# RICHARD MEEKINS' TRAINER DEMANDS BODY MAY YIELD CAUSE OF DEATH

Autopsy Under Way to Try to Solve Missing Lad Mystery

POLICE READY TO ACT

Dragnet to Be Spread if Murder Theory Is Upheld by Report

#### Man Sought by Police As Meekins Boy's Slayer

Former convict, presumably an Italian, mentally degenerate and of limited education, who was employed as a berry picker in the vicinity of the farm of Justin Self, 72d street and Botanic avenue, where Richard Meekins' body was found yesterday after a country-wide search following the 8-yearold boy's disappearance from his home, 2249 South 61st street, on November 29 last.

Captain of Detectives Tate and his men are awaiting the outcome of the autony upon the body of 8-year-old Richard Meekins, which Dr. William S. Wadsworth, Coroner's physician, is making at the Morgue this afternoon. The detectives declare that the postmortem examination may make it certain beyond all doubt that the boy was strangled; and, if this osition is made absolute, they will set their best endeavors to run down his slayer. The complete result of Doctor Wadsworth's labors will be embodied in a report to Coroner Knight, who is working with the police in their investigation of the mystery in the boy's death.

Should the autopsy disclose evidence of foul play prior to the piacing of the body in the guilty near 72d street and Powers lane, where it was found yesterday afternoon, the detectives promise there will be no laxity in their efforts to apprehend the slayer. They admit that there still remains a possibility that death was caused by drowning, and hope the condition of the body permits final settlement of the doubt. TIMLIN DOUBTS NOTES.

George Timlin, one of the detectives who has been most energetic in the case, declares he lacks faith in the value of the notes received at the Meekins home. the notes received at the Meskins home. 2249 South 61st street, since November 29 last, when Richard disappeared. These letters, however, will be turned over to a handwriting expert for examination. They will also submit them to George Quintard Horwitz, a prominent attorney, whose son was threatened similarly by an anonymous letter-writer abortic after the anonymous letter-writer shortly after the Meekins boy left home

BOY'S FATHER ILL

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Luke Meekins, father of Richard, was unable to go to the Morgue today. He is ill as the result of the experience he underwent yesterday when he was called upon to identify the little-body after its recovery. Mrs. Annie Meekins the mother, is almost a physical wreck in consequence of her ordeal. She appeared dazed as she sat in the Coroner's office today after returning from the Morgue. today after returning from the Morgue. She had not seen the body, but her father and Thomas J. Meekins, of 5321 Yocum street, also one of the boy's grandfathers, saw and identified it. "I have no motive of revenge in hop-

ing that the man who stole Richard will be arrested "zaid Mrs. Meekins, "but I do hope the police will get him for the sake of Mrs. Kraft, Mrs. McCarrick and other mothers, whose children have been kidnapped and murdered." Haggard, weeping and trembling in her

ef and agitation, Mrs. Meekins made tollsome trip today from her home to Morgue. The melancholy satisfaction of receiving back the body of her little son, Holt, her father, for the city's deadhouse. on Wood street.

unfortunate son. The officials in charge of the case spared her that ordeat. The formal identification made by Luke Meekins, the father, was deemed sufficient. Mrs. Meskins was allowed to view the clothing and other articles found upon the body when it was revealed in the swampy island in Mingo creek. "THAT WAS NOT RICHARD'S."

The handkerchief which was taken from The handserchier which was taken from the neck of the corpse especially interested her. "That was not Richard's," she de-clared. "He did not have a handisorchief when he went away. It does not belong to any one in our house.

"It belongs to the man who carried him off, and who. I believe, killed him I am glad to have him back again, even in this shape, and I feel that my prayers have been answered. I hever censed to pray that he would be restored, and even the dead I am consider hy the if he is dead I am consoled by the thought that I have him back." "I am convinced that the man who wrote those letters to me killed my child,"

declared Mrs. Meekins to Deputy Coroner George Rowland this morning. The address on the envelope of the letter dated January 26 was in Richard's handwriting. Besides no one but a person who had been conversing with my boy after his disappearance could possibly have known some of the things described in that letter. I turned the envelope over to the police along with the diagram it contained. Richard never could have told the writer of the places described in that drawing. He never was in the neighborhood of the creek and had never been so far away from home. He was timid and would have been afraid to wander there, for it was growing dark at the hour he disap-

Mrs. Meekins hopes to be able to receive the body of her child in time to permit the funeral to be held tomorow afternoon.

### CHURCH POOR BOXES RIFLED

Thief Hid in Our Mother of Sorrows Church All Night

Six metal poor boxes in the Catholic Church of Our Mother of Sorrows, at 48th street and Laucaster avenue, of which Bishop McCort is rector, were rifled early today by a thief who is believed to have secreted himself in the church during the night.

