#### URDERER LOSES PLEA IN SPITE OF HIS YOUTH

Law, Not Age of Slayer, Considered by Board in Mottern

Case

HARRISBURG, Oct. 20.—Alternay Gen-ral firewn said today that the State leard of Pardens, in refusing elemency seferday to Henry Ward Mottern, a eventeen-year-old Jefferson County boy, inder death sentence for murder, that the aw of the case was considered rather than

in of the case was considered rather than the murderer's age.

"Mottern had a fair trial and was given wery advantage the law allows," said Mr. Brown. "The board gave the case every sonsideration."

The case as presented to the board by Mottern's counsel was based entirely upon the boy's age.

Mottern is the son of B. F. Mottern, an Olive township farmer. In August, 1915, when the boy was eixteen years old, he shot and killed William Haines, a neighboring farmer, at the request of Ernest Haines, a son of the murdered man. The son then robbed his father's body of \$250.

According to Mottern's confession, Ernest Haines asked him if he "would do him a favor." This favor, he explained, was to shoot Haines' father the next day.

"What would your mother say?" Mottern mays he asked the Haines hoy.

"Oh, that will be all right," young Haines replied.

replied.
Accordingly, Haines got a shotgun and shells and placed it under a bush near a path where his father would pass. The next day Mottern shot Haines.
Counsel for Mottern allege that he had the mental development of a boy of four-teen years when the crime was committed. While no action has been taken, it is reported here that a new appeal will be filed in a second effort to save the boy's life.

BROOKVILLE, Pa., Oct. 20. — Henry Ward Mottern is a little more than seventeen years old. Mottern confessed the murder of William Haines, who was shot to death near his home at Sprankies Mills to at March. Mottern was convicted at the

August term of court.

Ernest Haines, nineteen years old, a son of the murdered man, was also convicted of murder in the first degree at the August term of court, and is under sentence of death. Young Haines was convicted mainly on the strength of the confession of Mottern.

#### U. S. DRIFTING TOWARD FOREIGN CRISIS CLIMAX

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Tirpits party in the Reichstag has seriously threatened the power of the von hmann-Hollweg party, which apparently se.ks to retain the friendship of the United States. State Department official admit this to be true, but are hoping that something will happen to avert an actual test of strength between the two parties.

The sentiment of the German people, which has never been too friendly to the United States in the last year or so, is casily influenced by any sught decision or action of the United States which seems to affect German interests adversely. As a consequence, the Administration is up against the problem of exercising the great-est care in its relations with Germany for fear of arousing this latent distrust on the part of the German people for the United States.

It has been reported on apparently au-thoritative information that the real reason why the United States does not take up the Lustania negotiations at this time is not because of American politics, as was re-ported. Dut because of German politics, which have reached a much more serious stage than the average person in this country is able to realize.

Not only this, but the American Government constantly has before it the threat, promise or request—call it what you please—contained in the last German note to this country, in which Germany made certain promises in regard to its conduct of submarine warfare, with a condition attached that the United States should do its utmost to see that Great Britain respected international law. While the United States, in its reply, politely said that relations between the United States and Great Britain were none of Germany's, concern and thereby closed the case as far as this Government was concerned, this action did not close the question as far as Germany was concerned.

HOLDS EXCUSE IN RESERVE

It is pointed out that Germany, never having replied to this note, is in a position where it can use the fact that the United States never complied with the condition under which it abandoned submarine war-fare as an excuse for a resumption of such a warfare. It would be perfectly easy for Germany to say, "You were unsuccessful in seeing to it that Great Britain did not violate international law, so why should this Gevernment make any concessions to you? In the future we shall conduct our submarine warfare as we see fit."

it is for this reason that the recent British reply on the mail selsures and the impending unsatisfactory reply on the blacklist are causing so much concern to the State Department. Not only does the department fear the effect of the British notes on German public sentiment, but it is also chagrined that it is unable to obtain from Britain any recognition of what this Government regards as inviolable neutral rights.

rights.

Great Britain has apparently takes a position far from that adopted by the United States and has shown no inclination to give way in the slightest particular. In order to appease public sentiment in both the United States and Germany, it is felt that a strong reply should be made to Britain on the mail seizures question, but it is also felt that such a note would accomplish absolutely nothing and might make the breach wider than it is.

U. S. DRIFTING HELPLESSLY U. S. DRIFTING HELPLESSIA Thus the United States is placed in the position of drifting into an international crists without being able to turn a hand to save itself. This is an intensely serious matter with the State Department, which recognizes with concern the growing power of the German war party. Administration officials have been giving much thought to the question, but so far without definite results.

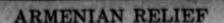
mbassador Gerard, however, has been the scene in Germany and knows what toing on there better perhaps than any

#### LARGEST OLD BOOK STORE IN AMERICA

Philadelphians Books sometimes accept Bought Leary's as a matter of course-as

they do Fairmount Park and the Independence Hall. But tourists from afar seldom fail to visit Leary's; in its ighty years of existence the ame of this vast collection of ooks at little prices has been arried to every corner of the ountry, as well as abroad.

