# NNULMENTWORK

Cancellation of Keystone Company's Contracts

#### Breaking of Agreement for Santa Lusia First to Carry Tubes in Arch and Locust Streets Desired

Mayor Smith, Director Twining, of ice this afternoon on questions will have to be settled incident to in eighteen days clipping nine days off the annulment by the city of the Keyne State Construction Company's sub-

President Louchheim, of the contractcompany, has not been invited to conference and nothing of a definite racter is anticipated because of the sides to a settlement that will ave to be taken up if the plan, out-ned by the company as satisfactory, is be carried through. He will likely invited to conferences held in the future, when negotiations reach a point

here his presence is imperative.

The Keystone Company holds contracts for the Arch and Locust streets subway tions and was awarded but never given contracts for two sections in North and South Broad street. The company's other subway undertaking includes the section under City Hall. This is 75 per implete and will be finished dur-coming year.

The contracts on Arch and Locust streets are the ones that the city wants to stop work on, under its agreement th the Government relative to the completion, during the war, of Frankford elevated. The amount volved in the two contracts sought to be annulled is \$2,900,000. The amount involved in the two Broad street sub-way contracts, on which work was never started, is \$7,960,000.

#### Mayor's Company Bond Agent Mayor Smith's bonding company is

agent for the National Surety Company, which is on the bonds for the two subcontracts off Broad street. This other surety companies failed to up a surety bond for the Broad for many months.

The Keystone Company's proposal to was made to the D. J. McNichol Company in 1906, as the result of the susresdate filter plant. It provides for pay-ment for work and materials fur-nished, materials ordered, a percentage profits and a loss of organization d equipment. Preliminary estimates

cover the Arch and Locust streets sub-ways it will be necessary for the city float transit bonds sometime this fall ander the ordinance giving the Mayor O'NEIL WON'T RUN final basis of settlement or actual settlement can be made without the ap-proval of Councils. In the event of the ity and contractors reaching any agree nt a special session of Councils might called during the summer to ratify

#### Rebate on Premiums

e question of whether or not the ing companies are to be released responsibility through the annullment of contracts and not be asked for rebate on premiums already paid for he guarantee of the faithful completion ut may be raised at later conferences or Councils are finally called upon to

of the stock of the Company, the Philadelphia agent the National Surety Company, is sed in an indelicate position, in the mion of independent Councilmen by a negotiator of a cancellation to poli the necessary 5 per cent of the cast to entitle it to a place on the cheme that will permit his company to scape all liability on a bond already

d for by the city.

n competitive contracting the con-tors always charge for the cost of aurety bonds in their contracts with thus making the total premium payment come from city funds. The surety bonds given by the Keystone Company proved very remunerative to the surety companies involved. The failure of the companies to go on the bonds for the Broad street contract leaves the bonding premium question out of any stlement that may be brought about in

Solicitor Connelly is of the opinon that the Broad street work has never on contracted for, even though the ward was made and signed by officers of the Keystone State Construction Com-my. The city has never completed the contract by the signature of Mayor

## CAPTAIN W. P. F. LATHAM BACK

Takes Major Dugmore's Place at British Recruiting Mission

Captain W. P. F. Latham returned to miledelphia today to take charge of a British and Canadian recruiting out at Sixteenth and Chestnut streets. Kajor C. R. P. Dugmore, who was in large of the recruiting office, is leaving morrow to resume active service in field. It is at his own request that a jor Dugmore has been recalled over-

aptain Latham is well known in adelphia, having been second in commod of the mission under Colonel from July, 1917, when the office opened, until February, 1918, when as transferred to Cleveland to take of recruiting there, was a member of the "contemptible army" which went to France in and stemmed the German tide. He dithroughout the entire retreat Mons, on the Alsne and at the hattle of Ypres, and has been ded three times.

three times.

wounded in the eye in July.

after nearly three years' parwas declared unfit for further

#### COURSE FOR SPECIALS Will Be Trained at Delaware College

bel, June 28.—Final arrange-ve been made for the training conscripted men in industrial be sent from Pennsylvania, will ily 1 and remain eight weeks, weed by 200 more for the same

en will be under strict military e in charge of six army officera-als will be served at the college and Company F Armory and e gymnasium have been fitted

