## EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1915.

pervasive, labor wars and interna-

tional conflicts will cease, and what-

ever of almsgiving is needed will

lives of contagious reconciliation;

and here is a lesson for our Christ-

Haverford, Pa., December 20, 1915.

NAVAL BOARD MEMBER

## PUNISH MEN WHO SUFFRAGE VALIANTLY LOSE BANKS' CASH, SAYS WILLIAMS

Comptroller of Currency Seeks to Stop "Breaking From Inside"

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WANTS LAWS CHANGED

Annual Report to Congress Asks Power to Make Institutions Obey Statutes

#### Laws Urged by Williams to Protect Depositors

Provide prison sentences for in-fractions of the banking laws.

Prohibit bank officers from lending bank's money to themselves. Empower the Comptroller to im-

pose and collect fines for the payment by banks of overdrafts. Empower the Comptroller to re-move officers or directors guilty of

violation of law or regulation and providing that, following removal, the injured bank may sue the director to recover damages. Limit deposits of banks to 10

and possibly 8 per cent. of the capital and surplus.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.-Strong recommendation for legislation providing for the criminal prosecution of officers and directors of national banks through whose negligence or wrongful actions stockholders and depositors lose money, will be contained in the annual report to Congress of John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency. The report is expected to be completed within the next ten days.

Comptroller Williams is determined to break up the practices by which, he says, banks "are broken from the inside." He declares that depositors and bank stock-holders have a right to insist upon legislation safeguarding their interests against criminal bank officers and directors.

THE RECOMMEND. TIONS.

The Comptroller desires sufficient power officials to obey the national banking laws and the regulations of his office. He will mmend legislation:

Limiting the amount of a bank's money which may be lent, directly or indirectly, to one borrower. Empowering the comptroller to fine banks and their officers for violation of regulations and in some cases pro-viding prison sentences for infracviding prison sentences for infractions.

Prohibiting bank officers and direc-tors from lending their banks' money to themselves. Empowering the comptrelier to im-

pose and collect fines for the payment by banks of overdrafts. Making ineligible for re-election bank

directors who fall to attend a majority Empowering the comptroller to re-move officers or directors guilty of violation of law or regulation, and providing that, following removal, the injured bank may sue the director to recover damages. recover damages. Empowering the comptroller to de-

clare a director's seat vacant if such

an officer, upon election, fails for 30 days to file his oath. Limiting deposits of banks to ten per cent, and possibly eight per cent.

of the capital and surplus. Providing for the engraving, rather than the signing by hand, of bank of-ficers' signatures to national bank

notes. Providing a feasible method for the pensolidation of national banks.

comptroller is expected to add some recommendations for legislation of a punitive character directed against national banks engaging in brokerage business.



paign for Equal Franchise Which Will Be Maintained With Unabated Zeal

DIVISION VICE CHAIRMEN

New System Designed to Increase Efficiency of Organization

Those persons who believe that suffrage for women has been dropped into the discard since the great election have only to look into the active work going on in Delaware County to realize their mistake. A reorganization of the enfire county has just been accomplished, and a new system of division with a vicechairman for each section has been installed. This newer and better system will put the responsibility on the shoulders of several women instead of only one; it will train many women in active suffrage work to the end that when the campaign starts again the Woman Suf-frage Farty will have trained workers to carry it on. At present the County Headquarters

ADOPTS SIX CHILDREN At present the county Headquarters are in Media, but later they will be moved to Chester where the work will be mainly concentrated for the next four or five years. It will take that long in the opinion of the suffragists to get Chester

Mrs. J. Claude Bedford, the former County leader, who recently declined re-election in order that other women might have the training and experience neces-sary for the work, in speaking of the Federal amendment, said

