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SURGEONS REBUKED BY GEN. DOUGHERTY, OF NATIONAL GUARD

Disobeyed Orders in Failing to Prepare for Examinations in Manner Prescribed.

Failure on the part of some officers of the Medical Department to take examinations in harmony with work of a similar nature that is being conducted by officers of other departments of the National Guard of Pennsylvania has caused Major General G. Bow Dougherty to rebuke them officially in a circular issued from his headquarters.

The conditions of the test were not difficult. Not only were the text books to be consulted, but the text books to be consulted were recommended, and particular paragraphs suggested, and it only remained for the officers to read and answer the questions in the proper manner.

SOME MADE HIGH AVERAGES.

General Dougherty said he realized that many of the officers were busy practitioners, but some of the surgeons having large practices and numerous other obligations found time to reply to both courses and made excellent averages. A first lieutenant and assistant surgeon appointed last January had a general average of 92.5.

During the coming winter and spring he proposes to continue the correspondence course of instruction for medical officers by dividing it into two periods, terming them "first year" and "second year." The questions for the first-year course will be issued on or about January 1, and the second-year course March 1, 1915, both to be concluded on May 1. Those whose general averages were 70 or more for both years' courses are eligible for promotion to be exempt from this year's examination.

GENERAL ORDER TO BE ISSUED.

At an early date a general order will be issued to the medical officers of this season's course of instruction.

General Dougherty does not spare any words in impressing upon the surgeons the importance of following up the course prescribed. He says: "Efficiency in the medical department of the National Guard of Pennsylvania can come only through knowledge and its intelligent application by the officer and soldier who is obedient to orders. The study and research necessary to attain a satisfactory average in the courses prescribed adds much to the mental equipment so necessary to the proper performance of duty."

The general government and the State desire that every officer shall approximate as near perfect as possible. These courses of instruction and subsequent examinations furnish tangible evidence as far as they are pertinent to the other records the placing of responsibility and trust becomes more than a matter of opinion or expediency.

MAYOR IN DOUBT

Asks Information Concerning Balances to be Appropriated.

A letter asking information concerning unexpended balances said to be shown by the books of the City Controller's office was sent to the City Controller by Council's Finance Committee, and to Chief Clerk Felton, of Common Council, today by Mayor Blankenship.

Will Not Teach Horrors of War

Horror of the battlefield are not to be a part of the study in history in elementary schools. This decision was reached at a meeting of more than 200 teachers in the Girls' Normal School last night. The teachers unanimously agreed that this part of history should be eliminated in the future class will be given to the study of local events and geography.

The Conscience Cap

A teacher had told her class the story of the boy made for the little Abraham Lincoln from the skin of a coon killed by his father, and on the next day called upon a small boy to tell the story again in his own words.

SHOOTING OF BOY BY FRIEND INVESTIGATED BY COURT

Judge Gorman Puts Gordon Milne on Probation; Warns Dealers.

Investigating the accidental shooting of John Renney, 12 years old, by Gordon Milne, 11 years old, Judge Gorman, in the Juvenile Court, today summoned William G. Oestmann, of 5423 Germantown avenue, a dealer, who, it was alleged, sold a light-colored target gun with which young Milne was playing when the shooting occurred.

Last week the two lads were playing soldiers and sought the rifle. In their play young Milne, the son of Judge Gorman and Mrs. David Milne, of West Schoolhouse lane, Germantown, pointed the gun, which he believed was not loaded, at Renney and pulled the trigger. The boy fell with a bullet in his neck. He was taken to the Germantown Hospital, and is now reported to be recovering.

Questioned by Judge Gorman, who only a few days ago had issued a warrant against selling firearms to boys under 16 years, Oestmann recalled having sold a rifle similar to that used by Gordon Milne, but he was not sure of the date since the sale, and the dealer could not say that the lad was the purchaser, although he admitted that he had sold the gun to a boy.

SEEKS TO INVALIDATE INFORMATION CONTRACT

Woman's Claims Against Merchant Contested as Contrary to Good Morals

Attacking an illegal and against public policy the contract between Mrs. Salina Alford and William W. Wood, a wealthy wool merchant of 1215 North Broad street for the supplying of information of alleged misconduct between Wood's wife, Gertrude A. Wood, and William H. Barnard, a rich New Yorker, counsel for Wood today asked Judge Patterson, in Common Pleas Court No. 1 to annul the woman's claim for \$3000. Cited decisions of courts throughout the country, Charles H. Joy, counsel for Wood, urged that it had been held that contracts of the character existing between Mrs. Alford and Wood opened the door for the commission of perjury and subornation of perjury, and while there may be no manufactured evidence in the present suit, the temptation to commit a wrong was present, and the decision referred to should be applied and the contract declared void and against the security of society and good morals.