# AN SUBWAY SHIP BUILT HERE **BREAKS RECORD**

City Officials to Discuss Nine Days Off Time Between New York and Valparaiso

### CONFERENCE TODAY LAUNCHED AT CRAMPS

Stars and Stripes on Route

A ship built in Philadelphia-the Santa Department of Transit, and City Luisa-has broken the record for time tor Connelly plan a preliminary between New York and Valparaiso. On its maiden trip it made the voyage

> the usual time. The Santa Luisa was the first ship to carry the Stars and Stripes on this route and inaugurated the Government steamship line between the two points. The ship was built at Cramps' and completed PENN SAVANT ASKS

last May Howard Coonley, vice president of the United States Shipping Board, today said that the Santa Luisa is the first in a world service of direct steamship lines planned by the board. It will be fol-lowed by the establishment of weekly service between New York and the east ern points.

#### Tells of Board's Plans

in a statement Mr. Coonley added:
"Active prosecution of the war demands troopships of 10,000 to 15,000 tons and upward, with speed of fifteen knots an hour and upward. Such steamers are readily converted into combination freight and passenger carcombination freight and passenger car-

riers for service on regular routes.

Indeed, regular service, backed by close-co-operation of shippers, is needed to make these large vessels profitable, as they cannot compete with the ocean tramp steamship of 5000 to 8000 tons, twelve to fourteen knots an hour, which in normal times are employed chiefly for charters from port to port, accord-ing to the demand for slow tonnage. "On the other hand, larger and faster sub-This pacity, such as are kept busy between this country and Europe in normal times, are not profitable in Latin-American or Pacific traffic.

#### War Providing Ideal Type

"War is, therefore, providing the ideal is somewhat similar to the one which the \$2,000,000 settlement senger and freight traffic on regular made to the D. J. McNichol Comin 1906, as the result of the sus-tary necessity it may be advisable for the United States Government to main-tain such ships in Latin-American serv-

are said to show that a settlement along these lines will cost the city between to 100 vessels for troop conveyance, the Government would today be able to In order to raise any such amount to transport soldiers to France at twice

#### Files Notice of Refusal of Nomination He Won With Eleven Votes

Notice of his withdrawal as a candithe work will not be taken up today. date for Governor on the Roosevelt-Progressive ticket has been filed by State

In all likelihood, the Washington

party name also will disappear. Sena-tor Sproul won the Washington party nomination for Governor. Both parties have figured in State politics for the last six years, but have not been im-portant factors in State-wide campaigns during the last three years.

Senator Sproul received 332 votes on the Washington ticket. O'Neil won the Roosevelt-Progressive nomination with a

total of eleven votes against six for Senator Sproul. There were 127 scat-tering Republican votes in the last pri-mary, 259 Democratic and 107 Prohibi-

### WILL COACH SHIPBUILDERS

Edward Flagg Appointed Ath-letic Director of Merchant Plant Edward Flagg, who was assistant coach at the University of Pennsylva-nia, has been appointed athletic director of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corpora-

of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corporation.
Flagg is particularly well fitted for
the position because of the excellent
training he had in working with the
noted "Mike" Murphy for four years.
He was also assistant baseball coach at
Cornell in 1915, being associated with
Dr. Al Sharpe during the time.
During his college and preparatory
school career Flagg made an excellent
athletic record. He is a graduate of
William Penn Charter School and of the
University of Pennsylvania. He was a
member of the track and baseball teams
at Penn. He was a star in the 100 yards
and 220 yards, and played left field and
did some hurling on the ball team.

### "LOAD UP" CRY LIQUOR MEN

Wholesalers Warn Customers to Anticipate Dry Era's Approach Anticipate Dry Era's Approach
Wholesale liquor dealers and bottlers
fear the onward sweep of nation-wide
prehibition and have begun to warn
their customers to "stock up" for the
anticipated "dry" era. Circular letters
sent out by some local dealers urge customers not to wait until it is too late to
fill up their liquor cabinets.
One concern has advised its customers
that nation-wide prohibition is a possibility within the next two years and
urges immediate purchase of the "wet"
goods now available. The letters warn
that unprecedented prices will be demanded as the prohibition period draws
nearer. nearer.
Liquor dealers who have stocked up with large supplies of spirits are said to be worried over the uncertainty of

### BOMB ATTACK FUTILE

No Casualties Caused by Boche Raid on Paris

Newark garage.

