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Curley Makes Light of Hoover's Speech

Says President Offered No Plan for Home-Building—Names Two Steps

"The people of this country have been crying long enough for bread. Let's give them something besides hooch." Thus spoke Mayor Curley today in commenting upon President Hoover's recent broadcast, saying it was the opening session of the conference on home building and home ownership at Washington last night. The speech, he said, had all the "hooch and attractiveness and fragrance of a delicate flower which nevertheless droops by the wayside when exposed to the sun's rays during the day or to the cool night air."

Continuing, the mayor declared that the first obstacle to home ownership was the minds of the people today. He said that their own names may be added any day to the appalling list of unemployed millions. If the present workers could be assured that their own employment would continue they would immediately turn to the question of home-ownership as one of the most satisfactory means of investing their hard-earned savings," he said. "Stabilization of industry and the awakening of a new spirit of initiative and thrift on the part of moral obligations to their employers is the first step."

"A second distinct step should come through the provision of public and private funds for the development of a home-building program. Millions of dollars are idle at banks at the present time, or being used for the promotion of European projects, that should be set to work right here in our own country. Insurance companies and other cities have financed home building and home ownership projects at a profit to themselves and to the advantage of their clients. The services of the best technical minds in the country are today available at a minimum of cost, and thousands of men in the building trades are unemployed."

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during the winter so that the garden will be in readiness by early spring.

As planned, the new beds for flowers will correspond with the present beds and the wellhead which is now in the center of the garden will be moved to the southern end of the new work and a fountain will be placed where the wellhead now stands. The new garden will have additional seating facilities and is expected to add materially to the beauty of the area adjacent to the Evans Memorial of the Art Museum.
ON CITY'S STAFF AT STATE HOUSE
Casson Named Associate Legislative Counsel

CURLEY SENDS STEWART WIRE
Congratulations Democrat on His Victory

Election of a Democratic congressman in a strong Republican district of New Jersey was heralded last night by Mayor H. H. Curley as the forerunner of the election of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York to the presidency.

In a message of congratulations to Congressman-elect Percy H. Stewart of Plainfield, N. J., Mayor Curley last night wired:

"Your magnificent victory in overturning a normal plurality of 35,000 Republican votes in the 5th New Jersey District and winning the election at Congressman is an unmistakable message to the nation of the repudiation of the Hoover administration.

"Your militant triumph is a fore-runner of an overwhelming victory for Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt as the Democratic standard bearer in 1932 and John will receive the largest plurality in the history of the nation's presidential elections.

"I hope later during the present winter to have an opportunity of meeting you in Washington."

Tax Office Open Until 5 Every Afternoon

The collecting department offices on the second floor of City Hall Annex will remain open for three extra hours every day until Dec. 5 to permit taxpayers to pay their 1931 taxes in order to escape the eight per cent interest penalty which becomes effective on that day.

The entire collecting department office will remain open for three extra hours every day until 5 o'clock at night, instead of shutting down at the regular 2 o'clock limit for the department.

PLANS EXTENSION OF ROSE GARDEN IN THE FENS

Park Commissioner Long is busy on plans for an extension of the Rose Garden in the Fens. On the suggestion of Mayor Curley, the beds are being enlarged and additional beds will be laid out. All the work will be done this winter, thereby affording additional employment. The bushes will be in flower next June at the time of the older beds.

The well head, now in the center of the Rose Garden, will be moved to the southerly end of the district parks and a fountain will be placed where the well head now stands. The new garden will receive additional existing accommodations and in the opinion of Commissioner Long will add considerably to the present beautiful area adjacent to the Evans Memorial at the Art Museum.
MAYOR NAMES RELIEF GROUP

Oppose Community Chest Idea or Division of Fund—Outstanding Citizens to Act on Committee

Organization of the Boston emergency unemployment relief committee to raise a community fund as recommended recently by President Hoover was started here yesterday when Mayor Curley conferred at City Hall with the representative leaders of the city's activities.

OPPOSES CHEST IDEA

In appointing the committee of prominent churchmen, bankers, merchants, and business leaders in the life of the city, the Mayor announced at the outset that he was opposed to the creation of a community chest or the division of the fund among private agencies, insisting that the money be expended through the municipal public welfare department. He protested that it was usual with the community chest idea to spread rents, per cent of the contributions in the program amounting to $2,500,000 in the past year, to the employment of relatives of the officials and other administrative expenses, leaving but 30 per cent for the poor.

No Quota Set

The city's welfare department was efficiently organized for the work, the Mayor stated, announcing that in the past 11 months Boston has paid out $2,285,000 in relief, consuming 30 per cent in excess of the entire welfare roll for the full year of 1929.

No quota will be set for the Boston fund, although New York has been calling upon the public for $1,000,000 to go over the top. Here public paucity will determine the limit of the city's fund. The money would be needed, the Mayor explained, to help those worthy unfortunately who, for some reason or other, are not eligible under the law to obtain the city's official funds, raised through taxation.

Cannot Aid Home Owner

Legally, the Mayor pointed out, the city cannot aid a needy family that holds an equity in the house they live in, although if they were paying rent they would be eligible for city relief under the law.

Voluntary contributions during the past year have been negligible, the Mayor said, recalling that no public appeal had been issued. Yet a total of $75,000 has been turned in to the city welfare board to meet in the relief work. Of this, $12,286 was donated by city employees, $10,000 from the midnight movie shows, $5,000 from a boxing carnival and $2,000 from individuals.

Work Finished for 450

The chief duty placed upon his new committee was to provide opportunities for those seeking work, the Mayor said, explaining that he had saved $1,000,000 in the construction of the Governor square subway by giving work to more than 100 war veterans who would have been forced to obtain soldiers' relief payments from the city if they could not find work.

But he announced that the subway job was well within the Mayor's schedule and that before the end of the year it would be necessary to lay off about 450 of the workmen.

Huntington Ave. Subway

As a means of providing jobs next year, the Mayor announced that he would ask the Legislature for authority to spend $3,000,000 on the construction of a Huntington avenue subway from Park street to Brookline Village, and place 3000 war veterans and heads of families on the big project.

Boston coal firms have agreed to supply the city welfare department with coal at cost and as an additional contribution, they will send a ton of coal free to 100 needy families this winter, the Mayor announced.

State Group to Co-operate

Chairman William Phillips of the State unemployment committee praised the Mayor for organizing the Boston committee, as recommended by the President and the Governor. He promised the co-operation of the State group in solving the city's problems regarding unemployment. Raising of funds, creation of new jobs and the stabilization of employment through the stagger system or some other method were urged upon the committee by Mr. Phillips.

The committee voted on motion of former Lieutenant-Governor Edward T. Barry to establish an honor roll of those firms in Boston which had neither discharged employees or reduced wages during the past two years.

Proposal to Banks

Through Lieutenant-General Edward L. Logan, the committee went on record as favoring an appeal by the newspapers of the city for contributions to the municipal fund and the daily listing of the contributors.

Builders would start a construction program amounting to $25,000,000 in the next eight months here if the banks and insurance companies adopted a proposal to use one per cent of their assets for construction mortgage loans, William F. McDonald informed the committee, which agreed to take the matter up with the bankers and insurance leaders.

Houses for Workers

The Mayor suggested that the insurance companies finance a housing program by building hundreds of houses for workmen at East Boston and other sections of the city, as is being done in Europe, where he observed the work on his recent visit.

The Mayor declared that the banks were bulging with deposits, greater than at any other time in the history of the country. This money would be put in circulation and a strong buying movement started if the business concerns would assure their employees of regular work for a year.

No Dividing of Fund

Suggestions that part of the fund to be collected be split among the private welfare agencies were made by William H. Pears of the Boston Provident Association and Roy A. Cushman of the Boston Council of Social Agencies, but the Mayor turned them down, claiming that practically all the private agencies had used up their cases on the city welfare department.

Chairman Sidney S. Conrad of the Retail Trade Board, Secretary E. A. Johnson of the Building Trades Council promised the co-operation of their organizations in the city's drive for unemployment relief.

Taylor as Chairman

Secretary William H. Taylor of the overseers of public welfare will serve as chairman of the Boston committee.

Honorary chairman of the Boston committee include Mayor Curley, Cardinal O'Connell, Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, Rabbi Harry Lexi and President Joseph McGrath of the City Council.

The General Committee

The Mayor announced the appointment of the committee of the following members: Former Governor Alvan T. Fuller, Henry T. Harriman, president, L. trustees.

Lieutenant-General Edward L. Logan, Frank G. Dorr, Haydon's, Judge Frank Leveroni.


Dr. William H. Griffin, past department commander, American Legion.

Eva Whitling White, president, Women's Educational and Industrial Union.


Roy A. Cushman, secretary, Boston Council Social Agencies.

Dr. Benjamin S. Bekerman, Associated Hebrew Charities.

Mrs. William Dana Woodbury, president, Federation of Boston Women's Clubs.

T. J. Fayve, president, Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance Company.

James W. Moriarty, president, Central Labor Union.

Job-Finding Committee


Sidney Rubnovit, Economy Grocery, chairman.

Mr. Lee retracted his statement that the sum of money was a trifle, but he asserted that it would be sufficient to meet the requirements of the program.
The Military Genius

Washington, Hart said, was one of the first citizens of Massachusetts by his career as Commander-in-Chief of the Army that besieged Boston, declared Prof Hart, and later in his address he referred to an offer made by Washington to recruit and equip at his own expense 1000 troops and lead them to the relief of Boston. "If that doesn't constitute citizenship, what does?" he asked.

The speaker referred to some of the famous Massachusetts men with whom Washington had contact during the siege of Boston and for a short time after he left the city. He stressed the fact that Washington was called to save the city, and desired extremely that it should not be destroyed.

Turning to Washington's third visit here in 1789, he described the remarkable position held by Washington. Few men in the world at that time, he said, were so beloved.

Prof Hart spoke of the dispute over the matter of the escort sent to bring Washington into Boston, told how Washington cut the Gordian knot and mentioned the call which John Hancock made on the President. He referred to places visited by Washington and to the President's interest in things being done in Boston.

Astute Business Man

Washington was a businessman. His other attributes were "the best known and most astute business man of his time," Prof Hart said. He was one of the first men to deposit in banks and had an excellent bookkeeping system of his own. He was, besides a planter, surveyor and military man, a shrewd, hard-headed individual who saw various ways of making money.

Gov. Roosevelt in the Presidential Election

Washington, Prof Hart said, foresaw a system of national commerce and made treaties with other countries for the exchange of commerce. He foresaw that the Union would not stop with 13 States.

Mayor Speaks of Bicentennial

Mayor Curley spoke of the City Commission which is preparing for the observance of bicentennial of Washington's birth which takes place in 1932, referring to the assistance and inspiration given by Prof Hart. He touched on the problems to be met in arranging a schedule of events and especially in raising funds.

The Mayor mentioned the Gen Knox House, sometimes called the Dilloway House in Roxbury, at which Gen Knox had his headquarters. This stands on property which has been acquired for the proposed Dilloway Intermediate School.

"We had hoped," he said, "that we might have more cooperation on the part of the School Committee and we are still hoping. It was my hope and the School Committee's hope that sufficient funds might be provided for the enlargement of the lot so that the Knox House might be located in the middle, surrounded by a liberal space of land.

"Apparently the school authorities feel that they lack sufficient funds to carry out that program. I suggested that the house might be moved to another site on the Dilloway School property and on the appropriate date in 1932 we can have a patriotic celebration there—and we will do it."

Bostonian Society's Work

Mr. Guild, who was in the absence of the president of the society, Grenville Norcross, acted as presiding officer as well as speaker, outlined the history of the society, discussing the struggle to save the Old State House, which at one time was threatened with destruction.

The building was used for business offices for many years, and the proposal to destroy it, in order to remove an obstruction to street traffic, might have prevailed without the active defense of the Bostonian Society," he said. "For this service the founders of the society and the society's members, from the people of Boston, as well as we, feel that they lack sufficient funds to carry out that program."

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Mr. Guild then quoted Sir Walter Scott's poem on a man lacking a sentiment of love of his native land, and continued:

"But it was not merely patriotism that inspired the founders of the Bostonian Society to form the Antiquarian Club in 1879, which was merged in the Bostonian Society, incorporated Dec 2, 1883. They knew that this historical landmark was a valuable asset to the city. No city in America can claim Boston's claim for consideration as the city most closely identified with the important events in the history of our country in Colonial days and in the Revolution."
CITY TO SPEND RELIEF FUNDS
Won't Split With Private Groups, Mayor Says

Committee on Unemployment Organizes at City Hall

The fund—already $73,000—collected for the relief of the unemployed in Boston, will be disbursed by the Public Welfare Department of the city, for Mayor James M. Curley, who has led in activities in its behalf, will not regard it as of any use to continue his efforts, he indicated to the city Emergency Unemployment Relief Committee yesterday when it met to organize in the City Hall Council chamber.

The Mayor promptly opposed a suggestion made by William H. Fear of the Boston Provident Association—one of the many representatives of charitable organizations present—that the fund be divided with private agencies. Private agencies are admittedly having a difficult time, Mayor Curley said, but the city has steadily lifted part of the load they have been carrying.

Subcommittees Formed

The committee organized four subcommittees to handle executive work and to deal with the problems of finding jobs, establishing and stabilizing business. It heard the Mayor announce that he plans to try to get insurance companies to invest $5,000,000 in home building here, as is proposed in New York. And it inchoined a suggestion of Ex-Lieut. Edward P. Barry, seconded by the Mayor, that an honor roll of employers who pledge themselves not to reduce wages or personnel for six months or a year be drawn up.

The $73,000 fund, the Mayor said, was contributed by the city and county employees, who gave $22,000; the motion picture theatres, whose recent $50,000 midnight shows brought in $57,000; the wrestling show at the Boston Garden, which brought in $5000; and private contributions, which he enumerated.

Wholesale coal dealers, furthermore, are contributing 100 tons of coal for personal ineligible for assistance from the Welfare Department; these persons include those whose savings are exhausted, but whose ownership of property, even though it is heavily mortgaged, bars them from aid under the law.

Phillips Is Speaker

William Phillips, chairman of the Massachusetts Emergency Unemployment Committee, outlined the work of that group; William H. Taylor of the Board of Public Welfare read the list of city committees; Gen. Edward J. Logan suggested that a press campaign for funds be made, and William J. McDonald proposed that a conference be held with bankers and insurance executives in an effort to have 1 percent of their assets made available for construction mortgages.

Lack of Funds Is Real Bar to Home Building; Urges Hearst Plan

"The people of this country have been crying long enough for bread. Let's give them something besides burlesque."

This was Mayor Curley's reply to President Hoover's latest conference suggestion seeking aid for home-building as a stimulant to business.

The Mayor issued a formal statement, in which he said:

"President Hoover's remarks at the opening session of his conference on home building and home ownership have all the lure and attraction and fragrance of a delicate flower which nevertheless drops by the wayside when exposed to the sun's rays during the day or the cool night air.

MONEY IS REAL ANSWER

"Home building and home ownership is a practical matter, and when there be certain advantageous results from the wealth of academic minds and thought with which the President has surrounding him at the present time, the real answer must come through a courageous expenditure of dollars and cents."

"The first obstacle may home ownership to the minds of the people today is the fear that their own names may be added any day to the appalling list of unemployed millions. If the present workers could be assured that their own employment would continue, they would immediately turn to the question of home ownership as one of the most satisfactory means of investing their hard-earned savings. Stabilization of industry and the awakening of employers to a sense of their moral obligations to their employees is the first step.

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"The second distinct step should come through the provision of public money and private funds for the development of a home-building program. Millions of dollars are laying idle in the banks at the present time, or being used for the promotion of European projects, that should be set to work right here in our own country. Insurance companies in other cities have financed home building and home ownership projects at a profit to themselves and to the advantage of their clients. The services of the best technical minds in the country are today available at a minimum of cost, and thousands of men in the building trades are unemployed."

"If this country, through its seat of government at the White House, will initiate and finance a building and housing program which will be supplemented by private funds throughout the different localities, it will be accompanied by a wave of prosperity for the end of the country to the other."

THOSE OLD-TIME SONGS

"According to the newspapers the President offered no program and said nothing of financial conditions, economics or unemployment. He did refer to several old-time popular songs which served a very useful purpose in the home, but without the proper environment they are more or less a travesty."

"A definite program of expenditure along the lines recommended by William Randolph Hearst as a means of providing the money necessary for the first payment and a guarantee of succeeding payments would at least give some hope."

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CURLEY SAYS ASSURANCE OF JOB NEEDED FIRST

Mayor Curley, commenting today on President Hoover's home building and home ownership plan said: "The present workers could be assured that their own employment would continue, they would immediately turn to the question of home ownership as one of the most satisfactory means of investing their hard-earned savings. Stabilization of industry and the awakening of employers to a sense of their moral obligations to their employees is the first step.

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WASHINGTON'S AID TO CITY DESCRIBED

Prof. Hart of Harvard Addresses Bostonian Society


A historical pamphlet, prepared by Prof. Hart for the Washington bicentennial commission, was criticized for its statements about Washington by Prof. F. Dumont Smith of Hutchinson, Kan. "George Washington made himself one of the first citizens of Massachusetts," said the speaker, "by his career as commander in chief of the army at the time of the siege of Boston." Prof. Hart told of Washington's three visits to Boston, his interest in the Boston ideal of government, and his choice of Massachusetts men for his cabinet.

Mayor Curley, who is a member of the Bostonian Society, attended the meeting and was called on by Courtenay Guild, vice-president, who officiated in the absence of Grenville H. Norcross, president.

The Mayor paid tribute to Prof. Hart for his assistance to the city in pointing out its duties in connection with the Washington bicentennial next year. He alluded to the Gen. Knox house, or Dillaway House, on Roxbury street, that stands on the property to be used for the new Dillaway intermediate school and expressed a wish that it might be centred on the school lot and the schoolhouse built behind and around it with an open end so that the history of the mansion might dominate the group.

FIN COM CONFERS WITH MAYOR CURLEY

At the invitation of Mayor Curley, the Finance Commission yesterday held a meeting at City Hall for a half-hour's discussion. But at the end of the meeting neither the Mayor nor Chairman Frank A. Goodwin would comment on the subject of their conference. All the members of the commission were present except Commissioner Joseph J. Donahue, who could not be reached in time for the conference.

TRIBUTE TO R. H. WHITE CO PAID BY MAYOR CURLEY

Stresses Service of Old Business Institutions to Boston

In Talk to Store's Newly Formed Men's Club

Mayor James M. Curley paid a tribute to the old business institutions, such as R. H. White & Co., which have been inseparable with the city of Boston for over 50 years and more. He emphasized the value of the personal note in store management and the necessity for rewarding those who give service.

Pres Benjamin Raphael of R. H. White Company said that the management was wholeheartedly behind the Men's Club and that it wanted its employees to feel that the store organization is one body, one group, one happy family.

John Garabedian was toastmaster. Among the other speakers were Charles E. Coyne, publicity director of the company; George Carens, Tom McCabe, Al Cornell, Sammy Cohen, all Boston newspapermen; and Swede Nelson, line coach at Harvard.

There was entertainment by employees and by local night club talent.

The new officers elected were: William Sullivan, president; Leander Cosewell, vice-president; and Vinson Conroy, secretary.

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Mayor Curley sends $100 check to Basket Fund

A leading Samaritan of Boston today contributed a check for $100 to the Boston Evening American Christmas Basket Fund.

"It is Mayor James M. Curley, whose efforts have been doubled this year in alleviating distress, and who welcomed the opportunity to aid in providing the needy families in Boston with Christmas dinners."

Here is the letter Mayor Curley sent with his check to the Christmas Basket Fund editor:

"It is a very great pleasure to continue the annual contribution of $100 to the Christmas Basket Fund.

The City of Boston at Christmas in 1930 was the only large city in America in which, notwithstanding unemployment conditions, every needy family was supplied with a Christmas dinner."

NEED GREATER NOW

"If every individual who is at work or in a position to aid will contribute something, regardless of how small or how large the amount, it will be possible to maintain at Christmas, 1931, the standard that was established at Christmas, 1930

"The opportunity of bringing even a small measure of comfort into hearts that are saddened should be taken advantage of by everyone and it is my sincere wish that the fund raised this year may be the largest in the history of your splendid newspaper, since this year the need is greater than ever previously known."

That is the sentiment of Mayor Curley, who knows conditions and who does all in his power to alleviate them.

Christmas Day is just three weeks from today—but have you considered how some families must spend it?

The Christmas Basket Fund editor needs more help—lots of it—and it cannot come too soon for planning the relief of the needy.

WANTS STATE TO PAY 30 P.C.

Mayor Agrees to Start Immediate Construction if Commonwealth Will Pay 30 P.C.

Mayor Curley will recommend immediate construction of the proposed $5,000,000 Suffolk County courthouse to the City Council if state officials agree to defray 30 per cent of the operating expenses of the building.

The Mayor made this announcement today following a conference with Herbert Parker, former attorney general, representing the Boston Bar Association and the judiciary of Massachusetts. Parker urged that the Mayor request the city council to approve immediate construction of the building.

He suggested that the Mayor send the order calling for acceptance of the act for courthouse accommodations to the council for early action.

CURLEY COUNTERS

The Mayor countered by demanding that Gov. Ely, President Bacon of the Senate and Speaker Saltonstall of the House and chairman of municipal finance committees of both branches agree to the annual payment of 30 per cent for maintenance of the building.

The Mayor declared that if the state would agree to pay 30 per cent of the maintenance costs of the building, which would amount to $160,000 a year, he would under the bill passed by the Legislature, the county would pay 70 per cent of the $5,000,000 for construction. The state would pay the remainder.

Declaring that Boston pays the county's bills, Mayor Curley today informed Atty. Parker that if he (Parker) could prevail, upon Gov. Ely, President Bacon and Speaker Saltonstall of the House of Representatives to cause the Legislature to authorize payment of 30 per cent of the maintenance costs of the building, steps will be taken to bring about approval by the council of the construction bill. This authorization by the Legislature would be in the form of an amendment to the present bill.

PLANS CONFERENCE

Mayor Curley pointed out that the state now occupies 30 per cent of the present facilities of the courthouse and would continue to do so if an addition is built. The supreme court, social law library, land court and other state functions occupy portions of the present building.

Under the present condition, the mayor said, 30 per cent of the maintenance would amount to $80,000 a year. If an addition is built this amount would be doubled.

At the conclusion of the conference, Atty. Parker told the mayor that he would take steps to bring about a conference with state officials, Monday morning at City Hall.
Read what Mayor Curley of Boston thinks of the Boston Evening American Basket Fund. Here is his letter. There was a $100 check enclosed and what delight came to the managers of the fund as a Western Union messenger rushed in with the fine contribution, yesterday afternoon. Mayor Curley is shown in the inset.
R. H. White Co. Men's Club Addressed
By Mayor at Organization Meeting

Mayor Curley told the 350 members of the R. H. White Company Men's Club last night that he wanted the R. H. White Company to continue successful in business in Boston, and pointed out that the responsibility for the continuance of that success depended more on the members of the club than it did on the management of the store.

"The character of the service that you give the concern and the public lays the foundation for the public's confidence in the concern and its integrity in dealing. It's entirely in your hands. Too many of the old institutions have passed into the discard. Some of them have gone because they lost the human touch. We want the R. H. White Company to carry on successfully.

The organization meeting was held Thursday night. President, William Sullivan, men's clothing; vice-president, Leander Castwell, section supervisor; secretary, Victor Camia, marking room; treasurer, Albert Baker, payroll department. The organization was undertaken two weeks ago. This morning another regular organization for the women will be undertaken, which will hold a meeting next Thursday night.

CITY MAY GET BACK OLD ORGAN

One Purchased by Public Subscription Offered to Boston by Estate

The famous organ purchased by public subscription and installed in the old Music Hall, where it remained for many years, prior to its removal to the estate of Edward T. Searles in Methuen, may be brought back to Boston.

The organ has been offered to Mayor Curley by the trustees of the Searles estate. If an examination, this afternoon, reveals that it would be advisable to accept the gift, the organ will be set up in one of the Boston high schools. Either the auditorium of the Girls' high school or of the Public Latin school is sufficiently large to provide room for the organ, which has been played by many of the foremost organists of the world.

Mayor Curley will be accompanied on the inspection trip by Superintendent of Schools Patrick T. Campbell, and Mr. John A. O'Shea, director of music and Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the School Committee.

FINANCE COMMISSION HAS SUDDEN MEETING

Mayor Curley held a hastily arranged conference yesterday with four members of the finance commission. No statement about the meeting was made by the mayor and when Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the commission was asked to reveal the reason for the conference, he put the responsibility for any statement upon the mayor.

It was admitted that the conference was sought out by the mayor. Chairman Goodwin, Judge Joseph A. Sheehan, Courtenay Guild and William T. Keough responded but attachments of the commission were unable to locate the fifth member, Joseph Joyce Donovan.

"Did you have a conference with the finance commission?" the mayor was asked. "Yes," he replied.

"Any statement to make upon it?" the mayor laughed and responded "No."
Mayor in Tribute to R. H. White Co.

Mayor James M. Curley paid a tribute to the old business institutions, such as R. H. White Company, which have been inseparable with the city of Boston for more than 50 years and more, in a speech last night before the first organization meeting of the new Men's Club of R. H. White Company, which was held in the store restaurant.

Mayor Curley expressed his hope that the employees had a realization of how important such activities as men's clubs are in large organizations.

Noble's Round Table Club Calls on Mayor

A delegation representing Noble's Round Table Club, consisting of 25,000 boys and girls, called upon Mayor Curley this morning and presented him with a lapel pin of honorary membership in the organization.

The Mayor was invited to talk at the annual organization meeting, which will be held on Dec. 24.
Gen. D. Pression Driver Loses Job; Tells Curley 'We Buried Wrong Guy'

The chauffeur who drove Mayor Curley at the head of the funeral cortege for "General D. Pression" last Tuesday has written a letter to the mayor saying, "We buried the wrong guy." When he returned from the funeral he found his own job was gone.

Leslie Fletcher, formerly a three-letter athlete at Stoneham High school, had the honor of leading General D. Pression's funeral procession as Mayor Curley's personal driver.

No one took more pleasure in the rites than he. Secure in the knowledge he had a job, he sang "Happy Days Are Here Again" with the rest of them as the General's coffin slid into the harbor from Battery Wharf.

CURLEY IS ADAMANT ON COURTHOUSE ACT

Says State Must Finance 30 P. C. of Maintenance

Mayor Curley yesterday designated an agreement by the commonwealth to assume 30 per cent. of the maintenance cost of an enlarged Suffolk county courthouse as the price of acceptance by the city of legislative enactment authorizing a $5,000,000 addition to the present structure.

His demand for a specific guarantee of legislative action which will commit the state to contribute an annual sum, estimated at $160,000, will be the basis of discussion Monday at a conference with Gov. Ely, President Bacon of the Senate, Speaker Saltonstall of the House and the chairmen of the committee on municipal finance.

The courthouse enlargement act, which the city council has repeatedly refused to seriously consider because of dissatisfaction with financial matters involved, must be accepted by both the council and the mayor before definite steps can be taken to provide additional court accommodations.

Mayor Curley is adamant in his attitude. He declared his views yesterday to Herbert Parker, who appealed to him, as a representative of both the bar association and the judiciary, to hasten acceptance of the act in order that long needed additional facilities can be furnished.

Mr. Parker declared his willingness to deliver the ultimatum of the mayor to the state officials and to arrange the conference Monday. The mayor demands a specific assurance of Gov. Ely, together with similar guarantees by the guiding officers of both legislative branches and the Senate and House chairmen of the municipal finance committee, that legislation will be enacted early next year which will relieve Boston of the burden of providing housing accommodations for purely state judicial functions.

MAY TOUR U. S. FOR ROOSEVELT

Curley Contemplates Plan to Support N. Y. Governor for President

Mayor Curley revealed today that he has been giving serious consideration to a plan to tour the United States this winter in the interests of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, the mayor's choice for the Democratic nomination for President. Although he has considered the project the mayor said he had yet reach no decision.
PASTOR STARTS LONG
TRIP IN OLD AUTO

Rev W. M. Partridge Taking Dog on 9000-Mile
Preaching Tour West, Via Florida and Texas

CURLEY TAKES STEPS
TO BRING BACK ORGAN

Goes to Methuen to View
Noted Searles Instrument

MAYOR CURLEY PRESENTING A BLACK THORN STICK TO REV W. M. PARTRIDGE

Headed for the wide open spaces of the great West in his 11-year-old
ancient and honorable "g asbuggy,"
Rev W. M. Partridge, formerly rector
of St Ann's Episcopal Church, East
Cottage st, Dorchester, left from in
front of City Hall in School at shortly
before noon today on the first leg of
his long journey to California via
Florida and Texas to hold preaching
mission in the Far West.

Rev Mr Partridge is accompanied
by his little dog Spot, and he is provided
with a letter of introduction
from Mayor Curley requesting
that the "on-the
march" clergyman
be given every cour-
tesy in the numerous
municipalities
that he will pass through on his 9000-

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Mayor Curley may tour the na-\ntion this winter in the interests of
Gov. Roosevelt, candidate for the
Democratic nomination for the
presidency.

The mayor revealed today that
he is giving the matter serious con-
sideration and that he is soon to
make a definite decision on it.

"I am confident Gov. Roose-
velt will be nominated for the
presidency by the Democrats and
I believe that I should visit the
various sections of the nation in
his behalf this winter," the mayor
said.
POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

By JOHN D. MERRILL

The attention of Massachusetts politicians will turn this week to Washington, where Congress will assemble. It is taken for granted that the Democrats will organize the House of Representatives and assume the chairmanships of the committees.

Critical observers will watch with interest the development, having in mind that most of the important places will go to Representatives from the South. Northern Democrats are bringing to bear whatever influence they have in order to prevent the South from dominating the Congressional situation.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of this city has been active in his efforts to convince the Democratic leaders that the North, especially New England, should be securely represented on the important House committees, namely, Ways and Means, Appropriations, and Judiciary. Mr. Fitzgerald and others are going back to the time, 35 years or so ago, when he was the only Democratic Congressman from New England. The other Northern States had only a few Democrats in the lower branch; under these circumstances it was inevitable that the South should have most of the important committee places which were given to Democrats.

Conditions Changed Now

Conditions, however, have changed. Massachusetts has four Democratic Congressmen, and other New England States and New York are represented in part by Democrats. It is true that if the rule of seniority is rigidly carried out, the South, which year after year returns its members of Congress, will have the lion's share of the committee places, but Mr. Fitzgerald and others are trying to persuade the party leaders that the situation has developed since the last Congress. They contend that rule and give committee places to Northern Democrats who would not have had them under the seniority system, according to the length of service of the members.

Mr. Fitzgerald has written three letters. The first went to Chairman Ranscomb and Josue Shousé of the Democratic National Committee, and subsequent communications have had wider distribution among prominent Democrats. In his latest letter, "Massachusetts was one of the two Northern States which went for Smith. Further, Massachusetts is an Industrial State, not glutted with riches, as it is sometimes pictured by outsiders, but a com-

South vs North

The Republicans, of course, hope that the rule of seniority will be enforced in the distribution of House committee places under the new Democratic Speaker; if the South inadubitably has the majority of the important places will go to Democrats in New England, which at the moment seems to promise well for them. If the industrial workers in this section of the country think they can expect more from the Republicans than from the Democrats the latter will find their prospects wounding here.

Such are the responsibilities of success or failure in the election. It may well prove that the Democrats would have been better off if they had fastidiously elected a majority of the House of Representatives. According to reports from Washington, the Republicans are feeling more anxious than the Democrats about the national situation; it is said that Vice President Curtis decided to be a candidate for renomination instead of running for the Senate because he believed the Republican outlook was much more favorable than it seemed a few months ago. The policy followed by the Democrats in assigning committee places in the national House may become a matter of prime importance in the coming campaign.

That Committee Post

In the meantime, Massachusetts Democrats are still discussing the possibility of the Massachusetts member of the Democratic national committee to succeed the late Mayor Edward W. Peabody to the committee. Most of the politicians have assumed that Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State committee, would be chosen to take Mr. Quinn's place, and that expectation may be fulfilled, but considerably has been added to the plan for giving both of these important places to Mr. Donahue. He can doubtless choose which he prefers, and perhaps may have both, but a fight will be made against him.

The United States Senators from Massachusetts, both Democrats, want the Massachusetts member of the national committee to work with them. No one else can meet that requirement better than Mr. Donahue, who has always been very close to Senator Walsh, but it is quite possible that the State leaders may agree on someone else who, in the particular set of circumstances, could not be as useful to the Committee as Mr. Donahue would be if he held both of the places mentioned.

