# STEVENSON ON QUARTERBACKS—LEGORE IS LOST TO OLD ELI

# QUARTER CHIEF **COG IN FOOTBALL** TEAM'S PLAYING

Generalship of Handling Plays Big Factor in Eleven's Success

MUST BE SPEEDY PLAYER

By "VINCE" STEVENSON
To my way of thinking quarterback is
the most important position on a football
team. I am not saying this because I happened to play that position, but because my ex-parience in foot-ball convinced me of it. I have never seen a



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occasionally a quarterback will spring into the limelight for his work in open field. He is halled as a star, but in a few weeks he is on the sidelines and the student body cannot understand it. They how for this man to be sent into the weeks his annex with choses. game and greet his entry with cheers.
The player goes into the fray, makes several fine individual plays, but for some reason the rest of the team seems to backelide and the opponents aweep everything before them.

The spectators cannot understand why the team has gone to pieces, but the answer is generalship. I can recall distinctly several games during my career at Penn where I was praised by newspapers for brilliant work when I knew that I had not done my team as much good as in another game where I had abouterly no chance to stand forth for includer. solutely no chance to stand forth for in-dividual work, but had followed instruc-tions and used better judgment.

"MAKE OR BREAK" MAN. quarterback can make or break a

team. He can stir up enthusiasm and by setting a good example in making the team play fast football, both in practice and in the games, can induce the players to enjoy the game for itself. The new game, with all of its thrills, has less action to it than the old, because the players do not like the game enough.

The spectators can see more running and men in action in the open game, but there are not half the number of plays run off during a game as in the past. I don't think this is so much the fault of the game as it is of the quarterbacks. Grounded forward passes and other new plays kill some time, but there is no reason why a quarterback should not run eff from three to four plays a minute, particularly when he is within striking distance of his opponents' goal.

Some cosches give the men too many signals and others switch signals tob often. This causes some of the men to miss the signs at criffical stages, and also has the tendency to make the players the tendency to make the players give the game away or for the linemen to be offside, as they get their starting signals mixed. Too many signals or the thanging of signals lost for Pennsylvania against Cornell last fall. Cornell got off in the lead, but at the

start of the second half Penn came onto the field with a new quarterback, with show I happened to have a talk between the halves. I told him that the plays were not getting away fast enough and that he should give the signals before the men got into their positions.

DELAY WAS FATAL.

delay between plays gave the Corsell team a chance to steady itself and also took much of the dash out of Penn's attack. I have seen many other games last for the same reason, and it will al-mays be the same until the first prinof team play is developed before many plays and signals are given. team cannot succeed until it has perect control of its signals. This is more acks than to the rest of the squad, but be chaches should see they that have gnals and plays that suit the memories agains and plays that suit the memories and ability of the players. A few good, sensible plays, well perfected, are by far better than all the sensational trick plays of the hit-or-miss character. The greatest aggregation I ever saw or played with was Penn of 1904, which used fewer plays than teams of its time or since. What we did use were perfected to such as extent that the same was not hard extent that the game was not hard the players and we used but 14 men

en the players and we used but 14 men in the three big games each season. Give a team a few excellent plays, well perfected, and a quarterback with generalship and it will be more successful than the team with a wonderful assortment of plays and a quarterback who cannot grasp the signals or direct the play. Three other necessary things in a quarterback are (i) quickness in delivery of signals, (f) ability to think three or four plays ahead before giving any signals and (ii) getting the plays off fast, even it once in a while a player misses the signal entirely.

These things are by far more necessary is a quarterback the

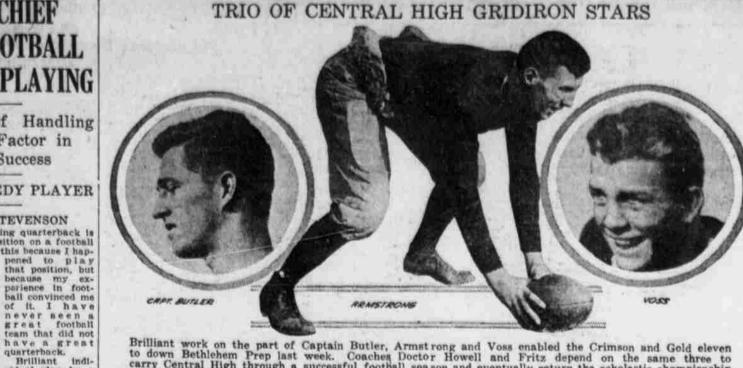
These things are by far more necessary is a quarterback than brilliant individual shilly. In delivery of the signals the starterback should call them while his man are disentangling from the play befere. Give them again as the players are resting into position and then get the play off on the starting signal. By this method play is under way and the men inderstand clearly what is expected of them before the opposing defense gets line to set itself to meet the attack. Is looking three or four plays ahead a marterback should not think only of how much a certain play will main, but itsither that play will put him in a position to use a still more effective attack size. For this reason I am a great believe of series plays, which I think build be more effective under the new fame, the defense is scattered more than its old game.