The control of the c

# STIRRING SCENES REENACTED AS MORE DRAFTEES DEPART TODAY



# PROBE OF LOYALTY

#### Professor Muller Turns Over to Government Anonymous Letters

Max Muller, professor of Egyptology at the University of Pennsylvania, declared that charges of disloyalty made against him in anonymous letters are "preposterous."

He said he courted a sweeping in-

vestigation as to his allegiance and had turned over the letters to the Department of Justice with a request that the investigate his record and the records of the letter writers.

"This whole affair has resulted from a slight misunderstanding between my-self and Lieutenant Wesselhoeft," said Doctor Muller. "I believe the whole variance of opin ion was properly suppressed nine months

ago.
"In fairness to myself I have turned over some of the anonymous letters received to the Department of Justice made."

Doctor Miller, who suffered a nervous

breakdown three weeks ago, is recover-ing slowly. He was able to leave his home today for the first time, walking to a physician's office with his wife. tain such ships in Latin-American service so that our enlarged military estab-lishment, way always have troop ships ice so that our enlarged military estainlishment may always have troop ships
available in emergency.

"Had America possessed a complete
service of such ships in South America
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found and both he and they be subjected to examination as to their relative degrees of loyalty.

AS A PROGRESSIVE temperamental, but apparently all right

Doctor Muller some time ago. In fair-ness I turned them over to United

C. Wesselhoeft, U. S. N. R., who was formerly a professor of the German language at the university.

### MAY HEAR P. R. T. TODAY

Employes' Grievances Up Again Before War Labor Board

Before War Labor Board

Washington, June 28.—Grievances of employes of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company are still potential sources of trouble in the transit situation in Philadelphia. These grievances were presented to the Federal War Labor Board more than a month ago, but no decision has been announced.

Ellis Ames Bailard, counsel for the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company declared that the matter was "settled" a month ago, when he arrived here in response to a telegram from the board. But he attached enough importance to the call to wait patiently for a hearing, which may come today. An open meeting was attended by the full board, of which William H. Taft and Frank P. Walsh are joint chairmen. It was to had been picked up by coastwise steam-

New York Yard Employes' Association a week.

The recent picking up of S O S mes-

## CHRISTMAS GIVING HIT

National Council of Defense Seeks to Discourage Buying

Treaton, N. J., June 28.—Christmas giving that involves the purchase or gifts should be discouraged, relieving to that extent the burden upon labor, transportation and other resources, according to a recommendation received by the New Jersey council of defense from the council of national defense.

Wide publicity will be given to the recommendations by the State council and the woman's committee of the council.

### ROSIN DEEMED ESSENTIAL

War Industries Board Also Classifies Turpentine as Necessity

Washington, June 28.—Rosin and turpentine are vitally essential to meet the needed war requirements of the United States, the war industries board ruled today in denying rumors that the Government had classed these products as "nonessentials."

Rapid and unwarranted advances in the prices of rosin and turpentine had followed reports that labor utilized in their production was about to be diverted to more essential work.

# so that a fair investigation might be FOOD PROBERS ARE PEEPING made." INTO GARBAGE CANS OF CITY

Careful Watch for Wasters Is Being Kept Up—Do Not
Burn Kitchen Left-Overs and Table Refuse,
They Are Valuable

the Department of Justice, declared that as yet the agents have found nothing to indicate that Doctor Muller is anything but loyal.

One ton of garbage contains sufficient a survey of the garbage palls in sections of West Philadelphia, Frankford, Bridesturge of fourteen seventy-five-millimeter shells. It contains sufficient fatty acids for the contains sufficient as survey of the garbage palls in sections of West Philadelphia, Frankford, Bridesturge of the contains sufficient as survey of the garbage palls in sections of the contains sufficient as survey of the garbage palls in sections of the contains sufficient as survey of the garbage palls in sections of the contains sufficient as survey of the garbage palls in sections of the contains sufficient fatty acids for the contains sufficient fatty

tin cans and other foreign substances to get into the garbage pail."

when Councils are finally called upon to ratify any agreement.

Mayor Smith, as the owner of 80 per cent of the stock of the Thomas B. Scretary of the Commonwealth. O'Neil with the Roosevelt-Progressive nomination of the National Surety Company, is the N

tive degrees of loyalty.