The annual appeal of the Disabled Veterans Christmas Remembrance committee for funds with which to furnish Massachusetts veterans confined in hospitals with Christmas stockings and to further its work relief among needy disabled veterans will be opened shortly with radio addresses by Gov. Ely, Mayor James M. Curley and Mayor Sinclair Weeks of Newton, chairman of the Appeal.

The Disabled Veterans Christmas Remembrance committee is sponsored by a number of organizations of the state, including the American Red Cross, American Legion, Military Order of the Purple Heart, American Legion Auxiliary, Women's Overseas League, Army and Navy Service, Inc., Knights of Columbus, Chapters of the American Legion, and other service organizations, 14 in all.
Mayor Points to Deficit in Appropriation

PublicAsked to Contribute to Aid City's Poor

Public Welfare Overseers to Disburse Money

Declaring that a deficit of more than $500,000 in the city appropriation for poor and unemployment relief made it necessary to launch the "Unemployment Relief Fund." Disbursements from the fund are to be made on requisition by the Overseers of Public Welfare. In making such requisitions, the overseers have only one limitation, namely, all payments must be made for relief of unemployment and not for contributions made to the fund is to be used for any other purpose. All requisitions will be checked by the city auditor and properly accounted for by the Public Welfare Department.

Text of Statement

The mayor's statement follows:

"The Unemployment Relief Fund, now being raised by public subscription, Mayor Curley issued a statement yesterday in which he explained that all contributions to the fund "will be disbursed under the sole direction of the Overseers of Public Welfare."

Such disbursement, the Mayor said, will be made "for the single purpose of relieving those members of the community who, because of existing depression, have suffered the loss of regular and steady employment."

Need Anticipated

"The need for supplementing the regular budget appropriations of the Public Welfare Department was recognized at a meeting of department heads with the mayor in the latter part of October. At this meeting the plan of voluntary contributions by city and county employees, to start in November, was adopted. During the month of November these contributions, together with others received from sources outside of City Hall, amounted to over $2,000.

"This amount has been set up on books of the city as a relief fund, known as The Unemployment Relief Fund. Disbursements from the fund are to be made on requisition by the Overseers of Public Welfare. In making such requisitions, the overseers have only one limitation, namely, all payments must be made for relief of unemployment and not for contributions made to the fund is to be used for any other purpose. All requisitions will be checked by the city auditor and properly accounted for by the Public Welfare Department.

Overseers in Charge

The reason for placing the contributions in a special fund, rather than crediting them directly to the regular appropriation of the Welfare Department, is due to the fact that in closing the books at the end of the year, all appropriations are credited to general revenue, and, therefore, lose their individual identity, whereas, all special appropriations are carried forward to the new year, thus retaining their identity. Because of this fact any contributions received during the current year, which are not expended in 1931, will be carried forward on the books of the city for 1932 and be used in that year to relieve the unemployed. In short, all contributions to the Unemployment Relief Fund of the city will be disbursed under the sole direction of the Overseers of Public Welfare for the purpose of relieving the unemployed of the city and their dependents. The necessity for such a fund may be realized from the following facts:

The relief appropriations made by the city in 1931 for the Public Welfare Department totaled $6,350,000. Of this amount, $5,325,000 has already been expended, leaving a balance of $1,025,000 to meet the demands for relief which will be made upon the Public Welfare Department during the month of December. It is probable that these demands will total close to $7,000,000, so that it is clear the city faces a deficit of over a half-million dollars in its appropriation for poor and unemployment relief.

"This deficit will be balanced in part from unexpended departmental balances, which will be available at the close of the fiscal year, but it is evident that outside aid and assistance are necessary if the total deficit is to be absorbed, and the need of less fortunate members of the community relieved."

APPROVES EXTENSION OF AUTO SIGNAL SYSTEM

An item of $16,000 for extension of the automobile signal system from Tremont at to Southampton at on Massachusetts Ave., and from Tremont at to West Newton, Dartmouth and Berkeley sts., was approved yesterday by Mayor Curley.
DEFICIT OF
$575,000
FOR RELIEF

Mayor Calls Upon the Public to Aid Fund

Appealing for voluntary contributions to the city's unemployment relief fund, Mayor Curley last night announced that although he has appropriated $6,350,000 for relief this year, this quota will fall short of the demands from the poor and the jobless by about $75,000.

PUBLIC AID NECESSARY

This deficit will be met partly by the transfer of unexpended balances from the various city departments, but in order that no worthy family might be driven into the streets at the ends during the final weeks of the year, the Mayor pointed out that the public fund was necessary. All contributions, including $42,000 contributed last month by city employees and other groups, are being carried on the books of the city as the 'Unemployment Relief Fund' and they can be depleted only by the Overseers of Public Welfare and for the sole purpose of relieving the jobless, the Mayor explained.

The Mayor said that the contributions were listed as a special fund so that they could be carried over the end of the year without losing their identity, because all regular appropriations at the end of the year are credited to general revenue.

As the city employees have agreed to donate a percentage of their salaries for six months, beginning last month and carrying through the winter, the unemployment relief fund will be maintained as a special fund, so that a running total of its donations and disbursements can be kept open for inspection.

Mayor Explains Fund

In his statement, explaining the details of the fund, the Mayor said last night:

"The Unemployment Relief Fund, now being raised by the city through voluntary contributions by city and county employees, by business houses and firms, and the general public, is to be expended under the direction of the Overseers of Public Welfare for the purpose of relieving the unemployed of the city and their dependents. The necessity for such a fund may be realized from the following facts:

"The relief appropriations made by the city in 1921 for the Public Welfare Department totaled $1,127,000. Of this amount $625,000 has already been expended, leaving a balance of $525,000 to meet the demands for relief which will be made upon the Public Welfare Department during the month of December. In all probability these demands will total close to $700,000, so that it is clear the city is facing a deficit of over a half-million dollars in its appropriations for poor and unemployment relief.

"This deficit will be financed in part from unexpended departmental balances, which will be available at the close of the fiscal year, but it is evident that outside aid and assistance is necessary if the total deficit is to be absorbed and the needs of less fortunate members of the community satisfied.

Voluntary Contributions

"The need for supplementing the regular budget appropriations of the Public Welfare Department was recognized at a meeting of departmental heads with the Mayor in the latter part of October. At this meeting the plan of voluntary contributions by city and county employees to start in November and extend for a period of at least six months was proposed and adopted. During the month of November these contributions, together with others received from sources outside of city hall, amounted to over $42,000.

"This amount has been set up on books of the city as a special fund, known as the 'Unemployment Relief Fund.' Disbursements from the fund are to be made on requisition by the Overseers of Public Welfare, in making such requisitions, the overseers have only one limitation, namely, all payments must be made for relief of unemployment and none of the contributions made to the fund is to be used for any other purpose. All requisitions will be checked by the City Auditor and properly credited to general revenue, and therefore, lose their individual identity, whereas, all special appropriations are credited to general revenue, and therefore, lose their individual identity.

"The reason for placing the contributions in a special fund rather than crediting them direct to the regular appropriation of the welfare department is due to the fact that in closing the books of the city at the end of the year, all regular appropriations are credited to general revenue, and, therefore, lose their individual identity, whereas, all special appropriations are carried forward to the new year, thus retaining their identity. Because of this fact, any contributions received during the current year, which are not expended in December, will be carried forward on the books of the city for 1932, and be used in that year to relieve the unemployment.

"In short, all contributions to the 'Unemployment Relief Fund' of the city will be expended under the sole direction of the Overseers of Public Welfare for the single purpose of relieving those members of the community, who, because of existing depression, have suffered the loss of regular and steady employment."

Curley to Tour U. S. to Boom Roosevelt

Mayor Curley plans to tour the entire United States during the coming winter in behalf of the candidacy of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, who needs for the Democratic nomination for the presidency. The Mayor said yesterday he is giving the matter serious consideration and he will soon decide definitely as to how extensive a tour he will make.

"Even though I am confident that Gov. Roosevelt will receive the Democratic nomination, still I believe that it would be best if I did make such a tour," the Mayor said.

OFFERS OFFICES FOR THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

The Chamber of Commerce yesterday extended to Mayor Curley an offer of a suite of four rooms without charge in the Chamber of Commerce Building to be used by the personnel in charge of the Mayor's emergency unemployment committee.

Mayor Gives Pastor Blackthorn Stick

Carrying with him an Irish blackthorn stick, the head of which resembles a bishop's crook, Rev. Fr. W. M. Partridge, former pastor of St. Anne's Episcopal church, Dorchester, left City Hall yesterday, on the first stage of his missionary tour through the South and West. The symbol was presented to the clergyman, by Mayor Curley when he called at City Hall to bid his friend of many years goodbye.
December 3, 1931

Mrs. Lena Reinhart,  
174 Harvard Street,  
Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. Reinhart:

I have learned of your bereavement in the death of your son Alfred Seymour Reinhart, an undergraduate of Harvard University, and a youth of the highest attainments.

May I pray you will accept the assurance of my sympathy and sorrow.

I have learned that while a student of the Harvard Medical School, your son was stricken by a heart malady, and despite his constant suffering he made a most valued and diligent study in diseases affecting the heart, including his own case, and during days of intense suffering, worked professionally with a fortitude that has brought forth the tribute of those associated with the professional life in which he was so brilliant a student.

The loss of such a youth to the medical profession is irreparable.

The memory, however, of your son as a youth, devoted to the highest professional ideals, and who carried out his mission in life with a singular fortitude, strength of purpose and kindliness of spirit, despite the most exacting burden of daily suffering, should bring to you at all times the most hallowed memories.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Mayor.
MAYOR CURLEY was made a member of Noble's Round Table Club, radio unit, when Christine Finlayson and two other members called on him at City Hall yesterday.

Mayor Curley ordered last night that all the funds be carried forward for expenditure in 1932. Mayor Weeks explained, however, that all the funds would be disbursed under the direction of the welfare department.

Disbursements from the city's special unemployment relief fund will be limited to the unemployed, aside from regular welfare work, Mayor Curley ordered last night.

"The reason for placing the contributions in a special fund rather than crediting them direct to the regular appropriation of the welfare department is due to the fact that in closing the books of the city each year, surpluses are credited to general revenue and lose their identity," the Mayor said.

"Because of that fact contributions not spent in 1931 will be carried forward for expenditure in 1932." Mayor Curley explained, however, that all the funds would be disbursed under the direction of the welfare department.

Contract Awarded
A. G. Tomasello & Sons Co. were yesterday awarded a contract for installation of water pipes at Franklin Park by Mayor Curley. The project will cost $10,981.

Mayor Curley will spend at least two days this week in Washington combining national politics with participation in the annual congress on rivers and waterways.

With Thomas J. A. Johnson and Frank S. Davis of the port authority the mayor will leave for Washington tomorrow morning. The sessions of the congress are to be held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mayor Curley, on his way to California for his Winter vacation, may stop off here and there to make speeches on behalf of the Presidential aspirations of Gov. Roosevelt. Wonder how good a Postmaster General Mr. Curley would make?
The essence of its report is this:

The State should at all times have ready a five-year program of highway and building development.

This program should be financed in normal times by the pay-as-you-go policy.

In abnormal times, such as we have been experiencing, the Governor should proclaim that an emergency exists.

The program should then be advanced. The work planned for two years should be consolidated into one year. The State should issue bonds or short-term notes to finance it.

Thanks to the aggressiveness of Governor Ely that is exactly the plan which has been put into effect in Massachusetts and thanks to the aggressiveness of Mayor Curley that is the plan that has been put into operation in the city of Boston.

The plan is a splendid one. It relieves unemployment. It supplies useful work for American citizens who otherwise would have to rely upon dole. It enables the State to keep its valuable plant in good shape. It enables the taxpayers to get their public work done when the cost of materials is cheap.

If the national government at Washington would have the sense and courage to undertake such a program, in proportion to the vast wealth of the country, our troubles would soon be over and forgotten.
Mayor Tries Again in School Dispute

Another effort was made today by Mayor Curley to settle the longstanding dispute over the construction of a high school in Roxbury or Dorchester for which $320,000 from the legislative appropriation of last year is available.

A week ago the mayor called the City Council into conference and induced them to effect a compromise by passing the bill with the understanding that the appropriation would be split, one-half of it to be applied to a high school on Wilder street, Grove Hall, and the other half to be held for a high school in the Meeting House Hill district. At that time the mayor felt that the compromise plan would be adopted by the school committee. At last Monday's meeting, however, the school committee turned it down.

Today besides the members of the City Council, a majority of the membership of the School Committee as well as Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission and Representatives Sullivan and Levine were present. The School Committee remained adamant for the Wilder street site and the use of the entire appropriation for the building, admitting, however, that eventually a new high school will have to be built in Dorchester and also in West Roxbury.

Mayor Curley argued for the use of the $320,000 on the Wilder street site and announced that he would favor for next year an appropriation for a high school in Dorchester and also in West Roxbury if conditions required them.

The question does not come up today before the City Council but will come up next Monday. The order must be disposed of before Dec. 31 or it will be nullified. So far as the signs went today there is little prospect of favorable action, notwithstanding the appeal which Councilor Ruby made for Wilder street action and an announcement from Representative Sullivan that he had a bill all prepared for submission to the Legislature in behalf of a Dorchester high school.

Santason Keeps Promise To Visit Mayor Curley

Mayor Curley and his younger son George welcome Santason, accompanied by Santa Claus and "Moxo," the famous Jordan Marsh Toyland clown, when they pay a visit to the mayor at City Hall.

Calls at City Hall with Gift for Mayor's Son, Accompanied by Santa Claus and "Moxo," Famous Toyland Clown

Keeping his promise to visit Mayor Curley, who officially welcomed him to Boston last Thanksgiving day, Santason paid a special visit to the mayor yesterday afternoon.

He attracted much attention, being a familiar sight to thousands of children who saw him at the annual Santason Thanksgiving day parade of the Jordan Marsh Company, and to the thousands of kids who have visited Santason and gone through his magical Santason castle.

Accompanying Santason was "Moxo," the famous Toyland clown, supplying considerable comedy to the visit by his numerous capers, and Santa Claus, who has won the hearts of kiddies now for many years.

Mayor Curley and his younger son George welcomed the trio. George was presented with a gift by Santason, which was specially brought from the north pole. The mayor had a brief chat with the group and requested that before Santason and Santa Claus return to their northland home they come and say good-by.

8000 APPLAUD GARDEN CONCERT

Civic Symphony Orchestra Opens Series

Eight thousand persons, described by Mayor Curley as the largest crowd ever to attend a symphony concert in Boston, last night applauded enthusiastically a new venture in music in which the Civic Symphony Orchestra appeared in the Boston Garden.

Reinald Werrenrath, famous baritone, was the guest soloist and was so favorably received that at the end of his final encore number the applause was so pronounced the concert was delayed five minutes.

The first Garden concert having been a successful one, Mayor Curley predicted that 15,000 persons would attend the next Sunday. He said, in a talk to the audience, that the management of the Garden had agreed to give part of the proceeds to a fund for undernourished children.
**Xmas Greetings**

were extended Mayor Curley and his son, George, by Santa Claus, Santason and “Moxo,” famous Toyland clown, at City Hall yesterday. The noted trio, making their appearance daily at the Jordan Marsh Co., are shown with His Honor and George Curley, who was presented special gift by Santason.

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**DIES IN CHAIR AT RUBY DINNER**

Samuel Kasanoff, Ward 14 Democrat, Victim of Heart Disease

COLLAPSES BEFORE ENDING HIS SPEECH

Just before ending his speech at a victory dinner to City Councilman Israel Ruby of Dorchester, at Dorchester Manor, 800 Morton street, last night, Samuel Kasanoff, chairman of the ward 14 Democratic committee, collapsed, and died in his chair. Heart disease was responsible. Dancing which was to have followed was cancelled.

Two physicians, Dr. Seth Arnold of City Hospital and Dr. Harry Korb, who were sitting on either side of Kasanoff, and Dist.-Atty. Foley carried him out of the dining room.

Kasanoff, who lived at 12 Powelton road, Dorchester, conducted a bakery on Blue Hill avenue, and was a member of the committee for last night’s banquet. He leaves a widow, Sarah, and a brother, William.

Those who had spoken before Kasanoff’s death included Joseph McGrath, president of the city council; Chairman Peter Tague of the Boston election comm...
URGES CITY JOB BUREAU BE GIVEN UP
Dowd in Demand as Council Cuts Appropriation

Abolition of the Municipal Free Employment Bureau for its alleged failure to find work for the jobless was demanded yesterday by Councillor John F. Dowd of Roxbury late yesterday when the City Council voted to reduce the bureau's appropriation for the remainder of the year from $10,000 to $5,000.

"NUISANCE AND BURDEN"

He charged that the bureau was nothing but a nuisance and a burden on the taxpayers and that its annual overhead of about $3,000 a year might better be spent in providing for needy families throughout the year.

The bureau created no jobs for the unemployed, but merely filled vacancies at the City Hospital and in the snow-shovelling force, Councillor Dowd protested, claiming that the bureau was being used as a dumping ground by members of the Council who wanted to get the jobless off their shoulders.

Mayor Curley, on the other hand, they only go through the motions of re-assessing and, in fact, would only clot 30% of the estimated annual maintenance of $400,000.

Opposes Curley

Tax Board Drive

Protest against Mayor Curley's drive to abolish the State Board of Tax Appeals is recorded by the Good Government Association in the latest number of its pamphlet, City Affairs, just mailed.

Taking issue with the mayor's charge that the board is "ignorant, impractical and unfit," the G. G. A. opposed his proposal for returning authority over tax appeals back to the courts, complaining that the old system was "so expensive, cumbersome and dilatory as to amount to almost a denial of justice."

"Under the old system," the G. G. A. said, "appeals went to any one of some thirty judges; under the new system it goes to a specialized board. Abolition of the State Board could not equalize assessments and, in fact, would only change the last of the safety valves of an over-taxed city. City Hall's efforts might better be actively directed to lessening the need for appeals rather than attempting to stifle appeals while the growing need for them is unrelieved."

WOULD RE-VALUE CITY PROPERTY

Meanwhile, G. G. A. Advises Owners to Appeal Tax Cases to State Board

Scientific and equitable re-assessment of property throughout Boston is the remedy advanced by the Good Government Association, to meet the demands of taxpayers for relief from city taxes.

Pending the installation of an assessment policy based upon scientific consideration of all factors entering into the determination of valuations, taxpayers, who feel that they are unjustly assessed, are encouraged by the association to develop the practice of appealing for relief to the state board of tax appeals.

A release of the association publication yesterday disclosed that it was deviated entirely to criticism of Mayor Curley's attitude on assessments and refutation of claims which he has advanced in his attacks on the state board.

STATE BOARD PRaised

Instead of an "ignorant, impractical and unfit" body acting contrary to the interests of the city, the state board is described as a very valuable improvement over discarded systems of annual assessments.

Under the new system, the state board is pictured as drastic because of the adverse decisions of the board in important Boston cases. Of the tax situation the statement says:

"In its final analysis the situation presents no ray of hope for the solution of the problem—that promised revaluation. The other fratricidal thrusts merely add to confusion and not to any settlement.

"Recovery, then, must depend upon the sincerity, speed and ability with which city officials give Boston a long-overdue, modern assessment system. If installation is made quickly, fearlessly and scientifically, there is yet hope; if, on the other hand, they only go through the motions of re-assessing and pass the unsolved problem on to the people, the whole affair will be a colossal failure of the present administration."

Questioning the sincerity of Mayor Curley's attention is directed to his alleged confusing of the real situation by a report of conflicting attitudes.

The state board in no way violates home rule, according to the association officials, but it functions in behalf of the people in an intelligent manner and provides a system of appeals far preferable to the old method of awaiting determination by twice
SANTASON, SANTA CLAUS AND MOXO VISIT MAYOR CURLEY AT CITY HALL

Famous Group Attracts Widespread Attention—George Curley Is Presented a Gift by Santason

GEORGE CURLEY RECEIVES GIFT FROM SANTASON

Left to Right—George Curley, Mayor Curley and Santason.

Santason, accompanied by Santa, Claus and "Moxo," the famous Toyland clown, paid a visit to Mayor Curley at the City Hall, yesterday afternoon, thereby keeping a promise made the city's chief executive on Thanksgiving Day. At the annual parade of the Jordan Marsh Company held on that day Santason promised the Mayor he would visit him at his executive sanctum sanctorum.

Hundreds were attracted by the appearance of the famous group at City Hall, for Santason has become a great favorite with the thousands of children who have visited him and have gone through his magical Santason Castle.

The visitors were welcomed by Mayor Curley and his younger son George and the latter was presented a gift by Santason. This was specially brought from the North Pole for the younger Mr Curley. The Mayor had a brief chat with the group and requested that before Santason and Santa Claus return to their Northland home they come and say goodbye. He then presented each an autographed photograph of himself.

George had a great laugh over the antics of "Moxo" and his dog, and the Mayor commented on the size of the clown's feet, saying he had a great understanding. The Mayor also said Santa, himself, had been very good to him.

Construction of a $290,000 high school building for the girls of Dorchester and Roxbury on a city-owned site at Grove Hall was urged yesterday by Mayor Curley in conference with the City Council, the school committee and Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission.

Urges Construction on Site Owned by the City

Chairman Goodwin pointed out that the $290,000 loan order, which was given a first reading a week ago by the City Council, could not be split to provide two new schools as recommended by the Council. Under the law, he said, all the money must go to a single building.

The Mayor publicly made known yesterday that he would never approve the transfer of the money to a site at Bowdoin Street and Geneva Avenue, Dorchester, where he protested "somebody is anxious to unload a ledge on the city." The cost of dynamiting the ledge to make a foundation for the building would be excessive, he said, warning that he would not approve the expenditure of a single cent on the ledge site as long as he remained at City Hall.

Council Must Act Soon, He Says

Unless the Council approves the loan order with a second and final reading before the end of the year, the new building will be lost to both Dorchester and Roxbury, the Mayor warned, explaining that if he were a member of the Council he would vote for it.

Dr. Joseph V. Lyon, William Arthur Holly and Francis C. Gray of the school committee agreed with the Mayor that work should be started without delay on the Grove Hall site, where the city already has the land and architect's plans waiting to provide work for 300 men in the building trades.

Next year an appeal can be made to the Legislature for authority to issue a loan for the construction of a Dorchester high school for girls, it was pointed out by Councillor Israel Ruby, sponsor of the Grove Hall group. Representative Lewitt R. Sullivan of Dorchester, however, declared that he would rather see the Grove Hall loan order die if the money could not be transferred to a Dorchester high school.
Also Seek to Lodge Jobless in Armories

Abolition of the present Boston Board of Overseers of Public Welfare and substitution of a paid commissioner and two paid deputy commissioners is sought in an order passed by the City Council at its regular meeting yesterday on motion of Councillor John F. Dowd.

Three other orders, passed on Dowd motions, seek use of Boston state armories as dormitories for the unemployed, and ask the Finance Commission for its report on garbage disposal contract and for records on city meat-buying from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, this year.

The anti-overseers order instructs the legislation committee of the council to draw up a bill to wipe out the welfare board and put in paid commissioners instead.

Dowd quoted from a finance commission report issued last summer which said some of the overseers rarely attended meetings and that every branch of the welfare department was "open to fraud and dishonesty."

This report received wide publicity right after it was made public.

The Dowd order asking the Finance Commission to furnish the information was "absolutely useless."

The armory order called on Mayor Curley to ask Governor Ely to permit the use of all state armories located in Boston as unemployed dormitories.

The Dowd order asking the Finance Commission to furnish the council any information of its city meat prices for the dates cited calls for names of concerns, amounts of business done with the city and prices quoted to the city for meats.

Dowd said it was hard to get this information from the purchasing department; that he asked for it three weeks ago but had not received it because his request to the Finance Commission.

Mayor James M. Curley and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman conferred with Governor Joseph B. Ely today about maintenance costs of the proposed $5,000,000 addition to Suffolk courthouse, authorized by the last Legislature.

The mayor told the Governor the State should pay 30 per cent of $130,000 yearly. The Governor told the mayor that if the State occupied a part of the building, as at present, it should pay some portion of the costs of maintenance, but he didn't know how much. He said he would ask for figures and study the subject.

Under the legislation passed last year the city is to pay 70 per cent of the cost of constructing the addition and the State the remainder.

Dowd's Motion Reduces $10,000 Order to $3000

The City Council in executive session yesterday on an order calling for $10,000 for the Public Employment Bureau cut it to $3000 and when up for passage was amended on motion of Councillor Dowd to $1000. The Roxbury Councillor said he was surprised by the Budget Commission oversight was cut $7000 from and in Dowd's opinion $3000 was ample for the remainder of the year.

There did not appear to be strong support for the activities of the Employment Bureau, when Councillor Dowd recommended his amendment of the sum. He said he didn't see the need for $10,000 in the coming year.

Councillor Wilson offered an order which passed, calling upon the trustees of the Boston City Hospital to inform the City Council the name of the technician in attendance on David Pendergast of Dorchester during the taking of X-rays on Jan. 6, 1931.

Fireman Reimbursed

According to Mr. Wilson, Pendergast was being X-rayed for hip trouble and when told to get up from the table his head struck overhanging apparatus which, said the Councillor, should have been removed. Pendergast got up one good eye before the accident and since then has been blind.

The Law Department disapproved a claim for damages. Just before the Wilson order, Councillor Bush introduced an order which passed calling for reimbursement of $1750 to a Boston fireman. The latter was driving a truck, struck a person on the highway, and the jury assessed the damages against the fireman.

Councillor Wilson took the view that reimbursement is made to an alleged negligent fireman, that something should be done, even if it be by special legislation for Pendergast.

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Traffic Lights.

But $5000 of an appropriation of $125,000 for traffic lights on Massachusetts from Tremont st to Harvard Bridge was used by the Council yesterday after a recession order for the balance.
Santason Calls on Mayor Curley

Mayor's Son George Receives Christmas Present and Takes Great Delight in the Antics of "Moxo" and His Dog from the Jordan Marsh Company Store

Hundreds of shoppers, as well as city employees, were attracted by the visit which Santason, accompanied by Santa Claus and "Moxo," the Toytown clown, paid to Mayor Curley at City Hall, yesterday afternoon, in keeping a promise made the mayor during the annual Thanksgiving Day parade of the Jordan Marsh Company.

The visitors were welcomed by Mayor Curley and his younger son George and the latter was presented a gift by Santason. This was especially brought from the North Pole for the younger Mr. Curley. The mayor had a brief chat with the group and requested that before Santason and Santa Claus return to their Northland home they come and say goodbye. He then presented each an autographed photograph of himself.

George had a great laugh over the antics of "Moxo" and his dog, and the mayor commented on the size of the clown's feet, saying he had a great understanding. The mayor also said Santason, himself, had been very good to him.

CURLEY STATE GRANGE SPEAKER

Welcomes Delegates and Tells of Steps to Stop Milk War

Speaking in a welcome to the 1200 delegates to the 49th annual session of the Massachusetts State Grange, opening today at the Hotel Bradford, Mayor Curley pledged his support to the farmer and stated that he had already taken steps to put an end to the present price-cutting among milk dealers.

The mayor was introduced by Henry S. Jenks, master of the Massachusetts State Grange. A response to his welcome was delivered by Worthy Overseer Samuel T. Brightman. Further welcome to the delegates was extended by John Cameron, master of the Metropolitan Pomona grange. Mrs. Margaret A. Carre, worthy lecturer, followed Cameron.

The afternoon session of the convention was taken up with reports from the various grange officials. State Master Jenks agreed with the sentiments expressed by Mayor Curley and explained the work being done by a special milk committee under Harvey Turner, president of the Massachusetts Dairymen's Association. Jenks went on to outline the work of the grange during the past year and proposed as a motto for 1932, "organization and a net gain in membership."

The meeting will continue through Thursday.

ELY AND CURLEY TALK COURTHOUSE

A conference for the purpose of discussing the division of the maintenance expense of the new $5,000,000 courthouse for Suffolk county was held with Gov. Ely today by Mayor Curley and Corporation Counsel Silverman.

The mayor said in view of the fact that the supreme court and the land court are to occupy part of the new structure, the state should pay part of the cost, and he believed the division should be 30 per cent. for the state and 70 per cent. for the city. The mayor estimated it would cost $400,000 a year to run the courthouse. The Governor said he did not know what share of the cost the state should pay. The mayor promised to furnish further data.
For Worthy Cause! Reinhard Werrenrath, left, America's foremost baritone, who appeared with the Civic Symphony Orchestra in first of a series of Sunday evening concerts for the aid of Mayor Curley's fund for undernourished children, is shown being greeted by Mayor Curley following last night's performance.

Christmas Joy and Duty
Hoarding Never Restores Prosperity

Governor Ely and Mayor Curley have issued proclamations urging the public to pursue a normal Christmas this year. Christmas has been for 2000 years the time of peace on earth to men of goodwill.

We buy and we give.

We intend, in normal times, to bestow happiness upon our families and upon others.

Hoarding has never restored prosperity.

Many people, with fixed salaries and income, are in a stronger position than ever before, their ability to buy enhanced by the low-price market.

Our job and station in life are dependent upon the buying power of others, just as their jobs and income depend upon what we spend.

So, let us buy this Christmas the things we buy in normal times.
We will be bringing happiness to others in this time of peace on earth.
And we will be making the economic position secure not only of others but of ourselves as well.
Let us begin today for a Merry Christmas for all.

Curley Tells Grange Plan Will Fail
Lays Prize War to Scheme to Grab Business to the Ultimate Injury of Farmer

An attempt by a national milk company to get a monopoly on the milk business in New England was charged today by Mayor Curley.

This, he declared, is the reason for the succession of milk price reductions, which have lowered the price of milk to the 1917 level.

Mayor Curley, addressing the opening session of the 82d annual convention of the Massachusetts State Grange at the Hotel Bradford, stated that such an attempt would be frustrated before it got under way.

"A nationally known dairy products company, through its representative here," the mayor said, "is attempting to obtain a monopoly on the milk business by threatening the milk companies with outside competition if they don't reduce their prices.

BARS COMPANY HERE

"I ordered the Board of Health today not to allow a certain company to sell milk in this city. This company is the opening wedge in the fight to bring the chain stores, which supply a large portion of our citizens with milk, into line with their plan.

"My weapon in stopping this outrageous attempt to force our milk companies out of business is the fact that only milk approved by the Boston Board of Health can be sold here.

"The idea these people have is to allow the people to have a good time for the present with the enforced reduction in price, and then step in, capture the industry, and make their own prices.

OTHERS TRIED, FAILED

"The dairy products company referred to has stated through its local representative that it did not care what the board of health did here. Well, it will find it vastly more difficult to defy the board in the next, if it insists in carrying out the present plan."

The Grange convention will continue for three days, with morning and afternoon sessions.
CURLEY ASKS SPEED ON SCHOOL PROJECT

Council Urged to Facilitate Girl's High Building

Mayor Curley yesterday urged the city council to facilitate the erection of the proposed high school for girls in the Grove Hall district of Dorchester, by passing a loan order of $920,000, and nurturing the hope that another high school will be built within the next two years in the central section of Dorchester.

Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the finance commission concurred with the mayor's opinion, but vigorously set forth that the school committee should provide accommodations for the intermediate school pupils throughout the city before any additional high school better be spent in providing for seventy-five needy families throughout the year.

During the conference, which was attended by Dr. Joseph V. Lyons, W. Arthur Reilly and Francis C. Gray of the school committee, the mayor repeatedly asserted that it will be a long time before any new central girls' high school is built to replace the present site.

City's Employment Bureau Criticized

By vote of the City Council yesterday, the city employment bureau's appropriation for the rest of the year was cut from $10,000 to $3000. Councilor John F. Dowd of Roxbury had charged that the city employment bureau's appropriation for the rest of the year was cut from $35,000, and that a pressing demand exists for a new school for which the Grove Hall site is available.

He agreed with Dr. Lyons that provision should be made to meet the high school needs of Dorchester. A suggestion of Lyons that the school committee immediately move to provide funds for land and plans for a school in the centre of Dorchester was frowned on by Gray, who argued that the incoming committee should be permitted to solve its own problems.

The council will again consider the loan order next Monday and unless there is a shifting of votes, the decision will be favorable to the Grove Hall site.

Difer on Existence of Strike

Labor Man Says It Is On, Transit Head Denies

While representatives of building trades crafts announced yesterday that a strike has been called on the new East Boston tunnel job at East Boston, executives of the Boston Transit Commission declare, that there has been no stoppage of work at the tunnel through a strike.

CLAIMS STRIKE ON

Edwin E. Graves, business agent of the Building Trades Council of Boston and vicinity, declared that more than 1,000 skilled mechanics, composed of engineers, electricians and compressed air workers, went on strike yesterday, and that about the same number, who make up the early night shift, also declared themselves on strike, with the committee prepared to pull out the early morning shift of about the same number of men.

