

CREEL'S CENSORSHIP COST U. S. \$1,350,000

President Accounts for His Personal War Fund of \$100,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Up to the present time the committee on public information, popularly known as the Creel Committee, has had allotted to it for expenses of publicity and censorship, \$1,350,000.

This became known today when President Wilson submitted to the Appropriations Committee of the House a memorandum showing how the \$100,000,000 fund placed at his disposal for "war purposes" had been expended. There still remains an unexpended balance at the President's disposal of \$68,426,508, and the committee has recommended to the House that this be re-appropriated and made available until June 30, next.

The largest single disbursement was \$17,149,287, which was given to the shipping board to make the seized German ships seaworthy. The Secret Service and confidential work of secret agents abroad has cost \$1,679,062 to date. The War Department spent \$1,800,000 for intelligence work and it received, and later paid back, \$65,000,000 for "emergency work" in preparing for war. The navy expended \$1,268,000 for special expenses.

OVERCOME BY SMOKE

Two Upper Floors of Factory Ruined in \$100,000 Fire

Several firemen were overcome by smoke while fighting flames that destroyed the two upper floors of the four-story factory building at Seventeenth and Wood streets. Machinery for the manufacture of mosquito netting for the United States troops in France and a quantity of the netting ready for shipment were destroyed. The two floors are occupied by Sunkin & Schmeizer. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

The building, which several years ago was used as an annex to the old Central Manual Training High School, since merged with other high schools, is occupied by the Hart Machinery Company, on the first floor, and the Stranahan Gear Company, on the second floor. Both companies suffered severe losses from water.

WOMAN MUST AWAIT RESULT OF WOUNDS OF HUSBAND IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Sara McIntyre, of 2127 Thompson street, who the police say shot her husband, George McIntyre, yesterday, was given a hearing before Magistrate Watson at the Central Station today and held to await the result of the man's injuries. According to Police Officer Miller, of the Fortieth district, when he reached the house after the shooting he found Hugh McIntyre, a stepson, and the mother in the hallway struggling for possession of the revolver. The police say that on one occasion Mrs. McIntyre took poison. She claimed when arrested that she had bought the revolver for \$3 at a store at Eighteenth street and Girard avenue. The wounded husband is in the Women's Hospital.

FILES OIL STOCK SUIT

Purchaser Alleges False Representations Made as Basis of Sale

Suit has been brought by Harry W. Miller against John Hayes, Jr., in the Municipal Court to recover \$205, the plaintiff alleging that he was swindled in the purchase of 500 shares of the Mohk Oil Company, a Utah corporation. It is alleged that the purchaser of the stock was induced by representations made by Hayes that the corporation owned valuable lands in Wyoming, and that these representations were false. Charles L. Smyth, counsel for the plaintiff, obtained a capias, with bail at \$200, for the arrest of the defendant.

AERO VOLUNTEERS LEAVE LANCASTER

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 12.—Concluding the campaign for army volunteers designed to free Lancaster from the second draft, 167 more men left here this morning as members of Lancaster aero squadron No. 2. A big parade preceded their leaving.

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LIEUT. D. D. WEITZ He has just been assigned to active duty with the Fifty-fifth Infantry at Chickamauga Park, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Lieutenant Weitz is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania architectural school, 1915.

BUSINESS MEN STAND BY TAYLOR ON TRANSIT

United Association's Directors Indorse Plea for Delay in Making Lease During War

The board of directors of the United Business Men's Association, at a meeting held yesterday at 1015 Arch street, indorsed the contention of former Director A. Merritt Taylor that no immediate action should be taken on the transit lease. The directors met in executive session and afterward gave out the following resolution, which was adopted at the meeting:

Whereas, Taxation which must be levied for war purposes on the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company and its subsidiaries must be borne by the car riders under the last proposed lease, in addition to present fixed charges. If it resolved, That we, the board of directors of the United Business Men's Association, reaffirm our former recommendation that no lease should be consummated at the present time, and the negotiations should not be resumed until the war is over, and the short-term lease for the Frankford elevated system should be made with the most acceptable lease or operated as an independent line by the municipality.

WEATHER MAN HOLDS TO CHEERING FORECAST

Despite Cold, Driving Snow, He Repeats Assurance of Rising Temperature

In spite of overcast skies and a cold, driving snow this morning the weather man holds out promise that the backbone of the cold wave has been virtually broken and that moderate weather is to be expected in the immediate future.

At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer stood at 18. By 10 o'clock it had climbed to 21 and at 1 o'clock it was 22, with a gradual upward tendency. The forecast for tonight is that the minimum temperature will not be lower than 25.

The snow that fell today was too scant to interfere with traffic, and the same conditions exist over the greater part of Pennsylvania. The storm area today is further south, with the center of least barometric pressure off the coast of North Carolina. At Norfolk, Va., one inch of snow is reported, and throughout Virginia the snowfall has been heavy. Local weather officials are confident that except along the coast the present storm will not get this far north.

