

**GAS CONSERVATION ADVISED BY U. G. I.**  
**Letter to Mayor Warns Against Excessive Use for Heating Purposes**  
**REPORTS BIG INCREASE**  
**Consumption 25 Per Cent Greater Than in December of Last Year**

Conservation of gas may be asked of the citizens of Philadelphia in the near future.  
This announcement was made by Mayor Smith following a conference with Samuel T. Bodine, president of the United Gas Improvement Company, who pointed out the urgent necessity of such action at the present time.  
In an open letter to the Mayor today Mr. Bodine pointed out that the consumption of gas since the first of December has increased 25 per cent over the corresponding period last year and that on one day the increase amounted to 36 per cent. He urged the Mayor to aid in securing the co-operation of the private consumer in conserving the gas supply.  
"I heartily approve of Mr. Bodine's suggestions," the Mayor said. "There has never been a time in the history of the country when the conservation of all supplies is more imperatively necessary than now."  
"The waste of gas is almost as serious as the waste in food, and as a result of my conference with Mr. Bodine I may have some statement to make later."

Mr. Bodine's letter urging conservation of gas is as follows:  
"The Philadelphia Gas Works has manufacturing and distributing capacity sufficient to supply a population much greater than our present population with gas for lighting, cooking and water heating. We are not equipped, nor is any other artificial gas company equipped or expected to be, to supply fuel for heating the homes and business establishments of a city the size of Philadelphia. Gas heating stoves are designed and installed for auxiliary and temporary heating only, not to take the place of house-heating plants."  
"Since the first of December gas consumption in Philadelphia has increased 25 per cent over the corresponding period of last year; on one day this month the increase was 36 per cent over the same day last year."  
"We ask your co-operation in the enforcement of economy in the use of gas in municipal buildings; and with your permission we will give copies of this letter to the newspapers, in the hope of securing the co-operation of all private consumers in conserving the city's gas supply."

**PENNA. ARTILLERYMEN APT General Price, on Furlough, Praises Keystone Troops' Progress**

Rapid and satisfactory strides are being made in the training of Pennsylvania Artillerymen, according to Brigadier General William G. Price, commanding the Fifty-third Brigade, artillery, of the Twenty-eighth Division, U. S. A., formerly the National Guard of Pennsylvania, who is spending a week's furlough at his home in Chester.  
"The officers are delighted with the efficiency of the men," he said, referring to those in training at Camp Hancock, "who are making great strides. Health conditions are excellent and we are proud of our low sick rate."  
The Fifty-third Brigade includes the 108th Heavy Artillery, formerly the Second Field Artillery, of this city.

**REQUESTS FOR CHARITIES**  
An estate valued at \$22,000 is divided equally between the Presbyterian Home for Aged Couples, Bala; Calvin Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Orphan Asylum and the Masonic Home, Ellabettsown, Pa., by the will of Thomas G. Hunter, 5315 West Girard avenue, probated today.  
The entire estate of Mary E. Brennan, 1802 North Bucknell street, valued at \$4500, is bequeathed to St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church for masses.  
Other wills probated were those of Rachel Rittenhouse, 4526 North Uber street, \$2750; Sophia M. Godley, 214 South Forty-second street, \$2500; George M. Mahoney, 1370 South Division street, \$2500, and Mary E. Fifer, 157 East Lehigh avenue, \$2500.

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**STOVE-MAKING TRADE WAGE RISE GRANTED**  
**15,000 Men in North America Affected—Dispute Ended Without a Strike**  
ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 22.—After a ten-day conference here, the Stove Founders' Defense Association, employers, and the Stove Molders' Union have agreed to an increase in the pay of the piece-workers of 15 per cent over the last year's scale. The molten iron to receive a wage increase from \$1.25 to \$1.44 a day. The change goes into effect January 1. The outlook was reported as encouraging.

