

# VOLUNTEER ARMY BILL SUPPORTERS IN SENATE HURL 'BACK HOME' CRY

Steering Committee, Aroused  
Over Tangle, Considers Plan  
to "Ditch" Measure for  
Sugar Repealer

## MAY TAKE ACTION TODAY

Military Affairs Members Oppose  
Cummings' Plan for National Guard  
Section of General Staff

WASHINGTON, April 5.—"Pork barrel" is a large in today's fight in the Senate for the Chamberlain army bill. Supporters of the Federal volunteer army plan openly charged the opposition with being influenced by considerations "back home."

The opposition to the Federal volunteer army has come chiefly from the National Guard supporters. The Guard has been maintaining a committee in Washington to fight the Federal volunteer army plan on the ground that it eventually will drive the National Guard out of existence. The motion to kill the volunteer army was scheduled to come to a vote today and the Military Affairs Committee met early to devise plans to offer the strongest resistance to the final assault against it. The committee had hopes but not entire confidence that the opposition would be defeated.

The debate over the army bill has developed unexpected opposition over the National Guard issue. So entangled has become the question that it may be many days before the bill can finally be voted upon. In the meanwhile the Senate Steering Committee is considering whether to temporarily "ditch" the army bill to make way for the free sugar repealer, which must be passed before May 1. Unless there is material progress on the army bill today, the Steering Committee will act.

The Military Affairs Committee also was trying today to frame a plan of action to knock out the Cummings amendment establishing a national guard section of the General Staff. This amendment is extremely distasteful to the General Staff.

## STRIKE TIES UP WAR GRAIN

Port Richmond Stevedores Demand  
More Pay and Quit

More than 800 tons of grain, consigned to Europe, are being held up today by a strike of stevedores at the Philadelphia and Reading Railway grain elevators at Port Richmond. Seventy men, loading the steamer Angola, from Glasgow, left the vessel this morning when their demand for 50 cents an hour for "trimming" grain was refused.

Another strike, independent of the Port Richmond strike, was called this morning when 35 longshoremen, employed by the American Line, "walked out" at 6:30, at the foot of Washington avenue. Their places were quickly filled. The strike was called because the union but not was not recognized.

The Port Richmond strikers were employed by Murphy, Cook & Co., with offices in the Bourse. According to D. J. Murphy, an agreement was reached last night whereby the men were to receive 35 cents an hour for general stevedoring and 40 cents an hour for "trimming" grain in the hold of the steamer. The pay of all the stevedores at Port Richmond is said to be 35 cents an hour. Joseph Green is the leader and spokesman for the strikers, who will hold a meeting today.

## PLAN PLAYGROUND WORK

Recreation Teachers Meet at Lunch-  
con and Outline Summer Duties

More than 60 teachers and instructors, representing all the recreation centres of the city, assembled today for a conference at the end of the winter season to prepare for the warm weather work soon to begin at the playgrounds. The session was held at the Athletic Recreation Centre, 26th and Master streets. Between courses there was a program of athletic dancing, club swinging and other acrobatics. After the lunch the participants played games of "tag," "kick-the-wicky" and enjoyed other frolics of their childhood. The committee in charge was composed of J. P. Carroll, of the Kingsessing Centre; T. C. Jacobus, of the Athletic Recreation Centre; and M. G. Fall, of Starr Garden.

## WIFE WHO TOOK POISON SUED

Suicide Attempt Led to Discovery of  
Alleged Faithlessness

Mrs. Marjorie Anna Warner, who tried to commit suicide at 236 North 12th street last September, is the defendant in a divorce suit brought in New York. George N. Griffin is named as correspondent. The petition alleges that Griffin and Mrs. Warner lived at the 12th street address as Mr. and Mrs. Warner from August 15 to November 20, 1915.