According to labor leaders, every union mechanic responded to the strike call with the exception of the carpenters, who are not affiliated with the trades council, because of the failure of the employers to pay the prevailing rates of wages.

Colonel Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission, declared last evening that there was no stoppage of work at the tunnel through a strike, and, as far as the engineers could ascertain, no strike had taken place. He went on to say that if there was more truth in the strike story than in the one as to the number of men said to have walked out, then it is impossible for the entire working force of skilled mechanics and unskilled laborers to be fewer than the total of skilled workers said to have struck the job.

Colonel Sullivan, when asked if the men who started on the 4 p.m. shift Wednesday were the same men who had worked on that same shift the night before, declared that his engineers did not give him that information, merely stating that the number of men whom work was available had started on time. He pointed out that he did not keep tabs on the personal workers, as between 300 and 700 men are always waiting around the gates to the office for work, and if anybody walked off the job, another man was walking on before the man leaving could get around the nearest corner.

Reports that a detail of 30 policemen had been placed outside the limits of the tunnel job was denied at the East Boston police station. The officer in charge there stated that two men had been sent to the tunnel whose report reached the station house for some difference reported among the workers.
Santason Pays Visit to Mayor at City Hall

Leaving the Santason Castle at Jordan Marsh Company, yesterday, Santason, Santa and Moxo, the clown, paid a visit to Mayor Curley at City Hall. Santason is shown presenting the Mayor's son, George, with a gift.

Keeping his promise to visit Mayor Curley, who officially welcomed him to Boston Thanksgiving Day, Santason paid a special visit to the Mayor yesterday afternoon.

He attracted much attention, being a familiar sight to thousands of children who saw him at the annual Santason Thanksgiving Day parade of the Jordan Marsh Company, and to the thousands of youngsters who have visited Santason and gone through his magical Santason Castle.

Accompanying Santason was "Moxo," the famous Tolland clown, supplying considerable comedy to the visit by his numerous capers, and Santa Claus.

Mayor Curley and his younger son, George, welcomed the trio. George was presented with a gift by Santason which was specially brought from the North Pole. The Mayor had a brief chat with the group and requested that before Santason and Santa Claus return to their northland home they come and say goodbye.

Col. Sullivan Replies to "Walkout" Statement

Differences of opinion exist between the leaders of the Building Trades Council for Boston and vicinity and the executives of the Boston Transit Commission, as to whether there is a strike at the new East Boston vehicular tunnel job at East Boston.

Edwin E. Graves, general agent for the unions, said that more than 100 skilled mechanics made up of engineers, electricians and compressed air workers walked out yesterday morning and that the same number making up the early night shift also declared themselves on strike, with the committee prepared to pull out the early morning shift of about the same number.

It was said by the labor leaders that every union mechanic except members of the carpenters' union responded to the strike order which was made necessary by the failure of the contractors to pay the prevailing wages.

On the other hand, Col. Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission, last evening said there was no stoppage of work at the tunnel through a strike, and as far as his engineers could learn, no strike had taken place. He further said that if there was no more truth in the strike story than there was in the number of men who "walked out," then it was untrue, as the entire working force of skilled mechanics and unskilled laborers were fewer than the total of skilled workers announced.

Whereas union leaders said that a special strike detail of 30 policemen had been placed on duty in the vicinity of the tunnel job, it was said at the East Boston police station that only two extra men had been sent to the tunnel after a report that differences existed among the workers over wages.

When asked if the men who started to work at 4 p.m. yesterday were the same men who had worked the same shift the night before, Col. Sullivan said his engineers did not give him that information as all they said was that the number of men, for whom work was available, had started on time.

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Curley Tells Grange Milk Was Cut to Five Cents by Fear of N. Y. Competition

Charging that the National Dairy Products Company has forced down the price of milk of the producing New England milk producers with New York milk at a still lower price, Mayor Curley told 1000 members of the Massachusetts State Grange that he has ordered the city's health department to exclude New York milk from the market here.

The mayor's remarks were challenged this afternoon by Joseph Willmann, a director of the Whiting Milk Companies, who declared that the New England Milk Producers Association had already lowered the price of milk, elsewhere in the State, and that any question as to why the reduction had been made should be directed to that organization. He stated also that no financial connection whatever exists between the Whiting Company and the National Dairy Products Company.

"The National Dairy Products Company," said the mayor, addressing the opening sessions of the Grange's fifty-ninth annual convention at the Hotel Bradford, "a new institution, wants supremacy in the industry. They're giving us milk at less than the cost of production in order to drive somebody out. And when that has happened, we'll pay the penalty permanently."

Mayor Curley said that the reduction to five cents a quart made Saturday by the New England Milk Producers' Association was the result of notification by the Whiting company that it would sell milk from the Sheffield Farms Company of New York at a price under five cents, unless the locals would lower their price to that figure.

He referred to the city's board of health that we will not allow the Sheffield creameries' milk to come into Boston and be sold," he said. "Milk sold here will be only from dairies subject to Boston inspection.

The mayor praised the chain stores here as "selling pure, New England-produced milk," and said that if they are "driven out," the consequences would be bad for Boston.

Mr. Willmann's Statement

Mr. Willmann's statement was as follows:

"The New England Milk Producers Association, established a price of 6 cents a quart in Springfield, two weeks ago, Boston simply followed Springfield. The party to tell why the price was cut in Springfield is the New England Milk Producers Association—the farmers themselves."

"If Mayor Curley wishes to make statements that we are not concerned with the Board of Health, if he happens to refer to me, then I want to say that the rules and regulations enforced by the United States have been principally the result of my own personal work in sanitary treatment of the product."

"According to a Supreme Court decision in this State, is milk, and is being shipped in various States. If the board wishes good business for New England farmers, then . . ."

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CURLEY FORBIDS SALE OF UNINSPECTED MILK
Mayor Tells Delegates of Grange
New York Interests Are Behind Present Price War Slashing

An embargo against Western milk and cream, to be enforced by health edict, is the answer that the Massachusetts Grange would invoke in the crisis created for the dairy industry here by the lowest milk price in 20 years.

Complaining of a mounting flood of Western cream from uninspected sources on the Boston market and of threats to bring in outside milk to enforce price cuts on local farmers, the Grange with its 47,000 rural members will ask State legislation to require inspection by local authorities of all milk for Bay State markets.

The plan recommended by the State health department would automatically eliminate the 5,400,000 quarts of cream a year which the Grangers' committee has estimated would go into the Boston market if the local farmers are unable to sell milk for anything. In the report states that much of the cream before it reaches the consumer is of such inferior quality that it is almost impossible to sell milk, butter and cheese.

Blame Western Imports

For this rapidly increasing volume of Western cream, together with the mounting stream of Northern New England milk, the Bay State dairymen blame reduction both in demand and in price for Bay State milk in the Boston market.

The study of the local dairy problem presented to the Grange at the opening session of its state convention in the Bradford Hotel yesterday shows that both the volume of Massachusetts milk and the price paid for it have been cut in halves since 1921, while Vermont milk for the Boston market has doubled in volume and Western cream has come up 1 percent to 20 percent of the entire supply.

For failure of the Vermont creameries to cooperate with the New England Milk Producers' Association in a central marketing agency and failure of State and local authorities in regulating importation of distant cream, the Grange committee blames the fact that milk prices have fallen since last week to the lowest level since 1911.

Curley Tells of Action

Actual returns to the farmer in some cases are as little as 2 cents a quart, their committee reports, while dealers still maintain a fair price for their milk and the customer's price.

The 1,000 Grange delegates heard another explanation yesterday, when Mayor Curley, addressing them, declared that the last cut in the milk price had been forced on the local dairymen by a dealer's threat to bring in New York milk. Curley declared that the plan was deliberate plan of a national distributing corporation to force the chain store out of the milk business and to control the New England milk situation.

Curley, greeted with tremendous applause by the rural delegates, as he announced that he would bring an embargo in the City Health Department, said, to keep out all milk not subject to local inspection. The city health inspectors have confined their inspecting to the New England milk shippers.

"We in Boston would like to get milk for nothing," Curley said. "We are getting it for nothing as far as the farmer is concerned, and it looks as if we would get a premium with it. There are forces seeking to get supreme control of the milk situation in this territory who will give us milk below cost to drive somebody out. Then we would pay through the nose, permanently. But we aren't going to do it. I don't propose that the chain stores shall be driven out of the milk business in Boston."

"As I instructed the Health Department that we shall not allow milk from outside New England to be sold here."

Promises to Support Grange

"We are not going to have any milk sold here that is not subject to the inspection of the city. We are with you in this fight for a fair price for your milk and for our own. The New England Milk Producers' Association was told Saturday evening by a representative of a great national distributing corporation that the milk price would be five cents to the farmer for milk delivered in Boston or else that his system would bring in milk from New York. But they won't bring it here without a fight."

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The first Western shipments of cream came only in 1925 and were then only 1 percent of the Boston milk supply; the report states, but the Western imports have doubled each year.

Exempt Cream for Manufacture

The legislation recommended would protect the farmer for all. Outside the State to meet the same inspection as the local product, except for cream to be used for manufacturing purposes. This exemption is understood to include cream for making ice cream, candy and butter and cheese.
Mayor Acts Against Flow From Beyond New England

Drastic action by Mayor Curley last night, in a special order to Dr. Francis X. Mahoney, city health commissioner, killed all chance of a flood of milk from outside New England being poured into Boston by the trainload as the next step in the milk war which has lowered retail prices radically this month.

Prices to the consumers will probably remain at their present level of 10 cents delivered, and eight cents over the counters of the chain stores, for the next few days, according to Harry L. Piper, spokesman for the New England Milk Producers' Association. The next important move, in his belief, will come from the chain store organizations.

NOTICE TO DEALERS

In his order, the Mayor directed Dr. Mahoney to issue the following notice to all dealers licensed to sell milk in Boston:

"The Boston Health Commissioner forbids any dealer to bring into Boston for purposes of sale any milk not the product of dairies now inspected and approved by the Boston Health Department, as required by the rules and regulations of the Health Commissioner of Boston. Violation of this rule or regulation will result in immediate revocation of license to sell milk in Boston."

Earlier in the day, addressing nearly 120 members of the State Grange, starting their 59th annual convention, in the ballroom of the Hotel Bradford, Mayor Curley charged that fear of price-cutting New York competition started the Boston milk war, and he declared that an outside organization was trying to force its way into control of this milk market.

Two Kinds of Competition

His order to the health commissioner, who has the power to issue milk licenses in an emergency, or to revoke licenses for violation, followed his address to the Grange.

In commenting upon the city's action, Piper said this was acceptable to his association and that there would be no further change in the retail price of milk in Boston for the next few days.

"There are two kinds of competition here," he said. "There is the competition between the New England Milk Producers' Association and the Vermont Co-operative Creameries, both of which are already in the Boston market, and there is the competition of the New York milk producers who want to get in."

Offer Recommendations

He pointed with satisfaction to the fact that the fear of cheap outside milk coming into the Boston market is now removed. What action the scheduled meeting today of Vermont co-operatives is expected to take was not revealed.

At the meeting of the Grangers, Harvey Turner of Andover, chairman of the special dairy committee of the Massachusetts State Grange, offered these recommendations for generally clarifying the milk situation, and they were accepted. They are:

That the State Grange urge the adoption of a uniform system of dairy inspection.

That the Grange use its influence toward continuation of the bovine tuberculosis eradication work.

FIREMEN AID UNEMPLOYED

Give $5000 From Their Pay Toward Relief

Boston's firemen yesterday took $5000 out of their pay envelopes as a voluntary contribution toward the relief of the city's jobless during the winter, and announced that they would make similar donations for January, February, March and April.

The big bag of cash was carried to City Hall by Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin, who turned it in to the city collecting department for distribution among the unemployed by the city overseers of public welfare.

EXPECTS AGREEMENT ON COURTHOUSE COST

Mayor Curley and Corporation Counsel Silverman called on Governor Ely yesterday in an effort to persuade the Governor to agree to an apportionment of the cost of maintenance of the proposed new Suffolk County Court House on a basis under which the City of Boston would pay 70 per cent and the State 30 per cent.

The estimated annual maintenance cost, according to the Mayor, will be $600,000.

After a 15-minute discussion of the matter, the Mayor expressed the opinion that the Governor would agree to the apportionment, and that the data to substantiate his claim as to the relative use of the court house by the State and county courts will be sent forward within a day or two.

Governor Ely said at the conclusion of the meeting that he had reached no decision as to just what proportion the State should pay.

Firemen’s 1st Month’s Aid to Jobless, $5000

The fire department's first month's contribution of $5000, in response to Mayor Curley's unemployed appeal, was deposited with the city collector yesterday by the fire commissioner.
Mayor Finds Girl for Western Romeo
Who Seeks Home by Ocean, and Wife

Yearning for a home on the shores of the tossing Atlantic and a woman who can "play the piano a little bit," a retired attorney in the middle West, Mayor Curley of Boston, has written the office of the for help—and received it.

This was revealed by Mayor Curley yesterday in an address to the Florence Crittenton League of Compassion in the home of Mrs. Wilmot R. Evans, 28 Chestnut street.

The mayor said an unemployed Boston stenographer, about 35, with the blue eyes, dark hair and pleasing personality which the lonesome westerner desired as essential, and who can do "a little bit" with the piano keys, has written him, "Bring on your western Romeo."

Shortly after receiving the letter from the westerner, the stenographer applied to Mayor Curley for a position. The mayor noted that she fitted the westerner's specifications, cleared up the matter of the piano playing, and told of the man who desired to live by the sea as his parents had done and to meet a woman like his first wife.

She departed after a decision to consider the matter. Recently she wrote that she is still unable to find work and wishes to meet the retired attorney. Mayor Curley is awaiting the arrival of the westerner in Boston.

CURLEY TO CONFER WITH PARTY CHIEFS

Goes to Capital in Interest of Roosevelt Candidacy

A desire to gain first-hand information of the national political situation inspired Mayor Curley's trip to Washington, where he plans to remain until Friday night.

He left last night with Miss Mary Curley, Thomas J. A. Johnson of the port authority, and a secretary, John A. Sullivan. Essentially his mission is to attend the closing sessions of the rivers and waterways Congress today, but the chance to discuss the status of the presidential candidacy of Gov. Roosevelt with Democrats from all parts of the country is the magnet which drew the mayor to the capital.

He is seriously considering a speaking tour in behalf of Roosevelt, to which he may devote a month shortly after New Years. His decision will probably be guided by the information he gathers during conferences with Democratic members of Congress with whom he has maintained friendship formed during his service with them.

The Roosevelt drive is scheduled to be launched in January and the mayor will be one of the conspicuous participants. He has indicated a willingness to forego his customary winter vacation in Florida to do pre-primary speaking for the Governor and unless conditions arise which force a change in his tentative plans, he may cross the continent, stopping briefly en route to preach the Roosevelt gospel in the principal American cities.

In explanation of the abandonment by the committee of 1000 Democratic and Progressive women of New York, of the dinner in that city, Dec. 21, at which Mayor Curley is to be one of the principal speakers, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Edwards, chairman, informed him yesterday that a new date will be set for the latter part of January.

FIRE DEPT. MEMBERS GIVE $5000 FOR RELIEF

Contributions of Like Sum Will Be Made Monthly

The men of the Boston fire department yesterday contributed $5000 to the welfare department fund for the relief of the unemployed and the Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin told Mayor Curley that like monthly contributions will be continued for a period of at least six months.

The generosity of the men have voluntarily pledged a percentage of their weekly salaries to the unemployment fund, promises to establish a record among city departments.

The officers and privates of the department have assured Commissioner McLaughlin that they will make possible a monthly contribution of at least $5000.

The policemen have already made known their intention to contribute $2000 in a lump sum from the treasury of the relief association.

CURLEY TO SUBMIT COURTHOUSE DATA

Thinks State Should Bear 30 Per Cent. of the Cost of Maintenance

Mayor Curley agreed to submit to Gov. Ely all available data on the maintenance costs that will be required for the operation of the proposed $5,000,000 Suffolk county courthouse so that an equitable agreement may be reached between the city and the state in supporting the building in the event it is constructed.

The mayor believes the cost should be apportioned so that 70 per cent. would be borne by the state and 30 per cent. by the city because of the facilities that will be offered for the supreme court and the courthouse which would occupy quarters in it.

Under the terms of the act authorizing the erection of the building the cost of construction will be apportioned on the same 70-30 basis but it has not yet been ascertained by the Boston city council and Mayor Curley indicated yesterday that it will not be accepted unless it is set on assurances that the state will have a share of the maintenance.

The mayor and the Governor discuss the costs at an extended conference also attended by Mr. Curley's advisors, Samuel Silverman. There seemed to be some misunderstanding between the participants at its conclusion because the mayor said the Governor had agreed that the apportionment of maintenance would be equitable, while the Governor subsequently said that he was not prepared to estimate what share the state should assume.

Firemen Give $5000 for the Unemployed

On behalf of the members of the Boston fire department, Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin deposited with the city collector yesterday $5000 to be expended by the overseers of Public Welfare for the relief of the unemployed and needy.

This deposit is the first month's contribution in response to Mayor Curley's appeal, and represents, in the words of the commissioner, "personal and individual sacrifice on the part of the employees.

"Every cent is a voluntary contribution out of the private earnings of each contributor and represents on his part a sacrifice of some luxury he might enjoy, or necessity which he feels he can forego to bring relief to his less fortunate fellow-citizens during this period of depression and unemployment. Contributions will continue for six months.

"Commissioner McLaughlin acknowledged the contribution of the members of the department, amounting to $247.10, to the 1931 appeal of the Salvation Army. The Boston Fire Department has always responded promptly and generously to any worthy appeal, and it is a happy privilege to be at the head of a department whose employees so readily sense the worthlessness of a cause, and just as willingly contribute to it," the commissioner added in the general appeal.
MAYOR ASSAILS
FIVE-CENT MILK
Tells State Grange Certain
Interests Are Seeking
Monopoly
WARNING ISSUED
TO BOSTON DEALERS

With Mayor Curley and the Massachusetts State Grange presenting a united front against the five-cent per quart milk price established by the National Dairy Products Company, the bitter controversy provided a major issue yesterday for the 1000 grange delegates assembled in the Hotel Bradford for a three-day session.

Following charges by Mayor Curley that certain interests desirous of obtaining a monopoly of the milk market were trying to drive New England farmers out of business, the health department, at the mayor's suggestion, issued warning that Boston dealers' licenses would be revoked if they distributed milk from sources not approved and inspected by the department.

On the basis of figures prepared by Massachusetts State College, in Amherst, Sumner H. Parker, who is attending the grange session and is a member of the staff of the college, told The Herald that the average cost to the farmer of producing a quart of milk in Massachusetts, exclusive of handling costs, was $.0617 per quart.

At the grange session last night reports were submitted by the committee on home economics and by the trustees of the educational aid fund. There were also memorial exercises and entertainment by Metropolitan Pomona Grange.

With the milk price lower than at any time since 1917, the 1000 delegates at the session, representing some 30,000 Massachusetts agriculturalists, have found the action the critical issue of veterans, confined to hospitals.

Several thousand of such cases have been given emergency assistance by this committee while they were in a pitiful state of distress. The people of Massachusetts have always been most generous to those people attempting to obtain control of the milk situation, Mayor Curley said, "It is quite apparent that the price established by those people attempting to obtain control of the milk situation will result in requiring the farmers of New England to sell their milk at such a low price as to drive them out of business and require them to dispose of their cattle.

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Mayor Curley urges Xmas
GIFTS FOR VETERANS

Mayor Curley yesterday approved the 11th annual drive of the disabled veterans Christmas remembrance committee to provide a Christmas stocking for 5400 veterans confined in hospitals in Massachusetts as well as in hospitals in other parts of the country. He said:

In addition to providing Christmas stockings, the committee carries on a year round program of welfare work among needy veterans, as well as the dependents of veterans, confined to hospitals.

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The reduction here followed a similar reduction in Springfield last week.

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L. to r., Mayor Curley, Mary Curley, Thomas J. A. Johnson and Katherine Donnelly.
DENIES LAW BROKEN ON NEW TUNNEL JOB

Col Sullivan Says Six Doctors Employed

As a result of statements made yesterday by a union representative that the law is being violated in the construction of the East Boston vehicular tunnel and that union men have been on strike since Monday, Col Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission last night invited Boston newspapers to send representa-
tives to the East Boston job to check up on the statements.

Edwin E. Graves of the Building Trades Council declared that a law of this State requiring physicians to be on hand to examine men before they enter the lock to "go under air" Is being violated at the tunnel.

"Strike "Unknown"

Col Sullivan and the contractor den-
ied the law is being violated and said they know of no men being on strike. Mr. Graves had announced that union men struck Monday and that additional non-union compressed air workers quit yesterday. He said six compressed air workers have been seated at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary for what is known as "block" ailments and have been told not to go to work until advised by hospital physicians.

"Before entering and leaving the blocks to go under air pressure, physicians are required to examine the men to determine whether the passage from the ear to the nose is clear in order that the head may act as a sort of vacuum under the air com-
pression," Mr. Graves said. "After the men have 'worked under air' for several periods they are pretty well able to take care of themselves and only the physically fit are allowed by the physicians to perform this work. Physicians are required on the job all the time that this work is necessary."

Col Sullivan declared the charge untrue and said there was nothing to "cover up" on the tunnel work.

Denies Charge

"I'm not so much concerned with statements between agent Graves and the contractor on the tunnel job about this alleged strike," he said, "and don't want to get into a dispute over a strike situation, but I am deeply con-
cerned regarding the untruthful state-
ment, with regard to the law not being lived up to relative to physicians, as that is the commission's concern and that is the commission's responsibility in any contract under which the tunnel is being built."

"First of all, I wrote and helped to bring about the adopting of the par-
ticular law on the statutes of this State and my first aim is to see that it is not violated. There are at least six physicians on the $14,000,000 project of the tunnel, and they are present at each shift to examine the men before and after they leave the locks. This is a matter of record. In fact, there haven't been more than four men required to leave the job since it began."

"The Silas Mason Company, general contractors on the job, recently com-
pleted a $24,000,000 contract project, and a $18,000,000 project now under way in the city, and have paid this business for more than 125 years."

MAYOR EXPLAINS HIS BAN ORDER ON MILK NOT INSPECTED LOCALLY

Fear that the present price war among milk dealers may result in

milk delivered has caused great apprehen-
sion on the part of the Mayor of Boston that the con-
sumers in Boston will be supplied an inferior quality of milk, due to the fact that all in all probability such milk will be procured out-
side of New England and will be un-
inspected by the health officials of the city.

"If such milk is delivered to the families in Boston he expressed the fear that untold harm and injury may result, with the possi-
bility of an epidemic. The Mayor also feels that the entire situation was prompted on the part of cer-
tain interests to create a monopoly in the milk market, with the con-
sequent result that while at the present time the price of milk may appear cheap, eventually the peo-
ple of Boston will be compelled to pay more for the same or to live with the creation of such a monopoly.

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land to sell their milk at such a low price as to drive them out of business and require them to dis-
pose of their cattle."

WOMEN COULD AID, SAYS TAGUE

Points Out to Club Members How to Help Build Port

That the members of the State Fed-
eration of Women's Clubs could do much toward bringing back to the port of Boston the commerce which once made the city a center. "The Good Ship Success at the Port of Boston," Mrs. Frederic E. Judd pre-
11, Cot, president of the host club, the Ec-Club of New Hampshire, brought greetings to the assembly.

At the opening session, the work of the division of co-operation with war veterans, Mrs. Walter H. Woods, chair-
man, was featured, and there was a Christmas sale of artwork made by dis-
abled veterans.

Round-table discussion featured the luncheon at 12:30. A talk by Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole, candidate for president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, was a highlight to her honorary membership in New Hampshire's Daughters.

One of the features of the day was a talk by Mrs. Edward MacDowell of Peterboro, N. H., on the Peterboro Col-
one. Mrs. MacDowell also gave a plant recital, which was received with delight by her audience.
Curley Gives
Congressmen
Harbor Plans

Urges Improvements at Luncheon Tendered by Senator Walsh

By Oliver McKee, Jr.

Special to the Transcript:

Washington, Dec. 10—Mayor James M. Curley this afternoon asked the Massachusetts delegation in Congress for its support in an improvement program for Boston Harbor. Speaking at a luncheon given in his honor at the Capitol by Senator David I. Walsh, the other guests being members of the Bay State delegation, Mayor Curley outlined the program approved by the Boston Port Authority.

Federal aid is necessary for the following projects, Mayor Curley said, quoting from a letter from the Boston Port Authority:

1.—Removal of the lower middle ground shoal adjacent to the main ship channel between Governor's Island and the President Roads. The object in this removal is to enlarge the present anchorage area in the inner harbor and remove a menace to navigation.

2.—Removal of the ledge off the end of the Army Base and also removal of certain obstructions at that point. Also, we recommend that, as there now exists in some places alongside the Army Base piers, a depth of only twenty-six feet at mean low water, this depth be increased to thirty-five to forty feet mean low water. The Army Base piers are the largest in Boston and have great possibilities for the accommodation of deep draft freighters and large passenger vessels.

3.—Widen and deepen Weymouth-Fore River from Hingham Bay to Weymouth-Fore River bridge. The recommendations which are included in our program are ones whose importance to the port is very great, and the passage by the River and Harbor Committee in Congress is very much to be desired.
Curley Urges $4,000,000 for Boston Harbor Development

Mayor Discusses Program with State Congressional Delegation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10—Four million dollar development program for Boston harbor was presented by Mayor James M. Curley to the Massachusetts congressional delegation at a luncheon at the capital at which the mayor was the guest of honor, Senator Walsh the host, and attended by the entire delegation from Senate and House. Details of the harbor development plan were contained in a report prepared by the Boston port authorities, addressed to Mayor Curley. The specified harbor improvements recommended were removal of the low-middle ground shoal adjacent to the main ship channel between Governors Island and President roads for the purpose of enlarging the anchorage area at that point; removal of the ledge off the end of the armory base and dredging between the army base and the main ship channel to give a depth of 40 feet at low water; the widening and deepening of the Weymouth Funchaser from Plymouth bay to the Fore river bridge; deepening the main channel from President roads to a point in the upper harbor above Commonwealth pier to a depth of 40 feet. The present depth is 35 feet.

The report to Mayor Curley contained specific estimate of the total costs involved in these undertakings, but the mayor said that his own estimate was about $4,600,000. Senator Walsh wants an appropriation from the federal government or this purpose at the rate of a million dollars a year.

The luncheon conference today was for the purpose of enlisting the support of the Bay state members of Congress for this project.

CURLEY AT CAPITAL;
SEEKS HARBOR FUND

Asks $1,000,000 for Port of Boston and for Jobless—Success Doubtful

[From Herald Washington Bureau]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, accompanied by his social secretary, Thomas L. Johnson, his daughter, Mary Curley, and his private secretary, arrived here today to attend the sessions of waterways congress and to confer with the members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House. He was at the Capitol this afternoon and posed for photographers. Tomorrow he will attend a luncheon party to which all the members of the Bay State delegation have been invited. Senator Walsh will be host.

The mayor is seeking congressional appropriation of $1,000,000 for the improvement and development of Boston harbor as one of the finest in the world and to aid the unemployed.

He will solicit the support of the Bay State delegation for this project. He has been advised, however, that there is not the slightest possibility of getting such a bill through Congress at this session unless there is a general rivers and harbors bill, of which there is no present prospect. Even then, the proposal would have slim chance of running the congressional gauntlet.

RETAIL BOARD PLANS AID TO RELIEF DRIVE

Chamber Gives Office to Curley Committee

Boston retail stores in the membership of the Retail Trade Board of the Boston Chamber of Commerce are working on a plan to obtain voluntary contributions to the Boston unemployment relief fund.


It is expected that other stores in the city will support this project so that the total contributions from the retail interests will augment the sum to be raised by the Retail Trade Board.

At the same time Pres. Frederic S. Spuyr or the chamber announces that the trustees of the Boston Chamber of Commerce Realty Trust had agreed to furnish free of charge quarters for Mayor Curley's executive committee on unemployment and relief. William Taylor, chairman of the committee, thanked the Boston Chamber of Commerce for its cooperation, announcing that no relief will be dispensed from the quarters. Relief work will be done from the regular city relief agency headquarters.
Leo Curley, 16, son of Mayor Curley, was named by Back Bay police last night as the operator of the automobile which struck Miss Sally Bean, 48 of 130 Byers Street, Springfield, early Saturday morning, inflicting injuries which caused her death last night in the Boston City Hospital.

As usual in such cases, the facts of the case will be presented to the court this morning by the police to see whether a warrant should be issued on a technical charge of manslaughter.

The accident occurred at 1:45 Saturday morning on Huntington Avenue near the corner of Forsyth Street, Back Bay. According to the police report the young man was operating his own automobile when the woman stepped out from the curb and was struck before the driver could stop.

She was removed to the Boston City Hospital in a passing automobile and was found to be suffering from multiple contusions of the right side and fractured ribs of the right side.

Patrolman William Lindahl of the Back Bay Station took a report of the accident from young Curley. It was thought that, at first, at the hospital, where the woman was in the care of the urgent surgical service, that her condition improved the day following the accident. It later was discovered that she had sustained serious internal injuries because of the fractured ribs.

News Made Public

Her condition took a turn for the worse and she died at 2:38 last night.

The report of the accident was then forwarded by the Back Bay police to police headquarters where the news of the accident was made public for the first time.

The next morning in Roxbury Court, Patrolman Lindahl, with Deputy Officers Gilbert Noyes and John McGuire, will go before one of the judges of the court to place the facts of the case before him.

It was understood in police circles last night that the young man recently received the machine as a birthday gift. He is a student at the Boston Latin School and was a member of the football squad at the school during the season just past.

At Moderate Speed

Mayor Curley was in Washington last night. It was learned last night that the police investigation of the case disclosed that the youth was driving home from a social function when he struck the woman. He was driving at a moderate rate of speed and it is police opinion that the accident could not have been avoided. It is believed that the woman was watching for a street car and stepped off the curb into the path of the youth's car.

The woman's body was turned over to Medical Examiner Charles Leary last night as is a matter of form in such cases.

Referring to a property on Hanover Street, the sale of which was reported in the Transcript of yesterday, the Boston Real Estate Exchange has issued a reply to Mayor Curley's attack on the exchange. The property spoken of is a part of the Marriot restaurant at 17-21 Hanover Street. It was this holding which Mayor Curley cited in making sensational charges that an "abatement racket" exists in the city of Boston. The Tax Appeal Board reduced from $125,000 to $45,000 the assessment on this property, and the city statements of the appeal to the Supreme Judicial Court, only to withdraw the action suddenly.

"On Nov. 20 notice was filed with the board of abatements of the appeal on the part of the city of Boston," the statement says in part. Papers have just been recorded in the sale of the property and the price was $29,000.

Meantime the Suffolk Probate Court has approved a sale for $12,000 of a half interest in the property, which was held by an estate in process of administration. Besides this, the Massachusetts Legacy Tax Department has also fixed a valuation for taxation of the same half-interest at $22,500.

"In other words, here we have a property owner assessed on a valuation of $125,000. He asks for an abatement of taxes and is forced by the city either to accept a valuation of $106,300 or go to the expense of an appeal to the board of tax appeals, even though two of the Board of Assessors who had fixed that valuation later testified under oath that the property was not worth more than $90,000.

The board of tax appeals fixed a valuation of $46,000; the Board of Assessors allows a sale by an estate of a half interest for $12,000; and even the Massachusetts Legacy Tax Department, which naturally takes as full a valuation as it can consistently maintain for tax purposes, is satisfied with a tax on a valuation of $22,500 for the same half-interest.

"Unreasonable attacks on real estate owners for asking perfectly proper abatements of excessive taxation and on the Board of Tax Appeals for granting reasonable abatements cannot hide the fact that Boston real estate is greatly overvalued for tax purposes. While the case above cited is undoubtedly an extreme one, inflated assessments exist in our opinion, in most of downtown Boston and in some other parts of the city."
TAX APPEAL BOARD ACTS DEFENDED

Real Estate Exchange Says Assessments Too High

Defending the State Board of Tax Appeals against attacks by Mayor Curley, the Boston Real Estate Exchange last night made public a statement covering the facts in connection with the tax assessment of the building at 17-21 Hanover street property, formerly leased to the Martin's Restaurant, and asked: "Who are the racketeers?"

SOLD FOR $26,000

Mayor Curley had charged that an "abatement racket" existed and cited the Hanover street property as an example of alleged collusion between owners of real estate, their attorneys, and the board of tax appeals. The board of tax appeals reduced the assessment to $45,000, Mayor Curley launched his attack and asked for removal of the board. Subsequently the mayor sought to bring action in the Supreme Court to override the board's decision. While this matter was being discussed, the property was sold and it brought only $26,000. Further, the Real Estate Exchange says, the Suffolk County Probate Court approved a sale of a half interest in the property, which was held by an estate in process of administration, for $2,200, and the legacy tax division of the state tax department fixed a valuation for taxation purposes for a half interest at $25,000.

