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PRICE ONE CENT

# **BUILDING SOCIETY** ACCUSES F. A. FRIEND OF EMBEZZLEMENT

# Real Estate Dealer Held on Charges Made by Bank Examiners and Detectives.

Alleged misappropriation of \$7300 from two building and loan associations extending over a period of nearly four years, resulted in the arrest today of Frank A. Friend, of 4539 York road, a widely known real estate dealer, with offices at Front street and Allegheny avenue. He was held in \$10,000 bail for

gations by State Bank Examiners and private detectives. The latter say Friend told them be had recently been divorced and them he had recently been diverged and that it had cost him \$10,000 to get the decree. They also say he told them he had recently made good a shortage of \$8000 from the funds of another building and loan association.

Friend was arraigned at Central Station today before Magistrate Reishaw. He waived a hearing. His arrest was made on warrants based on the affidavits of Howard R. Moyer, of 602 West End Trust Building, and J. Wesley Conn. the

ank examiners. In Moyer's affidavit Friend is accused of misappropriating \$550 of the funds of the Old Hickory Building and Loan Asso-ciation. Conn accuses Friend of misap-propriating \$150 from the funds of the Preston Building and Loan Association.
The first alleged peculation from the
Old Hickory, according to William Old Hickory, according to William Brown, Jr., and William H. Smith, atfor the bank examiners, was April 24, 1912, and the sum was \$1490. The others were for \$3700 on August 8 of the same year and for \$800 on May 13 last

Weiters and McGinn are the detectives who worked up the case for the bank examiners. The police say that Friend was connected with other building and loan associations and that further war-rants may be issued. Neither of the two by the alleged peculations, it is said.

### CAR BEHEADS CHILD

### Five-year-old Girl Killed in Sight of Her Mother.

May was playing across the ran in front of a nearside car going

ing the head from the body. The car was stopped after it had dragged the child's body more than 25 feet. It was

mers, an ice contractor, about five months ago. dead child and her four brothers and sisters, had been contemplating sending them to a charitable institution. Dominick Traveline, of 1756 South Chad-

bominick Traveline, of Los South Chad-wick, motorman of the trolley car, was arraigned before Magistrate Remenaw at Central station a few hours after the accident and held without buil for the action of the Coroner, Traveline said he had no chance to stop his car and avoid

William Aschenback, of 2021 French william Aschenback, of 2021 French street, motorman of the trolley can that ran down and killed George H. Wolf of Station street, Pittsburgh, at Ninth and Market streets last night, also was held for the Coroner by Magistrate Remahaw this morning. Wolf was a traveling salessman. According to Ashenback's testimony at his hearing today the man stepped from behind another car in the middle of the block between Ninth and Tenth streets while his car was traveling at full speed, and he had no change to avert streets while his car was traveling at full speed, and he had no chance to avert the accident. Wolf died at the Jefferson Hospital shortly after he was struck. After learning of the death of her child Mrs. Summers decided to ask the Detec-tive Bureau to find her husband and in-

form him of the trasedy. She started to walk to City Hall, but collapsed sev-eral squares from her home

A few hours later Mr. Smith's sister called upon Detective Shen. She told him that the missing man had been appointed executor of a \$200 estate left by a rela-tive, but that because of his disappeardelayed. She Aid not mention the name of the relative.

## WOMAN'S GIFT TO CHARITY

## Bulk of Mary A. Butney's Estate

Willed to Benevolence. The \$2000 estate of Mary A. Butney, late of 1747 North 26th street, excepting \$400 of private bequests, will be equally divided among the Tabernacle Society of Notre Dame, Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, Overbrook; Little Sisters of the People and St. Legach's Protectory. the Poor and St. Joseph's Protectory.
Other wills probated were Louisa diaging. 707 Pine street, disposing of proping, 707 Pine street, disposing of property valued at \$40,000 in private becausets; Gottlieb P. Peter, 1119 Sauth Eighth street, \$3400; Harriet Halverson, 1843 Foulkrod street, \$2500.

Personal effects of Edward H. Curtis have been appraised at \$6054.35; Francis Morris, \$2500.58, and Juliet Dick, \$2252.57.