**FUND FOR 315TH BOYS STILL LACKS \$1215.80**

**Christmas Gift for Men of All-Philadelphia Regiment, at Camp Meads Is Growing**

With Christmas only four days off a lot of the boys in the 315th Infantry down at Camp Meads, Md., are wondering just how much the people of their home city, Philadelphia, really think of them. A lot of Philadelphia have already shown that they are proud of the boys in the 315th Infantry by contributing altogether \$74.29 toward a Christmas fund for the boys in khaki, few of whom will be able to visit their homes on Christmas Day.  
But \$1215.80 more is needed to complete the fund of \$2000 which will go by gifts for all of the 3200 men in the regiment. There are wealthy men in this city who could easily give \$1200, but it wouldn't mean as much that way as it would if everybody in Philadelphia contributed a little.  
Among the contributors to the \$773.29 already in the hands of John M. Strong, vice president of the West End Trust Company, who is acting as treasurer of the fund, were Bradford Craig, of the Hill School, Pottstown, Pa., who sent \$15.00 through the EVENING PUBLIC LEADER, and two contributors of \$2 and \$10 cents, respectively, through this newspaper. Five dollars toward the fund was received by the EVENING PUBLIC LEADER today from the Rev. George S. Burnside, who has been pastor of the North Presbyterian Church, Broad street and Allegheny avenue, for more than twenty-five years.  
If you can make a contribution, no matter how small, send it today to the West End Trust Company, South Penn square, marking it "For the 315th Infantry Christmas Fund." The boys at Camp Meads will be a lot more cheerful for it.

**ACQUAINTANCE OF I. W. W. PLOT**

**Federal Agents Unearth Dynamite Sufficient to Blow Up Town**

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 20.—Harry Tallis ("Nuff Ned") Casey, an itinerant watch repairer, and L. W. Oilbant, alleged Federal officer, were arrested here today in custody by men who are close to the real heads and brains of the I. W. W. outrages, that have been committed throughout Oklahoma since war was declared.  
Following Casey's arrest, officers of the Department of Justice dug up sufficient dynamite from the back yard of his abode in Lawton to blow the town off the map. Camp Doniphan is six miles from Lawton.

**Heads Motortruck Association**

W. H. Metcalf was elected president of the Motortruck Association of Philadelphia at the annual dinner of the association.



**DR. JANE CRAVEN**  
Of Evanston, Ill., is the first American woman to be awarded the French Croix de Guerre. She aided in rescuing wounded soldiers under fire.

**SCHOOL BOYS OPPOSE BEING SENT TO FARMS**

**Student Tells Meeting Teachers Refused to Help Them Catch Up in Studies**

T. A. S. Miller, of 1728 Gratz street a student of the Northeast High School, created a sensation at a meeting of State officials, educators, farmers and school teachers, when he arose and publicly opposed, on behalf of the high school boys, the plans being made to send boys to the farms to overcome the labor shortage.

The meeting was held in the Girls' Normal School, and young Miller's talk came at the conclusion of a discussion of plans for increasing farm efficiency. He declared that the boys had not been treated fairly on former occasions when they were called upon to do farm work, because teachers had refused to help them catch up in their studies upon their return and had told them that they left school to do this work at their own risk. Unless assurance was given that this would not happen again, he said, the boys would rebel.

As a result of the boys' talk the promise was made that the matter would be taken up with the Board of Education and arrangements made to protect the boys in future.

**Eva Tanguay Divorced**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A divorce from John W. Ford, her dancing partner, has been granted Eva Tanguay. They were married at Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1912.

**Christmas Cards** Patriotic and other designs. With printed name. 500 dozen up to 1000 dozen. \$1.75 dozen; \$2.25 500; \$4.25 1000; \$5.50 2000. Prompt delivery. (No samples sent.)  
**Christmas Wreaths** Crosses, Hells, Stars, etc. \$1.00 up. \$2.00 up. \$3.00 up. \$4.00 up. \$5.00 up. \$6.00 up. \$7.00 up. \$8.00 up. \$9.00 up. \$10.00 up. \$11.00 up. \$12.00 up. \$13.00 up. \$14.00 up. \$15.00 up. \$16.00 up. \$17.00 up. \$18.00 up. \$19.00 up. \$20.00 up. \$21.00 up. \$22.00 up. \$23.00 up. \$24.00 up. \$25.00 up. \$26.00 up. \$27.00 up. \$28.00 up. \$29.00 up. \$30.00 up. \$31.00 up. \$32.00 up. \$33.00 up. \$34.00 up. \$35.00 up. \$36.00 up. \$37.00 up. \$38.00 up. \$39.00 up. \$40.00 up. \$41.00 up. \$42.00 up. \$43.00 up. \$44.00 up. \$45.00 up. \$46.00 up. \$47.00 up. \$48.00 up. \$49.00 up. \$50.00 up. \$51.00 up. \$52.00 up. \$53.00 up. \$54.00 up. \$55.00 up. \$56.00 up. \$57.00 up. \$58.00 up. \$59.00 up. \$60.00 up. \$61.00 up. \$62.00 up. \$63.00 up. \$64.00 up. \$65.00 up. \$66.00 up. \$67.00 up. \$68.00 up. \$69.00 up. \$70.00 up. \$71.00 up. \$72.00 up. \$73.00 up. \$74.00 up. \$75.00 up. \$76.00 up. \$77.00 up. \$78.00 up. \$79.00 up. \$80.00 up. \$81.00 up. \$82.00 up. \$83.00 up. \$84.00 up. \$85.00 up. \$86.00 up. \$87.00 up. \$88.00 up. \$89.00 up. \$90.00 up. \$91.00 up. \$92.00 up. \$93.00 up. \$94.00 up. \$95.00 up. \$96.00 up. \$97.00 up. \$98.00 up. \$99.00 up. \$100.00 up.

