

PALMER PICKED BY DEMOCRATS FOR GOVERNOR

Reorganizers and Old Guard Men Make Tentative Agreement

HARMONY THE KEYNOTE



A. MITCHELL PALMER

A. Mitchell Palmer, Democratic National Committeeman and former Congressman, will be the Democratic candidate for Governor to succeed Marcus C. Brumbaugh. A tentative agreement has been reached by the Reorganizers and the Old Guard Democrats of the State whereby he will be their candidate, with the support of both factions. A complete understanding has been reached between the Old Guard and the Reorganization wing, whereby the Old Guard will recognize the McCormick-Palmer leadership in the State, and in return will receive the Federal patronage in the districts in which the Old Guard controls the party machinery. This Democrat leaders say, will bring about the dissolution of the old guard wing and cement the factions in future campaigns. The successor to William W. Roper, who resigned a few days ago as Appraiser of the Port of Philadelphia, will be a follower of the Old Guard, according to Democratic leaders in both factions. A tentative list of available candidates for the office is being drawn up, and will be submitted to Palmer within a few days. The resignation of Postmaster Thornton and Collector of the Port, Harry, to make way for Old Guard men, is looked for within a short time.

LEGISLATION UNCHANGED

Complete Unofficial Returns Show Political Complexion Will Be the Same as at Present

The political complexion of both houses in the State Legislature will be approximately the same as at the last session, according to complete unofficial returns received today by the Republican State Committee. The Senate will be composed of thirty-nine Republicans, ten Democrats and one Washington party man. The roster of the House of Representatives will be 159 Republicans, one Socialist, thirty-nine Democrats.

EUROPE GOT MUCH COAL HERE

U. S. Agents, Probing Shortage, Find 600,000 Tons Exported

More than 600,000 tons of coal was shipped to Europe last summer, Department of Justice agents in Philadelphia have learned through their investigation of the high cost of living. The Philadelphia office has been inquiring particularly into the rising price of coal. Frank Garbarino, in charge of the department office here, declined to say what discovery of the large coal shipments to Europe foreshadowed, explaining that the findings of the investigators would be sent to the department headquarters in Washington. Mr. Garbarino expects the report from this district to be forwarded within two weeks. The investigation deals with retailers in cities and the coal operators in the Eastern Pennsylvania fields.

EDGE HONORS DEFEATED RIVAL

Post of Adjutant General Offered to Colonel Colgate

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 14.—Governor-elect Walter E. Edge announced after a conference with Governor Fielder that it had been agreed that the latter, on Edge's suggestion, is to tender today the office of adjutant general, to succeed the late Wilbur F. Sadler, Jr., to Colonel Austen Colgate, of Essex County.

Wilson May Lose One Idaho Elector

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 14.—President Wilson in the United States electoral vote in the State of Idaho, according to returns from Boise today. James Pincock, one of the successful Democrat electors, was also a candidate for the State Legislature and was elected. The law provides that a presidential elector is disqualified if he holds a State office.

Dealer Fined for Selling Goat Meat

Accused of selling goat meat as mutton by Robert M. Simmers, agent for the Pure Food Department of Pennsylvania, William Leden, 1214 South street, who conducts a meat market known as the "Sanitary Shop," was fined \$50 and costs by Magistrate Shoop today. William Johnson, 182 North Fifteenth street; H. Feldman, 328 Monroe street; and A. Rubin, 322 Bainbridge street, were also fined for selling diluted milk.

Dr. Schwindt Named Police Surgeon

Director Wilson today appointed Dr. Louis W. Schwindt, 1412 North Fourth street, police surgeon at the Front and Market streets station, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Harry C. Westant from pneumonia two weeks ago.

Gaunt for President of N. J. Senate

TRENTON, Nov. 14.—Republican Senator and Senator-elect held a caucus today and decided on George F. Gaunt, of Gloucester, for president, with Thomas F. McCarra, of Passaic, for floor leader, Francis B. Davies, of Gloucester, will again be clerk.

Complaints Against Water Company

HARRISBURG, Nov. 14.—Arthur W. McDaniel, of Norwood, Delaware County, today filed complaint with the Public Service Commission against the Springfield Consolidated Water Company, alleging the company's refusal to reduce the rates on domestic and commercial water.

