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GILDA GRAY

ALMOST WED

That Is She Called at City Hall for Short Visit

Presented by Mayor Curley with a free bridal bouquet as well as a couple of framed pictures of George Washington to start housekeeping, blonde-locked Gilda Gray, dancing master of the famed "shimmy," cut a City Hall audience cold late yesterday when she could not obtain a waiver of the five-day marriage law in 19 seconds flat.

City Hall heard in advance that she was on the way to the marriage bureau with Art Jarrett, radio singer, who is also starring at the Metropolitan Theatre until tomorrow night. The center of the attention were crowded and the registry of births, marriages and deaths packed with municipal workers to get a look at the couple.

Gilda departed with the promise that she would take intentions at Worcester later in the week.

But while Gilda is playing at Worcester, Art will be billed at Chicago, so it looked like no wedding to marriage officials.

SALVATION ARMY PLANS DINNER FOR 400 NEEDY

A dinner prepared by the women of the Palace Corps Home League, under the supervision of Mrs. Clifford Lockwood, staff captain, will be served to less than 400 children, Thanksgiving noon, at the People's Park auditorium at Washington and East Brookline streets.

Mayor Curley has been invited to attend the festivities. Philip R. Allen, chairman of the Greater Boston Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, will speak, and Col. Joseph Atkinson, commanding the New England forces of the army, Brig. Thomas W. Harres, volunteer waiter and waiter, and others will be on hand to lend their aid.

In addition to these dinners, 75 will be served at the Staniford street day nursery and home, 150 at the Evangelist Booth Home and Hospital, and others through the institutions of the army and more than 300 deserving families will receive a Thanksgiving meal. The bakers will contain roast beef, potatoes, coffee, milk, three varieties of vegetables, celery, pie, bread, soup and nuts.

OPEN ARBORWAY TRAFFIC CIRCLE

Improvement Great Aid to Motorists

With the new $41,000 Arborway traffic circle at Forest Hills formally opened this afternoon, hundreds of automobiles passed through the intersection of two heavily traveled highways into the newly constructed Centre st., which was recently completed.

Chairman William P. Long of the Boston Park Commission, members of the Boston Traffic Commission and officials of the Boston Police Department were present when the temporary detour signs were removed officially opening one of the finest improvements in Boston.

Prior to the improvement, traffic remained at a standstill and in many cases resulted in the worst traffic jams for week-end automatists in any section of the city.

The new circle which marks the completion of the Center at widening on national motor route No. 1, is 350 feet wide and enables traffic to continue without a stop until Forest Hills is reached.

CURLEY SIGNS CONTRACT FOR CITY EGG SUPPLY

The City of Boston is paying 31.1 cents a dozen for fresh eggs for the City Hospital, Long Island Hospital and the hospital at Deer Island. Today Mayor Curley signed a contract for 29,250 dozen, a month’s supply, costing $11,463. The contract was awarded to Doe & Sullivan.

City Secures Eggs for Giant Omelet

Without their eggs, the inmates of the Boston City Hospital, the Long Island Almshouse and Hospital and the Deer Island House of Correction would feel that an important element in their diet had been denied them. Today the city contracted for 25,000 dozen of eggs for the month, securing the loc at 35 cents a dozen from Doe, Sullivan & Co.
CITY ECONOMY
PARLEY TODAY

Proposals for Retrenchment, Consolidation to Be Presented to Mayor

CURLEY HITS G. G. A.
REFUSAL TO CONFER

BY JAMES GOGGIN

Constructive suggestions for real economy in municipal expenditures in 1933, calculated to lessen the burden on Boston taxpayers, will be presented to the mayor today at a conference held to discuss solutions of essential financial problems which confront the city in preparation of the 1933 budget.

Proposals of retrenchment in essential municipal costs, abandonment of unessential projects, and for a marked decrease in payrolls are to be sponsored either jointly or individually by the Good Government Association, the chamber of commerce, Boston Real Estate Exchange and the municipal research bureau. There is probability that the need of downward scaling of existing tax assessments on commercial and industrial properties will be clearly advanced as a municipal necessity which must be recognized.

Proposals to consolidate departments to prevent duplication of work, the discharge of superfluous employees, the restriction of expenditures next year to essential needs, and a reimbursement of salaries, are expected to provoke discussion which may embrace every form of municipal activity.

The Good Government Association declined last night to participate in the discussion, suggesting to the mayor the appointment of a commission to investigate thoroughly the entire financial structure of the city. Mayor Curley, representative of the association, specifically pointed out in a letter to the mayor, that it was his desire to persuade the appropriation budget and that it was unfair to expect organizations, without adequate time for proper investigation, to discuss intelligently a highly involved problem.

The finance commission contributed to the general discussion of the budget in a recommendation to the mayor that the budget for 1933 be cut by 25% in order that the commission may have ample time to investigate and study its 3500 component parts. The practice of literally throwing a budget at the city council for approval, with the threat that some municipal departments would be forced to suspend unless speedy approval were given, was sharply criticized by the commission.

MAYOR HITS G. G. A.

The refusal of the Good Government Association to be a party to the conference led the mayor to assert that "the best service it could render the city would be to cease criticism on municipal officials and pass quietly into oblivion."

Without definite knowledge of the character of the suggestions or extent of expenditures to be made to the city, it was apparent last night, that the representatives of the majority of the organizations bidden to participate in the conference, do not propose to allow the mayor to have his way on them, the burden of determining budget allowances.

An agreement to impress upon the mayor that it is his responsibility to solve financial problems and to concern himself about a lessening of the tax burden is said to have been reached by the major organizations.

The city councilmen were without invitations to the conference last night, but President Edward M. Galagher had received word from the mayor of his desire for the presence of the council and belated notices were sent to the members.

Organized labor will be represented and it is expected that a committee of the Massachusetts Anne Greny Tax Association, excluded from the list of invited organizations, will seek to attend the conference. The conference is scheduled for P.M. in the city council chamber.

CURLEY WOULD OUST HULTMAN IF HE COULD

If Mayor Curley had charge of the Boston police department, there might be a different police commissioner. The mayor made this declaration himself yesterday—and to a group of Communists, a committee of five who waited upon him in his office.

One of them, a young woman, had demanded that the mayor call off the police next week so the Communists might march in on the city council, unordered.

"My dear young lady," was the response, "I have no more control over the police than you have. If I had, we might have a different police commissioner."

When informed of the mayor's comment last night, Comm. Hultman said, "I have absolutely nothing to say.

The committee of five were all that remained of the "hordes" of Communists scheduled to march on City Hall yesterday. There were less than 30 in the march, and they were dispersed by police when they reached the police station. The committee of five were finally allowed to enter, after a half-hour debate with the police.

They were Myer Klasseld, Frenborne st., Roxbury; John King, who gave Boston Common as his address; Allice Averett, Rattlesnake st., South End, and I. H. Feingold, Brunswick st., Roxbury.

Klasseld, spokesman for the Communists, requested that the mayor furnish food and clothing for those on the welfare list of the city. The mayor made this offer.

"No worker earning less than $2000 a year should have his pay cut," he said. "We believe you should cut the high salaried officials, like the police commissioner, by 35%, but you should cut only $2000 during this period."

"There are many departments over which the mayor has no control," Curley answered. "I myself cut my salary 20 per cent two years ago. I have been paying that money over in weekly payments to the welfare department since that time. I have yet to see anyone follow my example."

"It is the plan of the mayor to deprive those on the welfare list of the city of more than $3000," Klasseld suggested.

After explaining the legal impossibility of such action, the mayor entered his private office with a courteous bow to his visitors, and they were ushered from City Hall by police.
SCHOOL BOARD HEARS JOBLESS
Police Break Up March—
Three Are Admitted
Demands Are Refused in Part
—Miss Donovan Appointed

A march of 75 members of the youth commission of the unemployed council on the Boston School Committee, with the demand that the committee provide free milk, free hot lunches, free medical and mental treatment and free clothing and shoes for school children in Boston, was halted at the doors of 15 Beacon st by a detail of Boston police in charge of Sergt Edward Keating and Inspector Benjamin Goodwin last night.

While the marchers were disbanded, a committee of three headed by Sylvia Sheves, was permitted to enter the building and there present its demands, which included also a request that the School Committee memorialise President Hoover in favor of the immediate award of $50 to every adult and $10 to every minor.

The School Committee declined to act at once on the proposals. After an exchange of views, the marchers' committee left when Mrs Elizabeth Pigeon, chairman of the School Committee presented a report on recent gifts of an engraving of George Washington to the School Department.

At the regular business session, the question of appointing a Yiddish-speaking woman attendance officer was settled when the committee voted unanimously to appoint Miss Irene E. Donovan, a disabled war veteran and army nurse, who has a thorough knowledge of the Yiddish language. Miss Donovan stood at the head of the woman's list. The names of the three leading men and the three leading women were placed before the committee and all voted for the woman at the head of the list.

A knowledge of foreign languages is not a Civil Service requisite for the position, but the fact that Miss Donovan is so equipped, is believed to answer the request of the Central Labor Union and many citizens.

The following were appointed:

Declines to Talk of Russia
Chairman William A. Reilly and the members of the committee conducted the affair without excitement. Sylvia Sheves, who said she was secretary of the Youth Commission, asked to be heard. Committeeman Joseph J. Hurley asked her who made up the committee and sought to bring out what connection the commission had with the New England Yiddish.

"I did not come here to discuss Russia," the woman said.

After 15 minutes to speak, she said the New England committee was a joint committee with the national hunger march group and they had not a thing to do with the New England Yiddish.

Free Medical Care Given
Dr Charles E. Mackay proved that needy Boston school children receive free medical and dental care, and free treatment for the eyes. Tubercular children are also cared for with a high degree of efficiency, he said.

Mr Hurley declared other statements made in support of the demands as misstatements and showed that $13,000,000 has been spent in welfare work in this city, under Sullivan, business manager of the School Department, offered statistics to prove that school teachers, although giving $9 a month to welfare relief, also pay for free milk and cocoa for under-nourished children.

Dora Ralevitch asked for 15 minutes to speak and her request was granted. Mr Hurley agreed the delegation the matter would be taken up at a conference. Sylvia Sheves asked for immediate action, but the committee took the matter under advisement.

As Mrs Pigeon attempted to report on gifts to Prince School and Teachers' College, one a bronze statue and the other an engraving of George Washington crossing the Delaware, the Sheves woman jumped to her feet and cried out, "We are not interested in pictures," and the delegates walked out of the hall.

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CURLEY SPEAKS AT CLOSE OF BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM
Mayor Curley, speaking at the closing exercises of the Washington Bicentennial celebration at the Boston Public Library last night, compared the present-day problems with those of George Washington's time.

"The problem of prosperity, a burden imposed in such terrible measure upon our people, is comparable with Washington's problems of adversity," Mayor Curley said in part. "Washington faced his problems with the same sublime courage with which he faced the enemy during the Revolutionary period. He had faith in his country, faith in mankind and faith in Almighty God. It is to God that we have more of the same faith and the same courage in the leaders of our Nation today."

The program, broadcast over Station WAAB, was opened by Thomas A. Mullen, chairman of the Boston committee.

G. G. A. NOT TO HELP CUT THE BUDGET
Declines Mayor's Bid to Offer Suggestions for Economy

Spurning the first pipe of peace ever extended to them by Mayor Curley, the Good Government Association will not sit in on the conference of civic agencies, this afternoon, at City Hall, to offer suggestions on carving the municipal budget with an economy knife.

CALLS NAME MISNOMER
Upon learning last night that they had rejected his invitation, the Mayor turned back to his old weapon in fighting his enemies and with sharp criticism replied to the G. G. A.

"In view of the reply made by the Good Government Association to the invitation extended to attend a conference of civic bodies, it must be apparent to everyone that the name of the organization is a misnomer, and the last service it could render to the city in the future would be to cease criticism of municipal affairs and pass quietly into oblivion." This was the Mayor's statement.

In announcing that the executive committee had rejected the Mayor's invitation with thanks, George R. Nutter, prominent Boston attorney and leader of the Good Government Association, gave three reasons.

He said his organization could not contribute anything of value in the short time allowed because the preparation of the budget was a "highly technical" matter, requiring study by experts.

In addition, the G. G. A. did not want to accept divided responsibility for the budget, pointing out that the law vested in the Mayor and the budget commission the duty of preparing the budget.

A Temporary Make-shift
"Lastly and most important," stated the G. G. A., "we believe that the mere preparation of the budget without more consideration will not go to the root of the difficulties in which the city now finds itself. It will be only at best a temporary make-shift. An effort should be made to dig deeper."

"We therefore suggest that your honor co-operate in an effort to constitute a suitable commission, to be composed of members selected by the leaders of civic organizations," continued the Good Government statement.
MAYOR ANSWERS ‘HUNGER MARCHERS’

Has No Control Over Police, He Tells Delegation

Stating that he had no control over the Police Department, Mayor Curley, in answer to a request from a delegation of “hunger marchers” at City Hall yesterday afternoon that he stop police from interfering with them, said that perhaps if he had any control, there would be a new Police Commissioner.

Mayor Curley received a delegation representing a group of 25 men who marched from Boston Common to City Hall to place several demands before the Mayor and City Council. They demanded that salaries of city employees be slashed so that $200 a year would be the highest, and the Mayor told them that such action would not produce much money. A demand that income taxes be increased was answered by the Mayor with the statement that he had no control over the taxing laws of the State.

The Mayor suggested that the marchers obtain food and shelter elsewhere than from the city, in answer to a request that Boston provide for the hunger marchers on their way through Boston to Washington. Mr. Curley explained that he had little or no control over the salaries and expenditures of the Municipal or School Departments. The delegation promised to visit the Mayor again.

OFFER DECLINED BY GOOD GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Good Government Association, one of the organizations invited to a conference at City Hall this afternoon for consideration of the budget for the coming year, yesterday thanked Mayor Curley, but, though expressing a desire to do everything possible for the city, in answer to a request that Boston provide for the hunger marchers on their way through Boston to Washington, Mr. Curley explained that he had little or no control over the salaries and expenditures of the Municipal or School Departments. The delegation promised to visit the Mayor again.

PROPOSES SPECIAL BOARD

Second, we do not believe in a divided responsibility, and for that reason we doubt that the proposed conference for the consideration merely of the budget will be effective. The charter lays upon Your Honor the duty of preparing this budget, with the aid of the Budget Commissioner. It then lays the duty upon the City Council to go over this budget which has arrived at conclusions with regard to it. We do not see that a budget produced by the joint efforts—not only of those who are entrusted by law with the duty of preparing it, but with other civic organizations, whose knowledge of the budget can be at best only superficial, can produce any result which will be effective and satisfactory.

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CURLEY WOULD FIRE

Such a commission may well be of permanent value as in the past we have been able to call for the heads of the police department. Mr. Curley answered that he did not halt the marchers at the City Hall gates when they arrived to tell the council what they demand for the unemployed.

“Wishes betterment of conditions,” he said, “but would bring anything less than a compromise. We feel that the council is working for the best interest of the city and have faith in the council.”

CENTRE STREET WIDENING DONE

Opening of Forest Hills Traffic Circle Today

Construction of the new $41,000 traffic circle at the Arborway and Centre street, Forest Hills, was completed last night and will be formally opened to the motoring public this morning by Mayor Curley and Chairman William P. Long of the Boston Park Commission.

The new circle marks the completion of the Centre street widening for the purpose of relieving traffic congestion on the West Roxbury sector of the Boston-Providence road on the national motor route No. 1.
FIN COM ASKS MAYOR TO GIVE OUT BUDGET ALLOWANCE BEFORE JAN 1

Difficulty in Meeting Council's Order — Proposes Appropriation Limit Instead of Tax Limit

The Finance Commission recently was requested by the City Council to make a study of the budget for 1933 and report thereon to the Council by Feb 1, 1933. Yesterday the Finance Commission, in a statement to Mayor James M. Curley, explained the difficulty of complying with the Council request unless the Mayor or the Commissioners make public his budget allowances before Jan 1. Ordinarily it is made public about the third week in January.

The commission also suggested that the Mayor simplify the financing of the budget by legislative establishment of an appropriation limit instead of a tax limit.

Request of City Council

The communication to Mayor Curley was as follows:

"The Finance Commission has been requested by the City Council to make a study of the budget for the year 1933 and to make a report thereon to the Council by Feb 1, 1933.

"In order fully to understand the difficulty of complying with the request, it is necessary that you should know something of the experience of the Finance Commission in making reports on the budget in the past.

"Since 1914 it has been the practice of the Finance Commission to study the city budget and to make report thereon to the Mayor, the City Council, or the Legislature. The exact office or officer to which or to whom the reports were addressed depended on the situation at the time the reports were ready.

Had Department Figures in Past

"When the commission has had sufficient time to make a thorough study in advance of the hearing by the Legislative Committee on the bill to fix the city's tax limit for the year, the commission has made its budget report to that body.

"At other times, when the commission felt that the Mayor or City Council would accept such reports as help to them in the arriving at the proper amount to appropriate and the commission felt that it was necessary to make comprehensive reports, the reports have been given to the Mayor and City Council.

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"The commission use, these estimates as basis of its budget study, although they were always subject to change by the Mayor and it might be recalled that only last year the estimates were reduced by Your Honor approximately $6,700,000. However, the commission has never been able to obtain information of the actual allowances until almost the eve of the hearing before a Legislative Committee at which the tax limit for the year was discussed.

Little Time on 3500 Items

"It should be easily understood by everybody that it is impossible for the Finance Commission to make an intelligent report on a budget if it does not get the budget until shortly before the report is due.

"Still another difficulty encountered has been that the enactment by the Legislature of the Tax Limit bill has been so late in the year that unless the budget was adopted within a week or 10 days thereafter some city departments would have to shut down. This has operated to induce the City Council to rush through their part in the investigation of the budget. It frequently happens that the budget, as received by the Council, differed from the budget disclosed before the Legislative Committee.

"If the Finance Commission is to make a reliable report upon the budget, it should have the actual figures of the Mayor's allowances for at least two months before the report is due. That length of time is little enough for proper investigation of upwards of 3500 items of appropriation.

"Permit Taxpayers to Know

"Therefore, the Finance Commission earnestly recommends that Your Honor advance the time of fixing your allowances to that the City Council may receive a copy of the Finance Commission's report thereon to the City Council by Jan 1 and that the report be given to the Finance Commission your proposed allowances.

"The year's program of expenditure should be fixed at the beginning of the year, not months after the year has begun. Every opportunity should be given the taxpayers to permit them to know the extent and nature of the service the Municipal Government plans to give them before the taxpayers, through their representatives in the Legislature, are asked to authorize that service and that cost. The hearings held by the Legislative Committee and the City Council cannot possibly accomplish the purpose for which they are authorized to hear testimony.

"The commission would suggest further that, instead of following the usual custom of asking the Legislature this year to fix a limit of taxation for maintenance purposes, Your Honor should substitute a request for an appropriation limit. A taxation limit does not provide information of the actual allowances until almost the eve of the hearing before a Legislative Committee at which the tax limit for the year was discussed.

"Fin Com asks Mayor to give out budget allowance before Jan 1

"Permit taxpayers to know

Mrs Roosevelt will get warm welcome

Arrives Tomorrow to Visit Family of James

Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President-elect, will be given a warm reception when she arrives in Boston tomorrow night to spend Thanksgiving with her son, James; his wife, the former Betsy Cushing, and their 6-month-old baby, Sarah Delano Roosevelt, in the Roosevelt home in Cambridge.

Mrs Roosevelt will be met at the Back Bay station by a delegation headed by Mayor Curley, Mayor Richard M. Russell of Cambridge, Mayor John J. Burke of Medford and Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville. The Boston Fire Department Band will be on hand and Mrs Roosevelt will be escorted by an automobile parade to Young Mr. Roosevelt's home.

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Police

Police Commr. Hultman would not be in that job if he had anything to do with it, Mayor Curley told a delegation of the Boston unemployment council who called on him at City Hall yesterday. They had told him to "keep his police from in front of City Hall."
Salary Cuts
Chief Demand
Upon Curley

Mayor's Conference with Civic Leaders Finds Budgets Not All Filed

For the first time within recent history, at least, a mayor of Boston is permitting himself to be advised in public assembly, at his own initiation, on the delicate question of how the city is to be managed next year without a boost in the tax rate.

At three o'clock this afternoon he opened a sort of town meeting and presided as moderator. Referring him to the spacious Council Chamber sat representatives of a dozen or more organizations, several of which had been preparing this week within the last few days to join in support of a legislative investigation of city activities as the subject of their agitation for the saving of million dollars in the city's annual outlays.

The mayor, limited to only of this conference to discuss the annual budget representatives of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, the Boston Real Estate Exchange, the Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange, the City Council, the Finance Commission, the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Benson Central Labor Union, the State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, the Department of the Good Government, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau and the editors of the Boston newspapers. All but the Good Government Association sent representatives today.

That body declined on the ground that as the budget consideration is of highly technical character nothing would be gained by a general discussion.

The Chamber of Commerce was represented by its president, Frederick S. Snyder, Elton Wade and Samuel Cabot; the Boston Municipal Research Bureau by its chairman, Bentley W. Warren, Walter Channing and R. Ammi Cutter; the Massachusetts Tax Association by its president, Alexander Whiteside, and its secretary, Wendell D. Howie; the Boston Finance Commission by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin and Secretary Edward R. Cummis. Practically every member of the Council was present and the labor organizations had numerous representatives. The galleries were crowded.

Mayor Opens Meeting

Mayor Curley opened the meeting with a brief survey of the city's financial situation. Emphasizing the extraordinary demands of public welfare relief, which had increased the previous month by an additional $1,000,000, he claimed that the departments had not met the increased demands without additional families; the loss in real estate values approximating $1,000,000 in taxes this year; the loss in the State income tax division and in several other items of revenue. He emphasized the fact that he had met the city's budget this year without legislation, and set the stage for the discussion of the year's work. With the war demands and at the same time regretted that the directors of the Boston Elevated Railway had seen it to reject the Huntington avenue subway project which would have provided work for at least 2,000 veterans of the war and thus lessened the demand on the solicitation, which is running at the rate of $3,000,000 a month.

Though there had been no concerted movement on the part of the several civic organizations to agree on a program, several of them went to the meeting with the recommendation that as the budget was the subject of their agitation for the saving of millions of dollars, they long felt that the major saving would be forthcoming each year and that it was necessary for the city to come from the pay-roll, which was only at least 60 per cent of the city's annual expenditures, there has been a feeling that much more could be saved by the elimination of departments and the resulting loss in personnel.

Budgets Delayed

With the mayor at the desk were City Auditor Roger S. Cabot, Budget Commissioner Charles D.7. Fox, City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan and Corporate Counsel Samuel Silverman. The mayor had been subject to a mass of financial data, but with it all there came the report that though the budget was the subject of their agitation for the saving of millions of dollars, they had been filed. Absent were those of the budget department, delayed on account of the recounts in the Long Island Hospital, no apparent reason for which the city woold seek for light in the preparation of the budget, which had been approved last Friday; the police department, which was due to serve the city budget by tomorrow; the public works and the treasury.

It was not the intention of the mayor, however, to ask the city employees to submit their budget until after the city council had had time to study the budget. The principal and deputy city assessors, the members of the licensing board, the police commissioner, the superintendent and the secretary of the department, the Finance commission chairman, the members of the board of appeal, and a large council of county officials, including the judges, district attorneys and probation officers, have their salaries fixed by statute. And in the school department there can be no reductions after the salary schedules for the year have been adopted.

G. G. A. Declines City Budget Invitation

Following a meeting of the executive committee of the Good Government Association, at 94 School street, yesterday afternoon, a letter was sent to Mayor Curley declining his invitation to join in a conference with other city officials for the consideration of the budget for the coming year. We thank you for including us among such a select list of civic organizations, whose knowledge on the subject is not only a general view of the needs of the city, but a careful acquaintance with the different departments, which can come only by practical experience, for which we are grateful.

First, the preparation of a budget is a highly technical matter, and requires not only a general view of the needs of the city, but a careful acquaintance with the different departments, which can come only by practical experience, for which we are grateful.

Second, we do not believe in a divided responsibility, and for that reason we decline the offer of the Good Government Association that the consideration merely of the budget would be effective. The charter lays upon the city the duty of preparing a budget, with the aid of the budget commissioner. It then lays the duty upon the budget committee, and we arrive at conclusions with regard to it. We do not see that a budget produced by a city organization could be as effective as one produced by a city organization. Such a commission, whose knowledge on the subject can be at best only superintendental, could produce any result which will be effective.

Lastly and most important we believe that the mere preparation of the budget without more study will not go to the root of the difficulties in which the city now finds itself. It will be only at best a temporary makeshift. An effort should be made to go deeper.

"We therefore suggest that your honor cooperate in an effort to constitute a suitable commission, to be composed of members selected by the various leading civic organizations. Such a commission should be clothed with proper legislative authority to summon witnesses and to all books and papers, and should be headed by competent counsel, and proper provision made for its expenses.

"Such a commission may well be of permanent value as in the past and we should be glad to give such assistance as we can in the appointment of such a commission."
Centre Street Traffic Circle Officially Open

Mayor Curley Praises $41,000 Arborway Project as Distinct Aid to Faster Moving of Automobiles; No Dedication Ceremonies

The new $41,000 traffic circle at Centre street on the Arborway was officially opened at 9 o'clock today by Mayor Curley. BIG TRAFFIC AID

The mayor expressed the hope that the circle would radically cut traffic difficulties and praised the Boston park department for their efficient work. There were no ceremonies at the dedication and by five minutes past nine the circle was in full operation. Among the officials that inspected the work with Mayor Curley were: Walter Reed, superintendent of the A. G. Tomasello Company, contractors; George A. Tomasello, Park Commissioner Long and John J. Murphy, park commission engineer.

Whiteside Issues Statement Bitterly Critical of Mayor—Says He Grossly Insulted Guests, Staged Carefully Rehearsed Performance—“Political Bunk”

Former Corporation Counsel Alexander Whiteside issued the following statement last night, as the aftermath of his controversy with Mayor Curley yesterday afternoon: I make this statement not voluntarily, but because the press has asked for it. The Mayor and little Goodwin know I was the subject of a vicious attack by the Mayor of Boston this afternoon. I am aware that discourtesy exists. In fact, I have occasionally experienced it, but never in a long life have I wit-
expressions of the vital need of luting the burden on real estate.

Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the finance commission, expressing an individual opinion, declared his agreement with the proposals for curtailment of budget data to this organization but in declared it doubtful if a fair determination of non-essential activities can be made and predicted that if any curtailment in appropriations for playgrounds and schools is proposed, an avalanche of opposition will be aroused.

OPPONENTS SALARY CUT

He opposed a 15 per cent reduction in salaries and praised city employees for contributing $1,800,000 toward welfare costs this year. He predicted that their probable contribution of $2,600,000 next year would be an adequate donation toward a reduced tax rate.

Mayor Mortary, John Van Vaerenwyck and Henry P. Grages representing organized labor, offered objections to any salary slashing as the care for municipal financial liability.

Mayor Snyder added the sincerity of the chamber of commerce and real estate exchange because of their alleged "double-crossing" this year when they opposed legislation which they had agreed they would favor. He referred to the pension contribution and the cemetery fund bills. Asked by the mayor if he had not advocated a per cent reduction in salaries, Mr. Snyder admitted that such a proposal had been made, but that it was not the recommendation of the organizations of which he was the spokesman. Snyder insisted that the chamber of commerce had accepted at its face value the references of the mayor in his invitations to the conference that "it is vital" to insure a reduced tax rate in 1933.

The mayor retorted that the recommendations did not appeal very strongly to him and that he could not discard the knowledge that they came from "an organization which has been thus far a failure.

Budget Commissioner Fox expressed doubt that any investigation of department estimates would be productive of benefit and based his conclusion on similar studies in most years. He declared that it would be impossible to cut the 1933 budget by $70,000,000 because of the obst.

Payroll requirements are $37,750,000 or 1 cent per cent of the budget, exclusive of fixed charges, and the civil service division responsibility and the civil service regulations as factors which make it difficult to readjust salaries equitably.

Of the remaining $22,000,000 in the 1932 budget, he said that all but $4,000,000 concerns welfare, soldier's relief, street lighting, refuse collection and disposal, food and fuel and that the opportunity to make marked reductions does not exist. Assessor Holland reported that deductions in the form of $3,750,000 tax abatement were determined by the state board of assessors had favored the claim of the city because, it said, the dollars were without. He concluded that the total losses of all cases decided between Dec. 1, 1930, and Nov. 20, 1931, and abatements of $132,218, had been reduced to $16,630,000 had been reduced to $132,218. Cases involving valuations of $231,955,000 are pending.

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The honest truth is that most real estate in Boston is assessed in excess of its fair value, the real estate market is Boston and this self-serving and hypocritical mayor of ours is more responsible for that condition than any man living.

THE BUDGET SPECTACLE

The foresight of George R. Nutter, head of the Good Government Association seems to be keener than that of the gentlemen who represent the chamber of commerce and other organizations at the budget spectacle in City Hall yesterday.

He believed that the public hearing was not conceived in good faith. He was convinced that even if it had been, nothing substantial could be accomplished by such a meeting. It was his judgment that responsibility for the 1933 budget is upon our $20,000 mayor, our twenty-two $2000 councilmen, and our well-paid heads of departments, a competent, experienced group.

Like many others, Mr. Nutter believes that the mayor, with his intimate knowledge of city affairs, can reduce expenses, can hold down the tax rate, can help home-owners and businesses, and can prevent serious embarrassment to Boston. The mayor has the genuine desire to do so, and it is not too late for him to act. Mr. Nutter, therefore, stayed away, and the cyan Good Government Association was not represented in the farce.

So far as any good came from their attendance, the persons who represented other associations might also have been absent, or they might have withdrawn with Alexander Whiteside, who took the only proper course and walked out when he was denied the right to defend himself. To be sure, Frederic S. Sawyer, president of the chamber of commerce, made an excellent address and presented a reasonable program. Councillor Clement A. Norton also outlined a policy which would accomplish a great deal. But their proposals apparently will cost too much at all costs.
by attorneys" during which he was immediately interrupted by Whiteside, who specifically asked if the mayor referred to him.  
"Do you mean me?" asked Whiteside,  
"I do, I think you are the chief offender," replied Curley, who continued, "If attorneys appearing before the city have a right to appear, then so have people, too. But when county expenses outside the control of city officials, and assessed the tax rate increase this year to a drop in the state income tax and to the largest portion factors beyond control of the city.

Reciting that the city has been compelled by adverse decisions of the state board, the city paid $1,000,000 in taxes paid in 1928 and subsequent years, the mayor fairly shouted:  
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Our request is granted. We recognize the fact that a large proportion of these requirements will develop into more definite and effective action toward the severer economy which it is apparent must be accomplished."

Some of the methods by which the city may be reduced are:

1. Removing statutory restrictions, if any, to reductions in compensation or in personnel made in good faith for the purpose of economy.

2. A reduction of personnel by reorganization of the public welfare department, to centralize and define responsibility.

3. A reorganization of the supply department.

4. A reduction of time estimates of departments in Boston is exorbitant in comparison with similar expenditures in much larger cities.

CURLEY'S EXPLANATION

In opening the conference Mayor Curley attributed increased municipal costs to services demanded by the people, too, and county expenses outside the control of city officials, and assessed the tax rate increase this year to a drop in the state income tax and to other revenue factors beyond control of the city.

He assailed "organized wealth" for shifting taxes. "I believe the situation, which now bears 78 cents per $1.00 in taxes. The credit of Boston he described as excellent, and pointed as proof to the case with which bonds have been sold and temporary loans made at interest rates in excess of 1 per cent.

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1. That the budget commission give access to the budget estimates of departments for 1933, and such data as these departments have submitted in support of these estimates.

2. That department heads be instructed to give us and our representatives information and access to such data as we may require, relating to expenditures contemplated in the budget.

If this request is granted, we believe that we shall be able to present recommendations for economy and retrenchment which will be of real value to the city administration.

We suggest that city officials and private agencies set as their goal, a reduction of total requirements for 1933, as far as possible below $70,000,000, and that they should plan ahead to effect a further reduction in 1934. We emphasized the fact that a large proportion of these requirements lies outside the sole control of the mayor, and that to other requirements the city has divided control. But a well-conceived program of retrenchment on which city officials and private agencies can agree, should have an effect on all requirements for the city government, but, regardless of where the primary responsibility lies.

METHODS SUGGESTED

Some of the methods by which we believe retrenchment can be effected, are those we expect to be able to support by specific recommendations if we are permitted to make the examination which we request, as follows:

1. A reduction in the rate of compensation of city and county employees.

2. A reduction of personnel by

3. A reorganization of the public welfare department, to centralize and define responsibility.

4. A reduction of the supply department.

5. The opening of all city purchasing to competitive bidding upon specifications which will permit the utmost competition.

6. The ratification of non-essential activities.

We intend to make a similar request for information relative to the school budget. We believe that several of the methods which we have suggested can be applied to the school budget, and we intend to present specific recommendations if our request is granted.

We realize that the fact that school appropriations are subject to slight control by the mayor, but we feel that under his co-operative leadership, substantial economies can be effected.

If school officials are unwilling to cooperate, it may be advisable to seek legislation giving the mayor adequate control of the situation.

NEW PROJECTS

As to the city and county debt, we believe that there should be a postponement of new projects on bond issues already authorized, but on which work has not yet commenced; and also a complete cessation of new loan authorizations either inside or outside the debt limit.

The next legislative session will unquestionably be called upon to consider many proposals relating to retrenchment in local governments, both centrally and specifically in Boston's government.

We present the following items in a program of which our groups are now considering.

We should welcome the opportunity of confering with our legal representatives with a view to working out as far as possible a basis of agreement upon such of these items or such additional items as may be decided are necessary to effect the desired reduction in the tax burden.

1. Providing for a grant to the mayor to overrule the power to reduce school appropriations.

2. Giving to the school committee the authority to reduce the salaries of all school department employees, including teachers, at any rate.

3. Removing statutory restrictions, if any, to reductions in compensation or in personnel, made in good faith for the purpose of economy.

4. Providing for a temporary division of the highway fund for the use of cities and towns.

5. Allowing city officials and private agencies to be united in opposing all legislative proposals for new projects which would involve any assessment upon the cities and towns of the metropolitan district in 1933 or in any later year.

We are opposed to all attempts to raise revenue by new or larger taxes until every opportunity for reducing expenditures to the minimum has been exhausted.

We have presented in this statement a general outline as a basis for co-operation. It is, of course, exhaust the field, but we are confident that if our requests and suggestions are agreed to, it will develop into more definite and effective action toward the severe economy which it is apparent must be accomplished.

John T. Burns and Charles E. Hall of the Massachusetts real estate exchange confined their remarks to...
On the matter of taxing intangibles, he said it would drive them out of the State, and on the matter of State salaries he predicted a 15 percent cut by the Legislature.

Kelly’s Suggestions

Al Brown of Local 349, consisting of city employes, registered on the part of his union, on any cut in salary or reduction of personnel. He said the contributory system was favored.

Councilor Frances Kelly of Dorchester opposed a $3,000,000 new City Hall. The Mayor said it could not be financed if one wanted to build, and that this was merely a test of public opinion. He suggested that garbage contracts not be allowed and collection to be made by welfare workers; that low bidders be given all contracts; welfare men all street construction and the sale of city-owned land not being used.

Mayor Curley’s Statement

Shortly before the meeting was adjourned Mayor Curley summed up, in part, as follows: “The 1932 appropriations are $79,000,000 and the levy on real estate is $87,000,000. The corporation and income tax collected by the State and turned over to the city is $5,080,000, and the State, this year, requires $9,950,000. The return from intangible property, supposedly taxed through the corporation and income tax, is negligible.

“Many years, prior to the establishment of the income tax in Massachusetts, it was admitted that intangible property was escaping taxation, and in 1917 the income tax was established.

“If a change was needed in 1917, with average tax rates of $15 it is certainly needed today with rates $30 to $40.

“New revenue must come in substantial amount from intangible wealth which has been privileged too long.

“The taxable income from salaries, wages and business could, without hardship, be increased to 4½ percent, or doubled. To provide the payment of the soldiers’ bonus, it was increased from 1½ to 2½ percent without objection.

“The gains now taxed at 3 percent could be doubled to 6 percent, and there would be less than half of the Federal tax on capital gains.

Doors Left Open

“The remedy in the class of intangibles should be in the form of inclusion in its provisions of tax, all dividends and interest and the rate could be maintained or reduced because of the tremendous amounts that would be reached. The original theory of taxing this class at 6 percent, because of its unearned nature, has defeated its original purpose, because the doors were left open through exemptions, and hundreds of millions of dollars have sought investment in the tax-exempt channels.

“The exemption accorded the bonds and notes of the cities and towns does not produce a relative increase in interés charges. There is no benefit whatever to the city of Boston and consideration should be given to taxing the income therefrom.

“So much for the taxation program.

Burdens Placed by State

“I recommend that copies of 1932 tax bills be given to each person present. Much can be learned from it. From $28,067,000, total, take out, as not in direct control:

- $1,505,000, State Warrants
- $2,949,000, Exchanges
- $1,700,000, Indebtedness to City Debt
- $3,143,000, Special Debt
- $1,143,000, Refunding Fund
- $7,631,000, Police
- $5,698,000, Public Welfare
- $8,270,000, Soldiers’ Relief
- $2,125,000, Boston Fund
- $51,424,000, Miscellaneous

“You have a balance of $24,335,000, which is premium on bonds, hospital, health, park, library, institutions, and general purposes. The increases have not been in these departments. For example, there are fewer employees in the Public Works Department than 10 years ago.

“I have had made photostatic copies of the State settlement with the city. The study of these items charged to the city will demonstrate the numerous inescapable burdens placed upon the city by the State. On the other side are such items as Boston’s share of the corporation and gas, electric and water rate, trust company and national bank tax, reaching in the latter the low level of $900.

“Out of the levy for 1933 nearly $1,000,000 will be used for refunds on taxes paid.

“The credit of the city is good, and yet there is persistent effort on the part of the corporation and income tax, to injure this credit. The repeated emissions from the so-called civic organizations’ wrecking publicity, colored with political intent, and instead of being helpful are damaging to the credit of the city. They give an impression to investors in our bonds that it is not warranted by the facts.

“In concluding he said: "It would appear that the city’s finances are in a sound hand and that its debt is not excessive nor that the debt service is burdensome."

WHITEBIDE DECLARES
CONFERENCE A “RALLY"

Alexander Whiteside, declaring that Mayor Curley made himself the subject of a vicious attack at the budget conference, issued a statement of curtailment in city costs and called it "a carefully rehearsed performance.”

He said that he and others invite the conference to discuss budget portions for 1933 "were not prepared for the insults which he proceeded to heap upon us."

He referred to Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission as the Mayor's "satellite" and said that Nell Whiteside said that he would not attempt a defense against the Mayor’s attack but asserted that Mayor Curley publicly refused him an opportunity to be heard.
small home owners that the waste and extravagance was in city expenditures.

That is not so," said Mr. Goodwin.

"They recommend a 15 percent cut in employees' salaries, and there is a tax on the city. Most of them have given this year $1,000 to welfare, and that is not enough. I oppose cutting any more salary until they make tax-payers pay their share of the Government's activities, and that duty has been going for years.

Urges Tax on Intangibles

The chairman of the Finance Commission declared that Mayor Curley had tried to centralize welfare but was defeated in the Legislature; that the Finance Commission had reorganized the Supply Department, but that you cut on playgrounds you will cut Dee Lee and others on your head and if you try it on the School Department you will have the educators after you.

Mr. Goodwin said it was against any cut that interfered with service. Present conditions, he said, were caused by wasting of extravagance for females, and had the banner changed in any way, he would give his wealth and pay the burden of the real estate.

He contended that the owner of a $10,000 house paying $2000 in taxes and the owner of the same amount in stocks paying $35, saying that if there is no dividend there is no tax, and the real estate tax must be paid, irrespective of the dividend.