The discovery was made by the sexton The discovery was made by the sexton as he opened the church for early mass this morning. Chisels had forced the boxes open. A few pennies were splited on the stoor. The police of the 61st and Thompson streets station were notified and Detactives Sibre and Martin were assigned to the case. The police believe that the thick his himself in the church and escaped through one of the three dorre when they were opened this morning.

# WILSON'S DISMISSAL

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and officeholders must keep out of politics. "I am tired of being kicked around by

MAYOR TO ISSUE STATEMENT. To show that he means business the Mayor said he would issue a statement this afternoon warning the policemen, firemen and other office holders to keep their hands out of politics.

Regarding the criticism directed at him

for his contemplated trip to the Chicago convention, the Mayor expressed the he-lief that such an act was not a violation of the Shern law. He said he was on the mmittee at Harrisburg which helped to use this not and that it affects only ap-sintees but not elective officers. The Mayor declared he was going to

Chleago as a representative of the pe Chicago as a representative of the people and not representing any political faction. It was not unusual, he contended, for the Governor of a State or the Mayor of

a city to go as delegates. POLICE MUST QUIT POLITICS.

The statement I intend to issue today will cover the affeged use of police in politics. My message will be final, and I do not want any misunderstanding over the matter of my position.

"My statement will pertain to office-holders and the police. It looks to me as the ugh both factions were using the police and officeholders. It will have to be stopped. I want the public to know that I have investigated every charge of polithave investigated every charge of polit-I have investigates; every charge of political use of the price. I replied to the charges of County Commissioner Moore that the police were used irregularly in the 4th Ward, and I in and to reply today to the 23d Ward + fldavits, which charge that Lieutenant Muster and two policemen. William McKinley and State Popresentative James A. Dunn, were no.

would not be surprised if some were trying to use the police and ofcholders in an underhand way. If such

epresentative James A. Dunn, were ac

true, I repeat it must be stopped. "The police and officeholders must keep out of politics. This is final, and there can be no misunde standing of my warn-ng. One of my pre-election pledges was that officeholders would be kept out of es, and I intend to keep it. I intend to do my duty as I see it, without par ticipating in any factional fight. I don' cognize one faction more than another

### NEGROES RAID TOMB OF FIRST BISHOP IN RUSH TO SEE BONES

Break Lock and Lift Marble Lid at Church Where Their Conference Is in Session

VISITORS ARE BLAMED

A desire to view the bones of the first negro bishop, long dead, today caused quisitive visitors at the centennial and quadrennial conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, 6th street be-low Pine, to break open the tomb in the basement of the church

The bones, those of Bishop Richard Allen, rest in a tomb guarded by a locked gate. The lock was broken and the mar-ble lid bf the tomb removed. Bishop Allen died in 1831, and his bones were A moved to their present resting place in

The discovery of the entrance, which was made at the opening of the second day's session this morning, aroused as such comment as the lack of seating room the church. Nearly \$600 delegates, in-luding 14 bishops, from all parts of the ountry, and 1000 or more visitors packed the church to its corners. No attempt t read the rolicall was made, for many of the delegates were forced to remain out-side the building. Cries for larger quarters arose and motions to adjourn and to seek another meeting place for the 21day conference were introduced. They were lost, but after a consultation it was agreed to admit no one to the deliberations ex

cept the delegates.

The question of bishops assigned to dis tricts or presiding over co tation is the most important one to be de Iolt, her father, for the city's deadhouse, olded by the conference. The management of the 28 colleges under the control of the determined.

On the way she paused at City Hall where, with Deputy Coroner George Rowland, she went over in detail the circumstances which have made her life a lonely, unbroken vigil of uncertainty and apprehension since the disappearance of Richard on the afternoon of November 29.

Mrs. Meekins was not compelled to Mrs. Meekins was not compelled to Carolina; B. W. Arnett, of New York, and J. T. Jenifer, of Chicago.

Governor Brumhaugh and Mayor Smith pices of the conference.

# CASE AGAINST PORTER

Former City Official Has Hearing This Afternoon on Ambler's Accusation

George D. Porter, director of Public Safety under Mayor Blankenburg and defeated candidate for Mayor last fall, had a hearing before Magistrate Beaton at 3 o'clock this afternoon in Beaton's office, 1937 Spring Garden street, on the charge of criminal libel preferred by Speaker Charles A Ambles, Terred by Speaker Charles A. Ambler, Brum-baugh-Vare-Smith candidate for Auditor

Porter, through his attorney, Thomas Raeburn White, late yesterday accepted service of the two warrants for his arrest which were sworn out yesterday afternoon by Anbler.

