INVENTION AROUSES AVIATORS' INTEREST

Widespread Speculation Here on Character of New Discovery Which Italian Is Said to Have Made

CONJECTURE OF EXPERTS

What Phila, Fliers "Think" Marconi's Invention May Be

A method of giving power and light to aeroplanes and dirigibles in midair by use of wireless. A way of setting off concealed bombs in ships at sea.

A new stabilizing of air craft by wireless. A method of communi-cation between aeroplanes in air,

now impossible.

A method by which aerial tor-pedoes can be controlled in the air in a similar way torpedoes are controlled in the water.

Gugilelmo Marconi's latest invention just announced by dispatches from Paris an invention which it is predicted will revolutionize the operation of aeroplanes and dirigibles in war times is the subject of much conjecture on the part of Philadelphia aviators.

The dispatches announce that Marconi, the inventor of the wireless telegraph, has just perfected a special apparatus which is destined to make a sensational change in operation of air craft. No par-

Baron Haldeman von Figvelmessy, one of the directors of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania and himself an aviator of note, when told of the new invention said:

"I am sure there can be no new prin eiple of aviation, but it is possible that this invention to which the dispatches re-fer may be one by which Marconi can furnish power to the aeroplanes or diriribles by use of the wireless. That means, too, that light for powerful searchlights could be furnished by the wireless as well. These searchlights could be used at night in locating the enemy. The lights could be turned off and the neropianes change their course in the darkness.

"Then, too, it might be that by the use of wireless the aeroplanes could set off bombs which had previously been secreted in boats on the ocean," added the Baron. "The waves from a wireless go out in all directions, so it is not at all necessary for the aviator to know in what part of for the aviator to know in what part of the ship the bomb might be. It could go within two miles of the boat and set off the bomb by the use of wireless. This may be what Marconl has invented. Of course none of us know. It seems the in-vention is being kept a secret as much as

John B. Kunkle, also a member of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania and a member of several important committees of the club, suggests that the Marconi invention may deal with a new method of wireless by which it will be possible for aeroplanes or dirigibles to communicate with each other when in midair. At present com-munication with the ground is possible, but receiving and taking orders from planes in the air is not a success.

Mr. Kunkle also suggests that the new invention may have something to do with the control of a stabilizing apparatus by use of the wireless. This method, he says, might make aviation safer.

Clarence P. Wynne, another member of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania, suggests that the new Marconi invention may be a method by which aerial torpedoes may be controlled in the air by the use of wireless. He says he realizes it sounds impossible, but adds that torpedoes are controlled under water, and it is likely that causing torpedoes to go through the air in certain ways is possible also.

NURSERY AIDS MOTHER

Two Children of Poor Widow Admitted to Institution

The hustle and bustle attending a \$10, 000 campaign did not for a minute delay the managers of the Franklin Day Nur-sery today in saving a home from disrup-The campaign work was halted long enough today to take into the institution two little children, for whose support their mother is unable to provide.

"My husband died several months ago," said the young mother, "and I can earn only \$6.50 a week. I cannot food or clothe the children, and I had decided to part with them by placing them in a State institution. Then a friend told me of you

The children were immediately registered and given good, nourishing food. The nursery, managed by a group of soclety women, has raised nearly half of the \$10,000. Booths in department stores are selling 10-cent membership cards, while many contributions are being received by Mrs. George Quintard Horwitz, president of the nursery, at her home, 1721 Walnut street. The nursery could provide for 100 children with \$10,000, whereas only 60 can be cared for under its present inco

Theatrical Baedeker

PORREST-"Come to Bohemia." with Daisle Irving, Walter Percival, Alice Hagerman and Pritz Williams. A musical comedy of mediocre interest capably done. WALNUT — "Damaged Goods," Eugene Brieux's sociological play, receitly produced

by Richard Bennett.

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BROAD—"The Little Minister," with Maude Adama. The famous play of Scotch life by J. M. Barrie, teiling of the pranks of Milady Babble. Special matines of "Peter Pan" Thursday.

