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Two more keys to the city were passed out today by Mayor Curley. Capt. Felipe Fleiss (left) and Lt. Alberto D. Brunat, the commander and second in command of the Argentine battleship Rivadavia, were the recipients. Photo shows the mayor bestowing the emblem giving the freedom of the city to the guests.

Capt. Fleiss and Lt. Brunat Presented Keys to City by Mayor Curley—Rivadavia to Be Reconditioned at Fore River

Capt. Felipe Fleiss, commander of the Argentine battleship Rivadavia, which landed a cargo of $1,500,000 in South American gold at Fore river, today was greeted by Mayor Curley at City Hall, where he was presented with a key to the city.

The commander of the ship, which was built at Fore river and is now here to be reconditioned, was accompanied by his aide, Lt. Alberto D. Brunat, who also was presented a key. The two examined the compass of the airplane Boston, which had been presented to the mayor a few minutes before by army air officials.

Both Capt. Fleiss and Lt. Brunat signed the city guest book.
Broken Plane’s Compass
Presented Mayor Curley

Original Instrument on Boston I to Be Mounted on
Eagle Figurehead from Historic Hub Elm on
Common—Airport Officials Donors

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Maj. Wayne Dargue of the army air service presenting Mayor Curley at City Hall with the compass of the airplane Boston I. Photo shows, left to right: Porter Adams of the East Boston airport; Mayor Curley, Maj. Dargue, Lt. R. J. Brown, Jr., and Lt. Clayton Bissell.

Original compass used on the airplane Boston, wrecked in the early stages of the world flight, was presented Mayor Curley today by Maj. H. A. Dargue, who was in command of the Boston airport during the reception of the fliers here.

Original compass will be mounted on an eagle figurehead made from an historic elm on Boston Common, and now resting on the mayor’s desk.

To be Mounted

Officials of the airport called on the mayor at City Hall and made the presentation. The compass will be mounted on an eagle figurehead made from an historic elm on Boston Common, and now resting on the mayor’s desk.

KLAN WORKS AS CURLEY SPEAKS

Kluxers Hand Out Copies of “Klankreed” Under His Nose at Pittsfield

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Mayor says he’ll

SHIP ‘SKUNKS’ SOUTH
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[By a Staff Correspondent of the Herald]

PITTSFIELD, Sept. 24—The Ku Klux Klan took up the challenge issued by Mayor Curley of Boston in opening his gubernatorial campaign in western Massachusetts by going into competition with him in the distribution of literature at a rally here today. While the mayor was speaking and his workers were passing out Curley pamphlets, a member of the Klan gave out copies of the “Klankreed” to members of the crowd.

As soon as Mayor Curley learned what had happened, he returned to the platform to denounce the hooded order and to insist again that the Klan was the principal issue of his campaign. He read from one of the circulars that they were distributing by the thousands: “T. Lewis, General Delivery, Pittsfield. Then, after accusing the klansmen of misdeeds during the war between sheets, to which they now wrap around their heads, he promised as Governor, on Jan. 7, to secure a number of cattle cars full with a collection of skunks, coyotes, mink and muskrats and send them to the land of the klanheads."

WALSH ABSENT

All Mayor Curley’s speeches today were at open air rallies, over a wide territory including Great Barrington, Adams and North Adams. There were two rallies in Pittsfield, one at noon near the north gate of the General Electric plant, where the “Covered Wagon” was waiting and where Arthur Corbett, one of Mayor Curley’s staff, was explaining the issues of the campaign to the gathering listeners. The “Covered Wagon” was pulled by Mayor Curley’s radio truck, which has a portable amplifying apparatus with four loud-speaking horns. Hotel, East Boston, Mass.
Democrats Enthusiastic on Eve of Their Convention in State Armory

JOHN F. FITZGERALD TO BE THE KEYNOTER

Joseph B. Ely Is Appointed Permanent Chairman—Colby May Speak

With unbounded enthusiasm, and still more optimism, the vanguard of the Democracy of Massachusetts will invade Worcester today and prepare the way for the delegates who will follow for the convention to be held in the state armory there tomorrow, a convention that is expected will spell victory or defeat at the polls this coming November.

Party headquarters will be in the Hotel Bancroft, which will also quarter the delegates to the Republican state convention to be held simultaneously. It will be the first time in the history of the state that both parties have held their conventions in the same city on the same day.

WILL DENOUNCE KLAN

This afternoon at 3 o'clock the Democratic platform committee will meet in room 104 at the Bancroft, with another public hearing in the evening, for the admission of plans for the party platform, which will be presented to the convention. While no official intimation of what the platform will embody has been forthcoming, it is predicted that planks openly denouncing the Ku Klux Klan and a demand for modification of the Klan boll are part of its structure.

It also is within the bounds of possibility that supporters of the direct primary system will demand the insertion of a plank reaffirming the party's faith in the system, as a direct challenge to the Republican party, which is expected to declare for its modification.

Following a last-minute conference yesterday at Democratic headquarters, it was announced that John P. Fitzgerald has been chosen temporary chairman of the convention and will make the keynote address. This announcement occasioned some surprise, in view of the differences which have existed between the former mayor and Mayor Curley.

With the selection of Joseph B. Ely of Westfield as the convention's permanent chairman, and Thomas F. Cassidy of Cheshire as head of the committee on resolutions, already announced, the party leaders completed the slate yesterday by naming Mayor Philander P. Talbot of Fall River as chairman on permanent organization, and Edward E. Ginzburg of Brookline chairman of the credentials committee.

PLATFORM COMMITTEE


Chairman McGuire will call the convention to order at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the state armory at Worcester. More than 500 delegates are expected and it was predicted that speakers, members of the press and spectators, the available accommodation will be filled. The hall has a seating capacity for 4000 persons.

Speakers other than the temporary and permanent chairman will consist of candidates of the party, Senator Walsh, Mayor Curley, John J. Cummings, candidate for Lieutenant-Governor; H. Oscar Reischau, candidate for Secretary of State; Michael Elsner of Pittsfield, who is running for state treasurer; Strabo V. Claggart, candidate for state auditor, and John E. Swift of Milford, aspiring to the attorney-generalship.

Announcement that the national speakers' bureau of the Democratic party in New York had promised to send a speaker of wide reputation to address the convention has created interest, and late last night it was intimated that Bainbridge Colby, former secretary of state in the Wilson cabinet, would be the speaker designated.

The "night before" observances by the Democrats will not be on such a pretentious scale as that of the Republicans, but those in charge of the arrangements for tonight's entertainment, promise that where quantity is lacking, quality will prevail. The tentative program provides for a banquet at the Bancroft, to be followed by a reception and entertainment in the hotel. Well-known artists will appear in vaudeville and music, and there will be motion pictures to add variety.

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CURLEY'S ACT

"AUTOCRATIC"

Socialist Peace Day Ban

DEERFIELD, Sept. 15.—The refusal of Mayor Curley to permit the Socialist party to hold a peace day meeting in Deerfield on National Defense Day was scored as an "autocratic conflict between combatants and non-combatants, which is a singular mixture of altruism and high explosives.

The fact that civilization has survived in former years is no guarantee that it can survive the next war in which the general with professional-conscientiousness tell us is coming," he said.

"The next war will bring no difference between combattants and non-combatants. There will be no civility or deportment.

"There will be no front lines. There will be no atrocities. It will be one great atrocity from beginning to end."
WILL DECLARE FOR EACH OTHER AT CONVENTION

Democratic National Body Will Retaliate Unless They Take a Stand

IT WOULD withholding MONEY FROM STATE

Committee Also Likely to Keep Smith Out—Walsh Letter a Bombshell

By THOMAS CARENS

Forced by developments of the last two days to take a stand, Senator David I. Walsh and Mayor James M. Curley are expected to burn their bridges behind them at the Democratic state convention in Worcester tomorrow afternoon, and come out boldly and unequivocally for each other and for John W. Davis, their party's candidate for President.

Unless they do so to the satisfaction of the men who are running Davis's campaign in the state the national committee may retaliate, first by withdrawing financial support from the Massachusetts campaign, and second, by canceling the scheduled appearance of Gov. Alfred E. Smith here on the night of Oct. 7.

LETTER PROVES BOMBHELL

The publication yesterday of a portion of a personal letter which Senator Walsh is sending to his friends, in which he mentions neither Curley nor Davis, and tells of the establishment of "Senator Walsh headquarters" at the Hotel Lenox, proved a bombshell in Democratic ranks.

Walsh lost no time in explaining that he had not intended to "throw down" either of his running mates, and that the letter really means that he is doing a little extra work in his own behalf.

He probably compared it to in his mind to the pledge-card campaign which Curley has been conducting for months, and which takes no cognizance of the candidates of either Walsh or Davis.

The "Senator Walsh headquarters," he further pointed out, is really not a headquarters at all, but merely an office where he can receive his mail and friends during the campaign.

The excitement of the morning hours furnished a setting for the luncheon yesterday noon of the National Democratic Club at the Hotel Bellevue, where Walsh made his appearance and in an impassioned address declared his allegiance to the entire Democratic ticket. He and the other speakers, who included Chairman McGloin of the state committee, National Committeeman Quinn and Francis E. Slatery, who represented Mayor Curley, referred to the publication of the Walsh letter as a Republican trick intended to stir up trouble in Democratic ranks.

The speeches time and again drew bursts of enthusiasm from the 150 or more Democrats present, and for the first time since these weekly luncheons of the Democratic Club were started the veil of secrecy was lifted and the speeches given to the press.

The Democrats left the Bellevue confident that they had disproved the report that Walsh and Curley are out for themselves, and that the success or failure of their running mates is of minor importance. But with a few hours they found themselves with other troubles.

Former Mayor Andrew J. Peters, named some weeks ago by John W. Davis as his personal representative in Massachusetts in the collection of party funds, returned to Boston last evening, after a trip upstate, and promptly declared that he is not the author of a letter written to City Councilman James A. Watson, which the latter had used as an excuse to declare his support of La Follette and Wheeler.

The Watson letter went out under date of Sept. 16 on the stationery of the National Democratic Club, and after referring that Coolidge and Davis cannot possibly win the nomination if Davis or a deadlock, it asks assent in electing Walsh and Curley. It is signed "A. J. Peters." In spite of the bitter contest that Peters and Curley for the mayoralty seven years ago, the letter did not occasion surprise, as Peters has always been a good soldier in the ranks, and it was assumed that he would support his party's nominee.

But Peters says he didn't write it. He explained last night that he resigned as president of the National Democratic Club when he accepted the assignment from John W. Davis. No one had any authority to sign his name to the letter, he said; and he added that he had had no part in the matter. The secrecy around the club has surrounded all its activities.

He declined, however, to comment on the Walsh letter and the reason why it created among other followers of Davis.

PETE R S A DELEG ATE

Peters will attend the convention at Worcester. He will not be there specifically as an emissary of John W. Davis, but as a delegate from ward 25. But he will at least be in a position to know whether Walsh and Curley intend to aid the Davis campaign here, and he may feel in duty bound to report to the eastern headquarters at New York if the "do not make themselves clear.

The Democrats here have been looking forward to Gov. Smith's speech as the biggest gun of their campaign. They hope it will remove all traces of the disgust which prevailed in the weeks following the New York convention, and unite the party. They probably forget, however, that Smith's primary purpose in coming here is not to elect Democratic candidates in the state, but in the hope of winning the electoral votes of Massachusetts for Davis.

He is making good his promise of the last night of the convention to "clean off his coat" and work for Davis. If he is informed that his speech will do Davis no good, he may alter his plans, and he will almost certainly do so if the national committee tells him that the state leaders here are abandoning Davis, and permitting La Follette to run away with thousands of Democratic votes.
Differ on Telephone Company
Way of Figuring Depreciation

Atty. Pierce and Engineer Mildram, Expert for Boston, Far Apart—Rate Hearing Goes

Over Until Monday, Sept. 29

The city of Boston's attempt to prevent increases in toll and private branch exchange rates took the form of objection to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company's method of figuring depreciation and interest charges, at the resumed hearing yesterday in the State House before the public utilities commission.

The city was represented by Corporation Counsel Sullivan and the company's interests looked after by Charles S. Pierce, its vice-president and counsel.

Samuel H. Mildram, an expert in telephone engineering, testified for the city, contends that interest during construction should be charged to the cost of plant at the time of its completion.

Atty. Pierce argued that a charge of interest for construction of a particular plant could be "pulled out of the aggregate and tagged unmistakably, then that charge could be made after a period of years when the plant was retired."

Mr. Mildram objected to the "General Costs Equipment" depreciation charges. He also objected to "Garage Equipment" depreciation figures, stating that they should be 11.7 instead of the 14.7 arrived at by the company and that, however, could not identify the course of the figures and the rate which served as his basis for this rate.

Mr. Pierce contended that the depreciation charge of 15 per cent. on $66,290 amounting to $99,390 was unjustified. His argument was that the life of these tools is less than five years and their cost should properly be charged against operating expenses.

Atty. Pierce brought in that merely changing one charge to another account would not effect a material saving and that if these items were not capitalized and a depreciation charge allowed for them, the current operating expenses would have to be increased a corresponding extent.

When the hearing was resumed in the morning, Engineer Mildram was called as a witness for cross-examination by Atty. Pierce. The questions directed ascertaining Mr. Mildram's qualifications as an expert in telephone problems and finance were asked.

The witness said he was employed by the Bell Telephone Company in 1913 after leaving college. He remained with that company in various capacities until 1912. He declared that he was at one time a member of the State Legislature and had served as a member of the Boston Common Council.

Attorney Pierce wanted to go into detail concerning Mr. Mildram's business connections after leaving the telephone company. Corporation Counsel Sullivan objected, saying: "I don't think there is anything in that. Mr. Pierce, I will go into the 'lobby business' Mr. Pierce rejoined with the remark that the deposition he desired to propound were innocent in intent.

The witness testified that he acted as an expert in an investigation of the telephone companies in Nova Scotia and in Great Britain, Canadian and American telephone companies.

"I told Mr. Halt," the witness said, "that I preferred to be retained by the telephone company."

"Had Mr. Halt asked you to go on the telephone company's side during these three days, I went with the city."

"What did you do?" asked Mr. Pierce.

"I don't know," replied Mr. Mildram.

"Why did you give him to understand you might be ready for employment in case the company might desire to engage him?"

DID NOT WANT TO SHIFT

The movement of both Republicans and Democrats toward Worcester, where the State convention of each party will be held on Saturday, will be resumed today. The Republican convention will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday in Mechanics Hall; the Democratic convention will meet at 1 p.m. in the State House.

At 6:30 tonight the Republican Club of Worcester will have its annual "Lobster Dinner" in the Hotel Hancock, and two hours later a reception of the Republican nominees on the State ticket will be given in Mechanics Hall.

The Democratic committee on resolutions will meet at 8 o'clock in the Hotel Hancock—not in the same room with the Republicans. Thomas F. Curley, the Democratic candidate against Congressmen Allen T. Treadway, will be the temporary chairman of the Democratic committee.

Gov. Cox will be the permanent chairman of the Republican convention. Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of Boston, Democratic nominee for Governor, and the Democratic convention and Mayor Edmond P. Talbot, will be the permanent chairman of the Democratic convention.

Mr. Fitzgerald has been anything but friendly to Governor Curley, the Democratic nominee for Governor, and made the appearance of the former as presiding officer of the State convention is regarded as a victory for the Republicans. It is said that within a few days Congressmen Edmond F. Talbot will be called to the stand to give testimony that the latter's behavior is not consistent with his public statement to the effect that the former will speak for him in the campaign.

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Members include Geo. Charles H. Locke, Mrs. Joseph Queen and Dr. John E. W. Boston; Miss Dorothy Whipple, Miss Helen MacKinnon and Miss Helen F. Macdonald, Worcester; and Miss Helen A. Macdonald, Worcester.
Held Open for Phone Offer
City Then Hired Him, Says S. H. Mildram
Expert Questioned by Pierce on Depreciation Charges
Admits Reduction There Means Increase Elsewhere

Questions of Depreciation
Mr. Mildram admitted that fixtures such as shelves and counters, under the general store equipment account, were not subject to any increases in their replacement cost. He claimed that these items were not capitalized when they were purchased.

After an all-day session yesterday before the Public Utilities Commission at the State House the hearing on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for authority to increase its rates for private switchboard exchanges was continued until tomorrow. Attorney Pierce said that the charge of $39.30, amounting to $99,930, should not be allowed, and that the current operating expenses would have to be increased by this amount.

Mr. Mildram admitted that if the charge were not allowed, the company would have to be paid for twice, once out of the capitalization and again in the form of depreciation charges. After an interval of three days I agreed to remain with the company in various capacities until 1912. During four years at the State House the hearing on the petition of the New England Telephone Company for authority to increase its rates for private switchboard exchanges was continued until tomorrow.

Mildram Was Retained
Counsel Pierce sought to show that Mr. Mildram had offered himself to the New England Telephone Company for employment on the company's side of the present case. The witness denied this and claimed that E. H. Hall, an official of the company, asked him to hold himself open for a few days in case the company might desire to engage him.

"I told Mr. Hall," testified the witness, "that I liked the opposite side of these cases and did not want to be involved in this matter. I agreed to stay with the city of Boston and after an interval of three days I went with the company."
Mayor Curley and City Hospital officials yesterday opened the new outpatient building. Left to right are: Mayor Curley, Carl Drayfuss, Joseph Manning, Henry Rowen, Dr. John J. Dowling and Dr. James Manary.

Simple exercises marked the opening yesterday afternoon of the new $1,000,000 Out-Patient Building at the Boston City Hospital, perhaps the largest of its kind in the world.

Equipped with the last word in medical appliances for the treatment of citizens of Boston free of charge the building amazed the guests by its completeness of equipment. In the spacious foyer on the Harrison avenue side of the building seats were laid out for the exercises which were attended by City Hospital officials and invited guests.

Curley Could Earn $14,900 Without Paying Taxes

James M. Curley as mayor of Boston could earn at least $14,900 and still pay no income taxes to Uncle Sam because of deductions and exemptions to which he is legally entitled.

Salaries of State, county, and city officials and employees are exempt from Federal income taxation.

The mayor earns $10,000 as the city's chief executive. He is entitled to a further exemption of $2,000, as the head of a family and $500 for each child. The Curleys in 1923 had six children. This brings his family exemptions up to $4,900. He paid no taxes for 1923.
KLAN LINKED WITH G.O.P. SAYS MAYOR

Order Controls Many Officials of State, Curley Claims

WORCESTER, Oct. 22.—In a speech here tonight, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, candidate for Governor, claimed that the Republican party was allied with the Ku Klux Klan, and assailed the record of his adversary, Alvan T. Fuller. He also spoke at rallies held in Milford, Whitinsville and other sections of Worcester County.

OPPONENTS DESPERATE

Mayor Curley's speech was, in part, as follows:

"Ieh the candidates of the Republican party of Massachusetts and the mercenaries and jugglers of figures assisting them, and the reactionary newspapers aiding and abetting them, are having a bad case of nerves. To put the matter in a nutshell, the Republican machine and its men are on the run; headed for the deep sea, and they have flung truth and prudence to the winds."

"The most important matter before the people of this Commonwealth today is the one the Republican party and press are silent on, and would like to silence me on, the Ku Klux Klan. Since 150,000 members of the Klan in and around the State are in alliance with and control the Republican party, it is easy to understand its anxiety to hush up any allusion to its existence and purpose."

Says G. O. P. Allied With Klan

"The Ku Klux Klan is a treasonable conspiracy against the safety of the Commonwealth and the republic; it defies the Constitution; it violates the law; it is a crime against the community; it meets in the dark, wearing disguises; its announced purpose is to deprive citizens who are Catholic, Jews and persons who believe in their constitutional rights and privileges, and place them outside the protection of the Constitution and law."

"I will control its parts in some parts of the State the officers of the law; no secret is made of its alliances with the party; and though the righteous opinion of America is arrayed against this anti-American organization, the Republican party has lacked the courage to divorce itself from its leaders or dismiss its heinous.

TARIFF IS ATTACKED BY WALSH

Blames Law for High Cost of Building Materials

WORCESTER, Oct. 23.—The high cost of building materials resulting in scarcity of homes was charged up to the Republican tariff law by Senator David J. Walsh, who addressed a crowd of 200 people in an open air rally on the Common tonight. He claimed that one year after the passing of the Fordney-McCumber tariff the cost of building materials had jumped 26 per cent.

CURLEY DELIVERS TIRADE

For nearly four hours at this rally the cause of Democracy was pleaded by a score of speakers. The "Curley broadcasting wagon" was used.

ALVAN T. FULLER served in the 6th and 7th Congresses and his record in these bodies is clear. He is a truthful man and has never denied his principles and policies. He is a man of integrity and honor, and he will not be broken by the attacks of his political enemies.

CURLEY NOMINATES ANOTHER LABOR MAN

Templeton Named to Be City Building Head

Secretary-Treasurer of his Painters' District Council

ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL CAMPAIGNINGS

During the campaign, the Republican party has been attacked by the Democrats, who have极力 criticized its record and platform. The Republican party has been accused of being a "party of privilege," and of being "corrupt." These attacks have been made by the Democrats, who have been trying to undermine the confidence of the public in the Republican party.

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Mayor Attacks "Bri-gade" in Essex Coun-ty Rallies

LAWRENCE, Oct 24.—The "whis-pering brigade" of the Republican party was scored by Mayor Curley to-night in his circuit of rallies in Essex county and at Lowell. His night's itinerary took him here and to Peabody, Salem, Marblehead and Lowell.

"KILLED JACKSON"

"The municipal debt of Boston on April 1st was $210,000,000," said the Mayor after reciting the list of improvements he had made in the city's institutions during his ad

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$240,000 Offer Is Made for Mason-St Site

Curley to Ask That Council Approve New Headquarters

Would Leave Property Open to Keith Memorial

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Curley Says He Has Failed on Four Big Issues

NEW BEDFORD, Oct. 25—Announcing the "silence" of Lieutenant-Governor Fuller on the Ku Klux Klan, Mayor Curley of Boston, Democratic candidate for Governor, charged his opponent with failure to take a position on what he said were the four major issues of the campaign.

KLK FIRST

He said, in part: "There are four major issues before the electorate of Massachusetts upon which my opponent as a candidate for Governor should make public declaration before anyone can justify casting a vote in his behalf at the polls upon election day."

"The first affects vitally the right of American citizens to the enjoyment of constitutional guarantees. The right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness without regard to race, creed, or color in America is fundamental, and any organization that attempts to abridge this right is destructive of the peace, harmony and good order upon which the success of this experiment so proudly challenged Alvan T. Fuller to declare his position with reference to the Ku Klux Klan, and to the present time he has declined to declare against this hideous, un-American organization. No man worthy of the title American citizen can justify casting a vote in his behalf until he has declared against the Klan. The Klan must be driven out of Massachusetts, and to the conduct of this work I shall devote all the power invested in me as Governor of this Commonwealth to the accomplishment of that end."

Commercial Problem

"The second vital question for consideration affects the existence of all the people of Massachusetts. It may be said to be the bread and butter proposition of this campaign, namely, the restoration of commerce and the promotion of industry. To the present situation Mr. Fuller has failed to discuss this all-important proposition. Commerce and industry can only be protected through generous and wise expenditure of public moneys. The paramount policy of the Republican party in this Commonwealth is in large measure responsible for the stagnation of commerce and in the sitting of industry."

"The third vital proposition concerns the attitude of the Government toward the location of State institutions. Mr. Fuller, the Republican candidate for Governor, states that he proposes to continue the present policy which he terms "spend-as-you-go" economics and humane. The reports of the trustees of the various institutions, nearly all of which trustees are men of real ability and human, are evidence that economies have been only possible through the starvation of inmates, the failure to provide sufficient clothing, medical treatment and attendance and proper housing, coupled with unwholesome food supply to the poor, infirm, insane and the feeble-minded State wards."

"The fourth proposition involved in this election is the wisdom of placing the office of Governor of the Commonwealth on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the movement through which the American Republic came into being, namely the anniversary of Lexington, Concord and Bunker Hill, a man whose record of aloofness and evasion and absenteeism during the war stamped him as a pacifist, shirker and enemy of free government."
New Keith Vaudeville Home to Be Finest in the Country

Will Cost Three Million and Only New York Hippodrome Will Be Larger

TO COVER SITE OF BOSTON THEATRE

A new B. F. Keith theatre, the finest vaudeville house in the country, is to be erected on the site of the present Boston Theatre as a memorial to the late B. F. Keith and his son, A. Paul Keith, according to an announcement made yesterday afternoon.

Plans for the structure are yet in the making, but Robert G. Larsen, general manager of the Keith theatres in Boston, revealed some of the outstanding features of the project.

MORE THAN 3 MILLION

The amusement house will cost fully $2,000,000 and will surpass in magnitude the Cleveland theatre of the Keith interests, now adjudged the finest vaudeville house in the United States. Performances will be of the type given at the New York Hippodrome, the better class and more elaborate acts, with the supplementary news and topics of the day reeled, common to Keith theatres.

While the seating capacity has not been decided upon yet, it is known it will be at least three times that of the present Keith theatre, next door on Washington street, and will exceed only that of the Hippodrome.

It was in Boston the B. F. Keith located his first theatre and the present members of the Keith interests, in carrying out their purpose to erect here a playground which will be in the nature of a shrine to his memory and that of his son, will spare neither money nor pains to make it the most magnificent, beautiful and up-to-date of its kind in the United States, Mr. Larsen declared.

Work on the project will begin after the completion of the Keith theatre under construction in the old Henry Siegel building at Washington and Essex streets. This will be probably early next spring.

