ITALIANS OBSERVE WAR ANNIVERSAR

Colony Gay With Service Flags and Banners of Two Nations

GIVE DAY TO WAR CHEST

Parade and Oratory Tonight Will Mark End of Third Year of Struggle

While she dangled a squirming bit of Italian humanity from one arm, Mrs. Felice Guilio proudly pointed with her free hand to the service pin which caught together a bright-colored shawl about her throat.

"Me? I have two son in war. One other would go soon. Yes," she nodded vigorously, and her face fairly beamed, "I'm am happy. They got to help America win."

Throughout the Italian colony, made gala today with streamers and flags to mark the third anniversary of Italy's entrance into the world war, this feeling of sincere pride and enthusiasm reigned supreme. Above thousands of thresholds the folds of the American stars and stripes touched the Italian green, white and red standard, and service flags were not lacking.

Local Colony Gave 3000

Almost any Italian on the streets will tell you, with his hands, eyes and lips expressing deep feeling, that more than 3000 "boys" from the colony have already entered the service. Most of them have volunteered. Less than 600 have joined the Italian army, the others entering various branches of the American service. And the men still at home are in large percentage working in the navy yard, shipyards or in munition plants.

Despite their innate craving for celebrations with much music and demonstration, the Italians of Philadelphia chose a much simpler and far more splendid manner in which to observe the anniversary today. Instead of thousands of men and women "laying off" from their jobs to make a happy celebration of it, they went sturdily to work this morning after most of them had pledged to give this day's earnings to the War Chest.

Their real demonstration will be at 8 o'clock this evening, when more than 5000 are expected to gather at Eighth and Christian streets for a parade and patriotic program.

Parade Tonight

The program will be given in Immigrant Home, Tenth and Bainbridge streets. Impartially the Italian school children will sing "America," "The Star Spangled Banner," "Labandiera, Italiana" and "Vive Il Re," and there will be patriotic addresses. Then the crowd will march up Broad street to the Statue of Liberty at City Hall, where Mrs. Benjamin Miller, chairman of the Italian committee of the Emergency Aid, will give the principal address.

In the parade, in addition to the committee in charge and the great mass of colonists will be a detachment of Italian marines and another detachment of Philadelphia "boys" from the Navy Yard. Invitations have been extended for the celebration to Senator Sproul, Representatives Vare and Moore and Mayor Smith.

Arrangements for the anniversary observance were made by the Rev. Tommaso Terlizzi, commissary general of the Italian Augustinian fathers and a committee from the Federation of Italian Societies. This morning a committee representing the Italian people of Philadelphia, with great impressiveness, placed a wreath on the Statue of Liberty. Included in the committee were: Father Terlizzi, Chevaliers C. C. A. Baldi, Frank Roma, Frank Travaschio, Frank Palumbo, Frank di Bernardio, Frank Rosatto, Andrew Raggio, P. P. Lagomarsino, Alfred Carsone, Robert Lombardi, Frank di Angelo, Domenico Citi, Vincent D'Ambrosio, Antonio Greco and Severino Verna.

Potter Praises Part in War

Most of these men are the proud fathers of men in service. Chevalier Baldi has three sons in the American army, who were among the first to enlist in Philadelphia. Two others of his sons expect to enter the service soon.

At 1738 South Seventh street a three-starred flag attracted many passers-by. Mrs. Teresa Berry, wrinkled and slightly stooped from strenuous labor, explained happily that she had one son in France with the American army and two others in military camps in this country. Mr. and Mrs. A. De Gregorio, of South Tenth street, are equally proud of their two sons in service.

William Potter, former minister to Italy, today sent this message to the Italian ambassador at Washinfton:

On the anniversary of Italy's entrance into the titanic struggle for justice and honor, the civilized world is to be congratulated. Justice has never been given to Italy for her heroic action in refusing to go along with Austria, with whom she was in defensive alliance only in an attack on Serbia a year before the great war.

Italy gave priceless aid to Great Britain and France, telling the former in July, 1914, that there was to be a world war, and not to disperse her fleet, informing France that she need not keep a soldier on the Italian frontier, thus releasing 400,000 French soldiers to help to win the battle of the Marne. All hail to Italy.

President Wilson and Mayor Smith both issued proclamations calling for a celebration of the anniversary.

The President, in his proclamation, called the attention of his fellow citizens to the burden which Italy has borne so heroically during these three year, to the valiant struggle of her armies, to the no less valiant struggle of her civilian population, to her fortitude in defeat and her moderation in victory.