LYRIC—"A World of Pleasure," with Clifton Crawford and Conroy and Le Marle. A Winter Garden Show with music by Romberg, words by Atterdage and staged by J. C. Hoffman.

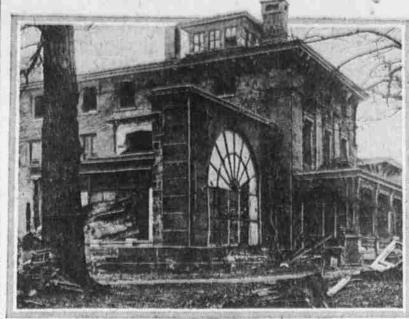
ADELPHI—"Nobody Home," with Lawrence Grossmith. A musical comedy from the Auglo-American Alles. Good music, fair "book," excellent comedy from Grossmith.

GARRICK—"It Pays to Advertise," with Leules Drew, Grant Mitchell and Ren John-800. A Sovel farce with much fun in it. PHOTOPLAYS.

BTANLEY - Friday and Saturday, "Ben Blair," with Dustin Farnum. ARCADIA—All week. "The Habit of Happiness." with Douglass Fairbanks. A Tri-angle Fine Arts comedy. PALACE-Friday and Saturday, "For the Defense," with Fanny Ward. VICTORIA-Friday and Saturday, "The Wall Between," with Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne.

VAUDEVILLE. KEYS—First half of the week. Ward Wolf & Co., in "The Munnay and the ": Frank Monell. Philiptick and Do. Six Harmonists, Walton and Joison, Wender Rettle."

HISTORIC CLARK MANSION MAKES WAY FOR PROGRESS



Magnificent Structure in West Philadelphia Undergoing Demolition by Wrecking Company

Locust streets, for 45 years one of the most magnificent homes in this city, is being torn down to make way for im-provements. Work on the destruction of the old house, which occupies a block of about eight acres, bounded by 42d, 43d. Locust and Spruce streets, began two weeks ago by the Philadelphia Wrecking and Contracting Company, and it is ex-pected that it will take two months more to complete the project because of the

solid construction of the building.

The famous house, which has been a landmark to residents of West Philadelphia, was occupied by Clarence Clark. formerly of E. W. Clark & Co., bankers.
Mr. Clark was the donor of Clark Park,
43d street and Chester avenue, to the
city. The house was built 45 years ago at a cost of \$300.000, a great part of the material having been imported from Eu-rope for its construction. The house is of brownstone, three stories in height,

with a tower. Hardwood floors, hand-carved mahog-

The historic Clark mansion at 42d and nificent spectacle that is rivaled by few houses in this or any other city. The wall-paper was all hand painted by a Japanese. Hot-water heating from radiators concealed under the floors, a mantelpiece worth \$2000, mosaic tiling, secret vaults for the treasures of silver plate that were once stored in the house are other features in the construction of the mansi-

The library cost \$27,000, the imported chandeller alone costing \$1800. Stained glass windows that art dealers have come from afar to see are also part of the house. A private elevator of Circassian walnut furnished with hydraulic power ran from the first to the third floor. The first floor consisted of a reception room, sun parlog dining and breakfast rooms, the library and two kitchens and five pantries. The two upper floors consisted of 15 bedrooms, arranged in suites. The entire house contained 34 rooms. entire house contained 34 rooms.

The house is of the Elizabethan and Gothic design. At the entrance of the driveway were two gates imported from France, valued at thousands of dollars. any paneling, six feet high around most of the rooms; stained glass windows, said by art dealers to be matchless, all go to make the interior of the house a mag- now towers above the house.