"The only way," said Mr. Goodwin, "for tax reform is by shifting the burden from intangible property now taxes exempt."
WHITESIDE IN CLASH WITH MAYOR CURLEY

Civic Bodies Ask $9,000,000 Cut
Slash in Pay, Rigid Economy Policy
Mayor Agrees to Submit Figures
Curley Would Double Income

Tax Association Official Walks Out After Being Refused Hearing on Charges at City Hall Budget Conference

for keeping down the 1933 tax on real estate. It resulted in Alexander Whiteside, spokesman of the Massachusetts Tax Association, leaving the meeting when refused an opportunity to answer.

Mr Whiteside remarked that he trusted that he would have a chance to speak and was told by the Mayor that he would, but not at the conference. Mr Whiteside then declared the conference was a staged affair and called upon the press to take note that he was refused a hearing, and left the Council Chamber.

Sharp Exchanges
Mr Whiteside had been silent during the opening remarks of Mayor Curley, the reading of a consolidated report and the statements of other speakers, but when Mayor Curley in his recital of expenses of the city referred to "an organized system of raiding by supposedly reputable attorneys," he asked: "I suppose you mean me?" Mayor Curley replied: "Yes, I understand you are the chief offender."

Principal Assessor Neil Holland then read of the city's experience in tax appeal cases, only four of which out of 227 resulted in refunds for the city. Mayor Curley asked Mr. Holland how many cases Mr. Whiteside had, and the Mayor answered: "About 200 and representing $3,000,000." Then Mr. Whiteside made his request which the Mayor refused.

The Mayor then said he would like to know what Mr. Whiteside intended to discuss, and Mr. Whiteside said: "So you can rehearse it in advance as you have rehearsed this meeting." Mayor Curley retorted: "I've rehearsed nothing," to which Mr. Whiteside said: "It is very obvious," as he left the conference.

Organizations Seek Cut
Previously, Pres. Frederic S. Snyder of the Boston Chamber of Commerce read a joint statement of the Chambers of Commerce, Boston Real Estate Exchange, Boston Municipal Research Bureau and Massachusetts Tax Association containing suggestions for keeping the tax rate down, asking among other things access to budget estimates for next year; reduction of salaries of city and county employees; abolition of unnecessary positions and consolidations, reorganization of the Welfare Department, reorganization of the Supply Department, competitive bidding on all city purchases, discontinuance of non-essential competition and the budget of $70,000,000 cut to $70,000,000.

Mayor Curley stated that he cannot reduce salaries or discharge anyone because of legislation governing the same. He also pointed out that obtaining legislation takes time, and in view of the fact that the Legislature refused to reduce their own or the salaries of any State employes it was no certainty they would pass such a measure.

Mayor for Tax Increase
Mayor Curley said that he would have budget sheets submitted to the organizations interested but would insist on cooperation by those organizations for an increased tax on intangibles.

The Mayor seeks to have the income tax increased from 1½ percent to 3 percent and also tax for the first time bonds and stocks that are now exempt.

Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission, speaking as Citizen Goodwin, suggested that the organizations be given the budget data. He said that the responsibility of the budget rested on the Mayor and Council and that the Mayor be given the data "to public spirited citizens." That at that point Mayor Curley, who was presiding, dropped the comment, "providing they are such citizens."

Goodwin Talks of Tax Dodgers
Mr. Goodwin declared there had been no cut in telephone, gas, insurance, bank or other rates, and charged that "those are the people in control of everything and those are the ones behind this movement." He charged that statements in the press and on the radio constituted a "broadside unlimbered by Mayor as you have rehearsed this meeting."
committee clear authority to reduce salaries of all school department employees, including teachers, at any time:

"Removing statutory restrictions, if any, to the Mayor's compensation or in personnel made in good faith for the purpose of economy, and a temporary cessation of the distribution from the highway fund for the use of cities and towns."

Against New Projects

"We believe," stated President Snyder for the group of public officials which would be granted any assessment upon the cities and towns of the Metropolitan district in 1933 or in any later year.

"We are opposed to all attempts to raise additional revenue by new land or personal property tax or for the opportunity for reducing expenditures to the minimum has been exhausted."

"Smoke Screen," Goodwin Says

This last proposal was snatched up by Chairman Goodwin of the Finance Commission as the crux of the whole situation. "That is the very reason why organized wealth is bloating a smoke screen in the income tax. Organized wealth has shifted the burden of taxation on the home-owner and they don't want new taxation to reach out and force the bondholders to bear their share of the costs of government."

"What is needed is an increase in the income tax and the tax on tangible and intangible wealth in Massachusetts."

"We believe," stated President Snyder for the group, "that city officials and private agencies should be united in opposing all legislative proposals for new taxes which would be granted any assessment upon the cities and towns."

Up to Wealthy to Help, Mayor Says

"New revenue must come from the wealthy who have been evading their duty. No relief can be obtained for the taxpayer, until organized money assumes its proper share of the cost of government," said the Mayor.

"The big banks have been able to escape taxes through counsel on Beacon Hill to escape taxes on intangibles, so that real estate is paying 67,000,000 out of the $75,000,000 required to maintain the city this year, although hundreds of millions of dollars worth of securities are untaxed in the hands of the wealthy."

Demands Bank Tax Increase

"Of 11 member banks of the Boston Clearing House, with aggregate capital of $100,000,000, the national banks' capital is $72,000,000. From this fact, as a smoke screen, the city of Boston receives $90,000," the Mayor protested, demanding increase in the bank tax.

"The income of public utility corporations and banks," said the Mayor, "is not adequately taxed. This tax, as it is, is among the steady earner and is escaping taxation. There has developed, in the investigation being held in Massachusetts, a technique in advising how to entirely escape taxation of intangible wealth in Massachusetts."

Badly Handicapped He Says

In discussing city appropriations, the Mayor said that only $24,000,000 was within his control, while $54,000,000 each year was required to maintain the city, compared with expenditures of the State, county expenses, public welfare, pensions, soldiers' relief and other necessary expenditures.

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Call Off Meeting—Session on Budget Today

City employees a few days ago were indignant at the prospect that their contributions to the Welfare Department would have to be increased, and planned a protest meeting for today. But they have about faced and will leave the matter entirely to Mayor James M. Curley, relying on him to prevent the burden becoming too great.

It is not known for a fact, but it is believed that the meeting this afternoon of the deliberation on the decision of the employees, Mayor Curley invited leaders of civic organizations to the conference to discuss with them the meeting's findings. Report had it that the meeting's recommendations to the budget would be more severe than a flat 10 percent contribution from those receiving $1,000 a year up by employees.

However, the budgets' prospects in the planned protest meeting, announced for the meeting, are not hopeful and have implicit faith in Mayor.

ANGRY EXIT AS CURLEY JIBES

Alexander Whiteside Retires From Tax Protest Meeting — No Pay Cuts, Discharges, Mayor Says

Mayor Curley is shown addressing City Council Chamber meeting of city and civic organizations.

Amazing charges hurled by Mayor Curley at his critics created a sensation at the economy hearing of civic leaders at City Hall late yesterday afternoon, when former Corporation Counsel Alexander Whiteside, denied a chance to talk, abruptly marched out of the meeting.

With other representatives of the Massachusetts Tax Association, Boston Municipal Research Bureau, Chamber of Commerce and Real Estate Exchange, he had sponsored a programme to cut at least $9,000,000 from the city's $79,000,000 budget by slashing municipal pay and personnel, discontinuing city activities and enforcing other drastic measures.

The clash came when the Mayor charged that leading attorneys "cloaked in the atmosphere of respectability" were "raiding the city treasury" through appeals for abatements to the State Board of Tax Appeals.

"Do you mean me?" interrupted Mr. Whiteside, who was attending the hearing as the spokesman of the Massachusetts Tax Association.

"Yes," replied the Mayor.

"You are the chief offender." Rodgers Assailed

The recommendations of the group demanding pay slashes, discharge of workers and no bond issues for public improvements, were severely attacked by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission, as well as by the Mayor and the representatives of labor organizations attending the hearing.

No Pay Cuts or Discharges

In the end, the Mayor served notice on them that there would be no pay cuts or wholesale discharge of employees, contending that it was impossible under existing civil service laws and other statutes. He would, he said, supply the 1933 budget sheets to "public-spirited citizens for consideration provided they came in with clean hands and clear consciences."

The proposed reforms were presented by President Snyder in the form of a joint statement adopted by the Chamber of Commerce, Boston Real Estate Exchange, Municipal Research Bureau and the Massachusetts Tax Association.

Text of Joint Statement

"We suggest that city officials and private agencies set as their goal a reduction of total requirements for 1933 as far as possible below $9,000,000, and that they should plan ahead to effect a further reduction in 1934."

"If school officials are unwilling to cooperate, it may be advisable to seek legislation giving the Mayor adequate control of the situation."

"As to the city and county debt, we believe that there should be a postponement, where possible, of new projects under bond issues already authorized, but on which work has not commenced and also a complete cessation of new loan authorizations either inside or outside the debt limit."

Methods of Retrenchment

"Some of the methods by which we believe retrenchment can be effected, and those which we expect to be able to support by specific recommendations if we are permitted to make the examination which we request, are as follows:"

1. A reduction in the rate of compensation of city and county employees.
2. A reduction of personnel by (a) the abolition of unnecessary positions; (b) the reorganization and consolidation of department functions.
3. A reorganization of the public welfare department to centralize and define responsibility.
4. A reorganization of the supply department.
5. The opening of all city purchases to competitive bidding upon specifications which will permit of the utmost possible competition.
6. The discontinuance of non-essential activities.
7. We intend to make a similar request for information relative to the school budget."

For Economy Programme

The "big four" civic organizations suggested that they confer with Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman for the purpose of drawing up a programme for presentation to the next Legislature for enactment. This programme would include measures providing for a grant to the Mayor of a greater power to reduce school appropriations, give the

AT CITY HALL CONCLAVE

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The Mayor then directed his arts at President Frederick Snyder of the Chamber of Commerce, but the latter held his seat until the end of the three-hour session, from time to time taking issue with the Mayor's statements.
CIVIC BODIES PLAN DRASTIC MOVE ON TAXES

4 Organizations to Send Ultimatum to Curley—Meet Tomorrow

CUT BUDGET OR FACE PROBE, IS THREAT

Mayor's Closest Advisers Critical of His Attack On Whiteside

By JAMES GOGGIN

Officials of the four civic and industrial organizations whose recommendations of methods to cut the municipal budget and reduce the 1933 tax rate were discarded by Mayor Curley at Monday's tax conference in City Hall, will meet tomorrow to map out a vigorous course of action.

While none of these civic leaders would predict for publication what lines their action would take, all were unanimous in expressing the opinion that the mayor's attacks on Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, and the chamber of commerce, which he described as a "failure," had definitely closed the approach to any agreement on the basis for the attacks which he has repeatedly made on petitioners for tax abatements by the state board of tax appeal. In practically every instance, it is claimed, such petitioners have met no great difficulty in establishing their contention that assessments values in the downtown section of the city are unjustifiably high.

VALUATION ISSUE

The valuation issue is of far reaching importance because it enters into the determination of the tax rate of 1933 as a factor which must be considered in the making of the budget. The reduction of more than $60,000,000 in taxable valuation this year is expected to be at least duplicated next year and with the demands for abatements mounting to record figures, the tax situation offers nothing of comfort to the small property owners who have not availed themselves of their right to seek abatements.

A definite guarantee to cut the budget to close to $76,000,000 seems to be the only action available to the mayor to avert a situation which is admitted to be of far more seriousness than is revealed superficially.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AWAITED IN VAIN

3 Mayors, Undaunted, Use Band and Speeches to Greet James and Wife

By HERBERT ORR

Three mayors, the Boston fire department band, and a reception group Crowley, of some 500 persons liberally sprinkled with Boston, Somerville and Medford city officials, last night treated a Back Bay station crowd to the spectacle of an official greeting despite the fact that Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, whom they had assembled to meet, went to Georgia instead of Boston.

Just as if they knew all along that the wife of the President-elect wasn't coming—which they insisted right up to train time they were not certain of—the mayors and lesser officials adroitly turned to Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt of Cambridge, Gov. Roosevelt's son and daughter-in-law, returning from a Bermuda trip, and greeted them.

They were the recipients of mayorial handshakes as they stepped off the train, were wired up into the station through close-packed police ranks while the band blared "Happy Days Are Here Again," and finally were escorted by waiting cars outside where huge signs carried the words—safe whether Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt did or didn't arrive—"Welcome Roosevelts.

Mayors Curley of Boston, John J. Murphy of Somerville, and John H. Burke of Medford, all made speeches in the station expressing their pleasure that the President-elect's son and Mrs. James Roosevelt have returned from their trip to Bermuda.

Mayor Curley presented Gov. Roosevelt's son with a picture of his father, a smoothly did the reception run despite the non-appearance of the next first lady of the nation that observers could find only one slip to be possibly blamed upon perturbation because of the last-minute change of reception plans.

The Boston mayor, introducing President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt's son, called him "James Roosevelt, Jr.

Besides the three mayors, Charles F. Hurley, state treasurer and Cambridge resident, spoke in welcoming the young Roosevelt. The President-elect's son, in a brief response, expressed the hope that next year might be "an even happier Thanksgiving.

As late as yesterday afternoon, the three mayors insisted that Mrs. Roosevelt was coming to Boston. In the face of press reports that she planned to join her husband in Washington and go to Georgia with him for the holiday, the mayors were unshaken and announced that they would be at the station anyway.

There was a slight flurry of alarm when a long string of Pullmans rolled into the station at the scheduled time of 8:40 P.M., and no Roosevelts at all stepped off. After the reception group followed several unsuccessful leads arising from shouts of "There she is," by persons not in the official group who had recognized friends, one person thought of the second section. The Roosevelts arrived on it a few minutes later.

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"We thought that Jim's boat would probably be delayed so that he could not come home in time to get his brothers. So naturally we concluded that Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt would come instead. Why, at 6:30 last night!"

"Yes, he did," replied Mayor Murphy. "I don't know what his idea was. Anyway, he wasn't an original Roosevelt delegate. We four were (Mayors Curley, Murphy, Burke and Sweeney of Gardner). We only invited Russell out of courtesy, seeing that the Roosevelts live in Cambridge.

"I guess Russell didn't think much about it, but he did send his City Messenger to represent him at the meeting Monday in Mayor Curley's office. Maybe Russell thought he'd have trouble getting a crowd. But none of us did."

Sargent Explanation

Mr Sargent explained it all this way:

"De Radcliffe, Pembury, headmaster
The President-elect's son lingered in the train shed for several minutes, but finally made his appearance and waved to the crowd. "In behalf of the citizens of Boston, Somerville, Medford and Cambridge," Mayor Curley called for silence and formally welcomed the Roosevelts home. He presented a large portrait of Franklin D. Roosevelt, as then called on Mayor Murphy of Somerville.

An enthusiastic burst of applause followed the presentation of Mayor Murphy. "It was a fitting thing," he said, "to have Mrs. Roosevelt and I appreciate it. We do not believe in the world, but we are very glad to be back."

Roosevelt Thanks Crowd
Young Roosevelt, who had patiently listened to the oratory and restrained himself while being pushed around by cheer leaders and other office-holders, spoke briefly, thanking the crowd. "It is very good of you to welcome us," he said, "to have Mrs. Roosevelt and I appreciate it. We are very glad to be back." Even Mayor Curley then asked the Mayor Russell of Cambridge if the celebration be cancelled.

The cheers were given, and the Roosevelts got into the machine, and drove off without further delay. They, with Franklin, Jr., and John Roosevelt, will have their Thanksgiving dinner at the Cushing home.

BIG GREETING

The tall son of the newly-elected President stood with his back up against the ticket windows, alternately smiling and frowning, while the walls resounded with the blare of the firemen band, playing "Days Are Here Again," and "Camellia." Newspapersmen, aware of the fact that Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt was in Washington, made a few inquiries of Mayor Murphy and Sargent as to why her appearance had been advertised. Sargent explained the situation. It seems that Dr. Endicott Peabody, principal of Groton School, has a hard and fast rule preventing students from leaving the school unless accompanied by a member of their family.

Had Planned to Come Here
For a time it looked as if James Roosevelt would not be back from Bermuda in time for Thanksgiving, so rather than have Franklin, Jr., and John Roosevelt spend the holiday at the school, she was going to come and get them and take them to the home of Dr. Harvey Cushings for dinner. Dr. Cushings being the father of Mrs. James Roosevelt.

Sargent said that as late as Tuesday it was expected that Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt would be here, and as a matter of fact, no word of her arrival had been received. When informed that Mayor Russell had such a word and suggested calling of the celebration, Sargent said, "I would not print that. It will hurt Mayor Russell more than anyone else."

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The Roosevelt Smile
Waving to the throng and flashing the famous Roosevelt smile, young Roosevelt shouted, "How is my old friend, Roosevelt?" He was greeted by an appreciative roar of laughter. Affectionately daping one arm around the neck of the son of the President-elect, CharlesFrederick Manig, acting as unofficial master of ceremonies, nearly succeeded in lodging young Roosevelt from the step, but the latter recovered his equanimity in time to save himself a fall. Mayor Curley grabbed the hand of the son of the new President, and welcomed him home again. The latter, bronzed from the Bermuda sun, shook hands all around, and after some delay, the party started upstairs, when Superintendent of Police Crowley, in mufti, was forcing a path for the returning couple.

On the arm of Mayor Curley, and flanked by Street Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn, who was leading the cheers, Mrs. James Roosevelt was first to appear. The band was blaring loudly and the spectators crowded forward, so that the police were forced to break through the crowd to get Mrs. Roosevelt over near the ticket window, where the band was stationed.

Mayor Russell, former Senator and State Treasurer Hurley, a neighbor of the Roosevelts in Cambridge, also welcomed them back home. They were then escorted by Mayor Curley to the front of the station.

Waving to the cheers, Mayor Curley addressed the 50 persons outside the station, "May I give three cheers for the boy and the girl who have won the affection of a place in the hearts of all Americans," he commanded.

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Mayors, Crowds, Band Transfer All Their Enthusiasm Planned for President-Elect's Wife

BY JOHN GRIFFIN

Fully 200 persons, including heads of city departments and members of the Metropolitan Firemen's Band, gathered at the Back Bay station last night to greet Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President-elect. About the time the train from New York drew into the station, Mrs. Roosevelt was in Washington on her way to Warm Springs, Ga., so the greeters, led by Mayor Curley, turned the full force of their enthusiasm on James Roosevelt and his wife, the former Betsey Cushing, and the former Betsey Cushing was introduced and he expressed the welcome of the citizens of his city.

The suggestion did not meet with the approval of Mayor Murphy and Sargent as to why her appearance had been advertised. Mayor Murphy spoke briefly on behalf of the Roosevelt League of Massachusetts. Then Mayor John H. Burke was introduced and he expressed the welcome of the citizens of his city.

Big Welcome to Her Son Instead

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An enthusiastic burst of applause followed the presentation of Mayor Murphy. The cheers were given, and the loose crowd parted to get Mrs. Roosevelt in Cushings home, where the band was stationed.
WITH ALL THE FIXIN'S

FELLOW ROOSEVELTIONS, WE SURE HAVE A LOT TO BE THANKFUL FOR!

ST. SENATOR AND MAY I WE PARTAKE GENEROUSLY OF THE UNUSUAL BIRD?
Throngs of 2000, headed by Mayor Curley, welcomed James Roosevelt, son of the President-elect, and his wife, at the Back Bay station last night. Left to right, Mayor Curley, Mrs. James Roosevelt, Mary Curley, James Roosevelt and State Treas. Charles Hurley. The Roosevelts were vacationing in Bermuda.

CURLEY HEADS 2000 TO GREET J. ROOSEVELTS

A cheering throng of 2000, headed by Mayor Curley, gathered at Back Bay station last night to welcome back to Boston Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt who have been vacationing in Bermuda and returned to spend Thanksgiving at their Cambridge home.

Details of police ledby Supt. Crowley had a difficult time controlling the enthusiastic crowd whose cheers were tuned to the tempo of the fire department band blaring "Happy Days Are Here Again."

Mayor Curley, accompanied by his daughter, Mary, was the first to greet the happy Roosevelts as they stepped from the train. Close behind him were Mayor Murphy of Somerville, Mayor Burke of Medford, State Treasurer Hurley, representing Gov. Ely, and Henry K. Cushing, brother of Mrs. Roosevelt.

Many in the crowd expressed disappointment that Mrs. Roosevelt did not come as they expected. Young Roosevelt explained that she had made a last-minute change in plans and accompanied Governor Roosevelt to Warm Springs, Ga.

Mayor Curley presented to the couple a framed picture of the President-elect on behalf of the cities of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville and Medford. The welcome, he told them, was but "a token of the esteem felt for the son of the next President and his charming wife."

MRS ROOSEVELT FAILS TO ARRIVE

Band and Three Mayors Greet James and Wife

Despite reports early yesterday that Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was not coming to Boston and that her son and daughter-in-law had urgently requested Mayor Russell of Cambridge by long-distance telephone that no public notice be taken of their home-coming from Bermuda, the Mayors of Boston, Somerville, and Medford last night ignored Mayor Russell's protests and turned the proposed reception to the next "First Lady of the Land" into a "welcome home" for Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt.

DEDICATION OF CURLEY ALTARS SET FOR TODAY

At 9 a.m. today the dedicatory mass of the new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Montebello road, Jamaica Plain, will be celebrated, with the consecration of altars dedicated to the memory of three deceased members of Mayor James M. Curley's family—Mrs. Mary E. Curley, his wife, James M. Curley Jr., and Dorothy Curley, his son and daughter. Mayor Curley will attend the mass.

Miss Loretta Bremner of Chicago, who was engaged to James Jr., will be present at the consecration with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bremner, and her sister, Josephine.
Needy received Thanksgiving baskets from the Volunteers of America yesterday at their station at 25 Brattle st. Mayor Curley, shown giving out the bags, personally supervised the distribution.
STATE SERVES THOUSANDS IN INSTITUTIONS

Thanksgiving, traditional holiday of the home, will be observed today throughout the nation, while Boston, through private and organized charitable aid, will provide food and festivity for the poor and homeless.

Low prices of food this year, and plentiful supplies of all market goods, aid a festive board for many homes, although a pre-Thanksgiving marketing crowd held off until late yesterday, waiting for an expected drop in prices.

The market district was, indeed, a quiet place during the day, minus the surging crowds of busy housewives and their annual last-day buying.

Although many produce men cut the price of turkeys from 4 to 5 cents a pound during early hours, the further drop in price at night drew great buying throngs to the district, to pick up the family bird at the lowest price level.

The Salvation Army, whose great Thanksgiving feast to the poor is traditional, will serve a turkey dinner to 400 deserving children of Boston, at the People's Palace, Washington and E. Brookline sts., at noon today. Mayor Curley will be a guest of the occasion.

The Army will also distribute Thanksgiving baskets to 300 worthy families, which include 1800 other children. The dinner basket will consist of roast beef, potatoes, three kinds of vegetables, fruit, coffee, milk, crackers, soup and bread.

Thousands of sick and unfortunate, confined in state hospitals and institutions, will share the 4500 pounds of turkey ordered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to keep the spirit of Thanksgiving.

At the state prison 200 inmates receive a chicken dinner instead of the traditional turkey.

The city of Boston will not provide Thanksgiving dinners this year, owing to the increased needs of the welfare department, but officials in charge have enlisted private charitable agencies to make certain there are no hungry families.

The Volunteers of America distribute several hundred Thanksgiving baskets today at the new welfare center, 33 Hanover st. Each basket contains a large roast, with vegetables, fruit, groceries and milk and candy for children.

The Bremner family, of Chicago, as they arrived in Boston yesterday to spend Thanksgiving with Mayor Curley and his family. L. to r., Mary Curley, Mayor Curley, Mrs. John Bremner and Lauretta Bremner. Lauretta and the late James M. Curley, Jr., were engaged when he was a student at Harvard Law School.

B. C. PAYS TRIBUTE TO E. A. MCLAUGHLIN

Mayor Curley at Services for First Graduate

Boston College alumni and student body joined with a host of friends yesterday to pay last respects to Edward A. McLaughlin, the first graduate of Boston College and the man who made possible the purchase of the site where the famous gothic buildings of the college now stand.

Solemn high mass of requiem was sung in St. Ignatius chapel. The chapel and surrounding grounds were thronged with mourners. The Rev. Charles Lyons, S. J., was the celebrant; the Rev. Charles Lane, S. J., deacon, and the Rev. James Meehan, S. J., sub-deacon, all of Boston College. The Rev. Louis J. Gallagher, president of Boston College, and the Rev. John Crawford, director of Boston College, high school, sat within the chancel.

The active bearers were Philip Cuniff, Dr. Francis Callnan, William Burke, R. J. Connolly, M. Thomas Green and Thomas O'Connor.

The honorary bearers were: Judge John Keating, J. E. Hennigan, M. E. Hennessy, J. H. O'Neil, J. P. Murphy, Charles McGinnis and A. C. Ratnessey. The ushers were Louis Walsh and Edward A. Morrissey. Joseph A. Ecker was the soloist and the organist Arthur J. O'Shea.


Lt.-Gen. Logan headed a delegation from the Clover Club, an organization that Mr. McLaughlin helped organize. The group included Joseph A. Campbell, Michael T. Kelly, Thomas Carens, Frank Rogers, B. A. Griffin, Daniel A. Sullivan and others.

The cortege arrived at the chapel from the residence 462 Audubon road, Back Bay, and, following the mass, left for Mt. Calvary cemetery, Roslindale, for interment.

Mr. McLaughlin, born in Boston in 1853, received his earlier training in Boston College in 1872 and from Boston University Law in 1875. After admission to the bar his rise was rapid. He held many public offices, served as clerk in the House of Representatives, was a member of the metropolitan water and sewerage board and a member of the election commission.

He is survived by three sons, Edward A. Jr., Joseph J. and Raymond E., all of Boston, and a brother and sister.
A Misleading Invitation
Mayor Curley invited many citizens to a conference yesterday, in which no one was allowed any chance to confer. By such procedure nothing can be gained, and much may be lost. The program submitted in writing by the Boston Chamber of Commerce and other civic bodies offered, as its terms declared, "a basis of co-operation." Facing present conditions frankly, it supplied a definite list of items to achieve economy in city government and thus to save Boston's finances from falling into a worse state next year than they are in now. Since Mayor Curley at this very moment is engaged in making up his budget-estimates for 1933, one would have supposed that such a program, looking toward Boston's welfare in the future, would have been received with constructive attention. At least it deserved full discussion. In fact, however, it was tossed out of the window, and for the purposes of yesterday's meeting might as well not have been submitted at all.

The mayor may consider such procedure politically helpful, but we doubt if he reads aright its effect. Shortly before the recent State election the chairman of the Boston Finance Commission, Frank A. Goodwin, sent a letter to State employees sharply attacking Governor Ely as having advocated a 10 per cent cut of the Commonwealth's payroll. This may have cost Mr. Ely some votes in official circles, but the public at large proved to be much more with the governor than against him. The fact that Governor Ely in his last annual message came out squarely for a reduction of State salaries, was a definite factor in helping to blam him for the largest total vote ever polled by any candidate for the governor's office in Massachusetts. The people of the State having seen their own wages universally reduced by from 25 to 100 per cent during the past three years, insistence on some reduction of public salaries appeals to them as only fair and right.

Nevertheless, in yesterday's meeting, Mr. Goodwin renewed his opposition to any reduction. This time the chairman of the Boston Finance Commission was opposing any cut of municipal wages and salaries—a very odd position to take for one in his official position to strike. The question is, however, whether Mr. Goodwin's action regarding the city budget is any more popular than was his attitude concerning the payroll of the State. In any case, the matter cannot be dealt with much longer on a basis of sentiment, or of political maneuver, one way or the other. Unless Mayor Curley sees fit to change his course, and hold an economy conference which means business, Boston will come to the day when sheer physical impossibility of raising money to meet the huge present payroll will force a solution.

Mayor Turns Down Hunger Marchers
Refuses to See Them When They Go to City Hall Asking Food and Lodging

Mayor Curley flatly refused today to see delegates from the Unemployed Council of Massachusetts who sought from him food and lodging tomorrow night for thirty delegates to the national hunger march which is to leave Boston Sunday afternoon on its trek to Washington.

Although the delegates, two women and four men, led by Anna Bock and Carl Reeve, claimed they had written the mayor earlier in the week, he said he had no appointment with them and would neither ask them into his office nor come out to the anteroom to see them.

"This is the first time in all my experience," said Reeve, "that the mayor of Boston has refused to meet the unemployed. It just shows you that Mayor Curley can't give a damn about the unemployed."

Two secretaries met the six delegates and took their message into the mayor and returned with his refusal to see them. After they had talked with one of the secretaries for five minutes the two elderly police officers who guard City Hall asked them to leave. Slowly and peacefully they had to go.

On Saturday night at eight o'clock the hunger marchers will meet at Municipal Auditorium, where several speakers will talk to them, and on Sunday, following a meeting on the Charles street mall, Boston Common, they will start for Washington.

Delegates from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, are due in Boston Saturday afternoon.

CURLEY AT FIRST MASS
Mayor Curley, his family and a large group of friends attended at 9 o'clock yesterday morning the first mass in the newly built Church of the Divine Lady of Lourdes, Montebello road, Jamaica Plain, to which the mayor donated three marble altars in memory of his late wife, Mary E. Curley, and his deceased daughter and son, Dorothy and James M. Curley.

The large central altar is in memory of Mrs. Curley, and the side altars are in memory of his two children.

The Rev. James P. Kelly, pastor, was celebrant at the first mass in the new church, which was officially dedicated at a later date. The Rev. James P. Kelly was deacon, with the Rev. Leo M. McCabre, sub-deacon, and the Rev. William F. O'Connell, master of ceremonies.

Attending the mass with the Curley family were Miss Loretta Bremner of Chicago, fiancee of James M. Curley, Jr., at the time of his death, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bremner, and her sisters, Josephine and Nancy Bremner. There was a large group of friends and officials in the parishes of the Curleys.

Also within the altar rail were: the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, auxiliary bishop, and other priests, and Mr. Richard J. Haberlin, vicar-general of the Boston archdiocese, and the Rev. Edward Dowling, pastor of St. Michael's Church.

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Executive of Four Cities and Band to Welcome Wife of President-Elect

MRS. F. D. ROOSEVELT
IN BOSTON TONIGHT
Reception Planned for Wife of President-Elect

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt will arrive at the Back Bay station at 8:30 this evening and will be tendered a reception by Mayor James M. Curley, Mayor Richard N. Russell, Mayor John J. Murphy and Mayor John H. Burke and friends of the Roosevelt family. The Firemen's Band will be in attendance. An automobile escort will be accorded Mrs. Roosevelt, son and daughter-in-law to the Roosevelt home in Cambridge.

The detail of police will be in command of Michael H. Crowley and Capt. Perley S. Skillings of the Back Bay station. There will be 36 patrolmen, two mounted and two motorcycle officers in the detail.

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Forty-two police officers under the supervision of Capt. Perley Skillings of Station 16 will be at the station to handle the large crowd expected to greet Mrs. Roosevelt. Two trains from each of the nineteen police precincts—two motor cycles officers, and two and two of Captain Skillings's mounted police will be assigned to this duty. In addition, secret service agents will accompany the Roosevelt party to the first lady-elect during her stay in Boston and Cambridge.

Supersintendent Michael Crowley will be on hand to greet Mrs. Roosevelt and personally escort her from her train.
Curley Family at Dedication of Three Altars

Mayor James M. Curley, with daughter, Mary, and sons, Francis, Paul, George and Leo, l to r, leaving Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Monteleone rd., Jamaica Plain, yesterday, where they attended a dedicatory Thanksgiving mass at which three marble altars, in memory of the late Mrs. Mary E. Curley, James Curley, Jr., and Dorothea Curley, were dedicated.

Mayor Slips Bills to Women

--Just a Real Good Fellow

By RUTH MUGGLEBEE

"And how are you today?"
Mayor Curley is talking to an elderly lady who has seen better days, as she sits patiently awaiting her turn to receive her Thanksgiving basket from the Volunteers of America at their Hanover st. headquarters.

She smiles faintly. It is a little hard to bring a broad grin to a wrinkled face, lined with care and worry.

"So, so, Mr. Mayor."
And the chief executive's hand placed the palm of his hand over the hand of the woman, in friendly shake. Unobtrusively he walked away.

Five or six times Mayor Curley repeated this chatty greeting, and the same number of times his hand slid surreptitiously into the hand of the elderly woman he addressed.

And when these ladies of the past opened their time-worn and labor-hardened hands, each found for herself a crumpled dollar bill.

It was all done quietly. No oh's and ah's from the recipients. No fanfare from the mayor. Quietly he gave and quietly they accepted the offering.

It was while a crowd of several hundreds, held in check by several police officers, moved to gain entrance to the Hanover st. quarters of the Volunteers of America to receive Thanksgiving dinner baskets, that the mayor distributed his gifts, a move he makes every time he visits the Volunteer quarters and passes through their hospice-cafeteria.

Mayor Curley placed the official stamp of the city on the distribution of Thanksgiving baskets when he personally delivered to 11-year-old Helen Casey of 44 Terrace st., Roxbury, the first basket of edibles of the city. Former Mayor Nichols, the organization's president, cut the first turkey.

Junior League Helps

Little patients at the Home for Crippled and Deformed Children on St. Botolph st. had a special dinner, while the Good Samaritan Missions, Inc., distributed more than 200 baskets to needy families from their headquarters on Tremont st.

Junior League girls visited patients at the Children's Hospital and dispersed favors to them. Inmates at the Forest Hills Hospital received a roast chicken dinner.

Even the 50 aliens awaiting deportation at the immigration station in East Boston were not forgotten. Mrs. Anna H. Tillinghast, a bountiful dinner for them. State prison inmates received a roast chicken dinner.

Gov. Ely went to his home in Westfield to observe Thanksgiving with members of his family, while Mayor Curley stayed at his Jamaica way home with his family.
BATTLE FOR HUB TAX CUT WILL GO ON

May Ask Legislature to Probe Curley Regime

Declaring that Mayor Curley "made a fool of himself" at last Wednesday's meeting, called to consider methods to cut municipal expenditures, and that he is so interested in obtaining a "big position with the Roosevelt administration" that he is disinterested in the city's financial welfare, Alexander Whiteside last night asserted that civic and industrial organizations will continue their fight to secure a cut in the city budget.

As vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, Whiteside joined with other organization leaders in denouncing the meeting called by the Mayor last Wednesday, and announced their intention of leaving no stone unturned to force a drastic cut in city expenditures.

Charges of insincerity, personal vilification and grandstand plays to stage political ballyhoo were sung at the Mayor last night by officials of the four political Civic and industrial organizations. They announced that no definite date has been set for a meeting to plan a campaign but that such a conference will be held within the next few days, and that if necessary they will appeal to the legislature for a wholesale investigation of the Curley administration.

"That little political rally the Mayor staged at City Hall Wednesday did not knock us out, by any means," declared Mr. Whiteside last night. "We did not expect to make any progress at that meeting. We were warned in advance that we were to be "put on the spot.""

Bunkum by Curley and Goodwin

"Mayor Curley acted like a d-n fool. He lost his temper and his head, and he is the one who is now 'on the spot.' Taxes have the public by the throat, and particularly the small home owner, and much of it is due to municipal extravagance. It is our duty to protect the wage-earner and the home-owner, and we have no intention of dropping this fight. We are just starting."

"It is pure bunkum for Mayor Curley and Frank A. Goodwin to stand up and announce that they are helping out the home-owner."

"Mayor Curley expects when Governor Roosevelt comes into office that he is going to get a few federal position. If he doesn't get such a position he is going out of office, anyway, at the end of 1932. If he can continue to borrow money he needs during the next few months for the city, why he is through, and the trouble will all be piled onto the shoulders of the man who succeeds him. But he doesn't care about that."

Frederic E. Snyder, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, was insistent last night that the city's budget will be sizably sliced, taking the stand that if such does not happen there is grave danger of the city getting into financial straits.

"We have no intention of dropping the fight for a lower tax rate, and for a reduction in the municipal budget. We are doing this for the interest of the public. There must be economy in government if we are to survive. When our expenditures have advanced millions in the past decade, as compared to a small growth in population, there is reason to call a halt and consider what is to be done, and what has been done.

"Many of our concerns have not only sustained tremendous reductions in earnings, but many are 'running in the red.' These things must be taken into account."

Real Estate Exchange for Cut

That the Boston Real Estate Exchange has no intention of withdrawing from concerted action to force a reduction was clearly stated last night by Edwin D. Brooks, president.

"We can't drop such a fight. Every city in the nation is working on such a problem. Many are working in cooperation with me and local leaders. We have had our fling in wasting and spending money, both individually and collectively. Now comes the reckoning. Must we quit because we have failed to gain results in the opening stages?"

"We have failed to receive the cooperation that we hoped for. That is clear. It only provides an additional incentive for further organizing to effect a drastic cut in municipal expenditures."

Members of the organization intimated last night that the four organizations, including the Municipal Research Bureau, will stage one or more conferences within the next few days, when they will map out a program continuing the protest against present municipal expenditures.

It is expected that it will result in an ultimatum to Mayor Curley to cut the city budget by at least $9,000,000, and that if he persists in his refusal to do so, that petitions will be filed with the Legislature asking for a drastic probe into the city's administration.

No further attempts, at least for the time being, will be made to confer with Mayor Curley with respect to a cut, it was announced, in view of the failure of last Wednesday's meeting to result in any concrete plans being formulated, and the refusal of the Mayor to entertain the programme outlined by the four organizations.

CURLEY ALTS TO BE CONSECRATED

Dedication Mass in New Jamaica Plain Church

The dedication mass of the new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Montebello road, Jamaica Plain, will be celebrated tomorrow at 9 a.m. Altsar in memory of Mary E. Curley, James M. Curley Jr and Dorothy Curley will be consecrated.

Mayor James M. Curley, members of his family and friends of Mrs Curley will attend the mass.

Mr. and Mrs John Bremner and daughters, Misses Loretta and Josephine, will be represented from Chicago.

The Curley family will dine at home at 2 p.m.
Civic Leaders Had Expected Cleverly Staged Show on City Budget

By Forrest P. Hull

Civic leaders who were forced to endure spirited rebuffs from Mayor Curley at yesterday's so-called "conference" over the municipal budget for 1933, will not be deterred from carrying on their movement for a severe retrenchment in expenditures even though the mayor is expounding against cutting salaries or discharging employees. They had expected just such a show as the mayor staged, realizing that Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission and the labor leaders could be depended upon to oppose any recommendations that they might make for the benefit of the taxpayers.

To centralize the attacks as much as possible it had been planned that Presi-
dent John J. Donovan of the Chamber of Commerce should be the spokesman, for four of the organizations invited to attend as the mayor's guests—the Chamber, the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau and the Boston Real Estate Exchange—Others might have had they considered the mayor's attitude toward them friendly as his invitation had seemed.

Whiteside's Comments

Following the session, which lasted two hours and a half, Mr. Whiteside, commenting on the experience, admitted that he had been the victim of a bitter attack. Never in his life had he witnessed such disrespect as was exhibited by the mayor, who, in his political ratiocination, which he staged in the council chamber, Mr. Whiteside said that "those of us representing the organizations in question did not expect from his honor sincere consideration of our proposals, but we were his guests and as such were not prepared for the insults which he proceeded to heap upon us."

Mr. Snyder presented the statement of the four civic organizations after the mayor had opened the meeting with a tart incidental to the seriousness of the situation with respect to the taxpayers and the necessities of public welfare relief. The four groups which had met in conference the day before admitted that they had had no opportunity to study the mayor's detail, in the absence of the municipal budgets and the consultations that are necessary, but bemoaned their program was for the slashing of at least $16,693,000 from the city's $79,000,000 budget of this year. To accomplish that end they would recommend:

1. A reduction in the rate of compensation of city and county employees.
2. A reduction of personnel by (a) the abolition of unnecessary positions, and (b) the reorganization and consolidation of department functions.
3. A reorganization of the public welfare department, to centralize and define responsibility.
4. A reorganization of the supply department.
5. The opening of all city purchases to competitive bidding upon specifications which will permit of the utmost possible competition.
6. The discontinuance of non-essential activities.