He suggested that on this anniversary the people of the United States, by the display of Italian flags on public and private buildings, by meetings and demonstrations and by all other appropriate means, show their devotion to their great-hearted brothers in arms and their gratitude for her services in the cause of universal democracy.

Mayor's Proclamation

The Mayor in his proclamation said, in part:

"To testify in a most convincing manner America's friendship for the people of Italy it is requested that on Italy Day each person wear a flower or a combination of flowers representing the Italian colors—red, white and green.

"By this popular recognition of the day the people of Italy will be convinced of the sincerity of our sympathy, and from this outward expression of sympathy receive new courage to face the suffering and the sacrifice of this world war, in which they are playing such a conspicuous part."

There were two big patriotic celebrations in Camden today by members of Camden Italian societies.

The first celebration was held this morning at 9 o'clock. A double flag raising took place at the Camden Postoffice. Members of every Italian society in Camden were present. Frank Cocciarsa was chairman.

This afternoon the Italian societies met and held a mass-meeting in front of the Camden Courthouse. John Bates, Judge William Clement, William Boyle, Charles [illegible] and James Garfield Pennoyer

CADETS GRADUATED TODAY

Pennsylvania Military College Holds Exercises on Campus

War has virtually eliminated commencement week at the Pennsylvania Military College, Chester, this year. Instead of the usual formal ceremonies, simple graduation exercises were held on the campus this afternoon.

There was a review of the cadet battalion by the board of trustees followed by the conferring of degrees. John Wanamaker, president of the board, made an address and presented the degrees.

There was a battalion parade and mounted cavalry tactics. The class of 1918 is composed of Harry C. Engle, Charles F. Fein, Jr., Robert R. Horlacher, Richard V. Hunter, Alfred L. Hummel, William C. Seton and William H. Simpson.

BAND SHIPWORKERS IN BUILDING SOCIETY

Representative Vare Believes Formation Would Hold Members at Hog Island

Organization of a building and loan association as a means of holding workmen at Hog Island has been proposed by Representative Vare to Rear Admiral Bowles. The admiral, according to Vare, is heartily in favor of such a proposition.

The proposition made by Vare was to start such an organization as soon as possible and have the workers invest their money in the association. This means of saving would bring closer ties between the men and their place of work.

"The idea," said Representative Vare, "is to have these men first of all save their money. Once they have started, they will become interested in the building and loan association and will save all the more.

"This will lead to the buying of homes near the plant. In this way the men will make permanent homes for themselves and this will bring about a feeling of permanent residence among the men. The trouble at the present time is that there is too much of a roving spirit among these men. They do not own their properties and they are not interested in any particular district. This gives a tendency to recklessness among the workmen."

The proposition was made by Representative Vare while making a tour of the shipyards of the Delaware River district, which entered its third and last day this morning. The tour is being made by the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. The first inspection was made at the Cramp shipyards, and then the party went on to Bristol, where the Merchants' shipbuilding plant was inspected.

Congressman Alexander, of Missouri, chairman of the committee, agreed with Mr. Vare in his idea. He expressed belief that anything that will make permanency of labor at the yards would be a good thing. He said the plan would also tend to make Hog Island as a permanent plant after the war.

"He (he would come to stay), and remain to whom," was Mr. Alexander's way of giving his impression of Hog Island after the visit yesterday. "It certainly is a more wonderful plant and great progress has been made."

All the other committeemen expressed the same opinion.

Local Captain Slain in Battle

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day brave, in rescuing wounded from the battlefield under fire, and this probably won him the promotion.

Mrs. Clair, though suffering greatly from her grief, was the most composed person at the Clair home. Other members of the family were frantic.

Wrote Home Recently

"My dear Fred," she said. "So young and already gone. Somehow I can't believe it. He was a giant in body and to think that one bullet could lay my dear little babe low."

"Will the body be held home? Can you tell me when? Will they allow me to go to him?"

These were the questions occupying the mother's mind.

Captain Clair was twenty-six years old and a graduate of the medical class of the Medico-Chi College three years ago. He had previously graduated from Central High School.

He had written his parents a letter last April 18, saying a big battle was going on and that his time was limited. The letter was short and his parents believe indicated he was about to go into action. Since that time no word was received from him.

Besides his parents, he is survived by four brothers.