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Stiling off three or four plays to a sile, particularly if a team uses series a la certain to put the opposing team the str if the quarterback follows out policy regardless of whether or not team is saining. I have seen Penn as run off four plays to the minute, se of which failed to gain, with the rth, a kick, that was pulled off so skiy that the opposing back was shit entirely by surprise, the ball roll-Barson yards.

Sausarterback is well schooled on se points a team cannot fall if its terial is good. An eleven is just as d as its quarterback's generalship and better. The best team ever consider can be ruined by poor general-be white a poor team can frouble a stor one with clever handling.



Brilliant work on the part of Captain Butler, Armstrong and Voss enabled the Crimson and Gold eleven to down Bethlehem Prep last week. Coachea Doctor Howell and Fritz depend on the same three to carry Central High through a successful football season and eventually return the scholastic championship to the Crimson and Gold. In the Bethlehem game Armstrong's quick thinking was the result of Central's only touchdown, when he picked up the ball after Voss' attempted field goal was knocked down three yards in front of the goal posts. Four Prep players stood around him, and they were so surprised at his alertness that Armstrong had placed the leather between the goal posts before they moved.

### ELIS' FOOTBALL HOPES VANISH WITH LOSS OF LEGORE AND MATES

Yale Stars Admit Receiving Compensation for Playing Baseball and Are Barred From Athletics

OTHERS MAY BE OUSTED

Yale's last hope for victory over Princeton and Harvard apparently vanished with the announcement that Harry Legore, generally recognized as the greatest fullback in the country, had been barred from further competition in athletics at Yale because he had received compensation for playing baseball last summer for a Long Island hotel team.

Coach Hinkey's road was a hard one with a green line and only fair backfield material, and the loss of Legore is a climax to a season of poor luck. That Legore and four of his teammates were guilty of accepting expenses and board contrary to the amateur code, is admitted in a statement signed by all and sent to Prof. Robert Corwin, chairman of the Yale Athletic Association.

This is not the urst time that Legore's amateur standing has been questioned. When he was at Mercersburg Academy Lawrenceville protested against his play-ing in the annual same on the grounds that he had accepted compensation for playing with the Maryland Athletic Club on its barnstorming trip through the Mid-die Atlantic and New England States, but these charges fell flat.

Since that time Legore apparently has been a strict amateur, although he played with the Maryland Athletic Club in games at Cape May, Wildwood, Atlantic City and Ocean City last summer. Legore has a wonderful reputation as

a ball player, but it was his gridiron ability which was appreciated most by Yale. Several major league teams had offered Legore contracts at his own terms and Manager Mack, of the Athletics, is said to have offered him \$5000 a year for two years, but he declined to talk business with professional teams until after he had been graduated from

### DEATH OF R. B. WARD MAY AID FED LEAGUE

Nephew of Magnate Expected to Launch Vigorous Campaign

Robert B. Ward, millionaire bread-maker and principal backer of the Feder-al League, died at his home in New Rochelle, last night, after a brief illness, at the age of 63 years. That Mr. Ward's death will have a marked effect on the future of the Federal League is admitted by every one in close touch with league affairs. That effect, however, is expected to be a boost rather than a blow.

Federal League followe a feared that Ward's children, who have never been strongly in favor of his baseball venture, would not care to continue with Brooklyn franchise, but it is said that Mr. Ward had made arrangements for his nephew, Walter S. Ward, one of the most important factors in the organization of the Federal League, to take charge of

his baseball affairs.

It is said that Walter Ward will assume active charge of the Ward interests in the Federal League, as George Ward.

brother of the dead magnate, will give all his time to the baking business.

