CHILD OF NINE IS | A. L. WHEELER DEAD; TURNING TO BONE CLUBMAN AND ATHLETE

Rare Condition Found in Little Girl From Wilmington

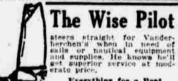
DISEASE IS PROGRESSIVE

A girl, nine years old, is slowly turning to bone in the Jefferson Hospital. Unless a marvel of surgery is accompilished she has but a few years to live. The case is unique in the annals of the institution, and is one of the rarest pathological conditions known to medical science, progressive myositis ossificans. It is only the second case of its kind that Dr. John Chalmers Da Coata, who exhibited the child before a clinic last Wednesday, has ever encountered. It rarity may be judged from the fact that for generations the skeleton of a man who had died from ossification was exhibited at Trinity College, Dublin, as an anatomical curiosity, and only in recent years was the presence of the borplates which covered the skeleton explained.

thumbs and great toes were shorter than those of a normal infant, but at the time this was only regarded as a deformity.

The disease attacks, progressively, all the voluntary muscles of the body, and in the case of this child, who was brought to the hospital from Wilmington, Doctor Da Costa told his clinic that she could not possibly live beyond the age of twenty, by which time her body would be completely ossified. The disease does not affect the involuntary muscles, death resulting from inability to cat or move

If, after long observation and ex-haustive tests, it is decided that the parathyroids are not performing their duty, a most interesting experiment will be attempted in hope of aborting the progress of the essification. The opera-tion will consist of transplanting for-eign glands. The transplanting of glands has been successfully done in other diseases.



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family.

Mr. Wheeler had been ill since last August, when he was seized with chills and fever while touring New England in a motorcar with his brother and Martin V. Bergen, who, like Mr. Wheeler, was formerly a star Princeton football player. Physicians were at first mysified by his illness, but finally the disase was diagnosed as endocarditis a scious heart trouble. He remained in connecticut, where he was taken fill or about six weeks and then returned by Philadelphia and entered the University Hospital. His improvement was such at the hospital that he was removed o his apartments in the Racquet Club.

Mr. Wheeler was a man of magnificent.

The discuss is thought to be caused by the improper functioning of the parathyroids, which are small masses of giand-like epithelium, lying beneath the thyroid glands which control the supply of lime salts or bone-building elements to the body, and if these glands are removed, death invariably follows.

The child who was the subject of this extraordinary clinic would appear to the casual observer to be perfectly normal, but when the muscles of the neck, arms and back are felt, they are rigid and as hard as sione. At the time of birth it was noliced that the child's thumbs and great toes were shorter than

WILL AIDS CHARITIES

Bequests of \$5000 to the Children's Sylvania except A Homeopathic Hospital. Franklin and Mexico and Was Thompson streets, and \$500 tach to the Salvation Army and the Society for the Austria-Hungary. be completely ossified. The disease does not affect the involuntary muscles, death resulting from inability to eat or move any portion of the body.

Working on the theory that the patient is taking in more lime salts than she is giving out, thus causing this remarkable tendency to bone building, it is assumed that the parathyroid glands which control this supply are not functionally and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, are pr

which control this supply are not func-tioning properly.

To determine this fact, the child has been placed under the personal observa-tion of Prof. W. W. Hawke, who will conduct a cakeful series of analyses of the patient's digestive processes and thus determine the exact assimilation and exerction of lime salts.

If, after long observation and exstreet, \$3500.



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WITH WOMAN'S DEATH

Coroner's Office Probes Mystery Surrounding Demise of Supposed Drug Addict

The Coroner's office is investigating the death of Julia Bains, twenty-five years old, described by the police as a

pointed a junior lieutenant in the denta' reserve corps of the United States Navy and assigned to duty at the Norfolk Navy Yard. Dr. Foran was awarded a Carnegle medal for bravery in saving the life of a man who had fallen in front of a train of the Atlantic City branch of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway during the summer of 1914, by which he was employed.



