DR. STEARN, ON TRIAL FOR ATTEMPT TO MAKE SPEECH, SPEAKS ANYHOW

"Lib, Sun. Law" Advocate, Arrested Last Night on City Hall Plaza, Expresses His View of Things in General in Court-Held in \$300 Bail

He spoke his mind freely about the police

f such people." He told the magistrate that the site or

which he began to speak was set aside espe-

Sally for him. "The Rev. Dr. George Chalmers Rich-mond dictated it to me last year," he as-

He exonerated the City Hall guards from all blame.

CIVIL SERVICE TEST'S

BREACH PROMPTS SUIT

AGAINST MAYOR SMITH

Papers Were Filed Today in

pointment, Alleging

Juggling

Methods of political leaders by which

The first of these actions, the papers in

In the form of a taxpayer's suit, the Court of Common Pleas was asked to ssue an injunction restraining City Con-

troller Walton from countersigning, and City Treasurer McCoach from paying, any salary warrant to Pitts, while Mayor Smith

and Director of Public Safety Wilson are to

be restrained from issuing any such war rant or retaining Pitt in the city's employ.

The suit was brought by Louis Rosen-blutt, of 1428 North 6th street, through At-torney Joseph L. McAleer.

In the bill of complaint the fitness

The bill creating the Bureau of Elevator

Inspection, it is held, expressly stipulates that the person appointed to the position of chief must be a man of practical experi-

ince in the active construction of elevators

Only an expert in elevator construction, it is contended, could be appointed, or could

qualify, under the stringent requirements

Pitts, it is declared, was manager of an apartment house when provisionally ap-

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salary of \$3500' a year.

Dr. Mosen Stearn, advocate of liberal sunday laws and free bathhouse, today got area with the police who last night arrested him when he started to make a speech on him when he started to make a speech on City Hall plaza without a permit. He made the speech today in Central here before Magistrate Pennock, and in the place for the speech today in Central of the speech today in Central and testified. Doctor Stearn, who was lich-ing to make the speech today in Central of the speech today in Central

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City Hall plaza without a permit. He made the speech today in Central Station before Magistrate Pennock, and in the presence of a large audience, for the courtroom was crowded with spectators at-tracted by the knowledge that the doctor would furnish a much higher grade of entertainment than is usual in the police

The doctor touched on free speech, pre The doctor touched on free speech, pre-paredness, international peace, law and order, the police, the Kalser and many other endpicts in the course of his plea. Magis-trate Pennock listened with careful attention to the words that flowed from the doctor's lips.

"I sympathize with your cause," he said

"I sympathize with your cause, he said when he finished, "but..."" The advocate of "lib Sun, laws" leaned forward in his chair and smiled at the thought that he had met a kindred soul. "But," continued the magistrate, "I shall have to hold you in \$300 bail to keep the

have to hold you in \$300 ball to keep the peace." The hearing was set for 10 o'clock, but the defendant, who had been released last night on a copy of the charge, sent word that he had a patient and would be late. He arrived at 10:45, wearing the familiar brown derby hat, the Stearn smile and carrying in his hand a typewritten paper containing extracts from various laws and coinions on the subject of free speech. Charles Mink, the City Hall guard who arrested him, testified that Doctor Stearn was a "disturber of the peace," and said he had a lot of "Woodlums" about him.

"Poor little fellows," he said. "They can't help it. They're slaves and they do what they're told." Doctor Stearn was allowed to sign his own hait bond. This formula own bail bond. This formality completed, the erstwhile prisoner became the hero of the day, and he was forced to shake hands with many persons, who congratulated him on what they called his triumph.