Joseph Flynn, twenty years old, 1229 South Fifty-fourth street, is reported slightly wounded. He entered the merchant marine when seventeen years old, making three trips through the submarine zone, and on each trip his ship encountered U-boats. After the third trip he enlisted in the French aviation corps, but was later transferred to an American flying unit. He has one brother in the navy and three in the army. He is the son of John L. Flynn.

"Charley" Kerwood of Bryn Mawr, who was reported lost when his airplane fell behind the German lines, is a prisoner of the Germans. Word to this effect was received through Red Cross channels. Kerwood was brought down while on patrol duty when he was attacked by a half dozen German planes. He was a member of the Lafayette Escadrille.

DR. FRED D. CLAIR

'KENSINGTON DAY' AIDS WAR CHEST

Seventeenth Ward Exceeds Quota, While Section's Total Is $342,521

CAMPAIGN IS EXTENDED

Philadelphia Has to Raise Ten Million Dollars in Forty-eight Hours

This was "Kensington Day" of the War Chest campaign. Reports from the team captains and the house-to-house workers in that section, who are using this as their goal, showed a total of $342,521, leading all other districts of the city.

Personal subscriptions in Kensington districts are estimated to approximate a million, contributions from the industrial plants near the river moving still higher.

At a meeting of team captains it was unanimously agreed that the War Chest drive in Kensington be extended into next week. There are some large plants which have not yet come across.

The Seventeenth Ward house-to-house canvassers, led by Mrs. James H. Ferguson, reported that they had passed their quota. They intend to pledge cards for 45,000. This is the first ward in the city canvassed by women to go over its quota.

Less than forty-eight hours remain in which two million dollars must be added to the thousands already pledged towards the War Chest. The city needs about five hundred thousand dollars a day for the remaining Saturday night, and the War Chest is not more than half filled.

More than $5,000,000 has been pledged in Philadelphia County.

Thousands of persons in the five counties interested are giving their names, their time and their enthusiasm to make the drive a success. The value of the War Chest to any community has been explained over and over again, and in numbers of instances has been proved in other cities throughout the country. All those who are giving their names now and enthusiasm ask of the public that it give its dollars and they remind that the soldiers over there are giving their lives.

The appeal of the War Chest is one that is felt in a manner almost as strongly as appeals made by the Red Cross for funds to carry on relief work in France and Belgium and Italy. All of the organizations that are the direct representatives of American civilization expressed in terms of money, with other worthy war relief organizations, profit from the War Chest.

Mass-Meeting Tonight

Mayor T. Henrick, former ambassador to France, and M. Justin Godart, Assistant Secretary of State for France, will be the principal speakers at a mass-meeting tonight in the Metropolitan Opera House in the interests of the War Chest.

George Wharton Pepper, chairman of the Pennsylvania committee of public safety, will preside. It is expected that the meeting will be one of the greatest of the week.

Five mass-meetings in the public schools of the city at 2 o'clock today were held for student instruction, preparatory to the War Chest drive in the schools, which opens next Monday.

"We want to the public schools not primarily designed to supplement the big War Chest drive, but to carry it forward and to see that no interest is lost."

Ten meetings took place in the West Philadelphia High School, Forty-seventh and Walnut streets; Germantown High School, Germantown avenue and High street; William Penn High School for Girls, Fifteenth and Mount Vernon streets, and the South Philadelphia High School for Boys, Broad and Jackson streets.

The speakers at the public school meetings included E. T. Stotesbury, Anthony G. Neary, who formed the public school boys and girls for the Liberty Loan drive, Provost Edgar Fahs Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Charles D. Hart, Christian A. Hagen and Dr. Russell H. Conwell, founder of Temple University.

Are at Half-Way Mark

A total of $5,172,125 already pledged represents pledges obtained in Philadelphia County only. When the reports of Delaware, Chester, Bucks and Montgomery Counties have come in the figure will soar to at least double the amount campaign leaders state.

Additional subscriptions were announced here this afternoon as follows:

Mrs. Henry P. Ross	$5,000
Charles J. Harrah	10,000
W. H. Merrick	6,000
Miss Helen F. Massey	6,000
Isaac P. Sharp	10,000
Henry H. Bonnell	5,000
Frank H. Bonnell	6,000
Mrs. J. Gardner Cassatt	3,000
John T. Dorrance	12,000
W. W. Smith	5,000
Bank of North America	15,000
John H. Converse & Co.	20,000
Harry B. Haines	1,200
Bank of Commerce	1,200
Curtis Publishing Company	125,000
Philadelphia Company	300,000
First National Bank	25,000
Beneficial Savings Fund Society	5,000
J. & P. Bolle	1,500
Girard National Bank	50,000

Every employee of the Philadelphia National Bank has contributed to the War Chest.