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"Well, brother Armenian, how goes it?"
"Well, the Russians are freeing me of what the Turks left me."

man in the Administration. It is well known that Gerard has some definite ideas on the approaching trouble. As related two weeks ago, these ideas embrace three sug-

First. A tightening up of American relations with England and an in-sistence by this Government that Britain cease to violate international

Second. The construction of a fleet of 1000 submarine destroyers to show Germany that the American coast would not be helpless before the attack

of German submarines.
Third. The construction of a wellequipped and powerful aviation service, able to do duty in secuting for sub-

What the Administration will do in re-What the Administration will do in regard to the first suggestion remains to be seen. It is a sort of preventive suggestion and it seems entirely probable that after the November election some such step will be taken despite the fact that the State Department is sure that such a protest to Great Britain would avail nothing. The other two suggestions are antici-

patery of conditions that might arise if complications with Germany should come. The recent activity of the German sub-marine U-53 has been interpreted in some quarters as Germany's warning as to what might happen should the United States be-come involved in the war. This submarine and the Deutschland showed that they could enter two of the most could enter two of the most vulnerable ports in the United States without observa-tion and it is said that Germany's inten-tion was to have the United States observe that its own shores were not invulnerable to attack.

DESTROYERS POWERFUL WEAPON It has been found in England that the called submarine destroyers, known in so-called submarine destroyers, known in time of peace as motorboats, have hunted down more submarines than all the British warships and nets put together. The Navy Department has already built two model submarine destroyers as a suggestion to private owners who wish to build motorboats. The Navy Department suggests that owners follow the ideas incorporated in these two boats if they wish to enroll themselves and their boats in the navai reserve.

Of the two boats built, one is a seventy-

ers. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy while not having been apprised of Mr. Gerard's plan, thinks it is a perfectly feasible and entirely desirable one. He says that steps are now being taken to organize the powerboat owners, so that they would know that to do in time of year. just what to do in time of war.

As for Mr. Gerard's third suggestion it probably will be some time before it can be fulfilled. There are now only twelve aeroplanes in active service at the border. Yesterday 120 more machines were ordered, all of which cannot be delivered for more than a year. This brings the total of aeroplanes in the United States army and navy up to fewer than 150 ma-chines, not enough to make a dent in the number required.

number required.

However, preparedness advocates are already planning to go before Congress again this winter and urge the necessity of a strong aeroplane corps. It is hoped that appropriations may be obtained for at appropriations may be obtained for at least 150 machines for next year, for by that time the facilities for manufacturing the machines will have been doubled and the number of available pilots will also have increased greatly, owing to the new rules under which civilians may receive training as pilots.



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#### GIRL SAYS MAN FORCED HER TO LIVE WITH HIM

Accused Believed to Be Missing Son of New York Minister

A collector for a charitable organization, believed to be the son of a New York minister, is under arrest here accused of mistreating a runaway girl.

He is Charles Wesley, living near Eight-centh and Cherry streets. His accuser is Julis Pezulis, seventeen years old, who ran away from her home in Shenandoah three away from her home in Shenandoah three weeks ago with sixteen-year-old Bianche Gobert. She told the police that he forced her to live with him and sent her out as a collector for his organization. The where-abouts of the Pezulis girl became known when Mrs. Robert Eimer, of Wayne, who mployed the Gobert girl, informed the police. The police believe that Wesley is the missing son of the Rev. S. J. Winchester, of New York who asked that a search he made. New York, who asked that a search be made for his son, Charles Wesley D. Winchester. The prisoner will be arraigned in the Municipal Court today.

FUNERAL OF NORMAN PRINCE American Aviator, Killed in Action, Honored in France

PARIS, Oct. 20.—Impressive funeral services were held today for Norman Prince, the American aviator, who died as result of an aerial battle on the western

The ceremo esentative of the War Minister, the Amer ican flying corps, many French and British aviators and almost all the Americans now

#### MUST PROVE INJURY TO GET COMPENSATION

Commissioner Rules Workmen Must Make Out Valid Claim

HARRISBURG, Oct. 29.-Claimants for compensation under the new workmen's compensation law will hereafter be required to prove their disability, according to an opinion handed down today by Commussioner John A. Scott, of the compensation board.

In awarding a workman for a Philadelphia giue factory fifty per cent of his wages as a result of his having lost the thumb and index finger of his left hand while regularly employed. Commissioner Scott ruled out the claim of the injured man that the loss of the thumb and finger was equal to the loss of a whole hand.

The ruling is that the loss of the whole hand is not proved because the remaining fingers can still be used.

GET FOUR YEARS IN OFFICE

Court Decides Tenure of Bronx County Officials

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 20.—Bronx County officials are not to be chosen at the election next month, the Court of Appeals determined today. The court confirmed their election for a term of four years.

