

# WAR INSURANCE INQUIRY BEGUN

Cost of \$1000 Policies for Fighting Men Studied by Councils' Committee

GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL

Select Councilman James Walsh, of the thirty-eighth ward, who is sponsor for the plan to insure the lives of men in military or naval service for the benefit of dependents, today started an investigation of the cost of such a move, based on an insurance policy of \$1000 for each man.

The committee of select council appointed to make the investigation includes, besides Walsh, William H. Quigley, of the twenty-eighth ward, and Alfred M. Waldron, of the thirty-first ward. These men will confer with a committee of three members of Common Council which President Edward B. Gleason is expected to name today.

The scope of the investigation is left entirely to the members of the two committees, chosen as the result of a resolution passed by both branches of Councils late yesterday. It is likely that Chairman Walsh will confine his hunt to necessary information upon which to base a financial scheme for issuing either individual policies or a group policy taking in all Philadelphia, who volunteer to aid the nation. Whether or not the insurance scheme will later be extended to provide for Philadelphia who might be subject to a selective draft will be determined later.

The plan to insure Philadelphia has been branded by Mayor Smith as both practical and feasible and is merely awaiting action by the committee entrusted with the preliminary investigation to pass finally upon a project which already has been endorsed by many financiers and business men of the city.

# "BILLY" PRAYS CUPID TO DISOWN SLACKERS

Sunday Beggars Girls Not to "Let Cowards Hide Behind Their Skirts"

NEW YORK, April 13.—The Rev. "Billy" Sunday returned to his recruiting campaign for a few minutes in his sermons and said his say about the slackers who get married to escape conscription. He had referred to the cosmopolitan population of New York and had told his audience that doubtless many of their ancestors had come in through Castle Garden or Ellis Island to seek liberty beneath the American flag.

"That flag is now unfurled," he cried. "We have been assailed by the enemy. They've spit in our face and hurled insults into our teeth. Surely when we unfurl the flag we'll not deny loyalty to it."

"The fellow who wears the skirt and peacock of some girl the shelter behind which he evades the service of Uncle Sam, oh, he's a slacker and a coward and he comes mighty close to being a traitor! It's a disgrace when a man has so many applications at the marriage license bureau of Brooklyn and New York as there are at the recruiting stations.

"You women have your part for service, too. You can all join the Red Cross or take up war relief work."

**Appointed to City Positions**

City appointments today include Thomas W. Clements, 81 High street; Ernest A. Wrigley, 18 South Forty-fourth street; and George Rittenhouse, 684 West Johnson street, surveyor. Bureau of Water, salaries, \$1480; Mrs. Minnie Cain, 5832 Cedar street, housekeeper, Bureau of Charities, \$730; William E. Desmond, 5315 Walton avenue, fireman, Bureau of Water, \$800; Benjamin Gaus, 2345 Harlan street, foreman of labor, Bureau of Water, \$850; and William Battagione, 202 Gaskill street, special inspector, Bureau of Health, \$1080 a year.

**Motortruck Kills Boy at Play**

CHESTER, Pa., April 13.—While running after a baseball on Madison street, Gilbert Langie, five years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Langie, was struck in front of his home by a delivery truck. He died in the arms of his mother, Howard Knight, a driver for the Chester Lumber and Coal Company, was arrested.

**Police Court Chronicle**

Ell Higgle believes it's time for people to start in and train their appetites. The time to begin self-sacrifice, he asserts, is now. Those who are used to eating roast beef, chicken, potatoes, pie and ice cream, he says, better try living on mush and milk and plain bread and butter. If people get accustomed to this line of food for awhile, Higgle points out, it won't be so difficult if they have to do it when a shortage of food comes.

He began his food limit policy right in his own home by clipping five dollars from the allowance he gave his wife. When Mrs. Higgle complained he told her, "I'm doing it for her own good as well as his. The tale of economy didn't sound good to her. There was one dominant thought in her mind—'What's he doin' with the extra five?' She followed Higgle one night and discovered."

That after a dinner of bread, butter and tea at home he went to a restaurant and ate a regular meal.

That after the meal he bought cigars and drinks.