ATLANTIC CITY RAILWAYMEN INTEND TO STRIKE

Action Taken Because of Refusal of Higher Wages and Better Working Conditions

Atlantic City, May 24.—As the result of repeated refusal of their demands for higher wages and better working conditions, crews of the Atlantic City and Shore Railroad, which operates the traction system through the resort and other communities on Absecon Island, notified Acting Mayor Beyer at 1 o'clock today that they would strike this afternoon.

The road has been in the hands of a receiver for three years as the result of the inroads made on its business by the jitneys, which are now barred from Atlantic avenue. I. H. Silverman, of the Land Title Building, Philadelphia, is president of the company. Former Judge Clarence L. Cole, of this city, is receiver.

The trouble climaxed today dates back over a period of years.

PROMOTIONS APPROVED

Committee Favors Advancement of General March and Others

Washington, May 24.—The Senate Military Affairs Committee this afternoon voted to report favorably on the following nominations:

To be general, Major General Peyton C. March; to be general by brevet, General Tasker H. Bliss; to be chief of the coast artillery with rank of major general, Brigadier General Frank W. Coe.

To be a brigadier general in the regular army, Brigadier General John D. Barrette, of the National Army.

Hammonton Boosts Red Cross Fund

Hammonton, N. J., May 24.—In Hammonton $2000 of the allotted $2800 for the Red Cross has been subscribed. Fourteen subscriptions of $100 have been reported. Arrangements are being laid for a fine finish, with the hope of closing the campaign with as great a percentage of the quota allotted as was achieved in the third Liberty Loan drive.

CHILD'S DEATH SADDENS FAMILY

Little Ida Hertzberg, five years old (indicated by the cross), died today at the Episcopal Hospital from injuries received when struck by an automobile. With her in the photograph are her parents and her five brothers and sisters.

AUTO KILLS LITTLE GIRL

Five-Year-Old Run Down While Playing in Front of Home

Ida Hertzberg, five years old, 2901 North Fifth street, died at the Episcopal Hospital today as the result of being struck by a motorcycle.

The child was playing in the street in front of her home with other children when she was run down by a motorcycle driven by Harry Humphreys, twenty-eight years old, 2900 North Lawrence street.

Humphreys was arrested and was held a short hard by Magistrate Wright pending action by the coroner.

Hagerstown Pupils Parade

Hagerstown, Md., May 24.—Several thousand public school children of this county paraded here this morning. Athletic events at the Fair Grounds will follow.

DATESMAN PONDERS LONE GARBAGE BID

Holder Doesn't Compete With Murphy's Offer, $89,000 Below Its Contract

The lone bid of $186,000 for garbage collection in 1919, submitted by Edward T. Murphy, said to be acting for the American Agricultural Chemical Company, is being considered today by Director Dateesman, of the Department of Public Works. The figure, which is $89,000 beneath present cost, is in strong contrast to the attitude of officers of the Penn Reduction Company, who declined to estimate at any figure.

The American Agricultural Chemical Company occupies offices with the Union Fertilizer Company in the Drexel Building. The concerns are said to control considerable property on the Delaware River front north of the Greenwich coal piers and adjoining the salt works. Theodore J. Taylor, local manager of the American Company, has referred all inquiries to Murphy.

The address given by the contractor in his estimate is Delaware avenue and Wycacoe street, and it is thought likely that the new incinerating plant, if one is to be built, will be built in that section of the city. Murphy and those he is said to represent will have seven months in which to move a plant to this city. The American Company operates garbage collection plants in a number of eastern cities.

The Penn Reduction Company owns the old American Product Company's plant and also the steel unleakable wagons. The officers are said to be willing to dispose of their plant rather than to compete with the figures that have been submitted by the latest concern to enter the municipal contracting game.

REDUCE CHARTER RATES ON REQUISITIONED SHIPS

Shipping Board Announces Cut of Fifty Cents a Ton for United States Vessels

Washington, May 24.—The Shipping Board has announced a reduction of fifty cents a ton in the charter rate for requisitioned American ships operating on a bare-boat basis, effective June 1.

