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ATHLETICS AND DRILL **ON FRANKLIN FIELD**

John Wanamaker Commercial Institute Gives Spring Maneuvers This Afternoon.

The spring maneuvers of the John Wanamaker Commercial Institute were Wanamaker Common at Franklin Field, held this afternoon at Franklin Field, They were reviewed by Major General Lionard Wood, commander of the De-partment of the East of the United States Army, and a body of distinguished mili-army officials and citizens of this city and New York.

and New 107A. Thousands of persons in this city and the surrounding section naw the milli-tary work through the courtesy of the University of Pennsylvania, which loaned the big stadium for this occasion,

The events on the program included be-The events of the exer-sides the parade which opened the exer-elses, military and physical drills with obtained William R. Scott in command; billiary movements and Indian club drills by the stris battalion, music by the J. W. 7. Band as well as selections by the riels' band, recently organized.

A special train conveyed the New ork members of the institute and the specially invited guests to this city. There was a representative gathering from every school, public and private, in the elty. Girard College was well represented as were other, preparatory schools of a milliary character. There was a large deseation of Boy Scouts.

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program began with a parade The and the track, after which the review made. Following this the Girls' Pattalion, under the leadership of Ad-joiant Ethel Gravatt, formed and presented a manual of arms. Then West point callsthenics were presented and followed by a Butts musical drill accomcanted by the band.

At a certain command the whole regiment disrobed to an athletic suit worn meased girls' Indian club drill and the trai event was the evening parade.

Basides Major General Wood and his Besides Minjor General, Wood and his staff the reviewing party consisted ef distinguished officers of the National Guard of this State and New York and of the United States Army. Among these were the field staffs of the lat, M, 1d and 6th Regiments and the 1st ansylvania Cavalry.

SIX MORE PROFESSORS MAY LEAVE U. OF P.

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when he arrived at the college today from Arden, where he makes his summer home.

His only comment was: "I have noth-ing to say. The initiative must be taken by the trustees. They must make the explanation."

He did, however, produce the letter he received from Provost Smith notifying hm of his dismissal. He got it yester-day, although it was mailed Monday night. It reads as follows:

My dear Mr. Nearing-As the term of your appointment as professor of economics for 1914-15 is about to ex-pire. I am directed by the trustees of the University of Pennsylvania to in-With best wishes, I am yours, sin-erely, EDGAR F. SMITH, Provoat.

MRS. NEARING NOT SURPRISED. At her summer home at Arden, Del Mrs. Scott Nearing, wife of the rejected professor, was inclined to be reticent re-sarding her husband's dismissal. Pressed to talk, however, Mrs. Nearing declared that the action of the board of trustees was not unexpected.

case referred inquirers to Provost Smith. The first to make any explanation was George Wharton Pepper, who said: "So far as free speech is concerned it did not influence me at all. Furthermore, from what I have learned, it did not in-fluence other members of the board of Was not unexpected. "My husband's dismissal is not a sur-prise," she said. "We have been expect-ing it for seven years. They have tried to starve him out. He received no salary

trustees. It was merely a question of the good of the service." John C. Bell, former Attorney General, increase in all that time. "He was determined, however, to stay in the Wharton School until he was disabsolutely declined to discuss the case. He referred every one to Provost Smith, and declined to answer a question as to charged, despite more profitable offers from Western colleges. Personally, I feel relaved, because the worry of it is over

how he had voted. Louis C. Madeira said: "We have no

these, because he was a University of fernaryivania man and deemed it his duty to stick to his guns. Mrs. Nearing said that her husband had made many sacrifices. While he re-tused offers to lociture for financial gain, he frequently naid his comparations to to stick to his guns. Mrs. Nearing said that her husband had made many serifices. While he re-fused offers to locture for financial gain, he frequently paid his own expenses to lecture white he could reach a large number of people, she said. Doctor Nearing contended that it was a teacher's duty to tell the world the result of his investigations. formulative state. Among the former, it is understood, were J. Bertram Lippincott, executor of the estate of fossph Wharton, who en-dowed the Wharton School of Pinance

and Commerce, and Wharton Barker,

PUBLICITY CHIEF OFFENSE.

Among these who brought about the dismissal of the professor were known to be Louis C. Madeira, J. Lovering Jones and Itandal Morgan. E. T. Stotes-bury and George Wharton Pepper also are mentioned in the same connection. Mrs. Nearing decircle that Doctor Near-ing suffered from publicity and exag-gerated stories. "It appears," she said, "that the trustees did not object so much as to what he said in the classroom as to the publicity he received. Among other false publicity he received about him was Mr. Madeira is president of the Newton Coal Company: J. Levering Jones is a corporation attorney; Mr. Pepper is an to the publicity he received. Among other false reports circulated about him was one in 1911 to the effect that he had lec-tured at Arden in his bare fect. The trustees objected, and Doctor Nearing proved that he was in Europe at the time of the supposed lecture. eminent lawyer and active in the lay cir-cles of the Episcopal Church, and Mr. Morgan is vice president of the United Jas Improvement Company.