If the Ward heirs decide to continue in the baseball business, with Walter Ward at the head of the club, an aggressive campaign is certain to be issunched by the Independin League next spring, if President Control of the American International Control of the American International Control of the Control dent Johnson, of the American League, and President Dreyfuss, of the Pitta-burgh Club, of the National League, con-

burgh Club, of the National League, con-tinue to balk at peace plans.

In the event of the Wards dropping out, the Federal League will be dealt a great blow, but several times when it seemed that the Feds were hard pressed for backers, President Gilmore always managed to find a new one with plenty of money.

#### LAUREL RACE CARD FOR TOMORROW'S SPORT

### POOR FOOTBALL TEAM AT NORTHEAST, WHILE CLASS REIGNS AT CENTRAL

Coach Johnson Greatly Handicapped by Lack of Good Gridiron Material-Crack Players in Central High School Squad

NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL appar- son shifted him to the backfield to make ently is due for the poorest football use of his weight and speed. season in years. Not only is the material below form, but hard luck, scholastic deficiency and the failure of promising material to report for the team has placed the Red and Black in such a position that it seems like an impossibility for Coach "Dutch" Johnson to develop a team that can make a creditable showing against Central High in the annual battle this fall. Not more than 30 candidates reported to

Johnson at the start of the season, and at the present time he has not enough candidates on the field to have two teams for scrimmage without using ineligible and injured players in the scrub line-up. With the hardest part of the schedule approaching, Johnson had but 23 men out in uniform yesterday afternoon. Of this number five were incligible for the team because they are back in their studies,

while two others are regulars who have been on the crippled list.

Johnson is facing discouraging condi-tions in his first season as a coach. He was a great quarterback as a schoolboy and collegian and only the presence of Stevenson at Penn kept him from being the varsity quarterback, as he was con-sidered by far better than several men who held regular positions on big college elevens in 1994 and 1905.

"Dutch" knows football and is a good teacher, but he can hardly be expected to turn out a first-class team under present conditions. At the start of the season Northeast's prospects were bright, despite the small number of candidates, but eight regulars have been taken from Johnson through injuries or ineligibility. Yorkes, the regular quarterback; Carriman and Hickey, the two best ends in the squad, and Jenners and Hardin, the two best backs, were declared ineligible by the faculty because they have fallen

below the required mark in studies, while Lighty and Bell, second string ends, and Pullback Bell are out of the game with injuries. They have little chance of re-turning to the team for the balance of At the present time Thomas and Whit-

aker are the only experienced and de-pendable boys in the squad. Thomas is recognized as one of the best tackles in Eastern scholastic circles, while Whitaker likely will develop into the best centre turned out of scholastic ranks in years. This lad is only 17 years old, but stands ounds. He is fast on his feet, a good tackler and knows a lot for a youngster. It would not be surprising if Coach John-

THREE-CORNERED TIE

IN GOLF COMPETITION

Dyer, Montgomery and McAvoy

Each Make 77 in Rotary

Club Tourney

The play-off date has not been decided on as yet. The prize is a silver challenge cup, which must be won three consecutive times before it becomes a

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The summary:

The rest of the squad is decidedly green. Some of the boys have possibili-ties, but it is necessary for a few of the ineligibles to be reinstated for Johnson to round out a team up to the usual standard of Northeast elevens. Johnson says that he expects to have at least three of the ineligible players in the game in two weeks. Until then he will have to along with a makeshift line-up and team play will be hard to perfect.

Over on Central High's field, next door, nditions are just the reverse. Coaches Harry Fritz and Doctor Howell have more than enough for three teams working out each afternoon, many of whom are veterans of two and three years. The troubles of Fritz and Howell are not in trying to find enough capable players, but in striking the best combination from indance of unusual scholastic football

### ASPARAGUS SAM WINS LATONIA'S FIRST RACE

Long-Price Horse, Sauterelle, Lands Second Money in Kentucky Event

LATONIA, Ky. Oct. 19.-Asparagus Sam, at \$4.50, walked away with the field in the opening event here today. Sauterelle, at a long price, came second. The summaries:

First race, selling, 2-year-olds, matdens, 6 furiones—Asparagus Sam, 108, Mott. \$4,50, \$1.10, \$2.60, won; Sauterelle, 100, Taylor, \$21,70, \$10, second; Water Warbler, 109, Martin, \$3,70, third, Time, 1.18, Winnie O'Day, Miss illand, Argument, Czer's Boy, Leuise Green, Innovation and Clara Morgan also ran. Second race, 6 furlongs—Doctor Kendali, 107, Hanover, \$18.10, \$8.80 and \$5.80, won; Transport, 107, Henry, \$5.40 and \$4, second; Palm Leaf, 102, Lapalile, \$8.10, third, Time, 1.18.2. Oresn, Bula Welsh, Roadmaster, Rio Braxos and J. B. Maylow also ran.