"No matter whether you are working or a Federal or State amendment the everage has to be exactly the same. The Federal amendment has to be ratified by the legislators, and we have no guarantee that they will vote for the ratification unless their constituents want them to. It is the constituency that counts in the final analysis. Suffragists do not real-ize that there is no royal road to voting or any short cut; they have to get down and work for what they want; they must pay strict attention to detail work and Thorough organization work, precinct by precinct, is the only thing that accom-plishes anything. Where the precinct organizations are strong suffrage will carry, where they are weak it will lose. "Western suffragists." she continued. "think we waste our time with this de-tail work, but they do not understand the conditions here. Compared to Eastern work that in the Western States was easy, they seldom, if ever, had organ-ised politics to work against them, and

they have a much smaller population per mile than we have. "Our women do not realize that a great political campaign is like a great military campaign and must be perfect in every detail if it is to succeed. We cannot elect a leader by popular clamor any more than

men could appoint a commander-in-chief that way, nor can we win our campaign by such methods. We must have thor-ough and systematic organization, women, who like good soldlers do as they are told, and money to carry on our work. "A little money laid aside each week,

hospitals of whose visiting staffs he was a member, was attracted by Emma and May Pendleton and Arnold Bartlett. As with the others when Doctor Putnam first saw them, they were very III. But under kind and thoughtful care they be-gan to bloom, and when they were fully recovered Doctor Putnam announced that they would quality. The saven children "A little money laid aside each week, earned, saved or raised in one way and another," she concluded, "should give us a splendid campaign fund in 1919. In the meantime we must work, and organize and do propaganda work, so that next time though the work against us will be stronger, we will be stronger still and will bring victory to Pennsylvania."

## ROTARIANS FEAST KIDDIES

#### Wilmington Members Have 50 Poor Children as Guesta

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 23.-Mem-bers of the Botary Club of this city gave a dinner today to 59 poor children at the Hotel du Pont. One of the best menus ever served at the hotel for a similar ever served at the hotel for a similar

"My judgment is, that when the time somes for the nomination, Colonel Roose-velt will demand a platform of principles

he country. This will be the end of Mr. Roosevelt in the convention. These mas-

ters then will turn to a candidate with whom they will have an understanding, but whose public record will be so obscure

the people will beat the Republican can-

Senator Lewis said that the most im-portant single factor in the Republican convention will be United States Sena-

will be sufficient to nominate a

REPUBLICAN CHIEFS SAY

**ROOSEVELT BOOM A 'FEELER'**,

Colonel's Supporters Want to See

How His Name Will "Take"

NEW YORK, Dac. 33 .- The Roosevelt

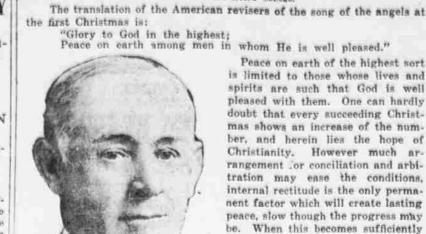
boom for the Republican presidential

nomination has been shot out through

the country by ardent admirers of the

colonel to see how it would "take," in

the opinion of several Republican Na-



#### A Christmas Lesson for a Troubled World **TO BE MODIFIED** By ISAAC SHARPLESS of Havarford Callera

Democrats Inclined to Heed Protest Against Including **Combustion Engines** 

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-House Dem-crats have decided to fling by the board ne of President Wilson's suggestions for raising revenue. It is his fentative plan for taxing internal combustion engines. Congress began to hear from "the coun-Congress begin to the President's mea-sage was printed. Every farmer who owned a gasoline engine, with which he operated his fodder cutter, his separator, SBRC owned a gasonne engine. With separator, his churn or pump, was up in arms. The response to the President's suggestion was so instantaneous and vigorously negative —particularly from the farmer, in addi-tion to the expected protest from the auto-mobilist—that Administration leaders in Congress decided it was political expedi-ency to drop the proposed plan at once. The proposed tax on gasoline is still an issue. Certain members profess to see in the recent sensational rise in gasoline prices an effort by the Standard Oli Com-pany to create a sentiment against this plan of raising revenue. The ganoline user now paying from 20 to 24 cents a gallon, according to locality, would raise a terrific roar if the Government pro-posed to add on two or more cents a galbecome the spontaneous pleasure of kindly hearts. In the long run the best work is done by those who live ed to add on two or more cents a gal posed to add on two or more cents a gal-lon to this price as a tax. An increasing sentiment for a heavy inheritance tax is apparent among mem-bers. There is also considerable opposi-tion to the bank check tax suggested by the President.

