All three railroads in this city have placed mbargoes on freight with the exception of distuffs and live stock. The Philadelphia and Reading Railway, however, will accept hipments for stations on its own lines, sub ect to delay

The embargoes of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad went into effect last night. Drastic steps such as taken, which will affect the city very seriously, have been made imperative. railroad officials say, because of the threatened rail strike, scheduled for 8 o'clock

Whatever discomfort the city may suffer from the embargoes will not extend to the food supply. Officials of the railroads assured this fact today in explaining the isguance of the embargo orders.

Baltimore and Ohio officials are already making efforts to reduce the effectiveness of the proposed strike. They refused however, to discuss the plans by saving that they did not care to reveal them to the brotherhoods. Placards have been posted in all the stations with a personal appeal from President Willard for the men to remain loyal.

Realizing the gravity of the situation Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania. and Agnew T. Dice, president of the Reading, hurried to New York yesterday to take part in a conference of railroad presidents The decision to call the railroad president: to the front came as one of a series of last resorts to end the strike controversy Charles H. Ewing, general man ager of the Reading, who has been representing that road in the conference of man New York, returned to the city, and, after a short review of the situation left on the 19 o'clock train with Mr. Dice An hour later Mr. Res was on his way.

EMBARGO PUT IN FORCE The embargo, effective at 5 o'clock p. m. esterday, was placed by the Pennsylvania, hiladelphia. Baltimore and Washington and West Jersey and Seashore Italiroads. This action, the companies said, was necessary to avoid the possibility of heavy congestion at the commencement of the strike ould one be made effective.

The embargo notice reads as follows Effective at the close of business Fri-day, March 16, on account of the threatened strike, the Pennsylvania, Philadel-phia, Baltimore and Washington and West Jersey and Seashore Railroads embargo all freight of all kinds from all points for all destinations, except live mal- consumption (domestic), shipments consigned to officers of the United States Government, fuel and supplies for company use and news print paper.

All freight, as above described, which may be in transit will not be accepted from the New York. Philadelphia and Railroad, Cumberland Valley Railroad, Cornwall and Lebanon Rail road, Susquehanna, Bloomsburg and Ber-wick Railroad, Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, or other connecting lines at any junction point after date and hour above named, regardless of date on which

shipment was accepted as indicated by date on billing. All bills of lading issued on and after Saturday, March 17, 1917, and until further notice, must bear the following

"This shipment accepted subject to delay, loss and damage account of threatened strike. STRIKE ACTION HERE HELD UP

It is extremely unlikely that any strike action could be taken by employes of the Pittsburgh before tomorrow night. The four chairmen of the local bodies will leave tonight for the Smoky City, where they will meet a representative of the Grand Lodge, who will instructions to them.

William Park is the local chairman of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, J. B. Hendricks occupies that position in the Brotherhood of Conductors, while the Trainmen and Firemen and Engineers have C E. Musser and H. E. Gore respectively as their local representatives.

The Baltimore and Ohio brotherhoods have their offices at Baltimore, while one of the Philadelphia and Reading Brotherhood officers lives at Harrisburg and the It is not known just what action is going

be taken in Pittsburgh, but it is said those conversant with the situation that when the conference is over strike will have been perfected to the minutest

### U. S. Defenseless, Governors Told

Continued from Page One

tions which had been adopted, and another statement which related to work Governor Brumbaugh is doing along the preparedness . This statement said :

The Governor of Pennsylvania is al-ready taking steps to secure a State com-mittee of safety, whose patriotic duty will be to make at once a complete inventory of this State's equipment and resources to be available in the event of military necessity."

During the conference there was empha ed the probability of war with Germany any time, and the resolutions adopted dly express an idea of the size of the task the Governors feel they have before

While it was the idea of the conference. which first was suggested by Governor Edge, to do the work they feel must be done, so that the five seaboard States could lution expressly states that each Governor proceed with the first part of his

work in any way he sees fit.

