

BILLIONS ASKED FOR GOVERNMENT'S UPKEEP NEXT YEAR

Secretary McAdoo's Estimates Show Economy in All Branches of Service. \$1,500,000 for Delaware.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—It's another "billion dollar Congress." This is shown by the annual estimates of appropriations sent to the house today by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo.

This is evidenced by the fact few salary increases are recommended, and the estimates are approximately \$5,000,000 less than the estimates submitted a year ago.

The Treasury Department estimates for the operations of the entire Government for next fiscal year call for appropriations of \$1,000,773,133.33, which is inclusive of the \$27,000,000 for the postal service.

NAVY'S BUILDING PROGRAM. Because of the agitation regarding the alleged unpreparedness of the nation for war, chief interest in the estimates attaches to the program for the naval and military establishment.

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A river and harbor bill of \$33,000,000 includes \$1,000,000 for the Delaware River and \$300,000 for the development of an inland waterway from Rehoboth, Del., to the bay.

Among the important new projects of general interest submitted for the various departments are the following:

Federal trade commission \$330,000; Board of Mediation and Conciliation, \$50,000; Commission on Industrial Relations, \$46,000; for experiments in delivery of mails by aeroplane, \$50,000.

ESTIMATES FOR YEAR. The detailed estimates by departments for expenses of the next fiscal year follow:

Legislative, \$1,899,542.32; executive, \$68,450; State Department, \$5,171,782; Treasury Department, \$1,263,737.70; territorial government, \$19,600; independent offices, \$3,866,000; District of Columbia, \$1,569,734.33; War Department, \$18,673,373.31; Panama Canal, \$19,931,866.38; Navy Department, \$1,177,794,696.81; Insurance Department, \$306,252,441.20; Postoffice Department, \$1,130,950; Postal Service, payable from postal revenues, \$297,385,154; Department of Agriculture, \$25,500,114; Department of Commerce, \$4,716,885; Department of Labor, \$4,443,210; Department of Justice, \$10,857,918.50.

WILSON ON WAR INQUIRY. Against Gardner's Plan, But Not Opposed to Congressional Probe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson today told Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, that he was opposed to the plan for the investigation of the preparation of the United States for war, but not to a congressional inquiry by Congressional committees.

THE WEATHER. Official Forecast. WASHINGTON, Dec. 7. For Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey or Fair tonight. Tuesday cloudy; northeast gales shifting to northwest and diminishing.

For New Jersey: Rain tonight; Tuesday cloudy; north gales. The Atlantic coast storm is central off the coast of Virginia and is moving slowly northward.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin. Conditions shown in S. E. in brackets time.

72-MILE GALE BATTERS COAST

Continued from Page One. The faces of pedestrians at virtually every city along the coast, made the streets almost impassable this morning.

GREAT WAVES LEAP SEA WALL. A dispatch from Seabright, N. J., says the gale there is blowing 80 miles an hour, and is hurling great waves over the sea wall.

A two-masted schooner was torn from her anchor chains in the Point Judith Harbor of refuge by the gale today and tossed on the breakwater, on top of which five members of her crew sought refuge.

INUNDATION ISOLATES SEA ISLE. Sea Isle, N. J., is isolated as the result of inundation of the section surrounding the railroad station.

Approaches to the Civic Club, the Surf House and the Stevens Hotel were swept away this morning by the water.

The Pennsylvania Railroad today stopped selling tickets over the Beach Haven branch, owing to inundation of the tracks.

SIX LIVES LOST IN STORM. Damage that will cost many thousands of dollars to repair was done by the storm in this city and vicinity.

Three of the dead were killed in or near this city. Two went down with the bay schooner William Donnelly Saturday near Thimble shoals lightship, and the other was blinded by the storm at Atlantic City and walked directly in the path of a switch engine, under which he was ground to death.

Three men from the schooner Henrietta C., who pulled away from the ship when she caught fire and burned along the edge of New Castle, Del., have not yet been reported and are believed either to be adrift in their small boat or drowned.

Revenue cutters sent out to aid the vessel in distress are waiting for the storm today. A ship believed to be the Cape Charles lightship is adrift and in danger of stranding off Virginia Beach, according to dispatches from Norfolk.

SCHOONER GOES ASHORE. A six-masted schooner, the Alice M. Lawrence, bound light from Portland for Norfolk, went ashore on Tuckernook Shoal, in Nantuxet Sound, a wrecking crew starting operations by remaining alongside the schooner.

Fears are being expressed in maritime circles for many coastwise vessels and tramps, as ships are known to be in distress on the coast.

WRES DOWN IN MANY SECTIONS. The greater part of the damage in this city was confined to the outlying sections, although the storm left its mark in the more crowded sections.

