Mrs. George S. Morris. The majority of drama films, she said, are vulgar and demoralizing. The tone of the plays should be elevated, she thinks.

WANAMAKER'S Store Opens 8:30 A. M. Store Closes 5:30 P. M. The One and Only Store That Has Standardized the Quality of Furniture Is the Store for You to Buy Furniture In (Especially During Sales) This is the one and only furniture store that has standardized the quality of furniture, in so far as it can be standardized. No other store that we know of could. Let us, however, be clearly understood. By standardize we mean to lift up. Too often it means merely to maintain; for instance, to maintain and keep from going down qualities that are deemed already good. On the contrary, to standardize furniture, as we understand the term and put it into practice, is to make everything better that can be made better and, of course, never to let things be made worse, either to bring down their price or for any other consideration. The result is that our standard is always rising, especially with these sales which have so enlarged our distributing capacity that every year we seem to find it easier to have furniture made better than it has ever been made and priced lower than it has ever been priced. We think it is very reasonable to say that there is no way whereby this Furniture Sale could have become the greatest retail business event in the world except by always affording greatest choice of the best goods. Will you mark it well, that the goods which made these sales so great are better today than they have ever been, because these good, reliable Wanamaker grades have now been vastly improved, yet their prices are as low as ever, and in many cases lower. This applies in particular where it counts for most—in the medium-priced bedroom and dining room furniture, which must necessarily form the bulk and backbone of the stock from which most good homes are made. (Fifth and Sixth Floors)



250 Women's Dresses Going at \$7.50 and \$10

Odds and ends of Winter stocks, all freshly reduced, so that present prices are no more than half what the dresses sold for originally, and all kinds that will fill in admirably between Winter clothes and fresh Spring ones. At \$7.50 expect coat-dresses of serge and satin; serge alone and charmeuse and velvet, mostly blue and black. At \$10 are velvet and serge dresses and a few of charmeuse. People going away over the holiday and week-end and desiring an extra dress to tuck in a grip are particularly invited to look over both groups. (First Floor, Central)

New Spring Silks 50c and 65c a Yard

Foulards, all silk and 22 inches wide, in the pretty black and white polka dot patterns, 50c a yard. They make up into the nicest kind of dresses for all-around serviceable wear. Colored Shantung pongees, 65c a yard, which is much less than these silks usually cost. Silk dress lengths and remnants of many other silks for Spring gowns, waists, petticoats and trimmings, variously priced, but all at a considerable saving. (Subway Floor, Chestnut)

Almost Everything You Need for a Bed Can Be Bought at a Saving

—mattresses, pillows, bolsters, springs, blankets and quilts. Mattresses, bolsters, pillows and springs are having their February Sale in connection with the Furniture Sale. This year for the first time every mattress in our possession is offered at a special price. The savings go from 10 per cent. on these goods up to 25 per cent. on mattresses made from new special purchases of sterilized hair and cotton. Every piece of bedding in the sale is hygienically certified. Hair mattresses, double-bed size, \$10.80 up to \$28; single-bed size at \$6.75 up to \$17.50. Felted cotton mattresses, double-bed size, \$7.50 up to \$15; single-bed size, \$6 to \$12. Fine, clean feather pillows, \$1.50 and \$2 each. Fine, clean feather bolsters, \$3 and \$4 each. Steel bed springs, \$3.75 to \$6.25 each. Box springs, \$10 to \$19 for single beds; \$10.50 to \$20 for double beds. Specially priced blankets—new purchases—\$5 and \$6 a pair, all-wool filled, cotton warped. Other blankets—clearing groups in our own stock—20 to 25 per cent. off—from \$3.75 a pair to \$9.50 each; various kinds and colors at various prices in between. Wool-filled quilts—clearing groups—\$2.75, \$5, \$8.50 up to \$20 each. Savings 15 to 50 per cent. Down-filled quilts, made in France, covered in satin, trimmed with lace, all at halved prices—\$62.50 to \$125. (Fifth Floor, Market)

Mantel and Desk Clocks in Fine Mahogany Cases

You may try the experiment of putting them in the drawing room, library, dining room, study or bedrooms, and everywhere these mahogany clocks are perfectly at home and seemingly made for that particular room. Probably that is why they are such general favorites. Nearly all have the simple Colonial lines or slight variations from them, and the works are all of the better sort. Mahogany mantel clocks, hour and half hour strike, \$10 to \$37.50. With chimes, \$24 to \$95, and one of the smallest chiming clocks made is here at \$70. Mahogany desk or bedroom clocks, eight-day movements, \$3.75 to \$10. Note—A number of fine French mantel clocks in marble and bronze are still here at an average of half their former prices. They are now \$50 to \$375. (Jewelry Store, Chestnut and Thirteenth)

The Market Has Risen, But These New Bales of Oriental Rugs Have Not

Since we ordered them, many months ago (at the first sign of a possible scarcity), their prices have gone up and up. Having secured them at the old low market rates, we are offering them on the same basis; that is, at the old unrisen prices, despite the fact that rugs of this kind have never been scarcer. Beluchistans, 2x5, \$15; 3x5.6, \$19.50; 8x7, \$25. Mossouls and Guendjes, 3x6, \$15.75. Mossouls and Hamadans, 3.6x7, \$19.75. Cabestans and Shirvans, 3x5, \$17.50. Anatolian mats, \$5.75, \$7.50, \$9.75. Irans, Kurdistans and Hamadans, size 4x7, \$30 to \$45. Hall strips, 3.6x12 to 15, \$25 to \$45. Plenty of carpet-size pieces at low prices in the new shipments also. (Fifth Floor, Market)

1000 Crepe de Chine Waists Are Marked at \$3.85

When a certain large manufacturer finished filling his Spring orders he found that there were many little odd groups left, some only with one or two styles alike. But all are very pretty and new, and there are light and dark colors. Both low and high collars, but all the waists have long sleeves and some have embroidery on the material. (West Alala)

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