### REASED COAL PRICE IL BE INVESTIGATED BY U.S. TRADE BOARD

her Rates Announced Effec-June 1 to Meet Millions Granted by Miners in Recent Pact

### TEMENT BY GREGORY

W TORK. May 10.—Circulars an-mer advances in the wholesale price inhactic coal have been approved in today is to send the circulars and today is to send the circulars is sents a ton for pea coal, fol-ter in the announcement by the oper-ties they would advance the price of the sent the additional cost of another and ther adjustments re-silowed the miners. Other than to appring, none of the operators will comment upon the announce-at the Federal Trade Commission rederal inquiry. The following the sent at the gess into effect June 1, and the presence becomes effective Soptem-and throughout the fall and win-the June 1 prices show advances

and throughout the fall and win-the June 1 prices show advances inferator New York of 15 cents a ton ex coal, 29 cents for chestnut, 20 for buckwheat No. 1, 40 cents for estad 50 cents for pea. The schedule follows: Tokan coal, \$4.95; exg. \$5.05; stove, between coal, \$4.95; exg. \$5.05; stove, tokernut, \$5.35; pea, \$3.65; buck-in cents per ton will be added to the of exg. stove, chestnut and pea an the first of June, July, August an the first of June, July, August an the first of June, July, August

er, making the winter sched-\$5.45; stove, \$5.70; chestnut,

and pes. \$4.05. price for the other coals remains

### 8 WILL PROBE INCREASE

PROPOSED IN COAL PRICES

WASHINGTON, May 10 .--- A sweeping and will be conducted by the Depart-t of Justice and the Federal Trade mission as a result of the announced

meson as a pescil of the ambunced how in the price of coal to the con-er. The Department of Justice has watching developments in the Penn-ania fields, and Attorney General arr, under date of May 6, wrote to the commission suggesting an inquiry event that the carriers and pro-increased the price of anthracite

### Attorney General Grogory has given out contents of this letter. It read: T has been stated in the public press.

It has been stated in the public press, in apparent authority, that having red to an advance in wages, the rail-ad coal companies will now use that an excuse for materially increasing the fee of anthracite coal to consumers, it has been brought out in the various of proceedings against the anthracite mends that on similar occasions in the

ads that on similar occasions in the st when wages have been advanced th in then wages have been advanced the imag coal companies, on the pretext of measing prices for the purpose of meet-g he increased cost of production re-ding from the higher wages, have made and greater increases than were neces-

and greater increases than were neces-ary for that purpose. "Shee January 1, 1900, there have been birs general advances in the wages of the orkers in the anthracite regions ex-taines of the present advance. In Coto-ies 190, wages were advanced approxi-tions of the present Lin the facel year 10 per cent. In the fiscal year mely preceding this advance (Juiy June 30, 1900) the cost of producthe Philadelphia and Reading Coal a Company, whose mines are e most expensive to operate, was ton. In the fiscal year imme-ollowing (July 1, 1900-June 30, its cost of production was \$1.826 m-an increase of \$.156 per ton,/ includes not only the increase due advance in wages, but the increase all other factors. On the other the same company (the others fol-g suit) increased prices by \$,232 per an all sizes, making the excess of

#### CHARITIES AND CORRECTION EXPERTS TO MEET TONIGHT Elaborate Program Prepared by Con ference at Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 10.—There are 9 divisions. 45 sections and 125 dele-states on the program of the National Con-ference of Charities and Correction which will open here tonight. Ernest P. Bick-nell, director of Civilian Relief of the American Red Cross, will speak on "War Relief" at the opening session

Relief" at the opening session Tomorrow the conference will start its divisional meetings with sessions in eight different halls. There will be a centen-nial charities exhibit at the State House. Tomorrow night the general session will be addressed by John H. Finley, presi-dent of the University of the State of New York, and by Mrs. Florence Kelley, general secretary of the National Con-sumers' Longue, New York. Both of these spoakers will speak on "How Can Social Agencies Promote the Effectiveness of the Public Schools?"

