"THREE MUSKETEERS" GIVEN COMMISSIONS

Trio of Philadelphians to Be Second Lieutenants in U. S. Army

Three Philadelphians now at Camp Hancock, known to friends as the "Three Musketeers," have just been commissioned second lieutenants in the United States army.

The young men, who were classmates at Penn Charter School and the University of Pennsylvania, enlisted in the First City Troop soon after the outbreak of the war. Together they followed their fortunes, as they have done consciously since they were ten years old.

The lieutenants are Frederick B. Prichett, 4909 Monument road; Carroll Rhoads, 1512 Chestnut street, and Brenton G. Wallace, Forty-second and Chestnut streets. Prichett is attached to the 109th Field Artillery, Rhoads to the 102d Ammunition Train and Wallace to the 107th Field Artillery.

As boys they formed a close friendship when they were members of the debating team at Penn Charter school. They went to the University together and there, too, represented their alma mater on the debating team. When they graduated they separated for the first time in years. Rhoads went to the Harvard Law School and Prichett to Cincinnati, with the American Bridge Company. Wallace remained in Philadelphia.

Soon after the declaration of war against Germany the young men came together again in this city and enlisted in the First City Troop. They went to Camp Hancock and later to a third officers' training camp nearby.

Brenton G. Wallace

C. Brewster Rhoads

Frederick B. Prichett

MADE SECOND LIEUTENANTS

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UNIVERSITY GRADUATE PLANS SOLDIER GRAVES

Bruce C. Wenner, of Pennsylvania, Proud of Sad but Necessary Work for America

The honor of laying out and designating all the cemeteries for the American soldiers in France has been given to Bruce C. Wenner, '16, architect, University of Pennsylvania. Wenner is probably doing the most unusual war service of any man Pennsylvania has sent to France. In a letter to the Architectural School, Wenner says:

"At first sight graves registration may seem strange for an architect, but I save the honor to be laying out and designing all the American cemeteries in France, which is a big job at present. My landscape training at Pennsylvania therefore helps somewhat.

"We are getting to see some French architects over here, even though our time is well occupied with war business. And for some of us who might never have reached France otherwise, the war is bringing experience and knowledge which would not have been acquired.

KENSINGTON YOUTH IN MOTORCYCLE CORPS

Harry Mallon, Former Ascension School Boy, Is Serving "Somewhere in France"

Harry Mallon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mallon, of 849 Hilton street, Kensington, has been "Somewhere in France for more than ten months. He combined his fondness for and knowledge of motorcycles with his patriotism, and enlisted in the United States Motorcycle Corps at the age of eighteen. Recent communications from him say he is doing well. He was educated in Ascension School and has many well-wishing friends in Kensington.

WILLIAM B. SCOTT DIES

Funeral Wednesday for Workmen's Compensation Board Chairman

Funeral arrangements are being made today for William B. Scott, referee of District No. 1 of the Workmen's Compensation Board, who died yesterday from a complication of diseases in the Northwestern General Hospital. Services will be held Wednesday at his home, 3031 West Lehigh avenue, with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. He was fifty-eight years old.

Mr. Scott had been active in politics since 1882. Two years later he was elected to the Legislature from the Eighteenth Ward. He was a police lieutenant in the old eighteenth police district for a number of years and became district highway chief in the Ashbridge administration. He was appointed to the Compensation Board in December, 1915, as a member of which he decided 121 of the claims resulting from the Gallitzine disaster last year.

Mr. Scott was a Mason and was affiliated with several other social and political organizations.

STORM DANGER HERE PAST

Weather Bureau Says Today Will Continue Fair

Storm danger along the coast from Delaware breakwater to Boston has virtually passed. It now centers around New York, but in a lesser degree than last night, when heavy rains and high winds caused storm warnings to be displayed.

The wind exceeded speed limits by attaining a velocity of thirty-four miles an hour last night, at some places along the coast. The velocity was twenty-five miles an hour in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and twenty-eight miles near New York. The Weather Bureau reports today to continue fair, she because the storm danger is passed.

Magistrates Return $22,803.95

The twenty-eight police magistrates returned fines and costs totaling $22,803.95 for the first quarter of the year. Magistrate John J. Grelis, who is in charge of the hearings at the Eleventh and Winter streets station, returned $2,455 to the City Treasurer. Thomas Gibson, until recently a City Hall magistrate, ranked second, with

SPROUL AND O'NEIL FIRM FOR SUFFRAGE

Both Republican Gubernatorial Candidates Reaffirm Stand on Federal Amendment

Members of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Association have received assurance from Republican gubernatorial candidates that they are unswerving in their position that the women of the state should have the vote.

Replying to letters of inquiry directed at various candidates by Mrs. J. Claude Bedford, legislative chairman of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Association, State Senator William C. Sproul and State Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil pledged themselves to lend their aid in obtaining the passage of legislation giving the women the vote in Pennsylvania.