McNICHOL'S WATCH WAS PLEDGED IN PAWNSHOP

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was taken from the scene of the mur der, wherever that was, to another plac being finally removed to 4062 Frankford avenue.

Frankford avenue. Another important development is the statement to the effect that a large wooden packing case, similar to the one containing the burled trunk, was removed from 1818 Wensley street, where Keller formerly lived, late one night in the spring of 1914. This statement was made by a woman living in the neighborhood. Two witnesses sought by the police in connection with the murder may be ar-rested today. One of the, according to the police, is "Al" Young, a brother-in-

law of Edward Keller. The name of the ther has not been dislosed. Young has been traced to Pittsburgh

and although the detectives were baffled for a time in tracing him further, they assert that his trall has now been found and that little time will clapse before he in placed under arrest. It is thought he will be an important witness, for it is be-lieved he was in the building, at 4952 Kensington avenue, where the body was found, at the time of the murder. He ras employed as a packer in the leather

Young, the police say, may be able to shed some light on the latest develop-ment in the case—the finding of nearly a bushel of lime, said to be like the lime with which McNichol's body was covered. in the cellar of the house at 1818 East Wensley street, formerly occupied by Keller as his home.

DISCOVERY OF THE LIME.

The discovery of the lime was made by detectives accidentally. It was seen through a hole in the side of the cellar wall by detectives working on the case. Decupants of the houses said they did not know that the lime was there. A chemi-cal examination will be made today to determine scientifically whether the lime is of the same kind as that which

was found over McNichol's body. A plece of cement, about 2 by 5 feet in size, had been removed from the floor of the cellar in Keller's former home, the detectives said, and had been re-placed. A search of the ground beneath, however, failed to throw any light on the murder.

The police have not established definite-ly the fact that McNichol was shot, al-though they are confident he was killed in this way. There is no doubt in their minds that they will be able to prove legally that the dead man was McNichol,



**OF HIDING WITH LOOT** 

Saloonkeeper Says He Discovered Them on Fourth Floor of Home-Two Escaped

Two lads of innocent face and mild manner are at the House of Detention awaiting trial today accused of being nembers of a gang that for months has been stealing clothing and other articles and storing the booty on the fourth floor of a saloon building at 5th and Vine

Jones, 15 and 10 years old. Burman lives at 1019 Vine street and Jones Lt 528 North 8th street. A single glance Lt either of the youngsters would indicate to the average observer that they were model members of a Sunday school class or perhaps "teacher's pets" in a grammar grade

They were arrested on Sunday by Hugh Clark, proprietor of the saloon. For many weeks, according to the police of the 11th and Winter streets station, the boys have been living on Clark's prop-erty. They obtained entrance, it is said, by smashing a trap door with a hammer, climbing to the roof several times each day at the risk of their lives. They are accused of stealing articles of alight value

They use that part of the house only for storage purposes. When Mrs. Clark com-plained of noises upstairs her husband searched the entire house and discovered four boys lying on the floor. He seized the two boys who are now at the House of Detention. The other two jumped from a fourth-floor window to a porch roof on the third floor. Then they escaped by a rainspout, disappearing from the sight of Clark within a minute. The lads are in custody of Thomas G. Parrie, chief probation officer of the Juvenile Court.