Legislation Necessary

Mr. Snyder suggested that the organizations had represented to the city council for the purpose of drawing up a program for presentation to the Legislature, including measures providing for a greater control over the school department appropriations by the mayor; to centralize and define responsibility, to reduce salaries at any time; to remove civil service restrictions, if there are any in the way of reductions in salary, on and in personnel, and a measure for continuation of the distribution of the high school's surplus to cities and towns. The organizations also expressed the belief that city and civic officials should unite in opposition to proposals for new projects which would involve any assessment upon the metropolitan district in any later year.

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It was here that the mayor scoffed that Whiteside was making a business of tax appeals was forcing the city to pay back large sums of money received in areas in previous years, the mayor protested, calling upon Assessor Neal Holland to present the figures.

Asstessor Holland stated that abatements ranging from 10 to 60 per cent had been granted by the board on property assessed at $103,472,900, making reductions of $16,639,000 to date.

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Vigorous opposition to salary cuts were recorded by J. Arthur Moriarty, representing the State branch of the A. F. of L., John Van Vaerenewyck, representing the Boston Central Labor Union, and President John J. Donovan of City Employes Union No. 149.

City Counsellor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park and Francis E. Kelly of Dorchester were given the floor by the mayor to criticize expenditure on contracts, and they discussed at length proposed measures of economy.
"HUNGER MARCHERS" DENIED INTERVIEW

Mayor Curley Will Not Give Them Anything

A half-dozen representatives of the "hunger marchers" came from their headquarters, 145 Harrison Av, this afternoon, to see Mayor Curley. Earlier in the week they wrote a letter demanding an appointment at 2 p.m. and at that hour Mayor James M. Curley was busy at a conference.

The leaders, Anna Block and Carl Reeve, told the Mayor's secretary that they had an appointment and demanded to see the Mayor. When this message was delivered to Mr Curley, he said that he had no appointment and declined to see the delegation.

The group, it was said, were seeking food and lodging for "hunger marchers" for Saturday night. Earlier this week the Mayor said that he would provide nothing for them. For a time the delegation stood around the outer office and were then shooed out by the police. On going out one of the women made a remark that the Mayor didn't give a d---n about the unemployed.

James M. Curley, dignitaries of the church, delegations of the various Catholic organizations and relatives and friends.

Burial was in St Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury, where the celebrants of the mass read prayers at the grave. Mrs Hurley, who was prominently connected with Catholic clubs in Greater Boston and an active worker in charitable affairs, leaves her two daughters, Mrs John Dunphy and Miss Florence M. Hurley; one son, J. Louis Hurley, a member of the Hurley firm, and four grandchildren.

STATE, CITY OFFICIALS AT MRS HURLEY'S FUNERAL

Funeral services for Mrs Ellen G. Hurley, widow of Jeremiah J. Hurley, president of J. J. Hurley & Co, steam heating contractors, who died at her home, 180 Pond St, Jamaica Plain, Tuesday, were held at St Thomas Church, in Jamaica Plain.

Rev John J. Haberlin, vicar general of the Boston archdiocese, was the celebrant of the solemn high mass of requiem, assisted by Rev Maurice Flynn of St Thomas Church, as deacon and Rev Edward J. Riley as subdeacon. Music was rendered by the church choir.

The bearers were Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry, Joseph Manning, Matthew Sullivan, Thomas O'Connor and Robert Garrett. During the services the church was filled with State and city officials, including Mayor James M. Curley, and many friends.
CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, JAMAICA PLAIN, OPENED WITH SOLEMN HIGH MASS OF REQUIEM

Three Altars and Five Stained Glass Windows, the Latter the Gift of Mayor Curley
In Memory of Deceased Members of His Family, Dedicated

With Mayor James M. Curley, members of his family, and church dignitaries present, the new Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, on Montello road, Jamaica Plain, was opened yesterday morning with a solemn high mass of requiem. The celebrant was the pastor, Rev. James Kelly, Rev. William O'Connor officiated as deacon and Rev. James Downey as sub-deacon. During the mass the three altars and five stained glass windows behind them, the windows the gift of Mayor Curley, in memory of his wife, his son, James, Jr., and other deceased members of his family, were dedicated.

With the Mayor at the service were his children, and Mr. and Mrs. John Bremmer, Chicago, and their three daughters, Nancy, Josephine and Loretta. Seated within the sanctuary were Bishop Francis J. Spellman and Mgr. Richard J. Haberlin. The church was filled.
Welfare Organizations, Private Citizens Distribute Food and Serve Dinners To Unemployed, Children

The greatest Thanksgiving day appeal ever made to Boston welfare organizations was more than adequately met yesterday, with every needy family and every unemployed man and woman the recipient of a regular Thanksgiving dinner.

Thousands were fed in dining halls of organizations throughout the city because of the generosity of private citizens who assured that the less fortunate should not go without the dinners which others enjoyed in happy family gatherings in their homes.

In hundreds of homes and institutions which otherwise might this year have been without holiday dinners, tables were piled high with food distributed yesterday and last night. The hope that every one of the city's 80,000 needy unemployed should have a Thanksgiving dinner was fulfilled.

Holiday morning schoolboy football games attracted 500,000 persons in the city and suburbs. Early morning rain which threatened to make the conditions disagreeable for spectators and players ended an hour or so before the contests, with the sun breaking through the clouds by noon.

The arrival of Santason from the north pole, a regular Thanksgiving Day morning event of the holiday in Boston, was witnessed by thousands of children, who delighted in the antics of Santason's gigantic balloon-made companions as they waddled along Tremont street.

In the churches, the day was marked with special services backing up the deeply religious observances with which the Pilgrim founders of the holiday gave thanks 311 years ago at Plymouth.

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'His Honor's Out'! John Shaughnessey, arrow, one of Mayor James M. Curley's secretaries, is here shown telling a group of "hunger" marchers that His Honor would not see them, since they had no appointment with him. They are en route to Washington to stage demonstration for "food or jobs."

CURLEY GIVES HUNGER ARMY 'COLD SHOULDER'

Denied food and lodging at the expense of the city, 70 New England delegates in the national hunger march on Washington will sleep tonight wherever they can find a spot, in preparation for their start tomorrow morning on the trek southward.

A committee of four delegates, led by Carl Reeve, tried to see the mayor yesterday in a final attempt to get food and lodging for the 70 they represent. They were informed by Secretaries John J. Shaughnessey and William S. Anderson that the mayor had forwarded their demands to the City Council and that he had nothing further to say.

There was a mild disturbance as one of the women delegates shrieked to Patrolman John Manning to take his hands off her as she was ushered to the door, but the four departed.

The marchers will parade through the streets tomorrow from Ruggles Hall Roxbury, where most of them plan to sleep, to the Common. There they will hold a meeting and then take the road to Providence.

They will use trucks for transportation and expect to gather delegates numbering 2000 on the march which is scheduled to end with their arrival at Washington December 4.
City Councillor Criticizes Curley for His Attitude Toward Civic Leaders

Mr. Norton reminds the mayor that Boston's business men rank second to none in ability and integrity and that "it ill-befoee the chief executive of this city to be holding them up to public ridicule and scorn." He also reminds the mayor that the city is totally dependent upon the business which these men are instrumental in bringing here.

"These officials oppose the confiscatory tax-rate which you place upon the city which is the highest of any adjustable rates in the entire land for a city of Boston's size," Mr. Norton says. "High taxation is driving business from Boston. The cold facts and record will show this."

"Today business is very sensitive to even a few cents. It is said that a difference in price of 5 cents in a pair of shoes means the difference between prosperity and depression for a city such as Lynn."

A charge of 2 cents per one hundred pounds is said to have been a major factor in destroying foreign business at the Port of Boston.

"At the meeting you stated that if the officials of the Chamber of Commerce and Real Estate Exchange had supported your efforts to have the Legislature cut down the amounts of money which the city now pays into what is known as the retirement fund and the cemetery fund the tax rate of Boston would be $2 or more less than it now is."

"It was hard to understand why the Chamber of Commerce and Real Estate Exchange officials representing big taxpayers would not favor your idea, which meant $2 or more decrease in the tax rate, according to your own statement. But the facts appear to be as follows: Years ago the city agreed to pay a certain amount of money each year into the retirement fund for city employees and the employees agreed to pay so much. This fund was to take care of old and superannuated city employees in their retirement. No outstanding actuary or expert in the country would agree to cutting down the amount the city was to pay into the fund, especially in these times, when retirement systems are "blowing up" all over the country, and hence the Chamber of Commerce officials and others refused to back your bill.

Rob-the-Grave Bill

"In the case of the Cemetery Fund, for years there has been an agreement between grave-loc owners and the city that the city would pay so much money annually into the fund until the amount was large enough to allow the interest on the principal to pay for the perpetual care of graves. Many of the families who bought graves in city cemeteries under this agreement are now dead. It would have been unfair for the city to back down on this agreement, and the legislative committee hearing the facts so held as did the officials of the Chamber of Commerce and the Real Estate Exchange. Offered the bait of a $2 or more decrease in their taxes, these officials are entitled to a badge of honor from Boston's people for being so loyal to contractual obligations. One member of the legislative committee that heard the facts stated: "This is a rob-the-grave bill."
APPEAL FOR BOOKS FOR LONG ISLAND LIBRARY

Fine New Building Completed and Equipped Except For Reading Matter

A second call to the public to contribute books to the library being established in the recreation room for the patients at Long Island has been sent out by Institutions Commissioner James Maguire. The inmates of the institution have one of the finest buildings of its kind for recreation, and it is completed and equipped except for a library.

The building overlooking the harbor waters replaced the underground quarters of the past, and inmates gather there daily. On regular occasions sound movies and entertainments are given, but when there is a library of enough volume it will be generally used for a reading and game room. On cold days the great open fireplaces blaze with the flames from driftwood picked up all summer long by inmates. George Berry, known far and wide to old-time veteran firemen, called on Mayor Curley yesterday and brought 100 books for the library. He also contributed a large bookcase which will be set up in another section of the hospital. Architects' plans provided for the construction of built-in cases. Those desiring to contribute books should send them to the Institutions Department, City Hall Annex, or communicate there with Commissioner Maguire.
Complain About
New Centre St.
Traffic Circle

Motorists Assert That the De-
vice Aggravates Rather Than
Simplifies Conditions

By Charles F. Marden

Although it has been in use only a few
days complaints are already being made
about the new traffic circle built by the
city of Boston at the junction of the Ar-
borway and Centre street. The arrange-
ment works in such a manner that it
controls the movement of pedestrians or residents of the neigh-
borhood. It is asserted that far from
simplifying the movement of traffic at
this busy intersection it has made it
much more involved, increased the poten-
tial hazard by 400 or 500 per cent and
spread the traffic puzzle over a much
larger area than was the case before
the circle was built. Complaints admit
that the circle is attractive in appear-
tance, but that it is far from practical.

Formerly there was a single intersec-
tion of Centre street and the Arborway
controlled, in recent months, by lights.
Today, the critics assert, there are four
or five intersections without any control.
The trouble appears to be that the island
and the main (entre drive are so ar-
ranged that there is not sufficient space
for vehicles to weave into the proper
place for exit, which is the theory of
the traffic circle. A vehicle coming
from Centre street has to cross the out-bound parkway stream at
an angle instead of merging with it. If
the incoming vehicle happens to be a
bus or other vehicle bound for Jamaica
Plains by way of Centre street, it not
only crosses the out-bound parkway
traffic, but also, on the other side of the
circle, traverses the in-bound parkway
traffic, which is heavy at nearly all
times of day. Theoretically the traffic
from Centre street should mingle with
both the in-bound and out-bound parkway
streams, but this does not work out in
practice.

Cuts Three Lines of Traffic

An even worse situation, it is claimed,
exists on the other side of the circle, af-
fected by out-bound Centre-street traffic. A
vehicle bound from Jamaica Plain toward
West Roxbury is obliged to cut three
lines in getting by the circle, namely,
the in-bound parkway traffic, in-
bound traffic from Centre street to the
parkway and the out-bound parkway
traffic. Observers claim that there is
not sufficient space for this Centre street
traffic to mingle with any of the other
streams and consequently it has to cut
across them. These five intersections
will be a nuisance for the driver and an even
worse condition for the pedestrian trying to
navigate the intersection in either di-
rection.

Another condition that is the cause of
complaint from residents in the vicinity
arises from the fact that the heavy park-
way traffic that used to be confined prin-
cipally to two roads now spreads over
both the side drives as well as the
main central drive being largely used
under the new arrangement. Formerly
the in-bound vehicles on the parkway
continued for the most part on the cen-
tral drive after passing Centre street
under the new plan, brought about by
the circle, they continue on the outside
driveway, which is lined with dwellings
on one side. The loading of this drive
creates congestion a little farther in

Since the circle was opened one out-
side road carries in-bound traffic (originat-
largely on the parkway from the direc-
tion of Forest Hills, the other
side road carries out-bound traffic from
the parkway and which switches off near
Jamaica Pond, while the central drive

This condition, it is claimed, is a serious
menace to pedestrians all along the line
between Centre street and Jamaica Pond.

Owing to the added traffic burden put
on the side roads by the institution of
the traffic circle at Centre street, it is
asserted that the previously serious con-
dition of intersecting traffic in the vicinity
of the parkway and Pond street has been
seriously aggravated, not only from the
point of view of the motorist but from
that of the pedestrian who desires to
cross in that vicinity.
"Bob" Washburn Says:

PARK LEAGUES
FETED TONIGHT

Sports Notes to Speak at Annual Banquet of Boston Grid Team

A huge banquet in the Refectory building, Franklin park, will be held to-night at 7 o'clock, when 300 members of the Boston Park Department Football Leagues will be feted and the winning teams presented trophies, tokens of their gridiron triumphs, by Mayor James M. Curley.

William P. Long, chairman of the Boston park commission, superintends the activity of the Park leagues, which have 22 teams of 686 players, who participated in 114 league games.

Many speakers who were present last year will be back on hand for this gala occasion again. The principal speakers are Mayor James M. Curley, the Rev. Fr. William McCarthy, Mission Church, Roxbury; William P. Long, park commissioner; President "Bob" Quinn, Red Sox.

But, of Police Michael Crowley will attend, as will Bill Cunningham, sports writer; Dr. Eddie O'Brien, nationally known neurologist, Harvard, Dr. John McInerney, Boston College coach; Myles Lane, Boston University coach; Ladd Wray, Boston Braves coach; Myles Lane, Boston University coach.
VOTES CITY LIGHT PLANT INQUIRY

Council Adopts Order for Study of Advisability

Protest to Utilities Board on Phone Charges Sought

A committee composed of Councillors Dowd, Green, McGrath, Roberts and Kelly was named yesterday by Councillor Dowd to inquire into the advisability of erecting a municipal lighting plant. The naming of the committee followed the passage of an order introduced by Councillor Dowd.

Councillor John F. Dowd charged the telephone company was a monopoly and that the only relief to the people would be by the creation of a plant such as has proved successful in other cities. He expressed the opinion that the bond issue could not be sold to Edison consumers.

ROBERTS ATTACKS CHARGE

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company was subjected an order introduced by Councillor George Roberts of the Back Bay. The order asked the Mayor instruct Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to file a complaint against the telephone company with the Public Utilities Commission with respect to charges by the company in the metropolitan district for the use of so-called French telephones, extensions and other charges made for service, which he states the company chooses to classify as "additional or special."

The order also asks the corporation counsel to request the Public Service Commission to investigate the manner in which the company makes charges for extra and overtime calls in the several exchanges within the city; and to investigate in the several exchanges within the city; and to investigate in general the regular and special charges of the company.

AGAINST MORE CONTRIBUTIONS

Councillor Dowd also offered an order that passed, requesting that city employers be not asked to make any increase in the voluntary contributions to the Welfare Department. At the present rate, said Dowd, they will in 1933 contribute $5,000,000, and in his opinion that is all they can stand.

The order of the Council from Roxbury passed, calling upon Police Commissioner Hultman to appoint as captains the men certified or give his reasons for not doing so. Later in the session Councillor Clement A. Norton introduced an order similar to that of Councilor Dowd. Councillor Norton expressed the opinion that there already "are too much police" in Boston, but that the rule is to take men from the top of the list and that it should be done. He said: "The Civil Service Commission is wrong or Police Commissioner Hultman is."

WOULD DROP NONRESIDENTS

Other orders introduced by Councillor Norton called for copies of the budget sheet to every member of the City Council two weeks before the budget comes before that body for consideration and that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation be asked for funds for the construction of a new bridge between Boston and Chelsea.

Mayor Curley in an order offered by Councillor Albert L. Fish is asked to request the School Department to discharge all teachers not residents of Boston.

Spotters and private detectives of corporations or in action in criminal courts in which actions the individuals or corporations are interested should not be paid witness fees in addition to their salaries, in the opinion of Councillor David A. Brackman. He introduced an order along those lines, which passed the Council yesterday.

GRAND JURORS DRAWN

The following Grand Jurors were drawn yesterday for the first six months of 1933:


Flowery Tribute . . .

When Mayor Curley met his guests from Chicago at the train, he presented them with orchid corsages . . . Will George Jessel be the moneyman back of that project? . . . Max Gordon show appearing Libby Holman? . . . I'm pretty definite, anyhow, that George will do a Broadway show . . . Hub attorney trying to find out who stuck up No. 60 Harvard st took tidy sums from several well-known Hubsters . . . (The Hub atty. was one of them) . . . Irving Berlin requests the long-distance operators to tell him when he has talked the number of minutes he desires to pay for . . .

DEMAND HULTMAN PROMOTE OFFICERS

An order demanding that Police Commissioner Hultman fill vacancies in the staff of police by promoting men in their order on the civil service list was passed by the city council yesterday. The motion was introduced by Councillor Clement A. Norton. The council also approved a proposal of Councillor John F. Dowd that Mayor Curley ask Gov. Elzy to force Hultman to fill the vacant positions. Dowd declared that the commission's reasons for permitting the vacancies to continue have not been explained.

ROBERT JACKSON DINNER IS PLANNED HERE DEC 15

Friends of Robert Jackson of New Hampshire, secretary of the Democratic national committee and New England manager of Roosevelt-for-President delegates, are planning a banquet in his honor at the Copley-Plaza Hotel the evening of Dec 15. Harold A. Pheneley is chairman of the committee on arrangements and Gov Joseph B. Elzy has accepted the post of honorary chairman.

All New England members of the Democratic national committee have approved the plan and will be members of the general committee, as will Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus A. Coolidge of Massachusetts and Senators-elect Augustus Lowery of Connecticut and Fred H. Brown of New Hampshire.

Mayor James M. Curley, Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Gov-elect Louis J. F. Foye of Michigan, and the New Hampshire Democrats are helping to plan the dinner.

PARK DEPT. BANQUET LISTED NEXT MONDAY

The Boston park department football team will hold their annual banquet at the referendum building, Franklin park, next Monday night at 7 o'clock. The park teams are composed of 32 teams, comprising 886 registered players.

Among the speakers at the banquet will be Mayor James M. Curley, the Rev. William McCook of the Mission Church, Park Commissioner William Long, President delegates, are planning all 886 registered players.

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An order demanding that Police Commissioner Hultman fill vacancies in the staff of police by promoting men in their order on the civil service list was passed by the city council yesterday. The motion was introduced by Councillor Clement A. Norton. The council also approved a proposal of Councillor John F. Dowd that Mayor Curley ask Gov. Elzy to force Hultman to fill the vacant positions. Dowd declared that the commission's reasons for permitting the vacancies to continue have not been explained.
DIRECT RELIEF

The question whether unemployment relief should be made in money and orders on shops or distributed directly by employees of the city from well-placed depots is engaging the attention of social workers and municipal authorities all over the country. A while ago, the plan was considered impractical for the larger centres. The argument was that the rent of food stations and a cold storage plant, the expense of distribution, the long distances which applicants would have to walk, the cost of buying, the lack of variety in the rations, the poor quality and the publicity attending the process were grave objections.

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There is nothing unworkable in the arrangement for a city as large as Boston. Kansas City is giving out food to 5500 families a day from a dozen buildings, selected with a view to the convenience of the beneficiaries. The saving is estimated by a prominent social worker at about $200,000 a year. Cincinnati is also experimenting with the project. Canton, O., has found it excellent. We have referred several times to the experience of Tulsa, Okla., from which James Jackson, chairman of the Fall River board of finance, obtained the data for establishing the system so well described in The Herald a day or two ago.

The morale of the applicants, a feature on which the welfare workers place great emphasis, does not seem to have been impaired in any of these places. The persons who directly receive the food have not been subjected to any humiliation or long delays, the schedules being arranged so that the provisions are given out evenly during the day and night. In some cities it is required that this whole plan discourages fraud. As to the health aspects of the problem, the reports from Fall River seem to show an improvement. There is no reason, of course, why the diets cannot be properly balanced and enough variety introduced to suit anybody.

Unemployment relief is costing in Boston about $12,000,000 a year, and there is a widespread belief that the per centage of deceit and unworthiness is considerable. We have a better organization than formerly, but the expense is still tremendously high and apparently is to continue so. Now Boston is fairly compact. Most of the relief is given to the residents of a few sections. Is there any reason why the city should not distribute food, coal and other goods directly and thereby save a large sum? Even at 10 per cent. economy would amount to $1,200,000. That is perhaps a minimum. In Kansas City the food distributed under the station policy costs 40 per cent. less than formerly.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch, a first-class newspaper of extremely liberal social, political and economic views, spoke strongly for a trial recently in a long editorial. It said among other things: "In view of the benefits found in other cities with identical problems, the commissary depot plan, as an emergency method, surely is worthy of closer investigation in the St. Louis area before it is definitely rejected."

Our own city authorities gave some attention to the matter several months ago, but nothing definite has been done. In view of the Boston outlook, is it not worth while to investigate the possibilities of a saving which would go well above $1,000,000 a year? 

Promotion Delay Is Criticised

Police Commr. Hultman was criticised in the Boston City Council session yesterday for delay in filling the eight vacancies for police captain.

One order was passed making the Mayor to communicate with Gov. Ely and urge on him the necessity for the eight captain vacancies being filled.

A second order asked the Mayor to consider the advisability of requesting Commissioner Hultman to promote men to ranks of sergeant, lieutenant and captain in the order of their civil service standing.

Speaking on the latter order Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park warned the police com- 

missioner against any prejudice on his part in making promotions. 

On the first order Councillor John F. Dowd, who introduced it, said:

"These vacancies remain unfilled for reasons known only to the 'Commissioner from Duxbury' himself, who has filled vacancies for lieutenant and sergeant, while ignoring the captaincies. There is, no reason why the police commissioner should not fill these vacancies. I demand that he fill them or give the public a good reason for not doing so."

Councillor Norton, speaking on the second order, which he introduced, said:

"In my opinion we now have too many superior officers in the police department. However, those positions were created and should be filled as in other cities."

SHOULD NAME NO. 1.

"So they may not wreck the morale of the police they pick No. 1 on the Civil Service list. Commissioner Hultman should follow the system now in use in the Boston school department, appoint the first person on the list.

"This is the taxpayers' police department. They pay the bills. There should not be any prejudice on the part of the police commissioner."

"It is unfortunate that the mayor has no control over the police department. Since the positions of captain have been established they should be filled. Civil Service may not be perfect but it is the best system we now have. Either Civil Service is wrong or Commr. Hultman is wrong."

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Ask $100,000 to Investigate Curley Regime

Taxpayers' Group Also Seeks Legislation for Removal of Mayor and Others

An appropriation of $100,000, to be used for a legislative investigation of the Boston city administration, including the operations of the Boston Finance Commission, was asked today in a resolve filed at the State House by Senator Henry Parkman, Jr., of Boston. The resolve was accompanied by a bill seeking changes in the law that would permit removal of the Boston mayor by the courts or by the governor and council "if the public interest so requires."

The proposed investigation has been in the works and is planned along the lines of the Hofstadter inquiry in New York, which resulted in the removal from office of Sheriff Thomas Farley of New York County and forced the resignation of Mayor James J. Walker.

Senator Parkman acted for a group of Boston taxpayers, headed by Mrs. Hannah M. Connors, secretary of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' Association, one of Mayor Curley's most persistent critics in past years, on Beacon Hill. Among the other petitioners are Harry Marcus of 216 Winchester street, Dorchester; Peter G. Adell, 43 Richwood street, Dorchester; A. Herbert Barenbaum, 42 Milton street, Lawrence; G. A. Peterson, 131 Greenfield road, Mattapan; Patrick Hoey, 12 Stoughton street, Boston; Mary A. Calon, 1346 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester; William B. Edman, 52 Crawford street, Roxbury; James C. yne, 11 Juliete at eet, Dorchester, and George B. Smith, 8 Gaylord street, Dorchester.

Under the terms of the removal bill, the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court would be given power, after investigation and hearing by a single justice of the court, to remove, not only the mayor, but clerks of court, county commissioners, sheriffs, registers of probate and insolvency or district attorneys. The provisions are general and would apply to the mayors, not only of Boston, but of any city in the Commonwealth. The provision relative to the "proposed authority to be vested in the governor and council" relates only to the removal of mayors.

The petition for a legislative investigation of the city of Boston reads:

"The undersigned, citizens of Boston, respectfully petition for legislation to provide for a thorough investigation of the administration of the city of Boston, including the administration of the finance commission of the city of Boston, sufficiently comprehensive to include the present financial condition, the fiscal system, and the sound future paying ability and limitations of said city, and to include an investigation of the civil service laws, regulations and practices applicable to the city of Boston, and any and all laws applicable to said city governing the expenditures for schools, schoolhouses and school buildings, and the administration of schools, and ask for the passage of the accompanying resolve or for such other similar or further legislation as may be necessary or advisable in the premises."

It is proposed that the Legislature appoint a commission consisting of the attorney general or one of his assistants, a member of the Senate to be designated by the President, and three house members appointed by the Speaker.

This body, with full power to compel testimony and the production of evidence, would proceed "with a view to discovering whether the administration under the present mayor has been economically and financially wise, sound, efficient and honest, or whether it has been the cause of tax levies unnecessarily burdensome and with a view to determining whether the civil service acts or acts relating to school expenditures, schoolhouses, school buildings or school administrations, or any of them, are an undue hindrance to a wise and economical determination or administration of the expenses of said city, and with a view to recommending such changes in the city charter, fiscal system of taxation as it shall deem necessary or desirable to provide an efficient, sound and honest administration of said city."

In Politics

Gossip About People You Know

DANCE TO AID FUND

Members of the Alfred E. Smith Club of South Boston will have their sixth annual dancing party in the Municipal Building, that district, on Friday evening, December 9. Proceeds will go to their Christmas Basket Fund.

PEDEONI TO ROME

Friends of Frank T. Pedonti, assistant secretary to Mayor Curley, say that there is a possibility he may become an attaché at the American Embassy in Rome, Italy, after the inauguration of President-elect Roosevelt in March.

WILCOX IN HOSPITAL

Standish Wilcox, social secretary to Mayor Curley, is on the sick list and is now confined to the Boston City Hospital, where it is expected he will remain for a fortnight.

HONOR MISS WARD

Democrats from all sections of the Commonwealth will be in attendance on December 10 at the dinner in Hotel Copley Plaza in honor of Miss Mary Ward of Jamaica Plain, national committeewoman from this state.

MAYOR CURLEY IS HOST

Gov. Stanley C. Wilson, of Vermont, will be Mayor Curley's guest at City Hall on December 8. On that evening he will be guest-speaker at Boston Public Library.
City's Record
Tax Sale Has
 Been Averted

More Than 6000 Home-Ow-ers Pay Little and Hold
Their Properties

But Curley's Plan
Costly to City

Only $312,000 Collected on
the 1931 Bills of the
$3,600,000 Due

By Forrest P. Hull

An extraordinary thing has happened
in the realm of taxes. More than 6000
home-owners of Boston, rendered almost
destitute by the continued depression and
widespread unemployment, have been able to save their proper-
ties from a tax sale. Mayor Curley's plan, which was to cut off
the property owners in default were under a
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LEAGUE TO FIGHT PAY CUT FORMED

Goodwin Organizes Public Employees to Offset Economy Drives

CURLEY BACKS PLAN AMONG CITY WORKERS

Mayor Curley and Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the finance commission, propose to fight the Massachusetts Tax Association, chamber of commerce, Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Municipal Research Bureau with the Equal Tax League, which has been secretly organized under the direction of Goodwin.

Ostensibly committed to supporting demands for tax reforms which will yield a more equitable system of taxation, lift the burden now carried by real estate, the Equal Tax League, which has a membership of 100 city employes, is primarily interested in opposing any reduction in the salaries of city workers.

TO INCLUDE VETERANS

The ultimate goal of the league, according to an admission made yesterday by Goodwin, is to give battle to the National Economy League. To enhance whatever standing the Equal Tax League may acquire it is intended to include in its membership war veterans who are opposed to any revision of the federal laws governing the functions of the veterans’ bureau and the rights of veterans.

Though Goodwin declared yesterday that no executive of the league has been chosen, city employees declare that he is the temporary chairman but that he has insisted that he will not accept the post permanently because of his desire to be the adviser to the league and similar organizations which may be developed elsewhere in the state.

John B. Hynes, assistant city clerk, has been designated the permanent secretary of the league and John O’Neill of the bridge and ferry division of the public works department is the treasurer.

Emphasis has been placed on the claim that Sinclair post, American Legion, is vitally interested in the league. This post is composed exclusively of city employees.

City employees have not responded in such numbers as has been anticipated to the appeals to join the league. They call it the “baby” of Curley and Goodwin.

Among city employees the feeling prevails that an effort is to be made to

make use of them to combat the organizations demanding reductions in municipal expenditures and a marked reduction in the 1933 tax rate which are credited with possessing a standing at the State House which is difficult to equal

CHAMPION OF EMPLOYEES

Despite the fact that Lt.-Gov. Youngman and Goodwin circulated all state and city employees in the gubernatorial campaign in an effort to defeat Gov. Ely by characterizing him as the proponent of salary reductions for public employees, without achieving results discernible in the tabulation of ballots, Goodwin remains the champion of state and city employee who are opposed to any wage slash.

Revision of statutory tax legislation has not yet become a problem of the city employees. Their principal interest is the protection of their present salaries. Most of them are willing to make more generous “voluntary” contributions to the funds of the welfare department than they have been making during the final half of the year, because of the belief that if they should be compelled to accept a salary reduction it would be years before the loss would be regained.

CURLEY PARTY VISITS GOV ROOSEVELT

Mayor Expected Back in Hub Early in Week

Mayor James M. Curley is expected back in Boston early next week, after his 10-day vacation at Sulphur Springs, the first rest the Boston Chief Executive has had since the strenuous national campaign of last month.

Mayor Curley was expected to fly today to Sulphur Springs after his visit with President-Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga., last evening. Mayor Curley, his daughter Mary and Miss Loretta Bremner of Chicago had dinner with Gov. Roosevelt, according to word that came to Boston today.

Curley and Party with Roosevelt

Mayor Curley, who left Boston last Sunday night for Chicago with the Bremner family, remained there two days and then left for White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. Yesterday he flew to Warm Springs, Ga., with his daughter, Mary, and Miss Loretta Bremner, who was the fiancee of the late James M. Curley, Jr. They registered at the Merrweather Inn, where President-elect Roosevelt called and invited them to supper.

“We spent two hours with Mr. Roosevelt, with no talk of politics,” the mayor said in phoning Boston last night. Further, he said that he had discussed a cabinet position with nobody. He plans to return to White Sulphur Springs for more golf and on his return to Boston next Tuesday or Wednesday he will plan the Warm Springs enterprise.
It was estimated that if the Boston employees on the city payroll alone joined the organization, it would provide a fund of $50,000 to defray the advertising expenses to acquaint the public with the arguments favoring increases in the income and intangible property taxes as against wage-cutting.

City, county and school employees last night rushed forward with their entrance fees of from $1 to $5 to join the Equal Tax League, sponsored by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission, in an organized movement to resist wage reductions for public employees.

TO MAINTAIN LOBBY

With the funds to be collected, the new organization, whose secret inception was revealed exclusively in yesterday's Post, proposes to maintain a lobby in the next Legislature in support of measures to increase the income and the tax on stocks, bonds and other tax-exempt securities, as a means of relieving the burden on real estate, without slashing wages.

The 150 officials of the various city departments, veteran organizations, labor unions and other groups, who met secretly with Chairman Goodwin Thursday night at the South End headquarters of Sinclair Post, American Legion, will start an organized canvass for the enrollment of public employees today.

Membership Not Exclusive

As president of the Commonwealth Service Association, comprising State employees throughout Massachusetts, Chairman Goodwin expects to make use of his supporters in other cities and towns to build up an impressive voice before the Legislature next month when it convenes to consider the all-important subject of taxation.

The new organization will be limited in its membership to public employees, Chairman Goodwin asserted, but will include all groups interested in the fight against the National Economy League, the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau and allied organizations.

Hope for $30,000 Fund

Automobile manufacturers, dealers, owners and operators will also be invited to join the new Equal Tax League in its campaign to stop the State from diverting motor vehicle and gasoline tax receipts to other governmental expenses than the construction of highways.

Persons receiving $1500 or less will pay $1 to join the group; those paid $1600 to $2900 will give $2 as an enrollment fee, and applicants receiving $3000 or more will be taxed $3 to join the Equal Tax League.

ROOSEVELT HAS CURLEY FOR GUEST

Mayor, Daughter and Miss Bremner in Social Visit

Mayor Curley of Boston, his daughter, Miss Mary Curley and Miss Loretta Bremner of Chicago, who was the fiancee of the late James M. Curley, Jr., were the dinner guests, last night, of President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt, at the latter's cottage in Warm Springs, Ga. The visit, according to a statement by the Mayor in a phone conversation with the Post, was "purely social." He flew here "for a talk with the President-elect..." Mayor Curley and his two young women have been at White Sulphur Springs, where the Mayor has been taking "the first rest I have had in the campaign." William Gaston, a relative of the noted Boston family, flew them to Warm Springs during the day. They left White Sulphur Springs at 11 a.m. and arrived at Warm Springs at 5:30 p.m., after what the Mayor described as "a very pleasant trip."

"We arrived here at the Merryweather Inn," the Mayor said, "and had planned to pay our respects to the President-elect. He heard of our arrival first, however, and called to ask us to supper.

"We spent a delightful two hours with him and found him in excellent physical condition. He is taking the baths twice daily."

"No Talk of Politics"

Asked if the President-elect had mentioned the possibility of the Boston Mayor's being named to a Cabinet post, Mayor Curley answered:

"We had no talk of politics."

He was asked: "Has such an appointment been discussed at any time?" The Mayor answered; "I have discussed that with no one."

Mayor Curley declared that he has felt considerably better since he left Boston. He played golf Thursday at White Sulphur Springs, and did 15 holes in 80.

"I am very much impressed by this hotel, the Merryweather Inn," the Mayor voluntered, "and by the baths at Warm Springs. There are a number of Massachusetts people here, and I have seen such remarkable results in the treatment of some of the sick people that I plan, on my arrival in Boston, to work for this place and to raise money for it therefore.

The Mayor stated he plans to leave Warm Springs this morning at 7:30 and fly back to White Sulphur Springs. According to present arrangements he will be back in Boston Tuesday or Wednesday.
PARK LEAGUE TO BANQUET

Prominent Sportsmen on
Tomorrow’s Card

Chairman William P. Long of the
Boston Park Commission announces
that the final arrangements for the an-
nual banquet of the park football
leagues have been completed. The ban-
nquet will be held at the Refectory build-
ing, Franklin Park, tomorrow at 7 p.m.
More than 30 young men who par-
icipated in the football leagues this past
season will be feted, and the winning
teams will be presented trophies, tokens
of their triumphs on the gridiron, by
his Honor, Mayor Curley.
The park leagues are composed of 23
teams, having 356 registered players,
have played 11 league games this past
season.
Following is the list of speakers,
many of whom were present at last
year’s banquet:
The Rev. Father William McCarty,
Mission Church, Roxbury; Mayor James
M. Curley, Park Commissioner William
P. Long, President “Bob” Quinn, Bos-
ton Red Sox; Superintendent Michael
Crowley, police department; “Bill” Con-
gruit, Boston Post; Daniel J. Kelly,
boxing commissioner; Major Frank
Cavanaugh, coach of Fordham; “Eddie”
Casey, Harvard coach; “Joe” McKen-
ney, coach of Boston College; Lud
Wray, Boston Braves coach; Miles
Lane, Boston University coach.
“Swede” Nelson, Harvard backfield
coach, will point out the various sys-
tems as shown on the screen, of the
big football games of the past season,
and James Lienhard, who will supply
the pictures, promises an even better
selection than those shown last year.

LAST CHANCE ON 1931 TAXES

Delinquents Have Two Days of Grace

The last call for the payment of
Boston’s 1931 taxes will be sounded
Tuesday night by City Collector Wil-
liam M. Morrow, who will hold the
annual auction sale of tax titles at
City Hall the following morning at
9 o’clock.
More than 600 home-owners have
taken advantage of Mayor Curley’s of-
fer to save their houses from the auc-
tioneer’s hammer upon the payment of
at least a fourth of the delinquent tax
bills. It began in collector’s office on
the second floor of City Hall Annex
will be kept open until 3 o’clock during
the next two afternoons to permit the
remaining home-owners to get in under
the wire before the red flag goes up.

Says Curley Discussed Patronage With Roosevelt

WARM SPRINGS, Ga., Dec. 3 (UP)—It was reported tonight that
President-elect Roosevelt will discuss
the question of federal patronage with
Tom Tafford of Indiana, Governor
McNutt of Indiana and other
leaders tomorrow.

It was understood that patronage
discussion was hinted by Mayor James M.
Curley of Boston, who was a visitor
to Warm Springs for a few hours and
who left for the North today.
Coming Session of the Legislature Will See Strong Move to Reduce Cost of Government

By W. E. MULLINS

It is now generally conceded that the subject of economy in the cost of government will be the principal issue to come before the Legislature at its approaching session. With another election two years away and the memories of the disasters which sprung up with many of their associates in the recent primary and general election when the defeat of all salary and wage reduction measures was effected, the legislators undoubtedly will be in a mood to adjourn politics.

Such ambitious projects as $20,000,000 bond issues, the construction of a circumferential highway around Greater Boston, the extension of a bridge from Boston harbor to Hull and the extension of the Elevated out through Somerville to Arlington will be laughed off the committee hearings if, in the meantime, the public employes did them a dis-service at the last legislative session.

In the recent election the Republicans and Democrats staged out and out party fights in each of the 15 congressional districts. Out of those contests the Republicans emerged with seven seats. Now, this might be attributed to a desire of the electorate to continue what has been the case in the past, without the fact that it was a question of who was the better political candidate.

The closest margin by which a congressman was elected was in the eighth district where Archie Deming, Democrat, won by approximately 2000 votes. The widest margin was in the 12th district where A. Piatt Andrew won in the sixth district by 24,400 votes, while A. Piatt Andrew won in the sixth district by 24,400 votes.

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The House Democrats are presently engaged in a campaign for the seat of minority leader now held by Representative Leo M. F. Bingham of Brighton. The incumbent, Democratic Strength in the Congressional, legislative and councillor contests, consolidates the margin which was established in the percentage represented in the total vote in these contests. The margin represents slightly in the percentage, the percentage by which Gov. Roosevelt carried the state over President Hoover.

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which have been upheld in the courts in previous decisions, he will have to have good grounds for his action and explain them fully to the satisfaction of the association which I represent.

Now for the war over the superintendency.

There's a real battle on over this post, a battle that runs deeper and is therefore kept more in the background than the other squabbles.

But its outcome will decide eventually whether the Mayor or the Police Commissioner holds the best cards.

Once more we find politics and personal friendships playing leading parts in a drama. Friendships are more important now; politics are likely to decide the issue in the end.

This particular battle between two determined men has been going on for some months, antedates the row over the captaincies, and is responsible in large part for the latter.

