FOOD ADMINISTRATION PLANS SLACKERS' CLUB

Restaurants Will Circulate Card Pledging Signers Against Conservation

PUBLIC IS ARRAIGNED

Said to Be Withholding Co-operation in Struggle to Prevent Waste

The public in this city has refused to co-operate with the hotels and restaurants working with the Food Administration to such an extent that a "slackers' club" is being formed, the food officials announced today at luncheon in Wanamaker's tea-room.

Many complaints have been received by the patriotic managers of hotels and restaurants against the meatless and wheatless meals. All of these managers are giving every effort to work with the administration. Some of them, however, suggest it is rather a temptation to ignore the administration orders when one's business is being corralled by a man around the corner who serves beef and pork on Tuesday, and wheat bread every day.

In every restaurant in the city in good repute with the administration a sign will appear in a few days advising the public of the patriotism of the "eatery." Post cards, bearing a Government frank, will be distributed among all eating places working with the food men to be signed, and mailed to Washington, by all patrons objecting to the food conservation measures. These cards will be as follows:

POSTAL CARD PROTEST.

This certifies that I, ———, a citizen of the United States, residing at ———, wish to record my disapproval against the practice of meatless and wheatless days as recommended by your administration; that I am not in favor of the conservation of foods of any kind or in any way, for the use of the United States soldiers to win this war. Further, that on thisday ———, ——— (hotel or restaurant) ——— refused to serve me meat or wheat bread until I had signed this card releasing its management from all responsibility for lating the pledge given the United States Government.

Despite the Administration's campaign to instal a universal cash-and-carry system for groceries, announcement was made that negotiations were to be carried on with the large retail grocery concerns in this city to put in a delivery system. It was pointed out by Administration officials that the housewife could not carry home a bushel of potatoes weighing sixty pounds. Unless some method of delivery was found the campaign for the use of potatoes would fail, they said.

The increased supply of milk now coming into Philadelphia is being used up by the consumer, Dr. Clyde L. King, milk expert for the food administration, said. The condenseries are using less milk than in the past. However the popular response to the request for an increased use of milk has been so great that no surplus on the market at present, he said.

The United States must prevent Germany, with her newly acquired food lands, starving the American and Allied fighters, according to J. Miller Frazier, manager of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, who addressed the City Business Club today on "Food Conservation."

"Pennsylvania hotels saved 1,900,000 pounds of meat and 1,250,000 pounds of wheat flour in December and 2,000,000 pounds of meat and 1,500,000 pounds of wheat flour in January," said Mr. Frazier, who is the hotelman's representative with the Federal Food Administration for Pennsylvania. "Philadelphia hotels and restaurants, which feed 15 per cent of the population, have conserved food as a matter of good business as well as of patriotism."

Mr. Frazier urged the increased use of corn, which, he said, could be made into delectable dishes.

COOKE AFTER PROFITEERS

Jay Cooke, food administrator for Philadelphia, today began an investigation of the charges that many South Philadelphia grocers are not co-operating with the food administration in conserving wheat and are reaping big profits by supplying their customers with wheat products.

As several of his assistants started out to verify the accusation, which was made by the Penn Grocers' Association, an organization of South Philadelphia Jewish grocers, Mr. Cooke made it plain that he will "make it hot" for those grocers who are aiding the Hun by wasting wheat.

Fifty grocery brokerage firms in this vicinity, through whose hands millions of dollars' worth of foodstuffs pass annually, have formed a brokers' section in the Association of Manufacturers' Representatives of Philadelphia. The 135 members of this new body have pledged their efforts in furthering food administration conservation wishes.

Nearly all the groceries consumed in this territory go through these brokerage firms and the pledge is highly regarded by the food administration.

Philadelphia school children in the civic courses are to be constituted volunteer inspectors of the food administration if plans which Jay Cooke, the food administrator for Philadelphia, is considering are adopted. Nearly 20,000 boys and girls will be asked to volunteer as agents of the food administration to look for violations of the price lists sent out by Mr. Cooke. With this army of inspectors busy it is believed that most of the profiteering can be stopped.

WOMEN READY TO AID THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

West Philadelphians Name Chairman After Hearing McAdoo's Aide

The first business meeting of the West Philadelphia women workers of the third Liberty Loan was held today at the Philomusian Club, 3940 Walnut street. Edward F. Bendere, appointed Secretary McAdoo to address Liberty Loan committees, explained the plan by which the drive would be carried forward.