### PRIZES FOR KNIGHTS **OF GOLDEN EAGLE**

Awards Made to Commanderies and Castles in the Parade at Reading

READING, Pa., May 10.—At the open-ing of today's session of the 42d annual State convention of the Knights of the Golden Eagle now in progress here, the following were announced as the prize-

winners in yesterday's parade, in which more than 3000 participated: Commandery having most men-First prize, \$50, Lafayette, of Royersford; sec-

prize, \$50, Lafayette, of Royersford; sec-ond prize, \$25, Lancaster. Commandery coming the greatest dis-tance—First prize, \$25, Ivanhos, of Phila-delphia; second prize, \$25, West Chester. Commandery of the finest appearance— First prize, \$25, Hellertown; second prize, \$15, Ivanhos, of Philadelphia. Castle of best appearance—First prize, \$20, Aeolian, Philadelphia; second prize, \$10, Centre Valley. Castle with largest number of men from

ploy chauffeurs urging them to use extraordinary care in the selection of dri-vers, in view of the great death rate so far this year. Castle with largest number of men from outside Berks County-First prize, \$20. Centre Valley; second prize, \$10, Acolian, of Philadelphia.

far this year. "The best remedy," said Coroner Knight today, "Is to have a more drastic law enacted by the Legislature governing automobiles and drivers of such generally. of Philadelphia. Largest number of men in any Berks castle—First prize, \$25, to Oley; \$15, sec-ond prize, St. Lawrence, and \$10 each to Sinking Spring, Muhlenberg, Adonal, of Kutstown, and Boyertown. I will confer during the present week with Director Wilson to see if something cannot be done to reduce the possibility of such accidents pending the enactment of such accidents pending the enactment of the necessary legislation." Despite the plea by many drivers that the children playing in the streets run di-rectly in front of the motor trucks inves-tigation has shown that drivers of these vehicles absolution income the speed dawn

of speed.

#### Women May Watch at Polls

Scores of women volinteered for service t the polls next Tuesday at a reception last night in the Suffrage Shop, 1721 Chestnut street, in honor of Mrs. George B. Orlady, of Huntingdon, president of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Asso-ciation. In a brief address, Dr. E. M. H. Moore, told the women that the suffrage cause in Pennsylvania depended largely upon the kind of Representatives sent to the Legislature. Women in the receiving line at the reception included Mrs. E. Q. A. Ellis, Mrs. George A. Dunning, Mrs. Joseph M. Gazzam and Miss Lida Stokes Adams.

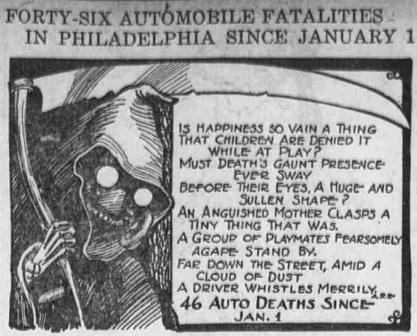
#### Philadelphians Off to Europe

Sailing from New York today on the American Line steamship Finland for Liverpool are the following Philadelphians: Mrs. W. Neve Lightfoot, Miss Lillie Brooks, Mrs. Mary G. Foster, Henry G. Keasby, Mrs. J. G. von Lohr, C. E. Barba.

Keasby, Mrs. J. G. von Lont, C. E. Barba, H. L. Benson, Miss Fannie McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. S. Skidmore, Harrison M. Missimer, John Lord, Miss Mary Ellen Conway, Phillp H. Thurber, P. M. Thur-ber, Michael Cunningham, Miss Margaret Duffy, Miss Martha Campbell and Miss Katia Davalla Katie Develin.

#### Photo-Engravers to Convene Here

The 20th annual convention of the International Association of Manufacturing Photo-Effgravers will be held June 22, 23 and 24 at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. The coming convention will be one of the most interesting convention will be one of the photo-engravers for many years, accord-ing to the committee in charge.