"Unreasonable assessments on real estate owners," says the statement, "for asking reasonable abatements of excessive taxation and on the facts of the case, the board of tax appeals for granting reasonable abatements, cannot hide the fact that Boston real estate is greatly over-valued for tax purposes. While the case above cited is undoubtedly an extreme one, inflated assessments exist, in our opinion, in most of down-town Boston and in some other parts of the city.

Condition Not Healthy

"This condition is unhealthy. It means that Boston is collecting an improperly large income from real estate taxes. It means further that the debt limit of the city is higher than it ought to be, and that the ratio of outstanding indebtedness to the assessed values gives a false impression of the security afforded to the purchasers of Boston's bonds and notes. Inflated assessments were to a great extent the cause of the financial difficulties both of Chicago and Fall River, and we believe, as well as in many other manufacturing cities throughout the State, where assessments are far out of line with fair cash values as they are in Boston. The last thing the members of the Boston Real Estate Exchange want is to injure their own business by distorting real estate values in Boston as an investment; assessment, however, coupled with reckless spending by the present city government, has reached such a point that not only the best interests of owners of real estate, but that of every citizen of Boston, demands the fullest publicity for facts such as those disclosed by the case above cited. Only by publicity can the voters of Boston be made to realize the seriousness of the situation and can a public opinion be aroused that will force our city government to cease its extravagance."

START WORK ON BOSTON'S RELIEF FUND

Emergency Committee to Fix Drive Goal Today

Boston's emergency committee on unemployment, appointed by Mayor Curley to raise a community fund for the relief of the jobless, opened for business yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce building, where plans will be formulated this afternoon to collect contributions.

FIX TOTAL TODAY

At a meeting of the executive committee held last night at the new headquarters by Chairman William H. Taylor, it was voted that all the money raised shall be expended only for the relief of unemployment and that it will be distributed only through the municipal public welfare department at the charity administration building, at Hanover street, West End.

All matters concerning the technique of fund-raising were referred to the sub-committee on finance, which will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Room 96, Chamber of Commerce building. This committee will also determine the quota which will be raised in Boston, no goal having yet been decided upon in the first week of the Boston committee's existence.

In appreciation of a suite of four offices, with furnishings, provided without rental or other charge, the executive committee last night adopted resolutions thanking the Chamber of Commerce, the American Telco officers, the Bell Telephone Company, the Remington Rand Business Service, the Atlantic Telephone Company, the Sampson and Murdock company, which started the Boston committee off on its relief work without the necessity of paying office expenses.

The executive committee comprises Chairman William H. Taylor, Vice-Chairman Louis E. Kirkepich and P. O'Connell, and Roy H. Cushman, former Governor Alvan C. Tyler, Dr. William H. Griffin, Henry L. Harriman, Mrs. Jones, Judge Frank Leveroni, Lieutenant-General Edward L. Logan, James T. Morarity, the Rev. Thomas Reynolds, Dr. John M. Soleyman, President Frederick S. Payson, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Philip Stockton, Mrs. E. White, Mrs. L. White, Mrs. Villari, Dana Woodbury, and Charles W. Hurley.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE RAPS MAYOR CURLEY

Mayor Curley and city officials were flayed yesterday by the Boston Real Estate Exchange in connection with the Hanover street case.

The attack was inspired by the recent sale of the property at 17-21 Hanover st. for $26,000. The tax appeal board has been criticized as "rackets" by Mayor Curley for reducing the assessment from $125,000 to $45,000.

"On the basis of the facts in the case, all of whom is a party of public record, who were the racketeers?" the realty board said in a statement. "Was it the owner of the property seeking common justice, the霞 city authorities who refused it and tried to collect three times the amount of tax to which the city was legally entitled?"
CURLEY DEATH CASE DELAYED

Boston Emergency Board's Executive Group Meets

Initial steps in the work of the Boston Emergency Committee on Unemployment last week by Mayor James M. Curley, were taken yesterday by the executive committee of the body, meeting in suite 546, Chamber of Commerce Building. Chairman William H. Taylor, Boston attorney, presided.

A meeting of the sub-committee on finance was called for this afternoon to discuss the quota which should be set for the proposed tax to raise the money which shall be expended for unemployment relief. That a fund be raised by public subscription for unemployment relief was unanimously agreed upon as the following proposals:

That the money which shall be raised be expended for unemployment relief only, and that the amount to be raised and the methods of raising it be referred to the sub-committee on finance.

The 15 members of the committee present at yesterday's meeting, which lasted from 3 p.m. to about 6:30 in the evening, were unanimously agreed upon the following proposals:

That the storm will take place in Washington and that the Nation is evident from even a 24-hour stay in Washington that the Nation should stand solidarity behind the President with the storm in the offering to assure the continuance of even an audacious program of construction is my firm conviction.

But whatever form the program may take should be speedily determined. Subsequent to one great crisis the American Government embarked upon a program of railroad construction; subsequent to a succeeding crisis, a program of telephone, telegraph and electrical construction.

Stupendous Plan Needed

"Something of a stupendous character will be embarked on now for the preservation of the Nation whether it be the development of an inland empire in the Mississippi Valley or government aid for the electrification of the railroads of the United States or a Federal housing program for the people of the United States is one that Congress should determine upon without delay.

"But even though a construction program is decided upon we must not lose sight of the fact that the inventive genius of the world through efficiency and through the substitution of machine labor for man power have restricted the opportunities for work for the people of America to such an extent that we are no longer justified in disregarding the early adoption of a five-day week or possibly a six-hour day in industry, since all the best customer for the American Nation is the American worker permanently employed at a decent wage."

CURLEY FINDS ROOSEVELT IS PARTY CHOICE

Washington, Dec 10 (INS) Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, a visitor here today, found remarkable sentiment for the nomination of Gov. Roosevelt of New York for the presidency on the Democratic ticket.

"I have talked with members of Congress and others from states where the "favorite son dodge" is being encouraged, and find every one of them sheepishly admitting that regardless of pressure for the first ballot, they propose supporting the nominee of the party Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Mayor Curley urged the Massachusetts delegation in Congress to support a project calling for expenditure of $2,000,000,000 for flood control, hydro-electric development and commerce on the Mississippi river.

Mayor Curley's Son in Auto Fatality

On next Wednesday a hearing will be held in the Roxbury Court in connection with a fatal automobile accident in which a car, driven by Leo F. Curley, sixteen-year-old son of the mayor of Boston, struck Miss Sally Bean, forty-eight, of 15 Tennyson street, Springfield. The accident occurred last Saturday at Huntington avenue and Forsyth street, and Miss Bean was taken to the City Hospital.

This morning, young Curley visited the Roxbury Court house in company with Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman. The police did not make any application in the case and it was announced that on Wednesday, Judge Frankland L. W. Miles will take up the matter.

TAKES FIRST STEPS TO AID UNEMPLOYED

Accompanied by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, Leo Curley, 16, son of Mayor Curley, appeared in Roxbury Court today to questioning in connection with the automobile accident in which Miss Sally Bean, 48, was fatally injured by an auto operated by the youth.

Special Officer John McGuire of the Police Patrol station told the court the police did not wish to file a complaint against him and the hearing was set over until next Wednesday.

News of the accident at Huntington ave. and Forsyth st., was made public last night following the woman's death at City Hospital, where she had been confined since last Saturday.

Police declared they would prepare further facts to assure the court that a warrant should be issued on a technical charge of manslaughter.

According to the police report, the youth was operating his own auto, a recent birthday gift, from a function at the Boston Latin school, where he is a student.

At Forsyth and Huntington the woman stopped in front of the car, before Curley could bring the car to a stop. A passing autoist rushed her to the hospital.

Police say young Curley was driving at a moderate rate of speed and that the accident apparently could not have been avoided.

PARTY CHOICE
CURLEY PRESSES 'INLAND EMPIRE'

Declares Big Program
Demanded by Times

At Capital, Declares Hoover
Faces Problems Unaided

BY CHARLES S. GROVER

WASHINGTON, Dec 10 — Mayor Curley of Boston, who has been attending the waterways convention here, visited the Capitol today and was a guest of Senator Walsh at luncheon. Senator Coolidge and members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House were also guests at the luncheon.

The Mayor presented to the delegation the recommendation of the Port Authority of Boston for certain harbor improvements for which federal assistance will be asked. Mayor Curley urged the members of the Massachusetts delegation to lend their aid to securing the appropriation which may be necessary to carry the recommendations into effect.

Finds Roosevelt Strong

Mayor Curley had the following to say regarding the selection of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt as the Democratic nominee for President:

"I have been pleased though not surprised at the result of the primary in Massachusetts and other states where with Democratic leaders from all portions of the United States to find that the selection of the Democratic nominee for President is Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"I have talked with members of Congress and others from States in the vicinity and I am confident that the outcome of the primary is another step toward the solidification of the party.

Program Too Conservative

The Mayor commented at length on economic and political problems of the nation. He believes the construction programs recommended by President Hoover are too conservative, and reiterated the position taken some months ago for the development of an 'inland empire' in the Mississippi Valley through governmental aid.

The result of his observations, the Mayor declared, is that Washington is being required to work out single-handed the solution of national problems resembling in many respects the situation met and overcome by Washington and Lincoln in their time.

Mayor Curley issues the following statement:

"On Wednesday I attended the deepest waterways convention at the Hotel Willard and addressed the several hundred delegates on attendance. I told them that I would urge the Massachusetts delegation in Congress to support the Mississippi River projects for an expenditure of $2,000,000,000 by the Federal Government for flood control, hydro-electric development and commercial development. I also said that, in view of the heavy cost, it is expected that the delegates from the territory will support the projects which Massachusetts is interested in, namely, the Cape Cod Canal and the harbor developments, including the removal of Lower Middle Ground and the deepening of the channel to 40 feet from Providence to the Navy Yard, and the widening and deepening of the channel to the Fore River shipping. As an estimate, the works would represent an expenditure of $4,000,000.

"I received very general assurance from these spokesmen from all over the country that they would work with us on these projects.

Confers With Bay Slaters

"During the day I had conferences with Senator Walsh and Congressmen Durkee, McClellan and Granfield and requested that a luncheon meeting be arranged for Thursday at the Capitol in Jackson Square. Every member of Congress from Massachusetts was asked to attend this luncheon meeting where matters of legislation affecting Boston and Massachusetts, which have the interest of every Boston interest and represent a two-year study, were discussed.

"In the evening I attended a dinner at the Mayflower tendered by some of my congressmen in Congress. At the dinner there was a general discussion in which every one participated, relative to conditions at the present time and what the means of bettering the same. Among those in attendance were: Senator Peter Norbeck, Senator Walter F. Dodge, Congressman Hartsell Ragon, James Strong, Addison Smith, Lewis T. Marden, Roy Johnson, Robert Lucas and Charles Curley. I have had conferences with many persons in Washington, high and low, and during the time that I have been here have been more than ever impressed with the responsibility which rests upon my own political party now in control of the House and almost in control of the Senate.

Praises Speaker Garner

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must follow Europe's lead

"Unless America adopts the same program for the preservation of the welfare of the American people that Europe has adopted for the welfare of European countries, which wants money, there is no means of determining the end of the depression. America is the only country that can save Europe, that we may turn the country into the country that can save America. America it is not due to the fear upon the part of the American people, that prosperity in America is the only way in which they can lead the country out of the depression.

"It is to be hoped that personal and banking interests in foreign securities may be conserved and may not be lost, but if the fear is not the interest which is responsible for the hysteria of fear that today prompts the banking interests of the country to refuse loans to American citizens or business concerns for legitimate needs in order, as the financiers term it, to remain liquid in a situation which is place in Europe, the more speedily they charge on these anticipated losses and the more speedily they place in Europe, the more speedily they charge on these anticipated losses and the more speedily they place in Europe.

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Bankers' Cause Stagnation

"If there is business stagnation in America it is due to the attitude of the bankers and their desire to remain liquid in order to meet anticipated catastrophes. This is the attitude of bankers which is considered in the United States the only one that has been consistent in the past.
POWERED TO THE PURCHASERS OF BOSTON'S BONDS AND NOTES. INFRADED ASSESSMENTS WERE TO A GREAT EXTENT THE CAUSE OF THE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES BOTH OF CHICAGO AND FALL RIVER. WE BELIEVE THEY WILL CAUSE NO HAVOC IN BOSTON. THE ASSESSMENTS ARE AS MUCH OUT OF LINE WITH FAIR MARKETS AS THEY ARE IN BOSTON.

THE LAST THING THE MEMBERS OF THE BOSTON REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE WANT IS TO INJURE THEIR OWN BUSINESS BY DISCREDITING REAL ESTATE IN BOSTON AS AN INVESTMENT. A TRUE ASSESSMENT, HOWEVER, COUPLED WITH RECKLESS SPENDING BY THE PRESENT CITY GOVERNMENT, HAS REACHED SUCH A POINT THAT THE BEST INTERESTS OF OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE BUT THAT OF EVERY CITIZEN OF BOSTON DEMANDS THE FULL PUBLISHING OF FACTS SUCH AS THESE DISCLOSED BY THE CASE ABOVE CITED. ONLY BY SUCH PUBLICITY CAN THE VETERAN OF BOSTON BE MADE TO REALIZE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION AND CAN A PUBLIC OPINION BE AROUSED THAT WILL FORCE OUR CITY GOVERNMENT TO CEASE ITS EXTRAVAGANCE.

SILVERMAN'S STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

I believe that the property was sold at that ridiculously low figure.

MISS BEAN GAVE THE NAME OF MILVINA BARBOUR AS THE FRAUD MAN AND THE REAL PURCHASER.

The accident was investigated by the police on that route. He made his report to Division 16. The physician who examined Miss Bean at the City Hospital the morning of her admission was Dr. Lawrence H. McGinnis.

WOMAN HIT BY CAR OF MAYOR'S SON DIES

Sally Bean of Springfield

Injured Last Saturday

Mayor Curley's son, Leo F. Curley, 36, while operating his car on Huntington av at the corner of Forsyth st at 1:45 o'clock last Saturday morning, struck a woman, who died from her injuries at the City Hospital at 9:15 last night. The woman's death revealed the accident for the first time.

The victim, Miss Sally Bean, 48, of 130 Byars st, Springfield, was listed as suffering from alcoholism as well as multiple contusions and abrasions about the body and possible fracture of the ribs. When she was brought into the City Hospital following the accident in a passing car operated by Frank Ryan of 63 West st, Newton.

This morning, or later, officers of Division 16 will go to the Roxbury District Court and present the circumstances of the accident to the court. It will be at the court's discretion whether or not young Curley shall be held on a technical charge of manslaughter or any other charge. This is the usual procedure in fatal accidents, no matter how innocent the driver may be.

When Curley was driving outbound on Huntington av at the corner of Forsyth st. The woman was crossing the Huntington av and was only a short distance from the curb when she was hit. Police say she apparently stepped directly in the path of the car.

The accident was investigated by patrolman William E. Linnell, the officer on that route. He made his report to Division 16. The physician who examined Miss Bean at the City Hospital the morning of her admission was Dr. Lawrence H. McGinnis.

CURLEY PROPOSES WATERWAYS TRADE

Would Swap Support with Mississippi River Boosters

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — A trade in congressional support between Massachusetts and Mississippi river waterway project advocates, was proposed to the deeper waterways commissioner today by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

The mayor said he would urge the Massachusetts congressional delegation to "support the Mississippi project for an expenditure of two billion dollars by the government for flood control, hydroelectric development and commercial development and in return expected that the delegates from the territory served by the Mississippi river, would support the projects which Massachusetts is interested in, namely, the Cape Cod Canal and Boston harbor developments.

The mayor said he held the "general assurance" from the delegates that they "would work with us on the projects."

PREPARED TO REDUCE

If true that the assessments were prepared to reduce the assessment but that was a shrewd compromise on their part and we were willing to compromise but we know that the appeal got to the state board the assessment would be ruthlessly reduced without rhyme or reason far below the actual value. We have no chance of winning before that board.

We'll reinstate the value of the property in next year's assessment and let them appeal again. The real estate exchange is engaged in a low practice of furnishing its own selfish business interest by attempting to transfer the burden of those of the small home owners, taxation from its own shoulders to You don't hear of the small property owners going to the state tax appeal board.

The Chicago situation developed to its present dangerous situation because of a racket in abatement fees in which the exchange now is engaged.

That's just what we are endeavoring now to stop.

In childish and silly to see them discussing an excessive debt limit. I am amazed at the boldness of such men trying to destroy the credit of our city. If they succeed, they will produce a financial chaos here. They should be condemned and it is all the more reprehensible because it is being done for selfish mercenary reasons by them.

Wait until the mayor gets back.

He'll be in position to tell them facts that they omitted from their complete story of the Hanover street deal and he'll add some other cases for them to explain.
REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE IN SHARP ATTACK

Declares Downtown Assessments Boosted to Mislead Investors

CITES $26,000 SALE OF $125,000 PARCEL

Mayor Away — Silverman Explains Deal—Raps Attack on City's Credit

By W. E. MULLINS

Mayor Curley was directly charged last night with collecting excessively large taxes from downtown real estate owners and with having established the debt limit at a higher figure than ought to be, thus giving to purchasers of Boston's bonds and notes a false impression of the real security afforded them.

The most sensational attack that has been filed against the mayor in the controversy over realty assessments was directed at him by the Boston real estate exchange.

The criticism was provoked by developments in the tax abatement case on property at 17-21 Hanover street. The property, originally assessed for $125,000, has recently been sold for $26,000.

In carrying the fight to the mayor, the exchange inferred that the city government is engaged in "racketeering" at the expense of property owners. Such inflated assessments, the statement read, produced the existing financial difficulties in Chicago and Fall River.

Apprehension was expressed lest a similar situation arise here.

Overassessment, coupled with reckless spending, has reached a point of danger, in the opinion of the exchange. It hopes that the publicity attending its expose will impress on the citizens the seriousness of the situation to force the city government to cease its extravagances.

In the absence of Mayor Curley from the city, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman countered with a charge that the Hanover street property had been disposed of to a straw purchaser. He expressed amazement at the procedure of the real estate exchange in its alleged attempt to destroy the credit of the city, which is second to no other municipality in the country, in his opinion.

"Chicago," said Silverman, "was brought to the verge of bankruptcy by just such tax abatement practices as those now being practised by members of the Boston Real Estate Exchange."

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Unofficial Committee of Congressmen Formed Following Curley Meeting

Special to the Transcript:
Washington, Dec. 11—A special unofficial committee from both houses will look after Massachusetts rivers and harbors interests as a result of the meeting called by Senator David J. Walsh to give Mayor James M. Curley of Boston an opportunity to lay Massachusetts projects before the Bay State delegation. The projects of special interest are the improvement of Boston Harbor and the Cape Cod Canal. This committee will include Senator Marcus A. Cogill and Congressmen McCormick, Douglass, Thunham and Gifford. Unless there is a general rivers and harbors bill at this session, chances are that other than maintenance appropriations for these projects is very unlikely, but this committee will stand ready to look after Bay State interests, and if the opportunity occurs, it will take the lead in pushing necessary legislation.

Would List Firms Started Before 1800

Request was made today by the city of Boston committee on the George Washington bi-centennial celebration next year for further information as to business concerns, organizations or associations in Boston or in other cities and towns of the metropolitan district, that have been in existence since before the year 1800.

The Information Is wanted for a book that will be published by the National Commission. The statement of the United States Commission received by the mayor's committee from Hon. Sol Bloom, associate director, specifies the plan and wants as follows:

"This commission is gathering material for a book to be published shortly, dealing with present-day organizations which were founded prior to the year 1800, and which have been in continuous existence since that time.

"We feel that behind this splendid record there is a story never before written—the story of what essential elements, what underlying policy of administration has made such success over so long a period possible."

It is desired that either in the form of a letter or an article of not more than 500 words, shall be given the early history of each organization or business concern of the requisite age, including the policy of success, if a business, what was made or sold at the beginning? How were goods distributed, and to whom? Did your predecessors supply materials or render service to the Continental soldiers or to the early Government? If an organization or society, what were the original and successive forms of policy and the service rendered to people and the community?"

On next Wednesday a hearing will be held in the Roxbury Court in connection with a fatal automobile accident in which a car driven by Leo F. Curley, sixteen-year-old son of the mayor of Boston struck Miss Sally Bean, forty-eight, of 130 Hyer's street, Springfield. The accident occurred last Saturday at Huntington avenue and Forsyth street as Miss Byers was about to cross the avenue. She died last night at the City Hospital. This morning, young Curley visited the Roxbury Court house in company with Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman. The police did not make a speedy application in the case, and it was announced that on Wednesday, Judge Frankland L. W. Miles will take up the matter.

REALTY CHARGE CALLED "SILLY"

Silverman Scoffs at Claim
Downtown Property at Claim
Is Overassessed

Replying to charges by the Boston Real Estate Exchange that the city had collected excessively large taxes from downtown real estate, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, in the absence of Mayor Curley, declared the exchange had started a quarrel which it must finish and branded the charges as a silly attack.

The exchange directed its attack at the mayor, as the result of developments in the tax abatement case on property at 17-21 Hanover street, which, assessed for $125,000, recently has been disposed of to a straw purchaser. Judge Miles called for an application for a complaint for manslaughter against Leo Curley, 16-year-old son of the mayor, growing out of the death of Miss Sally Bean, 44, struck by the boy's automobile Saturday morning at Huntington avenue and Forsyth street, was continued to Dec. 16 by Judge Frankland L. W. Miles in Roxbury court today.

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I stepped off the curbstone. The machine, Bean, forty-eight years of age, of 110 operated by Leo Curley was registered in the name of young Curley's license is in effect which is always taken by the registrar in every case. If it is found that Leo Curley was not seriously at fault, his license will be restored to him.

CITY RELIEF BOARD HOLDS FIRST MEETING

Discusses All Phases of Unemployment Problem

All phases of the unemployment relief problem were discussed yesterday by the members of the executive committee on unemployment at its first meeting yesterday at the meeting of commerce. Action was taken on four pertinent matters; First, the president's statement on unemployment relief; Second, the necessary amount be determined at an early date by a sub-committee; Third, that the money which shall be raised by public subscription for unemployment relief and only by the municipal departments of public welfare; Fourth, that all plans continue the technique of fund raising be reorganized in the sub-committee on finance.

After the meeting it was announced that the finance committee will meet this afternoon.

The executive committee includes: William T. Taylor, chairman; Louis E. Kirchner, and P. A. O'Connell, vice-chairmen; H. Cushman, Alvin T. Fuller, Dr. William H. Griffin, Henry J. Harriman, Matt B. Jones, Frank Leveroni, Gen. Edward L. Logan, James T. Moriarty, the Rev. Thomas R. Reynolds, Dr. Ben M. Seligman, Frederick S. Snyder, Philip Stockton, Mrs. Eva Whiting White, Mrs. Willard Dana Woodward and Charles W. Harvey.

Ryan Suspends Curley's License

Pending a complete investigation of the matter, Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles, today suspended the operator's license of Leo F. Curley, sixteen-year-old son of Mayor Curley, who was recently involved in a fatal accident. The registrar's statement follows:

"I have today suspended the operator's license of Leo F. Curley of 399 Jamaica Plain way, Jamaica Plain, son of Mayor Curley. The mayor's son was involved in a fatal accident on Dec. 5, 1931, when he was driving down Washington Street and struck a woman and her baby. The machine was operated by Leo O'Connell in the name of Mary D. O'Connell. He was seriously injured and the driver was killed. He was arrested on the spot by the police."

MRS. KNOWN AS "SALLY"

Bean was fatally injured at

Huntington and Forsyth on Saturday. She was well known in the city as "Sally".

For the past seven years Mrs Bean directed the home economics activities of the Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Company, Boston. During that time she traveled extensively, lecturing before women's clubs and other

MILK DEALERS BACK CURLEY

Indorse Ban on Products Not Approved Here

Mayor Curley's stand in the present milk situation was endorsed last night at the close of a Tuesday session of the Board of Public Health. The Board of Public Health voted to endorse Mayor Curley's stand on the milk situation, which is being felt in many sections of the country for this concern.

Leaves Many Relatives

Besides her daughter, Miss Elna Bean of Springfield, Mrs Bean is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olds Bean of Northampton, and four sisters, Mrs. Edith Bronson of New Haven, Mrs. Mabel Strother of Springfield, and three sisters, Mrs. Agnes Drew of Lowell, Mrs. Edith Bronson of Rochester, N.Y., and Mrs. Laura Gugliotti of Reuben, N.Y.

The funeral will be held Monday morning at the Rollins Funeral Parlor, 50 Main St., Springfield. Burial will be in Mount St. Peter's Cemetery, Springfield.

DEFER COURT ACTION IN LEO CURLEY CASE

Ryan's Men Investigate Auto Fatality

As polls did not have all their witnesses in court, the application for warrant charging Leo F. Curley, sixteen-year-old son of Mayor Curley, with manslaughter in connection with the death of Miss Sadie M. Bean, sixteen-year-old son of Mayor Curley, was called for investigation by Assistant Corporation Counsel Samuel Ryan appeared for young Curley. Ryan's men may investigate the case today. The application was agreed to by Judge Frankland W. Miller in Roxbury Court yesterday. The hearing will be held this afternoon.

MRS. SADIE M. BEAN

spectator of the Registry of Motor Vehicles was also in court. No action has yet been taken by Morgan T. Ryan, Registrar of Motor Vehicles, on the mayor's son. Registrar Ryan said yesterday: "Investigations are being made to determine the cause of the accident. I expect to receive their report by tomorrow morning, at which time I will make a further statement."
Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners

WINTHROP, Dec 11—Thomas J. Hurley, chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, died suddenly at the Winthrop Community Hospital after a brief illness. Death was due to heart disease.

"Tom" Hurley, as he was known to everyone in Boston City Hall, was born in Liverpool, Eng, July 10, 1864, of Irish parentage. He came to this country with his parents when he was six years old and the family settled in the South End and were highly respected. He attended the public schools of this city and was graduated from the Brimmer School and Boston Latin School. He then entered Boston College and was graduated with the class of 1885. Two years later he received the degree of master of arts from the same college.

Mr Hurley entered the service of the city in 1888 as registrar in the election department. Later he became assistant clerk of committees under the late John Dever and when the city charter was changed in 1909, he was transferred to the Street Department and placed in charge of the issuance of permits.

Appointed in 1825

March 23, 1925, Mayor Curley appointed him chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners to fill out the unexpired term of John H. L. Hoyes, who died suddenly. Ex-Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols reappointed him to the office and in January of last year, Mayor Curley reappointed him.

During the investigation by the Boston Finance Commission of the Exchange-st widening, in March, 1929, Mr Hurley was one of the principal witnesses.

While in office, he always held in the highest esteem by those under him and by all who had business with his department.

Noted as Musician

"Tom" was an accomplished musician and possessed a beautiful tenor voice which was heard at such occasions as the dedication of Rosemont, which was sung at the golden jubilee mass of the venerable priest. He also composed the songs "For Boston" and "Hall Alma Mater," favorite Boston College songs.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs Lucy A. Hurley, and three sons, Thomas S., Robert E., Gerald F., and three daughters, Mrs Genevieve S. Harris of Newington, Miss Isabel L. Hurley and Mrs James A. Donovan of Winthrop. He also leaves a brother, Dr John J. Hurley of Freeport, and a sister, Mrs Hurley McNee of Belmont.

MAYOR PREDICTS HARBOR VICTORY

Coalition to Force Appropriation, He Says On Return from Capital

FINDS SOUTH, WEST BACKING ROOSEVELT

Mayor Curley returned from Washington last night with a firm conviction that a non-partisan congressional coalition representing New England, the Northwest and the Mississippi river valley states will force a federal appropriation for the improvement of Boston harbor.

An agreement to pool the demands of the three distinct sections of the country for development of rivers and harbors is expected by the mayor to result in definite action at the present session of Congress in which the needs of Boston harbor will be at least partially provided for.

The mayor expressed satisfaction that the proposal of the port authority for deepening the main ship channel to 40 feet at low water from President Roads to a point in the harbor above Comm Ave will be favorably reported by army engineers.

DELEGATION IN HARMONY

Conferences with Secretary of War Hurley and Secretary of the Navy Adams convinced them, the mayor reported, to the channel improvement, and by is anticipated that the pressure which will be exerted by the congressional coalition will bring beneficial results, either in the regular rivers and harbors bill, or by a special measure referring exclusively to the local harbor.

"For the first time," said the mayor, "the entire Massachusetts delegation of senators and representatives is in harmony. I have been assured of con-
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$4,000,000 Project for the improvement of Boston Harbor and Cape Cod canal will receive support of most eastern congressmen, Mayor Curley, left, announced last night on his return to Boston after convention at Washington. Ben Gershon of Daily Record staff, right.

CURLEY GIVES TO FUND OF FAULKNER HOSPITAL
Praises Campaign in Letter to Dr. Edward L. Young, Jr.
A contribution of $25 from Mayor Curley to the $500,000 fund sought by the Faulkner Hospital to remove indebtedness has been received by the fund committee.

In a letter accompanying his gift, addressed to Dr. Edward L. Young, Jr., chief staff surgeon at the institution, the mayor said:
I am in entire sympathy with the splendid work being conducted by the Faulkner Hospital and sincerely trust that the drive for funds needed to conduct the splendid activities of your institution will meet with generous public support.

CURLEY’S SON’S CASE CONTINUED TO DEC. 16
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The mayor’s son was represented by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman. The government was represented by Patrolman John McGuire, who handles automobile cases for the Back Bay station, and Sergt. Harold J. Walkins. Judge Miles called for Patrolman William Lindahl, who was on duty at the scene of the accident, and when informed that the officer was on a day off and could not be located, continued the hearing. He directed also that representatives of the family of Miss Bean be present on Dec. 16.

HURLEY DIES;
IN EMPLOY OF CITY 43 YEARS
Thomas A. Hurley, 67, Boston street commissioner, died at the Winthrop Community Hospital last night from heart trouble, after a three weeks’ illness.

Funeral services will be held at the Boston College Chapel on Monday morning, according to tentative plans made last night. He graduated from Boston College in 1883.

Hurley entered the service of the city in 1888 and served as an election registrar, clerk of committees, permit chief in the street department. In 1925 he became the street commissioner.

He is survived by his w. g. w. Lucile A., three daughters, Mrs. H. H. Harris and Mrs. A. Donovan, and three sons, Thomas R., Robert and Lawrence.
$1,000,000 BEQUEST

To City Hospital

Charles H. Tyler's Will Gives Sum
For Surgical Annex Also
$1,000,000 to Art Museum

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of asking $5,000,000 from the General
Court for the erection of a surgical
annex to the hospital, in Salem Court,
where the will of Charles H. Tyler,
Boston lawyer, was being probated,
it was disclosed that $1,000,000
had been bequeathed the hospital
for a surgical addition.

The will of Mr. Tyler—known
personally as a collector of Americana,
a dog fancier and cattle breeder,
a corporation lawyer, former lecturer
at Boston University, and for six
years the partner of Owen D. Young
—had only four other provisions.

It directed that three sums of $50,-
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silver and chinaware. When Mr.
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trust and it formed the nucleus of the Ame-
rican wing of that museum. Mr. Tyler's
collection is said to be more valuable
than Mr. Bowles'

After gifts of $150,000 are paid, the
museum is made residuary legatee.

"The museum," says the will, "may
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New Hampshire, Boston, the Caro-
nenas and Beverly.

His collection of china, silver and
furniture is reputed to be one of the
finest private collections in the coun-
try. It was mostly acquired while he
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CURLEY PRAISES

TYLER'S BEQUEST

Sees $1,000,000 Gift as Expression
of Love for City

In an official expression of apprecia-
tion of the bequest by Charles H. Tyler
of $1,000,000 for the establishment and
maintenance of a surgical research
laboratory at the City Hospital, Mayor
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the generosity of Tyler will be emulate-
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"The specific reservation by Tyler that
only $500,000 shall be expended for the
laboratory was cited by the mayor as a
splendid example of thoughtfulness in
that compliance with the terms of the
bequest will not commit the city to any
expense.

The mayor added that there is ade-
quate room at the hospital for the lab-
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The Governor demonstrated his gratitude for that big push given his campaign on that occasion by his procedure Friday in practically pledging the support of the Massachusetts delegation to the next national Democratic convention, not to former Gov. Smith, but to the candidate of Smith's choice.

Now if Gov. Ely and Smith only would take the Democrats into their confidence and disclose the identity of the candidate they will support, the decks may be cleared for a clean-cut fight. In 1924 and again in 1928 the war cry was "Al Smith." Now it has become "Roosevelt." That is not entirely characteristic of Mr. Ely. He is a leader, rarely a follower.

