'LUNACY' MAY SAVE SMITH, SAYS PRIEST

Father McDermott Declares Insanity Only Excuse for Mayor's Actions

CITES HIS ATTITUDE

In a scathing denunciation of Mayor Smith, the Rev. D. I. McDermott, rector of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fourth and Spruce streets, expressed his opinion that "there is no question as to his legal responsibility. Only on the ground that he is insane will a jury in the criminal court acquit the Mayor of complicity in the murder of Policeman Eppley."

"With a profound feeling of sympathy for the members of his family, I am constrained to recognize that the public also has a claim on sympathy," he continued.

The attitude of the Mayor since the issuance of the warrant charging him with complicity in the murder of the policeman was cited by Father McDermott as "all but inexplicable."

"I am shocked at the spirit of levity with which he has disposed of the matter," he said.

QUESTIONS MAYOR'S MIND

"Generally, when a man finds himself in a perilous situation, he treats it gravely. To attempt to dispose of the matter as he is quoted as doing, is to me suggestive of the man's not being in his right mind."

"And in connection with such an assumption, there is possibly to be found the explanation excusing him for not having offered a reward for the arrest of the men, all of them, who were implicated in the Eppley murder."

"If the city has no fund for the purpose, then, as he is a rich man, he might have given evidence of his earnest desire to bring the guilty parties to justice by offering a reward from his personal funds. It was only a few days ago, I am told, that he received $25,000 from Senator McNichol, and it is generally known that his income from the bonding business has been liberal since he entered office.

"Positively, there is no excuse and perhaps but one explanation for his conduct and that is that he is mentally irresponsible. Of course, no one wishes to see an unfortunate suffer for things for which he is in no wise to be held responsible."

The usually kind blue eyes of the priest flashed as he indignantly asked why the Mayor had not removed Police Lieutenant Bennett and his men, who adopted thug tactics in terrorizing the residents of the ward. He reiterated his statement that the Mayor was aware of the situation in the Fifth Ward several days before the primary. He declared that the guilt of every policeman, every gunman and every one implicated in the death of Eppley rested on the Mayor's shoulders.

"I have no wish to misjudge the Mayor," he said, "but if I should be called to meet my God tonight I could not excuse him for these crimes."

MEN "HIGHER UP" MUST PAY

Father McDermott further said:

The men higher up must all pay for this heinous crime. Why, the idea of the Mayor attending a banquet when he should be investigating the murder of one of the city's employes! It is preposterous! He should have been in his office in City Hall, making arrangements to offer a reward for the arrest and conviction of the men who are responsible for Eppley's death.

There are three factors in this affair which must be considered carefully by the authorities and newspapermen who are investigating this atrocious crime. First, the presence of gunmen in peace-loving Philadelphia, within the shadow almost of the nation's shrine of liberty; second, the ribbons and hats worn by these gunmen, and third, the presence of a large number of policemen at the murder scene, who apparently made no effort to stay the hands of the assassins.

Who brought the gunmen here? That will be known in due course. The ribbons and hats were for the benefit of police thugs and served the gunmen as marks of identification. The police evidently were ordered to protect these gunmen.

This whole affair seems to me to be part of a gigantic city-wide plot to gain for the Vares a majority in Select and Common Councils. It has, I think, even a deeper significance and appears to be a well-planned scheme to give the Vares the next Mayor.

CITES SIMILAR CASE

Up in Columbia County, Pa., when I had charge of a parish in the coal regions, there was a conspiracy to rob a paymaster of a certain coal mining operation. No violence was planned. On the day the robbery was to be committed one of the conspirators was miles away. The robbers, upon holding up their victim, found that he had no money of any account on his person. One of the highwaymen said that rather than have the police hunt him for stealing a small sum he would close the paymaster's mouth. He fired at the man, killing him.

The gang was rounded up and the conspirator who was miles away was tried, convicted and put to death for the murder of the paymaster along with the others.

Mayor Smith has done far more than the absent conspirator. He had been warned that murder was likely to come as the result of the police thugs' tactics in this ward. The conspirator did not sanction violence. Mayor Smith, both by word and act, knew of the violence in the Fifth Ward. Mayor Smith and all the men implicated in the murder and anarchy should be dealt with severely.