Text of the letters follows:

"I stand squarely by my pledge in regard to woman suffrage and you may assure your association that I not only favor the ratification of the Federal amendment, but will be glad to help in a referendum bill in Pennsylvania, or in any other measure which would seem likely to accomplish what you are working for."

WILLIAM C. SPROUL.

"I am for the Federal Suffrage Amendment. I am for any bill, or any method, which will give the good women of Pennsylvania the right to vote.

"I am convinced, from my twenty-five years in Pennsylvania politics, that if the women of this State had the right to vote conditions would be different.

"You can count on me at any time doing everything in my power to work for woman suffrage."

J. DENNY O'NEIL.

MAY CHOOSE HELFFERICH

Berlin Newspaper Insists He Will Succeed Kuchlmann

Amsterdam, April 22.—The Boersen Zeitung, of Berlin, is still of the opinion that the resignation of Dr. Richard Kuchlmann, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, may be expected, notwithstanding all contradictions.

It mentions as his possible successor Dr. Karl Helfferich or Admiral Paul von Hintze, German minister to Norway.

RUSH TO BUY TICKETS FOR GALLI-CURCI DEBUT

Philadelphia Music Lovers Forget Dissapointment and Assure Warm Welcome to Prima Donna

Amelita Galli-Curci will find a warm welcome when she makes her first and long-heralded appearance in Philadelphia at the Metropolitan Opera House on May 1.

Philadelphia music lovers who experienced disappointment when the prima donna failed them several weeks ago when she was scheduled to appear here with the New York Symphony Orchestra have returned to the seemingly endless lines outside the ticket office with only a keener appetite. Tickets went on sale at 9 o'clock this morning, but long before that hour the crowd had begun to gather and hundreds already stood patiently in line outside of the ticket agency on Chestnut street near Eleventh. They came resigned to a long and weary wait, armed with books and newspapers and unlimited determination.

Since the furore created by the inimitable Patti no singer has made the sensation that this coloratura has. A little more than a year ago she appeared with the Chicago Opera Company; it is said that the manager engaged her more or less against his will, deciding, in a reckless moment, to take a chance.

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GAS USERS WILL PAY CITY $3,000,000 IN 1918

Record Indirect Tax Receipts Forecast in U. G. I. Three-Month Report

Through the indirect taxation system in force by reason of the 1897 gas lease, Philadelphians this year will pay into the city treasury nearly $3,000,000. This heavy drain on citizens of moderate circumstances results from the rebate paid the city for each 1000 cubic feet of gas sold. Record sales of gas will be reported Thursday by officials of the United Gas Improvement Company.

The unusually heavy sales during the first three months of the present year will carry the city's share for in advance of the $591,591 paid for the same period last year, while the figures will be further augmented by the fact that an additional five cents a thousand cubic feet is payable to the city under the lease. Although no exact figures can be had in advance of the filing of the report, it is estimated that the city treasury will benefit to the extent of $700,000 or more for the first quarter.

Record sales during January, February and March prove that more householders are turning to gas for relief from heavy coal bills, and that, consequently, more citizens than ever before are contributors to this indirect revenue source. Gas stoves during the winter replaced many old-time coal ranges, while gas for lighting and other purposes is in more general use than ever in several hundred thousand modest households of the city.

Statistics show that the wage-earner is a large consumer of gas, thus proving that the greater portion of the revenue received from gas sales comes from those least able to pay the city twenty-five cents for each 1000 cubic feet of gas they consume. Suggestions made by officers of the producing company looking toward a reduction in the rate have unfortunately been opposed by officers of the present city administration.

Naturally, the returns from winter months are the heaviest, but the general use of gas for cooking, warming, etc., during the hot months is counted on to prevent any material falling off in the high figures. During 1916 the city received $2,941,306.77 as its share from the sale of gas, while last year the amount paid into the treasury was $2,223,629.49. This year added consumption and an increased rebate are expected to add $600,000 to $800,000 more.

That the United Gas Improvement Company will lose nothing in the long run by surrendering twenty-five instead of twenty cents to the city for each 1000 feet sold in this and succeeding years is proved by the manner in which the company has caught up with its average after previous reductions of five cents. When the city's share was increased from ten to fifteen cents the company caught up and passed its receipts in four years. The same was true when the city's share was increased to twenty cents.

SERGEANT CATALDO DEAD

Philadelphia Boy Is Victim of Pneumonia Contracted in Trenches

Sergeant Frank Cataldo, twenty-one years old, of 1432 South Twelfth street, died April 4 in France, from pneumonia, contracted while he was in the trenches.