The Governor waxed into the most militant leaders of the Bay State Democrats in the fight to nominate Smith at New York in 1924.

When Ely was elected as a district delegate, the Governor was content to send along a substitute, but last year he was reported by Smith for the time and energy and money expended at New York in 1924.

It seems to be fairly well established that Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York will not be supported by It's predecessor at Albany. They have come to an agreement on the basic issue. Ely's definite commitment to support the candidate favored by Smith accordingly means that he and Mayor Curley are destined to be on opposite sides of the contest that will be made for delegates in the presidential primary next spring.

MAY BE FOR BAKER

Numerous observers have reached the conclusion that Smith will be for Newton D. Baker. Any one who recalls the lavish praise heaped on the Governor on the little giant of the Wilson Cabinet by few weeks ago at the Boston City Club can realize how easy it would be for him to join with the party's 1924 ticket bearer in a final fight for Baker against Roosevelt.

May Curley will not be diverted from his devotion to Roosevelt. During his recent visit to Washington he engaged in a long and intimate discussion with F. H. Burton R. Wheeler, commander of Montana on the situation. They discussed the possible developments of the situation for the vice-presidency, and reached the conclusion that they will support Roosevelt and only Roosevelt. "We have become diehards on the subject," Wheeler said.

Wheeler told the mayor that many independent Republicans and thousands of farmers are determined to have Roosevelt for their candidate and that if the Mayor fails to nominate him they will advance him as an independent candidate. Possibly Vice-President Curtis has not been surveyed when he announced that he would accept a renomination. Such a development would reproduce the conditions that led to Wheeler's withdrawal from the ticket in 1920.

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LICENSE OF MAYOR'S SON LEO SUSPENDED

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The suspension was ordered by Commissioner Tague, acting under the authority of the Mayor, on the ground that the applicant failed to pay the required fee at the time of applying for his license.

The young Curley was ordered to appear before the commissioners and show cause why his license should not be revoked. He was told that if he failed to appear he would be deemed to have abandoned his right to keep a license.

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Mayors’ Club Also Heats Plea for Higher Tax on Intangibles

Revere Asks Loans by State to Cities

Need of Legislative Aid To Expand Municipal Revenue Stressed

Compulsory payment of the motor excise tax prior to the issue of registration plates, an increase from 6 to 10 per cent, in the income tax on intangibles, allocation of a full cent of the gasoline tax to municipalities for highway construction, and the leasing of money by the commonwealth to municipalities in anticipation of tax were suggested to the Mayors’ Club of Massachusetts, yesterday, as sources of new revenue to meet anticipated increases in welfare departments next year.

The proposals will form the basis of discussion at a meeting of the club, Jan. 2, to which Gov. Ely, President Bacon of the Senate and Speaker Saltonstall of the House will be invited.

The study of existing sources of municipal revenue was emphasized by Mayor Curley, Mayor Bays of Salem, Mayor Calassa of Revere and Mayor Ashley of New Bedford as justification for a legislative program which would avert a considerable degree of the threatened large increases in tax rates.

Difficulties in Borrowing

Difficulties encountered by the smaller cities of the state in borrowing money from banks were cited in support of the proposal of Mayor Casassa for legislation which would permit municipalities to borrow from the commonwealth in anticipation of taxes. The precedent established by state loans to Fall River at an interest charge of 3½ per cent, was stressed as an effective argument favorable to the extension of the policy.

Mayor Curley suggested that payment of the motor excise tax prior to the issuance of registration plates would not only guarantee cities and towns full payments of such taxes but would effectively bar the practice of falsifying addresses by applicants for registration.

In support of this suggestion he set forth that Boston failed to collect $350,000 in motor excises in 1930 because of inability to locate owners of vehicles which they registered at vacant lots, laundries, and other false addresses. He also advocated the increase in the tax on intangibles.

These proposals represented the opinion of the mayor, Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the finance commissioner, City Auditor Carven, Budget Commissioner Reilly, and Neal Holland and Miss Elizabeth M. Herlihy of the planning board. The advice to the mayor was to make no effort to disturb the gasoline tax because of the certainty that vigorous and probably successful opposition to any remedial proposals would be aroused.

Mayor’s Remarks

In presenting his suggestions the mayor said:

As a means of protecting the public upon the highways, and in addition protecting the treasuries of the cities and towns of the commonwealth, I favor the adoption of a law which will require as a condition precedent for the issuance of a registration for the registrar of motor vehicles, the filing of a certificate from the city or town authorities showing that the applicant for registration has paid his motor excise tax, and making it unlawful for the registrar to issue registration to any applicant who fails to present this certificate as payment of motor excise tax.

As a means of making more equitable the cost of government in the cities and towns of the commonwealth, more than 70 per cent of which is today borne by real estate, I favor an increase in the income tax on intangibles from 6 per cent to 10 per cent.

Prior to 1916 the tax on intangibles and real estate was identical. In 1916, however, the law was changed and the tax on intangibles was based on 6 per cent of the income rather than as in the case of real estate upon the valuation of the property.

Increase in Rate

Despite the increase in the cost of government in the past 15 years, which in the case of educational institutions alone represents an increase of 200 per cent, there has been an increase in the rate imposed on intangibles, it is 6 per cent today as it was in 1916. The tax rate, however, on real estate has increased 100 per cent, in this period of time in most cases, and valuations in many cases have increased likewise. In other words, the Commonwealth has succeeded in shifting the burden onto real estate until today the owner of property, and largely the small home owner, is bearing a burden entirely out of proportion to what he should justly be required to bear.

In 1916 in Boston, where the tax rate was 17, an owner of a home assessed for $10,000 paid $170, and the owner of $100,000 worth of 5 per cent bonds also paid $170. Today, in Boston, with a tax rate of $25, the same home owner pays $315, while the same holder of the $10,000 worth of 5 cent bonds is paying but $30.

There is no way in which to justify a continuance of this system of injustice; an injustice to the municipality, and an injustice to the owners of real estate and more important than all, an injustice to the rent payer, who in the last analysis carries almost the entire load.

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So far as Massachusetts is concerned, this is the dullest time in a dull political year. The attention of the local politicians who are interested in national affairs is directed chiefly towards Washington, where Congress has recently come in. The efforts of Massachusetts Democrats to obtain recognition for this State on the important House committees have borne fruit in the appointment of Congressmen John W. McCormack of South Boston to the Committee on Ways and Means, and Congressman William J. Granfield of Longmeadow to the Committee on Appropriations. This step has put into the discard one of the arguments of the McKinleyites, who always asserted that Massachusetts, as they did in days gone by. Time was when the representatives of the Anti-McKinley Club and other organizations went to Washington and actually drew the provisions of the tariff relating to woollen and cotton textiles, but the feeling against New England has grown so much that similar conditions will probably never exist again.

What New England obtains hereafter will be result of barter with other sections of the country, each of which believes it is as much entitled as New England, and the statement has been made more than once recently that the tariff on textile goods now in existence is due to the extent of the business depression now in existence. The consequence. New England's contribution to the various national organizations formed to relieve unemployment has been considerably less than it should have been. It is easy to make such statements and difficult to prove them untrue even when they have little basis. But it is a fact that the is a widespread prejudice against New England, and the statement has been made more than once recently that the United States Senators and Representatives from this part of the country might well devote a large part of their time to the task of removing this feeling.

Presidential Politics

It is assumed everywhere that the Massachusetts deputation to the coming national convention of the Republican party will vote for, and probably be pledged to, President Hoover. A controversy may arise as to whether or not the delegation shall be selected by the Republican State Committee or by the President's friends, as distinct from the State organizations, but the experts will be surprised if the Massachusetts delegation is not instructed to vote for the renomination of the President.

Within the past few days, however, several of the prominent Massachusetts Democrats have put into the discard one of the bonus, or other special privilege. One man John W. McCormack of South Boston to the Committee on Ways and Means, and Congressman William J. Granfield of Longmeadow to the Committee on Ways and Means, the textile interests of New England no longer control the tariff or the textile goods as they did in days gone by. Time was when the representatives of the Anti-McKinley Club and other organizations went to Washington and actually drew the provisions of the tariff relating to woolen and cotton textiles, but the feeling against New England has grown so much that similar conditions will probably never exist again.

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On the Democratic Side

Gov Ely was well within the facts when he said in New York a day or two ago that the rank and file of the Democratic voters in Massachusetts are heart and soul for Ex-Gov Alfred E. Smith, and would welcome the chance to vote for him as their candidate for President. Mr Smith may not be a leader in the party now, but his popularity in Massachusetts will be a powerful argument in favor of the election of an unpledged delegate from this State to the Democratic National Convention. It will be urged that such a delegation will be able to vote for "All Smith" if the opportunity presented itself, but that a delegation pledged to another candidate must stand by the latter until he relieves it. This is one of the hurdles which Mayor Curley and his friends must clear in their race to elect a delegation pledged to Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt.
WOULD PUT TAX DODGER OFF ROADS

Curley Urges Means of Collecting Motor Excise Tax

Legislation to force tax-dodging motorists off the roads by requiring them to pay their motor excise tax bills before giving them their registration plates each year was advocated yesterday by Mayor Curley in an address before the Mayors' Club meeting at the Parker House.

Many motorists in applying for plates give addresses that upon investigation by city tax collectors turn out to be vacant lots, the Mayor explained, concluding that as a result the city had been able to collect but $186,609 of the $200,000 due in motor excise taxes.

He also urged the club to support a bill to increase the income tax on intangibles like stocks and bonds from six percent to 10 percent in order to relieve the taxation burden on real estate, which, the Mayor claimed, has been carrying the heavy load.

The club will act on the proposals at a special meeting to be held Jan. 5, when the Mayors will draw up their programme for submission to the Legislature. To this special meeting will be invited Governor Ely, President Bacon of the Senate, Speaker Saltonstall of the House and the leaders of the Senate committees.

Mayor George L. Bates of Salem, president of the club, recommended a change in the gasoline tax law, which would require the State to distribute among the cities one-third of the receipts from the three-cent tax.

Loans of State Cash

Mayo1 Andrew A. Casassa of Revere protested that the banks were demanding too much interest on temporary loans to cities, so he recommended that the State treasurer lend to the cities at moderate rates on the cash surplus or hand at the State treasurer, instead of placing it in the banks.

As a means of saving the cities the necessity of raising temporary loan, in anticipation of collections, Mayor Curley appealed for the passage of a bill of legislation which would permit property owners to make quarterly payments of their taxes on the same lines of the income tax payment plan, instead of waiting until October for payment in full.

The Mayor insisted that new measures for raising revenue were required by the cities, in order to relieve the taxation on real estate, which now bears more than 70 percent of the cost of government.

CRASH NEAR MAYOR'S HOME

A smashup which badly damaged two cars but in which the occupants luckily escaped serious injury, occurred in front of the Mayor's home in the Jamaica way yesterday. Samuel A. Hare of 66 Hutchinson street, Roxbury, was the operator of one car, Henry T. Callahan of Pinehurst, Mass., was the driver of the other.

CURLEY LOSES LICENSE

The automobile driving license of Leo F. Tague, 16-year-old son of Mayor Curley, who was recently involved in a fatal accident, was suspended yesterday by Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan P. Talbot pending a complete investigation of the case. This suspension is merely the action taken by the registr at in a fatal case.

CURLEY CREATES $3500 JOB

Walter M. McCoubrey, State street customs broker, was appointed yesterday by Mayor Curley at a salary of $3500 a year as solicitor for the Boston Port Authority Board to solicit business for the port in this city, New England and elsewhere.

PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYES ADD $5287 TO FUND

Contributions during the month of November to the unemployed from the Department of Public Works amounted to $5287, according to Acting Public Works Commissioner Christopher Car ven in a report yesterday to Mayor Curley.

CURLEY APPROVES GUSTAFSON RETIREMENT

Mayor Curley yesterday approved the retirement papers of Capt Gustaf Gustafson, Boston Police Department. The veteran captain who was 66 years in the service is 66 years old and will retire Sunday. Dec. 15.
MAYORS SEEK MORE REVENUE
Curley for Higher Taxes on Intangibles
Enforce Auto Excise—Find Banks Slow to Loan

Methods of obtaining increased revenue for cities to meet anticipated increased expenditures next year because of welfare costs were discussed yesterday at the luncheon of the Mayors’ Club at the Parker House. Mayor George J. Bates of Salem, president of the club, presided. It was evident from remarks at the luncheon that executives were meeting with difficulty in not only getting tax payments, but were not receiving a cor
dial reception from banks on the matter of loans in anticipation of taxes.
Mayor Curley offered two suggestions along the line of increased revenue. He favored a law which would compel an individual to seek automobile registration to show that he had paid his automobile excise tax and second, that the income tax on intangibles be increased from 6 to 10 percent.

CURLEY VOICES GRATITUDE FOR TYLER HOSPITAL GIFT
Mayor James M. Curley yesterday made a statement when he learned of the bequest of $1,000,000 to the Boston City Hospital, gift of the late Charles H. Tyler of Boston and Beverly.

"The most generous bequest of Charles H. Tyler of $1,000,000 for the establishment of a laboratory for surgical research to the Boston City Hospital, to be named in honor of his friend, Dr. George S. Sears, is most pleasing news," he said. "His request that the building be named in honor of his friend at a lifetime is the highest possible tribute which one man could pay to another.

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By M. E. HENNESSY
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MAYOR CURLEY asks that no motor vehicle be registered unless the city tax on it has been paid.

To the owner who finds difficulty in running his car, the suggestion has no attractiveness. As a matter of justice, the mayor is exactly right! To many persons who do pay their exercise tax on cars, the payment is a hardship. Yet they do it, denying themselves of something in order to comply with their legal duty. Why they should pay and others enjoy similar privileges without paying, is the heart of the question.

Many a car is registered from a false address. Mayor Curley says that the city lost about $350,000 of taxes stolen in one year by this practice. This $350,000 is collected by the city, but not from the cheaters, unless they are residents, in which case they bear their share of the burden, but only that share of what is spread over the whole population in taxes of other sorts which must be raised higher to meet the deficit caused by the liars.

The mayor's suggestion may meet the obstacle of problems in bookkeeping. But the principle is sound and a way should be devised to adopt it as a law.

MAYORS SEEK MORE REVENUE

The heading, "Mayors Seek More Revenue" on the news stories of the meeting which the Massachusetts Mayors' Club, held on Saturday, indicates that they are not yet awake to the realities of the time. Of course they need more revenue. They always do. Republicans and Democrats in large cities and small are usually holding out the hat. Just now they may be more justified than they are usually in their appeals, but is it not about time that they should place the emphasis where it belongs?

Economy in expenditures was never required so urgently as at present. Why don't the members of Mayor Bates's club discuss that topic? It is a subject of paramount importance. If the mayors would make their organization an agency of real helpfulness, let them tell us how frugally they can carry on in these sore times. Let them lay down programs under which the necessary functions of government can be carried on adequately with a curtailed budget. All nine cities in Massachusetts with a population in excess of 100,000 will have Democratic mayors in 1932. Let them explain to us how they can check the extravagant tendencies of the past. The distressed citizens of Massachusetts want a life line, and it makes no difference to them whether the man who throws it is a Democrat or a Republican.

Mayor Casassa of Revere suggested that the commonwealth lend money to cities on the same terms as the loans to Fall River. There is one obvious, sure-fire method of bringing that about—excessive spending and an emergency which will place the communities in the position to which Fall River was reduced. But even if legislation allowing the cities to obtain funds at 3½ per cent. were feasible, the saving would be so small as not to affect the situation. Incidentally, the figure was 3.80 and is now 4 per cent.

The mayor complained, also, that it is difficult to obtain money from the banks in an unclassified situation of taxes. Naturally it is. The banks have had some sad experiences with places like Revere. Let the mayors of Revere and other cities initiate policies which require less borrowing, and their woes regarding loans will disappear. Let them rearrange their affairs on a workman-like basis, and banks will compete for the business, instead of refusing it.

The Mayors' Club is to have another meeting on Jan. 2, to which it will invite Gov. Ely, President Bacon of the Senate and Speaker Saltonstall of the House. Maybe President Bates will request them and other speakers to tell us something about ways and means of reducing expenses and of relieving the taxpayers and the rent payers who pay hidden taxes at every step. Let us assume that taxes will be heavier. Cannot Mayor Bates and the other speakers at that meeting give us at least a hint of what should be done to make the increase as small as possible? Perhaps somebody from Lowell, where a half-million-dollar saving is necessary, or from Fall River, which is putting behind it the troubles which other communities are facing; or Chelsea, where solvency is still a 50-50 proposition—perhaps gentlemen from these places could bring to the mayors' meeting of Jan. 2, a few statements which would make their hearers realize the hard facts of the present. Gov. Ely, reading of the $100,000,000 deficit which New York is facing, might make a few remarks on his proposed refinements.

HURLEY SERVICES

Mayor Curley and many other city officials attended the funeral services today for Thomas F. Hurley, chairman of the Boston Board of Street Commissioners, who died Friday at the Winthrop Community Hospital. Private services at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Howard Harris, 235 Commonwealth avenue, Chestnut Hill, were followed by a requiem mass at the Boston College Chapel, celebrated by Rev. Thomas A. Fay. Besides Mayor Curley, former Mayors Malcolm E. Nichols and John F. Fitzgerald, Dr. Francis X. Mahoney, city health commissioner, Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman and many other city officials were among the congregation which filled the chapel. The pall bearers, all members of the Young Men's Catholic Association Glee Club, of which Mr. Hurley had been a leader for many years, were Edward Downey, Walter Shea, Joseph Kirby, Stephen O'Neill, Thomas Fitzgerald, Edward Dunne, Thomas Gill and Daniel Hagerty. Burial was in Holyhood Cemetery, Brookline, where committal services were conducted by Rev. Charles F. Lane of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Boston.
ELY SEES
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Believes State Is for Him If He Will Be
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BY ROBERT L NORTON
WASHINGTON, Dec. 13—There is not the slightest doubt in the mind of Governor Ely of Massachusetts that former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York is a candidate for renomination. This was the entire purpose of the conference called in New York Friday last, attended by four governors and several prominent Democratic leaders.

At the meeting there was no straight declaration from Smith that he was a candidate. It was not revealed in the newspaper report that the main purpose of the meeting was to discuss what would be done on the prohibition question. Really this was the main subject of discussion.

Oppose Curley Plan

Otherwise, there was no determination in the discussions. The situation in Massachusetts was discussed at some length. It was made perfectly clear that so far as Senator Walsh and Governor Ely were concerned they were not definitely opposed to Governor Roosevelt, they nevertheless felt that some other candidate was more readily available. Walsh and Ely are determined to oppose Mayor Curley in his attempt to capture the State delegation for Roosevelt.

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Preferential treatment for Smith was one of the issues discussed. Coolidge and Walsh and Governor Ely have a marked preference for Senator Smith. Of course, they also prefer Roosevelt to Mayor Curley. Mayor Curley while not definitely opposed to Governor Roosevelt, they nevertheless felt that some other candidate was more readily available. Walsh and Ely are determined to oppose Mayor Curley in his attempt to capture the State delegation for Roosevelt.

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They admit that if the Mayor wants to go to the convention as a Roosevelt supporter he can do so, but when it comes to controlling the delegation that is a different story.

In his talks with Democratic leaders here, Governor Ely left the impression that if Roosevelt wants the delegation from the Bay State and Smith is a candidate, he will be found with the ex-Governor of New York in the contest.

Governor Ely met many of the Democratic leaders here, and he left Washington he left behind him a fine impression, marked as a Democratic Governor who will be worth watching in the coming campaign from a national viewpoint and a man for whom there is a real prospect of further honor.

At Luncheon

In addition to many other social and political engagements made for Governor Ely by Senators Walsh and Coolidge during his stay in Washington was a luncheon attended by a score of wavemakers democrats in the present Congress, including:

Speaker Garner of the House of Representatives; Senators Ashurst of Arizona, George of Georgia, Walsh of Montana, King of Utah, Lewis of Illinois and Bulkey of Ohio, and 15 others from the House of Representatives, in addition to the four Democratic Congressmen from Massachusetts.

Others Present

In addition to the Senators and Representatives there were present the following citizens of Massachusetts who were in Washington for the day:

John H. Fahey, editor of the Worcester Evening Post and Carl Dreyfus, Secretary to President Wilson, also was present.

Before the luncheon there was a general discussion and interchange of views on the Democratic party’s course in the present Congress in which it was said that everything would be done by the leaders to build up a national party organization and that in whatever plan agreed upon the North will be considered and share in the administration of affairs.

Coolidge and Heffin

Some of those present at the luncheon took occasion to congratulate Senator Coolidge on his refusal to shake hands with Ex-Senator Heffin of Alabama the other day. Heffin was on the floor of the Senate shaking hands with members. Several well-known Democrats went over to Tom and shook hands with him cordially. At one time he looked as if Tom would so far forget himself as to make a speech.

Heffin replied Senator Coolidge and made a remark to him. The junior Senator from Massachusetts saw Heffin, who stood around and left the Senate Chamber. Heffin saw the significance of the Coolidge attitude and didn’t pursue him.

In Governor Ely attended several social functions here today including reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Holmes in honor of Governor Ritchie of Maryland, before boarding his train for Boston.

COUNCILOR KELLY ANNOUNCED HIS CANDIDACY FOR MAYOR CURLEY'S COMMITTEE TO CREATE CONSTRUCTION AND TO RAISE FUNDS TO CARE FOR THE BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT. D markedly to Mr. and Mrs. George R. Holmes in honor of Governor Ritchie of Maryland, before boarding his train for Boston.

SEEK NEW HEAT

State officials who have under consideration the heating of the State House by means of the Edison pipe line are taking into consideration the saving to the maintenance of the heating building through the elimination of smoke and soot.

APPOINT TWO

Mayor Curley today appointed James E. McConnell, of 226 Sixth St., South Boston, and Charles F. Holmes, of 10 Taylor St., South End, permanent inspectors in the water division of the public works department.

NORRIS PROMOTED

John J. Norris, of 164 Minot st., Dorchester, steam fitter in the maintenance division of the fire department, has been promoted to master steam fitter by Mayor Curley.

REARDON BUSY

Cornelius A. Reardon, secretary to Mayor Curley, is busy these days assisting the poor and the unemployed that he finds it necessary to work until late into the night to catch up with his regular work, and in addition to sacrifices of Sundays and holidays in order that he may attend to the voluminous correspondence which arrives each week and which must be answered.

HOLIDAY IN TOLEDO

“Jack” Lowney, of Engine 38, Boston fire department, plans to spend the new year holiday in Toledo, Ohio.

TAYLOR ENTHUSIASTIC

William H. Taylor, of the overseers of the public welfare, who was recently appointed chairman of Mayor Curley’s committee to create the new duties with an enthusiasm and vigor which inspires all who come in contact with him. One who is so confident of success cannot fail.
ASSAULTS
MAYOR IN TAX CASE
Counsel in Property
Sale Replies to Silverman

Attorney Harold S. Davis yesterday jumped into the controversy between Mayor Curley and the Boston Real Estate Exchange over the valuation of real estate in the city, and in a public statement, demanded to know by what right the Mayor and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman assume to say what the valuation of property shall be. He declared that Mayor Curley is apparently bent on rescinding the Board of Tax Appeals.

PUBLIC OFFICERS
Davis, who, as a member of the firm of Story, Thorne, Palmer & Dodge, represented the owners of the property at 21-23 Hanover street in statement proceedings before the Board of Appeals, and also in connection with the recent sale of the property for $36,000, pointed out that the assessors are not city employees, but public officers, whose power and duties are determined not by the city, but by the Commonwealth.

Calling attention to a statement of Silverman that "we'll restate the value of the property in next year's assessment and let them appeal against," Attorney Davis scored the attitude of the corporation counsel and the Mayor.

The statement of Attorney Davis follows in part:

"Certain of the statements with reference to the sale of the Hanover street property made by the corporation counsel are, however, so utterly reduced, that in the writer regards the imputations which he casts upon the good faith of Mr. Dowling, that it would not be right to let them stand unchallenged.

Estimate of $75,000

"On April 1, 1926, which was the date of the assessment in question, the property was owned by five individuals tenants in common. In November, 1926, the owners filed with the assessors an application for amendment. In this application the value of the property was estimated at $75,000.

"This was done by the advice, not because of any lack of confidence that the much lower valuation could be shown if the matter came to trial, but by way of indicating a figure which the owners would be willing to accept as a compromise in order to avoid the trouble and expense of a protracted controversy.

"On Jan. 16, 1927, one of the tenants in common, Edward L. Meacham, who had a half interest, died. On Feb. 2 the assessor gave notice that they had reduced the assessors' valuation to $274,66, which represented a reduction in the valuation from $225,000 to $106,000. It was only a few weeks later that Mr. Dowling, who had previously had nothing to do with the property in any way, shape or manner, was appointed administrator of Mrs. Meacham's estate with the will annexed

"Mr. Silverman insinuates that the sale was made for some ulterior motive and that a better price might readil have been obtained. This is equivalent to charging that Mr. Dowling has been guilty of a grave breach of the duty owed by a person named administrator to any persons interested in Mrs. Meacham's estate. The first answer to this allegation is that the value of the property in next year's assessment and let them appeal against Mr. Dowling, that it would not be right to let them stand unchallenged.

100 New Applicants Daily for Relief

With the statement that the demands upon the city's Public Welfare Department are increasing daily, as shown by 100 applications for relief every twenty-four hours, Mayor Curley has acknowledged a letter from the Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corporation, 40 Commercial Wharf, in which the desire of the employees to contribute to the city's needy $100 a month for the next five months, was announced.

David P. Howes, manager of the New England Division of the corporation, asked to whom the funds should be sent and the mayor made the familiar reply that it is the Public Welfare Department. In existence since 1822, that is the clearing house for aid to the needy and the unemployed. He added that this department dispensed $600,000 in November and that the indications are that more than $700,000 will be needed for December.

History of Sale Replies to Silverman

"In common, Mrs. Ellen L. Meacham was the sole owner of the property in question. The next step was to get the value of the property as of April 1, 1926, which is the date of the assessment. This was done by the assessor as the owner of the property was dead, and a substitute for the deceased was appointed as administrator.

"It is estimated that the written consent of all persons interested was on file in the Probate Court, and the beneficiaries, who are certainly in a better position, have the right to say what the valuation of the property shall be. Mrs. Meacham is the administrator of Mrs. Meacham's estate with the will annexed.

"The third answer is that Mr. Dowling has no control of the fractional interests which did not belong to Mrs. Meacham."

NEWTON, Dec 14—A large representation from Boston City Hall, led by the business men, prominent in public life and Federal and State officials, attended the funeral services at St. Ignatius Church, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, this morning for Thomas J. Hurley, chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the city of Boston and a member of the Boston Traffic Commission. The chapel was filled.

A requiem high mass was celebrated at 9:30 o'clock by Rev. T. Augustine Fay, S. J., a grandson of Mr. Hurley's, Harold Harris, served as altar boy.

Among the priests within the sanctuary were Rev. Mgr. P. J. Supple of St. John's, Head of the Hug' Church, Roxbury; Very Rev. James M. Kilroy, Rector of the Jesuit Order; Rev. John Connolly, Rector of the Sacred Heart Church, Roslindale; Rev. P. Francis Cronin, pastor of St. Joseph's Church; Rev. William R. Crawford, S. J., Rector of the Boston College High School; Very Rev. Augustine O'Neill, pastor of Boston College; Rev. Charles Lane, S. J., of the Immaculate Conception Church, Boston; Rev. Dr. William M. Stinson, S. J.; Rev. Martin Hennesey, S. J.; Rev. P. J. McKugh, S. J.; Rev. D. J. H. Henry Bean, S. J.; Rev. William M. Murray, Rector of the Church of the Presentation, Brighten; Rev. Robert F. O'Meara, Rector of St. Columbkill's Church, Brighton; and Father Ecker, baritone, as soloist, during the mass Mr. Ecker sang the "Miserere." The active bearers were Walter Alcock, Daniel Haggerty, Thomas Gill, Edward Dunne, Thomas Fitzgerald, Stephen O'Neill, Edward Downey and Joseph Kirby.

The obsequies were held by F. P. Watson, Harold D. Coakley, Charles Kelley, Harry Lazerus and James Celeste.


Burial was in Holy Cross, Norwood.
Lawyer Attacks Statements in Abatement Case

Harold S. Davis of the law firm of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, who represented the property owners at 17-21 Hanover street at the recent tax abatement proceedings before the board of tax appeals, takes issue with Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman concerning the valuation of the property and its sale in a statement issued last night.

"I have no desire to go into the merits of the controversy between the mayor and the Boston Real Estate Exchange as to valuation of Boston real estate generally," said Mr. Davis. "Certain of the statements with reference to the sale of the Hanover street property made by the corporation counsel are, however, so utterly unwarranted, especially as regards the imputations which he casts upon the good faith of Mr. Dowling (John C. L. Dowling), that it would not be right to let them go unchallenged."

He cites that the Hanover street property on April 1, 1930, was owned by five individuals as tenants in common, who in November, 1930, filed with the assessors an application for amendment, setting the value of the property at that time as $75,000. This was done on advice of Mr. Davis, he said, "not because of any lack of confidence that a much lower valuation could be shown if the matter came to trial, but by way of indicating a figure which the owners would be willing to accept as a compromise in order to avoid trouble and expense of a protracted controversy."

He points out that one of the owners, who had half interest, died in January of this year and Dr. Dowling was appointed administrator of her estate. The only sworn statement by Mr. Dowling as to valuation of the property was in his inventory of the estate filed with the probate court in which he set the value of her interest in the estate at $16,000, Davis says.

Mr. Silverman, in insinuating the sale of the property was made for some ulterior motive, is equivalent, Dr. Davis says, to charging Mr. Dowling with being guilty of "grave breach of duty owed by him as administrator to the persons interested in Mrs. Meicham's estate."

Mr. Davis declares that the use of a straw in the purchase of property is common and is no indication of anything wrong in connection with the sale. He declares that the corporation counsel's statement "we" will reinstate the value of the property next year is rather meaningless in that the assessed valuations are made by the assessors.

The property in question was valued at $125,000 and later reduced by the city to $106,300. It was sold for $26,000. The state board of appeal set a valuation of $45,000.

Mary Curley, daughter of Boston's mayor, assisted in the opening of the Ritz-Carlton booth for the sale of Christmas seals. Her first customer was Joseph Cotten, leading man at the Copley Theater. Additional branches will be opened this week by the Boston Tuberculosis Association in its final last week battle for the sale of Christmas seals. (Egan photo.)
Mayor Curley presenting a rare brown Irish blackthorn walking stick to Governor Stanley C. Wilson of Vermont in City Hall today. The Vermont chief executive was in town for a conference of dairymen on the milk situation. (Staff photo.)

Retail Stores Come to Aid of Needy

Fourteen Business Houses Make Contributions Totalling $37,450

At a luncheon of the Boston Emergency Committee on Unemployment held at the Chamber of Commerce today, Mayor Curley read a list of fourteen stores, members of the Retail Trade Board of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, which had made their first contributions to the fund, totalling $37,450. The list is as follows:

- Jordan Marsh Co. $16,000
- Wm. Filene's Sons Co. 10,000
- G. A. Pickle Co. 2,500
- Ind. Bank of R. H. Stearns Co. 2,500
- C. F. Hoey Co. 2,000
- The Shepard Stores 2,000
- Chandler & Co. 1,350
- N. A. Pierce Co. 1,000
- R. T. Snavely Co. 1,000
- E. T. Holland Co. Inc. 500
- Shreve, Crump & Lowe Co. 500
- Marrelli N. Smith &Sons Piatton Co. 350

Total: $37,450

Mayor Pleads for Son in an Auto Death

Judge Defers Finding to Visit Scene; Witnesses Call Visibility Poor

Before he decides whether to issue a warrant charging Leo F. Curley, 16-year-old son of the mayor, with manslaughter and driving to endanger, Judge Frankland Miles will visit the corner of Huntington ave. and Forsyth st., Back Bay, at 1:45 o'clock in the morning.

He made that decision today at the conclusion of a hearing in the warrant session of Roxbury court in connection with young Curley's operation of the automobile that fatally injured Mrs. Sarah Bean, of Springfield, at 1:45 in the morning of Dec. 5.

"If the visibility was good, the driver should have seen the woman when she stepped from the car reservation," he said. "If it was poor, why of course the accident was unavoidable."

Hearing Continued

He continued the hearing until Friday.

Mayor Curley was present and addressing the court declared there were three streets in Boston where railway reservations constituted a menace to public safety—Huntington ave., Commonwealth ave., and Bennington st., East Boston. He announced his intention to continue the subway, if possible, beyond Arlington st. out Huntington ave., to correct the evil. He said that on Commonwealth ave., alone a half dozen deaths had resulted from people stepping from the trolley reservation into the paths of automobiles.