B. F. Richardson was elected chairman of the chairmen's committee. Heads of the various committees elected were: Mrs. M. B. Harris, theatres; Mrs. William P. Mifflin, churches; Mrs. Victor Cochran, reserves; Mrs. Bertha Graham, house to house; Mrs. David Bailey, publicity; Miss Jane Elgin, [illegible]

TALKS ON JERUSALEM

Lucy Wilson Lectures to Daughters of Beth Israel

Lucy L. Wilson, principal of the Girls' High School for Girls, was the guest at a meeting of the Daughters of Israel in the Assembly Rooms of Temple at Thirty-second street and Rodeneary avenue. Doctor Wilson, who has traveled extensively in the East and in Egypt, spoke on "Jerusalem and the Surrounding Country." She illustrated her talk with lantern slides. The illustrations portrayed the country over which the British army now is now passing, and the Jewish people, its northern objective. Mrs. Leslie Cohn, president of the sisterhood, made a number of letters received from the congregation [illegible] the boys at the cantonments, sailors, and [illegible]

MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas I. Chadwick, of 2042 Fitzwater street, are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today.

THREE BOYS DIE WHEN WIND TOPPLES WALL

Another Seriously Hurt, and Wreckage Fills Streets as Storm Subsides

There was a 41-degree drop in temperature in twenty-four hours. The thermometer registered 60 degrees at 5 o'clock yesterday morning and at the same hour today it was down to 19. The worst of the cold spell is over, according to the Weather Bureau, which predicts warmer weather.

Three boys dead, another seriously injured, damaged buildings, littered streets and a regular winter temperature—the thermometer stood at 20 degrees during the early hours—are among the results of high winds which swept this city last night and this morning.

A section of a brick wall of a fire-destroyed warehouse in Market street above Twentieth street collapsed in a fifty-mile-an-hour gale, burying in the ruins four boys playing at the base of the rotten pile of bricks.

The dead are:

Robert Dawson, sixteen years old, 3036 Willows avenue.

Joseph H. Gallagher, Jr., twelve years old, 1927 Moravian street.

John Fitzpatrick, eleven years old, 2051 Sansom street.

The first two boys were killed almost instantly; the last named died at the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital today from a fracture of the skull.

James Walsh, twelve years old, 2038 Sansom street, is in a serious condition at the same hospital.

Three other boys escaped unhurt. They are John Brennan, twelve years old, Twentieth and Waverly streets, John Buchanan fourteen years old, 2022 Sansom street, and John Walsh, fourteen years old, 2054 Sansom street, a brother of one of the injured.

All were gathered around a fire in a shack built against the wall of the building in the rear of 2006 Market street. Frisking about outside the shack was "Laddie," a collie puppy, the pet of Robert Dawson. Collapse of the wall was preceded by the fall of a few bricks, which caused the dog to set up a loud barking. Alarmed, the three boys ran from the shack, and seeing the wall about to topple ran for safety in the street. But the wall crashed down upon the shack, demolishing the frail structure, and buried the other four boys.

WANT A $5000 JOB?

There is a $5000-a-year job open with Uncle Sam as the boss for any man who can prove he is an expert in gun forging. Otherwise the salary will be from $2000 to $5000, depending on the qualifications of the applicant.

The main job is that of superintendent of a gun-forging plant, and the lucky man must supervise the shop, the heat treatment of gun forging, pyrometric control, designs of furnaces and fabrication of gun steel. Applicants are requested to appear at the United States Civil Service Board in the Federal Building.

PLEDGE QUICK ACTION ON DIRTY STREETS

Councils' Committee to Meet Before Week-End—Rubbish Piles Up

Action to remove dirt and garbage from the streets and thus wipe out the cause for almost city-wide complaint is promised this week.

The "street-cleaning boys"—that is, Councils' Committee on Street Cleaning—are scheduled to meet some time before Sunday to consider plans to take away the refuse which, according to Director Krusen, is hostile to the health of Philadelphia.

Common Councilman Schwarz, of the Sixth Ward, chairman of the committee, made the pledges, but suffixed it with a condition.

"I will get the street-cleaning boys together some time next week, maybe," he said last week.

Great heaps of rubbish and ashes, with refuse such as decaying animal and vegetable matter, await the attack of the cleaners in many out-of-the-way thoroughfares in all sections of the city.

Housewives continued their private volunteer street-cleaning today, with the result that the piles increased in size until some streets assumed the appearance of battle-torn northern France. Either because action was too slow or because they had no confidence in promises, housekeepers extended their spring house-cleaning to the sidewalks and streets in front of their homes, raking and scraping the accumulation of dirt and filth into neat mounds that are awaiting the garbage and ash wagons that are slow in arriving.

State Senator Vare, who holds the downtown street-cleaning contracts, promised noticeable improvement with better weather conditions. The early handicap which he suffered because of lack of men has ended, he announced. Every available man on his payroll is at work in the central and southern sections of the city, cleaning out highways and byways at a rapid rate, he said. The men are working overtime and this is bound to produce results, he promised.

The North Kensington Business Men's Association will take a hand in the street cleaning crusade at its meeting Wednesday night. Harry J. Trainer, Select Councilman from the Third Ward, will speak on "Cleaner Streets" and Charles H. Von Tagen, Common Councilman from the Forty-sixth Ward, will lead the "Clean Streets" fight. Von Tagen has carried the fight into Councils, which at every recent session has received protests from many organizations.

