

PROGRESSIVES TO AID BRUMBAUGH IN BATTLE FOR PARTY LEADERSHIP

Will Throw Influence to Governor and Against Penrose in Fight for Convention Delegates

FLINN MEN VICTORIOUS

The influence of the Progressive party will be thrown to Governor Brumbaugh in his fight to wrest the leadership of the Republican party in Pennsylvania from United States Senator Boies Penrose.

The Governor was indirectly endorsed by the leaders of the Washington party at their conference held in Harrisburg yesterday afternoon and last night.

The endorsement was in the form of a call to former Progressives who have returned to the Republican party to support delegates who will be opposed to Penrose.

The endorsement of the Governor came only after a bitter fight, however. The Flinn-Van Valkenburg faction attempted to have the 40 Washington party leaders who attended the conference, adopt resolutions endorsing the Governor's fight openly.

Gifford Pinchot, who is a warm personal friend of Colonel Roosevelt, successfully fought this attempt, but was unable to block the indirect endorsement.

The Washington party leaders went on record as favoring Penrose at a convention of the Republican party at the Chicago convention, provided the Republicans nominate Colonel Roosevelt or some other candidate acceptable to them.

A slate of Washington party candidates for State offices was drafted at a conference held after the regular meeting.

United States Senator Mahlon H. Meyers, Chairman of the Committee on the Roosevelt delegates to the Republican and Progressive National Conventions in 1912.

Auditor General Isaac B. Brown, of Eric, former Secretary of Internal Affairs.

State Treasurer, J. Verner Clark, of Washington County, former member of the Legislature.

Congressman C. Large, Robert C. Bair, York; Fred Breckenham, of Carbon County; S. Jarvis Adams, Jr., of Allegheny County, and Arthur G. Graham, of Philadelphia.

William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, is to be re-elected as President of the National Committee from Pennsylvania.

Pinchot Opposes. Gifford Pinchot, Roosevelt's close friend, was a staunch opponent of anything seeming to favor the Governor.

Those who stood with him denounced the alliance of the Governor with the Vares and also the Government's endorsement of the Governor's campaign committee called upon William Flinn, and later issued an informal statement directing attention to the indirect endorsement of Governor Brumbaugh.

The full effect of Flinn's parliamentary victory over a seeming majority was obtained when, following a denunciation of the Governor in the conference, the rank and file broke out with cheers.

The resolutions embody the Roosevelt idea of four years ago. The hope was expressed that the Republican and Progressive National Conventions would agree on the same presidential candidate, and it was set forth that Progressives were just as ready as ever to respond to the call of the Colonel.

It was also resolved that the Washington party should have a complete State ticket of its own.

Will of Charles L. Braun Aids German Charities. Estate Left in Trust to Widow—Other Wills Probated.

An estate valued at \$47,700 in left in trust to his widow by Charles L. Braun, who died recently at 391 North 7th street, in his will, admitted to probate today.

Of the remainder of the estate, one-half is left to nephews and nieces, the issue of a deceased sister, and the other half, in equal shares, goes to the German Society of Philadelphia and the German Hospital.

Other wills probated today were those of Edward H. Parry, which in private bequests, disposes of an estate valued at \$45,000; Henry R. Rittenhouse, \$225,000; Carlisle street, \$18,500; Albert R. B. Keyser, 1925 North Park avenue, \$10,000; Mary Holcomb, 547 Thompson street, \$42,000; and Frank W. Platt, White Haven, Pa., \$20,000.

The personality of the estate of Emma E. Luders has been appraised at \$193,629.47, and the personality of William H. Lees and Lawrence J. Schmitt is appraised at \$846.84 and \$592.21 respectively.

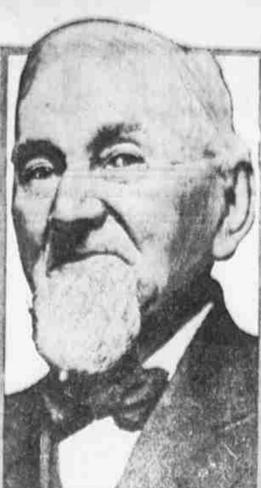
Girl Fights Man, Gets Razor Wrenches It From Father's Grasp When He Attacks His Wife.

