Meetings Discuss Transit Grab: Charge of Politics in Draft: Probe Shows Arsenal Blast Accidental: Other News of C

SCHOOLS CROWDED | CRY OF "POLITICS" ON OPENING DAY

More Than 30,000 New Pupils on Record Roll Estimated at 200,000

ASSIGNED TO CLASSES

Many Teachers Have Answered War Summons-23,500 Boys and Girls on Half Time

Schools Overcrowded as Session Starts

Approximate number of pupils enrolled 228,500
Pupils in elementary grades 200,500
Pupils in high schools 18,006
Pupils in continuation school 19,000

rease in enrollment over last year
Increased accommodations
now ready
Pupils on part time June,
1917 3,950

Pupils on half time now The overcrowded conditions are most severe in South Philadelphia and in West Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia public schools opened today with a record-breaking enrollment. The task of organizing the classes was undertaken; books were distributed. The real work of the year is not expected to

begin until tomorrow. Even the high schools report large en-Even the high schools report large en-rollments, despite the war. It was pre-dicted, however, that many of the senior and older pupils will leave before many months to take some of the many positions which will be made vacant by the draft. Virtually all the high schools opened to-day, minus several members of the faculty

in each, who have enlisted. Many of the teachers also have been drafted. These places as yet, of course, have not been filled. That move will be up to the Board of Edu-

In most of the city's schools the pupils rere assembled and addressed briefly by heir principals. The work of assigning hem to classes and other organization work their principals. They then were allowed to was effected.

It is estimated that more than 30,000 new pupils registered. The total enrollment in the grammar schools will reach the 200,000 mark, and the attendants at the high schools will be more than 18 000. The increased enrollment of negro children is most striking. Last year there were 11,559. This year there are 2200 more, representing an increase of about 20 per cent. This is attributed to the emigration of negroes from the South, attracted here by the industrial osperity of the city.

The increase in enrollment of new pupils this year over last will be approximately 7000. The added class rooms in new buildings and in additions to old buildings will accommodate approximately 6000 additiona students when these improvements are al completed. However, they were not all ready for the opening today.

AT THE HIGH SCHOOLS The 136th opening of the Central High

School, Broad and Green streets, brought 548 freshmen and it was said that the total number of students would approximate 2000. Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson made a brief address. It was predicted that many Central boys would leave to go to work before the end of the year on acof the war. following members of the faculty

were absent, having either been called into active service by the War Department or enlisted: Lieutenant Colonel Robert M. Brookfield, of the Third Regiment, who was Instructor of mathematics; Professor George E. Roth, of English, who is a George E. Roth, of English, who is a lieutenant in the Second Artillery; Professor James Glimore, of English, now a lieutenant in the Ordnance Department; Professor James Hugh Moffett, of English, who is captain in the Ordnance Department, and Dr. William F. Craig, now lieutenant in the Medical Corps.

When the William Penn High School for Girls, Fifteenth and Wallace streets, opened its doors for the term at 9 o'clock this morning, 2100 names were on the roll books. The freshmen reported this afternoon. The hundreds of girls were quickly assigned to their classes and dismissed for the day. The work of the school year will be in

Dr. William D. Lewis, the principal, pre-dicted that the number of pupils would be reduced to some extent by the war, be-sause some girls will be compelled to go to work to help replace the earnings of a male relative called away for Government service, while others will be tempted to accept jobs by high wages offered by em-ployers seeking to fill the places of drafted

The enrollment at the Philadelphia High School for Girls, of which Dr. Fred Gowing is principal, is more than 1200. Of these, 300 reported at 9 o'clock this morning and were quickly assigned to their classes. The freshmen, 350 in number, reported this

An enrollment of approximately 4000 an enrollment of approximately 4000 marked the fifth annual opening of the West Philadelphia High School at Forty-seventh and Walnut streets. Existing conditions caused no depletion of attendance and all caused no depletion of attendance and all classes showed particular enthusiasm and eagerness to be back at work. Exercises, over, which Principal Schoch presided, were held in the auditorium before the pupils withdrew to their various classrooms. Among the announcements made was that of a newly furnished library for the use of the girls' division. the girls' division.