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# PICKPOCKET SENTENCED

### Convicted Man Sent to Eastern Penitentiary for Offense,

Judge Searle, in Quarter Sessions Court, today mentanced Humphry Lancohue, who gave his address as 20 Clymer street, to not less than 15 months nor more than ! Eastern Penitentiary, after he had pleaded guilty to pleating the pocket of Samuel Beatty, 122 McClellan street, at Point Breeze Park on August 1.

John Mickel, who was with Donohue at the time of his arrest, was sentenced to three months in the County Prison for stealing scrap iron from a Washington avenue link dealer. An indictment charging him with being implicated with Donothe pocketpicking affair was submitted for a verdict of not gulty on achas been arrested on seven previous occasions for larceny.

## Dairyman in Health Bureau.

One applicant in a field of six qualified or the position of dairyman in the Bufor the position of daily and the position conducted recently by the Civil Service Commission. He is S. brover Smith, of Academy road, Torresday, The post pays in the theatrical business and could sing a song or two.

# HISTORY AND PUNS FOR PASSENGERS ON SIGHT-SEEING AUTO

# Lecturer Gives Interesting Account of City's Past Without Its Accuracy Being Challenged.

sightseeing auto? If you didn't you have lots to learn. You will find in some in stonces that famous historians have greatly erred, that statisticians have not been within sunshot distance of facts. and that you'll feel at the end of the trip that you should brush up on things

cars was taken today by an Evening Ledger reporter. He started from Fif-teenth and Market streets in receptive mood, but before riding a mile was con-vinced that he knew very little, indeed, about places and events in his own city The first surprise came when the car reached the main postoffice. There the marathen lecturer pointed to the statue authoritative tones, "There is the status of Denjamin Franklin. It was upon this very plot of ground that Franklin flew his kite and got electricity from the clouds." Some of the other riders also were amazed. They made quiet com-ment, but as most of the passengers ap-peared to be contented the statement passed unquestioned.

One could half close his eyes and ple-ture the guide enlightening an audience in a vaudeville house. Glowing tribute was paid by the lecturer to pro-business establishments on Ch street. On reaching Fifth street, he an five squares east; also that the Atlantic Ocean, which washed the snores of New Jersey and several other States, was 63% miles east of that.

CONSCIENCELESS ENCYCLOPEDIA. Endowed with a vocabulary which would have done credit to a high school graduate, the speaker then went on like a haman encyclopedia without a con-

Market street was referred to as "great men's row." Luckily there were no members of the Pennsylvania Historical Sohalf a dozen famous statesmen and resi-At Seventh street he was obliged to drop history for commerce. All the de-partment stores got the fullest praise

and the prices of hats and gowns were not forgotten. In describing one, the ecturer remarked: "There is a store so e that if a woman bought a hat at Market street entrance and carried over every floor the hat would be out style before she left the building." Just then a building hove in sight in acrobatic cakes. "That," shouted the man may get anything from a reast din-ner to a piece of bread if he has a roll." This brought a smile and, encouraged, cost \$3,000,000 to hold Billy in place, Even at that he becomes impatient on account of the deeds which go on under him." n Broad street the car then wabbled. Up Broad street the car then wabbled, When the suburbanites on board were surrounded by a batch of beautiful buildings the megaphoned speaker let his oratory on at full speed. No stenographer could have followed him. A flood of superlatives was applied to the surrounding architecture. The facetious talker id not resist the statement that Venus ie Milo on the Academy of Fine Arts lost her head on account of praise."

"BROTHERLY LOVE" EXPLAINED. According to the guide, this is called the City of Brotherly Lave because the Girls' Commercial School is opposite the Boys' High School, at Broad and Green

None of Philadelphia's financiers and the amount of their fortunes was forget-ten on the remainder of the trip up Broad When asked about a particular street. When asked about a particular ornament which protruded from the second story of nearly every house on another street, the guide looked wise. "They are busy-bodies," he said, "and on account of present financial conditions they are placed there so that the residents may learn if there's a bill collector

large plot of ground containing tomb-stones was a cometery, and more enlight-ening information along this line was doled our until Fairmount Perk was reached. He showed the playgrounds for children to the right, and the playgrounds for "policemen and nurses" to the left. Pointing to the statue of an Indian which faces both places, he said: "Even the visitant medicine man cannot devise a

way of educational instruction, the announced, "No fruit trees can be planted in the park, yet the guards often find peaches in pairs on the benches." As the car was then very near the Schuylkill River, the speaker again became ser

You can readly see," he exclaimed, "that this is a river. Every Saturday afternoon there's a hoat race here between the crews of the University of Penneylyania and Girard College.
"What's that flag on the west bank?"

asked a passenger, "I'nat is the flag above Fort Belmont, where Washington and his army rested after leaving Valley Forge."