WAITE, WHITE AND WAN, 'FEELING FINE' AS TRIAL FOR MURDER STARTS

Two Women-His Former Wife and "Studio Companion"-to **Be Chief Witnesses Against** Alleged Poisoner

CASE WILL BE RUSHED INJUNCTION IS ASKED

NEW YORK, May 22 .- His Jaunty mien sone, with the two women with whom he played arrayed against hlm, Arthur Warren Walte, dentist and dilettante, lover and linguist, athlete and, by his own confes Inguist, athlete and, by his own confes-tion, arch-poisoner, went on trial today. The law's accusing finger was pointed at him for the murder, by arsenic poisoning of his father-in-law, John E. Peek, million-aire, of Grand Rapids, Mich. The chief wit-nesses against him, by whose testmiony the State hopes to exact the capital penalty were to be his wife, who has divorced him, a big victude companion." The most in March 1997 and his "studio companion." the pretty Mrs. Margaret Horton.

Mixed inextricably in the tangle of mur-dar by poison of the Borgias will be Waite's apparently countless love affairs, Waite's apparently countless love affairs, his pleas of a "bad man from Egypt" who took possession of his faculties and urged him onward to his plot of poisoning the whole Peck family that he might inherit their millions, and his final insistence that he now is same and desires explation of his crimes. His attorney will plead in-manity. The State has nearly 150 witnesses to support its contention that it was madman's brain, but that of a cool, cal culating adventurer, who weighed the chances of failure against the dreams of a butterfly life of millions to be spent for pleasure, that planned the murders of his wife's parents. cal

LAUGHS AT VENIREMAN.

Walte looked white and wan today, al-though he has fully recovered from the effects of strong narcotics taken when he foresaw the police must inevitably uncover the trail of his plot of polsoning. He said he was "feeling fine."

be ritnessed the dreary routine of question-irr of lurors. The first time Assistant Dis-trief Attorney Mancuso askied, what later On acount of Pitts' political support large dwas one of his stock internet.

TO WITNESS DISPLAY **OF CAMDEN'S GROWTH Delegations From Jersey Cities**

> to Visit Civic Celebration and Exposition of Industries

MANY TRADES BODIES

PASTORS PREACH ON CITY

High Lights Upon Camden Exposition

talk after the doctor got started. "I was going to speak aginst teaching preparedness in the public schools." he be-gan. "It is not right to inculcate ideas of killing in the minds of growing children. It is against righteoumess and humanity. A lot of people have the idea that Germany is coming over to eat us up. That's all book." New Jersey trades bodies guests of Camden Board of Trade today. Trenton Chamber of Commerce to He spoke his mind freely about the police "I never had any trouble when Captain Mills was licutenant of the reserves." he said. "All the trouble is caused by an in-significant individual who weighs about 400 pounds. They call him Licutenant Ritten-house. He does all the dirty work. Why, I have had college professors and ladis in my audiences. Any church would be proud of such second." send 100 delegates by special train. Gloucester, Collingswood, Salem, Burlington and other cities to participate.

Rotarians plan big time for tomorrow.

This is trades bodies day at the Camder Sivic Celebration and Exposition of Indus ries. Several hundred representatives of Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce from other cities will visit the Industrial Palace, in the Third Regiment Armory, at Haddon avenue and Mickle street, to night, as the guests of the Camden Board of Trade, to inspect the various exhibits.

Delegations from Trenton, Gloucester, Collingswood, Salem, Burington, Mt. Holly and other cities and towns have signified their intention to be present. The largest delegation will come from Trenton. About 100 members of the Trenton Chamber of Commerce, headed by Secretary McGill, will arrive in Camden this afternoon on a special train.

They will be met at the station by Pres dent Ralph Childrey and Secretary Charles M. Curry and a committee from the Board of Trade, and after a brief automobile tour of the city will be taken to the Industrial Palace, where F. B. Hoagland, Director General of the Exposition, will conduct them n a tour of inspection of the various ex hibits. CIVIC DAY CELEBRATED.

