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GOLDEN EAGLE HOSTS IN ANNUAL CONVENTION WELCOMED IN READING
 Mayor and Local Leaders of Knights Extend Courtesies at Reception-Parade in Afternoon
LADIES IN SESSION, TOO

READING, Pa., May 9.—With a reception in the afternoon this morning, the Mayor and visiting dignitaries with the Golden Eagle and a street parade, which several thousand visitors participated in, the 40th annual session of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge, Knights of the Golden Eagle, opened here for its annual convention. The 24th annual session of the Ladies of the Golden Eagle is being held in the afternoon. It is expected that about 2000 delegates will be present. The two conventions, while many delegates from the State are represented by large, official delegations, accompanied by business houses and many private residences have been graciously decorated with flags and bunting, especially along the route of the parade.

The Berkshire Hotel is the headquarters of both bodies. The convention assembled there this morning and headed by the Ringgold Band, marched to Rajah Temple for the public reception. The program opened with an address by Mayor Edward H. Pillemer, which was followed by a welcome on behalf of the city by Mayor Edward H. Pillemer, which was followed by an address to the Pennsylvania grand chiefs by Past Supreme Chief John W. Ford, of Philadelphia. An address to the Berkshire County counties and temples by former American District Attorney Fred A. W. Bending, was answered by Past Supreme Chief John C. McKinney, of Philadelphia. Walter C. Boas, of Philadelphia, submitted a report of the work of the Knights of the Golden Eagle County and organization, in Montgomery County. The program, interspersed with numerous local addresses, lasted until noon.

"MAGIC HANDKERCHIEF" FAILS TO MAKE GIRL LOVE YOUTH
 Spurned Wooer Has Seller of "Affection Lure" Arrested

NEW YORK, May 9.—Through the failure of a "magic handkerchief" to work in one instance, Ottavio Billotta, of 11 West 42nd street, Brooklyn, has been arrested on charges of using the mails to defraud. Federal Judge Vedder in Brooklyn yesterday held him in \$750.

Billotta, it is alleged, sent out circulars advertising the wonderful handkerchief as follows: "An embroidered silk handkerchief, full of new, sensational, suggestive and Oriental perfume, magical in its action and mysterious. The same, if diffused sweetly, stimulates and reinvigorates the affections and makes love irresistible. It offers the odor of this exquisite handkerchief to a young lady of your acquaintance she will become attracted with deep affection toward you; if accepted as a present a mysterious force will compel her to love you incessantly, keeping always the affections because of the sensational perfume. It can be sent by mail, full information for the sum of \$11.11."

The indictment was brought on the testimony of a youth who bought one of the handkerchiefs and sent it to his sweetheart. She thought he had lost his mind and promptly killed him.

LOVESICK, SHOTS HIMSELF
 Unrequited Affection for 19-year-old Girl Believed to Have Prompted Attempt at Suicide

Unrequited love for a girl ten years his senior is believed by the police to have prompted Christian Miller, 29 years old, to shoot a bullet into his head, from the effects of which he is now in St. Mary's Hospital and expected to recover.

Roosevelt Interested, But Silent
 WASHINGTON, May 9.—Colonel Roosevelt, who would not discuss Germany's position to the United States last week, showed great interest in the text of the letter sent by President Wilson to Germany, which was shown to him last week. He would not comment at this time and was silent also concerning the letter sent by Mexican bandits over the border.

U. S. AID IN MEEKINS BOY MURDER SEARCH

Specimens of Writing in Mysterious Notes Sent to Postal Inspectors

Federal aid is to be enlisted in the search for the slayer of little Richard Meekins.

Detective George Timlin, acting under instructions of Captain James Tate, today took several specimens of handwriting which have figured in the investigation of the mystery and turned them over to Chief Courtney, of the Postal Inspectors, for submission to a handwriting expert. The samples of penmanship offered for analysis included the original notes received at the Meekins' home, 2148 South 41st street, subsequent to Richard's disappearance on November 29 last, as well as scraps written by Luke Meekins, father of the slain boy, who is held by the police pending the outcome of their inquiry.