The resolutions given out after the meeting follow: "Resolved. That we do hereby express and represent the urgency for prompt action in furnishing such supplies and equipment, now deficient and greatly needed by date troops, and that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Honorable the President of the United States, the Contrast of the United States, the Honorable be Secretary of War and the Honorable be Secretary of the Navy, with a most arnest and respectful request that this shject be given the immediate attention which its importance demands."

Mt. Airy Student Accepts Pasterate Stiff ALO, N. Y., March 17.—The Revisolph Kraugh, a student at Mount Airy planty. Philadelphia, has talegraphed sceptance of the call to the pastorate has beet Plain, N. Y., Lutheran Church, will assume his new duties June 1, foliate his graduation from the Philadelphia

### ROADSHERE RAILROAD STRIKE ORDER HELD UP 48 HOURS; TIE-UP IS DELAYED

tions and other property of the railroads i

were instructed to turn the orders over to their house sergeants. The moment word is sent forth from City Hall that a strike

has been called, each house sergeant will tear open his envelope and carry out the

Film, Sounds Warning of Im-

pending Conflict

"I do not see how we are to be kept out of the war," he said. "The first clash be-

tween an armed American merchantman

in addition to sending abroad money and

munitions, this country should sent an army corps. I think the war will end.

rials and the magnificent manner in which

IN CHURCH PARISH HOUSE

Flames in Basement Extinguished by

Time Engines Arrive

on Scene

Father Edmund O'Shea, assistant rector

of the Church of the Annunciation, Tenth street near Dickinson, today put out single-

handed a fire which started in the basement

of the parish house, 924 Greenwich street

The Rev. Thomas J. Hurton, rector of

Meanwhile, Father O'Shea went about his

work, and when the fire engines arrived they found their help unnecessary. The

blaze, which did triffing damage, is sup-posed to have started with a leak in a gar

ACCUSED OF HAVING OPIUM

United States Revenue Agents Arrest

Pittsburgher Here

Rubins, thirty years old, of Pittsburgh, fell afoul of the United States revenue

agents here today, when he was arrested and accused of having optum in his pos-

package of onlum and some yenshee were seized, according to Colonel William G. Beach, Ralph Oyler and Dr. Joseph Mur-

ray, all Covernment agents, who searched Rubins's room at 924 Winter street.

them that he came to Philadelphia to find his sweetheart, who disappeared from Pittsburgh. He said that he became ad-

dicted to the opium habit following an at-

ministered morphine to him.

He was held under \$500 bail for court

Hot Springs Results

FIRST RACE, three-year-olds and upward

Spectre. S9. Jeffcott... 7 to 2 6 to 5 3 to 5 Petit Bleu. 106. Moles-

2. Fetti filed, 106, Moless. 3. Haxlenut, 97, Merrimee 5 to 2 1 to 1 2 to 5 Time, 1:43 2-5, Dyson, Rhymer, Lady Mil-dred, Miss Detroit and Huda's Brother also

an. SECOND RACE, three-year-olds and upward.

seiling. 1. mile: T. Lady Ward. 87, Troise — 2 to 1 4 to 5 1 to 3 2. Will. Do. 108, Tudor. — 12 to 1 5 to 1 5 to 2 3. Stonehenge. 108, Murphy. 5 to 2 4 to 5 2 to 5 Time. 142 2-5. Bolala, Kneelet, Etta's

Havana Results

Aged Man Hit by Motortruck

Julius Graf, seventy years oid, of Had-onfield, N. J., was seriously injured at

Sixth and Market streets this morning when

he was knocked down by a heavy motor-truck operated by William Moyer, of Ard-

Commissioner Long, after a hearing in

tack of pneumonia when physicians

Rubins, Government officers

complete opium smoking layout, a

in search of his sweetheart,

sipe near a tight in the cellar.

building.

"Womanhood' shows the herole

American troops arrive. As for the

PRIEST QUENCHES FIRE

blows for liberty ever struck."

orders he finds within.

WAR WITH GERMANY

Street Opera House on Monday,

each district have been assigned guards.

ofitinged from Page One out, there was a long search for one of the Federal judges by Leighton P. Stradley. counsel for the petitioners. As court closed at noon, and the railroad men were late with their proceedings, the effort to find a judge failed.