Ambler was represented at the hearing by Thomas J. Meagher, his counsel. He formally notified Porter that he will be satisfied if the latter waives a hearing and enters ball before Magistrate

The warrants for Porter's arrest are based on two affidavits sworn to by Ambler. One charges the former director with criminal, libel and the other with furnishing false and defamatory reports for publication in the newspapers.

The article which prompted Ambier to have Porter arrosted on the libel charge

appeared in the newspapers last Monday morning. It was issued by the Citizens' Republican League, an adjunct of the Pen-

rose machine, directed by Porter.
Ambier's record as a contractor was attacked in the article, and it was specifically charged in the statement that Ambier can profiting unfairly from a contract for ne construction of a bridge st Phoenix-.mbler challenged Porter to assume re

sponsibility fee "he statement issued by the league. Porter accepted responsibility Tuesday, and the warrant for his arrest followed.

EMMA GOLDMAN OUT OF JAIL Says She Will Continue Her Birth

Control Propaganda NEW YORK May 1.—Emma Goldman, released from jail today after serving a 15-day sentence for lecturing on birth control is prepared to go ahead with her propagands.

She announced to her friends that she would deliver her birth operrol lecture here tomorrow night. To it also will add a denternation of jail food and treatment of prisoners.

# **MINORITY INTERESTS** PROTEST AGAINST SALE OF PENNA. STEEL

Stockholders Demand to Know Why Sale to Bethlehem Should Be Made at Discount

#### CALL PLAN UNJUSTIFIED

The meeting of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania Steel Company of New Jer-sey in Camden today, to vote on the dis-solution of the company and sale of the company with all of its subsidiaries and assets to the Bethlehem Steel Corpora-tion, was a stormy affair. Throughout the meeting, which was attended by about 30 of the stockholders, there were con-stant interruption, President Edgar C. Felton being prodded with questions. Mr. Felton did not show a disposition to an-swer all of the questions, and some of hem he let go by without answering yes

A resolution offered by William S. A resolution offered by William S. Thomas, of Baltimore, who said he represented 100 shares of the company's preferred stock, that the proposition made by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation for the purchase of the Pennsylvania Steel Company be not accepted by the stockholders, was declared out of order by Charles E. Ingersoll, who presided.

Mr. Thomas made a very vigorous pro st against the sale of the company on the part of the minority stockholders. He said that the directors of the company had lost sight of the interests of the minerity shareholders. He said that the steel industry was now enjoying prosperty, and that he could not, therefore, see why the company should be sold.

Immediately following the ruling out of the resolution that the proposition of Bethlehern be not accepted, William H. Donner, former president of the Cambria Steel Company and also chairman of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, arose and demanded a rote on the original resolution-that is, the question of the dissolution of the com-

Becured an order from Judge Relistab in Trenton on Tuesday temporarily restraining consummation of the plan under which Betblehem takes over the property, was this in prodding Mr. Felton with questions.

Mr. Brandt proof.

Mr. Brandt asked Mr. Felton if it was true that the common stock of the comhad been paid into the company for it. Mr. Felton replied that such was the case. Mr. Frandt said that he wanted to know where the company was coming from with Bethlehem Steel offering \$75 a share in cash for the common stock. Mr Felton said that he did not know.

Mr. Brandt wanted to know why the stimate of a going corporation's equity should be piaced at 89 per cent, of the appraised value. To this question Mr. Felton replied that no value has leen ar-rived at. Mr. Brandt said that the last annual report of the company show d an equity of \$26,000,000 and net receipts of \$23,000,000. "My should the company be sold at a discount?" he aske! Mr. Feiton refused to answer this quest on. Attention was called by Mr. Brandt to

he surplus of \$7,000,000 of the Pennsyl-ania Steel Company of New Jersey. He aid that with this the common stock ould be worth about \$90 a share

Charles E. Robinson, an attorney, rep-senting William H. Venner, a stock-older, read a letter from Mr. Venner to the stockholders, in which he said that "the proposed resolution for the purpose of carrying out an illegal sale of all prop-erties by the said company is a fraud upon the company and its stockholders." Balloting on the proposed dissolution of the company finally took place, which lasted up until 2 o'clock, when the votes were counted. It was thought that the proposal would be carried through with about a two-thirds vote.

### ANTI-VARE MEN ARE HARASSED IN 46TH

Placeholders From Ward Said to Be Victims of Factionalism

Every effort to harass anti-Vare office-iolders is said to be shown by investiga-ion in the 45th Ward, dominated by Harry Mackey.