Contrary to the impression created by the announcement of Mayor Curley yesterday that the Keith project had made an offer of $240,000 for the land now occupied by the Mason street fire station, which adjoins the present Boston Theatre property, Mr. Larsen indicated that the additional property, if obtained, will not be utilized in the construction of the new theatre.

The fire station property is wanted more for the purpose of protecting the theatre against "undesirable neighbors" than for anything else, he said. The new structure will be built entirely within the limits of the present Boston Theatre, which will be razed almost in its entirety.

Sale of the property will enable the city to go forward at once with construction of the long-talked-of fire headquarters in a strategic position over the subway incline at Tremont street and Shawmut avenue. After the $240,000 is applied to the new fire station, about $110,000 will be required for the entire plant, a sum which the mayor believes he will have more than available.

Mayor Curley will submit to the city council tomorrow the tender made by Mr. Larsen, with the recommendation that the sale be approved at once. The B. F. Keith management has agreed to pay the city the $240,000 as soon as the council actuates and will and a time to the city to continue as occupants of the fire station on Mason street until the new headquarters are completed October 26.

The mayor pointed out in his message to the council that a further advantage in the bargain is the addition of $90,000 annual income to the city through the erection by the Keiths of a $2,000,000 property. The purchase price is about $160,000 above the assessed value.

The new central fire station will replace the fire headquarters at the corner of the Mason street station, now housing engines 28 and 29, enabling apparatus to arrive at the central fire in much shorter time than at present.

The situation of the Mason street station has long been a matter of complaint by fire department officials because it is completely bottled in by motor streets, closely-parked vehicles, and the moving army of parked vehicles.

On the roof of the proposed station will be a giant searchlight which can be directed straight down Tremont street to clear a way for the apparatus. There will also be a powerful street light.

Provision for the entrance and exit of the subway car and the housing tower involve a few minor changes of a character which, it is said, will remove the neighborhood arrangement. When the subway was being built the foundations for a four-story building were laid and these can now be utilized for the proposed building.

It is understood that the Elevated would like to put in a structure, but the property comes under the control of the municipal transit commission the space was reserved for the fire headquarters project.

STATION PLANS

The plans as already prepared show a six-story building with a 40-foot frontage, 35 feet in depth and with a breadth of 90 feet at the rear, exposed on all four sides to light and air. The main floor is planned for motor apparatus, arranged in shape about the doors ready for a quick run. The patrol desk and fire alarm instrument board will be in a place isolated both at the front and rear of the tower, and a work shop on the Shawmut avenue side.

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CURLEY DECLARES FULLER IS SLACKER

Attacks “Parsimonious” Policy of Republicans

NEW BEDFORD, Oct. 25—Charging that the parsimonious policy of the Republican party was in large measure responsible for the strangu-lation of commerce and the stifling, and that the silence and evi- dence of Alvan T. Fuller stamped him as a pacifist, slacker and enemy of free government, Mayor Curley tonight appealed to large audience, here and in Fall River to defeat for election the Republican candidate for Governor.

"There are four major issues before the electorate of Massachusetts upon which my opponent as a candidate for Governor should make public declara-
tion before anyone can justify casting a vote in his behalf," said Mr. Curley. The first is the Ku Klux Klan. The second is the restoration of commerce. The third concerns the attitude of the Republican party to the ex- erimental privileges of state institutions. The fourth is Mr. Fuller's record.

"Senator Walsh deprived the part he took in various investigations after the signing of the armistice, as a result of which, he said, returning soldiers were aided. But I did not stop at investigations," he said. "In the early years following the war, one of the chief sources of suffering to disabled veterans was the red tape re-
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Enthusiastic receptions were given yesterday afternoon to Senator David I. Walsh and Mayor Curley when they addressed a series of Democratic meetings in five theatres about Greater Boston. The Senator discussed immigration and the high rents and shortage of homes in relation to the tariff, while the Mayor, among other topics, talked on the campaign and his opponent for the office of Governor.

**BITTER AGAINST FULLER**

"I've run against a good many men in the old days," said Mayor Curley in the Dudley Theatre, Roxbury, "and they didn't always put up a fair fight, but the foulest fighter of that whole lot was a cleaner fighter than the Republican candidate for Governor, Alvah T. Fuller."

The Mayor again mentioned a circular which he said Mr. Fuller was sending out today, advocating his Mr. Fuller's election, because he was president and voted on all the important bills during his term in Congress.

He declared that the 26 per cent increase on building material means fewer homes, higher priced tenements, and that the great working population cannot have the privileges they have possessed in the past, owing to a little party of their own. The delay in the spread of wealth in the country, he said, has largely been due to the fact that our working population was not able to buy certain rails.

**Nuisances Registration**

"There have been 52 deaths by violence in the State Hospital," he said in summing up part of his address, "and I will humanize those hospitals.

Mayor Curley stated that he realized when he first started his campaign for Governor that no matter how high the ideals of a Democrat were, he would be confronted with the wave of money.
EAST BOSTON'S NEW HIGH SCHOOL TO ACCOMMODATE 1600 PUPILS
AND IS DESIGNED TO SERVE AS REAL COMMUNITY CENTER

Building at White and Brooks Sts Will Contain Assembly Hall Seating 1000, With Stage and
Dressing Rooms—Big Gymnasium Also to Be First Floor Feature—
Cost to Well Exceed $1,000,000

The new high school building for East Boston is to be built at the corner of
White and Brooks sts on a high elevation overlooking the harbor. The lot
has a frontage of 570 feet on White at
and 230 feet on Brooks at. The school
will provide accommodations for 1600
pupils.

The ground floor will contain wood-
working and machine shops, room for
machine drawing, blue-printing, lockers
and rooms for boys, a lunchroom for
boys and girls, domestic science, sew-
ing, millinery and classrooms for girls.
On axis with the central entrance will
be the assembly hall, accommodating
about 1000, with modern stage and dress-
ing rooms.
The assembly hall is so planned that
it may be used by the community with-
out interfering with classes. At the
rear of the assembly hall will be the
gymnasium, 33 feet wide and 35 feet
long, entered from two corridors and
directly accessible for the community
by an outside entrance, with locker
rooms and showers for boys and girls
in the basement. The gymnasium is
to have a running track and spectators'
balconies.

On the second floor will be the office,
master's room and health office centrally,
the library, bookkeeping and
spewing rooms, study rooms, com-
mercial geography and display rooms,
and classrooms.
The third floor will provide chemis-
try, physical and biological laborator,
and elementary science rooms and a
lecture room. All laboratories will have
adjoining workrooms and apparatus and
storerooms. A free-hand and mechan-
ical drawing room and 13 classrooms,
with teachers' rooms, will complete this
floor.
The building is to be fireproof through-
out. The exterior is to be a modern
adaptation of Tudor architecture of
brick, with stone trims, quoin and
trim. Over the central entrance will be
a curved stone bay window flanked by
two octagonal towers of brick and stone.

John M. Gray Company are the archi-
itects, and the contract, amounting to
$1,066,070, has been let to A. Piotti Com-
pany.

HOW NEW EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL WILL APPEAR WHEN COMPLETED
Whole Families Tour War Vessels and Watch Marines and Bluejackets Drill—Governor And Mayor Make Addresses

Top—Civil War naval veterans, left to right, George Callahan, Peter O'Connell, David King, T. Grimell, J. J. Sheehan and T. Prentiss. Center—Bluejackets passing in review. Bottom—On the reviewing line, left to right, Congressman Peter Tague, Mayor Curley, Rear Admiral de Steiguer and Capt Felix Pleiss of the Argentine battleship Rivadavia.

AT CHARLESTOWN CELEBRATION.
The ihtra annual observance of Navy Day. In accordance with the plan followed yesterday by the War Department, the entire fleet of the local Navy Yard was open to inspection, with explanations of the officers in charge of it. Two addresses were made, at noon, by Mr. Channing H. Cox, and at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor James M. Curley.

Several thousand persons visited the yard during the day. Whole families came, babies perched on their fathers' shoulders; mothers holding children on shoulders and climbed up the steep steel stairs to the upper deck of the battleships. The yard was open to Inspection today, and there was a large crowd of people, including many from Boston, who were climbing the ladders to the lighting turrets. They wanted to see everything, and as far as possible, the orders gave them that opportunity, and explained everything from the workings of the electric machines for peeling potatoes to the Navy. The noon meal was in preparation and the fact that children in their school, 150 or more from Boston troops, were permitted to eat steamed chicken, fruit, vegetable salads and take some of the dishes which the visitors saw in preparation.

Marine Corps in Drill

During the day there were drills by the Marine Corps, lectures and demonstrations of first aid, airplanes flew overhead and dangled from refrigerators, the International Club were open for dancing and movies during the afternoon, there was a band on board the U. S. S. Utah, and a life-saving drill by the Coast Guard, during which a breeches buoy was thrown overboard from an airplane to the U. S. S. Florida and a Marine carried back in it. At the Marine Barracks, bluejackets, veterans and civilians employed 500 of them, paraded the fields around the yard and a Marine carried back a leaflet.

Mayor Curley stood at the steps below the bandstand, with Rear Admiral Louis de Shoultz, commander of the Navy Yard; Capt. Tuttle Williams, commanding the U. S. S. Florida; Capt. R. O. Peck, of the Argent ill. battleship. It was a demonstration of the old-fashioned spirit of pacifism which is rampant in America today; let us pledge our selves on this anniversary of the birth of the Navy to the opportunity, and explain ev. to the electric n'matchines for peeling pe

*Tribute to Roosevelt*

"It is fitting," said Mayor Curley, "to commemorate the birthday of the man in the spirit in which it was given. He was his friend who knew that only as he derived his strength from the people of the world he could derive his strength from the people of the world."

Mayor Curley Also Cheered

He was accompanied by his wife, who was given ovations as the next first lady of the State. At Michael Angelo School, North End, Mrs Curley presented a painting of the Madonna. The presentation was made by Mrs Curley and Mrs Curley,

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"Go to the polls on Nov 4 and you will have the custody of national offices. Is Mr. Boske...

Walsh Queries Gillett

The Governorship. "Alvan T. Fuller, my opponent for the..."

Walsh was told that the Simmons Democratic bill was passed through the House to the Senate.

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Move to Have Fin. Com. Go Into Assessing of Employees Loses by Tie Vote

DEMOCRATS EAGER TO PROTECT MAYOR

The Boston city council split in half yesterday over an order introduced by Councilman Lane, its Republican member, calling on the finance commission to investigate newspaper reports that city employees had been solicited to contribute to Mayor Curley's gubernatorial campaign fund and had been pressed into service as workers in his cause.

The tie vote was enough to defeat the order, but the majority of the councilmen were plainly against Lane's move, which they characterized as a sharp political thrust. They were divided among themselves as to how best to combat it, avowing that they wanted to save the mayor from the embarrassment of the council, that the order ought not to pass.

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VOTING WITH LANE

Voting with Councilman Lane for passage of the order were Councilmen Healey, Purcell and Walsh. Healey explained that he voted for it because, since the charges had been raised, he thought the mayor ought to have a chance to defend himself. Councilman Brickley, who left before the rollcall, voted against the order in executive committee.

Introduction of the order by Lane brought an immediate protest by Councilman Watson, who said Lane was acting only on the information he had read in the newspapers, and that anyhow there was no need of calling the attention of the finance commission to charges thus made, or in fact to any charges relating to Mayor Curley.

Councilman Lane retorted that his order was not aimed primarily at any political activities but that he thought it was going too far for a candidate to assess the threat to the executive committee.

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ASSAILS FULLER AT NEW BEDFORD RALLY

Curley states four issues

Again Challenges Opponent to Take Stand on Kian

Special Dispatch to the Globe

NEW BEDFORD, Oct 25—"Saving of the people's money in the State at the expense of 20,000 wards must stop," said Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, Democratic candidate for the Governorship, told a large crowd at a Democratic rally at Elm Rink here tonight.

Repeated cuts in the budget of the State institutions, despite the reports of the trustees throughout the State that additional funds were necessary for proper care of the inmates, has resulted in overcrowding, starvation and deplorable conditions in the institutions, he charged.

Mr Curley said in part:

"There are several issues on which my opponent is not straight. The first affects vitally the right of American citizens to the exercise of Constitutional guarantees. The right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness without regard to race, creed or color is one of the fundamental principles of our government that attempts to abridge this right is destructive of the peace, harmony and good order upon which the patriotic peace. I have repeatedly challenged Alvan T. Fuller to debate his position with reference to the Ku Klux Klan and the present Klan.
Mayor to Make Statement on Result This Afternoon

Mayor and Mrs. Curley received the early election returns last night at his office in City Hall. When he left for home shortly after 10 o'clock he told newspaper men that he would have no statement to make in regard to the results until this afternoon.

A number of friends of the Curley family and city officials dropped in at the Mayor's office during the evening. They included Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shaw, former Congressman and Mrs. Joseph F. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. George Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. McGlue, Fire Commissioner Glynn, Joseph Maynard, Brigadier-General John R. Dunn and John A. Sullivan.

CURLEY APPEALS FOR LABOR VOTES

CURLEY EXPECTS LARGE VOTE IN BACK BAY

CURLEY RAPS FULLER ON INSTITUTIONS

Declares He Will See That They Are Humanized

He Contrasts "Curleyism" With "Fullerism" at Rallies

READING, Oct 27--The Ku Klux Klan would cease to exist if the late Theodore Roosevelt were head of the Nation. James M. Curley declared at a democratic rally tonight in Security Hall.

Mayor Curley was the principal speaker and he scored the Republican administration. Lieut Gov Fuller's claim that while a member of the Executive Council he visited all the State institutions was brought out by Mr Curley, who criticized the treatment of the inmates and said that after next January he would see that the institutions are humanized and that the 20,000 inmates receive proper care and attention.

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RIDICULES CURLEY'S CHARGE

at City Club—Gillett Also Speaks

"Speaker Gillett is running for the United States Senate, I think, at the expressed request of the President of the United States," Lt. Gov. Fuller declared today in speaking at the luncheon to the Republican nominees of the City Club.

"Mr. Fuller said: 'Fellow Republicans, some Democrats, and all men of committee; Charles H. Parkman and Mr. Fuller spoke of the accomplishments of the state commission on administration and finance and said that we are faced with a question of continuing the business administration of Gov. Cox or turning our affairs over to the 'spendthrift mayor of Boston.'

He repeated parts of the speeches he has delivered in Worcester and other parts of the state, criticising Mayor Curley for trying to look bad on him and the Republican administration.

"There are, he said, the very things which the Republicans want to accomplish at the election: elect Calvin Coolidge to the Senate, and elect the Republican nominees to the Senate to Washington, and to continue the Cox business administration on Beacon Hill.

R. L. O'Brien, editor of The Boston Herald, presided and in introducing Mr. Fuller, said: "Fellow Republicans, some Democrats, and all men of action—you prove this latter by being here today.

Speaker Gillett spoke about his own record at Washington and told of the campaign speeches he has held in Congress, in the Republican House for the establishment of the national budget system.

Among those at the head table at the luncheon, which followed a similar one to the Democratic nominees two weeks ago, were Daniel J. Kiley, former chairman of the Democratic state committee, and Charles H. Parkman and Congressman Charles Gilford.

CURLEY FAILS IN ATTEMPT TO BREAK UP RALLY

Police Called When Uproar Follows Effort to Stop Adlow from

"Prince of Peerless Promises"

"Curley is still pursuing the elusive pilot-boat slippers to wrap up the Republican party in a sheet. But he can't get away with it. The people are not fooled by him. Anyone who has ever scanned his record knows him to be the prince of poor promises. He promised when he ran for mayor that he would get the people a five-cent street-car fare on the line. He promised that he would get out and work his office within a year. He has done neither. He promised lower assessments on real estate, and what did the people get?—much higher assessments all around.

"There are, he said, three things which the Republicans want to accomplish at the election: elect Calvin Coolidge to the Senate, and elect the Republican nominees to the Senate to Washington, and to continue the Cox business administration on Beacon Hill."

"I am not a liar," answered Adlow.

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Before the disturbance ended the over-whelming majority of the crowd was with the young speaker, and he was applauded to the echo when he concluded by shouting: "Go back to your jobs and tell the man who sent you here to break up the rally that he has as much chance of being elected governor of this Commonwealth as Andy Gump has of being elected President of the United States!"

HECKLERS GET WORST OF IT

Noonday Meeting in Court Street

Marked by Attacks on Mayor

By Wendell D. Bowle

A concerted effort was made by James M. Curley for governor to break up a Republican rally during the noon hour at 45 Court street, directly opposite City Hall annex, at which his opponent, Lieutenant Governor Alvan T. Fuller, and Representative Elijah Adlow were the principal speakers, resulting in a sensational uproar, verging on a riot, at the height of which a detachment of police from Station 2 were despatched to the scene.

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Calls Him Spendthrift as Mayor of Boston

LIEUTENANT-Governor Fuller, in rallies last night in Beverly, Salem and Chelsea, as well as over the radio, warned against turning the State's business over to "the spendthrift Mayor of Boston," recounting the progress of Governors Calvin Coolidge and Channing Cox in conducting State affairs on an economical and sound basis, lowering the State debt and reducing State taxes.

URGES HEAVY VOTE

Mr. Fuller also warned against over-confidence in the election, urging every able-bodied citizen to get out and vote and see that everybody in his neighborhood did likewise.

"Failure to vote brings direful results," he said. "In the last national elections it was minorities—not majorities—that sent that little group of so-calledly inclined Senators to Congress from a few mid-western States, that so effectively blocked progress by the administration."

He warned of their votes against taking campaign promises too seriously, saying: "Be on your guard against blatant oratory and wholesale promises. He that assure you of his ability and impartial boards of conciliation on call at all times to smooth out points of dissatisfaction, in order that the industrial operations which are the life of the State may be unimpeached, and every one continuously contribute to the material welfare of all the people of Massachusetts."

"My friends, this is an old Commonwealth. It has such a history as places on the shoulders of our leaders today heavy responsibilities. There is little work in a noble past if we fail to do our duty in the present."

The Mayor spoke to a crowd of 1300 people in Tremont Temple Saturday night and had a series of theatre meetings which he addressed.

NEVER SO CONFIDENT

He stated that never had he been so confident of victory and that large numbers of Republicans would take the opportunity tomorrow to repudiate Mr. Fuller, "a man whom they tolerated but never cared for," he declared.

Commenting on the recent rallies, he said he had given the word of concern speeches to be delivered at Tremont Temple Saturday night could be seated in a section of the house where the Democratic gathering was staged.

Invitation to Fuller

After referring to the State Institutions he said: "I will say to Governor Cox and Mr. Fuller that I never made a false charge in all my life and I will prove it to them if they come to Pemberton Square tomorrow."

"The whole number of their audience," he said, "was 6, including four policemen and the postmaster. I was going through the town when my attention was called to a few people outside the hall. I started to talk to them and in five minutes there were 250 people at my rally and only 36 inside listening to the Republicans."

Warns Against Whispers

"During the next 24 hours," he continued, "whisperers will come up to you in the factories and on the streets, telling you that the Democrats cannot be elected in this State during a presidential year. Just tell those people that LaFollette and Curley and the Democrats would vote their straight ticket."

The Mayor stated that from all parts of the State Republicans were looking forward to their victory: that members of the third party would vote for LaFollette and Curley and that the Democrats would vote their straight ticket. He referred again to the speech made by Governor Cox at Tremont Temple and declared that neither the Governor nor anyone else could save Alvin.

At Football Game

Between the halves of a football game on the M street, playground in South Boston, yesterday afternoon, the Mayor spoke to a crowd of more than 10,000. He addressed a meeting at the football building at Franklin Park and at the Greek Democratic Club on Harrison avenue last night. His tour of Greater Boston yesterday afternoon took him to various gatherings in the following places:

Central Square Theatre East Boston; Beverly Theatre; Grand Opera House, South End; Gorman's Theatre, Roslindale; Fells Point, Thomas Edison; Auditorium, Somerville; Institute Hall, East Cambridge; Regent Theatre, Arlington; Lilac Theatre, Waverly Street, West End, and the Democratic Women's Council at 110 Tremont street.

Fuller's Address

Lieutenant-Governor Alvan T. Fuller said in part: "Good government in Massachusetts requires that the taxpayers shall be as well contented with good service, that we shall have industrial peace and steady employment, that the appointment of all public officials shall be on the basis of merit, that our public institutions shall be kept at the high level of efficiency which has made them leaders among such public institutes in this country; and that the wealth in Massachusetts which is the secret that the holding note in all government administration.

"Taxes concern every citizen. The Republican party, in Massachusetts, for reduced taxes and efficient service. The record of the past four years is the best that has ever been pledged to a policy which demands a careful watch on the people's money. As a business man I know that I cannot spend money without getting a return. The State has no money to spend.

"The taxpayers are willing to support the government in all wise expenditures. They know that if their money is honestly and wisely used, they are going to receive. If they pay in taxes an adequate and a satisfactory return. They are not willing that their money shall be wasted carelessly and wide in wasteful expenditure.

"As a business man I know that waste of funds in business leads to bankruptcy. We have seen through the past more possible to waste money in government with the result that it is in business. When a business concern spends more than it can take in on the goods it is saved only by holding up the taxpayers and making them give their money without any adequate return for it. When a business is badly run, the stockholders lose. The burden of bad government is always on the taxpayers. They have no escape. I propose to protect the taxpayers.

Harmony Imperative

"We want prosperity in this State. We cannot have it unless capital and labor work together in harmony and with mutual satisfaction. We cannot have prosperity without industrial peace. Those who employ and those who are employed are not the same objective in view. As business prophets, all concerned in it prosperous. As it happens, concerned persons shall, as Governor, seek to have ways always available for the adjustment of all industrial differences.

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Gillett called upon Massachusetts Republican Senator to Washington for President Coolidge. Lieut.-Gov. Fuller pledged a clean, efficient administration as Governor.

"I am confident," the Lieutenant Governor said, "because from one end of the State to the other I have witnessed the reception of the voters against the vicious, scurrilous and mendacious attack upon the administration which you have received in the last four years from Gov. Cox.

"And I have witnessed a revolt among the Democrats of the Commonwealth because their party has presented as its candidate a man who through 20 years of office-holding has consistently demonstrated his absolute willingness to believe that public office is a public trust."

STANDS LOYAL TO IDEALS.

"When this campaign opened I declared my principles. Tonight, with the opening of the polls but a few hours away I still stand by those principles. I have not swayed with the winds of popular passion. I have not trimmed my sails to meet the varying audiences of the country towns and the industrial cities.

"I have not abandoned issues and clinched at new ones to prevent the flow of a vote here, or to gain one there. I have not found it necessary to resort to vilification and untruth to make my message effective. I have addressed myself to the heart in the presence of the voters, not merely to their ears.

SERVANT OF ALL PEOPLE.

"My platform, in brief, is this. I believe in the great financial reforms initiated in this State under Calvin Coolidge and Channing Cox. Their administrations have combined humanitarianism with efficiency, and it shall be my purpose to continue along the path which they have blazed.

"I, too, shall try to lift the burden of public debt from the backs of the taxpayers. I shall cooperate with the Legislature to keep our direct tax at the lowest possible figure. I shall stand by you as your policy.

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Lt.-Gov. Fuller, whose humorous allusions to Curley's candidacy and Curley's pronounced views on the administration have caused the greatest confusion of crowds from Pittsfield across the state in the last fortnight, dropped into a serious mood for his last big speech. He made a masterly presentation of the Republican cause with the same confidence and assurance of the outcome as in the campaign last year, when he said that the sun would rise on the first day of the present administration. And I am confident because of the outcome on Tuesday. I have witnessed the resentment of the voters against the vicious, uncourteous and unceasing attacks on the administration which you have received in the last four years from this great man who shares a platform with me, Channing H. Cox, and I have the votes of the people behind me. Not only the people of this commonwealth, because their party has presented as a candidate a man who through years of office-holding has consistently demonstrated his absolute unselfishness, willingness to believe that public office is a public trust.

GRATEFUL FOR HONOR

I have been honored to receive the Republican nomination for Governor of this commonwealth. My heart is full of gratitude to the great party which has chosen me as its speaker and which the candidates shall show themselves in as many places as possible and pledge to them a brief stopping place in our swing around the circuit.

HAS DISCUSSED RECORDS

I have therefore, discussed record, and I have told the story of the administration of Channing Cox, with which I have been intimately associated. With proper modesty I have pointed out deficiencies as mine. I have pointed out the facts that the Governor and his absolute support and my co-operation, and that I have believed in him and trusted him. I have said that I would work with all the strength and ability with which I have received it. I have said that my administration has set the record of a reduction of $2,600,000 in the net debt of the state. I have said that I am the governor of the reduction in the annual assessment. I have said that the debt of the city of Boston has increased, millions on top of millions, to a point that it is a burden to the City. He asserts that if he is elected Governor he will put an end to this condition with the names of Calvin Coolidge and Channing Cox are presented on this one issue alone I would be prepared to rest the case for the Republican party.

But there is another and graver issue. It is that of honesty in government. We cannot afford to let this grand old commonwealth of ours, to invite a government of corruption, of Beacon Hill. This commonwealth has a long and splendid history. I shall try to keep it worthily in my administration. I shall hold high office for the Republicans.
Curley Joins Lomasney at
Big Rally of Hendricks Club

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WITH BIG RALLY
Herald Nov. 4, 1924

Walsh and Curley Greeted with Real Ovation in Symphony Hall.

Surpassing even the monster Democratic rally in the Arena last Saturday night in enthusiasm, if not in numbers, last night’s closing meeting in Symphony hall was marked by a rush to the windows of the building and on the platform which none had ever seen. Just before midnight, as Senator Walsh and Mayor Curley stood and clasped hands on the platform, 3,500 persons stood up and shouted their cheers for the two leaders.