Licensed at Elkton to Wed

ELKTON, Md., Sept. 22.—Couples procuring marriage licenses in Elkton this morning were: James F. White and Marie Pesot, Harry H. Waidron and Catherine Pesot, William Magee and Viola Bowers, John Morressey and Anna Smith, Charles Manno and Teresa McGlory, Albert A. Welsh and Jennie Hickman, William F. Slackway and Ida Young, Frank R. Kratz and Edith Moore, James Winters and May Archer, David Delowery and Rose Quinn, and Frank Reid and Bessie Willing, all of Philadelphia; Cornelius O'Brien and Flora Farley, Camden; Samuel Sweetten, Camden, and Charlotte Robinson, Philadelphia; William Holman, New Brunswick and Henrietta Lieberman, Philadelphia; Rudolph C. Jones, Media, and Anna Donavan, Philadelphia; Walter D. Hughes and Clara E. Heimback, Bethlehem; James O. Harvy, Columbia, and Ella M. Palm, New Holland; Alonso Briscoe and Susie Johnson, Elk Neck, Md.; William T. Weldle, Lansdowne, and Anna H. Weible, Fernwood; Gerald A. Dillon, Norristown, and Eleanor Wilfong, Conshohocken; Henry G. Rubler and May Gallagher, Atlantic City, and Vincent R. Bernhard and Hilda Diebert, Slatington, Pa.

Canadians Seize Swedish Mail

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 22.—A Norwegian steamship arriving here today reported that Swedish diplomatic mail, which it was bringing to this country, was taken from the vessel by Canadian authorities at a Canadian port.

SHIP ARRIVALS

Arrival of vessels from foreign countries at ports on the Atlantic coast and Gulf of Mexico for twenty-four hours ending September 19, as posted at United States Custom House:

Arnor, Norwegian; Andania, British; Anson, American; Abealon, Danish; Britannia, American; Buccaneer, American; Boren, Swedish; Bess, Norwegian; Belita, Norwegian; Conde Wilredo, Spanish; Charkow, Danish; Cardiganshire, British; Cornish Point, British; Calabria, British; C. C. Bengel, Jr., American schooner; Calimaris, Greek; Catherine Cunso, Norwegian; Cohoes, American; D. L. Lynton, Norwegian schooner; Eldevold, Norwegian; Esperanza de Larrinaga, British; Georgia, American; Gulf of Mexico, American; Gardner W. Carr, American schooner; Gothland, Belgian; Homer City, British; Hays, Norwegian; Harpathian, British; Hardcastle, American; Ingpolo, American; Isla de Panay, Spanish; Lodffoth, Greek; Joey, Danish; Jose, Norwegian; J. Flaherty, American schooner; Kirishimaran Maru, Japan; Knight Templar, British; Kermoor, American; Lake American schooner Lil, Norwegian; Marcelo, Peter, British; Munamar, American; Northavel, Danish; Odlum, American; Poelhoop, Dutch; Port Antonio, Norwegian; Rosalie, Norwegian; Royal Prince, British; Sabine, American; Sonja, Norwegian; Sam Barth, British; Scandinavian, Hungarian; Tomaklis, British; Victoria, Danish; Waiola, British.

CAREY'S CONDITION REMAINS CRITICAL

Mercantile Appraiser Suffering From Concussion of Brain, Physician Says

HAS RESTLESS NIGHT

The condition of Mercantile Appraiser James A. Carey, victim of the murderous attack with blackjacks wielded by New York gunmen during the "Reign of Terror" in the Fifth Ward primary election day, remains unchanged. He spent a restless night, and this morning was said to be still in a serious condition.

He is suffering from concussion of the brain, and there is fear that he may have a fractured skull and internal injuries. The man's fortitude in remaining upon his feet and actively directing the ward factional fight is much admired, although regarded as the height of folly because of the seriousness of the injuries that he received at the hands of the imported gunmen.

Dr. J. Chalmers Da Costa, his physician, said today that he had greatly aggravated his condition by refusing to remain in bed directly after the assault.

"I found Mr. Carey considerably improved," said Doctor Da Costa today after he had dressed his patient's wounds. "I am not yet willing to state that he is out of danger, however, as there are two or three points I have not been able to determine definitely in his case. He will recover unless complications develop which have not been discovered up to this time."

Doctor Da Costa was told that many persons have intimated that Mr. Carey's condition was being made to appear worse than it really is for the political effect it will have at this time and later.

"It a six-inch wound across the head, the big bruise across the left eye and temple, which many persons have seen, and many other wounds are not sufficient to place a man in a serious condition, then Mr. Carey is not in a serious condition," said Doctor Da Costa. "He has a big bruise on his back just above his right shoulder blade which was evidently made by a blackjack meant for the back of his head. There are also many bruises on his body which were evidently made by kicking."

Mr. Carey's sister, Mrs. Boyce, and his niece, Miss Cora Boyce, said he did not rest as well last night as he did night before last. They said he had been complaining today for the first time of pains in his stomach which were evidently caused by the kicking. Doctor Da Costa refused to discuss the possible dangers from these pains in the stomach, but it was apparent that he considers them serious and that he does not want to comment upon them until he determines whether they are going to prove a serious element in the case.

Hucksters passing in wagons and carts, prosperous Fifth Warders in automobiles, street sweepers, politicians and business men not interested in politics all paused as they reached Carey's home to ask persons standing at the step talking to Miss Carey whether he was out of danger. Miss Carey continued on guard almost the entire day to keep visitors informed, to prevent the ringing of the doorbell and to otherwise prevent noisemaking.