Ferdinand Hublitz, a milk inspector, who was a candidate for the Ward Com-mittee 13th division, says he withdrew his candidacy at the request of Director Krusen. Hublitz is a McNichol supporter. Charles Semple, an inspector in the House Sanitation Bureau, a candidate for the Ward Committee from the 4th division Vare follower, was not asked to withdraw.

cerning Semple's candidacy he said it was a violation of the civil service law and referred inquiries to Assistant Director flarry Mace. Mr. Mace said that his attention had been called to the Sample case. He said Hublitz was not asked to withdraw but he was told casually that would be preferable for him to with-aw as the department was trying to keep out of political troubles.

Several other officeholding candidates for the Ward Committee, all Vare men, were not asked to withdraw. They are William H. Simon, 32d division, a street inspector in the Department of Public Morks: Samuel W. Sivley, 19th division, clerk in the Department of City Transit, R. I. McFarland, 19th division, sewer inspector, Department of Public Works.

It was learned this afternoon that Fred 7. Young, of 1854 Daly street, 10th di-rision of the 48th Ward, who held a position as bridge tender, was discharged on May 1. It was announced that he was dropped because he did not pass the civil service examination. An examination of the records showed that he received 90.7. The McNichol men in the ward say that oung refused to get in line with the

#### PROBE OF BREWERY BOODLE DEVELOPING NEW PHASE

U. S. Attorney Presses Investigation Into Campaign Contributions

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 4.-The two Chicago witnesses, Secretary Cooper Lyons, of the National Association of Commerce and Labor, the principal committee of the United States Brewers' As-sociation, spent all morning before the Federal Grand Jury in continuation of the brewery probe of campaign contribu-

United States District Attorney Humes United States District Attorney Humes, it was understood, had subpoenss out for over a dozen Chicago and Philadelphia witnesses, through which he hopes to develop an entirely new phase of the probe of brewery expenditures in the ranks of labor and among industrial businesses serving breweries.

\$3663 Raised for Boys' Club

The Germantown Boys' Club campaign to raise \$12,000 for the work of that organization took a big jump forward last night, when a total of \$1836.49 was announced by the different teams. This added to the \$1900 contributed by Joshua L. Baily and the \$24.75 raised on Monday night, brought the total up to \$1565.24.

# DEATH OF IRISH CHIEFS ROUSES HARSH COMMENT

Intense Feeling in Some British Quarters Reported Against Government

OTHERS COMMEND ACTION

DUBLIN, May 4 .- One hundred and twenty-two rebels and 66 British soldiers, who were wounded in the recent fighting in Dublin, have died in hospitals, it was announced today.

LONDON, May 4.—Intense and bitter feeling has been aroused in some quarters by the summary court-martial and execution of the provisional president of the republic of Ireland, and other leaders who took an active part in the Sinn Fein uprising, although there is a strong opinion, both in and out of official circles, that stern measures were necessary to prevent further outcroppings of the outbreak.

A big crowd flocked to the House of

Commons today in the expectation that Premier Asquith would announce the ex-ecution of other Irish chiefs. Court-martial sittings for the trial of the Irish insurrectionists are still rogress. It was confirmed from official sources

today that only three leaders were exe-cuted yesterday. They were Provisional President P. H. Pearse, Thomas J. Clark and Thomas MacDonagh. James Connel-ly, comander of the forces, reported to have been executed, is in prison, badly wounded. ded. As a result of the Framier's statement that Sir Roger Casement would be brought

to trial at the earliest possible moment, reports were current that the Irish knight, who was arrested while trying to land arms on the Irish coast, might be placed on trial before Sunday.

The Telegraph learns that Sir Roger will be tried in London, that the charge against

Sir Roger has been at work upon a pa-triotic address, which he hopes to deliver in court, but it is a foregone conclusion

that he will have no chance for oratory, and it is also taken for granted that his trial will be held in camera.

The rank and file of the Irish rebels will be dealt with leniently, it was stated today. Sir Edward Carson, Ulster leader, and John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists have logical in an appeal. Nationalists, have joined in an appeal to the Government for mercy. It is believed the majority of the Sinn Fein members will be given light sentences and that a ew will be deported.

During the last two days the British illitary authorities in Southern Ireland have made many more arrests. The total number of Irish prisoners in the hands of the military authorities are now estimated at from 1500 to 2000. A Dublin dispatch to the Evening New today reported that in the Dublin hos-pitals alone the bodies of 188 victims of the seven days rebellion have been count-

ed. These include 66 soldiers and 122 rebels and civilians. The Dublin morgue holds about 300 more bodies, some of them mangled beyoud recognition. Soldiers digging in the debris around the site of the postoffice have found the lody of a well-known separatist leader known as O'Rellly.