Frank L. Garbarino, special agent of Do NOT waste or burn garbage. It heeding the food administration's bull letins with regard to waste. tins with regard to waste.

The investigators thus far have made about 1000 cans were looked into.

to grow eight bushels of wheat.

If used as hog food it will produce 100 pounds of good pork.

"Be watchful of what goes into the garbage can," says Jay Cooke Phone the garbage can," says Jay Cooke Phone the garbage can, s Doctor Muller's home is at 4325 Sansom street. He has been a resident of
this country for the last thirty-five
years, being a naturalized German.

"Be watchful of what goes into the
garbage can," says Jay Cooke, Philathe investigation disclosed, and, on the
whole, the investigators were well satisfied that the average Philadelphia house-Provost Smith, regarding receipt of separate from other household refuse, wife is striving with all her might to the letters accusing Doctor Muller, said:

Do not permit broken glass, crockery, obey the food administration's slogan, "I received a number of letters against tin cans and other foreign substances "Food will win the war; don't waste it." Doctor Muller some time ago. In fairness I turned them over to United
States District Attorney Kane and Mr.
Garbarino. So far as I can judge, Doctor Muller, at the University, has always conducted himself as a loyal

to get into the garbage pail."

Although "rushed to death" with the
thousands of matters it must look after
daily, the local food administration is
keeping its eyes open to the garbage
will be given the offender and the impail importance. It has been "taking a
portance of elimination of waste will be Investigations will be made frequently

## COAST BELIEVED FREE WILL IMPROVE WAR OF U-BOAT PERILS

Walsh are joint chairmen. It was to had been picked up by coastwise steam-go more fully into the request of trolley ers. It also became known that the misers. It also became known that the owners and employes that the President raise trolley fares throughout the counof the presence of an enemy raider Bridgeport. Conn., first on the docket in American waters. The submarine or the submarine o two hours, waiting for a hearing. on this side of the Atlantic are believed to be well on their way to their home SHIPMEN TREAT ORPHANS base. The department, it was said today, has no confirmed report of the sighting of a submarine in more than

Host at Outing

The New York Shipyard Employes Association will be host tomorrow to the orphans of the Catholic Home at Cloverdale, N. J. The little ones will be taken down to the association's home, at Highland Park, where a committee of women will do all in their power to make it a memorable event for the kiddies.

It will be an all-day affair and the shipworkers themselves will take a shand in the entertainment as soon as they are freed from their work in the yards at noon. Boat rides on the river, candy, cake, ice cream and peanuts will be provided for the orphans until they get enough.

The recent picking up of S OS messages sages was accounted for. The atmospheric conditions of the last few nights have been such, it is said, that radio messages would carry over a far greater distance than ordinarily, and it is believed that these distress signals came from vessels that were being attacked on the other side of the Atlantic. One naval officer told today of having picked up messages from Arlington while in the Bay of Biscay, and from Panama while just off the coast of Ireland.

An Atlantic Port, June 28.—Two iron tank pontoons of American manufacture were destroyed by a Belgian steamsages was accounted for. The atmospher-ic conditions of the last few nights have been such, it is said, that radio messages

tank pontoons of American manufacture were destroyed by a Belgian steamship when they were found drifting, a menace to navigation, between Iceland and Scotland, June 19. This was reported by the liner on arrival here today. Apparently the pontoons had been used for repairing submarine chasers.

### URGE HOARDING FOOD

Propagandists Carry On Their Work at Harrisburg

Harrisburg, June 28 .- Efforts to play upon the fears of foreign-born residents of the city by telling them they are liable to starve unlers they laid in huge amounts of foodstuffs, were unearthed at a hearing before Food Administraat a hearing before Food Administrator McCormick. Evidence of the plot
developed when Mrs. Mike Spork, Martin
Janka and Nick Trailia were fined \$5 to
\$29 each and were forced to turn over
ninety pounds of flour to the Red Cross.
The last also was shown to have uttered seditious remarks.

According to the information at hand,
enemy aliens are passing the word that,
unless flour is hearded, there is danger
of starvation. Known enemies to the
United States are said to be urged to
iay in a great supply in order to circumvent as far as possible the food administration's plans.

Navy Department Convinced State Commissioner Names

ment will improve with the \$500,000 set aside for the department for the improvement of "war emergency roads."

Five of the most important sections are being resurfaced with bituminous mixed material, owing to the exceedingly heavy motortruck traffic.

