

PASTOR ACCUSED AS DOPE PEDDLER

Dr. W. N. Ritchie, Who Had Charges Here, Arrested in Brooklyn

AUTHORITY ON THEOLOGY Man of 71, Caught in Raid, Also Was Evangelist at Asbury Park



THE REV. DR. W. N. RITCHIE Clergyman arrested in Brooklyn charged with peddling drugs as he appeared when a pastor in this city. He is now seventy-one years old.

The Rev. Dr. William N. Ritchie, fourth Presbyterian Church in this city, has been arrested by the police in Brooklyn and accused of unlawful dealing in morphine and other narcotic drugs.

Dr. Ritchie is said to have made a small fortune by peddling drugs for several years. He has been under police suspicion for six months.

Dr. Ritchie is well known in Philadelphia. He was pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Broad street below Fitzwater, in 1882.

George Cleland, 904 South Forty-eighth street, an elder in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, said today Doctor Ritchie had many friends in this city.

After leaving Philadelphia Doctor Ritchie accepted a call of the First Presbyterian Church in Fortchester, N. Y.

News of Doctor Ritchie's plight caused a sensation in New York and Brooklyn church circles, where he is widely known.

Detective Greer, of the Brooklyn police drug squad, testified that he trapped the clergyman by giving him \$2 in marked bills for a bottle filled with a liquid, which, on analysis, was found to contain fifty-four grains of morphine.

The marked money is said to have been found in Doctor Ritchie's possession. According to Detective Greer, Doctor Ritchie told him at the time of the purchase.

Several years ago the New York Medical Society took exception to Doctor Ritchie's administration of his remedy to addicts.

Doctor Ritchie called his arrest "an outrage."

Probe for Plots in Jersey Blasts

GLAZING BARREL STARTED EXPLOSION, PROBE SHOWS

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 13.—Investigations made by the officials of the du Pont company show that the trouble began with the explosion of a sweetie or glazing barrel in which the finishing touches are put on smokeless powder.

City News in Brief

THOMAS B. HAMMER, 26 Gowen avenue, Mt. Airy, president of the Hammer Lumber Company, was elected president of the Philadelphia Wholesale Lumber Dealers' Association.

TEMPLE LAW SCHOOLS Installation of officers tonight will be followed by a moot court, over which Governor Hottel, chairman of the Philadelphia bar and instructor in the law school, will preside as judge.

FROZEN FIRE HYDRANTS hampered firemen in fighting a blizzard in the city. The hydrants were frozen solid.

LIBERTY BELL TRIP In the future should be prohibited by an act of the Legislature, according to Senator Jordan.

EMPTY BARRELS formed the cargo of the British steamship Earl, which has arrived here. The cargo comprised 2,500 barrels, which will be refilled with oil and taken to Europe.

DR. JOHN K. MITCHELL, who has been practicing medicine at his home, 230 Spruce street, is reported an improver.

FRANKFORD BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION, at its annual meeting, elected the following officers.

CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB observed its silver anniversary by a banquet at the Bellevue-Stratford.

OSCAR A. EASTLACK, a member of a well-known family, and who is engaged in the automobile business, has purchased a suit for \$2,500.

WILD RABBITS from New Mexico have been liberated in Camden county by Game Warden Charles W. Eakler.

