

URGENT END OF AUTO THEFTS

Special Police Division to Keep Tab on Stored Motorcars

VOLUNTEERS TO WATCH How City Plans End of Motorcar Thefts

CREATION of new automobile division of Bureau of Police, to which all garage owners must report descriptions of motorcars stored daily and which will be in telephonic communication with all garages and ferries and other agencies of escape.

The creation of an automobile division of the Bureau of Police and of an adjunct counter plain-clothes squad, 300 strong, and advocacy of legislation prescribing drastic punishment for garage proprietors who fail to report cars stored daily in their establishments were decided upon today at a conference called by Director Wilson.

The stolen automobile will be put upon the same basis as the stolen gem, said Director Wilson, in announcing to representatives of automobile associations that a police order would be issued requiring garage men to report daily descriptions of motorcars stored with them to the new automobile division, which will operate like the "parent" division of the bureau.

This new division, with fifty men at its disposal, will be in telephonic communication with every garage and with every ferry and other outlet leading from the city, he said, so that descriptions of motorcars may be flashed broadcast the moment they are reported stolen.

Legislation in the Assembly and Councils, providing penalties of imprisonment and fines for failure of garage men to obey the police rule, will be urged by the Director.

Co-operation of the owners was assured when a committee, upon Director Wilson's suggestion, agreed to submit a list of 300 men to be sworn in as volunteer special policemen, whose duty it will be to apprehend persons seen taking cars. The owners also agreed to press prosecution of "joy riders," although they declared, the leniency of the courts had discouraged them.

Those who joined in the discussion were Dr. Leon S. Gans, of the Physicians' Motor Club; Paul B. Huyette and G. B. Bartlett, of the Quaker City Motor Club; Joseph Way, of the Lu Lu Temple Automobile Club; Steadman Bent and Boyer Davis, of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia; Robert Hooper, of the Pennsylvania Motor Federation; Joseph H. Weeks, president of the Automobile Club of Delaware County; G. B. Steeb, of the Insurance Company of North America; Harry C. Davis, Assistant Director of Public Safety; Captain James Tate, of the Detective Bureau; Captain William B. Mills, of the traffic division; Captain David McCoach, acting Superintendent of Police, and Lieutenant George Frits, of the motorcycle squad.

MAY REVOKE LICENSES Revocation of licenses as a penalty for speeding was urged and found general approval.

"We all realize that it is impossible for the police to watch every car, especially in the outskirts of the city, where the police are scarce and the greatest number of thefts occur," said Director Wilson.

"We must have the co-operation of the owners and associations. In that way only can auto thieving be broken up. Many of the thefts are due to the carelessness of owners and to 'joyriders.' If we have concerted action to prevail upon the courts to make examples of the guilty persons, instead of releasing them on probation after the first offense, we shall get results."

Captain Tate advocated a law requiring every motorist, owner or chauffeur to have his photograph on his license tag.

"The existence of so much 'joy-riding' is due to carelessness of owners," he said. "The twenty automobiles stolen on the highways yesterday—which, by the way, have been recovered—were not locked. There are plenty of safety devices on the market which preclude any one running away with a car. Again, the owner is inclined to be lenient when the car is returned. In this way a young fellow who begins by stealing automobiles for pleasure learns how easy it is and starts stealing for mercenary reasons."

LEAVES HIS FORTUNE TO HIS DIVORCED WIFE

Thousand Dollars and Personal Estate, Given to Woman, Indicate Her Husband Relented

John Bushman, who died recently in the Jefferson Hospital, by his will, probated today, leaves an estate worth \$1000 to his divorced wife, Ida L. Bushman, 2735 North Fifteenth street. He also leaves his personal property to her.

Requests of \$100 to the Altar Society of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church and \$200 each to the St. Vincent de Paul Society of the church; Literary Sisters of the Poor, Eighteenth and Jefferson streets; Little Sisters of the Poor, Germantown, and St. Joseph's Orphanage, are included in the will of Bridget Donnelly, who died in St. Agnes's Hospital, leaving to relatives an estate valued at \$5500.

Requests of \$300 to the Emanuel Presbyterian Church, Forty-second street and Girard avenue, and \$200 to the Methodist Episcopal Home form a part of the will of Mary H. Merrifield, 4123 Girard avenue, who left an estate valued at \$4000.