Judge Patterson refused to grant a non-suit, allowing the jury to settle the issue. In defense of Wood, Mr. Joy told the jury that Mrs. Alford knew at the time the separation papers between Wood and his wife were signed that Mrs. Wood and Barnard were friendly, but she waited for the propitious moment to "dash in" by imparting to Wood the knowledge she possessed. The contract in suit provides that Mrs. Alford should receive \$3000 after Wood was relieved of the payment of an allowance to his wife, and when he had obtained a divorce.

TO REIMBURSE NEGRO

Neighbors Agree to Purchase House Stolen by Mob.

Neighbors of James M. Teagle, of 6113 Spruce street, negro chauffeur for City Controller Walton, whose home was bombarded with bricks and stones several days ago, are endeavoring to purchase the smashing of windows and furniture and purchase the house from him at the price he paid for it, according to statements given in the neighborhood. Teagle has agreed to move.

FIANCEE'S PLIGHT RELIEVED

Farmer Hurries Here and Saves Sweetheart From Deportation.

Maud Taylor, of Nottingham, England, who came here to marry Harold E. Crooks, and who came near being deported, has started west to wed. The future Mrs. Crooks will make her home in Forrest, O.

CHARGES BREACH OF PROMISE

Miss Stern Says She and Ackerman Signed Pact to Wed.

Suit was entered in the Municipal Court today by Ann Stern against Morris Ackerman to recover \$1500 damages for alleged breach of promise. On motion of H. A. Mackay the court allowed a capias, with bail fixed at \$500, for the defendant's arrest.

NO RAGTIME IN HYMNS

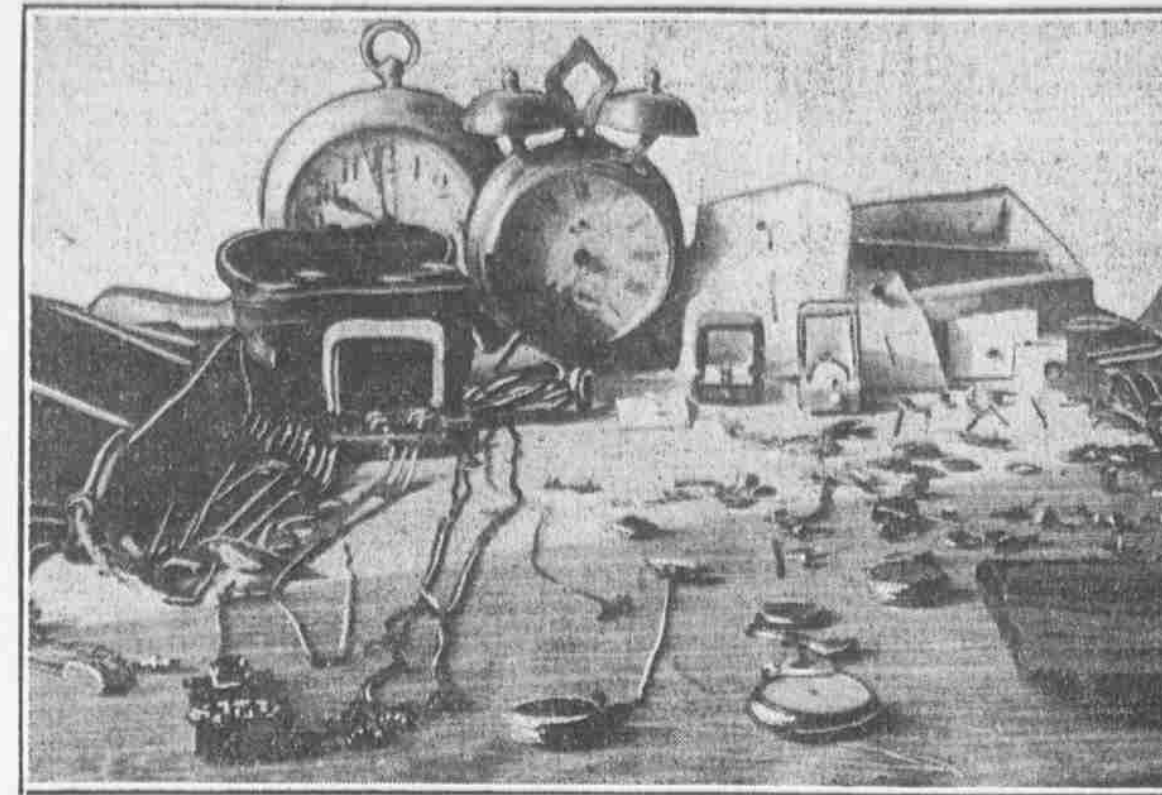
Musical Director Declares They Are Unjustly Criticized

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—"Gospel hymns are unjustly criticized," said Robert L. Steyer, director of music at the University of Chicago, today.