WHERE PENN MET ENGINEERS. A wave of patriotism swept over the tourists, and it was increased when the auto passed the statue of General Grant. The voluble historian called attention to the fact that the General was facing the home of William Penn on the west bank and said Grant was ready to protect it mat as well as he protected the North in

As Spring Garden street was reached the guide pointed out a large mount to the right. "That's where William Penn met his engineers," he said, "and told them how to lay out the plans of Fair-mount Park. This was followed by a deluge of statistics, which was cut short only by the appearance of the Washing-At 31d and Spring Garden streets the

riders saw a small-pointed three-story building. "That," exclaimed the guide, rilers saw a small-pointed three-story, building. "That," exclaimed the guide, "is the original flatiron building, the first in this country. New York copied its big building from this, just as it follows Philadelphia in other things."

5y way of Broad street, the travelers were then taken to the starting point. "We have certainly learned a lot about Philadelphia," admitted the bride and kroom.

song or two Tit-Bits. 4 Xx

# SEEING PHILADELPHIA



A familiar sight in the streets of this

city is the "rubber-neck wagon."

BARBERS CUT WORKING DAY

West Philadelphians Sprout Whiskers

Perforce Because of New Rules.

Men living in West Philadelphia who don't shave themselves are in a quar dary. They have to get shaved before

o'clock at night or go scrubby-faced to

the office next morning. It is true that they could get shaved in the morning,

ciation. The members contend that a

Then, too, the organization had practi-cal effect. At one shop where three or four men were in the midst of a shave,

the place closed as soon as the aggrega-

man, president of the Master Barbers' Association, said that the movement

would continue until a uniform closing

Coming Campaign.

dorsed the coming campaign of "Billy" unday, and the Evangelical Committee

The Rev. Lee E. Rife, pastor of the Nor-

ris Square Church, was chosen moderator. He succeeds the Rev. John Shrader, of

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

When Thomas R. Marshall, the Vice

grand bathhouse and swimming pool.

President, was Governor of Indiana, the city authorities of Indianapolis opened up

The first thing the men in charge was to send the Governor a card entitl

him to free admission to the establish

A few days after receiving the first

sympathizers en route.

hour was adopted.

but as the shops do not open until

BEARDS GROW WILD SINCE

# 50 YEARS OLD TODAY

### Noted Educators Bring Greetings to Lutheran Institution.

The fiftleth anniversary of the founding of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, at Mount Airy, is being celebrated today y faculty, graduates and students. The elebration will be continued tomorrow. The first day is being devoted to decotional exercises, which were opened this morning with an address by the Rev. Henry E. Jacobs, D. D. LL. D., president of the seminary. This afternoon Provest Edgar F. Smith, of the Unversity of Pennsylvania extended greetings in the name of the colleges and seminaries of this country

brought greetings from the Princeton Theological Seminary. The Rev. John A. Hans, D. D. LL. D., of Muhlenberg follege, Allentown, Pa., and head of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, delivered an address on "The Historical Attitude in Theology."

An informal reception to the friends and guests of the institution will be held

Tomorrow will be devoted to addresses

went on. "There is the world" by men prominent in religious and theo-est Penn holder. City Hall, and it logical circles throughout the country. There will be an outing on the grounds of the institution under the auspices of he Ladies' Auxiliary of the Seminary. he seminary was founded 50 years ago an old house on South Ninth street. From the beginning it prospered, until 5 years ago, under the leadership of Jacobs, it was removed to its present location at Mount Airy.