Third race, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs—Silver Bill, 112, Hanover, \$4,00, \$2.70 and \$2.80, won; Manasselt, 107, Van Dusen, \$4.60 and \$3.50, second; Feather Duster, 112, Geniry, \$3.30, third. Time, 1,154-5. Nigadoo, Quartermaster. San Jon. Chilton King and Curlicus also ran.

Peurth race, handleap, R-year-olds and up, 1-1-1 miles—Star Jammine, 112 Martin, 51.50, 22.60 and out, wors, Hank of Day '95 Lapsille, \$1,00 and out, second Lady 95 ha, 161 1 me, out, third, Time, 1:39 4-3. R incoat also ran,

# MY DONNIE, OUTSIDER, WINS LAUREL OPENER

Reaches Wire First With Heavy Odds-Broomcorn Second and Costumer Third

LAUREL, Md., Oct. 19.—My Donnie, a rank outsider, with Haynes up, came across in the first race for 3-year-old maidens here this afternoon. Broom-A three-cornered tie resulted in the semiannual medal play handicap tournament of the Rotary Club, of Philadelphia, maidens here this afternoon, Broom-corn, with McDermott riding, was second, while Costumer won place money. The distance was 5½ furlongs. Today's results: this afternoon, on the links of the Aronimink Country Club. The entries competed in five divisions, with W. J. M. Dyer, M. W. Montgomery and J. C. Mc-

Today's results:

First race, maiden 2-year-olds, selling, 54, furloage—My. Donnie, 112. Haynes, 401.20, 844.40, \$28.70, won, Broomcorn, 104, McDermott, \$4.70, \$3,20, second; Costumer, 110, Burlingame, \$4.20, third. Time, 11.01-5. Life, Donner, May McGee, Tatians, Beile of the Kitchet, Jackonet, Mary Blackwood, Sis L. Seemiy and Moonstone also ran.

Second race, for 2-year-olds, 6 furloage—Sprint, 108, T. McTaggart, \$5.50, \$3.50, \$27.0, won, Franktin, 114, J. McTaggart, \$4.40, \$4.10, second; Socony, 108, J. McChave, \$10.60, third. Time, 1:14-3-5. Colonel Vennie, Flaudit, Alfadir, Shrapnel, Lord Rockvale also ran.

Third race, selling 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile and 20 yards—Scorpli, 101, Mink, \$3.70, \$2.20, \$2.00, won; Reliance, 106, Burlingame, 2-40, \$2.60, second; Roger Gordon, 112, Buxton, \$4.40, third, Those, 1:45.2-5, Voluspa, Alstonas, Mollie Richards, Cotton Top and Miss Waters also ran.

Fourth race, the Canvasback Selling Handle. 1, \$2.60, second; Roger Gordon, 112, Fux \$4.40, third. Time, 145.2-5. Volumpa. annus. Mollie Bichards. Cotton Top and Miss lere also ran.

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De Pauw Wins Easily

### BANTAM OPPONENTS TONIGHT



# PITT AND PENN PLAY SATURDAY: HERE'S THE DOPE

Warner's Backfield Is Fast and Linemen Play Steady, Consistent Game

PECK A GREAT CENTRE

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

On next Saturday, October 23, at 2:30 n. th., the University of Pittsburgh footp. m., the University of Filtsburgh foot-ball team will play Pennsylvania on Franklin Field. Pittsburgh is coached by Glenn Warner. Pennsylvania is coached by "By" Lickson, George Brooks, Harold Gaston, Dr. "Buck" Wharton, Dr. Carl Williams and Dr. "Bob" Torrey. Both teams are confident. Each is anxious to win. This is the first meeting between the two teams. the two teams,

The above is the real dope on the game which will be put on as a week-end matince for the home folks who spend matince for the home folks who spend their spare afternoons watching padded sladiators mix it up on the gridiron to uphold the honor of their alma mater or the championship of their league, or anything clse that might be in jeopardy. Needless to say, it will be a terrific struggle, and one may even go so far as to suggest that it will be a fierce battle. Anyway, we predict that a pleasant time will be had by all—except the players.