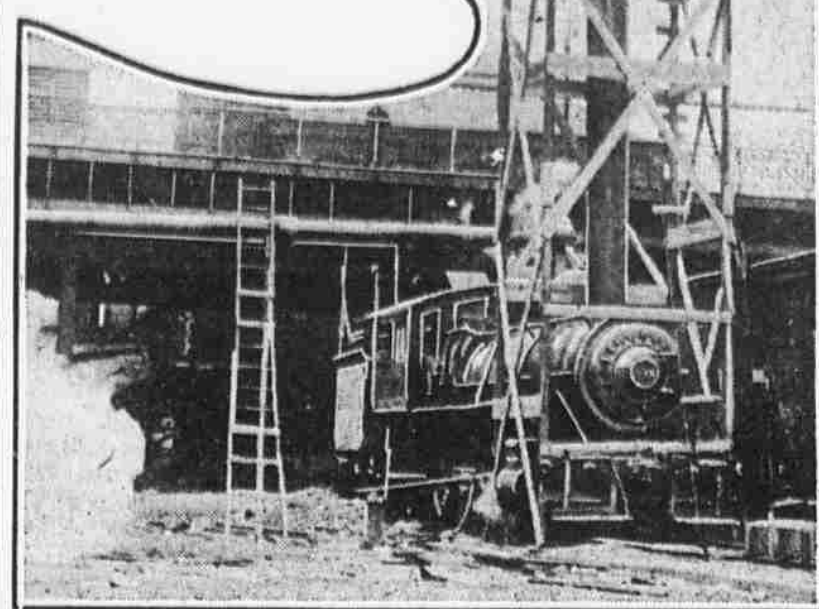
The police records here disclose the fact of the suicide attempt. Polson was used and Policeman Rodgers, of the 11th and Winter streets station, had the woman taken to the Hahnemann Hospital. Mrs. Mary Nickels, the landlady, could throw no light on the reason for the attempt. It was that Mr. Warner discovered his wife's alleged unfaithfulness.

## Boys Ride as Tramps to Baltimore

Five young Philadelphia boys, who expected to ride home in the most approved adventurous style on the brakebeams of a freight train, were held by the Baltimore police today until their parents could arrange to bring them back. The boys did make their way to Baltimore on the brakebeams, but they had barely arrived when railroad detectives picked them up. They are Michael Breslin, son of John J. Breslin, an attorney, of 8137 E. Laney street; Newman Brophy, of 5212 Rodman street; John Salerno and William Stodham, of 78 Avenue F, and Herbert Wehrwein, of 4545 Panchall avenue.

# QUEER USE FOR LOCOMOTIVE

A locomotive with a 35-foot smoke-stack is being used in this city for the compression of hay for the Allied armies of Europe. This plant, the first of its kind, is at 31st and Walnut streets, beside the Schuylkill river bridge. It went into operation about a week ago and has been working constantly since. Orders for 50,000 tons of hay to feed the horses of the Allied armies have been received by the owner of the plant, John H. Irvin, of New York. When the site was first selected, five 50-horsepower engines were purchased at \$1000 a piece. The Philadelphia Electric Company agreed to furnish the necessary current. When the machinery had been adjusted and the plant was ready for operation, the electric company informed Mr. Irvin that, because of engineering difficulties, it could not furnish the power. Mr. Irvin faced an emergency. He could install steam apparatus, but no boilers were available. So he negotiated with the Pennsylvania Railroad and bought a 27-year-old locomotive of an obsolete type and engaged J. B. Howard and John McCormick, veteran firemen.



# "HEIGH-HO! FOR A HUSBAND," LATEST SONG HIT OF GIRLS AT BRYN MAWR

Tells of Lovelorn Lass Who Yearns for a Mate and Will  
Have One, "Yea, Even Though He Be  
Young or Old"

The maiden of today, especially the Bryn Mawr maid, is just as fickle as in the past. Mothers complain that the daughter who has many pleasures often is at a loss to know just what she wants. In other words, the worries because she has nothing to worry about. She yearns for romance because life is so matter of fact.

If these were the days of chivalry when men fought with swords for the smile of a fair maid all would perhaps be different. But with the high cost of food and gasoline uppermost in his mind the average man's brain is too much taken up with mathematics to bother about any other kinds of figures, even though they be feminine.

The lack of romance and the fickleness of woman, therefore, was taken up as a timely theme by the fair students at Bryn Mawr. As their latest addition to the new college song book they have selected the song, "Heigh Ho for a Husband."

