EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, FRIDAY, JANUARY 12.

SCHOOL BOARD CHIEF 'BIGGEST AUTO SHOW' ASSAILS SOWDEN MEN

weident Edmunds Declares Board Will Not Be Coerced by Mob

AW BROKEN, HE ASSERTS

pils and Parents' Committee Aceused-Attorney for Patrons Replies

nenty R. Edmunds, president of the and of Education, today gave the first and statement of the hoard's attitude in recent Fitier School disturbance and of a general method of procedure since the at days of William H. Sowden's removal m the principalship of the school.

to the first place," stated Mr. Edmunds, na Sowden adherents are defeating their an ends by the methods they employ. ne Board of Education cannot be swayed public demonstrations and mob scenes t as the one which took place at the meeting of the board. In all the blan of my service on the Philadelphia

ed escaptions action in reasonness action for the sake of clarifying the situation for the sake of clarifying the situation and outline briefly the Sowden was ended by the board. Mr. Sowden was ended by the board. Mr. Sowden was sined of his office in the Fitter School size he could not make the grade to such the Fitter School was raised. Econ-tion was added to the course of the school, a was added to the course of the school. Mr. Snowfeet Miss Gill, the principal of Mr. Snowden had no grounding what-ir in this subject. Miss Gill, the principal is took his place and who is at present healty filling it, had the required ground-r and was therefore appointed.

CHILDREN BROKE LAW

CHILDREN BROKE LAW The children of the school went out on the which act was a visitation of the which provides that children attend nod. Hence the very boginning of the sedure for the reinstatement of Mr. reder was illegal and not based on reason, is children were forced to go back to nod. A committee from the Fitter School ments to the Board of Education and observed to the clementary school com-

s came to the hearth of Future and and inferred to the elementary school com-use. The elementary committee saw to let the decision remain unaiterd. The committee from the achool then a to me personally and asked for a reis to be periodally and asked for a re-if I advised it to ask the board and to we a subcommittee formed and I myself enied to serve on it. The result of this size was the appointment of Mr. Wanawhere was the appointment of Mr. Wattin-lier, Mr. Rowen and myself on a sub-mittee for the adjustment of the Sow-er case. Our final decision agreed with the first one made by the district superim-sent-that is, that Sowden should not be instated in the Fitter School. To return to the mob at the board meet-on last Tuesday afternoon, it is illegal as person not a member of the board to or members at the time of a board

ing up business at the time of a board sing. That meeting is for the members file board and not for any man or woman in chooses to yell at the chair.

NOT TO BE COERCED.

NOT TO BE COERCED . The matter of the Fitter School princi-pathip may turn one way or the other no reas it personally concerns the board, but in one thing is certain: Right or wrong, as Board of Education will never by co-red by the shouting of random mob? Within a half hour after this statement iss made, Mr. William C. Lynch, attorney is the Sowden followers, gave the follow-is answer to it: "Mr. Edmunds maintained that our chil-m broke a how in striking. How re-

"Mr. Edmunds maintained that our chi-ne broke a law in striking. How re-maible are children for the keeping of and have? Remember, they did their strik-ing entirely on their own decision. The parents had nothing to do with it. Who wald come back at little children and all their action unconstitutional? Suppostheir action unconstitutional. Suppos-however, that children are responsible, law of compulsory education orders a children attend school in ordinary when the Board of Education has af violated one of its own laws, I would and violated one of his own laws, I would indined to call it an extraordinary time. To be brief, the law broken by the board mis quoted from the Pennsylvania stat-ing, page 825, amendment 2229: No per-a shall be promoted or transferred to any ional position in public schools in a district of the first class whose name have not appear among the three highest bar not appear among the three highest ures upon the shgible list provided in ar district of the first class or in one that made a district of the first class by this No person holding a position at the of the passage of this act shall be dis-

den had been holding his post-Mr. Sowden had been holding his pon-for accenteen years at the time of the use of this act and he was displaced by R may further be added that since Mr. Men's percoal six teachers have been filed by this proviso and have not been ted an was Mr. Sowden.