The Philadelphia County Medical Society at its meeting Wednesday night is expected to take up the street cleaning proposition from the standpoint of its existing conditions being a menace to the health of the community. Director Krusen is continuing his efforts to arouse Chief Hicks, of the Street Cleaning Bureau, to a realization of the danger of his longer permitting contractors to neglect their work. The director has received assurances from Chief Hicks relative to the spring clean-up and general improvement is expected as a result of the recent agitation.

SIX ARE ARE ADDED TO APPEAL BOARD NO. 2

Addition Is Made to Speed Up Work of Body—Cases Accumulating

A wholesale "speeding-up" in the work of reclassifying men eligible for service in the National Army is expected to result from the reorganization of District Appeal Board No. 2. Six new members have been appointed to assist in straightening out the tangle into which the draft work of that board has fallen. Several thousand cases, with more accumulating daily, are now awaiting action.

According to one of the original members of the reorganized District Board, the naming of additional men to bring the work up to date was done by Adjutant General Beary at the request of the board members themselves. Under the new arrangement it is expected the board will catch up with its work by April 1.

The appointees are William Blackwood, secretary of Local Board No. 17; Howard Eccles, of Local Board No. 37; Allen Eberhart, of Local Board No. 19; Charles S. Osmond, secretary of Local Board No. 28; Casper M. Titus, chairman of Local Board No. 34, and William H. Margerison, chairman of Local Board No. 42.

Power Off; Trolley Cars Stop

Trolley service on different routes in South Philadelphia was completely at a standstill for about fifteen minutes yesterday when the power was suddenly shut off. Between 8 and 8:15 o'clock hundreds of cars crowded with passengers on their way to work failed to move. Many passengers left the cars and walked.

WILSON 'STANDS PAT' ON SLEUTH SHAKE-UP

Issues Challenge to Police Insurgents—"I'll Show Them Something," He Says

Despite stories of rebellion in the police department on the part of the men who have been shifted as a result of the "shake-up" in the detective bureau, Director of Public Safety Wilson today announced there will be no additional changes and that the five-zone system under the supervision of detective sergeants will not be altered in any way.

"I stand by every change I made," Director Wilson said. "If there is any revolt over the reorganization of the detective bureau have I have heard nothing officially about it. If I do I will show the insurgents something. I want to say, too, that I pay no attention to any stories of rebellion in the police department, but simply mind my own business and stand by my guns."

Director Wilson would make no comment on the fact that many of the men sent to the divisions have declared they will appeal to State Senator Vare for reinstatement in the central office. The Senator yesterday refused to discuss police business, as he said he was concerned about other things.

However, there is no doubt the shake-up has disquieted many of the men assigned to the new detective zones. They declare it virtually is a demotion, and that instead of being acting detectives they are nothing more than glorified special officers, working under a plain-clothes man instead of the lieutenant of each district. Many of these men, their friends declared yesterday, are vehement in their declaration they have been sent away from City Hall because they are not "in right" with Captain of Detectives Tate.

A glance at the personnel shows there is something peculiar in the new reorganization, as the zone plainclothes men now are the very men who have been held in the highest esteem by the people in touch with affairs at City Hall as the only real detectives in the bureau.

The detective sergeants, too, are men who have not been associated with the "Tate crowd," as the detective captain's intimates in the detective bureau are known. "Jake" Gomborrow, who has charge of the first division, is the man who passed his examination during the Blankenburg administration with a percentage of 105 per cent. Tate had [illegible] and [illegible]

PEACE FROM VICTORY, WORKERS RESOLUTION

Organized Labor, at Mass-Meeting Here, Affirms Loyalty to Government

Loyalty to the Government in the prosecution of the war and unalterable opposition to all talk of peace except one that will come from absolute victory for the Allies was expressed in resolutions adopted at the mass-meeting of organized labor held in the Parkway Building.

The meeting, which placed the workingmen of Philadelphia definitely on record in support of the war aims of the country, was addressed by W. A. Appleton, secretary general of the Federation of Trade Unions of Great Britain, and Joshua Butterworth, representing the Associated Shipbuilders of Great Britain, who are members of a special mission of labor men now visiting in this country.

Mr. Appleton predicted that steps would be taken in this country in the near future which would make strikes impossible, and stated that in England when a laboring man leaves his work and remains out of a job for fourteen days he automatically becomes drafted into the army. He expressed the opinion that as a result of the sacrifices they have made during the war the English working men will, when peace comes, enjoy more power and have greater concessions than they have ever had before.

The speaker paid high praise to President Wilson, with whom, as well as with Samuel Gompers, Secretary of Labor Wilson, Edward N. Hurley and Herbert C. Hoover, he has had frequent conferences since coming to this country. He declared that these conferences with the President had greatly increased his confidence in the Chief Executive.