MUNITION PLANTS LURE BOY WORKERS: DISLIKE OLD JOBS

Want Ads for Messengers Bring Few Replies - War Work at \$3 a Day for Unskilled

four applicants to the office of the Postal Telegraph Company in a whole day. A year ago there would have been 25 or 50 youths—perhaps even 75—only too eager to don the blue of a messenger and speed about as the Mercuries of the metropolis. But a year ago munition making wasn't

the frenzied industry that it has now be-come in this country. A year ago un-skilled labor wasn't being paid \$3 a day as now. A year ago the advertising col-umns weren't crowded with the numerous announcemnts of jobs for boys. And a year ago the child labor law hadn't gone

One Saturday not so long ago a youth who was glad to make \$4 or \$5 a week carrying messages to and from a tele-graph office in West Philadelphia jour-neyed a few miles to the south of the city to Eddystone. There he found great industrial establishments, in which the whirring machinery was never silent, day or night. He learned that fabulous sums were being poured into the coffers of these great establishments through the manu-facture of instruments of death, and that sums almost as fabulous in comparison were finding their way into the pockets of the workers who made these instruments of death.

He came back to the city, told his boss he was through, told his colleagues of the new gold fields he had discovered, told his mother that she would not have to take in sewing any more and packed his trunk.

Soon other messengers were resigning, kissing fond mothers and packing trunks. The news had spread and the youthful adventurers were off for the gold fields. Now the gold fever has become general and hundreds of boys have deserted the

city and the pursuits of peace.

To complicate the situation for the employers and especially for the telegraph companies, the child-labor law went into effect. Their whole system of messenger service had to be rearranged. Boys under 16 had to be sent to school eight hours a week. Boys under 21 couldn't work at night. R. A. Black, local manager of the Western Union Company, said that the cost of messenger service has doubled

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An inestimable number of boys have gone to Wilmington and the other places where the du Pont-powder company has its plants, and to Eddystone, where are the Baldwin Locomotive Works and the Remington Arms Company plants. Eighteen dollars a week is not bad pay for a boy.

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All this has caused the wages of messenger boys to ascend rapidly. Many of the boys now earn \$9 or \$10 a week.

A "boy wanted" advertisement brought | Messenger boys for the most part come and go. They have never been satisfied to stay very long in the employ of the telegraph companies, although, of course, there are exceptions.

But now the tenure of office is more un-certain than ever. More and more fre-quently inducements come to boys to work for more money, and the telegraph com-

panies especially are breaking in new messenger boys constantly.

The youthful figure who formerly ap-peared at your door at night with a message is an institution of the past. The nessengers of tonight are men, often gray haired men. That has nothing to do with munition-making, but is another result of the child labor law.

The companies are trying not to let the boys suffer through the child labor law. J. H. Wilson, local manager for the Postal Telegraph, started as a messenger and worked up to his present posi-tion and he has a warm spot in his heart for the youngsters.

He admits that it often imposes a hard-thip on the company when the boys go off ship on the company when the boys go off to school during the day, but they keep them on the payroll just the same, with-out deducting for the time they are gone. "They often have widowed mothers to support," Mr. Wilson said, "and we want to give them every chance to get along. And we won't blame a boy when he goes to a better job. The munition plants and the child labor law have inconvenienced us considerably, but we are glad if the boys are better off than before."

Colonel Lit Reviews Maccabeans Colonel Jacob Lit last night reviewed the Maccabean Regiment, which is com-posed of young men employed by Lit Brothers and other prominent firms. The review was held in Metropolitan Hall, 715

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DUSE AND D'ANNUNZIO RECONCILED AT LAST

Famous Actress Hurries to Bedside of Wounded Poet, Her Former Admirer

PARIS, April 7.—A reconciliation has taken place between Gabriele d'Annungio, the famous Italian poet, and Eleanora Duse, the noted actress, after an estrangelasting two d cades.

When the great actress learned that her former admirer was in danger of los-ing his sight, as a result of an injury while scouting in an aeroplane, she rushed to Rome and remained at his bedside until the crisis was past.

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Under the stimulus of that reunion, and of the patriotic fire that burns in the hearts of both those great artists, their friends have witnessed an upspringing of deep tenderness between them. It differs from the passion of earlier days, when their love and their quarrels were the talk of Europe. In Duse's new demeanor toward the post the unlookers perceive talk of Europe. In Duse's new demeanor toward the poet the onlookers perceive signs of the deen-lying spirit of maternity, which none have known better than she how to portray. And d'Annunsio, now a bald little man of middle age, seems to lean upon her affection with something of the deen donce that is an essential part the dependence that is an essential part of fillal love.

