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# MAYOR HURLS POLICE FORCE INTO ELECTION

"Flying Squads" Sent to Penrose-McNichol Wards to Prevent Frauds

SECRET ORDERS ISSUED

#### Election Day Information for Guidance of Voters

The polls opened at 7 o'clock this morning and will close at 7 o'clock

All voters who are inside the doors of the polling places at 7 o'clock to-night are entitled to cast their bal-The saloons closed at midnight last night and will open at midnight

tonight.

Voters are entitled to three ballots. The first is the regular party ballot, upon which the names of the candidates for the party nominations and for election as delegates appear. The second is the loan ballot and the third the nonpartisan ballot, upon third the nonpartisan ballot, upon which are the names of the candi-dates for Justice of the State Su-

dates for Justice of the State Su-preme Court. Voters should be sure to ask for all three ballots, especially the loan ballot.

"Assistance to voters," except when the voter makes out an affidavit that he can neither read nor write, is illegal, and should be re-ported to the proper authorities. The Committee of Seventy, Wal-nut 2413; the Philadelphia Repub-

lican League, Spruce 1629, and the Citizens' Republican League, Locust 677, will be open all day to hear reports of violations of the election laws.

The entire police force has been thrown into the election, with orders from Mayor Smith to prevent fraud. The Mayor announced he would assume all responsibility for the activity of police and officeholders.

An unusually heavy vote was cast early in South Philadelphia, the central wards and in Germantown and other residential wards. In West Philadelphia and the mill districts, the voters apparently waiting until evening.

The Vares claim a substantial majorlly for Brumbaugh and Ambler. They also claim victories in West Philadelphia, the northeast and the northwest. Both factions are united behind Su-

preme Court Justice Emory A. Walling for renomination. The arrest of a dozen Penrose-

McNichol followers in the 4th, 13th and other downtown and central wards, charged with election frauds, resulted from the bitter factional fights between the Vares and Penrose and McNichol. Mayor Smith threw the entire police de-

partment in the bitter factional fight today. "Flying squads" of detectives, night specials and policemen in plain clothes and policemen in uniform, were sent into every Penrose-McNichol ward before the polls opened at 7 o'clock this morning, with direct orders from the Mayor to remain at the polls all day to prevent election frauds.

The full power of the police was used in the 4th Ward especially, where the fight between the factions is most bitter. Office-holders whipped voters into line, according to the Penrose-McNichol leaders, and free to the Penrose-McNichol leaders, and area use of money was alleged. More than a dozen arrests of Penrose-McNichol workers were made. Trouble also cropped out in the 13th Ward and in the 28th, which is in the heart of the Vare bailiwick.

The voting was generally heavy through out the city until the middle of the after aoen, despite the rain. An especially heavy vote was cast in South Philadelphia, the central wards, Germantown and other residential districts, where more than one-half the registered vote was polled before 1 o'clock. In West Philadelphia and the mill districts the vote was light, the voters apparently putting off casting their ballots until this evening.

The detectives were called into City Hall at 6 o'clock and were given their orders behind closed doors. Every division in the 4th Ward, where there is a bitter fight against County Commissioner Robert J. Moore, the Penrose-McNichol leader; the 5th Ward, where James A. Carey, Penrose-McNichol Heutenant is leader; the 7th Ward, where Select Councilman Charles Beger is the Penrose-McNichol leader; Senter Penrose's own ward, the 8th, and the ator Penrose's own ward, the 8th, and the 18th Ward, where there is a bitter fight be-tween Select Councilman John F. Flaherty

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#### THE WEATHER

This being election day, it is appropriate b suggest that annual elections be held for the important governmental office of seather man, or, strictly speaking, sectionweather man, or, strictly speaking, sectional director of the weather bureau. Only in this democratic way can the proper weather be obtained for the comfort and happiness of the general public. The director of weather would strive to build up a good record, knowing that he would gain votes with every fair day he furnished htud-silnging would follow, no doubt, but if the principle of initiative, referendum and recall were introduced, all-round improvement in weather conditions would follow.

in the meantime, let all good citizens who wish to discontinue waiting on the corner in the rain for a trolley car vote for the transit loan bill.