"VARE TRICKERY," CRIES DEMOCRAT

Defeated Candidate Charges They Seek to Control City Committee

LIKE FIFTH WARD TACTICS

That the Vares are trying to gain control of the Democratic city committee by the same methods that were employed in the murderous assault upon James A. Carey and Detective George A. Eppley is the charge made by John J. McQuaid, defeated candidate for the magistracy nomination on the Democratic ticket and Democratic city committeeman.

"Upon what do you base this charge?" Mr. McQuaid was asked.

"Just this," he said: "If Joseph S. Boyle is nominated for Magistrate on the Democratic ticket I have no doubt that his nomination was brought about mainly by the same influence that is openly charged with the murderous assault upon Mercantile Appraiser James A. Carey and the murder of Detective George A. Eppley.

"I have in my possession several marked Democratic specimen ballots that were used by the Mackey-Vare officeholders and workers to trick the Democratic voters with, and in every case they are marked for Joseph S. Boyle for Magistrate and for the five Republican candidates for Common Council. As a result of this trick Boyle received a large number of votes and the Republican candidates for Council were nominated on the Democratic ballot."

"But what advantage will this be to the Vare forces?"

"In return for this an attempt will be made to get control of the Democratic city committee for the Vares."

"Then do you hold Mr. Boyle responsible as well?"

"In this hour, when an outraged community demands that speedy justice be meted out to the men higher up who are responsible for the violence, outlawry and murder in the Fifth ward, surely no party, Democrat or Independent, will dare to give aid or support to men who are the beneficiaries of the murderous group.

"The purpose of this is," he added, "to block fusion at the coming November election. The name most prominently mentioned as the leader in this scheme is Albert H. Ladner, Jr., a Vare appointee on the board of registration commissioners. I have conferred with Edgar W. Lank, chairman of the Democratic city committee, and suggested that a meeting of the organization committee be called without delay for the purpose to taking necessary action in this matter."

JOEL ISAACS DEAD; HEAD OF SHIRTWAIST COMPANY

Manufacturer Expires at Age of 67, After Long Successful Business Career Here

Joel Isaacs, senior member of the firm of Joel Isaacs & Sons, New York city, died here at noon yesterday in his apartments in the Majestic Hotel, following a short illness. Mr. Isaacs, who was sixty-seven years old and was well known as a manufacturer, resided here virtually all his life.

At one time Mr. Isaacs conducted a furniture manufacturing concern in Philadelphia. Twelve years ago he founded the shirtwaist manufacturing company of Joel Isaacs & Sons, in Filbert street above Tenth. After being successfully established the concern was moved to New York city nine years ago.

Mr. Isaacs, following the removal of the plant, continued his residence in Philadelphia. His sons took charge of the firm's interests in New York.

Joel Isaacs was born December 20, 1850, in Yarmouth, England. He came to America in his youth and resided in Philadelphia for more than three-score years.

He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Amelia Isaacs; one daughter, Mrs. Horace Hano, 1836 Rittenhouse square, Philadelphia, and two sons, Phil and Herbert, of New York.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1748 North Sixteenth street, next Tuesday afternoon. The Rev. Dr. Joseph Krauskopf will officiate. Burial will be at the Mount Sinai Cemetery.

PHILADELPHIA POLICE IN ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

The upper picture shows the crowd at Franklin Field today witnessing the finish of the first heat in the hundred-yard dash, won by Joseph E. Denning, Reserves, and John Downing, Thirtieth District. In the lower picture a boxing contest between Policemen Slatterly, Fourth District, and Hipp, Seventh District, is shown.

TWO DIE IN CROSSING CRASH

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Sept. 22.—Two persons were killed instantly and two others were injured, one probably fatally, when the automobile in which they were riding to attend a farewell reception here to 660 Fayette County draftees was struck by a Pennsylvania train on a grade crossing four miles east of here.

The dead are Sofia Oshnock, three years old, daughter of Mary Oshnock, of Lemont, and Andrew Sherlock, twenty-four years old, of Lemont. The injured are Mrs. Mary Oshnock, twenty-seven years old, whose skull was crushed, and Stanley Bishop, twenty-five years old.

Sherlock and the child were hurled more than 100 feet when the collision occurred. They were lifeless when picked up.

GUNMEN, CAUGHT IN NEW YORK, CONFESS AND DESCRIBE EMPLOYERS

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was a chance to make some easy money in Philadelphia without danger to ourselves. The pay was to be $10 or $15 a day with all expenses. I put the matter up to the gang, and sixteen of them accepted the job.

"We went over to Philadelphia Monday morning, and Tuesday was spent in familiarizing ourselves with the "Fifth," and each man wore a small piece of white ribbon on the second from the last button of his vest for identification.