Other wills probated were those of William Russ, 110 West York street, which in private bequest disposes of property valued at \$11,000; James R. Owen, 2085 North Thirtieth street, \$8000; Alexander A. L'He, who died in the Medical-Chirurgical Hospital, \$4500; Ellen V. Ryan, Thirty-fifth street and Powelton avenue, \$2125; Mary A. Schofield, 4333 Main street, Manassas, \$4000; Anna K. Koch, 1621 North Sixth street, \$1800; and Catharine W. Ellison, 137 Levering street, \$3000.

GIRL BURNED TO DEATH BY FLAMING OINTMENT

Turpentine She Was Heating for Mother Explodes—Brother Smothers Blaze in Vain

An explosion of turpentine that she was heating for her sick mother resulted today in the death of Mary E. Dreading, 1214 the quick wit of her brother had saved her from being burned to death on the spot.

The fatal burns were received at her home, 428 Wolf street, Saturday, while the girl was warming the inflammable oil as a massage ointment for her mother, Mrs. Mary Dreading. A sudden explosion as she was standing over the gas stove hurried the liquid over her and her clothing caught fire. Her brother Louis smothered the flames with a carpet, but not until she had been so severely burned that her life could not be saved at the Methodist Hospital.

ORDER OF SPARTA IN BANKRUPTCY

Court's Action Follows Petition of Beneficiaries Whose Claims Are Unpaid

On an answer signed by William F. Lester, great regent, in which insolvency and inability to pay its liabilities are admitted, the Order of Sparta, a fraternal benefit organization of this city, was today adjudged a bankrupt.

About ten days ago, three beneficiaries of death policies issued by the order, and whose claims had not been paid, filed a petition in involuntary bankruptcy against the order in the United States District Court, asserting that the organization was insolvent, and setting forth as an act of bankruptcy an assignment of the order made for the benefit of creditors. Mr. Lester, with George H. McLaughlin, acting great secretary, were named as the assignees.

Today counsel for the order presented an answer to Judge Dickinson, admitting the insolvency and expressing a willingness to be adjudged a bankrupt. The case was assigned to Walter C. Hoagland, Jr., referee in bankruptcy, for administration.

A statement of the financial condition of the order shows a deficit of \$90,000. The assets were given as \$60,000, and liabilities as \$150,000.

At the time the petition was filed Judge Dickinson refused to appoint a receiver for the order, saying that the assets were safe in the hands of the assignees, but gave counsel for creditors permission to renew the application later.

HIGH COURTS MAY HEAR SALOON SUIT

Haddington Residents to Decide Course Against Burke Transfer

MASS-MEETING PLANNED

Provision in Old Deed Basis of Argument Against Rum Shop

The fight against the proposed saloon which Michael J. Burke has been licensed to open at the southwest corner of Sixtieth street and Lansdowne avenue may be carried to the Supreme Court.

This was learned today from those who are taking a prominent part in the movement to prevent the establishment of the saloon. The question will be definitely decided tomorrow night at the mass-meeting of Haddington residents in St. Martin's Presbyterian Church, Sixtieth and Master streets.

The mass-meeting was decided upon to show that the whole community and not only the ministers were opposed to the saloon.

A newly discovered deed of the property in question will be the basis of the proposed judicial action. This deed, it is said, prohibits the use of the building for any business which may be objectionable to the community. The remonstrants point to the large number of persons who are opposed to the saloon and contend, therefore, that Burke will violate this clause of the deed if he opens a saloon on the property.

"Carry-Nation" methods were suggested as a remedy against the saloon invasion in Haddington, at the protest mass-meeting called by the Rev. Dr. C. Edgar Adamson in the Mary A. Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church, Sixty-first and Jefferson streets.

Doctor Adamson read a letter condemning Judges Barrett and Davis, of the License Court, for granting a license transfer to Sixtieth street and Lansdowne avenue to Burke.

The letter, which was read from the pulpit, was adopted unanimously in the form of a resolution. It was predicted that the whole of West Philadelphia will unite in an effort against the saloon in the case of the Rev. Thomas MacLellan. The subject of the window is "The Resurrection Angel," and is a copy of a painting by Fra Angelico, of Florence, Italy.

