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BLIND MAN CHARGES FRAUD

List of inmates "Padded" to Obtain Appropriation, is Alleged. Charges that the Pennsylvania Working Home for Blind Men at Thirty-sixth street and Lancaster avenue has obtained \$5000 from the city on false statements will be heard by Magistrate Eisenbrown next Monday.

FLOCK STANDS BY PASTOR

Followers of the Rev. Mr. Harewood to Form New Congregation. Some of the attendants at the chapel of St. Michael and All Angels, a negro congregation, Forty-third and Wallace streets, have voted to hire a hall for their pastor, the Rev. J. da Costa Harewood, if he is compelled to resign.

Deaths of a Day

William Knapp, Mint Employee, Dies. William Knapp, eighty years old, a Civil War veteran, died shortly after 6 o'clock this morning at his home, 1621 Eye street, from maladies due to his advanced age.

Mrs. Julia C. Oakford. Mrs. Julia Colleday Oakford, wife of Samuel Oakford, one of the city's leading hatmakers a generation ago, succumbed to apoplexy yesterday at the Presbyterian Home for Aged Couples and Single Men at Bala.

Patrick O'Neil. Patrick O'Neil, president of P. O'Neil & Co., paper dealers, of 408 South Sixth street, identified with many financial enterprises in Philadelphia, died yesterday of heart disease in his home, 1828 South Broad street. He was sixty-nine years old.

David Langsdorf. David Langsdorf, a member of the firm of the Langsdorf Cigar Co., died on Tuesday after a long illness. He was a member of the Mercantile and Manufacturers' clubs. He will be buried from the home of his nephew, J. L. Langsdorf, 1805 Spring Garden street, today at noon.

Mr. O'Neil was a native of Ireland, but came to Philadelphia before attaining his majority. He organized the paper company, of which he always has been the active head, more than forty years ago. He was a director of the Continental Equitable Title and Trust Co. and the Home Life Insurance Co.

Until recent years Mr. O'Neil was active in the various Irish societies and served as treasurer of the Land League during the years when that organization was at the height of its power. He leaves a son, Vincent; a daughter, Mrs. Bertram J. Martin, and six grandchildren, all residents of Philadelphia.

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RESEARCH BUREAU URGES JOB-PRUNING

Reduction of Sinking Fund Appropriation Also Suggested to Municipality

WOULD HALT TAX BOOST

Abolishing superfluous jobs in City Hall is suggested by the Bureau of Municipal Research as one way toward providing adequate salaries for city employees without a further boost in the tax rate.

Another means recommended by the bureau is to scrutinize the \$6,000,000 set aside for sinking fund purposes in 1920. If it is found so large a sum is not needed next year to pay off city debt at maturity the sinking fund appropriation could be reduced and money released in that way could be applied to salary increases.

A recent survey conducted by the Research Bureau disclosed that \$1500 a year is the minimum income necessary for a workingman's family of five. This is equivalent roughly to a daily wage of \$5.75 for 315 working days in the year.

Unskilled laborers at the present time receive from \$2.75 to \$3.25 per day, plus a 10 per cent bonus, which brings their daily wages up to \$3.02 to \$3.57, a minimum of \$120 per year to a maximum rate. For next year it is proposed to increase the bonus to 20 per cent, so that unskilled laborers will receive a total daily income ranging from \$3.30 to \$3.80. Even skilled laborers often fall considerably below the figures required by the standard. There are, for example, blacksmiths, carpenters, painters, plumbers, steamfitters, electricians and stationary engineers who now receive a base rate of only \$4 a day, which the 10 per cent bonus brings up to \$4.40 and the proposed 20 per cent bonus will bring up to \$4.80.

Police and firemen fare quite as badly. Including the proposed 20 per cent bonus, first year patrolmen will receive next year a daily wage of \$3.60 and the other patrolmen will receive \$4.20. Hosemen and laddermen will receive a sliding scale of pay ranging from a minimum of \$1320 per year to a maximum of \$1560. The vast majority, in fact, of city employees now receive less, and under the proposed arrangements, will continue next year to receive less than \$1800 a year, which is the figure required to provide the admittedly modest standard of living set forth in our report.

HE MAY COME BACK

Intoxicated Prisoner Confesses to Private Cellar, After Discharge

It was Christmas morning and a quiet session of the magistrate's court in City Hall was going on. Three men with wavering steps were led before the judge and they looked at that dignitary with eyes that were red with the red of red-eye. It was plain they had been drinking. But it was Christmas morning.

TWO CELEBRATORS FINED

Man and Wife Pay \$8.50 Each After House Party

A Christmas "celebration" during which a \$200 talking machine was wrecked, resulted in the arrest of four of the celebrators. Two of the defendants, Louis Lister, sixty-two years old, and his wife, Louise, 4050 Ridge avenue, were fined \$8.50 each today by Magistrate Price in the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station. Thomas O'Donnell and his brother, Michael O'Donnell, thirty-four and Westmoreland streets, were discharged. Lister told the magistrate the cause of the "celebration" held in his home cost \$12 a quart.

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The thanks of many "sea dogs" are the Christmas presents received by the Rev. Edward Aloysius Duff, a chaplain in the United States navy. Chaplain Duff, who is a Philadelphian, was in charge of the Christmas activities of the United States forces in the eastern Mediterranean this year.



CHAPLAIN E. A. DUFF

FAINTS WHEN WIRE FALLS

Flash Which Accompanied Fall of Electric Strand Frightens Woman

A trolley wire broke last night at Sixth and Walnut streets falling close to a crowd of homegoing Christmas merrymakers. After the flash which accompanied the fall of the wire Miss Eva Forrest, of 227 Wendover street, Manayunk, was found lying unconscious on the sidewalk.

AUTO "PEDDLERS" HELD

Five Men, Trying to Sell Car for \$20, Arrested at Shore

The police in Atlantic City are holding today five men who say they live in Philadelphia. The prisoners are suspected of stealing an automobile belonging to the Kramer Woodworking Co., Inc., Third and Cumberland streets.

THIS PIG WENT TO BANK

So Cashier Will Decide Fate of Porker Present Today

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