A sixteen-year-old girl wrenched a razor from her father's hands after he had knocked her mother and brother unconscious, threatening to "clean up" the house.

Early this morning Edward Whitehouse, 43 years old, came to his home, 2117 North 24th street, from his lodge in a bad humor. He had been drinking, according to his wife, and started a quarrel.

Whitehouse, seizing his wife, chased the woman, Harry, a 20-year-old son, interested and sought to quiet the sinner man, but was given a blow that knocked him down. The father then struck the wife, knocking her unconscious.

The daughter, Lucy, awakened by screams, rushed to her mother's aid, and throwing her arms tightly about her father, knocked the razor from his grasp, and then held it to the man's throat, who then fled.



MARTIN MACNEILLE

MARTIN MACNEILLE, VETERAN OF TWO WARS, 85 TODAY

Uncle of Juvenile Court Judge Gets Many Congratulations and Flowers

Huge baskets and wreaths of flowers almost buried the happy smiles of Martin Macneille, uncle of Judge Raymond Macneille of the Juvenile Court, today, when the former was congratulated by scores of friends on his birthday anniversary. He is 85 years "young" today.

Mr. Macneille was a drummer boy under General Winfield Scott in the Mexican War. He was badly wounded at Vera Cruz, but this did not deter him years later from enlisting in the Civil War as a private in the 10th Pennsylvania Infantry. He was again wounded, this time in the face.

"The only thing I regret," said the old warrior today, "is that I am unable to go back to Mexico with the boys there now. Those Mexicans are a tough set, and the trouble won't end with the capture of Villa. We had better prepare for trouble in a hurry."

NEIL BONNER CALLED IN BREWERY PROBE

Philadelphia Appears Before U. S. Grand Jury—Bates Excused Temporarily

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 24.—Neil Bonner, of Philadelphia, president of the National Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, and leader of J. P. Mulvihill, of Pittsburgh, next to the State liquor forces, the man most sought by the Government in its probe of the alleged brewery-politics partnership, went before the Federal Grand Jury here this forenoon, the first witness called by United States Attorney E. Lowry Humes.

Bonner carried an armful of subpoenaed books and records, but he was excused temporarily from testifying, while the Grand Jury returned to the case of J. V. Thompson, the Uniontown banker accused of violating the national banking laws.

Dr. E. J. Hexamer, of Philadelphia, president of the National German-American Alliance; Dr. E. T. Fleming, of Philadelphia, secretary of the Eastern Pennsylvania Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association; and Frank J. Keenan, of Philadelphia, are on hand waiting to go before the Grand Jury.

RUNAWAY BOY'S MESSAGE TO HIS MOTHER TRAPS HIM

Cop Sees Him Write Postal and Arrests Two Lads

His anxiety to send a parting word to his mother caused the capture of William Smith, 13-year-old runaway, of this city, and his companion, Joseph Fox, 11 years old, in Camden, last night, by Special Policeman Archibald.

The boys were looking for adventure and bought a ticket for Salem, N. J. But Smith, who lives at 6206 Master street, could not resist the temptation to send a postal to his mother. While he wrote the message, Fox stood nearby nervously, watching the clock.

Archibald looked over the shoulder of the Smith boy and read these words: "Dear Mother—Sorry to give you so much trouble. I'm going away; don't worry. Your son, William Smith."

The boy had barely finished writing when Archibald placed him and his companion, who lived at 5155 Haverford avenue, under arrest. Both boys were claimed last night by their parents and went home in tears.

RECEPTION FOR DR. GARBER

School Superintendent at Southern High Tonight

A reception will be given Dr. John P. Garber, superintendent of schools, and John Christopher, district superintendent of the 24 School District, tonight at the Southern High School, Broad and Jackson streets, by the teachers and principals of the 24 District.