POLICEMAN TO STAND TRIAL

Charged with neglect of duty and insubordination, Policeman James L. Delaney, of the Germantown station, will face the Police Trial Board, Delaney during the police carnival on October 31 was stationed outside the Philadelphia Hotel.

INDISCRIMINATE LOOT OF BURGLAR COVERS LIEUTENANT'S DESK



FAT POCKETBOOK FOILS BURGLARS, WHO GET REVENGE

Stolen Purse Contained Single Dime, So Germantown Thieves Steal Auto Accessories and Jewelry.

Burglars working in Germantown revenged themselves early this morning on two citizens after having been hoodwinked by a fat pocketbook at the home of Mrs. Bridget McDonough, 5139 Keyser street.

The men stole \$150 worth of automobile tires and tools from the garage adjoining the mill of Charles Tebelny, Penn street near Bellefield, and a watch valued at \$50 from the home of John Gilton, 70 East Sharp street. Then they called it a night and retired to rest.

THREE PHILADELPHIANS "INDIA HOUSE" DIRECTORS

Members of Organization Designed to Foster Foreign Trade.

Three prominent Philadelphians are directors of "India House," an exporters' club formed to improve the export trade, which will be opened in New York November 15. They are Alva B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, W. D. Simmons, president of the Simmons Hardware Company, and Lloyd C. Griscoon, "India House," named for an "East India house" in Salem, Mass., originated at the meetings of the National Foreign Trade Council in Washington last May, according to Mr. Johnson.

PRIZE FOR GERMANS

British Steamer Carrying Coal and Explosives Now on Atlantic.

German warships lurking in South American waters will have a prize worth capturing should they overtake the British steamship Capaci, which left here on Wednesday for Chilean ports with a cargo of coal and explosives.

DANCERS KEEP TANGO STEP IN RETREAT FROM FLAMES

Leave Threatened Hall in Good Order While Music Still Plays.

Not even terrors of flame may stop merrily dancing couples in the dance hall. Not from the pleasures of the dance, dancers were seen to emerge from the hall in good order, and to leave in good order.

METAL WORKERS STRONGLY OPPOSE CONVICT LABOR

Delegates to Convention Characterize Employment of Prisoners as "Detrimental and Injurious to Competition."

The convention of the Metal Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor went on record today as opposing convict labor. A resolution was adopted prohibiting any member of the Metal Trades Department being employed in prison.

BURGLAR SUSPECT USED AUTO, POLICE BELIEVE

Motorist's Apparel Found in House Which Contained Much Loot.

Police of the Park and Lehigh avenues station now believe that Carl Fabry, in whose North Carlisle street home was found a wagonload of articles said to have been stolen from homes in all parts of the city, used an automobile to escape after raids on dwellings.

ROB HOUSE IN FRANKFORD

Thieves Prevent Prompt Discovery by Putting Ransacked Rooms in Order.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Robson, of 1867 D street, Frankford, discovered today that burglars entered their home yesterday and acquired a considerable quantity of valuable clothing and jewelry.

LETTERS TELL OF MURDER

Man Arrested as Theft Suspect Had Been Warned in Note.

Letters telling of a murder and warning John Davis, a Negro, of Washington, to keep away from home, led Special Policemen Lyford and McBeth, of the 14th and Pine streets station, to hold him for an investigation by the Washington police after they had arrested him for being unable to explain how he came to possess a quantity of clothing. He was held today in \$500 bail for a further hearing on November 10, by Magistrate Hagarty.



Carl Fabry, in whose home police found wagon load of booty.

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MACFARLAND TELLS WHY HE IS HOLDING UP FINES

Awaiting Decision of Court in Defendant's Action, Magistrate Says.

Magistrate Thomas W. MacFarland today explained the reason he had not made a return of fines collected last month to the City Treasurer.

PENN STUDENTS TO HEAR PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

Graduate to Be Soloist—News of the University.

The Philadelphia Orchestra, under the direction of Leopold Stokowski, will give its first concert of the season in Weightman Hall, on November 18, with Hunter Welsh, a graduate of the University as soloist, for the University students.

VETERAN FOUND DEAD

William Butcher Lived Alone in West Philadelphia.