Members

SUNDAY

FROM MARKET STREET WHAR

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OUTINGS

NOT SEEKING DELEGATES

Support in Convention, Mayor-

**Elect Intimates** 

Mayor-elect Thomas B. Smith, upon his

return from Harrisburg, where he played golf with Governor Brumbaugh, intimated that the Governor might make no at-

empt to capture the Pennsylvania dele-

gation to the Republican National Con-vention, and that there would be hav-mony among all factions of the Repub-

lican party in the State when it comes

to electing the delegates next May. "Is it true that Governor Brumbeugh intends to make a fight for national dele-

Embark on Liner-Will

Run Cattle Ranch

cific Train at San Antonio by

Federal Officials

left here yesterday for Sierra Blanca,

where he expects General Francisco Villa

to cross from the Bustillos ranch with

General Jose Rodriguez and his 40 body-

guards. They were expected to cross

some time last night by Consul Edwards,

Juarez. Villa is making his way to the border

ressing its campaign to obtain 100,000 nembers in 15 days in this city, and ANDERSON.-On December 23, 1915, SUS-ANNA K., widow of George W Anderson, aged 90 years. Relatives and friends are he-yited to attend the funeral services, on Mon workers in the Philadelphia branch are vited to attend the funeral services, of Mar-day, at 1 D. m., at her late residence. If West Girard ave. Interment private at West Laurel Hill. SMITH.-On December 23, 1015, SAMUEL H. SMITH, aged 84 years. Relatives and friends of the family, also Stenhest Girard Lodge, No. 450, F. and A. M. are invited to attend the funeral, on Friday former processely at 2:30 o'clock, from the Massach Home, 3251 North Broad st. Interment at West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Henry A. Wise Wood Says He Can't Stand President's Weak Policy

NEW YORK, Dec. 23. Secretary of the Navy Daniels's refusal to make public the recommendations of the general board of the navy stirred yesterday the ire of Henry A. Wise Wood, preparedness advocate, who is a member of the Naval Consulting Board, and Alan R. Hawley, president of

the Aero Club of America. Mr. Wood sent his resignation from the Naval Consulting Board to Secretary Daniels so that he can be free in future to criticise the "dangerously weak naval and military pactor of the President." while Mr. Hawley sent to Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., to Senator O'Gorman and to the 34 New York representatives in Congress a request for an investigation of Secretary Daniels' suppression of the original report and a demand that it be made public in the interests of the country

Mr. Wood, who is chairman of the Conference Committee on National Preparedness, attacks Secretary Daniels for having substituted his own knowledge for that of the experts of the general board. He writes in part:

"Where the General Board recon that our navy be made the equal of the most powerful in the world by 1925, and offers the program for 1917-withheld by you from the public-which the board says will accomplish this if continued in subsequent years on a similar scale, you Subsequent years on a similar scale, you have arbitrarily limited the board to a siven sum for new construction, and thus have forced it to substitute for this a program which in reality is not its own, but that of yourself, a civilian, who as such is wholly incompetent to judge how large or what our navai forces should be. "Likewise the Secretary of War not-The seven children spend most of the year at North Tisbury, Mass., where five of them attend school. Each year Doctor and Mrs. Putnam bring the chil-dren down to New York to spend the Children boldare "Likewise the Secretary of War, not-withstanding his often expressed deep in-terest in preparedness, has not had the courage to support the recommendations of the General Staff of the army. The

staff consists of our most highly trained experts, yet he, also merely a civilian, has cut its recommendations to pieces." Mr. Hawley calls the report issued by

AS PLAYMATES FOR SON And the Seven Have Come From Massachusetts to Welcome Santa in New York

mas season

QUITS TO RAP WILSON

# WILSON'S TAX PROGRAM



WILLIAM S. TWINING Political gossip says he will be appointed Transit Director in a few days, succeeding A. Merrit Taylor.





who was ordered there by the State De-partment to escort Villa through the United States to New Orleans, according to Mrs. Edwards, who is acting Consul-