Although the Allies have been at war three years and a half, "we are just commencing," Mr. Butterworth told his hearers. He described the plans which have been successful in bringing about a satisfactory adjustment of labor problems in England and praised the American workingmen for the attitude they have assumed toward the war.

The resolution of loyalty was presented by Edward Keenan, who presided at the meeting, and was carried [illegible]

NEGRO HELD AS THIEF; SMALL BOY IS VICTIM

Automobile Club Employe Says He Was Tricked and Robbed

Ulysses Kain, a negro, said to be one of the most notorious automobile thieves in the country, was arrested today near the Philadelphia Automobile Club on the charge of the theft of an automobile tire from Paul Roggurio, of 1111 South Bodine street, a small boy employe of the club.

Roggurio was wheeling a tire along the street when Kain drove up in a car and offered to ride him as far as the club. Passing a cigar store, he gave the boy fifty cents and asked him to get some cigarettes, which he did. When the boy returned Kain had driven away.

Kain was sent to the House of Correction some time ago for three months, but after serving five days was released on parole by Judge Wessel.

A protest was made at the time against light sentences automobile thieves were receiving from the courts of this city.

EXPERT TO UNTANGLE INCOME TAX PROBLEMS

New Plan a Boon to the Befuddled—New Rules Are Announced

An expert at "number work" has been appointed to come to the relief to Philadelphians whose income tax returns do not agree with the Government's estimate of what the tax should be.

This announcement, cheering to men dizzy with figures, was made today by Ephraim Lederer, Collector of Internal Revenue, who promised that any tangle of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division could be adjusted. The new position, according to George H. Fletcher, chief agent of the Philadelphia-Scranton division, who is in charge of appeals, is intended to straighten out disputes about overtaxation. In the last year, it was said, there were 1100 instances involving $225,000 where the income tax return was not high enough and also many cases of overpayments. The offenses were unintentional, arising from a lack of legal and arithmetical knowledge.

Two rulings from Washington were announced today by Colector Lederer. One was that charitable organizations are not required to file returns for contributions from individuals and corporations; the other, that money derived by individuals from commissions on renewals of life insurance policies written prior to 1905 are held to be income and must be included in the return. Three new income tax information stations were opened today. They are in the Continental Equitable Title & Trust Company, Twelfth street above Chestnut; Middle City Bank, 1518 Walnut street, and Northwestern National Bank, Ridge and Girard avenues.

WILL CUT RED TAPE IN ORDNANCE WORK

John C. Jones, Executive of Zone, Says "Crimson Braid" Must Go

"Crimson braid" must go from the Ordnance Department of the United States, according to John C. Jones, a member of the company that controls the Harrison Safety Boiler Works Company, Seventeenth street and Allegheny avenue, and who has been appointed executive of one of the zones in the new system to supervise the manufacture of munitions.

General Wheeler, of the War Department, who is the acting chief of the Ordnance Department, has divided the country into ten different zones in an effort to bring better results in the manufacturing and the delivery of munitions as well as to keep the knots out of the details that have to do with contracts and agreements.

Mr. Jones explains that as yet nothing had been done by him but to start working on a plan of organization, and what he called a fearful task, that of getting a good suite of rooms for himself and staff. Tomorrow morning, Mr. Jones said, he would go to Washington in response to a request of General Wheeler to get further details on a plan of procedure.

"I do know, however," said Mr. Jones, "that the intention of the officials of the Ordnance Department was to inject dispatch into the work of getting munitions to a place where transportation would be handed the responsibility and no longer would there be an opportunity for the department responsible for the production to be blamed.

"In other word, I mean that the so-called 'crimson braid,' known to many as 'red tape,' must be relegated to the rear and a standard of personal application be installed."

Mr. Jones explained his personal application remark by saying that necessarily he would have several assistants, and it will be their business to make personal observations of the manufacturing plants, thus avoiding long letters from Washington with delayed replies, etc.

TAX ON BLUE RIBBON AND PLAIN DOGS DUE

Law Goes Into Effect and Owners Must Pay $1.20 or $2.20, as Case May Be

The dog-tax law went into effect this afternoon, and hereafter no dog, mongrel or prize winner, shall be allowed the privilege of well-swept or dirty streets unless their owners shall pay to the city $1.20 or $2.20, according to the kind of dog.

Ink on the ordinance signed by Mayor Smith was not dry before a woman appeared and paid the tax on a prize dog. She got a receipt for $2.20. Her attention to the new law had been called by reading of the passage of the ordinance by Councils. The new law provided for the $1 or $2 to be turned over to the city; the twenty cents in each case will cover the cost of the tag, which must be worn.

The revenue to be realized from this new avenue will reach no little figure.