Leo Curley testified that the accident was unavoidable. He said he was driving at 25 miles an hour when the victim stepped from the curb and that he didn't see her before.

"Visibility Poor"

He was corroborated by his brother, Paul, and Gregory Sullivan, who, with Walter Quinn of Thane st., Dorchester, were passengers in the car which hit the woman.
Bank Conference! Mayor Curley leaving State House yesterday after he called on Gov. Ely to confer on bank situation and offer all resources at his disposal toward early solution of the problem. He plans conference of bankers to take action to prevent any more banks closing in the state.

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Leo Curley's Case is Heard
Mayor's Son Avers Auto Fatality Unavoidable; New Continuance

A hearing on an application for a complaint charging manslaughter and operating to endanger lives was held today by Judge Miles in Roxbury court in the case of Leo P. Curley, 16, son of Mayor Curley. The hearing was in connection with the death of Mrs. Sarah Bean, of 130 Byer street, Springfield, fatally injured when struck by an automobile, alleged to have been driven by young Curley, on Huntington avenue, at Forsyth street, as she stepped from a trolley car reservation.

Mayor Curley told the court that reservations on three streets of the city, Huntington and Commonwealth avenues and Bennington street, East Boston, are a menace to the public safety, and it is his intention, if possible, to extend the subway from Arlington street to do away with the reservation.

Young Curley said the accident was unavoidable and he didn't see the woman until she stepped in front of his car.

The case was continued until Friday morning to give Judge Miles opportunity to visit the scene of the accident and determine the question of visibility and lighting.

Mary Curley to Preside at Tea

Mary Curley, whose father is the mayor, will preside at the tea to be given on Monday afternoon, Dec. 21, at the sheltered headquarters of the Boston Tuberculosis Association on Tyler street. A musicale will precede the tea, at which a program will be contributed by George Dwight and Reginald Boardman. The affair is in the interests of the sale of Christmas seals by the association. Miss Curley is chairman of the seals committee.
MAYOR CURLEY SPEAKS IN COURT ON SON’S CASE

Criticises Space Allowed Persons on Electric Car Reservation—Court Defers Action

Appearing at a hearing in the Roxbury Municipal Court today, at which the application for a warrant against Leo F. Curley, son of Mayor John F. Curley, in connection with the death of Mrs. Bean, was considered, Mayor Curley voiced stinging criticism against the limited standing space allowed passengers boarding and alighting from the electric cars along the avenue.

Mayor Curley spoke after the evidence in the case was all in. He had been asked if he had anything to say, by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, who represented the younger Curley.

Mayor Curley, after pointing out that there is barely room for passengers to stand on the electric car reservation, and that otherwise a person may be knocked from the very limited standing space into the path of passing automobiles, used Mr. Silverman as an example, postulating him to illustrate the situation on the car reservation.

For Subway Extension

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Mrs. Bean was taken to the City Hospital on a stretcher. She was then in the hospital, but did not testify.

Paul Curley and Sullivan placed the speed of the Curley machine at 20 miles an hour, and said they did not see the woman until she suddenly appeared in the path of the Curley machine.

Judge Miles said that if the visibility at that spot on that particular night was good then the driver should have seen the woman and should have had an alert night in order to avoid the accident. On the other hand, if the visibility was poor, he would agree with the defense counsel that the accident was unavoidable.

To Look Ground Over

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Mayor Curley took issue with Judge Miles in that this visibility was not the keynote of the situation. He maintained that visibility was not of prime importance in this particular case. The only question was whether or not the space allowed was avoidable.

Elaborating upon the argument of Mr. Silverman, Mayor Curley said that if a person stepped from the reservation at that particular point on Huntington av at an early hour, it would have been impossible for a driver to stop his machine in time to prevent an accident. He referred to the light coat of his son, he believed the accident to be regrettable but unavoidable.

Judge Miles said that a map of the section of the city of Springfield furnished by the defense was referred to them constantly.

In continuing the case, he said that if the visibility was good then the particular night was good then the driver should have seen the woman and should have been able to swerve the machine to avoid the accident. On the other hand, if the visibility was poor, he would agree with the defense counsel that the accident was unavoidable.

John McCarthy of 411 Canton St., Springfield, was the first on the scene but he said he did not see the accident.

The situation prior to the fatal accident was reenacted by Inspector Maguire and McCarthy. It was shortly after 3 a.m. when they stood on the reservation and McCarthy stepped down as McCarthy rode ahead on Huntington av.

In court today McCarthy said that if he was not able to distinguish the inspector he stepped from the reservation and that his light coat was what he noticed particularly. If a person wore dark clothing he would hardly be discernible, the taxi driver testified.

Mrs. Bean was taken to the City Hospital on a stretcher. She was then in the hospital, but did not testify.

Walter Barbour of 142 Barbour st, Springfield, brother of Mrs. Bean, was in court, but did not testify.

Dr. Lawrence McCarthy of the City Hospital staff testified as to Mrs. Bean's injuries. She was seen and found to be seriously injured upon being admitted to the hospital, he said.

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Leo Curley, the driver, said that he was going about 25 miles an hour, and he didn't see the woman until she suddenly appeared in the path of his automobile. He said he applied his brakes in safety, but not in time to prevent the accident.

Mayor Curley stated that the only real danger that lurks along Huntington av is that visibility was not the keynote of the situation. He main-
Mr Pearson expressed great confidence in the ability of Mr Pearson and declared that the experience of his office shows a high percentage of collections in receiverships after banks had closed.

Mr Pearson would be the bank this morning, but whether if any report could be made by him within a period of two months, more or less. He said the volume of business done by the bank made it unlikely that any early statement concerning its condition would be forthcoming.

$60,000,000 Deposits Tied Up

Deposits of more than $60,000,000 are tied up in the nine banks closed. These include State deposits of more than $1,000,000, deposits of the city of Boston alone of more than $1,000,000, other deposits by several other cities of varying amounts.

The complete list of the closed banks and their latest announced deposits are as follows:

- Federal National Bank, 85 Devonshire St., and five branch offices, total deposits $28,235,328.
- Lawrence Trust Company deposits $10,533,000;
- Bancroft Trust Company, Worcester, $8,038,000;
- Middlesex National Bank, Lowell, $4,505,000;
- Inman Trust Company, Cambridge, $3,503,000;
- Gloucester National Bank, $1,800,000;
- Salem Trust Company, $2,411,000;
- State National Bank, Lynn, $2,220,000, and
- Brockton Trust Company, $1,454,000.

When news of the banks' closing spread yesterday morning and Mayor Curley both indicated that steps should be taken to arrange for the reopening of the banks as soon as possible. Mayor Curley called at the State House yesterday afternoon to confer with Gov Ely, but the chief executive was not present. The Mayor left word with the governor's secretary, Dewitt C. DeWolf, that he thought Gov Ely should call a conference of clearing house and bank officials to see what might be done to aid the banks. The Mayor said he would be available for such a conference day or night.

No announcement of such a conference was made although further action may be taken today.

FINES TO COUNCILOR BUSH

Able Men Defeated Before, Says Youngman

Some of Boston's leading citizens paid tribute last night to Councilor Herman L. Bush of Ward 12, at a banquet tendered him at the Boston Jacob's City Club, Wiseman, ex-assistant attorney general, was toastmaster.

Testimonials to Councillor Bush as a public official, as a veteran of the World War and as a citizen were delivered by Lieut Gov Youngman, Atty Gen Warner, Joseph McGrath, president of the City Council; Brig Gen John H. Agnew, adjutant general of Massachusetts; Judge Frankland W. L. Miles of the Roxbury Municipal Court; Councilor Israel Ruby and Traffic Commissioner Joseph Conry, representing the Mayor.

Referring to Councillor Bush's recent defeat by 66 votes in the city election, Lieut Gov Youngman said: 'Able men have been defeated before from time to time, and will be defeated in the future. David I. Walsh was defeated in 1914, and now look where he is—Herman may be there some day, too!' Atty Gen Warner talked on 'Friendship,' and recited a poem about the futility of writing a man's good qualities on his tombstone, instead of telling him about them before he is alive.

Judge Miles spoke of the population of Councillor Bush in Roxbury and delivered tributes to both the guest of honor and his wife.

Among those present were Atty Gen Louis H. Sawyer, State Adjt Hermann R. Isenberg of the Marine Corps League, Joseph J. Hurley, chairman of the Boston School Committee; Senator Max Ulin, Ex-Atty Gen Albert H. Gardner, Representatives Bernard Finkelstein, Julius Sturman and Herbert P. Shaughnessy, Alexander Brin, editor of the Jewish Advocate; Jacob Finkel and Leo J. Lyons.
CURLEY URGES SAVING OF AMERICA FIRST
Declares Bankers Influenced by Foreign Debts — Talks at Road Builders' Banquet

In an address packed with criticism of current conditions, Mayor James M. Curley last night, speaking at the 10th annual dinner of the New England Road Builders' Association at the Copley-Plaza, charged the bankers of America with prolonging "hand-to-mouth times and stifling business in their anticipation of a repudiation of national obligations by foreign nations."

The banquet was attended by more than 600 persons, among whom were Lieut Gov William A. Youngman; who gave a speech on his defense of Massachusetts contractors; Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conroy, Mayor of New Bedford; Robert A. Perkins of Melrose; Mayor Andrew A. Cassara of Revere; Chief Engineer Arthur W. Denson of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works; and commissioners and engineers of the state departments of the New England states.

Faith in America
Mayor Curley arrived with Miss Mary Curley, his daughter, after the speaking had started, and his arrival was the signal for prolonged applause and cheering. At the moment the mayor arrived, Lieut Gov Youngman left, and that was taken as an unemployment of Commis-sioner Conroy, who is of a different persuasion, again to set the people cheering.

The Mayor was introduced by Pres Joseph A. Tornasello. His chief plea was for Americans to have faith in America.

"After traveling the roads of pessimism," began the Mayor, "in Washington, where everyone is afraid of his own shadow, and in our own city, where everyone fears to think of which bank will fail next, I am exceedingly glad to enter a gathering charged with the optimism you have displayed in my reception.

"It is easy to be optimistic, I mean you roadbuilders, in the Spring when many roads are going to be built, but for you to continue cheerful when all are in the throes of the deepest depression exemplifies the highest type of Americanism and the highest type of America ever assembled under a single roof in this country in many years."

Hoover and Mellon Story
His impressions of what he saw in Washington he summed up in a story about the President and Secretary Mellon. He represented them as walking along Pennsylvania Ave, when President Hoover asked Secretary Mellon if he had any nickel to telephone.

"Who you going to phone?" asked Mellon.

"A friend," replied the President.

"Then here's a dime," replied Mellon.

"Phone all your friends," said the President. "That," said the Mayor, "may appear far-fetched, but it's not far from the truth. I've been in Washington during the past 10 days, and my observation is that the national capital represented an old-fashioned warehouse. In common with most Americans, I, too, am becoming a bit of a pessimist, but I have been an optimist for the past two years, daily we get reports at the Public Welfare Department that there is an unending increase in unemployment.

Denounces Cry of Economy
"The trouble hinges on this: The business man, large and small, goes to the banker and asks for a loan. His answer is kept liquid; industry is being allowed to remain dead; the streets are being filled with the unemployed."

For a few minutes the Mayor turned away from the Capitol and he noticed the banker to consider construction and to build more roads in the last two years of his administration than in any 10-year period in the history of the city. He is a splendid investment, it makes for confidence. It makes for health, it makes for safety, and it makes for beauty.

"What about the outlook for 1927? All we hear is leaders crying for economy. They say the only way to get back to prosperity and to normalcy is by a rigid policy of economy. They cry, 'Stop spending!' But we can't stop spending because it means we must resort to doles."

I'd rather spend $100,000,000 a year in keeping people at work than spend $100 for doles. That remark brought a storm of applause.

Wants Leader Like Italy's
"How about our own country? I wish, sincerely, that we had a leader in America as they have in Italy. There, every last dollar is being spent to preserve the State and to keep those at work who want to work." Mayor Curley then returned to his attack on the American bankers.

"What about the banks here? They insist upon keeping liquid and in stifling industry. Why, they anticipate the repudiation of national obligations by Germany, by England, by other European countries, and they want their money in America, or they may lose their country."

Youngman for Fair Play
Lieut Gov Youngman in his address alluded to his defense of Massachusetts contractors carried on in the Executive Council. "I was merely trying for fair play for the road-builders."

"There was a time when I was discouraged, but now I hope that we have put the matter of awards and contracts in a state where they will now be awarded with a view to fair play."

Mr Tomaszello opened with speaking of a brief address in which he told of the history of the organization and its progress, bringing about better and more efficient construction. He said that the interests of the public are being upheld by the meetings of public officials, as at last night's gathering, and the contractors.

Among the officials present from the New England states were Asst Engineer William J. McIlhenny, Maine State Highway Commissioner; Frederick E. Everett, New Hampshire Highway Department; Road Engineer A. J. Runnels, Vermont Department of Highways; Col Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the interim Commission of Boston; Chief Engineer George H. Henderson, Rhode Island State Board of Public Roads; Deputy Commissioner Elmer C. Welden, Connecticut Highway Department.

Others present included Pres William R. Smith of the American Road Builders' Association and others of officers of the association.
CURLEY ORDERS PROMPT REFORM IN PURCHASING

DRASIC REVISION OF METHODS FORESEEN—TO INCREASE PERSONNEL

INFERIOR GASOLINE, FROZEN MEAT CITED

City Hospital Paid Far More for Provisions Than Massachusetts General

The finance commission yesterday made public a sweeping indictment of the municipal supply department charging avoidable annual waste, because of incompetency and favoritism, of hundreds of thousands of dollars in aggregate purchases of $5,900,000.

Mayor Curley simultaneously announced the immediate establishment of a municipal laboratory, the increasing of the personnel of the supply department, and the adoption, without reservation, of eight specific recommendations of the commission calculated to result in drastic changes in the purchasing system.

Specifically, the commission charged the squandering of $125,000 annually in purchases of meats involving $500,000 for the City Hospital and other institutions; $33,000 in purchasing fruits and vegetables amounting to $140,000; an indeterminate sum in the buying of automobiles and tires; acceptance of a quality of gasoline far inferior to the specified standard, and gross inefficiency in buying necessitated by purchase in small lots instead of quantities sufficient to meet annual needs of departments.

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE

To correct evils discovered by commission investigators, who found that prices paid by the city for supplies at the City Hospital were far in excess of prices paid for goods of equal or better quality purchased by the Massachusetts General Hospital, and that other purchases were from 10 to 50 per cent, above what should have been paid, these recommendations were presented to Mayor Curley:

An annual program of purchases for a full year based on intelligent study of actual needs.

Uniform buying for all departments.

Analysis of prices to assure knowledge of existing market levels.

Issuance of orders in detail to allow proper inspection.

Provision for constant inspections.

Payment of bills based upon reports of inspections.

In connection with the investigation, the commission reported that no justification was found for the recognition accorded the Mohawk Packing Company which has furnished meats to the City Hospital to the amount of $300,000 a year. This concern, the commission reported, has transmitted city orders to packing houses for delivery and assurance has been given by the wholesale dealers of their willingness to supply the city at prices approximately those charged to the Mohawk concern.

The system of purchasing automobiles and tires, and the failure of the supply department to receive proper "turn in value" for pleasure cars and trucks was sharply assailed by the commission, which revealed that reputable tire dealers had offered to sell to the city at 27 per cent. below the list price in comparison with payments which have been made by the supply department at either the full list price or 10 per cent. in excess.

In criticizing the automobile situation, the commission strongly condemned the practice of buying cars at $2000 and having department heads and other officials and urged on the mayor the establishment of a municipal taxicab system which will require a few cars that will be at the disposal of officials engaged in legitimate city business.

In defence of his department Superintendent of Supplies Philip A. Chapman denied the statement of the commission that three of the personnel of 18 are acknowledged experts. He urged that although edge was purchasing officers who have served in various capacities were tested under rigid specifications, greater responsibility should be given to them.

The commission repeatedly its charge of one per cent. in excess of the dollar price or full list price. Chapman referred the City Hospital to the several samples and had found the gasoline below specifications.

CLAIM RIDICULED

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Investigators discovered that while the supply department maintained that its officials were without knowledge of the inferior grade of gasoline had been delivered, Chapman had analyzed several samples and had found the gasoline below specifications.

Exposing the system of buying meats by meat-buying the stewards, he attributed responsibility for this.

The commission reported that the gasoline had been furnished and consumed before payment was received and at a time in excess of the dollar price or full list price. Chapman admitted by Chapman in a general way, but he maintained that he was not in agreement with the complaints about failure to obtain proper "turn in value" on automobiles.

FEDERAL INSPECTION

To prevent continuance of such conditions the commission has successfully investigated that all meats must bear the stamp of federal inspectors.

A significant feature of the report was the revelation that inspection of meats has not been undoubted merit, but system of buying when needed resulted in prices of meats of inferior quality, this year in many instances, while in recent years meats of inferior quality, this year in many instances, while in recent years meals had been furnished for a comparison between the magnificent city laboratory, a municipal laboratory and in the best laboratories in the nation.

Mayor Curley urged the cooperation of the commissioner with the best experts obtainable in the installation of a testing laboratory and for such additional clerical help as may be necessary.
HIGH SCHOOL ORDER
NOW UP TO MAYOR

$920,000 Measure Passed
Finally in City Council

The order for the expenditure of $920,000 for high school construction, on a site at Wilder St in the Grove Hall district selected by the School Committee, now awaits the signature of Mayor Curley. The order got its second and final reading, passing by a vote of 17 to 4. Councilors Kelly, Dowd, Fish and Wilson voted against and Arnold, Bush, Cox, Donovan, Englehart, Fitzgerald, Gallagher, Gleason, Green, Hein, Lynch, Mahoney, McGrath, Murray, Norton, Power and Ruby voted in favor.

A joint order bearing the names of Councilors Kelly, Dowd, Fish and Wilson calling upon the Mayor to hear representatives of 13 Dorchester civic organizations before he signs the bill was defeated. The latter as well as the Dorchester Councilors—Kelly, Fish and Wilson—have constantly opposed the site at Wilder St and voted with civic organizations a preference for a location at Geneva Ave and South St in the Meeting House Hill section.

Norton Recently in Europe
Councilor Norton made his first appearance since his reelection, having been away on a tour of Europe. On a measure before the high school order was reached, the Hyde Park Councilor voted against appropriations for additions and improvements of playgrounds, declaring that playgrounds should wait; that it was the first duty to feed the people in a year when we don't know where we are to get the money with which to feed the poor.

Mr. Norton, speaking on the high school order, made a short summing up and expressed the opinion that the School Committee should decide where the high school should be located and the board, having decided on Wilder St, he declared he would vote for the order.

Councillor Wilson, for the benefit of the record, completely analyzed the school situation in Dorchester and pointed out that the Dorchester section has 25 percent of the high school population of the city, but has only 8 percent of the city's high school accommodations.

Garbage, Wood, Advertising
An order was again introduced by Councilor Dowd asking Mayor Curley to request the Finance Commission to supply the City Council with copies of its investigation of the contract. The latter contract was the subject of a public hearing in the City Council chamber tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mayor Curley, in an order introduced by Councilor Wilson, is requested to confer with the Metropolitan District Commission about the advisability of permitting the public to carry away the wood and underbrush being cut in the Blue Hills and other parts of the park system. The Councilor declared that much of the cutting is being burned to clear it up and that the poor could get much badly needed fuel that otherwise would be destroyed.

Councilor Kelly offered an order that a complete report of the minutes of the City Council be printed in Boston newspapers in the form of paid advertising. The Dorchester Councilor believes that the people of Boston would like to read every word uttered in that august body. He also offered an order, that passed, calling for an addition to the present sanatorium buildings, River St, Mattapan.

APPROVES NAMING ROXBURY PARK FOR SCHOOLTEACHER

Mayor Curley yesterday approved the naming of a park at Moreland, Fairland and Winthrop sts, Roxbury, in memory of Gertrude Howes, former schoolteacher and well-known philanthropist.

Worthy Cause! Miss Mary Curley, daughter of Mayor Curley, is shown as she made sale of Christmas Seals to Joseph Cotten, Copley Theater's leading man, at the Ritz Carlton yesterday, marking opening of Christmas Seal Sale Booths to fight against Tuberculosis. Miss Curley is in charge of the sale.
CHRISTMAS SEAL SALES BOOTH OPENED BY MISS MARY CURLEY

JOSEPH COTTEN, LEADING MAN OF COPLEY THEATRE COMPANY, PURCHASES FIRST CHRISTMAS SEALS AT BOOTH OPENED YESTERDAY IN THE LOBBY OF THE RITZ-CARLTON.

The Christmas Seal sales booth in the lobby of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel was officially opened yesterday when Joseph Cotten, leading man of the Copley Theatre company, purchased some seals from Miss Mary Curley, daughter of Mayor Curley. Miss Curley is chairman of the booth workers selling seals for the Boston Tuberculosis Association.

FRANKLIN PARK RECEIPTS $33,082

Chairman Long's Report on the Golf Course

Chairman William P. Long, in a report to Mayor Curley on the Franklin Park golf course for the season opening April 16 and ending Dec 8, said that the registered attendance was 68,298; number of rounds played, 80,600; and cash receipts $33,082.

Of the $33,082, annual permits represented $23,000; daily permits $8,322; lockers $1765; Saturday, Sunday and holiday permits $804, and incidentals $48.

New Roxbury Park to Be Named for Teacher

The new park in the area bounded by Moreland, Fall and Winthrop sts., Roxbury, will be named in memory of the late Miss Gertrude Howes of that district, who was a school teacher there for many years and was widely known for her philanthropies. Mayor Curley announced yesterday.

TO PRINT CITY BUSINESS

Publication of the minutes of the city council in Boston newspapers was requested of Mayor Curley by an order passed by the council.
Report Assails the Slip-Shod Methods and Lack of Proper Inspections

Received Little or Nothing for Turn-in on Autos Used Only Short Time

Complaints that the city paid $180,000 too much for meats, fruits, and vegetables supplied to the City Hospital and other municipal institutions during the last year by a selected group of dealers, without public competition, were disclosed in the long-awaited report of the Finance Commission's investigation of the supply department, which was made public last night by Mayor Curley.

DELIVERED FROZEN MEAT

Not only did the city pay from 10 to 20 per cent in excess of the market prices but because of inspection which the Finance Commission branded as "slipshod, haphazard and worthless," frozen chicken and pork were delivered to the hospital in place of fresh meats.

Of the city's meat bill of $500,000 a year, $500,000 went to the Mohawk Packing Company, which Finance Commission classes as a "middle-man carrying little if any stock." The report stated that the hospital steward went directly to the big packers, but ordered in the name of the Mohawk "soley to permit that company to add its profit to the charge of the packing company."

Waste in Automobile

In the purchase of $200,000 worth of automobiles a year the city is probably making a saving of about $100 on an automobile which had been bought new by the city only the year before for $1100.

Tires and tubes were sold to the city at times for 10 per cent above the list price, while Finance Commission investigators walked into the same dealers as perfect strangers and got them at a discount without revealing their identity.

Way Over Market Price

Similarly the Finance Commission compared the meat prices paid by the City Hospital and the Massachusetts General Hospital, showing that the city paid 25 cents a pound for liver while the Massachusetts General Hospital paid only 13 cents for it.

Liver was sold to the City Hospital at $350,000, while the same hospital purchased $80,000 worth of meat and vegetables at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The Finance Commission protested that the city did not fix the prices in advance of purchases, but permitted the selected dealers to deliver the meats to the City Hospital, if the prices were lower than those which had been consumed.

Records in the purchasing department were found to be merely a gesture by the investigators, who reported that materials had only been ordered, the bills in the auditor's office showed at the same time that they had been delivered and paid.

Only Half on Contract

Only half of the city's annual purchases of $2,000,000 a year were based on contract and 24 per cent of the orders were awarded without competition and often without advertising, the report stated.

As an example of the failure to check the delivery with the orders, the commission reported that the city paid $150 for a six-month supply of gasoline which on being tested by M. I. T. chemists proved to be of inferior quality to that which had been ordered.

Lack of trained buyers and inspections in the supply department, together with the lack of detail in the specifications of the orders, and the need of a testing laboratory was responsible in large measure for the city paying top prices and often exorbitant prices.

As a result of the Finance Commission investigation, the report contended that since early October the city has been making a saving of about $100,000 a year in meat prices alone, the dealers having agreed to drop the prices over 13 cents when called into conference by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin.

Could Get Lower Prices

He estimated that even lower prices could be obtained if the purchases were opened to competition by all the responsible dealers and if the city adopted the policy of mass buying instead of making scattering purchases.

As an indication of the failure to obtain volume prices by grouping orders, the report stated that the city placed orders for $10,000 worth of miscellaneous groceries per month, without contract or testing.

Recommendations

As means of perfecting a purchasing system, the Finance Commission recommended:

1. Make early in every year a programme of purchases based on a study of the actual needs.

2. Provide for a study of the uses for which supplies are obtained so that there will be relatively uniform buying for all departments.

3. Permit the grouping of orders so that purchase can be made by contract for annual or periodic supplies.

4. Obtain open competition from reliable merchants and avoid the necessity of paying an unnecessary middle profit.

5. Make such an analysis of prices as will keep the department informed of the proper price and will not leave the city in the mercy of the firm to which the order is given.

6. Write its orders in such detail that proper inspection may follow.

7. Either make inspection itself or satisfy itself that proper inspection is made of deliveries.

8. Obtain reports of inspection and govern itself accordingly in the approval of bills and the giving of future orders.

Adopted "Without Delay"

Commenting on the report last night the Mayor stated: "The recommendations as made by the Finance Commission are most constructive and it is my purpose that they be adopted without delay."

"The superintendents of supplies have stated that it is his purpose to confer with the best experts obtainable with reference to the perfecting of the purchasing system, and to this I have assented," the Mayor informed the Finance Commission.

He declared he had instructed the superintendent of supplies to confer at once and arrange for an appropriation to cover the installation of a testing laboratory and clerical help to pay for the necessary equipment.
GROVE HALL SCHOOL TO BE ERECTED

$920,000 Loan Order Passed by Council 17 to 4

Controversy over the location of the proposed Dorchester high school for girls which has been agitated for the past seven months was brought to an abrupt end last night when the City Council formally and finally approved the $920,000 loan order requested by the school authorities to start construction immediately at Wilder street, Grove Hall, near the Roxbury line.

VOTE IS 17 TO 4

Last minute drives to block the order were made by Councillors Kelly, Wilson and Fish of Dorchester, with Dowd of Roxbury, but they failed on the roll-call which adopted the measure by a vote of 17 to 4.

Leading the opposition, Councillor Kelly appealed for a delay until the leaders of 13 Dorchester civic organizations might be given a public hearing. Kelly insisted that the people had the right to know the marks of all the experts obtainable with reference to the establishment of a purchasing system, and to this I have assented.

Want Speeches Printed

Publication in full of the minutes of the City Council meetings in the newspapers was advocated by Councillor Kelly in an order adopted by the Council, which will be presented to the Mayor for approval. Kelly insisted that the people had the right to know the remarks of all the 22 members of the City Council at the meetings, and he expressed the wish that the Mayor might view the proposal in the same light and approve the advertising bills.

Higher pay for the special justices of the Municipal Court was assured by the Council yesterday in accepting for Boston special legislation provided earlier this year by the General Court.

Means $5 More a Day

In urging acceptance of the legislative act, Councillor Israel Ruby of Dorchester explained that the special justices will receive $5 instead of $2 for each day they sit in court in the future. Free fuel for those who care to carry it home was recommended by the Council in appealing to the Metropolitan District Commission to place at the disposal of the poor brush wood now being cut down and burned in the Blue Hills and other Metropolitan reservations. In presenting the order for the approval of the commission, Councillor Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., of Dorchester, explained that it would not only provide the poor with wood but it would save the State the expense of disposing of it.

RAPS REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE EXPERTS

Mayo Cites Alleged Cases of Hostility to Efforts

Charging that the city of Boston has lost hundreds of thousands of dollars by the action of members of the Boston Real Estate Exchange, Mayor Curley yesterday issued a statement, enumerating what he termed specific cases. He also declared that attacks on the assessing department were part of a program to discredit the city, in order to block public improvements which he termed essential if work rather than the dole is to be provided.

The mayor also called attention to the Williams property taken for the Charles Street Circle. He said it was assessed in 1930 for $59,000 and the Mayor said that three members of the Exchange testified the property was worth $124,000, $120,000 and $128,000. Lurensky land on Blackstone street taken at the same time, according to the mayor was assessed for $78,000 and the same experts testified the value was $155,000 to $162,000.

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Another mentioned by the Mayor was the Lurensky case, Merchants Row, taken by eminent domain. It was assessed in 1930 for $59,000 and the Mayor said that three members of the Exchange testified the property was worth $124,000, $120,000 and $128,000. Lurensky land on Blackstone street taken at the same time, according to the Mayor was assessed for $78,000 and the same experts testified the value was $155,000 to $162,000.

Mayor Curley said:

"It is quite apparent that these so-called real estate experts, who are members of the Boston Real Estate Exchange, would have no case for real estate in Boston when the property is taken by the city by eminent domain and another value when the property is assessed for the purpose of taxation."
RAPS BUYING
POLICY OF CITY

Finance Commission Hits Lack of Competition
Says $145,000 Excess Paid for Hospital Supplies
Mayor Agrees New Method Should Be Adopted

The Finance Commission report of its investigation of the methods of purchasing for the city of Boston by the Supply Department was made public yesterday by Mayor Curley. It charges, among other things, that the price paid $120,000 in the past year for City Hospital meats in excess of the market prices and that the cost of vegetables and fruit was $25,000 over the market. It was also charged that the City Hospital received frozen meat and poultry when fresh was paid for.

No Trained Buyers

Complaint is also made that, with one exception, there are no trained buyers in the department; that pricing is left to firms selling the city and fixed after goods have been delivered and paid for; and that orders are not grouped; that 24 percent of the business was given without competition; that one firm handling 75 percent of the fruit and vegetables was often paid twice the market price; and that the purchase price demand is made that a testing laboratory be installed by the city. Much of the report is devoted to the Boston City Hospital food supplies and it is said that the Mohawk Packing Company, which sells approximately $300,000 worth of meat to the hospital daily in a two address only a middleman; that it carries little, if any, stock; and that, as a matter of fact, the hospital buyer goes direct to the packers for his supply.

System Suggested

The Finance Commission recommended that the Supply Department develop a system which shall:
1. Make early in every year a program of purchases for the year based on a study of the actual needs.
2. Provide for a study of the uses for which supplies are obtained so that there will be relatively uniform buying for all departments.
3. Permit the purchase of orders so that purchase can be made by contract for annual or periodic supply.
4. Obtain the best interest of the public through competition of reputable merchants and avoid the necessity for paying an unnecessary margin.
5. Make such an analysis of prices as will keep the department informed of the price and quality of goods which will not leave the city at the mercy of the firm to which the order is given.
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Created in 1908

The Supply Department was created in 1908. Philip A. Chapman, superintendent of supplies, was appointed to the office in March of last year and according to his report to Mayor Curley, "inherited the system."

Mr. Chapman's statement to Mayor Curley regarding the Finance Commission report is as follows:

"The report as submitted is a criticism of a system in force for many years. That system I inherited upon assuming the office of superintendent of supplies in March, 1908. "Upon assuming this office I studied the conditions and found that because of a shortage of clerks, the purchase records containing the prices and quantities were not compiled as quickly and that no confirming requisitions were made for the first six months of the year. "I asked for and received from the firm supplying such goods a confirming requisition with the price and place where bought, so that the Supply Department's duty consists in checking the order when received from the firm supplying such goods.

Major's Letter

Mayor Curley, in forwarding to the Finance Commission a copy of the report made by Mr. Chapman, sent the following letter: "I am forwarding herewith the report submitted by the Finance Commission. I am sure that the recommendations therein are constructive in character; his purpose is to improve the system of buying and I trust that the steps have been taken to arrange for an appropriation for a testing laboratory."
Mayor, in New Attack, Demands Organization
Rid Itself of Those Whom He Blames for
Heavy Verdicts on Land Taken

Mayor Curley last night demanded that the Boston Real Estate Exchange rid its membership of real estate experts whom he accused of gouging the city of huge sums in payment for properties taken for public improvements.

In a bristling retort to recent critical statements of his attitude on municipal financial problems, the mayor attacked the exchange for the adoption of a program which he said was fraught with danger to the financial structure of the city, assailed real estate experts by citing specific examples of alleged deliberate undervaluation of property exceeding by at least 100 per cent, the taxable valuation, and advised the exchange to take this action:

"Clean house, be honest with the people of Boston, refrain from indulging in subterfuge and think a little bit of the welfare of the people of the city, rather than the welfare of its individual members."