At the Hamilton School, 57th and Spruce streets, a lecture will be delivered tonight on health and modern sanitation. Lectures will also be delivered at the Benson School, 27th and Wharton streets, where Dr. Joseph Clay will talk on "Care of Eyes, Ears, Nose and Throat." The same lecture will be delivered in the Mt. St. Joseph, Huntington and Sepvita streets, by Dr. Gilbert J. Felen. At the Marshall School, Sellers and Franklin streets, Dr. T. Ashcraft will deliver a lecture on "Exercise, Recreation and Rest," while Dr. Samuel Leopold will deliver the same lecture at the Nichols School, 16th and Wharton streets.

NEGROES LODGE COMPLAINT

Longshoremen Say They Were Brought Here to Break Strike

Twenty-eight negro longshoremen visited the Federal Building today and complained that they had been brought to this city from Jacksonville, Fla., under false pretence. The men arrived here yesterday on the steamship Cretan, of Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company. According to the longshoremen they were hired by the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company to work on the company's piers in this city. They alleged that when they arrived here they were asked to take the places of striking longshoremen.

The local offices of the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company today issued a denial of the charges. According to the company, the men were hired to do strike breaking at the time the men were hired. No action was taken by the Federal officials of the complaint.

Liberal Studies Society to Meet

The third annual meeting of the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Liberal Studies will be held tomorrow at the Hotel Astoria. Professor John C. Holt, of the University of Pennsylvania, will preside. There will be addresses by Kirby E. Smith, of Johns Hopkins, and Prof. John J. Barton, of Bryn Mawr.

UNDERGROUND PLOT AGAINST TAYLOR PLAN

Continued From Page One. Director Taylor. This is the line that would enable all the residents of the city to reach all parts of Fairmount Park by a 5-cent fare, and when in operation would prevent the parking of street cars at Strawberry Mansion, Green street entrance to the University City campus, and of the Wissahickon drive, in addition to enabling those living in remote sections of the city to make the city's magnificent playground easily available to the masses and prevent the disgraceful crowding of cars on the slow-going surface lines.

"Property owners along the route of the proposed Parkway line have been canvassed to lodge objections to the building of the line and asked to unite in opposition to its construction, because of the fear that the noise and unsightly pillars and overhead construction would depreciate the value of their property. They have also been appealed to to defeat the building of this line on the ground that the construction of the comprehensive Taylor plan would raise the tax rate as to make their properties non-productive when held for investment and undesirable when occupied as homes.

AGENTS IN WEST PHILADELPHIA. "Five men descended upon West Philadelphia a week ago last Tuesday and commenced making a list of the names of the owners of the property in the area of the proposed Parkway line. They had great success in this regard, and they urged the residents of West Philadelphia to oppose any attempt to round up these members of Council to vote in favor of an ordinance to create the original Taylor plan, amended to include the proposed building of the Parkway-Loxborough line and the Woodland avenue-Durby road.

Arrangements were made in West Philadelphia to meet the residents of the area to discuss with a great tax rate for years to come for a public improvement which would draw people away from the territory west of the river, and that the tax-payers of West Philadelphia would be paying for the development of property in every section of the city except their own.

It was also pointed out that there was no real need for the proposed Parkway line, as the situation is placed in the hands of Senator McNichol. Unless the Senator will agree to the terms of the agreement the work will be held up indefinitely.

EMINENT CONSULTING ENGINEER SHARPLY ASSAILS TWINING PLAN

Joseph T. Richards, Forty Years With the Pennsylvania Railroad, Condemns Curtailed Program for Rapid Transit

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 24.—Joseph T. Richards, forty years with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and eminent consulting engineer of maintenance of way for the Pennsylvania Railroad, in the course of an interview published today, made a stinging criticism of the proposed Twining changes.

Mr. Richards was the engineer in the building of the Pennsylvania Railroad tunnels under the Hudson River, and was consulting engineer for the construction of the Waldorf-Astoria, on 22d street, in New York, an engineering work many times more difficult than the proposed operation under City Hall.

Sixteen years ago he prepared the plans for the Market street subway and elevated it in this city, and engineering work to his skill are in active use today in nearly every big city of the East. He stated emphatically that it is perfectly feasible to run a subway under City Hall, as provided by former Director Taylor.