Villa is making his way to the border on horseback and the progress of his com-pany is necessarily shoe. Tickets have been purchased here at a local railroad and steamship office to New Orleans, over the Texas and Pacific Rail-road and from New Orleans to Havana. Cuba, by boat of the United Fruit Com-pany line. The sailing time, according to the railroad agent, is Saturdhy morning, and Villa is expected to take the train tonight or Friday in order to join his family in New Orleans by that time Mrs. Luz Corral de Villa and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Carmen de Villa, wife of Col-onel Hipolito Villa, arrived in New Or-leans yesterday afternoon. leans yesterday afternoon. From New Orleans they will ge to Havana and from there sail for Buenos Aires, where Villa, through local land

Alres, where Villa through local land agents, has arranged for the purchase of a bios acre cattle ranch stocked with cattle. He will manage this and employ a num-ber of his former commanders and body-They are Henry Burman and George guards as vaqueros. Villa has been as-sured by courier that he will have a safe conduct through the United States If he brings the 30 American's from the Madera Lumber Company mills to the horder with him. Consul Edwards is known to have this permit with him and will deliver it to Villa when he brings

the Americans across. Brumbaugh Not Trying to Get State continuously, placing the loot securely in a fourth-floor room.

According to Clark he and his wife go to the fourth floor less than once a month.

4000 IN SECURITY LEAGUE

# intends to make a light for national dele-gates?" he was asked. "I do not think the Governor has an such intention." replied the Mayor-teck The visit of the Mayor-elect was a social one, according to both Mr. Smith and the Governor. They denied that anything except golf had been discussed. Great Start Made to Gain 100,000

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

The National Security League is today DEATHS

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- A whole carload children-well, maybe not a whole caroad, but there were seven, anyway came down to New York from North Timbury, Mass, early this week and were met at the Grand Central Station by automobiles and whisked around to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Russell Lowell Putnam, 121 East 38th street. And these seven children are going to ave a bullier Christmas than they have ever known. Patrick, 11 years old, is the full son of Doctor Putnam, who is a prominent specialist in children's dis-cases; the others are his children by adoption. Three of them were formally adopted yesterday under an order signed

Surrogate Fowler. These three were too young a year ago, when Doctor Putnam rescued them from sickness and dull surroundings, to know just what their adopted parent's celebra-

Just what their adopted parent's celebra-tion was all about, but they are now so keyed up by long-discussed anticipa-tion that when Friday midnight comes they are likely to tear out all the bricks in the chimney in their anxiety to greet a mythical old gentleman, and smille in the face of one not so old. This will be quite as amusing to Lie delighted Patrick as it will be to his father, for it was Doctor Futnam's de-sire to surround his hoy with playmates that provoked the organization of this

ISAAC SHARPLES

that provoked the organization of this ious circus. About a year and a half age Doctor Putnam, in his visits to the numerous hospitals of whose visiting staffs he was

ANDERNOS, France, Dec. 28 .-- Mme. Sarah Bernhardt's physicians admitted

plain that there was no sentiment favor-

ing the colonel. They all expressed the belief that the Republican party could

cussion. They didn't think it significant that incoming trains brought only Repub-licans howfile to Roosevelt to town, in-

luding Murray Crane, of Massachusetts

Victor Rosewater, of Oniaha, and Senator Boles Penrose, of Pennsylvania.

Holes Penrose, of Pennsylvania. The Arizona National Committeeman suggested that a "dark horse" may run away with the Republican nomination. The others fought shyly away from ex-

"Out in Nevada," said Colonel H. B. Maxson, \*.ational contribution of the poly of the said colonel H. B. Maxson, \*.ational Committeeman from that State, 'we play poker with our cards close to our belt until its time for a show-down. That's a good game to play when

Maxson lunched with Chairman Hilles

today. It was understood that Penrose would see the national chairman later in

CALL TO PENNSYLVANIANS

HOSTON, Mass. Dec. 21.-The Boston Advertiser, in which Charles Summer Bird, former Progressive leader, is largely in-teested, prints the following dispatch from New York.