William Butcher, a 75-year-old veteran of the Civil War, was found in his home, 502 Vine street, by Policeman Smith, of the 61st and Thompson streets station, who forced his way into the old man's home this morning.

STONE THROWER SHOT IN LEG

Bullet Answers Attack With Belgian Blocks.

Casino Carmen, who has an artistic temperament, is in St. Timothy's Hospital with a bullet in his leg. He was shot by Albert Wilson, of 248 North 11th street, who until recently was Carmen's foreman on a building operation in Manayunk.

SLASHED DURING FIGHT

Two Negroes Held Following Brawl in Saloon.

Two Negroes are held by the police of the 29th and Berks streets station and a white man is in the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital suffering from razor cuts as the result of a fight outside of a saloon near 30th street and Ridge avenue early this morning.

Shot in Fight, Negro Dies

As the result of bullet wounds which he received in a fight with another Negro, Joseph Boice, 515 North Ferry street, died at St. Joseph's Hospital this morning.

Chief Engineer of Storstad Drowned

MONTREAL, Que., Nov. 6.—Peter Johnson, chief engineer of the Storstad at the time that vessel sank the Empress of Ireland, was drowned in the wreck.

The Quarrel Did Not End

Booth Tarkington, the author, was talking recently about the stage.

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CITIZENS' MEETING DISCUSSES PLANS FOR RAPID TRANSIT

Nine-mile Ride Between Roxborough and Germantown Could be Cut to 1.3 Miles, Speaker Shows.

Residents of Roxborough and Manayunk decided to take definite steps immediately toward obtaining rapid and more convenient transit facilities in that vicinity last night at a meeting in Dilman's Hall, Ridge avenue and Hermitage street.

The isolation of Roxborough and the difficulty encountered going to and from this section was shown yesterday in the Evening Ledger's article on the transit needs in that community, and in pointing out the necessity for a new line from Roxborough to Germantown it was explained that passengers could save 30 cents a day.

This remarkable saving would be made for the reason that passengers are now obliged to use three car lines in the round-about trip from Roxborough to Germantown. These communities are 1.3 miles apart.

William F. Dixon, president of the 21st Ward Board of Trade, who presided at last night's meeting, pointed out that riders between the two sections were obliged to travel nine miles in a circuitous route to go a little more than a mile as the crow flies.

The board decided to hold another public meeting early in December at which Director Taylor, of the Department of City Transit, will be asked to speak on the general transit situation.

The West Philadelphia Business Men's Association, which met last night at Forry Hall, 4913 Baltimore avenue, received a communication from E. T. Stotesbury, assuring a trolley line for 56th street from Lansdowne avenue to Woodland avenue. Mr. Stotesbury said that work upon the new line would be started in the near future.

CLUB'S "FULL MOON" SUPPER

Chester Valley Hunt Meets at King of Prussia Inn.

The Chester Valley Hunt Club gave a "full moon" supper last night at the King of Prussia Inn. The club gives the supper on a Thursday night that is marked by a full moon.

Among those at the supper were W. C. Wilson, master of hounds; R. Penn Smith, president; J. Hansel French, Dr. Hamill Horn, W. F. Fottler, John L. Walker, Walter Walker, Thomas W. Royal, Henry R. Wilson and Campbell Yarrow. The committee in charge included Harry C. Yarrow Jr., Charles W. Walker and Charles R. Hamilton.

NEW HUNT CLUB ORGANIZED

Philadelphia is to have another hunting club. It will be known as the Huntingdon Valley Hunt. Application for charter was made yesterday to the court at Norristown.

Among those whose names appear on the petition are George Horace Lorimer, president; George W. Eldkins, Jr., vice president; Richard M. Caldwell, Jr., treasurer; Charles C. Walbridge, secretary; and Joseph Wharton Lippincott, master of the hounds.

Arrested for Having Cocaine

Charged with having cocaine in his possession Edward Stark, Fairmount avenue, near 10th street, was held under \$500 bail for a further hearing Tuesday by Magistrate Belcher, in the 19th and Buttonwood streets police station. Stark was arrested by Special Policemen Wechsler and Haines.

Held as Suspicious Person

On the charge of being a suspicious person, Frank Ellery, of Graver's lane, was held under \$500 bail for a further hearing Monday by Magistrate Tracy today in the 11th and Winter streets police station. Ellery was arrested trying to pawn carpenter's tools.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey—Fair tonight and Saturday; light northwest winds becoming southeast Saturday.

Table with columns: Station, Temp., Wind, Weather. Lists weather forecasts for various locations including Philadelphia, New York, and others.