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**PHILADELPHIA NAVAL HERO COMMENDED**

**Secretary Daniels Officially Praises David Goldman for Gallant Act**

David Goldman, a Philadelphia sailor, whose home is at 109 Moore street, was officially commended for gallantry today by Secretary of the Navy Daniels. Goldman is a machinist's mate, second class, and is on the United States ship O'Brien. The incident which has brought Goldman into prominence occurred October 30 when he jumped overboard and rescued Arthur G. Palmer, a water tender, after a grueling fight with a strong ebb tide. The first news of the incident reached the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldman, at their home this morning.

Goldman's twenty-six years have been full of events and strenuous adventure. As a lad he was known all over South Philadelphia as a swimmer. It was one of his regular stunts to swim from the Morris street wharf over to Gloucester and back. Then he got the wanderlust and traveled out West to become a cowpuncher. He became an expert horseman and then joined the army as a cavalryman. But after a year's service he pinned once more for the water and negotiated a transfer to the navy. He has been in the navy now for six years and in that time by his ability has been promoted from common seaman to the rating he now holds.

**Navy Needs 50,000 Recruits**  
Fifty thousand sailors, of which number Philadelphia is expected to furnish a liberal quota, will be needed to fill the gaps in the navy, according to advices received at the recruiting station here.

**Electrocuting Seeking Christmas Tree**  
NORTHUMBERLAND, Pa., Dec. 20.—While hunting Christmas trees George L. Hooper, thirty-seven, married, Northumberland, climbed a pole carrying 22,500 volts of high electricity. He touched a wire while reaching for a spruce limb and was electrocuted.

**PANIC IN DANCE HALL AS TWO ARE ARRESTED**

**Federal Agents Take Proprietors Suspected of Selling Boozie to Sailors**

One hundred girls fled in a panic from a dancehall at Eleventh and Wharton streets, pandemonium reigned, necessitating the turning in of a riot call, when Special Agent Garbarino and several assistants arrested two brothers, proprietors of the hall.

The men, Anthony and John Matera, had been suspected by the Federal authorities of selling liquor to sailors who frequented the hall. Garbarino and his men, when they reached the hall, found the brothers in the office adjoining the dance floor. When Garbarino started to read the warrants the men ran out of the office, across the dance floor, pursued by the officers.

Some pedestrian saw the girls and many of their escorts scrambling pell-mell down the stairs in an effort to reach the street and turned in a riot call. Two wagonloads of cops responded and soon quieted the crowd. After the brothers were taken into custody the dance was resumed.  
Nearly 200 whisky bottles, some empty and some filled, were seized by the police. There were many sailors in the crowd last night, and some of the girls were only fifteen or sixteen years old.

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**JOHN R. DREXEL, JR., ENGAGED TO WED**

**Philadelphia Clubman to Take Miss Elizabeth Thompson, of New York, as Bride**

The engagement of Miss Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. De Forrest Grant, of 70 East Fifty-fourth street, New York, to John R. Drexel, Jr., of Philadelphia and New York, has been announced. Mrs. Grant was formerly Mrs. James Benton Thompson, of Philadelphia.

Miss Thompson is a granddaughter of the late Dr. D. G. Brinley, who was prominent in Philadelphia literary and social circles. She was graduated from St. Mary's School in the class of 1914 and made her debut at a reception given here by her mother two years ago. She has been an active member of the Junior League of this city and has taken part in their annual dramatic entertainments for charities.

Mr. Drexel offered his services to the government at the outbreak of the war but failed to pass the physical examination. However, he increased his activity in the war work of the Young Men's Christian Association, in which he has been interested for many years, giving it his time and energy the greater part of each year and passing his summer vacation on his ranch in Stevensville, Mont. He is a member of the Union, Knickerbocker and Racquet and Tennis Clubs.