"We were all supplied with guns and blackjacks and were introduced to a number of men, who, we were told, would take care of us in case of trouble.

"We engaged in several minor fights Wednesday morning in the 'Fifth,' but at 11 o'clock we were told that things had gone wrong and that we had better leave town.

"We returned to New York in twos and threes."

Burkhardt admits being a member of the gang, but denies being in any part of the trouble. Dennichy and Brannelli emphatically deny they were members of the gang.

Falcone secured the "Frog Hollow" section of the Bronx, got sixteen members of the "gang" and spent two days "looking over the situation" here, he admitted.

CHANCE FOR EASY MONEY

After being grilled by New York and Philadelphia police throughout the night, he told the story of how the three men, strangers from Philadelphia, had made him the proposition, of how they "had the chance to make easy money with practically no danger," and of how the program of crime was carried out.

Falcone's detailed story, a story of gunmen whose wages are measured by "success" in crime, rivals the famous Becker case. It is a tale which reeks with the doings of those who had no interest in Philadelphia affairs further than to club and shoot for a certain sum of money—$10 and $15 a day and expenses for intimidating voters.

Falcone, with his three "pals," Louis Brannelli, alias "Straight Louie," because he is cross-eyed; Michael Dennichy, a printer, and Fred Burkhardt, a former railroad detective, together with eight other members of the gang were caught in the police dragnet. The first four were grilled during the night; the other eight are being grilled today.

Falcone is said to have stated the men were joined at the Pennsylvania station by about fifteen others and that they went to Philadelphia together, being joined there by twenty-five or thirty men from New Jersey. The men worked in pairs. The work began, Falcone is said to have stated, but had not progressed far until the word was flashed around that the gang had been found out, that murder had been committed and that the gang must flee. They left, Falcone is said to have confessed, singly, and not only had to pay their own fares back to New York, but were not paid for their work.

District Attorney Rotan's request that Lieutenant David Bennett be dismissed was contained in a letter to Director Wilson, which pointed out that neither Bennett nor the policemen under him could be relied upon to gather evidence against the accused lieutenant. The letter was as follows:

William H. Wilson,
Director of the Department of Public Safety,
City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir—Lieutenant David Bennett, of the Third District, has been bound over for appearance at court on one or more criminal charges involving grave acts of violence by himself and other policemen under him against citizens of the district, which charges it will be my duty to investigate and prosecute. A warrant has also been issued against him and others, on the oath of a citizen of the district, charging them with conspiracy to violate the election laws of the Commonwealth, to commit assault and battery and murder.

A hearing of this charge is to take place next week. A policeman was murdered in Lieutenant Bennett's district on Wednesday last, which it is charged the police of the district connived at, or failed to prevent. This murder and other acts of violence on election day are now being investigated by me officially.

Under this state of facts, I feel that investigation of the charges against Lieutenant Bennett and the policemen under him, and of the murder charge, cannot be conducted with proper efficiency so long as Lieutenant Bennett is in charge of the police of the district. Obviously I cannot confer with him or rely upon him to procure me the evidence necessary to establish crime which may involve himself. Obviously, also, the policemen under him and subject to his orders will be liable to unfair restraint and duress if asked to furnish evidence that may involve their chief. For these reasons, therefore, I call upon you for the promotion of the ends of justice to remove Lieutenant Bennett from command of the police of the Third district.

In view of conditions, a lieutenant should be appointed to take charge who is entirely free from any active participation in politics. May I ask you for a prompt reply to this letter?

Very truly yours,
(Signed) SAMUEL P. ROTAN,
District Attorney.

Director Wilson, who is a Vare-Smith appointee, in refusing to comply with the request, made his first statement that has been made public since the Fifth Ward killing. His reply read:

Samuel P. Rotan, District Attorney,
City Hall, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir—Yours of the 22nd. inst. requesting the removal of Lieutenant Bennett from the command of the Third Police District, received.

I think that you will agree with me that although a man is charged with the commission of a crime, under the law he is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is proved. It is my earnest desire that all parties connected with this unconscionable crime be speedily brought to the bar of justice and you can rest assured that the entire Department of Public Safety is at your disposal to accomplish this end and no man under me, no matter what his position, need fear the consequence of telling the truth. Each and every one so long as he does that shall have my fullest support. The Bureau of Police, which includes the Detective Bureau, has explicit instructions from me to co-operate with your office to the fullest extent and you are at liberty to summon anyone connected with this Department before you at any time, and I will see to it that your summons is answered.

The Detective Bureau is working indefatigably in this matter and all information gleaned by them will be turned over to you. In addition, any line of inquiry which you desire to pursue through that bureau is at your disposal.

With this assurance, I fail to see where the granting of your request will aid, and with the determination to treat all men fairly, I must, therefore, at this time decline your request for the removal of Lieutenant Bennett.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM H. WILSON,
Director of the Department of Public Safety.