Stage All Set in Commercial Museum for "Last Words" in Cars

TO BE OPENED TONIGHT

The stage is set upon a carpet of luxuri-

ous green. The 1917 motorcar will make its formal how to Philadelphia tonight, when the six-teenth annual sutemobile show is flore open to the public at the exhibition hall of the Commercial Museum. Thirty-fourth street, below Spruce

Seven o'clock is the hour set for the for-mal ceremony that will usher in the finest types in the development of the pleasure automobile. When darkness fails big searchinformable. When darkness fails big search-lights will whiten the approaches to the building, throwing the classic half and its environs into high relief and making it a literal center of light in addition to its character as the axis of education in things motoring for the next sight days.

Every record for a Philadelphia automo-ile show will have been broken when the leptay ends January 20, it is confidently redicted. Provisions have been made for he expected heavy demand for tickets that Il come as a result of the universal inter-t in the motorcar. The records for the maker of exhibits and for floor space aleady have been broken, accuring the 1717 how the title of "the greatest yet" Laraury and comfort will be paramount in

Luxury and comfort will be paramount in the exhibits which range from the blagged of touring cars to the smallest of automo-hile parts. Technically perfected, the 1917 pleasure car will show few chatges in mechanism. Instead, the public will see that during the last tweive months the motorcar maker has had in mind the com-fort and convenience of his pittronage, add-ing here and these easier riding multitations. ing here and there easier riding qualities and devices making for the convenience of the car owner. Flowing times and other artistic improvements, including for-mous color schemes, will great the eye.

As befits the royal nature of the autom lie, the setting for these gems of invention nd workmanship breathes refinement. The 5,000 square feet of floor space reflects the oft green tint of painted wood and the vast roof of the ball caps a couly scheme of Egyptian decoration. For the comfort of the patrons the Automobile Trade Association, under whose auspices the show is staged, has preceded a 700-foot carropy at the entrance and surrounded the building with parking space for cars.

The show committee, composed of John H. Fassitt, A. E. Mabby, Louis C. Block, Lee J. Eastman and J. E. Gomery, today announced that the roster of exhibits is complete as it stands, but that a last-minute change in a motorcar exhibit is possible and a few accessory spaces in the balcony are available for late exhibitors.

Port Excels in Modern Maritime Machinery Continued from Page One

Continued from Page One Reading Railway Company, has installed an electrical equipment for operating the ma-chinery used in unloading iron ore from vessels as they lie at their docks into cars on tracks alongside which is unlque. These machines are each capable of handling 500 tons of ore per hour from vessel to cars. A 6000-ton vessel arriving at the pier at 7 o'clock in the morning could be emptied into a train of cars one and a quarter miles in length and loaded to ca-pacity before 6 o'clock in the eventing. So perfected and modern is the machinery of this plant that the flywheels, liquid re-sistance and other devices necessary. In similar plants to maintain a constant volt-age are all dispensed with. Two f this pier, which is 764 feet long by 55 feet wide, and of concrete construction. Two of these tracks are used in loading, the other two being storage tracks. The ore loading and unloading machines are equipped with grab-buckets holding five loads to a hopper that can be adjusted to

are equipped with gravitations having their tons of ore each which discharge their loads in a hopper that can be adjusted to any point over the four tracks. This hop-per holds sixty tons of ore, automatically weighs its own contents and can discharge

ny quantity or weight desired into the car At Greenwich Point the Pennsylvanla Railroad Company also has ore docks and machinery capable of discharging from ves-sel to cars 400 tons of ore per hour. Practically all the 4,000,000 tons of coal

Practically all the 6,000,000 tons of coal which each year leaves the port of Philadel-phia is constwhene trade. This business is principally handled at the great terminals of the Reading Railway Company at Port Richmond or the Greenwich terminals of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. a realized on the Schuylkill Diver

CITY EMPLOYES JOIN Bishop Berry's Views on Crime and Newspapers **HIGHER-PAY CLAIMANTS**

"THE EVENING LEDGER is a good illustration, a fine illustration, of the thing I meant when I talked last night before the twenty-fifth annual banquet of the National League of lommission Merchants of the United States

