LEWIS STANDS PAT NEW JERSEY'S WOMEN **RALLY TO THE COLORS ON COAL PRICE** Feminine Army Takes Places of Men War Has Called From State's Industries

While Sharon Youth

Is Shot

and Browned from a transport at sea December 17 and two others are dead

from gunshot wounds. The men lost at sea were: Corporal Samuel H. Kehl, Engineers

Sergeant Grover Gondall, headquar-ters train, December 19; mother, Mrs.

Corporal William Fauntlerøy, steve-døre regiment, December 20; father, George Fauntlerøy, Kingsdale, Va.

Deaths from natural causes were re-

Private Irving Taylor, Labor Com-pany, December 18, influenza; wife, Houston, Mississippi.

Wagoner Richard A. Lawless, Engl-

neers, December 17, acute nephritis; mother, Mrs. Margaret Lawless, New

Private Peter Worship, stevedore regiment, December 17, lobar pneu-monia; wife, Philips, Miss,

Private Vincent Shivers, Jr., labor company, December 15, influenza; wife,

Private Floyd B. Diamond, headquar-ters train, December 19; brother, E. L. Diamond, R. F. D. No. 1, Winisboro,

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Dec. 24 .-- The

Ellen Goodall, Sharon, Pa.

ported as follows:

York city.

Armistad, La

Declines to Discuss Protest That Increase Is Unfair to Consumer

CALLS SITUATION GOOD

Nearly 8000 Tons Brought Here by P. R. R. Since Friday

Francis A. Lewis, chairman of the Philadelphia fuel committee, declined to-day to enter any controversy over the new price fixed for coal. In reply to a protest of Harrison S. Morris that the new price of coal is un-fair to the people. Mr. Lewis referred to a statement issued on Saturday, when TWO PENNSYLVANIA

to a statement issued on Saturday, when the reason for able increase was given by the fuel committee Mr. Lewis has just returned from Washington, where he made arrangements with the trans-portation committee of the fuel admin-

istration to send coal to Philadelphia. Mr. Lewis said today that everything was progressing satisfactorily. His re-port shows that the Pennsylvania Railport shows that the Pennsylvania fails road brought nearly \$000 tons of coal here on Friday.

DECLINES TO DISCUSS PROTEST Concerning the suggestion of Mr. Morris that a mass-meeting be held and the people be given opportunity to voice their protest against the new coal prices. mother, Mrs. Letty Andrews, Shenandoah. Pa. Private William F. Smith, Engineers; aunt, Mrs. Amanda Taylor, Chicago. Those who died of wounds were; Mr. Lewis said:

a federal official it is neither part of my duty to get into a newspaper con-troversy with Mr. Morris or to address town meetings that anybody may see fit to call. The action of the committee is set forth in the statement published on Saturday, and there is nothing further to add.

"I went to Washington yesterday at the request of the transportation de-partment to arrange some matters in connection with a plan to get 6000 tons of coal to Philadelphia daily over the Fennsylvania Railroad. It required twelve and one-half hours for me to go to Washington on account of the congestion of traffic.

Asked of the discussed price of coal with Coal Administrator Garfield. Mr. Lewis said he simply went there to confer with the transportation committee monia; wite, Faitips, Miss, Private Ned Pickens, stevedore regi-ment, December 17, lobar pneumonia; sister, Eliza Johnson, Cruger, Miss, regarding the shipment of the coal here. ABBOTT MAY REPRESENT PUBLIC

Edwin M. Abbott, an attorney of the Land Title Building, said today he would be glad to represent the public if any concerted action is taken against the coal boost. He said the latest increased price was outrugeous. It was announced today that within La.

It was announced today that within a few days fourteen demonstration sta-tions would be open in various parts of the city where people would be shown how to economize in the use of coal. Lectures will be delivered each day by men versed in the subject. The question of the price is in the hands of Philadelphia Fuel Adminis-trator Francis A. Lewis and William Potter, State fuel controller. Both have expressed their approval of the proposed increase. The rise may be prohibited,

War Department has telegraphed the parents of Corporal Samuel H. Kehl of his death. The victim was well known in secret and fraternal societies. Re-cently he was highly commended and increase. The rise may be prohibited, however, by formal complaint to Wash-ington, and it is through the proposed mass-meeting that it is hoped to formulate organized complaints.

QUESTION UP TO LEWIS

The situation has been placed squarely up to Mr. Lewis, Mr. Morris contended. It is up to him, as a representative of the people, appointed by the Government to supply the needs of the small as well as the large consumer and prevent gouging, to explain the necessity for the increase at the proposed mass-meeting. This is the opinion expressed by Mr. Morris and a number of consumers who



TELEGRAPH POLES MAKE GOOD MODERN YULE LOGS

With coal scarce, the members of the Nicetown Boys' Club were overjoyed at the gift of a lot of old telegraph poles from the Philadelphia Electric Company for their winter supply of fuel. Bright and early this morning they set to work with holiday exuberance of spirits sawing up these impro-vised Yule loys at the yard of the Philadelphia Electric Company, Seventeenth street and Sedgley avenue. The superintendent of the club, H. G. Grear, is seen at the extreme left. The boys wielding the saw are Richard Pomfret and Emil Grant, while Emerson Grear and Raymond Price are swing-ing axes with the zest of a primeval Indian.