Case of Elevator Chief's Ap-Yesterday was Civic Day in the churches of Camden. Many of the edifices were decorated in the city colors in honor of the

occasion, and ministers generally spoke on topics along civic lines. "Camden, Present and Future." was the topic of the Rev. George H. Hemmingway, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Henry O. Jones, rector of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, look for his text, "I Am a Clitzen of No Mean Clity." At the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church the Rev. John R. Mason spoke on "Lights and Shadows of Camden," while Mae Suiton, the exposition singer, was the occasion, and ministers generally spoke of

for favored appointees to municipal posi-tions are to be attacked in a series of suits to be instituted against Mayor Mae Sutton, the exposition singer, was th feature of the song services in the Broad-way Methodist Episcopal Church. which were filed today, concerns the ap-pointment of Robert A. Pitts, of 5443 Locust street, to the position of chief of the Bureau of Elevator Inspection, at a

Tomorrow night will be Rotary night at the exposition, and an elaborate program has been prepared and will be carried out n the Industrial Palace by the Rotary Club, of Camden. The Rotarians have sent invitations to every club in the Interna-tional Association, and 16 clubs from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland will have delegations present. Philadelphia Rotarians will number 150, ac-cording to Ralph D. Baker, chairman of the unittee on Arrangements

ROTARIANS' TO ATTEND. The Rotarians have planned to have 60 automobiles carrying the club's insignia cover every principal thoroughfare in Cam-den, and citizens desiring to reach the Ex-position Palace will be conveyed there free of charge, between the hours of 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock. The public will be taken home between 10 and 11 o'clock without cost. This feature of the night's entertainment is under the direction of Theodore Kausel.

A very attractive entertainment has been arranged for the visiting Rotarians. At 8 o'clock the official opening will be made by Chairman Ralph D. Baker. This will be followed by selections by the Adelphia Melody Five, vocalists, and the parade of Rotarians around the Industrial Palace. Caprice Lewis, "Queen of the Air," will per-form some sensational stunts on the flying trapeze, the Six Dixle Entertainers will sing Southern melodies and Dare Devil Johnnie Reynolds, an aerial balancer, will

BOY'S FIST KILLS YOUTH

Single Blow Fatal to Sufferer From

Heart Disease

conclude the program.



Kadosh Band Leads Parade to Presbyterian Church, Where Delegates Hear Sermon on "Winning the City"

OFFICERS TO BE CHOSEN

Scranton, Pa., May 22.—Many Knights Templar of Philadelphia are attending the 52d conclave of the Grant Commandery, Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, in sestion here.

Members of Kadosh and Mary Command eries, of Philadelphia, arrived on special trains Sunday evening in time to act as escort in a parade of the knights to the Second Presbyterian Church, where the conclave was formally opened with divine services.

The Kadosh Band of 52 pieces led th procession. The sermon was preached by the Rev. George W. Wellburn, pastor of the church. "Winning the City" was his

Mr. Wellburn spoke of the romance of chivalry and modern chivalry. He de-scribed the four parts of the knightly oath. of the most perfect knight, Jesus Christ, and the modern task of winning the city, which required the romance of preaching, of social service and of statesmanship.

Corinthian Chasseur Commandery, No. 53 of Philadelphia, is coming here today and is to be honored by being made mounted escort to the Grand Commandery in the parade tomorrow morning. They will ap-pear in full regalia astride fine steeds. Philadelphia commanderies due to before night are St. Alban's, St. Kensington, Pennsylvania and Ger-Other arrive nantown

While on the way here yesterday, mem-bers of Kadosh Commandery and their wives and families left the train at Mauch Chunk and enjoyed a ride over the switch-back railroad and to Glen Onoko. Today the visiting Philadelphians are inspecting the visiting Philadelphians are inspecting the coal mines and other points of interest. Thomas R. Patton, of Kadosh Com-mandery, now grand junior warden, will be advanced to senior warden when the dele-gates elect officers on Wednesday. Willam W. Allen, of St. Alban's Commandery, is to be retained as grand recorder.

