Wharves and Motorboats Along Schuylkill Damaged. Started by Locomotive Spark

Sparks from a locomotive set fire to this layer of benzine that covered the thin layer of benzine that covered the thin layer from Dickinson to Real A PERPLEXING problem confronts burned for at least forty minutes before the coming weeks than have ever attended by the Board of Public Education rean alarm was sent in.

There will be more people go to the motion-picture theatres during this and the coming weeks than have ever attended by the Board of Public Education rean alarm was sent in.

gers left that had been drawn to the crowds that had been drawn to the ne by the reflection in the sky, affic, while not altogether tied up the fire was extinguished, was usly delayed. Schedules were re-

the fire, and the works of the Barrett Manufacturing Company, just at the northward edge of it.

Wipe Out City's Vice,

fareous businesses, but traffic of this sort must be stamped out at all cost. I want you to make an investigation into these matters, because they are extremely serious and you have the power to call before you any witnesses who might have information that will shed light upon this situation. The District Attorney will lay before you evi-dence that may help in fixing the re-sponsibility for the existence of these directly w "A situation of this kind is of such

Exactly to the nation that you should go to the bottom of it and expose those who are to blame for it. You may lay the grounds for action by a future Grand Jury; you may present indictments upon the evidence you obtain. If it warrants it, or you may make a succession of the content of the c it warrants it, or you may make a spe-cial presentment to the court, recommending that the District Attorney take the proper action against those whom you find are to blame for this situation." United States District Attorney Kane addressed the jurors for nearly an hour, telling them that the laws had been so flauntingly violated that the matter would be probed to the bottom. said he had evidence that runners for certain valoonkeepers approached soldiers, sailors and marines and said he would urge an amendment to the State liquor laws, forbidding the sale of half-pint, pint and quart bottles, which, he added, allows the "runner" and "soliciting games" to flourish. "Are the police responsible?" he was

"I do not want to get into any perthe responsibility. We are working in full co-operation with the authorities. In City Hall and Captain Souder has

sonal investigator. RESULTS NOT SATISFACTORY

"I am not at all content with the results we have obtained in endeavoring to enforce these laws," continued Mr. Kane. "While we have made numerous errests and sent men and women to jail for bootlegging, they have been merely the miscrable creatures, the hangers on, the shiftless and the scum that infest the Tenderloin; but I believe that there are others who really are responsible for conditions and they are the ones we are after. The evils of liquor-selling and disorderly houses must be gotten rid of and we have started a drive to wipe the anti-crime drive was at its height

ed foreman of the jury.

HUNDREDS ARRESTED

Two hundred and thirty persons were arrested in six vice raids, in which both the police and Federal authorities par-ticipated in the last twenty-four hours. Secret service agents took a hand in he raids on five downtown places after they obtained evidence that intoxicating drinks were being sold to uniformed soldiers and sallors. Several uniformed men were included in the prisoners.

tancer bail set was \$3000.

At the Bridesburg Polish Club, 4483
Almond street, the greatest "haul" of
Brisoners was made. Fifty-two women
and 104 men were arrested on charges
of being inmates of a disorderly house.
The alleged proprietor, Michael Wejelechowski, was held in \$1500 bail, Joseph
Trawka, Frank Bellawski and Leo
Smillowski bastonders \$1000 each, 100.
Smillowski \$1000 nialowski, bartenders, \$1000 each.

PLEA FOR RUSSIAN MISSIONS

Presbyterian Ministers at City Club Hears of Religious Needs

here are not as many ministers in Russia as there are in this city and theological schools at all," said the v. William Fettler today at the lunchthe Presbyterian Ministers' Social Union at the City, Club.

The Rev. Fettler is the president of the Russian Bible and Educational In-stitute at Eighteenth and Spring Garden

In his address he said that in all of Russia today there was a crying need for missionaries to preach Christianity. He stated that this is Russia's opportunity, and asked that the Presbyterians be the first to send these missionaries over.

buring the meeting and luncheon forty ussian students rendered Russian ongs, which were most inspiring to lose who heard them.

BENZINE FIRE ON RIVER CITY SCHOOLS EXPOSED TO FIRE PERIL BY LACK OF WATCHMEN

Accident, Negligence and Incendiarism Threaten Destruction Similar to That Recently Wrought in West Philadelphia

well organized.

according to William Dick, secretary of the board, this offer was eagerly seized, but apparently it was only tentative, and if such a plan is, worked out the schools to be so protected will be few in number and limited to narrowly confined areas. Besides, such protections of the school of the

the schools to be so protected will be schools to be so protected will be seriously delayed. Schedules were responded this morning.