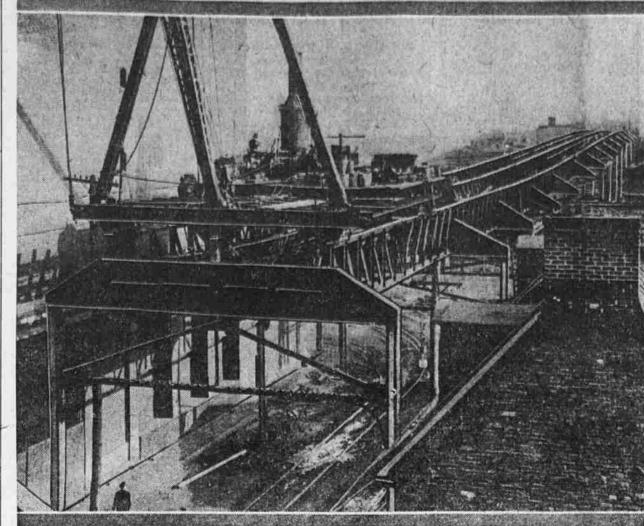
FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Showers tonight; Wednesday partly cloudy; moderate east winds becoming variable.

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VOTE TO COMPLETE THIS RAPID TRANSIT LINE



come on, today will enable the city of Philadelphia to provide its citizens with real rapid transit. This photograph shows the amount of structure completed in the few weeks that work has been in progress on the Frankford "L" line. If the bill is defeated, these pillars of steel will be left to rust in the damp breezes off the Delaware River until such time as the people of Philadelphia realize their mistake and force through a loan bill that will have to be much larger than the one provided for in today's election. The loan bills also authorize expenditures for the improvement of the port, for a Convention Hall, for the completion of the Parkway and the Library and for all the other much-needed improvements.

# **GERMANS HOPE** FOR ARMISTICE BY YEAR'S END

Early Truce to Consider Peace Considered Likely by Teutons

READY TO END CONFLICT

BERLIN, May 16 Germany is willing to entertain peace overtures now or to give ears to offers of mediation of any responsible neutral agency. But the terms which are laid down must be acceptable to Germany. It is regarded as likely that an armistice for consideration of peace proposals will be in effect before the year is out, but just now any decisive and effective movement toward the pacification of Europe is held up by statement of members of Governments hostile to Germany, particularly that the Allies will not lay down their arms until Germany is completely crushed.

This is the general tenor of all peace talk in Germany now. The Cologne Gazette has set itself to answer the question of the Westminster Gazette of London as to where and when the German Chancellor had stated that Germany is ready for peace, as mentioned in the recent German note to the United

The Cologne Gazette states that Doctor von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chan-cellor, on December 9, 1915, and on April 5 of this year, in speeches in the Reichstag,

## EVANS SCHOLARSHIPS AT DENTAL INSTITUTE CANCELED BY U. OF P.

SURPRISE FOR STUDENTS

The thirty scholarships in the Evans Museum Dental Institute, adjunct of the University of Pennsylvania, have been The beneficiaries of these scholarships

letter: The trustees of the University Museum Dental Institute have now charge and the University of Pennsylvania has decided that it can no longer grant

that the University cannot therefore issue the renewal of your scholarship

for next year, I am Very sincerely. EDGAR FAHS SMITH. All that Doctor Smith would say about the matter today was this, which he dic-

Inasmuch as the trustees of the Evans Museum Dental Institute now receive all tuition fees from dental students, the Committee on Scholar-ships in the University of Pennsyl-

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# QUICK NEWS

#### GUATEMALIA PRESIDENT REPORTED ABOUT TO ABDICATE

GALVESTON, Tex., May 16 .- Private advices received here today state that Estrada Cabrera, President of Guatamalia, is preparing to flee from the country in face of the rapid progress of the revolution against him. A vessel is said to be walting at a convenient port to carry him away.

#### SIX BURNED TO DEATH WHEN LIGHTNING FIRES CAR

WARREN, O., May 16 .- Lightning struck a box car, converted into living quarters for laborers on the Eric railroad today. Six occupants of the car were burned to death.