EIGHT FOR CONTROL OF HOUSE ENGAGES RIVAL PARTY CHIEFS

Republicans and Democrats Court the Aid of Independents, Who Apparently Hold Balance of Power

SPEAKER CLARK TACITURN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The post-election fight for control of the House in the Sixty-fifth Congress was begun here today. With both Republicans and Democrats just short of a majority in the next House, efforts to court the votes of Progressive, Prohibition, and independent members, in the ballots which will organize the lower body were already being made when House members began to arrive here today. Speaker Champ Clark came back to Washington in a rather tactful mood after the strain of a long campaign. He declined to hazard any estimate as to who would control the next House, but his friends at once began a campaign to win over the votes of independents in the Sixty-fifth Congress. The Speaker was evidently prepared for a strenuous campaign for his reelection on the 15th of November. He concedes the next House to the Republicans. Democratic leaders were depending largely upon the fact that the Administration would not be able to carry out its policy to give the independent Democratic control to give the independent members. The optimism among the Democrats was encouraged by the divided sentiment of Republican House members reaching Washington.

Republican Floor Leader James H. Mann, of Illinois, is the logical candidate for Speaker on the minority side of the chamber, but opposition to his candidacy has developed among influential Republicans. Representative Leinout, of Wisconsin, a La Follette Progressive, and Representative J. Hamilton Moore, of Pennsylvania, an Old Guard Democrat, have been mentioned as possible opponents of the Republican leader in the fight for the candidacy for the Speakership.

GOMPERS ON FOREIGN BOARD OF FEDERATION

No Open Evidence Shown Against Labor Leaders in Baltimore Convention

BALTIMORE, Nov. 14.—Reports of committees and addresses from the foreign delegates kept the convention of the American Federation of Labor busy this morning at the Garden Theater. This is the second day of the gathering, yesterday having been given over to hearing the addresses of welcome. Today the 500 delegates settled down to real business. On a motion from the floor, Samuel Gompers, president of the federation, was named as an added member of the committee on international relations. The first order of business was to wash their hands of Frank Morrison, secretary, from their official perches, it has either been checked or is flowing so quietly that its results will not be shown until the delegates have become acquainted.

News at a Glance

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 14.—The following Justice of the Peace were appointed today: G. W. Ketter, Sadsbury township, Chester County; Harvey M. Booth, Lower Chichester township, Delaware County.

TRENTON, Nov. 14.—The nineteenth annual report of the managers of the New Jersey State Village for Epileptics, at Skillman, Somerset County, together with the report of Superintendent David F. Weeks, of the institution, was submitted to Governor Fielder, shows that there are at present 355 male and 294 female patients at the village, an increase of seventy-four over last year. The health of the patients is reported as good.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Nov. 14.—Eleven-year-old Lynn Lovelace was placed on trial here today on a charge of murdering F. Thomas Hammit, a school teacher. The boy and his brother Harold, twelve, are said to have shot Hammit when he caught them robbing a ranch house. Harold is on trial as an accessory.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The Interstate Commerce Commission will set December 14 for a hearing in Chicago of the western export iron and steel case. The case involves proposed increases on iron and steel articles of all classes from Chicago, Pittsburg and points east to the Pacific coast for export.

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., Nov. 14.—Engineer J. J. Goodwin was killed and Fireman Ed Trumbull badly scalded today when a Southern Railway train passing through the town, crashed into a string of freight cars which had drifted off a siding, blocking the main line. No passengers were injured. The engineer and fireman were both of Alexandria, Va.

CHICAGO, Nov. 14.—Hundreds are searching the blizzard-ridden woods in the vicinity of Elgin, Minn., for Horace E. Jackson, grain authority and member of the Chicago Board of Trade, who has been lost for four days. A reward of \$1000 is offered for his discovery and every searcher is to be paid \$10.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Secretary of War Baker announced that the Council of National Defense, and the Advisory Commission connected with it, will meet here on December 4 for organization.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Henry M. Pletcher, the first woman to hold a State title to a \$1,000,000 upper Fifth avenue site overlooking Central Park, on which she plans to build a new home. Tomorrow she will send Judge Robert Worth Bingham, her childless sweetheart.

CHICAGO, Nov. 14.—Helen Haussel, eight-months old, is dead today because the loving hands of her six-year-old sister, sought to keep her warm by placing a lighted candle in the crib beside her. The bed clothing caught fire, and the baby was burned to death.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Nov. 14.—The Homestead High School, of Chester County, held its graduation exercises at the Training School for Nurses, class of 1916, in the New Century Clubhouse tonight at 8 o'clock. The graduates are Florence Irene Chaffin, Helen Pepper O'Connor, Hannah Foster Craig, Irene Mildred Hartshorn and Kathryn Gilliland.