### WALKER AND GLOBE TROTTER ENROLS HERE IN LANDSTURM

### Otto Paul Preussler, of Dresden, Calls Himself World's Champion.

Styling himself the world's champion ong distance walker and globe trotter, otto Paul Preussler, of Dresden, arrived at the German Consulate today and en-rolled in the landsturm, which has just been called out by the German govern-

heaped upon himself all of the glories and adventures that a champion world trotter could possibly experience. He set out, according to his own story, to 125,000 miles in order to win a of \$16,000. Preussler has been "hikfor ten years and has a coniderable part of his walk to complete. He has had experiences of all kinds. In Russia he was arrested as a German or and thrown into prison. When the ar with Japan broke out he was forced go to Manchuria and serve as a baker Russian army's commissariat

from there he escaped to Japan and brough the German consulate was able of free himself from the Japanese prison into which he had been placed as a prisoner of war. From Japan the walker made his way over Asia and in to Europe, thence to South America.

## GIRL OVERCOME AT FIRE

### Rescued Unconscious by Father From Burning Home.

Two families fled to the roof of their home, 2004 South Seventh street, early this morning, when fire starting in the candy store on the second floor cut off their escape by regular exits. Mary Fineman, 10 years old, who was overcome by smoke, was carried to the roof by her father, Samuel Fineman, proprietor f the store. The families reached the ouse and were cared for by neighbors. The fire was discovered by two young nen at 2 o'clock this morning. Miss Fanne Rosenbluth, 1928 South Seventh street, heard their shouts and telephoned an venue pelice station.

Fineman occupied the first and thise floors of the dwelling with his wife and children. The second floor was rented to Joseph Shainker, his wife and their 2-months-old haby. All succeeded in reaching the roof except Mary Finewhen Fineman discovered that his old-

est daughter was still in the house he went back for her, and Shainker followed. The men had to fight their way through subscating smoke. They found the girl unconscious in her room. men fought the flames for nearly an hour before they got them under control. The damage is estimated at \$500.

### CAUSE FOR WAR Marie-That's a beautiful gown you

1 1700

vears old?

# Frank Gittelson, Soon to Make Debut, Tells Experiences.

#### Frank Gittelson, son of Dr. S. J. Gittelson, 1017 Spruce street, who will make his American debut as a violinist this fall, has returned to Philadelphia. For years Mr. Gittelson studied abroad under Carl Flesch and Hugo Kaun. While in Europe, Mr. Gittelson secured two violins, a Maggini and a Stradivarius, both dating back to the 17th century. He had difficulty getting these instruments out of Germany by wrapping them in shawls

Mr. Gittelson with his mother and sister who accompanied him, were in Warnemende, Germany, when war was declared and immediately left for Berlin, arriving August 3. They were unable to leave Berlin before August 27, Mr. Gittelson states that during these three weeks he lidn't see a single case of an American receiving ill treatment at the hands of the Germans. The feeling against the English was very bitter, even more so than against the French. Stores with English names were compelled to remove

and steamer rugs, and putting cheap vio-

lins in their cases, which he carried.

August 27 the party, after standing in line over nine hours to buy their tickets, left Berlin for Amsterdam, the trip taking more than 36 hours. The compartents were overcrowded and there were no sleeping accommodations. On Sep-tember 12 they sailed on the New Amster-

# a. m., and many have to be at work be-tween 8 and 9, they won't take chances of getting a hurried shave from a sleepy barger in a bad humor. It's all due to the Master Barbers' As-**BORIE TRUE TO "OLD GUARD"**

### Denies Change of Allegiance and in "Good Democrat," He Says.

12-hour day, 8 a. m. to 8 p. m., is long enough for any man to work, and point out that bricklayers and plumbers work Magistrate E. K. Borle, who was yesterday reported as a convert to the reorganization element in the Democratic party, today issued an emphatic denial that he had deserted the bi-partisan old guard of the Democratic City Com-To show that they meant business, the 12-hour barbers paraded through West Philadelphia last night with banners. Philadelphia last night with banners. Some were to the point, "The barber has to cut all day, give him a chance to cut up at night"; "We get in a good many scrapes, but we are human"; "How would you like to work forever? If not, why us?" That's how some of the mittee with which he has been identified

for years.
"I have always been an organization Democrat and still am," he said. "I am a member of the City Committee and have not in any sense of the word repudiated announcements ran. The men conducted themselves well and won hundreds of that leadership. The rumor seems to have started from the fact that at a recent meeting of the Twenty-third Ward Society and the members of the Ward Committee I offered a motion approving of the candidacies of Palmer and Mc-Cormick. That is only what any good tion arrived and the customers left with half a beard and half a haircut. In a brief address Leonard J. Sher-Democrat would do, and is not a sufficient basis for a statement that I have broken my affiliations with anybody."