The new rate will be $2.65 a dead-weight ton for cargo ships (including tankers) of less than eleven knots speed, with an addition of fifty cents a ton for every knot or part of a knot over eleven. For passenger ships the new rate will be $3.25 a gross ton for ships of less than eleven knots speed, with an addition of fifty cents a gross ton for every knot or part of knot over eleven knots.

The new scale affects vessels operating under a form of charter in which the expenses of operation are borne by the United States. Rates for ships operating under the time form of charter in which certain expenses are borne by the owners, are not affected.

UKRAINIAN DICTATOR'S HOUSE IS BESIEGED

Fierce Fighting in Kiev—Skoropadsky Reported to Have Been Wounded

Moscow, May 24.—Kiev, capital of Ukrainia, has been the scene of sharp fighting. The newly appointed Ukrainian dictator, General Skoropadsky, was besieged several times by troops who remained faithful to the Rada. All the forces at the disposal of the Rada are being mobilized and concentrated near Kiev.

General Skoropadsky was wounded seriously in consequence of an attempt on his life, according to unverified reports.

The German commander in Ukrainia is said to have been instructed from Berlin that as soon as a call for assistance is made by General Skoropadsky Prussian regiments will be sent to crush any insurrection.

SEEKS NEWS OF AVIATOR SON

Name of Germantown Boy Appears in Casualty List

William B. Kurtz, of Germantown, member of the firm of Kurtz Brothers, bankers, expects to learn today whether the Lieutenant Kurtz who was killed yesterday in an airplane fall in France is his son, Paul B. Kurtz.

Inquiries have been made at the War Department and definite information is expected to reach here today. Mr. Kurtz said he was unable to get the proper persons at the War Department last night.

Paul B. Kurtz is twenty-four years old and enlisted in an American ambulance corps upon his graduation from Harvard. He was mentioned several times in French orders and was awarded the Croix de Guerre.

SIMPSON WILL TAKE JURIST'S OATH MONDAY

New Supreme Court Justice Going to Harrisburg Early Next Week

Following announcement of his appointment to the State Supreme Court bench to succeed the late Justice Potter, Alexander Simpson, Jr., is preparing to go to Harrisburg next week to take the oath of office.

Mr. Simpson is a law partner of Francis Shunk Brown, State Attorney General. He is dean of the Philadelphia bar. He resides at 5824 Drexel road. Recently a delegation headed by former Attorney General Hampton L. Carson went to Harrisburg to urge the appointment of Mr. Simpson. They presented a petition signed by the leading business men of Philadelphia.

Mr. Simpson is a former president of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and was for several years a member of the Board of Education. He is actively interested in the Laymen's Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church and has taken deep interest in Philadelphia's civic affairs for many years.

One of Mr. Simpson's first municipal appointments was as solicitor in the Sheriff's office. He began the study of law in his father's office and was admitted to the bar in 1879.

There is another vacancy on the Supreme Court bench, caused by the death of Justice Mestrezat. The Governor is expected to fill this soon, perhaps at the same time that he makes formal announcement of Mr. Simpson's appointment. One appointment must be from the ranks of the Democratic party, according to law. The salary is $14,000 a year.

AGAINST EMBARGO ON PAPER

War Trade Board Disapproves Resolution Adopted by Publishers

Washington, May 24.—The War Trade Board disapproves the resolution adopted by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association calling for an embargo on the export of print paper.

In answer to the A. N. P. A. action, the War Trade Board declared that there are good and sufficient reasons why supply of news-print paper to countries now depending upon American manufacturers for their supply should not be interrupted.

When A. N. P. A. action was first announced, there was a storm of protest from South American countries, the big newspapers of which were already suffering as a result of desperate news-print needs.

WORK OR FIGHT ORDER WILL HIT AT I. W. W.

Officials Believe Power Conferred on Draft Boards Will Deal Knock-out to Disturbers

Washington, May 24.—The full force of Provost Marshal General Crowder's draft order of "work or fight" will be used against the I. W. W. and kindred organizations, officials of the draft declared today.

The power conferred on local boards under the regulations will deal a knock-out to the activities of the I. W. W., officials believe, as many of those who are continually trying to stir up industrial strife will be considered habitual idlers. Records show that most of these disturbers are young men.

It will be virtually impossible under the new regulations for a repetition of the situation in many parts of the country last year, when harvesting was delayed because thousands of I. W. W. refused to work for high wages and even destroyed some of the crops. "The order was imposed to reach these disturbers," a high official said today.