Many nations were represented at the opening of the Northeast High School, New street above Front. Among the 1250 students enrolled were Indians, Chinese and negroes, as well as numerous divisions of the white race. A spirit of peace prevaited and the pupils generally were primed for the strenuous work shead. Numerous sewing machines have been placed in the school and during spare time the boys and girls will make bandages and other articles for the Red Cross. George W. Rieger is

The boys of the annex of the West Phila-delphia High School for Boys reported this afternoon. There were 190 in all. Princi-pal John Dennis Mahoney addressed the pupils. The real work of the annex starts tomorrow.

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No formal exercises were held at the Frankford High School, Oxford pike and Wakeling street. The assembly was one of mixed pupils, both boys and girls. Prinapal G. Alvin Snook spoke. He called attention to the fact that only seven years age the enrollment was only thirty-seventh, now the total number of pupils is 1150.

More than 1600 boys reported at Southern High School. No estimate as yet has been made of the number of pupils in the girls' department. Two members of the faculty were absent owing to "war duty." They were J. Whitford Riddle, of 5523 Webster terrace, who is in the United States infantry, and Frank W. Melvin, of 2511 South Twenty-first atreet, who won a commission of first lieutenant at Fort Niagara. No formal exercises marked the opening of the Germantown High School. Germantown avenue and High street. The total corollment will number more than 2200, it was aid. Of that number nearly 600 are large. Two teachers were absent, Professor of the control of the control of the supiling of the Cermantown High School. Germantown Avenue and High street. The total corollment will number more than 2200, it was aid. Of that number nearly 600 are large. Two teachers were absent, Professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of the supiling M. Lilly, professor of the control of

MADE BY STERN

State Representative Hurls Charge at Fourth Registration Board

WANTS FINDINGS VOIDED

Federal authorities in Philadelphia and Washington and Mayor Smith have been appealed to from various sources to put an end to the reign of "terror" spread in the Fifth Ward by the fighting Careyites and followers of Isaac Deutsch, Common Coun-

which has been raging in the ward for weeks, was described as a "disgrace to the

Open charges have been made by State Representative Isadore Stern that the Fourth Registration Board, sitting at the Third and De Lancey streets station, has been playing politics in its perform of its draft duties.

The appeal to Mayor Smith was made by more than 500 members of the Big Sisters, representing many Jewish women in this The society also sent a letter to the President in Washington.

Representative Stern said also that he would ask for the removal of the board in the Fifth Ward by Provest Marshal General rowder in Washington.

The board members are Dr. Morton C. Harris, chairman: Albert N. Neidelman, Dr. Samuel F. Levin. The physicians assisting Dector Levin are Dr. Nathan N. Herstein, Dr. James J. Rutberg and Dr. Robert Goodwan.

Representative Stern said that the dis-trict's quota was 292, and although 1200 men have been examined only 350 have been accepted. Although forty men are needed, he said, 400 more have been called APPEAT, BY BIG SISTERS

The appeal issued by the Big Sisters fol-

Some time ago you and the heads of your municipal departments came before the Monday Conference, of which this organization is a member, and stated that if at any time the women composing that conference may anything in the city administration of government they did not think right, to bring it to the notice of your administration.

Mr. Mayor for some time a condition

administration of government they did not think right, to bring it to the notice of your administration.

Mr. Mayor, for some time a condition of affairs has been allowed to continue that is a disgrace to our city. It especially affects this organization, because the lawlessness which we desire to complain of is being committed in the sight of hundreds of foreign Jewish people, who are trying to learn American ways and get American ideas. While taking up these studies they are confronted with an exhibition of police power that is revolting in which neither women nor children appear to be safe, a condition in which newspaper reporters are arrested for getting the facts, in which boys are knocked down and injured for phoning to a paper that its representative has been arrested and assaulted, without reason. On behalf of the plan of Americanization of foreigners, which we are undertaking in this city, we demand that you use every effort to prevent the lawlessness that has been existing in the Fifth Ward of this city, we would be suffered to prevent the lawlessness that has been existing in the Fifth Ward of this duties and whether the police who are creating this anarchy are taking political effects with the Vares or McNichol, we demand, as women of Philadelphia, that imagediate steps be taken to restore law and order in the Fifth Ward. Copies of this resolution will be sent to the different women's organizations of this city for concerted action, and some means will be found to produce law and order by the concerted action of the women if the men placed in control of affairs dare to refuse to do their duty to the city that pays them, by ignoring such a condition of affairs on the part of the police of a section of the city of Philadelphia.