TO ARREST NEW YORKER

The arrest of a prominent Bronx politician, who is alleged to have hired the gunmen, will be made this afternoon, according to Inspector Faurot, of the New York police department. The arrest will follow the description furnished by the men arrested in New York city.

The men, in their confession, according to Inspector Faurot, declared that they were taken to a prominent hotel in this city, where they were given white ribbons to be placed in the buttonholes of their coats. Afterward they were taken into the Fifth Ward, according to the inspector, where they were introduced to several "politicians" and detectives, who told the gunmen that they were working for the police department.

Inspector Faurot said that the confession of the arrested gunmen includes descriptions of the three men whom they allege hired them to come to Philadelphia, but he declined to make public the descriptions.

"We have given out about all we can on the case for the present," he said.

"Did the arrested men describe those who hired them?" he was asked.

"Yes. We have fairly good descriptions."

"Were the names of those who did the hiring mentioned?"

"I cannot talk further about the case for the present. We are continuing our investigations and such evidence as may be obtained will be turned over to the Philadelphia police."

Eye-witnesses to the killing and "blackjacking" were taken to New York today to identify the men if possible. The Philadelphia authorities will take out extradition papers to bring the prisoners here.

Among the witnesses that went to New York were Detective Callahan, Emma Griffith, the negress who saw the entire affair; Policemen Leo, Grover and Eleman, of the vice squad, who were with Eppley when he was killed.

An unverified report that the "three strangers" mentioned in the gunman's confession in New York were Philadelphians caused a flurry of excitement here. Told that it was rumored that the gunman had named two Fifth Ward men as having imported the thugs for the election, Isaac Deutsch, Vare-Smith leader of the ward, said: "If they say it's me it's a lie. I don't know any of the things they're trying to pull off. I know absolutely nothing of the hiring of the gunmen."

EXPECT CONFESSION HERE

A confession implicating the "man higher up" is expected from Harry De Inrao, one of the two men under arrest here, who, with Samuel Scuellga, is accused of the murder of Eppley. The alleged gunman is a "dope fiend" and is believed to be on the verge of a breakdown.

De Inrao wants to confess, but he is afraid of the electric chair.

Detectives are grimly waiting. They know that he is an addict to cocaine. They know what that means. Without the drug the "dope fiend's" overstimulated will power is sapped and weakened until it breaks down completely. Time makes it collapse.

This is the third day that De Inrao has been without the narcotic. His "pep" is gone. The bold front that he assumed when he was first arrested has "caved in." His air of bravado was followed by sullen silence, only to be succeeded by a blank terror, pitiful to behold, as the effects of the narcotic wore away, and the full realization of his plight dawned upon him. It was like a man awaking from a hasheesh dream.

PRISONER WEAKENING

De Inrao appears to be weakening under the strain. Four times today he was grilled by Captain Tate and Detective Belshaw of the murder squad. His last grilling took place this afternoon.

Captain Tate told De Inrao of the confession of "Jimmy, the Flash." The alleged gunman listened to it with a deepening sneer. Then he jumped from the chair in the captain's room.

"You can't pull that stuff on me," he exclaimed, "I'm just as much alive as you are."

Belshaw tried to quiet him, but for a few moments De Inrao was obdurate. Finally he calmed.

"Now Jack," said Belshaw, "come and tell the truth." Then in a hesitating manner De Inrao said that a secret agreement not to squeal existed among the gunmen who came to the Fifth Ward from New York.

"Before we left New York," said De Inrao, "me and my mob agreed that we were not to squeal or tell anything if we got in a jam. There was sixteen men in my mob and you can't get me to break that promise unless you promise me that I'll be saved from the chair."

Two detectives then led him from the captain's office. At the door De Inrao paused and pointing a finger at Captain Tate, shouted, "And that promise to save me from the chair if I tell all must be made in black and white."

This definite assertion seemed to arouse new confidence in the prisoner, and he walked briskly between the detectives to his cell.

All night long de Inrao, confronted by the horror of electrocution, paced his cell. Sleep deserted him utterly. From time to time in a frenzy of fear he shook the iron bars that held him prisoner.

PRISONER WANTS TO TELL

"Oh, why don't they let me tell?" he moaned. "I want to tell everything. Let me tell, but save me from the chair!"

It was near midnight that Captain Tate, believing the man's collapse to be near, had him brought to his office again.

"I'm going to tell you everything, Cap," said de Inrao, in a sudden burst of resolution. "I'll spill it all. I want to tell you—but can't you promise to save me from the chair?"

"No, I can't make any promise like that, and you know it," replied Captain Tate. "Come on, now, Jack, and tell us the truth."

But, with an extreme effort, de Inrao collected himself suddenly and, for the time being at least, resolved to withhold what he knows about the bringing of the gunmen to Philadelphia.

