

ALBANY GUNSTURN ON POLICE DUGOUTS

Records Pour In on Investigators After a Talk With Enright.

MONEY LEAKS SOUGHT

'The' McManus Probably Will Be Witness in Probe on City Markets.

Police records poured into the offices of the Legislative investigating committee yesterday and the staff of accountants and experts dove into the stacks of documents in search for information which they will present to the public within a few days, when sessions begin in City Hall.

The committee now has its investigators in practically every city department hunting for waste or worse. The entire Hyman administration, including all its activities and all its expenditures, is under the closest scrutiny, but the committee is continuing its policy of not giving out the evidence of maladministration found until the cases are completed. The entire staff of trained investigators who turned up all the evidence on which the Lockwood committee proceeded has been transferred to the Meyer committee.

Leads are being found in dozens of places in the municipal government, it is said, through which public funds have been dripping away for three years. The purpose of the inquiry is not only to expose and stop these leaks, but to propose a remodeling of the city government so that such waste will be impossible in the future.

While the investigation centres on the Police Department, that is only one important phase of the inquiry. The State's agents have been blocked in their examination of the police affairs for nearly two weeks as a result of the obstructive methods followed by the Police Commissioner and his subordinates.

With complete change in front at Police Headquarters following the Commissioner's appearance before the committee on Monday, rapid progress was made yesterday in checking up accounts handled by the police. The investigators knew exactly where to go for facts. Within an hour after Mr. Enright had left the committee's office at No. 38 Park Row police records which had been under subpoena for two weeks and which the examiners had been unable to reach began to arrive. Nearly a wagon load more of books and documents were delivered in the forenoon and Senator Meyer said he was pleased with the changed attitude at Police Headquarters.

Thomas J. ("The") McManus, West Side Tammany leader, is expected to be a witness before the committee this week in connection with transactions in the Department of Markets. He has indicated his willingness to appear when wanted.

The committee is ready to proceed as soon as its chief counsel, Elton R. Brown, arrives to take charge of the hearings. Word has been received from Albany that Brown is detained in the Washington litigation, which he is handling for the Attorney-General, and will not arrive until next week.

DEMOCRATS CLOSE HEADQUARTERS HERE

National Committee's Records Sent to Washington.

The Democratic National Committee has given up its headquarters in New York city. The records and furniture have been shipped to the Washington headquarters, from which the activities of the committee for the next two or three years will be conducted.

The National Committee opened headquarters in the Grand Central Palace here about a month before the San Francisco convention. After election the New York headquarters were moved to Madison avenue and Forty-seventh street. The staff gradually dwindled until it occupied only one small room in the Murray Hill Hotel. That was given up a few days ago.

About all that has been done since election has been to try to remove the \$260,000 deficit. The attempt has not been very successful.

ARRESTED AS SLACKERS AFTER SOUTHERN TRIP

Charles and Samuel Feld of Garfield, N. J., Held.

Charles and Samuel Feld of 99 Jackson street, Garfield, N. J., were arrested in that city yesterday by agents of the Department of Justice, charged with evading the selective service act during the war with Germany. They were arraigned before a United States Commissioner in Newark and held in \$5,000 bail each to await the action of the Federal Grand Jury.

The names of the Feld brothers appeared yesterday on the slacker lists issued by the War Department. The warrant upon which they were arrested says that they registered for the draft and then went to South America, returning when the war was over. They said yesterday that they had permission of Government officials to make the trip on business. Their presence would be necessary in South America, they said.

COCAINE WORTH \$25,000 SEIZED IN FREIGHTER

Nobody Claims Drugs and No Arrests Are Made.

Cocaine valued at \$25,000 and other goods of considerable value were seized early yesterday on the American freight steamer Eastern Exporter by Customs Inspectors Barron and McMan and ten assistants. No one found on board would admit ownership of the goods and no arrests were made.

The cocaine, alleged to have been found in the ship's coal bunnies, consisted of sixty boxes and some loose packages. Other goods found in a built-in cupboard next to the firemen's quarters were Italian silks, Persian rugs, 40 bundles of cigarettes and several bottles of liquor.

120,000,000 TONS PASS HERE.

Nearly Three-quarters Handled by the Railroads.

About 75,000,000 tons of freight are handled annually by railroads and about 45,000,000 tons by steamship lines in this port, according to figures submitted yesterday at a joint meeting of the engineers of the trunk line railroads and the Port of New York Authority board, which started work studying the cost of handling freight to get a basis for harbor improvement. Trucking, warehousing, steamship, lighterage and other interests concerned in freight handling will be asked to similar conferences. Another conference will be held at 11 Broadway next Tuesday.