MILLER AGAINST CONTEST

Delaware Congressman Not Inclined to Fight Polk

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 14.—It was learned today that Congressman Thomas W. Miller had been importuned by Republican leaders at Washington to contest the election of Albert F. Polk, a Democrat, to his seat in the House of Representatives, now vacant in the body is controlled by the Republicans when it reorganizes. Mr. Miller, however, is not in favor of bringing a contest, even though his vote in the entire State was only 164 behind that of Polk. He left the Delaware Hospital yesterday and returned to his home today. He said he had not authorized any person to say he intended to make a contest. "I have been too busy getting well the last week to do so," he said. "No one gives me a chance to do so."

ABSOLUTE NEUTRALITY, TO BE U. S. WATCHWORD IN FOREIGN RELATIONS

President Will Have Full and Complete Support of Congress in Policies, Senator Stone Says

CONFER ON SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—A general path to be followed in smoothing out the tangled international situation confronting the United States was surveyed today by President Wilson and Senator Stone, of Missouri, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The Senator called at the White House for his first post-election conference.

Senator Stone declared that the foreign policy of the Administration would not be materially altered as a result of the election, and that "absolute neutrality" would continue to be the watchword of the Administration in its relations with the belligerent Powers of Europe. "The country has endorsed the peace and neutrality program of the Administration," he continued. "That policy will be continued. The President will have the full and complete support of Congress in carrying out his policy."

INDEPENDENTS BLAMED BY BIG MINE OPERATOR FOR COAL PRICE BOOST

Lehigh Valley Coal Company Gets Same Contract Rate as Three Years Ago, Director Says

COMMISSION HAS HEARING

Buying bituminous coal on the "donation" plan will cost the city thousands of dollars in excess of the present market price of coal, as dealers are taking advantage of the city's needs to fix high prices for quick delivery. Up until November the city obtained coal at \$3.50 a ton, but on that date the contracts expired and some dealers boosted the price to \$4 a ton.

In the Bureau of Water alone thousands of tons of bituminous coal are used daily, and this city is now recurring on credit at never before heard of figures. This is because of market conditions the Department of Supplies was unable to persuade its dealers to make new contracts. To add to the trouble, the Water Board's appropriation for coal has been exhausted. The board had to be asked to "donate" coal until such a time as Councils shall see fit to make additional appropriations.

The first price on November 1 and a few days afterwards was \$9 a ton. Later, when the markets slumped, the price was reduced, but at all times prices have been well above its market. This condition has prevented the city authorities from getting any supply above immediate requirements and in the event of strikes or more serious congestion of railroad freight traffic a shortage would probably result.

NEW ANTHRACITE CONTRACTS

When the anthracite coal contracts expired November 1 the dealers agreed to a renewal for the remainder of this year, at the former price of \$2.93 a ton. While there has been an increase in anthracite prices recently, that market is not upset, as has been the case with bituminous coal. The present high cost of coal is due to a few independent operators who have been boosting the price, according to F. W. Weston, a director of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company. He said that the Lehigh Valley witnesses today at the public hearing of the State Commission to investigate the increased cost of anthracite. This body began its work today.

REPRIMANDED BY CHAIRMAN

Mr. Troutman was reprimanded by Robert H. Markle, chairman of the committee, for what were characterized as evasive replies. After Troutman had evaded a number of direct questions concerning the Lehigh Valley Coal Company's coal, Mr. Markle said: "It is the view of the commission that you are not giving us the necessary information. You either do not know or are unwilling to give us the facts. Your answers are evasive. You don't give us an opinion. We want something definite pertaining to the cost of coal."

Troutman said he had been in his present position but six months and was not in touch with all details. He promised to get the necessary information. It was brought out during the hearing that G. B. Markle, of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, fixed the price of the coal sold by the firm, and it was the inability of the witnesses to give any idea of Markle's whereabouts that brought the chairman's rebuke.