STEEL PIER HALL DOOMED. All hope of saving the wrecked music hall at the extreme end of the Steel Pier has been abandoned.

SPARKS FROM PIPE SET FIRE TO OLD MAN'S ROBE. Retired Lawyer in Serious Condition Following Accident.

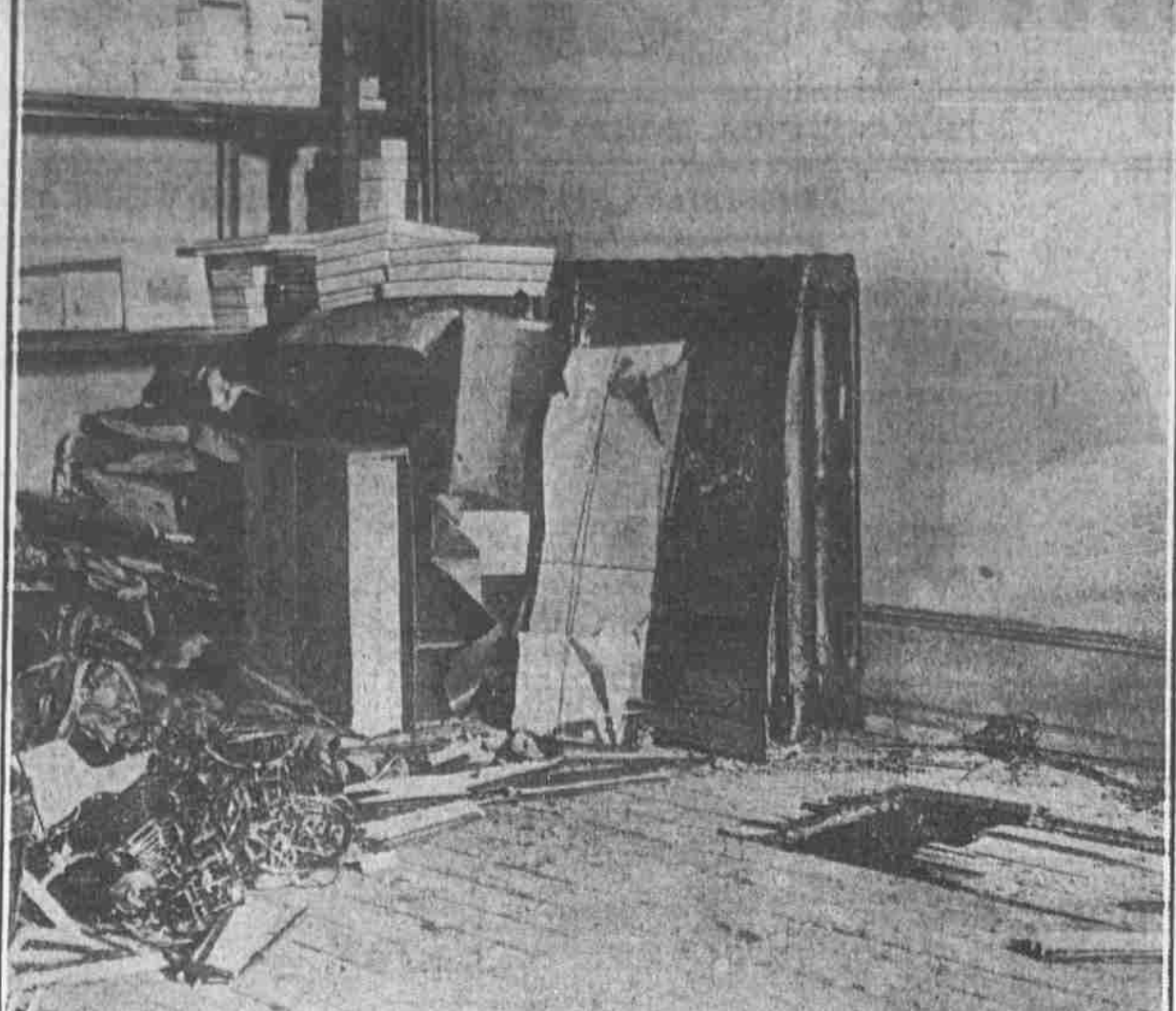
Sparks from a pipe he was smoking when he fell asleep in a chair in his apartment, 133 Arch street, set fire to the bathrobe of 78-year-old J. Morgan Jenkinson, a retired lawyer.

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HERE ARE CHRISTMAS "DON'TS" IN NUTSHELL. Fifteen more shopping days before Christmas.