After a period of quiet there were some sniping on Tuesday night, the military authorities report.

#### JAMES M. SULLIVAN HELD IN IRISH UPRISING

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Minister to Santo Domingo, was born in Kilarney, Ireland, January 6, 1872, but came to this country when a child. He was educated at Yale and practiced law in Connecticut, later coming to New York. where he practiced law from 1906 to 1913. Sullivan was named United States Minister to Santo Domingo through the influence of Secretary of State Bryan on August 12, 1913. Charges were made against him about 18 months ago and an investigation was conducted in New York of his alleged friendliness for a firm of contractors and certain banking institutions on the island tendered his resignation to the State De-

#### ARREST OF SULLIVAN CREATES A SENSATION AT NATION'S CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, May 6 The reported arrest of James M. Sulli-van, former Minister to Santo Domingo in Dublin, for complicity in the Irish a rising, caused a profound sensation official circles here this afternoon. T ometal circles here this afternoon. The State Department received a cablegram from the Embassy at London which said that it was "reported in London" that Sullivan had been arrested. The Embassy is investigating the report, and no further instructions will be sent until a further report dealing with Sullivan's status is

Sullivan is an American citizen, and this is the first arrest made of an Ameri-can in any of the belligerent countries for treason against the country in which he was a temporary resident. It was stated in official circles this afternoon that he will be afforded every protection as an American, but that it was impossible to say whether a demand can be made for his relesse until all of the facts are known.

#### NEW CAR LINE ALMOST SURE FOR 56TH STREET

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according to the Penrose-McNichol mem-bers back of the move. According to the Vare-Smith members of Councils it is an effort to bind the hands of the members and to limit their field of choice.

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The resolution which is expected to cause a councilmanic clash this afternoon contains a preamble stating the fact that Councils will, this month, be called upon to select new representatives on the board and is as follows:

Resolved, by the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia. That the United Business Men's Association of the city be requested to send in a list of six names of men who are desirable for transit directors, so that Councils can

transit directors, so that Councils can consider such men for election to the board of directors of the Rapid Transit Company at the election to be held by ouncils this month. The resolution was introduced by Select

Councilman Harry J. Trainer and will be put to a vote in Common Council this afternoon unless an effort is made to call the two Councilmanic bodies together for an election of city representatives on the board.

Another transit resolution that will be Another transit resolution that will be passed upon by Councils authorizes Director Twining to sign warrants in favor of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company for bills incurred in changing the present tracks so that work can proceed with the Fransford slevated and the Broad street subway. The amounts of the warrants are not to szozed \$25.000.

# RAID IN CHINATOWN CAUSES FIGHT, FIRE AND THREE ARRESTS

Government Officials and Police Break Up Opium Party After Hearty Struggle

CROWD CRIES MURDER

Pandemonium reigned in Chinatown early today, when special agents, accompanied by the vice squad, raided the premises at 157 North 9th street, engaged in a free-for-all fight with infuriated Chinese, dodged lighted lamps, which were used as nissiles, acted as impromptu firemen, and capped the climax by nearly fighting with members of the police force. Ralph H. Oyler, special agent of the In-

ternal Revenue Department, and Joseph Di Giovanni, of the State Pharmaceutical Board, led the raid. A large quantity of oplum was selzed, according to officials. Those arrested were: Charlie known as "Ice Water Charley," and Wil-liam Sam, both of the 5th street address, and John Sing, of 5902 Market street. According to the raiders, "Ice Water According to the raisers, lee water Charley" started things going. He was "hitting the pipe" on the third floor, they say, when the little visiting party arrived. In the room were two other

Agent Oyler tried the door, opened I cautiously, the raid being the result of a private tip the agent had received. "Ice Water Charley," they say, grabbed the oil lamp that was on the table and gave it a heave. Oyler managed to duck in time, and the lamp flared into a blaze

where it fell.

In an instant Oyler had his hands full, fighting Charley, while Hicks, of the vice squad, grabbed the lamp and sent it, still blazing crashing through a window to the pavement below. It barely missed two men and a woman standing below, and ries of murder, fire and help brought the

where it fell

police to the scene. The officers subdued the Chinese and gave them the 'nippers' after throwing two buckets of water upon articles in the

room which were ablaze.

Hundreds of persons gathered on the street after they had seen the uniformed police rush into the house. The police met the vice squad on the stairway and things would have become still livelier if the agents had not been recognized. A patrol was brought from the 11th and Winter streets station.