Sergeant Cataldo was a member of the Second United States Cavalry, having enlisted on his eighteenth birthday, May 14, 1915, at the Philadelphia recruiting office. He had served six months in the trenches when he was stricken with pneumonia. His brother, Sergeant George Cataldo, is attached to the Marine Corps recruiting office at 1408 Arch street.

PLACED WREATH ON LIBERTY STATUE

Little Miss Maria Roma is shown with the wreath which she placed on the Liberty Statue during the great Italian Liberty Loan celebration on Broad street yesterday.

PENN MAN NOW ARMY INSTRUCTOR IN FRANCE

Harold D. Saylor, of 1917 Law Class, Says Men Anxious for Action

Harold D. Saylor, of the 1917-18 class of the University of Pennsylvania, has been made an instructor of officers in artillery gunnery in France.

He is a second lieutenant in Fifteenth Officers School, Field Artillery, A. E. F., France. His men are very anxious to get into action and are waiting with great impatience for the arrival of the great National Army.

"I am now an instructor of officers in the Field Artillery School," Saylor says. "I took the French course at the great Fontainbleau School and then came here for the course in December. At the end of the year I was appointed an instructor and now I am teaching gunnery, with special reference to the 75s. The French field piece the American army has adopted. My work is very interesting and I am highly pleased with the position. In a week I get leave to go south and think out during the interim between courses. I will teach here during the next two weeks and after that perhaps I shall be assigned to a regiment to get some practical work."

REV. DR. MAIN TO LEAVE

Gethsemane Lutheran Church Pastor Resigns to Regain Health

After a pastorate of nearly ten years the Rev. Dr. J. H. Main announced his resignation at the morning service yesterday in Gethsemane Lutheran Church. The resignation will become effective on the last Sunday of May. Doctor Main had a nervous breakdown last year and he intends to lay aside pastoral work to recuperate.

Doctor Main resigned last fall, but at the pleading of his parishioners he reconsidered his decision.

KENSINGTON TRADE BOARD IN PARADE

Mass-Meeting to Follow Loan Demonstration on Streets in Northeastern Section

As an impetus for the third Liberty Loan, the Kensington Board of Trade has arranged for a large demonstration this evening in the form of a parade and mass-meeting.

The parade is scheduled to leave Howard street and Susquehanna avenue at 7:30 p. m. sharp. The route will be east on Susquehanna avenue to Frankford avenue, north on Frankford avenue to Allegheny avenue, west on Allegheny avenue to Kensington avenue, south on Kensington avenue to Front street, south on Front street to Susquehanna avenue, and east on Susquehanna avenue to Norris Square, where the school children will sing patriotic airs. There will also be several local solos.

The committee in charge of the entertainment is composed of:

George D. Garrett, chairman; Robert S. Hannoversley, Milo Fendmore, Samuel Reed, Samuel Rechbemer, A. C. Keeley, B. V. Ferguson, Mr. Galey, John Maxson, A. A. Frendel, James C. Johnson, R. Lincoln McNeil and William T. Weir, Jr.

O'NEIL'S CHURCH DRIVE STARTLES POLITICIANS

Brumbaugh's Candidate for Governor Speaks to Five Congregations on Prohibition

The drive of State Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil for the support of the church people for his gubernatorial candidacy aroused interest among local politicians, who expressed amazement at the new campaign methods introduced by the militant advocate of Federal prohibition. O'Neil spoke here in five churches, and confined himself in each address to the prohibition issue.

"You cannot dodge this prohibition issue," was the burden of his text. "There is no middle ground. You are either for it or against it. In the past a candidate was able to dodge from side to side, but such is the case no longer. You are either for it or against it. Those who fail to take an interest in public welfare are slackers and the time will come when they will publicly be branded as such."

George C. Shane, a prominent business man and one of the leaders in the "Billy" Sunday movement here, accompanied O'Neil on his tour of the churches. William E. Ball, secretary to Governor Brumbaugh, introduced O'Neil in several of the churches.

Commissioner O'Neil confirmed the announcement of Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown that "Billy" Sunday was expected to speak here for O'Neil. Sunday is expected to swing across the State from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia and back again, if he finishes his present engagement in Chicago before the primaries. O'Neil was one of the Sunday "trail hitters" in Meadville some years ago while Sunday was conducting a revival there.

Senator Penrose has definitely committed himself to the candidacy of Anderson M. Walters, a Johnstown publisher, for the place on the ticket for Congressman-at-large made vacant by Congressman John R. K. Scott's entrance into the field as a candidate for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. Friends of Thomas Robins, of Philadelphia, had expected the Penrose support for his candidacy. Robins is a personal friend of both Colonel Roosevelt and Senator Sproul.

Man Dies of Heart Disease

William McKnight, thirty-five years, of 2321 South Colorado street, was stricken with heart disease at Nineteenth street and Passyunk avenue today and died before medical aid could reach him. He is survived by his widow and six children.

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