"The agitation that is being shown now at the plan of running the Broad street subway lines under City Hall is not warranted," said Mr. Richards, "and the Pennsylvania Railroad, in driving its tunnels under New York city, contended with greater obstacles than any which confront Philadelphia in the subway under City Hall. The Waldorf-Astoria, on 22d street, in New York, an engineering work many times more difficult than the proposed operation under City Hall.

"The Twining plan is not complete and would be disastrous to the development of the city. The Taylor plan takes care of the entire city, and in years will more than repay the great trouble and expense. As in other cities, Philadelphia comprehensively should take in every section of the city in its transit plans.

"The Twining plan I would characterize the rapid transit system as worth 30 cents, whereas under the Taylor plan every dollar spent will bring ten in return, return.

"A unique consideration enters into the shortening of the subway on South Broad street. Philadelphia desires to make League Island the greatest Governmental naval center in the country. It wants Government aid for this project. Yet it refuses rapid transit between the Navy Yard and the central sections of the city. The officials at the island feel badly about a lack of interest on the part of Philadelphia.

"If we expect the Government to make our navy yard the finest in the country we should at least meet the Government half way by giving them at League Island decent transit facilities.

MAYOR DECLARES WAR ON FOES OF LOAN BILL

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consider the action of members of Finance Committee of Councils yesterday afternoon in attacking the loan bill.

"I do not feel annoyed," there is nothing but politics in it. The same old crowd—the same old crowd trying to fool the people in the same old way. I consider it an open attack on the Administration and mean to fight it to the finish.

The Mayor paused for breath and he threw back his shoulders and thrust out his under lip militantly.

"Any one," he continued in the same cold, stern tone, who attacks the loan for political purposes attacks my administration, and they have got to fight." The Mayor brought out the word "fight" with an emphasis which left no doubt as to his feelings.

"I am not afraid to go before the people," continued the Mayor, "and those attacking the loan will have to fight me. I don't care how strong you make this statement, but I will not be intimidated, and they have now come out into the open.

"I have not decided to take the floor at the meeting of the Finance Committee next Monday night. I may be there, but cannot say definitely at this time. But I want to say this: they can't play politics with me and do it without a fight.

"The opposition to the loan is easily understood. Immediately following his declaration of war on the McNichol-Penrose forces, the Mayor entered his office.

The action of the Mayor in coming out into the open now enters the unfolding skirmishing between the Vares and Penrose-McNichol forces, and places the struggle between the two factions on a real war basis.

Hitherto Mayor Smith has denied knowledge of any intention of the Penrose-McNichol Councilman to retard or defeat the loan bill. Politicians this afternoon was upset in the opinion that the Mayor's declaration of war is a signal for a lineup of the forces of the opposing factions for a struggle which is inevitable.

With honors resting in the Penrose-McNichol camp, the whole fight over the \$48,500,000 loan, its carrying charges and the necessary increase in the city tax rate will be renewed in the Finance Committee of Councils on Monday. When the question of including deficiency bills totaling \$246,000 in the loan and the debate over the amount of tax increase will be continued.

So far the delaying tactics of the Penrose followers in the committee have been successful, also their plan to give the people some idea of the tax burden they will assume if the loan is passed. Mayor Smith will take the floor on Monday in defense of the loan has not been determined, but

J. V. THOMPSON FACES EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

That Accusation and One of Abstraction Included Among 30 Counts in New Presentment

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 24.—Introducing for the first time embezzlement and abstraction as a new presentment against J. V. Thompson, head of the defunct First National Bank of Uniontown, was returned by the Federal Grand Jury here at 12:45 o'clock today. The jurors were directed to bring in an indictment. It will contain 30 counts.

United States Judge Charles P. Orr, who, with United States Judge W. H. E. Thomas, received the presentment, to the surprise of the crowded courtroom denounced the presentment from the bench.

United States Attorney E. Lowry Humes vigorously defended the Grand Jury's course.

"I doubt the validity of this presentment," said Judge Orr, after Clerk Wilbur Harris took the presentment from the hands of George E. Dawson, of Uniontown, foreman of the Grand Jury.