Troutman said the oldest known where Markle could be found in Pennsylvania, and was not sure whether Markle would appear voluntarily before the commission. W. W. Hindenack, secretary and treasurer of the G. B. Markle Company, who preceded Troutman on the stand, presented figures to show that in 1913 the company sold 1,000,000 tons of coal at 1914 prices of 1914 fifty per cent and in 1915 forty per cent.

At this point J. P. McElreath called attention to the fact that the Lehigh Valley Coal and Sales Company had been taking the output of the Markle Company. Hindenack said the Lehigh Valley Coal Company did not sell directly to the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, but the latter were mere agents. The Lehigh Valley Coal Company, he said, assumed responsibility for any loss. The witness said they sold coal at prices set by Markle and received a commission. He also said that the Lehigh Valley Coal Company assumed selling responsibility for the Markle Company's coal. Besides being the greatest poet, Olavo Bilac is one of Brazil's greatest patriots, and his campaign was fought with a double purpose, his country's defense and his people's education. To pass the military requirements examination the volunteer or "drawn" soldier must be able to read and write. His record of his past life in his country by obtaining "compulsory and volunteer education."

The average Brazilian is intensely patriotic. If one may judge from external, every man takes off his hat when the national anthem is being played or sung and he leaps to his feet to do it. He tips his hat to his country's flag and he honors the flag and its symbols. In his country's service is a proud record and the wars of Brazil's history are epics of heroism and sacrifice.

Progress and Order. Eighty per cent of the population is in gold on Brazil's green flag. In ten years a million men will be living the military salute to "Progress and Order" and will be trained to do so. It is predicted that in that time Brazil in proportion to its population probably will be among the best, if not the best "prepared" American nation.

BRIDE'S BODY EXHUMED

Sofia Rojenska, the twenty-one-year-old bride of Roman Rojenska, 3151 Richmond street, was poisoned, according to testimony given at the coroner's inquest on the body of the bride, three months after the burial, in order to hold a post-mortem examination. The picture shows the dead woman and her husband.

CAN'T FIND MOTHER OF KIDNAPPED GIRL

Police Also Unable to Learn Whereabouts of Jennie Maile's Stepfather

Police have been unable to find the mother of eleven-year-old Jennie Maile, kidnapped from the Gonzaga Memorial Home, Church lane and Boyer street, last Sunday night. "Until they do this, it is believed that the best possibility of finding the girl, as investigation has failed to reveal the identity of the man who posed as the child's stepfather and is said to have taken her from the Germantown home. Clues furnished District Detectives Corry and McFarland, of the Germantown station, by social workers acquainted with the history of the family, have resulted in nothing. A result of the kidnapping may be the adoption of law requiring institutions such as that in which the girl was placed to file the names and addresses of the nearest relatives of the children. Chief Vogelson, of the department of health, said he understood such a law was being drafted.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF GAS ASSOCIATION

Philadelphia Among Those Chosen to Board of National Commercial

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 14.—Several Philadelphiaans today were included among the directors chosen for the coming year by the National Commercial Gas Association, which held its opening session of its twelfth annual convention at the Hotel Traymore. The election was one of the swiftest and most harmonious conventions without exception held here. A committee chairman read the nominations and the secretary cast the ballot. The new officers are: President, James T. Lynn, Detroit. Vice presidents, Arthur Hewitt, Toronto; Harry D. Schall, Detroit; and W. W. Barnes, New York.

Treasurer, Oscar H. Fogg, New York. Secretary, Louis Stutz, New York. Directors, C. A. Munroe, Chicago; H. H. Schutt, C. E. Bartlett, John Griggs, F. J. Rutledge, W. C. Hamilton, Philadelphia; R. R. Young, Newark; J. J. Burns, St. Louis; J. C. D. Clark, Boston, Samuel J. Hill, New Orleans; C. F. Bennett, Detroit; H. C. Pross, Cleveland; C. W. Wardell, Gloucester, N. J.; S. C. Bratton, Portland, Ore.; and J. F. Knight, Chicago.

In his annual address James Haines, Des Moines, Iowa, said that the gas industry is broad modern business methods requires character, idealism and education, as well as experience and effort. Individual business careers without character cannot result in success. Samuel C. Bodine, president, heads the U. S. I. men here.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

PLEADING GUILTY to charges of false pretenses in collecting money for Fourth of July celebrations and for the Firemen's Benefit Fund, Alexander Campbell, 1812 North Fourth street, was sentenced by Judge J. Martin in Quarter Sessions Court, to thirty days in the county prison.