The detectives also sent to the Federal inspector-chief papers in their possession which bear the handwriting of a man living near Chester, whose possible connection with the Meekins case is under investigation today. Timlin also took from the Regues' Gallery collection several papers, showing the handwriting of criminals, whose habits and records lead to a suspicion that they might have been concerned in the death of the boy.

PRESERVE WRITING AS CLUES.
 Captain Tate thinks well of this proposition to trace the guilty man, if possible, by means of his handwriting. He decides that in all future cases where arrests are made of persons of known vicious habits he intends to obtain and preserve specimens of the prisoners' penmanship as an additional aid in the event of any police search. These writings may be made part of a national bureau at Washington.

Luke Meekins, who was taken into custody from the fancied residence of a man seen in the vicinity of 70th street and Botanic avenue, where his son's body was found, will probably be released this week. Meekins has convinced the police that he had no connection with the death of the child.

He produced an alibi yesterday proving that on Sunday, March 19, he was at the headquarters of the West Philadelphia New Year's Club 1142 Gray's Ferry Road. It was on this day, that a man answering the father's description was seen near the spot where the body was found, according to Judson Self, the farmer who made the discovery.

When Meekins was arrested and taken to Central Station for a hearing Saturday he was held for a further hearing next week from that day. Meekins has remained calm throughout his imprisonment and has been visited by many friends.

Detective Timlin, head of the "murder squad," is being kept in the station, although he has not found considerable information it has not pointed to a connection of the father with the boy's death.

DENIED AN OUTING; ENDS LIFE

Girl Drinks Poison Because She Can't Afford Usual Summer Jaunt

Miss Mahol S. Jabes, 24 years old, of 2113 F street, committed suicide early today on the front porch of her home by drinking poison.

According to the police, Miss Jabes was dependent because financial difficulties prevented her going to Rushland, Pa., for the summer. For the last ten years she had spent her summers in Rushland.

VEP. IT'S A FINE DAY

Thunderstorm Clears Sky and Mercury Drops 20 Degrees

A thunderstorm that cleared the sky and sent the thermometer records down 20 degrees made a fine May day today.

The weather today is especially agreeable in view of the fact that yesterday was the hottest day of 1916 so far. It reached a high mark of 82 degrees at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The temperatures tumbled around 6 o'clock however, when the thunderstorm appeared in the offing. In 15 minutes it dropped from 77 to 61 degrees.

Du Pont Employee Found Dead

A man, believed to have been Patrick Connors, a DuPont employe, was found dead in a wagon in a stable in the rear of 609 South Hancock street today by Policeman McFarlane, of the 4d and Christian streets station. Heart disease is believed to have caused his death. The only mark of identification was on a pay envelope which gave the name and place of employment. The dead man was about 35 years old, 5 feet 9 inches in height, weighed 160 pounds, was of dark complexion, smooth face, and wore dark clothing, dark cap, tan shoes and red sweater. The wagon in which the body was found is owned by Leonard Kurz, Jr., of 122 South street.

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NEW YORK, May 9.—Frank Pierce, lawyer and member of the family to which President Pierce belonged, who was an Assistant District Attorney under Eugene A. Philbin, now on the Supreme Court bench, and who acted as chief of counsel for the petitioners in the unsuccessful proceeding for the removal of District Attorney Jerome, is suffering from paralysis in an advanced stage. It is not believed that he can recover.

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LITTLE GIRL RESCUES BABY SISTER FROM CAR OF WEALTHY ABDUCTOR

Detective's 12-Year-Old Daughter Pursues Big Gray Car Into Which Stranger Lured Child

AUTO'S BREAKDOWN AIDS

The police are searching the city today for a short, dark, heavy-set young man with a mustache, who yesterday attempted to kidnap Mary Jane Souder, the 6-year-old daughter of Alfred I. Souder, a City Hall detective and former captain of the force, in a big gray limousine. This child was snatched from her would-be abductor by her 12-year-old sister Agnes, who ran after the car.

The police are inclined to believe the would-be kidnapper is a member of a wealthy family. He was well dressed and spoke in tones of refinement and the car he drove was of a sort used by persons of wealth. Detectives today are hunting it among garages of wealthy residents of the city.