#### BANKRUPTCY PLEA AGAINST COMPANY

NEW YORK, May 16,-A petition in involuntary bankruptcy against the Amer-Ican Real Estate Company was filed in Federal Court here today by creditors. The petitioners allege that the company has \$18,000,000 worth of real estate encumbered with mortgages of a face value of \$10,000,000 and also has \$14,000,000 in unsecured

#### COMMERCE BOARD CONDEMNS "TIME INTERVAL" SYSTEM

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- The Interstate Commerce Commission today officially placed its stamp of disapproval on the "time interval" system used in place of the block signal system on the Northern Pacific Railroad. The commission held that the "time interval" system was the cause of the wreck February 20 this year at South Cheney, Wash., in which 5 persons were killed and 22 injured. The commission stated that the road should substitute the block signal system or some other better method than the "time interval" system.

#### SWISS PROTEST TO ALLIES ON MAIL SEIZURES

BERLIN, May 16.-The Overseas News Agency quotes the newspaper Nachrichten, of Basle, as saying that the Swiss Government is protesting to France against damage to Swiss trade caused by the seizure of mails by the Allies.

#### TRUCE PLAN FOR CARE OF WOUNDED REJECTED

GENEVA, May 16.-The Bulletin of the International Red Cross, which has just appeared, gives the answers of the various Governments to the proposal of Gustave Ador, executive head of the Red Cross, requesting several hours' armistice after every engagement to permit the removal of the wounded and the identification of the dead. The Russian Chief of Staff Alexieff replied that he had renewed his orders to the chiefs of the Russian armies to negotiate with the enemy after each battle for a suspension as proposed. The French, British and Belgian Governments replied, Peasant's Discovery of Boat approving the principle, but saying that its, operation was not practicable. The German reply said: "The Imperial Government is unable to consider the proposed measure unless the initiative is taken by the enemy Powers."

#### MIDVALE STEEL ADDS \$620,000 IN BUILDINGS

Contracts for \$620,000 worth of new buildings for the Midvale Steel Company have been awarded. Machine sl.op No. 7 will be built at the Nicetown works by Berkley. White & Co., at a cost of \$320,000 and a new machine shop, blacksmith shop and yard runway at Coatesville by Irwin & Leighton, at a cost of \$300,000.

#### AUSTRALIA TO AID SHACKLETON SEARCH

MELBOURNE, May 16.-Australia will assist in organizing an expedition for the relief of Sir Ernest Shackleton, the British Antarctic explorer, by supplying officers and 26 men, who will be provisioned for 18 months. This announcement was made yesterday by George Foster Pearce, Minister for Defense, in reply to a cabled inquiry from the British Government.

City. South Philadelphia is pling up a solid majority for the bills and the Northwest is following a close second, he added.

#### DR. HELFFERICH MENTIONED AS NEW FOOD CHIEF

BERLIN, May 16 -- Dr. Karl Helfferich, Minister of Finance is the most likel candidate for the post of Minister of the Interior and Vice Chancellor, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Clemens Delbrucck. Doctor Helfferich is a man of thorough business training and was one of the strongest forces in the recent crisis in German-American relations in favor of reaching an understanding with the United States. His statements in the April debate of the Reichstag Ways and Means Committee on the submarine issue contributed materially to the settlement.

### \$3,000,000 LOAN FOR CHINA TO REPAIR CANAL

PEKIN, China, May 16-The International Banking Corporation has signed contract with the Chinese Government for the improvement of the grand canal for a distance of 200 miles between the Yangtse-Klang and the northern boundary of Kiang-Su province. The corporation loans the Government \$3,000,000 for the purpose, the amount to be secured by canal tolls.

#### RUSSIAN RED CROSS BREAKS WITH GERMAN

150 IN WRECKED TRAIN STOCKHOLM, May 16.-According to the Dagens Nyheter, the Red Cross conference resulted in a complete rupture between the German and Russian Red Cross, owing to the refusal of Germany to express regret for the sinking of the Russian hospital ship Portugal, torpedoed by a Turkish submarine. Representatives of the Russian Red Cross had sent a telegram to Prince Charles of Sweden, announcing the provisional cancelation of the mandates of the Russian delegates to the approaching meeting of the International Red Cross at Stockholm, and asking the Prince to act as intermediary in ascertaining the views of Germany and Austria regarding the

#### ARDMORE CHILD DRINKS GLASS OF WHISKY; DEAD

A glass of whisky drunk by 3-year-old Henrietta Rudi, of 76 Holland avenue, Ardmore, killed the child. She found the liquor in a glass on a table at her frome It had been used for medicine, according to her mother.