SMUGGLING GANG GETS \$300 FOR EACH ALIEN

Several Caught Bringing Russians in From Mexico.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Immigration officials are making renewed efforts to stamp out the smuggling of aliens into this country across the Mexican border by persons who, officials believe, are members of a well organized gang, it was stated today at the Department of Labor. Several members of the gang have been arrested and it has been established, it was added, that they have received as high as \$300 each for enabling aliens to enter this country illegally.

A big percentage of the aliens smuggled across the border are from Russia, it was stated. Before the Russian border was closed to deportees from the United States they were sent back to that country and some have been returned to Mexico.

The Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society has offered to cooperate with the Department of Labor in preventing Jewish immigrants from entering this country illegally through Mexico.

\$17,763,316 VOTED TO PATCH UP SCHOOLS

Belated Effort Made to Hide Neglect of the Hyman Administration.

Recent disclosures by civic organizations of the dilapidated condition of forty public schools resulted yesterday in hurried efforts by the Hyman administration to cover the traces of its neglect. The finance and budget committee of the Board of Estimate recommended an appropriation of \$17,763,316 toward wiping out the deficit of \$27,000,000 in school funds in this year's budget. Yesterday's appropriation consisted of \$8,000,000 in special revenue bonds, which the taxpayers will have to redeem next year; \$2,528,316 from surplus appropriation for the redemption of tax notes, and \$7,235,000 by loan against anticipated payment of school money from the State.

Although the Mayor has been conceding in public statements ever since the charge of lack of repair of buildings was made that his administration this year has exceeded all past performances in the matter of appropriation for repair it was disclosed yesterday that the Board of Education has just appropriated \$1,400,000 for repairs out of the \$2,800,000 allowed at the first of the year. That makes it appear that the Mayor's record appropriation has been on paper only so far, and the chances are that the other half of it will not be made available because of the huge deficit which the finance and budget committee undertook to meet partially.

Although yesterday's work of the finance and budget committee leaves something more than \$9,000,000 for schools yet to be found, the Mayor appeared well pleased and sighed: "We have weathered the storm, anyway."

EX-CONVICT SUES FLAGLER.

Suit was begun yesterday in the Supreme Court by George B. Bender, an ex-convict, against John H. Flagler for \$75,000 in return for service Bender says he rendered in connection with an alleged Society of Justice dedicated to Mr. Flagler's deceased wife. Bender states that he proposed the memorial as a prison welfare work and that Mr. Flagler liked the plan. Mr. Flagler was not in court, but his counsel said he might appear later and deny that he had ever agreed to pay Bender \$75,000.

CRAIG SAYS PROOFS NAIL CONEY CHARGES

Declares \$100, Not \$800, Was Settlement Urged in Neptune Avenue Lots.

Comptroller Craig refused to accept as too high an appraisal of \$800 a lot for release of Neptune avenue property in Coney Island, held up by the cases for eighteen months, and finally forced settlements at his own figure of \$200 a lot, according to William A. Cokley, formerly head of the real estate bureau of the Department of Finance, testifying yesterday before David Hirschfeld, Commissioner of Accounts. At the instance of Mayor Hyman, Mr. Hirschfeld is investigating the Comptroller's charge that Dr. Edward B. Shallow, Associate Superintendent of Schools, is seeking to have the city buy back at a disadvantageous price a part of the released Neptune avenue property, and also Mayor Hyman's counter charge that if the city is being misled Mr. Craig is responsible in having fixed the release price too low.

To Cokley's testimony Comptroller Craig replied that he holds documentary evidence, with Cokley's signature attached, that Cokley recommended the property to be released at \$100 a lot. Craig rejected that figure as too low. That, he said, would have been one-fourth as much as the city got out of the \$200 settlement, for the reason that Cokley's settlement was based upon forty foot lots, while Craig's settlement was on a basis of twenty foot lots.

The intimation at the Finance Department was that Cokley's testimony is in hurried efforts by the Hyman administration to cover the traces of its neglect. The finance and budget committee of the Board of Estimate recommended an appropriation of \$17,763,316 toward wiping out the deficit of \$27,000,000 in school funds in this year's budget. Yesterday's appropriation consisted of \$8,000,000 in special revenue bonds, which the taxpayers will have to redeem next year; \$2,528,316 from surplus appropriation for the redemption of tax notes, and \$7,235,000 by loan against anticipated payment of school money from the State.

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CHAUFFEUR'S BAIL FORFEITED.