Showdown at Hand
Strategic Move of Curley
Is Barometer of Struggle

One of the chief reasons why there are a number of lieutenants complaining at not being promoted to captain from the civil service list is because of this dueling in which the superintendency is at stake.

From the moment that Eugene C. Hultman assumed his present position he has wanted new blood in the influential positions in the department.

There has been no open break between him and Supt. Michael H. Crowley. He has maintained silence about the superintendency as far as public statements are concerned. But he is biding his time, and so is the Mayor, and it will not be many months before the showdown comes.

The swapping of strategic blows over those captaincies, the maneuvering for advantages, were in some degree a preparation for that showdown.

Mayor Curley has refused to sign the retirement and pension papers of Supt. Crowley who reached the retirement age in January, 1931, or nearly two years ago.

They have been close friends for years. And Mike Crowley is the best known police department head in America. New York's man may get the publicity but Boston's Mike Crowley is far more widely known, because of his length of service, and also because of his genial personality.

Police Head Favors 2
Curley Holds Out for Tom Goode as Next Police 'Super'

Crowley has been superintendent under four commissioners, a total of nearly 18 years.

But, knowing that a change will be made soon anyway, the Mayor is willing to sign his friend Crowley's retirement papers, provided the wrong man is not appointed in his place. And provided the right man is appointed.

The Mayor wants "Tom" Goode—Deputy Supt. Thomas F. Goode, now in charge of traffic and for a long stretch of years in command of the Back Bay police division. The Mayor will not retire Crowley until assured Goode will be promoted to that position, and unless the Mayor changes his mind suddenly, he's going to fight it out on that line.

Well, he just cannot get what he considers authoritative assurance that Goode will be named, and so Michael H. Crowley's retirement papers remain in the mayoral office without the signature "James M. Curley" added thereto.

Without those papers signed, Commissioner Hultman simply cannot appoint a new superintendent.

And now we come to the Hultman candidate:
Capt. John M. Anderson.

Curley and Roosevelt
Discuss Jobless Relief

Pine Mountain, Ga., Dec. 3.
WHAT the governor of New York said to the mayor of Boston can now be told. There has been apparent secrecy about the nature of the discussion between President-elect Roosevelt and Mayor James M. Curley, at the "Little White House" here. The last day said he had enjoyed an hour's conference with the governor.

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Mayor Curley is aware of this situation and has no intention whatever of getting out from under "Tom" Goode to see Commissioner Hultman step forward and boost Capt. Anderson into the superintendency.

Anderson has influential backing, however. Political backing. He is said on excellent authority to have the support of Charles H. Innes, the Republican leader, and there are some indications that this support may be the trump in the hole.

However—not if James M Curley knows it.

When Anderson was transferred from Division 5, South End, to headquarters and placed in the detective bureau, he immediately became a "sitter-in" at the police commissioner's conference table.

Shortly after that, Commissioner Hultman found his legal adviser, Leo Schwartz, and Capt. Jeremiah Gallivan of Station 4, Lagrange st. in the toughest legal fight the department has ever experienced in connection with liquor.

This had to do with the attempt to snap a padlock on a Tremont st. building allegedly used as a speakeasy and which property was partly owned by David A. ("Bean") Breen.
Superintendency Is the Key to Police Promotion War

More fuel was heaped this week on the fires of political and personal enmity in Boston police affairs.

Any time now, an explosion may be expected.

Paul E. Tierney is out as civil service commission chairman. That means a fresh attempt by Police Commissioner Hultman to weed out his garden of lieutenants in accordance with his own horticultural ideas.

But things won’t be very rosy.

The Massachusetts Civil Service Association tossed a bombshell yesterday, informing the Boston Sunday Advertiser that it will fight to the last lieutenant for strict adherence to the civil service rules.

“If Commissioner Hultman thinks he has only to wait for a new civil service commissioner to take office, in order to put through his evident plans, he is greatly mistaken,” said Atty. Arthur H. Brooks, legislative counsel for the association.

The Boston Sunday Advertiser told last week how the police commissioner has refused to appoint captains to fill eight vacancies because the lieutenants he wants to promote, especially Stephen J. Gillis, are not on the eligible list.

Civil Service Commissioner Paul E. Tierney balked his efforts to get a new general examination or a special non-competitive examination for Gillis.

War Over “Super.”
Curley Refuses to Retire Crowley to Balk Hultman

Now, with Tierney transferring from the civil service department to public utilities, and his successor still unnamed, this situation is at the boiling point again.

The three-cornered test of strength between Commissioner Hultman, the civil service rules and Mayor Curley—who retired four captains to try to force the police head to fill vacancies that already existed—is ready for the shock troops.

Another thing that has popped to the surface of the police puddle is a resumption of the silent warring between mayor and police head over the police superintendency.

The battle antedates and underlies the open fight over the captaincies.

One of the chief reasons why Commissioner Hultman refuses to appoint eight captains to fill the vacancies is because the mayor won’t sign the retirement papers of Supt. Michael H. Crowley, so Hultman can appoint his own superintendent.

More about this later on.

The Civil Service Association provided the chief fireworks and, in even more degree than the Tierney transfer and the recurrence of the superintendency row, put a new front on the whole muddle.

Police Commissioner Hultman’s failure to fill those vacant posts of captain may be taken into the courts for adjudication. That’s what the civil service body threatens.

Legislative Counsel Brooks told the Sunday Advertiser that Commissioner Hultman must promote the officers on the eligible list in order of their rating unless he can prove that his refusal to do so is because of their inefficiency or other serious shortcomings.

No attempt has been made to prove any such thing.

The Civil Service Association’s spokesman also dealt with the Tierney matter.

Looked for Change
Tierney Out as Civil Service Head, But It’s No Help

It was revealed last week that Hultman was hopefully awaiting the retirement of Commissioner Tierney, whose term expired Thursday.

As was expected, a shift was made, for Gov. Ely has named Tierney to the Public Utilities Commission. This coming week a new civil service head will doubtless be appointed.

But no matter who is appointed to succeed Tierney, according to Atty. Brooks, the strict rules of the civil service commission governing the rating of those on the eligible list cannot be set aside.

Brooks said: “If Commissioner Hultman thinks he has only to wait for a new commissioner to take office to put through his evident plans, he is mistaken.

“The new commissioner, whoever may be appointed by the Governor, must conform to the civil service regulations strictly, as his predecessors have done, and the law’s the list of eligibles for him to stand by. He can do no other.

“If the police commissioner promotes any man not certified by the civil service, and ignores the order of the lieutenants on the list, my association will take immediate action.”

Hultman on Thin Ice
Must Conform to Rules of Civil Service Board

Atty. Brooks stated further that every officer on the eligible list who is passed over for an officer not certified by the commission for promotion, can appeal to the courts for redress and recognition of his rights.

“Those men at the head of the eligible list, properly certified by the Civil Service Commission after full examination, are entitled to promotion when vacancies occur,” he asserted.

“When such promotion is denied them in favor of ineligible, they can appeal to the courts.

“Of course, Commissioner Hultman can withhold making further promotions. That may or may not be for the good of the department, but he cannot, when he does decide to fill existing vacancies, legally overlook or ignore those who have been certified as eligible.

“Until he does make further promotions, nothing much can be done. But when he is prepared to do so and violates Civil Service Board
TO SHIFT TAXES OFF REAL ESTATE

Legislatures Will Tackle Problem of Burdens

NEW YORK, Dec 5 (A. P.)—In every corner of the Nation, State lawmakers are preparing to answer the demand that taxes be slashed and the burden of taxation lifted as much as possible from the backs of real estate owners.

The Legislatures of 36 States will meet next month to grapple with pressing financial problems.

But even before they assemble, new and in some cases ingenious tax sources are being pointed out by committees, commissions and official investigators who have spent months studying the situation.

A general sales tax, as a means of cutting down the property owner's tax bill, is being discussed in 22 States.

14 Propose Income Tax

Fourteen States are debating, unofficially, the imposition of an income tax.

In several other States movements are on foot to raise or lower existing income tax rates in order to shift the tax load to those more able to carry it. Already nine States have made sweeping slashes in the assessed valuation of property, or in tax levies, or in both.

The State Board of Equalization in Colorado has cut valuations for tax purposes $158,000,000, or 12.4 percent, lowering the tax bill by nearly $5,000,000.

In Stark County, Illinois, county taxes have been reduced 43 percent.

North Dakota voters have approved a cut in assessed valuation from 75 to 50 percent of the actual value.

Iowa has effected an estimated slash of $50,000,000 in its total tax bill for 1932 and 1933.

Limit Put on Tax Totals

In four States a limit has been placed on the amount of taxes that can be charged against a property of given value.

In the search for new tax sources: Alabama has increased its cigarette tax from 15 to 20 percent, has extended it to smoking tobacco, and has imposed a tax on beer and national banks.

The Arkansas Legislature will receive a bill, contingent on Congressional action, which would set up county beer dispensaries, with the profits going to reduce property taxes.

A demand will probably be made in the California Legislature for a sales tax on cosmetics, amusement tickets, tobacco and mail.

Democrats in Indiana plan a substitute liquor law which would impose a State tax on medicinal whisky.

The Maine State Grange is prepared to petition the Legislature for a tax on the gross earnings of electric utilities.

Legislators in Minnesota are talking of a levy on the skins of trapped animals and on motorboats; a $1 head tax, and a poll tax which could be paid in cash or by working a day on a public project.

Sales Tax on Power and Gas

A group of taxpayers in Montana is urging a sales tax on hydro-electric power and natural gas.

In Nevada, where 55 percent of all taxes are paid by public utilities, one official has advocated an inheritance tax.

The New Hampshire law-makers will receive a proposal to increase the fees for the operation of trucks and buses.

In North Carolina one of the definite proposals is a beer tax.

Ohio has adopted a 1 percent utility excise tax and a two-cent cigarette tax. A survey commission has pointed out the possibility of a selective sales tax on tobacco and amusements.

In Philadelphia, a move to impose a city wage and salary tax of 1/2 of 1 percent was shelved, but a 5 percent tax on amusement and a five-cent tax on automobiles stored in public garages or parked in outdoor parking spaces has been proposed.

An increase in the production tax on natural resources is being discussed in Texas.

Surtaxes on income and inheritances, and an increased gasoline tax are proposed in Wisconsin.
Boston's Latest Fifty Years Is Now in Review

Official Memorial History Is Work of Distinguished Contributors

The final curtain on Boston's Tercentenary observance was rung down today when Miss Elizabeth M. Herlihy, secretary of the City Planning Board, chairman of the committee on publication of the Tercentenary Memorial History, and editor of this work, broadcast the debut of "Fifty Years of Boston" over station WNFY.

Miss Herlihy talked from the office of Mayor Curley, who directed that this official memorial history be recorded and preserved for posterity. She described a Boston that stirs new pride and loyalty to its justly famous institutions. In the announcement of the editors, who have left no stone unturned to discover and present history that leaves no grounds for controversy.

The volume is a continuation of the famous Memorial History of Boston, issued in 1880, under the supervision of Justin Winsor. It follows closely the general plan of that four-volume library. It covers the period from 1880 to 1930, completing the history of Boston for 300 years.

Students and historians, who have followed the compilation of the volume book for more than two years, will soon see every page with eager appreciation, since the editors have left no stone unturned to discover and present history that leaves no grounds for controversy.

The editors have called upon the ablest contributors, under the direction of the committee, consisting of Miss Herlihy, Charles K. Bolton, librarian of the Ammerman; Joseph E. Chamberlain, former editorial writer of the Boston Evening Transcript; William A. Leahy, secretary of the Bostonian Society, and Henry M. Tudor, president of the Women's Municipal League; William A. Leahy was editorial adviser.

A brilliant galaxy of sixty contributors, drawn from almost every field of human endeavor, and selected for their special knowledge of their subjects, gives to this volume more than usual interest and significance.

John T. Morse, Jr., the historian, now in his ninety-third year, and sole survivor of the contributors to Justin Winsor History, extends a cordial greeting to his younger successors, following the introductory matter in the book.

Helen Keller's Tribute

Helen Keller, who was educated largely at Perkins Institute and at Radcliffe, pays a warm tribute to Boston, which she calls "The City of Kindness."

Cover Various Aspects of City Life

Professor Kenneth L. Mark, dean of the faculty of science at Simmons College; Professor Charles M. Spofford, of M.I.T.; Frank W. Grinnell, editor of the Massachusetts Law Quarterly; Charles H. Grandgent, professor of Romance Languages at Harvard; Robert Lincoln O'Brien, until recently editor of the Boston Herald; the late Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendnt of schools, who was assisted by Louis F. Flat in writing the chapter on education;

Dr. Henry A. Christian, professor and former dean at the Harvard Medical School; and physician-in-chief to Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, writes the history of "Medicine."

ROOSEVELT-ELY VICTORY DINNER IN CAMBRIDGE

The Roosevelt-Ely Victory dinner will be held Wednesday evening in the Continental Hotel, Cambridge, under the auspices of the Jefferson and Crane Clubs of Cambridge. Daniel F. O'Brien, candidate for mayor at the last election, and Representative Timothy J. Cronin are chairmen of the general committee.

Guests will be Gov. Ely, Mayor James M. Curley, Mayor Richard M. Russell, Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville, Mayor John H. Burke of Medford, Senator Walsh, State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley, State Auditor Francis X. Hurley, Edward Gallagher, president of the Boston City Council; Daniel H. Conkley and Mrs. Conkley, Fred and Mrs. Francis B. Sleeve, Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt and Thomas H. Green.

William H. McMasters will be toastmaster.
OFF TO LITTLE WHITE HOUSE
MAYOR CURLEY

MISS MARY CURLEY    MISS LORETTA BREMNER
Mayor Curley with his daughter, Mary, and Miss Loretta Bremner, fiancee of the late James M. Curley, Jr., boarding a plane in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., to fly to Warm Springs, Ga., for a conference they enjoyed in the "Little White House" with President-elect Roosevelt. (International News Photos.)

City Council Attacks Contractor Cummings
Passes Order for Fin. Com. Inquiry into $155,000 Extra on School Job

A violent attack was made on Matthew J. Cummings, the contractor, in the City Council today when that body unanimously passed an order introduced by Councillor Francis E. Kelly calling upon the Finance Commission to investigate the need of an extra $155,000 for the foundations of the Girls' High School, Roxbury.

Cummings was termed the "pet contractor" of the city by Mr. Kelly, who said that during the three years of the present Curley administration, Cummings had received contracts for city work totaling $4,611,527.61.

"We see him getting in on practically every large project that he wants to get and we see him getting extras as well," said Mr. Kelly.

Councillor Fish remarked that if the mayor doesn't stop the "extra business" the city treasury will soon go broke.

Councillor Dowd remarked there had been many rackets in this city but that the "foundation racket" is new.

An order introduced by Councillor Dowd requested of the mayor information as to why the Transit Department does not proceed with the work for constructing the approach to the East Boston tunnel. He intimated that the Transit Commission might be waiting for the real estate sharks to secure options on property where the street widenings will take place.

Councillor Fish introduced an order which aroused much laughter, calling for an opinion from the medical staff of the City Hospital on what effect the wearing of puttees by policemen the year round would have on their legs. He said that he had been told the police force had voted a 90 per cent against puttees and also that continued wearing of them would produce varicose veins.

Patrolman Sues for Pay Increase

An action in contract against the city of Boston for recovery of annual pay increases alleged to be due him was filed in Suffolk Superior Court today by Patrolman Thomas E. Barron of the Milk Street station. Barron charges that owing to Mayor Curley's order that the annual step-increase of $100 a year in patrolmen's pay be omitted, he is not receiving the full salary to which he is entitled. Barron came on the force Jan. 21, 1927, at a $1600 salary, he sets forth, and in 1927, through the action of then Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols and Police Commissioner Herbert Wilson, pay was increased to $2100.
MAYOR AT WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

Mayor Curley entering a plane at the Greenbrier airport, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., en route to Warm Springs, Ga., to call on President-elect Roosevelt. He was accompanied on the trip by his daughter, Mary, and her friend, Loretta Brem of Chicago, Ill.

OFFICER SUES CITY FOR PAY

Thomas E. Barron, a police officer now connected with the Milk Street Station, has brought suit in the Suffolk Superior Court through his attorney, Leo Schwartz, counsel for the police department, seeking $70.40 from the city of Boston, which he claims has accrued to him since Jan. 21, 1932, to Nov. 1, 1932, as part of the $100 annual increase in pay up to the maximum of $2100.

He states in his suit which was entered in court yesterday that he qualified and was appointed to the police force on Jan. 21, 1927, and thereafter he entered into a contract of service. At the time he was appointed, he says, he was to receive $1600 annually and $100 each year thereafter until the then maximum of $2000 was reached. This maximum limit was increased on June 11, 1928, by Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols, acting in concert with Herbert A. Wilson, then police commissioner, to $2100. On the 21st of January, 1932, he says he reached his fifth anniversary and thus became entitled to the final step-up.
GOODWIN TO RUN FOR MAYOR IN '33

May Resign as Fin Com Head—Expects Support of City Employes, Taxpayers

HELP FROM CURLEY APPEARS DOUBTFUL

By JAMES GOGGIN

Frank A. Goodwin plans to resign the $5000 chairmanship of the finance commission to become a candidate for mayor next year.

He hopes to base his campaign on the achievements of the Equal Tax league which he has organized with the aid of Mayor Curley and to make city employes and real estate owners the nucleus of the support which a successful drive for tax reform is expected to make available to him.

That the mayoralty plans of Goodwin are hidden in the Equal Tax league has been suspected for several days. No formal announcement of his candidacy will be made for some time, but it was disclosed yesterday that his mayoralty strategy is intertwined with the tax league with which the Legislature is expected to be favorably influenced at the coming session.

EMPLOYES SKEPTICAL

Friends of Goodwin say that he will not await the expiration of the term for which he was appointed by former Gov. Allen to retire from the finance commission. He is reported to be certain that Gov. Ely will not consider re-appointing him and that the mayoralty holds forth promise of a public post regardless of the outcome of his own campaign.

Goodwin's success in polling a very large vote for the Republican nomination for governor in the September primary is said to have furnished the inspiration that public employes can be converted into a valuable asset in a municipal campaign. His gubernatorial candidacy was actively aided by the organization of state employes and the Equal Tax league is expected to perform like service in the coming mayoralty election.

City employes, however, are skeptical of the league. Appeals for membership on a scale of fees regulated by existing salaries have been based entirely on the necessity of organizing employees to prevent wage reductions next year and the tax reform purpose which Goodwin has stressed has not been mentioned by organizers.

Goodwin's candidacy for mayor will complicate a situation which is now perplexing to both candidates and their sponsors. There is no evidence that any help will be extended Goodwin by Mayor Curley and the fact that the mayor's intimates are speaking loudly about Dist.-Atty. William J. Foley as the leading candidate is held to be an indication of a probable development.

A Curley-Foley alignment might be fatal to Goodwin's chances of winning the mayoralty job, but it would not eliminate him from legitimately claiming the right to consideration in the distribution of mayoralty patronage in the event that Foley should be elected.

Regardless of whether Foley becomes an active candidate, Goodwin intends to run and he will bank heavily on the support of city employes whom former Mayor Nichols has been counting upon to contribute to his election.
TO COMPEL RESIDENCE WHERE PAID

City Council Seeks Law Governing City Workers

New legislation which would compel all public employees, including school teachers, to live in the cities and towns that pay their salaries, was demanded last Friday by Mayor Curley. He drew up such a petition for presentation to the Legislature for adoption.

The petition, as sponsored by Councillor Thomas M. Burke of Mattapan, provides that each city or town in the State be authorized by the Legislature to regulate the residence of municipal workers by ordi

POLICEMAN SUES FOR 'STEP-UP' PAY

Charges Mayor Curley Has Refused

The Increase

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To Relieve Landlords

Passage of the law, the counsel pointed out, would give city officials an opportunity to provide employment for a large number of jobless residents of the city, able to perform the municipal work. To relieve paying landlords whose jobless tenants are unable to pay their rent, the council passed an order introduced by Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park, supporting the Mayor's request that the assessors cancel the tax bills in three cases already asserted.

To Relieve Landlords

Norton also secured the passage of an order requesting the school committee to consider the advisability of omitting the freshman class at Teachers College next year, because of the lack of positions for applicants for teaching posts.

Charges New Racket

Finance Commission investigation of an extra payment of $15,500 to Matthew Cummings, Inc., because of an error allegedly committed by the department of school buildings in not making proper borings in the site of the new girls' high school in Roxbury, and he contrasted this "profligacy" with the decision of the school committee to abandon hockey in the high schools. The council asked the finance commission to report the details of the school building project, and also requested the school committee to restore hockey to its former standing.

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COUNCIL SCORES MUNICIPAL DEPTS.

Demands Information About Alleged Shortcomings

The city council yesterday passed several orders demanding information about alleged shortcomings in municipal departments.

The transit department was asked to verify no progress has been made towards starting the $3,000,000 Haymarket warehouse project, and Councilman Dowd charged that the disinterestedness of the transit commission is attributable to the refusal of property owners to give options to real estate speculators.

Councilman Kelly assailed the school department for voting an extra payment of $15,500 to Matthew Cummings, Inc., because of an error allegedly committed by the department of school buildings in not making proper borings in the site of the new girls' high school in Roxbury, and he contrasted this "profligacy" with the decision of the school committee to abandon hockey in the high schools. The council asked the finance commission to report the details of the school building project, and also requested the school committee to restore hockey to its former standing.

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Policeman Sues for His Yearly Increase

Barron Tests Curley Order of Economy

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Through attorney Leo Schwartz, legal adviser to Police Commissioner Hultman, patrolman Barron seeks to have the city pay him back pay of approximately $70 and to have his pay in the future include the $100 yearly increase previously customary in the case of all policemen not earning $2100 a year.

Officer Barron is the same policeman who went to court with Police Commissioner Hultman several months ago in an endeavor to force Mayor Curley to approve the step-rate increase of $100 a year which was due a group of the younger officers in the department.

It has been customary for the city to pay a policeman $1600 a year for his first year and give him a yearly increase of $100 until his pay amounts to $2100. Mayor Curley refused to sanction the increases this year to save money for the city.

MAYOR CURLEY IN WASHINGTON

Saw Garner, Walsh and Other Legislators

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Curley's Word on Mayoralty Now Awaited

Does He Favor Conry, Glynn, Tobin, or Will He Remain Neutral to the End

By Forrest P. Hull

It is now quite commonly accepted among the politicians that the fight for the mayoralty to be determined next year in which Mayor Curley cannot by law seek to succeed himself will be much earlier than usual. A word from the mayor at this time would clarify the situation, in view of the growing possibility that the preliminaries, at least distinctly on the Democratic side, are approaching the fasto of election near and where President C. W. Niles rose to power through a multiplicity of candidates.

Several members of the City Council are weighing the potential of mayoral favor, realizing that Mr. Curley is still in a commanding position to deliver a strong support to the man of his choice, and wondering whether he will remain neutral, or whether he plans to develop a free-for-all.

There are signs that Traffic Commissioner Theodore A. Conry, Street Commissioner Maurice J. Tobin are watching the three musketeers in the city service who would take advantage of any favorable situation to announce their respective candidacies. The mayor has spoken highly of each of them. Recently he remarked at a luncheon at County Court, however, that the youthful commissioner would make fine municipal timber. The mayor's feelings toward County Conry, who has been a strong supporter of the man of his choice, and wondering whether he will remain neutral, or whether he plans to develop a free-for-all.

Goodwin Bound to Shine

Nobody professes to know how the mayor stands on the mayoralty, unless it be Messrs. Conry, Glynn or Tobin. There has been much talk of Goodwin in the coming fight and possibly the mayor's tacit support, a story that gained more credence through Goodwin action in organizing the Equal Tax League. But Goodwin, in a public statement, made this remark: "I have no intention to be a candidate for mayor, I shall use every effort to prevent any candidate supported by the tax dodgers." This means, if it means anything, that Goodwin will be a strong vote in the coming fight, because the Good Government Association will be interpreted by what Goodwin represents as an organization that Goodwin is fighting against.

That the situation is six months ahead of regular schedule is evidenced by the constant gossip over Mayor Curley's relationship to the incoming Democratic administration, as well as to the movement of such organizations as the Chamber of Commerce, the Massachuets Tax Association, the Munici- race, Research Bureau and the Boston and Massachusetts Municipal Exchange.

Contest in City Council

The attitude of the Democratic members of the City Council is interesting, in respect to the mayoralty. A new pre-emptory vote will be elected on the organization of the council in January, Edward M. Gallagher of Dorchester, who by the mayor's frequent absences from the city, has achieved the distinction of passing more hours as acting mayor than any other politician, is a candidate to succeed himself. His chief opponent is Councilor Joseph H. McGrath of Dorchester. Other active candidates are Israel Ruby of Dorchester, Thomas H. Gren of Charles- town, Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park. These candidates have a suspicion that Mayor Curley will not serve out his term. They have heard that he would like to be succeeded by March 4 and would do so if he were offered an attractive Federal position.

Naturally, the president of the City Council would have the tremendous advantage in a political fight if he succeeded to the office of mayor for a year or more, a large part of a year, or for any part of a year. Among such circumstances, scores of the most astute Democratic politicians would be eating out of his hand. The council canvass has reached such a point that it can be definitely foreseen that Gallagher and McGrath hold office with hands.

No member of the City Council would seriously enter the mayoral fight without a nucleus of ready-made support, either from a city employees' block, action movement.

Curley's support or that of the Good Government Association. There is one member of the City Council who is stronger among the so-called reform element than any other. He is Clement A. Norton, who is said to have his ear to the non-partisan circles of the city. But Norton recently stated that he has no intention to seek the mayoralty for mayor and his friends believe that he would stand no show of receiving the support of the Good Government Association with Frederick W. Mansfield as a candidate again.

Mayor Curley Back at His Desk

Lost 5½ Pounds During His Southern Vacation

Sulphur and needle baths, etc., took 5 pounds off Mayor James M. Curley during his five days' stay at Hot Springs, W. Va. and he appeared at his desk in City Hall today looking extremely fit. Concerning the economic situation, the Mayor was not too optimistic, and insisted that he was still of the opinion that the only route to recovery was by work and wages, and not by salary and unemployment, which add to the welfare rolls.

CURLEY IS SURE OF REPEAL SOON

Mayor Comes Back Home After Visit to Capital

Scoffs at Investigation

Reports Roosevelt Fit

Confidence that Democratic leadership will yet bring about repeal of the 18th Amendment in the present "lame duck" session was voiced by Mayor James M. Curley. He returned from his five days' stay at White Sulphur Springs, Ga.

Mayor Curley, who arrived at the Back Bay station just before 10 o'clock, was in Washington yesterday morning for two hours and called on Vice President-elect John N. Garner, Senator David I. Walsh and other Massachusetts legislators.

He Sees 9 Percent Beer

I feel quite certain that Congress will obtain early repeal in this session,” the Mayor said, “I am positive that Congress will provide legislation for beer. They will probably be 4 percent beer, but before long they will be making 9 percent.”

Mayor Curley returned alone, his daughter, Mary, who accompanied him to Chicago for a Thanksgiving dinner with the family of Miss Mary Bromer, who was the fiance of the late James M. Curley Jr, returning to Chicago.

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Scoffs at Investigation

Mayor Curley laughed at the possibility of investigation of the city of Boston as sought in the bill filed last week by a group of taxpayers.

"Nobody will take it seriously," he said. He said that all the cities and towns in 35 States he has visited, conditions are nowhere as good as in Boston.

The Mayor said that it is going to become necessary to increase the income taxes and it is becoming a burden to all cities and towns, and declared that new road building must be suspended for a year or two so that they might be diverted to cities.
MAYOR PREDICTS REPEAL SHORTLY

Curley, Back from South, Thinks Beer Certain in Short Session

'INTERESTED' IN BILL TO PROBE FINANCES

Mayor Curley, on his return last night from a southern trip, expressed the belief that repeal of the 18th amendment would be effected in the present short session of Congress and that, in any event, Congress will pass a 4 per cent. beer bill.

The filing of a bill with the Legislature asking for an investigation of Boston affairs instituted by the mayor, he declared that "no one will pay serious attention" to the sponsors, the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners Association.

AGREES AS TO NEED

Told of the formation of the Equal Tax League, which seeks to preserve the state highway fund and increase income taxes to take care of higher expenditures, the mayor raised his eyebrows and inquired: "Who is behind that?"

Informed that Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Boston finance commission, was the main backer, Mayor Curley agreed as to the need for increased income taxes, but felt that the larger portion of the highway fund should be given to needy cities and towns.

He said with great satisfaction that he had played golf every day and had taken the sulphur baths daily so that he feels "in perfect trim."

He was amazed, he said, at the number of Massachusetts people he met in the South, and recounted his promise to Garner that if repeal passes it would be of the House. Four per cent. beer is an assured thing, he continued, and will be overwhelmingly passed by this Congress.

"It was an interesting thing to watch the hunger marchers, in Washington," he related. "The entire fire and police departments were out and any number of constables had been sworn in. The marchers were cooped in a cul-de-sac 2½ by one-half mile. If the police started shooting it would have made disaster."

"The hunger marchers are really the same old communists who drop into City Hall every once in a while," he explained.

The mayor said that he had visited 25 states recently and in no one of the leading cities are conditions as good as in Boston. In some, conditions were appalling, he added.

If the tax rate increase in Boston justifies an investigation of city finances, then in justice there should be an investigation in every one of the leading cities where there have been tax increases. He pointed out that "82 per cent. of the trouble in Boston was due to an imposition by the state, which forced Boston to pay more money and thus caused the tax rate jump."

CURLEY HOME, STILL SURE OF REPEAL WIN

Confident that the 18th amendment will be repealed at this session of Congress and declaring 4 per cent beer a certainty, Mayor Curley arrived back in Boston last night after a vacation spent at Warm Springs, Ga., with President-elect Roosevelt.

His daughter, Mars', and Miss Lauretta Bremner, fiance of the late James M. Curley, Jr., accompanied the mayor.

He saw the camp of the hunger marchers, he said, and found it most orderly under the watchful eye of the capital police augmented by deputized citizens.

"They are not Americans," he said of the hunger army. "They are communists and revolutionaries of the same stripe as those I deal with weekly at city hall."

He announced that he is shipping by airplane today 70 pots of baked beans, 70 rolls of brown bread and 25 pounds of lobsters to Miss June Pickering, formerly of Beverly Farms, who has been in White Sulphur Springs three years and expressed a longing for some real baked beans."

DEER ISLAND ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT PROPOSED

City Could Use Tidal Flow for Power, It Is Said

The street lighting committee of the city council was told yesterday that a municipal lighting plant big enough for the city's needs for street lighting, and the lighting and heating of public buildings can be built at Deer Island for $1,750,000, utilizing the tidal flow through Shirley Gut for generating purposes.

The committee also delved into the record of the municipal plant in Holyoke, costing $750,000 and now current to 17,000 consumers at a minimum rate of 4½ cents per hour in comparison with the rate in Boston.

REPEAL IS EXPECTED BY CURLEY

Also Says Beer Will Be Legalized This Session

Confident that the 18th amendment will be repealed by this session of Congress, Mayor Curley, returning to Boston last night from conferences at Warm Springs, Ga., with President-elect Roosevelt, and with John N. Garner at Washington, stated that he is certain the Senate repeal bill will be passed and accepted by the House.

ALSO SEES BEER LEGALIZED

He also stated he was certain that beer would be legalized during the short session of Congress, and that there will be little difficulty in passing the Senate repeal bill.

Miss Mary Curley and Miss Loretta Bremner of Chicago, who accompanied Mayor Curley to Warm Springs, did not return to Boston. They went to Miss Bremner's home in Chicago from the Georgia resort.

Mayor Curley reported that President-elect Roosevelt is in the best of health and back into condition after the rigors of the campaign. Mayor Curley will be back at his desk this morning.

Informed of the bill to the Legislature to probe the tax increase in Boston and to give the Supreme Court power to remove Mayors for cause, he laughed and said: "Nobody will pay any attention. If tax increases were investigated everywhere in the country, the allotment of the cities would be probed."
Curley Home, Says Repeal Is Near

Mayor James M. Curley as he arrived at the Back Bay station last night after a vacation spent at Warm Springs, Ga., with President-elect Roosevelt. Story on page 8.

Job Hunters Irk Curley; Office Is Jammed

Mayor Curley, overwhelmed with hundreds of applications for aid in getting federal jobs and other assistance, drove a large crown from his outer office today and engaged in a verbal clash with City Councillor Thomas M. Burke, who was on the scene.

The mayor surprised a crowd that filled his outer office by suddenly appearing before them, something that he has rarely if ever done before.

"Gentlemen," he said, "if you have any appointments to meet city councillors here you will have to go up to the council chamber. I have business to do here."

Nine-tenths of the crowd left, and the mayor, striding back to his private office, noticed Councillor Burke sitting nearby waiting for an interview.

"I understand you have 40 here to see me," said the mayor to Burke.

"Sure, I have," said Burke.

That ended it as far as the mayor was concerned, but Burke turned to newspapermen saying:

"So long as I am city councillor I will bring to this office every resident of my ward who seeks assistance from the mayor. I have 100 at my law office every day seeking aid, and 100 more at my house every night, and another 100 calling me up on the telephone.

"Mayor Curley has been very kind and generous. I have received my share of patronage from him. I am sorry that conditions are like they are."

City Councillor William H. Barker of East Boston was also there but made no comment. Burke said his constituents wanted "federal jobs and other things."

Political Budgeteering

Today it appears that city department heads have done one seventy-fifth part of what Mayor Curley recently told them to do, and by this result it is said that the mayor is much gratified. The public will find it hard to understand why. Some time ago Mayor Curley, speaking with every appearance of force and authority, gave the department heads positive orders to cut their 1933 budget estimates at least $3,000,000 below their requests for 1932. These orders were to apply to all of Boston's ordinary services with the exception of public welfare and hospital costs. The answer now given by the department heads is a cut of $40,000 in the ordinary expense estimates, which is one seventy-fifth part of what the mayor asked.

Upon what basis shall such a result be judged? Is the mayor really without power over the department heads, and unable to compel respect for his orders? Or are there other reasons for allowing these officials substantially to ignore the instructions given? Obviously it is impossible to answer more than one of these two questions in the affirmative. Either the department heads have flouted the mayor's requests, or else those who asked for increases in 1933 have done so knowing that their chief executive would have no real objection. Such procedure on their part would pave the way for just such a statement as has now been issued, promising that the mayor himself will cut the new estimates by $5,000,000, so as to bring the total appropriations for 1933 one million dollars below those made in 1932.

This way of handling the matter seems to treat the city's whole process of budget-making simply as a problem in political tactics and strategy. The proposed five million dollar cut gains the appearance of being a great achievement, even though it may not be by any means enough to meet the full needs of the situation. Unfortunately, however, political tactics and maneuver produce no cash revenues to the city treasury. They make some people imagine that a large effort is under way to reduce the cost of municipal government in proportion to the times demand, but they afford, when all is said and done, no adequate relief.
Curley Plans
Only $1,000,000
Lower Budget

With Such a Cut He Will Not
Satisfy Civic Bodies Seek-
ing Huge Saving

According to his present plans, Mayor Curley will fall far short of satisfying the various civic organizations with his usual appropriation bill. As a preliminary gesture, he announces that to reduce the requirements for 1933 approximately $1,000,000 below the 1932 budget total. He insists as far as he can go, though the entire process of budget, slashing will involve at least $6,000,000, double that of last year. The estimates for next year exceed the budget allowances for this year by $2,477,356.46, chiefly due to the fact that the public welfare and soldiers' relief departments are asking practically all of their increase.

Aside from the demands for additional poor and unemployment relief, the police department led the list in requesting budget increases, with a budget calling for $240,709 more than its 1932 allowance of $615,870. This for 123 more patrol-men, six more lieutenants, for the pension system, repair of stations and extensions of the signal system. The fire department, on the other hand, has actually cut $83,955.63 below its budget allowance of last year. For 1933, the various civic organizations with his help, the Mattanan Sanatorium mainly through the soldiers' relief fund of which $1,800,000 came from the sale of a large tract of land for $249,709 more than its 1932 allowance of $6,154,870. This for 123 more patrol-men, six more lieutenants, for the pension system, repair of stations and extensions of the signal system. The fire department, on the other hand, has actually cut $83,955.63 below its budget allowance of last year. For 1933, the various civic organizations with his help, the Mattanan Sanatorium mainly through the soldiers' relief fund of which $1,800,000 came from the sale of a large tract of land for $249,709 more than its 1932 allowance of $6,154,870. This for 123 more patrol-men, six more lieutenants, for the pension system, repair of stations and extensions of the signal system. The fire department, on the other hand, has actually cut $83,955.63 below its budget allowance of last year. For 1933, the various civic organizations with his help, the Mattanan Sanatorium mainly through the soldiers' relief fund of which $1,800,000 came from the sale of a large tract of land for $249,709 more than its 1932 allowance of $6,154,870. This for 123 more patrol-men, six more lieutenants, for the pension system, repair of stations and extensions of the signal system. The fire department, on the other hand, has actually cut $83,955.63 below its budget allowance of last year. For 1933, the various civic organizations with his help, the Mattanan Sanatorium mainly through the soldiers' relief fund of which $1,800,000 came from the sale of a large tract of land for $249,709 more than its 1932 allowance of $6,154,870. This for 123 more patrol-men, six more lieutenants, for the pension system, repair of stations and extensions of the signal system.

The biggest cut in the sanitary service, where a reduction of $471,418 has been made, was this, $450,000 less than the double payment which the city will not be required to make next year on the ten-year garbage disposal contract. Most of the remainder will be saved by using welfare men on snow removal and street cleaning work instead of hiring day laborers.

The election department will get along with $65,000 next year, because there will be only the majority election instead of the April presidential primaries, the September state primaries and a November national election this year.

Estimated savings of $27,511.23 will be made at the Mattanan Sanatorium mainly through reduced food prices and collective purchasing of supplies for the city institutions. The $2,462,64 will be saved by not filling vacancies and purchasing fewer motor vehicles.

The biggest jump in the 1933 estimates was reflected in the poor and unemployment relief item, which calls for $2,462,64, as compared with a 1932 allowance of $2,293,245.72. To the budget allowances for this year, was added money (from the Park Fund) of $5,000,000, which was contributed to the relief fund of which $1,000,000 came from the city employees, the city, county and school employees. The soldiers' relief department has a slight gain of $4, mainly because veterans who finished their work on the construction of the Kenmore square subway have been dropped from the rolls. The 1932 allowance for soldiers' relief was $712,287.05.

The park department ranked next to the police in its demands for additional money by appealing for $217,047.75 more. If the $217,000 income from the Park Fund is devoted to the park system payroll, as was the case this year, the 1933 estimates is $217,047.75 more than the budget allowances for this year by $2,462,64, as compared with a 1932 allowance of $2,293,245.72. To the budget allowances for this year, was added money (from the Park Fund) of $5,000,000, which was contributed to the relief fund of which $1,000,000 came from the city employees, the city, county and school employees. The soldiers' relief department has a slight gain of $4, mainly because veterans who finished their work on the construction of the Kenmore square subway have been dropped from the rolls. The 1932 allowance for soldiers' relief was $712,287.05.

Curley Makes War
Upon Job-Hunters

Rebukes Councillor Burke for
Leading Constituents to
His Office

There seems to be a limit to what Mayor Curley will stand in his daily work experience. He has become ex-hausted under the strain of uninterrupted appeal from friends and job-hunters. He had received a constant stream of visitors from nine o'clock until noon and then when informed that the end was not in sight, opened the door leading into the outer office and saw a hundred or more persons awaiting their chance to see him.

Two members of the City Council were there—Thomas Burke of Dorchester and Nicholas F. O'Leary of the 17th Ward. Burke was one of the 123 men who finished their work on the construc-
tion of the Kenmore square subway, and had appealed for jobs. It seemed to him that the mayor was not interested or interested in the crowd which he had seen. The mayor said to Burke.