The mayor blamed real estate experts for the heavy verdicts that have been returned against the city and accused them of adhering to a practice which imposes an extremely low valuation on property in controversies about tax assessments and an unwarrantedly high value on the same properties when they are taken by the city for public improvements.

The mayor's statement in part:

I consider it my duty to stand between these designing, pseudo public benefactors and the people's money, and this I propose to continue doing, regardless of the social or financial standing of the individual or group. It is part of a program to discredit the city, in order to block public improvements essential if work rather than dole is to be provided during the year 1932 for the citizens of Boston. In their efforts to discredit the assessing department, they do not hesitate to attack the financial status of the city, at a time when such a course is dangerous. The fact is that if they were permitted to consummate their program without protest from me, the entire financial structure of the city would be endangered.

The public will be interested to know that these same men who decry the high valuations of real estate in Boston and who have it imputed that the valuations placed by the board of assessors are all out of proportion to the real values, are the same men who under oath in court have but recently testified in cases where the city of Boston has taken property by eminent domain that the assessed values were in most cases from 100 to 200 per cent, too low and are responsible in the main for the large verdicts rendered against the city of Boston in these cases.

Are values in Boston to be determined by forced sales of real estate in order to close up trust estates? If the board of assessors were to accept the valuation of this property as being $26,000 it would necessarily follow that the 2965 square feet of land occupied by this property would have a value of approximately $9 a foot, including the building, which was a well built three-story building. Any one with any understanding of real estate valuation in this particular locality must appreciate that a valuation of $9 per square foot, including the building is absurd. It is well known that land in the immediate vicinity of this property, in every direction has an established value of more than $20 per square foot. It should be noted also that the assessed valuation of the building in question is more than $24,000, which is far less than the replacement cost of this building. It is interesting to note that real estate experts who are members in the Boston Real Estate Exchange in their testimony in the various cases in court, involving the widening of Court street, placed the value of the property taken in every case much higher than the assessed valuation.

My advice to the Boston Real Estate Exchange is to clean house, be honest with the people of Boston, refrain from indulging in subterfuge and think a little bit of the welfare of the people of the city, rather than the welfare of its individual members.

The attacks upon the city assessing department, particularly by the Real Estate Exchange, the Mayor protested, were "part of a programme to discredit the city in order to block public improvements. In their efforts to discredit the assessing department," complaine the Mayor, "they do not hesitate to attack the financial status of the city, at a time when such a course is dangerous."

"The fact is that if they were permitted to consummate their programs without protest from me, the entire financial structure of the city would be endangered. I consider it my duty to stand between these designing, pseudo public benefactors and the people's money, and this I propose to do," promised the Mayor, "regardless of the social or financial standing of the individual or group."

In his reply to the Exchange, the Mayor presented a list of several court cases in which large awards against the city resulted after members of the Exchange testified that the properties were worth twice the assessed valuation. He offered to present more examples, if the Exchange desired.
DEALERS SET OWN PRICE

It was also stated that a comparison between the Massachusetts General and City Hospitals showed the latter paying 25 cents a pound for liver while the Massachusetts General paid only 13 cents, the quoted market price. It was protested that the city did not fix the price in advance of purchases but permitted selected dealers to deliver meats to the hospital and then send their price lists to City Hall.

The commission claim that lack of trained buyers and inspectors in the supply department, added to a lack of detail in specifications of orders, were responsible mostly for the city paying excessive prices.

PROTECTION

Robes Stopped, the Fin. Com. Head Claims, While Commonwealth Is Bilked

As Mayor Curley was ordering a reform in the city purchasing methods, Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Finance Commission, turned his verbal guns on state officials today.

Goodwin’s commission last night reported a heavy city loss on purchases of supplies through lack of system and proper inspection. “Conditions are just as bad at the State House,” Goodwin said today.

“The State is being cheated even more than the city of Boston, from information that I have, but there is no one with the power to investigate.”

NEW PROBE ON TODAY

He referred to the investigations of the Bridgewater Hospital and Norfolk prison colony and said they “hardly got started when the super-government got busy and stopped the investigations.”

Since the investigations that were halted, a new committee of the Governor’s Council was formed to probe conditions there and went to Norfolk prison colony today.

The city’s needs for protection were listed in eight recommendations of the commission for a new system.

$125,000 MEAT WASTE

The commission’s report specifically charged that $125,000 was wasted annually in the $500,000 annual purchase of meats for the City Hospital and other institutions.

$30,000 in $140,000 purchases of fruits and vegetables; an underdetermined sum in purchases of autos and tires; use of gasoline of inferior quality and general inefficiency in buying.

The report stated that $350,000 of the city’s $500,000 meat bill went to the Mohawk Packing Co. named in the report as a “middleman, carrying little if any stock.”

$65,482 FOR ZOO

Buildings Asked

Mayor Curley yesterday requested the council to authorize the expenditure of $90,482 of the income of the George F. Parkman Fund for the construction of permanent buildings equipped with water, heat and lighting facilities at the animal range in the Franklin Park Zoo.

The Mayor acted at the request of Park Commissioner William P. Long, who stated that the present buildings in the range are dilapidated and are little more than corrals with wooden shakers.

D. PRESSION GONE AGAIN

Dumped Into 100 Fathoms From Plane

“A man may be down—"

But what about a boogey-man? Listen to this—

“D. Pression! Whatcha doin’ here?"

I’m General D. Pression,” wheezed the figure, “and I wanna go home. I’ve been shot at, drowned, dumped in the garbage heap, run down and generally demoralized. I wanna go home.”

Yeah! Where do you come from?” queried Danny,

“Dugan,” just take me somewhere—anywhere but here."

And a plane roared off the runway, disappeared toward the middle of the Atlantic, and when Duggan returned the General was not a passenger.

“Where is he?” asked a representative of Mayor Curley, who originally hurled the General into the harbor.

“Somewhere east of here—In about 100 fathoms of water,” replied Danny with a grin. “He fell out, you know, when I flew upside down.”

No serious charges will be preferred against Duggan. In fact, he was warmly congratulated by police, coast guards and the Mayor’s office.

City Pays Too Much for Food, Says Goodwin

Reporting yesterday on its investigation of purchasing methods of the municipal supply department, the Boston Finance Commission found that city departments are paying exorbitant prices and that keeping of records by the department is “simply a gesture.”

The report, signed by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin, submitted to Mayor Curley, charges that lack of reliable data made it almost impossible for the present head of the department to compile an intelligent report for the year 1930, which it was made plain that it was his duty to do.

“An illustration of the result of this inefficiency may be seen in the purchase of meats for the City Hospital, amounting to $500,000. Four firms are given the orders from day to day without any written contract. The prices charged are from 10 to 100 per cent over current market rates and inspection by the city was haphazard and worthless,” the report states.

The Finance Commission recommends a year-long program of purchases, based on a study of needs. The grouping of orders to permit contract purchasing and open competition from reliable merchants, and also insure proper inspection of deliveries would be a start, Mayor Curley, on receipt of the report, said it was most constructive in character, and he instructed the superintendent of supplies to confer with the budget commissioner with a view to the suggestions contained in the report.
Finance Commission Finds
City Paid Above Market—
Curley Order Reform

In the long-awaited report of the Finance Commission's investigation of the supply department, which is made public by Mayor Curley. Charges are made that the city paid $150,000 too much for meats, fruits and vegetables supplied to City Hospital and other municipal institutions during the last year, having purchased from a selected group of dealers, without public competition.

It is charged that not only did the city pay from 10 to 100 per cent in excess of the market prices, but because of "slipped, haphazard and practically worthless inspection," frozen chicken and pork were delivered to the City Hospital in place of fresh meats.

The Mohawk Packing Company, which the Finance Commission characterizes as a "middleman carrying little risk," showed the city $50,000 worth of the city's meat bill of $500,000, the report stating that the hospital steward went directly to the packers, without orders, and ordered in the name of the Mohawk, "soley to permit that company to add its profits to the charge of the packing company."

In the purchase of $500,000 worth of automobiles a year the city bought cars without advertising for competition or any attempt to obtain a fair value for the old cars turned in, the commission charges, citing as an example an allowance of only $150 on an automobile which had been bought new by the city only a year before for $700. Tires and tubes were sold to the city at times for 10 per cent above the list price, while finance commission investigations walked into the same dealers as perfect strangers and got them at a discount without revealing their identity.

Way Over Market Price

The Finance Commission compared the meat prices paid by the City Hospital and the Massachusetts General Hospital, showing, it is claimed, that the city paid 25 cents a pound for liver while the Massachusetts General Hospital got its liver for 13 cents, the price quoted in the market.

The Finance Commission protests that the city did not fix the prices in advance of purchases, but permitted the selected dealers to deliver the meats to the City Hospital and then send the price lists to City Hall after the meats had been consumed.

Records in the purchasing department were found to be merely a gesture by the investigating officers, who reported that while the purchasing records showed that materials had only been ordered, the bills in the auditing office showed at the same time that they had been delivered and paid.

Only Half on Contract

Only half of the city's annual purchases of $5,000,000 a year were ordered on contract and 25 per cent of the contracts were awarded without competition and often without advertising, the report stated.

Lack of trained buyers and inspectors in the supply department, together with the lack of detail in the specifications of the orders, and the need of a testing laboratory were responsible in large measure for the city's disadvantages in the purchase of supplies.

As a result of the Finance Commission investigation, the report contends that October the city has been making a saving of about $100,000 a year in meat prices alone, the dealers having agreed to stop practices of the type when called into conference by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin. He estimated that even lower prices could be obtained if the purchases were opened to competition by all the responsible dealers and if the city adopted the policy of mass buying instead of making scattered purchases.

As an indication of the failure to obtain volume prices by grouping orders, the report stated the city places orders for $179,000 worth of miscellaneous groceries per month, without contract or testing; $40,000 worth of eggs a year, without contract, and $60,000 worth of coffee and tea without contract, competition or regular testing.

Recommendations

As means of perfecting a purchasing system, the Finance Commission recommended:

1.—Make early in every year a program of purchases for the year based on a study of the actual needs.
2.—Provide for a study of the uses for which supplies are obtained so that there will be relatively uniform buying for all departments.
3.—Permit the grouping of orders so that purchase can be made by contract for annual or periodic supply.
4.—Obtain open competition from reliable merchants and avoid the necessity for paying an unnecessary middle profit.
5.—Make such an analysis of prices as will keep the client informed of the proper price and will not leave the city at the mercy of the firm to which the order is given.
6.—Write contracts in such detail that proper inspection can follow.
7.—Either make inspection itself or necessary that proper inspection be made of deliveries.
8.—Obtain reports of inspection and govern itself accordingly in the approval of bills and the giving of future orders.

Now in Effect

Practically all of the recommendations of the Finance Commission have been put into effect already, and those that remain will become effective without delay. Superintendent of Supplies Philip A. Chapman, revealed in an official report to the mayor.

Commenting on the report the mayor stated: "The recommendations as made by the Finance Commission are most constructive in character, and it is my purpose that they be adopted without delay."

The superintendent of supplies has stated that it is his purpose to confer with the best experts obtainable with reference to the perfecting of a purchasing system, and to this I have consented," the mayor informed the Finance Commission.

Mayor Curley Defends the City's Bank Deposits

Mayor Curley issued a statement today, in justification of the city's deposits in the Federal National Bank. He said:

"The city has $16,000,000 in various Boston banks and the allotment to the Federal National Bank was in conformity with the law, allowing municipal funds to be placed in banks. We had every reason to believe the bank solvent, as did the State, which had a deposit there. Mr. Mulloney, the president of the Federal National, is regarded as an exceptionally capable and high class banking man, and there is some encouragement in his statement that if given sufficient time he will be able to pay 100 cents on the dollar."

Connect Places High School Order

With only four dissenting votes those of Councillors Kelly, Gowan, Fish and Harrington, the $220,000 order for the construction of a high school on a site on Wilder street, Grove Hall, was passed in the City Council yesterday and reached the mayor's desk this morning to be promptly signed.
Exchanging Head
Again Defends
Appeals Board

He Says Saving It Is Vital to
Real Estate Interests, in
Editorial

Further discussion of the tax assessment question and the necessity for continuance of the Board of Tax Appeals—the subject of a controversy between Mayor Curley and Boston Real Estate Exchange—is made by President Walter Channing of that organization. In an editorial in the December issue of "The Bulletin," the official organ of the exchange, he writes under the caption "The President's Desk":

"Nothing of greater importance to real estate interests than the preservation of the board of tax appeals. Many persons do not realize the effect which over-assessment for the purpose of increasing the value of the property and the liability of the owner for taxes. Every dollar added to the tax burden decreases the value of the property and is equally true whether the increase is not the result of a larger assessment, a larger tax rate, or both. For instance, let us assume that a property earns $6000 net after paying a tax of $4500, or 45% of its value. If the tax on a $100,000 assessment at the 1931 tax rate. Should this property be assessed at $110,000, the net income would be reduced to $4050, or 45% of its value. The same percentage of the tax, however, would result in an increase of $500, or 6% on a value of $100,000. To state that there are properties in Boston assessed at twice what they would sell for in a fair market is no exaggeration. Is it any wonder that the owners of such overburdened properties welcomed the creation of a tribunal to which they might appeal for relief, or that we all view with concern the desire of some of our eminent civic leaders to do away with the board of tax appeals?

"The Board of Tax Appeals was created by act of the Legislature in 1930 and began to function on Dec. 1 of that year. So far it has considered appeals from 1930, 1931 and 1932 assessments only, the appellant's owning properties scattered over the State. As one is likely to make an appeal to the board unless he is confident that he can convince the board that he is considerably over-assessed, it is but natural that in most cases the board makes a reduction, but such an outcome is by no means certain; in several cases the board's verdict has been in favor of the municipality. At the time of writing the board has rendered several decisions which concern properties in Boston, which has caused the most unfavorable official comment reduced a Boston assessment from $125,000 to $45,000, but even in this instance the board's decision is subject to review.

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Leo Curley in Roxbury Court

Police Ask Manslaughter Complain Against Son of Mayor

With Mayor Curley present, a hearing was held in Roxbury District Court today on an application for a complaint charging Leo Curley, sixteen-year-old son of the Mayor, with manslaughter and operating an automobile so as to endanger the lives and safety of the public.

The application was made by Patrolman John J. Maguire of Back Bay police, but the case has to do with an accident Dec. 6 at the intersection of Huntington avenue and Forsyth street at about 2 A. M., when a car driven by young Curley struck Mrs. Sarah Bean, commonwealth's expert. Mrs. Ecdn died from her injuries Dec. 10.

The hearing was continued to Friday after a number of witnesses had been heard, in order that Judge Frankland W. L. Miles may visit the scene of the accident and test the visibility of the road. Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, representing young Curley, produced many photographs and maps of the vicinity of the accident as evidence and said the accident was unavoidable. The woman was not seen until she stepped in front of the car, he said.

Judge Miles expressed his opinion that the visibility was good, the woman should have been seen. If it was poor, he said, the accident was unavoidable.

It was brought out that with young Curley at the time were his older brother Paul, and two friends, Gregory Sullivan and Walter Quinn, and that the party was returning home after attending a movie. They testified that the car was going about twenty-five miles an hour, when Mrs. Bean stepped from the trolley reservation into their path. They said the brakes were applied, and the car went into the ditch, but Mrs. Bean was not seen until she stepped in front of the car, he said.

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Frank Pupa, 90 West street, West Newton, told the court that he had been driving just ahead of the Curley car, had his brakes screeched, and had looked around just in time to see Mrs. Bean about five feet ahead of the Curley car. He had not seen her, he said.

John McCarthy, 1082 Canterbury street, Roslindale, testified that a few nights later he was driving his taxi at the same spot at about the same time and was unable to see Patrolman Maguire, who was wearing a light colored overcoat, as he stepped from the reservation. A bright light at the corner, he said, does not maintain adequate visibility.

Mayor Curley, who said that he was speaking generally and not in behalf of his son, said: "There are three such streets with reservations which are a menace to the safety of Boston, Common wealth avenue, Bennington street, in East Boston, and Huntington avenue." He expressed the belief that they should be eliminated.
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The stick was one of three recently sent the mayor by an admirer. It was carried for many years by the late John Cummings, who for many years was leader of the Democratic party in Chicago.

Gov. Wilson is in Boston to attend a conference of New England business and dairymen to discuss importation of milk from outside districts and the resultant drop in the cost of that commodity.

The city of Boston spends about $5,000,000 for this sort of supplies investigated by the Finance Commission. If the food purchases are to be taken as the criterion, twenty-five per cent of that amount, or $1,250,000, has been wasted every year.

The sums so wasted would have supplied a substantial amount of constructive work for the unemployed or they could have been applied to reduction of high taxes instead of excessive profits for the middlemen involved.

The city of Boston is one of the oldest civic corporations in the United States. As a result of its long experience, it can rightfully be expected to have a competent, efficient system of transacting its business without the slipshod methods of a novice and without the profligate extravagances that disgraced the ancient monarchies of France.

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CITY GOLF LINKS
PAID $33,082

Very Profitable Season at Franklin Park

Golfers on the municipal course at Franklin Park poured $33,082 into the city treasury during the recent playing season which closed a few days ago. Chairman William P. Long of the Park Commission reported yesterday to Mayor Curley.

During the public golf season from April 16 to Dec. 8, there was an attendance of 86,380 at Franklin Park, playing 200,000 rounds of golf. A total of 2,002 regular golfers purchased annual permits costing $10 each, netting $20,020 for the city. Then 702 daily permits at $3 each brought in $2,106 more. For Saturday, Sunday and holiday play, 168 permits were sold at $3 each, and $3 was also paid for each of the 500 lockers assigned to the municipal golfers. Incidents amounting to $1 brought the total receipts of the golf course up to $33,082.
ASSAULS BANKING POLICIES

Curley Warns Them to Spend Money in America

SEES SYMBOL IN CURLEY ARRIVAL

When Lieutenant-Governor Youngman walked out of the Road Builders' banquet last night at the Copley-Plaza Hotel as Mayor Curley walked in, Traffic Commissioner Conry remarked to several hundred present: "It is symbolic of what is going to happen. Youngman walked out as Curley walked in."

Striking out last night at the wave of pessimism he declared is rampant in parts of the country, Mayor Curley scored the banking interests for their policy of keeping liquid in anticipation of repudiation of European war debts, and charged that it is high time the bankers spend their money in America and break the stranglehold of depression.

MAY LOSE AMERICA

He urged "the plain citizens of America" to assert themselves and demand of their bankers that they stop trying to save the whole world, and pour American dollars into American industries. He sounded the warning that if we do not adopt such a policy we may lose America.

He was speaking before more than 200 members and guests of the New England Road Builders Association at an annual conference at the Copley-Plaza Hotel, and prefaced his remarks with a sketch of his recent visit to Washington. "It is not far-fetched, but is absolute truthfulness, when I say that during my recent visit to Washington I have never gone into any place that more resembled an old-fashioned wake than the national Capitol. I have never travelled such roads of prosperity, where everyone is afraid of their own shadow.

Optimistic Two Years.

"I am beginning to be a little pessimistic myself. I have been optimistic for two years, hoping and praying the sunlight of prosperity might spread this far in the East, but daily reports from the public welfare department indicate a constant increase in the number of unemployed."

"Spend the Cure"

"What is rigid economy? It means stopping the expenditure of money, and when you stop spending for constructive work you are obliged to pour it out in the form of dole. I would rather spend $100,000,000 a year to keep the people working than to spend $100 in dole. Spending is the only cure for unemployment—spending, not saving."

In his attack on the banking interests for their refusal to help the American business man, Mayor Curley charged that the anticipated loss of European war debts might as well be placed now in the same category as the stock margin losses in 1929. He stated they are gone, and will never return.

"Have All but Faith"

"We assemble here on the eve of the third year of an industrial depression such as this country has never before witnessed," he said. "We haven't lost an acre of land, there is no scourge or plague. We have more of the agencies for the production of goods than in history. We have more wheat, more corn, more coal. We have everything in America, but confidence.

"It is about time we had faith. We have been wandering in the valley of sorrows and lost hope." Lieutenant-Governor Youngman, receiving a warm welcome from the road builders, declared that the war is over, referring to his recent dispute with Governor Ely concerning the awarding of road-building contracts. He stressed the point that all he was seeking was fair play, and that he is satisfied, "It has always been an integral part of our system of government."

Receiver from Washington

Mayor Curley's statement on the situation was as follows: "The city has $19,000,000 in various Boston banks and the allotment to the Federal National Bank was in conformity with the law, allowing arrears to be placed in banks. We had every reason to believe the bank solvent, as did the State, which had a deposit there. Mr. Mullen, the president of the Federal National, is regarded as an exceptionally capable and high-class banking man, and there is some encouragement in his statement that if given sufficient time he will be able to pay 100 cents on the dollar."

John W. Pole, comptroller of the currency, in accompanying the statement, declared that the receiver was one of the most experienced men in the service. "We will use our best efforts to make the liquidation as easy as possible, having in mind the interests of both depositors and creditors," he said.

I have great confidence in Mr. Pearson's ability to handle the present situation."

The comptroller declared that the experience of banks shows a high percentage of collections when receiverships after banks have been closed.

A shipment of money was sent in the Federal Reserve Bank from Washington, intended to meet any emergency that might arise from the closing of the local bank. Of the total shipment, $1,500,000 was allotted to Worcester and $200,000 was sent to New Bedford.

AMERICAN BANKERS SCORED BY CURLEY

Mayor Curley told members of the New England Road Builders' Association last night that he stood for the preservation of America, regardless of what happens to any other country in the world and suggested that bankers spend American money in America, adding industry, rather than in trying to save the world.

"We have everything but faith in America," he declared.

The occasion was the annual dinner of the association at the Copley Plaza Hotel. President Joseph A. Tomasello presided.

The mayor congratulated the road builders for the progress they have made, adding that road building makes for convenience, safety, beauty and health.

"We would rather spend $19,000,000 in keeping people at work than to spend $100 in dole," he declared. "I wish we had a leader in the United States similar to the type they have in Italy. Spending money is the only cure for unemployment."

President Tomasello spoke of expenditures in road construction for unemployment relief.

"For the most part," he said, "this money has been wisely spent. At present prices, the value of a dollar spent on every dollar expended under the contract method, direct labor expenditures in New England run between 30 and 35 per cent of total expenditure."

Lt.-Gov. William S. Youngman, accompanied at the dinner by Mrs. Youngman, brought the greetings of the commonwealth. He spoke briefly of the recent episode concerning himself and road builders, and said he acted only in the interest of fair play. He left before the mayor arrived."

J. A. Shaugnessy Taken to City Hospital—Has Bronchial Pneumonia

J. A. Shaugnessy, member of Mayor Curley's secretarial staff, was taken to the City Hospital late last night in a serious condition from bronchial pneumonia. His name early this morning was on the hospital danger list.

Six weeks ago he was discharged from the hospital after being treated for several weeks for bronchial troubles. He was believed to be well on the road to recovery.
ASKS PUBLIC TO GIVE $3,000,000

Mayor Says City Relief Funds at Low Ebb

Boston Has Already Used $87,000 in Gifts

GARBAGE DISPOSAL METHODS ASSAILED

New Contract Discussed at City Hall Meeting

Large Contributions

Sears Roebuck & Co gave $10,000 during the present emergency. The company's employees donated $10,000 more and Gen. Wood of that firm gave $50,000, the mayor announced. In addition the concern had given $50,000 to 200 children clothing worth $7521. The Mayor received $52,922 from other sources. The Boston American and National League baseball teams contributed jointly $22,201. City of Boston employees, 1,800; Public Works Department $711; Police Department $400; Fire Department $900. Almene McPherson, revival gave $921, and of this $32,08 was Aimee's personal gift. There were numerous private donors, whose gifts totaled $94,951. All of this money has been expended, according to the Mayor. The Boston Garden contributed $5671 and the boys and girls of Jamaica Plain High School, by passing around the hat raised $120.

To Give 1 Percent of Pay

An official of the Boston Ice Company announced that his organization would give 1 percent of their pay for the next six months to the fund. V. C. Bruce Westmore, agreed to take charge of raising funds in the electrical trades.

The Retail Trade Board of the Boston Chamber of Commerce announced the following contributions, now available for city relief:

Jordan Nash Co. $10,000; William Plene's Sons Co. $1000; R. H. White Co. $150; G. E. Christ Co. $2500; Individual employees $1500; The Shepard Stores $3000; Chandler & Co. $3500; Conrad & Co. $1000; R. F. Pierce Co. $1000; E. T. Slater. $1000; L. P. Holland Co. Inc. $250; Shove, Crump & Low Co. $250; Marcell M. Smith of Smith Patterson Co. $3500; Gilchrist Co. $2500; Individual employees $1500. The total of these gifts is $37,450.

GARbage Disposal METHODS Assaulted

New Contract Discussed at City Hall Meeting

Men and women favoring incineration, or opposed to the present garbage disposal methods, attended the public hearing before the City Council yesterday on the matter of the contract for disposal of ashes and garbage from certain sections of Boston cared for the past 10 years by the Coleman Disposal Company.

Recently the contract was awarded to the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company, the lowest bidder, at $3,750,000 for the coming 10 years.

The hearing adjourned to next Friday afternoon at the Council Chamber, to which have been invited all civic organizations opposed to the contract and City Clerk Doyle was requested to extend an invitation to the Brooklyn Company to appear.
CURLEY STARTS $3,000,000 FUND
Opens Welfare Drive in Hope of Avoiding Tax Increase in Boston

LEADING BUSINESS FIRMS CONTRIBUTE

Mayor Curley launched a campaign yesterday for an unemployment relief fund of $3,000,000, to which first contributions of $39,450 were simultaneously announced, at a luncheon of the fund committee at the chamber of commerce.

The character of the drive will be intensively prosecuted in order to elicit the largest contributions of equal amounts for distribution by the welfare department, for the following reasons:

1. The campaign is identical with campaigns in New York, Philadelphia and other cities, the mayor declared.
2. The determination is to inaugurate the most rigid economy in municipal expenditures next year and to avoid, at least for the time being, any advance of the tax rate.
3. In justification of his approval of a $1,125,000 expenditure for unemployment relief, he stressed the necessity of satisfactory working of a similar fund as an example of how such a fund may benefit the community.

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The Shippards
Conrad & Co.
The Shepard Stores
Jordan Marsh Company
William Filene's Sons Company
Henry D. Tudor of the
W. B. Stearns Company (individuals)
P. F. Harvey Company
The Anderson Story
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PROTEST DUMP IN EAST BOSTON

Residents Attack Method Of Garbage Disposal At Hearing

CARVEN QUIZZED BY COUNCILMEN

Failure yesterday of officials of the public works department to enlighten the city council about the details of the $3,780,000 garbage disposal contract with the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company of Massachusetts, which the council has been asked by Mayor Curley to approve, forced an unexpected adjournment of the public hearing until tomorrow at 3 P.M.

By order of the council, Division Engineer Adolph Post of the sanitary division of the department, Engineers Hayles Reilly of the ferry division and Engineer John M. Shea of the sewers commission, composing the board which advised award of the contract to the Brooklyn company, must be prepared to submit to a searching examination of the disposal issue.

Acting Public Works Commissioner Christopher J. Carven, who assumed his duties two days prior to the submission of bids for the contract, Nov. 16, undertook, despite a confessed unfamiliarity with the problem, to meet the questions of councilmen. His inability to provide the desired information led to the decision to summon the three engineers to the Friday meeting.

EAST BOSTON PROTEST

The hearing, primarily to permit objections to the approval of the contract to discuss the disposal problem, was practically monopolized by residents of East Boston who voiced a vigorous demand for an abandonment of the practice of dumping all refuse collected north of Northampton street in East Boston dumps. They were Thomas A. Niland, William F. Cougnon, George F. Murphy and Mrs. Anne Massa. They charged that appeals to the health department for relief from the menace to public health due to the dumps have been futile.

Mrs. R. L. DeNormandie, president of the Boston League of Women Voters and Mrs. Henry D. Tudor of Cambridge, representing the Women's Municipal League, asked the council to refuse to approve a contract for a period of 10 years and suggested a shorter period to permit of early establishment of incinerators.

PLAN PROPOSED

Arthur C. McCarthy, representing Milton C. Burton, proposed a plan embracing the erection of 11 incinerating plants at an actual saving of $2,500,000 to the city in 10 years. Comment to the finance commission by its consulting engineer, Guy Emerson, made available to the council for the first time yesterday, stressed the vagueness of Burton's proposal which was the subject of recent discussion by the commission.

The area to be served under the contract includes Charlestown, city proper, South Boston, Dorchester and parts of Roxbury and Jamaica Plain.
SEEK GOVERNORS AID IN MILK WAR

Milk Producers to Ask They Serve on Tribunal— Favor Price of Seven Cents Wholesale

Following a fiery meeting of milk producers and others yesterday afternoon, at the Hotel Statler, in which many protests were registered against the wholesale price of five cents per quart to producers as ruinous to the industry, a resolution was passed favoring a wholesale price of seven cents per quart, f. o. b., by chain stores and 10 cents a quart delivered to the appointment of a committee of five to confer with milk producers and distributors and also the appointment by five New England Governors, the Chief Executive of Connecticut excepted, as a "milk board" or "milk tribunal," to consider all matters in dispute in the milk situation in New England. A resolution was also adopted, proposed by John Haigis of Greenfield, that Governor Riley be requested to take up the milk situation in his annual message.

The meeting, called by Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture, turned into a general protest against the low wholesale price of milk, Dr. Gilbert, presenting some figures regarding the present rate of affairs. He declared that the price of milk should be higher.

Problem of New England

Governor Stanley Wilson of Vermont made a strong plea for the New England dairy interests. He said he recognizes the fact that if Massachusetts could produce all the milk it needed it would have first right to the Massachusetts market, but that it does not do so. Therefore the problem is New England wide.

W. P. Davis, manager of the New England Milk Producers' Association, said that the low price had been brought about by the efforts of a large dairy to eliminate the difference in price between chain store milk and family delivered milk. He said the was altogether a resale problem and could not be handled by producer organizations. He recommended that the Governors of five New England States, excluding Connecticut, should select a committee to study the relation of chain store prices to family delievered prices, and make recommendations.

Loss to Producers

Commissioner of Agriculture Edward H. Jones of Vermont estimated that the loss to the New England milk producers under present conditions is $500,000 every month.

Glenn C. Seavey, editor of the New England Homestead of Springfield, after telling of the value of the milk business in New England, terming it a $500,000,000 industry, said that there is danger of cows being slaughtered if present prices continue. He made three relief suggestions which were later presented as resolutions and adopted, that the price of milk be raised to 7 cents per quart, that all organizations, distributors, buyers and Boards of Trade support this price, and that a milk tribunal be appointed to hear evidence and adjudicate all matters.

Promises Co-operation

Mayor Curley read a statement promising the co-operation of the health department to protect the milk supply of this city from the floods of low grade milk.

"In order to protect the health of the children of Boston, the Boston Health Department will allow entry only to first quality milk," said the Mayor. "The producer of such milk must receive a fair price if he is to continue to produce the best milk."

"The present price received by a producer for his milk is below the cost of production. Such a price tends to depreciate the quality of the milk as well as to carry want and suffering directly into the home of the producer. Under such circumstances the producer, in order to live, will tend to sell cows and the foundation for a future milk shortage will thereby be laid."

But the disastrous effect of such a low price does not stop with the producer. His buying power is lessened, and he buys for himself and his family less of those things which Massachusetts industrial centers manufacture and so the depression in Massachusetts industrial centers is thereby increased.

Milk Consumption Higher

"My action in ordering the health commissioner to place all dealers licensed to sell milk in Boston on notice as to what would happen to them if they brought milk produced outside of the New England milk shed, was occasioned by the unaccustomed high prices for milk. There was a move on the part of the large dairies, to bring in uninspected milk. There was an effort made on the part of the smaller dairies to establish an activity of independent creameries, and I feel that this is the way to eliminate New England milk producers from the future with the assurance of a fair price in a stabilized market.

Charles F. Adams, treasurer of the New England Milk Producers, said that not only milk but other commodities which he named were being sold at very low prices. He stated that the trouble is too much milk. Asked if sales in First National Stores had increased with the lower price, Adams stated that the gain amounted to 40 per cent in less than a week. He argued that with the consumer properly informed the public and the chairmen washed their hands of a thing of trying to disturb industry in New England.

MAYOR CURLEY TALKS IN AUTO CASE OF SON

Court Delays Decision on Warrant Until Friday

Mayor Curley, who was present in the Roxbury Court yesterday morning at a hearing at which the application for a warrant for his son, Leo F., in connection with the death of Mrs. Sara Bean, in an automobile accident at Huntington av and Forsyth st, Dec. 5, was considered, took occasion to voice stinging criticism of the limited standing of milk case and the electric cars along the avenue.

