

### MAYOR FIRM IN STAND CIVIL SERVICE HEADS MUST RESIGN OFFICE

Successors of Two Already  
Chosen—Minority Appointee  
Still to Be Selected

#### KREIDER TO "COME BACK"

Mayor Smith today refused to budge from his stand that the members of the Civil Service Commission should resign after a second round of hearing for the resignation asking for reasons for the requested resignation.

"I have received a letter from the Civil Service Commissioners," the Mayor said, "to see their resignation." "The Mayor said, 'I can say that they will get them.'" "I can say that they will get them."

Among the callers in the Mayor's office this morning were Congressman William B. Vare, Senator McNichol and Congressman John R. K. Scott.

Commissioners Ritter, Bolger and Van Dusen, in their letter declining to resign, which was sent to Mayor Smith in answer to his first demand for their resignations, held that resignation would be a confession of neglect or incompetence.

The Mayor stated that the Mayor appointed a committee of five to investigate the work performed by the commission during the last four years.

"I have decided upon two of the members," said the Mayor, "who will not make the names of the others public."

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- Benny Eshel, 1542 Race st., and Sylvia...
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### Unusual Fatalities List in Last 24 Hours Here

Two babies, Andrew and Joseph Cooney, of 1323 South Stanley street, asphyxiated.

Harrison Standman, of Cleveland, an actor, dropped dead in St. Francis Hotel from heart disease.

An automobile struck and killed Artiste Jamison, 14 years old, of 135 South 55th street.

### TWO CHILDREN FOUND LIFELESS BY MOTHER

#### Babies Asphyxiated While Playing With Christmas Toys on Kitchen Floor

Two-year-old Andrew Cooney and his baby brother Joseph, less than a year old, are dead at their home, 1233 South Stanley street.

Ever since Andrew became strong enough to toddle, the gas range in the kitchen has been an object of fascination for him.

A strong odor of gas brought Mrs. Cooney to the kitchen. She thrust open the door and nearly fainted at the sight that met her eyes.

The mother's screams brought a neighbor, who was carrying a limp little body to the home of Dr. L. M. Allen, at 3100 Wharton street.

### SUNDAY ADDRESSES TRENTON ROTARIANS

Evangelist Tells Audience God  
and Clean Life Only  
Things Worth While

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 6.—"Billy" Sunday spoke at noon today in one of the prominent dining halls to almost the entire membership of the Trenton Rotary Club.

Five thousand High and Normal School students of Trenton and adjacent towns will attend the "Students' Night" service in the tabernacle this evening.

### DEATH IN CHRISTMAS GIFT

West Philadelphia Boy Was Skating on New Rollers When Automobile Ran Him Down

### GOVERNOR WHITMAN REQUESTS RESIGNATION OF JOHN B. RILEY

New York Superintendent of Prisons, Who Dismissed T. M. Osborne, Accused of Hampering Kirchwey

### PROTECTS NEW WARDEN

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Governor Whitman today requested the immediate resignation of John B. Riley, State Superintendent of Prisons.

In a communication to Superintendent Riley, containing the request for his resignation, Governor Whitman says:

"You know as well as I do that a transfer from Sing Sing to Dannemora, except in cases of tubercular patients, is regarded as a punishment and has been for years."

### TWO DIE OF HUNGER IN CITY OF PLENTY

One Found Dead in Room by Sister—Other Expires in Hospital

Two deaths from starvation were reported to the police today. One man too proud to accept charity from his friends, died from the pangs of hunger as he knelt in prayer in an ice-cold room.

The neighbors tried to provide Sykes with food, but he refused it. One woman left a plate of beans in the kitchen, and the old man refused to touch them.

### MARYLAND DEADLOCK BROKEN

Lair Elected Speaker at the House of Delegates

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 6.—United States Senator John Walter Smith defeated his colleague Senator Blair Lee when the Maryland House of Delegates elected Philip D. Laird of Montgomery County, speaker, after a 24-hour deadlock.

### JONAS

THE 40 AND 60 CANDY SHOP



MARTHA SCHMIDGALL Who has disappeared from her home, at 3516 North 3d street.

### 15-YEAR-OLD GIRL RUNS AWAY

Martha Schmidgall's Mother Asks Police to Find Her

Martha Schmidgall, 15 years old, has run away from her home, at 3516 North 3d street, according to the story told to the police by her mother.