The suits were individual, being directed against the local chairman, the chairman of the general grievance committee and the officers of the unions. The complainants were C. B. Miller, D. J. Burk, M. F. Glessner and William Reising, all of Baltimore Each is a member of the four brotherhoods. CALLED ILLEGAL ORDER

Leighton P. Stradley issued a general statement this afternoon outlining the posiion taken by his clients. The strike order is attacked as illegal, he said, because ballot on which the men are to be called from work was taken nine months ago, and when the difference between the railroads and their employes were settled

was automatically canceled.

Its attempted revival at this time is arbihe insisted, and is without authority Furthermore, he said, the men believe the uestions causing the strike should be submitted to arbitration, as this is provided for in the constitution and bylaws of the Refusal to arbitrate, he olds, is an unlawful exercise of power by the chief officers.

Finally, according to Stradley, the strike was not properly obtained, anyway As for the great majority of the railroad employes, he said, they will not strike when the order comes. He estimated ten cent of the total number of union men as the number likely to stop work,

The railroad unions concerned are the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the International Brotherhood of Locomotive Eugineers, the Order of Railway and the Locomotive Firemen and Engine

#### EFFECTS OF ORDER

According to Stradley, a restraining order by the Court against the strike would extend to every corner of the State. Through the suits in the Eastern district the other districts of the State would be affected. districts of the State and the injunction would be effective against mer on all railroads coming into the State George Brodbeck, cierk of the the State. George Brodbeck, cierk of the Court, at once issued summonses on the many individual defendants named in the suits when they were instituted and dock

The men bringing suit declare that the rainmen, firemen and enginemen are all insured by the brotherhoods to which they A strike will entail great expense. it is alleged, and this will seriously impair the insurance funds. Furthermore, the brotherhoods were organized to promote harmonious relations between the railroad chiefs and their men, and these relations the strike will disrupt. Therefore, the strike order of C. E. Musser, one of the defendants, who is general chairman of the general grievance committee is illegal, it is held, as it will create hostile relations stead of the good will that should obtain, A poil of the men on the Pennsylvania Railroad, to sound their sentiment on the strike order, was attempted at New York.

### it is said. Trainmen said eighty-five per cent of the men refused to give any answer. FOOD UP IN NEW YORK:

ROADS LAY EMBARGOES

NEW YORK, March 17.- New York to day is feeling the first pinch of apprehension of a nation-wide railroad strike. No freight is moving out of the city and little, except that started before yesterday, is coming in Embargoes are in force on all roads bring ing to New York supplies vital to its exis

Absolute embargoes are in effect on New York Central and Erie railroads. The Pennsylvania Railroad is making an effort to move live stock for food. Government news print paper. All bills of lading are made out "subject to de-

Milk is the only article not under the ban of the New Haven Railroad embargo. This system has even given notice that it will discontinue dining cars and sleeping car service after tonight, and suggests that passenger services will be greatly crippled Limited embargoes on lines other those touching New York have been de-clared on the Grand Trunk. Boston and Albany, Boston and Maine and West Jersey and Seashore Railroads.

Food prices soared today in apprehension of a strike. Wholesale dealers have made a rush to store up supplies. City officials have taken steps to prevent speculation by food manipulators.

### P. R. R. FIXES QUARTERS

IN EVENT OF STRIKE

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 17 .- As a precaution against a strike the Pennsylvania Railroad here has had the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. of the company, in its building, preparations have been made in available places at the company's roundhouse and shops at Mt. Carbon.

This is believed here to indicate that the ompany expects a suspension of work upon part of a number of its crews, and that it may find it necessary to accommo date men who shall take the places of such. The company is receiving freight consign-

The situation is quite different with the Philadelphia and Reading Railway. There

### LINES, IN RECEIVERSHIP, DEMAND U. S. PROTECTION

CHICAGO March 17. - J. M. Dickinson eceiver of the Rock Island Railiroad, and William J. Jackson, receiver for the ago and Eastern Illinois, appeared before United States Judge Carpenter in cham-bers today and demanded Federal protection for the railroad property and for the men who remained in the employ of the railroads in case of a strike, and for any

Judge Carpenter assured both receivers that protection would be given to the ut-most authority of the United States. United States Marshal Bradley was called into the conference by Judge Carpenter and instructed to protect railroad property. It was announced that a telegram had been sent to the Attorney General asking authority to swear in the employes of the two railroads as deputy United States marshale States marshals and give them badges and arms.

