

U. S. CONTINUES HUNT FOR BOY-ED

Secret Service Not Satisfied With Report Spy Is in Berlin

DETECTIVES MUZZLED

The search for Captain Boy-Ed, German agent, continues.

First, Search for Captain Boy-Ed taken up by Federal officials on a wholesale scale.

Second, Boy-Ed believed to be attempting escape from the United States by way of Mexico.

Third, Washington threatens with dismissal any Federal employee who gives information relative to supposed whereabouts of Boy-Ed.

Fourth, Death threats, purporting to have been sent by German sympathizers and plotters, were received by Major Smith, Major General Wood, President John Grier Gribben, of Princeton, and others. The Rev. Dr. George D. Adams, of the Chestnut Street Baptist Church, received a threat in the form of a personal photograph with the head cut off. His sermons have been anti-German.

Fifth, Other warrants have been issued in the navy yard plot case by United States Commissioner Charles Walsh Edmunds. More arrests are expected today.

Sixth, Federal officials predicted the arrest of at least one of the officers of the German sea-raiders at League Island.

Seventh, Alleged plots directed against several local manufacturing plants have been unearthed. The plant officials have been warned. The purpose of the plots was to cripple the industry by explosives in the event of a declaration of war.

The supposed presence of Boy-Ed in the United States is one of the most puzzling problems which Federal officials are facing today.

Despite rumors and alibis given in press dispatches from Germany, Government agents are conducting a nation-wide search for him. They have received another report that he was in this city only a week ago. It is said that he has assumed the disguise of a clergyman and is trying to escape by way of Mexico.

Several officials hunting Boy-Ed said that they received from the German News Bureau to the effect that the former naval attaché was in the party to greet Von Bernstorff appeared like an uncalled-for alibi for Boy-Ed.

The cablegram asserting that Boy-Ed greeted Von Bernstorff was sent by William Bayard Hale, formerly a Philadelphia.

YARDS HERE WILL BUILD FOUR OF U. S. WAR CRAFT

\$75,000,000 Works Coming Here in Construction of Cruisers

Philadelphia will do more than any other city toward making ready to meet a realty. It was learned today when Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced the letting of contracts for the ships.

At least four ships will be built in this port. Contracts were awarded today to the William Cramp Ship and Engine Building Company for two scout cruisers and to the New York Shipbuilding Company for two of the battle cruisers. The other battle cruiser to be built in this city will be constructed at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The money brought to Philadelphia by the contracts will be about \$75,000,000.

These ships when completed will be the largest and most powerful in any navy in the world.


The Navy department will when the contracts are awarded, cooperate with the shipbuilding concerns to obtain material for their construction at the lowest possible figures.

COP ACCUSES SUPERIOR AND IS IN TURN ACCUSED

Prosecutor Before Police Trial Court Quickly Transformed Into Defendant

Granville Jefferson appeared before the police trial court for a short time today in the role of prosecutor, but later became a defendant.

Jefferson had Lieutenant Herbert, of the police boat Reynolds, hauled before the court on the charge of conduct unbecoming an officer. He said Herbert had assaulted him and called him vile names. Herbert turned on the witness today when it was said that Jefferson was living up to his reputation. In other words, he said that Jefferson, who was admittedly drunk on the night he shot and killed Fitzsimmons outside a Ninth street saloon, still indulges in rum.



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BLAMES THE POLICE FOR FILTHY STREETS

Powell Evans Approves Gans Bill, but Says It Does Not Go Far Enough

The police department and the Magistrates were severely censured today for their disregard of the city ordinances providing for the arrest of scavengers and persons who litter the streets with waste by Powell Evans, a vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, who is conducting a vigorous fight for cleaner streets in Philadelphia.

Mr. Evans said that the bill introduced in the House of Representatives at Harrisburg by Sigmund Gans, of Philadelphia, providing for a fine of \$5 and costs upon persons charged with throwing dirt and rubbish on the streets, was a good measure, but that we must have "decent" Magistrates to impose these fines and "live" policemen, who really mean to enforce the law. Mr. Evans illustrated the inefficiency of the present police force in this matter by saying:

"I have learned from reliable sources that a scavenger was brooding through a box of waste almost directly under the windows of the Highway Department at the City Hall. Now, this is illegal. A number of special policemen, wearing their badges, witnessed this act and discussed it, but none of them ventured to arrest the man."

"We need decent judicial and police enforcement of these laws if we want our streets clean. Our Magistrates would not enforce anything unless it is for their friends, and the police—well, they wouldn't arrest any one."