Terrible Toll of Death, Most of the Victims Children, Includes Seven Killings in the Present Month. **Coroner Knight Favors Drastic Legislation** 

## Since January 1, 46 persons, mostly children, have been crushed to death in the streets of this city by motor trucks and automobiles. In most of the cases the drivers have offered the time-worn plea that the children ran in front of the vehicle when it was come at a rand rate vehicle when it was going at a rapid rate

talities since January 1 this year. Most of the victims were children As the law pertaining to such fatalities a not drastic enough to suit the general onditions. Coroner Knight has done all and aged persons: conditions, Coroner Knight has done all that is possible to stop the almost dally motor murders. Drivers have been held in all cases where it was shown that the accident was due to negligence or con-tributory negligence. The Coroner also sent out letters to the heads of industrial establishments and corporations which em-ploy charged

February ..... 9 March ..... 4 April ..... 10 May ..... 7 Total ..... 46

Almost one victim a day has been the record of the present month. Up to yesterday seven persons were killed during the month of May. The last victim was 6-year-old John Fish, of 1415 South Etting street. He was struck down and crushed yesterday afternoon by a motor truck driven by Byron Nack, of 1432 South Etting street. He placed the boy in the truck and drove with all possible speed to the Polyclinic Hospital. The boy died be-fore reaching there. Children who witnessed the accident

vehicles absolutely ignore the speed laws and cross intersecting streets at a pace which jeopardizes life. said the boy ran in front of the truck, which was going slowly.

Rally to Congressman's Support

#### LAFEAN'S FRIENDS ACTIVE HEARTBROKEN, HE ENDS LIFE Manufacturers and Business Men

Former Philadelphia Florist Kills Himself While Family Attends Mass For His Wife

YORK, Pa., May 10 .- Friends of Con-Lewis Stacquet, formerly a florist in gressman-at-Large Lafean are actively engaged in his behalf, and manufacturers, this city, shot and killed himself at his daughter's home in Southampton, lower business men and others in this section of the State are rallying to his support. Bucks County, while the members of his Lafean's friends say Senator Penrose family were in Philadelphia attending has lost ground in this and other counties Mass for his wife, who died several

of this section by his opposition to the nonths ago. Congressman-at-Large. A statement by Stacouet, it is said, was broken-hearted when his wife died. He retired from busi-ness immediately after her death and went the secretary of the Lafean Committee says; to his daughter's home. "I want to get into the fields and near the flowers," he said. "They comfort me and help me to forget." Day after day, however, there "Many manufacturers resent the ignor ing of their interests by Penrose in his attempt to defeat Mr. Lafean who, by

were evidences that Stacquet could not forget.

Members of Stacquet's family were sur-prised when Stacquet exhibited no desire to accompany them to Philadelphia on Monday to attend a Mass for Mrs. Stac-Monday to attend a Mass for Mrs. Stac-quet. When they returned in the after-noon they found him dead in a room on an upper floor. Stacquet was a native of France and 65 years old.

#### **POISONING AGED FOLK** NEW YORK, May 10 .- John D. Rocks-Connecticut Officials Guard Alfeller wil be host to 600 women delegates

of the General Federation of Clubs, whose leged Evidence of Murders convention will be held in this city May in Archer Home 23 to June 2. On the last day of their official stay he will open his estate at Tarry'own and give them free range of his HARTFORD, Conn., May 10 .- The Japanese, Alpine and Italian gardens.

State's attorney and the State police who have charge of the investigation of the case of Mrs. Amy E. Archer-Gilligan, proprietress of the Archer Home for the delegation, Aged, where it is charged there has been at least one and possibly twenty deaths from poisoning, are closely guarding any evidence they may have to prove the charge against the accused woman.

MRS. GILLIGAN DENIES

charge against the accused woman. Among friends of Mrs Gilligan in Wind-sor the lack of any direct evidence of administering of poison to inmates of the home is regarded as favorable to the woman's case. Locked in the county jail, Mrs. Gilligan continued to protest her innocence. Her pretty 18-year-old daugh-ter, Mary E. Archer, a talented musician, also declared her strong belief in the in-nocence of her mother. While it is believed that other bodies of inmates who died in the home may

of inmates who died in the home may be exhumed, no intimation of the inten-tions of the authorities in that respect could be obtained.

could be obtained. The publicity incident to the arrest of Mrs. Gilligan caused an exodus of in-mates from the home which continued today, 4 of the 20 patients having hur-riedly left yesterday.