The last word by the official spokesmen of the Chicago unionists was voiced today by Timothy Shea, n charge of the strike arrangements in Chicago and the Middle

"It's up to the railroads" he said. "The workers are determined to get the eighthour day, and that will be accomplished as surely as night follows day. If the rail-roads don't yield, it is my opinion that there won't be many trains moving in the United States after tomorrow."

Chief of Police Schuettler conferred with

railway officials who had requested police protection for terminals and other railway property in the event the strike goes effect tonight.

### POLICE LIEUTENANTS GET SEALED STRIKE ORDERS

Sealed strike orders have been sent t every police station in the city by Captain William B. Mills, of the traffic squar. Captains Mills was placed in charge of the police arrangements for keeping order and protecting property, following the recent conference on the strike situation between Superintendent Robinson and Director Wilson.

FIRST RACE, three-year-olds and upward, in iming, 5½ furlongs.

Lost Fortune, 114, Miller, 6 to 5 1 to 2 out.
Marigold, 103, Rowan, 8 to 1 3 to 1 7 to 5
Protageros, 107, Paiz, 6 to 1 2 to 1 even.
Time, 108 2-5. Our Netts, Stonybrook, Palm, est and Heart Real also ran.

RECOND RACE, three-year-olds and upward, laiming, 5½ furlongs. Sales OSD Acts. Inter-year-olds and upward laiming, 545 furiones:
Flecha Negra, 104. Boylan,5 to 1 8 to 5 4 to 5. Sable, 110, Gray.
- even 2 to 5 out.
Magnetina 95, Perg. 6 to 1 2 to 1 even.
Time, 1:07-2-5. Califord Boy. Cherry Belle and Bray also ran. ments only to nearby places. normal conditions exist. No preparations

more. The driver was arrested and held for a further hearing. Wrapped Fish in Newspapers Charged with having wrapped fish in ewspapers, twenty-seven dealers from the narket section along Fourth street south of Reed were arraigned before Magistrate Baker, at 1634 South Sixth street, this afternoon. Some were held under \$200 others who might enter its employ. Both receiverships are Federal. ball for court, others were fined \$13 and

osts, and five were discharged. Loots Box Office Amid Crowd ERIE, Pa., March 17 .- As hundreds of people were leaving a theatre here last night an armed and masked bandit forced the cashier to turn over the entire box office receipts, amounting to \$1000. The ban joined the theatre crowds and escaped.

## RECEIVERS APPOINTED Cross Suits in Equity Resulting From

DATESTATING TODOG DIRECTED AND DESCRIPTION SATURDAY MARGET MARGET

Extensive Building Operations These orders have been placed in en-velopes, scaled and sent to the lieutenants of the various districts. The lieutenants

The Land Title and Trust Company and Thomas W. Beardwood were appointed re-ceivers of bonds, mortgages and all ac-counts involved in the cross suits in equity fled by John Gribbel and the Fairmoun Savings Trust Company, of which he is president, against George H. McClatchy, a builder, and by McClatchy against Gribbel before Judge Shoemaker today in Common Pleas Court

Mr. Gribbel also took action against 200 building and loan associations in which Mr Gribbel also took action against 200 NEAR, SAYS REV. BRADY McClatchy held stock. The total amount of assets involved in the case is said to Clergyman, Here for Preparedness be more than \$500,000.