Doctor Nearing always has been pop-ular with his classes, which are among the largest in the university. When the free speech controversy occurred, demon-strations among the students in his favor of the supposed lecture. "A report was also circulated that he sdvocated wearing pajamas at dances. This was due to a statement made by him that dress suits were very uncomfortable. Mrs. Nearing said that the trustees never complained to Dr. Nearing di-rectly concerning his utterances, but that he always heard of their objections through friends. Other members of the faculty, she added, made more radical statements than Dr. Nearing in the classroom, including a prominent member of the English faculty, and also a law probably had a great effect on the action of the authorities in retaining him in his position. Some persons go so far as to say that the trustees, fearing the popularity of the dismissed professor among the students, purposely waited until the college had closed for the year and the students were widely scattered not to assemble again for three months, by which time the dismissal would have ber of the history faculty and also a law een well nigh forgotten. Among the members of the faculty who

The charge that Dr. Nearing was an atheist, his wife declared was without foundation. He was formerly a member of the Baptist Temple, but withdrew, she said. She asserted that Dr. Nearing was expressed themselves as regretting the loss of Doctor Nearing were Dr. Simon N. Pateen, senior professor of his department; Dr. Edward Potta Cheney, pro-fessor of English history, and Doctor Schelling, of the English department. said. She asserted that Dr. Nearing was not a Socialist did not believe in Social-latic doctrines and had refused to join the Socialist istic doctrines and had refused to join the Socialist party and added that other professors at the University were mem-bers of this organization. REGRET NEARING'S DISMISSAL. The most loudly voiced protest came from Harrison S. Morris, an executor of the Wharton estate and widely known as

the Wharton estate and widely known as a publicist and student of public affairs. In a long statement issued last night he hints that the dismissal of Doctor Nearing is in direct violation of the deed of sift from Joseph Wharton that made possible the Wharton School. The clause in the deed that is particularly applicable, according to Mr. Morris, is known as Provision F, and reads as fol-lows: Provoat Smith refused to be seen to-day. Chief among those members of the Wharton School faculty who are more than indignant over their colleague's dis-missal is J. Russell Smith, professor of geography and industries, who has been nnected with the University more than "The necessity of rigorously punishing

"I regret more than I can say the dis-missal of Doctor Nearing. It is not a personal matter; it seems rather like a notice to all of us. Many of us feel as if we would like to resign this mornby legal penalties and by social exclusion those persons who commit frauds, betray trusts or steal public funds, directly of indirectly. The fatal consequences to a community of any weak toleration of such offenses must be distinctly pointed "This is only a matter that can make the majority of man feel like that. What He said further:

kind of a man do they want anyway? Nearing was one of the most efficient men in our faculty. He was at the head of every movement for the advancement and progress of the school. He was a "As one of the executors of Joseph Wharton, founder of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, I stand for freedom of speech. Assistant stand for freedom of speech. Assistant Professor Scott Nearing, of the Wharton School, one of the best loved and best of teachers in the University, has been dropped by the 'standpatters' in the board of trustees for expressing views opposite to those held by the great trusts and by public service corporations, which depend on corrupt politics for their profits. big brother to the freshmen and took a special interest in helping men who were behind in their studies. We feel that we are puppets. Must individuals refrain from doing what they believe to be their duty? Many of us are attached to the old school and like it, but this morning we feel as if the bottom had dropped "Scott Nearing is a good fellow, who

Dr. Roswell C. McCrea, dean of the has seen the oppression of intrenched monopoly and spoken of it. He was the most readily punished of the group of useful scholars of the Wharton School, Wharton School, said: "Scott Nearing was an efficient teacher, an influence for good in his personal rela-tionship with students and colleagues and an able and helpful administrative asso-ciate." who have been given it universal fame and drawn students from almost every country of the globe, because he was an S. S. Huebner, professor of insurance assistant professor and could be dropped and commerce, said: "I am sorry to see Professor Nearing sever his connection with the University. I regard him as an able teacher and one much loved by the without a trial by his peers, as a full professor could not.

'His associates have been equally gullty "His associates have been equally suffly of trying to better social and business conditions, but they are harder to get. They have been of vast use to the present Mayor and his directors in show-ing up the wrongs done to the city by orporations whose most powerful direct tors sit in the board of trustees of the University. They have checked the United Gas Improvement Company in its aggressions against the citizens, the Reading Railway was brought to its knees in the excessive freight charges on coal through the service of one of the professors, and the service of one of the professors, and the talent and efficiency of the Wharton School have been used whenever possible by the present city administration. "The limitations of the University bave been that it has too little touch with the life and business of the city. These memory men have been bridging the

life and business of the city. These younger men have been bridging the chasm; and for doing so they have been under suspicion, and at least one of them has failen a sacrifice on the city's altar. "The University of Pennsylvania is not a free agent. It is supported by great sums appropriated by our corrupt leg-islatures, and it must obey their wishes, which are equivalent to the demands of the seast corrorations.