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SAFE CRACKED IN RIKER-HEGEMAN DRUG STORE ON MARKET STREET



Burglars entered the store at 1210 Market street early today by cutting a hole through the second floor. The safe door was broken open with a crowbar, no explosives apparently being used.

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CRACKSMEN OBTAIN \$1900 FROM STORE ON MARKET STREET

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DARING DEPUTY DEFIES DYNAMITE DANGER

Warning Fails to Dissuade Coroner Sellers From Opening Suicide's Trunk.

A battered steamer trunk, formerly the property of a man who blew out his brains because he was tired of life, furnished more excitement at the Coroner's office today than City Hall has seen for a long time.

The trunk, which yesterday, belonged to Ira Freese, 237 North 8th street. The man committed suicide because he could no longer stand the pain of an incurable ailment in the office of the Coroner's office. His trunk was taken to the Coroner's office.

A policeman who brought the chest to City Hall said the suicide had left a message saying the person who opened his trunk would never open another.

While persons peered cautiously in at the open door, Mr. Sellers and Mahan carefully unlocked the trunk lock and lifted the lid. A pair of soiled overalls on the first tray was the only thing to be seen. The tray was taken out, and in the middle compartment, resting on a piece of soft material, was a curiously shaped black tin box.

Finally Mr. Sellers said he did not intend to "open" the box. He approached the trunk, lifted out the curiously shaped box and while those about him held their breath, removed the lid. The Deputy Coroner laughed as he drew forth a collapsible marine glass. "Here is your dynamite bomb," he said.

Then the Coroner's office settled into its customary calm. Later a man removed the trunk.

PHILA. ELOPERS MARRY. Young People United at Elkton, Md., Courthouse.

ELKTON, Md., Dec. 7.—Juan A. Root and Miss Marian Zellers, of Philadelphia, and Arnold M. Bauer and Miss Emma S. Fletcher, of Bridgeton, N. J., eloped here shortly after midnight this morning. They came here in the evening and when the hour of midnight arrived Major William G. Purnell, deputy clerk of the county court, was hurried to the clerk's office in an automobile provided by the contracting parties and issued the necessary licenses. Other licenses issued this morning were to Raymond J. Fitzner and Frances M. Perry, both of Philadelphia.

A Strap or a Seat? This is the question which is agitating Philadelphia. Sane authorities state that the whole transit situation is contained in an attractive booklet, reprinted from the columns of THE EVENING LEDGER.

And now being distributed, free of charge, to the citizens of Philadelphia. It may be obtained at the main publication office of the Evening Ledger, 6th and Chestnut streets, at Ledger Central, or at any of the Ledger branch offices.

SCHOOLGIRLS SEWING FOR WAR SUFFERERS

Garments to Be Made by Classes "After Hours."

Several thousand schoolgirls in the public school sewing classes throughout the city today began work on garments for soldiers and war sufferers. A minimum of 100 garments has been set by the girls as the goal of their work and as soon as these are completed they will be turned over to the Red Cross Division of the Emergency Aid Committee for distribution.

The cloth for the garments is being supplied by individuals and the school girls have offered to do the work outside of class hours. Most of the garments will be used in the hospitals on the battlefields. The work is being done under the direction of Miss Alice L. Keech, supervisor of sewing in the public schools.

The schools in which the girls have volunteered their services are General Philip Kearney, Fairmount and 4th; James Martin, Richmond and Ontario; Powers, Frankford and Somerset; Pastorius, Woodlawn and Sprague, Bridgeburg; Gilbert, Chestnut Hill; Alexander, Henry, Frankford; Brown-Christen, Holmesburg; Dieston, Tecony; James Wilson, 17th and Wharton; Tighman, 13th and Susquehanna; Hartman, 19th and East Street; E. Spencer Miller, 13th and Ogden; Michael, 35th and Fairmount.

BUDGETS OF CITY DIVISIONS TAKEN UP FOR PRUNING

\$23,111,074.20 Asked for 1915—Organization Finance Committee Lays Down Iron-clad Rule Against New Items.

Dissection of the budgets of the estimated expenses of the city departments for 1915 was begun today by the Finance Committee of Councils in open session at City Hall.

Mayor Blankenburg and the Directors of the departments with the bureau chiefs were invited to attend the session to explain the various items included in the estimated cost sheets.

The Organization Councilmen, composing the Finance Committee, usually regard the sessions at which the budgets of the administration departments are considered as an annual heckling frolic.

The Directors who have opposed Councils and the bureau chiefs who have come into disfavor with the Organization's representatives are customarily subjected to a system of questioning that usually is protracted and of doubtful value from a standpoint of eliciting information on the financial needs of the city branches.