It was 11:30 o’clock before Senator Walsh appeared and brought the vast audience to its feet in an ovation that lasted for several minutes. While he was in the middle of his speech the mass was interrupted by a few votes of his old ward 12, who had been on this platform. He shook hands with the senator, who took a seat immediately behind Walsh had finished his speech.

VOTERS’ OPPORTUNITY

Introduced by the chairman of the rally, Gen. Charles H. Cole, Senator Walsh, his voice broken almost to a whisper, declared that the one great feature of the present campaign had been the power of government in your hands. Tomorrow you shall say, “Is your day.”

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STATE VOTE WILL EXCEED 1,200,000

Lt. Gov. Fuller Answers “Falsehoods” of Mayor—Gillett at Home

By THOMAS CARENS

More than 1,200,000 Massachusetts voters will go to the polls tomorrow. They will mark their ballots for presidential electors, and these will elect a Governor, a United States senator, minor state offices, 14 congressmen, 230 legislators, a number of county officers.

The campaign ended amid feverish excitement. Rumors of impending election frauds filled the air during the last hour. Last-minute messages were hurled from platform after platform in the exclusion of party headquarters, precinct workers were receiving final instructions. All over the state workers were gathering in halls and on street corners to discuss the situation.

CURLEY CALLS NAMES

In Boston all day yesterday and far into the night sensation followed sensation. Mayor Curley, speaking to a huge crowd in Pemberton square at noon, called Lt. Gov. Fuller a “wholesale liar” and held him personally accountable for the suicide of insane patients of state institutions. At that time the Democratic candidate for Governor was planning a cross-state trip in the evening, starting in Springfield and ending in Boston.

But in the late afternoon Mayor Curley abandoned the plan. The explanation given was that Gov. Cox had announced his intention to answer over the radio Curley’s attack on the state administration, and Curley wanted to remain at home to hear the answer. But this explanation was ridiculed not only by Republicans, but by many of the mayor’s own party. They said that Curley, abandoning all hope of election, was concentrating on the Boston vote, hoping to roll up here a majority large enough to hold his headquarters in Pemberton square.

Gov. Cox made his speech, a smashing attack on the type of campaign Curley has put up, and a general denial that the inmates of state institutions have been carried any comforts. Lt. Gov. Fuller, starting in Stoughton and coming into Boston for a series of six rallies in Dorchester and Roxbury, told enthusiastic audiences that the time had come to “lift the veil of charity, which I have drawn over my opponent’s face, and meet his falsehoods about me with truths about himself.”

CONTRACT SCANDALS

For the first time in the campaign Fuller discussed the contract and gasoline permit scandals of the Curley administration which have been aired by the finance commission. At his final rally in Regent hall, in the Grove Hall section of Roxbury, he asserted that the commonwealth of Massachusetts could not afford to elect a man as Governor whose administration was a “succession of contracts given out to the highest bidder, for no reason except a ministry of finance.”

Speaker Gillett, the Republican candidate for senator, went back to his home in Springfield during the day, and last night spoke at three big rallies in his old congressional district. There he reprinted his record with that of his opponent, Curley.
Mayor and Mrs. Curley Vote Early

ALL POLITICAL PRECEDENT IS DISREGARDED

Will Fight Till Last Minute — Legal if No Interference

CURLEY AUTO BUSY

Disregarding all political precedent, Curley forces are staging rallies throughout Boston today while the voters are in the very act of casting their ballots.

If Mayor Curley wants to stage rallies today it is perfectly legal for him to do so, according to officials at the office of Secretary of the

MUST NOT INTERFERE

The only stipulations, according to an official of that office, are that voters on their way to or from the polls shall not be interfered with and the 150-foot law forbidding electioneering in the vicinity of the polling places must be strictly adhered to.

Accordingly, Mayor Curley's ward rallies, scheduled for today, may take place as on any other day during the campaign.

The Boston mayor will wage his campaign right up to 8 o'clock tonight in Boston, when the polls will close, and when the counting of the ballots will begin. Curley workers are active today and are determined to take full advantage of the favorable weather and the greatly increased registration.

CURLEY AUTOS BUSY

Curley's workers were exceptionally active during the day with automobiles, and the mayor's campaign headquarters were swamped with voluntary offers of help. Card indexes were prepared for every precinct of the city and used to check off those who failed to vote.

The Curley automobile workers, in many cases, not only took the voters to the polls, but also carried them to their places of business, to make up for any possible delay.
Democrats Tonight Hold Biggest Campaign Rally

Prominent Speakers Will Address Monster Arena Meeting

Walsh is expected to deliver what will be recorded as one of the most brilliant speeches of the campaign. He is scheduled to deliver what has been termed a "smashing speech."

Strabo V. Claggett, candidate for state auditor; John J. Cummings, candidate for lieutenant-governor; Joseph F. O'Connell, former mayor; and the rest of the Democratic ticket will address the huge crowd that will attend.

The final drive to swing Boston over to the Democratic side is now in full swing, with the largest majority...
WALSH IS MAKING A FINE RUN

Has Chance to Beat Gillett—
Child Labor Measure is Badly Defeated

Lieut.-Governor Fuller Easily Defeats Curley by Very Large Plurality

VOTE ON PRINCIPAL REFERENDA
297 cities and towns out of 355 in the State give—

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the Commonwealth in yesterday's election and had a majority of nearly 400,000 over the combined votes of John W. Davis, Democrat, and Robert M. LaFollette, third party candidate.

Carried on by the sweep of the big Republican tide, Lieutenen-Governor Alvan T. Fuller was elected Governor of Massachusetts by a huge majority over Mayor Curley of Boston.

In the face of the great Coolidge sweep, Senator Walsh makes the most remarkable run of his career and at 2:30 o'clock this morning had a chance of winning.

BEAT MAYOR IN BOSTON

In the returns received up to midnight, Senator Walsh ran far ahead of his ticket. He led Mayor Curley in practically all of the larger towns in the State and beat the Mayor badly in Boston. The vote for Walsh was about this city was the biggest surprise of the day. In almost every precinct of the city he ran ahead of Mayor Curley, who had predicted that he would carry Boston by more than 100,000.

Curley was badly cut by his own party in Boston. Evidence of the slashing which had been predicted was evident in all parts of the city. Outside of Boston the Mayor ran behind Walsh in most of the cities and towns.

In several places Lieutenant-Governor Fuller had a comfortable lead over the Mayor, while Senator Walsh was winning over Speaker Gillett.

Walsh Becomes Leader

The great showing of Senator Walsh in the face of such tremendous odds leaves him the undisputed leader of his party in this State. The showing of Mayor Curley, both in his own city and throughout the State, was a bitter disappointment to him and his friends.

While the sweep of the State for Coolidge was expected, the small vote given to Senator LaFollette was one of the surprises of the day. The vote of the Wisconsin Senator was not in any way a factor in the outcome in Massachusetts. In some of the industrial centres he ran on even terms with, and occasionally ahead of, Davis, but throughout the State as a whole his vote was negligible.

Daylight and Volstead Acts

The vote on the four questions which were contested under the referendum also developed interest in yesterday's balloting. On the question of whether daylight saving shall be retained under the law in Massachusetts the early returns from the rural sections showed a heavy margin in favor of repeal, but later returns from industrial centres brought the fight to a close finish, with the chances in favor of a continuance of the daylight saving plan.

CURLEY REFUSES TO COMMENT ON DEFEAT

Mayor Curley, when asked for a statement at midnight, said that he would have nothing to say during the night.

He was then
Carley Machine Smashed in City; Mayor Silent in Defeat

Boasted 100,000 Plurality
Fades to 40,000 in Boston

WALSH RUNS FAR AHEAD OF TICKET

Boston declared in no uncertain terms its faith in Calvin Coolidge and his administration and joined the state and nation in giving the President a substantial majority over the Democratic nominee, John W. Davis, while the totals of the two party leaders combined swamped the La Follette movement by at least five to one.

The city also administered to Mayor Curley, Democratic candidate for Governor, a robust and crushing and humiliating blow, to leave his supporters stunned. Instead of the 100,000 or more majority he had predicted he would receive in Boston, early morning returns indicate he will be doing well if he obtains 40,000 over his Republican opponent, Lt. Gov. Fuller.

Senator Walsh, on the other hand, rolled up a majority in the city over Speaker Gillett which may run over 60,000 when the final returns are tabulated. In 231 out of 270 precincts Walsh received 118,541 votes against 52,464 for Gillett, a margin of 66,077. The same number of precincts gave Curley 108,603 over Fuller's 69,776, a lead for the Democratic candidate of 38,827.

Even before the returns from the first wards began to arrive at City Hall, gloom had settled over the executive chamber as returns from outside towns predicted the collapse of the Curley machine. Shortly before 10 o'clock the mayor left for his home, accompanied by Mrs. Curley and a few intimate friends. To newspapermen he announced he would make no statement until he had received the final returns today, but his managers and friends reluctantly announced he had conceded his defeat.

There can be little doubt, from the votes cast in many wards of the city,
JOYFUL CROWD CHEERS FULLER
Gathering at Young's Hotel Watches His Majority Mount
HE IS PLEASED WITH DEFEAT OF CURLEY
Gov.-elect Alvan T. Fuller was the hero of the Republican gathering at Young's Hotel while the returns were coming in last night. Cheer after cheer rang out as he entered the big room, and hundreds pressed forward to shake him by the hand.

In the early part of the evening it was published in daily newspapers that Speaker Gillett was to be called before a committee to throw out his Data, Short of any such type of a gathering, we had had been anticipated for many weeks. There were in the crowd scores of Democrats, some of them leaders in the campaign, who did not hesitate to throw their hats in the air and cheer, as the Fuller majors mounted.

The Fuller audience was in the air and cheerful. To them the greatest happiness did not seem to be that he is to be the next Governor, but that in winning he had administered such a merciless defeat to the mayor of Boston. Those who cheered just after the returns had been announced, with commentations, told him that the type of campaign he had conducted had won the admiration of the voters of the Commonwealth. Fuller admitted that many times in the campaign, while his opponent hurled epithets at him, he had been tempted to throw aside his dignity and meet Curley with his own methods, but he never allowed that to happen last night, and on that course he was the wiser.

BOSTON WARD RETURNS
Although the audience listened to all the returns, read by former chairman of the state committee, they seemed intensely interested in the returns from the Boston wards, of which Curley had boasted during the closing days. With the final report of the wards, 100,000 plurality went against the mayor, and at one time it appeared that he would be lucky to go out of politics completely. The wards, which are overwhelmingly Democratic, saved him that further humiliation, however, although in all of them Fuller got many more votes than any other Republican who has opposed Curley.

Chairman Frank H. Foss of the state committee, who was elected to Congress from the Blue Hills district, was present at the gathering when early returns from his district were read.

LATE RALLIES BY DEMOCRATS
Spellbinders at Work Till Polls Close

Mayor Curley yesterday issued a statement replying to the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company's open letter to the Public Utilities Commission, indicating the company's intention to withdraw their present petition for increases in certain of their telephone rates.

REVIEWS PROCEEDINGS
The company, he says, apparently now wishes to abandon the proceedings that have occupied the Commission's time and attention during the past six months and start new proceedings, seeking general increases for all their classes of service.

The Mayor points out that the city of Boston not only has fought the company's petition for increases in several classes of service but early filed a petition with the Public Utilities Commission for a general investigation of the telephone company's service and rates. This petition the Commission allowed him to present, and it was agreed by all the parties interested that the evidence now being submitted with respect to the telephone service, to be gotten by this new move is not clear to me but my position, as indicated by the city's petition for a general investigation, remains unchanged.

"It would look as though the company were not satisfied with the strength of its own case, as it has withdrawn its petition in these hearings, and is not trying to make a suit to favor upon which the present petition is based. The idea of these rallies is to catch the general crowd on their way home from work and to urge votes for Curley, Walsh and the entire Democratic ticket upon those who had not yet visited the polls and who might yet make up their minds.

Murray Paulsle of the Democratic executive council of Boston, addressed a big gathering of homemakers and workers outside the South Station at 9 o'clock last night. Mr. Chapin later spoke, and after a short address, Mr. Walsh, of local 18, of the South Boston Democratic committee, attracted a large crowd in Codman sq., Dorchester, about 9 o'clock, also speaking in the Curley-Walsh interests at Upphams Corner, Dorchester, and outside the Plant shoe factory in Roxbury. Similar rallies were also held outside the Walworth Manufacturing Company at South Boston, in City sq., Charlestown, and in front of Bow ties; the North End, where bound suburban crowds were heading for the Narrow Gauge ferries.

Eleventh-Hour Appeals at Many Points

Miss May Matthews, an enthusiastic and democratic Claypool, appeared at Everett, and in front of Bowling alley on Western ave., Everett, and the evidence in the case is in the Public Utilities Commission at the Cambridge, at Central sq., Everett, on the Common at Common and Read from, and on the Common at

MAYOR DEFERS TALK WITH CITY MEN'S UNION
At a meeting of City Men's Union 149 at 35 Washington street yesterday, the wage scale committee announced that an acknowledgment had been received from the mayor to the request for a conference, but that the committee deferred all conference until after Nov. 7, owing to his present campaign schedule.
Plurality Estimated at About 18,000

Walsh Beats Gillett More Than 2 to 1 In City

Curley Loses—Home Precinct

Democratic Boston has shifted to the Republican column, since Tilden turned the city over to Democracy in 1876. The League of Nations Neale. McKinley carried Boston in 1896 by 21,000 when Free Silver was the dicta° that a great many Republican votes 34,280; La Follette 39,240; Walsh easily cast for Walsh. The returns for the 50 precincts counted on the charter change affecting the City Council gave 10,367 to 8,564 for Full, the Mayor also carried Ward 1, East Boston, where the balance hitherto has nearly always been on the Republican side, beating Fuller here 43 to 300.

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DENIES CUT FOR CURLEY IN HIS PARTY

Secured Highest Vote Ever Accorded Democrat

Joseph P. O'Connell, a warm supporter of Mayor Curley in the recent campaign for the Governorship, issued the following statement last night: "The total vote received in Boston and in the State by Mayor Curley affords much satisfaction and consolation to those who supported his candidacy, even though the pluralities were heavily against him.

GOT RECORD VOTE

"The Curley total vote for the entire State was the largest ever given to a Democratic candidate for office and the same is true of the vote in the city.

"The Coolidge landslide as viewed in the light of examination of election results throughout the country was so overwhelming that it is a source of some wonderment Mayor Curley was able to hold the Democratic strength as well as he did.

"It will be recalled that Governor Smith was " snowed under" in 1920 when the Harding landslide swept New York State. Governor Smith came back strong and his strength was again proved when he whipped the Coolidge landslide. Mayor Curley is still a young man, and doubtless the future will provide him opportunity again to test his strength with the voters of Massachusetts, as did Governor Smith."

"Much of the talk of Mayor Curley being "cut" by Democratic voters is absurd. A true analysis points out clearly that the total Walsh vote was Democratic. The inference that Mayor Curley has been heavily "cut" by his own party is not warranted by the facts."

After conducting a dignified campaign during which he discussed the problems of State Government in a plain and common sense manner, Lieutenant Governor Alvan T. Fuller achieved a notable victory. That the vote for him would be as large as that given President Coolidge in his home State was not, of course, to be expected, but the Fuller total is near enough to the Coolidge total to show that the governor-elect proved to be a strong candidate.

Mr. Fuller will enter upon the duties of the governorship with the knowledge of State affairs gained during four years in his present office. He will bring to the discharge of his duties the great ability he has shown as a business man. It is to be expected of him that he will conduct the affairs of the Commonwealth with the same regard to a wise economy in public expenditure and the same scrupulous care in the promotion of efficient administration which have marked the course of Governor Cox and which he inherited from his illustrious predecessor.

The result of the gubernatorial contest is to be greeted with satisfaction for another reason. The defeat of Mayor James M. Curley was decisive and deserved. That a considerable portion of his own party, in his own city, refused to support him, gives to the result the character not only of a rebuke, but of a vote of censure. The aims, the methods and the manners of the Democratic candidate have been emphatically condemned.

CITY REFUSES TO REMOVE SIDEWALK

Commissioners Reject Plan for More Parking Space

The Boston street commissioners after a hearing at City Hall yesterday rejected the proposal of the Boston Motor Club for removal of the sidewalk along the north side of the Boston & Albany railroad yards between Exeter street and the Gloucester street bridge. Several business men in the district supported the project for the reason that it would provide more parking space for automobiles and therefore encourage shoppers to trade in that vicinity.

Joseph A. Rourke, commissioner of public works, opposed the plan. He said it would probably necessitate construction of a retaining wall at a cost of $100,000, a sum far out of proportion to the benefit accruing from additional parking space for only 128 cars, which estimates showed would be the number provided for by removal of the sidewalk.

Commissioner Rourke also argued that a considerable number of pedestrians used the sidewalk and that their interests ought not to be ignored, while furthermore he was opposed in general to the city's providing more space for parked cars when there was such urgent need for more room for moving traffic.
With the mercury climbing to the high spots for November, Seifert, a Washington street clothing man, who bet on Mayor Curley to win, paid his bet by wearing a fur coat, earlaps and a straw hat, to say nothing of the placard with the words, "I bet on Curley."

"I bet on Curley" is the large sign S. J. Seifert carries before him, explanatory of his purpose.

Seifert's contention that Mayor Curley would be elected Governor was so strong that he wagered with a fellow worker that should Curley be defeated

"I'll walk around Boston for two weeks in a fur coat, straw hat and earlaps." Yesterday, although like an Indian summer's day, marked the beginning. Last night, Sneifert said: "Boy, this sure is some bet, but I'm going through with it."
Axe to Fall on City’s Deer Island Officials

Shake-up Scheduled as Mayor Curley Ponders
Over Charges Made by Bates

Councillmen Silent

The sword of Damocles hung over the neck of more than one official connected with the administration of Boston’s institutions today while Mayor Curley, suddenly returned from his Atlantic City vacation, pondered over the charges made a few days ago by Sanford Bates, head of the state prison commission, of abuses at Deer Island.

Meanwhile, the prison committee of the city council decided to withhold comment on its own investigation until the mayor had had his say.

Silverman a Pacifier

Newspapermen were barred from this council conference of the people’s representatives at City Hall. But Mr. Silverman must have done a good job, from the Curley point of view. Proof of this assumption lies in the fact that Councillors Healey and Lane, of Good Government Association, affiliation, and councillors Walsh and Gilbody, Curley sympathizers on the committee, refrained from making any hostile comments.

Silverman a Pacifier

If Mr. Curley had arrived yesterday to take command of the situation, and if Aast Corporation Counsel Silverman hadn’t used his persuasive art upon the hostie councillors, there would doubtless have followed a council series of public hearings.

TO REPORT MONDAY

The prison committee of the council, headed by Councillor Healey, as chairman, will report its findings to the council as a whole at the next scheduled meeting of the council Monday. The mayor, with information which would be improper until Mayor Curley himself expressed his views, because institutions commissioner, while precipitated the controversy, was addressed to the mayor, and not to the city council.

TO DEER ISLAND

Dr. Johnson Takes Issue with Sanford Bates on Latter’s Charges

A clash between State Commissioner Sanford Bates and City Institutions Commissioner Dr. David J. Johnson over charges made by Bates on a question. The state commissioner had said that three prisoners were smoking inside the barn, an infringement of the rules. As he was explaining where the men stood in the barn, Dr. Johnson called upon the chief of the committee, declared that there was no such thing as smoking in the barn, but that the men were not inside the barn and were outside, where they were permitted to smoke.

The body was accompanied by Master Malloy to answer the charges of the state commissioner, but no record was kept of the incident.

Commissioner Bates denied this and called upon Master Malloy to see whether the men had broken the rules. Dr. Johnson walked away Master Malloy said the men had broken the rules, but Master Malloy said the men were permitted to smoke there and that the state commissioner had exaggerated the incident.

ADMITS RULES BROKEN

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Throughout the tour of the island there was some friction among the officials, particularly when Commissioner Bates went off alone to look into some detail.

The members of the council who went to the island on the Michael J. Perkings were Lane, Healey, Walsh, Purcell, Watson, Gilbody and Brickley. Councillor Moriarty was in Texas attending a labor convention, and the only other member absent was Councillor Donoghue, who is reported to be against the investigation.

The body, accompanied by official stenographer Harnden, left the island on the Michael J. Perkings and went over the charges, individually calling upon Dr. Johnson or Master Malloy to answer the charges of the state officials.
Mayor Curley was heard in executive session at noon today by the special committee of the Legislature appointed to consider the finances of the Boston Elevated and the determination of plans for future operation, public ownership, etc.

The Mayor came out strongly for a five-cent fare, the road to pass municipal ownership on cities and towns of the district served paying any deficit. Incidentally he said he would like to see a Greater Boston and enlarged on the possibilities, as he viewed them, of business and industrial advancement that would come if Boston should "take in" all cities and towns within 10 or 15 miles.

Mayor Curley was in the best of humor and answered the many questions put to him by committee members with a smile and occasionally with a humorous allusion.

He concluded his reply to Representative Francis W. K. Smith of Somerville.

"Mr. Mayor," said Mr. Smith, "you said you were reasonably satisfied with the system of public trustees—"a thing like the present system would be well under municipal ownership."

"You have heard no doubt," continued Representative Smith, "the suggestion that the trustees be appointed by the Boston Chamber of Commerce. What do you say to that?"

"I say that the trustees should be appointed by the League of Women Voters," he answered.

"Serious speaking," the Mayor went on, "I believe that the five trustees should be appointed by the Mayor of Boston and three by the Governor as provided in the original bill."

In beginning his address to the committee Mayor Curley said he was inclined to believe the real solution was "ownership by the cities and towns served by the Elevated." This, with a minimum rate of fare and the deficit to be borne by additional tax levies, would prove the one way out of the present difficulty, he declared.

For Five-Cent Fare

He said that with the abandonment of 400 miles of street railway in Massachusetts and the establishment of a bus system, cities and towns must seriously consider the matter. It is necessary, in order to maintain high realty values and maintain business, he declared.

"I do not believe the cost should be borne by the car rider alone," said Mayor Curley. "Those who do not ride in trolleys must pay a proportionate share of the cost if we are to have an adequate street railway system. We should provide with a prohibitive rate of fares and alter the rates in proportion to the number of miles traveled, so that the cost is borne by all in a reasonable manner."
BETWEEN BATES AND JOHNSON

Snout Discussed

Deer Island was inspected this morning by city Councilors in their capacity as Suffolk County Commissioners, and the visit turned out to be exciting and not without a personal encounter.

An innocent threshold under the door of the barn was the scene of contention, Sanford Bates contending that the man who, he claimed, was caught smoking three weeks ago, was inside this threshold. Sanford Bates defended his position and hung inside. No one was apparently able to inform him of the charges made three weeks ago by Sanborn Bates against the administration of Deer Island. The members of the City Council, as county commissioners, accompanied by Mr Bates and Dr Johnson, and newspaper men embarked on the city steamer Michael J. Perk. It was here that the big argument started, as the party landed, however, as the party landed at the island about 11 o'clock. On the way down the roughness was all on one side of the threshold, outside the barn. The premises was equipped with eye-glasses, to protect the eyes of the men engaged in breaking stone and other phases of the administration of the island also aroused interest among the members of the party.

The inspection resulted from the charges made three weeks ago by Sanford Bates against the administration of Deer Island. The members of the City Council, as county commissioners, accompanied by Mr Bates and Dr Johnson, and newspaper men embarked on the city steamer Michael J. Perkins, and after a rather rough voyage landed at the island about 11 o'clock. On the way down the roughness was all on one side of the threshold.

Arguments at Every Stop

As soon as the party landed, however, it became evident that a clash was coming between Mr Bates and Dr Johnson, and every stop the party made in its trip around the island became the occasion for argument. The inspecting City Councilors alternately served as supporters of one or the other side, and occasionally were forced to act as conciliators of both of them.

The party made a tour particularly of the places on the island which were criticized by Sanford Bates, visiting the shed where men who have beaten their wives or deserted them are engaged in breaking stone. The premises were lighted and ventilated and the suggestion was made that the men should be equipped with eye-glasses, and cemented into the particles of flying dust. Dr Johnson assured Mr Bates that this matter would be attended to, but it was also suggested that roof ventilation would help dissipate the smoke.

The laundry came next, and then the infirmary, where there were only a few cases. The party then went to the morgue where the men spend a few moments at each stop, after which they go out into the yard for a few minutes of outdoor recreation before going back to work. Criticism was made of the fact that there were 200 men in the room, with 21 windows, only four of them open, and one of the four open because it was broken. It was explained, however, by Dr Johnson, that the men were there only a short time, leaving almost immediately for the outdoor recreation.

"Where Men Were Found Smoking"

The barn was the next objective and it was here that the big argument started, as for the City Councilors approached it Mr Bates remarked: "This is the place where three men were found smoking. Dr Johnson, however, was later denied that men had been caught smoking there. Some of the Councilors supported Mr Bates and some Dr Johnson and the debate waxed strong.

The threshold was inspected and became a center of the controversy, one party insisting that the men smoking there were over the threshold, inside the barn. The other that the men were on the other side of this deadline and therefore outside the building.

The argument lasted about 20 minutes and became furious at times, until some of the Councilors had to act as arbitrators and pacify the rest of the party. Sanford Bates wanted to know why the "no smoking" sign which had been outside the barn had been removed from its position and hung inside. No one was apparently able to inform him of the reason for its change. Criticism was made of the men engaged in breaking stone and other phases of the administration of the island also aroused interest among the members of the party.

Mayor Curley, addressing the legislative committee on Boston Elevated affairs, admitted today that he does not think it possible there will ever be a return to the five cent fare, by conceding a fare below cost, he said, "Therefore a five cent fare seems improbable.