It was not so in the days preceding his novel, "The Flame," in which he played the part of a vivisector to her heart, merciessly exposing the inmost workings of a love affair between a passionate we past her youth and a poet many years her Junior.

About a year before the war broke out d'Annunzio announced to the world that he had exhausted all the possibilities of life, and that in two years, unless he would kill himself.

DR. VAN METRE QUITS PENN: TO TEACH AT COLUMBUS

Transportation Export Latest to Leave Wharton Faculty

Dr. Thurman W. Van Metre, instructor in the department of commerce and trans-portation in the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, has an nounced his resignation and acceptance of an offer to head the transportation de-partment in the new business school at Columbia University.

The announcement of Doctor Van Metre's resignation follows close upon that of Dr. Roswell C. McCrea, dean of the Wharton School, who also is to go to Columbia. Doctor Van Metre will leave his present post at the end of this se

Doctor Van Metre was graduated from the University of Indiana in 1910, wa Harrison Fellow in economics at the Uni Harrison Fellow in economics at the University of Pennsylvania in 1911-12, and received his Ph. D. in 1913. He is co-author with Prof. Emory R. Johnson, of the Wharton School, of "A History of American Commerce" and another volume, "Principles of Railroad Transportation," to be published in June. He is associate editor of the "Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science."

Rev. W. R. Alexander Ordained

The Rev. Walter R. Alexander, a gradu-ate of the Crozer Theological Seminary, was ordained last night at the Wayland Memorial Baptist Church, 52d street and Memorial Baptist Church, 52d street and Baltimore avenue. The Rev. George V. Daniels, pastor of the church, presided, while the prayer was offered by the Rev. John Gordon, of the theological department of Temple University. The Rev. A. E. Harris welcomed Doctor Alexander to the ministry, while the certificate was presented by the Rev. Orlando Stewart, secretary of the Partiet Univ. The address retary of the Baptist Union. The address wan made by the Rev. Ray L. Hudson, president of the Baptist Union. The newly ordained minister will leave immediately to accept a charge at the First Baptist Church, Winchester, Va.

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School, and author of standard books on advertising, pleaded for honesty and sin-cerity in merchandising publicity. The club has perfected plans to co-operate with the Poor Richard Club in

arranging for the convention of Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, to be held here next June.

Tioga Young People to Dine

The annual banquet of the Young Peo The annual banquet of the Young People's Society of Tioga will be held tonight
in the Tioga Baptist Church, Broad and
Ontario streets. The committee in charge
of the affair includes Miss Gertrude
Wilson, Miss Emily Wells, Miss Maude
Wilson, Miss Bernice Hallowell, Miss Milie Donaldson, Miss Martha Kelley, Miss
Lorraine Witty, Russell Howell, Alfred
Trafford, Albert Gee, Edward Arnold,
Arthur Drew and Walter M. Hagy.

PENN SENIORS DINE TONIGHT

Provost and Deans Will Discuss Endowment Plans at Final Banquet

Tonight is the night for the senior class

of the University of Pennsylvania.

The 1916 class final banquet will be held at the Rittenhouse Hotel, with Provost Edgar Fahs Smith, Vice Provost Penniman and the deans of the departments as guests. The class endowment plan will be discussed by the 200 mem-bers who will attend. Before the end of the mentor year \$50,000, it is expected, will be raised through shares in life insurance policies payable to the university.

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Provost Smith will respond to the toast,
"The University," by Earl M. Humphreys,
Other speakers will be C. C. Madeira, on
"1916's Gift to the University;" Park W.
Willis, on "The Bejuvenation of the Houston Club;" Thomas Hart, on "The Duty
of the Class;" Caspar W. Townsend, on
"The Duty to the Class," and Gordon A.
Hardwick, on "The Class,"

IMMORAL MEN DENOUNCED

Lenten Speaker Assails Those Who Believe in Double Standard

Men who believe in and apply the double standard of morals came in for a severe arraignment by the Rev. Paul L. Yount, of St. Paul's Church, at the noon Lenten



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