Marion L. Cohen-Polak, president of the Big Sisters and member of the Monday

Marion L. Cohen-Polak, president of the Big Sisters and member of the Monday Conference, which was held at 1620 North Broad street, presided at the meeting. In addition to protesting against Fifth conditions, a communication was sent to President Wilson and Harry A. Garfield. coal administrator, protesting against the proposed exorbitant charges for coal at the mines.

SOLDIER DIES OF DOPE, COMRADE IS ARRESTED

Prisoner Admits Both Had Taken "Stiff Dose" of Heroin. Police Seek Peddler

Dope, bought in the Tenderloin, according ope, hought in the Tenderioln, according to the police, was responsible for the death of Louis J. Baum, of F street near Tioga, a private in Company C. Fifty-third United States Infantry, in the Episcopal Hospital last night. David Collins, of Allegheny avenue and H street, a friend of the soldier, we have a presented by the police and held. has been arrested by the police and held to await the action of the Coroner.

Collins admitted to detectives, they said, that both he and Baum had taken a "stiff dose" of heroin while together yesterday afternoon.

The soldier collapsed suddenly at F and Ontario streets. He was taken to the hos-pital and is said by the police to have told them that Collins purchased the drug in the Tenderloin.

Detectives Beishaw and Auty, assigned to the case, said that Collins had been ar-rested before on dope charges and that both men probably had been in the Tenderloin early yesterday. It is thought that Baum waited on the street while Collins negotlated for the dope with a drug peddler.

Two Men Suffocated to Death in Sewer

shouted to Benjamin: "Don't come down; there's gas down here."

Bauer and Demarine were calling for help. Sipple changed his mind about Ben-jamin not coming down and began urging him to climb down and help their com-

Both men reached the bottom of the sewer just as Bauer and Demarino fell over dead. Workmen who were a short distance away notified several trackwalkers who

away notified several trackwalkers who sent a hurry call for an ambulance from Cooper Hospital.

A ladder was lowered and a squad of workmen and others climbed down and brought the two bodies up. Sipple and Benjamin were unconscious when brought

Benjamin Chew Named Captain

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Benjamin Chew, master of hounds at the
Radnor Hunt Club, has been appointed a
captain in the Quartermaster's Department,
Officers Reserve Corps, and is now in
Kansas City on an army mission. He is
connected with the Remount Division,
which buys and supplies horses. Oswald
and Samuel Chew, brothers of Captain
Chew, are now in France connected with
the American Ambulance Corps. Oswald
Chew received the French War Cross yesterday for gallantry in bringing out
wounded under heavy fire.

Rhode Island Completes Army Quota
WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Rhode Island
completed its quota in recruiting for the
regular army over the week-end. The total
is 1985. Rhode Island's quota war 1984.
Total callstments for the two days were

CITY'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPEN FOR ANOTHER TERM



Students at the William Penn High School for Girls report at that institution on the first day of the term of 1917-18, which began today.

NONPARTISANS ACCUSE POLICE

Transit Protest Meeting Threatened With Interference, League Charges

RIDICULOUS, WILSON SAYS

Slim attendance due, it was charged, t threat of police interference, caused postponement this morning of the protest mass-meeting scheduled to be at 10:30 e'clock in the Parkway Building, under the auspices of the Nonpartisan League of Philadelphia. The meeting for later this afternoon will be held according to the original plans it was announced he postponed morning meeting will be held

The explanation for the postponement of The explanation for the postponement of this morning's session was contained in a statement made by members of the execu-tive committee of the league. The state-ment contains the pledge which it was planned to submit to the independent can-didates for Councils, who had been invited to attend the meeting.