Detectives recalled today that the murder of Eppley constituted the second killing of a detective by a drug addict within a month. Four weeks ago Detective McCartney was shot and killed, a crime for which Benny Weiss, known in police circles as a "dope fiend," is being hunted.

DEMAND MAYOR RESIGN

The resignation of Mayor Smith, accused of conspiracy to murder and released in $10,000 bail, is demanded. Plans are under way for a big mass-meeting in the Academy of Music to call upon the Mayor to relinquish his duties as Chief Executive, at least until he has been able to clear himself of the most serious charges against him.

PLANS FOR MEETING

Plans for the mass-meeting to be held in the Academy of Music next Thursday night were formed at a meeting behind closed doors in Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell's office, in City Hall, today.

The Rev. D. I. McDermott, rector of St. Mary's Catholic Church; Dr. J. Chalmers Da Costa, and the Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, will be among the speakers. It was announced that an effort would be made to bring Theodore Roosevelt and President Wilson to address the meeting.

Judge Bonniwell said that an attempt would be made to erect an organization of independents and Democrats to "defeat the forces of evil that now hold sway over Philadelphia by overthrowing gang politics."

Among those who attended the meeting were Vice Chancellor Henry Budd, of the Episcopal diocese of Pennsylvania; Francis B. Reeves, chairman of the board of directors of the Girard National Bank; Doctor Da Costa, Emanuel Furth, an attorney, and Howard R. Sheppard, of Isaac A. Sheppard & Co. Former Mayor Blankenburg was represented by his former secretary, Cyrus D. Foss.

The plea of insanity is the only one on which Mayor Smith can hope for acquittal by a jury in a criminal court, according to Father McDermott.

Mayor Smith has begun to worry. He now does care several "snaps of his fingers" for the charges against him, according to the latest reports from his Atlantic City home.

Ever since he signed his own $10,000 bail bond on the conspiracy to murder charge in the Municipal Court yesterday his attitude has been changing.

MAYOR IN STATE OF SIEGE

Mayor Smith's house on Morris avenue, Atlantic City, is in a semi-state of siege. Attempts to reach him or Receiver of Taxes Kendrick, who motored to the shore with him last night, failed both by calls at door or by phone this morning.

Joe, the butler, said over phone that neither the Mayor nor Receiver Kendrick was there. He understood they had gone out to play golf.

The Mayor's $35,000 residence on Morris avenue became a "show-place" this morning. Motor parties slowed down in passing while chauffeurs indicated the white dwelling, with its big canvas-shaded piazzas. People afoot stopped to survey it in detail. People in the neighborhood do not relish the notoriety that the Mayor's arrest has brought to the quiet residential section.

The Mayor sat on the porch of his Atlantic City cottage last night, with the lights turned on full and the populace of Atlantic City starting him as it passed. W. Freeland Kendrick occupied a seat somewhat to the rear.

NOTHING TO SAY

"Don't you think you owe it to the city," the Mayor was asked, "to make some statement in the situation?"

"I have nothing to say!" he replied.

"Have you in contemplation any further statement? The people of Philadelphia, you know, are eager to hear from you."

"No!"

"Is it true that you have resigned, or that you will resign?"

"Nothing to say."

"Do you intend asking Director Wilson to resign?"

"There is no use asking me those questions."

The Mayor got up and put out the lights on the porch. He then went for a walk with Mr. Kendrick. At the Shelburne they met Mayor Bacharach, of Atlantic City. The party walked for half an hour on the Boardwalk, in a gentle rain.

Who will actively defend Mayor Smith in the forthcoming trial is not known, no name having been announced. Francis Shunk Brown, Attorney General of Pennsylvania and chief lieutenant of the Vares, will direct the defense, aided by Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of Councils' Finance Committee, who is associated with Attorney General Brown.

DEUTSCH WANTS A RECOUNT

The Deutsch faction today reiterated its assertion that the election in the Fifth Ward will be contested, with the intention of having the ballot-boxes in six of the divisions opened.

Mike Bagdonoff, secretary of the Fifth Ward Republican League, and Max Deutsch, brother of Ike Deutsch, who was the defeated Vare candidate against James A. Carey, and they were sure the First, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Thirteenth and Seventeenth divisions were the ones which defeated Deutsch. It is in these divisions that they expect to ask a recount of the ballots.

"If they are so sure that they have won fairly and honestly," said Bagdonoff, "let them consent to a recount in the divisions we protest. If they refuse to open the boxes or fight our efforts to have them opened, it will show that they are afraid of the results. They had the election officials in these divisions and should know what is in the boxes."

Bagdonoff, on behalf of Deutsch, denied today that Deutsch had been "double-crossed" in the Thirteenth division, as Deutsch stated. Bagdonoff said that for a time Deutsch thought that the vote had been turned against him in that division, but that today they found it had not.

Dr. Michael Susman, 529 Pine street, leader in the division for Deutsch, said this afternoon that the statement that he had "double-crossed" any one was false.