"GIG" M'GOWAN, HERO OF FIRES, BORNE WITH HONORS TO HIS GRAVE

Children, Who Wept When He Died, Heaped His Coffin With Flowers-Firemen March to His House and Thence to Church.

sater"-called "Gia" because when a boy he would giggle and was always gay-"Gig." who smashed in a door the other night and rushed into the stifling black smoke for the last time-was borne with honor to his grave today. He never knew how well liked he was, for, being full of fun, he was never taken seriously. But

when he died the little children cried in the streets. That is not exaggerating. The children came to the firshouse and looked in the door and asked what they could do. Not only one little group of neighborly chil-dren, but all the children from the public school three squares away from the firs-house at 15th street and Snyder avenue, and the little Italian children from as far away as 16th street and nearly as far as the Washington avenue railroad tracks. So there were three masses of flowers laid at "Gigs" feet, one from the Italhe streets. laid at "Gigs" feet, one from the Ital-isns and one from the school at 18th street and one from the neighborhood children.

They marched from 12th and Wharton into Cincion street and stopped 1533. Captain Foote led the men streets of 49, McGowan's company-it was Poote who was back of "Gig" when he smashed of W. McSowan's company-it was Foote who was back of "Gig" when he smashed in the door and rushed into the smoke with him. "Come back," yelled Foote, gasping at the door and clutching for "gig" arm; but the man would not come back; so Foote followed him and

stayed there, for there were people to be saved. Foote found him staggering and dragged him out of the place. "I'm a younger man than McGowan," said his Captain later, "he was 56, and not up to standing the smoke as he used but he would go first; there never is any stopping him from going first." So Foote, the Captain, not the Foote,

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"Gig." McGowan, fireman and "smoke-ater"-called "Gig." because when a boy e would giggle and was always gay-Gig." who smashed in a door the other walked today at the head of his triumph-ant column, the men of '49.

There was a detail of 75 fireme from every company in the city, and they lined up at the house in the side street in two files and bared their heads as the coffin was carried out.

They marched to the Church of the Annunciation, at 10th and Reed, and heard the voice of the priest sing clear the so-norous and majestic Latin of the mass, a scone of great pesce and kindly dignity, very different from the racket and intol-orable accimonacy with the factor orable scrimmage with the flames and smoke the other night at the fire.

But there was abother fire which came to their thoughts as they listened to the calm voice that spoke for "Gig" and the peace had sought to earn with such hard battling. That was at the Point Breeze oil works fire if years ago when "Gig" led the way and was burned so frightfully that his his was despaired of. He lay in agony on a hospital cot for weeks. He got well and went back to fire fighting.

There was a shield of white roses at the altar. It stood beside the coffin. On the white shield was this inscription:

BOX 231. 12:23 A. M. LAST CALL.

That was the alarm of fire that brought "Gig" out at night for the last time. He was a dashing and distinctive figure on was a dashing to a fire. The children the engine going to a fire. The children could tell him a square off and yell "There goes 'Gig.'" That last fire was at Harry Slensky's m and cigar atore, 4th and Me



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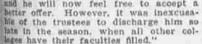
Beach, vestee, Oliver Twist, Tommy Tucker, Russian and sailor styles

Rean streets, Monday. McGowan dist an hour after he was taken to Bt. Agnes' Hospital. He had been a Bre-man since Magistrate Briggs pole to Mayor Stuari about him 18 years ago

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hats in the season, when all other col-less have their faculties filled." Mrs. Nearing said further that at pres-ent har husband had no plans and had and har husband had no plans and had mapped out no work other than that on a book which he is writing in collaboration with Miss Jossie Field, traveling sections with Miss Jossie Field, traveling sections of the New York Y. W. C. A. The back is a textbook for use in secondary schools in rural districts. It will be sailed "Clvices and Country Life."
A year ago Doctor Nearing was made ansistant professor of economics, but received offers from ther colleges at a much higher salary it was learned that Doctor Nearing refused

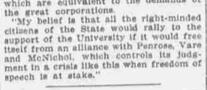
desire to limit freedom of speech at the University. Freedom should not be lim-ited, but it is hardly possible to have unlimited freedom." He and other members of the board were asked if they intend to lay down any definite policy by which members of the faculty may be guided in public ad-

Able teacher assistant professor of G. G. Huebner, assistant professor of "I

G. G. Hueoner, assistant processor of transportation and commerce, said: "I have always regarded Doctor Nearing as one of the valuable members of the fac-ulty and as one of the beat teachers in the University. I deeply regret his dis-missal and consider it most unfortunate." Nearly every member of the board of trustees interviewed about the Nearing cose referred inquirars to Provost Smith.

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Firemen Plan Day of Sport July 5th CORNWELLS, Pa., June 15.-The newly organized fire company of Benalem township will have a day of sport July 5. Ball games will be played in the morning and afternoon, and there will be races of all kinds. In the evening the dremen will hold "onen house." firemen will hold "open house."





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