But Mrs. Higgle kept mum. After her economical husband dined the following night Mrs. Higgle followed him. When he entered the restaurant for a big meal she planted herself opposite him and said she would have the same thing. He ordered her out. She went, but took him with her. A cop prevented another domestic tragedy and escorted husband and wife before Magistrate Baker.

The judge agreed that Mrs. Higgle had done the proper thing. She was discharged.

"But I wanted to save money," said Higgle.

"If you want to be economical," said the judge, "start on yourself and don't make others suffer."

On promising to cut out the war measures and give his wife her regular allowance for the table, Higgle was discharged.

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*Mademoiselle Miss*

INTIMATE, holy, comforting things stand here and there unharmed in the wrecked villages of France and Belgium—a crucifix still erect, a sewing machine, a baby's cradle. These letters tell of them.

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# YES! THE HIGH-MINDED CENSORS AT IT AGAIN

Turn "The Tides of Barnegat" at Stanley Into a "Moral" Photoplay

By the Photoplay Editor

STANLEY—"The Tides of Barnegat." Lasky-Paramount, with Blanche Sweet and Elliott Dexter. Story adapted by the author from the novel by Marshall Neilan. Directed by Marshall Neilan.

The censors, who must be credited with being pretty good children lately, are at it again. The temptation to Bowdlerize was too strong for them in the case of "The Tides of Barnegat." So we are treated to the unedifying sight of the giddy little sister of Blanche Sweet "married" to the young scoundrel before he dies, leaving her to face the world with a baby. If she had really married him she would have been no story. But that didn't make any difference to the censors. They are going to be sweetly pretty at all costs, and they are going to see that the films are "moral," too. Aside from the fancy inserted scenes of censorial begetting, there's not a great deal to be said about "The Tides of Barnegat." Marshall Neilan has preserved the homely and human qualities of the story well, and he has aptly fitted to their roles and nicely trained. The narrative is slow in development and not particularly novel. But it has the genuine ring. Miss Sweet appears to better advantage than she has for some time. For one thing, her make-up is improved. The photography is artistic, though occasionally too dim.

**ARCADIA—"The Woman Who Dared."** Fearless, with Beatrix Lehmann. Story adapted from C. N. and A. M. Williamson's novel.

This is a rattling good story of mystery, suspense and theatrical effectiveness. True, it's not of much moment as a novelty. But it's deftly strung together and briskly and efficiently played. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson are old hands at the game of plotting. They know how to take the ancient ingredients, stir them up with a sauce of mystery, and deceive the spectator into thinking he is enjoying a fresh dish. Consequently, the time-trial situations of "the papers," the theft, the "Tosca"-like climax, and the man who can't explain his alibi in connection with a murder because he was in the apartment of a lady at the time, seem interesting. Especial praise must be given the interior sets, which convey the atmosphere of Rome and France beautifully. The camera-work is adequate, not enchanting.

**"The Censorship of Moving-Picture Films"** will be discussed by prominent speakers at the meeting of the Women's Club Society for Ethical Culture, 1324 Spruce street, tomorrow at 3 in the afternoon. Among those who will touch on the theme are Clinton Rogers Woodruff and Horace Stern. Discussion from the floor will follow the speeches.

President Wilson is one of the appreciative patrons of International's "Patricia," which teaches the lesson of national pride. The President has seen a number of the episodes of the photoplay as presented in the Keith Theatre, Washington. Every week, with the exception of the time when he was recently laid up with a severe cold, following the inauguration, the President has been in attendance at Keith's and witnessed the screening of "Patricia." Despite the multitudinous affairs of State which occupy his mind, the President last Saturday night attended Keith's and saw both parts of the twelfth episode.

# MR. AND MRS. STERN MARRIED 61 YEARS

Wedding Anniversary Celebrated. Children, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren Present

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stern, of 907 North Eighth street, the oldest married couple in that section of the city, will celebrate the sixty-first anniversary of their marriage in their home today surrounded by their eight married children, fifteen grandchildren, five of whom are married, and two great-grandchildren. They are both eighty-five years old. Mrs. Stern is just three months older than her husband.

The afternoon will be taken up by the reception of the children and grandchildren, and after a reunion dinner there will be a grand celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Stern always provide little treats for several philanthropic institutions on such a gala day.

The couple were born in Germany and came to America when quite young. They were married in 1836 in New York.