In his suit against Gribbel, McClatchy demanded an accounting and reconveyance of mortgages, bonds and other holdings. Both suits are the result of disputes which War with Germany is just around the orner, according to the Rev. Dr. Cyrus arose over the financing of the McClatchy building operations. In both bills were Townsend Brady, who arrived in Philadelphia yesterday to superintend the premier and they relate in detail the many transactions which will require considerable skill on the part of the receivers to unof his new patriotic preparedness film "Womanhood." to open at the Chestnut

The court was asked to compel Mr. Mclatchy and the other defendants to make a full explanation of these transactions. and to restrain the building associations from permitting Mr. McClatchy or his repesentatives to withdraw any shares o tock he has been carrying therein

#### however, with an Allied victors before the QUEEN MARY ATTENDS sian revolution, it is one of the greatest WOMEN MASS-MEETING

part women take in every great war, their Austen Chamberlain Speaks Before Royalty of Fair Sex's Organization for Victory

> LONDON. March 17.—Queen Mary this afternoon attended a big mass-meeting in Moert Hall held to stimulate women's serve in the war. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary for Af-

fairs in India, was one of the speckers. 'An organized nation of women nower will give us strength to procure an honor-able peace." he asserted.

## PLAN CITY DEFENSE CORPS

Mayor and Representative Men Will Meet Tuesday to Discuss Project

the church, was saying mass at the time the conflagration started. The junitor of the church had seen the smoke issuing from the basement and he turned in an alarm. Plans for organization of a municipal lefense corps will be made at a conference among Mayor Smith, George Wentworth Carr and representatives of business and ndustrial houses at City Hall Tuesday afternoon. The proposed military body is to co

operate with the naval reserve corps, which will be commanded by Commandant Russeil, of the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Re-cruiting offices are to be opened, with head-quarters at City Hall. Mr. Carr was suggested by Mayor Smith as chairman of the home defense committee. Recruiting for the naval reserve continues, more than 100 of the 6000 desired having enlisted at a recruiting office opened at the Naval Twenty-sixth street and Grav's

### SENATOR CUMMINS COLLAPSES Stricken While Speaking in Defense of

His 'Armed Ship" Vote NEW YORK, March 17.-Senator Cumins collapsed this afternoon while delivering a speech before the Republican Club defending his action in voting against the armed neutrality bill.

A physician was summoned, but he continued his address when it developed that the attack was not serious

Alleged Dope Peddler Arrested Harry Harris, of 2152 North Marvine street, an alleged dope peddler was arrested vith selling a package of heroin to Miss Emily Myers, at Eighth and Buttonwood streets. Several puckages of cocaine and heroin were found in Harris's possession

according to the police. Commissioner Long held him under \$1000 bail to answer the

United States to Adjust Claims WASHINGTON, March 17. - Claims against the Government in which 2800 pervarious parts of the country are interested will shortly be adjusted, the Department of Labor announced this after-noon after the swearing in of two members of the new United States Employes' Com-

Time. 1.42.25. Bolala Kneelet. Etta's Charm. Dr. Kendali and Hope also ran TMIRID RACK 3-rear olds and up. selling. Signature of the following selling. Tagger 1. Lamphorne. 115. T. Mc. 1. Lamphorne. 115. T. Mc. 2. Treiss. 104. Troise. 105. 1.4 to 1.2 to 1.3 Recline. 106. Leffcott. 15 to 1.6 to 1.3 to 1.3 Recline. 106. Leffcott. 15 to 1.6 to 1.3 to 1.5 Time. 1.07.35. Kultur. Signar King. Freeman, Alex Geta and Miss Kroter also ran. FOURTH. BACK handicap. 3-rear-olds and up. 5 furtongs. 1. Hanovia. 14. T. Mec. Taggart. 15 to 2. Bedtime. Stories. 10a. 1 Killed, 15 Hurt by Miss. Tornado Handyla, 14. T. P. 16.2

Taggart

Bedfire Stories 0.0 Sto 5.7 to 10.1 to 5.

Lyke O'Dowd, 105. 10 to 1.3 to 1.4 to 5.

Jacks O'Dowd, 106. Hensley also ras TUPELO Miss., March 17.-Mrs. John Moreland was killed, fifteen persons were injured and many farmhouses were detornado that swept northeastern Mississippi.

> Frenchman Shoots Down 34th Plane PARIS. March 17.-Lieutenant Guyemer has brought down his thirty-fourth aero plane, the War Office announced today daring aviator shot down three yesterday. The War Office statement also announce that a total of nine enemy machines fell operations.