#### WOMEN MAY HAVE CAMP HERE TO TRAIN FOR SERVICE IN WAR

### Division of Navy League Plans

Another Chevy Chase

Five sites have been offered the women's division of the Navy League for the proposed Philadelphia military camp for women, being planned along the lines of the Chevy Chase camp, just outside Washington Washington. One site is in Washington Park, another includes six blocks at Atlantic City, and.

includes six blocks at Atlantic City, and, it is understood, one nearby in Delaware is to be offered. Three in the vicinity of this city have already been offered. Fifty women have signified their will-ingness to attend such a camp. No Phil-adelphia women could be enrolled as real-dent students, according to the present plans. Women from New Jersey, Dela-uare and distant soluti in Denrechasile ware and distant points in Pennsylvania would make up the 200 realdent student enrolment. Two hundred could enroll as day students from Philadelphia.

Mrs. Charles from Philadeiphia. Mrs. Charles Wyatt Bispham, of 4220 Pine street, daughter of the late Admiral Cyrus Casey, U. S. N., who is excep-tionally skilful in signaling, is to be one of the instructors at the Chevy Chase camp the last two weeks. She is a prime mover in having a women's military camp mover in having a women's military camp near here for women who are unable to go to Washington. Her mother is in-structing young women in knitting at Chevy Chase.

Chevy Chase. In case Philadelphia does have a mili-tary camp for women, it will open about October 1. Final a rangements concern-ing courses offered will be made by June 1. Women interested should get in touch with Mrs. Bispham.

#### JOHN D. HOST TO 600 WOMEN Will Entertain the Federation of Cluba Delegates

Train Rolls Down Embankment Near Mineral Springs, Ohio

18 HURT IN N. & W. WRECK

PORTSMOUTH, O., May 10 .- Eighteen persons were hurt, one seriously, inst night, when a Norfolk and Western accommodation train jumped the track near Mineral Springs and rolled down a 20-foot embankment. The train was running about 25 miles an hour when the trucks of the locomotive tender left the rails and caused the rest of the train to buckle. A relief train brought the injured to Portsmouth. Harry Shaw, fireman, is the most seriously injured. Miss C. E. Mason, of the Castle School, Tarrytown, will be the chairman of the





### **Children and Old Persons** Victims of Auto Juggernaut Motor truck and automobile fa-

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increase over cost increase \$.076

On November 1, 1902, there was anoth wal advance in wages of approxily 14 per cent. In the fiscal year ately preceding this advance (July, une 30, 1902) the cost of production Philadelphia and Reading Coal and The Pulladelphia and Reading Coal and Company was \$2.065 per ton. In the cal year immediately following (July 1. 11-June 30, 1903) its cost of production is \$1.195 per ton—an increase of \$1.133 ton, which includes not only the in-time due to the advance in wages, but screase due to all other factors. On other hand, the same company (the sum philowing) increased prices by \$4.94 fullowing) increased prices by \$.494 ton on all sizes, making the excess rice increase over cost increase \$.363

Undoubtedly the prices immediately wing the wage increase in 1902 were smally high, due to the scarcity of is consequence of the long strike. It be fairer, therefore, to take the prices mailing in the flacal year ended Juna 1991, as the basis for comparison. This use show an excess of price increase = coat increase of \$.245 per ton."

#### 8. ATTORNEY KANE SILENT ON FEDERAL ACTION ON ADVANCED COAL RATES

sures were available at the offices George B. Newton Company, as the m. Mr. Richards, was said to be in

wtown Women's Club Elects WTOWN, Pa., May 10. Mrs. Mary WTOWN, Pa., May 10. Mrs. Mary within has been re-elected president Newtown New Century Club. Other wwre elected as follows: Vice ints. Miss Laura M. White and Afelia W. Wetting: recording sec-tions Mary W. Peters; correspond-cellary, Mrs. Lillitan S. Roberts; ms, Ms. Mary T. Hillborn.

tiown Water Co. Reorganizes ALERTOWN, Pa., May 10.-At a of the directors of the Quaker-wave Company reorganization was abl these officers were elected: and D. W. Freed: vice president. Freed: treasurer, I. S. Harley; and J. M. McDonnell.

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an Spaceh, Ph. D., of Prince br. will speak on "Shake the Summaric Space" in the same University. Mroad an complete at a overall in com-



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