The most serious loss was experienced by the Philadelphia Rubber Works, Dick it may be the Philadelphia Rubber Works, Dick will be part to the protection of the State for the Point, It was the Horse Guards will give is almost at the Standy, and does not pretend to cover the street to the river front. It is the case of the Philadelphia Rubber Works, Dick will be asked to protect any be the protection of the Board of Education to the serious necessity of night watching and the Nitrogenous to the serious necessity of night watching and the Nitrogenous to the serious necessity of night watching and the Nitrogenous to the serious necessity of night watching and the Nitrogenous to the serious necessity of night watching and the Nitrogenous to the serious necessity of night watching and was watching dominant in Board of Education.

National Guardsmen Remain White State was deflucted by Simon Gratz. Charlie Chaption of State Studied was admitted by Simon Gratz. Charlie Chaption of State Charlies and was admitted by Simon Gratz. Charlies Chaption of State Studied was admitted by Simon Gratz. The Rubk William Philadelphia was deflucted by Simon Gratz. The Rubk William Philadelphia was deflucted by Simon Gratz. The Rubk William Philadelphia Philadelphia Rubber watching on the state was a dimitted by Simon

"It has long been a source of worry to this bureau that the big public schools are not protected by a semblance of guard at night, and we have re-peatedly called the attention of the Board of Education to the delinquency Being out of pale, so to speak, of mu Order to U. S. Jury

Being out of pale, so to speak, of municipal authority, no action whatever
has been taken. So far as I know, our
suggestions have been ignored. In the e of the two recent big West Philawatchman was in either building. "Now, take the Brooks School as an

example of the need for a watchman The fire may have been started by a German spy or otherwise. As to this, do not know, nor do I ever expect to know. But of this I am very positive, the fire started in the boller room, directly under the principal's room, and

ON FORMER GERMAN SHIP

Have Been Incendiary

United States secret service officers are investigating the fire on the steam-ship Meuse, formerly a German vessel, but now in the service of this Government, at the foot of Cambria street in the belaware River, which caused damage amounting amounting approximately to \$10.000 the present legislative session.

TRENTON. Feb. 11.—With sixteen new Daybreak" will bring Emily Stevens to the Rialto on Wednesday. This is the play in which Jane Cowl once was the statute books since the beginning of the present legislative session.

Irvin Cobb is the author of "Fields of age amounting approximately to \$10,000 and resulted in Hartman Bradley American seaman aboard the vessel, be-

The Meuse had recently returned from Italy in ballast, after taking over a scarge of iron ore, and was rendy to be reloaded when the fire broke out. Some members of the crew had been discharged as alien enemies and suspicious circumstances about the fire have led to for State employes who have encouraged. The Meuse had recently returned from to the suspicion that it was of incendiary origin. The names were extinguished by the Philade phia and Reading sonal controversy over the matter," he replied. "We will present our evidence freehoats Cheltenham and Ogontz, which to the Grand Jury and allow it to fix were in the vicinity when the fire was the responsibility. We are working in discovered.

1000 SUSPECTS TAKEN IN CHICAGO ROUND-UP

Police Stations Bulging With Pris- sonal service records. oners as Result of Drive Against Crime

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.-Chicago's police Ocean City Coast Trader Will Be stations are building with prisoners to-day after the greatest round-up of sus-pected criminals in the history of the city. Almost 1000 men and women have

the anti-crime drive was at its neight to mout."

Colonel Louis J. Kolb, Governor umbaugh's close friend, was appointed foreman of the jury.

Colonel Louis J. Kolb, Governor a hospital ward of the jail today with a bullet wound in his head. A second suspect who attempted to break away from the police was shot and probably fatally wounded.

DREDS ARRESTED

Chicago's first "central criminal station" was opened today and victims of a score of recent robberies and holdups were called in to identify prisoners taken in the round-up.

OPERA FOR MEN IN SERVICE

'Mikado" Will Be Repeated Before Soldiers and Sailors Tomorrow

The Catholic Operatic Society will repeat its rendering of "The Mikado" omorrow night for the men of the army All of the defendants were either fined or held in heavy bail. Magistrate of the Rev. William S. Murphy, the use of the Rev. William S. Murphy, the use of the Metropolitan Opera House having been donated by Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury. The guests will include the officers of the law prohibiting the sale of uniformed men and held all the alleged proprietors for court. In some instances hall set was \$3000.