LATE RETURNS SHOW WOODWARD IN LEAD

Close Race With Houck for Nomination—Other Candidates' Figures

Late returns from Tuesday's primary show Representative James F. Woodward, of Allegheny, in the lead once more over Paul W. Houck, of Schuylkill, in the close race for the Republican nomination for Secretary of Internal Affairs. The late figures give Woodward a majority of 3625 over Houck in 5476 districts out of 6379.

Houck took the lead from Woodward yesterday and was estimated to be pushing ahead from 2000 to 5000 votes on the face of returns received at the headquarters of the Republican State Committee. Woodward forged ahead again toward night. At 11 o'clock he was only 587 votes ahead of Houck, but complete returns from Bucks County and almost complete returns from Washington County increased his lead shortly before midnight.

The late returns from 5576 districts show Senator Redleman to have a majority of 38,514 over Congressman Scott for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. Senator Sproul continues to lead Highway Commissioner O'Neil by more than 200,000 majority in 6379 districts, which leaves only 669 to hear from.

Complete returns from 561 districts show that Municipal Judge Bonniwell is leading Joseph F. Guffey by less than 15,000 majority for the Democratic Gubernatorial nomination. J. Washington Logue's majority over Howard R. Holstein for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor is slightly more than 2000 in thirty of the sixty-seven counties.

The figures on the Republican candidates are: Senator Sproul, 340,123, and O'Neil, 124,169, in 6379 districts; Redleman, 213,741, and Scott, 174,856, in 5576 districts; Woodward, 184,183, and Houck, 178,869, in 5476 districts.

The figures on the Democratic candidates are: Bonniwell, 68,100, and Guffey, 53,681, in 5612 districts; Logue, 33,859, and Holstein, 31,442, in thirty counties.

Returns from thirty-three counties, including Philadelphia, but not Allegheny, show that the slate for Congressman-Large supported by the Vares is ahead of the ticket supported by the Penrose forces. The latter expect their ticket to forge ahead when the complete returns from Allegheny and some of the large up-State counties are in.

The vote for Congressman-at-Large in the thirty-three counties is:

Aaron, 122,294; Atherton, 111,181; Burke, 109,341; Clement, 28,240; Craige, 98,132; Elder, 17,382; Garland, 98,527; Harner, 14,919; McGarrity, 23,110; McLaughlin, 93,946; Mitchell, 79,567; Rich, 17,556; Rolens, 99,300; Walters, 95,132.

PREPARE REGISTRATION

Pennsylvania Local Boards Asked if They Are Ready

Harrisburg, May 24.—All local draft boards in Pennsylvania have been called upon to state at once whether they are prepared to proceed with the registration on June 5 of men who have been on June 5 of men who have been [illegible] ration.

Local boards are notified also that the chief clerk or any member of a board is authorized to record answers of persons absent from the jurisdiction of their respective local boards and to certify to their registration cards. Boards within whose jurisdiction are shipyards, munitions plants and other industries are directed to arrange to care for men in war industries who have to be registered who are temporarily away from home, while the same is to be done by boards in whose districts are prisons. Forms for registration of prisoners who may have reached twenty-one in the last year are to be sent to wardens.

Ball Player of Draft Age Hit by Edict

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in any way the Government see fit to bring about victory. We will have to ask the public to help us and not expect 1914 service while the war lasts."

Similar conditions exist in the other big hotels here. The Hotelmen's Association will hold a meeting Monday afternoon at which the question will be thoroughly discussed.

National Game May Go

Ban Johnson, president of the American League and member of the National Commission, who is probably the most prominent figure in big-league baseball today, is ready to drop baseball altogether for the duration of the war.

"We must buckle in and fight to the limit," he said. "If I had my way, I would close every theatre, baseball park and other place of recreation until the war ends."

Mr. Johnson was in the city for a few hours prior to going to Washington to participate in the Red Cross celebration being held there today.

"I do not believe the Government has any intention of wiping out baseball," he added, "but I don't care if it does.

"I would make the people realize that we are in the most terrible war in history. We should all enter the fight and eliminate everything that is unnecessary. Let us all go to war."

The new "work-or-fight" edict of the provost marshal general has solved two vexing war problems—in some part at least.

Local draft boards, after July 1, when the rule goes into effect, will be released of the knotty industrial exemption claim problem to a great extent and the army will receive the men the draft law intended to induct, but who have been placed in deferred classifications because of the necessities of war industry.

About 500,000 men in the country will be made available for army service this summer, and the same number of men who have been engaged in nonessential work will be inducted into the industries engaged in turning out the materials necessary to the war.