"Are these your friends?" Burke replied. "Sure I have," replied Burke. The mayor then returned to his office.

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TO SLASH $5,000,000 OF BUDGET

Plans to Bring It Million Under Last Year

Faced with the 1933 city budget calling for the expenditure of $44,340,558.29 for the maintenance of the municipal services next year, Mayor Curley last night announced his intention to clip $5,000,000 from the estimates demanded by city department heads.

INCmE OYER 1932

The estimates for next year exceed the budget allowances for this year by $11,047,757.55. He explained that this was chiefly to the fact that the public welfare and soldiers' relief department were asking for next year $3,523,677.75 more than they were allowed in the 1932 budget.

MORE for Pension Fund

The police budget also requests $40,000 additional for a pension fund, to take care of men retired this year and in anticipation of further retirements next year. Then there are items of $30,000 more for extending the so-called "recall" signal lighting police system; $25,000 for repairs of stations, and $12,000 for more police cars.

More for Sanitary Service

The biggest cut is in the sanitary service, where a reduction of $41,183 has been made for next year. Of this, $15,000 represents the double payment which the city will not be required to make next year on the 10-year garbage disposal contract. Most of the remainder will be saved by using welfare men on snow removal and street cleaning work, instead of hiring day laborers.

Sanitary Service

The fire department, on the other hand, has actually cut $783,911.63 below its budget allowance of last year. For 1933, Fire Commissioner Edward F. McGlashan has requested $4,966,735.75. This means a saving of $40,000 by not filling vacancies, $30,000 in the cost of apparatus and other reductions in uniform and fuel prices.

Police Ask Increase

Aside from the demands for additional poor and unemployment relief, the police department asked the inquesting budget increases, with a budget calling for $248,700 more than its 1932 allowance of $6,523.

Although the city has been committed to fill no vacancies, the police department has asked for $30,000 additional next year in its payroll items for 125 more patrolmen, and $30,000 additional for six more lieutenants.

While Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox has insisted that this burden should not be placed in the tax levy, the commissioner has inserted it in his estimates with the understanding that if the money would not be necessary to appoint the new men in case of emergency.

Sanitary Service Cut

The biggest jump in the 1933 estimates was reflected in the poor and unemployment relief item, which calls for $912,319.426.50, as compared with a 1933 allowance of 89,229,215.72. To the budget allowance this year were added $1,740,111.50 for emergency purposes.

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The election department will get along with $88,342 less next year, because there will be only the mayoralty election instead of the presidential primaries, the September State primaries and the November national election held this year.

Savings at Sanatorium

Savings of $7,511.23 will be made at the Mattapan Sanatorium next year, mainly through reduced food prices and collective buying of supplies for the city institutions. Then, in the paving division, $261,043.64 will be saved by not filling vacancies and purchasing fewer motor vehicles.

Sanitary Service

The biggest jump in the 1933 estimates was reflected in the poor and unemployment relief item, which calls for $12,549,426.56, as compared with a 1932 allowance of $8,239,265.72. To the budget allowance this year was added $5,000,000 which was contributed to the relief fund of which $1,800,000 came from the pay envelopes of the city, county and school employees.

School Poor and Unemployment Relief

The soldiers' relief department has asked $238,324 for next year, mainly because veterans who finished their work on the construction of the Kenmore squareway have come back to the city's relief list. The 1932 allowance for soldiers' relief was $125,767.63.

Hospitals Are Filled

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$5,000,000 Cut
FOR CITY BUDGET
Mayor Promises Slash in
$44,340,558.29 Total
Estimates $860,000 Lower
Than Asked in 1932

Appropriations Allowed to
Be $1,000,000 Less

Budget estimates from city of Bosto-

t, department heads, not including

tels, for 1933, are $860,000 under

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ing a conference on the budget two-

take, he intended to clip the esti-

mates nearly $5,000,000, which

could make the appropri-

ations for 1933 more than $1,000,000

less than the appropriations this

year.

For 1932 the appro-

prations reached the total of $40,652,651.

Budget estimates for 1933, due for

a smash of $5,000,000, amount to

$44,340,558.29.

Mayor's Statement

The Mayor in a statement regard-

ing the budget estimates said:

"The departmental estimates as sub-

mitted to me this day by the Budget

Commissioner are $3,667,936.69 in ex-

cess of the allowances made for the

year 1932, and, exclusive of the Poli-

cE, Soldiers' Relief, City

Hospital and Long Island Hospital

Departments, are some $4,000,000 less

than the actual allowances for 1932.

"The greatest increase this year is

for the Public Welfare and Sol-

Riers' Relief Departments, these two

departments alone accounting for

$1,062,677.73, almost the entire in-

crease in cost.

"While the departmental esti-

mates contrasted with the actual allo-

wances for 1932, with the exception of

the Public Welfare, Soldiers' Relief,

City Hospital and Long Island Hospi-

tal estimates, are most gratifying in

that they represent a less expenditure

than for the year 1922, it is my pur-

pose to reduce the allowances at least

$1,000,000 below the amount allowed

in 1932, or a total of nearly $5,000,000

less than the departmental estimates.

Gross Increase $3,667,936.69

Exclusive of Public Welfare and

Soldiers' Relief, departmental estimates

for 1933 are $1,115,208.94 in excess of the

actual allowances for 1932. As indicated

in the attached table the gross in-

crease in 1932, $5,000,000 over those

of the 1932 allowances is $3,667,936.69.

Public Welfare and Soldiers' Relief

allowed for $3,562,877.75 of this in-

crease. "A survey indicates that in 33 cases

departmental requests exceed last year's

allowances; 29 requests lower than last

year, and two show no change.

Among departments showing the great-

est increase in estimates are:

Sanitary Division $277,118.45

Fire $277,118.45

Paving Division $26,132.84

Departmental Savings

There will be a saving of $346,000

on the disposal of ashes and garbage

and about another $100,000 on reduced

allowances for temporary help by usage

of the welfare workers on snow removal

and street cleaning. In the Fire De-

partment no vacancies will be made by

not filling vacancies, and $10,000 in ap-

paratus.

The disposal of ashes and garbage

under the 10-year contract there will

be a saving of $350,000. In the Street

Division, no vacancies will be filled and

there will be no purchase of motor ve-

hicles.

In the Police Department boost of

$249,000, Commissioner Hultman is

adding $150,000 in the payroll for ve-

cancies that might be required to fill

in on an emergency, but, if it is not

needed, the amount will be returned at

the end of the year. There is also an

item of $50,000 for police pensions and

$30,000 for the extension of the recall

signal system: $25,000 for repairs to

station houses; $30,000 for lieutenants

filling in on captain berths.

The Park Department increase will

be converted to a reduction provided it

is allowed to use the George F. Park-

man Fund. Long Island increases are

due mainly to additional help. There is

a need of more nurses because of the

great increase in the number of in-

mates. The same is true of the

City Hospital. Most of the increase in

the City Collector's office concerns ad-

vertising and postage on properties in

tax default.

Comparative Figures

The attached table indicates by de-

partment the budget allowances for

1932 and the requests for 1933.

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CITY STARTS SALE OF HOMES
OF DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS
The tax sale by the city of Boston, of
homes on which taxes for 1931 have
not been paid, started yesterday at
City Hall Annex. Only about half of
the 750 parcels advertised recently
as being up for sale were offered be-
cause the owners took advantage of
Mayor Curley's offer to pay 25 percent
of the amount remaining due by Dec. 1.
A small group of professional tax
title buyers participated in the sale
yesterday and confined their pur-
chases to homes which the amounts
due were comparatively small. Col-
lector William M. McMorrow said the
sale probably will be complete today.

Purchasers obtain only a tax title
and owners have the opportunity of
redeeming their homes.

City's Meat Contracts Signed
Contracts were signed yesterday by
Mayor James M. Curley, amounting to
$72,064, for one month's meat supply
for hospital and harbor institutions.
of the four interested civic organizations. This program included reduction of salaries of city and county employees; reduction of personnel by abolition of unnecessary positions and the reorganization and centralization of his departments; reorganization of the welfare and supply departments; real competitive bidding for all purchases; discontinuance of non-essential activities.

"We suggest," the program said, "that city officials and private agencies set as their goal, a reduction of total requirements for 1933, as far as possible below $70,000,000, and that they should plan ahead to effect a further reduction in 1934. We recognize the fact that a large proportion of these requirements lies outside the sole control of the mayor, and that as to other requirements there is divided control. But a well conceived program of reorganization on which city officials and private agencies can agree, should have an effect on all requirements of the city government, regardless of where the primary responsibility lies."

Mayor Curley had something to do today besides cater to the wants of two score persons brought in to see him by Councilman Thomas Burke of ward 17, Dorchester. The mayor said so in so many words and exception was taken to his remarks by Councilman Burke.

The mayor found 40 gathered in the reception room when he came out of his office this morning. The mayor addressed the group and said: "If you have appointments with city officials, go upstairs to the city council chamber. I have business to do."

Most of those present started to walk out. Curley walked back an address Councilman Burke in the group, said: "I understand you have 40 persons here." Burke said "Certainly I have." Curley then continued on into his office.

Burke then told reporter: "As long as I am a member of the city council I'll bring in every voter of my district who seeks assistance of Mayor Curley. The mayor has been very generous to me. He's given me my share of patronage and I'm sorry that I must intercede for so many persons, but while I remain in the city council it will be absolutely necessary for me to continue interceding."

Burke Brings 40 to Curley's Office; Executive Shows Ire

Table showing budget requests of city department heads for 1933, together with the amounts each received in 1932 appropriation. In 33 instances estimates exceed 1932 allowances, while 29 department heads ask less than they received last year.
DEPARTMENTS ASK $3,677,936 MORE FOR 1933

Few Curtailments, No Salary Cuts Contemplated By Mayor

CIVIC BODIES PLAN FIGHT FOR INQUIRY

Executive's Position Brings
City's Financial Crisis To Head

Mayor Curley last night ignored civic and commercial organizations which have demanded that he reduce his municipal expenditures at least $9,000,000 in 1933, by announcing that he intended to make $1,000,000 reduction in budget allocations for departments under his control.

The mayor's brief statement revealed that no marked curtailment of departmental costs is contemplated, and that he is not considering reductions in salaries of city and county employees or the inauguration of a more economical administrative policy.

His action is expected to bring to a head the opposition which has been directed at his policies by the chamber of commerce, Massachusetts Tax Association, Municipal Research Bureau and the Boston Real Estate Exchange.

Representatives of these organizations last night interpreted his statement as a challenge to prosecute to the limit the proposed legislative action to restrict municipal expenses and to authorize an investigation of the entire city administration.

CURLEY GRATIFIED

The mayor previously had declared that the budget must be cut at least $6,000,000, and firmly told department heads that their estimates for 1933 must be lower than the amounts they received in 1932.

Instead, the list of departmental estimates for 1933, given out by the mayor, were $3,677,936 in excess of budget allowances this year.

"That's about what I supposed he would do. It's true to form," Bentley W. Warren, chairman of the Boston municipal research bureau, said.

"That's about all we could expect from him." Frederic S. Snyder, president of the chamber of commerce, said he would comment later.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT

The mayor, in his statement, said:

The departmental estimates, as submitted to me this day by the budget commissioner, are $3,677,936 in excess of the allowances made for 1932, and exclusive of the public welfare, soldiers' relief, City Hospital and Long Island Hospital departments, are some $40,000 less than the actual allowances for 1932.

The greatest increase this year is that for the public welfare and soldiers' relief departments, these two departments alone accounting for $3,562,677, or almost the entire increased cost.

While the departmental estimates as compared with the actual amounts budgeted for 1932, with the exception of the public welfare, soldiers' relief, City Hospital and Long Island Hospital estimates, are most gratifying in that they represent a less expenditure than for the year 1932, it is my purpose to reduce the allowances at least $1,000,000 below the amount allowed in 1933, of $5,000,000 less than the departmental estimates.

Exclusive of public welfare and soldiers' relief, departmental estimates for 1933 are $17,338,724 in excess of the actual allowances for 1932. As indicated in the attached table the gross increase in the 1933 estimates, compared with the 1932 allowances is $3,677,936.

Public welfare and soldiers' relief account for $3,562,677 of this amount.

No specific indication was made by Critics of the cost of government this year, although the schedule of assessment may be larger than this year.

in comparison with budget allotments of $9,229,245 this year while Soldiers' Relief Commissioner Lydon, who has had $1,000,000 at his disposal this year figures that his department will need $985,994 in 1933.

It is certain that neither estimate will be the figure included in the budget. The mayor intends to continue the so-called "frantary" contributions of city and county employees to welfare departments.

A detailed statement of 1932 allowances and 1933 estimates does not include the school department, debts remaining to be liquidated, and the garbage disposal contract, and the consumption of a new contract, double payment necessary. The cost next year will be the annual amount specified in the contract until 1942, the year of its expiration, when another double payment will have to be made.

The decrease of $471,418 in the needs of the sanitary service is due primarily to the elimination of the disposal contract and to a reduction in costs which has been manifest this year.

The election department, because there will be but one election next year, in contrast with two primaries and a major election this year, needs $69,942.

The welfare department asks for $2,519,146, $14,000 less than in 1932.

Whiteside Comments

On Curley Statement

Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, commenting last night on the announcement by Mayor Curley that he proposed to cut the 1933 budget by $1,000,000, said:

"That's about what I supposed he would do. It's true to form."

Frederic S. Snyder, president of the chamber of commerce, said he would comment later.
A much larger reduction than $1,000,000, declared President Frederick S. Snyder of the Boston Chamber of Commerce yesterday in commenting on Mayor Curley’s announcement that he intended to cut $5,000,000 from budget estimates to bring it $1,000,000 under the 1932 total.

Criticism of the budget announcement was also made by City Councilor Clement A. Norton, who demanded the Mayor’s resignation if he believed he was not capable of cutting the budget by more than $1,000,000.

Mayor Curley was unmoved by the criticism last night and said he had no comment to make.

"Let it wait until next year," he said, "and then I’ll have something to tell them."

Bigger Cut Needed

President Snyder said:

"The announcement from City Hall of at least a million dollar reduction in the budget must be a preliminary to a proposal which we have received thus far, representing the advance estimates and requests of all departments. The appropriation for the budget is not developed—scarcely started. We do not know, nor does City Hall know, what that is.

"The necessities of the situation from the standpoint of the public are apparent. A much larger reduction than a million dollars must be had. That is but a trifles over 3 percent off the 1932 budget total of $40,000,000."

"There is absolutely no sound reason why the cost of City Government must remain pegged at its present high level. Reductions under similar conditions are being made throughout the country. Such savings constitute most valuable contribution which Government can now make toward stimulating the return of better economic conditions, with resultant increase in employment."

Norton’s Statement

Councillor Norton said he was utterly at a loss to understand the statement that the budget would be cut by "a mere million dollars below that of 1932."

"I understand," he wrote in a public letter to the Mayor, "that the cash deficit at the end of this year will run as high as $10,000,000; that there are outstanding taxes amounting to $20,000,000, uncollected only because people are unable to pay them, and that the city income will go down further next year."

He charged Boston Mayor Curley with highest tax rate of any large city in America at, "you propose to boost it still higher."
CURLEY ROUTS JOB HUNTERS IN CITY HALL ROW

Mayor Curley, overwhelmed with hundreds of applications for aid in getting federal jobs and other assistance, drove a large crowd from his outer office yesterday and engaged in a verbal clash with City Councillor Thomas M. Burke, who was on the scene.

The mayor surprised a crowd that filled his outer office by suddenly appearing before them, something that he has rarely if ever done before.

"Gentlemen," he said, "if you have any appointments to meet city councillors here you will have to go up to the council chamber. I have business to do here."

Nine-tenths of the crowd left, and the mayor, striding back to his private office, noticed Councillor Burke sitting nearby waiting for an interview.

"I understand you have 40 here to see me," said the mayor to Burke.

"Sure, I have," said Burke.

That ended it as far as the mayor was concerned, but Burke turned to newspapermen saying:

"So long as I am city councillor I will bring to this office every resident of my ward who seeks assistance from the mayor. I have 100 at my law office every day seeking aid, and 100 more at my house every night, and another 100 calling me up on the telephone."

"Mayor Curley has been very kind and generous. I have received my share of patronage from him. I am sorry that conditions are like they are."

City Councillor William H. Barker of East Boston was also there but made no comment. Burke said his constituents wanted "federal jobs and other things."

MAYOR SEeks CUT IN LIGHTING RATE

In his effort to cut city expenditures for next year, Mayor Curley has invited officials of the Edison Company to meet him this morning at City Hall for the purpose of discussing proposals for slashing the rates now paid by the city for street lighting and also for service at the various municipal buildings.

Members of the City Council lighting committee have protested that the city was paying the Edison Company $4,500,000 a year at excessive rates for service, which they contended could be cut in half by the installation of a municipally-owned lighting plant.

MAYOR TO KEEP OFFICES CLEAR

Will Not Allow Councillors to Bring Followers

Boston's City Councillors will not in future be permitted to use the Mayor's office as a conference chamber in which to meet their political followers and job-seekers. They will have to go up two more flights where the whole fourth floor is reserved for them to meet their constituents.

This ultimatum was sounded yesterday by Mayor Curley when he found pedestrian traffic held at a standstill by nearly 100 waiting men and women in his outer office.

Councillor Thomas M. Burke of Mattapan explained to the Mayor that 40 of the crowd came in from Ward 17 at his invitation and that he proposed to continue his practice of leading his constituents to the mayoral office, whenever he thought the Mayor could help them.

Councillor Burke last night stated that any controversy that he had with the Mayor was of a friendly nature. He said he realized that it was impossible for the Mayor to place the number of persons unemployed in his district.

Councillor Burke said that he believed that all contract work should be suspended and that day labor be employed in the various public works. In that way, much of the unemployment would be taken care of.

CURLEY MEETS ELY ON TAX PROBLEM

Mayor Curley, accompanied by other city officials, called on Gov. Ely today and presented a list of proposed new sources of revenue to relieve real estate of the heavy burden of taxation which it now bears.

What these proposals are, the mayor would not say. With him were City Auditor Rupert Carven, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman and Abraham Casson, the city's legislative representative.

It is understood that a comprehensive plan for revision of the present system of taxation was presented to the Governor for his consideration.

"We discussed the question of ways and means to provide relief for homeowners in this state," said the mayor.

"I agree with President Hoover and economic authorities generally that regardless of economies that may be put into effect, it will still be necessary for the states to find additional sources of revenue."

In Boston about 400 names are added to the public welfare list in October, and 500 in November. About 80 per cent of these individuals are former employees who have hard jobs for a time, but had to come back to us for aid once more.

"Between the soldiers' and mothers' relief and the public welfare department, about 25,000 families and 7,000 single persons are being given assistance," said Mayor Curley.

Mayor Curley said he did not view as practical suggestions to turn over all the highway fund to the local municipalities, but he added:

"It would be great if the cities and towns could be given enough out of the highway fund to equal what the localities have lost through decreases in the income tax collections and other revenue."

"But even with that, and with various economies which are being effected, new sources of revenue must be found."

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Whiteside Declares Mayor Has Eye on Roosevelt Appointment

$1,000,000 SAVING IS CALLED INADEQUATE

Much Larger Reduction Needed, Frederic S. Snyder Holds

"Mayor Curley doesn't care what happens to the city of Boston or its homeowners, as he hopes to get a Roosevelt appointment and intends to clear out within a few months."

This was the answer last night of Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association to the Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, which made a careful survey of the city's financial situation, have declared that a saving of at least $8,000,000 in the budget is imperative.

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Mr. Snyder's statement follows:

The announcement from City Hall of $1,000,000 reduction in the budget must be a preliminary guess. The figures which we have received thus far represent merely the advance estimates and requests of departments. The real budget is not developed. It is scarcely started, we do not know, nor does City Hall know, what they will really do. The necessities of the situation from the standpoint of the public are apparent. A much larger reduction than a million dollars must be had. That is but a trifle over 3 per cent. of the levy.

Just how high this deficit, already set at a minimum of $5,000,000, will soar depends entirely on tax payments during the remainder of the month. Already the city has been compelled to borrow $3,000,000 for current expenses on a tax anticipation note maturing in May.

Despite this outlook, city officials said last night that the mayor's decision to cut $1,000,000 from budgets under his control may be drastically increased after tax collections to Dec. 15 become known. Inability of taxpayers to meet assessments for the current year may produce a record municipal deficit of $10,000,000.

The sale of tax liens Wednesday is from presenting a program to the Legislature which is expected to include projects involving millions. The city has not materially affected Boston's program. Practically the mayor's entire time yesterday was devoted to conferences about the legislative program. Sitting in with him were Corporation Counsel Silverman, Legislative Agent Abraham B. Casson, City Auditor Carven and Budget Commissioner Fox. No statement when the program was made by the mayor.

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The noise of the gathering disturbed the Mayor and he came from his own office to tell the gathering to move on to the chamber. He saw Councilor Thomas Burke of Ward 17, Dorchester, and remarked, "I understand you have 40 of them here."

"Sure I have," replied Burke. The Dorchester Councilor said that he intended to continue bringing in constituents who seek assistance from Mayor Curley. He said he has hundreds of calls daily and considers it absolutely necessary to intercede for people in his district.
Arborway Traffic Circle at Forest Hills to Be Open Monday

Week-end weather permitting, the Arborway traffic circle at the Arborway and Centre street, Forest Hills, constructed to relieve traffic congestion at that troublesome point, will be opened formally to the public motorists and baffle enthusiasts, Monday.

Opening of the new circle will mark the completion of the Centre street widening for the convenience of motorists using the Boston-Providence link of national motor route No. 1.

The new circle is 320 feet in diameter and will permit the vehicles to weave through the intersection of the two heavily-travelled highways without forcing them to come to a standstill as they have done in the past.

Sketch above shows the layout of the new traffic circle at Arborway and Centre street, Forest Hills, which will be opened to the public Monday. The new circle, 320 feet in diameter, will relieve congestion at this point, particularly for through traffic on the Arborway and the newly widened Centre street.
HUB EMPLOYEES TO FIGHT NEW SLASH

Plans for a mass meeting of Boston municipal employees Tuesday night to protest against any increase in their present contributions to the city welfare funds were being made yesterday, according to carefully guarded but persistent report which spread among various departments at City Hall.

G. G. A. FOR SWEEPING CITY PROBE

Urges Non-Partisan Commission Take Full Action

The Good Government Association in a public statement issued last night called for an exhaustive investigation of the city of Boston, by a non-partisan commission headed by counsel of the caliber of New York's Samuel Seabury.

SEE PROBE NECESSARY

"Such an investigation, properly conducted with the assistance of public-spirited and fearless counsel, would be of great advantage at the present time," the Good Government Association said.

"There is no reason why political machinery, like every other kind of machinery, should not be inspected at stated periods, and we have not had any real investigation for a generation."

The Good Government Association's move, announced in its statement given by George R. Nutter of the executive board, would avoid a legislative inquiry as smacking of politics, but would have the investigating commission clothed with full power to summon witnesses and compel the production of books and records in a thorough probe into every branch and activity of the city government.

Wants "Real" Investigation

Ignoring the fact that the Finance Commission of the city, appointed by the Legislature, is supposed to be constantly guarding the interests of the people of Boston by continual inquiry into the city's affairs, the Good Government Association calls for a more drastic inquiry. Its action represents the decision of its executive committee in meeting yesterday.

"With regard to proposed investigation of the city of Boston," the association said last night, "the Good Government Association is in favor of an investigation, if it is a real investigation, conducted by competent persons in whom the community will have confidence.

Against Legislative Inquiry

"We are not in favor of an investigation conducted by the Legislature, because we feel that an investigation conducted by a Republican Legislature of a city which is largely Democratic will be open to the charge of politics."

"We believe that the investigating body should be appointed in very much the same way as the first Finance Commission. That is, it should consist of citizens of Boston nominated by the leading commercial and business organizations of the city, such as the Chamber of Commerce, the Real Estate Exchange, the Bar Association, and others of that kind."

Authority From Legislature

"The function of the Legislature should be to clothe this commission with the necessary power to call witnesses and compel the production of books and records, and to arrange by legislative enactment for the necessary payment of the expenses by the city itself."

The executive committee of the Good Government Association, which moved for such an investigation of the city government, includes the following members besides Mr. Nutter: LeBarre R. Barker, Jr., John Codman, Abigail Holmes, Elliot N. Jones, Laurence O. Pratt, Hilda H. Quirk, Robert B. Stone and Arthur V. Woodworth.

MANY MAKE PART PAYMENT OF TAXES

Big Response to Order of Mayor Curley

Mayor Curley's order to City Collector William H. McMorrow to accept less than 25 percent of unpaid 1931 taxes, apparently has met with the approval of homeowners, because of the tremendous response. Men and women unable to pay all that is due have appeared at the office of the collector with a portion of the taxes.

The city record contains a list of 7500 properties upon which taxes are unpaid, the largest list in history, already many of the properties will not be sold on Dec. 5 because the partial payment has been made. It is expected that despite the record list so many homeowners will pay better than 25 percent before Dec. 5 that only a small proportion of the advertised list will be sold on Dec. 5.

CAPT HEALY RETIRED AT HIS OWN REQUEST

Capt Michael Healy of Station 8, South Boston, today was retired from the Police Department on his own request by Mayor James M. Curley.

Capt Healy is almost 64 years of age and has been in the department 54 years. The retirement becomes effective Dec. 1.

CITY HALL DRIED UP BY TWO POLICEMEN

Mayor Cannot Even Get Drink of Water

Wets have contended that a man can get a drink any place in Boston, but City Hall was a notable exception this morning, when the proverbial aridity of the Sahara was visited upon the School building by two members of the Boston Police Department. So efficiently and thoroughly did they dry up the hall that the Mayor couldn't even get a drink of water.

A leak in the water pipes was discovered during the night by policemen Walter Bird and Thomas Barrett. The water was dripping dangerously close to important documents in the office of City Clerk Wilfred Doyle.

The officers removed all these valuable papers from tills near the leak and put them in a safer place, later turning off the water in the building. It was not until 10:30 this morning that water again was turned on.
NO FEDERAL PLUMS TILL NEXT MARCH

Walsh, Ely, Maynard Will Be Consulted

BY ROBERT L. NORTON

There will be no attempt to come to any agreement upon the dispensing of federal patronage in Massachusetts. In point of fact, the President-elect Roosevelt takes office.

The question of who will get the jobs is hardly more interesting than the question of who will distribute them.

WALSH TO BE CONSULTED

As the acknowledged Democratic leader of the State, Senator Walsh will of course exercise considerable influence, but it is doubtful if he will wish to assume full responsibility for all appointments since the candidates for every place are already legion. There never have been so many "deserving Democrats" at any time in history as at present.

Under the traditional custom of both parties, the senior Senator from the State where an appointment is made is always notified by the White House, that is unless he is out of favor.

In all appointments which have to be confirmed by the Senate this procedure is necessary since that body, except in rare instances, votes to confirm or reject an appointee on the word of the Senator or Senators from the State. Their approval is absolutely necessary.

Ely and Maynard Strong

Besides his leadership in the State, Walsh will be of great importance to the administration. With the Senator in the Senate because of his experience, committee rank and general prestige. It is therefore certain that no appointment can be made without his approval.

On the other hand Governor Ely is the national committee man and custom also requires his okay. Then there is the Senator, Mr. Coolidge, and Chairman Maynard of the State committee. Maynard will likely be given consideration for an appointment but his place has been abolished.

How Curley Rates

But the distribution of the plums is likely to be somewhat complicated by the fact that Mayor Curley was the original Roosevelt leader in the State. Curley not only contributed $5,000 to the campaign in its closing weeks, but he is said to have paid his own expenses on the Western tour. He also made a considerable contribution to the candidates in this State.

There is no doubt that Mayor Curley will also be a strong factor when the plums are handed around. It is the fact, as to Mayor states, that no promise of a political appointment was made to him during the campaign and neither did he seek any such promise.

For many months to come the matter of federal patronage will be purely speculative.

There is no doubt, however, so far as Mayor Curley is concerned but that he will be accorded recognition in Washington by the new President should be desire to hold office after his term expires next year. It is very much to be doubted, however, if the Mayor would resign to take any place before the expiration of his term.

Another important figure in advising the President as to New England appointments will be Robert Jackson of New Hampshire who was in charge of the speakers' bureau during the campaign and a member of the "inner council."

W. M. C. KELLEHER COMPANY TODAY RECEIVED THE CONTRACT TO BUILD THE NEW FIRE STATION AT 509 HUNTINGTON AVENUE, WHICH WILL HOUSE THE APPLIANCE bp STATION AT 660 HUNTINGTON AVENUE, WHICH WILL HOUSE THE APPLIANCE long stationed at the corner of Longwood and Brookline avenues. The successful bidder was the lowest of nineteen competitors, the price being $18,400, or 25 per cent below the estimate. The high price was $40,000.

MAYOR 58 YEARS OLD TOMORROW

Gold Fountain Pen Gift of His Office Force

Conspicuous telegram, letters and gifts poured in on Mayor Curley today in advance of his 58th birthday tomorrow. He will spend the day at his home on Jamaica Way.

A gift received today that gave the Mayor much pleasure was a gold fountain pen from his office force. It was a timely gift, in view of the fact that on election night, at the Hotel Biltmore, Mayor Curley gave his favorite pen to James J. Farley, who needed a pen at the time, to tabulate certain returns.

DEMANDS CURLEY FIGHT WATERWAYS PROJECT

Councilman Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park yesterday asked Mayor Curley by letter to appear immediately in Washington and file the protest of Boston against the St. Lawrence waterway project now under consideration by the federal government.

"If this project goes through," wrote Norton, "it means the drying up of the foreign business of the port of Boston for our day at least," and he appealed to the Mayor to protest because of the injury which will be done railroads as well as all North Atlantic ports."

ASKS CRITICS TO TAX PARLEY

Mayor to Hold Conference Tuesday

Critics of Boston's city government were invited last night by Mayor Curley to come to City Hall Tuesday to present their proposals for reducing the 1931 tax rate.

The Mayor has reserved the spacious chamber of the City Council at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, not only for the Chamber of Commerce, the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Finance Commission, which have sat in with him to discuss the city budget in the past, but, for the first time, he will welcome the Good Government Association.

To this group he has also added friend and foe in the City Council, the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau, the Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange, officials of the Boston Central Labor Union, the State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, and the newspaper editors of the city.

Discussing his reasons for the blanket invitation this year, the Mayor declared, "The importance of the subject matter to be considered is such that I have seen fit to extend invitations to these individuals and organizations with the sincere hope that they will be present."
CURLEY FOR PUTTING ZOO SURPLUS ON LONG ISLAND

Mayor Curley's suggestion for future disposition of excess deer and buffaloes at Franklin Park is that they be transferred to Long Island and there be allowed to increase in order that they may be slaughtered to feed the inmates of the public institution there.

Park Commissioner Long stated yesterday that a fence be provided on the island by Spring, some of the animals at the Park could then be transferred there as beginnings of new herds.

The Mayor has notified the Commissioner to sell the present excess number of deer and buffalo for $1475 to a bidder whose name was not revealed by the Commissioner.

MAURICE J. TOBIN WEDS BRIGHTON GIRL

School Board Member's Bride Helen Noonan

School Committeeman Maurice J. Tobin of Roxbury was married this morning in St. Aidan's Church, Brookline, to Miss Helen Noonan of Kneers road, Brighton. The ceremony was performed by Rev James H. O'Connell of St. Aidan's Church. He also celebrated the nuptial mass. Rev William Lyons of St. Theresa's Church, West Roxbury, was on the altar.

James Tobin, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and the bridesmaid was Miss Catherine Noonan, sister of the bride. The ushers were Edmund L. Dolan, city treasurer; Edmund Noonan, James O'Keefe, Cornelius Reardon, secretary member of the Boston Street Commissioners; Joseph McGreevey, Francis R. Kelly, George Hughes, John Murray and Harry Caldwell.

Music was under direction of J. W. Burgoyne, organist. The soloists were John Shaughnessy, secretary to Mayor Curley, and Michael Ahern, radio singer.

The bride was gowned in white satin, with a lace cap veil. She carried a bouquet of calla lilies. The bridesmaid was gowned in peach satin, trimmed with wine-colored velvet and wore a velvet hat to match. The bridegroom was gowned in reach suit, trimmed with wine-colored velvet and wore a velvet hat to match.

There was a reception at the home of the bride's parents. Among those at the church were Edward M. Gallagher, president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, Municipal Research Bureau, Good Government Association; Boston Real Estate Exchange, Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange, Boston Finance Commission; Officials of the Central Labor Union, State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, Editors of Boston Newspapers.

Yesterday budget matters, possible economies, etc., were discussed at a conference in the Mayor's office attended by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, Other than the announcement of the Tuesday meeting, no statement was given out.

NONRESIDENTS WORKING ON CITY JOB, DOWD SAYS

City Councillor John F. Dowd yesterday addressed a communication to Mayor Curley charging that of 51 men employed on the new schoolhouse in Grove Hall, 14 live in Wellesley, Waymouth and Somerville, and asked the Mayor to confer with Louis K. Rourke, superintendent of construction. Mr Dowd admitted the lack of control over the Mayor over the School Department and addressed a similar letter to School Committee members.

Mayor Cummings, contractor on the job, said last night that but three employees lived outside of Boston, and that they were foremen and old employees. Mr Cummings declared there was nothing in the specifications demanding that only citizens of Boston be employed, though he yesterday bid on a Cambridge contract that specified Cambridge citizens.

CURLEY FOR ROAD DESPITE PROTESTS

Approves Contract for Centre Street Parkway Link

Despite repeated protests from property owners of Buchanan road and adjacent streets, Mayor Curley yesterday approved a contract for construction of a connection between Centre street and the West Roxbury parkway along a route which will skirt the rear of Buchanan road residences.

The property owners last night were considering carrying their fight into the courts and asking an injunction against the route chosen. They favor a route through the Williams farm, which had been originally chosen and on which the property owners contend the roadway could be more economically constructed.

Mayor Curley approved a contract with C. J. Maney Company for $115,000 to build the road and lay water mains. The estimated cost of laying the mains, $8000, will be charged to the public works department.

The route chosen was the connecting roadway about 100 feet from the Buchanan street rear property lines. Residents contend the road can be used by most of the traffic on the new route to Dedham-New York route 1—and will place their homes on an island between the heavy traffic of the connecting road and the widened Centre street.

Mrs James H. Callahan, writer of the protesting letter to Mayor Curley Sept. 25 signed by 14 of the Buchanan street property owners, said last night she has received no answer from the Mayor to her letter. She said action by the property owners has been withheld in the expectation of some word directly from the Mayor. The protests were given a hearing before the street commissioners Oct. 11, at which about 100 persons protested the route and none except park department officials appeared in favor of it.
CURLEY CALLS BUDGET PARLEY

Invites Various Bodies to Meeting in City Hall
On Tuesday

ASKS SUGGESTIONS TO EFFECT SAVINGS

Mayor Curley gave recognition yesterday to the multiplying demands for a marked reduction in municipal expenses next year in a declaration of willingness to accept recommendations and programs bearing on the 1933 budget which he specifically asked the city council, civic and tax associations, real estate exchanges, organized labor and the newspaper editors of Boston to present to him next week.

To a conference in the city council chamber at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon for the discussion of municipal finances and opportunities for effecting economies which will force a tax rate reduction, the mayor invited the city council, chamber of commerce, Massachusetts Tax Association, municipal research bureau, Good Government Association, Boston and Massachusetts real estate exchanges, the finance commission, Central Labor Union, Massachusetts branch American Federation of Labor and newspaper editors.

MAYOR'S INVITATION

In the invitation which was forwarded yesterday the mayor said:

The municipal budget for 1933 is in process of preparation at the present time and I am desirous that your organization appoint a committee to attend a conference and present recommendations. It is vital that every possible means be taken to reduce the tax rate for the city of Boston for the year 1933 and such recommendations or programs as your organization may see fit to present will be most welcome.

A meeting has been arranged at the city council chamber, fourth floor, City Hall, school street, Boston, upon Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 3 P.M. The importance of the subject matter to be considered is such that I have seen fit to extend invitations to the individuals and organizations named with a sincere hope that they will be present.

The unexpected action of the mayor was construed as his answer to the plan of consolidated organizations and individuals to seek legislative approval of the appointment of a commission to make a complete investigation of the municipal government, including the school committee, county departments and the finance commission.

The mayor's attitude was quickly interpreted as a move to silence the demands of critics of his administration by providing them with the opportunity to point out how municipal costs can be so reduced that they will force a substantial tax rate reduction.

He included in his invitations every organization except one which has been pictured as interested in the resolution for an investigation awaiting presentation to the Legislature. The exception is the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners Association.

Prior to disclosing that he had called a conference the mayor gave almost three hours to a discussion of the municipal financial situation with Chairman Goodwin of the finance commission, Corporation Counsel Silverman, Auditor Carven, Budget Commissioner Fox and Treasurer Dolan.

No statement was issued about the discussion; but it was learned that there was a lack of unanimity of opinion among the conferences about feasible methods of marking reductions in expenditure.

The two methods which will probably be discussed at the Tuesday conference concern elimination of municipal service and reduction of salaries. It is understood that the plan of doubling the voluntary contributions of city and county employees to welfare department funds, which ranged from 4 to 10 per cent of salaries, has been abandoned for a straight 10 per cent contribution.

Serious obstacles to a general salary reduction were discussed at the conference and it was agreed that it would be extremely difficult for the mayor to enforce any specific cut, affecting more than 20,000 employees, unless they voluntarily accepted such a slash.

The mayor has no control over the county department, the school department and the police department. In the latter department, salary matters must be decided by concurrent action of the mayor and the police commissioner.

June 1, 1931, these three departments had 10,368 of the total of 21,778 city and county employees. There were 6723 in the school department, 2566 police and 1059 county officials and employees.

CAN DEMAND HEARING

Employees protected by civil service can resist a salary reduction, suspension or discharge, by first demanding a hearing by the head of the department in which they are employed and in event of dissatisfaction with his decision, they can appeal to a justice of a district court.

Curtailment of any form of municipal service, such as school and park department recreational programs, library service and other programs which are not absolute essentials, will, in the judgment of officials, evoke widespread protest.

OUTSIDE HIS CONTROL

It is predicted that the mayor will tell the Tuesday conference that the tremendous increases in the personnel of city employees in 10 years have been in departments outside the control of the mayor. In contrast with the 3500 permanent employees in the public works department, which is usually considered as the haven for political jobs, reported June 1, 1929, there were but 3165 listed June 1, 1931.

The personnel of the school department soared from 5086 to 6723 in the same period. The number of police employees jumped from 2025 to 2566 and county employees increased from 676 to 1059.

The one department under the mayor's control which showed a heavy gain in employees was the hospital department, which reported 941 employees in 1922 and 2324 in 1931.

All municipal department heads will be asked prior to the Tuesday afternoon conference to set forth how costs in their departments can be reduced. This meeting with the officials who were closed with the mayor yesterday is expected to supply data on which attacks on alleged departmental extravagance can be answered.

CURLEY INVITES CIVIC GROUPS TO PAY PARLEY

Following a conference with department heads, yesterday, at which a city-wide wage cut to meet the municipal financial emergency was suggested, Mayor Curley last night invited various civic organizations to confer with city officials next Tuesday.

At that time, a 10 per cent wage cut will be recommended, and plans discussed for forcing the city council to adopt the recommendation. The council has been reluctant to consider a wage reduction.


Among the matters discussed at yesterday's conferences of city officials were doubling voluntary contributions, finding new sources of revenue, seeking addition to the city's share of the state gasoline tax.

Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of Fin. Com., Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, Corp. Counsel Samuel Newman, City Treas. Dolan and City Auditor Rupert S. Carven, were among those at the conference, who will also attend next Tuesday's meeting.