That is as much predicting as we care to do in this issue. As to who will win the game, we gently but firmly pass the buck. To know who will be victorious buck. To know who will be victorious would spoil the entire afternoon for thousands of persons in our commonwealth, and we are always solicitous of the welfare of our readers. If this is not enough, allow us to state that anyone who tries to pick the winner of a football game in advance should avoid the squirrels while promenading in the park. And this goes, even if Harvard played a flock of athletes that accompanied General Sherman on his march to the sea.

For those who believe in past perform-For those who believe in past performances and have faith in comparative scores, here are some figures. Pittsburgh defeated the Navy seven touchdowns to two. Penn and the Navy each scored one touchdown. That makes Pitt seven times as strong as Penn on the offense and Penn twice as strong as Pitt on the defense. You can figure out the chances of each team for yourself, but we advise of each team for yourself, but we advise of each team for yourself, but we advise you to keep your findings a deep secret.

There is no doubt but that Pittsburgh has one of the strongest teams in the East this year. The showings against the Navy and Carlisle prove that Glenn Warner has a wonderful offensive eleven, but what the team can do on the defense is still a matter of conjecture. In the battle with the Midshipmen, Pitt scored almost at will and took things easy after the first half. This also was true in the Indian game last Saturday. in the two contests the westerners scored 22 points against 12 by their opponents, the dozen points being the result of care-lessness and poor headwork on the part of Pitt. But the team showed that it had an attack that could score, and scoring is one of the principal things in winning football games.

The "Warner system" has taken hold n Smoketown. The players have mastered all of the intricate points and act like seasoned veterans, although they have been practicing only a little more than a month. Eleven players get into every play, and after they get into it they prove to their opponents that they know their business. Every man on the team knows how to interfere for the run-ner and block off would-be tacklers. In this branch of the game Pitt shows up better than any other team in the coun-

In regard to speed the University of Pittsburgh backfield is as fast as any that I have ever seen. The men get away quickly, run hard and are difficult to tackle. Captain Williamson, at quarterback, is a terror on end runs and was off and away in the first play used in the Navy game before the Middles realized what had happened. He is a powerful runner and a clever dodger in an open field. In addition to the field. In addition to this, he runs team well, knows the proper plays to use at the proper times and shows excellent judgment while directing his men.

Jimmy Hastings, a halfback, also is fast and can get under way in a short space of time. He follows his interference well, is good on picking his opponents and runs hard enough to make several yards once he gets started. Hastings is regarded as one of the best drop kickers in the East, scoring against the Navy, Cornell and Penn State last year. He will be used considerably in the Penn game next Saturday.

Fry, the fullback, can tear through the

Fry, the fullback, can tear through the line on straight plays, circle the ends and handle the forward pass in fine style. He fits in with the other members of the backfield, as he is speedy and an excellent interferer. He also is a drop kicker and a good man at kicking goals from touchdowns.

## PENN FRESH RUNNERS WIN X-COUNTRY RACE

Defeat Hill-and-Dalers of Combined High Schools Here This Afternoon

The freahmen cross-country team of the University of Pennsylvania nosed out the hill and dale athletes of the combined high schools here this afternoon over the scholastic course of East Riverside drive, Fairmount Park, by a score of 27 to 28. The distance was 314 miles. Betts, wearing the red and blue, nego ttated the course in 18 minutes and 18 seconds. He was followed by a teammate. Price, while the first high school runner to finish was Harmer, of West Philadelphia High School. He was third.

#### LATONIA RACE CARD FOR TOMORROW'S SPORT

ace selling maiden 8-year-olds and rionag "Hattie Burton, 90; "Peter v5; Tillotain, 100; Prince Albert, 105; 105; Malheur, 95; "Pourist, 95; "Peg-naton, 106; Allen Cain, 108; Argent,

#### CITY BETTER PROTECTED UNDER PORTER'S SYSTE

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was appointed to obtain competition in the prices paid for uniforms and caus Bids were requested from 12 leading manufacturers. I may say that a savin of \$12 per annum was effected to the benefit of each man, and a bigher gree of uniform and cap obtained. Policemen now find the \$40 allotted to the annually for clothing is sufficient to equip them, whereas in former years the had to often pay out from \$10 to \$15 in excess of the allotment."