GIRL DANCER ARRESTED

Young Woman Held for Stealing Another Patron's Fur

For some time the owners of a dance hall at Twentieth street and Montgomery avenue have been missing clothing from the coatroom. They employed two women detectives, who, according to testimony, saw Cora McDonald, twenty-eight years old and pretty, of Twenty-sixth and Somerset streets, take a fur neckpiece and walk out with it.

They followed her to an ice cream parlor nearby, where she met a young man. She was arrested as the two sat enjoying their cream and was arraigned before Magistrate Watson in the Central police court, where she waived a hearing and was held in $400 bail for court.

"STORE" TEETH FOUND IN HIGH WIND'S JETSAM

Torn by Sudden Gust From Somebody's Mouth, Is One Patrolman's Theory

Laugh and the world laughs with you. But don't laugh when the high winds blow, particularly if you have false teeth.

So say the police, now sole owners of one pair of perfectly good unattached "falsers." For the teeth were found early today among other articles picked up that were strewn about the streets by yesterday's gale. A facetious patrolman advanced the theory that a sudden gust tore them from the open mouth of some jolly person.

But it matters not whence they came. The fact remains that somewhere in Philadelphia there is a toothless individual who today ate breakfast with a liberal softening of milk. It is for his or her benefit that this is written, that he or she may enjoy something more substantial tomorrow morning.

Prove your ownership and you can have 'em. They are listed among other lost and found articles at the police van stables, Eleventh and Wharton streets.

PRIVATE SHIP FIRMS SLOW, SAYS BOWLES

Lamentable Lack of Production in Some Yards on Delaware, He Asserts

Progress made by private concerns which are building ships for the Emergency Fleet Corporation is extremely discouraging, according to Read Admiral Bowles. In discussing the subject this afternoon, he said:

"They are all so bad it is difficult to say which is the worst. There is no best among them."

Speaking of yards near Philadelphia, Admiral Bowles said there was a lamentable lack of production among them considering their equipment. "This condition," he added, "is characteristic of the whole eastern coast. It is not showing productive power."

Admiral Bowles exonerated Cramps and the New York Shipbuilding Company, as 60 per cent of their output, he said, was on Government orders. He commended the Baltimore Shipbuilding and DryDock Company of Baltimore, which, he said, was making the best showing of any concern along the eastern coast, considering conditions.

When questioned as to the progress being made toward establishing proper housing conditions at Hog Island, Admiral Bowles said the housing plans are now up to the Mayor. He said he received a communication from Mayor Smith saying the plans would be filed very soon. Plans for the transportation facilities to Hog Island, he said, were going along encouragingly. He said he would have a more definite announcement concerning these plans soon.

PLAN INCORPORATION OF WOMAN'S PARTY

Mrs. William Kent to Tell of Reasons at Meeting Here Friday

The National Woman's party, of which the Pennsylvania branch is a part, is to be incorporated. How this is to be done and why will be fully explained to suffragists of Philadelphia and representatives from all over the State at the Art Alliance Building, 1823 Walnut street, at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, when Mrs. William Kent, of Washington, wife of former Congressman Kent, will present a full report of the action taken Saturday at the session in Washington of the executive committee of the National Woman's party.

At the same time plans will be discussed as to how Pennsylvania suffragists may best aid their sisters in a nation-wide campaign, decided upon at the Washington executive committee meeting, to force a vote in the Senate within one month on the national suffrage amendment. It is proposed that this be done through the bringing to bear upon Senators of an aroused and favorable public sentiment and through the winning over of Senators who it is thought cannot withstand a fight on the issue.

The Woman's party will press for an immediate consideration of the Rankin and Baer resolutions, introduced during the arrest of the suffragists who pocketed the White House. The Rankin resolution calls for a congressional investigation of the treatment of the suffragists at Occoquan workhouse and the District jail, while the Baer resolution asks for an investigation into their arrests and convictions.

Alice Paul, chairman of the National Woman's party, calls attention of suffragists to the danger at this time in delay by Congress in considering the national amendment, pointing out that if the bill does not pass Congress now, there will be no opportunity to have it ratified at the next sessions of State Legislatures, thus forcing the party to reintroduce the bill in Congress.

Among other things Miss Paul said: "The illegal arrest and brutal imprisonment of women asking political liberty is one of the blackest chapters in the history of the present Administration, but as part of the Democratic record as well as for the complete vindication of the pickets, it is a chapter the public should read."

"The fact that the Democratic administration indorsed the amendment and that it went through the House, gratified the women so much that they gave their support to the party in the recent New York elections. But the good record will be wiped out if the present delay and obstruction in the Senate continue."

Plans for the "covering" of the nation in the interests of the passage of the National Amendment propose the utilization to this end of the $10,000 check recently presented to the party by Colonel William B. Thompson.

The members of the National executive committee are: Miss Alice Paul, of New Jersey; Miss Anne Martin, of Nevada; Miss Mabel Vernon, of Nevada; Miss Mary Gertrude Fendall, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Robert Baker, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, of New York; Mrs. John Winters Brannan, of New York; Miss Lucy Burns, of Connecticut; Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles, of Delaware; Mrs. Donald R. Hooker, of Maryland; Mrs. Lawrence Lewis, of Pennsylvania; Miss Doris Stevens, of Nebraska; Miss Maud Younger, of California.