### Ends Suffering With Gas

Intense suffering caused by an incurable lisease is the explanation given by police for the suicide of William A. Hol-and, sixty-nine years old, of 2187 East Hazard street, who was found dead by his son today. The body was lying in the bathtub in their home and the end of a gas tube was in the suicide's mouth

No Settlement Yet of Capital Strike WASHINGTON, March 17 .- An attempt to end the Washington street-car strike through a conference with the directors of the Washington Railway and Electric Company called by the District Commissioners was "without affirmative result." It was announced at the conclusion of the meeting

Chester's Ad Club Plans Expansion CHESTER, Pa., March 17.—Directors of he Ad Club, of this city, which won first prize in the pageant last summer in Philadelphia, are planing a campaign to in-crease its scope. A schedule of luncheon hour meetings has been made at the Chester Club every Monday. Advertising experts will address the organization

A new thing for a cigarette to do-20 for 10c Chesterfield CIGARETTES of IMPORTED and DOMESTIC tobaccos-Blended

## FOR BONDS IN DISPUTE GIBBONEY CALLED **ALLY OF BOOZE**

Methodist Conference Applauds Denunciation of Law and Order Head

CHALLENGE TO DEBATE

Dr. Clarence T. Wilson's Offer to Meet Philadelphian on Platform Accepted

A denunciation of D. Clarence Gibboney for his alleged activities in behalf of the liquor interests brought forth a storm of approval today at the Methodist Conferand Lehigh avenue. Stinging criticism of the Law and Order president was uttered by the Rev. Dr. Clarence T. Wilson, of the board of temperance of the Prohibition and Public Morals Association, in course of an address on temperance. He issued a challenge to Gibboney to de-

bate on the liquor question. This was accepted by Gibboney as soon as word of it was brought to him In the course of his remarks, Doctor Wilson said:

"You have a man here in Philadelphia who came to Washington to work against our local Prohibition fight in the District of Columbia. He is quoted by the liquor interests all over the United States. His sayings are printed and circulated by or Dealers' Association. At this point the Rev. Dr. John B. Mar-

tin, who was formerly a pastor of the church attended by Gibboney, rose and objected to the remarks of the speaker "If you mean Gibboney, I object to these remarks," he said. "I knew him well and was his pastor two years. He was a great force for righteousness."

GIBBONEY CHALLENGED "Yes, I meant Gibboney," replied Doctor Wilson with emphasis. "He is a man so busy serving the liquor interests that I hardly see how he can promote law and order in this city."

and there when the name of Gibboney was "I would like to debate with Gibboney on

Hisses were heard in the church here

Doctor Martin asked if this was a direct challenge. Doctor Wilson replied that i was, and added, "I'll make is more ample Ill have May, June and July of this year free for public debate. If Clibbs consent we can have sixty debates in all parts of the United States." GIBBONEY'S REPLY

In reply to the remarks of Doctor Wil-

son. Mr. Gibboney said:
"I should be very glad to meet Doctor
Wilson in debate at any time in the future that it can be arranged. It is a fact that I opposed the passage of the dry law for the District of Columbia. I'm as much opposed to the liquor business as Doctor Wilson is or ever was, and have done quite as much against it in behalf of honest temperance as he has. "I am not in favor of the abolition of the

liquor business, for the existence of which the nation and the States are responsible, unless some provision for a division of the losses is made. In other words, I believe if the lossitimate liquor business is made. if the legitimate liquor business is abolished in Pennsylvania, for instance, that the losses incurred by the liquor dealers should be divided among all the people. Some sort of compensation or reimbursement should be made to the man who loses his legitimate investment, which would not nave been made unless the State had legalized the business."