More than 400 car lines have been abandoned in this State. There are now 500,000 pleasure cars in Massachusetts, meaning that 2,000,000 persons do not use either street cars or steam cars. With fewer car riders every year, there is coming a time when it will be impossible for them to bear the rising cost of service per passenger.

"That is why I say you should not make car riders pay when it comes to the road to carry them. Let the communities which the street car system serves make up the deficit in taxes. If you do it by putting your way, you won't have any street cars. Without street cars you cannot maintain present high realty values and business will suffer."

Mayor Curley estimated that in taxes his plan of public ownership would mean an addition of about $1.50 per $1,000 in each community. Chairman Henry L. Shattuck disagreed, figuring the addition at nearly $5 or 47 per 1,000.

In reply to questions, Mayor Curley said he thought the proper way to proceed to public ownership was by condemnation proceedings and the exercise of the right of eminent domain. He favored management by a board of trustees.

Mayor Curley readily answered a hundred of questions from members of the committee and in the end offered to submit a detailed plan of his views by December 5. The committee is to report to the Legislature the middle of December.
TURN ELEVATED OVER TO THE COMMUNITIES, SAYS MAYOR CURLEY

Mayor Curley of Boston holds the opinion that the Boston Elevated should be owned by the communities which it serves and that the taxpayers in those communities should pay for the service it performs, except for a small fare that the car-riders should pay. That fare might be five cents.

The mayor offered a brief in support of his plan, which gave him a special hearing. The mayor pointed out that the labor cost alone today is about five cents per ride.

Inquiry was made next by the committee, and which he has followed through the press, about community ownership of the Elevated. Street railways are so important to the maintenance of high real estate values and the development of business that they are about as a par with education, the water system or the sewer system, and therefore, should be supported by taxation. The time for such a change is coming, he said, because it seems inevitable. In view of the fact that the street railways do enhance real estate values and increase business, it is unfair to make the car riders pay the whole cost; in fact, it is possible that they will become so expensive in the future because of the automobile and bus lines, he said, that the car riders cannot pay and the communities must take their share. That time seems almost to have arrived. The mayor said he favored a minimum fare of five cents, though it might be satisfactory to raise it to six or seven cents and, in his opinion, it would add only $2 or $1.50 to the tax levy to pay the deficit out of taxes.

How to Appoint Deficit

Representative Harrison H. Atwood asked how it would apportion the deficit, on the basis of valuation or population. Mayor Curley said he thought it could be done on the same basis as metropolitan district expenses are divided, using both valuation and population, and he pointed out that Boston usually pays about 32 percent of the cost.
Mayor James M. Curley greeting Heavyweight Champion Jack Dempsey at City Hall today. The mayor is presenting to Jack the history of 100 years of Boston.

Comes Here to Fill Theatre Engagement—Is Ready to Defend Title at Two or Three Weeks' Notice

By GUS ROONEY

"I am ready to defend my title before New Year's day if an opponent can be obtained for me," declared Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, today after alighting from a train at the South station, to begin a week's engagement at the Orpheum Theatre.

"BOXING HIS GAME"

"You know," he continued, "boxing is my game, and as long as I am able to participate in it I will, and I hope there will be some opponent for me soon.

"Right now I feel as good as ever. It always has been my ambition to keep in condition, and that is just what I am doing on my vaudeville tour of the country. I weigh 195 pounds, and if a fight is arranged for me it will take only two or three weeks to get into trim.

"The contenders for my title are not as good today as when I won the championship from Jess Willard. The field of Gibbons, Renaut, Maloney, Sharkey, Wills, Godfrey, Firpo and Weinert cannot class so strongly as Willard, Fulton, Wills, when younger; Levinsky, Cowley, Coffey, Moran and others. However, there are some likely boys today, but most of them are a year or two away from the championship class. Eventually, I expect, they will be good."
Mayor Curley last night made public a long and detailed reply to the recent report of Sanford Bates, State Commissioner of Corrections, relative to the conditions at the Deer Island House of Correction.

The Mayor puts the blame squarely on the shoulders of Deputy Master James H. McDade, whose removal he says he will seek at once. He adds that he has been powerless to remove this officer before now because of the veterans' preference act, and that Commissioner Bates has supplied the needed evidence as to McDade's unfitness.

The Mayor covers the charges made in the report, one by one, and quotes statutes to cover his position in the Deer Island affair.

He accuses someone of "planting" the obscene picture referred to in the Bates report. He also states that the men found smoking in a hay-filled barn were part of a frame-up by a man "who said they would be seen by the State officials."

The charge that George A. Nelson, listed as poultryman, received his pay at the island while working in Boston in behalf of Mayor Curley's campaign for Governor is answered by the Mayor with Nelson's own statement that he was a worker for Curley's valuation, Governor-Elect Alvan T. Fuller.

The Mayor further produces a photograph of a correlated check of Nelson's for $10 from the Coedell Cummawick Fund committee, and a letter from Fuller thanking Nelson for his help in the campaign. The original documents are in possession of the Mayor, he says.
The Mayor points out that the removal of Deputy McDade was desired by Dr. Johnson, who has found serving with the law, but that the law prevented this. He also shows that the city of Boston has made an appeal regarding his conduct to the Supreme Court. He states that it was Dr. Johnson's intention to proceed towards the removal of the deputy in case such a decision would permit him to do so.

In terms of McDade's conduct of the office as "destructive," he says, I beg to say that after consultation with Dr. Johnson I am in agreement with the recommendation made by the doctor, that the deputy master, James H. McDade, should be removed, as he alone is responsible for such lack of discipline as has obtained during his incumbency of the office of deputy master.

"I have profound sympathy for the Commissioner of Institutions, Dr. Johnson, who has proven an eminently capable and humane administrator of the Institutions Department. It is not generally known, but it is nevertheless true that his duty is required to make selection from the names submitted by the Massachusetts Civil Service law. The law further provides that a preference in his appointments shall be accorded veterans of the United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps who have served during time of war.

"The law further provides that no veteran in the employ of the City of Boston will be removed except after a hearing by the City Council of Boston. A recent decision of Judge Carroll of the Supreme Court in effect was that employees of the prison at Deer Island were employees of the City of Boston and therefore entitled to the immunity contained in the Veterans' Section of the Civil Service laws. From this decision of Judge Carroll an appeal has been taken which appeal is pending in the courts.

The conduct of the Deputy Master at Deer Island has been destructive of discipline and it has been necessary for both the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner to suspend a large portion of each week's pay to prevent the character of conditions said to have existed."

Will Suspense for Drunkeness

Referring to the charge that officers at Deer Island had reported to the island in an intoxicated condition and that officers were taken from them and later reinstated, the Mayor announces that in the future, every employee of the Institutions Department found under the influence of drink will be transferred or removed.

In the report, the Mayor agrees with Dr. Johnson that hard manual labor for drug addicts is unwise and humane. He believes that the physician in charge should rule regarding what punishment an addict who has been cured should be called upon to perform.

The Mayor makes a joke of the matter of prisoners making signs for use in the camps. He terms this sign-writing another "poultryman," although with the phrase which has come to be called the "poultryman," although at the present time the head farmer admits that he has something like 10 or 15 hens. This officer, until his appointment, was employed as a watchman, and at no time since his appointment has he been anything to do with poultry. A few weeks before the recent State election he was given leave of absence, and since that time up to the election he has been on Boston camping in the campaign of the Mayor of the City of Boston as Governor. During this time, according to the book of the institution, he has drawn full pay from the City of Boston, and on his own admission, he has performed no services for the city. The master has signed the payroll in each instance, certifying that service was rendered for the money drawn.

As to this the Mayor says: "I beg to state that I sent for the officer and interrogated him regarding his charge as a 'poultryman,' although at present the head farmer admits that he has something like 10 or 15 hens. This officer, until his appointment, was employed as a watchman, and at no time since his appointment has he been anything to do with poultry. A few weeks before the recent State election he was given leave of absence, and during that time he has been on Boston camping in the campaign of the Mayor of the City of Boston as Governor. During this time, according to the book of the institution, he has drawn full pay from the City of Boston, and on his own admission, he has performed no services for the city. The master has signed the payroll in each instance, certifying that service was rendered for the money drawn."

Sanford Bates, state commissioner of correction, who recently made several changes in the administration of the Deer Island house of correction which caused much agitation, will accompany the Boston city council to attend a meeting of the county commissioners, to make an inspection of the house of correction since his revelations.

Assuming a dual role the council will make the trip as county commissioners and delegates to the harbor councilmen, but afterwards discovered that to satisfy the statutes they had to do the job as county commissioners.

STENOGRAPHER TO GO

It is at the invitation of the county commissioners that Mr. Bates will join in the inspection. They have arranged also to take with them an official stenographer. They explained that they had found that they have an immediate need for a right invoice.
Replies to the charges of misadministration at the Deer Island House of Correction, made last week by Sanford Bates, State Commissioner of Correction, Mayor Curley issued a statement yesterday discussing each of the specific allegations made by Mr Bates.

The Mayor asserts that the charges made by Mr Bates had as their object the discrediting of the Institutions Commissioner of Boston, Dr David J. Johnson, and the Mayor of Boston.

Mr Bates, in his report said that he refrained from making his report on conditions at Deer Island until after election so that his charges could not be construed as political propaganda. This statement Mr Curley calls "clear evidence of insincerity."

Mr Curley quoted at some length the charters of the Massachusetts laws which deal with penal institutions, and claims that the alleged conditions are a result of the failure of Commissioner Bates to comply with the provisions of some of the statutes.

He alleges, that Mr Bates had no communication either with Dr Johnson or himself on the subject of conditions, and that the only time Mr Bates conferred with Dr Johnson during the past year was upon a trivial matter, nine months ago.

Proper of the text of Mr Curley's reply follows:

"It is the duty of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections of the Commonwealth to definitely determine the question of veracity involved in the charges made by Mr Bates, and suggestions made to the officials in charge of the penal institutions.

The Commonwealth was given no consideration as against the statement of Dr Johnson that no report has ever been received by him during the past year with reference to the use of the institutions from the Department of Corrections at the State House.

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The conduct of the Deputy Master has been one of discipline, and it has been necessary for the Commissioner and Deputy Master to spend a large portion of the past year in the preparation of this report. The conditions said to have existed are not without evidence. The Commissioner has had many many of the cases under his consideration for the past year with reference to the advisability of filling special positions for the City Council of Boston.

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Favors "Trusties" on Boat

"With reference to the employment of short-term so-called trusties" upon the institutions boat, I approve this practice and believe it should be continued. It represents a saving of money to the city and opportunity for the inmates to perform some useful work.

"Under Specification No. 4, presence of a so-called obscene picture, the picture in question being four inches square, it was unquestionably a plant placed there with the knowledge of the deputy master, who was familiar with the fact that the State commissioner of the Department of Corrections was to visit the institution at this particular time.

Specification No. 6, that an assistant deputy master had been given leave of absence each day until 5 o'clock for several weeks prior to the election and worked at the island only on the evenings of such days. I beg to state that the officer in question has been employed on the island for 15 years and no charges ever have been lodged against him in this period of time and his work has been eminently satisfactory.

The fact that the four escapes which took place from the island in the month of October took place at night and during the period that Deputy Master James H. McDade was on duty, and as a precautionary measure that officer was put on working nights and after being assigned there were no further escapes.

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Mayor James M. Rolph of San Francisco, whose son, James M. Jr., aged 21, a cadet on the steamship President Van Buren, with five others of the crew was stricken with typhoid fever three weeks ago, and last night removed to the Boston City Hospital when the ship docked at South Boston, arrived in Boston shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon. He was accompanied by Mrs. Rolph and their daughter, Miss Jane Rolph. Mrs. Rolph was greatly affected by the news of her son's illness some days ago, but she made the trip to be at his side, and she appeared much better today when she arrived in Boston.

Mayor Rolph and the members of his family left Chicago yesterday and arrived here on the Twentieth Century Limited. It was expected that they would reach Boston between 10 and 11 this forenoon, but it was 12:45 when the train was stopped at the Huntington Station of the Boston & Albany Railroad in the Back Bay. On the station platform to greet them were Mayor James M. Curley and Mrs. Curley.

It was Mayor Curley who, last night when the ship docked at the Army Base, superintended the removal of the sick boy from the Van Buren to the hospital. Mrs. Curley was with her husband and stood in the frigid winds that swept the South Boston pier, doing her best to give aid and comfort to the young student of the University of California, who enlisted with his chum on board the ship last summer.

At the Huntington Station Mayor Curley's automobile took the San Francisco Mayor's party directly to the Copley-Plaza Hotel, where Mayor Curley last night engaged a suite for them. Within a short time Mayor Rolph and Mrs. Rolph with their daughter, accompanied Mayor Curley and Mrs. Curley were driven to the Thorndike Building of the Boston City Hospital, where the young son of the Rolphs has been a patient since last night when the ship reached this port. The Rolph boy is said to be a very sick lad.

It is Mayor Curley who has been keeping in touch with the condition of the Rolph boy's condition and keeping the lad's father informed.

Mayor Rolph and Mrs. Rolph were somewhat weary after their flying trip across the country.
PROVINCE ST., "$1,300,000 ALLEY," OPENED TO TRAFFIC. From a dark and ugly alley less than 10 feet wide, Province st., rich in historic interest, has grown into the dignity of one of the finest thoroughfares downtown. Its width now is about 50 feet. This photo shows the completed street. (Staff Photo)

GLOBE NOV. 23, 1924
SULLIVAN HITS AT UTILITIES BOARD
Says Commission Is Not Responsive to People

AMERICAN NOV. 24, 1924
HITS FINANCE PLAN OF PHONE OFFICIALS

TRAVELER NOV. 20, 1924
CURLEY INVITES COOLIDGE HERE
Mayor Wants President to Be Guest of City on Patriots' Day

The claim that the State Public Utilities Commission is neither responsive nor responsible to the people, who pay the commissioners' salaries and whose pocketbooks the commission is theoretically bound to protect from private exploitation, was made by E. Mark Sullivan, corporation counsel for the city of Boston, in an address before the monthly meeting of the Mayor's Club of Massachusetts yesterday at Young's Hotel.

Mr. Sullivan stated that the term of one member of his board of five expires each year. Each serves for five years. Thus a Governor, elected for two years, cannot hope to make much of a dent in what Sullivan described as "the notorious favoritism of this commission toward the corporations they are expected to curb.

Mr. Sullivan has conducted the city's case before the commission against the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company's petition for rate increases, and he reviewed the case, declining that at nearly every turn of the case, the commission has ruled in favor of the corporation and thwarted the efforts of the people's representatives to get justice for them.

Mayor Curley, in a letter sent today to President Coolidge, invites the country's chief executive to come here to participate in the 120th anniversary of Patriots' Day, to be observed April 19 and 20 of next year. The mayor calls attention to the dedication of the newly restored Fenway ball as one of the features. The mayor's letter reads:

"On behalf of the city of Boston, it gives me great pleasure to extend you a cordial invitation to be the city's guest on the occasion of the observance of Patriots' Day, April 19 and 20, 1925. We plan for the re-dedication of newly restored Fenway ball as one of the features of the program, and greatly desire your participation in the exercises. Anticipating the honor of your presence for this great 150th anniversary celebration, I am, sir, with assurances of esteem and regard.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) "JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor"

Charge that the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company is building up its immense plant out of maintenance charges, for which the people pay in rates, instead of out of capital or borrowed money were made by Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan at the State House yesterday.

Sullivan was examining Charles N. Tasker, general plant manager of the company, at a continued hearing before the Department of Public Utilities in protest against an increase in telephone rates and charges.

According to Sullivan, a maintenance charge was made in Springfield when the company underestimated central station. "You are building up your plant," he accused, "by an injudicious method, you're building plant out of rates, which I believe is fundamentally wrong." 

George K. Malcolm, engineer for the company, testified that depreciation charged by the New England Company is the lowest in the Bell system. While the other companies in the group were charging 6 percent for depreciation, he said, the New England Company was averaging but 4.81 percent.

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Some Features of Proposed Rate Boost

Schedule increases rates over 25 per cent in Metropolitan Boston, about 23 per cent over the entire State, and as high as 47 per cent for some classes of service.

Wipes out the present 4-party unlimited suburban service.

Wipes out the 4-party coin box service.

Increases measured service in Central and Suburban exchanges from 5 to 6 cents a message.

Increases rates on one and two-party suburban residence service from $3.25 a month to $4.50 and $5.50 a month.

Increases rates for private branch exchange switchboards and private branch exchanges.

Increases in rates affecting every user of a telephone in Massachusetts, averaging 3 cents per telephone per day or 23 per cent for the entire State, more than 25 per cent for the Boston metropolitan area, and running up as high as in some instances as 47 per cent, are asked for by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company in a new schedule filed with the State Department of Public Utilities yesterday.

The new schedule is intended under the law to become operative Jan. 1, 1925, but protests already filed by the city of Boston, and others which are expected from various sources, will undoubtedly bring about a suspension beyond that date in order that the rates may be investigated by the State Department of Public Utilities.

The new schedule rearranges the telephone scheme of exchange areas, wipes out the measured 4-party service for the full metropolitan area, and eliminates the full suburban four-party unlimited residence service on the basis of measured service in the central and suburban exchanges from five to six cents a message, discounting the four-party coin box business service, increases the rates on one and two-party full suburban residence services from $4.50 and $5.50 per month, and also increases many private branch exchange switchboards.

The present four-party unlimited residential service embraces the entire metropolitan district, except in the central exchanges in Boston proper, extended to the South where the new four-party unlimited limited residential service is more than the average per message in the State.

Boston proper, costs $2.75 per month.

The increases for service within the Boston metropolitan area are higher than the average increases of 25 per cent for the State.

The increases are within the Boston metropolitan area, involving the manufacture of telephone equipment.

The opposition from Boston and other municipalities will probably unite in an effort to have every phase of the telephone situation thoroughly canvassed, including a demand for a searching inquiry into the relations between the New England Telephone Company and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, as well as with other companies engaged in the manufacture of telephone equipment.

The following statement regarding the new schedules was issued last night from the public utility department of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company:

"Phone Company's Position"

"Schedule increases for a general increase in the rates of telephone subscribers in all Massachusetts exchanges were filed with the department of public utilities at the State House today. Under the law these rate schedules must become effective on Jan. 1, 1925, but protests already filed by the city of Boston, and others which are expected from various sources, will undoubtedly bring about a suspension beyond that date in order that the rates may be investigated by the State Department of Public Utilities."

"Storm of Protest"

"That there will be a tremendous storm of protest against the proposed increases was evident as soon as the new schedule was filed yesterday afternoon.

Within an hour Samuel Silverman, representing the law department of the State Department of Public Utilities in the city of Boston, and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, has filed the opposition of Mayor Curley, in which it was contended that there is no justification for the increases.

The Mayor later issued a statement in which he was sharply attacked the plans of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and bitterly attacked the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, which, he said, by its control of the stock of a subsidiary company, has treated the people of Massachusetts and the State as if it were a contempt of Public Utilities by the department with information necessary to proper conclusion as to the merits of rate increases previously filed.

State-Wide Protest Expected

Protests from practically every portion of the State are expected to be filed within the next few days.

"Increases asked for by the company for service in the western sections of the State run even higher than the increases asked for by the company in the Metropolitan area. In some of the central and western sections of the State the service on which costs $2.75 per month which has been increased $1 per month, a jump of 47 per cent.

Because of the length of time which it is expected will be required in the investigation of the company's petition, it is believed that additional legislation will be granted at the opening session on the first Wednesday in January. Under the present law, the department of public utilities may suspend the operation of rate schedules from time to time, but the total increase of pension cannot be more than 10 per cent. Within that period the schedules must be allowed or disallowed.

May Go to Legislature"

"Last night the law department of the city of Boston was considering the advisability of seeking special legislation in the belief that it may not be possible to complete its investigation within that time."

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The principal changes are in connection with exchange service, but there are many in many toll rates, the rates for mileage, auxiliary service and extension stations, and in service for the first and the second subscriber. The schedule of rates for private branch exchange service, which was published last April and which was adopted by the company, reappears in this new schedule, with increases for private branch exchange service included.

The various increases in the schedules are not apportioned on a flat or percentage basis, in accordance with the relative value and extent of the different classes of service. In the proposed schedules some rates are increased; others are decreased; and a number of new classes of service introduced as optional substitutes.

The full metropolitan measured service (basis 55 messages per month for $5.00) is discontinued. This plan of service was used comparatively few subscribers, and is described as being in effect a "commuted toll service." What is regarded a reasonable alternative is a measured service (basis 100 messages per month, for $9.00, limited to an eight-mile radius, with a toll charge for exchanges beyond that radius.)

Four-Party Suburban

The full suburban four-party, unlimited residence rate is also dropped from the new schedule. The so-called suburban area embraces the entire Metropolitan area, except the central exchanges in Boston proper and extends from Lexington, Woburn and Revere in the north to Randolph and Cohasset on the south.

The point made by the company in withdrawing this rate is that, in this area of two square miles, four-party full suburban lines are obstacles to good service because of the long hold at switching centers required, the congestion of such calls, and the higher percentage of "line busy" reports that are inevitable under such conditions. The one-party and two-party full suburban classes of service are retained in the schedule as being less necessary and subject to practical limitations of points, but because of the range and value of the service this particular rates are subjected to substantial increase. The one-party rate is increased $1.50 per month and the two-party rate from $3.25 to $4.50 per month.

The coin box service is scaled up for its part-time residence service planned especially for the small user, that includes one's own exclusive coin box in place of a "bus box."
The new schedule, and is indicated as an alternative from four-party full suburban service, the plan not to elect the one-party or two-party full suburban service. The rate for this new four-party service rises from $2.75 to $2.75 per month. This rate is more, and, in some groups, is 25 or 50 cents less per month than the present $2.75 per month rate for four-party full suburban service.

Measured Service Higher

"The probabilities, according to the "Statistics of the System," for the years of this company, show that with some subscribers and some longer distance calls the increase in revenue is much less than the increase in costs. In other cases more, than this figure.

The revenue increase for the Boston Metropolitan area will be somewhat higher for revenue for the State. It is represented that this greater proportionate increase is equitable in order to give London, where, by reason of its intensive character, the service is more costly and by reason of its more valuable, more bear its proper share of the general burden, which it is now not doing.

Some of the Changes

The president of the New England Telephone Company says that it must maintain its present dividends on stock of eight per cent, if it is to expect to interest investors in buying additional stock for extending the company's plant. But there is more than one way available to the New England Company for maintaining its present eight per cent dividends. Increasing its rates to the public very naturally may be one way. The other way is to effect economies and avoid many unnecessary expenditures.

The American Telephone & Telegraph Company owns 85 per cent of the stock of the New England Telephone Company and it is to be expected that the New England Company shall offer any additional issue of its stock to the public, the American Telephone & Telegraph Company will, in its judgment, set the allotment of its in order that the American Company may maintain its present controlling interest in the New England Company.

How Stock Control Works

By majority stock control the American Company is able to elect the officers of the New England Company and to dictate the policies of this company. Its majority control, therefore, is the reason that the American Company has made a contract for itself with the New England Company by which it is to receive from the New England Company a contract for itself with the New England Company, by which it is to receive from the New England Company, the New England company will not in any way be increased. The American company may at its discretion purchase any additional stock that it may wish to purchase from the New England Company.

The telephone company's attorney has repeatedly withheld essential data from the state commission, which is conducting the rate case, and the parent and controlling company, namely the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, is a member of the Public Utilities Commission of Massachusetts certain information which it has requested of that company. This information, which the New England company, is enjoying a franchise from the State of Massachusetts that in effect is a state monopoly of the field in which it operates. There is little assurance in this of a desire to deal frankly with those who are interested here.

What Is Fair Income?

When honestly and promptly manu-
The charges, therefore, fall upon the public and tend unnecessarily to increase the rates in those cases by the depreciation reserve. This sum is needlessly high, it represents a vicious pyramid of charges that are a burden on the public. It should be reduced. Now is the time for a readjustment and the way to do it is not by increasing telephone rates, but rather by reducing them.

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Says Trustee Rights Involved

"The American Company, by its majority stock control of the New England Company, has a trust in respect to the public. Whenever a trustee profits by dealing the trustee is entrusted to him, he is thereby unjustly enriched himself. The trustee should be doing business for the benefit of the public, and is expected to stand as the representative of the public certain data reasonably asked for are arrogant manifestations of contempt for the public, both are expected to serve."

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Burden Comes on Public

"It is apparent from such figures and practices of the New England Telephone Company as disclosed during the hearings on the pending petitions for rate increases before the Public Utilities Commission of this State that a plausible opportunity is lost by it to label as maintenance charges that logically could be charged to capital, or in such cases by the depreciation reserve."

"In this way the plant of the company has been enlarged and built up. The charges, therefore, fall upon the public and tend unnecessarily to increase or maintain the rates. By this means the device the reserve, and other charge upon current rates, is escaped its just pyramid, while in other instances it is extended without any fair contribution from capital subscribed or borrowed."

Parent Company Real Opponent

"These facts and conclusions are shown by the record of the present hearings before the Public Utilities Commission of this State, and the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company has not successfully refuted them. Our real opponent is the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, which we cannot reach through the Public Utilities Commission of this State."