#### DR. ANNA HOWARD SHAW LOSES \$25,000 SUIT

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, former president of the National Women's Suffrage Association, lost her \$25,000 damage suit against the Lehigh Valley Railroad, the Central Railroad of New Jersey and the Pullman Company when a Supreme Court judge of New York ruled that the defendants were not responsible for an icecovered station platform, on which she broke her ankle two years ago. The case was decided yesterday.

# BELGIAN TROOPS CONTINUE ADVANCE IN AFRICA

PARIS, May 16.-Further successes for the Belgian expedition which has in vaded German East Africa were announced in the official statement issued yesterday by the Belgian War Department at Havre. The statement said that Colonel Molitor, in command of the southern column, occupied Kigali, capital of the German Province of Ruanda, on May 8. The Belgian troops also have captured the island of Kiviuivi in Lake Kivu, which the Germans took by surprise at the beginning of the war.

#### BOY'S HAND CUT OFF IN SAUSAGE GRINDER

Four-year-old Hyman Schak, of 1021 South street, is in the Pennsylvania Hospital today with his hand cut off at the wrist, the result of slipping and getting his arm caught in an electric sausage machine. The boy was watching his father grind sausage last night when the accident happened.

#### PRESIDENT DELIVERS "CONFIDENTIAL ADDRESS" WASHINGTON, May 16.-President Wilson spoke intimately for half an hour

ast night to the members of the National Press Club here. He remained at the club throughout the evening, staying for a supper after his address. The speech was confidential, but may be published later.

BALTIMORE, May 16.—Miss Mary B. Mordecal, widely known society woman of the Green Spring Valley of Maryland, fired a bullet into her head in her home in the Walbert Apartments today. She is in a critical condition at the Mercy Hospital. No cause for the shooting is known.

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# HEAVY TRANSIT VOTE; M'NICHOL MEN KNIFE IT

Both Bills Will Win by Big Majorities, Says Congressman Vare

VICTORY DOWNTOWN

Northeast Also Casting Heavy Favorable Ballot-Opposition in West Philadelphia

Demand the Loan Ballot When You Go to the Polls

VOTERS:

Ask for the loan ballot when you

go to the polls today.

A last-minute effort is being made to defeat both the transit loan bill and the loan bill for general improvements.

Acting under instructions from "higher up," the Penrose-McNichol election officers will not give you a loan ballot unless you ask for it.

Early indications are that the loans will carry by huge majorities.

Voting this morning and early this afternoon indicates passage of both transit and general improvement loan bills by large majorities.

Some opposition is being directed against the \$47,225,000 general improvement bill.

Victory for loans is predicted by former Transit Director A. Merritt Taylor, Mayor Smith and Congressman

Mr. Taylor issues last-minute call for loyal voters to present a solid front at

Voters warned to ask for special loan ballots when they enter the polling booth.

Senator McNichol said at noon: "The reports I am receiving are that the people are voting heavily against the loans-both of them-especially in West Philadelphia."

Congressman Vare at the same time declared that "reports from workes in every ward proved that both loans would be victorious."

A sweeping victory for both the \$67,100,000 transit and port loan bill and the \$47,-225,000 general loan bill was declared assured by Congressman Vare this afternoon. He said he based his prediction of over-whelming success for both bills upon reports received from workers in every ward in the Senator McNichol at the same time

public predictions exactly counter to those of Congressman Vare.
"The reports I am receiving," he said. "are that the people are voting heavily against the loans—both of them—especially in West Philadelphia."