PEEDICTS "DRY" NATION Rum will have to go if the United States is plunged into war, according to the Rev. Dr. R. E. Johnson, of Philadelphia, chairman of the temperance board of the ference, who gave startling facts and fig-ures to hundreds of ministers. The remarks of the Rev. Doctor Johnson were greeted with applause, and prayers were offered for a dry nation at the con-

commended the lead being taken by many newspapers in the land temperance fight by their refugal to ac-cept liquor advertisements, and said that this was a step which would go far toward

educating the unthinking public In reference to the move of Philadelphia society women to abolish the use of cocktalls for the debutante he said: Joseph M. Gazzam, of our city, is leading the forces and already splendid results are accruing. A binding pledge is being signed by scores of the elect ladies, and hundreds of the young people are being enlisted in this cause.

### ANTI-SALOON FIELD DAY IN PHILADELPHIA

Thirty Meetings in Behalf of "Dry' Pennsylvania in Churches Tomorrow

Thirty meetings to promote a campaign for a dry Pennsylvania have been arranged for tomorrow, according to announcement made today by the Rev. Homer W. Tope Philadelphia district superintendent of the Pennsylvania Anti-Saloon League.

This is called Field Day and is a certed effort to awaken people to the need of prohibition. Speakers of national renown will be in Philadelphia. There are

ien meetings in this city.

The ten Philadelphia meetings are as

follows: Senator Wesley Jones, at the Fletcher Methodist Episcopal Church, Fifty-fourth and Master streets; the Rev. Jesse Empringham, at the Tioga Methodist Episco

Church, Eighteenth and Tioga streets and Dr. T. Alexander Cairns, at the Co umbia Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church at afternoon meetings and the Rev. W. H. Gotwa'd at the Covenant Methodist Epis-copal Church, the Rev. H. E. Wollever, at he Spring Garden Methodist Episcopa Church; the Rev. H. M. Chalfant, at St. Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church; Professor E. Stauffer, at the East Montcomery Methodist Episcopal Church; the Rev. W. H. Gotwald, at the Gethseman Methodist Episcopal Church; the Rev. H. M. Chalfant, at the Norris Square Metho dist Episcopal Church; the Rev. E. H. Wal-lace, at the Eimwood Methodist Episcopal Church: Dr. T. Alexander Cairns at S Stephen's Methodist Episcopal Church, and . Day Browniee, at the Boulevard United Presbyterian Church, at morning meetings. The Rev. Mr. Tope will preach at the Methodist church in Conshohocken in

# OF LAPLAND'S

Big Liner, Attacked by U-Boat in B lish Channel, Dodged Torpede and Fights Attacker

NEW YORK, March 17.-A thrill story of how the 18,000-ton White h liner Lapland battled with a German sub-marine and actually dodged its torpeden was brought here today by passengers the liner. The battle occurred on the la voyage over and the British censorals prevented it from being cabled back.

The U-boat tackled the liner while h was proceeding up the Irish channel torpedo was launched, but a quick skin by the wheelsman threw the liner out of its course and the deadly missile panel twenty feet to the stern. The Lapland gunners opened fire with their thinks guns and after a short exchange the U-best

Sappeared. Passengers also declared they heard of another attempt on the vessel as it reaches the mouth of the Mersey. A British paire boat is reported to have driven away and injured another U-boat.

GIRL STORY TELLER TO SPEAK

Mabel Powers Will Lecture for Home and School League

Miss Mabel Powers, famous story to Miss Mabel Powers, famous story tells, who was adopted into the Snipe Clan of the Seneca nation and who i.ved among the indians to study their ways and customs will lecture at 3 o'clock this afternon at the William Penn High School. The lecture will be delivered under the suspice of the Home and School League.

Boy Scouts will act as ushers and the suspice of the Home and School League. Boy Scouts will act as ushers and Camp Fire Girls will be in charge of the star. School children as well as adolts will attend

#### TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION DEATRS

HUNN.—At Washington, D. C. March R. RELLE STEELMAN, wife of William H. Bunn. 2 p. m., residence of sister, Mrs. William F. Pearce, 2020 Wallace st. in: brivate. Mos. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. Martivate. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. Martivate. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. Martivate. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. Martivate. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. March 17. Mag. HOWARD.—At Chicaso. March 18. ANNA GENETII DOUGLAS.—March 16. ANNA GENETII Mary Virginia. Crawford Douglas. Essive and friends invited to funeral services. Min. Epiphany Church, Washington, D. C. Int. private.