The vexing problem of labor for war plants will have been largely solved.

Women to Supply Vacated Jobs

The next consideration of the men at the helm is to fill the gaps left in the ranks of the nonessential work organizations. Where will they turn for labor?

The answer is in the feminine gender. They must induce the women to take the places of the men who have been drafted for war work. Optimism is rampant as to the ability of women to fill successfully the places of men in clerical jobs of all descriptions. Elevator women are already a success, having passed the experimental tests in first-class shape.

Union leaders among bartenders said today that 500 or more will have to obtain a "regular" job, working or fighting. Clerks in all the stores will feel the change. Women will even invade the sanctorum of men's clothing and haberdashery stores, it is predicted. Hardly a large building in the city but will lose an elevator man or two. Ushers in various places, actors, theatrical men in general, newspaper men, probably and others, will also feel a direct effect of the new order.

War Chest Donations Go to Your Own Boys

When you give to the War Chest you are giving to your own boy. For some time or other, many times during his time in camp or on ship, he is bound to run up against the Y. M. C. A., the K. of C., the Salvation Army or the Red Cross, and they're all in the War Chest. The money you give goes direct to your boy in service. Don't forget that!

MASON SAYS SPEECH WAS MISUNDERSTOOD

Told Bankers Government Will Act if They Don't Join Reserve System

False impressions were created in banking circles by his Atlantic City speech yesterday, said John H. Mason, president of the Commerical Trust Company, today.

Mr. Mason spoke at a preliminary session of the convention of the Pennsylvania State Bankers' Association, in the Traymore Hotel.

"The impression has gone out," Mr. Mason said today, "that I predicted Government control for the banks of the country, similar to that instituted for the railroads. That was not meant at all.

"What I did mean was that, if banks, through entirely selfish motives, failed to join the Federal Reserve Bank, the Government would take action. I never meant they would be Government controlled, further than through the Federal Reserve Bank. Such a condition will never exist in this country, I believe.

"I said further that the Government depended upon its banking institutions to float the Liberty loans. If the banks do not stand by the Government in this, action undoubtedly will be taken against them. What that action would be, I could not say.

"Another false impression is that I said that the railroads of the country had held their interests paramount to the interests of the National Government. That was not meant at all. What I said was that before the Government took over the railroads each road of necessity held itself paramount to the other railroads.

"There was not the least taint of unpatriotic spirit about it. It was a case where the railroad officials had a duty toward their shareholders. Those with money had to conserve their resources. The Pennsylvania could not look out for the Baltimore and Ohio, for instance, or vice versa.

"The railroads had no guarantee of even partial support from the Government. Hence their position. The only solution was to do what has been done—the federalization of all the roads under a common head with a common purpose.

"I firmly believe that every railroad in the country tried to do its patriotic duty to the Government to the best of its ability but perfect coordination could not be obtained under the old system."

WILL GIVES $65,000 ESTATE FOR CHARITY

Hospitals and Homes Get All of G. W. Endriss Fortune Except $6000

All but $6000 of the $65,000 estate of George W. Endriss, Lawrence street and Tabor road, is devised to charitable institutions by his will probated today.

The public bequests include $10,000 to the Lankenau Hospital, $10,000 to the Samaritan Hospital, $5000 each to the Episcopal and Hahnemann Hospitals, $2000 to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, $1000 each to the Pennsylvania Hospital, Howard Hospital, Medico-Chirurgical Hospital, Polyclinic Hospital, Jefferson Hospital, University Hospital, Presbyterian Hospital, Frankford Hospital, Roosevelt Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, Kensington Hospital for Women, Hospital for Consumptives, Home of Mercy for Male Consumptives, Philadelphia Cancer Hospital, Free Hospital for Consumptives, Philadelphia Home for Females, American Oncologic Hospital, Jewish Hospital, Philadelphia Home for Incurables, William L. Elkins Masonic Orphanage for Girls, Protestantisches Alten Heim, Lansdale; Lutherisches Naiser Haus, Germantown, and Evangelisches Alten Heim, Old York road, and $500 each to the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Morris Refuge for Homeless Animals. The residue of the estate is bequeathed to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania.