Driver of Mrs. Stillman's Car Falls to Appear in Court.

Bail in the case of Mrs. James A. Stillman's chauffeur, who was arrested Saturday in Rahway, N. J., on a charge of speeding, was ordered forfeited yesterday when he failed to appear in court there to answer the charge.

FAVERSHAM SUED FOR \$4,000.

Thomas L. Chadbourne, a lawyer of 11 Wall street, brought suit in the Supreme Court yesterday against William Faversham, the actor, to recover \$4,000 which Mr. Chadbourne states was loaned to Mr. Faversham on a ninety day note May 28, 1920. On maturity the note went to protest. It was stated that the debt was a private one.

DEMAND BEAUVAIS NOTES BE EXCLUDED

Mrs. Stillman's Lawyers Also Will Attack Testimony of Dr. Russell.

Attorneys for Mrs. Anne Stillman will ask that practically all the testimony of Dr. Hugh L. Russell, the Buffalo osteopath, be stricken from the record when the hearings in the James A. Stillman divorce suit are resumed in Probate court next Tuesday before Justice Daniel J. Gleason. They will move also that two of the letters alleged to have been written by Fred K. Beauvais, named by the former banker as correspondent, be thrown out. The second of these letters, listed as Exhibit B, was admitted last Thursday on the identification of Miss Mary Kelly, a maid formerly employed in the Stillman home in Pleasantville, N. Y.

It had been reported that the former banker is about to make new peace offers to Mrs. Stillman, but up to early this morning neither she nor her attorneys had received any word concerning them. Her attorneys were in conference during the greater part of the day in the office of John F. Brennan, chief counsel, in Yonkers. It is understood the proposals which Stillman is preparing to make included an admission of the parentage of Guy Stillman and do not suggest that Mrs. Stillman go abroad. It was the suggestion that Mrs. Stillman go to France to live that caused the abandonment of the peace negotiations last month.

The decision to make a series of motions Tuesday when the hearings are resumed was decided on at the Yonkers conference. The first of these will be on the testimony of Dr. Russell and will be in addition to the one on the alleged admission of parentage made Friday at the close of the hearings. Mrs. Stillman's attorneys will claim the osteopath's testimony is entirely incompetent.

Two other motions will be made in regard to the letters admitted. Reference Daniel J. Gleason will be asked to exclude Exhibit B in the alleged "Dearest" letter, because Miss Kelly said she did not show it to Bernard Kelly, former superintendent of the Pleasantville estate, on whose identification it was admitted.

"Exhibit C," which also is known as the "Rolled Oats and Bacon" letters, will be attacked as valueless since Miss Kelly, who identified it, admitted she found it lying open on Mrs. Stillman's bureau and that the door of the room was open.

Neither of the letters was admitted as against Baby Guy, and John E. Mack, guardian for the youngster, reserved the right to make a motion on them. The cross-examination of Kelly, the superintendent, and of Miss Kelly will be used as the basis of the argument for their exclusion.

Since the hearings last week Mrs. Stillman has received many letters of sympathy from all parts of the country. One, from William O. McKoon, of 1321 Chester avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, who formerly was a servant in the Stillman home, chides Miss Anne Stillman, the banker's eldest daughter, for taking sides with her father.

EX-SERVICE MEN TO GIVE MUSICAL SHOW

Polyclinic Hospital Boys to Play at Henry Miller Theatre.

Disabled soldiers and sailors who are recovering in the Polyclinic Hospital from war injuries have turned their theatrical talents to account and will give a musical show in the Henry Miller Theatre next Sunday night. The use of the playhouse has been given free, and a group of young actresses have volunteered to sell programmes. A Knights of Columbus orchestra will play.

The ex-service men have rehearsed diligently for eight weeks. They have tried the show out with three performances at the Polyclinic and two at Fox Hills. They feel all ready for Broadway. They will give a musical first part and the second half will be a musical vaudeville. After Sunday night's performance they expect to go to Washington to play at the White House and at the Walter Reed Hospital.

SPRUCE PINE INEXHAUSTIBLE.

Covers Foothills of South and is Used for Newsprint.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., June 21.—The mountains and foothills of the South have an inexhaustible supply of spruce pine, from which satisfactory newsprint can be made at a cost much less than from Northern wood, E. W. Barrett, editor of the Birmingham Age-Herald, declared today at the annual convention of the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association.

He exhibited copies of his publication of last Monday morning, printed on paper made from spruce pine cut on Yellow Creek, near Warrior River, Alabama, and ground and manufactured in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

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