"Ex-President Roosevelt will again

ROOSEVELT TO ISSUE

That's a good game to play when you're looking for a Presidential condi-

down;

the day.

York:

## **BADEN INCOMES MUST** PAY HEAVIER TAXES

Twenty Per Cent. Added; Prusthat Colonel Roosevelt can pose before sia and Saxony to Folthe masses as representing the people. while he can have a private understand-ing with the masters that he will repre-sent the financial interests. With this unlow Example derstanding they would support Colonel Roosevelt, notwithstanding the past curses heaped upon him. These financial heads are for any one to beat Wilson."

BERLIN, Dec. 28 .- The movement for an increase of taxation by the German States has begun with Baden, where the Diet has just passed a bill increasing the

Diet has just passed a but increasing the income tax 20 per cent, on incomes above 2409 marks (about \$560). It was pointed out in the Reichstag on Monday that Prussia and Saxony also intend to increase their income tax veit will demand a platform of principles similar to that he ran on as the Pro-gressive candidate in 1912. He will have to do this to maintain his honor and confidence with the people. Then the bosses will desert him. They will find he will not enter into a trade to trick the country. This will be the end of Mr. Booswell by the convention. They may have

rates. "The official periodical of the German "The efficial periodical of the terminal trade unions to usy publishes a review of the international situation," says the Overseas News Agency. It declares that the Reichstag once more has proved the moral union of the German Parliament with the Government to defend Germany's independence and intervity acainst encendence and integrity against encthat the people may be deceived in him. Roosevelt will then announce his opposi-tion to such a man and such a trick and my aggression.

"The Chancellor's speech, it says, showed the readiness of the Government to enter into peace negotiations and that Germany does not aim at the suppres-sion of other nations. The Chancellor clearly stated that he did not want to prolong the war in order to conquer more "The Chancellor's speech was different

Convention will be United States Sena-tor Boles Penrose, of Pennsylvania. He gave as the reason that the electoral vote of this State is the second largest in the Union and every candidate will seek it. In the opinion of Senator Lewis, Senator Penrose will be able to deliver it, and with him will go New Jersey, Delawars and Maryland. This block of votes will be sufficient to nominate a from the speeches of statesmen of enemy countries. These statesmen speak of Ger-many's annihilation, while the Chancellor is willing to discuss a sensible peace proposal."

possl." According to a Bucharest dispatch, the exportation of 50..... carloads of grain of various sorts has been finally arranged, a satisfactory agreement on the method of payment having been reached between the German and Rumanian negotiators. The third instalment of subscriptions

The third instalment of subscriptions on the third German war loan, a 25 per sent payment, was due yesterday. This makes 75 per cent, due. As a matter of fact, Sk1 per cent, was path in cash up sember 15, according to the Overseas News Agency.

#### LAUGH AT COOKE'S ATTACK

#### Gas Director Declares Charges as to Prices Are Absurd

Common Councilman William J. Mc-Cienkey, of the 16th Ward, and one of the city's members of the Board of Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Company, has characterized as "absurd" the charges of Director Gooks that the Councilman on the gas company's board have been negligent in looking after the interests they recent

Mr. McCloskey today said that in his years' experience he had never heard single compinint from a resident of is like the lish or the 16th Ward that is rate of survice by the sus company a unjustly high. Making charges, he wered, seems to be Director Cooke's universe

income Cooke in attacking the gas many americal that the price for gas incommand feet should be reduced from a be create. In a letter to Mayor theshorp he unred councilization au-t as bring about fold reduction.

party was a big attraction. Singer's Midgets, who are at Dock-stader's Garrick Theatre, entertained the little folk.

early next year.

ing rapidly, considering her age. She will remain at her villa here until completely recovered. She expects to go to Londor

Christmas holidays.

Secretary Daniels "an inadequate plan made by order of the Administration, as a compromise with such members of the Democratic party who, like William J. W. W. Balley, advocate limited arma-ment."