**DENISE SHEEHAN FEE MOTION**

**Court Dismisses County's Appeal for Judgment Against Register**

Court of Common Pleas No. 4 has dismissed the motion made by the county of Philadelphia for judgment against James R. Sheehan, Register of Wills, notwithstanding the verdict given by the jury in his favor in the county's suit to recover the big fees retained by him for the collection of the collateral inheritance tax for the State.

The suit was recently tried before resident Judge Anderson and a jury, and certain questions of fact were decided in Sheehan's favor. Last week the county moved for judgment notwithstanding the jury's verdict, and after consideration of this the court yesterday dismissed the motion. This clears the record of the case in the lower court and the county will appeal to the Supreme Court.

**Division Assessors Make Returns**  
The assessors of the 1236 election divisions today made their returns to the County Commissioners and received warrants for \$2870 each for the week. The sum drawn from the city treasury to meet the warrants was \$21,436.

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**Frosted Sun Also Feels Its Life at Washington**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The American doughnut hangs in balance. It was placed on trial today by the bakers' division of the administration. If it is proved that it is using up too much fat it will be banned during the war.  
Like other hearings now the issue is on the right of the doughnut to continue its appearance in being held behind closed doors.  
The indictment of the doughnut tends to other creations of the baker's art, the cruller, the frosted bun and three layer cake being named as also responsible for the shortage in some of the more necessary food ingredients.

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Toilet Water ..... 6.75 and 4.20  
Violette de Parme Perfume..... 4.80  
Toilet Water..... 2.15, 1.75 and 1.30  
Heliotrope Peau d'Espagne, Bouquet des Amours and Indian Hay Perfume... 2.20  
Vera Violette Perfume..... 2.20  
\*Toilet Water ..... 1.75  
Fleur d'Amour Set, consisting of Extract, Soap and Face Powder..... 12.50

**Coty's— 3.75 to 6.00**  
L'Origan Perfume ..... 6.00  
Heliotrope, Iris, Violet Perfume..... 3.75  
L'Or Perfume ..... 6.00  
Violet, Ambreine, L'Or, Lilas, Le Vertige, Muguet Toilet Water..... 6.25  
Le Fleur, Rose, Muguet Toilet Water.. 3.30

**Houbigant's— 2.50 to 7.85**  
Quelques Fleur Perfume..... 7.85 and 4.25  
Ideal Perfume..... 6.00 and 3.25  
Toilet Water ..... 5.60  
La Rose France..... 8.25 and 4.65  
Lilac, Rose, Jasmin, Violette Muguet Perfume ..... 3.25  
Toilet Water ..... 2.50  
Pinaud Lilac Vegetal..... 1.65 and 85c  
Flirt Perfume ..... 5.50

**Guerlain's— 2.75 to 4.00**  
Jicky Perfume ..... 4.00 and 2.75  
Jardin de Mon Cure..... 4.00  
Eau de Cologne..... 5.00, 3.40 and 1.90

**Rosine—at 8.50**  
Nuit de Chine Perfume..... 8.50  
Toilet Water ..... 8.50

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Mavis Perfume ..... 3.50 and 1.25  
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Toilet Water ..... 2.50  
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Mavis Sets, containing Toilet Water, Perfume, Face Powder and Talcum..... 3.00

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Collar and cuff sets of white organdie with net or organdie fluting ..... 3.00

Collar and cuff sets of white tuck net with embroidered edge. 3.00

Collar and cuff sets of filet lace ..... 6.90

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Handkerchiefs of sheer lawn, embroidered in blue birds and blue corded hem. Box of three ..... .50

Novelty Handkerchiefs of shamrock lawn, corded border, assorted designs. Box of six ..... 1.00

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Handkerchiefs of sheer linen, hand embroidered edge and madeira hand embroidery ..... .25 to 2.00

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Telephone index, brocaded and gold lace trimmings, in Du Barry, pink and light blue. .... 1.65

Powder container and puff, covered with silk and decorated in gold lace and rose buds, pink, old rose, old blue and light blue. .... 1.75

"Yogi"—an incense burner, done in antique green finish. Also a small pack of incense. .... 1.95

Rose leaf sachet in chiffon bag, decorated with ribbon and rose buds ..... .35 to 2.00

Large double-scented sachet pad with rose decorated top. Pink, blue, old rose, maize and lavender ..... 4.50

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