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Hensel Memorial Unveiled

LANCASTER, Dec. 4.—An art window to the memory of the late ex-Attorney General W. U. Hensel was unveiled Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church. The consecration service was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Thomas MacLellan. The subject of the window is "The Resurrection Angel," and is a copy of a painting by Fra Angelico, of Florence, Italy.

New Lancaster Line Chartered

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 4.—The Denver Street Railway Company has been chartered with a capital stock of \$130,000. The new company will build a trolley line from Denver to Ephrata, a distance of five miles. At Ephrata the road will connect for Lancaster. H. S. Dittler, of Denver, is president of the company.

MANY AUTOS STOLEN IN DAY

Thirteen Out of Nineteen Are Recovered by Police—Thieves Undismayed

Automobile thieves continue their work undismayed at reports of increased police activity. Reports received today by the police show that nineteen automobiles, valued at \$17,000, were stolen yesterday. Thirteen of these had been recovered up to noon today.

No section of the city was free from the operations of the thieves. The cars still reported as missing today were those owned by the Supplee Dairy, E. Fautechy, 1922 Pike street; Morris B. Levinthal, 1234 North Frasier street; Dr. J. J. Kennedy, Memphis and Allegheny avenue; H. B. Ball, 64 West Wycombe street, Lansdowne; John Lukawicz, 2118 North Bodine street; Frederick Light, 116 North Twenty-second street.

IN the afternoon—at dinner—after the theatre—three times a day there's dancing in the Mirror Room.

Colonnade Hotel Chestnut at 15th

BIG WOMAN'S COLLEGE DRIVE FOR FUND BEGUN

Campaign to Raise \$200,000 as Extension to Endowment Inaugurated

A campaign to raise \$200,000 as an extension fund for the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania began today, when headquarters were officially opened in the Bellevue-Stratford and hundreds of friends of the institution began the work of soliciting contributions. They will continue their efforts for a period of two weeks.

The college at the present time has an endowment fund of \$100,000, but in order to meet increasing demands for laboratory equipment and research efforts will be made to increase the sum to one million dollars. The new campaign is part of the undertaking.

The Woman's Medical College has the distinction of being the first school in this country to receive a charter for educating women in the science of medicine. For more than sixty years it has demonstrated its extreme usefulness, and its graduates have labored with marked success in this country and abroad. Dr. Clara Marshall is the dean of the institution.

The captains of the twenty-five teams are: Dr. Annie E. Rortley, Mrs. J. E. Postler, Dr. Helen J. Cowie, Dr. Mrs. L. Myers, Dr. Harriet Hartley, Miss Ruth A. May, Miss Vida H. Francis, Dr. Belle A. Schuster, Dr. Susan H. Corson, Dr. Agnes Heckel, Dr. Ellen C. Potter, Dr. Alice W. Tallant, Dr. Florence Kraker, Dr. Margaret Butler, W. D. Wilcox, Dr. Anna E. Conover, Mrs. Henry S. Gannon, Mrs. J. A. Henshaw, Mrs. A. Tatesman, Dr. Helen Kerschbaum, Miss Caroline Katzenstein, Miss Ruth Hartley, Miss Susan Lodge, Miss Jeannette Tomlins and Miss P. A. Tyson.

Discover Book Worth \$15,000

An old Spanish volume more than 500 years old and said to be valued at about \$15,000 has been found among a pile of old books and pamphlets in the possession of the Bucks County Historical Society, at Doylestown, Pa. The historic volume is "Compendio de Nueva Espana," by Antonio De Solis, who wrote his histories and essays in Spain during the sixteenth century.

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VENZOL TANK EXPLODES; FLAMES CAUSE DAMAGE

Firemen Compelled to Pump Water From Ditches to Fight Blaze

An explosion in a tank containing 10,000 gallons of venzol, located at Myrtle street, south of Venango street, early today awakened residents within a radius of two miles. The explosion was followed by a fire which caused damage estimated at several thousand dollars.

Huge sheets of fire were issuing from the tank before the fire companies could arrive at the scene. The firemen experienced great difficulty in securing an adequate supply of water. It was necessary to pump water from ditches that drain into the Delaware before the blaze could be extinguished.

The tank belongs to the United Gas Improvement Company, and is located alongside of one of the plants of that concern at the foot of Venango street bordering on the Delaware River.

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