THE PLEDGE "Upon distinct threat of police inter-ference," the statement reads, "and in order that the entire citizenship of the city might have full notice and opportunity to place on record their opinion regarding the proposed Smith-Mitten transit lease, the executive committee decided to postpone the open mass-meet ing of the league until Friday evening next, and in the meantime give ample notice through the newspapers, asking any additional candidates for Councils or other public offices who care to take a stand at this time against the contractor bosses to come forward and indorse the following piedge: I herewith declare myself unalterably

opposed to any lease, contract, agree-ment or ordinance that shall bind or tie up the city or any corporation or indi-viduals for a long or indeterminate period of time in disposing of any valuable prop-erty or franchise rights without full and definite consideration and guarantees that safeguard taxpayers and citizens gen-erally, at every point, and I further declarthat if elected to office I shall serve with an eye single to the interests of the entire city, without reference to, or con-trol by any political clique, faction or

so-called boss.

Director of Public Safety Wilson was told of the statement charging police interference threats. He characterized it is "ridiculous."

The persons who attended the meeting decided to hold an informal session and for more than an hour the Smith-Mitten lease was attacked from various angles Pormer Assistant City Solicitor Paul de Moil urged that only a short term lease be Moll urged that only a short term lease be ratived. The present lease, he asserted, was fliegal because it did not state the time when the company shall begin the operation of the system, which is required, he said, under an act passed approved June 17, 1913.

Former State Senator James T. Nuity, of Frankford, assailed the fare provisions of the new lease and compared the high fares in this city with those in Detroit, where tickets are sold eight for twenty-five cents.

five cents.

J. Foster Thomas spoke in favor of tak-ing over the system of the transit company by exercise of the right of eminent domain. He advocated the postponement of the con-struction program until prices have dropped and declared that ratification of the lease in its present form would mean that "the city was putting its head deeper in the

Robert S. Bright, executive chairman o Robert S. Bright, executive chairman of the league, will preside at this afternoon's session. Among the speakers then will be S. Davis Page, Select Councilman Ira D. Garman, Dr. Daniel I. McDermott and Joseph B. Thomas. Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of Council's Finance Committee. has been invited to discuss the lease, but he sent a letter declining on the ground that it would be improper for him to enter into public discussion of the lease until after the councilmanic hearings have been con-

Resolutions expressing the sentiments of Resolutions expressing the sentiments of the majority of those present at the meeting will be forwarded to the Joint Committee on Finance and Street Railways at the next hearing in accordance with the desire of William Draper Lewis. Mr. Lewis at Friday's hearing suggested that all those interested in the transit situation and who cared to do so could send questions to the committee and they would be answered variable on and they would be answered verbally on September 21. The Philadelphia Subway Construction

Company, of which Senator Edwin H. Vare is the head, has announced that final decision on the acceptance of the subway ontract it was awarded will be mad known to Mayor Smith today. On last Tuesday the contract was refused by the firm. Later, through Senator Vare, the company announced that it would be re-

SHOT TO SCARE, BUT KILLED

Testimony Shows Bullet Was Deflected by a Stone

A stone with a bullet mark upon it was A stone with a bullet mark upon it was shown to the Coroner's jury today to prove that Private Fayette Dreyer, of Colwyn, a member of the machine gun company of the First Pennsylvania Infantry, shot into the ground when he killed Rufus Harris, a negro, 3730 Filbert street, at a squad

a negro, 3730 Filbert street, at a squad camp at Thirty-seventh and Market streets August 19.

Dreyer was released by Coroner Knight for a trial by court-martial. He said he shot into the ground to frighten Harris when the latter became abusive, and that the builet hit a stone and was deflected.

Dead Man Exhumed and Identified WILMINGTON, Del., Sept. 10.—Edgar Touchton and Charles S. Neal, of Rising Sun, Md., came to this city and had the body of an unidentified drowned man distintered in order that they might examinals. They identified it as the body of Joseph E. Touchton, seventy-two years old, a retired farmer of that place, and it will be

EXEMPTION SOUGHT THIRD REGIMENT FOR WATER BUREAU MEN

Director Datesman Says Bacteriologists Are Necessary for City Service

Men who analyze the city's water should be exempt from military service in the opinion of Director Datesman, of the Department of Public Works, who today filed

appeals before Draft Board No. 2 in the cases of three men in his department.

They are Joseph Thorpe, who makes bacteriological analysis of the city's water supply. William G. Flood, an understudy to the registrar, and Charles T. Norton, Jr., and massiant chemist at the Paleont number. an assistant chemist at the Belmont pumping station.