This statement from the Senator was tak-

en as the first proof that orders to knife both loans have been passed out to the Penrose-McNichol ward and division workers. A canvass of the strongest opposition wards, however, gave proof that, in spite of the orders, the large body of the voters are swinging in for the loans. The vote for the transit loan is running ahead of the vote for the general improvement loan. The opposition following the Penrose-Mo-Nichol orders to oppose the loans is by no means city-wide, and is confined to a few scattered sections, particularly in parts of West Philadelphia and in the central wards. The vote in the 20th, David H. Lane's ward, up to noon, indicated that both loans would be defeated.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA SOLID. In South Philadelphia, below South street, except in the 4th Ward, the vote for the both loan bills is virtually unanimous. In the 45th and 25th, northeast wards some opposition is being noticed to the ge

In the 22d Ward, Germantown, the loans In the 22d Ward, Germantown, the loans are receiving the solid support of all voters, and in the 23d Ward, in spite of the factional fight, both sides are for the loans. In the 45th and 25th northeast wards there is a little opposition from the Penrose-Me-Nichol followers, although in this particular section no orders have gone out there against the bills. The 46th Ward is voting solidly for both hills.

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seem to have gained any following are the 7th, Select Councilman Seger's ward; the 11th, City Solicitor Connelly's ward; the 10th, McNichol's home ward; the 3d, Harry J. Trainer's ward; the 5th, James Cares ward; the 26th, David H. Lane's war and the 5th, the home ward of Penrose.

Throughout the northwest, particularly in the 21st, 37th and 38th Wards, the vote for the loans was almost unanimous. The much-heralded move to knife the loans in the lower part of the northwest, where Charles L. Fluck, president of the Northwest Business Men's Association, has been campaigning against both bills, apparently has falled field. has fallen flat. In the 28th, 29th, 32d an 47th Wards a large vote is being police

BACK LOANS IN NORTHEAST. In the 19th and 31st Wards, lower part of the Northeast, the word has been passed out to the Penrose-McNichol worters to support both loan bills on account of the Frankford elevated. In the 13th Divining of the 19th Ward, it was said at 11 o'close that 32 votes had been cast for the loan bills and not a single vote against them, in other divisions throughout the Northeast the vote was nearly as unanimous.

In some divisions of the lith Wars, Wast Philadelphia, the voters showed absolute indifference toward the loan ballots in the booths and not going to the trouble to can be them. There was however, no market opposition even to the general improvemental and the composition of the several improvemental in the coverage of the local coverage of the local

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## Continued on Page Four, Column Three GENERAL MARCHAND KILLED AT FRONT

Noted French Warrior and Hero of "Fashoda Incident" Dies

PARIS. May 16.—General Marchand has been killed at the front, according to dispatches received here this afternoon.

General Jean Baptiste Marchand was on of the most notable figures in the French Army, not only because of his priminence in the present war, but because of his clash with Lord Kitchener in 1895, which threat-ened to result in war between England and France and became known as the "Fashoda incident."

Marchand at that time was in command of a French force in Africa, which occupied the village of Fasheda, in Sudang in July. 1898. Chreatened by Kitchener, mand of the British forces, Marc mand of the British forces, Marchand sur-rendered Fushoda to the British in November of the same year.

Marchand was born in 1863. A married the daughter of the Counters Stidell. He entered the army in 1883, and after gaining

## a commission three years later, won as an explorer, particularly in Africa. KNOCKED DOWN BY AUTO

Nine-Year-Old Boy Said to Have Run in Path of Car Nine-year-old Joseph McConnile, of 2553 Jessup street, was knocked down and in-jured last night by an automobile driven by Dr. Robert S. J. Mitchenson, of 1522 North 15th street.

Joseph ran from an alley, it is said, at Joseph ran from an alley, it is said, at Sartain and Huntingdon streets, directly in the path of the machine. Doctor Mitchenson treated him at his office, as the lad's parents refused to allow him to be taken to a hospital. Doctor Mitchenson was arrested and will have a hearing tomorrow in the Park and Lehigh avenues police station, after the boy's injuries have been determined.