LOST AND FOUND PURSE—Lost, on Friday a sternoon, small purse, between Weyman's music store as Wanamaker's, containing \$2, some changs as silver and gun metal watch, marked on insiderase with initials A. F. S. Return to Anti-Saloon League off., Stock Ex. Big. Tre. re.

HELP WANTED-FEMALE GIRLS WANTED

TO LEARN TO MAKE LITTLE CIGARS
DESIRABLE, STEADY WORK
PAID 47 PER WEEK WHILE LEARNING
LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO CO.
THIRD AND OMFARIO

HELP WANTED-MALE TOCK CLERK-Young man in large lumber office; good opportunity for tuture advance-ment to man with ability and willing to work M 154, Ledger Central. MAN AND WIFE wanted, white, Prot.; man as chauffeur; wife gen, hwk.; small fam, bee Germantown, Add., with ref. P 402, Led. or.

## The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company

Office of the President, Baltimore, Md., March 15, 1917

To all Officers and Employes:

It has been broadly stated in the press for several days past that at 6 P. M. on Saturday, March 17, 1917, all locomotive engineers, firemen, train conductors and brakemen on a number of important railroad systems, including the Baltimore & Ohio, will stop work in a body unless otherwise ordered; in other words, go on strike. Such action under any circumstances would be a serious menace to the public

welfare, and I am unwilling to believe that the rumors are well founded-at least so

far as Baltimore & Ohio employes are concerned. In any event, if such action is even under contemplation, it seems to me only fair to the men in the service of this Company that I should state the situation clearly as it is understood by me. On September 2, 1916, the Congress of the United States passed the so-called Adamson 8-hour law, to become effective on January 1, 1917. This act, as you know, was hastily prepared, was indefinite in its terms, and in addition to this, many able

the Supreme Court was asked to say first, whether the law was constitutional or not, and second, if constitutional, how it should be interpreted and applied. The case was argued before the Supreme Court on January 8, 9, 10, 1917. Pending a decision of the case the railroads were instructed to keep their records of the time worked by the various employes affected by the 1 w, so that whatever final conclusion might be reached concerning the law, the men should receive the full benefit

lawyers and others felt that the law itself was unconstitutional; consequently

from the date when the law was to become effective, that is to say, January 1, 1917. The Baltimore & Ohio Company is so keeping the time of all of its employes affected, and if the law is declared constitutional, it expects to pay and will pay by special voucher the increased wages due any employe since January 1, 1917...

The Baltimore & Ohio Company offered last summer, when this matter was under discussion and again proposes that if the law is found to be unconstitutional, to have all . matters in this controversy submitted to arbitration before a board of arbitrators to be chosen by the President of the United States.

Certainly no fairer proposition was ever submitted by any company to its employes. No fairer proposition can be submitted; to go further than the Baltimore & Ohio Company is willing to go would simply be yielding to force and not to the spirit of fair dealing.

It is not necessary that Baltimore & Ohio employes should strike in order to obtain fair treatment, either in this or in other case. This controversy can be settled in an orderly way and settled fairly, and it should be kept in mind that the question submitted to the Supreme Court was a very complicated and important one, and furthermore, there were other cases before the court which had to be decided in proper order, and no one, I am sure, would wish to have this matter passed upon hastily or incompletely by such an important tribunal as the Supreme Court of the United States.

It has been stated that the employes on some of the other lines will not be affected by the strike order. Is this because they are more loyal to their employers, or are they more patriotic citizens than the employes of the Baltimore & Ohio Company? I cannot believe that such is the case. I cannot believe, nor will I believe, that Baltimore & Ohio employes will without cause take hasty, unwarranted and unecessary action, the direct effect of which will be to bring great inconvenience, if not real distress, to large numbers, and which might and probably would do great and unforeseen harm in other directions.

I hope it will never be said that Baltimore & Ohio employes in a time like this took action which gave satisfaction, aid and comfort to those opposed to the welfare of the United States.

DANIEL WILLARD.

President.