ESCAPE IN NIGHT CLOTHES

# ACTOR HELD FOR ASSAULT

### Seven Persons Driven to Street by Early Morning Fire.

Charged With Running Down Man Seven persons were driven in their night clothes into the street from a burning houes when fire swept the

While Riding Motorcycle. crocery store and first floor Charles Boyden, an actor, of 923 Dauphin street, was held under \$500 bail home of Samuel Fields, 237 East Moya-mensing avenue, early this morning. The blaze was discovered by Frank Sashen, who, from the bedroom of his for court by Magistrate Pennock, at his for court by Magistrate Femous, at his office on Chelten avenue, this morning, accused of assault and battery. The charge was preferred by John J. Hill, of 6608 Chew street. Hill charged that while passing in his automobile at Linhome near by, saw the flames. He fired several shots from a revolver to arouse the neighborhood. The shots were heard by the occupants of the burning builddrive and Hurst street yesterday. who made their way into Boyden, riding a motorcycle, appeared, and crossing on the wrong side of the street, collided with the auto, the coltermined. The loss is estimated at \$800 lision resulting in injuries to Hill.

#### ROBBED BY HIS CUSTOMER PLAN TO WELCOME SUNDAY Negro Steals \$5 From Druggist and United Presbyterian Body Indorses

Escapes Pursuers. Members of the United Presbyterian Presbytery at their quarterly meeting, in the Norris Square Church, enthusiastically After stealing \$5 from D. W. Darrah, a druggist, of 1800 North 11th street, this afternoon, an unidentified Negro created considerable excitement by dashing through the neighborhood with s to have charge of arrangements to two special policemen in pursuit. He give the baseball evangelist a rousing

scaped. The Negro asked to have a tion filled and tendered a \$10 bill in pay ment. Mr. Darrah sent out a boy to get change, but left a \$5 bill on the counter. The Negro grabbed this and his own bill and fled.

## DEAD WOMAN IDENTIFIED

Railroad Victim of Phoesnixville Was Mrs. Weltmer, of This City. The woman who was killed by a Reading Ratiway train at Phoenixville on Monday was identified at the Morgue there today by her son, Jacob Weltmer, of 39 Springer street, Germantown, as pass he found a second in his mail.

Thereupon he dictated the following Alice Weltmer.

Marie—That's a beautiful gown you letter:

"Gentlemen: Your first pass I received as a courtesy. Your second I regard as a courtesy. Your second I regard as a suggestion. If you send me a third I struck Mrs. Weltmer, the brakes level in a tunnel and gut fumes killer the popular Magazine.

Popular Magazine.

# ATTORNEY, ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT, TAKES DISBARMENT

# Richard A. Baron's Request Fourteen-year-old Boy Risks That Ruling Against Him Be Made Absolute Granted by Court.

Judge Barratt, of Court of Common Pleas No. 2, today made absolute a rule taken for the disbarment of Richard A. Barron, an attorney with offices in the Real Estate Trust Building. He was before the Board of Censors charged with embezzlement of funds from an estate of or burned. which Justice Robert M. von Moschzisker, of the Supreme Court, and Henry P. Blackburne, are trustees. Barron studied law in the same office with Justice von Moschzisker several years ago.

The proceedings for Barron's disbarnent originated in a complaint sent the Board of Censors in a letter dated July 0 by Justice von Moschzisker and his cotrustee Blackburne. The estate in which Barron misappropriated funds was not disclosed but it is believed to be the Blackburne Estate. The protest against Barron continuing the practice of an at-

torney was as follows.
"We complain against Richard A. Bar-ron, of the Philadelphia bar, who has represented an estate for which we are trustees, in the capacity of an attorney and agent for some years. It has re-cently been ascertained and brought to our attention that Mr. Barron has deliberately embezzled funds of said estate, which fact he has admitted in a written statement showing his defalcation; he statement showing his defaucation; he has also been guilty of other misappropriations of funds entrusted to his care; therefore, we pray that proper proceedings may be taken for his disbarment as one unfitted to occupy the position of attorney at law."