EVENING LEDGER BRINGS FATHER TO LOST CHILDREN

News Item Brings Parent to Police Station

A newsboy's shouts, in which the words, A newsboy's shouts, in which the words, "lost children." were repeated, attracted the attention of the children's father and re-sulted in reuniting the family. Richard Cowin, of 1245 East Susquehanna avenue, waited in vain at the Reading Terminal for the arrival of his eight-year-old daughter Beatrice and his son Sydney. 13 years old, from Bayonne, N. J. The children found their way out of the terminal and wound up at the Park and Lebish avenues police up at the Park and Lehigh avenues polic station. Several hours later, an EVENING LEDGER

newsboy passed Cowin. He bought a paper and hurried to the police station and then to City Hall, where the children had been taken. "I cannot thank the EVENING LEDGER enough." Cowin said, when the hildren were returned to him

Hurt in Fall From Bridge

Robert Kilpatrick, of 5338 Eadom street, fell from Bridge Street Wharf, Bridesbürg, into about three feet of mud and water vesterday. He struck his head on a stone, nd was taken to Frankford Hospital after



POLICE CLOSE "SACRED CONCERT" BECAUSE IT IS A VAUDEVILLE SHOW

No Admission Charge Was Made, but It Cost a Quarter to Check a Hat, and Hats Were Barred From Auditorium. Sunday Closing Law Dooms Performance

They gave the program the "suce grow" and grapped. It announced the acts men-tioned above and many more which out 's accustomed to see on the "three-a-day" dis cuit. They phoned to the lieutemant. He dropped over and "canned" the show fur as it was about to open, because it was it violation of the Sunday closing law, an cording to the noice. The monologue of Herman Gottafeld, the terpsichorean "stunts" of Baby Davis, a dancing contest open to all comers, and other vaudeville numbers did not "come off" last night at the Parkway Building, Broad and Cherry streets, Therefore, fully 700 other vaudeville numbers did not "come off." Inst night at the Farkway Building, Broad and Cherry strests. Therefore, fully 700 persons were disappointed. In anticipation of the big show a businessifile vender had piled a pyramid of sandwiches, several platoons of sausages and a reservoir of steaming coffee near the main entrance. He wore a white apron, a chef's cap (there's nothing like a chef's cap for dragsing in hesitating nickels), and looked happy and ambitious. He went out of business auto-matically with the show. cording to the police. The expectant audience was indignani and voluble. Many expressed their ominion of the police. Several pointed out that many

The police got the impression

choir of coloratura artists.

of the police. Several pointed out that many organizations in this city gave theatries performance without interference by the police. The show was to have been given for the benefit of an uptown institution. The wardrobe charge was fefunded to those who asked for it, but most of those who attended left the money for the insti-tution which they had come to help. other that the affair was to be a sacred



a ten-dollar bill, and have them worth no more, than it is to make Perry \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25 Suits, and have there worth every cent of their price, according to Perry standards?

Well it is!



KILLS TWO AND HIMSELF Nichenor Ermiliwitz shot Peter Paschovich and Catherine Kortor-

trait appears above with that of the slayer.

GIRL'S KIN AND HIMSELF

Commits Double Murder and Suicide

Nichenor Ermillwitz settled a case against himself carly today when he shot and killed Peter Paschovich and Catharine Kor-iorvitz, Paschovich's flancee, and then turned the gun on himself, dying almost istantly when a bullet pierced his heart.

Ermiliwitz, who today would have faced a charge of assaulting 17-year-old Anna Mittenmiller attempted to shoot the girl also. Frustrated by Paschovich, Ermiliwitz opened fire on Paschovich and Mrs. Kortor-vitz, who was a sister of Annie Mittenmiller. He had argued all evening in a vain effort to dissuade Mrs. Kortorvitz from pressing

pital. Five lodgers were arrested, includ-ing the Polish girl. Ermiliwitz was 22 years old.

Law Academy to Entertain U. S. Judges The Law Academy of Philadelphia will tender a reception tonight to the Judges of the United States Court of the 2d Circuit at the Hotel Rittenhouse, 22d and Chest-nut streets. Leaders of the bar and judges in the State courts will be among those present

work better.