The Chinese were arraigned before United States Commissioner Edmunds today. Those who assisted in the arrests were

Officers Welsh, Bachelli and Palmer of the vice squad. Policeman Hicks was burned about the wrists, but that did not prevent him from holding one of the Chinese who tried to get away. The oplum was found hidden under the floor

opulm was found indoen under the noor and under the mattress.

Special Agent Cuyler, Deputy Marshals James J. Kenney and Di Giovanni late yesterday arrested William Voges, 452 Franklin street, and Sam Yaffe, 715 Franklin street, Both were held in \$1900 ball by Commissioner Edmonds, accused. ball by Commissioner Edmunds, accused of having "dope" in their possession. Both are said to be old offenders, already under bond for their appearance in court on a similar charge.

### ROTAN INVESTIGATES CHARGES OF ALLEGED SHERN LAW VIOLATION

Confers With Ex-Judge James Gay Gordon, Counsel for Complaining Organizations

### DIRECTED AGAINST VARES

District Attorney Rotan and ex-Judge James Gay Gordon met in a private conerence in the District Attorney's office his afternoon to discuss the affidavits and omplaints filed by the Philadelphia Republican League and the Citizens' Re-publican League, charging violations of the Shern law on the part of city em-ployes. Both leagues are Penrose-Mc-Nichol organizations and the affidavits are directed against Vare-Smith followers. Neither Mr. Gordon nor the District Attorney would discuss what action was contemplated, although Mr. Rotan said a statement could be expected later today. Mr. Gordon represents as counsel the two

leagues which are making the charges Three of the affidavits are from the 23d Ward, two from the 46th Ward and one from the 4th Ward. Each affidavit covers several alleged violations of the Shern Law. In addition to these, six other spe-cific cases have been brought before the District Attorney, which are not put in affidavit form. Evidence on these cases is now in the hands of the Leagues and vill be presented within a day or two.

The affidavits charge coercion of city employes, illegal political activity on the part of police and firemen, attempts to force candidates for the Ward Committees to withdraw and other minor offens s. One new case was made public by the Philadelphia Republican League, a Segar-Trainer organization, today. The league charged that George D. Young, of 1854 Daly street, who held a provisional ap-pointment as a bridge watchman, was discharged because he would not fall in and work for Vare in the 15th Ward.

The charges were made by residents of the 7th Ward who are followers of Charles B. Hall, chief cierk of Select Council.

These men, who also are aligned with the Penrose-McNichol faction in the ward, demanded "Reddy Jako's" banishment from the ward at once. They intimated that he had been "planted" in the ward for special political activities in which Melincoff and his friends are said to be

Melincoff was recently released from the county prison, where he served a sen-tence for assault with intent to kill. He has been associated, so these residents assert, with a man named Schwartz for some time.
Assistant Director Davis told the 7th

Ward residents that he would look into the complaint, and if he found the facts as stated, that Melincoff would be chased from the ward or suitable legal action from the ward or suitable legal action taken against him.

Despite this information given to the Assistant Director of Public Safety. Police Lieutemant Bausewine said yesterday afternoon that he had no knowledge that Melincoff was operating in his district. Neither had the commander of the 18th Police District received any orders "from the front" to close up the alleged sam-

the front" to close up the alleged gam-bling house and exite Melincoff. Melincoff has been known to the police for many years. He was last convicted of stabbing a prize fighter named "Young Jack" Hanlon, and sentenced to serve 14 months. He was pardoned after serving a year.

Prior to that, the police say, he had rarely been outside a detention place since 1899, when he was first sentenced to the House of Refuge for larceny. Several years ago, after cutting a saloonkeeper, "Reddy Jake" was sentenced to prison. He was later released on his agreement to guit the city and never return. Melinto guit the city and never return. Melincoff went to Baltimore, but came back
shortly afterward and was rearrested.
Judge Barratt, in the Court of Common
Pless decided that Melinopf could not
make an agreement to keep away from
the city, but that he could be agralated
on several insidements which the District
Attorney's office held over him.

#### BAY STATE LEADERS BOOM DEFENSE RALLY

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ressed their appreciation of Captain Rus As a further prejude to the main fea-ture of their visit, the Governor and Mayor were escorted through Indepen-dence Hall.

dence Hall.

The Preparedness Campaign Committee to raise a fund of \$500,000 with which to equip and maintain an army of \$8,000 men is in charge of the entertainment of the visitors.

HERE FOR GREAT RALLY. At least 2000 members of the cifizens' army will march up Broad street tonight as part of a raily and demonstration in

aid of the compaign.