HUNS CAPTURE AMERICAN BOY

Corporal Hitchcock, 17 Years Old, Reported a Prisoner

Westbury, L. I., March 11.—Corporal Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., seventeen-year-old son of the turfman and polo player of that name, has been captured by the Germans "somewhere in northern France," according to a wire message received at the family home here today. The War Department has been asked to confirm the report.

Hitchcock is believed to have gone too far behind the German lines and is supposed to have been cut off and brought down.

NOBRE CASE AWAITS ATTORNEYS' ACTION

Next "Moral Claim" Hearing to Be Arranged by Lawyers of Contending Parties

Members of Councils' Finance Committee will not be called together this week to continue the probe into Senator Vare's "moral claim," and the matter will be ignored at a meeting of the committee which will be called for next Monday.

This fact was announced today by Chairman Gaffney, who said the date for the net "moral-claim" meeting must be fixed by agreement between Attorney General Brown and former Judge Joseph McCullen.

In speaking of the delay, Chairman Gaffney said:

"There is nothing that the Finance Committee can do until the attorneys for Senator Vare and Surveyor Nobre get together. I am in earnest when I say that Mr. Nobre shall have every opportunity to examine the records of the work done at League Island and on Government avenue. I am equally in earnest when I say that the investigation will continue and that witnesses will be summoned under the authority given the committee by Councils last week.

"Nobre will be summoned along with others and there is no reason why the question whether or not Senator Vare has done work for which he has not been paid, shall be settled at once for all."

"I mean to go ahead along the lines I indicated at the start and if you eliminate politics from the situation there should be no real difficulty in settling the only question at issue. It is, what work was done and what work was paid for. I do not know when the attorneys will get together or just how it will be possible to continue but I do not think that the claim can be heard at the meeting which will be called for next Monday."

PATRIOTIC WOMEN ASKED TO LIBERTY LOAN MEET

Workers Will Hold Conference in the Bellevue-Stratford Tomorrow and Wednesday

Patriotic women in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware are urged to attend the conference of Liberty Loan workers tomorrow and Wednesday in the Bellevue-Stratford. Although the meeting has been called especially in the interest of the loan workers, an effort is being made to have as many women present at the several meeting as possible.

Sessions will be held morning and afternoon and evening tomorrow. The meetings on Wednesday will be held in the morning and afternoon. Persons desiring tickets for the luncheons, which will take place at 1 o'clock Tuesday and Wednesday, may obtain them at the headquarters of the women's committee in the Lincoln Building.

A feature of the opening session will be an address by Lieutenant Harry Milson, of the Canadian army, who will describe his experiences at the front. The evening meeting on Tuesday will be featured by addresses by State Senator William C. Sproul, president of the Union League; William Matthew Lewis of Washington, executive secretary of the National Committee of Patriotic Societies; Mrs. John T. Pratt, chairman of the Second Federal Reserve Committee of New York; Mrs. Antoinette Funk, vice chairman of the National Liberty Loan Committee and a member of the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense, and E. P. Passmore, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank.

'ENTIRE BASE HOSPITAL AT SOLDIER'S FUNERAL

Unusual Honor at Holy Trinity for Kenneth Ellis—Police Band Heads Procession

At the funeral of Kenneth Ellis, private in the Jefferson Base Hospital No. 38, held today, the entire base hospital assembled in the Holy Trinity Church. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. J. Chapman, of Chestnut Hill.

Preceded by the police band the members of the base hospital formed in line and marched east on Market street to the ferry, escorting the body to Haddonfield, N. J., where interment was made.

Ellis enlisted three months ago. Two weeks ago he was seized with an attack of pneumonia, to which he succumbed in the Pennsylvania Hospital last Friday.

As the procession passed along Market street many persons on the sidewalks removed their hats.

BURGLARS ROB SHOE STORE A THIRD TIME

Safe Drilled and $900 Stolen. Believed to Be Experts Who Looted Jewelry Store

The third safe robbery at the Rival Shoe Company, 136 North Eighth street, since January 12 was discovered today when the store was opened. About $900 was taken.

The cracksmen, who gained entrance by cutting a hole through the ceiling above and carefully avoided burglar-alarm wires, are believed to be the same who drilled open the safe of Charles Barily, manufacturing jeweler, 808 Chestnut street, Saturday and took $10,000 worth of jewelry.

The burglars apparently took their time at their silent "job," which was executed some time between the closing of the store Saturday night and its opening this morning. By some means they gained entrance to a vacant room above and sawed a two-by-three-foot hole in the floor. Through this they lowered themselves by a rope.