The letter was signed by Robert M. Von Moschzisker and Henry P. Blackburne. On the same day Barron wrote to the board, stating, "A rule to show cause in disbarment proceedings against me will be presented to the proper court. I have no answer to make, and request the court having charge of the matter to make the rule absolute."

Judge Barratt before taking action gave Barron opportunity to appear and purge himself of the charges. The judge stated that while an example should be made of an attorney faithless in his trust to his client and the State, opportunity should be afforded him to make an ex-planation or show extenuating circumplanation or show extenuating circumstances. The order of disbarment is as follows: "And now, September 23, 1914, upon consideration of the foregoing petition and answer, the court makes the rule absolute and orders the prothonotary to send a copy of the rule and this decree to all the courts."

(Signed) Morris S. Barratt, J.

The petitioners for Barron's disbar-ment were represented by A. T. Johnson 818 Real Estate Trust Building. This is one of the few instances where the prosecution of faithless attorneys is continue by the Board of Censors to the point of actual disbarment. In several instances attorneys have been suspended from practice for stated periods.

# OFFICER SELLS KNOWN HERE

### British Commander, Rescued From Aboukir, Married in Philadelphia.

The rescue of Commander William Fortesque Sells, of the British armored cruiser Aboukir, which was sunk with her sister ships, the Hogue and Cressy, in the North Sea by German submarines yesterday, is of especial interest to Philadelphians, as Commander Sells was married in this city, and has a brother-in-law residing at Bala.

The British naval officer was married in St. James Episcopal Church, in 1907, to Mrs. Augusta Bailey, a sister of J. J. Cornish, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Balley, who was a widow, lived in Highand most of her life, and was visiting her brother at his home here at the time.

Mr. Cornish said today that Commander
Sells, who is 34 years old, is one of the

most brilliant men in gunnery in the British navy, as well as being one of the youngest commanders in his Majesty's service. He had been gunnery instructor at Chatham, Devenport and other places. He was formerly a lieutenant on the British dreadnought Neptune, and to the rank of commander only last February.

## **GROCERY STORE ROBBED**

#### Burglar Entered Place While Owner Celebrated Holiday. Charles Bowes, 17 years old, 6216 Grays

avenue, was held in \$400 ball for a further hearing Sunday by Magistrate Harris, at the 32d street and Woodland avenue station, on the charge of stealing groceries from the store of S. Washman, 63d street and Paschul avenue. The boy was ac-cused of forcing his way into the store Monday last while the owner was away participating in the celebration of the Jewish New Year.

# FRAZEE NAMES ASSISTANT

John C. Frazee, director of vocational training and guidance, has appointed Clarence A. Reid, formerly instructor in shop work at the Hancock School, assistant in the vocational training bureau. Mr. Reid will supervise the teaching of manual raining in the seventh and eighth grades in the schools throughout the city. He will be succeeded at the Hancock School by Samuel J. Christine. Mr. Frazee said that he was working on the proposed course in book salesmanship to be given for the night classes at the William Penn High School for Girls, and that he will submit his plans to the Board he will submit his plans to the Board of Education for approval in the near

### AID FOR NEEDY WOMAN The EVENING LEDGER acknowledges the

ecelpt of \$2 from Alex Przychodski, 2060 Salmon street, which has been forwarded to Mrs. Julian Tropouski, of 3834 North Lawrence street. Mrs. Tropouski is the woman who was too poverty stricken to husband. Her neighbors came to her assistance.