#### Freight Clerks May Strike

NEW YORK, May 16.—Two thousand and two hundred freight cierks on the New York. New Haven and Hartford Reliroad have been ordered to strike some time after a o'clock tomosrow night. If, in the means time, afficiate of the road refuse to grant time, afficiate of the road refuse to grant time, higher was and serials conserved and film off or had-

### Trustees Unable to Grant Free Tuition, as They Would Have to Pay Charges, Provost Says

only learned of the withdrawal of the privilege of free tuition this week when they received from Provost Smith the following

scholarships in that school, as it would have to pay for them. Regretting that such is the case, and

# METHODISTS ADOPT CHURCH UNION PLAN; REPORT ON IT IN 1920

Consolidation of North and South Would Bring the Total Membership Up to 7,500,000

# JOY AT CONFERENCE

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y. May 16. The eyes of the Methodist world are focused on this city today, for out of the deliberations of the General Conference at today's session may grow a union of all the Methodist churches in the world, bringing the toal membership up to 7.500,000. A plan was submitted by the Commission on Federation, which provides for a con-solidation of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Church South on a mutual

basis. In regard to the unification, the

commission makes the following recom endations; First, That the General Conference be made the supreme legislative, executive and judicial body of the united Church, under constitutional provisions and restrictions. Second. That the number of quadren nial conferences be so increased as to pro-vide more adequately for the needs of the organized church at home and abroad. Third. That the general conference of sist of a single house, made up of dele-gates elected by the quadrennial or annual conference or both.

UNIFICATION OF ALL BODIES. in order that the union will be comple in order that the union will be complete the commission goes on record by favoring the unification of all other Methodist bodies which accept the proposed plan, after it has been accepted and perfected by both the Church North and the Church South. The negro question was touched on by the commission as follows:

"That conforming to the suggestions of the joint commission representing the Northern and Southern Churches, the colored members of the reorganized Church be constituted into one or more quadrennial or judicial conferences."

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In concluding its report the Federal commission said that it expects to be in a position to report to the General Conference of 1816 the full details of the plan of unification which may be exceed upon by the

Carthrood on Page State, Culoma Three

# FOR IRISH REVOLT **UPSET BY FARMER** on Coast Frustrated Rebels' Schemes

CASEMENT'S PLAN

LONDON, May 16. John McCarthy, a Kerry County farmer with a thick Irish brogue, upset plans prepared months in advance at Berlin for Sir Roger Casement to lead a rebellion that would sweep all Ireland.

GIRL TESTIFIES IN COURT

This fact was disclosed today when the preliminary hearing of Casement and one of his Irish soldier confederates, Daniel Bailey, was resumed in Bow Street Police Court. It was McCarthy and not the Brit-

McCarthy's peasant brogue was so rich that the court and spectators had difficulty understanding him. He told a story rivaling fiction.

On the morning of Good Friday, Mc-Carthy said, he was walking along the Irish coast near Tralee when he noticed a small boat floating toward the shore. He walked down to the beach to pull it in and noticed the fresh footprints of three per-sons in the sands. For some reason the footprints roused

#### McCarthy's suspicions. He sent word to Continued on Page Four, Column Two

Entire Guard Annihilated and Car Made Funeral Pyre

Near Capital

MEXICAN BANDITS BURN

LAREDO, Tex., May 16.-Mexican bandits burned to death 150 passengers in one car and annihilated the train guard in wrecking a passenger train carrying nearly 1000 persons, at Ayuzco, near Mexico City, according to reports here today. The survivors are reported to have reached Mexico

#### BADEN-POWELL DENIES BEING HELD IN TOWER AS A SPY

City.

Cheerfully Remarks He "Was Taken

Out and Shot Over a Month Ago" LONDON, May 16.-Lieutenant General Sir Robert Bade, Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts, wrote the United Press from the Boy Scout Association today denying rumors in circulation in the United States that he was a prisoner in the Tower of

London, charged with being a spy. . "I regret that the report that I am so journing in the Tower of London on the charge of espionage cannot be correct." he wrote, "as I was taken out and shot over a month ago-according to a Chicago newspaper. I am not clear which country I was epying for, but at the moment I am fairly busy on work for Great Britain."

#### BALTIMORE SOCIETY WOMAN FIRES BULLET INTO HER HEAD

Miss Mary B. Mordecai in Critical Condition-Cause Not Known