The attempt to carry off little Mary was made soon after the Souder children had waved good-bye to their father as he started for the Detective Bureau. The children, Agnes, Mary and Howard, who is 11 years old, walked with their father from their home at 2567 Lancaster avenue to the corner of 35th street to see him board a trolley car. Then the children turned about and walked toward home. They passed a gray limousine standing near the curb.

The young man in the front seat of the car called to little Mary.

GAVE FIVE CENTS TO HER

"Come here, little girl," he said, "and I will give you a nice ride." The child hesitated, but she was persuaded to climb up on the seat when the man gave five cents to her.

The man started the car. Agnes and Howard started in pursuit. Agnes proved to be the better runner, and she soon outdistanced her brother. Other children went to the Souder home and told the mother, who telephoned her husband at the Detective Bureau, and Souder started for home in a taxicab.

In the meantime Agnes kept after the limousine. The car stopped at Pearl street, between 23d and 34th streets, and Agnes caught up with it.

JUST FOR A RIDE.

"I am taking her for a ride," replied the driver.

"You are not going to take her for a ride," snapped Agnes, "you let my sister out of that car at once, so she can go home with me."

The man said he would take little Mary to her home, and walked toward home.

"All right," said Agnes determinedly. "I'll go along, too." She jumped into the car and sat beside her sister.

The would-be abductor started the machine, turned north into 33d street and continued to Hamilton street despite the protests of Agnes. Near 34th street something went wrong and halted the car. Agnes pulled little Mary from the machine. They reached home just as their father arrived in a taxicab.



SEIZED BY KIDNAPPER

Above is Mary Jane Souder, daughter of former Detective Captain Alfred I. Souder, who was enticed into an automobile yesterday afternoon by a well-dressed stranger, whose attempt was foiled by her older sister, Agnes, whose portrait appears below.

LEASES SUSQUEHANNA MILLS

A. M. Byers Co., of Pittsburgh, Takes Over Iron Plant

LANCASTER, Pa., May 9.—A deal has been closed by Congressman W. W. Grist and his associates in the ownership of the Susquehanna Iron Company's iron mills in Columbia by which the A. M. Byers Company, of Pittsburgh, one of the most extensive manufacturers of wrought iron pipe in the United States, obtains the lease of the Susquehanna Company's mills in Columbia. General Manager Johnson, of the leasing company, will arrive in Columbia Wednesday to direct extensive improvements. The property secured embraces two rolling mills and a pipe mill. One of the mills and the pipe mill have been lying idle. A galvanizing plant will be erected adjoining the pipe mill.

MRS. AL DAVIS IN A COMA

Physicians, However, Hope She Will Recover From Riding Accident

WESTBURY, L. I., May 9.—Mrs. Davis is still in a coma at a home in Jericho. She was thrown from a horse on Saturday. Physicians last night were optimistic over her condition and have hope of her recovery.

Mrs. Kelly has a fracture at the base of the skull, but the physicians can do nothing until she recovers her strength. Trepanning is the usual operation.

Mrs. Helen Kelly has not visited her daughter since the accident. She was expected yesterday, but it was learned that she was taken ill at her town house just as she was preparing to start.

METHODISTS MAY ADD ONE TO EPISCOPACY

Rev. Dr. Scott, Only Negro Missionary Bishop, Plans to Retire

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., May 9.—Bishop Isaiah Benjamin Scott, the only negro missionary bishop in the Methodist Episcopal Church, has notified the Subcommittee on Effectiveness of Bishops of his intention to retire at the present session of the General Conference. Negro delegates upon hearing of Bishop Scott's intention, held a caucus and decided to propose two candidates, also negroes, for Bishop Scott's place. They are Rev. J. W. E. Bowen, of Atlanta, a professor at the Gammon Theological Seminary, and Rev. Dr. R. E. Jones, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, both of whom have been voted on for the Episcopacy at previous general conferences. The negro delegates desire Bishop Scott's successor to be a bishop with full powers, but it is expected that this request will be resisted on the floor of the General Conference. Bishop Scott is 62 years old and in normal circumstances would not be retired until the General Conference "nearest his 72d birthday." He was elected Bishop for Africa in May, 1904, and his Episcopal residence has been in Monrovia, Liberia. It is understood he will be retired on a pension of \$1500 a year.

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