The Court also decided that a successor to the former president of the Board of Aldermen, George A. McAneny, of Manhattan, should be elected at the next general election. McAneny resigned last year and F. J. Douling, vice chairman of the board, has since been acting president. His contention that he should serve the unexpired term of Mr. McAneny was not affirmed.



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75c to \$1.40, according to equipment.

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> The United Gas Improvement Company

#### TWO "LITTLE BOY BLUES," RUNAWAYS, FOUND UNDER HAYSTACK FAST ASLEEP

Youngsters Fancied the Outdoor Life of a Hermit and Dug Cave in Straw-Stole Several Bicycles and Explored the City, Police Charge

A hermit's life appealed strongly to Samuel Robinson and Charles Magee, thirteenyear-old boys, who, like "Little Boy Blue,"
were found under a haystack fast sajeep
by a Fernwood policeman.

The youngsters took to the outdoor life
quite by accident. Laler they realized that
it required food to live, and to obtain the
necessities of life, according to the police,
they stole several bicycles in different parts
of the city.

They used the wheels to inspect the surrounding territory and take little joy rides
when not sleeping or eating.

When a cop pulled the two juvenile hermits from their cave of straw today each
was wrapped in an expensive automobile

#### HELD AS WIFE SLAYER, BUT RUNS FOR OFFICE

His Case to People at Polls

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 20 .- Charged with sife murder, County Prosecutor Oscar Mo-Daniel, who is a candidate for re-election.

is carrying his case before the people before his trial gets under way.

"I hope there is no one among the audience who believes Crawford township would produce such a character as I have been painted by the gossips," the accused man taid an audience of home folks at Wallace.

McLerial outlined the history of his life. McDaniel outlined the history of his life, dwelling upon the years with his wife. "When I was going to St. Joseph High School I loved her," he said. "Later we

School I loved her," he said. "Later we were married and were very happy. I have three children of school age. I crave that their father may have such a name hereafter that they may not be pointed at as children of one unworthy.

"I crave re-election to the office I now hold. Unless I can depend on the gray matter in your brains to base your opinions on facts, the name of a son of Crawford township may be dragged in the dust and humiliated."

U. S. Collects Evaded Taxes WASHINGTON, Oct. 20 .- According to nmissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn. \$22,509,576 in taxes fraudulently evaded but collected in the last three years has more than paid the running expenses of this department, which collected internal

evenue of \$1,308,413,205 in that period.

#### MAYOR AND OFFICIALS INSPECT PORT WORKS

Missouri Prosecutor Submits View Improvements Up and Down Both Delaware and Schuylkill Rivers

> Having as their guests Mayor Smith and the heads of a number of municipal de-partments, the members of Councils' Com-mittees on Finance and Commerce and Navigation today made their annual Inetion of the port.

The party left Race street pler aboard the police tug Ashbridge and first visited the dredging operations at Frankford and Holmesburg. From this point a leisurely trip was made along the city's waterfront, and recently constructed piers and bulkheads were viewed.

Director Webster, of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, explained his plan for the proposed city piers at Cherry and Kenilworth streets.

At League Island the party left the Del aware River and made an inspection of the Schuyikili River, paying particular atten-tion to the plans for a new bridge at South

#### Prof. David N. Camp

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Oct. 20 .- Prof. NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Oct. 20.—Prof. David N. Camp, for many years one of the most prominent educators in Connecticut, died at his home last night at the age of nipety-six. He was New Britain's second Mayor, and represented the town in the General Assembly. He was president of the Skinner Chuck Company, and identified with other business concerns. Yale gave him an honorary degree in 1853.

### **BOLD "BABY BANDITS** BEAT BOY; ROB D

They Heard "Willie Was Maning a Splurge," So They Took His Jewelry

Two "haby handita" were held to be court in the House of Defention on a character of attempted highway robbers, the youngest "highway robbers" the have ever arrested. William Dent years old, and Peter Ucciferro, through years old, of 638 Catharine street, as cused of having held up and robbed liam Vosher, eleven years old, of 638 Catharine street. tian street.

It is reported by the police that the dits" learned that "Willie" Vocales "making a splurge" with a gold sate as heavy gold chain and charm in the number of our state and the sate and the sate and the charged that when William and heard the Vosher boy had the swelry the made up their minds they would rely the when William Vosher would rely sade up their minus Vesher passed Sixth a So when William Vesher passed Sixth a So when streets last night William be So when William Voeher passed Sint as Christian streets last night William be and Peter Ucciffero stepped out and him down. William Voeher fought them and yelled. When the police some the "baby bandits" were running asynthe charm and part of the chain. William held fast to his big watch.

#### WITTPENN IN ENEMY CARP

Democratic Candidate for Tours Republican County

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 28.—H. Wittpenn, Democratic candidate for ernor, is in the enemy's country today is touring Atlantic County. His first was at Hammonton, where he address large crowd.

Tonight the candidate will addr

meeting in the Morris Guard Armory be Vice President Marshall will also be



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