Judge Orr added: "It is similar to a presentment made by the last Grand Jury, which at the time was authorized to present a bill. Now the same matters are again brought before the Grand Jury and without the knowledge or consent of the court. The court is of the opinion there should have been an application for reconsideration of this matter before the Grand Jury."

"The court will permit the Grand Jury to bring in a bill (the indictment), reserving, however, the right to say whether or not the indictments brought in shall stand as a true bill against the defendant."

Humes was on his feet in an instant. "The new presentment," he said, "covers matters of embezzlement and abstraction, which were not covered in the previous presentment."

GUNNER'S MATE HIT BY GAS EXPLOSION

Fixing Up Home for Bride More Dangerous Than War, He Says

Life on a United States warship and in rebel-ravaged Mexico is far safer than repairing a house full of accumulated gas, said Lewis Padulo, a gunner's mate on the battleship Kearsarge today.

Padulo was hurled to the floor and the front wall of a house at 1305 East Moyamensing avenue was blown into the street last night soon after the gunner's mate went into the building to do some painting and to make other repairs.

Padulo escaped without a scratch, but had a bigger scare, than he ever had in the service of Uncle Sam.

Padulo was married recently and had rented the house for himself and his bride, now living at 1316 East Moyamensing avenue. Armed with a brush and a candle, he had completed the repairs when suddenly there was a loud detonation and part of the house front was in the street.

"A whole Mexican war is a pipe compared to this," murmured Padulo, as he was picked up. He saw fighting at Vera Cruz.

Wife Leaves, He Tries Suicide

John H. Mates, 26 years old, 6623 Hadington street, is in a serious condition at the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital. According to her statement, the dentist said to her: "I'll soon be spending the paid millions."

Doctor Waite's father and mother, who own a small truck garage just outside of Grand Rapids, are planning to go to New York tomorrow to cheer their son.

POLICE LEARN WHERE WAITE GOT POISON

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and Waite would not be removed from his apartment today. His condition is good, the district attorney said, but he is still weak from the opiate he took Wednesday night. Swann conferred today with Miss Catherine Peck, who expressed great surprise at the use to which the dentist had put the \$18,000 she gave him.

Dr. Waite has not yet retained an attorney, though it is understood that John B. Stanchfield, formerly attorney for Harry K. Thaw, may represent him.

The druggist who sold Waite the arsenic will appear before the Grand Jury this afternoon.

Overtures were made to the District Attorney's office for the surrender of a beautiful young woman who has become involved in the case through her friendship with Waite.

The woman, who is described as being 24 years old and possessing extraordinary beauty, lived at the Hotel Plaza as "Mrs. Walters."

It was not until early this morning that Waite learned he was under arrest. Waite made no answer when told of the charge against him, but persistently asked for his wife.

Raymond C. Schindler, head of the detective agency which investigated the Peck case, told today of trailing Waite.

"Our investigation proves that Waite's expenses were very high," said the detective. "He bought a handsome touring car and his apartments rent for \$200 a month. He stayed at the Plaza Hotel with a woman cost him \$250 for room rent one night, and he spent at restaurants and in gifts for his companion must have been very high.

"Waite and the woman registered as Dr. A. W. Walters and wife. The 'Mrs. Walters' is said to be an actress and we have had her under surveillance as well as Waite. Since Waite got back from Grand Rapids he has been a good boy. On Sunday he went to church twice. Before that time he frequented the Broadway cafes with young women of the chorus girl type. Whether he was a drug user or not we do not know."

It has been learned that the young woman friend of Waite left the Plaza Hotel on Saturday. After receiving a telephone message from Waite to "get out at once," it was evidently then that Waite learned that he and his companion should be abandoned.

Wednesday the girl returned to the hotel and removed her belongings from the apartment.

MRS. WAITE SAYS DOCTOR IS INNOCENT OF CRIME

Asserts He Was "Too Good" to Have Poisoned Her Parents

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 24.—"Arthur would never have done anything like that. He was too good and too good and too true. He loved mother and father as I loved them."