First race, 600, claiming, three-year-olds and up, 1 1-16 miles—Lady Little, 100; ilinda, 105; Slumberer, 105; *Lady Ward, 105; Slumberer, 105; *Lady Ward, 105; Slumberer, 105; *Lady Ward, 105; Slumberer, 105; Leonalda, 103; Dairose, 9; Electric, 105; Homan, 103; Huda's trother, 105. Also eligible—The Busybody, 05; Zangaree, 110; Waiter H. Pearce, 108; am Silck, 116.

Second race, 4000, claiming, four-year-

Brother, 195. Also eligible—The Busybody, 198; Zangaree, 110; Walter II. Pearce, 108; Sam Silek, 116. Walter II. Pearce, 108; Seond race, 1600, claiming, four-year-olds and up. 14 miles—Luther, 110; El Palomar, 110; King Hamburg, 110. Stanley S. 108; *Arbitrator, 108; Buke of Shelby, 108; Hando, 106; Surpassing, 106! Fairly, 106; Wild Thyme, 105; Edith Baumann, 106; Miss Waters, 101. Also eligible—Madame Herrmann, 110.

Third race—Purse 1600, three-year-olds and up, mile—Brynlimah, 110; Sharp Frost, 114; Valais, 114; Wood Trap, 112; Irish Kiss, 101; Garonne, 80; Mistress Polly, 92; Billy Nestlehouse, 92; Edith Handicap, 15000 added, three-year-olds and up, 114; Miss—Galfrielder's Looce, 126. Barlingh, 106; Hauber, 124; Dick Williams, 110; Monday, 112; Tokay, 108; Thanksgivins, 106; Machielde and Shields entry, Fith race, the Au Revoir Consolidation Purse, 1700, three-year-olds and up, mile—Runes, 116; Wooden Shoes, 198; Iron Cross II. 106; Daddy Holbert, 104; Assume, 104; Buford, 102; Huchanan Brady, 100; Skiten to One, 95.

Sixth race, purse 4600, claiming, four-year-olds and up, 11; Hubbub, 195; *Philemon, 105; *Bagle, 112; 'Hubbub, 195; *Philemon, 105; *Bagle, 112; 'Hubbub, 195; *Philemon, 105; *Balleta, 97.

strong a fire that virtually destroyed the Tasker street bridge of the Baltimore and Ohio Raifroad, zeriously damaged several wharves and a number of motorboats drawn up on the banks for the winter. The damage amounted to more than \$59,690.

The fire started shortly before 11 belock last night. In an instant, the watches represented the state of fames, which is some places bruddings on both sides of the river were endangered. Four alarms were sounded, calling out virtually all the apparatus sould of Market street.

The Baltimore and Ohio bridge, a steel structure with wooden decking, was a water and the carried to the many theatres which have never looked at a motion pleture. The destroy of millions of the curious name of the name of th

West Philadelphia schools had caught lightful playhouse is one week only for fire from the carlesaness of had boys each attraction.

who had broken into the buildings to see what they could see and burned matches about. Both agreed that a night watchman would have obviated such trespass, but the cost was the atumbling block in their minds all the while. From \$100,000 to \$200,000 a year was the amount roughly estimated by Mr. Dick as the cost of night watchmen per annum. To replace the Brooks School alone will cost, it is believed,

Meanwhile every school in the city-something over 200, exclusive of the high schools—remain unwatched he-tween from 5 or 6 o'clock, when the en-gineers and janitors leave, until early morning when they return Many of the older primary and elementary school too, are built of combustible material.

NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR APPROVES MORE LAWS

Blaze Which Damaged Vessel and One Statute Provides Pay for Enlisted State Employes

Among the new bills signed are the following: Senator Case, an administration meas-

tion for State employes who have en- Trustees Decide Prospective Attend-

Assemblyman Badgley, amends the election act by requiring a condidate to file his acceptance within five instead of ten days after the primary.

Assemblyman Morgan, provides stand-longed examination of the whole problems. Every effort was made by those who believe in the importance of the work done by the Summer School to insure offices, a uniform method of promotion and establishing a bureau to keep per-

CAPT. V. S. ROBINSON DEAD

Buried Tomorrow

the continuance of that work this year. Unfortunately, there was considerable loss in attendance and in revenue in the summer session of 1917, and further loss seemed inevitable in 1918. Part of this was due to the fact that students who were enrolled in other departments and who normally would have patronized the Summer School were drawn lets farm work or would have patronized the Summer School were drawn lets farm work or work. OCEAN CITY. N. J., Feb. 11.—Captain Vincent S. Robinson, who will be buried tomorrow from his late residence in this city, was among the last of the old coast-trading masters living here. A native of Long Island, where he was borneighty-sev—years ago, he spent most of his life in the coast trade and in the oyster business between Virginia and New York city.