The total amount asked by the city department heads for 1915 is \$23,111,074.20. The amount appropriated this year for the departments was \$19,900,000.

PAY FOR MANY NEW EMPLOYEES. The increase for next year includes pay for many new employees deemed needed as additional police, firemen and employees in departments which are expanding to meet increased demands of the growing city.

The Division of Housing and Sanitation, made mandatory by an act of Legislature that Councils have disregarded, is included in the budget estimate of Director Hartle, of the Department of Health and Charities.

Chairman Connelly, of the Finance Committee, delivered his annual address on economy, by way of opening the deliberations of the committee, when the county officers' budgets were taken up last week.

He then said that no salary increases would be allowed in 1915, that no new positions would be created and that no adjustment of existing places would be allowed excepting where absolutely deemed imperative.

BLOW AT BETTER HOUSING. Those statements are regarded as iron-clad so far as the city departments are concerned. The epiphany of the Housing and Sanitation Division that would better the living conditions in crowded tenement sections is also included in the declaration of Connelly.

In the face of Connelly's economic assertions, however, the Municipal Court has created new places at unusually high salaries. The word further has been passed among county officers that the budgets are to be kept down for apportionment purposes and requests for additional expenditures will be submitted to Councils after the first of the year in a less ostentatious manner.

Fourteen of the county officers' budgets have been referred to Councils for passage by the Finance Committee. The three budgets still before the Subcommittee on Appropriations, a subdivision of the Finance Committee, are the real body on making the financial allowances, are the estimates of the City Commissioners, City Treasurer and Park Commissioner. The other bills are the Councils' calendar for passage at the next session. One or perhaps two all-day sessions of both branches of Councils probably will be necessary to consider all appropriation bills and submit them to the Mayor.

AMOUNTS ASKED FOR. The amount asked by each city department for 1915 and the sum appropriated this year are as follows:

THOUSANDS AWAIT COUNCILS' ACTION

Emergency Committee Member Calls Attention to Conditions, While Destitute Stand in Rain Seeking Charity.

"While Councils are delaying the \$50,000 appropriation to relieve the unemployed situation, hundreds and thousands of needy workmen and their families are left in straits."

"This was the statement made today by a member of the Emergency Aid Committee.

"I would like to know," continued this member, "whether Councils are trying to save the people or something smaller than the people."

With about 60 destitute women and men, waiting in the rain on the front of the Lincoln Hotel, the Emergency Aid Committee opened its headquarters in the basement of the Lincoln Hotel, building a contribution fund.

Every more applicants sought work of any sort in the basement room during the day, keeping a half-dozen clerks talking down stairs and broken-hearted. It was explained to each applicant that the matter of giving them relief depended upon the contributions to the Home Relief Fund.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BELGIANS. A large packing case, filled with a miscellaneous assortment of clothing for the "Belgian sufferers," was received at the Belgian Relief Committee headquarters in the basement of the Lincoln Hotel today as the forerunner of a week of anticipated hard work in the shipping of vast consignments of needful cloth and materials abroad.

Other committees of the Immediate Aid Division will be busy with the receipt of six packages of clothing for the French Relief Committee and four packages for the German Relief Committee.

The proceeds of the proposed \$50,000 appropriation, conditions cannot be remedied, according to Mrs. John C. Groome, chairman of the Home Relief Committee, will be used for the relief of the destitute.

PLANNING FOR FETE. Plans for the fete in the American Fete, which will be held in Horticultural Hall, December 14, 15 and 16, are nearing completion. The doctor's booth will have three distinct means of raising money.

CLARK AND MANN RECEIVE OVATIONS IN THE HOUSE. Three Members Sworn In—Bills for Postoffices and for Delaware River.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Speaker Champ Clark received a great ovation before the business of the House was begun and Minority Leader Mann when he first arose in his place was applauded from both sides of the chamber.

Three new members of the House were sworn in as the first official act in that body. Following the prayer and approval of the Journal, Richard Vance Parker, of New Jersey, a Republican; J. D. Price, of Maryland, and Carl Vinson, of Georgia, Democrats, took the oath of office.

Parker succeeds Representative McCoy, recently appointed to the District of Columbia bench; Price succeeds Representative Covington, also appointed to the District of Columbia bench; Representative Hardwick, who went to the Senate.

Robert Goelz Has Doctor Arrested. NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A man who said he is Dr. Robert E. Moore, 50 years old, a masseur, was arrested yesterday on a charge of grand larceny. Dr. Moore has been giving treatment to Robert Walton Goelz for several months. In that time, Mr. Goelz charges, he has missed a considerable sum of money, each time in comparatively small sums. Last week \$600 was missing and on Saturday \$50 disappeared.

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