Curley Says Roosevelt Baby Good Democrat

Mayor Curley yesterday congratulated President-Fleet Roosevelt upon the birth of a fourth grandchild. His message, addressed "My dear Roosevelt," read:

Kindly accept my hearty congratulations in the safe arrival of the little stranger who becomes your fourth grandchild of the splendid house of Roosevelt. This is by far the finest and best of all the late election returns. The little fellow shows that he is a splendid Democrat and good fellow by the time he chooses for his arrival.
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Jackson Says Public Aid Is Overdone Everywhere

James Jackson, chairman of the Governor’s commission set up to rehabilitate the finances of Fall River, and a former State treasurer, yesterday told the New England Council’s conference, here, that unless the problem of public welfare is scientifically and properly handled, not only in Massachusetts but throughout the nation, a situation will be created in the United States which will be equal to or worse than the dole in England.

The declaration followed one just as startling, by the chief tax officials of the six New England States, and delivered by Henry E. Long, Massachusetts tax commissioner, that failure to cut the costs of government will end in confiscation of property.

These two statements sounded a warning which drew wide attention. Both dealt with public expenditure and taxation in New England, in the community taxation section of the conference, at the Hotel Statler.

Debate Waterway

At the closing general session the proposed international St. Lawrence-Great Lakes navigation was debated, with Henry H. Hartmann in favor, and Henry F. Merrill, president of the directors of the port of Portland, in opposition. John J. Pelley, president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, talking on the utilities of the railways, also voiced opposition.

It was a big day for the New England Council conference. But among the many discussions, the warning of Jackson and of the tax chiefs of the New England States was a striking high-light.

20 P. C. Cut in City Pay

Jackson declared also that a reduction of 30 per cent in the salaries of municipal employees can be justified in every community in Massachusetts, and in the entire country.

"We reduced all salaries in Fall River 20 per cent," he said. "We tried 15 per cent, but found we couldn’t get away with that. We found the average wages of the citizens had been cut more than 60 per cent, and we could see no reason why the salaries of city employees should not be cut.

"The cost of living has been cut down more than 20 per cent, and I fail to see where a small number of municipal employees should be considered a favored group. Our problem is the taxpayers’ problem, and not the problem of a favored group. Public welfare is scientifically and properly handled, in this State and throughout the country.

"Speaking of the cost of public welfare, and the method of handling it, Jackson said:

"A large item, burdening every community, is public welfare. In Fall River we finally accepted the plan of Tulio Oksa, by feeding public welfare recipients through the community welfare unit, at a cost which does not run over 10 cents a day per person.

"We have just had a report from the health commissioner, which finds the health of the children infinitely better than before.

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"We are of opinion that the ability to continue to discharge through tax payments the cost of government as now conducted, is beyond the immediate and practical capacity of the existing taxpayer, and that a continuation of the present levels of governmental costs will terminate the confiscation of tangible property, and the diminution of personal income and capital not now subject to tax.

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Deflation Must Come, Says Municipal Research Bureau

Urging a deflation of the city’s payroll, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau last night issued a lengthy statement declaring that the proportions to which this city’s payroll have reached are “alarming and unjust.”

"OVERWHELMING BURDEN"

"Boston’s payroll appropriations this year exceed $30,000,000, which is more than $5,000,000 in excess of the 1924 figure,” the statement reads. "A four-year increase of this size would be serious in prosperous times. But at a time when the public is struggling with a depression, such an increase reaches alarming and unjust proportions. It places an overwhelming burden upon workers, home-owners and business firms."

The bureau says city officials have “timidly skirted the edges of this problem, the statement further points out that the year 1933 ‘challenges city officials to more courageous and decisive action than any yet shown,’ a warning being given that ‘they cannot, without serious injury, continue to levy an inflated payroll upon a financially deflated community.’”

Laws No Ban to Payroll Cuts

Directors of the Boston Elevated Railway are commanded by the bureau for rejecting the Huntington Avenue Subway act in the statement.

The bureau points out that in the last two years the city of Detroit has cut its municipal payroll by 25 per cent.

With reference to the 1933 budget, the bureau’s statement concludes: "A mayor’s pledge to devote undivided attention to city affairs for the balance of the year, and more information as to contemplated economies, are the latest developments in the preparation of the 1933 budget. Both are encouraging signs."

The inclusion of the chairman of the Finance Commission in official conferences on the 1933 budget is important. We hope that this is the forerunner of a renewal of the intensive budget studies formerly made by the Finance Commission. Such studies at this time should be especially helpful to the cause of economy.

Certain indefinite references have been made to the official belief that State laws bar salary reductions and prevent the discharge of unnecessary employees. We suggest that more careful study of the laws was needed, that they contain no practical prohibitions to justifiable efforts to reduce expenditures."

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Pays Touching Tribute to Wife's Memory, Reviews Public Life Career

By BERT BROCKBANK

The coming short session of Congress will witness the modification of the Volstead Act and the adoption of a sales tax to permit the balancing of the national budget, and under the leadership of President Roosevelt next March a major construction program will result in millions of men now unemployed being returned to work.

This was the keynote of Mayor Curley's birthday message—he is 58 years young today—given in an exclusive interview at his Jamaica home, where he was deluged with congratulatory messages and surrounded by huge floral tokens of appreciation.

"I am firm in the belief that confidence in a measure has already been restored in America, as a result of the election of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt to be our next President," the mayor said.

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NOT A BIT OLDER

The political two-fisted mayor of Boston, who declared that he did not feel any older than he did when he was 21 and quoted the philosophical saying that "a man is only as old as he feels," continued:

"In the light of past experience I am not at all fearful as to the future of America. While the past four years have been hard and trying, we should not be unmindful of the fact that this nation has not lost sight of the fact that her productiveness is not impaired and that there is every likelihood that in government and business affairs we shall substitute economies for politics."

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Born in Boston Nov. 20, 1874, the career of James Michael Curley needs no re-telling here, how he worked, morning and night, before and after school, and on Sundays, to help toward the support of his humble home and his education.

His father died when he was 10 years old and from that time he has fought and overcome difficulties until at the present time he has an international reputation as one of the foremost executives in the United States.

His first taste of public life was as member of the Common Council in 1900-1901. He served in the State House of Representatives in 1902-1903. Was on the board of aldermen in 1908 and elected to the city council in 1910. He was in Congress from 1911 to 1915, resigning his seat as representative of the territory elected mayor of Boston in the 1914 election. He was re-elected for the terms 1922 to 1928, and 1930 to 1933.

MANY ACHIEVEMENTS

Among the outstanding developments he has initiated as mayor, and which placed Boston in the forefront of all American cities may be mentioned:

Promotion of the health of school children by providing playgrounds and recreation centers.

Conservation of the social and economic order, business affairs.

In reviewing his more than 32 years of public service, Mayor Curley took justifiable pride in referring to the part he played in this year's presidential campaign and the overwhelming election of Franklin Delano Roosevelt as President and John Nance Garner as Vice-President.

"Convinced that the only solution for the restoration of prosperity in America lay in a change in the national administration, and after Gov. Alfred E. Smith had declared that he would never again run for public office, I turned my support to Gov. Roosevelt."

"I had sold Al Smith so well in Massachusetts in 1928 that I at first found it impossible to unseat him in 1932, with the result that Roosevelt lost this state in the primaries. But I stood firm by my belief and contributed freely of my time, energy and money throughout the election campaign."

"At the Democratic national convention in Chicago I was not permitted to remain as a spectator, but the Puerto Rico delegation elected me as a delegate to represent that territory, which gave me the privilege of participating and voting in the convention session. It provided me with the opportunity to second the nomination of Garner for Vice-President."

SAT WITH GARNER

The mayor revealed that when he was in Congress, he had sat with Garner as member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

He also related that on his tour through the West in behalf of the Roosevelt candidacy he had carried 12,000 miles through 23 states, 2,000 miles being covered by plane, and that he had made 140 speeches in 31 days.

One touching point in the interview came when the mayor, with suppressed emotion, paid tribute to his late wife and the devotion of his children, especially his daughter Mary.

"Much sadness has come into my life in the last three years," he stated, his head bowed. "In the death of the best helpmate any individual was ever blessed with, my wife. Likewise, the loss in the fresh bloom of manhood of one of the finest types of American youth, my son, James."

"I do believe that it would have been possible for you, if I had lived, to carry on with the faith and optimism necessary in these trying times were it not for the children with whom God has blessed me."

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Politics and Politicians
By John D. Merrill

Many Democrats in Massachusetts are looking forward with high hopes to the inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt, which will work a great change in the political life of the State. His troubles, great enough under ordinary circumstances, will be augmented by the lack of harmony among some of the prominent Massachusetts Democrats.

Mayor James M. Curley of this city incurred the enmity of most of the other leading Democrats in the State when he carried on last Spring an active campaign for the nomination of delegates pledged to vote for Gov. Roosevelt in the Democratic national convention in Chicago. The Mayor was backed by the preprimary convention, but the fact remains that he made the fight for the man who was afterwards defeated and elected; and, if reports can be believed, Gov. Roosevelt himself made the decision that the Mayor should be a candidate in this State. One might take it for granted from these premises that Gov. Roosevelt was not influenced by his political and other ties to and affection for the leader of the Party of the leading civic organizations in Massachusetts. Consequently those Democrats who do not unite in supporting the Mayor's representative in this State and have the final word in selecting the Federal appointees will feel that they must be recognized.

On the other hand, although Boston has non-partisan elections, Mayor Curley is one of the most prominent Democrats in the State, and anything to be done will work to the disadvantage of the Democratic party and to the benefit of the Republicans. Currently those Democrats who do not like the Mayor may have to decide whether they want an investigation which might disclose an unfortunate condition of things in Boston, and also might, or might not, make them unpopular. The indications at the moment are that the Republican majority in the next Legislature will be likely to favor an investigation, backed by several of the leading civic organizations in the city. It is evident that the Republicans have nothing to lose and everything to gain from such an inquiry. But the situation is not quite as simple as that. The Democratic members of the Legislature will doubtless try to amend the order when it shall include an examination into the finances of the counties, the cities outside Boston, and the towns in the Commonwealth.

Such an amendment would not be wholly pleasing to the Republicans during the primary season, and they might not want to have any investigation which might displease the leading civic organizations. Consequently those Democrats who are for thinking that the counties have been dishonestly conducted, but almost all of the counties in the State have because of the efforts of the Republicans, and the Democrats would welcome the opportunity of getting through the books, of what are commonly called "the county rings." On the chance that something might be discovered which would be used for political ammunition in later campaigns.

Many Complications

The Republicans have a large majority in each branch of the Legislature and the members of that party can kill such an amendment as the one suggested above, but it is possible some Republicans will be convinced of the fairness of a proposal that other municipalities and the counties, as well as Boston, should go under scrutiny. If an investigation is to be carried out, perhaps either branch of the Legislature has authority to conduct an investigation on its own responsibility if it can obtain as much of it as is needed. The Democrats have an advantage in the Senate, on the theory that the Republicans have not been dishonest but that they have been caught in the act of fraud. The chances are that the other Democrats will not be sufficiently convinced of the necessity of such a proposal to carry it.

Mayor Curley's Administration

It would be unfair to believe that Mayor Curley's enemies in his own party are in any way responsible for the effort now being made to discredit the administration of the Democratic party by the investigation of the financial affairs of this city, but one might hazard a guess that their first inclination will be to oppose too strenuously an attempt to show that Mr. Curley's administration has been reckless and extravagant. Anything which makes it difficult for him to succeed will be much to the advantage of the coming Administration at Washington.

Most of the politicians still think that the Mayor will have influence in the distribution of Federal offices in Massachusetts. If Senators Walsh and Coolidge work against him they will not get far enough to offend the New President, for they have favors to ask of him, and if the final analysis he has more power than they have.

Gov. Roosevelt and his closest political adviser, James A. Farley, chairman of the Democratic national committee, have thus far displayed a remarkable ability to escape, or go through, embarrassing circumstances without rousing new enemies or incurring old ones. They will probably handle the Massachusetts situation so that both wings of the Democratic party will be reasonably content with what happens. Neither will be omnipotent, and each, it is safe to say, will be recognized.

Distant Elections

The political maps are already talking about what may happen in Massachusetts two years hence. The latest story is that Gov. Ely will run for a third term. It is hardly necessary to say that the Governor is in no way responsible for this report. If he had consulted his own wishes he would not have run for re-election, but he was almost literally compelled to do so; he is probably not dissatisfied after the sweeping vindication he received at the polls of Nov. 8.

The stories go further, however, and predict that Gov. Ely will run for a third term, be a candidate to succeed Senator Coolidge in 1933 and run for the Presidency in 1940. That view goes a long way into the future, but the explanation advanced for Gov. Ely's third term is that if he heads the party ticket in 1934 it will be much stronger if the Democrats had a new candidate for Governor, and that Senator Walsh, who has been coming up for re-election, will be greatly aided. The latter will doubtless win the primary which will help him toward re-election, but what he commonly admitted that the Republicans cannot nominate a candidate who would have much more of defeating the senior Senator. His popularity among Independents and Republicans, as well as among members of his own party, is so great that he cannot be beaten unless something wholly unexpected happens.

The Republicans, however, will have to go through the motion of nominating someone to run against Senator Walsh and they have not, and if they adopt the pre-primary convention they will select the strongest man they can find. They are likely to nominate Congressman A. Platt Andrew of the Essex district, but he probably believes that an assured seat in Congress is worth anything in a senatorial nomination which will almost certainly lead to defeat.
A sharp attack on "the unreasonable burden imposed on the taxpayers of Boston by the payroll of the city and county governments" is made in the Boston Real Estate Exchange Bulletin, under the heading "The Tax Dollar." It declares that "the community has not sufficient income or resources to continue this excessive payroll burden for another year."

PAYROLL JUMPING

"For three years of the depression," the article reads, "the payroll of the city and county government of Boston has been greater than it was in prosperous years, both in dollars and in number of employees. Furthermore, many of the individual rates of compensation are more than in the pre-depression years.

"To meet this payroll has imposed an unreasonable burden upon the taxpayers of Boston. The taxpayers' income has been reduced from 35 per cent to 100 per cent, but they are told that the public payroll must be held sacred from the pruning knife regardless of its damage to others. Homes may be sold for non-payment of taxes, business enterprises may go into bankruptcy and personal savings may be exhausted in paying taxes, but these factors are held to be secondary to the maintenance of pre-depression salaries.

"Since the depression began, the unavailable magnet of taxation has drawn into the city treasury millions of dollars of the public's money in excess of reasonable payroll requirements. The only concessions that those in authority have been willing to make to a tax-burdened people have been, 1, not to fill some vacancies; 2, a voluntary contribution plan to the public welfare department, and 3, the startling declaration that salaries will not be increased. Salaries and wages of public employment are almost 35 per cent of the total requirements of Boston's government. The plain fact of the situation is that the community has not sufficient income or resources to continue this excessive payroll burden for another year.

"It has been asserted that dividend responsibility among different units in the city and county government and the restrictions of State laws will prevent unified action in bringing down payroll costs. If these factors present real obstacles, effective action should be taken without delay to remove them. Such action deserves and would receive the whole-hearted support of all who are genuinely eager to bring down government costs.

"From 1929 to 1932, the total annual requirements of the Boston city government grew from $56,577,000 to $75,995,000, a 35 per cent increase.

"The property tax levy, exclusive of the overlay, which has always paid for the major part of the city's requirements, was $56,411,000 in 1929, and in 1932 it was $65,257,000, an 18 per cent increase.

"In other words, in 1929 real and personal tax levies paid 72 per cent of city's requirements. In 1932, it paid 85 per cent.

"Taxes Up, Values Down

"If the trend of the property values had even approximated this rapid increase in the property tax, there might be some justification for the larger taxes now being levied on property. But that has not been the case.

"Take the 10-year period, from 1920 to 1930. The assessed value of property went up only 25 per cent, while the city's requirements increased 51 per cent, the property tax levy increased 44 per cent, and the city debt increased 40 per cent. Since 1930 the assessed value has decreased substantially, while all the other factors have continued their upward climb.

"These facts can no longer be evaded. City officials must decide whether to permit this alarming situation to continue, which would effect an irreparable injury upon the community, or to give real estate the relief which is long overdue. Public officials have asserted that this trend disturbs them, and they state that they realize the importance of correcting it. But what is the remedy offered? A transfer of the burden to the property tax or any other source of revenue may be the only one the city government can adopt. But there must be some other solution.

"When citizens or private organizations propose the excessive cost of government, city officials may counter with the demand that the present 'tax climate' and they often thought that the entire public must remainmute unless it is prepared to give detailed advice where and how to reduce."

DEPLORES CUTTING DOWN OF CITY ZOOS

Praising Boston's zoo as "an excellent institution," Dr. Raymond L. Ditmars, curator of the famous New York Bronx zoo, and known the world over for his expert knowledge of animals and reptiles, said yesterday that he deplored the reductions being made in zoos at the present time.

The chief value of the zoo, he insists, is its educational value. "In New York our average yearly attendance is 2,000,000, of which great throng one-third are children."

SKS GOODWIN TO DO HIS DUTY

Councillor Scores Raising Award to Contractor

In a vitriolic attack on Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission, City Councillor Francis E. Kelly of Dorchester last night called upon the former to "do his duty, for a change," to the taxpayers and investigate the recent additional allowance of $100,000 that the Boston School Committee voted Monday night to Contractor Mathew Cummings for the new Girls' High School at Grove Hall, "despite former Chairman Joseph J. Hurley's vigorous and bona fide objections."

Chairman Goodwin, however, was quick in firing back at Councillor Kelly, for when the latter's letter was called to Mr. Goodwin's attention, he remarked, "Mr. Kelly is 20 minutes late, as usual. We have been investigating this situation for over a week." Beyond this Chairman Goodwin made no further comment.

"The original maximum price for this work was $852,000 and then," Councillor Kelly's letter reads, "it was increased to $20,000 and now one seems to know why, and now another extra of $100,000 is granted, bringing the total to $4,000, and the foundation has not even been partly completed."
'My Congratulations, Too, Father'

MAYOR James M. Curley of Boston and his daughter, Miss Mary, looking over some of the many messages of greeting on "His Honoo's" birthday anniversary. The mayor is 58 today, although he does not look it, his many friends say. Mr. Curley also delivered a birthday message to the people of Boston in which he predicted better days are near for the nation's jobless. (Sunday Advertiser Staff Photo.)
BOSTON SCHOOL
OFFICIAL WEDS

School Committee man Maurice J. Tobin of Roxbury, prominently mentioned as a candidate to succeed Mayor Curley, was married yesterday to Miss Helen Noonan of 11 Kinscross rd., Brighton, in St. Aidan's Church, Brookline, yesterday.

The church was prettily decorated for the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. James H. O'Connor, who celebrated the nuptial mass. Rev. William Lyons of St. Therese's Church, West Roxbury, presided.

Miss Catherine Noonan was bridesmaid, and best man was James Tobin, brother of the groom.

Ushers were Edmund Noonan, James O'Keefe, Edmund L. Dolan, Cornelius Reardon, John Murray, Joseph McGreevey, John Dailey, Francis R. Kelley, George Hughes and Harry Caldwell.

Among the guests were Miss Mary Curley, daughter of the mayor; William A. Riley, chairman of the school committee; Edward N. Gallagher, president of the city council, and Senator and Mrs. Michael Ward.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Noonan. She is a graduate of Mt. St. Joseph's Academy, and a member of the Proparvalla Club.

Tobin is a former representative, and is an executive in the New England Telephone Co.

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To each letter writer, the mayor sent the following reply:

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Attending were Mayors John J. Murphy of Somerville, John H. Burke of Medford, Richard M. Russell of Cambridge, with John Sargent also sitting in.

Mrs. Roosevelt is coming to Boston with her son, James, and his wife, the daughter of Dr. Harvey Cushing and will spend Christmas with the son and daughter-in-law, and baby Sarah Delano Roosevelt, aged six months, at the Roosevelt home in Cambridge.

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CURLEY TO HEAR MERGER PLANS

By JAMES OGGIN

Methods by which the city of Boston can save hundreds of thousands of dollars through the consolidation of many of its departments and commissions will be cited to Mayor Curley Tuesday at the conference he has called to discuss economy in the cost of government.

Invitations to attend this conference have been extended by the mayor to members of the city council, the Chamber of Commerce, the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Municipal Research Bureau, the Good Government Association, the Boston Real Estate Exchange, the Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange, the Boston finance commission, the Central Labor union, the state branch of the American Federation of Labor and the editors of the several Boston newspapers.

TO OFFER PROGRAM

The mayor will be confronted with a program outlining the increased efficiency and the huge saving of money that can be effected through the consolidation of 11 of the existing departments and commissions into five. No effort has been made to show specifically what the actual benefit in dollars would be to the taxpayers because the sponsors of the consolidation idea are anxious to obtain the mayor's reaction to the proposal before advancing it in detail.

The proposed consolidations which will be cited to him follow: park institutions commission and municipal department; collecting and treasurer's department; budget commission and auditor's department; employment, traffic, department and street commission; public buildings department.

Sponsors of the proposed consolidations are prepared to point out to the mayor, unless he raises objections, that several of these departments are entirely unnecessary and that their functions are duplicated. These consolidations would result in the elimination of many political jobs and some reduction in the number of municipal employees.

Another source of extravagance that will be cited to the mayor is the method of awarding contracts ranging from $100 to $100,000 on a non-competitive basis. No charges will be made that projects are being deliberately split up into small units for the purpose of evading regulations which demand the calling of competitive bids on projects calling for the expenditure of sums in excess of $1000. The possibility of saving money will be emphasized, however.

The penal institutions commissioner, under Commissioner William J. O'Hare, operates the house of correction at Deer Island, while the institutions department under Commissioner James E. Maguire, directs the destinies of Long Island and Long Island Hospital.

URGES PAYROLL CUT

Declaring Boston's payroll has reached "alarming and unjust" proportions, the Municipal Research Bureau last night issued a long statement urging that a payroll of $3,000,000, which is more than the 1928 figure, the statement reads, shows a four-year increase of that size would be serious in prosperous times. But at a time when the public is struggling with a depression, such an increase is alarming and unjust proportions. It places an overwhelming burden upon workers, home-owners and business firms.

A mayor's pledge to drop unneeded divisions in the city's affairs for the balance of the year and more information as to contemplated economies, are the latest developments in the preparation of the 1933 budget.

The inclusion of the chairman of the finance commission in the conference on final figures of the budget is important. We hope that this is the forerunner of a renewed effort by the legislature to undertake the laborious task of making economy in all the departments.
MAYOR CURLEY 58, AND FEELS AS FIT AS EVER

Mayor Curley spent yesterday—his 58th birthday anniversary, quietly with his children in his Jamaica-way home, after the family had attended early morning church services.

Messages of congratulations were received by the mayor from thousands of friends and admirers in Greater Boston, and from all parts of the country and abroad. Scores called at the home to offer personal felicitations, with numerous floral tributes.

Among the congratulatory messages he received, was one from President-elect Roosevelt, which read:
"Many happy returns of the day. Hope to see you soon."

Rounding out 32 years of public service, the mayor was as vigorous as ever, and no one would suspect that he had recently concluded a strenuous campaign tour of 12,000 miles, through 23 states.

"If anyone had told me when I was 15 years old that at 50 I could have made such a campaign trip and feel as fit as a fiddle on my return, I would have said that this person would be a fit subject for the Psychopathic Hospital," he said.

Mayor Curley presenting Chief Toma, with one of his famous shillehla at City Hall today. His honor also turned over the keys to the city to the Indian chief, who is appearing in person at both the Fenway and Modern theatres in connection with Zane Grey's "Golden West," one of the motion pictures on the double bill at the two theatres.

To Welcome "First Lady Elect" Here

Mrs. Roosevelt, Wife of Governor, to Come to Boston with Son, James, Wednesday

A reception to the new "first lady of the land," Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, is planned for her arrival in Boston next Wednesday night when she comes to this city as guest of her son, James, and his wife, who have just returned from Bermuda.

Mayors John J. Murphy of Somerville and John H. Burke of Medford today called at the mayor's office in Boston to further arrangements. A large crowd is expected to be present at her arrival at the Back Bay station when her train comes in at 8:45 o'clock in the evening.

There may be some speakers at this occasion; there certainly will be a band. It was said at City Hall today.
Looks Back Over 58 Years on Birthday Seeing Satisfactory Career—Job As Mayor Most Pleasing

Mayor Curley sat in the library of his home in the Jamaica way yesterday and let his mind go back over the 58 years that he has just completed. He found it, on the whole, a satisfactory career, and when he sat down to a birthday dinner table, on which a huge cake, bearing the inscription "Secretary of the Navy" and sent by a group of his Italian friends, rested, he was a man whom the world has treated well.

Last Election Pleasing

"I won it with the smallest expenditure of money in 60 years except my wife and myself believed there was a possibility of winning. Her faith and determination made it possible. It was a tribute to 15 years of hard service in minor offices. It was a most unusual compliment paid me by the people.

"Yet my last election as Mayor gave me almost as much satisfaction. A law had been passed preventing a Mayor from succeeding himself without an intervening administration. It was designed to prevent Curley, yet I got the largest vote ever. That was a pleasing compliment, too."

Disappointments?

He paused for several minutes and then said he could think of none. "I was not really disappointed in losing the governorship," he explained. "I waged the fight to drive out the Ku Klux Klan, which I had developed during the presidential struggle. The battle was lost, but the objective was won."

Disappointed in 1928

"I was an keenly disappointed as anyone could be in the failure of Alfred E. Smith in 1928. I labored as zealously and as hard as anyone in the country and came to the knowledge that it will be a half century at least of spiritual and intellectual enlightenment before the people of this country are prepared to accept in fact, as well as theory, the guarantee of equality in the Constitution."

On the whole, I have had few disappointments. The world has been good to me. I've spent a good many years studying the classics with great satisfaction and profit. If I do say so, I am so familiar with Plutarch and Shakespeare and Hugo as most anybody, and I have realized that things have a faculty of fighting themselves. Time is a great healer.

"I believe that you can't perform a mean, a low, or an evil thing without punishment, and I believe that most of our punishment is received here without waiting for the hereafter. The old law of compensation seems to take care of it here."
back into the forefront of things political, indicates a philosophical and friendly attitude in connection with the man that pleased him.

The electorate have peculiar views," he mused, "their animosities are usually passionate, but not always deep-seated. You may make them to be right, but when you are wrong the public will soon discover it and punish you, but if you are punished unfairly on two or three separate occasions, they rather grieve over it and seem anxious to make amends.

"When I took up the fight for Roosevelt I wrote my own ticket for political oblivion, but I knew I was right and was satisfied that time would show it. In the primaries I got a licking, and when I went to Chicago I was a political outcast. Then the crowd psychology turned again, due principally to the cartoons by Norman in the Boston Post.

Studied Elbert Hubbard

"They caught the fancy of the public. They had a sporty spirit to them and a sense of humor that appealed to the public. The result was a change in mind, and when I got back from the convention there were 200,000 people to greet me on Boston Common."

"As much as the Mayor is known to be a great reader, he was asked what books or authors, if any, had any considerable influence on him. "I'm almost ashamed to tell you," he replied, "but I was once a devotee of Elbert Hubbard. I stayed after the lecture and got into an argument with him about it. Then I received a tap on the shoulder from Hubbard, who suggested that Jones and I debate the subject. We agreed and there was a full house the next night, the debate being advertised as between Professor Jones of Ohio and Alderman Curley of Boston.

One-Sided Debate

"I talked 6 minutes on my side of the argument, and the professor refused to say why, saying he would need 10 days to prepare. He was booted out of the hall. I got probably the most from Victor Hugo. Not only from his beautiful literary style, but also from his sociological viewpoint."

Now a word of advice to young men contemplating a career in public life. "If he is actuated by a desire for money, I'd say 'No, stay out of It.'" Mayor Curley said. "You can look over all the leaders of the city for the past 20 years from General Collins down. They were men who in any walk of life would have achieved success in a more marked degree than they did in politics."

"Yet if I were asked to name one man on the Democratic side who devoted most of his time and energy and ability to public office and got wealthy, I couldn't name one who died leaving a fortune.

Great Field of Service

"But if the young man wanted to be of service to fellow men, Massachusetts is no field in which he could apply his talents in a larger degree and a certainty of being helpful than in the field of politics.

Mayor Curley spent his birthday home with his family. They had a birthday party with a huge cake set with 58 candles. It was the gift of a group of his fellow friends, who had inscribed across the top of the cake, "Secretary of the Navy."

He was literally swamped with telegrams from all parts of the country, including two that pleased him particularly. One was from Franklin D. Roosevelt, and read: "Ever so many happy returns that you soon.

The other was from James A. Farley, chairman of the Democratic National Committee. It read: "May you have 58 more."

WILL GIVE OUT 1500 BASKETS

Volunteers to Aid Needy on Thanksgiving

For the 12th year in succession, the Volunteers of America will distribute Thanksgiving baskets to Boston's needy. Fifteen hundred applications already have been received at the volunteer headquarters, 25 Brattle street, and this number is increasing on an average of 60 a day.

Each basket will contain a large chuck roast of beef, assorted groceries, general supplies, vegetables, canned goods, sugar, tea, coffee, milk, with delicacies for sick folk and candies for the children.

Mayor Curley will hand out the first basket, with William H. Taylor, chairman, and Max Shoolman, vice-chairman, and members of the advisory board, the City Council and others present.

The baskets will be distributed from the new Welfare Centre, Hanover street side, at 12th, Wednesday.

MRS. ROOSEVELT COMING TO BOSTON

Will Spend Thanksgiving with Son in Cambridge

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President-elect, is expected in Boston Wednesday evening with her son, James, and his wife, the former Bertha Cushing, who are returning via New York from a trip to the West Indies. It is understood that she will spend Thanksgiving day with them at their Cambridge home.

Mayor Curley and a committee of leading supporters of the President-elect in the campaign will be on hand at the Back Bay station at 8:25 o'clock, when the train arrives, to welcome the party. A band will add to the welcome.

CITY MEN'S UNION WILL HELP NEEDY

Members Extend Gift From Pay for Six Months

A unanimous vote was taken by members of the City Men's Union 149 at a meeting in Hibernian Hall, Dudley street, Roxbury, yesterday, to extend their contributions to the city's welfare fund from Jan. 1 to June 1, 1933.

TO NOTIFY MAYOR

The contributions were stopped at the beginning of the New Year, but the members felt the need of sharing their pay with less fortunate beings. The Mayor will be notified of the action by a committee.

If one of the city employees follow the lead of the city men, Albert H. Brown, business agent of a local, said he would donate the sum of $150,000 00 as their collective contributions to Jan. 1 will be doubled by the proposed extension of six months. For the last six months working as laborers in this local, have given one day's pay a month—$5—and the chauffeur member, two days' pay, or $1 a month. Agent Brown said he had knowledge of sympathy for so-called "secret" of protest meetings.

CURLEY PLANS REPEAL DINNER

Mayor Curley announced today that plans are underway for a dinner at the Copley Plaza hotel on Dec. 1 to the outstanding national advocates of the 18th amendment and the Volstead Act.

The idea is to impress upon the congressional delegation from Massachusetts that the result of the recent election is a mandate for immediate repeal, action to begin at the shortest session of congress next month.

The famous father and daughter musical comedy stage team, Fred and Dorothy Stone called on Mayor Curley today. Dorothy Stone is holding a picture of the mayor. Behind her are, left to right, her father, her husband, Charles Collins and Mayor Curley.

HULTMAN ASKS PROMOTION LIST

Calls for Names of Men Eligible for Sergeant, Lieutenant

A request for civil service lists of policemen eligible for promotions to lieutenancies and sergeancies as received by Civil Service Commissioner Paul E. Tierney today from Police Commissioner John C. Hultman.

No mention of list for promotions to captaincies was made in the request, it was said.

The police commissioner asked for lists of 12 men to be promoted to lieutenancies and 10 to be elevated to the sergeant’s rank.

Some time ago a list of men eligible to be made captains was placed in the hands of Police Commissioner Hultman. It resulted in a controversy which was carried to the supreme court. The police head demanded a new examination and a new list. Commissioner Tierney refused the demand and the supreme court ruled in his favor, informing Hultman that he must wait another year before a new list of prospective captains could be made.

Commissioner Tierney, after receiving Commissioner Hultman’s request, today said that he would forward to the latter a list of 18 names from which a dozen lieutenants may be picked and a list of 14 patrolmen eligible for sergeantcies.

Last week Mayor Curley signed retirement papers for four captains. The present list of men eligible for the rank of captain contains only four names.

The civil service commission sent a list to Police Commissioner Hultman of 14 men eligible for promotion to the office of sergeant. Of the 14 certificated, 10 will be chosen for the position, which carries a salary of $2,700 a year.


Similarly, a list of 18 men eligible for promotion to lieutenant was sent to the police commissioner. Twelve are to be chosen for this post, which carries a salary of $3,000 a year.

IN BOTH CITY AND STATE

Commissioner Long's warning of an inevitable drop of $5,000,000, or about 30 per cent., in next year's state income tax returns occasioned an encouraging echo at Boston's City Hall yesterday. Massachusetts cities and towns, among which the proceeds of the income tax are distributed, can expect only about $12,000,000 next year, compared to a total of $17,000,000 this year and $32,000,000 in 1930. This means that unless municipal running expenses are substantially curtailed, municipal tax rates will go up again, and home owners will have to shoulder an even greater load than at present.

Mayor Curley said that he expects to be able to reduce Boston's annual budget by $3,000,000. He also proposes that city employees contribute to the welfare department, which now range from 4 to 10 per cent. of their salaries, shall be doubled. This would provide substantially a saving of $2,000,000 more, because this sum, which goes into the unemployment relief fund, would otherwise have to come from the taxpayers. The mayor's apparent determination to enforce these economies is distinctly pleasing, for it is far different from his well-known devotion to large public works projects, like the Huntington avenue subway. The various taxpayers' organizations, which are strengthening their lines daily, will watch eagerly to see how much of this contemplated retrenchment actually goes into effect. Too often what City Hall saves piously with one hand it spends gleefully with the other.

While we believe that Commissioner Long is performing invaluable service in bringing the municipalities to their senses in regard to their financial outlook, we wish, however, that he would do some similar straight talking to his friends and associates on Beacon Hill. To be sure, most of the money raised by local taxation goes to the cities and towns and it is they who can effect the greatest savings. But they cannot be blamed altogether if they wonder why they should be made to hew to line when the state government goes merrily along on its 1929 scale of living. As the Springfield Republican points out, "The Legislature has refused to make economies in the state government that would be an example to the municipal governments."

For example, the city of Springfield was assessed $492,658 in 1930 as its share of the state's expenses. In 1931 it was forced to pay $317,791, and in 1932 its state tax rose to $408,229, with an additional imposition of $45,249 for old-age pensions. Boston's story is similar, only Boston has the added measure of contributing to the Metropolitan district and Elevated's deficit.

It is obviously ridiculous for the legislators to preach economy when they fail to practise it themselves. It is also difficult to ask city employees to take cuts in salaries while state employees continue to receive their usual stipends. The sooner state and municipal officials realize that they and all other citizens are in the same boat, the sooner an equilibrium will be reached.

MAYOR WANTS LAND TAKEN FOR STREET

Dispute Over Name Causes School to Withdraw Offer

Mayor Curley yesterday ordered the street commission to take by right of eminent domain whatever land is needed for the widening of Cottage avenue in West Roxbury and to designate the widened thoroughfare as St. Theresa avenue. He acted after the commission had reported to him that the trustees of the Roxbury Latin school in West Roxbury, now accessible by the lane known as Cottage avenue, had, through Secretary W. Dudley Cotton, withdrawn their offer to give 25,000 feet of land for the widening. If the city intended to change the name to St. Theresa avenue. The roadway adjoins St. Theresa church on Centre street, and a portion of the church property will be taken to permit the widening.

The following streets in the city have been named for saints:
- St. Albans road, St. Alphonse street, St. Andrew road, St. Ann street, St. Bartholomew street, St. Catherine street, St. Cecilia street, St. Charles street, St. Edward road, St. Francis de Sales street, St. German street, St. Gregory street, St. James street, St. John street, St. Joseph street, St. Luke's road, St. Margaret street, St. Mark street, St. Martin street, St. Mary's street, St. Paul street, St. Peter's street, St. Rose street, St. Stephen street, St. Stephen's street, St. William street.

SHILLALAH TO INDIAN CHIEF

Toma of Seminoles Compliments Curley

The shillalah replaced the tomahawk at City Hall yesterday when Chief Toma, in Seminole feathers and war bonnet, called at the Mayor's office to pay his respects to Mr. Curley.

In presenting the shillalah to the New Mexico Indian chief, the Mayor explained that it was the tomahawk used by the Indians of Ireland for seven centuries.

"I have heard," said the chief, "that Daniel Webster of Dartmouth was Hoo-Wah-Wah fame was an orator, but he was half as good as you, Mr. Curley, I will take off my headdress and eat the feathers."
the people. Today we have a government which represents one man—the city manager. There is not only need but opportunity to improve our government. By making the city council a real factor, those who elect the councilmen would be certain of representation.

FIN COM SCORES

DAMAGES PLAN

Calls $1 Award Decision by Transit Commission Unfair To Owners

MAYOR TOLD COSTS WOULD BE INCREASED

In condemning the recent decision of the transit commission to award damages of $1 for all land takings, and thereby force property owners to resort to judicial action to obtain adequate compensation, the Finance Commission yesterday called on Mayor Curley to compel the commission to adopt an intelligent and constructive policy of determining such awards.

The conclusion indicated that the transit board should elect to acquire property by right of eminent domain by purchase, or by the alternative method involving the assessment of all potential values.

OBJECTIONS ENUMERATED

In enumerating the objections to the policy of avoiding a speedy adjudication of awards by limiting the damages in every instance of land taking to $1, the Finance Commission pointed out:

The unfairness of compelling a property owner to assume heavy costs and wait two to four years for a judicial decree of damages.

The increasing increase in the costs to the city together with the risk of provoking jury awards far in excess of actual values.

The denial to property owners, willing to accept fair prices for their real estate, of the opportunity to enter into a contract with the city.

And the grant to "speculators who have been reaping unconscionable profits under most suspicious circumstances" of the opportunity to enrich themselves at avertable expense to the taxpayers.

The commission called the mayor's action to limit the damages assessed for $12,800 and take at Fields Corner for a gas terminal, was adjudged by a jury to be worth $192,000, despite the claims of real estate experts for the city that the maximum value was $25,000.

Other instances of the requelling of tremendous profit by speculators were cited. All concerned awards made by the transit commission in connection with the Eastern tunnel project after speculators had succeeded in obtaining options to property.

In summarizing the conclusions of the Finance Commission about the seven instances of alleged exorbitant payments by the transit commission, the Finance Commission said:

The title owners in every one of the seven parcels were begging for buyers; but the city did not take them by eminent domain proceedings until speculators acquired control.

The two largest parcels for the North street widening were taken by the city within 48 hours of the signing of agreements by speculators and old owners, though there had been publicity emanating from the city officials within a few weeks previously that the wildcat was to be on the other side of the street.

The Finance Commission stands ready to assist the transit commission to obtain, by the use of its statutory powers, information that would help the transit commission in keeping down the cost of the takings to the taxpayers of the city.

If these transit commission were to accept such cooperation, the opinion of the Finance Commission would not constitute the abolition of the Finance Commission from the powers the statutes give to the transit commission.

MORMON-CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP REAL

Utah Priest, Guest of Curley, Describes Relationship

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Father Keefe, a native of Melrose and the son of Mrs. John Keefe of 38 East Foster street, was a luncheon guest of Mayor Curley whom he greeted during the mayor's stay in Salt Lake City on his western political speaking tour.

As evidence of the relationship between Mormons and Catholics, Fr. Keefe asserted that the Sunday evening radio religious addresses of the Rt. Rev. Mgr. E. G. Hunt of Salt Lake City, delivered from the broadcasting station of the Mormon church, are admitted to attract more listeners than any other regular program.

Fr. Keefe came East with Mgr. Hunt to represent the Salt Lake City diocese at the recent consecration in New York of Bishop James F. Carney, who has been assigned to the Salt Lake City diocese. He has been visiting at his mother's home and will return to Salt Lake City to participate in the installation of Bishop Carney Thanksgiving day.