"When I referred to improved journalism, the passing of the yellow journal and the fact that Americana need not be ashamed of their newspapers, I was thinking of the re-duction of crime. The EVENING LEDUER is leading in a trend toward a better and greater journalism. It is a step in the right direction. This keeping of crime off the front pages and reporting just the news of the story, without all the sordid details,

'No one was ever reformed or kept from crime by reading the de-tails of horcible crimes and sordid news of murders. In fact, the reading of such things often suggests to others. I would not be a bit surprived if the murder reported in this morning's papers, telling of another woman strangled with a stocking, was suggested by the reading of the sordid details of the murder which has been accurate the murder which has been occupying many pages in

the newspapers recently. "It is absolutely ridiculous to think for a minute that any one is influ-enced for good by reading details of murders."—Bishop Joseph F. Berry, of the Methodist Church.

MERGER OF FINANCIAL CONCERNS PROJECTED

Negotiations Said to Be in Progress Between Bank of Commerce and Mutual Trust Company

The Buspeial district heard today that excitations are under was holding to the modulation of two financial institutions of Banh of Commerce and the Mutual rust Company. It was the understanding

Trust Company II was the understanding hat the proposition for the consolidation manates from the Bank of Commerve. Commenting on the report today, Samuel ' Scattergood, president of the Mutual Trust Company, said that the matter was not discussed at the recent meeting of the interctors of the company. "It is true that know several of the officials of the Bank Commerce," said Mr. Scattergood, "and ave discussed with them in a general way consolidation of some of the smaller inancial institutions."

consolidation of some of the bilance nancial institutions." The capital of the Bank of Commerce 3300,000 and the surplus \$170,000, athan T. Folwell is the president of the istitution; S. Uroft Legister, vice presint, and John P. Kolb, cashier. The paid-i equital of the Mutual Trust Company 5428,043, with surplus and net profits staling \$\$5,000 Besides Mr. Scattergood, totaling \$86,000. Besides Mr. Scattergood, the president, other officers are Stoney Street, vice president, and William B. Kessler, secretary and treastirer. Stockholders of the Mutual Trust Com-pany have valed to reduce the par value of the stock from \$20 to \$25 a share, mak-

ng the outstanding capital \$219,000 F. A. DAVIS, PUBLISHER

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St. Petersburg

F. A. Davis, president of the F A. Davis iompany, medical publishers, 1914 Cherry treet, died today at his home in Crum yrme, Pa., after a short ilmess. He was htty-six years old. His wife and son.

sixty-six years old. His wife and non, Dr. A. B. Davis, were with him-Mr. Davis, who was a native of Vermont, estublished his business here in 1879. He was interested in the development of the west coast of Florida as a winter resort and took a prominent part in the upbuild-ing of St. Petersburg. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made.

GARMENT STRIKERS ARRESTED

Thirteen Men Accused of Loitering Out-

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A committee of five, representing the son employee of the City Water Department, oday sailed upon Mayor Smith and asked his aid in their fight to gain a wage in-rease, which they have made by means of a shill now before the connellimitie Finance Committee. The Mayor instead o their ples and said atterward that he was in favor of the increase and would takk be matter up with Chairman Gaffney, of he Finance Committee Walls the committee of five did not

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he Finance Committee While the committee of five did not actually threaten a strike on the part of time they represented, their general atti-ide bespoke the determination of their fol-owers to obtain at any cost an increase. A strike on the part of the 300 employee rould leave the vity waterless. The increases asked by the committee mendes \$1200 for angineers in pumping sta-tions who are now getting \$1000 for

cons who are now getting \$1000, \$1000 for remem at present getting \$800 and the ame for ollers, an increase from \$720 to 500 on the part of the cost passors, while semen on filters want to go from \$900 t Laborers ask to be increased from \$3 :

50, from \$2,50 to \$3 and from \$2 50, necording to the present wage arease in all would average about \$200 in, except in the case of the laborers thers, including clerks hydrant inspectors remen, watchinen and janitors also wars igher wages. More than one hundred cleaners, sweep

rs and laborers employed in City Hall be-ay presented to Director Datesman, of be Department of Public Works, a petition Ling an increase in wages on the ground the high cost of living. They receive I a day and ask \$250. They say they outli he allowed the amount granish to abovers and workmen in the Water Burea. slowing a strike at the Torresdate file