Mr. Stern is a pioneer in reform Judaism and is one of the founders of the Keneseth Israel Synagogue, and was a member of its board of directors for twenty years.

A reception for the friends of the couple will be held on Sunday afternoon in their home. They expect to receive more than 1000 of their friends.

As a resident of Philadelphia sixty-one years, Mr. Stern has been in the clothing business and later in the wholesale jewelry business, from which he retired sixteen years ago.

He now lives with his daughter, Mrs. J. M. Bachman. The several other children are Mrs. Joseph Stern, Mrs. Joseph Simons, Horace Stern, Sidney Stern, Lafayette Stern, Eugene Stern and Mrs. William Levy, of Baltimore.

**Aged Woman Killed by Trolley**

POTTSVILLE, Pa., April 13.—Mrs. John R. Reynolds, sixty-two years old, was struck by a trolley car, sustaining injuries which caused her death.

# LUNCH HOUR SIGHTS IN WAR TIME ON CHESTNUT STREET



# CAMDEN GIRL PROBATION OFFICER TEACHES PATRIOTISM TO CHARGES

Miss Mildred Cole Says Badges Help Children and Parents to Be Good

A yard of red, white and blue ribbon, seven pins, a spool of thread and a woman. That combination has started something in Camden.

The woman is pretty and unassuming, but she admits it from that yard of ribbon and spool of thread has developed a message which has gone into nearly 1000 homes in Camden—the message of patriotism and loyalty to the flag.

"How can I serve my country? What can I do to keep alive the spirit of loyalty?" Those questions and others flitted through the mind of Miss Mildred Cole, assistant probation officer of Camden County, after Congress declared a state of war.

She noticed that while the lawyers and doctors all talked war and urged men to stand by the flag, they somehow forgot, in the rush of business, to display the colors on the lapels of their coats. "They are all patriotic," she said, "but—like men—they forget the little details."

That day she purchased the yard of ribbon and spool of cotton. From it she made seven little bows and they were pinned on the coat lapels of the county officials in the courthouse.

"Wouldn't mind if I had one of those myself," remarked a lawyer as the last of the bows was being pinned on an official's coat.

"I'm just out of ribbon," was the response, "but I shall buy some more this afternoon, and you shall have one."

"Let me buy the ribbon, then," suggested the lawyer. "How much does it cost?"

When told that it was only 75 cents a yard the lawyer donated enough for two yards and asked an additional bow for a friend.

Since that time Miss Cole has made more than 1000 of the little bows, and the demand is becoming so great that she cannot keep up with it.

But the bows have not all been going to the lawyers and business men who visit the Court House every day. They have been going by divers routes down into the tenement and slum districts of the city.

Whenever a "probationer," he said person man, woman or child, reports to Miss Cole under previous court instruction that she receives a bow before leaving the presence of an assistant probation officer. And usually there rings in that person's ears the parting admonition:

"Can you violate your parole while these colors are on your coat and while your country needs your loyalty?"

The effect has been magical, according to Miss Cole. Youngsters who have been hard to manage have been reporting promptly, and many have returned for a bow for father or mother. One little fellow has been so earnest in his desire to do right that he has written two postal cards to Miss Cole, declaring that "I'm still patriotic."

But always the effect is the same: The colors are carried into the highways and byways and the spirit of loyalty is encouraged in homes where anything but peace and happiness reigned in the past.

"I think the love of country makes better husbands and wives and children," said Miss Cole. "They are encouraged to be loyal to their flag, and when that spirit once dominates in a crisis like this, husband and wife suddenly discover that they should lay aside their domestic differences as well, and they generally do to their own and the community's advantage. This is only one side of the idea."

"I wanted to see our young men helping out and I wanted to encourage enlistments. We all ought to do our little part, and if these little bows of mine will encourage



MISS MILDRED COLE

the boys to the true spirit of the colors, I will be satisfied that my time was well spent."

Miss Cole was formerly engaged in production work in Philadelphia with a charitable organization. She lives in Merchantville, N. J., and is actively engaged in Red Cross work.