The heavy safe was rolled from the front of the building to the rear, where it was pried open with a hammer, chisels and a crowbar. The sound was muffled with a heavy swathing of coats. Like the Barily store burglars, they left their tools behind them. The implements were found by detectives of the new second division.

Other recent visits made to the store by cracksmen were January 12, when $800 was taken from the same, and January 26, when $800 was taken, together with fifty pairs of shoes.

HOG ISLAND CARPENTERS AID FOREMEN'S PLEDGE

Promise of Loyalty Is Followed by Burst of Speed at Big Shipyard

Carpenters at Hog Island employed in the construction of ships injected more speed and pep into their work today, following the pledge of loyalty passed by the carpenter foremen of the yard.

The 5000 carpenters, many of whom were among those who went out on strike Friday, urged on by their foremen, attacked their jobs with renewed vigor. The pledge, made at a dinner in the Adelphia Hotel, declares their desire "to co-operate in all things that will help toward the speedy building of ships."

URGES ECONOMY IN USE OF AUTOS FOR PLEASURE

Conservation of Gasoline Deemed of Prime Importance in Winning the War

In an address at the Hotel Adelphia today before the Auto Trade Association, Alfred Reeves, general manager of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, pointed out the necessity for economizing in the use of gasoline for pleasure purposes. Mr. Reeves pointed out that the auto industry had adopted a "Win the War" slogan and were going through with it might and main.

"There will in all probability be fewer pleasure cars manufactured this year than for many years previous. More trucks, tractors and other cars that will help the industry of the country. The automobile industry has gone in to help the Government. The production of gasoline is ample, but do not waste it.

"Automobile agents who sell to the farmers are instructed to try to sell cars that will enable the farmer to haul his stuff to the market more quickly and help the Government in its supreme effort to obtain their product more swiftly.

"This is a history-making, not a money-making period in business. The automobile trade is making great sacrifices for the Government, giving its mechanics and all other resources. Speeding up that is what the auto industry means."

Teuton Airmen Again Bomb Naples

Naples, March 11.—Naples was attacked by Teuton aviators early this morning. About twenty bombs were dropped in a residential quarter. The victims included seven occupants of a hospital.

ONLY THE 'FIT' GOOD FOR TRENCH FIGHTING

"Tip" Sent to Draft Board No. 50 by One of the Boys Over There

Only the physically fit are any good in the French trenches, according to a gratuitous tip received today by local Draft Board No. 50 from a young Philadelphia soldier who is "over there."

The "tip" and other advice came in the form of a letter from William P. Bauer, twenty-six years old, of 1713 Girard avenue, to whom a questionnaire was sent December 29, 1917. It read as follows:

"I figured that Uncle Sam could use me before you reached my number, so I voluntarily enlisted. I am now in active service somewhere in France and I wish you the best of luck in the selection of the quota from our district. Don't be overzealous and take him who might not, through some physical disability, prove of value over here. We are going to lick Old Fritz, so let him who does his bit at home use some judgment. Where ever a man is who is doing his bit that is his trench. Let him hold it."

Young Bauer at the time of his enlistment was a publicity clerk in the employ of the Bell Telephone Company, Seventeenth and Arch streets. The questionnaire was forwarded to him by his mother, with whom he lived at the Girard avenue address.

ARREST GIRL FOR THEFT

N. Y. Police Find Manayunk Girl, Missing Since Saturday

The New York police department today wired the information to this city that they had apprehended fifteen-year-old Mary Wocjho, of 5 Lock street, Manayunk, who had been missing from her home since Saturday. She is wanted by the Manayunk police on a charge of having stolen $20 from Frank Henry, of 4607 Mitchell street.

Mary attended the Queen Lane Public School and her parents say she went to New York to get a position and avoid the child labor law of this city. She has been arrested before on other charges. Her brother, Tony, thirteen years old, was arrested today for smashing windows in a Manayunk mill with an air rifle.

GETS $400 COMPENSATION

Gloucester Man Was Injured in Camden Plant

Compensation for forty weeks at the rate of $10 per week was awarded Robb W. Bobo, 179 South Burlington street, Gloucester City, today by Referee Harry J. Gossh, of the workmen's compensation bureau. The defendant in the case was the Camden Forge Company, where, it is claimed by Bobo, his sight and hearing were impaired by an accident last October.

Referee Gossh also awarded to C. H. Riley, 830 Market street, Bridgeton, N. J., three weeks temporary compensation at the rate of the $5 per week, and partial disability payments for nine weeks.

'DON'T DELAY,' IS TEXT OF FOUR-MINUTE MEN

25,000 of Them Start on Campaign to Boost Income Tax Returns and Payment

Twenty-five thousand "Four Minute Men" will start out today on a nation-wide campaign to impress upon the American public their patriotic duty promptly to file their income tax return and pay their taxes. The period for filing ends April 1. Taxpayers have seventeen days, not counting Sundays, in which to comply with this provision of the law. The penalty for failure is a fine of not less than $20 no more than $1000 and an additional assessment of 50 per cent of the amount due.