POLICEMEN WILL HONOR SLAIN COMRADE AT FUNERAL MONDAY

Members of the Policemen's Benevolent Association are planning final tribute to their martyred brother in arms, Detective George A. Eppley, murdered in the Fifth Ward on primary election day.

More than 500 members of the association will meet tomorrow night at Fifty-second and Master streets and march to the slain detective's home. One by one they will file by the bier and place floral wreaths at its side. Many of the association members, it is feared, will be unable to attend the funeral services, which will be held on Monday.

Tomorrow night has been selected as the only available time at which they can show their recognition of their fallen comrade's heroic death.

Hundreds of neighbors and friends who called at the humble home where Detective Eppley lay dead were powerless to console Mrs. Theresa Eppley, the martyred man's grief-stricken widowed mother. Unable to see any one, she stayed in her room under a physician's care, her heart numbed by her boy's murder, her nerves shattered by the ordeal of the last three days.

Mrs. Eppley has refused to touch food since Wednesday morning and has slept only when potent sedatives were administered. Her physician, Dr. Charles Murphy, is in constant attendance. He expressed the belief today that the mother may never recover from the shock attendant upon the loss of her boy, shot down in cold blood by hireling gunmen.

Detective Eppley's funeral will take place Monday morning, at 9.30 o'clock, from St. Gregory's Church, Fifty-second and Master streets. At least 100 policemen from the murdered man's old station, Sixty-first and Thompson streets, will attend. Police from other stations will be sent into the district during the funeral to relieve the men who were associated with Eppley when he first donned the uniform seven years ago. Members of the vice squad, to which Eppley was later transferred, will also attend the funeral.

Police of the Sixty-first and Thompson streets station have appointed a committee to make arrangements for their attendance. Sergeant Hughie McMullen, of the committee, said today that the Police Band would lead the uniformed men.

Jacob Hostetter, Sr., Dies

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Sept. 22.—Jacob Hostetter, Sr., eighty-six years old, one of the prominent citizens of Greencastle and a leading business man of the Cumberland Valley, died yesterday at his home. He studied medicine as a youth and was engaged in Pittsburgh in the drug business for many years. He later opened the first grocery store in Greencastle and sold the first kerosene hanging lamps, first grapefruit and first canned vegetables ever sold in that town.

FUND FOR EPPLEY'S MOTHER GROWING

More Contributions Urgently Needed for Support of Aged Woman

UNDER DOCTOR'S CARE

Collapses After Awaiting Hours for Arrival of Her Son's Body

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

Sir—Please find check of $25 inclosed as my contribution to the fund you propose to raise for the benefit of the mother of Policeman Eppley, who was murdered in the Fifth Ward yesterday while endeavoring to safeguard the lives of citizens at the primary election.

Very truly yours,
D. I. McDERMOTT.

St. Mary's Church,
Philadelphia, September 20, 1917.

EPPLEY RELIEF FUND

Rev. D. I. McDermott	$25
O. J. Barrett	[illegible]
J. A. Maher	[illegible]
H. C. D.	[illegible]

Contributions for the Eppley Relief Fund addressed to the Evening Ledger, will be forwarded to the bereaved mother.

Contributions are needed for the fund which has been started to help care for the aged mother of Detective George A. Eppley, of the Sixty-first and Thompson streets station, who was murdered by hired gunmen in the Fifth Ward on primary election day, when he heroically went to the defense of James A. Carey.

The first contribution to the Eppley Fund was one of $25 given by the Rev. Dr. D. I. McDermott, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fourth and Locust streets. Others are coming in. Still many more are needed.

All contributions, no matter how small, will be thankfully received.

Mrs. Theresa Eppley is seventy years old. She is under a physician's care at her modest home, 5116 Merion avenue.

Deprived of the support of her son, Mrs. Eppley has nothing. She is too overcome with grief even to think of her own plight. Friends have decided to come to her aid.

Mrs. Eppley is one of the most pathetic figures in the whole tragedy, friends of her son say. For hours, although physically unfit to leave her bed, she awaited anxiously the return of her son's body, which was detained at the hospital until the coroner could view it.

When finally the body was brought home the aged mother collapsed.

According to her own statement, muttered between heart-breaking sobs, the gray-haired mother said that her son has always been good to her.

"What will I do without you," she murmured in thinking of her boy.

Police Athletes in Lively Competition

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the welterweight boxing. His opponent, Joseph Walls, of the Eleventh District, was saved from a knockout by the referee, who stopped the bout.

The hundred-yard final was won by James Downey of the Eighteenth District. His time was 10 3-5 seconds; James Downing, of Traffic Squad, was second; Robert Parker of the Twenty-first District was third. The 100-yard dash for men over twenty years in the service was won by Ed Hart, of the Ninth District, in 12 2-5 seconds. Malcolm MacDonald, of the Traffic Squad, was second.

