APPROVED BY KRUSEN

Will Rush Work on Dormitories to Relieve Congestion of Insane

Plans for dormitories at Byberry Farms to house the 712 insane male patients now crowded into the antiquated quarters at Blockley have been approved by Director Krusen, of the Department of Public Health and Charities, and bids for construction work will be received May 7. The estimated cost of four dormitory buildings, a kitchen and a boiler house, together with necessary ground improvements, is between $700,000 and $800,000.

Director Krusen, when allotted $3,000,000 loan funds for buildings at Byberry, had expected to be much further advanced in the work than is the case this spring, but he now proposes pushing construction as rapidly as possible so that part of the new plant in the Thirty-fifth Ward will be ready for occupancy next year. Work is now under way on buildings for the feeble-minded that, together with plumbing and electrical equipment, will cost the city $798,858. The main construction work has been intrusted to the Edward F. Fonder Company.

Plans for five dormitories forming that part of the cottage system set aside for tubercular patients have been delayed because of the high prices asked by bidding contractors. These buildings will cost approximately $450,000 as against the $300,000 that was set aside for them. These contracts will likely be awarded in the near future, and Councils may be asked to provide the extra loan funds needed for the letting of the various classes of work.

Buildings already standing at Byberry house 510 male insane and 210 female insane, and the new dormitories contemplate the removal of 712 more men and 1107 more women. The first contract to be let for the insane group will be for the dormitories for men. These structures will be of brick and granite and will contain every modern equipment necessary to the proper care and comfort of the unfortunates who, for many years passed, have been housed in the dingy inadequate quarters allotted them in the old Blockley buildings.

In addition to letting contracts for building construction, for plumbing and electrical equipment and for a refractory house, Director Krusen plans letting, at the same time, a contract for the construction of walks and drives through that section of the city-owned land that immediately surrounds the insane section set aside for the male unfortunates.

Despite the high cost of labor and material, city officials are anxious to get the Byberry Farm work under way along on branches, so that within the next two years Blockley may be virtually emptied of its inmates and work started on a new city poorhouse, the estimated cost of which is $5,000,000.

SPEEDWAY ASSOCIATION PREPARES 500-MILE RACE

Resta, De Palma, Rickenbacker and Mulford in Opening Races on Two-Mile Oval

Officials of the Philadelphia Motor Speedway Association are preparing for the 500-mile race next October which is to inaugurate the two-mile oval now under construction on the association's 400-acre tract near Willow Grove.

Dario Resta, Ralph De Palma, Rickenbacker and Mulford, most prominent of speed kings, have announced their intention of taking part in the opening races.

A carnival of sport will be held at the speedway the night before the opening race. Following the event there will be a motor run to Atlantic City and a reception on one of the piers.

Construction work on the speedway is being rushed with all possible speed. The big embanked curves, which required great engineering skill to design and construct, are virtually complete.

When the speedway is complete it will include in its general plan a large country clubhouse, golf links, swimming pool and other appointments of the recreation centers of the fashionable.

Exact date of the opening will be announced later.

IRISH MEMORIAL TONIGHT

Anniversary of Declaration of Independence Will Be Celebrated

The first anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence of Ireland, for which Patrick H. Pearse, Ireland's provisional president, and six others were put to death, will be celebrated tonight in the Academy of Music by Irish patriots and sympathizers

The program will include a three-act drama, entitled "Ireland's Easter," written for the occasion by two priests who were fellow-students of some of the dead leaders. It will show a historical portrayal of the tragic events enacted in Dublin at the time of the attempted revolution.

Justice John W. Goff, of the New York Supreme Court, will deliver an oration of tribute to all the martyrs who have suffered in Ireland's cause in the recent disturbance and in former times.

MARRIAGES

SCHRINER—PEARCE.—April 21, GEORGE A. SCHRINER and ANNA M. PEARCE, both of Philadelphia

Deaths

ADAMS.—April 21, MAY L. EMERY, wife of Edwin L. Adams. Relatives and friends invited to services, Wed., 2 p. m., residence of sister-in-law, Mrs. A. E. Emery, 5140 Chestnut st. Int. Mt. Moriah Cem.

ALLEN.—April 22, ELEANORE, daughter of Benjamin and Margaret Allen (nee Walton), aged 2 years 5 months. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Wed., 2 p. m., parents' residence, 4345 Penn st., Frankford. Int. private Magnolia Cem.

ALLINGER.—April 22, ANNA, daughter of late Frederick and Anna Allinger. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Thurs., 2 p. m., residence of sister, 839 Corinthian ave. Int. Mt. Peace Cem. Remains may be viewed Wed. eve. Auto service.

ARNOLD.—April 23, JOSEPH, son of late Thomas and Mary Arnold (nee Haddon), aged 86. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Thurs., 2:30 p. m., residence of brother, Mr. John Arnold, 2974 Ruth st. Int. Greenwood (K. of P.) Cem. Friends may call Wed., 8 p. m.

ATKINSON.—April 22, HOUGHTON LEE, husband of Mary K. Atkinson, aged 54. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, Thurs., 2 p. m., 1222 W. Somerset st. Int. private.

BACH.—April 21, CHRISTIANA, widow of Frank Bach, aged 77. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Wed., 2 p. m., residence of son-in-law, William Schuster, 1535 28th st. Int. private.

BAIRD.—April 22, ELIZABETH, wife of Henry Baird. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Thurs., 3 p. m., 2308 Tasker st. Int. Mt. Moriah Cem. Remains may be viewed Wed., 8 to 10 p. m.

BAKER.—April 22, ALICE, wife of Walter Baker and daughter of Elizabeth and late Jesse Stillwell, aged 33. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, Thurs., 2 p. m., 612 N. 46th st. Int. Fernwood Cem.

BARNES.—April 23, GEORGE F., husband of Esther Barnes and son of late Francis and Cecelia Barnes, aged 49. Relatives and friends, Lincoln Council, No. 1, D. of A., American Representation Ben. Union, invited to funeral services, Fri., 2 p. m., 30th st. and Magazine streets, Bryn Mawr. Int. private, Fernwood Cem. Remains may be viewed Thurs. eve.

BARTOLET.—April 21, EDWARD, son of Edward and late Lewis Bartolet, aged 45. Relatives and friends, Roxborough Lodge, No. 185, I. O. O. F., and A. M. Letter Carriers of Station 9 invited to funeral services, Tues., 8 p. m., 160 Shawmont ave., Manayunk. Int. Cressons. Pa., Cem.

BECKGARDNER.—At Sao Paulo, Brazil, Robert Bilnes, husband of David L. Beckgardner, son of Mrs. Mary Beckgardner and brother of Ira G. Beckgardner. Funeral at Sao Paulo, aged 36. She was a graduate of Bryn Mawr College, Lancaster County, Pa., and a member of the Junior Assembly. Burial will be at Lancaster, Pa., where resided with her son Ira.

BERNE.—April 21, MARY LEWIS BERNE, wife of Michael Bernard. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, Thurs., 8:30 a. m., 1332 Wharton st. Int. Holy Sepulchre Cem. Auto funeral.

BICKEL.—April 21, CHRISTIANA, widow of Frank Bickel, aged 77. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Wed., 2 p. m., residence of son-in-law, William Schuster, 1535 28th st. Int. private.

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