It tells the story of an 18-year-old lovelorn girl, who sadly yearns for a husband. She will have one, yea, even though he be old or young. It seems the best she could attract was an old man. She gave him the "once over" and decided he wouldn't do, and finally asked her mother to help her out. But it seems the youths were an indifferent lot and so her heart beat in vain.

Plucky the lovelorn girl figures out that married life is not what it cracked up to be and decided to stay an old maid.

STORY IN RHYME.  
Here is the story as unfolded in rhyme:  
HEIGH-HO! FOR A HUSBAND.  
There was a maid the other day  
Sighed sore, "God wot, and she said,  
All wives might have their way,  
But maidens they might not."  
Full eighteen years have passed,  
And still, poor soul, was born,  
And if chance to die a maid,  
Apollo is forsworn.

CHORUS.  
"Heigh-ho! for a husband,  
Heigh-ho! for a husband,  
Still this was her song.  
"I will have a husband, have a husband,  
Be he old or young."

An ancient suitor to her came,  
His beard was almost gray;  
"You be old and she was young,  
She would no longer stay."  
But to her mother went this maid,  
And told her by and by,  
That she a husband needs must have  
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# EXPECT NEW ELECTRIC SCHEDULE IN THIS CITY TO BE APPROVED TODAY

Public Service Commission Re-  
fused to Take Action on  
Proposed Rates Last  
Night

## SECRECY MAINTAINED

No Statement as to Just What Re-  
ductions Will Be Made—Cooke  
"Through With Case"

HARRISBURG, April 5.—The Public Service Commission last night declined to take action on the proposed new electric light and power rating schedule for Philadelphia. Announcement that the commissioners would sit in executive session today to dispose of the matter was made after the commission heard long arguments urging the adoption of the rates agreed upon by counsel for the Philadelphia Electric Company and ex-Director Cooke.

That the proposed rates, which are an 18 per cent. reduction over the 1915 schedule, will be approved finally was the general opinion here late yesterday, although one or two commissioners are said to be not exactly satisfied over the means by which the agreement was reached.

COOKE WILL NOT CONTEST.  
William Draper Lewis, counsel for Director Cooke for the 18 months the controversy has been dragging, announced that whatever the decision of the board might be the matter, so far as he and his client were concerned, was settled.

Just as much secrecy concerning what the new rates are has been maintained as formerly. While the saving of \$150,000 a year to the city is considerable, the larger reduction is in the rates to private subscribers. The saving to this class amounts, under the schedule proposed, to between 25 and 40 per cent.

The general rate of 10 and 12 cents to the small consumer is to be reduced to 9 cents for the first kilowatt hours used per month. All current used above that amount is to be charged for a 7-cent rate until 75 kilowatt hours are consumed, when the rate is lowered to 5 cents.

This means that the general rate to

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month, is reduced to 75 cents.

The agreed rate for street arc fed  
by overhead cables is reduced from \$81  
to \$71.50. This rate is a compromise that  
followed a long series of conferences, the  
company holding that the rate should be  
\$85, while the complainants fixed \$65 as  
the proper figure.

These proposed rates are said to be  
lower than in any large city in the East.

## CONNELLY TALKS FOR MAYOR

One of the first moves before the com-  
mission yesterday was the introduction of  
John P. Connelly, City Solicitor of Phila-  
delphia. He said that the proposed rates  
were acceptable to the city authorities and  
that Mayor Smith had authorized him to  
make the statement.

All members of the board except for-  
mer Governor Pennypacker were present.  
Frederick W. Platts, counsel for the cor-  
poration, and Mr. Lewis urged the com-  
mission to accept the rates agreed upon  
by all parties.

Counsel for the company voluntarily  
agreed before the commission to keep  
the files of the research work, so that for  
the next four years they may be made the  
basis for any examination work by any  
complainant who protests against the  
rates.

# CLEAN STREET CRUSADE ON Lansdale Official Has Grocery Com- pany Fined for Circularizing

LANSDALE, Pa., April 5.—"They want  
clean streets, and I will have them," said  
Dr. John N. Jacobs, chairman of the  
Street Committee of Borough Council and  
former County Controller. Then he di-  
rected arrest of officials of the Childs  
Grocery Company for littering the streets  
with advertising circulars, and a fine was  
imposed.

Doctor Jacobs has been authorized to  
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