CHRISTMAS, 1917

BEFORE a wee Infant in Bethlehem town D Three gift-bearing monarchs adored, While angelic choristers caroling down Proclaimed Him the peace-bringing Lord.

Above Him the star that had guided their feet Its glorious radiance downpoured, As heaven and earth in a unison sweet

Rejoiced in triumphant accord.

Rude shepherds, whose flocks grazed the Judean hill, Forerunners of Christendom's horde, Received the glad tidings to men of good will Of Israel's kingdom restored.

Today in the land of the Saviour-King The message divine is ignored. Throughout all Judea the fateful words ring, "I bring you not peace, but the sword.

Clad in armor of might, for righteousness worn, May the legions with tyranny warred, flaving fought the good fight ere next Christmas morn, There hail peace—triumphant restored. GEORGE B. KING.

TWO DEAD, FOUR HURT IN MOTOR ACCIDENTS

BRITISH MESSAGE COMING

ported on Way Here

four other-persons are in hospitals, fol-lowing several automobile accidents in and near Philadelphia during the last on Tuesday, according to announcements in London newspapers. twenty-four hours.



SNARE SIX IN NET CAST FOR AUTO BANDIT GANG Also pure rected.

the Trio

The arrest within the ast twenty-four The arrest within the ast twenty-four hours of six men in different parts of the city is the first and most important itep, the police believe, in rounding up one of the holdest gangs of automobile handits that ever did bushess in Phil-ndelphia. In addition, the police have recovered stolen property valued at ap-proximately \$10,000.

proximately \$10,000. Three of the six men were arrested on a charge of robbing George Gabe 5617 Wyalusing avenue, and were iden-tified by Gabe as his assailants. They are Joseph Leo, twenty-three years old Master street near Twenty-first; Alex-ander Marcas, sixteen years old, Franander Marcas, sisteen years old, Frank-lin street above Poplar, and Frank D Bowers, thirty years old, Nineteent' street above Filhert. They were he d without hall by Magistrate Tracy. The arrest of these three men followed the finding of a watch belonging to Leo on the floor of a restaurant downtown. Rowers was arrested at the Broad Street Station. Leo was taken at his home

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ow Bainbridge. Light was in possession of a car corresponding to the descrip-tion of the one wanted, and several thou-and dollars' worth of goods, the poice as, was found in the automobile.

and of the Clifton street place

after attempting to escape and after ex-changing shots with the police as he was trying to flee from his house. Mareas also put up a struggle before he was ar-rected. Pottaville Leaders Be entative Palmer for St

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 PoTTSVILLE, Pa, Dec. Store indicate the mentative Cyrus M. Palmer will the district. Snyder has pick whose store was robbed of men's fur inshings valued at \$1000, which the inshings valued at \$1000, which the mishings valued at \$1000, which the inshings valued at \$1000, which the inshings valued at \$1000, which the institute of the effect that in the district. Snyder has pick whose store was robbed of men's fur the Republican nomination to have a suspictous looking car to New market and Brown streets, where it stopped. A little later Policeman Oes the effect that its topped. A little later Policeman Oes not heretofore been active years old, of Pine street near Ninth, walk toward the car with an armful of the car. Spanilla was arrested, but the car, with
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Spanilla was arrested, but the car, with Spanilla was arrested, but the car, with three other men in it, sped away. A description of the auto was sent out/ to the various police stations. Later Policeman Robinson, of the Second and "hristian streets station, arrested Tony '.igzi, seventeen years old, of Federal street near Tweifth, on Clifton street be-or Bainfridge. Liest was in possession

Property identified as that taken from store in Nicetown some time ago is iso said to have been recovered in the

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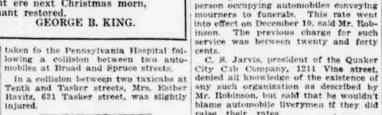
and to the many exclusive novelties displayed in the departments of

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It will be to the advantage of the welldressed man who assisted another man in picking up pearls outside the Lincoln Building, Broad Street above Chestnut, Tuesday, the 18th, if he will communicate with

promoted to corporal for saving a fel-low soldier from drowning. He is the second Shenandoah boy to give up his life in the present war. Man and Woman Die of Injuries Received Near Homes. "Unique and Historic" Greeting Re-Others in Hospitals One man and one woman are dead and LONDON, Dec. 24 .- A "unique and historic" Christmas message will be sent from Great Britain to the United States TRENTON, Dec. 24 .- Buyers in

country districts report a good supply of poultry, according to a statement today by the Bureau of Markets of the State Board of Agriculture.



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HIGH COST OF DYING

BECOMES LIVE ISSUE

Auto Liverymen Boost Rates

for Transporting Mourners

to Funerals

And now it's going to cost more than

ever to ride to a funeral in a hired

automobile. Somebody is always taking

According to John J. Robinson, man-

ager of the Oliver H. Bair undertaking

establishment, 1818 Chestnut street, a

number of automobile liverymen got to-gether on December 1 and formed an organization to be known as the Auto-

noblie Livery Protective Association

whose purpose in life is to put a higher tax on death. They decided, he said, to charge forty cents on hour for each

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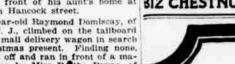
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