DR. LOUIS M. SCHWINDT, 1412 North Fourth street, was today appointed police surgeon by Director of Public Safety Wilson and assigned to the Tenth District, Front and Market streets, to take the place of Dr. Harry W. Weyant who died recently.

THE SNAPPING OF A CHAIN on a creek bed shortly after this morning knocked William Baird, twenty-three years old, of 1205 Brown street, to the floor. He was removed to the Medical-Chir Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

THE PATENT FENDER of a trolley car saved Ethel Craig, five years old, of 817 North Taylor street, from serious injury last night when she was knocked down near her home. Instead of being badly cut, the little girl escaped with a few scratches as she was scooped up in the fender and carried along for a hundred feet until the car stopped.

MRS. EDSON J. WEEKS, wife of the general manager of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway, was injured severely as the result of injuries sustained when she was run down yesterday by a motor car at Broad and Walnut streets. Heavy traffic on duty at the crossing is now blamed for the accident, as witnesses say Mrs. Weeks and her companion were given the signal to cross. Mrs. Weeks was taken to the Jefferson Hospital with a fractured collarbone, contusions of the face and scalp, and a sprained wrist.

FULL VOLTAGE from a trolley wire was received by Albert Wilson, fourteen years old, of 8502 Laycock avenue, and the little boy received severe a few severe burns. The boy grabbed a wire which had been thrown over the trolley wire and was knocked down by the shock. He was taken to the University Hospital.

CITY APPOINTMENTS announced today were as follows: George Hittenhouse, 684 West Johnson street, purveyor, Bureau of Water, \$1480 per annum. Dr. L. W. Schwindt, 1412 North Fourth street, district surgeon, Bureau of Police, paid on basis of salary \$2100. District surgeon, Moyamensing avenue, rammer, Bureau of Highways, \$325 per day.

T. Elwood Carpenter MOUNT KISCO, N. Y., Nov. 14.—T. Elwood Carpenter, sixty-two years old, well-known banker, died here today.

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Discovery of traces of arsenic in the exhumed body of Mrs. Sofia Rojenska, twenty-one years old, wife of Roman Rojenska, has led to the arrest of Mrs. Mary Bieschek, keeper of the boarding house at 2815 Livingston street, where the bride and groom were held. The woman is charged with causing the death of the bride by giving her the poison with her food. Roman Rojenska had been a boarder in her house for a year before his marriage, it was said, and she was jealous of him.

Bieschek was arraigned this morning before Coroner Knight, acting as a magistrate, and held without bail for the inquest. Coroner's Detective Frank Paul was the only witness, testifying of what he had learned from witnesses who will be called when the inquest is held. Roman Rojenska, husband of the dead woman, has been arrested and is being held for the inquest.

Arthur Peffer, a druggist of 2901 East Thompson street, and E. E. Brozeli, a druggist of Ana and Richmond streets, will be questioned by Detective William Belshaw today. It is said that they have told the police of selling arsenic to Mrs. Bieschek.

Anthony Calski, 2252 Emory street, Ford Richmond, brother of the dead woman, pleaded with the Coroner to exhumate the body and make the examination. He said he had traced the purchase of arsenic made by Mrs. Bieschek at two drug stores and found half an ounce of the poison in Mrs. Bieschek's room.

Detective Paul said neighbors told him that Mrs. Bieschek was a jealous woman and did not want him to marry. Dr. Gabriel J. Kraus, the physician who attended Mrs. Rojenska three weeks before she died, said he did not believe she was a victim of poisoning.