"The telephone company of America in its grasp. That grasp it means to tighten and to make doubly sure if it can. There is nothing essentially new in the machine switching telephone apparatus it is now installing. It is old in telephony. This is, however, a very practical device for ridding itself and its subsidiary companies of thousands of telephone operators and their labor unions, and, by patented improvements upon this old mechanism paid for by it, the Western Electric Company, a renewed effort is being made to monopolize the telephone business of the country and to exact large charges for such additional services as ever were put upon the telephone users, to restrict and restrain, it through the Western Electric Company to subsidiary and associate companies. The American Company cannot justify the 4 1/2 per cent contract. The American company appreciates that an effort is to be made to restrict and restrain it through the federal government."
James A. Sweeney Made Head of Weights and Measures

James A. Sweeney, for 21 years connected with the department of sealed weights and measures at Boston City Hall, was appointed head of that department today by Mayor James A. Curley to succeed the late Charles F. Woolley. His salary will be $3500 a year.

Sealer Sweeney received the highest mark in an recent civil service examination held for the position. He is the senior member of the office and has been in the capacity of examiner of weights and measures at Washington.

He is past grand knight of the St. James council, K. of C., and was a member of the old common council in 1899-1900. For the past four years he has been legislative counsel for the Sealer's Association. In 1812 and 1813 he represented the city at the national conference of sealers of weights and measures at Washington.

He lives with his family at 146 Poplar street, Roslindale.

Five of Them, Acting as County Commissioners, Will Inspect Charles Street Jail and Deer Island

Though Mayor Curley refused to attend the meeting, on the ground that it was illegal, five of the city council, acting as county commissioners, voted to inspect the Deer Island House of Correction next Tuesday, and the Charles Street Jail, the following Tuesday. The mayor's contention was that six members were necessary for a quorum.

In a statement issued by the councilors they said that the law imposes on them as county commissioners, the obligation of visiting these instutions twice a year, whereas through ignorance of the law in- inspections have been made for years by a deputy master of Deer Island. The Council appears to be ready to investigate the charges at Deer Island.

James M. Curley, Jr., Elected President of B. C. Freshmen

Yesterday afternoon the freshman class of Boston College held an election of class officers. James M. Curley, Jr., son of Mayor Curley, was chosen president. The office of vice-president was taken by John Delaney, M. J. Gallahue was given the position of secretary. Treasurer went to Timothy J. O'Brien. Last year's captain of Boston College high track team, was elected a representative in the athletic association.
DIFFER ON WIDENING OF WASHINGTON ST

Owners of Property Are Represented at Hearing

Plan Affects Parcels Between Province Bldg and Bromfield St

The Curley administration is still interested in pushing back the building line on Washington st, between the Province Building and Bromfield st. The proposed widening held up on the matter yesterday, at which E. A. McLaughlin, representing the Massachusetts Interests, and Walter Hartstone, appearing for Rotchesley brothers, owners of the property, took opposing views of the proposal.

Mr. McLaughlin asserted his clients' leasing interests that a new building must be erected there by April, 1924. Mr. Hartstone said that the interests of his clients would be hurt by execution of the proposed widening.

There was a five-foot setback in this section prior to the erection of the Province Building. It is the Old South Meetinghouse trustees who desire to have sidewalks paving that structure, and Mr. Hartstone declared that the Commission would render its decision later regarding the proposed widening.

SWEENEY PROMOTED TO POST OF SEALER

Rosslindale Man Named to Succeed Woolley

Mayor Curley yesterday promoted James A. Sweeney from the position of assistant seal of weights and measures, which position he held since 1920, to that of seal of the city. The promotion carries with it an increase in salary from $1,000 to $1,500.

Mr. Sweeney has been attached to the seal's department since 1920, and recently attained the highest mark of a large number of candidates who took the Civil Service examination the past April.

Mayor Sweeney has been a member of the St. James' parish in Rosslindale. He is a past grand knight of St. John's Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John in Rosslindale. He has married and lives at 16 Poplar st, Rosslindale.
MAYOR'S FRIENDS REMEMBERED HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Mayor Curley's desk at City Hall was banked with flowers, loving cups and books, as reminders of his 50th birthday anniversary.

Mayor Curley upon arriving at his office yesterday found himself literally buried in an avalanche of beautiful floral tokens, volumes of classic literature, smoking outfits, cigars, other gifts and hundreds of telegrams from admirers and friends from all parts of the country. The occasion was the 50th anniversary of his birthday.

After a very modest celebration he spent the night with his family at his home on the Jamaica way.

TRAVELER NOV. 28, 1924

WAR DEPT. DENIES
CITY TRAFFIC AID

Informs Curley Such Duty Is Deemed Unlawful

The war department has refused Mayor Curley's request for a study by officers of the local corps area in the absence of Maj.-Gen. Brewster. Informed the mayor that he forwarded the request to the adjutant-general requesting favorable consideration, but that the secretary of war had a decision of the comptroller-general to the effect that the assignment of officers to any duty not strictly of a military nature is unlawful and operates to deprive the personnel so assigned of the pay and emoluments of the grade which they hold.

TRAVELER NOV. 24, 1924

MORE WORK FOR BOSTON NAVY YARD

In answer to Mayor Curley's plea to President Coolidge for aid in the local unemployment situation, Secretary of the Navy Wilbur has notified the mayor that the scout cruisers Detroit and Raleigh will be sent to the Boston Navy Yard for extensive alterations in December and January.

Because of these plans, which were laid during his recent visit to Boston, Secretary Wilbur wrote the discharge of many workmen was avoided. Mayor Curley telegraphed at once to Secretary Wilbur asking him to expedite the date of assignment of those vessels her to the first week in December. The unemployment situation, he set forth, requires immediate relief.

MRS CURLEY GIVES CHILDREN A TREAT

Observes Her Birthday at B. C.-Holy Cross Game

In observance of her birthday, Mrs Mary Emanuel Curley, wife of Mayor Curley, today took all the children except the infant, Francis, to the Boston College-Holy Cross football game this afternoon. Later there will be a little family party at the Curley Jamaica way home, to which a few intimate friends have been invited. Mayor and Mrs Curley will attend a wedding this evening.
DEFY THE AUTHORITY OF CURLEY

Five Councillors Vote to Proceed With Inquiry

The five City Councillors, Henley, Walsh, Purcell, Gilbody and Lane, who are seeking an investigation of Deer Island, yesterday defied Mayor Curley's attempt to test their authority as Suffolk County Commissioners, and held a meeting in the Council Chamber in spite of the fact that not a quorum was present and the Mayor's declaration that such a session was illegal.

PROBE OPENS TUESDAY

They set next Tuesday as the day they will proceed to Deer Island and examine under oath all officials, guards, and prisoners they see fit to summon before them. As far as could be learned in city records it was said to be the first inspection of Deer Island by the Council as County Commissioners that was ever made, despite the fact that the statute calls for two inspections annually.

The Commissioners will also make an inspection of the Charles street jail one week from that date.

Councillors Brickley, Watson and Donoughue failed to attend the conference, although they were about City Hall a few minutes before the session was called at three o'clock. Councillor Moriarty is in Texas.

Councillors Hold Session

Mayor Curley and its nine Councillors comprise the board of County Commissioners, and in the absence of the Mayor, Councillor Daniel W. Lane, senior member of the five, assumed the office of chairman. Councillor Healey, on the motion of Gilbody, was elected secretary. Purcell motioned for a roll call. Mayor Curley, Watson, Moriarty, Brickley, Donoughue, were marked absent.

Purcell offered an order that the Commissioners meet next Tuesday, Nov. 21, and proceed to Deer Island on a tour of inspection, and on Dec. 2 go to Charles street jail for a similar purpose. It was unanimously passed. Walsh made a motion to send notices of the inspection tours to the rest of the County Commissioners. It was seconded and passed.

Healey motioned for adjournment subject to the call of the chair. The motion after the brief discussion was seconded.

Following the session, the members of the council engaged in discussion regarding the performance of their duty. It was evident that the Councillors were determined to carry out their duty as they saw fit, despite the Mayor's attempts to prevent it.

Mrs. Hibbard Directing Rehearsals—Hub Debutantes in Cast

James M. Curley, Jr., son of Mayor Curley of Boston, will play in the role of Herod in the Nativity play to be presented Dec. 20, afternoon and evening, at the lecture hall of the Public Library. The performance will include the so-called Nativity Cycle of Work Mystery plays, consisting of "The (Town) Prologue," "The Annunciation," "The Nativity," "The Shepherd's Play," "The Meeting of the Three Kings," "The Herod Play" and "The Adoration of the Three Kings."

AMERICAN

NOV. 21, 1924

MAYOR, 50, FEELS LIKE A "TWO-YEAR-OLD." The Mayor's office looked like the dressing room of a prima donna—piled high with gorgeous flowers and gifts. Mr. Curley, wearing his 50 years very lightly, received a long list of personal friends armed with congratulations and gifts. This shows Hizonner in his rose garden. (Staff)
HUB MAYOR ASKS
STATLER TO BUILD

Cites Lower Materials Cost
and Available Labor

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Sallies Serve Turkey Dinner to 1500 Children in Ford Hall

Fifty Hungry Men Waiting Outside Invited in When Youngsters Finish—Charitable Bodies Send Baskets to Hundreds of Families

Following their annual custom, the Salvation Army and other charitable organizations yesterday distributed hundreds of dinners to needy families in and about Greater Boston. In addition, the Salvation Army provided turkey dinners and "axins" for more than 1500 youngsters ranging in age from 3 to 14 years, at a double sitting in Ford Hall.

Younger served the children consisted of roast chicken, turkey, cranberry sauce, two vegetables and a choice of milk, ice cream, cocoa and coffee. Each child was given a bag of candy and apples on leaving the hall.

STAFF BAND PLAYS

An entertainment during the dinner was provided by the New England staff band, under the direction of Staff Capt. Robert Young, Col. W. A. McIntyre, head of the Salvation Army forces in New England, President, and Mayor James M. Curley and Charles L. Burrill of the Governor's council spoke and complimented the work of any other organization looked to by Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glyn.

Boston firemen on the 24-hour tour duty yesterday were allowed one meal period of two hours. In cases where the efficiency of the department was not lessened by their absence, they were allowed two overtime periods for meals, as a result of the general order issued by Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glyn.

Mayor's Greeting

"Make Boston a better and nobler city, as the people want, Mayor Curley, and every good citizen in the city wants to work for the happiness of all, to spread the hope of health and happiness to all, of peace under their rooftops and prosperity in all their various undertakings; and everyone who dwells in this city I send the hope that the good and better will be, as an influence in the life of the nation now in the making."

City's Greatest Boon

"The greatest thing that can come to this or any other American city is the civic peace and human fraternity that are based on the trust and confidence the citizens give to and receive from each other; and the cultivation of the spirit of faith in our fellow citizens. It is one of the pledges of the new year, a more cheerful co-operation, a finer public spirit, a greater tolerance for the opinions of our neighbors, a more unselfish devotion to the common weal, the blending of our different consciences, and a wider recognition of the good faith and honesty of purposes of those who differ from us in race, religion and political opinion."
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SWEEPING INCREASE IN TELEPHONE RATES UNDER THE NEW PLAN

Company Files Schedule Averaging Twenty-Three Per Cent Advance

SEVERAL CLASSES ELIMINATED

Private Branch Rates, with Additions, Reappear in List

Sweeping increase in the rates of telephone subscribers in all Massachusetts exchanges are filed with the Department of Public Utilities at the State House. Under the law, these rates must be on file thirty days before they become effective, but it is expected that they will be suspended beyond that time in order to permit the Department to make the necessary investigation of them.

The company estimates that the new schedules will produce an increased revenue of $33,750 per telephone per day, or a gross increase of about three cents per telephone per day, or a gross increase of about three cents per telephone per month, for $6.00, or a greater proportionate increase than the average for the State. This percentage being so fair, it follows that some subscribers and some classes of service the increase are less, and in other cases more, than this figure.

The reasons for the increase for the Boston Metropolitan area will be somewhat higher than the average for the State. It is represented that this greater proportionate increase is equitable in order that this particular area, where, by reason of its intensive character, the service must be more costly, and the reason of its extent more valuable, may bear its proper share of the general burden.

Private Branch Rates Reappear

The principal changes are in connection with service exchanges, but there are additional increases in many toll rates, the rates for message, auxiliary, the so-called out service and other service connection charges. The schedule of rates for private branch and other service exchanges, announced last April, has not been revised as the company, it appears, in these new schedules, with increases for private branch exchange stations added. In the proposed schedules some rates have been discontinued and some new classes of service introduced as optional substitutes.

The toll service (basis fifteen messages per month for $3.50) is discontinued. This particular service, it is explained, was used by comparatively few subscribers and is described as being of effect a "commuted toll service." What is offered as a reason for the discontinuance is the fact that the average service (Base 100 messages per month, for $0.00) limited to an eight-mile radius, with a toll charge for exchanges beyond that radius.

Suburban Four-Party Dropped

The full suburban four-party, unlimited residence rate is also dropped from the new schedule.

The Metropolitan area encompasses the entire Metropolitan area, except the Central exchanges in Boston proper and extends from Leominster and Ayer to the north to Hopedale and including the towns immediately west of the Metropoltan area.

Message Rate Goes Up One Cent

As in the Central Exchanges and in suburban exchanges, with an eight-mile radius, there are now 346,000 telephones within this eight-mile radius of Boston proper and increased by 242,000 in fifteen years—more than 230 per cent. It is by the fact that full service subscribers, seeking a lower-cost service, will avail themselves of the unlimited coin box service, and pay the five cents toll on such calls as they may make to Central Exchange. A transfer of many measured service subscribers to the new four-party unlimited coin box service is also expected, and for another reason. In the new schedule the new four-party unlimited contiguity service is the lowest rate, and probably will meet the requirements of the largest single group of subscribers.

The reason given for the discontinuance of coin box service business is that it is almost impossible to give a satisfactory service at any reasonable rate. This is due to the fact that there are so few subscribers, and the difficulties complained of are experienced not merely by the joint users of 4-party lines, but it has also been made clear by the negotiations of telephone users desiring connections with 4-party lines. The objection does not have the same force with respect to 4-party residence coin box service, and this service is retained in the Central Exchanges and in suburban exchanges within an eight-mile radius thereof.

With Christmas caroling, two presentations of the Nativity Pageant, and the official lighting of the annual Christmas tree on the Common, the annual observance of Christmas Eve and midnight will be made this year under new auspices on the Common. As in former years, the event will be made more effective by the singling of Christmas carols by the Mayor, choral singing and music by an orchestra from William Filene's Sons Company, after which the Nativity Pageant will be presented. These exercises will end shortly after 8 o'clock.

Tour by Trumpeters

Strolling trumpeters will start their tour of the downtown points at 7:30 from the Army and Navy Club in Park Sq.

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Beginning at 7 o'clock, Christmas carols will be broadcast by WNAC, the Stilson Store will be picked up and amplified by the suspended apparatus at the Parkman Bandstand so that they can be heard by persons in the vicinity. This will continue until 9 o'clock.
COMPANY SEEKS AVERAGE OF 23 PER CENT. MORE

New Schedule Affects All Subscribers in Bay State

CURLEY DEMANDS PUBLIC HEARINGS

Boston Metropolitan Area Would Bear Biggest Increase

An average increase of 25 per cent. in telephone rates, affecting every subscriber in Massachusetts, is asked by the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company in schedules filed yesterday with the state department of public utilities.

The company estimates that each subscriber will contribute three cents a day to the additional revenue. This means something in excess of $16 a year. There are nearly 360,000 telephones in Greater Boston alone, and assuming an equal number in the rest of the state, Massachusetts subscribers will pay an additional $7,000,000 annually in telephone bills each year after the increases go into effect.

WILL START JAN. 1

The company asks that the increases become effective Jan. 1, but it admitted last night that it does not anticipate such immediate action by the department of public utilities, which may approve or disapprove the schedules, or suspend them pending investigation.

A storm of protest will undoubtedly greet the new schedules, published for the first time this morning. The city of Boston, which has for many months been fighting increases in certain forms of service, took steps to hold up the new rates even before they were formally filed, when Mayor Curley served several department of public utilities a demand for public hearings and full investigation.

As every community in the state is hit equally hard by the increases, it is anticipated that other cities and towns will join with Boston. Large business establishments which registered protest against increases last spring asserting that the existing rates were too high in many instances, are also expected to organize to meet the new move.

INVITINGLY the Legislature, convening on Jan. 6, will be drawn into the controversy, as there will be an immediate demand for an investigation of the financial affairs of the New England company, and particularly of its affiliations with the parent company, the American Telephone & Telegraph Company — the Bell system. Similar demands in the last two sessions have made little headway, as the proponents had no real grievances.

But the increases in these new schedules will affect every senator and representative in his own district, and the residential service suffers even more in this schedule than in any of the others, and the local legislators may find themselves deluged with demands that he fight the granting of the increases.

Hearsings may drag on for many months. Although the new schedules filed last spring affected only private branch exchange and a few toll areas — an infinitesimal part of the company's total business — the hearings continued through the summer and until a few days ago, when the telephone company abruptly ended them by withdrawing the schedules, and preparing the way for the general increase, which came yesterday.

The company explains that the Boston metropolitan area will pay a higher rate of Increase than the rest of the state, because the service here is of such an intensive character as to be more costly, and that it has not in the past borne its proper share of the general burden.

In relation to other changes, the company's statement says:

**HIGHER TOLL RATES**

"The principal changes are in connection with the service, but there are increases in many toll rates, the rates for multiple, auxiliary service and extension charges, and in service connection charges. The schedule of rates for private branch exchange switchboards, filed last April and recently withdrawn by the company, resulted in these new schedules, which increases for private branch exchange stations added.

"The various increases in the schedules are not apportioned on a per

**DROP FOUR-PARTY RATE**

"The point made by the company in withdrawing this rate is that in this area of over 400 square miles, four-party full suburban lines are obsolete to good service because of the long hauls, the various switching centers, the congestion and the high-percentage of "line busy" reports that are absorbed by such conditions, one-party and two-party full suburban classes of service are retained in the schedule because it is less objectionable from a service standpoint, but because of the range and value of these services these classes are subjected to substantial increases — the one-party rate from $1 to $1.05 per month and the two-party rate from $1.75 to $1.90 per month.

"A new unlimited four-party residence service, planned for the rural user that includes one's own exchange and adjacent suburban service, will continue on a one-party or two-party basis. Those who have a long haul and a full suburban call is occasional and infrequent will change, it is expected, to the four-party or two-party basis, and pay toll charges for the occasional calls to points outside the continental exchange.

"Measured service in the central exchange and in suburban exchanges with an eight-mile radius thereof, is subject to a basis of 10 cents per message to six cents per message on one-party lines and five cents per message on two-party lines, or, of course, requiring a larger guaranteed number of messages per month.

"The company explains why the increases were necessary by the increased development and value of the service. Within the above area, including Boston, which is now 464,000 telephones, all of them accessible under the measured service type of exchange, there are over 250,000 subscribers who will pay toll charges, and many of them will be paying for the occasional calls to points outside the continental exchange.

"A transfer of many measured service subscribers, seeking a one-party rate, to the centrally located falls exchange, was made in 1915, and for another reason. In the old schedule, two-party, measured service was the lowest available, except a coin box rate. In 1917, the company's residence rate was $1.00 per month for unlimited continuous service and $0.50 per month for limited continuous service, and the coin box rate was $1.50 per month for unlimited service, and $1.00 per month for limited service.

ANOTHER REASON

"A transfer of many measured service subscribers to the old four-party unlimited continuous service is also expected, as a result of the new schedule, which contains a one-party rate for unlimited service and five additional calls on the coin box rate. In the new schedule, the one-party rate for unlimited service is $1.25 per month, and the coin box rate for unlimited service is $1.75 per month.

"The company estimates that the new schedule will result in an increase of 60 cents a month and all residence telephones 25 cents a month. A grant of 10 cents per month was made to business subscribers who require measured service and five additional calls on the coin box rate for business service.
Will Probe Telephone Service

W. H. O'Brien, Chief of Wire Division of Department, Promises Statewide Investigation of Company

An extensive investigation of the New England Telephone Company, especially the operation and service of the traffic branch, will be undertaken throughout the commonwealth and especially in Greater Boston. William H. O'Brien, chief of the telephone and telegraph division of public utilities department, declared before a meeting of the United Improvement Association last night that the inquiry into the service of the company will require the expenditure of a large sum of money in order that the probe may be of a thorough character.

Announcement of the survey was immediately followed by Mayor Curley's demand that the telephone service, particularly in the metropolitan district, "has been very bad during the last five months." Compared to four months ago, the service has greatly deteriorated, he declared.

WILL BE COSTLY

Declaring that the inquiry into the service of the company will require the expenditure of a large sum of money, Mr. O'Brien said, "It may result from legislative action or be brought about by the public utilities commission."

After having personally observed the service of the traffic department in Boston and vicinity for several months, Mr. O'Brien said he was fully convinced that the standard of efficiency has decreased and fallen far below that which prevailed before the recent strike of the operators.

The speaker indicated that efficiency experts and other officials have made a hirandade to the service instead of practical aid, and that they did not discuss the proposed new rates of the company, he seemed to be of the opinion that before any further changes were made in rates the entire situation should be studied.

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Curley Plans Big Meeting of City and Town Officials

Definite steps were taken yesterday in the fight, led by Mayor Curley of Boston, to meet the increase in rates asked by the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Invitations went out from the Mayor's office last night to officials of every city and town in Massachusetts to attend a conference in Boston City Hall next Monday noon.

PLAN BIG FIGHT

This meeting of mayors of 39 cities and chairmen of the boards of selectmen in 31 towns is called to devise ways and means for effective organized opposition to the telephone company's petitions, filed with Public Service Commissioners last Monday.

Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan prepared a legislative bill for a State appropriation of $100,000, which to finance the fight against the demands of the telephone company. It is expected that the company's increase in the rates asked for, filed Dec. 1 by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, will mean a jump of not less than $13,000,000 a year.

One of the strongest arguments of the opponents to the radical increases is that whereas the company only claims an increase of 100,000, with which to fight against the increased rates, that, according to Mayor Curley, will mean a jump of telephone bills in this State of not less than $13,000,000 a year.

The attitude of the Public Utilities Commission during the progress of the hearings upon the request for increase in rates filed by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company early in the year has been definitely hostile to the increase in rates asked for, according to the testimony of Commissioner O. B. Savage.

In his annual report to the Legislature, Commissioner of Correction Sanford Bates yesterday recommended the creation of two new correctional institutions in the state. He urged that the vacant county jail at Fitchburg be leased for the classification of prisoners to the Concord Reformatory, and that the vacant building at Middlesex be used as a county jail. He also recommended amendment of the absenct voting law to prevent prisoners in state institutions from taking advantage of that law, and that the Secretary of the State Appropriation Commission on the reconstruction of the Shawmut branch of the Commonwealth's railroad, which to be conducted as a new station at Cambridge and Charles streets, West End. The state board of registration in medicine asked for authority to revoke the license of a physician for a period longer than one year.

CURLEY CALLS FOR HELP

Invites Mayors and Selectmen of All Cities and Towns of the State to Meet on Telephonic Campaign

Mayor Curley today sent an invitation to the mayors and selectmen of the State's cities and towns to meet in the City Council chamber next Monday at noon to discuss the campaign against the demands of the telephone company for increased rates.

The invitation is as follows:

Mayor Curley, on the ground that he was responsible for lack of discipline and other administrative faults on the island, had been removed by Master James L. Malloy at the order of Mayor Curley, on the ground that he was responsible for lack of discipline and other administrative faults on the island.

Judge Crosby, holding that McDade had been unlawfully removed on November 17, ordered a writ of mandamus to compel Dr. David J. Johnson, Commissioner of Institutions of the City of Boston, and Master Mallow to restore the mayor to his office.

In the petition he filed with the Supreme Court after his dismissal, McDade stated he was a war veteran, and that he knew the laws and entitled, accordingly, to the privilege of a hearing under civil service. He was discharged without reason after four years' service at Deer Island.
FOR POST SANTA

POST

Sends Good Wishes of the “Curley Family” for the Fund---Children’s Appeals Pile Up---Need Help

“Dear Santa:

“I am writing you and asking you to send me something for Christmas. I am eight years old and I never had a Christmas yet. I am a little boy. I have nobody but my grandmother and she is old to work. A little girl told me a story about you and she told me so. I thought I would write and see if you couldn’t send me something for Christmas. HOPE.”

For children such as “Hope” the great-hearts are giving. For children such as “Hope” the volunteers are lending a hand. And for the sake of children in similar circumstances to “Hope,” Post Santa Claus is striving to save them from ever again having to say “I never had a Christmas yet.”

MAYOR’S LETTER

No doubt Mayor Curley has such a child in mind when yesterday he made his annual contribution of $100 to the Post Santa Claus Fund. The gift was not from the Mayor alone. It came from the Curley Family itself. It is the gift of children who wait for Santa Claus themselves and wish to share their joy with other boys and girls. Hope is but one of many little children himself, the Mayor could not allow the Christmas season to pass without making an early donation to the Post Santa fund. With the check the Mayor and Mrs. Curley send the following letter:

The joy of giving for the purchase of toys with which to gladden the hearts of the poor little children is one of the most pleasing events in connection with the observance of Christmas. The people of Boston have ever been generous in response to the labor of love and kindness which your enterprise newspaper makes possible.

Anxious that we may share in the joy of giving that little children may experience the joy of receiving, we beg to enclose on behalf of the Curley Family a check for $100.

Do you love little children enough to make a donation to the Post Santa Claus Fund? They are New England children. They live in your cities and towns. Some day they will be citizens of your communities.

Why, only yesterday Post Santa Claus received a contribution from a State that is not even in New England. It was a $1 donation from “a student” in Kroghville, Mo., who said:

“Hope you can help to make some little one happy. It is not much, but wish it would be more.”

James H. McDade, who was removed as deputy master of the Deer Island House of Correction by Mayor Curley following charges of mal-administration, was ordered reinstated today by Judge Crosby of supreme court.