During his stay at City Hall, Fr. Keefe talked over boyhood experiences with City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, both of whom have been active in the old temperance organization known as the Knights of St. John the Baptist.
WILSON SEEKS COUNCIL CHANGE

Ex-Member Proposes Bill To Give Veto Power to Body of 15

MAYOR WILL SLASH BUDGET $3,000,000

While Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, reiterated yesterday that a petition calling for a sweeping investigation of Boston's municipal administration by a special commission will be filed with the Legislature, former Councilman Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., of Dorchester announced that he will propose a charter amendment bill to the Legislature calling for a city council of 15 members with power to veto any administrative decision of the mayor.

Meanwhile Mayor Curley, recognizing the demands of tax and home owners' associations and individuals for a reduction in taxes, proposed to cut $3,000,000 from the appropriation budget in 1933, and declared that it is probable that city and county employees will be asked to double their "voluntary" contributions to the support of the welfare department.

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Frederic S. Snyder, president of the chamber of commerce, declined to comment on Curley's proposals to cut the budget. "I prefer to withhold comment for the present at least, until we see something tangible accomplished toward the objective we are seeking, which is a reduction in taxes." Under the existing charter, the council can only reduce items in the appropriation budget. It can pass mere strokes of his pen, can veto any administrative decision of the mayor. To renew efforts, the mayor also announced that he proposes to renew his effort, defeated last year, to have the city council make a council of one representative of each borough and four members elected at large. The veto power will be vested in a council of one representative of each and four members elected at large.

The taxation conference yesterday at the Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce authorized the mayor to investigate the city's tax structure and will create a council of one representative of each and four members elected at large.

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THE END

Mayor Curley, in his move to meet demands for reductions in the city expenditure entirely out of proportion to the real value of the services rendered. It is about time that Boston entered the 20th Century. The city council, in its determination of both the major and the minor problems of the city, Boston would then have a real government representative or
ONTARIO PREMIER VISITS MAYOR

Henry See Continuance of Friendly Relations

George Stewart Henry, premier of the province of Ontario, Can., during his visit to Boston yesterday declared that whatever the Democratic policy opposing high tariffs may do, the Friendly Relations between the two countries will not be affected. 

During an interview he said trade between the United States and Canada would not be affected by high or low tariffs, that the unprofitable rate of exchange had practically ended Canadian buying in America, and that purchase of dairy products by the United States from Canada has practically stopped.

"Trade would improve, undoubtedly," he said, "with a lower tariff, but it would take far more than a tariff to affect the friendly relations between the two neighborly nations," he said.

Speaking last night before the Canadian Club of Boston at its annual banquet at the Hotel Somerset, he said that in his opinion far more Americans visit Canada for its scenery than for its liquor, and that he anticipated little effect on the number of tourists from any change in the American liquor laws.

His address was largely an appeal to his 300 listeners, most of whom were Canadians, to take pride in the land of their origin.

Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles, spoke briefly as representative of Gov. Ely, and Mayor Curley in an address expressed the hope that the tariff barrier between the United States and Canada will be levelled by a Democratic administration. Arthur W. Davis, president of the Canadian Club of Boston, was toastmaster.

Earlier in the day Premier Henry had visited Mayor Curley and had received from him a blackthorn stick from Ireland. Mrs. Henry accompanied him on his visit here.

Appointed premier of Ontario in 1930, he is one of the leading Conservatives of the dominion. He was greeted on his arrival here by George R. Erek, British consul-general; Maj. William Butler, J. Ernest Kerr, executive secretary of the Republican Club of Massachusetts, and others. He was attended by a police escort during his visit.

Mayor Curley (left) and Premier George Stewart Henry of the Province of Ontario at City Hall.

FIN CUM ATTACKS LAND-TAKING SHIFT

Asks Mayor to Act, Calls It "Rank Injustice"

Vigorous objection to the recent ruling on land taking by the Boston Transit Commission, approved by Mayor Curley, whereby $1 is paid the property owner, who is then forced to go to court for settlement of adequate damages, was made yesterday by the Boston Finance Commission in a letter to the Mayor.

The Transit Commission made its decision on awards after the Finance Commission had objected to the Transit officials paying the assessed valuation of land which the Finance Commission asserted could have been bought for much less from the owner of years instead of a recent purchaser from the owner, termed by the Finance Commissioner a land speculator.

The protest, signed by all five members of the Finance Commission, lists five objections against the adoption of such a policy. It declares it a rank injustice to a property owner to lose his property and then require him to wait two to four years and go to heavy expense of preparing his case.

It says that such a course will also be more expensive to the city and will also prevent the city from taking advantage of the willingness of some property owners to dispose of their parcels to the city at prices often materially less than the assessed value.

It also charges that such a policy plays directly into the hands of the speculators who have been reaping profits under most suspicious circumstances.

Mayor Curley was urged to have the Transit Commission take property of eminent domain proceedings in purchase by the alternative method described in Chapter 380, Acts of 1926.

CITY WORKERS TO GIVE MORE

Double Aid to Needy Next Year, Says Mayor

Boston's public employees will have to double their voluntary contributions to the unemployment relief fund, next year, to provide $3,600,000 for the needy without placing the burden on real estate owners through the 1331 tax rate, Mayor Curley indicated yesterday.

During the past year the city, county and school employees have made donations of $1,800,000 by contributing one two or three days' pay each month, according to the range of their salaries. Next year, they will be required to contribute two, "or six days' pay, which, the Mayor estimated, would represent 20 per cent of their salaries.

ROW OVER SAINT'S NAME

NOT TO HOLD UP STREET

Mayor James M. Curley today directed the Board of Street Commissioners to proceed with land takings for construction of a street adjoining Roxbury Latin School and St. Theresa's Church, West Roxbury, despite objections from naming the new way St. Theresa's Ave. A narrow street bears the name Cottage.

According to Mayor Curley, trustees of the school property, who had agreed to let the city take a portion of the property for street construction, refused to lease the land when they learned that it was the intention of the Street Commissioners to name the new street St. Theresa's Ave. Instead, it is planned to change its name if there is another name in the city. There are 14 Cottage thoroughfares in Boston.
FEAR LOSS TO CITY IN JURY TRIAL

Only Speculators Win in Land Suits, Says Fin. Com.

The Finance Commission last night protested to Mayor Curley the decision of the Boston Transit Commission to award only $1 a parcel for property to be taken by the city to provide a downtown entrance to the East Boston traffic tunnel, and force the owners to go to court to obtain land damages.

CITY TO LOSE IN END

This decision, the Finance Commission complained, would work a "rank injustice" on the property owners who would have to wait from two to four years to obtain their money through court action. It would also prevent the city from taking advantage of the willingness of some owners to sell their property for less than the assessed valuation. It would be more expensive for the city because the owners would be sympathetic towards the owners, and it would play into the hands of real estate speculators instead of thwarting them, the Finance Commission said.

The commission renewed its recommendation that a month ago that it be given advance information on proposed land takings to be made by the city, so that the Finance Commission could summon in the owners and under oath determine the real sale value of the property.

Cities $142,000 Award for Bus Site

Although the Transit Commission protested that in so doing it would be abdicating its lawful powers to the Finance Commission, Mayor Frank A. Goodwin's group of Finance Commissioners contended there would be no such abdication of authority.

The Finance Commission recalled that one jury awarded $170,000 for the site of the Fields Corner bus terminal, although the owner paid only $11,000 for it a short time before the city took it for transit purposes.

Seeking to prove that owners sell for less than the assessed valuation, the Finance Commission stated:

"One parcel taken by the Transit Commission within a few days after it was bought for $500 by a speculator was assessed for $200,000 and the city paid $82,000. Another parcel, taken within a few days after it was bought for $1,000, was assessed for $850,000 and the city paid $134,000 for it. Any one of these parcels could have been acquired by the city by purchase as the law would permit for approximately the same prices, if the city bargained for them.

"The title owners in every one of the seven parcels cited above were begging for buyers; but the city did not take them by eminent domain proceedings until speculators acquired control. The two largest parcels for the North street widening were taken by the city within hours of the signing of the agreements of speculators and old owners, though there had been publicity emanating directly from city officials within a few weeks previously that the widening was to be on the other side of the street." The Finance Commission recalled.

CITIES' EMPLOYEES TO DOUBLE GIFTS

Curley Makes Request, in Plan to Cut Budget

Calls Meeting for Tomorrow to Discuss Tax Problem

Boston city employees will be asked to double their contributions to the city Welfare Department in 1933 in order that the city may reduce its expenses next year and prevent an increase in the tax rate.

Mayor James M. Curley said yesterday that contributions from employees this year will amount to $1,500,000, averaging about 5 percent of their salaries. His request amounts to an order and the contributions will total $3,000,000.

Mayor Curley hopes to reduce the 1933 budget $3,000,000 under that of this year and $5,500,000 under that of 1932. It is understood that the Auditing Department can see a cut of greater than $1,000,000, but an extra $1,500,000 from city employees over that of this year would approach the $3,000,000.

The Mayor also said yesterday that an attempt will be made to have the State give to cities and towns 80 percent of the gasoline tax instead of the present 33-1/3 percent, leaving about $1,000,000 for road building.

He has called a meeting for tomorrow with Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission, City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and Auditor Rupert Curven, to consider steps to prevent an increase in the tax rate next year.

TRUSTEES WITHDRAW LAND OFFER

Roxbury Latin School

Officials Object to Name of Street

The trustees of the Roxbury Latin School withdrew their offer of 21,000 square feet of land for the widening and widening of Cottage Avenue west of Roxbury, on which it abuts, when it learned the newly improved thoroughfare was to be renamed St. Theresa Avenue. They felt that the oldest endowed free school in America should not be overshadowed by the name of the church which recently was built at the base of the street.

SEIZURE ORDERED

W. Dudley Cotton, secretary, and Charles S. Pierce, chairman of the trustees' committee on buildings and grounds, declared, yesterday, that not the slightest suggestion of religious sectarianism was involved in the matter, pointing to the fact that Catholics are on the Roxbury Latin School faculty.

Mayor Curley, learning of the trustees' withdrawal of the offer, and of the street commissioners' agreement on the new name of St. Theresa Avenue, yesterday, instructed the commissioners to take the land by eminent domain.

Begin Work Soon

Chairman Pierce said that the matter would be taken up by the trustees in due time, but he expressed only regret that the Mayor had gone ahead with an effort to have a "neutral" name chosen for the new street. If the present name of Cottage Avenue cannot be continued.

The street-laying out department will begin work before Nov. 30, which is three months after the advertised hearings on the project were announced, last night.

The law commands that the name of Cottage Avenue be changed when it is accepted by the city, to avoid duplication with other thoroughfares which bear the designation "Cottage." It was stated at City Hall yesterday.
ALL VETERANS PENSIONED WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS

Surprise Move by Mayor Affects Cases of Three Years' Standing

MANY PROMOTIONS NOW NECESSARY

Supt. Crowley Retained—Capt. Goodwin and Driscoll Out

Mayor Curley yesterday surprised the police department when, without comment, he signed the retirement papers of eight officers and six patrolmen which had been filed in his office for periods up to three years.

With the exception of Superintendent Michael H. Crowley, who reached the retirement age several years ago, and Patrolman John Downey of the LaGrange street station, whose papers could not be found at the mayor's office, every veteran on the department over the age of 65 years is retired by the mayor's action.

FOUR CAPTAINS

The list includes four captains: John E. Driscoll of the Mattapan station, Herbert M. Goodwin of the Jamaica Plain station, James Laffey of the traffic bureau and police headquarters and John J. Rooney of the Hanover street station.

It also includes Patrolman James E. Halligan of station 2, who has been detailed to the mayor's office.

The signed retirement papers will be sent to police headquarters today, to be acted on as soon as possible by Commissioner Hultman.

It became known last night that another captain will be retired. He is Capt. Michael Healey of division 6, at the age of 63 years, who has applied for retirement and has gone on an extended vacation.

The changes were made possible by Commissioner Hultman's decision to appoint eight captains, nine lieutenants and about 12 sergeants. In addition to Capt. Healey and the four captains retired by the mayor's action yesterday, the police commissioner has never filled the places of the following eight officers:

Deputy Superintendent Almon C. Armstrong, Capt. John W. Hyde and Capt. James J. Walkins, all of whom were at police headquarters. The appointment of a captain to succeed Armstrong would enable the commissioner to elevate another lieutenant. The commissioner has taken no action with regard to the vacancies in the grades of lieutenant and sergeant caused by retirements yesterday and prior to the mayor's action.

The offsets in direct line for promotion to captain are Lt. Thomas F. Casey of the traffic bureau, Lt. Inspector Joseph A. Dorsey and Lt. Thomas N. Trainor, both of the detective bureau. Also on the list of lieutenants eligible for promotion to captain are Frank H. Thompson, Max B. F. Thormer, Francis P. Haggerty, James F. Daley and Jeremiah J. Sheehan, all on the eligible list and in the order given.

The total on this eligible list is more than 30.

Neither Mayor Curley nor Police Commissioner Hultman would discuss the retirements last night. Although Curley had intimated several times in the last year that he would sign the papers of a large group of men before the end of the year, friends of some of the superior officers hoped that these could obtain a further extension of time.

About a year ago when the matter of retirement of Capts. Goodwin and Driscoll was considered, business men entered an urgent plea that the services of these officers be retained for at least another 12 months. The plea in regard to Goodwin was pressed in particular because of his long service and administration of station 4.

In forwarding their retirement papers to the mayor, Hultman told Curley that if acceptable to him the city was willing that the papers be held up one year. Curley consented to this arrangement, but from time to time has intimated that when the period was up he would sign not only Goodwin's and Driscoll's papers, but also those of other officers and men that had accumulated in the mean time.

Anticipating the mayor's action yesterday, Hultman recently went before the civil service commission and asked for a new examination for captains, but this was denied.

In the case of Superintendent Crowley, the mayor has said many times that he would not sign his retirement papers until Crowley specifically expressed the desire to retire. The four captains will be replaced from the list of eligible men issued Sept. 26, 1931. They need only be in the fourth highest rank of the rank in the examination.

Those retired yesterday besides the four captains and Patrolman Halligan, are the following:

LT.-INSPT. WILLIAM H. ALLEN, city prison.
LT.-INSPT. JAMES A. DENNESSY, homicide department.
LT.-INSPT. EDWARD T. CONWAY, detective bureau.
LT.-INSPT. JOHN J. MCGARVEY.
SERGT. THOMAS MCHINNAN, East Boston station.
SERGT. SEAN H. KELLEHER, West End station.
PATROLMAN ALMON L. DANIELS, Milk street station.
PATROLMAN PATRICK R. KENNY, Dudley street station.

The Massachusetts Real Estate Association, Inc., announced at a meeting last night at Field Corner headquarters that two bills will be submitted to the Legislature, one to have the Finance Commission and the other to have a State Commission, to have the present financial status of Boston, the expenditures of the present administration, the other matters related to the finances of Boston, including the expenditure of the present administration, the other matters related to the finances of Boston, including the expenditure of the present administration, and the other matters related to the finances of Boston, including the expenditure of the present administration.

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POST AS TREASURY AID IS SOUGHT FOR CURLEY

Friends Tell Roosevelt He Is Ready To Serve as $10,000 Assistant In Job With Great Power

Office Handles All Contracts

Millions Expended Through It Yearly

Porto Rico Talk Is Discounted

Mayor Says He Authorized No One to Present Name

his morning that he has not talked with anyone concerning the post of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and has not authorized anyone to present his name in connection with the post. He said that at no time has he even considered the office.

Friends of Mayor James M. Curley have suggested to President-Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt that Mr Curley would accept the post of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury now held by Ferry K. Heath of Grand Rapids, Mich, it was learned last night.

This Treasury post pays $10,000 salary, half the size of Mr Curley's present salary as Mayor. But its title, assistant secretary in charge of public buildings, public health and miscellaneous, tells something of the broad powers it entails.

Its incumbent has general supervision over practically all of Uncle Sam's existing structures, and also over repairs and alterations to these, involving the expenditure of millions of dollars annually.

Passes on Contract Awards

Moreover, a subordinate of this assistant secretary, the Treasury's supervising architect, in which position James A. Wetmore is now acting, passes not only upon the architectural design of all newly-planned Federal structures, but the department passes as well upon the specifications, terms and award of construction contracts for these.

It was to this Treasury Bureau nearly two years ago that Mayor Curley, irritated by the long delay in getting the work under way, addressed a broadside of irascible letters, in one of which he proposed that Uncle Sam should pasture a cow on the then yawning site of the $6,000,000 Federal Building in Postoffice sq.

Discussing yesterday this newest proposed honor for the Mayor, local politicians were inclined to place more credence in it than in stories that he might accept the Governorship of Porto Rico. None seemed to attach much significance to Sunday's Providence dispatch linking Curley's name with that of Peter G. Gerry for the Secretaryship of the Navy.

Could Build His Prestige

On its face this Treasury post was held to be much more to Mr Curley's personal liking, more in line with the administrative talent which few deny is his. Those who know the Mayor best hint the idea that he ever would take a Federal post as far away from the center of the political stage as Porto Rico.

The Treasury post would give Mr Curley a vacation from the Boston scene in which he has so long been a conspicuous figure, yet in a position of such prestige he might hope to preserve the general outlines of the political organization he has built. Curley's extended Congressional service prior to his first taking the Mayoralty in 1914 gave him thorough familiarity with the operations of Federal departments. And this Treasury post's functions dovetail in with those of nearly all major Federal branches.

The post with which Curley's name is now associated ranks next after that
FR KEEFE OF UTAH GUEST OF MAYOR AT LUNCHEON

Rev John S. Keefe, diocesan superintendent of schools in Utah and son of Mrs John Keefe, 38 East Poston St., Melrose, was yesterday a luncheon guest of Mayor James M. Curley, who met Fr Keefe on his Western tour for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

At the office of the Mayor, Rev Fr Keefe spoke of the long-standing friendly relationship between the 29,900 Catholics in the diocese of Salt Lake City and their Mormon neighbors. He said that the Sunday evening religious addresses of Rt Rev Magr E. G. Hunt of Salt Lake City, delivered from the Mormon Church broadcasting station, attracted more listeners than other programs.

Fr Keefe came East to attend the consecration in New York of Bishop James E. Carney, who has been assigned to the Salt Lake City diocese, and will return in time for Bishop Carney’s installation on Thanksgiving Day. Fr Keefe also discussed with City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan early days in the old temperance organization known as the Knights of St John the Baptist.

Other guests at City Hall yesterday were Premier George Stewart Henry of the Province of Ontario and Chief Toma of Galup, N. M., member of the Seminole tribe of Indians.
Mayor Plans Dramatic Slash

Hints at Doubling Levy on City Employees for Relief

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CURLEY ORDERS WIDER STREET

Directs Cottage Avenue, W. Roxbury, Project Be Carried Out

The street commissioners were directed by Mayor Curley today to go ahead with plans for the widening of Cottage Avenue, West Roxbury, and to name it, as contemplated, St. Theresa Avenue.

The action of the mayor, directing that land be taken by right of eminent domain for the widening, followed word from the commissioners that they had been informed by Secretary W. Dudley Cotton, representing the trustees of the Roxbury Latin School, the oldest Boston school, on Cottage Avenue, that they were no longer interested in the plans of widening and did not feel warranted in giving 25,000 feet of land for the project.

Two months ago, according to the street commissioners, it was agreed by the trustees of the school to give the 25,000 feet for the street widening. The plan for the widening, it was stated today, also included taking some of the land of St. Theresa parish. The church, of which the Rev. William F. Lyons is pastor, is located on Cottage Avenue.

Cottage Avenue is a narrow, winding thoroughfare, and the movement for its widening extends back several years.
HULTMAN BAR ON 8 FOR CAPTAINS

350 Police Face Shift in New Shakeup; Promotions for a Few Sergeants

Police headquarters and all the stations were buzzing with speculation and talk of drastic changes today as a result of Mayor Curley's sudden retirement of four captains and 10 other veterans, coupled with reports that Commissioner Hultman would soon transfer no less than 350 patrolmen and sergeants.

The situation, which already had the rank and file of the force commenting, guessing and listening eagerly to all sorts of wild rumors, was further confused by disclosure that no captains will be appointed to fill the eight vacancies.

This means that Commissioner Hultman is adamant in his unwillingness to make appointments of captains from the present civil service list.

It also means that lieutenants will have to take charge of some of the stations, thus altering the traditional structure of the departmental organization.

"FEW" PROMOTIONS DUE

Commissioner Hultman said today that there would be no "shake-up" in the department as a result of the retirements, but the understanding in the department is that the transfer of 350 men among the various divisions has been scheduled for some time.

Hultman also said there would be a "few promotions Thanksgiving," and this was taken to indicate that he would promote sergeants to lieutenants to fill vacancies. While he did not say so it was made clear that he would appoint no captains.


REASONS NOT EXPLAINED

There had been an agreement to wait on these retirements, because most of those who had passed the age limit have been invaluable in the efficient functioning of the department.

At police headquarters the generally accepted view was that the mayor signed the papers in a huff over some grievance the nature of which remains unrevealed.

Commissioner Hultman has the vacancies, bought for the new civil service list. Lieut.-Inspector Dennessey is as he is frankly dissatisfied with one of the most successful and highly regarded leaders in the Boston American. He has turned down his new Service Commission, famous in his line. Lieut.-Inspector Conway has specialized in a certain line of detective work and is required.

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Quick to appreciate the importance of the Boston Evening American's Christmas Basket Fund Show which will bring together the Pere Marquette and the Fittons in a charity football tilt at Braves Field next Sunday, Mayor James M. Curley took time out to express his approval today.

The following congratulatory note was received from the Mayor. Though it is addressed to the Boston Evening American it is a personal letter to you as well.

"Mr. Ray Helgeson,

"Sports Editor, "Boston American,"

"Dear Ray:"

"I beg you will accept of my congratulations upon the arrangements that have been made for a football game between the Pere Marquette Council, R. of C., and the Fitton A. C., of East Boston."

"These two teams constitute the two outstanding groups of athletes, whose proven command great attention in the sporting world.

"The game between these two teams at Braves Field is arranged for Sunday, November 20, at 2 p.m. and should in itself attract a capacity attendance. The fact that it is being conducted in conjunction with the Boston American Christmas Basket Fund and that the proceeds are to be devoted for the purchase of a Christmas basket for the needy should serve as an added incentive for a record attendance."

"It is an exceeding pleasure to congratulate the lovers of outdoor sports upon the opportunity which this game presents and likewise to congratulate the Boston American upon its wisdom and charity, in making provision for aiding the needy, which remains unrevealed."

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POLICE CAPTAINS APPOINTED SOON

Hultman to Fill Vacancies Caused by Curley’s Unexplained Action

CIVIL SERVICE LIST MUST BE FOLLOWED

Police Commissioner Hultman announced yesterday that before Thanksgiving he will announce promotions of officers of his department to fill some of the vacancies caused Wednesday by Mayor Curley’s unexplained action in signing the retirement papers of four captains, two lieutenant-inspectors, a lieutenant, a sergeant and six patrolmen.

He has not decided to fill all the positions in the department now vacant, which total eight captains, six lieutenants and 26 sergeants, he said, but he admitted that he will be forced by law to select his new captains from the civil service list of officers eligible for promotion which has arisen out of the cause of a controversy between him and the civil service commission.

FURTHER SERVICE LIST

The list for promotion to captain is headed by the names of Lt. Thomas F. Casey of the traffic bureau, Lt. John A. Dorsey, Lt. Ins. Thomas N. Trainor of the detective bureau and Ins. Frank H. Thompson, Max B. F. Thormer and Francis Haggerty. The list comprises about 36 names in all.

Mayor Curley did not explain his surprise action in signing retirement papers that had been pigeonholed at his office for months; an action which eliminated almost every officer and man past the retirement age of 65 years from the department.

John A. Sullivan, secretary to the mayor, said he was informed by Commissioner Hultman Wednesday and asked whether the mayor should sign the retirement papers. The commissioner answered affirmatively, he said.

The retirement papers of Patrolmen John J. Downey of the Large street station, which could not be found at the mayor’s office when the other papers were signed, were sent to the mayor for his request yesterday.

The officers and patrolmen retired were not members of the retirement system, under which they might serve until the age of 70 years by contributing 4 per cent of their salaries toward the system’s fund. Members of the system had declared that, for the non-member officers and men to remain in office beyond the retirement age was unfair to members.

HEADQUARTERS POSTS

With regard to promotions to fill the vacancies in the department, it was generally believed at police headquarters yesterday that Capt. Stephen J. Flaherty, William Lewis and Thomas B. J. Kavanagh, now assigned to headquarters, will be sent to stations and

that the new captains will be assigned to headquarters.

It was rumored also the posts of Capt. John W. Pine and Capt. James Walsins, who had been assigned to the office of Supt. Crowley, will not be filled by captains, but by officers of less rank.

A lieutenant and a sergeant are now holding the positions of the two captains.

The office of Capt. Alain B. Armstrong and several other vacancies probably will not be filled.

New traffic lights and the abolishment of two traffic stations has made many extra patrolmen available, the police commissioner believes, and for reasons of economy new policemen may not be appointed in large numbers.

Many rumors of shifts, within the department were heard at police headquarters yesterday, but these Commissioner Hultman declined to affirm or deny.

Sergt. Thomas McArdle, who heads the list for promotion to the rank of lieutenant, was passed without comment at the department yesterday. Following his name on the list of eligibles are Sergts. Justin McCarthy, Hugh F. Manson, Edgile J. Keating and Thomas F. Harvey, in order of rank.

General orders promulgating the pensioned retirements of 14 officers and patrolmen whose papers were signed by Mayor Curley were issued last night by Commissioner Hultman and will become effective today at the 7:45 A. M. roll-call.

POST

NEEDY TO MISS TURKEY DINNER

City Can’t Afford Amount Required This Year

Because of an increase of 400 welfare cases in the past month, the city will be unable to provide $5 turkey dinners at Thanksgiving and Christmas for each of the 20,000 families on the poor and unemployment relief rolls.

Mayor Curley, who two years ago started the practice of allowing an extra $5 gold piece at Thanksgiving and Christmas for the needy, explained yesterday that it would mean an appropriation of an extra $200,000 this year, which could not be met because of demands on the welfare department.

On the other hand, the city will start delivering coal immediately to the needy families, instead of waiting until Dec. 1, as has been the custom in the past.

To provide shoes for the needy children of the city, the Mayor announced that he was going to ask the sporting fraternity to stage charity events in boxing, wrestling, hockey and football.

Last year, no stated, shoes were supplied through a contribution of $5,000 made to the city by the Sears-Roebuck Company.

TOBIN TOO BUSY FOR POLITICS

When a man is busy preparing to marry, even the mayorality fades into the background.

This was the attitude of Schoen Committee man Maurice J. Tobin today as he hurried here and there in preparation for his wedding to-morrow.

“Gosh, I’ve got enough things to think of today without thinking of politics,” said Tobin with regard to Mayor Curley’s bailing of Tobin last night as a possible successor to the mayor in City Hall.

Speaking at a bachelor dinner tendered to Tobin in honor of his forthcoming wedding to Helen Noonan of Brighton and in the presence of several considered political leaders, the mayor declared that he, John F. Fitzgerald, Martin Lomasney and other party leaders were getting old and that it was time for young blood in politics.

Tobin is one of the youngest Democrats to hold a major political office. He came into the public eye four years ago when he waged a fierce campaign for Congress against the veteran George Holden from the

DESires BOOKS FOR HOSPITAL

Mayor Appeals for Long Island Inmates

An appeal for books for the sick and aged inmates of the Long Island Hospital was made last night by Mayor Curley following the opening of the new recreation building at the harbor institution.

Institutions Commissioner James B. Maguire outlined to the mayor the kinds of books for which the 1200 inmates have expressed a preference. And he explained that donars may leave their books at the institutions department headquarters, 890 City Hall Annex, or send in a letter and a department agent will go out and collect the books.

Topping the list of books desired are novels of all kinds. Then came travel books, adventure and mystery stories, historical novels, American history, books on current problems, history, and finally children’s books, as there is a ward of youngsters at the island hospital.
NON-POLITICAL PROBE IN CITY URGED BY G. G. A.

Investigation of Finances By Prominent Citizens Advocated

DRIVE LAUNCHED ON SALARIES AND WAGES

Payroll Burden Increasing, C. of C. and Real Estate Exchange Charge

A demand for a genuine and thorough investigation of Boston's municipal expenditures, uninfluenced by political considerations, was voiced yesterday by the Good Government Association.

The association flatly opposed the proposed legislative investigation because of the charge of politics that might be hurled against it, but advocated in its stead an investigation conducted by a committee of citizens of the city nominated by its prominent commercial and business organizations.

Meanwhile the joint committee on municipal finance of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Real Estate Exchange joined in the general demand being raised for relief from the excessive taxation burdens by urging that an immediate drive be launched to reduce municipal salaries and wages.

PAYROLLS GROWING

The committee warned that the city has not sufficient finances at hand or sufficient income in the near future to continue to bear its excessive payroll burden. The committee charged that the municipal payroll now exceeds in size the payrolls carried by the city in times of prosperity.

This committee also included Suffolk county in its drive and urged that its payrolls, like those of the city, be subjected to radical downward revisions.

The joint body, of which Samuel Cabot is chairman, charged that salaries and wages of city employees total nearly 50 per cent. of the amount expended by the city. It expressed the opinion that no genuine endeavor has been made to effect economies.

While various public spirited agencies were engaged in their proposals to force down expenditures it was learned that a secret movement has been launched at City Hall by municipal employees to protect their own interests in the fight that is being made against them.

SECRET MEETING

Their immediate objective is to prevent Mayor Curley from succeeding in his proposal to compel them to double their "voluntary" contributions to the funds of the public welfare department which have been taken out of their wages over a period of six months.

It was reported yesterday that they contemplate holding a secret meeting Tuesday night at which a legal adviser will be asked to outline methods that may be adopted to thwart the mayor's plans to cut into their present incomes.

One of the chief proposals advanced by the Good Government Association was that assurance be obtained that no genuine effort will be made to prosecute the investigation they propose. A statement released by the association's executive committee yesterday follows:

With regard to the proposal to investigate the city of Boston, the Good Government Association is in favor of an investigation if it is a real investigation conducted by competent persons in whom the community will have confidence.

We are not in favor of an investigation conducted by the Legislature because we feel that an investigation conducted by a Republican Legislature of a city which is largely Democratic will be open to the charge of politics.

We believe that the investigating body should be appointed in very much the same way as the first finance commission. That is, it should consist of Boston nominated by the leading commercial and business organizations of the city such as the Chamber of Commerce, the Real Estate Exchange, the Bar association and others of that kind. The function of the Legislature should be to clothe this commission with the necessary power to call witnesses and compel the production of books, and records and to arrange by legislative enactment for the necessary payment of the expenses by the city itself.

Such an investigation properly conducted with the assistance of public spirited and fearless counsel would be of great advantage at the present time. There is no reason why political machinery like every other kind of machinery should not be inspected at stated periods; and we have not had any real investigation for a generation.

BURDEN ON TAXPAYERS

In outlining his opposition to a continuance of the size of Boston's and Suffolk county's present payrolls the joint committee on municipal finances of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Real Estate Exchange released this statement:

For the three years of the depression, the city and county government of Boston has been greater than it was in prosperous times in dollars and in the number of employees. Furthermore, many of the individual rates of compensation are more than in the pre-depression years. To meet this payroll has imposed an unreasonable burden upon the taxpayers of Boston. The taxpayers' incomes have been reduced from 25 per cent. to 10 per cent. but they are told that the public payroll must be held sacred from the pruning knife regardless of its damage to others. Nations may be sold for non-payment of taxes, businesses may go into bankruptcy and mortgages may be exhausted in paying taxes, but these factors are held to be secondary to the maintenance of pre-depression salary levels.

Since the depression began, the unavoidable magnet of taxation has drawn into the city treasury, millions of dollars of the people's money in excess of reasonable payroll requirements. The only concessions that those in authority have been willing to make to a tax-burdened public have been (1) not to fill some vacancies, (2) a "voluntary contribution" plan to the public welfare department and (3) the startling declaration that "salaries will not be increased."

Salaries and wages of public employees are almost 50 per cent. of the total requirements of Boston's government. The plain fact of the situation is that the community has not sufficient income or resources to continue this excessive payroll burden for another year. It has been allowed to grow year after year in prosperous times with slight regard to the cost involved. It now requires the most searching analysis in order that salaries and wages be brought down to equilibrium and that every unnecessary employee be weeded out. It compels a realization of the fact that the public of Boston should not serve the city government, but that the city government must serve the public. The paramount obligation on the part of the city government is to bring its payroll down to the point where the public can afford to pay it. This cannot be accomplished as long as the public payroll is practically exempt from necessary reductions.

It has been asserted that divided responsibility among different units in the city and county government, and the reduction of state laws will prevent unified action in bringing down payroll costs. If these factors present no obstacle, then action should be taken without delay to modify them. Such action deserves and would win the wholehearted support of all who are genuinely eager to bring down government costs.

FEAR REPRISALS

Panic of reprisals by Mayor Curley is said to have actuated the county and municipal employees to proceed with their plans for opposing his extension of the system of "voluntary" contributions in a secret manner.

Methods of preventing an increase in next year's tax rate will be discussed this morning at a conference among Mayor Curley, City Treasurer, Auditor Carver, Budget Commissioner Pox, Corporation Counsel Silverman and Chairman Goodwin of the finance commission.

It is possible that definite plans for the substantial reduction of expenditures for next year will be proposed at this conference. All the basis for the mayor's decisions has been made with departmental appropriations in the budget now being prepared.
$1,000,000
May Have to Abandon Site
In Dorchester — Firm Foundation in Doubt

DECISION EXPECTED FROM M. I. T. EXPERT

BY WILLIAM GRIFFIN

The city has spent $155,000 in an effort, thus far futile, to find a completely firm foundation for the Jerome E. Burke high school for girls in the Grove Hall section of Dorchester.

What the ultimate cost of the project will be, with or without it, is a venture to say last night. This means that at the present time the cost of the school, originally set at $850,000, may exceed $1,000,000.

Borings taken by engineers of the department of school buildings have proved inadequate, and the high school building can be erected on the site only if a new foundation is found.

Yesterday, Mr. Cummings, superintendent of schools, was certain that, despite the complex problems of the foundation, the school could be built on the site. Louis E. Rourke, superintendent of school construction, reserved the right to recommend abandonment of the site if a large spring were found. Yesterday no one knew how large the spring might prove to be.

For the first time in two weeks of borings, samples were taken at a level of 38 feet below surface which indicated that hard pan capable of bearing the terrific weight, had been found. This means that at the present time the city is at least an estimate of the potential cost. Despite this, the committee passed the order and the expenditure for the building will rise to the total of $1,200,000, of which $155,000 will go for extra foundation work.

With this money the borings will continue. Samples are being analyzed by Glennon today, assistant professor of soil mechanics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon his word depends the ultimate cost of the building, for excavation of the dirt to the level he recommends will add many thousands to the cost.

Had the contractor gone ahead on the specifications laid down by the school building department, the building would have been constructed on a foundation laid on ledge and soft soil. The difference in settling would have cracked the building and sheared it in two. A break of only a fraction of an inch would have meant disaster.

The situation is complicated because the weakest point in the foundation will be where the greatest strain will be. Eight huge beams, weighing 35 tons apiece, will be placed at the Geneva avenue entrance to the auditorium and gymnasium. In addition, in the same area will be placed a boiler weighing 120 tons.

Two months have been lost by the contractor because of the procrastination of the engineers connected with the department of school buildings. He refused to believe that the rock their borings had produced was not suitable for the foundation. The rock is really so-called Roxbury pudding stone and can be broken by hand. The ledge rock found in certain spots in the area will hold a weight of 100 tons to the square foot, and the variation in settling would crack the building and send it tumbling down on school children if the contractor had not refused to go ahead.

The site is bounded by Geneva avenue and Washington street, Dorchester, on which there will be entrances, and Normandy and Wilder streets on the sides. Under the terms of the contract the contractor was to "uncover" obstructions, and in so doing the workmen found a clay pipe, supposed to have carried off water drainage of the area, which was broken at a thousand points. It had never been used.

A new boring of 24 inches in diameter, was laid and encased in a tunnel. A change in the plans of the architect, George Reinhart, was made when the tunnel was placed outside the building design. Yesterday water could be heard escaping through the pipe. It is believed that the brook can be plugged, but the spring will have to be diverted to a sump pit, where the water can be pumped out.

The unusual soil in the area, so spotty that soft rock and hard rock are side by side and shot with veins of earth, presents a problem that will take considerable time and money to solve. The water problem will mean more delay and money.

Supt. Rourke said yesterday that the results of the test of the samples obtained by boring may be ready tomorrow. He said whether the spring had been found. When asked whether he would recommend abandonment of the site if a large spring were found, Mr. Rourke said, "I would rather answer that question now." Supt. Campbell, however, felt that the foundation problem could be solved, and in any event the site would not be abandoned. Matthew Cummings, the contractor, at the request of some of the members, will make an analysis of the soil before going ahead.

OVER $1,000,000
FROM M. I. T. EXPERT

MAYOR SILENT ON CITY PAY CUT PLAN

Proposal Gains Little Favor at Conference Seeking to Balance Municipal Budget

A wage cut for all city employees in Boston was among the matters discussed at a conference today in Mayor Curley's office where methods of balancing next year's budget without increasing taxes were under consideration.

Some of the suggestions were set aside pending further discussion next Tuesday.

Some of the suggestions discussed were a doubling of the contributions being made by city employees from their weekly pay envelopes, the finding of new sources of revenue for the city, and the imposition of new taxes.

The conference was attended by Mayor Frank A. Goodwin of the Finance Commission, Budget Committee chairman Charles J. Fox, city administrator Rupert S. Corr, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman and City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan.

NOTHING TO SAY

Mayor Curley refused to make any statement, saying he would make one tonight. From other sources however, it was learned that the conference had discussed the doubling of the contributions.

It was also learned that no definite decision was reached, but the mayor may reach some decision himself as a result of today's Parley before his formal statement is made.

Some of those at today's session expressed the opinion that it would be unwise to ask city employees for a further contribution.

They are now giving one, two and three days' pay a month, and the suggestion was that they give two, three and four days' pay. They would have contributed $1,774,000 by December 21.

WORKERS—OPPOSE MOVE

Their contributions are now being made at the rate of $2,400,000 a year. The municipal employees are already taking steps to present an organized front in opposition to any increase in contributions.

When the suggestion for a general wage cut was made, it was pointed out at the meeting in the mayor's office that the city's chief executive had no control over county and school department salaries, although these come out of the city treasury.

This would place a serious obstacle in the way of this plan. Moreover, city employees would have a right to appeal a wage reduction under the civil service rules.
DEMAND PAY CUT IN CITY, COUNTY
Resources Found Unequal to Payroll Burden
Real Estate Exchange--G. of C.
Group Issue Statement

When informed of the report by the joint committee of the Chamber of Commerce and the Real Estate Exchange this morning, Mayor Curley said, "It would be very good idea if they were to mind their own business."

"The Chamber of Commerce has never paid a dividend on its common stock and has not paid one on its preferred stock for four years. The chamber is a most glaring example of the failure of an institution in the United States."

Declaring that "the community has no sufficient income or resources to continue the city's excessive payroll burden for another year," the joint committee on municipal finances of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Real Estate Exchange in a blunt statement last night demanded that the Boston Chamber of Commerce end the burden for another year, the joint Real Estate Exchange--C. of C. Resources Found Unequal

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TRADESMAN

CURLEY BOOSTS TOBIN AS MAYOR

Mentioned at Bachelor Dinner on Eve of Marriage

School Committeeman Maurice J. Tobin of Roxbury, who is to wed Miss Helen Noonan of Brighton, tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at St. Aidan's Church, Brookline, was tendered a bachelor dinner at the Copley-Plaza.

State Senator Michael J. Ward was toastmaster. Many associates of Tobin in the National Telephone & Telegraph Company were among the guests.