At the Training School for Police Service green policemen spend from four six weeks receiving instruction and training. A lawyer is there to helthem with some of the legal phases of questions apt to come up daily. Instruction is given in the correct method of making reports, keeping records as drawing up forms, also how to report robberies, accidents and violations municipal regulations. Before the advent of the Blankenburg administration new policemen were sent out upon the streets without proper instructions an is their duties. Officials from all over the country have come to see this syste of training in operation.

In former administrations policemen were not encouraged to look arous them when out upon their beats and turn in reports of conditions as they an them. No matter how willing and eager a policeman might have been, "but ting in," as it was termed, was generally frowned upon in the station house This has been changed. Each policeman now is equipped with a complaint book containing printed postal cards, ready to be filled out, reporting such could tions as he may find upon his beat, as sidewalk obstructions, unclean street and alleys, holes in the streets, fallen wires and fire hazards. He also has & looseleaf notebook in which to make special entries and memoranda of in portance to citienzs. During the old days it was the custom in each station house to read off at the morning roll call descriptions of persons wanted, goods stolen and other communications of importance. Policemen were expected to re member from 25 to 30 descriptions, together with their particulars. What hap pened was this-they simply forgot what they were paid to know. Today each policeman is furnished with a printed list of descriptions, and it is worthy chronicling that the very first day that the new method went into effect tw important captures were made, and the policemen who made the arrests attrib uted their success to the full descriptions given in the printed circulars.

So as to be able to get out matter of importance for distribution among the police, Mr. Porter installed a printing plant. Councils declined to provide funds for the maintenance of the plant. Mr. Porter canvassed his men and found a few who had had experience as printers, and supplied a little money out of his own pocket, enough to carry forward the work. Thereupon, a read lution was introduced into Councils forbidding the policemen from doing the printing, but failed of passage, fortunately for the public.

Modern Methods of Handling Traffic Installed

One of the greatest accomplishments of the Department of Public Safety during the regime of Mr. Porter was the improvements made in the handling of the traffic. Strange as it may seem, Philadelphians had never been informed concerning what rules and regulations governed traffic. Outside of the broad, general understanding that traffic moved west on Walnut street and east on Chestnut street, nobody had very definite ideas of conduct in the public thoroughfares. An automobile in the old days could stand in front of a house or a place of business for hours at a time, blocking traffic and interfer ing with trade. Congestion in the downtown parts of the city was terrific particularly during the Christmas holidays, when automobiles were parked along the curbs of streets, making travel slow and perilous. Innumerable accidents were solely due to the lack of 'enowledge on the part of motorists as to the speed limit, and hundreds of mac lines went out on the streets after dark without lights.

Mr. Porter took up the subject with the Board of Trade, the automobile sociations, the team owners' associations, the surface railway lines, shipping interests and others concerned in the subject of street traffic. The outcome of the conferences was the publication and wide free distribution of "Rules and Regulations Governing Street Traffic in Philadelphia." Safety zones were installed in the congested sections for the protection of pedestrians, and a semaphore traffic signal established throughout the downtown district, which supplanted the confusing whistle system. If the average citizen is not impressed with this outline of improved traffic regulation, he may consult a record of accidents and discover that there has been a decrease of 70 per cent. In their number since the new regulations were put into force, and he certainly cen testify as to the advantages of parking automobiles in the centre of Broad street rather than along its curbing.

Probably the most exasperating problem Mr. Porter had to attack with the social evil. The "Old Tenderlofp" was lodged within an area between 6th and 5th streets from Walnut street to Spring Garden. Approximately 1200 houses of prostitution were flourishing in this district, widely scattered, when the Blankenburg administration took office.

Mr. Porter found certain groups of business men crying out that the city in general would suffer from any interference on his part with existing conditions. Many well-meaning citizens called upon him and pointed out that the "Old Ten terloin" was a necessary evil, and carnestly advocated that it be left to run full blast. Then there were the ministers and clergymen, declaring that the whole thing should be promptly and absolutely snuffed out, while another group pleaded for the segregation of the unfortunates into a more restricted area. All Philadelphia watched Mr. Porter to see in which direction he would travel, and it is conceded that whatever he did two-thirds of the public stood ready to condemn his action.