# PASTOR ASKED TO QUIT

Former Saloonkeeper Said to Be "Too Good a Mixer"

UNIONTOWN, Pa., April 13.—Word has been received here that the congregation of the Avondale Presbyterian Church, North avenue and School street, Chicago, has requested by resolution the resignation of the Rev. William M. Saunders, pastor of the church. It was said that he had "Mannerism" and was too good a mixer.

The Rev. Mr. Saunders is a resident of Uniontown, where his family resides, but has been the pastor of the Chicago church for a year. At one time he was a saloonkeeper at Smithton, Westmoreland County. Several years ago he witnessed the murder of a boy in his saloon, and this tragedy is said to have caused him to change his career. He graduated from McCormick Theological Seminary more than a year ago.

# BISPHAM ENDS SERIES OF "MUSICAL TALKS"

Baritone Discusses English in Song and Speech and Sings Illustration

David Bispham was the artist intrusted with the last of the series of "Illustrated Music Talks," given during the course of the season under the auspices of a committee of women prominent in musical and social circles. Yesterday in Witherspoon Hall the distinguished operatic and concert baritone gave a lecture-recital on "The English Language in Speech, 'Melodrama' and Song," in which his interesting text was liberally interspersed with vocal examples to point his remarks and exemplify the principles of his discourse.

Mr. Bispham has always been a warm advocate of the use of English in singing to audiences who speak that language, and the choice of that subject for him at his forthcoming appearance in this delightful and instructive series was a particularly happy one. He has also championed the cause of the American composer, and his program contained works by two well-known musicians of this country, the prologue to Henry Hadley's "The Attonement of Pan," which was written for the Bohemians' annual celebration at Redlands, Cal., and Henry Holden Huss's musical setting to Shakespeare's "Seven Ages of Man." In addition, the program contained "The Impatient Husbandman" of Haydn, Gounod's setting of Tennyson's "Ring Out, Wild Bells," a poem of the Russian author Turgeneff with music by Arensky entitled "In Days Gone By," and songs by Mendelssohn and Schumann, all of which, of course, were sung in English.

These "musical talks" have been given solely for the advancement of musical culture in the community and with no desire for financial profit. Funds remaining after the paying of expenses, for this season are to become a part of the endowment fund of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

The committee in charge of the eight artistic musicals included: President, Mrs. Frederick H. Shelton; vice president, Mrs. Edward G. McCollin; secretary, Mrs. Frank P. Prichard; treasurer, Mrs. Charles C. Collins; Miss Eleanor Arnett, Mrs. William Hurstham, Mrs. A. J. Dallas Dixon, Miss Gertrude Ely, Mrs. C. Lincoln Furbush, Mrs. Rodman Griscom, Mrs. Barton C. Hirst, Mrs. Gertrude P. Joline, Mrs. John C. Rolfe, Miss Alva Sergeant, Mrs. Leopold Stokowski, Mrs. L. Howard Weatherly and Mrs. Harold E. Yarnall.

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# NATIONAL SINGLE TAX LEAGUE AT THE SHORE

Delegates Slow in Arriving at Conference, Scheduled to Hold Two-Day Session in Atlantic City

ATLANTIC CITY, April 13.—Adoption of a constitution for the National Single Tax League, the organization of which was decreed at Niagara Falls last year, is the important question to come before a conference of single taxers in eastern States scheduled to take place at the St. Charles Hotel this afternoon and tomorrow.

Apparently single tax enthusiasm is not wholly free from the dampening effect of war excitement, for the rush of delegates anticipated by Pennsylvania leaguers, who sent out the call for the meeting, had not developed up to noon. Of the Pennsylvanians only a handful had arrived, and it was decided to defer opening of the convention until late in the afternoon. A reported break among the single taxers of California after the brilliant fight which resulted in aligning 260,000 voters there for the cause last fall will engage the interest of the convention. Luke North, who organized and led the campaign, is here to explain his side of the rift in the ranks. The report is that conservatives objected to North's ultra-radical attitude.

The party constitution to be acted upon here provides the secretary will be the only payroll official, the remaining officers to serve without salary.

**Falls With Lamp; Burns Fatal**

POTTSVILLE, Pa., April 13.—Tripping with a lighted oil lamp in his hands early this morning, Joseph Slosky, of New Philadelphia, sustained burns from which he died at the Pottsville Hospital, shortly afterward. The house took fire, requiring the response of the fire department. Little damage was done.

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