FINDS HE’S VETERAN

Judge Crosby ordered a writ of mandate to issue to compel the reinstatement of Deputy Master McDade. He finds that McDade is a veteran within the meaning of the general law and could not lawfully be removed without complying with the law. The next move will be for McDade to return to work at Deer Island. If the Mayor desires to take further action, he must give a written notice and McDade then would be entitled to a hearing.

McDade was removed on Nov. 17 after an investigation of sexual charges directed at the administration of the house of correction by State Commissioner David J. Johnson, after he had had words with Mayor Curley and Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan.

McDade immediately announced his intention of fighting the removal, on the ground that he was a veteran and could not be discharged without a hearing by the city. No removal came at the instigation of Mayor Curley, who declared that he found that official responsible for the drunkenness and other evidences of mal-administration at the island.

RAISE POINT OF LAW

Judge Crosby on Wednesday heard and took under advisement the plea of McDade, Atty. Elias Field, for McDade, and Sullivan for the respondents, agreed that the facts had been stated already and that the only issue was the point of law.

It was argued by Atty. Sullivan that the county, and not the city of Boston, had jurisdiction over the island, therefore that McDade was not an employee of the city of Boston, and consequently did not come within the scope of the law which forbids veterans of the army and navy being discharged without a hearing.

He stated further that actually Dr. Johnson had no legal right to appoint McDade to the position, Master Molloy alone having the right.

McDade was appointed deputy master of the house of correction by Mayor Curley about two years ago. He led the 303d infantry over seas as its captain and was soon promoted to captain in the 8th regiment, M. V. M. He formerly was connected with the advertising staff of Brown paper.

CANCELLATION OF REVERE HOUSE OWNERS

Mayor Curley of an alleged secret “gentleman’s agreement” that the Street Commission has made with George U. Crocker, by which city damages to Crocker for takings from the old Revere House site, in connection with the Court-Cambridge street widening, would be increased from $111,442.28, is ordered upon the Mayor by the Finance Commission in a report today. All property owners who refuse to accept the city’s original award should be forced to appeal their case to the courts, the report states.

The Street Commission awarded the owners $111 square foot for 10,109 square feet, a total of $111,619, when the widening was ordered in August, 1921. The report states, “At the same time a betterment assessment of $23,000 was made upon the remaining land of these owners.”

“About three months after this the Street Commission notified the Finance Commission they proposed, subject to Your Honor’s approval, to increase the original award to $111 per square foot. The Street Commissioners did not inform the Finance Commission that they had a ‘gentleman’ agreement with George U. Crocker, treasurer of the proprietors of the Revere House, to waive the $35,000 betterment, which in effect was increasing the award not by $10,109, but by $35,000.”

It was not until the Finance Commission’s investigation revealed the existence of the ‘gentleman’s agreement’ that Mr. Noyes, chairman of the Street Commissioners, admitted that the agreement existed. The day after Mr. Noyes testified before the Finance Commission he notified the Finance Commission for the first time in writing by a letter dated Nov. 29, 1921, of the existence of this agreement, which the board intends to make, and the full terms of the settlement.

“Would Be Greatly Enhanced”

“The case presents even more remarkable aspects. In December, 1922, about the time when you first made public your intention of filing a bill in the Legislature to widen Cambridge and Cortlandt to a width of 100 feet, George U. Crocker in a letter to Your Honor wrote:

“Wish to say in this connection that the owners of the property on which the Revere House formerly stood would, I think, look favorably on a proposition to deed without consideration such portion of their land as might be needed for this widening. I personally would not look upon such a deed as a donation, because I feel that the value of the remaining land would be greatly enhanced.”

This letter has never been withdrawn.

“When the Legislature authorized the city to make this Cambridge widening in 1921 (chapter 489) it was provided that no assessment or settlement should be made unless all pertinent facts were submitted to the Boston Finance Commission before such award or settlement was to be made.

This is the first case in the Cambridge-wide widening in which the Street Commissioners have made an award out of court by increasing the original award, made only on the recommendation of the Finance Commission.”
A resolution calling upon the Public Utilities Commission to undertake a general, sweeping investigation of the alleged system of interlocking directorates of the local Telephone Company with all corporations of this kind within the parent Bell Company, was unanimously adopted at the protest meeting of Bay State city and town officials against the company's petition for rate increases, at City Hall, this noon.

Mayor Curley, presiding, was apparently satisfied at the representative character of the gathering. All the speakers opposed an increase. The following communities were officially represented:


"Is there any one here opposed to the resolution?" Mr. Curley asked, after officials from each of these communities had spoken favorably. When no one appeared to protest, the Mayor exclaimed:

"Then it doesn't look as though Curley was the only one interested in holding down telephone company rates." This the Mayor said in reply to an editorial.

E. Mark Sullivan, corporation counsel for the city of Boston, who will lead the fight of all the communities named above against the telephone company's petition before the Public Utilities Commission, told how the telephone company's "prestige and power are used to terrorize and blackmail" members of the Public Utilities Commission in a case like this.

"But a telephone company official recently answered my assertion that the telephone company hadn't proved the Justice of its first claim for rate increases by stating, 'T admit you're right, Sullivan!'

"The members of the Public Utilities Commission are human. They know their heads will be lopped off by these powerful public service corporations, unless they do the bidding of these interests. In a case like this, with the corporation against the interests of all of the people, the Public Utilities Commissioners can hardly be expected to act contrary to the interests of their creators—the corporations themselves, which dictate to the Governor the appointment of members to the Public Utilities Commission."

Mayor Sullivan then arose to put the resolution in motion and said: "The public utilities commission may really be impartial. But the members are extremely sensitive not to encroach upon the income of the giant corporations which are responsible for the appointment of their men to membership on the Public Utilities Commission. So, while the Commission possibly might decide this time in favor of the people, I think our safest course is to petition the Legislature to have the Commission conduct a wide open investigation of this great octopus, the Telephone Company."

This resolution met unanimous favor, and others followed a proposal that each of the communities represented would bear its pro rata share of the expenses of conducting the fight against the company, before the Commission, with statistical engineers and accountants who would be equipped to contend with the array of talent that will be at the Telephone Company's command.

PRELIMINARY HEARING ON PHONE RATES INDICATED

A preliminary hearing at which cities and towns which have protested against the proposed new telephone rates, and other remonstrants, would be represented will be held some time before Jan 1. The purpose of "clearing the decks" for the conduct of formal hearings, it was indicated by Chairman Henry C. Attwill of the Public Utilities Commission in his setting up of the schedule for the private branch exchange changes today.

Chairman Attwill remarked that because of the large numbers of cities and towns which desire to take part in the case and the large number of individual remonstrants, procedure would be difficult. This condition, he said, pointed to the advisability of a preliminary hearing "to straighten things out."

Hearing Listed About Feb 1

Judge Crosby of the supreme court yesterday heard and took under advisement the plea of James H. McDade, former deputy master of Deer Island, to compel Dr. David John.son and Master James L. Molloy to restore him to his position.

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Atty. Field referred to a statute of 1831 which gives the city of Boston control over the insane poor of the city.

Atty. Sullivan contended by pointing out that the city auditor, who is also county auditor, has no expenses of the county institutions separate from those of the city.
Mayor Curley made a bitter attack on the proposed increases in telephone rates made by the New England Telephone Company today, terming their action "a raid on the public purse" in a speech before 50 representatives of various cities and towns of this state.

The mayor called the representatives here to aid him in his proposed fight against the company. The meeting was held at City Hall. Most of the cities, were represented by mayors or city solicitors and the towns, by selectmen. "These increased rates are a raid on the public purse," the mayor declared, "and I am a strong advocate of the public mind being accounted for in public expenditure.

The mayor offered a bill to be introduced in the Legislature for an investigation of the rates and the public utility commission and it was accepted by the chairman of the assembly. The investigation is to cost not more than $50,000 and to be completed by April 1, 1925.

A resolution was also passed that it would be impossible for the public utilities committee to withhold action on the proposed increases until the Legislature has acted on the bill.

Preliminary Hearings
Planned Before Jan. 1

A preliminary hearing on the proposed increases in telephone rates will be held before Jan. 1 by the state commission on public utilities.

The regular hearings between the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, on one hand, and the municipalities and individuals who have protested, will begin about Feb. 1.

CONTINUED HEARING

Chairman Henry O. Attwill of the utility commission at a continuing hearing this morning at the State House on the proposed increases 73 per cent. in exchange charges for the purpose of "clearing the decks" for the hearing later. With the meeting today, the exchange charges for the city of Boston, through Mayor Curley, the city solicitor, and others as protestants.

The preliminary hearing on the newly proposed rates is to be attended by the representatives of the protesting parties and the company on the proposed rates.

E. M. Sullivan, counsel for the company, today asked the commission to reconsider the temporary increase of some exchanges 73 per cent. in exchange charges for the purpose of "clearing the decks" for the hearing later. With the meeting today, the exchange charges for the city of Boston, through Mayor Curley, the city solicitor, and others as protestants.

Chairman Attwill said that the hearings on the proposed increases in telephone rates and the tolls, in the case of the New England Telephone Company, would be definitely closed today, but that the commission will be open for further investigation of Mayor Curley for general revision in rates, filed some time ago, will be held open.

Chairman Attwill remarked at today's hearing that because of the large number of cities and towns that will have to take part in the new case, and the great number of counsel that will be involved, as well as the number of individual remonstrant procedures, would be difficult. This condition, he pointed to the advisability of a preliminary hearing "to straighten things out."

City of Massachusetts, Charlestown, the Revere Board of Trade, the Revere Savings Bank, the Revere Board of Trade, and the Revere Board of Trade, to meet with the city solicitor and others as protestants.

HITS ALL NEW ENGLAND

The fact that the proposed schedules provide for sweeping increases that will affect every telephone subscriber in New England, and the filing of other schedules in six New England States, nearly every telephone user in New England, causing the telephone company to be a subject of general, official, and private protest.

The filing of rates on behalf of the city of Boston through Mayor Curley's office, of certain private protests of individuals and the drafting of a resolution to be introduced in the Legislature, seeking an investigation of the New England Telephone Company as a subject of general, official, and private protest.

Incidentally, whereas officials of the telephone company claim that the company's gross income would be increased by the proposed increases to the extent of $7,000,000, officials of the city of Boston express the belief that this increase would be more nearly $2,000,000.

Claim Big Deficit

The telephone company takes the position, as would be the case were the company to have the President's highest confidence, that the telephone company's ability to handle its business affairs at a loss is not a matter of public record.

The town of Boston, through Mayor Curley, the city solicitor, and others as protestants, has expressed the belief that the telephone company is not in a position to operate with a deficit of $2,000,000, as it would need to be to handle its business affairs at a loss.
NEW TRAFFIC TOWER PROVES SUCCESS

Installed at Boylston and Tremont St Crossing, Flashes Signals to Autoists and Pedestrians

New Signal Traffic Tower at Junction of Boylston and Tremont Sts, With Patrolman Daniel P. Duggan of Station 4

The new traffic signal tower tested at the junction of Boylston and Tremont Sts, last evening, has proved already a great success and, according to traffic officials, many others will be erected throughout the city. It was stated by the police this morning that the signal light system was a most beneficial one and that considering its newness, its operation last evening was most satisfactory.

As these towers may be installed in many sections of Boston, it will be well for autoists, and even the pedestrians, to understand the meaning of the lights. Hence, the following facts should be read and remembered:

When a red light shows, stop. When red and amber lights appear it is a signal for foot traffic to cross. When a green light bearing an arrow shows one must turn in the direction that the arrow points. A combination of blue and green lights means that traffic is allowed to go both straight ahead and turn. A red flash means that the signal is changing. Do not move until sure of signal that next appears.

A continuous flashing red light warns of approaching fire apparatus. No left turn is allowed southbound traffic on Tremont St.

But—-for the present the police whistle will warn of changing signals.

CURLEY URGES BASKET FUND SUPPORT

Sends Check for $100 to Help Buy Christmas Dinners for Boston Poor

"I am firmly convinced that the Boston American will this year be confronted with the greatest task in its history in providing Christmas dinners for the poor," said Mayor James M. Curley in a letter which accompanied his personal check for $100 to the Helping Hand Christmas Basket Fund of this newspaper.

Although Christmas is two weeks distant, the Basket Fund office is receiving an average of 200 letters a day from ill-nourished children and unhappy mothers who hope for a satisfactory meal at Yuletide.

Unless much more money is received it will be absolutely impossible to take care of thousands of the requests that are pouring in.

This will be a busy week for the Basket Fund as several events are scheduled to boost the total. On Thursday evening will come the annual charity ball and entertainment in the Copley-Plaza hotel, main ballroom, under the auspices of Gertrude Dolan De Petro and Madame Lyman School for Stage Children.

On Friday night two events are scheduled, a juvenile entertainment in Music hall, Meridian street, East Boston, directed by Dorothy M. Wagner School of Expression and Dancing, and a Christmas party in Bloomfield hall, Geneva avenue, Dorchester, conducted by Margaret G. Ronan of the Dancing Studio which bears her name.

Among the talented pupils of the Gertrude Dolan-DePetro Studios of Dancing who will take leading parts in the entertainment for the Christmas Basket Fund charity ball next Thursday evening in Copley-Plaza Hotel ballroom are the following: Mary Fitzgerald, Rosa Todd, Grace Cohon, Marie Solari, Rita Bell, Dorothy Bell and Anna Wilson.

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Fifty Municipalities Indorse Bill Demanding Sweeping Investigation

WOULD APPROPRIATE $50,000

Corporation Counsel Sullivan Tells Need of Experts and Saving of $13,000,000

Without a dissenting voice from a group of fifty mayors and selectmen of Massachusetts municipalities, a vote was passed in the Council Chamber of City Hall, this afternoon, to indorse a bill just drafted by the Boston Law Department, calling for an appropriation of $50,000 in order that Mayor Curley and his chief law adviser differed was all the more striking, insomuch as the mayor charged that the company, believing that the charge the public service commission might be organized. Though several of the largest cities appointed the mayor, and only a few of the 216 town councillors represented, there was a general feeling that the movement would have the appeal desired. Those who expressed enthusiasm, several of the speakers going so far as to express complete indorsement of all that Mayor Curley and Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan had said. This approval was all the more striking, imasuch as the mayor and his chief law adviser differed in their estimate of the Public Service Commission's responsiveness to the public.

Curley Opens the Meeting

In calling the meeting to order Mayor Curley called attention to the Telephone Company's reserve of $10,000,000, which had appeared in Mr. Sullivan's report of the case he has fought before the State commission, and emphasized the point that the company had failed to establish its case to justify the 20 per cent. Mr. Sullivan had said. That approval was all the more striking, insomuch as the mayor and his chief law adviser differed in their estimate of the Public Service Commission's responsiveness to the public.

Mr. Sullivan Reviews Case

Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan, remarked, as he began a resume of his efforts before the Public Utilities Commission in combing the Telephone Company in 1924, that it was a splendid achievement for Governor Cox to reduce the State tax by $2,000,000, then the duty before the cities and towns to save the public an additional telephone burden of $1,000,000 "is more important, before he realized, the importance of having the good will of the newspapers and requested in question "waving mingled emotions," saying that he was sorry for the paper itself and for the public.

As for what the mayor of Boston has done in the telephone cases, he desired to say that every step had been marked by consolations. At no time had he (Mr. Sullivan) said that the company by the Telephone Company does not need increase in revenue. "What I have said is that the company have not proved their case," he declared, "I have not the power to keep myself from those who have authority.," Mr. Sullivan declared that the Public Utilities Commission, or any other bodies, would be bigger than ever, as an elevated entertainment. He declared that the board set to form a company "believes that if the channels in question, the mayor charged that the company also owns the telephone equipment, 

The meeting had been called by Mayor Curley in the hope that a State-wide fight might be organized. Though several of the largest cities appointed the mayor, and only a few of the 216 town councillors represented, there was a general feeling that the movement would have the appeal desired. Those who expressed enthusiasm, several of the speakers going so far as to express complete indorsement of all that Mayor Curley and Corporation Counsel E. Mark Sullivan had said. This approval was all the more striking, insomuch as the mayor and his chief law adviser differed in their estimate of the Public Service Commission's responsiveness to the public.

Other Decisions to Follow

Mr. Sullivan desired to impress the thought on his hearers that on the decision of the Public Utilities Commission in this case, and the decisions to be made in other States of New England, the thing that had outraged him most had been the refusal of the company to open its books. Last spring, Mr. Sullivan stated, when the company filed its petition, it said the deficit for the year would amount to $1,000,000; but later said it would amount to $9,000,000. "This was a reduction made by the Public Utilities Commission, an indication that while they may be interested they are careful not to encroach on the income of the corporations," Mr. Sullivan then read his bill and the mayor called for comment.

Proposed Bill Then Read

Mayor Curley spoke of a bill that Mr. Sullivan had prepared for submission to the Legislature, asking for a general investigation of the company, and then spoke of what the city had done in securing reductions from the Edison Company and from the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, saying that "in not a single instance was a reduction made by the Public Utilities Commission, an indication that while they may be interested they are careful not to encroach on the income of the corporations." Mr. Sullivan then read his bill and the mayor called for comment.

Public Christmas Eve Celebration Include Pageant

Preparations for the annual observance of Christmas Eve by the City of Boston are in progress by a committee of the Citizens Association, working in cooperation with J. Phillips, director of Public Celebrations, and the Mayor's approval. The Christmas celebrations will centre around the Parkman Bandstand on the Common when the official lighting of the Christmas tree will take place. Carol singing by trained voices will be an attractive feature of the evening, and the usual community singing, in which 2,000 people may be expected to participate, will take place. A performance of the Nativity pageant is planned after the lighting of the tree and the pageant this year will be bigger than ever, as an elevator platform twice the size of last year's will be constructed, allowing eight people
Representatives of 50 Cities and Towns, at Meeting Here, Indorse Curley's Bill for Sweeping Inquiry by State

Hearings on the proposed telephone rate increases will probably begin before the state department of public utilities about Feb. 1, and it became evident yesterday that opposition would be voiced by practically every city and town in the state, through mayors and selectmen.

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CURLEY CALLS TO AID Wants Mayors and Heads of Towns in Phone Fight

Conference Dec 8 to Divide Up Cost of Hiring Experts

Sullivan for Leader Against Rate Increase

A call to arms by Mayor Curley went forth from City Hall last night to the chief executives of the State's 50 cities and -hairmen of the selectmen of its 316 towns in the form of a written invitation to attend personally or be represented at a meeting over which Mr. Curley is to preside, in the City Council Chamber next Monday noon, which is to plan the battle against the Telephone Company's newest demand for general rate increase.

Selection of an attorney or attorneys, experts and clerical staff to make the fight against the increases before the State Public Utilities Commission, agreement as to some proportion of the expenses among such cities and towns as enlist with Boston, and decision as to the precise character of the battle to be waged are the main items of business.

Sullivan to Lead the Fight

E. Mark Sullivan, the city's corporation counsel, through the six-month fight against the telephone company, the first set of demands, now suspended, has familiarized himself with telephone company finances, its rate schedules and that of its competitors, which exact much more remedial charges for service than those prevailing in Massachusetts. The suggestion at City Hall is that Mr. Sullivan will be proposed as the attorney best equipped to lead the opposition to the telephone company's proposed revision upward.

The public authorities of up-State Republican cities and towns are not expected to fall over themselves in their haste to be represented at such a city council, but Mr. Curley is nevertheless hopeful that they will join in the fight.

The Mayor expresses his confidence that the indignation of the general public is aroused over what he calls the telephone company's newest demand, such proportions as to render it both advisable and necessary that the officials of every city and town join together for the protection of the telephone users of the Commonwealth.

A meeting will be held for the purpose of organization and determination of a course of action with respect to petitions for increases that have been filed by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Boston, on Monday, Dec 8.

Trust you will find it possible to attend or send a representative to the meeting, I beg to remain, respectfully yours,

James M. Curley, Mayor.

CURLEY CALLS STATE TO AID

Mayor Curley, who presided at the meeting, called attention to the fact that the telephone company had a reserve of $40,000,000, saying: "I appreciate the power represented by such a reserve. It represents a nationwide organization. I realize the same aid on the public purse is being made elsewhere."

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PROTEST WIDESPREAD

There were officially recorded as being present, spokesmen from Cambridge, Brockton, Fall River, Taunton, Lawrence, Worcester, Malden, Holyoke, Lynn, Norwell, Gloucester, Chicopee and Providence, Duxbury, Georgetown, Ipswich, Andover, Rehoboth, Tewksbury, Tilton, West Brookfield, Athol, Amesbury, Acushnet, Hingham, Newburyport, Holbrook, Chelmsford, Sandwich, Watertown, Marlboro, Rockport, Norwood, Stoughton, Leominister and Milford.

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Mayor Curley's Son to Play "Herod" in Nativity Drama at the Library

Mrs. George A. Hibbard of the Potter's company at the Plymouth Theatre is shown directing a rehearsal of the Community Service Christmas play. Left to right, James M. Curley, Jr., Miss Louisa Jacobs, Miss Evelyn Gardner, and, at right, Mrs. Hibbard. The play will be given Dec. 20, afternoon and evening, at the Public Library.

SECRET TALK WITH COUNCIL

Mayor Holds Conference on Appropriation Bills

Mayor Curley interrupted the session of the City Council yesterday afternoon to summon the councillors to his office, where a star chamber conference was held, reporters being specifically excluded.

The reason was the treatment the council had accorded a number of appropriation bills, which the Mayor had sent to that body for its approval. A

proposed sale of the Mason street fire headquarters to the Keith properties, so that a plan to combine the Boston, Bijou and Keith theatres into a huge memorial for the late B. P. Keith may be put through, in which the Mayor is said to have taken a deep interest, and the sale of the old greenhouse on Massachusetts avenue at Everett square, to the Edison Company, have been tabled indefinitely by the council.

Yesterday the council did the same with two orders for extra appropriations involved in the widening of Tremont street—one for $20,000 to complete the property taking, and one for $100,000 to build a new 50-foot bridge at Arlington square.

John H. L. Noyes, chairman of the Street Commission and Commissioners of Public Works Joseph A. Rourke were before the council explaining the need for the appropriations, but the council decided to lay them on the table. Mayor Curley's appointment of Stanish Willcox to be superintendent of Boston public buildings yesterday was rejected by the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Willcox appeared before the commission Tuesday afternoon for examination regarding his qualifications.
Boston's municipal Christmas tree, being erected near the Parkman bandstand. The tree as here shown is only partially completed, a hundred or more branches remaining to be added to the lower part of the stem which consists of a telephone pole.

Workmen Build Great Composite Fir Out of Hundreds of Smaller Ones—Will Rise to Height of 75 Feet Near Parkman Bandstand

Boston again will have a municipal observance of Christmas on the Common, and workmen of the park department are busy erecting the great composite tree which annually rises to a height of 75 feet near the Parkman bandstand.

HUNDREDS IN ONE
A natural fir tree 35 feet high forms the top of the stem, the lower part of which is a 16-foot telephone pole, whose branches are provided by some 250 smaller trees nailed on horizontally. At the peak a large five-pointed star will glisten with crimson lights, and 120 colored electric bulbs will shine among the branches of the tree itself.

On Christmas Eve there will be carolling around the tree, and a pageant, as in former years, will be conducted by Mrs. Eva W. White and Miss Jo, under the direction of the director of public celebrations, and Willreid Pierce, chairman of the citizens' committee.

PHONE INQUIRY BILL INDORSED
32 Towns and Cities Back Curley's Plan

Hearings on Rate Increase to Start This Month

Officials of 32 cities and towns of Massachusetts, meeting at City Hall yesterday to discuss the proposed increase in telephone rates, voted unanimously in favor of a resolution asking the Legislature to pass a bill which would authorize a sweeping investigation of the New England Telephone Company's relation to the parent Bell System. The investigation would be made by the State Public Utilities Commission.

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K. Mark Sullivan, corporation counsel of Boston, said that the telephone company's "prestige and power are used to blackmail members of the Public Utilities Commission in cases like this." He continued: "The members of the Public Utilities Commission are human. They know their heads will be lopped off by these powerful public service corporations unless they do the bidding of these interests. In a case like this, with the corporation against the interests of all of the people, the Public Utilities Commissioners can hardly be expected to act otherwise than as the creatures of their creators—the corporations themselves, which dictate to the Governor the appointment of members to the Public Utilities Commission!"

FIRST HEARINGS ON RATES IS PLANNED BEFORE JAN 1

Chairman Henry C. Atwill of the Public Utilities Commission yesterday announced that a preliminary hearing would be granted against the proposed new telephone rates some time before Jan 1. Regular hearings will follow.

E. Mark Sullivan, who will lead the opposition, agreed with attorney Charles K. Kelley, chairman of the citizens' committee, that Feb 1 would be a good time to open the regular hearing. E. A. Stewart of the Pageant will lead the array of counsel for the company.

Mr. Sullivan criticized the company for waging an advertising campaign for an increase in rates before the hearing is held.
Council in Sharp Debate Over Request to Protest Telephone Rates

**MAJOR ATTACKED AND DEFENDED**

The reading of a letter from Mayor Curley during a meeting of the Cambridge city council last night, asking co-operation in requesting a state-wide investigation of the New England Telephone Company, plunged the session into a stormy debate. For nearly 30 minutes the council was unable to proceed with the regular business while Councilman Arthur Drinkwater attacked Mayor Curley and Councilmen Daniel Leahy championed Curley.

The atmosphere became charged when Drinkwater rose and declared: "I don't want to be told what to do by the mayor of Boston, because I don't trust him."

**SHARP DEBATE FOLLOWS**

Instantly Leahy leaped to his feet and demanded that Drinkwater be asked to say that he did not trust Curley.

"Not exactly," replied Drinkwater. "I said I don't trust Curley."