There is a difference of opinion between

he Federal and State authorities regarding music, presenting arms in front of the Union League, where Brigadier General William G. Price, Jr., acting commander of the Twenty-eighth Division, reviewed the the disposition of the State police. Major John C. Groom, head of the constabulary, conferred this afternoon with Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown as to what steps should be taken. Mr. Brown said recently he believed the police should be Thousands of persons looked on—the last view of this home regiment as a unit. Countermarching at Spruce street, Colonei George E. Kemp, the commander, led his men to City Hall, where two battallons xempt because they are employes of the State, but the authorities decided otherwise. An appeal may be made to the Federal authorities to reconsider.

A suggestion that the United States Shipping Board obtain exemption from con-scription for nautical students destined to officer Uncle Sam's war merchant fleet was sent today to Henry Howard, director of nautical schools and recruiting, by E. Warren Smith, chairman of the second class of the United States School of Navi-gation, at the University of Pennsylvania. Many members of the class-240-which will finish its course of instruction within a week, are liable for military service. Draft Appeal Board No. 2, sitting in the Federal Building, gave out the following list of discharged and rejected names, according to their decisions on the appeals today:

DISCHARGED

Gustav Hirsekorn. 2415 Sergeant st.
William Levinson. 2436 Douglas st.
Simon Lasarow. 2310 N. 20th st.
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Allen Martin. 2408 W. Sergeant st.
Clarence J. McClelland. 2214 N. 30th st.
W. H. Meyers. 2501 N. 30th st.
Francis Bartle. 2219 N. 27th st.
Louis Darats. 2527 N. Natrons st.
Joseph Henry Buhl. 3083 Daughin st.
William D. Burk. 2481 W. Firth st.
TEMPORARY DISCHARGE
Michael A. Cavanaugh, 3449 Ridge ave., to July
15, 1918.
Michael Pastuszok. 2226 N. 26th st., to January
15, 1918.
Joseph Cannon. 815 N. 26th st., to January
15, 1918. DISCHARGED

loseph Cannon, 815 N. 26th st., to July 15, 1918.

REJECTED

Stephen S. Payne, 2538 N. 34th at.
Willard McGraugh, 2816 W. Fletcher at.
Elijah Mizell, 2437 N. 25th at.
Herbert Nortine, 2618 N. 27th at.
Menashs Leiservoltch, 2535 N. Newkirk at.
Edward Prendergast, 2046 Lehigh ave.

FIVE NEGROES ACCUSED OF ROBBING EXPRESS COMPANY

Two of the Prisoners, Employes, Charged With Stealing Contents of Packages

Women's waists and men's trousers wrapped around their bodies under their bulky clothing caused the arrest of two negro employes of the Adams Express Company at Eighteenth and Market streets today. Three other negroes, accused of stealing goods from express packages, were held in \$500 ball each for court by Magistrate Tracy at the Fifteenth and Vine streets station.

Vine streets station.

Those arrested, and the goods they are accused of taking, are: William Walker, 1228 Webster street, watches: Thomas Moore, 1035 Rodman street, and Henry Parker, 1322 Cambridge street, clothing, and Robert Norris, 2309 Stuart street, and and Robert Norris, 2303 Stuart street, and Thomas Culpepper, 1303 Wood street, cut-lery. The two last named put up a stiff fight before they were arrested by De-tectives McKenna and Coyle, of the ex-

GRAND JURY SWORN IN

Quarter Sessions Panel Takes Oath for September Term

Court Crier Levi Hart, in Quarter Sessions Court, today administered the oath of office to the Grand Jury who are to serve for the September term of court. Judge Patterson appointed Thomas Cun-ningham, machinist, 1344 South street, as foreman of the body. The other jurors are

foreman of the body. The other jurors are as follows:

Walter Chew, solicitus, 258 South Fiftyseventh street; George Craig, engineer, 4802 Paschail avenue; B. J. Donaghue, black smith, 271 South American street; Martin Fitzgerald, bookkeeper, 3419 North Marshall street; Frank Fiynn, moulder, 224 Spring Garden street; Joseph Haberstreiter, clgarmaker, 1805 North Fifth street; Frank B, Heins, plumber, 38 East Tulpehocken street; John H. Keegan, elevators, 2300 Aramingo avenue; James Kilpatricka, dealer, 2211 Oakford street; C. G. Larsen, cornicemaker, 5508 Locust street; William McNeely, dealer, 1801 South Twenty-first street; William O'Brien, plumber, 1321 Fitzwater street; E. Schumann, dyer, 457 Wyoming avenue; Conrad Sheb, cigar storu, 1514 South Fifty-second street.