Summaries:

100-yard dash, final—Won by John Downey, Eighteenth District, handicap 8 yards; second, James Downing, traffic squad, handicap 4 yards; third, Robert E. Parker, Twenty-first District, handicap 7 yards. Time, 10 3-5s.

100-yard dash (for those who have been in the service twenty years or more)—Won by Edward C. Hart, Ninth District, with handicap of 4 yards; second, Malcolm MacDonald, sergeant, traffic squad, scratch. Time, 12 2-5s.

100-yard dash (final, for policemen weighing 200 pounds or more)—Won by Albert M. Hoy, Fourteenth District, handicap 8 yards; second, William J. Gallagher, Thirty-fourth District, handicap 4 yards; third, Matthew A. Kernan, Thirty-first District, handicap 6 yards. Time, 13 4-5s.

Welterweight boxing—First bout, Slattery, of the Fourth District, beat Leo Hipp, of the Seventh District, in three rounds; second bout, Cooley, of the Thirty-fourth District, beat John Fuhs, of the Thirty-fourth District, in one round; third bout, Sherman Clark, of the Sixth District, beat Joseph Welden, of the Seventeenth District, in four rounds; fourth bout, Fred Silber, of the Thirty-fourth District, beat John Gallagher, of the Twenty-ninth District, in three rounds; fifth bout, Edward Deer, of the First District, beat Edward J. Fiser, of the Twentieth District in four rounds.

High jump—Won by William Matthews, of the Nineteenth District, handicap 6 inches. Height 4 feet. (Only one entry.)

Mile run—Won by Lonnie Haigh, Twenty-second District, scratch; second, Amos Edwards, Nineteenth District, handicap 20 yards; third, William A. Wilkinson, Second District, handicap 45 yards. Time, 5m. 25s.

120-yard low hurdles (final)—Won by John S. Thomas, traffic squad, handicap 3 yards; second, J. Lanahan, Twentieth District, handicap 3 yards; third, Charles Morrison, Thirty-seventh District, handicap 8 yards. Time, 16 2-5s.

Broad jump—Won by John R. Thomas, traffic squad, scratch, distance 18 ft. 9¾ in.; second, Michael J. Hallahan, reserves, handicap 6 in., distance 18 ft. 8¾ in.; third, Charles A. Rankin, reserves, handicap 6 in., distance 17 ft. 7¼ in.

Mile walk (in full uniform)—Won by William Kemper, thirteenth district; second, Charles Galleana, thirty-fifth district; third, Exley Blackburn, thirteenth district; fourth, Robert Barthold, thirteenth district. Time, 8 min. 41 sec.

440-yards run—Won by Jacob Addis, second district, handicap 30 yards; second, Allen Ambleby, thirteenth district, handicap 20 yards; third, oJseph E. Denning, reserves, scratch; fourth, oJhn Freeman, reserves, handicap 7 yards. Time, 53 sec.

Heavyweight wrestling—Harry M. Campbell, of the thirty-fifth district, threw William G. Davis, of the fortieth district, in 1 min. 45 sec.

Middleweight boxing, first bout—John P. Daly, of the seventh district, beat Richard Cressey, of the thirty-sixth district, in three rounds.

Middleweight boxing, second bout—Robert Roller, of the sixteenth district, beat Andrew Smart, of the thirty-seventh district, in three rounds.

JAILED BY CAREY'S FOES, FREED AFTER ELECTION

Arrested and jailed so that they could not vote for Carey, it is said, Edward Lumer, of 117 Bainbridge street, and Harry Doyle, of 222 Gaskill street, merchant seamen, were freed today by Coroner Knight. He said that if the evidence in their case presented to him today was the same as that given before Magistrate Baker when he held them on September 8, it was not sufficient.

The men were arrested by Policemen Wirtshafter and Murphy, of the Third district, on the day following the death of Thomas H. Hooper, seventy-nine years old, of 211 South Eighth street, in the Pennsylvania Hospital, on September 7. It was alleged that one of them had pushed against Hooper and that a fight between the trio had taken place at Front and South streets on September 3. The inquest into the death of Hooper stated that he died from a stroke of apoplexy.

Magistrate Baker called the attention of Coroner Knight to the case yesterday, on the grounds that the circumstances connected with it were suspicious. The coroner reopened the case and the men were brought from the county prison, with the result as stated.

KORNILOFF TO BE SENT TO MUNICIPAL PRISON

PETROGRAD, Sept. 22.—Removal of General Korniloff to the municipal prison was decided upon today.

The trial by court-martial of Korniloff and his mutinous aide bids fair to develop into one of the bitterest legal battles ever known in Russia. The preliminary investigation into the revolt is nearing its end and the defendants are making vigorous preparations for their defense. They are retaining the best lawyers in Petrograd, Moscow and Kiev to defend them.

A military court which is trying the cases of mutiny at Mosc