SUIT TO FORCE PUBLICITY OF TEXTBOOK CO.'S AFFAIRS

#### Rozier C. Bowman Alleges Frauds in T. J. Foster's Concern

win with Roosevelt, but, according to one Western leader; "We're not going to win with Roosevelt. Neither Taft nor Roosevelt will be able to swing the next convention." Alleging fraud in the sale to him of International Educational Publishing Company stock, Rozier C. Bowman has convention, Every Republican chieftain at the Wal-drof denied vehemently today that any important conference had brought him to brought sult for \$500 damages against the International Textbook Company, in an international Textbook Company, in an effort to force full publicity of the affairs of all corporations floated by T. J. Fos-ter, of Scranton. The sult was instituted yesterday in the Municipal Court. In his statement, Bowman alleges that in December, 1911, he was induced to pur-chuse stock in the company by H S. New York. The Westerners declared they had dropped off in New York, en route home from the National Committee meeting at Washington. They said they had "paid their respects" to Hilles, but denied the Roosevelt candidacy was under dis-

ase stock in the company by H. S. Chambers, a representative of the con-cern, on the basis that the company was earning 7 per cent. on its preferred stock. The textbook company, which owns the publishing company, knew that the repre-sentations made by Chambers at the time were "absolutely false and fraudulent" in that the publishing company was not earning dividends at the time and the accounts had never been audited, accord-ing to the statement.

The suit grew out of the opposition by Foster to allow the stockholders any in-formation with respect to the financial condition of the company after dividends were discontinued last April. The state-ment declares that Foster refused to let either the Stockholders' Committee or

public accountants go over the books. A few weeks ago the minority stock-holders declared at a meeting held in Camden that \$10,009,000 of reported assets had disappeared entirely, and appointed Alfred S. Wright chairman of a committo force full publicity of the books

tee to force run provide that the of the company. of the company. Mr. Wright today declared that the Mr. Wright today declared that instigation suit had been brought at his instigation chiefly for the purpose of bringing the "textbook crowd" out in the open.

### DU PONTS GET LAND HERE

Title Conveyed to Comply With New Law

"Ex-Freshent Roosevelt will again 'throw his hat in the ring' about March 1. Until that time he will remain pas-sive. This statement was made last night by a close personal and political friend of the ex-President. Here is the manner in which the situation will likely shape The E. I. duPont de Nemours Com-pany has obtained possession of a 21-acre tract of ground on Penross Ferry road, near Church creek, in the 40th Ward, but it has been explained by officials of the duPont company that there is no in-tention of specting a plant for the manu-facture of powder.

The iand was conveyed to the company by Alexis I. duPont, who held the title because of a law forbidding corporations without the State holding title to land in Pennsylvania. The law has been re-pealed recently, however, and the land has been conveyed to the owners.

#### Dancing Teachers to Dance for Kiddies

the opinion of several Republican National Committeeman charles to the Nethons version of the second A dance frolic will be held this evening at White's Dance Palace, lith street be-low Chestnut street, under the auspices of the Philadeiphia Association of Teach-ers of Dancing. The proceed of the of the Philadelphia Association of Teach-ers of Dancing. The proceeds of the affair will be donated to the Children's Hospital for the Christmas entertainment of the immates of the institution. The committee in charge of the affair is com-posed of H. D. Wagner, Charles McCres and Al White.

for they now have the assertion of Dr. W. R. Maretta, a dentist, who identified fillings in the mouth of the body as work he had done.

MORE DETECTIVES ON CASE. The police are working harder than ever on the case, they say, and District Detectives Tyson and Barrett, of the Frankford station, have been relieved of other duties and assigned to work on the case with Detective Belshaw, of the murder squad.

Keller, who was in a cell in City Hall, has been taken to Moyamensing prison at the request of his attorney, C. P. Sterner, who asserted that attempts were b ing made by the police to have the man under arrest change his statement by planting "atool pigeons" in the cellro with him.