WOMAN DIES IN CRASH Philadelphian Victim of Auto Accident at White Plains; N. Y.

Miss Marie Green, fifty years old, of this city, died late last night in the White Plains Hospital, White Plains, N. Y., following in-Hospital, White Plains, N. Y., following injuries received when her automobile was struck and overturned by a frolley car.

The machine, of the touring car type, was being driven by Chester Wycoff, her chauffeur. It was said that the engine of the machine stalled on the track directly in the hath of an approaching trolley. The automobile was thrown twenty feet and wrecked. Wycoff was slightly injured.

\$25,000,000 Razor Company Chartered DOVER. Del. Sept. 10.—The Gillette Safety Raser Company was incorporated here teday with a capital stock of \$25,000,-000: The incorporators are Norman J. Mac-Caffin, Boston; James E. Manter, Portland, Ma.; Clement M. Egner, Elkton, Mc.

GARFIELD PROMISES ANOTHER ARSENA **CUT IN COAL PRICE**

National Administrator Says Reduction Will Follow Inquiry

TO MAKE A SURVEY DEATH PREVENTS PRO

Cheaper coal was promised today by Harry A. Garfield, National Coal Administrator, at Washington, following assertions by Philadelphia coal dealers that the high price of pea coal—\$7.75 a ton—is caused by the high prices at the mines.

A tentative price list to govern retall trade this month will be issued this week, he said, the prices to be fixed finally after investigation of the trade. This will require about six weeks.

guire about six weeks. "The only certain thing that I can say at this I'me is that Philadelphia will get cheaper coal, at least temporarily," said Doctor Garfield. "Conditions in the retail trade will govern prices for the remaining coal-using months. I know that Philadel-phians are anxious about their winter supply. All sections of the country are send-ing us inquirles. We are doing the best

Mr. Garfield sald that a Fuel Adminis trator will be appointed in each State, with the approval of the President, and each of these will appoint local coal committees, with the approval of the National Coal Administrator. The premanent prices will be fixed after the committees have made surveys of the coal market, its supply, costs and profits,

PROMPT ACTION NEEDED

IN PARADE TODAY

Final Appearance Before

Unit Leaves for South

Scheduled at Noon

130 MORE MEN NEEDED

The Third Pennsylvania Infantry, parad-

ing in its farewell to Philadelphia, made a

final appeal today for the handful of mer

that it needs to fill its ranks to full war

Down Broad street from Spring Garden

Spruce the bronzed lines of volunteers it olive drab swept to the impetus of martia

stacked arms at Broad and Filbert street

and another battalion ranged along the north side of City Hall plaza. Here, with

the band playing and speakers appealing

for men, the regiment made its last attack on General Lassitude. It needs 130 men to

secome a war-strength regiment of 200

The Third will pack its equipment to

morrow, sleep in "pup" tents at its camp near the Sixty-ninth street terminal to

morrow night and leave for Camp Hancock

organized yesterday. It consists of Briga-dier General Charles T. Cresswell, retired Superintendent of Police James Robinson.

Majors Small and Hendler and Captains A. F. Oleson and T. C. Russell. The com-mittee will have charge of the interests of

the regiment while it remains in the field

Jones Wister's Will Is Probated

Wills probated today include those of Jones Wister, who died in Chicago on Sep-

tember 1, leaving to relatives an estate val

ued at \$11,000; Annie J. Cunningham, who died in the Eliza Cathcart Home, \$10,000; Cecella A. Powers, \$14 North Stillman street, \$84.97, and Margaret C. McCune, 1730 North Twentieth street, \$2785.

A special Third Regiment committee

strength

soldlers.