Coming to Somers Point when nine years old, with his parents, he made his home in that town until twenty-five years ago, when he moved to this city. Here he was among the first to conduct a hotel for aummer visitors. Until within the last two years he was to be found much of the time with his boat in the bay.

Deficiency Caused by Army Deficiency Caused by

JURIST DIES IN DEPOT

mands to be Made Up to Civilians BRADFORD, England, Feb. 11 .- Sir Judge William N. Siebert, of Perry Charles Sykes has issued an official no-tice stating that as the department wishes to facilitate the consumption of weel within the limits agreed upon with County, Victim of Heart Disease

HARRISBUURG, Feb. 11. - Judge William W. Siebert, of Perry County, the Board of Control, further supplies fell dead this morning at the Duncannon will immediately he released for the railroad station, the result of heart disease.

SAFE IN PETROGRAD

American Colony Unharmed, Cables Ambassador Francis

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The American embassy and colony at Petrograd are safe. This information has been received by cable from Ambassador Francis, the State Department announced to-

day.

The cable, dated February 6, added that the city was relatively quie

Boy Killed by Dynamite SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 11.—Stanley Palakovsky, seventeen years old, was killed at Hull Brothers' farm, near Waymart today, when a box of dynamite that he was carrying fell to the ground and exploded. The dynamite was to be used in loosening earth in a trench.



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SCENARIO TO SCREEN

Chief Event of the

Cinema World

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tured life of the late General Sam Ho

the Jefferson for today only.

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Warrant Opening

the continuance of that work this year,

Deficiency Caused by Army De-

the military account last December

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SHIPYARD MEN GREET AUSTRALIAN STATESMAN Workers at New York Company

Plant Give Enthusiastic Welcome

to Crawford Vaughn "The Son of Democracy" the The first of a series of neenday and nightly meetings for shipbuilders under the auspices of the Emergency Fleet Corporation was held today at the New dental and pharmaceutical branches of York Shipbuilding Corporation's plant in South Camden. The meeting was attended by 5000 workers and was presided over by James March.

"Tom Sawyer," one of the best motion beld at the New Jersey and plotures made from a story, will be nia shipyards at Gloucester. Friday's feature at the Liberty.

WANT BAKER TO RETAIN

The farce making of the Goldwyn PENNSYLVANIA OFFICERS "studios will have another production, "Our Little Wife," on view this week at Congressmen to Ask That Former

donal guard in their present places, that regular army officers who are natives of Pennsylvania be put-in their stead. "Who Loved Him Best" as its Thursorder to maintain the identity of th

HOSPITAL FUND GROWS

the player of this name. It will be at

NAVY HAS GREAT NEED OF SKILLED RECRUITS

Technical, Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Volunteers Sought Among College Students

tended by 5000 workers and was presided over by James Magon.

An enthusiastic reception was accorded to Crawford Vaughn, a former Premier of Australia, who was the principal speaker. Mr. Vaughn said that he had come to express the views of Australia to the people of America and assure the citizens of this country of the fact that Australia stood shoulder to shoulder with America "to make the world safe for democracy. He pleaded with the workers to put every possible energy into their tasks for the next three to six months, assuring them that

m., to 5 p. m. every day except Sun-days and legal holidays. The figures on poultry are:

PLANS FOR HOG ISLAND HOUSING APPROVED ary 31, last.

Homes to Be Erected in Elmwood Section of the Fortieth Ward

posed of Pennsylvania national guards- Ward for men employed at Heg Island were approved today by Owen Brainard, an engineer of New York and a member of the housing committee of the Emer-gency Fleet Corporation. Mr. Brainard held a conference today with Chaster . officers without regard to the Albright, chief of the Bureau of St

impossible to retain the Pennsyl- rumor that the plans for housing Ho. vania officers of the Pennsylvania na-tional guard in their present places, that regular army officers who are narives would be built in different parts of the

WIFE, ILL, SEEKS HUSBAND Mrs. Borman, Facing Eviction With Woman's Campaign Nets \$12,658 Five Children, Appeals to Police

LESS FOOD IN STORAGE | DENIES MARK TWAIN IN NEW JERSEY NOW

Reports Show General Decreases in Amounts Held

TRENTON, Feb. 11.
The State Department of Health today sued a compilation of the quantities of foodstuffs held in cold storage in warehouses in New Jersey on December 31, 1917, and January 31, 1918, with com-parative amounts held in storage on corresponding dates in 1916 and 1917. Eggs by the case numbered 109,030 on becember 31, 1916, and increased to in storage, as against only 14,550 on Jan-

service and be assigned later by their superior officers.