From the Highway Department it was learned that more than 5000 scavengers operate in Philadelphia daily. The fact that they have been permitted to clutter the city, despite the city ordinances, was not due to the department, nor is the power of enforcing these laws within the jurisdiction of the Highway Department, but entirely in the hands of the police.

Director Wilson, it is asserted, has promised to co-operate with the Highway Department in the future, and a campaign against the scavenger and against the persons who litter the streets will be inaugurated soon.

The Chamber of Commerce, according to Mr. Evans, will push the fight for cleaner streets jointly with several other bodies until the matter is settled.

The Gans bill, which was introduced yesterday, is a measure to cover the entire State of Pennsylvania. It provides that costs and a fine of \$5 be imposed by Magistrates or Justices of the peace upon persons charged with having thrown any dirt, rubbish, sweepings or refuse on any sidewalk or public highway. The bill refers particularly to merchants and firms, and makes them liable for sweepings permitted by their employees to remain on the pavement. Constables and policemen are empowered to make arrests without warrant.

"BLUE-EYED BABY" AND MOTHER ARRESTED

Kathryn Abrams, Otherwise Kitty Murray, and Mrs. Mae Abrams Taken on Fugitive Warrants

Kathryn Abrams, otherwise known as Kitty Murray, the missing eighteen-year-old correspondent in the Knittel divorce suit and the conspiracy charged against Mrs. Mae Abrams, on Atlantic City fugitive warrants as they were preparing to leave the Hotel Hanover.

Both were held without bail by Magistrate McCreary on charges of obstructing justice to await extradition. Their attorney, A. T. Ashton, immediately started habeas corpus proceedings to prevent extradition to the seashore resort. Before the hearing Miss Abrams signified her willingness to return to Atlantic City.

Until their arrest today by Detectives Ginn and McDermott Miss Abrams and her mother have been sought for several months by the Atlantic City authorities as witnesses in an alleged conspiracy against Charles A. Brown, Philadelphia real estate broker, in the divorce proceedings brought by his wife, Mrs. Helen A. Brown Knittel, daughter of the late Colonel Louis T. Brown, partner of Andrew Carnegie. A divorce was refused in February on the grounds that Miss Abrams was paid by Mrs. Knittel's lawyer and a detective to "fringe up" Knittel, thereby obtaining false evidence against him.

Miss Abrams figured as the "blue-eyed baby" in an unsuccessful \$25,000 breach of promise suit against Robert Gaskill, a wealthy sixty-year-old lawyer of Mount Holly.

SELECTMEN APPROVE CHESTNUT STREET SUBWAY

No Dissent in Ordinance Authorizing Transit Department to Proceed on Work

Select Council approved without dissent yesterday afternoon the ordinance reported favorably by the Committee on Street Railways authorizing the Department of City Transit to proceed with the construction of the Chestnut street subway. Director Twining appeared before the Street Railways Committee yesterday and requested favorable action on the bill.

He explained that at that time there was no intention of constructing the line for several years. With authority for its construction vested in the department, however, the city has a powerful club to use if necessary in the lease negotiations with the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company.

Another reason the department desires the authority at this time is that a portion of the construction cost of the subway delivery loop and the Broad street subway, where the Chestnut street tube will transverse these two lines, can be charged to the Chestnut street line, thereby offsetting the possibility of a deficit in the loop appropriation.

Councilman Made Sergeant-at-Arms

Robert S. McElroy, Common Councilman from the Thirtieth Ward, was unanimously elected sergeant-at-arms of Common Council today to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John J. Carr. Mr. Carr was also from the Thirtieth Ward. McElroy is a Vate follower and at present is a court clerk. He was sworn in at once. The position of sergeant-at-arms pays \$3000 a year.

Bill to Restrict Hanging of Banners

An ordinance prohibiting the hanging of banners or flags from any building in such a way that they shall protrude over the curb line, excepting flags hung for patriotic reasons, was introduced before Council today by William J. McCloskey.

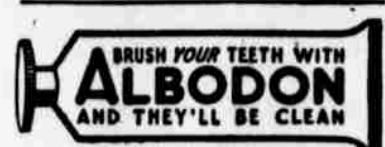
COUNCILS ASKED TO ADD TO WATER BUREAU FUND

Moneys Appropriated Insufficient to Maintain Pure Water Supply

That Councils this year failed to appropriate sufficient moneys to operate the Water Bureau and other important branches of the municipal government was shown this afternoon when Chairman Gaffney, of Council's Finance Committee, introduced a bill appropriating more than \$100,000 for Water Bureau supplies. At the same time he introduced another measure asking a \$10,000 additional appropriation to the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries.