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The work in its entirety is being handled by the department's maintenance division. The stretches of road to be improved include:

Haverford. Delaware County, 251 mile, authorized cost, \$275.7: Lower Merion. Montgomery County, 4.57 miles, \$71.243; Amity, Exeter, Berks County, 4.24 miles, \$30,500.

Commissioner O'Neil has announced that he proposes keeping right after the speed flends who have been making the State highways dangerous through their utter disregard of State laws. Arrests have been made by the hundred and hundreds more will be made unless the lawless drivers control their desire to go fast.

Captain Lumb, of the State police, has directed all his officers to arrest on sight any man or woman driving faster.

directed all his officers to arrest on sight any man or woman driving faster than twenty-four miles an hour on the than twenty-four miles an nour on the highways. This is the legal limit and the motorists who find fault with it are urged by Captain Lumb to tell their troubles to the next Legislature, if they wish, as he can do nothing but enforce the law as it stands.

#### SEEK ENGINEER OFFICERS Examinations for Commissions to Be

Held Monday and Tuesday

Ancouncement was made today that examinations for the Engineers Reserve Corps of the United States Army will be held next Monday and Tuesday from 9 to 5 p. m., at the offices of the Military, Training Camps Association, 117 Commercial Trust Building.

Successful applicants, it is said, will receive orders for overseas duty shortly and have opportunity to do construction work close to the front. Age limits for the grade of first lieutenants are from thirty-six to forty-two. Applicants must be at present engaged in some branch of enginering.

## HONOR GRIF ALEXANDER

Press Humorists Elect Evening Public Ledger Man

Grif Alexander, of the staff of the Evening Public Lebour, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the American Press Humorists, who are in convention in Chicago.

Douglas Mallock Chicago, was elected president, and K. C. Beaton, New York vice president. The humorists will meet in this city next year.

# IN FRANCE, SAYS EDGE

New Jersey's Governor Suggests Method for Safe, Sane and Patriotic Fourth

"Let us shoot off the fireworks in France," said Governor Edge, today, in an appeal for a safe and sane Fourth of an appeal for a safe and sane Fourth of July in New Jersey. A Fourth of July letter to a son of a friend on the firing line or the sending of good, sensible reading, he declared, would do more to observe Independence Day adequately and patriotically than the toy fire cracker and mere noise.

"I would respectfully suggest," says the Governor, "that such letters be of a cheerful tone, calculated to drive away symptoms of homesickness and to as-sure the boys at the front that the folks back home are grateful for their folks back home are grateful for their valor, enthused over their success as described in the daily reports from Pershing's headquarters and absolutely confident that the future of democracy is safe in their hands, "As for the boys who have no rela-tives or close personal friends, good sensible books and other reading matter

sensible books and other reading inatter distributed through the War Library Commission, the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus. Red Cross and various other organizations will, perhaps, accomcollecting and distributing books for the perusal of soldiers. Up until a short time ago this State had collected 293,-467 gift books for the men under arms. There are more than thirty camps, stations and hospitals of a military character in New Jersey and the Li-brary Commission has simply classed the camp libraries as so many new brary Commission has simply classed the camp libraries as so many new libraries to be looked after on the same basis as other libraries and is extend-ing them the same privileges and special work and keeping in touch with their work and keeping in touch with their needs, helping them to catalogue and organize libraries and training the men detailed to look after the work. Thus it will be seen that New Jersey has it will be seen that New Jersey has perfected the machinery for the distribution of books and that those citizens who wish to give a book as a part of a sensible Fourth of July celebration in this cfi; cal year, can be assured that their gift will be properly distributed. their gift will be properly distributed.

"Patriotic gatherings, instructive of
the responsibilities of the war and of the great strides which America is mak ing, are to be properly encouraged on the 4th of July insofar as they do not interfere with the every-day war activ-

## needs to conserve its coming man EMERGENCY ROADS CHARITIES TO SHARE \$90,000 One-Half of Browne Estate Avail-

made casualty list which can least b afforded at a time when every de

able at Widow's Death Highways to Be Repaired
Under \$500,000 Fund

Harrisburg, June 28.
State Highway Commissioner O'Neil today announced the roads and their location which the Highway Depart.

partment Stripped

An Atlantic Port, June 28.—An empty lifeboat, found drifting between 300 ands 400 miles south of Sandy Hook, was brought into this port today by a Danish bark, arriving from Brasil. Officers of the bark believe the boat formerly belonged to a large steamship, but all marks of identification were obliterated by the weather. The Navy Department has taken over the craft in order to investigate. westigate.