This was the hysterical statement today of Mrs. Arthur Warren Waite, wife of the doctor who is being held in New York in connection with the death of John E. Peck, his father-in-law, and Mrs. Peck, both of whom died under mysterious circumstances in Waite's Riverside Drive apartment in New York.

The daughter of the Pecks, was still seriously ill today, the result of the shock that came with the sudden death of her parents and the subsequent investigation which resulted in her husband being taken into custody by the New York District Attorney's office.

Miss Cozella Corbett, a Grand Rapids girl, who is an art student in New York, told investigators today that while in New York recently she met Doctor Waite. According to her statement, the dentist said to her: "I'll soon be spending the paid millions."

Doctor Waite's father and mother, who own a small truck garage just outside of Grand Rapids, are planning to go to New York tomorrow to cheer their son.

FISKE WOULD CURB SECRETARY OF NAVY

Admiral Urges Elimination of Interference in Practical Naval Problems

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The elimination of the Secretary of the Navy, to all practical intents, was the suggestion of Admiral Bridgman to the House Naval Committee today. The admiral, whose appearance before the committee was the result of a long and arduous fight for weeks, the chairman finally consenting, started the committee with his plan.

He proposed the establishment of a permanent chief of operations, who would have authority over the preparation of the entire navy for war and who could not be overruled by the Secretary of the Navy without authority of Congress.

"If we have a Secretary who comes in every four years and changes the entire strategy of the navy we will never get anywhere," Admiral Fiske said. "We should have a law that would make it impossible for the Secretary to change conditions and the policies of the navy without appearing before Congress and securing consent."

"It would take five years to put our navy on an effective basis," Fiske said. "This opinion has been endorsed by every naval officer I have talked to. Our navy will never be as effective as those of other countries until the system is changed. Since 1707 there has been an increasing realization of the importance of a continued strategy. It is easy enough to have a big navy, but not so easy to have a good one."

Britten said he feared a Secretary could come in and nullify all of the effective things done by his predecessors.

"I have no objection to any Secretary who may be appointed will do any such thing," Chairman Fiske retorted.

"It has been done," Britten replied.

FIRE IN U. OF P. LABORATORY

Started by Explosion of Chemical, Easily Extinguished by Experimenting Students

The arrival of fire apparatus on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania at noon today, in response to a fire alarm from the Harrison Chemical Laboratory, brought out throngs of students, professors and other persons from nearby buildings to the college building.

The fire started as a result of an explosion of chemicals while a student was making an experiment. Four students who were in the laboratory when the fire started easily extinguished it by means of a fire extinguisher.

Cynwyd Club Honors Its President

The House and Grounds Committees of the Cynwyd Club gave a dinner last night to the president of the club, W. B. Kraft, whose term expires at the close of the month. E. M. Spangler, chairman, presented the president, on behalf of the committee, with a loving cup. Those present included C. N. Beard, E. W. Chambers, O. S. Carter, Robert Patrick, Jr., H. G. Goldberg, Fr. T. LeBoutillier and A. D. Boddy. The board of governors at the annual meeting, March 14, also presented Mr. Kraft with a loving cup.

Held for Killing "Necktie Jimmy"

Giuseppe Gallace, 19 years old, 444 East Mechanic street, Germantown, was held without bail to await the action of the Grand Jury by Coroner Knight today, on the charge of having shot and killed Lorenzo Di Stefano, 26 years old, of Price street, Germantown. The killing of Di Stefano, who was known as "Necktie Jimmy," occurred on the afternoon of March 12.

Advertisement for Clupeco Handkerchiefs. Features an illustration of a hand holding a Clupeco handkerchief. Text includes: 'YOUR DEALER WILL HAND YOU CLUPECO HANDKERCHIEFS IN THIS DECENT WAY Untouched by any hands but yours after leaving the Arrow Collar laundry at Troy where they are washed in filtered boiling water with pure hospital soap. Pure White Sweet Smelling Soft and Pure In germ-proof packages—at your dealers Four Qualities "D"—25c each "C"—3 for 25c "B"—10c "A"—2 for 25c CLUETT, PEABODY & CO., Inc., Makers of ARROW COLLARS and SHIRTS