### FILM-PAINTED CRIME ASSAILED BY WOMAN

President of Aid Association Addresses Movie Producers Here

Miss Kate Davis, President of the People's Aid Association, an organization which has for its aim the elimination of sensationalism from motion picture films, and through congressional legislation, establishment of a sane national censorship of motion pictures, read a paper today bearing upon this subject to an audience of about 75 moving picture exhibitors and film manufacturers at the Exhibitors' League, 1333 Vine street.

The People's Aid Association was organized four years ago in Cleveland through Miss Davis' efforts and has for its vice president, Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett, who is President of the National Council of Women.

"The motion pictures," said Miss Davis, "at present shown in more than a million theaters throughout the United States, are an insult to human intelligence, spreading broadcast the rankest kind of a sensationalism. Some go even further in showing in horrible nakedness crime and demoralization."

"Municipal or State censorship has utterly failed to cope with the situation, as is witnessed by the facts that pictures which are not fit to be shown have been passed and exhibited, and pictures that had a genuine uplifting value through moral or story have been censored.

### Here's News for Men

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Men's Ready-to-Wear Suits, New & Fashionable Models, are Repriced

### WETS, IN SALOON CAMPAIGN, GRIM; DRYS FIGHTING MAD

Prof. Earl J. Early, in Poll of West Philadelphia Neighborhood, Finds Loquacious Ram-page Opposing New Liquor License

One of the curious features of the double-barrelled campaign now being carried on in West Philadelphia for and against the location of a saloon at 53d and Chestnut streets is that the most loquacious of the voters are the drys.

The campaign is several days old now. It ends on January 15. At that time all the adults, men and women alike, will have declared themselves, which is what Judges Staake and Patterson, of the License Court, wish them to do.

When Prof. Earl J. Early, of 23 South 51st street, and a teacher of art at the Southern High School, started out on his canvass for the dry cause, he got a shock almost at the beginning of his route.

A woman answered his ring, and he told her his mission.

"We're in favor of the saloon," she said, and straightened up defiantly.

"Why?" Professor Early wanted to know.

"For business reasons," she answered.

"Well," said the schoolmaster, "if you wear your conscience in your pocketbook there isn't any use wanting time on you."

There was one especially interesting case on 51st street. The husband refused to sign up for the drys, but allowed his wife to do so. That is, she simply did so without any argument about it. She said:

"I haven't urged my husband to sign this, for he knows what he's doing. I can't advise him about anything I don't know anything about."

"JUST COULDN'T SIGN."

"Well," said Professor Early, addressing the husband, "why don't you come with us?"

"I can't give you my reasons," the husband said. "I would like to sign. You are in the right, but I simply can't. I can't explain any more."

Professor Early agreed that if his attitude was right, that was something gained anyhow, although he couldn't help saying that "only results counted."

Another woman regretted that her son wasn't at home to sign, and spent 15 cents telephoning around, but couldn't find him. She said she would send him over to the Y. M. C. A. to vote.

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Two men in different houses assigned "business reasons" for their alliance with the wets, and Professor Early told them they were too cheap to bother with. It went something like this:

"Why won't you sign against the saloon?"

"Business reasons," came the laconic answer and that was all that could be got out of them.

Most of the work was done right in the vestibules of the homes. In the two instances where Professor Early did accept the proffered hospitality the conversation switched for the moment away from the topic, which made him go out.

The conversation was generally short and to the point. The "drys" signed up eagerly; they considered it an honor to get on the list of the saloon's opponents. Conversation ran thus:

"I am glad to lend my name to this."

"You are doing a good work."

"Mother and the two girls and I will sign, of course."

"Do you think you'll win?"

"They were sadder of the comments made while Professor Early collected signatures. The question, of course, came from a girl.

The professor is through his work now. He devoted two nights to the territory assigned him, and out of about 50 interviews he obtained signatures from all but four—three men and one woman.

"How did you come to do it?" he was asked.

"Like this," he replied. "Two busy

bluffers came to my home one night a week ago. They wanted me to endorse the saloon proposition. That was the first I heard of it. I told them men they could not have my signature. Then one of them said, 'You want to leave in five and let live.' That roused me. I remarked to Mrs. Early that I thought I ought to give up some time to fighting these fellows, and just then the front door bell rang.

"My visitor was the Rev. Richard Rade of St. Matthew's Methodist Episcopal Church, 53d and Chestnut streets. (Professor Early has a Sunday school class there.) He came to tell me that the Young Men's Christian Association was organizing an opposition to the saloon and needed volunteers. His thought I ought to go in and help. It wasn't easy for me to give up my time to it, but I'm mighty glad I did. If all the canvassers make out as well as I did the saloon will be defeated overwhelmingly, and I will feel that I have rendered mighty, good service."

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