The forecast for Philadelphia and vicinity is unsettled weather tonight and Thursday, with probably snow, slowly rising temperature with lowest tonight about 25 degrees; moderate to fresh northeast winds.

ARMY NEEDS BRICKLAYERS

Recruiting Officers Get Orders to Enlist All They Can Get

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Instructions to enlist in the army as many bricklayers as possible have been sent to recruiting offices. These men will be sent to a concentration camp in the South for a short time and then to France for work on the American airbases.

Attention was called to the advisability of getting these men into service before Friday, when the law preventing men within the draft age of volunteering becomes effective.

LANCASTER REVENUE DEPUTY DIES

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 12.—George W. Lecher, for twenty-two years Deputy Revenue Collector in the ninth district, died last night in his home, aged eighty-four years, from heart disease. He was a veteran of the civil war.

Plan Truck Lines to Aid R. R.'s

An experiment is to be made in using automobile trucks on the Lincoln Highway to relieve the congestion of freight, according to an announcement made by Colonel Lewis L. Boller, of the Pennsylvania Committee of Public Safety.

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PHILADELPHIA GIRL FACES MURDER TRIAL

Prosecutor Holds Millie De Marco Was "Brains" of Paycar Tragedy

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 12.—When the trial of Millie De Marco, a Philadelphia girl, was begun before Justice Kallisch here today under an indictment charging her with murder and being an accessory before and after the fact in connection with the A. J. Rider paycar hold-up and murder of Henry D. Rider near Atison on October 5, 1916, Attorney General Wessott charged her with being an important part of the brains in planting the crime. He said that she was the connecting link between her uncle "Tony" Rizzo, who was employed at the Rider cranberry bog at Hampton Park, and the Italians who held up the paycar. The Attorney General will make a strong stand for the conviction of Millie as an accessory if she should be failure to connect her as a principal.

No testimony was taken this morning, all the time being consumed with preliminaries. The jury was selected in less than an hour.

A motion by V. Claude Palmer, defendant's counsel, to quash the indictment on the ground that there is no such crime as "accessory before and after the fact" in New Jersey was denied.

Clavand Fraza, convicted as a principal in this case, but alive under a stay of execution that he might testify today, is in court in charge of State prison duties. He and Millie did not speak when they came face to face. Iraca will testify for the prosecution.

Austrian Draftees Segregated

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 12.—About 600 drafted men at Camp Lee, claiming to be Austro-Hungarian subjects, have been separated from the units to which they were assigned originally and put in the depot brigade. The majority of the Austrians are from Pennsylvania, but a few are from West Virginia.

MISS RANKIN PLEADS FOR CUPID'S CAUSE

Congresswoman Wants Repeal of Law Operating Against American Wives of Aliens

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Cupid has a champion in Congress for the first time in history today. Jeannette Rankin, representing the states of Montana and matrimony, though she herself is a spinster, took up the cudgels for the chubby little heart-hunting chap who says has been abused by the lawmakers. Her first move on Dan's behalf was the introduction of a bill to repeal the law compelling American women who marry aliens to relinquish their American citizenship. This law, Miss Rankin said, has almost ruined Cupid's business in some parts of the country.

"In my State of Montana, for instance," said she, "many of the girls along the border near Canada love Canadian boys and cannot marry them without losing their American citizenship and, therefore, also their Montana homestead. A most unhappy situation."

It was while campaigning for election that Miss Rankin promised these love-marrying girls if elected she'd try to get them the right to do as they pleased with their citizenship, their sweethearts and their property.

"The situation is ridiculous," said Miss Rankin. "Men are allowed to choose their own nations. Women should be accorded the same right."

But the Congresswoman's bill is aimed at more than just a square deal for Daniel.

"In Illinois," she said, "aliens cannot own property. An American-born friend of mine, married to an alien, had property left her. She couldn't claim it because her marriage made her an alien. Her husband couldn't be naturalized because he was a Chinaman, a Chicago University professor.

MURDER OF WOMAN LAID TO GERMAN SPIES

Husband Grilled by Police Following Finding of Body in Wrecked House

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12.—Hugo Beyer, formerly a German subject, was severely grilled by detectives today following the finding of the mutilated body of his wife late yesterday afternoon. The Beyer home had been wrecked by a powerful explosion before the woman's body, with a butcher knife beneath it, was discovered.

Detectives have been informed by friends of Mrs. Beyer that the woman had been bitter in her denunciation of the German Government for the treatment given her and her husband when they visited his parents in Thuringia, Germany, in 1914.

The husband was formerly a lieutenant in the German navy. The detectives are entertaining two theories for the murder. One is that Mrs. Beyer was murdered because she obtained information of German intrigue with a German spy; the other is that the woman was the victim of the German spy system, which sought information in the Beyer home of war experiments being made by the husband, who is in the employ of the Westinghouse Electric Company.

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