## KAISER'S ILLNESS

## REPORTED GRAVE

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consequence of the character of the Ger-man ruler's illness, and it was even reported in London one time that he dead. The authorized statement fol-lowed, however, on December 10, that he had improved, and it was not long afterward that he resumed his usual activi-

Apparently his illness last year was the result of the strain he had been un-der and the hard work he had done during the early months of the war. It was noted as far back as September, 1914, that he was not looking his wonted self. Accounts of supposed Illnesses he was suffering from were circulated from time to time, but these were almost in-variably disproved, and there is little to Indicate that at any time except during last December he was really ill enough to be forced to deviate from his routine.

### KAISER'S DEPOSITION ASKED BY GERMANS URGING PEACE

ROTTERDAM, Dec. 23 .- A Christmas manifesto, calling upon German soldiers to quit the trenches and depose the Kaiser "from the throne he has fouled" was issued today by an organization called the "German Humanity League." it was signed by Karl Bernstein and nine others

the eve of Christmas, when the "On the eve of constraint, when the bloodstained monarchis are exchanging messages of peace and good will with the sovereign pontiff at Rome," read the manifesto, "our brave soldiers are still shedding their life blood as the pawns of a ruthless clique, without shame or pity for the widows and orbhans of the fatheror the widows and orphans of the father land. Our homes are still being desolated, "This campaign is not waged in lawful dofense of German territory, but to sat-isfy the insuliable and savage greed of conspirators.

"Today the German name is the scorn of civilization. The German flag has be-come the emblem of infamy. German chivairy is buried in the trenches of Flanders and the village grave plots of Balation

Finnders and the village grave plots of Belgium. "We hre loathed by all honest men. "Napoleon failed. The Kaiser must fail. There can be no peace until he is deposed from the throne he has fouled and his fellow-conspirators have met their fate at the hands of the consti-tutionalists."

#### Child Hurt Playing Santa Claus

Nine-year-old Anule O'Connor tried to play Santa Claus around the chimney in her home, 2113 North 18th street, today, and in the group feil off a chair. She was badly cut and scat to the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital

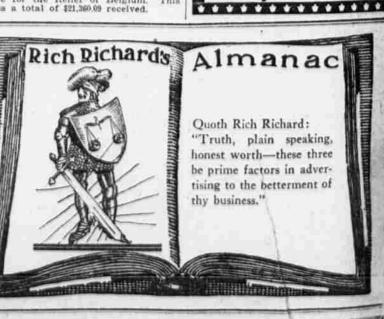
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encouraged by the fact that they have 4000 new members already on the second day of the campaign. It is felt now confidently by the mem-bers of the branch that the national congress of branches of the Security League, scheduled for January 20, 21 and 22 will be held in this city and testative 22, will be held in this city, and tentative arrangements have been made for rental of the Metropolitan Opera H House. The congress was first scheduled to be held in Washington, but these plans have \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* been changed.

Aged Man Found Dead in a Chair

Alexander McClure, 75 years old, was found dead this morning in a lodging house at 325 North 2d street. He was found sitting upright in a chair on the first floor by Thomas Hughes, a clerk, whom he had told last night that he did not think he would live through another Christmas. McClure was pronounced dead of heart disease at the Roosevelt Hos pital.

\$1501 for Relief of the Belgians The receipt of \$1501.61 is acknowledged to day by C. C. Harrison, Jr., & Co., treasurer for the Pennsylvania State Committee for the Relief of Belgium, makea a total of \$21,360.09 received. Thi



## Modern Science Breaks the Spell of Fairy Legends

The wonders developed by the inventions and discoveries of the twentieth century have stripped fantasy of its glamour and a practical world finds interest in fact rather than in fiction. Do you realize that science has made the fairy tales of old seem trite and uninteresting? In Sunday's Public Ledger, Joseph Jackson Compares the wonderful feats of the magic carpet of the Arabian Nights with the achievements of the biplane of today. His comparisons show in a simple, clear way just how far science has progressed.

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