The bill affecting the Water Bureau sets out the fact that appropriations will be insufficient to meet coal bills and many other necessary items, including the purchase cost of chlorine, without which the water experts would be unable to supply the city with safe water for drinking purposes. The amount necessary to add to the coal bill has not been determined, but it is estimated that this item alone will be in the neighborhood of \$150,000.

Other financial measures carrying appropriations were introduced, but with few exceptions, will not be acted upon until after the exact cost of carrying out Mayor Smith's salary-raising scheme is ascertained and money appropriated. At the present time there is available for appropriation about \$668,000. The greater part of this sum will be used in salary increases and to meet a transfer bill that has been the subject of discussion at recent sessions of Councils.



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vacancy caused by the death of Theodore N. Ely.

Appointment of Robert S. Griffith as president of the Civil Service Commission, for a term of five years, was confirmed by Select Council. Mr. Griffith was appointed by Mayor Smith at the beginning of the administration, when the old commission was ousted.

A bill appropriating \$1685 to the County Commissioners to pay expenses of the First Brigade, 25, G. P., while at the Mexican border, was introduced in Select Council by Isaac P. Metzall, of the Eighteenth Ward. Mr. Metzall said he had been requested to introduce the bill and that he did not know its purpose. The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

City News in Brief

BACK TO THE FARM

after twenty-two years in the police department, this goes House Sergeant Robert Brown, of the Thirty-second and Woodland avenue station, who resigned today. He recently bought a farm in Fortuna, N. J., where he intends to live. His home in Philadelphia was at 3222 Woodland avenue.

WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL

, chief of the Bureau of Highways of the Department of Public Works, will be the principal speaker at a luncheon of the Carlisle Chamber of Commerce tomorrow. The address will launch a move for better roads to carry trade to Carlisle, which is now diverted to other centers because of bad roads leading to that town.

OSTEOPATHIC SOCIETY

 of Philadelphia will meet tonight at the Hotel Adelphi to discuss enrollment for national service in case of war. Dr. Leonard H. English will speak. He has come from Washington to tell the members what they will be expected to do if war comes.

COMMODORE Charles Longstreth's

 new gasoline yacht, the Venti, the latest addition to the Corinthian Yacht Club, has been accepted by the Navy Department for patrol service in case of war. The yacht was launched yesterday at the yard of the Mathis Shipbuilding Company, in Camden.

MOTHERS who entered their Babies in last Saturday's Pretty Baby Contest

HORTICULTURAL HALL Broad below Locust.

On account of the vast number of babies entered in Central Philadelphia Day of the Pretty Baby Contest last Saturday, many mothers were unable to have their babies judged.

To take care of this number the Food Fair Committee and the SUPPLEE MILK COMPANY have decided to run a special day on Saturday, March 17. All those mothers who were not admitted last week, and those who were unable to attend on that day, are eligible to the contest this week.

Mothers should bring their babies to Horticultural Hall at 1.30 P. M. promptly and have them entered again at the Hall. Free admittance to mothers entering their babies. Contest only open to babies between 6 months and 24 months.

COUNCILS' BRIEFS

The appointment of Charles S. Calwell, president of the Corn Exchange National Bank, to the board of directors of the Commercial Museum was confirmed today by Select Council. Mr. Calwell fills the

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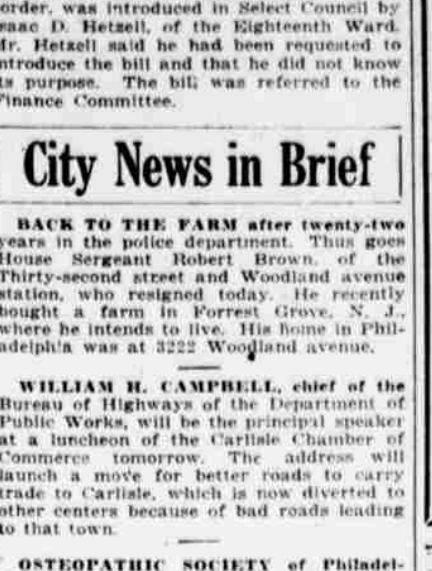
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A DRESSMAKER is being sought

by her son, who is wounded in an army hospital in France. She is Mrs. Josephine Hunsticker, formerly of Philadelphia and Atlantic City. Hospital nurses have written, asking that the mother be located. The son's name is Tone Courtot.

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