"After advising Drinkwater not to 'throw stones,'" Curley proceeded. "When you say you don't trust Curley, it's time something was said as to the reason for not trusting him. When Drinkwater remained impassive, Leahy then dramatically declared: "If you have anything on the mayor of Boston, arise now and declare yourself!" Councilmen leaned forward, but Drinkwater made no response. He remained in his seat.

Refusing, Leahy declared that "there are words I'm thinking about the councilman, but the words could not be used in public." Then he took his seat.

With oratory silenced in the chamber for a few seconds the councilmen again returned to their deliberations on the matter of the Boston City Hall.

**ASKS FOR PROBE**

Mayor Curley, in his letter, called attention to the fact that the president of the company was one of the candidates to have the towns and cities in the commonwealth which are opposed to the proposed new telephone rates and rates against the increase.

The mayor asked that the Cambridge council pass an order approving a bill now before the Legislature calling for an investigation of the telephone company by that body.

Mayor Curley in his letter further stressed the necessity of passing another measure or resolution imposing the death penalty for the wanton abuse of public utilities not to act on the petition of the telephone company for higher rates until the Legislature had acted.

Mayor Curley's letter was disposed of very speedily after the oratory had subsided. When Ralph Robart, who had objected to the passage of the Curley order, declared that he believed the Cambridge council was competent to draw up its own orders and in no sense was required to pass orders that Boston "handed" to them. On his motion the council voted that the letter be referred to the council's public service committee.

**Postal Workers' Union Meeting**

A proposed ordinance mandating all passenger elevators to be equipped with automatic safety devices, preventing the cars from being in operation while the doors are open, was introduced by Councillor Moriarty.

A public hearing will be held at 9 a.m. on December 17.
Chief John Otis Taber of the Boston Fire Department, who died early today, will be laid to rest on Thursday morning, according to preliminary plans. Requiem mass will be celebrated at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Roslindale. The chief died at 3:38 a.m. at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Lawler of 20 Fletcher st., Roslindale.

Fire Commr. Glynn, grieving by the loss of his "right-hand man," ordered all flags on fire stations throughout the city be lowered to half-staff and that department headquarters on Bristol st., and the chief's headquarters on Mason st. be draped in mourning for 30 days.

Highest honors of the department will be paid the dead chief, the commissioner stated.

The end came while members of his family stood at his bedside. Death was due to a complication of the lungs and bronchial trouble.

He made a valiant effort to rally during the night, but gradually began to sink, until death came shortly after 3 o'clock.

At his bedside last night were members of his family, Mrs. Lawler and Mrs. John G. Breedin, and his son, Lt. John O. Taber, Jr.

While on his vacation in Florida Chief Taber contracted a cold, from which he failed to rally. Upon his arrival home it developed into bronchitis, and while his condition was critical, his physicians were hopeful of his recovery.

"It's all in the job and we never thought about it until we get back to the action," said the chief.

Chief John O. Taber.

"After thirty-seven years of active and vigorous service in the Boston Fire Department, Chief John Otis Taber was called to his reward this morning. Chief Taber years in the harness were fruitful ones for the city of Boston.

He was a fire chief of international reputation, and gave the city a knowledge of fire matters that was excelled by no chief in the country.

His record as shown at headquarters is a glorious one. Appointed to the department on January 4, 1888, he passed through the ranks and grades to his appointment as Chief of Department on March 7, 1903. Twenty-two years of service are marked with herculean acts and rescues, a long list of injuries signifies that in the line of duty he was hero and brave. It is to be regretted that his services, and it is only a short time his years were cut short because of the arduous life he led and the injuries he received in the line of duty.

To the members of Chief Taber's family I tender my personal sincere sympathy added to that of the membership of the Boston fire department. Chief Taber loved and adored his job, and was devoted to those whom he valued and held dear to him. He had the greatest admiration for those that loved no other home, but had the same home, the firehouse. He was a fine, loving and true father, and the men under him he was a friend.

Mr. Wilson's Tribute

"I am extremely sorry to learn of the death of Chief John O. Taber of the Boston fire department. I had the pleasure of knowing him well for many years," said Police Commissioner Herbert A. Wilson.

"He who ever was ready to receive credit, is ready to give it. He was a friend to all, a friend to everyone. He made friends with every one whom he came in contact, and numbered among his list, firemen in general, insurance underwriters, city officials and others who had business with him.

Nowhere did the heavy executive duties, the chief attended every fire, great or small. He was modest about his achievements, and he worked as a fireman when pressed to relate experiences he would want to fall back on the statement that he had more and no less narrow escapes or harrowing experiences than any average fireman.

"He who follows the calling would have to be ready to receive a great call of duty, and when it might send men to the Great Beyond. During his long years of service in the fire department he showed himself to be loyal, indomitable, conscientious and faithful.

His life stands as an example for the members of his department and for all police officers in general to follow. John O. Taber will always be remembered as one of the fire fighting chief of the city of Boston."

MEDFORD, WILLIAMSTOWN, AND SHARON ADD PRIEST

Mayor Richard B. Coolidge of Medford yesterday presented the Medford Aldermen of the Public Utilization Commission to the Board of Aldermen of that city on the appointment of a Public Utilization Commission to give serious consideration to the Medford telephone rates, in connection with the petition of the telephone company for an increase in rates.

The Selectmen of Medford have asked the commission to give serious consideration to the Medford telephone rates, in connection with the petition of the telephone company for an increase in rates.

HUMPHREY F. SHEEHAN, Commissioner

Pays Glowing Tribute

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Modest About His Own Exploits
Chief Taber was a good fire fighter and a real "smoke eater," but he was always a poor story teller when it came to relating his own experiences. In other words, Chief Taber was modest, and some people who had to tell how Taber, then a lieutenant in the department, assisted by the late John Grady, formerly chief and commissioner of the department, carried a chest of gunpowder out of a burning building at the corner of Northampton and Washington sts., at a bad fire on the morning of Dec 24, 1898. Taber was attached to Ladder 23, then on Washington St. near the old Franklin Schoolhouse. Later in the early '90's he was at work on the roof of the old Globe Theatre, and rescued Ex-Representative Thomas Giblin of East Boston when Giblin, then a member of the Fire Department, was struck with a beam.

When one would ask Taber to tell about his exciting experiences he would say that he had had no more and not less hairbreadth experiences than the average fireman who has been on the job for a number of years. Taber many times said: "We don't realize how we have been in narrow escapes until it's all over and we are back in quarters."

Chief Taber was injured several times in his long career. Mr. Taber died in September 1921. Chief Taber is survived by two daughters, Mae Taber Brenin, wife of Mr. John Grady, chief engineer; Florence Taber Lawrence, wife of Henry Lawlor; one son, John O. Taber Jr., and three grandchildren.
Who Gave King’s Son Emblem of High Regard of Mayor? Who Invited Him to City Hall and to the Curley Residence?

“Lafayette Mulligan”

Signed Letter as Secretary

IT WASN’T WILCOX THAT MUCH IS SURE

Key Is Now Treasured in Royal Palace in London

Who presented the Prince of Wales, during His Royal Highness’ recent visit to Massachusetts, with the official golden key of the city of Boston, on behalf of its Mayor, James Michael Curley, whose love for England and the English has never been overworn? And who is “Lafayette Mulligan,” who styled himself social secretary to Mr. Curley?

Somebody did both and in a manner so correctly conforming to the rules of etiquette governing the approach and presentation of gifts to high royalty, particularly one of such loneliness as the Prince of Wales, that suspicion for a moment was directed towards his Honor’s secretary, Standish Wilcox, whose authority on social forms and rules is unquestioned even in Washington.

But Secretary Standish stoutly maintains that he can prove an alibi and account for every minute of every day, before, during and succeeding the prince’s visit to Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., at Savin Hill Farm, Hamilton, Mass.

Key Now in Royal Palace

Whoever arranged the presentation did such an excellent and convincing piece of work that now the Golden Key of the City of Boston, with its shaft symbolic of Bunker Hill, (well known to one of the prince’s ancestors,) now lies in the historic palace of St. James in London, the official residence of the future King of England, where it rests in its bright red morocco leather case, treasured above all the souvenirs of the prince’s last American visit.

The fact of its judgment there, made known in a letter of acknowledgement, thanks and appreciation by Captain, the Honorable, J. F. Lascelles, secretary and equerry to the Prince, addressed to Mayor Curley, seems to have been the first knowledge his Honor had that the Prince had been presented with a key of the city.

The extensive “Intelligence Corps” of the Mayor was at once impressed into service to solve the mystery and ascertain the identity of the person who had impersonated a representative of his Honor and presented the treasured and almost sacred Boston key to the son of the British royal family.

An Authentic Presentation

The reports thus far received are that an authentic key was presented, accompanied by a letter purporting to come from the Mayor’s social secretary and written on the Mayor’s official stationery, and then acknowledged of the Mayor’s supposed courtesy was made both by Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., the Prince’s host, and by Captain Lascelles, the Prince’s secretary.

There is some doubt as to whether the presentation was made in New York or at Hamilton. The story that is most believed is that it was made at Hamilton, although the letter accompanying the key was dated Sept. 18, a few days more than a month before the Prince arrived at Savin Hill Farm.

This letter was apparently unqualified as to its genuineness, carrying as it does the real flavor of the Mayor’s social correspondence.

Letter to the Prince

It reads:

“September 18, 1924.

Capt. The Honorable J. F. Lascelles, Secretary to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Care of Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., Savin Hill Farm, Hamilton Mass.

Sir—I am directed by His Honor, Mayor James M. Curley, to transmit through you to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the key to the city of Boston.

“It symbolizes to some degree the deep regard and respect which the citizens of new Boston have for the mother country and for its prospective sovereign.

“Although His Honor realizes that the Prince’s stay in New England is extremely limited, he instructs me to say that both he and the people of Boston would feel greatly honored if His Royal Highness should find it possible to call, even briefly, within His Royal Highness’ residence.”

cont. 
Japanese Visitors Fail to Get City Keys

A former Japanese chief of police and the former colonial secretary of the Kwan Tung government in Manchuria were entertained by the Mayor yesterday. Left to right are: Hikoyi Kawaguchi, former secretary; Mayor Curley, Harunichi Yakawaski, Boston merchant, and S. Nakayama, former chief of police.

The intruder of "Lafayette Mulligan," the mysterious "social secretary of Mayor Curley," who presented the golden key of the city to the Prince of Wales during his recent visit to Massachusetts, had his reaction yesterday when two distinguished Japanese visitors, Hikoyi Kawaguchi, former secretary-general of the Kwan Tung government, and S. Nakayama, former chief of police of that province, failed to be presented with the famous keys.

They were received in the Mayor's office, signed their names in the elaborately bound distinguished visitors' book, but no keys were forthcoming. Volumes giving the history of Boston's 100 years as a city were presented to them.

It was learned that hereafter the presentation of the symbolic keys is to be strictly limited.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Boston is assured of an air mail station next July first when the new fiscal year begins. This was authorized by the House today through the adoption of the Laguardia resolution which extended the necessary authorization to the Postmaster General.

SOME OPPOSITION SHOWN

Cramton of Michigan attempted to knock out the resolution on a point of order. He argued that the air mail was yet in the experimental stage.

Congressman Gallivan took a strong exception to this in a brief but vigorous speech. The Boston Congressman said that there could be no question whatever but that air mail transportation had gone beyond the experimental stage and this was known to everyone of Congress who had paid the slightest attention to the matter.

The advocates of the measure hope to include a new section which will authorize the Postmaster General to make contracts with commercial firms which is intended to aid the commercial developments of flying.

Congressman Connolly of Lynn made a speech in favor of the resolution, saying that he believed it was very necessary for war purposes to train fliers and that the postal air service offered this opportunity. He also favored the government giving some aid to the commercial developments of air travel.

Congressman George Holden Tinkham of Boston may not be able to make an appearance in the House during the short session because of the condition of his health. He has been under the care of specialists since last spring.

Tinkham was unable to take any part in his recent campaign in Boston. For some weeks now he has been at the Hot Springs, Va. The announcement that he does not expect to be sufficiently recovered to attend this session came through a letter to Chairman Madden of the appropriation committee. Tinkham's committee assignments have been turned over to Congressman Frank Burke of Ohio.

On motion of Senator Walsh of Massachusetts the Senate today decided to devote Jan. 19 to exercising commemorating Senators Lodge of Massachusetts, Coll of Rhode Island and Branford of Connecticut, all of whom have died in the past few months.

Senators who are to make the Lodge speeches are Butler, Waybridge, Squier and Republican side and Walsh of Massachusetts, Roberts of Arkansas and Underwood of the Democrats.
ASKS BAN ON RATE RAISE

Mayor's Letter to Coolidge
Warns of Hardship From
High Transportation

A request that President Coolidge intervene to prevent the proposed increase in transportation rates, a matter vitally affecting Massachusetts and New England, has been made by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

In his communication to the President, the Mayor enclosed a copy of a letter which he recently mailed to the chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in which he protested the proposed increases.

Mayor Curley declared that his protest was one "whose subject matter deserves the attention and interest of the Chief Magistrate of the Republic."

"Since the mailing of this letter," he wrote, "announcement has been made in the daily press that a 10 per cent. reduction in the wages of the textile workers of the Merrimack Valley has been ordered by the mill owners, thereby producing economic conditions that render life and living more difficult and hazardous for dependents.

ASKS INTERVENTION.

"In view of the high cost of living now obtaining in New England and the downward trend of wages and industry, the contemplated raise in transportation rates on the foods of the worker is essentially against the public weal and a move, if permitted to materialize, calculated to entail a needless hardship in this winter season.

"I respectfully ask that the President will intervene to prevent the precipitation of a situation dangerous to the peace and order of this Commonwealth and unjust to its people. Feeling that I can count on the sympathetic interest of the President and his prompt action, I have the honor to remain, etc."

In his letter to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Mayor pointed out that if the carriers which serve the New England states are permitted to raise their rates, it will seriously affect every activity of the life of Massachusetts and Boston.

"The proposed revisions are upward in all classes except the sixth," he wrote, "and in every case strike at the food supply of this region; and as Mayor of the city of Boston I earnestly protest against any advance in these rates, which must affect the vital interests of millions of people."

The mayor showed that New England, being an industrial region, is dependent on other sections of the country for its food supply.

"SERIOUS INJURY.

"Any policy of rate-raising that raises the price of daily bread is a serious injury to the industrial worker and the industry he serves," he wrote, "It leads to social discontent; to wage demands that are granted nowhere, passed on to customers to the injury of industry, since customers can seek their requirements in places and from manufacturers unaffected by the expanded railroad rates.

"If wage demands are refused strikes will result and again industry is injured. The injuries inflicted on industry are reflected in every New England business, rural and urban; and the railroads it is sought to help are themselves starved through the dwindling traffic of a prostrated country."

"ABSURD," SAYS MAYOR CURLEY

Laughs at Story of His Wife
as Candidate

Mayor Curley enjoyed a hearty laugh, he said, at this morning's published story that his wife, Mrs Mary Emilda Herlihy Curley, is thinking of entering the Mayoralty contest to succeed her husband, next November.

"Like every other mother of seven children, Mrs Curley has her hands full at home. The story that she might become a candidate is too absurd for denial."

"The City Hall political prophets were all agreed, long beforehand, that if there is one woman among the 100,000 of her sex enrolled in Boston, who could execute a 'Ma' Ferguson performance in this city, it is Mrs Curley. But, apparently, she hasn't the faintest notion of attempting it."

A giant $14,000,000 suspension bridge, to span Boston harbor from the North End to East Boston, is proposed in a bill filed with the Legislature yesterday.

The bridge would have a total length of 6900 feet. Its two towers would be over 300 feet high, with a main arched span between of 1200 feet. Clearance of 135 feet would be provided over the main channel at high tide for a width of 400 feet. Grade of the approaches would not be over 5 per cent. Traffic passages for cars, both local and express, autos, trucks and pedestrians would be provided. Pedestrians could cross directly onto a boulevard to the north shore.

Included in the bridge highway would be an express lane heading directly onto a boulevard to the north shore.

Some of the reasons for the bridge are:

To provide direct access to East Boston.
To cut the running time between the North Shore and Boston 30 minutes.
To put an end to an annual and increasing deficit of $500,000 in ferry operation.
To stand forever as a memorial to World War heroes.

The approach would begin at Border and Summer streets, East Boston, and at Causeway and Washington street, North End. The bridge would span the harbor at its narrowest point, above the North Ferry.

The bill was introduced on petition of Van Ness Bates of Brookline. It was signed by Rep. Bianchard of Cambridge. Mr. Bates advanced thirty reasons for the bridge.

"To give employment to many thousands of men for four years."

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NO MORE POLICEMEN

Request to Curley Brings but Small Satisfaction

Commissioner Herbert A. Wilson obtained little satisfaction from Mayor Curley yesterday in an urgent request for more policemen.

The need for more patrolmen on the traffic squad is acute, Wilson told the mayor, but the most the latter promised was to provide more men if the Legislature would rebate to Boston a proportionate share of the state's income in motor vehicle fees.

The mayor's proposition was as good as "turning him down," Commissioner Wilson admitted after the conference. He had put the need before Mayor Curley in language as strong as the English language would permit.

Commissioner Wilson visited the mayor to discuss the use of the police force in 1925 census, but before long Mr. Wilson broached the subject of his need for more men, influenced, he said, by scores of complaints coming to him daily as to inadequacy of his force. At the session also were City Auditor Rupert S. Carven and Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox.

WANTS 200 MEN

The exact number of patrolmen desired was not set forth by Commissioner Wilson. He said, however, that 200 more men were required to conduct the department properly.

Mayor Curley reminded Commissioner Wilson that his department was spending $4,500,000 a year, and said that if his requests were granted he would soon be taking all the money which the city could raise. The commissioner replied that other cities were finding it necessary to augment their police forces to an even greater extent than he was asking for Boston.

The mayor's proposal was to file a bill in the Legislature asking the state to turn over to Boston her proportionate share of motor vehicle fees. He said that of the $9,000,000 annually received, much of which, he said, the state allotments for building of roads, but that certain amounts to various cities and some is turned over to Boston. He would get her share and in addition give to Boston authority to spend it in other ways than for roads.

CENSUS TAKING PROBLEM

The money, according to the mayor's scheme, would be used for traffic purposes, included in which would be provision for the extra patrolmen desired by Commissioner Wilson.

Mayor Curley was anxious to have Commissioner Wilson's department take the census next year. Chapter 453 of the Acts of 1924 transfers from the state to each and town that decennial duty, it is now the custom in Boston for the police to list all persons aged 20 years and over on every April 1 for connection with preparation of the voting lists. It was the mayor's idea to save considerable money by having the police do the census work at the same time they undertake the listing.

Commissioner Wilson promised to discuss the question with his associate on the police listing board, Election Commissioner James P. Eagan, and then with William G. Grandy, state director of the census.

Budget Commissioner Fox estimated that it would cost Boston about $25,000 to take the census. The recording of each name costs at least 3 cents, it is figured.

TRAVELER DEC. 20, 1924

Doubt Mrs. Curley Will Be Candidate for Mayor

City Hall Believes Husband Will Oppose Candidacy

The belief of the Good Government Association that Mrs. James M. Curley is a potential candidate for mayor of Boston upon the retirement of the present executive from office was not shared by officials and employees seen at City Hall today.

It was the general opinion that Mayor Curley would strongly oppose his wife's entering politics as an active candidate, despite the fact that she has been on more than one occasion his "right-hand man." Her services were of particular value in his campaign of 1921, when attempts were made to force him out of the three-cornered fight. A letter written by her to the voters of the city did much in swinging sentiment toward Curley and in bringing about the withdrawal of the late Joseph Pelletier from the contest.

The name of Mrs. Curley stands high in the list of 41 names of persons considered potential candidates by the G. G. A. The list is not an endorsement but a preliminary survey, indicating persons who are at present the objects of study on the part of the association so that, when any of them presents himself as a candidate, a comprehensive "appreciation" of his experience, natural gifts and prospective worth may be issued.

The list as it stands at present is as follows:

FOR KEYS TO GATES SEE MULLIGAN

TO THE STRANGER WITHIN OUR GATES
THIS FESTIVE HOLIDAY SEASON:
The City of Boston extends
HOSPITABLE WELCOME, AND THE
BEST WISHES OF ITS CITIZENS FOR A
HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Reproduction of Christmas cards which, according to custom, Mayor Curley has caused to be placed in every hotel room in the city.

Workmen laying the new pavement in regular lines. The blocks are put in rows with the ribbed side downward and set in mortar. Beneath the thin layer of mortar there is a concrete base. In color the rubber blocks are of a dull black.

Experts who officiated at laying of rubber paving. Left to right: Rufus F. Herrick, consulting engineer, who invented the elastic blocks; William T. Gould, paving authority of the Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co.; and Joseph J. Comfrey, district foreman, city paving department.
Mayors' Club Planning to Organize for Battle

The determination to make the battle against the proposed increase of telephone rates by the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company State-wide and to a victorious finish was the dominating note at the meeting of the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts at Young's Hotel yesterday afternoon, over which Mayor Curley, as president, presided.

It was decided unanimously by the 80 or more Mayors and former Mayors present to formally begin the campaign by securing for the state at the Gardner Auditorium in the State House, and hold a meeting of protest there Jan. 6, the day Governor-elect Alvan T. Fuller is to be inaugurated, and endeavor to secure the presence of the Mayor of each of the 35 Massachusetts towns, together with corporation counsel and law drawn from every municipality in the State.

A committee of ten, headed by Mayor Edward Quinn of Cambridge and consisting of Boston, who was chosen to make arrangements for the meeting at the Gardner Auditorium and to take active charge of the ways and means of the battle.

A meeting of this committee will be held just before or after Christmas, so Chairman Quinn said last night, depending upon what date will best suit the convenience of the members who live in distant parts of the State.

May Engage Counsel

This committee will also have authority, after ascertaining the wishes of the various municipalities, to secure counsel—the names of Samuel Untermyer and Sherman L. Whipple being mentioned at the meeting—should it be deemed advisable, but the spirit of the gathering yesterday was that E. Mark Sullivan, corporation counsel of the Boston company for Boston, has already handled the fight against the telephone company and the provision of adequate appropriations to carry on the battle.

This question of pro rate assessment on cities and towns participating in the contest will be one of the things to be discussed at the Gardner Auditorium meeting. It is likely that on that occasion resolutions will be adopted and presented immediately to the newly inaugurated Governor to convey how widespread is the protest against the proposed increase of rates.

E. Mark Sullivan yesterday told the Mayors, in answer to inquiries, that 15 cities and towns had already joined with Boston in filing intervening petitions with the public utilities commission asking to be heard in objection to the rate increase and that this by no means represented the extent of the municipal opposition, as many other cities and towns had already registered by votes of city councils or board of selectmen their protests against the proposed rate increase.

Mr. Sullivan was at the Mayors' Club that the fight would be a long and bitter one and that the telephone company was already gearing itself for battle. It has changed counsel, he said, and has replaced Vice President Pierce, the general counsel, with the law firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart, who were also the attorneys for the American Bell Telephone Company, the national and parent organization.

It would be necessary, he said, to meet their attacks by engaging the best experts and accountants familiar with the management and finance of telephone companies.

$13,000,000 at Stake

To show, financially, what was at stake to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, he estimated that the proposed change of rates upward would mean an increase of revenue of $13,000,000 a year from the people in this section.

Back of all was an effort, he claimed, on the part of the national company to recover control of telephone apparatus by the introduction of automatic switching machinery which, if secured, would restore the monopoly the parent company had before its original patents expired. He said that the parent company was now engaged in making a new survey of its plant to produce a revaluation, based on reproduction costs, to be submitted as a justification for additional revenue by higher charges.

Mayor Curley, in discussing the telephone situation, referred to the fact that the tenure of office of the members of the Public Utilities Commission, made it impossible to make them amenable to the force of public opinion and suggested that their appointments should be made subject to removal.

This being the last meeting of the Mayors for the year, a committee was formed consisting of Mayors Quinn of Cambridge, Rates of Quincy and Kimball of Malden was appointed to bring in nominations for new officers. Mayor Curley, who has been president two years in succession, absolutely declining to permit his name to be counted for another term.

I was also invited to invite the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives to be the guests of the club at its first meeting in January.

The club also voted to change its custom of having all its meetings in Boston. Next year the first meeting will be held in the second city, and the second in Worcester, the third in Cambridge, the fourth in Quincy, the fifth in Lawrence and the fall meetings in Plymouth, Hampden and Berkshire Counties, so that during the year all the principal parts of the State will have been visited.

POST NOV. 15, 1924

Mayor Will "Fire" Deer Island Men

Officials Are Due for Dismissal in Shakeup

Last night it was learned from authoritative sources at City Hall that a thorough shakeup of officials at the Island will be made by the Mayor. It is expected that two or more officials will suffer dismissal on charges of neglect of duty in enforcing discipline among the prisoners.

STATEMENT TODAY

Mayor Curley is expected to issue a statement today regarding conditions at Deer Island.

Prompted on his unexpected return yesterday to City Hall, after cutting short his Atlantic City vacation, the City Council committee cancelled the special meeting called to consider Deer Island prison conditions.

Councillor George F. Gilbody announced that no action would be taken until the Mayor had himself had an opportunity to answer the charges made by the State commissioner of corrections.

To a Post reporter the Mayor declared that he had questioned Dr. David J. Johnson, city institutions commissioner, and would probably issue a statement some time today.