When the lifeboat was found a flag of distress was flying and the food compartment was empty. From all appearances it was indicated that the boat had been occupied only a few days before it was found by the Danish bark.

#### TALL CEDARS ORGANIZE Allentown Forest Organized With 600 Members

rade.

The Chief Tail Cedar of the new organization is Daniel W. Hamm, principal of the Allentown High School, who was unanimously selected because he is the tailest Mason in Allentown.

Steelten. Pa.. June 28. — The Steelten Sethlehem Steel League team vanquished Williamsport here yeaterday, \$ to 2. After placing the same on ice Phillips retired from the mound and was relieved by Fierce. Salada pitched well for Williamsport, but was no against a superior combination Weiser.

# Today's War aNmes

The following are today's war ames as nearly as they can be expressed phonetically in English The names are in general unac-Conflans .....kohn-flahn Belleau ...... bel-lo Capo Sile ...... kapo-seeleh Villers-Cotterets.....veeyah-cutra; Hazebrouck ...... as-brouk Coeuures ..... co-o Villers-Cotteretts .. veeyah-cutray Vosges ..... voszh Clemenceau ...... clay-mong-so Malvy ..... mal-vee

## **BURNS HIS MACHINE** SHOP AND ENDS LIFE

Caillaux ..... ca-yo

Le Matin ..... Le Mata

Le Petit Journal..le ptee szhoorna

Chateau-Thierry .... shato-tee-er;

Son of the Late Judge Hemphill Found Dead in Burned Building

West Chester, Pa., June 28. Probably because he was compelled to Probably because he was compelled to move from the premises on Monday. William Hemphill, about fifty-five years old, a son of the late Judge Joseph Hemphill, and brother of Dr. Joseph Hemphill, Jr., early today burned his mechanical shop in rear of the Hemphill mansion at Walnut and Magnetis mansion at Wainut and Magnolia lings may develop.

Complaints are being received daily by the committee. The latest comes from a householder in Botanic avenue.

members of a fire company, who were making an inspection of the premises.

The mansion is damaged to the extent of \$2000, according to estimates, and in the shop were burned machines of the finest make worth thousands of dollars, together with a large number of suns together with a large number of guns, revolvers and other material. In the shop, which had been fired about 4 a. m., were a large amount of explosives of many kinds, including pos-sibly thirty cases of cartridges. During the fire the explosives kept up an increasing crackling and sputtering, and this served to cause the people to re-main from the scene.

At first it was supposed the fire had been started accidentally in the shop and that embers had been blown by the explosions of cans of powder into the upper windows of the mansion, which was only a short distance away. That Hemphili had killed himself during the fire was evident from the story of a neighbor, who declares she saw him in the rear yard between the shop and house after the fire had started and that he went out Magnolia street in an eastern direction. Taking this course, he could have entered the front door of the larger building and gone to the third

Judge Joseph, Hemphill, brother of the supposed suicide and incendiary, was one of the most distinguished citizens of Chester County. For more than twenty-five years he was on the bench, having won the Republican nomination in 1909, although originally chosen on the Democratic ticket. In 1915 he re

# LABOR BOARD URGES HIGHER PAPER PRICE

Carmen Believe Action Means President Will Be Urged to rix Kates

Washington, June 28.

The National War Labor Board today established a precedent when it forwarded a communication to the Federal Trade Commission urging it to reconsider its decision in the price of news print paper so manufacturers will be better able to pay increased wages awarded employes by the board.

A general increase of 10 cents an

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hour was awarded workers.

financially unable to pay the increased scales with present fares. Wage demands of carmen of seventeen

#### ther companies are before the STEAL \$100,000 IN STAMPS

Systematic Thieving Carried or by Wall Street Office Boys New York, June 28 .- The indictme resterday of Elwood Banfield, of No 362 Riverside Drive, on charges of petty larceny and receiving stolen goods, revealed that for months scores of boys employed in offices in the Wall Street district have been stealing postage stamps from their employers.