### Young Man Held for Theft Melvin Cromwell, 21 years old, 1309 Sementine street, was arraigned this Ciementine street, was arraigned this afternoon before Magistrate Grells, of the

afternoon before Magistrate Grells, of the Midvale and Ridge avenues police station, on a charge of larceny and placed under 1500 bail for a further hearing. Cromwell, who is a paperhanger, was caught entering the home of Mrs. H. Robinson, 3338 Sydenham atreet and is charged with atealing jewelry and table linen to the value of 330. the value of \$30,

# TWO FIREMEN HURT FIGHTING FIERCE BLAZE IN GARAGE

# His Life in Trying to Save Motorcycles and in Helping Police.

Two firemen were injured and toom loss was entailed early this morning whea fire destroyed the Westminster Garage at 54th street and Westminster avenue. Nearly twenty cars stored in the place were wrecked in several explosions of gasol A 14-year-old boy, Joseph Mitten, of 52

Sickles street, risked his life to save some of the motorcycles stored in the garage, and later assisted Patrolmen Moran and McLaughlin, of the Sixty-first and number of motor trucks. The injured men are Firemen William McNeal, of engine company 41, and Captain Frank Hughes, of the same com-

by an explosion of gasoline, suffering broken arm. Hughes went to the rescur of McNeal and was cut and brussed to flying glass and plaster. The fire started at half-past 5 o'clock this morning when the engine of the automobile truck owned by J. C. Fisher, an expressman, backfired and caused

an explosion. In an instant the car was ablaze. Young Mitten heard the explosions and without waiting to ex-change street clothing for his night dress ran to the garage and started to take out motorcycles. He succeeded saving three. Moran and McLaughlin arrived a fer minutes later and managed to get out a number of motor trucks. By the time firemen arrived the garage was burn-ing fiercely and it was impossible to prevent the destruction of the building

and the cars stored in it. The flames were not extinguished until shortly after o'clock. By that time only the walls A fire which resulted in a small loss was discovered this morning in the residence of Benjamin V. McCarthy, 611 Benjamin V. McCar street, Germantown, Baynton street,

mattress in a third-story room became ignited. The blaze was discovered by a son of McCarthy, who notified Engine Company 19. The fire was extinguished, however, by father and son before the arrival of the firemen.

### SALOON ROBBER FACES NEW BURGLARY CHARGE

### Police Think They Have Caught an Old Offender in Crime,

Accused of attempting to force an rance into the saloon of V. H. Laird, Ninth and Filbert streets, for which he was held without bail last Saturday by Magistrate Tracey at the Eleventh and Winter streets police station, Joseph and Winter streets police station, Joseph Svatek, alias John S. Edwards, was again held without ball today by Magistrate Tracey on the charge of robbing the drug store of William T. Burk, Eleventh street and Girard avenue, on the morning of August 27.

the morning of August 27.

Svatek is accused of blowing open a safe in the store and taking \$113, af prying open the cash register and stealing \$3.50, as well as robbing the telephone booths in the store and taking \$3 is stamps and a number of articles. The proprietor, who appeared at the hearing this morning, identified fountain peak which the police say were found in the prisoner's room and which Hurk sail belonged to his stock. The police said that a jimmy found on Svatek fittel exactly the mark made on the cash regis-

ter of the store. Frank Schneider, a newsdealer, 18 North Twelfth street. against Svatek and testified that early in the morning, on August 27, he was passing the drug store when he heard a noise within. After waiting a while he noticed a man, whom he identified as Svatek, leaving the store with his pocket

bulging out. The police believe that Svatek has notorious record as a burglar, and they are endeavoring to trace other burglaris

### George H. Wolf, 25 years old, of an Station street, Pittrourgh, who was street by a westbound Market street iroller car at Market and Ninth streets list night, died this morning in the Jefferses Hospital.

Trolley Accident Victim Dies

### THE WEATHER Official Forecast

WASHINGTON, Sept. II.
For eastern Pennsylvania and New
Jersey unsettled and cooler tenight and
Thursday: moderate variable winds The disturbance that covered the Gree Lakes yesterday and extended southwes ward to Texas caused general rains of that entire belt. It has drifted into the St. Lawrence valley during the last a hours and overspreads all of the northhours and overspreads an of the seastern portion of the country this more ing. Scattered showers are reported from the Ohio valley this morning, but in general the rainfall within the disturbed are has greatly diminished. The cool are from the West has followed the di-turbance closely and has spread over the Lake region and the Ohio basin, causing in temperature of from 15 degrees to 20 degrees.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin bacryations taken at 8 p. m. Eastern time