WILSON SEeks Bargain Basis for New Move

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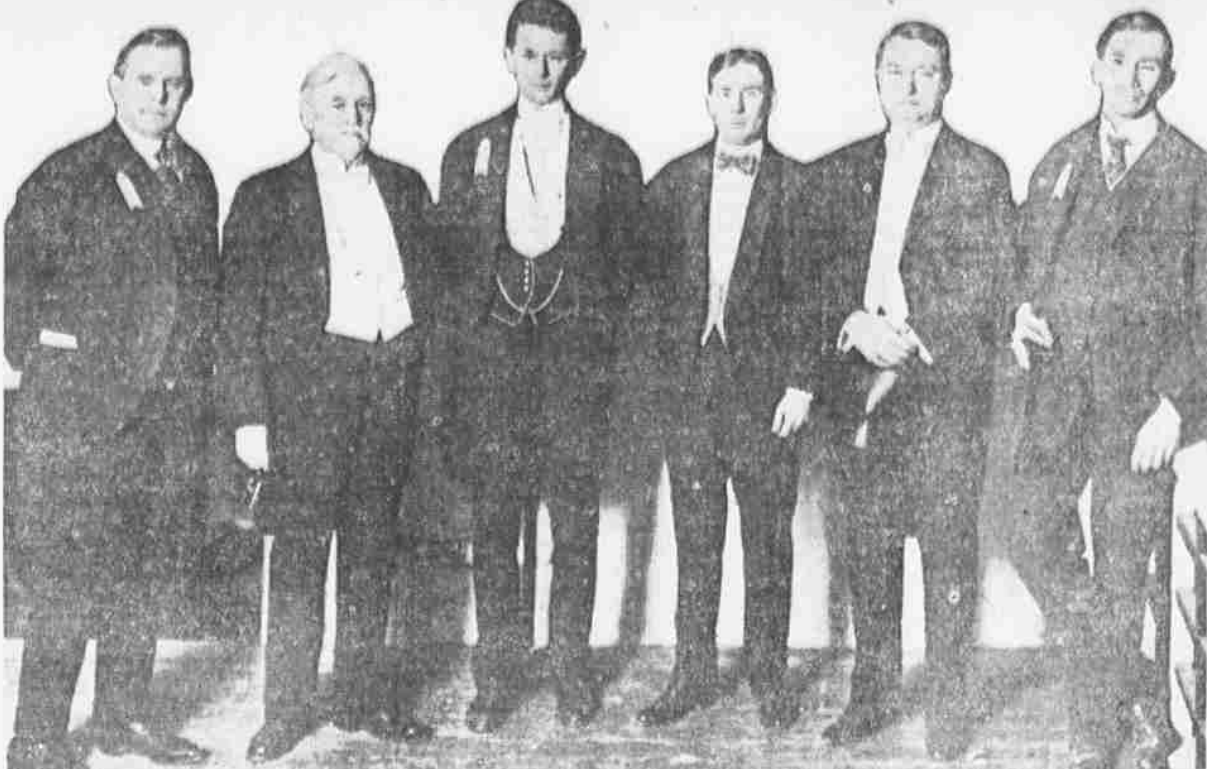
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AUTOMOBILE SHOW COMMITTEE "ON THE JOB"



These are the men responsible for the sixteenth annual automobile show, which opened at the Commercial Museum last night. The photograph, taken at the display, shows, from left to right, E. C. Johnson, J. E. Gomersy, A. E. Maltby, J. H. Fassitt, William P. Wilson, who as director of the Commercial Museum formally declared the exhibition open, and Lee J. Eastman, floor manager.

1917 MODELS SEEN AT THE AUTO SHOW

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Improvements for accessibility and frame two inches lower.
Dodge - Wheel base of larger six longer; change in drive; double coil and equipment.
Patriot - Double first-stock car to be equipped with compartment for storing spare wheels or tires.

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TURKS DRIVE FOES INTO THE SERETH

Capture Town and Garrison Northwest of Braila, Berlin Says

TEUTONS GAIN GROUND

Northwest of Braila, in Rumania, Turkish troops have captured the town of Mihalov. The German War Office announced today.

At the junction of the Buzau and Sereth Rivers the German allies have captured the town of Mihalov, which was turned into a headquarters.

East of the Corva River companies of Entente troops that were advancing toward Stravina were repulsed.

The text of the official report follows: On both sides of the Otter Valley hostile attacks were without success against the brave defense of German-Austro-Hungarian troops.

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BERLIN ADMITS BRITISH ADVANCE ON SOMME

The British have gained ground in their new drive on the Somme front as admitted by the German War Office today.

North of the Ancre the British delivered fresh attacks against Serre, but most of them were sanguinarily repulsed.

Only minor fighting was reported from the eastern front by the War Office.

PAROLED BOY AGAIN IN OILS OF THE LAW

Germentown Lad, on Rampage, Makes a Nuisance of Himself Along Chelten Avenue

Prison bars seem to have no terrors for seventeen-year-old Leo Devlin.

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AMBASSADOR FLETCHER SOON TO GO TO MEXICO

New Policies Toward Neighbor Republic Will Be Put Into Effect at Early Date

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Subsequent to the final American-Mexican Peace Commission session in New York Monday, the Administration will put into effect at an early date its new policies toward Mexico.

These policies, as outlined two weeks ago, consist of withdrawing General Pershing's column, relieving probably all the border militia and sending Ambassador Fletcher to Mexico City.

Unidentified Man Ends Life After removing everything from his pockets he might lead to identification.

AUTOMOBILE SHOW

COMMERCIAL MUSEUM THIRTY FOURTH STREET BELOW SPRUCE OPEN 10 A. M. TO 11 P. M. ADMISSION FIFTY CENTS DIRECTION PHILADELPHIA AUTOMOBILE TRADE ASSOCIATION

Baltimore and Ohio R. R.

\$2.00 Washington and Return \$2.50 SUNDAY, JAN. 14th

Special Train Leaves 24th and Chestnut Streets Station 8:50 A. M. 8:04th Street Station 8:08 A. M.

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