Others included Mayor Curley, Edward M. Gallagher, editor of the Boston Herald; Mayor Curley; the Unanimous Committee, in the Swiss Room at the Copley-Plaza, produced an additional feature to bringing out the nationally prominent Mayor of the city-- it disclosed the romantic, intellectual events that led the betrothed couple, Maurice Tobin and Miss Helen Noonan, whom he will marry shortly.

"The story of the romance which brings together one of the youngest, if not the youngest, of the men who have served on the Boston School Committee, and one of the most popular of Brighten's young women, was reluctantly narrated by John T. Murray, a life-long friend of the prospective bridegroom and one of those who sponsored the dinner, attended by more than 200.

Mr. Murray made the surprising announcement that Mr. Tobin's romance had its origin in an educational talk which had taken place between them a year and a half ago, while they were sitting in Mr. Murray's parked automobile outside Mr. Tobin's home.

"We were exchanging our philosophies about young women," said Mr. Murray, "when Maurice mentioned the name of a young woman who had impressed him, and described to me a sudden that he would like to marry. I urged him to telephone. He did, and out of our random talk came the engagement two months ago and the plans for the marriage."
REVOLT ON NEW GIFTS FOR NEEDY

City Workers Protest “Voluntary” Pay Contributions

Revolt against Mayor Curley's proposal to require city employees to make “voluntary” contributions amounting to 10 per cent of their pay to the unemployment relief fund loomed last night at City Hall.

PLAN MASS MEETING

Widespread rumors swept through the building, warning that a mass meeting of municipal workers would be held Tuesday night, but nowhere could be found the leaders alleged to be in charge of the movement.

Gossip had it that the leaders would openly defy the Mayor when the time comes and that they would take up a collection to retain counsel in their right to hold their pay envelopes intact.

During the past year, the county and school employees have made “voluntary” contributions of $1,000,000 from their pay to the relief fund, which was said to represent 5 per cent of their payroll.

Workers Fear Cut

But the Mayor's announcement of the possible necessity of doubling the demand on the municipal workers in 1933 to meet the requirements of public relief without placing the entire burden on the homeowners of the city, caused much comment in the ranks of the civil service employees.

He pointed out that under existing laws, the employees could not be discharged, nor could their pay be reduced, but the situation could be met by “permitting” them to make “voluntary” contributions from their pay.

A number of workers last night warned their fellow employees that the rumored revolt would probably end in the amendment of the civil service laws in the next legislative session to permit the removal of employees and the reduction in salaries for municipal workers.

Drive to Change Law

That a drive will be made to amend the existing laws which project public employees was indicated last night when the joint committee on municipal finance of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Real Estate Exchange issued a statement through Samuel Cabot, its new chairman, asserting "such action deserves and would receive the whole-hearted support of all who are genuinely eager to bring down government costs."

HURLEY SURE TO KEEP JOB

Little Chance of Removal, Says Senator Walsh

Senator David J. Walsh, commenting yesterday on possible appointees of the new Democratic administration, took a lot of worry off the shoulders of friends of Boston Postmaster William E. Hurley when he stated that there was little likelihood of Hurley being relieved.

The fact that Hurley rose from the ranks to his present position is given as the reason the job is regarded as non-political as long as he is its incumbent.

Senator Walsh stated, however, that every effort would be made to have the ablest man selected for the post of United States attorney for the district, which Frederick H. Tarr now holds. Senator Walsh did not state what Mayor Curley might obtain in the new administration. The story that he might accept the post of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury was quickly denied by Mayor Curley yesterday.

SEES TOBIN AS TIMBER FOR MAYOR

May Be Successor, Curley Declares at Dinner

In the presence of others who have been considered potential candidates, Mayor Curley created a sensation last night by hailing the successful school committeeman, Maurice J. Tobin, as a possible successor to himself in the Mayor's chair.

TO WED TOMORROW

The occasion was a bachelor dinner tendered to Tobin at the Copley-Plaza by friends and associates, in honor of his coming marriage to Miss Helen Noonan of Brighton. The wedding will take place Saturday.

"It is time for young blood in politics in this city," said the Mayor, "John F. Fitzgerald, Martin Lomasney and the rest of us are getting old. I won't be with you much longer. There is room and opportunity for young men such as Maurice Tobin."

The Mayor directly named Tobin as “perhaps the next Mayor of Boston."

The Mayor's remarks, coming at a time when a score of veteran Democrats are being talked of as possible mayoral candidates, caused considerable discussion.

Youngster in Politics

Tobin is one of the youngest politicians in the Democratic party to hold a major office. His sensational campaign for Congress against the veteran, George Holden Thacher, four years ago, brought him into the public spotlight, and in his election to the school committee post he now holds he polled a tremendous vote.

Despite these facts, his name had not previously been mentioned in public as a mayoral candidate. The Mayor did not elaborate on his remarks, nor indicate that he is sponsoring a possible Tobin-for-Mayor movement. His statement, however, was credited with having large potential significance.

Destined to Go Higher

Other speakers at the banquet took up the same theme in a more general way, hailing Tobin as destined for "higher places."

Some of the other guests among the long list of officeholders present at the banquet, included Michael J. Ward, state Senator, who is a Tobin supporter; William T. A. Fitzgerald, register of deeds; Edward M. Gallagher, president of the City Council; Clement A. Norton of the City Council; William F. Keily, chairman of the school committee.

Business Associates of Tobin's in the New England Telephone Company planned the banquet.

Chairman Cabot's committee protested that the municipal payroll has been greater in the three years of depression than in the preceding prosperous years, pointing "an unreasonable burden" upon the taxpayer, whose income has been reduced from 25 to 100 per cent, while the city employee pay has been "held sacred from the pruning knife."

Pointing out that salaries and wages amount to almost 50 per cent of the total requirements of Boston's government, the joint committee estimated that the municipal payroll has cost the taxpayers "millions of dollars in excess of reasonable requirements."
All Department Heads Called on Salary Cuts

Mayor’s Financial Experts Admit Trouble Over Savings Wanted in Payroll

Next Tuesday will be a vital day at City Hall in consideration of the annual appropriation bill. From ten o’clock until midnight the mayor will be in conference on the question of saving several millions of dollars for next year. As a result of preliminary considerations, it was decided to take the budget problem head on and have all departments appear and discuss their problems as a result of the outcome of today’s conference.

There will be other conferences during the day, as the outcome of today’s prolonged session in the mayor’s office, when preliminary considerations were given to several of the budget problems by the mayor, Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, City Treasurer Edmond L. Dolan, City Auditor Rupert S. Carven and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman. At this conference the mayor disclosed his wish that the city employees should contribute more money from their salaries, but rehearsed the difficulties in the way of securing consent of the county and school departments.

The civil service laws which protect a public employee, not only as to salary but as to the position itself, were discussed with an idea of making concessions in the matter of unionization to the employees which were given to several departments.

The city hall, incensed over the possibility of the unionization of the employees, contended, were impossible because of the size of the city.

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**Traffic Signals Planned for Old Colony Parkway**

Expected to Bring About Freer Flow of Vehicles and Greater Safety for Pedestrians

By Charles F. Marden

Freer flow of traffic along the Old Colony parkway, between South Boston and Neponset, is expected to result from changes that are to be put in effect there by the Metropolitan District Commission. The changes include the installation of electric control signals at five of the more important intersections and the designation of the parkway as a through street. North, the main intersection of that street and the parkway; Freeport street, north, the main intersection of that street and the parkway; Freeport street, south, the intersection at Pope's Hill; Conley, Tolman and Redfield streets.

At all the other intersections there will be erected stop and enter signs. In addition to the vehicle-actuated system at the crossings guarded by the electric control, the commission plans to include a Redfield, Tolman, Conley and Freeport street, north, pedestrian buttons, so that a pedestrian, by pressing a button on the post, may halt the traffic for a sufficient time to enable him to cross the parkway. This arrangement will be particularly useful at Redfield and one or two of the other streets where, at certain times of the day and in certain seasons, there is a considerable amount of pedestrian travel.

Carries 26,693 Vehicles a Day

The studies made by the engineers of the commission show that the Old Colony Parkway will become one of the most heavily traveled roads in the immediate vicinity of Boston. A count made in September shows that on Freeport street, north, showed 26,693 vehicles passing in the course of sixteen hours. Nearly all of these were on the parkway. The traffic studies show further that between eight and nine o'clock in the morning the peak volume of in-bound traffic, or the parkway, is 2000 to 2200 vehicles per hour, while the out-bound traffic, which reaches its heaviest volume between 5 and 6 in the evening, is from 2000 to 2500 vehicles per hour. The cross-traffic is normally light most of the day.

The commission opened bids on the new traffic control installations at its meeting this afternoon.
What Hultman Should Do

NEITHER city economy nor police efficiency has been aided by the retirement of some of the men whose papers were signed yesterday by Mayor Curley. In certain instances it was right that the men be retired. They had passed the peak of their efficiency.

But there were other men well fitted to continue in service. While it might be argued logically that these officers had reached the retirement age and should give way to younger men who had earned the positions, the times and the mayor's policy of city economy changed the picture a bit.

The signing of the men's retirement papers—which the mayor had a perfect legal right to do—results in lieutenants on the captains' list being given an opportunity to occupy the places thus vacated. But it means further that Commissioner Hultman is placed in the embarrassing position of picking his new captains from a list which he claims (and we agree with him) was made up as a result of a civil service examination that had a glaring error of judgment. The commissioner has fought for a new examination and the civil service commission has refused to give one, although it could do so easily and legally.

Economically, the net result of the retirements is that the city treasury is given at a bad time the added burden of these men's pensions.

Our advice to the commissioner is to choose the good men at or near the top and then go as far down the list as he can go legally to pick out the other men he thinks most competent to head our police divisions. The one-two-three custom could be discarded in the interests of the public welfare. Or he need appoint no captain at all. He has four captains at headquarters whose work might be done temporarily by lieutenants.

CURLEY DENIES HE SEEKS NAVY POST

Mayor Curley today emphatically denied that he is seeking the office of assistant secretary of the treasury in the cabinet of President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In a statement he said: "The statement to the effect that friends of mine have urged me for the position of assistant secretary of the treasury is entirely untrue. I am not a candidate for this position and have not authorized the use of my name in connection with this or any other position. Unauthorized statements or announcements of this character are usually made with a definite purpose in view, namely, the injury of the person whom they purport they are desirous of benefiting."

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No Money for Two Holiday Feasts This Year

The poor of Boston must provide their own Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners out of their allowances from the Welfare Department unless private charities provide for that which will only be possible if the public is generous to the organizations.

Last year and the year before there were no on the welfare rolls on orders of Mayor James M. Curley, received $5000 to provide their own Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner. This year the finances available for the Welfare Department for the remainder of the year will not permit such payments.

The Mayor today held a conference with the Public Welfare Department and announced that because of the cold weather there had been a net increase of 400 cases added to the rolls in the last 30 days. There are now 4000 single men and women and old age cases being cared for.

Because of the drain on the welfare funds the holiday dinners, which cost $200,000 annually, must be discontinued by the city, and Mayor Curley called upon the people of the city to be generous at this time. He plans to get in touch with wrestling, boxing, football and hockey authorities and arrange a series of attractions, believing that a large amount of money can be obtained at the shows and that no poor family will be without money can be obtained at the shows and that no poor family will be without

The Welfare Department was notified today to begin immediately the distribution of coal to the poor. ordinarily distribution does not start until Dec 1, he said, but in view of the threat of cold weather there can be no delay, because already there are many undernourished children who would likely die if they were exposed to zero weather.

He held a conference with representatives of the telephone companies and they agreed to deliver coal in quarter-ton lots for $1.20 and half-ton lots for $2.25, which offer he accepted.

13 Banks Will Help Save Homes

Thirteen banks, holding mortgages on property in Boston, have agreed, according to the report submitted to Mayor Curley by Collector William M. McCormick, to advance $30,000 in 1931 tax payers' the amount of unpaid taxes which will be added to outstanding mortgages.

The savings banks are: Farmers & Mechanics of Framingham, Plymouth Savings, President of Amesbury, Salem Five Cents, Boston Five Cents and Taunton Savings. Others include the State Telephone Trust Company, and the Telephone Workers' Credit Union and those co-operative banks: the Edward Everett, Dorchester; Peoples of Fall River, Randolph, Peabody and Rockland.
Curley Sees Mayorality as Hultman’s Aim

Calls Him “Slick” as Dispute Is Raised Over Retirement

No Request for Delay, City Hall Declares

Mayor Refers to Police Promotions as Good Basis for City Campaign

By Forrest P. Hall

Is Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman planning to run for mayor next year with the help of the department over which he presides? This is the question raised at City Hall today over the dispute that has arisen with the signing of retirement papers of sixteen policemen last night, the commissioner asserting that he was surprised that the mayor should act so promptly after he had requested delay, and the mayor’s office asserting that Mr. Hultman had made no such request.

Four weeks ago Mr. Curley reported a rumor that had come to his ears that Mr. Hultman had serious ambitions for the mayorality and was shaping his course to win it. Speaking more directly to the inquiry whether the commissioner had requested delay, Mayor Curley remarked that he had received no such message. Calling for the record, he asked what he knew of Hultman’s request. Mr. Sullivan replied that he had received no request from the police commissioner. With a smile, Mr. Curley said, “That’s slick, is it not?” naturally referring to the police commissioner.

“City to Pay State More Than It Gets”

The city of Boston this year will have to pay the Commonwealth more in taxes than it receives from the distribution by the State treasurer from various sources. State income and other taxes have produced a substantially larger sum than in 1931.

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MAYOR TELLS PREMIER A STORY

Dedication in Charlestown

The Clarence R. Edwards Intermediate School, Eden st., Charlestown, was dedicated last evening in the presence of a gathering of 1000 residents of Charlestown, delegations of veteran military organizations, and affiliated women's organizations.

Guests included Mayor James M. Curley, Rev. Thomas W. Davidson, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Charlestown; Principal Walter J. Phelan of the new Clarence R. Edwards School; Supt. of Schools Patrick T. Campbell, chairman William A. Reilly of the Boston School Committee; Former Chairman Joseph Hurley of the Boston School Committee, Gen. Edward L. Logan who served with Maj. Gen. Edwards in the World War in France, Mrs. Isaac J. Robinson and Mrs. Cecelia Neesen, Gold Star Mothers; Mrs. Adelaide English, president of St. Mary's Women's Club; Mrs. Gertrude McDonald of the State Department, V. F. W. Auxiliary; Miss William Fields, president of the V. F. W. Auxiliary; Miss Margaret Gilmartin, president of Abraham Lincoln W. R. C.; Mrs. Mae Woodworth, president of the Mary E. Bogan Auxiliary, U. S. W. V.; Mrs. Lillian Dowdell, past president of Adelaide Worth Bagley Auxiliary, U. S. W. V.; Miss Gertrude Robert E. Stanley of Bunker Hill Post, A. L., was sergeant-at-arms of the color guard. The program of exercises was opened by James A. Dunbar, a lieutenant in the World War, a member of Bunker Hill Post, A. L., and master of the Bunker Hill School, who introduced as chairman the principal of the new school, Walter J. Phelan.

Mr. Phelan delivered the address of welcome. He said he hoped to see in the not too distant future a Charlestown School named in honor of Col. Fred B. Bogan, who died in the Spanish-American War.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Cecilia M. Bainton, director of music of Boston schools, sang the "To Thee O Country," after which Rev. Thomas W. Davidson gave the invocation.

Mayor Curley spoke of the great task of caring for the unemployed and needy of Boston and the cost of welfare aid. He also referred to the value of schoolhouse property, the replacement of old school buildings by modern and beautiful schoolhouses, work and wages, he said, was the only way to end the depression.

Commander Frank McDonald next presented a large framed portrait of Gen. Edwards to the school in behalf of Charlestown Post 544, V. F. W. Commander Joseph P. Stoddard next presented a silk state flag in behalf of Post 11, G. A. R.; Timothy Kelley presented an American flag in behalf of Col. Fred B. Bogan Camp, U. S. W. V., and Commander James F. Powers presented an American flag in behalf of Bunker Hill Post, A. L. All were accepted by Principal Walter J. Phelan. Smaller silk flags were presented by representatives of the various organizations present. These flags were accepted by school children, who were grouped on the platform for the school. Gold star mothers also presented silk flags to the school.

MAYOR CURLEY TELLING PREMIER ONTARIO GEORGE STEWART HENRY

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"Unauthorized statements or announcements of this character are usually made with a definite purpose, namely, the injury of the person whom they purport they are desirous of benefiting."

The Globe this morning stated that friends of the Mayor had suggested to President-Elect Roosevelt that Mr. Curley would accept the post of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, now held by ferry K. Heath of Grand Rapids, Mich.

TREASURY POST STORY DENIED

Report Called "Absolutely Untrue" by Mayor

Mayor Curley today made the following statement regarding a story published in the Globe this morning:

"The statement appearing in a Boston newspaper to the effect that friends of mine were urging me for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury is absolutely untrue. I am not a candidate for this position and have not authorized the use of my name in connection with this or any other position."
CHAMPION OF THE NAVY

Mayor James M. Curley has ever been an advocate of an adequate navy for the United States, and as Mayor of Boston has emphatically opposed any suggestion of closing the Boston Navy Yard at Charlestown.

As a student of national affairs he has given consideration to naval questions, this interest being spurred on by the location of an important naval unit within the boundaries of his home city.

Because of the suggestion that Mayor Curley should be appointed Secretary of the Navy his utterances in behalf of that department and of Boston Navy Yard were recalled yesterday as proofs of his active attention to our naval affairs.

He told the New England Traffic Club October 15, 1931, when Washington was proposing to close the Boston Navy Yard:

"The Boston Navy Yard is one of the best equipped in the country. It has the best chain-making factory, best rope-making plant, best machine shops and one of the best drydocks of any navy yard in the country. About 2000 men are employed there. Mr. Hoover's apparent project in allowing the Boston Navy Yard to be closed is to effect economy. I fail to see how any economy would be effected in this way when these yard workmen and their families would be thrown on the payrolls of the Boston welfare department."

October 20, 1931, at a Chamber of Commerce meeting to protest against closing the Boston Yard, Mayor Curley said:

"Boston Navy Yard must not be closed. We know how the mind of the engineer (Hoover) works out. He desires to economize. He calls in heads of departments and asks: 'How much can you save? and you and you?' He comes to the Navy Department. We can cut out some stations here—Boston, Portsmouth, for instance. Oh, no, not Portsmouth. Can't touch New Hampshire. George Moses represents us there. But the Administration says Boston Navy Yard can be closed. We do not think so."

October 25, 1931, Mayor Curley urged that the Boston protest committee seek an interview with the President. He said:

"I stand ready to go at any time. I am quite certain that the other men selected to serve upon the committee feel the same way in view of the importance of keeping the Boston Navy Yard open."

The Mayor spoke on Boston Common on Navy Day, 1931, at a protest meeting of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement Association. That night he opened a radio campaign from station WAAB in behalf of the Boston Yard. He attacked the closing plan and also assailed the Washington suggestion to cut down the general navy personnel.

CURLEY OUT TO STOP BOOST IN HUB TAX RATE

For the purpose of considering steps which may be necessary to prevent a further increase in the Boston tax rate next year, now the highest in the city's history, Mayor Curley has called a conference of department heads for 11 a.m., tomorrow at City Hall.

Those summoned to the conference are Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, City Treasurer Edmund L. Donan, City Auditor Rupert S. Carven and Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission.

Possible steps that may have to be taken to meet the emergency were voiced by the mayor, who left no doubt as to the gravity of the situation. He said:

"It may be necessary to double the amount of money which city employees are now voluntarily contributing. There is no way by which any can be discharged or their wages reduced, so that increased voluntary contributions may be necessary."

The mayor also said he would seek a city allowance of 2 cents from the state gasoline tax, instead of the present 1 cent a gallon now received by cities and towns in the Commonwealth, out of the state 3-cent tax.

He also purposes to try to slash $3,000,000 from the city budget for 1933. This year's budget approximated $62,000,000 and the mayor is hopeful that further economies can be effected.

Boston to Get Less Cash From State Tax Funds

A decrease of $6,284,047 in the amount of taxes to be distributed by the State to cities and towns this year was announced yesterday by State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley. The sum to be distributed is $27,935,443.

This year Boston will pay to the State more than it will receive. Boston will pay $8,908,736 and will receive $6,491,696. Last year Boston paid $7,079,165 and received $8,485,799. This unusual situation is brought about by the increase in State tax, the Elevated deficit and the smaller return allotted the city from the State income tax.
M'Lord Willcox Has A Trying Morning

Finally Welcomes Premier of Ontario to Boston

M'Lord Standish Wilcox, Mayor Curley's social secretary, who has in the people's name been welcoming Prince, poet and distinguished peasan to town with indiscriminate graces 20 years, was profoundly disappointed this forenoon.

Riding in City Treasurer Eddie Dolan's sleek limousine, Dr Wilcox, representing Mayor Curley and "the common people" of Boston, escorted Press Arthur W. Davis of the Canadian Club, its executive secretary, J. Ernest Kerr, to the South Station, bent upon meeting the "big shots" express and greeting Ontario's Premier, George S. Henry, whom it was bearing hither.

In his best regal air "Stan" strode down the platform as the train rolled in. When it finally halted folks alighted and made their way out to the concourse — but none came who looked anything like a Premier of Ontario. A troubled look bespeaded the usually jovial Wilcoxian countenance as the last of the passengers went away.

Nicodemus Explains

Finally "Stan" summoned before him redcap Nicodemus Johnson of the Pullman in which the Premier had come. "Yassir, Mister Wilcox — I recognize de gen'man fr'm yo' description. Prem's time's out at Back Bay Station. I'm sho'. Proof is, he asked me last night which was de neares' station to land Summumus. I don't tol' him he all better git out at Back. Back Bay, I did. I sw'ar I never did guess you all was goin' to be yer to greet him, I sw'ar. Mr Wilcox!" Nicodemus told him.

"Stan" crossed the porter's palm with a shiny four-bit piece, hastened back to his waiting limousine, or rather to Eddie Dolan's limousine, and the welcoming party majestically wended its way through thickly-congested late-forenoon traffic out to the Somerset. There "Stan" got the Premier on the telephone, only to be told that Premier Henry was in the very midst of shaving and showering operations and would he kindly wait a quarter hour or so.

Always agreeable, "Stan" laid aside his Bond-st stick, donned his Bond-st top-piece and his Bond-st topcoat and made himself at home on a big leather lounge. To pass the time "Stan" told Press Davis all about the "tremendous" strain of making ready for his greeting tomorrow to Chairman Atlee Pom erene of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Premier Locked In

In 15 minutes, "Stan" and party ascended the "lift," and marched to the Premier's third-floor suite, only to find that Premier Henry was locked in. After three or four minutes of coaxing, the stubborn lock yielded. With all the dignity befitting the occasion, Dr Wilcox moved into the suite, took Premier Henry by the hand and, with the most cordial smile and most hearty sentiments, let the Premier know he was indeed welcome to town. Premier Henry politely declined to talk much to reporters about tariffs.
With the Mayor at City Hall for a Day

Premier George Stuart Henry of Ontario, Canada was one of the Mayor's distinguished visitors yesterday. He is signing the autograph album. He also received a Shilleleah.

Friend he met in Salt Lake City during his campaign tour, visited the mayor yesterday. He is Rev. J. S. Keefe. L. to r., Mary Curley, the mayor's daughter, Mayor Curley, and Fr. Keefe.

Actress. Mayor Curley as he presented a picture of George Washington to Lolita Robertson, of "The Du Barry," appearing at the Shubert Theater.

Tammany war club, a shilleleah, is Mayor Curley's gift to Chief Toma, a Navajo Indian. The chief, appearing at local theaters visited His Honor yesterday.
City to Exact Twice as Much from Payroll

Deductions of 10 Per Cent in Salary Will Start with the New Year

Curley Admits City's Financial Trouble

Will Prune Budget $1,100,000 and Seek More Money from Gas Tax

By Forrest P. Hull

With the statement that from now on he would give most of his time to the task of formulating his financial program for the coming year, Mayor Curley announced today that the first step would be to make an absolute annual reduction of at least $1,100,000 and to prune the budget in all departments to the extent of $1,100,000 and seek more money from the gas tax.

More Budget Saving

In his general talk of the city's financial situation, Mr. Curley declared that legislative relief is just as important as the economies that can be effected in the city departments under his control, in the school committee and in the county bureaus. He promised that as the budgets were under consideration, he would have plenty to say about such economies from time to time. As far as the various budgets are concerned, last year's record, with the pruning of upwards of $5,000,000 from the estimates, could stand as a record, even though the public generally had lost sight of the achievement. But referring to a report by the city auditor, at least $1,100,000 could be clipped off the last year's budget, which would mean an appropriation bill at least $5,000,000 lower than that of 1932.

That the various department heads have appreciated the city's financial outlook for the new year, is apparent in the estimates that have already been presented, even though the budgets from the police and fire departments, as well as several from the Public Works Department, are not in. But this saving of the mayor's time was only secured by constant reiteration of his appeal for economy during the last few months. There will be no extensions of public service, such as the authorizing of new appointments, or new increases in salaries by promotions or otherwise, and only the most unnecessary replacement of equipment and materials.

The departments really started the ball rolling together economy for next year by their attitude toward the allotments in the final months of the present year. It was the purpose of the State tax commissioner, at the meeting of the assessors of the State, on the serious decline in State income taxes for 1933, to deterg the city's finances squarely up to them, thus hoping to disarm criticism at the beginning of the new year.

"It is important that steps be taken at once to provide ways and means to offset the heavy cut in revenue, as outlined by Commissioner Long, so that an increase in the municipal taxes for the year 1933 may be prevented," the mayor said today.

"Mr. Long sets forth that receipts from the State income taxes for the year 1933, based on incomes this year, will show a drop from the 1932 receipts of approximately $32,000,000, or 30 per cent. He further states that the total income distribution by the State will probably not be in excess of $12,000,000 for 1933 as against $21,000,000 in 1930. This is a most serious matter and we must do all in our power to meet the situation."

Mayor Orders Lands Taking to Proceed

Objections Made to Name of New W. Roxbury Way

The Board of Street Commissioners was directed today by Mayor Curley to proceed with land taking for the construction of a street adjoining the Roxbury Latin School and St Theresa's Church, West Roxbury, despite objections made to naming the new way St Theresa's av.

The mayor said today that when trustees of the Roxbury Latin School property agreed to let the city take a portion of the property for the construction of a street opened by the widening of the present narrow Cottage av, the new road would be 40 feet wide and have adjacent plans call for an expenditure of $10,000.

The Mayor said today that when trustees of the Roxbury Latin School learned that it was the intention of the Street Commissioners to name the new street St Theresa's av, notice was sent of refusal to release the land. It is said that when a new street is constructed it is compulsory to change the name, when there is another of the same title, and there are 11 Cottage thoroughfares in Boston.

A letter from W. Dudley Cotton, secretary of the school trustees, stated the position of the latter concerning the proposed naming.
Probe of City "Dud"

Frederic S. Snyder, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, denied today that the chamber had called any meeting to discuss a possible legislative probe of the municipal administration as proposed by a morning newspaper.

The first he heard about it was the story in the paper. Others whose sponsorship was intimated had the same experience, it appeared.

"We have called no meeting relating to the proposed legislative investigation," Snyder said.

His position is that the costs of city government should be further reduced and that they can be reduced if officials set to work on the problem in earnest.

Heads of the Boston Municipal Research Bureau and the Massachusetts Tax Association, whose organizations were named in published reports said no such action is contemplated.

Mayor Curley treated the reports with "silent contempt."

Alfred, 9, Promises to Take Care of Park Deer Now Condemned to Die

When Alfred Cowhig, nine years old, came home from his class in the fifth grade of the Presentation School, Brighton, yesterday afternoon, he was crying.

"That's the matter, son," asked his mother, Mrs. William Cowhig. "I can't help thinking about the deer that's going to be killed," he answered, and added, "and I'm going to try to get one."

"Why, Alfred, you have no place to keep one in our little backyard."

"That's all right. I'll build a house for it. I'm going to write to the mayor."

Alfred did. After Mrs. Cowhig read the letter she thought it was worth sending along. Today Mayor Curley received Alfred's letter in which the boy promised to keep the deer well, build a house to shelter it and "look out for it every day."

The mayor remarked on the sincerity of the appeal, which is only one of many which have arrived since it was reported that twelve white deer and four red deer at Franklin Park must have to be slaughtered.

"Alfred's letter was sent on to the Park Department. Its decision, and the word of Mrs. Cowhig, will determine whether the Cowhig backyard at 37 Brooks street, Brighton, will be the mecca of the neighborhood, or just a backyard."
CITY HALL PROBE TO BE DISCUSSED TODAY AT C. OF C.

MAYOR CURLEY MEETS DEMAND WITH SILENCE

Snyder Asks Tax Experts to Consider Action by Special Commission

ECONOMY CALLED ONLY ALTERNATIVE

Whiteside Plans to Have Tax Association Pass On Inquiry

The demand for a sweeping investigation of Boston's municipal administration by a special commission will be discussed this noon at the chamber of commerce by a group of tax experts who have been invited to assemble by Frederic S. Snyder, president of the organization.

Snyder expressed the belief that such an investigation could be forestalled if city officials would set to work in earnest on Boston problems. The alternative he foresees is a rigid adoption of radical measures of economy.

Alexander Whiteside, vice-president and counsel of the Massachusetts Tax Association, said that he would bring the proposal before the tax association at the earliest opportunity. He said that if city officials show their determination to clean house in facing the serious problems of the coming year, plans for the investigation will fade.

The challenge of President Snyder to municipal authorities to make good on their own account was one of the outstanding reactions to the revelation by the Herald of the intention of a group of harassed taxpayers to carry their demand to the Legislature for a sweeping survey of the city of Boston's financial expenditures provided intense excitement among legislators and gave to a complete wall of silence around City Hall.

Snyder in a statement yesterday issued a two-fold demand for economy. First, of all, he said, the city must cease borrowing money for unnecessary projects. Second, it must abolish public payrolls by abolishing sinecure jobs and by reducing salaries and wages. He intimated that if city officials show their determination to clean house in facing the serious problems of the coming year, plans for the investigation will fade.

The proposed commission would consist of the attorney-general or one of his assistants, one member of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Leverett Saltonstall of the House, certain of re-election to leadership in the next session, said yesterday that the Legislature will be certain to now consider a bill that shows how to get top possible results.

The Massachusetts Real Estate Owners Association disclosed yesterday as one of the original movers of the plan and caused the tentative drafts of legislation to be made. Its president, Warner, said in an activist letter that the organization's legislation of the character because of the system now existing which places mayors beyond the reach of any power once they are elected, could be the fatal blow to the proposed investigation unless it is amended to include the removal of the mayor of a city by the supreme court or by the Governor with the approval of the executive council.

The Massachusetts Home Owners Association, according to Mr. Julia Connors of 265 Adams street, the association. according to Mrs.
Connors, proposes to have the bills introduced by the time the Legislature convenes in January and to add weight to its demand is considering submitting a petition with 5000 to 6000 signatures of home owners, which she says can readily be obtained.

Bentley W. Warren, chairman of the Boston Municipal Research Bureau, declared that his group is planning to seek its objectives in a different way. "Our present plans do not contemplate asking for a legislative investigation," he said. "The proposal has not been brought before our board."

Snyder Statement

The statement by President Snyder of the Boston Chamber of Commerce was as follows:

There can be no doubt that the city government is faced with serious problems in 1933. The remedy lies primarily in the hands of city authorities and the ability to deal effectively with the situation should also be present.

But for three years of the depression, the city government has not been able to bring its costs down to a satisfactory extent. We are now reaping the harvest of this inaction. Tax delinquencies are increasing, and assessed valuations are still pegged at amounts far above true values. I hope that our city officials will recognize the dire need for extraordinary efforts to bring Boston's expenditures and valuations down to a sound basis.

Two economy policies are of special importance. First, the city should stop borrowing money for unnecessary new projects. Second, it should reduce the expenditures for the public payroll both by abolishing sinecure positions and by reducing salaries and wages. We must not, under the guise of maintaining purchasing power, sap the reserves of the community to maintain "city employee" wages upon a basis having a purchasing power approximately 25 per cent higher than three years ago. The result of this unsound policy is the same as though wages had been increased 25 per cent in the last three years.

I believe that there would be no talk of an investigation if city officials would set to work in earnest on Boston's problems. I am certain that the co-operation of private agencies would be gladly given to the end that drastic retrenchment would be effected. That is the greatest contribution to economic recovery which our city government could make.

Democratic legislators generally shied away from the proposed investigation yesterday. Preferring to remain anonymous several of them frankly stated they approved the idea but hesitated to join in it because of their inherent apprehension of being associated, even indirectly, with investigations of any form.

Senator Samuel H. Wragg of Needham, chairman of the legislative committee on municipal finance and also a member of the rules committee, said that he could not properly offer any comment on the proposal at this time because of the fact that the legislation is certain to come up for consideration before one of the committees of which he is a member.

Speaker Saltonstall said, "So far as I know the Legislature will give its most careful consideration to any subject tending toward economy in government. I know nothing about and have heard nothing about the proposed investigation."

A Good Plan

Mayor Curley's order suspending the proposed sale of 5000 Boston pieces of residential property for non-payment of 1931 taxes is merciful and wise. The condition on which such leniency be shown is not a hard one, namely, the payment of 25 per cent of the sum due the city by Dec. 1, and it is pretty certain that most delinquents will be able to scrape together that amount and save their homes for the present, anyway.

This plan resembles—though remotely—the system under which the federal government collects its income taxes. Uncle Sam, as everybody who
MAYOR HEARS DEMANDS FOR JOBLESS AID

BRUCE RELINE  JOHN KING  MARK LIEBERMAN  MEYER
JOHN BRENNAN  ALICE S. AVERETT

Mayor Curley and the committee of five of the Unemployed Council of Boston discussing jobless relief in the mayor's office today before the conference was broken up by His Honor's proffer of a job to the one woman member of the committee. Above are the mayor, his stenographer, John Brennan, and the committee, Bruce Reline, John King, Mark Lieberman, Alice S. Averett and Meyer Klarfeld. Story on Page 13

CITY TO AID HOME OWNERS
Will Accept Prior to Dec. 1 Payment in Excess of 25 P.C. of '31 Taxes

A move to help property owners arrears in taxes was taken today by Mayor Curley. He directed City Collector McMorrow to send to all property owners owing 1931 taxes notices saying that in the event banks holding mortgages decline to pay taxes and add the taxes to the outstanding mortgage, the city will accept prior to Dec. 1, payment in excess of 25 per cent of the amount of the outstanding taxes for 1931 and thus save the property from being advertised for sale on Dec. 5. The notices further say that it will be necessary for property owners to act at once, and if the banks refuse to pay the taxes, the owners should try to get the money by some other means and thus save their property.

MOVES TO SAVE 5000 CITY HOMES
Curley Says Partial Tax Payments Acceptable
Asks Banks to Help Owners by Meeting Assessments
Collector to Sell No Home If Conditions Are Obeyed

Mayor yesterday went the limit when he issued orders to City Collector William H. McMorrow to sell no home on Dec. 5 for taxes if the owner between now and Dec 1 will make a payment in excess of 25 per cent of the taxes due, irrespective of the fact that in the meantime it be advertised for sale on Dec. 5.

Appeals to Banks
Not only that, but the Mayor has appealed to savings and cooperative banks holding mortgages on homes to pay the tax and add it to the amount of the mortgage, in order to save the home owner.

Determined that the home of no citizen of Boston will be sold for 1931 taxes, Mayor James M. Curley for months has been devising time-extension methods to assist needy home owners.

Though at last compelled by law to advertise for sale 5000 homes, the
Give Him a Chance

Mayor Curley’s bitterest political enemy will concede that the mayor is utterly generous to all good causes. His heart is quickly touched and he will give in astonishing proportions to the unfortunate.

We are not writing these words to praise Mayor Curley. We are stating a simple fact known to everybody who knows him.

Yesterday the mayor’s patience broke after several hours of receiving visitor after visitor. He went to the outer office and found a councillor waiting with forty more visitors. He refused to see them.

Is this an arrogant person denying citizens a right of petition? We think not. What we see is Boston’s hardest-working mayor trying to do more personally than any one man can do. He has almost exhausted the patience of all his business friends, urging them to give jobs to persons who have applied to him. Thousands bring their personal troubles to the mayor. In a big city no man can keep up that pace, no matter how much he might like to do it.

Councilman Burke’s Constituents Snarl Traffic in Curley’s Offices

Although Mayor Curley yesterday gave “the gate” to constituents of Councilman Thomas Burke of ward 17, Dorchester, who have been mobilized almost daily to make pilgrimages to the mayor’s office, Burke declared, after the rebuff, that he proposes to continue to lead delegations to the mayor’s office. He considers it the duty of a councilman to intercede with the mayor for all constituents who wish to talk with the executive.

Burke’s cohorts were responsible for a traffic congestion in the mayor’s reception room. Persons with appointments found it difficult to push their way to the gate affording access to the outer office.

The mayor dropped his work, walked out, glared at the crowd and declared that persons having appointments with councilmen should meet them in the council rooms. Most of the gathering started for the door.

Spotting Burke, the mayor said: “You must have 40 here.” “I have,” replied Burke as the mayor disappeared into his private office.

Thereupon Burke made a short address in which he asserted that although the mayor has been generous with him and has given him his proper share of patronage, he considers it an inescapable duty to lead ward 17 residents dejected of meeting the mayor to the latter’s office.

Curley Talks with Gov. Ely on Relief

Mayor Says Additional Revenue Needed to Aid Municipalities, Home-Owners

Additional sources of revenue must be found in order to secure financial assistance for municipalities and provide relief for the home-owners of the State. Mayor Curley declared today following a conference with Governor Ely at the State House. The mayor, accompanied by Auditor Rupert B. Carven, Abraham B. Casson, legislative counsel for the city; and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, was closeted with the chief executive for nearly an hour.

While declining to discuss the conference in detail, Mayor Curley said he called on the governor to discuss ways and means of providing relief for the home-owners of the State and added that he and the governor were in agreement with President Hoover that the economic authorities that it still is necessary to provide additional sources of revenue to obtain relief.

Questioned as to what he thought of the recommendation of the joint special committee on public expenditures that appropriations for State highway purposes be diverted to the use of municipalities and that work suspended, the mayor expressed the belief that such a procedure would be impossible in view of the fact that it is necessary to provide for the upkeep, repair and reconstruction of certain highways which have not been completed. He said that even if the revenue from income and other taxes were to be balanced there still is need for additional revenue.

In Boston at the present time, the mayor said, there are close to 100,000 persons on the public welfare, soldiers’ relief and veterans’ aid rolls. As an example of the increasing demands upon the city’s treasury, the mayor pointed out that in October there were 40 additional applications for public welfare aid over the previous month and 500 additional applications in November. Ninety per cent of the cases, he added, were re-applications, namely persons who had been working during the summer months or had some other temporary work but who are now out of employment and in need of assistance.

Its past practice expenditure the mayor said, “There are 22,000 families on the soldiers’ relief, mothers’ aid and public welfare lists and there are 7,000 single men and women. At the present time the home owner is paying 76 per cent of the expense and organized wealth 24 per cent.”

The governor stated that during the conference he and the mayor discussed methods under which the present burden imposed upon real estate could be relieved. He added that although the discussion was one of a general nature and no conclusion had been reached as to a plan, the subject would be discussed further.
NO ARMISTICE IN SIGHT

EQUAL TAX MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TRENCHES

RUSH ALONG THE DECIMATING AMMUNITION, MY LOYAL GOODWIN!

THEY SHALL NOT PASS IT TO US

MUNICIPAL GAS BOMBS

CITY HALL SHOCK TROOPS

DON CURLY

INTANGIBLES TAX GAS BOMB

PUSHING AND DECIMATING AMMUNITION, MY LOYAL GOODWIN, EM WITH THIS BABY, OH, BRAVE CHIEF AND BLOW THEM OUT OF THE TRENCHES!
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