Man Accused of Assaulting Girl

The shooting occurred in a Pollsh boarding house at 755 North Hancock street.

the charge of assault against him. Folicemen of the 3d street and Fairmoun avenue station who broke into the house took the three dead to the Roosevelt Hos

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vitz and then himself after attack-ing Annie Mittenmiller, whose por-FACING TRIAL, HE KILLS

tions, "Are you opposed to capital punish-ment?" Waite burst into laughter as the venireman, Joseph S. Irving, replied, "Yes, but not in a case like this."

Up to noon seven jurors had been tenta-tively accepted. These are still subject to challenge by either side.

The only stock question which seemed to make Waite lose his ice-cold calm moment-arily was, "Would you be moved in your udgment by sympathy or compassion for the defendant?"

STATE REVIEWS CASE.

Before the talesmen were examined As-Blatant District Attorney Brothers, in a brief review of the case, said the State would call Doctor Moore, Waite's family would call Doctor Moore, Walte's family physician; Dr. Perry Schurtz, of Grand Rapida, whose autopay on Peck revealed the poisoning; Percy Peck, Mrs. Clara Lou-lee Peck (Walte's former wife); the drug-gist who sold the arsenic used in the poi-soning, several bacteriologists who exam-ined cultures in Walte's laboratory and with which the State contends Waite tried to poison his parents-in-law; Dora Hillier, Walte's negro maid; Assistant District At-forney Mancuso Ray Schindler, a private

torney Mancuso, Ray Schindler, a private detective; District Attorney Swan, Mrs. Margaret Horton, Miss Catharine D. Peck, sister of the slain milionaire, and possibly Mrs. Dorothy Van Palmenberg, Mrs. Hor-ton's friend.

TAX ON AGENCIES UPHELD

U. S. Supreme Court Decides Michigan Law on Employment Agencies

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Michigan statute imposing a high license tax upon public employment agencies and forcing them to give bond to the State and submit to strict regulations by the State Commis-sioner of Labor was held constitutional by the Supreme Court today.

The court upheld conviction of Leroy Brazee, of Detroit, Mich., for violation of the act.

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permanent appointment, it is asserted that the Civil Service Commission had difficulty in inducing others to participate in the re-qured competitive examination for the place. The examination, scheduled for March, had to be postponed. It was finally held on May 2.

A blow from the fist of William H. Lewis, colored, 15 years old, of 4754 Stiles street, Frankford, killed John Mysleski, 22 years old, of 4639 Stiles street, yesterday, Mysleski turned around once, then fell to the street. At the Frankford Hospital the This examination, it is said, was not of a technical nature, but rather an elemen-tary one, and that it afforded no opportuthry one, and that it another is opportu-nity for practical elevator constructors to show their skill and fitness. The result, an-nounced last Thursday, showed Pitts at the head of the eligible list. physicians said the man had been a suf-ferer from heart disease.

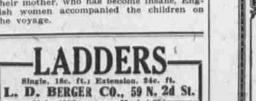
Levis was arrested at his home as he was about to leave through a back window. Lieutenant Huster and District Detectives Tyson and Barrett were taken to the house in the automobile of William McKinley, a He was credited with 93 for practical experience. Pitt was never registered in the international Elevator Constructors Union, although all elevator inspectors are said to be on the books of this organization.

Robert Smith, who is regarded as a prac-tical elevator man and who installed the elevator plant in the Widener Building, re-ceived an average of 67. Pitt was awarded

a mark of 90 for personal fitness, while Smith got 80. In this connection, the court is asked in the bill to declare the examination null and Friday. old and order the Civil Service Commis tion to hold another.

Germans Sent From England

Germans Sent From England BERLIN, May 22.—The arrival at Flush-ing, Holland, of a party of Germans who had been interned in England is reported by the Overseas News Agency. In the party were seven Germans all more than 60 years old, and 10 children whose fathers are still interned. Six of the children are motherless. Four other children were with their mother, who has become insane, Eng-lish women accompanied the children on the voyage.



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