VARE TO FRAME NEW DRASTIC DOPE LAW

Continued from Page One. The investigation will also include an attempt to trace the health and morals of hundreds of our young men and women. "I shall make this anti-dope legislation my principal work at the next session of the Legislature, because I regard it as the most important. I shall marshal all the influence at my command to place an anti-dope law with teeth on the statute books of Pennsylvania. "Detectives, policemen, Magistrates, lawyers and others who know have shown me things in connection with the drug evil in this city which have filled me with horror. Some of the things are so horrible as to be unprintable. No part of the city is escaping the drug scourge. It has obtained a deadly grip upon young working men and women of this great industrial section in the northeast; it is rampant in South Philadelphia and other sections of the city. "In South Philadelphia I unearthed a drugger, who had filled hundreds of prescriptions for drug fiends. The prescriptions were written by two physicians. Three of these fiends, including a girl nineteen years old, were recently sent to the penitentiary. "Inspection of our courts, and the Coroner's office has convinced me that increase of crime in the community can be laid to the dope traffic. Nearly all of the crooks are using drugs, and fresh crooks are being recruited daily from the ranks of addicts. "I have been told by persons who know that the best principled young woman in the world has only to use drugs thirty days, and her character will disappear like chaff before the wind. It is a deplorable situation—a situation which we must meet at once with the most drastic legislation. "I propose to have a bill that will put the teeth back into the Harrison act so far as Pennsylvania is concerned. This bill is going to make possession of drugs a crime, and when we have that law on the statute books we will clean up the drug evil in short order. The Federal act was drastic until the Supreme Court decided that no man could be convicted for merely having drugs in his possession unless it was shown he was a dealer. We are going to stop unscrupulous druggists and physicians manufacturing fresh drug fiends by their inhuman reduction treatment."

CITY SALARIES PROBED FOR BASIS OF REVISION AND EQUABLE STANDARD

Civil Service Experts Compile Data for Changes Contemplated Next Year—Inconsistencies Pointed Out

NO NEW JOBS SLATED

Acting under orders from Mayor Smith, members of the Civil Service Commission have been working hard at work today preparing a table from which a new system of salaries in the municipal government. This preliminary work is expected to be completed before the close of the year and a start made on plans for standardizing salaries early in 1917.

Both the Penrose-McNichol faction in Council and the Vane-Smith members have come out in favor of equalization of all classes of salaries, and it was with this understanding that this would be done next year that Mayor Smith declared himself in favor of granting no salary increases or new positions at this time. The department budgets will be reported with many changes over 1916 and the tax rate will be decided upon the present salaries and positions.

The question of equalizing salaries is expected to prove a most difficult problem in view of the fact that in the past salaries were fixed for favored individuals and not with regard to the importance or importance of the office to which political favorites were appointed. Because of this system of individual favoritism, a wide range of pay is now attached to the same character of positions in different departments and bureaus.

Chief Councilman Charles Seger has called attention to the fact that one set of salaries for clerical positions, a set of another \$600 and more favored ones more. Already the men at work on the tabulation ordered by the Mayor have found that the position of "messenger" pays all the way from \$600 to \$1400, and that pay of clerical doing the same class of work varies many hundreds of dollars annually.

They have also found that the salaries of chief clerks and bureau chiefs show an equally wide range, even though the positions are scheduled as the same in rank. For instance, the chief of the Bureau of Lighting receives \$2000 a year, while the chief of the Water Bureau receives \$1000. In these higher positions the wide range of salaries is accounted for by the relative importance of the bureaus they head, and revision and equalization will likely be confined largely to the less important positions.

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FENTON'S BEACH LAND BOUGHT BY DU PONT'S

Adjoins Powder Company's Plant on South—Purchase Price About \$100,000

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 14.—The 48 Point Powder Company, it was learned today, has closed negotiations for the purchase of Fenton's Beach, on the New Jersey shore below Carney's Point. The consideration was not made public, but up to \$100,000, it is understood, is involved in the transaction.

The tract comprises 114 acres of land, with a frontage of 1500 feet on the Delaware River and running back seven-eighths of a mile on the Salem Canal. It adjoins the deep-water plant of the powder company on the south.

About one hundred houses are on the plot, the front of which has been developed into a bathing beach and summer resort. As many of these houses are not the property of the Fenton Beach Company, original owner of the tract and principal owner at present, it is necessary to deal with the individual owners, as well as with the company. The individual owners have been given thirty days to accept the offer, in which to accept the terms of the purchaser, which include the cost with a good profit. Nearly all of the owners, it is understood, have accepted these terms since January 1 next. It will make no improvements on the ground, having bought it because it was available at what was considered a fair price.

Seeks \$15,000 for Loss of Hand MAHANAY CITY, Pa., Nov. 14.—For the loss of a hand, received when run down by an express train, Stephen Orantz has brought suit against the Reading Railway Company for \$15,000 damages.

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Discovery of traces of arsenic in the exhumed body of Mrs. Sofia Rojenska, twenty-one years old, wife of Roman Rojenska, has led to the arrest of Mrs. Mary Bieschek, keeper of the boarding house at 2815 Livingston street, where the bride and groom were held. The woman is charged with causing the death of the bride by giving her