Mayor Curley spoke after all the evidence had been presented. He had been asked if he had anything to say by Corporation Counsel William B. Storrow, who represented the Mayor's son. Mayor Curley pointed out that there is barely room for passengers to stand on the trolley car reservation and how easily a person may be jostled from the very limited standing space in the motoring automobiles. He said there had been at least six accidents in the past year because of that situation. He said the only solution is the extension of the subway from Arlington st, under Huntington av, to Brigham Circle, Roxbury.

The hearing yesterday was on the application for a warrant for manslaughter. Mrs. B. died at 120 Eyser st, Springfield, and was a nationally known home economic expert. She died in the City Hospital, from injuries received when struck by Leo Curley's automobile after she had stepped from the electric car reservation into the street.

Judge Franklin W. L. Miles heard the case and, following the testimony, continued the hearing until Monday, stating that he wished to view the scene of the accident and determine the degree of visibility at 1:45 in the morning, the hour at which the accident occurred. Judge Miles said he was not prepared to hear the case.

Mayor Curley took issue with Judge Miles in that visibility was not of particular importance in the particular case. The only question was whether or not the accident was avoidable, he said.
JUDGE CLEARS CURLEY BOY IN AUTO DEATH
Court Refuses to Issue a Complaint in a Fatal Mishap on Huntington Ave.

Judge Miles in Roxbury court today refused to issue a complaint charging Leo Curley, 16, son of the mayor, with manslaughter and driving to endanger, in connection with the fatal injuring of Mrs. Sarah Bean of Springfield by young Curley's automobile at Huntington Ave. and Forsyth st.

Judge Miles reviewed the testimony, mentioned the statement of Mrs. Bean's brother that she did not want anyone prosecuted, and then said:

"My practice when any question of visibility is raised is to view the scene of the accident. I visited the scene of this accident at 1:45 a.m. the time it occurred, and found that the only illumination was from the lights in the middle of the reservation on Huntington Ave.

VISIBILITY IS POOR
"I circled this scene a number of times and finally had a man in dark clothing, such as worn by Mrs. Bean, cross the further side of Huntington Ave. and, like the reservation, covering the supposed tracks of the deceased woman. "As I approached them, I considered difficult in seeing him. I found that the visibility and illumination were poor. I have felt and still feel that if the lighting was good that there would be a duty on the part of the autoist to have seen this woman, as she walked across the street and across the reservation, and thus perhaps the autoist could have swung to the right and avoided the accident. "If the visibility was poor, however, I have felt that no such reasoning should be had. I am always mindful of the duty that the autoist owes the pedestrian, but also mindful of the duty the pedestrian owes the autoist.

SEeks FAIR RULINGS
"I have not considered the station in life of the defendant, for I have felt that he deserves no particular consideration because of this fact, nor should he be penalized therefor. "This is a civil and not a criminal matter. The burden of proof is on the government to show beyond reasonable doubt that the defendant was driving so as to endanger the lives and safety of the public and that he should be held for manslaughter.

"In judging these cases I have always done so with a deep appreciation of responsibility and with a prayer in my heart that my judgments may be acceptable in God's sight. "With this same feeling, I have judged this case and find that no such negligence has been shown and I deny the complaint of driving so as to endanger the lives and safety of the public and manslaughter."

Mayor Curley was in court with his son and with Corp. Counsel Samuel Silverman, who thanked Judge Miles for his careful consideration of the case.

THEATRE WORKERS DO BIT

Victor J. Morris, manager of Loew's Orpheum Theatre, presenting Mayor Curley with check for $947.29, totalling one day's pay from each employe of the Loew's Boston theatres and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Film Exchange to the Boston unemployed fund. Left to right: Joseph A. DiPesa press representative for the Loew theatres; Morris, Mayor Curley, Henry Wolper, representing the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer organization, and Joseph H. Brennan, manager of Loew's State Theatre.

Judge in Early-Morning Visit to Scene of Fatality

Judge Frankland W. L. Miles of the Roxbury Court, this morning, at 1:40 o'clock, made an inspection of sidewalks and street car reservations at Huntington avenue and Forsyth street where, several nights ago, an automobile driven by Leo Curley, sixteen-year-old son of Mayor Curley, struck and fatally injured Mrs. Sarah Bean of Springfield. Judge Miles went to the scene to study lighting conditions and other things pertaining to the case, before he decides whether he will issue a warrant charging manslaughter.

CURLEY GIVES CANE TO U. S. CUSTOMS INSPECTOR

Timothy A. McCarthy, United States customs inspector at the Atlantic-av Appraisers' stores, who values all the antiques entering the port of Boston for Uncle Sam, was presented with a blackthorn stick by Mayor Curley yesterday at City Hall.

The stick was carried for 25 years, the Mayor explained, by Roger Sullivan, prominent Democratic leader of Chicago, who sent it to Boston when he learned that the Mayor's supply of Irish canes had given out.
Declaring that Boston's needy and jobless shall not starve this winter, Mayor Curley issued an appeal for public donations at the opening of the $3,000,000 drive for the city's emergency unemployment fund yesterday.

The campaign was launched at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon. It was attended by leaders in the city's business, industry, finance, professions and public service ranks. It was called the greatest peace-time emergency Boston and the nation has known since the World War.

Picture of untold suffering among the poor, poverty and destitution, were painted by Mayor Curley and other speakers.

The $3,000,000 will be raised by popular subscription through donations and canvass of the city by 50 divisional business teams, representing the major industries, under direction of the emergency fund committee.

It will be spent by the overseers of the public welfare for unemployment relief. The money will not go into the general funds.

Chief Executive revealed that he is exercising utmost to keep expenses of the city down. He will receive all municipal employees to pay for their own telephone bills, and he intends to install a drive-yourself system to eliminate the cost to the city for autos, he said.

"I can't see anything more vicious or abhorrent than increasing taxes. And we can't sit idly by and see 40,000 people in need without raising a fun to provide for them," he declared.

The mayor said that the increase in the number of impoverished cases was alarming, and that for the next four months the cost of public relief in Boston will mount to more than a million dollars a month.

The emergency committee will act in cooperation with the state committees.

The mayor announced that the retail trade board of the Chamber of Commerce, composed of leading department store and individuals, had subscribed $57,450 to the drive, and that actual subscriptions to date were about $350,000. These included Sears Roebuck Co., $20,000, and subscriptions from school board employees, the fire and police forces, the public welfare branch, the American and National League baseball clubs, and the Boston Garden.

Seated at the head table with Mayor Curley were Simon E. Hecht, Hoover's national and Gov. Ely's state committees.

It was announced that employees of the Boston Tea Co. had donated $2000, with the promise of 1 percent of their earnings for the next 20 weeks. School board employees will continue to donate from their salaries for the next six months.
$3,000,000 Jobless Drive! Mayor Curley is shown being presented check, representing one day's salary of each employee of the Loew's Boston Theaters, and M. G. M. Film Exchange, by officials of the organizations for Mayor's $3,000,000 emergency drive for unemployment fund. L. to r., Joe DiPesa, Victor J. Morris, Mayor Curley, Henry Weber and Joseph H. Brennan.

GO TO IT, MR. MAYOR!

"Mayor Curley declared his determination to inaugurate the most rigid economy in municipal expenditures next year," said a Herald news story yesterday morning. The corresponding sentence in the Post's report of the meeting at which the $3,000,000 emergency fund was discussed reads: "Rigid economy in municipal expenditures will be enforced at City Hall." The same columns had a statement from Gov. Roosevelt of New York that he had slashed another million dollars from the state budget estimates for next year—and this in one department. Simultaneously came the news that the Democrats of Congress are discussing the advisability of reducing the pay of everybody in the federal service whose salary is more than $1800 a year, with the exception of the President himself and the members of the judiciary.

Evidence accumulates at home and elsewhere that at last the various units of government are coming to realize that they must not only have more revenue but must reduce their running expenses. The process of deflation of governmental administration has been deferred month after month, in the hope that the depression would end. With signs lacking that conditions will be measurably better in 1932 than they are now, mayors and legislators are at last becoming convinced that they must do their part.

The Mayors' Club of Massachusetts is to have another meeting soon, to which it has invited Gov. Ely. If both he and Mayor Curley should announce well-considered, comprehensive, equitable plans for reducing outlay 10 or 20 per cent., what a cheer would go up from the public!

Garbage Contract
Protests Heard

Whether a ten-year contract for the disposal of garbage shall be awarded to the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company, the lowest bidder, for $3,780,000, as Mayor Curley desires, was the question before the City Council in public hearing yesterday afternoon.

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The mayor's project will be submitted to the Governor for consideration. It was discussed informally yesterday at a conference with the authorities of the port of Boston. Frederic H. Fay, of the engineering firm of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, the plan was discussed yesterday at City Hall by Mayor Curley and members of the port authority.

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Most important in the plan is the opportunity it offers to establish a flat Boston rate to western shippers who are now forced to pay certain indeterminable shipping charges depending on the location of vessels at various piers.

The new structure which it is proposed to build would do away with the Union Freight railroad which now has tracks along Atlantic avenue. It would also make it possible to shift freight rapidly and easily from whatever railroad it might come in or direct to the piers.

DRIVE FOR SHIPS

The mayor is believed to be making another drive to capture for Boston the largest and fastest of the freight and passenger carriers in the Atlantic service.

While this phase of the project was not discussed yesterday it is believed that the mayor later will advocate the removal of piers along Atlantic avenue so that they would be capable of handling the largest vessel afloat.

The proposal of Mayor Curley that the idea be sponsored and engineered by the port authority drew a flat refusal from that body which declared that it wished to maintain its present neutral position whereby it could advise and suggest.

It was pointed out that in other cities where the port authority had been loaded with the duties of actual management and operation it has become involved in endless squabbles between conflicting interests and its power destroyed for ever.

Representatives of the port authority pointed out to the mayor that should it maintain its present position it would be able to offer valuable advice and suggestions.

By creating the inner belt line the mayor believes that he is removing one of the handicaps of the port. He thinks that the establishment of a flat Boston rate will offer an additional inducement to western shippers to route their goods out of this harbor. At the present time, a shipper has no way of knowing in advance what his charges will be and they must depend entirely on the location of a vessel at a Boston pier.

Curley Asks for $3,000,000 Fund

Calling the Boston Emergency Committee on Unemployment together for a conference at the Boston Chamber of Commerce Building yesterday. Mayor Curley announced his desire to see $3,000,000 raised by public subscription.

A list of subscriptions from the stores affiliated with the Boston Retail Trade Board totaling $39,450 was hailed as the beginning of the movement which Frederic S. Snyder, president of the Chamber, characterized as an absolute necessity.

The meeting was opened by Chairman William H. Taylor of the committee, who outlined the need of a large sum. The mayor spoke in praise of individuals and organizations already contributing and expressed regret that it had not become urgently necessary to take further action. He presented an account of the money already spent and told how much is available.

HEAVIER STRUCTURE TO BE ERECTED

Will Handle Freight of Every Description and Connect with Piers

Plans for the construction of an inner belt line along Atlantic avenue connecting the North and South terminals will shortly be submitted to Gov. Elly by Mayor Curley as part of the latter's plan to restore the prestige of the port of Boston and to capture its share of the Atlantic seaboard traffic.

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Project Calls for Removal Of El Overhead on Atlantic Avenue

PORT PRESTIGE

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The new structure which it is proposed to build would do away with the Union Freight railroad which now has tracks along Atlantic avenue. It would also make it possible to shift freight rapidly and easily from whatever railroad it might come in or direct to the piers.
Mayor Launches $3,000,000 Emergency Drive

Dr. Harry Levy, Mayor Curley and William H. Taylor, l. to r., are shown at Chamber of Commerce luncheon yesterday as His Honor opened $2,000,000 drive for the city's unemployed fund. Leaders in the city's business, industry, finance, professional and economic ranks attended the affair.

Curley Pledges for Son in Auto Death

Dropping municipal duties, Mayor Curley pleaded for his son, Leo, 16, when the question of whether a manslaughter warrant in connection with an auto death should be issued, came up yesterday in Roxbury court.

Judge Frankland Miles announced that before he decided whether to issue the warrant he will visit the scene of the accident at Huntington ave. and Forsythe st., at 1:45 a. m., today.

His decision came at the end of the hearing in the warrant session of the court. He postponed the case to Friday.

The justice said he desired to view the scene at the hour the fatality took place, to study the visibility, light and other conditions.

In defense of his own son, Mayor Curley declared there were three streets in Boston where railway reservations constituted a menace to public safety.

These were Huntington ave., Commonwealth ave. and Bennington st., East Boston. He declared half a dozen deaths by autos occurred in Commonwealth ave. recently, and that conditions on that thoroughfare made it easy for them to happen.

The mayor said he intended to have the subway continued from Arlington st. out Huntington ave.

CONTINUES HEARING ON ASHES, GARBAGE

City Council Head Hears Objections to Contract

The continued hearing to permit any objectors to the 10-year ash and garbage contract removal an opportunity to be heard, was held yesterday in the Council Chamber at City Hall. Pres Joseph McGrath presided.

Certain residents of Milton and Hyde Park appeared and were heard, having been informed that the placing of an incinerator in Hyde Park was included in the ash and garbage contract, Pres McGrath explained that incinerators in any part of the city had no place in the hearing, which referred entirely to the lowest bid, that of the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company, for the contract for disposal of ashes on a dump in East Boston and garbage at Spectacle Island. The plant used by Coleman Company which has had the contract the past 10 years.

The contract to the Brooklyn company calling for $770,000 has been approved by Mayor Curley but must get one reading before the City Council. It is possible that it will come up for vote next Monday.

Many Councilors participated in the hearing, in fact causing Pres McGrath to remark that the meeting was for citizens to be heard, rather than Councilors. Councilor Cox of West Roxbury asked but one question. In answer he was told that the Brooklyn contract had no bearing whatever on his district.

Lincoln Bryant, town counsel of Milton, Patrick A. Donohue of Brush Hill road, Joseph C. Andrews, Atty Warren B. Marsh and Thomas F. McMahon, president of the Hyde Park Board of Trade, were among those who went on record against any kind of an incinerator in Hyde Park or near the Milton line.

Fred D. Trask of Winthrop, Mrs Amelia Massa and Miss Nonie C. Ahern of East Boston and Alexander Sullivan objected to any proposal for further dumping in Belle Isle or any other part of East Boston.

Acting Public Works Commissioner Christopher Carven, Engineer John M. Shea and Leo Eyles Reilly of the Public Works Department answered questions concerning the contract and dumps, and gave their opinion of incineration. Mr Reilly declared that incineration would cost more per ton than the present reduction method, in reply to questions by Councilors Norton and Wilson.

J. H. Loughman, representing the owners of the Harbor Building on Atlantic ave., entered objection to the continued use of the garbage loading wharf on Atlantic ave.

SALADA TEA CO GIVES CITY $2600 FOR JOBLESS FUND

The Salada Tea Company, in a letter yesterday to Mayor Curley, commented on the plan to raise $5,000.00 for the unemployed of Boston and gave the plan the hearty endorsement of employees and the company as well as enclosing a check for $2600 from the Salada Tea Company and its employes.
HAPPINESS OR BITTER GRIEF?

Childhood's Whole Faith in Santa and Joyful Christmas Rests With You, So Give Today

The Workshop was a hive of activity. They stayed as long as they could watching the operations of the various Post Santa departments and on leaving the Mayor presented a gift of $100.

Urges All to Donate

In making his contribution, Mayor Curley said:

"I visited the Boston Post Santa Claus Workshop at 100 Federal street, today, and I wish it were possible for everyone else to do the same. More than 100 volunteer workers, women and men, were busily engaged in tying up packages of cheer for those worthy and deserving children.

"Christmas of 1931 gives promise of being one of the most drab since the war year of 1917, and yet if each one could make a small contribution to this work of charity, thousands of hearts would be gladdened and there would be a lot more happiness for fathers and mothers who, through unfortunate circumstances, have not the money with which to purchase toys for their children.

"I am not overburdened and, although a constant target for those in need, I am making my customary contribution of $100, with sincere wishes of success to the Post Santa and a happy Christmas for all those little ones who thereby will receive their gifts."

MAYOR CURLEY, SON AND DAUGHTER AID POST SANTA

Photo shows the Mayor, centre, his son George on the left and his daughter Mary on right, as they dropped into the Boston Post Santa Claus Workshop at 100 Federal street, yesterday, to give their annual contribution to make poor children happy.

Give today,
A week from today will be too late.

A week from today—the morning after Christmas—is the day when children leave their homes to show the other children of the neighborhood their presents.

Will the Boston Post Santa children proudly display beautiful dolls, fire engines, shining automobiles and colorful games?

Or will they—when their playmates ask what Santa Claus gave them—run sobbing and heart-broken back to the ramshackle, cold and desolate dwelling to cry for comfort in the arms of their distracted mothers?

Give today as other great-hearts did—yesterday. They were led in making their contributions by a man who bears the burden of providing for the unemployed of Boston, Mayor James M. Curley. With all the cares of office, far greater this year than ever before, he still thinks of the Post Santa children.

It is no wonder. He is a lover of the little ones and is their favorite. And that is why year after year, he has paid a visit to the Post Santa and made a grand gift. He came to the Workshop, 100 Federal street, yesterday afternoon accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, and his son, George.

They arrived at the peak of the afternoon when the labeling tables were filled with people and a bundling...
Suffering Serious Losses in Revenue and Contributions, Says Secretary Cushman of Council for Social Agencies

By ROY M. CUSHMAN
Executive secretary, Boston Council of Social Agencies

Quite naturally the average man thinks of the needs of families suffering from the effects of the business depression in terms only of food, clothing and shelter. These are, of course, the fundamental needs. They must be provided at all hazards. In America people shall not starve.

In Boston this ostrich relief is provided in the major part by the department of the overseers of the public welfare, whose work is now receiving special notice because of the effort which Mayor Curley and his committee are making to discover added resources for the financing of the department through the medium of voluntary contributions. Though overshadowed in terms of amounts expended, the various private relief and family service societies in Boston are rendering extremely valuable supplementary services. Their expenditures for relief have increased steadily during the past two years.

No community program for meeting human needs has a time like this is complete unless it recognizes behind the fundamental requirements for sustaining life those other needs which make up the structure of community life. The services which hospitals and health organizations render are almost as obviously necessary as those of the agencies dispensing material relief. Yet in Boston these valuable services are suffering much serious loss in revenue and contributions that their services are in danger of curtailment at the very time when they are most needed.

Not so clear is the relationship to the needs of the people in a crisis like the present of the services rendered by the various community organizations which Boston throughout the years has built up in generous measure, for the advantage of her citizens. Yet we need only to go back to our experience during the war to learn how especially necessary it is in abnormal times to provide in as great measure as possible for normal constructive activity. The case is stated most convincingly by Dr. George E. Vincent, president emeritus of the Rockefeller Foundation, in the following words:

"At a time when special appeals are being made for emergency relief, it is vitally important not to withdraw support from the fundamental and permanent social services. To fall them now would be to lower American standards, to sacrifice the future to the present, to undermine hope and courage just when they need to be re-enforced. Emergency relief must be a temporary addition to the community's budget, public and private, not a substitution for established obligations.

"This depression has put America's advanced social standards to a severe test. We have boasted that this is the best and happiest country in the world in which to live. If this boast is to be good, if we are to come through this depression in a creditable manner, we must maintain all of the advantages which we have taught our people to expect. America will be in no position to claim victory at the end of this depression merely because nobody has died of cold or starvation. America can claim complete victory over the social consequences of the depression only if she insures the maintenance of the social standards toward which she has dedicated so much of her wealth and so much of her best thinking."

COURT EXONERATES MAYOR'S SON, LEO

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New Playgrounds in $215,000 Order

Two new playgrounds would be provided for the school children of Boston by an order sent to the City Council this afternoon by Mayor Curley, totaling $215,000. One of the items calls for $50,000 to provide the land and the necessary improvements for the lot on Washington street, Germantown, decided upon months ago, and the other item calls for an appropriation of $20,000 for the lot available under the jurisdiction of the park department at Parker Hill.

Other items in the list are as follows:

- Charlestown Heights—Renovation of the present building and recreation area $225,000
- Dummer Avenue—Completion of the playground and erection of a field house $40,000
- Fallon Field—Completion of the playground and providing for seating accommodations and a fence $15,000
- John J. Connolly Playground—Repairing bad and enlarging the children's area $20,000
- Rogers Park—Extension of athletic field $15,000
- McConnell Park—Construction of field house and improvements $20,000

Ascribes Motor Fatality to Poor Visibility

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Friends Predict Smith Will Turn to Governor After Roosevelt-Baker Deadlock Will Be Prepared

Meanwhile Plans for Strong Democratic State Ticket Are Going Forward

By Richard D. Grant

Supporters of Governor Joseph B. Ely are fostering the hope that he will be the next candidate of the Democratic party for President of the United States and there have been recent indications that they are already busy with an under-cover movement in that direction which some are sanguine enough to believe will blossom forth in full flower in the event Roosevelt, Baker and Ritchie deadlock the national convention.

Thomas D. Lavelle, who was appointed several months ago by Mr. Ely to the Special Metropolitan District Water Supply Commission and who served him as campaign manager during his successful run for the governorship a year ago, went as far as to predict this as a certainty during a visit this week at the governor's office.

"I am firmly convinced that the party will have to turn to Mr. Ely for a presidential candidacy," said Mr. Lavelle. "In my opinion, the preliminary ballotin will result in a hopeless deadlock principally between Governor Roosevelt and Mr. Baker. The Roosevelt candidacy was begun too soon and already shows signs of having spent itself, and I don't think Baker can get the votes.

"I don't believe 'Al' Smith will be a candidate, but I know that he will completely dominate the convention and, that, when the proper time comes, he will swing his powerful support to Governor Ely, with the result that Ely will win. Smith and the governor are close friends. I don't believe that there is a chance that anyone who runs as a delegate from Massachusetts prefers anyone but Smith or some candidate favored by him can be elected."

Naturally the governor himself has been saying nothing at so early a time but he did not take the recent utterance by Jouett Shouse, the National Democratic Committee chairman, that the party might have to draft Ely to start the "Ely-for-President" talk. For months, in fact beginning shortly after his induction into office as governor, members of his personal office staff at the State House have been predicting that he would be the next man to occupy the White House.

Talk at Governor's Office

A few weeks ago a caller at the executive offices who is Richard Ely's substitute speaker for a meeting which Governor Ely had invited to address, but which the governor was unable to attend, was told by someone under the impression that a member of the secretarial staff that Senator Walsh and "a couple of the biggest congressmen in the House" were fixing it up in the next room to have Governor Ely run for Vice President on a ticket with Governor Ritchie of Maryland.

De Witt C. De Wolf, the governor's senior secretary, was asked about the incident and dismissed it as "puppy cock," adding that Mr. Ely was for Smith first, last and all the time. Then the first of this week a rumor got out that a former member of the State Senate who has been very close to Mr. Ely during his political career had been asked by a man whose name was not disclosed if he would take charge of an Ely presidential boom, which he guaranteed to finance. The former senator denied that he had offered to put up any money but admitted that several people had approached him with the idea. He voiced the opinion that it was too early to talk about it but after warming up to the subject expressed practically the same views as Mr. Lavelle.

Mystery in New York Visit

A week ago, when Governor Ely went to Washington to attend the Gridiron Club dinner, persistent efforts were made by the New York newspapers to find out whether the governor was going to stop off in that city, which he did, in order to confer with Smith. So hard did they try that it gave rise to the impression that something was in the wind of a greater significance than any that might be attached to a mere personal call. This was heightened by the apparent secretiveness with which the matter was handled on the Boston end, where no one seemed to know anything about it. One New York paper finally got Fred Dillon, the former assistant secretary on the wire and he said that if the governor had any such intention it was news to him. Then followed Mr. Ely's return statement that, as a result of his conference with Smith, he felt certain the 1928 nominee would again be a candidate.

Other links in the chain of circumstance which many feel is being forged so tight that Mr. Ely's chances come at the convention are ready to take advantage of it are the visits made by Daniel H. Cooksey, one of the trusted advisers of the administration, not only to Smith in New York, but to former United States Senator James A. Reed of Missouri at a time when there was talk of Reed's candidacy for the presidency. Reed's personal friendship with Mr. Cooksey goes back to the time he acted as defense counsel for the late Joseph Pelletier, when the latter's administration as director of the Commonwealth was under fire by Attorney General J. Weston Allen.

But however he may feel toward the presidency, Governor Ely is not letting down in any way in planning his campaign for re-election as governor. He is said to feel so confident that he can return to office that he is devoting some attention to building up a strong and balanced Democratic slate for the other State-wide offices.

There are grounds for belief that the governor would prefer Francis X. Hurley, the State auditor, as his principal running mate for lieutenant governor to Robert E. Russell of Cambridge, and both of them are undeniably pointing for the nomination. If Mayor Russell should turn to him, they would be able to face the old bugaboo of having two "Yankee Democrats" at the head of the ticket and this might be disastrous for Hurley as it now seems fairly definite that some are sanguine enough to be-
There is much to commend in the plan proposed by the mayor for the construction of an inner belt line through Atlantic avenue from the North to the South station and along the South Boston waterfront to Commonwealth pier and the army base for the unification and the improvement of the facilities of the port. He would replace the present Elevated structure with a heavier one for the handling of freight of every kind, and would do away with the old Union freight railroad. Every student of our port problems has emphasized the desirability of co-ordinating the facilities scattered along the harbor front. The Storrow report of 1923 contained the Cowie plan, so-called. It provided for a double-track rail line from East to South Boston, so that ships would berth alongside, and not enter slips. Back in 1915 the Clapp report pronounced the use of Atlantic avenue for an efficient belt line to be inadvisable. The need for some such connection has been recognized by all, but there has been much difference of opinion as to how it can best be attained.

The fundamental necessity of Boston's cargo. Ships will come wherever cargo is offered. The facilities may be poor, but if there is paying business in sight the vessels will seek it. Boston needs a flow of commerce through the port. The elements in such a background are only three, a satisfactory labor situation, proper rates and adequate facilities. The labor problem is practically solved. The rate difficulty is "in the mill." For years we have been struggling with it. We have tried to obtain the removal of the differential rail rates, or such an adjustment of water rates as would compensate us for our disadvantage in rail rates. Now we have pending the important lightering case, in which a score of other ports have intervened.

Another factor is found in the present switching charges. This situation is very confused. The ideal solution would be the establishment of a flat Boston rate, so that freight coming over any of our railroads might be shipped from the piers of any other road without any increase in the export rate. The Port Authority is working on all these phases of the situation.

When we examine the belt line proposal, these facts should be kept in mind. We should ask whether it is a vital and immediate need. It does not seem so to us. Once solve the other problems, and obtain more freight, and a demand will arise for the improvement contemplated in this belt line plan. We shall have it sometime. We can get along without it now.

### PORT BELT LINE

All plans for the improvement of our harbor facilities must be examined not only from the viewpoint of our ideals of what the port should be, but from that of its immediate needs. Not all the things that should be done can be done at once. We must consider any project, however important, in the light of a sound program in which the various desirable improvements shall be arranged according to a wise scheme of preference as to time.

Opposition to the granting of the contract to the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company was recorded by Mrs. Amanda L. Martin, of East Boston, who insisted that the work should be given to a company in the Port district and warned the Council not to approve the contract. Miss Curley will preside at a tea to be held in the interests of the Christmas seals campaign of the association, of which Miss Curley is chairman. A musicale will precede the tea, at which a program will be presented by George Dwight and Reginald Boardman. Miss Curley will also preside at a tea to be held in the Boston Art Club, Dartmouth and Newbury streets, Back Bay, on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.
Reports from Washington make plain that the Democratic Congressmen from Massachusetts are highly appreciative of the consideration they received when the House committees were made up at the opening of Congress. The Massachusetts men have reason to be pleased.

It is unusual, indeed probably unique, that in the organization of the House by the Democrats a member from Massachusetts who is now beginning his second term should be put on the Committee on Ways and Means, and another Congressman from this State, who has just started on his first full term, should find himself on the Committee on Appropriations, but Congressmen John M. McCormack of South Boston and William J. Grantleld of Springfield have recently received those distinctions.

In the old days, whenever the Democrats had a majority of the National House, almost all of the important committee places went to Congressmen from Massachusetts. According to tradition, committee places in Congress go by seniority, and, if that rule had been followed at this session, the members from the South would again have taken the leading posts because the Southern Congressmen habitually serve for a long time. But the Democratic leadership in the House broke away from custom this year and distributed the committee places where, it is thought, they would do the most good politically. That is to say, the Democratic leaders in the country were governed by party expediency.

1928 Votes Recalled

They were told that the Southern States, which in 1928 cast their electoral votes for Mr. Hoover, should not have a monopoly of the important committee places at the expense of Massachusetts, which voted for Gov. Alfred E. Smith, and has elected a Democratic Congressman. It was pointed out that considerable treatment of Massachusetts and other Northern States would deprive the Republicans of an argument which they had hoped to use to the stump next fall and might lead to a re-election, according to the important committee men in the state.

Mr. Fitzgerald, according to his friends, will probably not take a part in political affairs unless he is asked to do so. But if it develops that Gov. Ely's senators Walsh and Coolidge, and Mayor Curley take the attitude of the Democratic Congressmen, there is a strong possibility that the election of the Ex-Mayor would not be advantageous to the party, or he may be chosen to the national committee.

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Kelley Asks to Remove Goodwin

Alleges Chairman "Covers Up" Vast Overcharges

City Councilor Francis E. Kelley has sent a letter to Gov. Ely asking that he remove Frank A. Goodwin from chairmanship of the Finance Commission of the city of Boston. The Councilor suggested that Joseph Joyce Donahue, appointed to the commission this year by the Governor, be made chairman.

In his letter, Councilor Kelley charges that Goodwin has not told everything but is "covering up." He offers, if given a hearing, to show many other overcharges of hundreds of thousands of dollars made by favored pet concerns in the purchase of goods, with Goodwin sitting idly by.

Councilor Kelley says that Goodwin's charges against State officials are "unwarranted and groundless" and are made as a "smoke screen."

State Charge "Smoke Screen"

"The chairman has made a few recommendations to his department to correct these wrongdoings, and the Mayor (who, incidentally, is not supposed to know what his agents are doing), has announced that these evils will be corrected. You see no criticism of the Mayor in this report for allowing these wrongdoings and unwarranted expenditures by the purchasing agent for our city, who is but a tool for our Mayor, who gave him his present position, and who tells him just what concerns from whom to purchase.

"How can a man like Goodwin, who was appointed only a few weeks ago as Street Commissioner of our city by the present Mayor of Boston, and who applied to the job he now holds was appointed to by our Mayor through the intercession to your predecessor, Gov. Frank G. Allen, do anything else but cover up the wrongdoings of the administration and keep his eyes and mouth closed?"

"We now see the same Goodwin making unwarranted and groundless charges against State officials, which is no business of his, and which every honest citizen of Boston knows is but a smoke-screen, in order that the people of Boston may be taken in with the eyes of the legislature by officials of our city, and thus their attention on the real problems of the administration."
$6,750,000 FOR CITY'S POOR

Indications are that more than $700,000 will be distributed to the needy of the city during December by the Public Welfare Department, Mayor Curley said today.

Total expenditures for the year will probably be in excess of $6,750,000, he said.

CITY'S GARAGE CONTRACT APPROVED

Norton Lone Dissenter to Award of Work to Brooklyn Firm

Almost unanimously, the Boston City Council approved Mayor Curley's recommendation to award the $3,780,000 garbage and refuse disposal contract to the Brooklyn Ash Removal Co. of Massachusetts.

The new company will take over the work at Spectacle Island, which has been operated since 1922 by the Coleman Disposal Company, on July 1, charging $15,000 less than has been charged for the past decade.

FOUGHT BY NORTON

There was no debate until after the roll call, when Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park asked unanimous consent to explain his lone vote in opposition.

Norton said it was wrong to let the contract for 10 years with the possibility of wages and costs dropping. He said the population to be served had dropped 70,000 and alleged that a single group, operating under different names, had controlled the contract for 20 years.

FAVORS INCINERATORS

Councillor Robert Gardner Wilson, Jr., of Dorchester, recommended the appointment of a committee to make plans for the installation of incinerators in districts not covered by the 10-year contract.

Under the contract the company will dispose of the offal and refuse collected by city workers in the city proper, Charlestown, Roxbury and South Boston. Yearly contracts are awarded for East Boston, Brighton, Dorchester, West Roxbury and Hyde Park.

Mayor Curley Visits Long Island Today

Mayor Curley makes his annual Christmas visit to Long Island Hospital this afternoon to inspect the accommodations being provided by Supt. Henry A. Higgins and to chat with the aged inmates of the municipal harbor institution.