Before city department heads and other officials knew what was happening the Mayor had arrived at City Hall, secreted himself in a back office of the George White Memorial Fund headquarters and proceeded to confer with the institution department authorities. His conference with Dr. Johnson lasted more than an hour.
PLAN OPPOSITION TO PHONE BOOST
Committee of 10 Named by Mayor Curley

Group to Organize Fight in Communities of State

Unterremyer and Whipple Mentioned for Counsel

A committee of 10 has been appointed by Mayor Curley, as president of the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts, to organize the opposition of the communities of the State to the proposed increase in telephone rates by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company. The committee consists of Charles H. Ashley, John A. Sumner, the Speaker of the House, and the president of the Senate, to be invited to the January meeting of the club.

Before the meeting got down to the business of the telephones, Hikoji Kagawachi, formerly secretary general for the United States, and an interpreter, introduced by Mr. Curley, Mr. Kagawachi made a brief speech, through an interpreter, at being in the United States and told of some of the things he had noticed during his trip.

Japanese Speaks
Mayor Curley, when the matter of the opposition committee was considered, said he thought it was too early to go to the public with any prospect of success, two things are necessary, the needful fund, and the support of the public. The two men appointed to the committee, Mr. Curley said, would receive no expense money. The names of Samuel L. Unterremyer and Sharon L. Whipple of Boston were mentioned.

Other matters before the club were then touched on, briefly and not acted upon, except that Gov. Edward F. Harkness introduced Sumner, the Speaker of the House, and the president of the Senate, to be invited to the January meeting of the club.

CITY SELLS PART OF TWO BUILDINGS

Few Bidders at Auction for Court Street Widening

Bidders were scarce yesterday afternoon when the city tried to sell at public auction the parts of the buildings along Court street which project over the line established by the street commissioners in the plans for the widening of that street, and which the owners have failed to remove in accordance with the city's order.

Edward W. Foye, the municipal auctioneer, had no trouble in attracting a crowd in Scolay square. He found it more difficult, however, to find buyers, and when he closed half an hour later he had sold slices of only two of the buildings for a total of $835. The estimated cost of the structures is $600,000.

Bidding became somewhat spirited for the strip of the building from 102 to 108 Court street, which extended 20 feet over the line established by the city and was scheduled to go under the hammer.

The auctioneer called for bids on the land, including the front of the old Crawford house, which extended beyond the street line. Robert O. Dobbs, a real estate dealer, bought the lots, consisting of 671 square feet of the building, for his original offer of $35.

The auctioneer called for bids on the strip of the building from 109 to 116 Court street, which extended 40 feet over the line established by the city and was scheduled to go under the hammer. There were no bidders for the condemned parts projec ting over the line established by the auctioneer continued the sale of these strips until Nov. 30.

The auctioneer announced that the sale of the buildings from 117 to 120, 124 to 126 and 134 to 146 Court street, which were also scheduled to go under the hammer yesterday, had been withdrawn from sale. The owners had arranged with the city to tear down the buildings and meet the required conditions.
CURLEY'S FUND FROM MARKETMEN CALLED UNJUST

Finance Commission Finds That City's Tenants Were Solicited for the Campaign

Money Thus Received Not Noted in List of Contributors Already Filed

The Finance Commission, in a communication to Mayor Curley today, criticizes the solicitations of the city's tenants in the Faneuil Hall market in behalf of the mayor's gubernatorial campaign fund, declaring that such a work is unjust, if not actually coercive.

The commission learned from Patrick H. Graham, superintendent of markets, that about ten days before election day Francis J. Brennan, the mayor's campaign manager, requested him to solicit funds. Later Mr. Graham and Joseph F. Feeney, the latter a member of the Overseers of Public Welfare, met Mr. Brennan, who was manager of Your Honor's campaign, and requested him to solicit campaign contributions from the market men in Faneuil Hall Market. Thereafter, Mr. Graham and Joseph F. Feeney met Mr. Feeney, who is one of Your Honor's appointees to the Overseers of the Public Welfare, and treasurer of the William A. Doe Company, which occupies a stall in Faneuil Hall Market, which he delivered, with a list of the contributions, to Mr. Graham who testified that he delivered this money and the list of contributors to Mr. Brennan.

Mr. Feeney testified further that some of the contributors were opposed to Your Honor's candidacy, but were contributing because he told them that he was soliciting the funds at the request of Mr. Graham, the superintendent of markets.

"The William A. Doe Company has had non-competitive contracts for furnishing supplies to the Overseers of the Public Welfare since Mr. Feeney became a member of that body. The market men in Faneuil Hall and Quincy Markets are tenants of the city of Boston. Although they have written leases of their stalls, they are subject to the rules and regulations of the superintendent in the conduct of their business. Solicitation of funds from these tenants, either at the request or with the consent of the superintendent of markets, for political purposes is unjust, if not actually coercive. Solicitation of funds to be used in a campaign of the mayor of the city by Mr. Feeney, who is the treasurer of a corporation which has been enjoying non-competitive contracts from the Overseers of the Public Welfare, of which he is a member, is not for the best interests of the city. It does not appear from the records at the State House and at City Hall that the returns made by your honor and the people's committee, of which Mr. Brennan is treasurer, of the money received and expended in your honor's recent campaign contain the names of the market men who contributed the money to Mr. Feeney.

"Respectfully submitted,
"THE FINANCE COMMISSION,
"By MICHAEL H. SULLIVAN, Chairman"

GLOBE DEC. 22, 1924

MAYOR DISPENSES CHRISTMAS CHEER

Attends Exercises at Long Island Hospital

Promising the chronic patients that before Christmas, 1925, they will all be moved to the new Boston Chronic Hospital, Mayor James M. Curley yesterday visited the Long Island Hospital to attend the annual Christmas tree party.

With the Mayor were Mrs Curley and the Curley children, except the two youngest. Institutions Commissioner David J. Johnson was also in the party. They were met at the wharf by the St. Vincent's Cadet Band of South Boston, and escorted to the hospital. The Mayor presented both men and women patients with presents, and also addressed the men patients. The women patients got the greatest Christmas treat in the history of the institution, when the Mayor gave each one of them a small teapot and numerous bags of tea in which to make their own brew whenever they please.

The women also were given shawls and aprons. The men received cigars, tobacco and pipes. For the children there was a real Santa Claus, who gave out dolls and toys at the schoolroom.

A Christmas tree had been erected in each ward, and on the lawn was another, a huge one with 200 lights on it. At the top of the tree was a giant white star, electrically illuminated, which is the first thing to be seen from vessels as they enter the harbor.

The Mayor's party took the city boat Michael J. Perkins from Eastern Bay wharf at 1 o'clock. In all, about 100 persons visited the island. All 100 patients received some attention. Election Commissioner Thomas J. Goggin of South Boston did most of the work toward providing entertainment.

He secured the services of the St. Vincent's Cadet Band, and also of numerous musicians. Among these were Jack O'Brien, Joe McGrath, Walter Byrne, Bill Kean, Walter Catepale, Frank Philips, Peter Wiley, Patrick O'Brien, Joe Madden, Frank Keefe, Lloyd Chase, Arthur Donovan, Frank Harold, Catherine Grane, Helen McKeen and Alice Bier. Mrs Maria Patten brought an orchestra supplied by the Kearnsage Veterans' Auxiliary.

The musicians moved from ward to ward, following the Mayor's party on its tour. The patients at the hospital all had a turkey dinner in honor of the occasion.
Chief Daniel F. Sennott, on arrival at his office, was convinced that his friends in this city were many, as was evidenced by the beautiful floral pieces that covered his desk at his Masonic quarters.

The chief was overjoyed at the beautiful tributes that conveyed the well wishes of members of the various fire department organizations, and of old friends. Chief Sennott's acquaintances and intimates in this city are legion and he has always treasured their friendship. In addition to the floral offerings, there were hundreds of congratulatory messages from all parts of the country, as well as many newspapermen in this city. Among the latter was a copy of the best wishes for success of all the newspapermen who cover Police Headquarters, and also cover the big fires in the city. The chief has always been in first place in the hearts of the newspapermen, for on every occasion he puts himself out to see that they obtain all data they request concerning fires or the workings of the department.

After Ma Sennott and the family viewed the handsome flowers, the new chief at once sent them to various hospitals and he didn't forget his old friend, Supt Eugene H. Brinerton of the repair shop of the department. The "super" is ill in the Scobey Hospital. A very nice basket of roses was sent there.

The superintendent was found to be ill in his room at Headquarters suffering from an attack of the grippe on Saturday. Chief Sennott heard of it and although the "super" protested that he was all right, his good adviser, the chief, felt that the hospital was the place for him, so he obeyed the request of his old friend, Dan Sennott, and was at once removed to the place. His condition is reported as somewhat improved today.
CURLEY DECLINED THE FUND

Mayor Replies to Finance Commission's Criticism by Saying Marketmen's Money Not Accepted

Mayor Curley did not accept the $105 campaign fund raised among the tenants in the Faneuil Hall Market, according to the reply he made to the Finance Commission's recent report. The commission had learned that ten days before the State election, in which Curley was a candidate for governor, "Mr. Graham solicited and received contributions from the tenant in Faneuil Hall Market, which he delivered, with a list of the contributors, to Mr. Graham," who testified that he delivered this money and the list of contributors to Mr. Brennan.

"Mr. Brennan testified further that some of the contributors were opposed to Your Honor's candidacy, but were contributing because he told them that he was soliciting the funds at the request of Mr. Graham, the superintendent of markets. The commission had learned that $105 was collected, but that was returned by him committed and therefore not listed in the campaign returns.

The mayor's letter to Chairman Michael H. Sullivan of the Finance Commission is as follows:

My Dear Judge—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated Dec. 22, 1924, relating to contributions made by tenants of Faneuil Hall Market. The amount of contributions received from the tenants was $105. It did not, as you state, appear in the return of receipts filed by the people's committee, which it was decided by that committee not to use said money and accordingly it was returned to the donors prior to the filing of said statement of receipts. It seems to me that such a display of the wisdom of any pool committee should merit the condemnation of both itself and the public.

With every good wish for "a most enjoyable Christmas and trusting that the New Year will continue productive of much happiness,"

Yours truly yours,

(Signed) JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor

CURLEY'S FUND CALLED UNJUST

Finance Commission Finds That City's Tenants Were Solicited for the Campaign—Denies Not with Curley

The Finance Commission, in a communication to Mayor Curley yesterday, criticizes the solicitation of the city's tenants in the Faneuil Hall Market in behalf of the mayor's gubernatorial campaign fund, declaring that such a work is unjust, if not actually coercive.

The commission learned from Patrick H. Graham, superintendent of markets, that about ten days before election day Francis J. Brennan, the mayor's campaign manager, sent some of him to solicit funds from Mr. Graham and Joseph F. Feeney, the latter a member of the Overseers of Public Welfare, met. As the result of the meeting, Mr. Feeney started to solicit from the tenants, who later turned over the list and the money to Mr. Graham. The commission can find no reference to this contribution in the reports filed under the label of the mayor's campaign receipts and expenditures.

The commission's letter follows:

HON. James M. Curley, Mayor.

"Sir—The Finance Commission has investigated the matter of city officials requesting the tenants of Faneuil Hall Market to give gold keys for Your Honor's recent campaign for governor. The Commission reports as follows:

"The superintendent of markets, Patrick H. Graham, testified that about ten days before election day, Nov. 4, 1924, Mr. Francis J. Brennan, who was manager of Your Honor's campaign, requested him to solicit contributions from the market people in Faneuil Hall Market. Thereafter, Mr. Graham and Joseph F. Feeney met Mr. Feeney of Your Honor's appointments to the Overseers of the Public Welfare and treasurer of the William A. Deo Company, which occupies a stall in Faneuil Hall Market. As a result of the appointment, Mr. Feeney, with the consent of Mr. Graham, solicited and received contributions from the tenant in Faneuil Hall Market, which he delivered, with a list of the contributors, to Mr. Graham, who testified that he delivered this money and the list of contributors to Mr. Brennan.

"Mr. Brennan testified further that some of the contributors were opposed to Your Honor's candidacy, but were contributing because he told them that he was soliciting the funds at the request of Mr. Graham, the superintendent of markets.

"The William A. Deo Company has had non-competitive contracts for furnishing supplies to the Overseers of the Public Welfare since Mr. Feeney became a member of that body.

"The market men in Faneuil Hall and Quincy Markets are tenants of the city of Boston. Although they have written leases of their stalls, they are subject to the rules and regulations of the superintendent of markets. Solicitation of funds to be used in the conduct of the business is not permitted.

"The commission therefore suggests that the matter of solicitation of city officials should be regulated in the future.

"Yours truly yours,

(Signed) MICHAEL H. SULLIVAN, Chairman

YES, WE HAVE NO KEY, SAYS MAYOR

Curley Welcomes Japanese Visitors, but Gives Them Histories, Instead

TO REVIVE CUSTOM WHEN MULLIGAN DIES

Mayor Curley has abandoned his custom of giving gold keys to the city to distinguished visitors—at least "until Lafayette Mulligan dies." Lafayette Mulligan is the unidentified person who, posing as the mayor's social secretary, harbored his honor and his honor's secretary by bestowing an unchristened key to the city on the Prince of Wales.

For the first time in many months, two official visitors left City Hall yesterday without the symbolic hardware. They were Hikio Kawaguchi, former secretary-general of the Kwan Tong government of Manchuria, and S. Nakamura, former police chief of Port Arthur in the same province.

"TOO MUCH COMPETITION"

When Mayor Curley invited them to sign their names in Boston's guest book and presented them with copies of the city's history, it was noticeable that he failed to observe the usual custom of giving them keys to the city. The Massachusetts officials were heard to comment on the omission. If they were understood aright, but because of the inborn politeness of the Japanese, it remained for some of the Americans present to ask the mayor whether he had not forgotten something.

"No, I haven't," he replied with the trace of irritation. "I don't propose to give out any more keys for a while—at all this competition from Lafayette Mulligan. I guess I'll wait until he dies."

The two visitors were introduced by Harumichi Yatsuhashi, a representative of the Boyington-Yamanaka & Co. They accompanied Mayor Curley to Young's Hotel, where they were guests at lunch of the Mayor's Club, in a speech translated by M. Yatsuhashi. M. Kawaeuchi thanked the mayor for his hospitality and expressed his admiration for the immense way in which America lives and worked.

M. Yatsuhashi assured the Massachusetts mayors that Japan could never be unfriendly with the United States. He said that the recent "miserable" immigration law was not really minded by the Japanese generally, adding that his people felt no animosity against the American people, but merely against the "body that made the law for its own convenience."

After the lunch Fire Commissioner Glynn took the visitors on a tour of inspection of the United States and several European countries.

THREE HOSEMEN ARE MADE LIEUTENANTS

Promotion by Fire Commissioner Glynn of three lieutenants to the rank of lieutenant, with salary increases from $190 to $230, was approved yesterday by the city Council.

The new lieutenants are Patrick F. McDonough and William J. Nolan, Dorchester, and Thomas J. Kenneally, Roxbury. They are on a tour of inspection of the United States and several European countries.
WIDENING OF RIVER STREET, HYDE PARK, AT COST OF $465,000, RECOMMENDED

Metropolitan Planning Division Favors 100-Foot Width From Cleary Sq to Everett Sq and 60-Foot Roadway Thence To Mattapan Sq

The division makes its report under a legislative resolve which directed it to investigate a bill for the widening of River st., filed in the last General Court, which called for a uniform width of not more than 70 feet from Cleary sq to Mattapan sq.

Traffic Rather Light

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Against Big Outlay

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Bridge Dangerous

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MAYOR IN
REPLY TO
FIN. COM.

Donations Not Listed
Because Returned
to Marketmen

The Mayor Curley yesterday informed the Finance Committee that the reason certain Curley campaign contributions from Faneuil Hall marketmen were not listed in his official statement of receipts was that the money was declined and sent back to the donors.

It was a bland letter that the Mayor sent the commission, and closed with the best of Christmas wishes.

MERITS COMMENDATION

In his statement made Dec. 23, 1924, the Mayor expressed his approval of the work of the Committee.

To the Mayor replies briefly as follows:

"My Dear Judge,

"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated Dec. 23, 1924, relating to contributions made by tenants of Faneuil Hall Market.

"The amounts of contributions received by Mr. Dwyer from the tenants was $36.25. It did not, as you stated, appear in the return of receipts filed by the people's committee because it was declined by the committee not to accept the contributions.

"The amount was, however, on the give and take basis. It was sent back to the donors prior to the filing of statement of receipts, and it is seen that such a display of virtue on the part of the committee was not merited by the contributions of Faneuil Hall Market.

"With every good wish for a most enjoyable Christmas and trusting that the work of the Committee will continue productive of mutual understanding between the public and the community, I beg to remain,

"Yours truly,

(Signed) "JAMES M. CURLEY, "Mayor,"

MAYOR LIGHTS
COMMON TREE

Pageant Cancelled, but
Concert and Choral
Singing Are Given

The city of Boston municipal program for observance of Christmas eve, colorful in conception and picturesqueness in detail, was modified greatly because of the inclement weather. The pageant of the Nativity, which was to have been produced at 5:15 P.M. at the Parkman bandstand, and for which a temporary stage had been erected, was cancelled. The 9:30 presentation of the pageant also was given up.

Mayor Curley personally officiated at the lighting of the great Christmas tree near the bandstand. Wilfred F. Kelley, historical adviser to the Citizens' Public Celebrations Association and chairman of the citizens' public celebrations committee, addressing a small group of people who gathered in front of the bandstand and the much greater audience of radio fans, was conveyed through the microphone and stated the reasons for the pageant's cancellation. That the program was to be broadcasted, he added, was due to the fact that while the city of Boston municipal program had been abandoned, the choral singing and orchestral program would be given immediately and that at 10 P.M. there would be a band concert and choral singing by various groups as planned for the termination of the evening exercises.

MAYOR CURLEY TO AID IN SECURING SHOES

Names Dec. 22 as Day for "Volunteers' Work"

To aid in the distribution of shoes to Christmas children, by the Volunteers of America, Mayor Curley, Monday, Dec. 22, has been established as "Volunteers' Christmas Shoe Day." And a special effort to get contributions for this work will be made. In all the hotels of the city especially booths will be established in charge of Emerson College girls, and there will be a box held for the distribution.

Volunteers at the headquarters, 39 Howard st., and the subway and railway stations and on the streets.

This annual distribution of shoes by the Volunteers of America has grown tremendously during the years, and the aid of widespread approval from the public.

The distribution of shoes will be given away this year, on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at the headquarters of the organization, 39 Howard st., and Babcock st., and has been asked to fit the first pair of shoes to the first boy applying for the first time. The force of lifters will be on hand, so that the children will not have to remain.

"Shoes are all New England made, and heavy enough, and in addition, comfortables will be distributed among some of the people who have been quilted during the Fall evenings by volunteers working at the organization headquaters. In some cases, also, delicacies will be distributed among the people, and in addition, those who have been quilted during the Fall evenings by volunteers working at the organization headquarters. In some cases, also, delicacies will be distributed among the people, and in addition, those who have been quilted during the Fall evenings by volunteers working at the organization headquarters. In some cases, also, delicacies will be distributed among the people, and in addition, those who have been quilted during the Fall evenings by volunteers working at the organization headquarters.
Lafayette Mulligan Sends Smaller One “on His Own Responsibility”

Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., who was host to the Prince of Wales on his recent visit, received a key to the city of Boston yesterday from Lafayette Mulligan, who previously bestowed a similar honor on his royal highness on behalf of Mayor Curley.

Mr. Mulligan sent the decoration to Mr. Tuckerman “on his own responsibility,” because of the latter’s “gracious silence following the mayor’s repudiation of his original generous impulse.”

“FORMER SECRETARY”

A breach between the mayor and Mr. Mulligan resulted from the presentation of the key, as indicated in the communication to Mr. Tuckerman, which was signed: “Your humble servant, Lafayette Mulligan, deputy social secretary to his honor Mayor James M. Curley.”

Mayor Curley passed off the incident as the work of a practical joker, who did not know when to stop, but Mr. Tuckerman thought the mayor a poor sport not to allow the prince the pleasure of receiving a key to the city once the honor had been conferred on him.

Knowledge of this further evidence in the exchange of international courtesies was conveyed in the receipt by The Herald yesterday of a letter from Lafayette Mulligan, hitherto believed a fictitious character, dated Dec. 31 at “Forty-two Dean street.” Investigation showed that this was the Somerset Club, one of Boston’s most exclusive clubs.

SMALL MODEL KEY

A reporter could find no trace of any Mr. Mulligan there, but, chance to meet Mr. Tuckerman, who said that he had received the letter and key from Mr. Mulligan in the forenoon. He preferred not to show the key, but admitted that it was a small key, of the latchkey type, whereas the prince had received a large key in a plush box.

He declared positively that no one of the name of Mulligan belonged to the Somerset Club. This statement was borne out by John R. Griffen, superintendent of the club.

Heaven’s no,” said Mr. Tuckerman when asked whether it might not be possible that Lafayette Mulligan might really belong to the club, to which Mr. Mulligan had been pointed out that the Mulligan letter was written on the finest grade of paper, embossed with the letterhead “Lafayette Mulligan,” in a delicate shade of green.

“There are only 700 members in this club,” explained Mr. Tuckerman, “while there is a waiting list of 1,000 men. Eligible parents register their sons as soon as they are born.”

NO MULLIGAN MEMBERS

Sust. Griften, after ushering the reporter into the “Strangers’ Room” of the club, told him that no such person as Lafayette Mulligan was a member, although a man named Mulligan once worked for the institution, in what capacity he could not remember.

“It’s too bad,” added Mr. Tuckerman, “that Mayor Curley couldn’t let the prince enjoy his key. He received it there is no question about that.”

Mayor Curley absolutely denied any further knowledge of the incident. An extremely prominent city official, however, said without qualification that he knew Lafayette Mulligan. He said that the now famous secretary was not Mayor O’Pryer’s secretary, but the secretary of a former mayor of Boston.

He further agreed to produce the mysterious Mr. Mulligan at a luncheon some time before New Year’s and would solve the entire riddle.

MAYORS LAUNCH TELEPHONE WAR

Curley Appoints Committee of 10 to Organize the Drive, on Rates

MENTION WHIPPLE AS POSSIBLE COUNSEL

Organization of Massachusetts communities to fight the proposed increase in telephone rates advanced yesterday at a meeting at the Mayors’ Club at Young’s Hotel with the appointment by Mayor Curley of a committee of 10 executives, the first session of which will be called immediately after Christmas. The mayors adopted Mayor Curley’s proposal to try to obtain the Gardner Auditorium of the State House on inauguration day as the best time possible to get officials from all parts of the state together for a mass meeting to perfect plans for the contest.

Headed by Mayor Quinn of Cambridge, the committee comprises Mayors Gries of Chicopee, Parsons of Gloucester, Storch of Lawrence, Hurley of Marlboro, Tuckerman of Sterling, Chairman of Selectmen Cook of Athol, Keith of Bridgewater, Ashley of Deerfield and Stalery of Framingham. On motion of former Mayor Thurston of Cambridge, Mayor Curley’s own name was added to the list.

MENTION WHIPPLE AS COUNSEL

The names of Samuel Untermyer and Bayard Tuckerman were mentioned by Mayor Curley as possible counsel in the case, but he said that there seemed to be no reason why he should not entrust counsel E. Mark Sullivan should not continue for all the cities and towns the contest with which he had begun so well for the city of Boston. The selection of counsel will be left to the general committee.

Mr. Sullivan, reporting on his work thus far, declared that 90 per cent. of the communities in the state could be counted on to stand together in the fight. After outlining his principal charges of a inefficiency and greed on the part of the telephone company, he said that the contestants would need most of all dependable experts to base their arguments, and that money would be needed to wage the contest effectively.

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5000 GUESTS AT BOSTON HOTELS RECEIVE MAYOR CURLEY'S AUTOGRAPH GREETING

Holiday Greetings on Behalf of the City Displayed on City Hall Gates, Reproductions of Which Were Sent to All Transient Hotel Guests by Mayor Curley's Orders.

Five thousand transient guests in Boston's hostelrys, happening to be in town over the Christmas holiday, received greeting from the city government yesterday, each bearing Mayor Curley's autograph. These were designed and sent out by J. Philip O'Connell, director of municipal celebrations, and his staff. They bore the same greeting as that set forth upon the large decorated placard set up before the City Hall gates. Mayor Curley himself received thousands of Christmas-card greetings from all sections of the Nation. Among these were not a few from persons who were in Boston at last Christmas-tide, and received one of his greetings.
Blocks Used for Work
Designed by City Engineer

Much interest was manifested today in the laying of a stretch of rubber pavement on Harrison avenue near the main entrance to the City Hospital.

BLOCKS MADE HERE

The type of rubber blocks selected for the experiment was invented and developed by Rufus F. Herrick, consulting engineer of this city, assisted by William T. Gould, paving expert. They were manufactured by the Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company of Cambridge.

Deadening of street sounds is one of the attributes of the new paving, which is said to be highly durable. Each block measures 6 inches by 12 inches and is 1½ inches thick.

There are several ribs of rubber projecting a half-inch from the under surface of the blocks which give an anchorage grip on the roadbed, thereby overcoming the crawling and other movements of displacement that have made this kind of paving impractical heretofore. The blocks are laid in mortar on a concrete base.

A section of the street 35 feet long by 15 feet wide is being paved with the rubber and the results will be watched with interest. Joseph J. Comfrey, district foreman of the city paving division, is in charge of the work.

This is said to be the first practical test made in this country of rubber paving, although it has been used with success in England.
MAYOR CURLEY lauds Americanism of the Ancients in stirring speech at City Hall. The Mayor was also host to visiting members of the Minute Men of Washington. (Staff Photo)

ANCIENTS RAISE FLAG at City Hall as part of their celebration of the 286th anniversary of the famous old military organization. Photo shows Mayor Curley taking part in ceremony.