Autional Guard members are expected to participate in the procession, which will precede a mass-meeting in the Metrowill precede a mass-meeting in the actopolitan Opera House. Governor McCail,
Mayor Curley, Congressman George S.
Graham, E. J. Cattell, William R. Nicholson and A. J. Drexel Biddle will be among
the speakers. Congressman Graham will
preside. There is a possibility that Colonel Roosevelt may attend, the committee in charge awaiting definite word from him today.

Previous to starting for the line of march, which begins at Juniper and Chestnut streets, the visitors, as well as the speakers of the Opera House meeting, will be entertained at a dinner at the Adelphia.

# TRAITORS, CRIES MAYOR TO ALL WHO FAIL TO VOTE FOR LOAN BILL

Pass Measure and Help City Make Onward Strides, He Tells Preparedness Committee Members

COMPLIMENTS WOMEN

Mayor Smith made another strong pleas or universal support of the loan bill at the daily luncheon today of the Prepared ness Campaign Committee in the Hote Adelphia, declaring that the man of woman who failed to support the passage of this bill was a traitor. He said that forces are at work trying to defeat the loan bill, and declared that if the bill is not passed, it will be to the great detriment of the city.

The Mayor spoke to an audience, or which there were more women than men, and he asserted that his desire to see the loan bill passed had made him realize never before the need for woman suffrage. Governor McCall, of Massachusetta, and

Mayor Curley, of Boston, and the gayly uniformed officers of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, were present. When the Mayor mentioned the loan bill a wave of applause swep over the room. A stir was caused, how ever, when a loud hissing was plainly noticed in the midst of the handclapping It was later declared by those in the vicinity of the table from which the tended as a show of opposition to the Mayor, but merely an attempt to silence the volume of applause which had in-terrupted the Mayor.

"I have never so felt the need for the support of strong, active Philadelphia. No man can make a success out of the office of Mayor without the entire support of all the people. The advancement of the city is now being jeopardized by conditions over which we have no con

TRANSIT ESSENTIAL

"But we can pass the loan bill and we must pass it if the city is to go shead. Rapid transit is absolutely essential to the future success of the city. If we are to have rapid transit we must pass th loan bill, and this must be supported by every citizen from one end of Philadelphia to the other. The man or woman who fails to do his or her duty at a time like this is a traitor and is working against, not for, preparedness.

"This is not a political matter. I appeal to you as people of all Philadelphia for support. I assure you I am in this thing with my whole take no notice of factional politics

Colonel William R. Nicholson presided at the luncheon. City Statistician Cattell followed the Mayor with a speech. The visitors from Massachusetts were given a hearty welcome, and when they entered the dining room, they found every on standing and singing "America."

### SALUS DEFENDS RIGHT TO VOTE IN 4TH WARD

State Senator Characterizes Move to Strike His Name From/List as Jake

State Senator Samuel W. Salus declared today that the move to strike his name from the registry list in the 4th Ward was a joke. He challenged County Com-missioner Robert J. Moore to qualify as a bona fide resident of that balliwick and maintained that an occupancy of seven months every year of his house at 614 South 11th street established his right to vote from that address. Moore, he as-serted, has removed his domicils to Atlantic City and has made that place his residence. The whole affair is a joke, ac-

ording to Salus.

The name of B. W. Salus, brother of the Senator, was stricken from the 4th Ward voting list today by the Registra-tion Commissioners. The commissioners were perfectly within their right as far as the case of my brother is concerned," said the Senator. "He married some time ago and removed to West Philadelphia. But my case is different. "I consider myself more of a resident

of the 4th ward than County Commis-sioner Moore, who is endeavoring to have my name stricken off the registry list." State Senator Salus said "I ought to know where I live. I have lived in the 4th Ward for 16 years, was

never registered from any other place and never voted from any other residence than my home in the 4th Ward. I live there severamonths in the year. "That is more than Moore can say. Moore was married some time ago, and last Christmas he took his wife to Atlantic City and his home in the 4th Ward has been closed ever since. The move to have my name stricken off is a joke. I am more of a resident of the 4th W.

am more of a resident of the 4th Ward than Moore is. Any one can see that."

B. W. Salus was registered from 614 outh 11th street. Bis brother's division.
In a report filed with the commissioners
y Senator Salus, his brother moved from
he South 11th street address to 4415

the South 11th street address to 4415 Baltimore avenue about a year ago. The words, "about a year ago" had been crossed out over the senator's signature. The protest against B. W. Salus voting in the 4th Ward, which was made by the Committee of Seventy, alleged that he lives at the Baltimore avenue address, where his wife and mother live. Salus voted in the 4th Ward in the last election after successfully fighting a protest against his vote. He is a butcher with a shop at 19th and South streets.