Mr. Garfield is driven to prompt action because the exorbitant prices charged by the retailers in anticipation of the action of the commission. He is so impressed with the necessity for instant action that he may obtain the consent of the President to fix the retailers' profit provisionally in order to stop the high prices now prevailing. If this is done the retailers' profit will obtain until the local committees report.

That such a course seems advisable is apparent to him and his associates, as it will require at least six weeks before the local committee could report and the retail profit for each distinct community be

Although it has been stated that eventy-five cent boost in price is based on an increase at the mines on coal not yet received, this is denied by the dealers. The increase is the result of recommendations made by the Federal Trade Commission, following an investigation of the coal situa-

ADMIT PRICE EXORBITANT The Philadelphia dealers admit that the price is exorbitant, but contend if there is any unreasonable price fixing it takes place exorbitant, but contend if there is

before the coal reaches them. A big increase in the cost of labor at the coal yards and cost of business adminis-tration generally is a big factor in the record-breaking price. The views of the dealers on the question are summed up in the remarks of John A. Gerety, a dealer of Thirtieth and Walnut streets:

"The Government permitted the independent operators to charge \$4.75 a ton at the mine," said Mr. Gerety, "and when you add twenty cents a ton brokerage charges and \$1.25 a ton freight, you will see that the coal stands the dealer \$6.20 a ton for delivery at the yard.

"When you add to this the wages of drivers, who now receive \$16 a week, and other overhead in the conduct of business. you will readily see what a small margin of profit remains, despite opinion to the

Accompanied by the special committee. Mayor Smith will review the regiment at Camp Taylor at 5 o'clock this afternoon. "Two years ago drivers were content to Two years ago drivers were content to work for \$12 a week, and they gave better service at that figure than they do now at the increased wages. There is also shrinkage in screening, which the dealer has to stand, the cost of maintenance hicles and many other things of which the

public is not aware."

Some dealers allow twenty-five cents off for cash from the \$7.75 figure, if the coal is shuted in, but the flat price prevails if the coal has to be carried from the wagon in bags or baskets.

BLAST VICTIM DR

Explosion Due to Droppin Tray of Detonators, Probers Believe

Pincus Thought to Have R Only Man Who Knew Exact Cause of Disaster

The third victim of the Frankford Arasis explosion died at the Frankford Rose early today, his death removing the nan who could have told exactly he

He was Max Pincus, forty-five years of 413 Greenwich street. His injuries cluded a broken leg, cuts, burns and The explosion is believed to have due to a tray of detonators being dentally upset, according to Colonel Egomery, commandant of the arsenal, returned today from Washington after ing a report on Saturday's explosion killed three men and injured a scor other employes.

"The opinion at Washington and a the members of the board of inquiry but it is a superstance of the board of inquiry by an accident—the upsetting of a boof detonators," he said. "Just how tray was upset the board planned to be found to be the superstance of the superstance from Pincus today. He was with the men instantly killed and could have a us more than could any one else."

Colonel Montgomery today received acceral letters and telegrams congratuate the arsenal that the death toil was so is. The full force of employes returned to we this morning and plans for substituting fireproof concrete buildings for the autories wooden attructures were under way. Herbert Beckenbach, an inspector of the Navy Desset of Ordnance of the Navy Desset. Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy Dua-ment at the Midvale Steel Company's ht Nicetown, yesterday characterised of arsenal as a menace to the community. arsenal as a menace to the community as all casualty list was due, he say the self-sacrifice of the guards and a firemen, who fisked their lives to save a injured. He also paid a high tribute Colonel Montgomery for his efficiency handling the situation immediately folloing the explosion.

Stroudsburg Company Leaves Today STROUDSBURG, Pa., Sept. 10.—Stree-burg bade good-by to Company G. Ma-teenth Regiment, Pennsylvania, when the sands of the residents of Monroe Coun-flocked to the religious farewell media at the fair grounds. The Rev. D Coxe, of the First Episcopal Church and ducted the service. He was assisted by a Revs. Messrs. Eichner and Emmons, company leaves for the South today.

Negro Killed by Express Train An unidentified negro was instantly the by an express train of the Phi and Reading Railway today at the marcoad crossing at Twenty-second and Wes moreland streets. The train was stoped and the man was placed aboard the

NIAGARA FALLS \$12.00 Round

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