A vigorous campaign against the sale and possession of cocaine, morphine unlawful sale of intoxicating liquors in "speakeasies" and so-called clubs As the law prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors on Sunday, it is presumed there will always be persons willing to risk arrest and imprisonment by selling such liquors without license. Of the increased zeal shown by the police in obtaining obedience to the law, testimony is offered by the record, showing 96,084 arrests in 1912, or 8527 in excess of the number made during the last year of the Reyburn administration. In 1913 there were made 103,673 arrests, and in 1914, 100,629 arrests.

Mr. Porter inaugurated, among other things, a river patrol, operating motorboats on the Delaware north and south from Race street. This motorlaunch service not only was productive of the recovery of stolen property, but rendered substantial assistance to persons and boats in distress.

In his conduct of the Fire Bureau, Mr. Porter showed commendable energy He abolished the detail of an active fireman at every theatre during performances, and substituted therefor continuous patrol and inspection of all places of amusement.

"Roughly speaking, I should say there are 18 ordinary theatres and 190 moving-picture houses in Philadelphia," said Mr. Porter "I found that the firemen detailed there usually spent their time watching the shows, and that they alone were incapable of coping with such an emergency as a fire in the building. Beside, I needed them at the firehouses, where we were shorthanded. Instead of one fireman in a theatre, there now is the entire force of employee. including the ushers and stage hands, trained and ready to meet with co tions in the event of a fire. Owners of amusement places were compelled to spend upward of \$300,000 in making their properties more safe to the public One financier, interested in real estate, even went to the Legislature in his fight against the conditions we imposed, but we were sustained by the courts. and our restrictions stand. Not only did we make a rigid inspection of the amusement places, but every house and building in the city was visited by a uniformed fireman, with the result that many hazardous conditions have been

Porter Challenges Public to Examine His Record

The establishment of a circulating library in the Fire Department and the starting of a Fire Training School, with a Firemen's Manual, after the pattern of the new Policemen's Manual, in the course of preparation, are some of the reforms projected by Mr. Porter in the Fire Bureau. He extended the firemen's vacations to two weeks instead of one lessened the cost to them of their uniforms, granted them the right to live wherever they please and freed them from political assessments. But Mr. Porter was not at all satisfied with the progress he made in the physical condition of the apparatus and buildings of the Fire Bureau. He was hampered continually by the backward attitude of Councils, its members refusing to make sufficient appropriations to bring the department up to the standard of other American cities of

"At least \$2,000,000 ought to be spent at once in modernizing the fire equipment of our city," said Mr. Porter. "For years this branch of the city service has received small consideration and few appropriations. Thanks to the active campaign conducted by the Committee on Municipal Affairs of the Bourd of Trade, some appreciation of these pressing needs is beginning to be felt in the business community.

"I have done my best, and I am confident that my efforts for better government will stand up under inspection," said Mr. Porter. "Out of my own pocket I, from time to time, advanced more than \$8000 in getting desired results. where Councils had planned disaster for me in the conduct of my once we had in the Police Department a contingent fund, called the 'Secret Fund,' of \$1000 a month. This was used by the Police Bureau for the detection of crim covering such expenditures as railroad fare for the detectives, and their penses in the getting of evidence. On one occasion a well-known Select C cilman called at my office under the authority he possesses, and asked seeral questions concerning my disposition of these moneys. I handed over him my personal keys, and instructed my subordinates to supply him with the combination of the office safe. It was a pity that he decided against looking over my accounts, for he would have found a remarkable change over the methods of the previous administration. Instead of bulked expenses, which could news most anything, we showed expenditures fully itemized, with all the tri of their detail.

"Then there was the time Councils authorized an investigation Bureau of Fire and the Fire Marshal's office, which proved to be a complete boomerang. I suppose these attacks were a part of the game of ald-fashing gang politics; really they did not distress me, save in such instances as where public at large was the sufferer."

Mr. Porter's path never was strewn with ruses, say more than the of other officials of the Blankenburg Administration. That he came the an ordeal lasting four years without a single acandal kept the police from a participation in three successive elections, and improved the morale and a service of all his subordinates, is a record of which his superior, that green reformer, Mayor Blankonburg, is naturally extremely pro-