Silverdale Lad a Carnegie Hero

Silverdate Lad a Carnegie Hero Silverdate Lad a Carnegie Hero Kratz, of Silverdale, has been notified that he has been awarded a bronze medal and \$2800 for educational purposes from the Carnegie Hero Find. In 1913 he saved Earl M. Moyer, see of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis D. Moyer, from being killed by sicctricity.

# SCOTT-OBREGON PACT APPROVED BY PRESIDEN

Agreement Places No Time Limit on Withdrawal of U. S. Troops

FREE USE OF RAILWAN

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The ment reached by Generals Scott, at a United States, and Obreson, of Men for the joint pursuit of Villa by Ancan and Mexican troops has been a field by President Wilson. The Whose has not permitted any assement to this effect to be made, but a ceived that Carranza approves the this Government will announce official that it has done so also.

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It was learned on official authority in the agreement does not set any in limit for the withdrawal of the American forces can remain that the American forces can remain Mexico indefinitely, unless Villa is encaptured or killed or his forces effects.

ty dispersed.

The agreement provides that the American commander in Mexico is to have he use of the Mexican railways for transping supplies to his troops. Real co-operation of the Mexican ton with the American troops is provided in the agreement. It is understood a General Scott has pledged that the ke

can troops will give the Mexican fa-their support, it is stated, but will attempt to take the glory of capture Villa away from them.

It is understood the White House v make public the text of the agree-just as quickly as it learns that Carn-za has ratified it.

can forces will be allowed to have to chance to catch or kill Villa. The As-can troops will give the Mexican for

## SCOTT AND OBREGON AGREE ON U. S. FINANCIAL M EL PASO, Tex., May ( American aid in rehabilitating Musis expected to follow ratification of a "El Paso peace pact."

War Minister Obreson and Chief Staff Scott were silent today, awaiting a vices from their respective Governments indicated more to military matters were treated in the day's momentous 12-hour conferen

day's momentous 12-hour conference.

Authorities here believed the effective statement would show the following me ters have been agreed upon: Gradual retirement of the Amer-can punitive expedition from Mec-co—the movement expected to extent

co—the movement expected to extent over 60 days.

Contraction of the expediting line as a preliminary step in the withdrawal movement, the Metica railroads to be used in carrying ap-plies to the forces through comme-cial agencies during this time.

American troops to be unhamped to the hour for Villa with the Carry in the hunt for Villa, with the Carranzistas giving genuine co-operation

tion will operate. The American, however, will continue to avoid entering Mexican cities.

Carranza troops to aid in policing the district occupied by America The United States to use its pol offices through Washington to chun financial aid for the Mexican Govern-

The United States to perchit the Carranza Government to resume in-portation of arms and ammunits from this country. Carranza to take up the Mexico mining laws with a view to changing them by executive order to permit n opening of the mines and employment of large numbers of idle Mexicon Foreign capital is to be permitted to return under the new arrangement. In Mexican official circles the opining prevails that General Obregon set is what he went after: that is, a prevail seen be withdrawn. With the

would soon withdrawn. operation of the Carranzistas it is believed that the remnants of the Villa band a soon be crushed and that the America soldiers will be out of Mexico within it weeks.

Ratification of the Obregon-Scott agreement will release great supplies of a munition for Carranza's troops which is been held up on the border. It is had reached.

needed.

General Gavira, the Carransists Comandant in Juarez, has sent word to the garrison commanders in Northe Mexico to make ready to assist the An

As a result of the favorable treat;
American-Mexican relations mining a
are discussing the prospect of recomtheir properties in Chihuahua, which is
been deserted because of bandit and sta lutionary activities.

LIGHTING UP CITY HALL Chief McLaughlin Plans to Ha Everything Ready to Start

It on July 1 Preparatory to illuminating the C Hall tower and the Penn statue, plans I specifications have been drafted and in posals will be opened on May 15 for pair ing the metal portion of the tower. It has not yet been determnied what It has not yet been determined white aluminum or ibronze paint will be used. Chief McLaughlin, of the Electrical breau, and other city officials are in fac-of aluminum, on the ground that a breauface would make a better display will

surface would make a better display.

flood lights are thrown upon it.

Members of the Art Jfry favor breand a final decision will be reached been days. The amount of money syalifor the painting is \$20.000.

A bill providing \$3000 to cover the opense of flood-lighting the statue pactouncils recently and this illuminate will start July 1. Chief McLaughila making every effort to have the light plans completed, so that the tower can illuminated for the convention of the avertising Clubs of the World.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION HELP WANTED-FEMALE

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