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years old, described by the police as a drug addict, who was found dead teday in a room at 253 North Alder street. The woman was found in bed. She was partly disrobed. Alongside of her was a short rope, but there was no evidence that she had been strangled.

Two men describing themselves as George Berger, twenty-one years old. Twelfth and Brown streets, and James Cannon, twenty-two years old, also of Twelfth and Brown streets, and Mrs. Theresa McCauley, owner of the house where the Bains woman's body was found, were arrested as material witnesses. Berger and Cannon were each held in \$1090 bail for a further hearing omorrow by Magistrate Tracy. Mrs. that she had been strangled.

Two men describing themselves as George Berger, twenty-one years old. The fancy division of the parade will be led by the Silver Crown Club, the oldest of all of the shooters' organizations, followed by the Chartes Klein and Truelfth and Brown streets, and Mrs. Theresa McCauley, owner of the house where the Bains woman's body was found, were arrested as material witnesses. Berger and Cannon were each held in \$1999 ball for a further hearing omorrow by Magistrate Tracy. Mrs. McCauley will have a hearing today at Central station.

The dated by the Chartes Klein and Gray's Ferry Clubs and the Talbot and Trilby String Bands. With many startling inventions, calculated to end the war without delay, the Federal Club will lead the comic section.

While the number of men in line will be somewhat less than that of other years, the class of the parade, according to the minuners, will exceed that of previous pageants.

The death of the Bains woman was reported at 3 o'clock this morning at the Eleventh and Winter street station by Cannon and Berger, according to the minuners, will exceed that of previous pageants.

In addition to the official prices of fered by Councils for the best clubs and costumes in each division. numerous prizes will also be given by various neighborhood organizations in South Philagelphia.

Common Councilman John H. Baizley, chairman of Councills' New Year Committee, predicts that the turnout will be

Believe Negro Is Auto Bandit

branch of the Philadelphila and Reading Railway during the summer of 1914, by which he was employed.

His father, Weiliam H. Foran, is chief of the detective bureau of the Philadelphila and Reading.

44 States Represented at Penn Statistics issued by Provest Smith show that every State in the Union is represented at the University of Pennsylvania except Arkansas, Nevada, New Mexico and Wyoming. There is an student from Germany and two from Austria-Hungary.

Believe Negro is Auto Bandit
A negro who refused to give his name and who was arrested following the robbery of Mrs. Rachel Willer, fifty-eight years old, of 1627 Bouvier street, is believed by the police to be one of the band of automobile highwaymen who have been working in Philadelphila recently. In the negro's pocket was a railroad ticket which disclosed that he had come from Alexandria. Virginia, within the last month. The arrest of the negro came after an exciting chaze in which he was badly beaten up by a crowd of infuriated men. He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, where his wounds were treated.

3 HELD IN CONNECTION NEW YEAR'S SHOOTERS NO ROOM FOR IDLERS READY FOR PARADE HERE MAYOR'S ORDER he decided that the time for action close. Magistrajas will be asked to the campaign by seeing vagrants brought before them are a the alternative of going to work or action.

Mummers' Clubs Assigned to Philadelphia a Barred Zone Places in Line-Great Pag- for Bums During War-Work or Get Out, Is Edict

The pace set by the mummers' parades of the past will be lived up to on the conting January I. Representatives of the mummers met last night in Coloris' Finance Committee room, where they were awarded their places in the parade by Councils' New Year Committee. Set the Councils' New Year Committee of the Statement that "Philadelphia shall be a barred zone for burns," for the duration of the war.

chairman of Councils' New Year Com-mittee, predicts that the turnout will be a record-breaker in every sense of the

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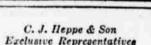
Ekegren, "Century," Vacheron & Constantin Watches, Thin-model Watches for evening wear; Split-seconds, Repeaters, Combined Split-seconds and Repeaters, Desk Watches, Automobile Watches, Military Wrist Watches—15 Jewels, Khaki Bands, Unbreakable Crystals, Luminous Hands and Numerals

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