Assistant District Attorney Talley said he was on the track of fully a hundred boys, and that their thefts amounted to at least \$100,000 a year. Banfield is in business under the name of J. H. Peterson, at No. 115 Nassau street. He advertises "postage and revenue stamps for collections." With him was indicted on similar charges Mrs. Helen L. Smith, of No. 11 Osborne street, White Plains, a clerk in his office. Judge McIntyre, in General Sessions, held each in \$1000. petty larceny and receiving stolen good

## SOLDIER HANGS HIMSELF

Body Found Suspended in Barn-Was Hom con Furlough

Reading, Pa., June 28.—The body of Robert Lee Goodhart, a private home from Camp Meade on his first leave of absence, was found hanging in the barn of Allen Mertz, on the Friedensburg road, Mt. Penn, today. He was at the camp less than a month.

Goodhart was thirty-one years old, having been just within the draft age. He was the son of Mrs. Emma Saylor Goodhart, who resides a block from where his tragic end occurred.

He had overstayed his leave, although a communication that he was ill was sent to the authorities at Camp Meade by Ir. H. U. Miller of Mt. Pana, whe preacribed for Goodhart on Monday.

# RENT GOUGES LISTED TODAY

Councils Committee to Prepare Report for Federal Authorities

#### MAY BE MORE HEARINGS

Preparatory to sending a report to Washington on rent profiteering in Philadelphia, Councils' special committee will meet late this afternoon to schedule complaints received by mail and at a public hearing last week. The volume of evidence at hand is believed to be enough on which to base a demand for remedial legislation or quick governmental

action.

W. T. Colborn, common councilman from the Forty-sixth Ward and chairman of the committee, is after speed and with this end in view has suggested a compilation of facts aiready at hand with a view to having members of the committee submit them at once to them to the proper Federal authorities. It is not likely that further evidence will be heard today, as the plan outlined be heard today, as the plan outlined calls for a remedy of some kind this

May Hold More Hearings

on the third floor and in a closet blew A house which in 1916 rented for \$11 a out his brains with a shotgun. The body was discovered after the fire by

possession.

The "buy or move" phase of the profiteering scheme has also been gone into at length and many cases of this kind will be included in the report which the committee probably will decide today to carry to Washington.

Fuel Clauses in Leases Insertion of fuel clauses in rent leases will be one of the new methods employed by County Fuel Administrator Lewis to prevent profiteering by land-lords and real estate agents. David Wallerstein, counsel for the fuel ad-ministration, made this announcement today.

"The fuel administrator has in his control a means, which he proposes to use, to protect tenants from landords."

who are making use of the present sit-uation to sell properties at an exorbitant price or to raise rents beyond a reasonable limit," said Attorney Wallerstein. "When the fuel administrator is convinced that an attempt of the kinds spoken of is being made, he will use his power in the distribution of coal to protect the tenant from wrongful treatment by prohibiting the supply of coal to any house that has been vacated the coal to any house that has been vacated "The plan to be followed is this: A

tenant now occupying a house must be permitted to remain until April 1, 1919, unless the house be meanwhile sold to a purchaser for actual occupation by that purchaser. If such sale be made the present owner must agree either to purchase the tenant's coal at the pric the paid for it or to remove the coal at the landlord's expense to the tenant's new place of residence. "The question of increase of rents is too complicated to admit of a general regulation. Each case must be deter-

mined on its own merits.
"The fuel administration is not at all disposed to be arbitrary, and each case will stand upon its own merits. The general policy outlined, however, will be rigorously enforced. The tenant must, of course, pay his rent promptly and comply with the other stipulations of Disloyalist Beaten and Jailed

A general increase of 10 cents an hour was awarded workers.

Electric street railway officials took this to mean the board will undoubtedly urge President Wilson to assume the rate-fixing power they contend has been conferred on him by Congress and will give local railways the right to increase fares denied by local rate-fixing bodies.

A brief of the President's authority to assume the rate-fixing powers has been requested by the White House and it was expected the Labor Board would forward it yesterday. Officials think the brief and recommendation of the board for higher fares will surely go to the White House today.

The board at the same time is expected to hand down its decision in the wage demand controversies of the Detroit and Chicago carmen. Carmen are demand, ing sixty cents an hour and better working conditions. The demands were refused on the ground the companies were financially unable to pay the increased control with the pay the increased conditions. The demands were refused on the ground the companies were financially unable to pay the increased conditions.

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