The "Four Minute Men" will appear in local theatres, moving picture houses and at public gatherings. Special meetings will be held by chambers of commerce, boards of trade, rotary clubs, luncheon clubs and business organizations to hear the addresses. "Don't delay" is the warning that will be given by the speakers. Taxpayers will be urged to protect themselves and aid the Government by being prompt. It will cost the Government money and trouble to hunt down the man who dodges the income tax, but the word has gone forth from headquarters that this will be done. The "slacker" will be shown no leniency.

The man whose intentions are good, but who is inclined to put off until tomorrow what should be done today will be urged not to procrastinate, but to get his blank and file his return at once.

In every address the "Four Minute Men" will lay stress upon that provision of the law which requires a return from every unmarried person whose net income for 1917 was $1000 or more and from every married person whose net income was $2000 or more. They will be supplied with facts and figures to show that the rich and the man of modest income alike are made to bear a just share of the common burden.

ROYAL ARCANUM

PROTECTS AMERICAN HOMES AND RENDERS PATRIOTIC SERVICE

COUNCILS MEET THIS WEEK

Mar. 11—Integrity, 1611 Columbia Ave.
Mar. 12—Philadelphia, Parkway Building
Mar. 12—Ionic, 1628 Arch St.
Mar. 13—Manayunk, Phoenixville, Pa.
Mar. 13—Dupont, Parkway Building
Mar. 13—Lenape, Doylestown, Pa.
Mar. 14—West Falls, 4118 Lancaster Ave.
Mar. 14—[illegible]
Mar. 15—[illegible]
Mar. 15—[illegible] Ave.

PLAN TO TRAIN WOMEN AS ASSISTANT PASTORS

Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, Short of Masculine Material, Adopt Idea

SEEK $150,000 FUND

Money Needed to Aid Philadelphia School for Christmas Workers Take Up Task

Plans to train women to become assistant pastors of Presbyterian and Reformed churches have been started as a result of the war. There is a shortage of young men available for this work.

Announcement of this was made today by a committee representing forty Presbyterian churches which are interested in the movement. The women will also be trained to act as executives in their lines of church work and also to become efficient social workers.

To obtain funds for this important work a campaign to raise $150,000 will be started in a few days under the auspices of the Deaconess House and Philadelphia School for Christian Workers. The money is to be used to increase the facilities of the school and provide more scholarships. In the statement issued today the committee says:

"That the churches are seriously feeling the effect of the war in the depletion of their ranks of workers there can be no doubt. Even before the war we were receiving an increasing number of requests for young women competent to fill important positions in the various parishes. The demand now is overwhelming and will continue for years to come.

PROVE SUCCESSFUL

"Our experience has proved that young women, properly trained, are notably successful in many important branches of church work. A somewhat novel field in which they are making good is that of pastors' assistants. Large numbers of our assistant pastors are at the front and we are looking to young women to take their places."

"Our plans have the official indorsement of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, which at a recent meeting heartily indorsed the work of the institution. Social and rescue workers, with the intensely practical training which schools such as ours give, are specially needed in the big industrial and munitions-producing centers where changes in family life and the lessening of home restraint, due to the departure of the fathers and big brothers to the front, have developed problems seriously threatening the welfare of girls employed in factories and of children.

"During the decade of its history the Deaconess House has been particularly successful in training women for special work in connection with the churches and community welfare. More than thirty deaconesses are in active service in this State, with others in foreign parts of the country, three in China, two in Japan, two in India and one in Korea.

GENERAL PUBLIC INVITED

"With the proposed fund we can greatly increase the number of our graduates and the value of their work. Their point of view as missionaries and social workers is wholly undenominational and their efforts are directed to all who need help, whether in the city slums, on the rural frontiers or in the isolated mountain districts.

"So, although our institutions is primarily of interest to Presbyterians, its benefits touch the general public at many points and we hope to have wide-spread co-operation at this time, when all worthy projects effective in war emergencies and in the reconstruction period later on, are generously being supplied with necessary funds."

The officers of the committee which will direct the movement are S. S. Marvin, chairman; Thomas R. Patton, vice chairman; Joseph S. McCulloch, treasurer; Mrs. Perry S. Allen, chairman of the women's division, other members being Mrs. Dobson-Altemus, Mrs. William K. McLean, Mrs. Howard H. Yocum, Miss Anne Irwin Laughlin, Harry E. Paisley, Dr. William H. Roberts, J. Lewis Twaddell and Dr. Perry S. Allen.

ROBBED AND BEAT OLD MAN

Man Captured in Tenderloin Is Held After Companion's Escape

Frank Folan, of 1502 Swain street, was arrested last night at Franklin and Callowhill streets by Patrolman Myers, of the vice squad, after he and a companion had attacked an old man, Henry Clark, of 5420