WILL TELL OF BUFFALO BILL

Sunday's Public Ledger to Tell Intimate Story of Life

Colonal W. F. Cody, who died becently toioned W F Lody, who need second y or Denicer, was the living here of nearly wery American hoy and of unnumbered American men. When he died America took of its hat in tribute of respect to his nemory. He served the United States when we West was young and it was the business f an American soldier to fight the blood-nirsty indian and the "bad man," who was imost as bad as the eastern "gunman" of oday

Buffalo Bill was a good arout in the

Infinite full way a good such it for teral sense of the words as well as in the suse of foday's slang. In Sunday's Public Ledger will be a vivid scount of Buffalo Bill's life—an infinate, ympathetic story, which will thrill the sympatients story, which will interest of older people. It tells of Buffale Bill, flerve fighter of the plains, and Colonel William Cody, the intimate friend of kings, emperors and leaders of society.

MOTHER BETTER TEACHER

AUTHER SETTER TEACHER To regard to the economics course that a added to the Fitter School. I guess Mr. monds means the cooking class. Well I upon to have a daughter attending that more at present and I would like to say at her mother could teach her more in 5 weeks than all the months that she has m dabbing around in school under her ment teacher. The idea of displacing a in because he has never been grounded, the scheme of cooking appears very ridie-its to me.

Mr. Edmunds refers to our public demtrailons. When we cannot attain justice the way we endeavor to get it in an-". However, the bringing of the Sow-matter last Tuesday before the Board ducation was not illegal. A motion for reconvening of the pubcommittee ap-ted on the Sowden case was made. Edmunds entertained the motion and and fit to leave the room without fur-notice. When a chairman entertains motion he should look into the question Mo legality first, not afterward. How-r, a hitle later, Mr. Edmunds and his index with bases of the state of th ads will have all the law they want-7 will have plenty of reason and per-s not enough of mob scene that they and se easy to ignore and ridicula."

OBOES TO HEAR GRAND OPERA my Garden Will Sing "Romeo" Se-

lections in Chicago

HICAGO, Jan. 12 .- Forsaking train a" for "Bomeo," Windy City hoboes Windy City h

for Romeo," Windy City honora toing in for opera. They have started right at the top of aliver-runged ladder of society's paa-it became known today, when Mary dim, premiere of the Chicago grand a, connented to sing Wednesday night the international hobo college.

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been made.

a conference network workers and hard facturers, members of the Philadelphia Association. The strikers want a forty-eight-hour week, twenty-flye per cent increase in pay to piece workers, \$1 a week increase in week workers, recognition of the union and account workers, of \$24 a week increase. minimum wage of \$24 a week fer cuttera

too, have their private wharves, big ocean-going steamships and modern loading and unloading appliances. Philadelphia refines 500,000 tons of raw Philadelphia refines 500,000 tons of raw sugar annually, or one-sixth of all the sugar refined in the United States, representing when refined a value of upward of \$50,-000,600. Formerly the raw product was brought in saling vessels trading with the West Indies. Now it is brought in big modern steamships, which also trade with ba Kosaiian felands. One of these vessels the Hawaiian Islands. One of these vessels recently brought through the Panama Canai route 123,835 bags of raw sugar in one

cargo. Besides these terminats, equipped for handling most expeditionally and economic-ally the special exports and imports which bulk so large in the business of the port. buik so large in the business of the por-there are numerous other appliances at all the wharves on the Delaware and Schuyl-kill Rivers to handle the miscellaneous busi-ness, including the \$1.500,000,000 worth of local coastwise and rivers commerce which is not included in the general terms of "ex-port" and "import"

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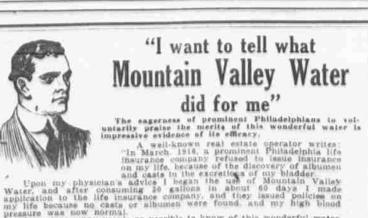
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