Among the other wills probated today were those of Benjamin R. Van Kirk, 2105 Green street, which in private bequests disposes of property valued at $55,000; Mary S. Rainear, 1503 North Seventeenth street, $11,600; Sarah H. Herr, 3421 Queen street, $10,000; Morris Roseman, 817 South Fifth street, $7300; Ezekiah Barber, Cape May, N. J., $1850; Rose Warr, Jefferson Hospital, $3170; William G. Cochran, University Hospital, $3000, and Mary P. Rowe, 5016 Market street, $2600.

AWE AND AMAZEMENT THRILL FRENCH VISITOR

M. Justin Godart Views and Marvels at City's Industrial and Historic Sights

M. Justin Godart, French Assistant Secretary of State, visited the Baldwin Locomotive Works and places of historic interest in this city today.

Accompanied by Dr. Ernest La Place, the French Under Secretary witnessed the gigantic construction work at the Baldwin plant and marveled at it.

Later he visited Independence Hall and inspected the historic building, which holds a place in the history of France as well as America. At the grave of Benjamin Franklin, after his visit to Independence Hall, he stood with bowed head as he gazed at the final resting place of that great statesman, who welded in indissoluble bonds of friendship the two republics.

Just before going to the Acorn Club, where he attended a luncheon at 12:30, M. Godart visited the Roberts estate, Nineteenth and Walnut streets, where he viewed an exhibition of paintings by French artists who are now on the firing line and the Betsy Ross House.

Tonight the distinguished visitor is to be the principal speaker at a War Chest rally at the Metropolitan Opera House. He will at that time deliver a message to the allied war relief associations from the French Government.

Princeton Teacher Enlists

New York, May 24.—Professor Robert N. McElroy, of Princeton, a member of the National Security League, has announced his enlistment as a private in the coast artillery. Making an urgent appeal for funds for the Red Cross, he asserted that the outcome of the war will be dependent upon public opinion.

NAB TWO IN ON EYE "CLINICS"

Heads of One Place Arrested and Warrants Are Out for Others

$400 FOR "FREE" WORK

Many Complaints Against Three Institutions Received, Says Director Krusen

Warrants have been issued for the heads of three eye "clinics" in this city. Two physicians are already under arrest as a result of investigations by detectives and at the direction of Director Krusen, of the Department of Public Health.

The men are Dr. Morris Yuhas and Dr. M. L. Leavitt of 1224 South Fourth street. Doctor Yuhas is head of the Philadelphia Free Eye Clinic, at 721 Walnut street. They will have a hearing at City Hall.

The other two clinics were the Pennsylvania Free Eye Clinic, 723 Walnut street, and the City Free Eye Clinic, 138 South Eighth street.

Suits were also brought against the three "clinics" today by Assistant City Solicitor Marshall D. Coyne, following an investigation. It was found that none of the "clinics" was registered with the Prothonotary or with the Secretary of the Commonwealth, as required by law. They will be tried on charges of operating illegally.

Director Krusen said complaints had reached his department. One complainant, living in another city, said he had come here, gone to one of the "free clinics," and had subsequently been charged $400 for work done. The alleged practices of the "clinics" as well as the assertion that they were not registered led to the charges and the suits.

Director Krusen said that the clinics evidently intended to pose as city institutions, in this manner attracting a large patronage.

The "clinics" were all within a few steps of each other.

MANY HERRING; FEW SHAD

Gloucester Fishermen Report Delicacy Never Scarcer

Big catches of herring are being made at the Washington Park shad fishery along the Delaware. A few shad are being caught and if it were not for the catches of herring it is believed the fishery would already be out of commission. The fishery started operations two weeks ago and two hauls are made daily. Captain Joseph Bennett and his brother, "Tom" Bennett, say shad are scarcer this year than ever before.

The highest number caught in one haul this season is fifteen. Last year the highest number caught was 100, while 10 years gone by as many as 6000 were caught in a single haul. This shows that shad are getting scarcer every year and at the prices they are bringing will soon be a luxury for the rich only.

One day this week 2000 herring were caught in one haul. Most of the herring are shipped to Philadelphia where they are sold by the pound instead of by the dozen, as in years past. Visitors are not allowed to see the net operated because the Government forbids outsiders entering the grounds where the bag-loading plant is being constructed.

BRITISH BOMB CATTARO BASE

Air Squadron Sets Fire to Austrian Piers

Rome, May 24.—A British air squadron has successfully bombed the Austrian naval base at Cattaro, said the following official announcement:

"On the twentieth, a British air squadron successfully bombed the Austrian seaplane and submarine base at Cattaro, setting fire to piers and barracks. Despite violent fire from anti-airplane guns, all the machines returned safely."

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