The mayal recruiting office, which is of butter in storage on December 21, 1917.

Jocated at Twenty-fourth street and 1916; 3.062.042 on December 21, 1917; Gray's Ferry Road, is open from a 2,298.455 on January 21, 1917.

The figures on poultry are: 11,485,669 pounds on December 31, 1915; 6,712,154 on December 31, 1917; 11,612,360 on January 31, 1917, and 6,157,005 on January Figures on fresh meats are: December

31, 1916, there were \$.679.753 pounds in storage; 72.718.931 on December 31, 1917; 7.851.275 on January 31, 1917, and 14.146.127 on January 31 last. There were 1.027,020 pounds of fresh fish in storage on December 31, 1916; 2.009,173 on December 31, 1917; 834,620

ARTISTRY IN LAST MORNING MUSICALE

on January 31, 1917, and 841,619 on

Maggie Teyte, Soprano, and Arthur Shattuck, Pianist, the Stars

Maggie Teyle and Arthur Shattuck were the stars of the last of the Belle-vue-Stratford's season of morning musi-cales given before an appreciative au-dience in the ballroom of the hotel yesterday. The winsome sourane who was an especial favorite here during the Cam-panini and Dippe operatic regimes at the Metropolitan, capably demonstrated

More for Suffering

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The fifth numbers of the ton-disc cambrated tone of the the detropolitan, capably demonstrated tone of the ton-disc cambrated tone of the

The next opera bill at the Metropolitan will be a novelty to Philadelphians.
The offering on Tuesday evening, February 19, will be Masscagni's "Lodo'etta,"
STREETS

SPIRIT WROTE A BOO

Mrs. Gabrilowitsch, Daughter of Famous Humorist, Would. **Enjoin Publication**

Mrs. Ossip Gabrilowitsch, daughter of the late Mark Twain, is seeking an in-junction against the publication of a volume on modern science and phi-losophy about to be issued by Pres. James H. Hyslop through the America Suciety for Psychical Research.

Mrs. Gabrilowitsch does not object particularly to the book itself, but sin does object to the announcement that the spirit of her celebrated father will address the world from that mysterious realm behind the grave through the pages of the book.

three to six months, assuring them that the completion of their studies, but that the would teil the tale of world supremacy.

"Every shipyard worker," he said, "is worth twenty-five tons per annum. This will be sufficient to send five men across the ocean. Every ship is a lifeboat to rescue Belgium, Serbin and even Rusaia."

The noon meeting temorrow will be het valled for active duty until the tales, but that the world teil the tale of world supremacy.

Start December 31, 1917, 100,760; January 11, 100,760 volume into writing, Professor Hyslop

But Mrs. Gabrilowitsch, who before her marriage to the celebrated pianlist was Miss Clara Clemens, is not impressed. In an interview she unsympathetically characterized Professor Hyslop's assertions as "silly, foolish, stupid and crazy," and announced that she had asked her attorney, Charles T. Lark, pf. New York, to prevent the publication of the work through an injunction.

Lutherans Boost Fund

All Lutheran congregations in Phila-delphia were appealed to yesterday to contribute their share to the \$750,000 war-work fund being raised by that

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> We are prepared to assist in the preparation of INCOME TAX RETURNS for the year 1917. As heretofore, this service will be without charge.

What Is Germany's New Objective?

During the first two years of the war, German autocracy sought world dominion through the conquest of France and the subjugation of Great Britain.

Checkmated by the unexpected addition of America to her enemies, she has turned her attention elsewhere, though apparently still striving for her original purpose.

AMBASSADOR GERARD

SECOND WAR

follows the devious course of Prussian diplomacy and shows how Germany has changed her goal, how she is now bending every energy toward a new end which will reimburse her for all that she has suffered.

What this new plan is, and how it must be resisted, is told by Gerard in the

PUBLIC LEDGER

Daily Installments, Commencing Sunday, February 24