ADD 400 TO ROLL SKIP-STOP PUT UP **OF UNION LEAGUE**

3000, With Long Waiting List

NEW PRECEDENT IS SET ABOLITION REQUESTED

Charles M. Schwab Vice Pres. Citizens' Protest Sets Forth ident Without Previous Service as Director

Four hundred new members were addthe annual meeting of the board of directors last night, bringing the total embership up to 2000.

league still has a lengthy waiting list, and to take care of that the bylaws were amended so that forty new memrs may be elected each month, instead of twenty-five, the present fixed maxi-

Former Governor Edwin S. Stuart the second president of the Union League to step from that position to the gubertal chair of Pennsylvania,

For the first time in the history of the organization, a member who had not fore the terved as a director was elected vice president, in the selection of Charles M. chwab, among others, for that honor. A proposal to increase the annual membership dues to \$125 was rejected. The league has 200 members in the military service who are exempt from the of dues. This appreciably cut down the league's revenues, while its ex-penses increased. Admission of new members was the plan then proposed

members was the pian then proposed and accepted to meet the deficiency in place of raising the dues.

Besides Mr. Schwab, who has been a member of the league for eighteen years, other vice presidents elected were: E. Pusey Passmore, governor of the Federal Passko, this city, Mars. Bussko. Bank of this city; Miers Busch and Charles E. Miller were elected vice

presidents.

The following directors were elected for one year: D. L. Anderson, Francis Murphy Brooks, Samuel M. Cleinent, Jr., Joseph W. Cooper, J. Howell Cummings, John W. Hamer, Herman Haupt, Edwin F. Keen, William R. Lyman, James E. Mitchell, J. E. Cope Martin, John T. Riley, Joseph M. Steele, Harry T. Stoddart and George A. Walker.

CHARGES POLICE SHIELD VICE Lawyer Writes to Mayor

Charging that gambling houses are charging that gambing houses are being operated here with police protec-tion. Paul S. Keller, 3921 Haverford avenue, wrote to Mayor Smith and Harry Davis, Assistant Director of Public Safety, this afternoon, telling them that if his complaints continued to be ig-nored be would appeal to the Federal authorities. orities.

The Keller is a lawyer and a memory of the American Protective League.

Letter to the Mayor and Mr. Davis

wa: bear Sir—As a citizen and taxpayer he city of Philadelphia, I object to gambling houses running under po-projection.

he gambling houses running under poice protection.

"I am in communication with Postmaster General Burleson as regards the
stegraph and telephone service being
turnished these gamblers. I have writen Superit endent Mills on the subject,
but he had not even had the common
lecency to answer my communication,
something every letter written by one
centleman to another requires.

"I am in the fight to a finish, even
I have to go before Commissioner
ong to swear out warrants and show
he Police Department up, something
hat has been done in the last few weeks,
of the detriment of the Police Department."

ment."

Mr. Davis said this afternoon he had
received the letter. "No complaint of
this kind has ever come to us that we haven't thoroughly investigated it, as we will do in this case," he observed.

SCRUTINY OF CREDITS URGED Bradstreet's Man Says Some Small Dealers May Fail

Unless closer vigilance over the financial affairs of small business houses is maintained during the reconstruction period, creditors will be inviting disaster in the form of bankrupt debtors.

This statement was made this afternoon by Lewis A. Smith, superintendent of Bradstreet's, in an address before the Philadelphia Association of Credit Men at the Bellevue-Straiford.

"These smaller firms should be held to a strict accountability of their finances or their business refused." said Mr. Smith. "The average small merchant has only a hazy idea where he stands in money matters and is prone to take chances.

"I think the only remedy is the enactment of a law forcing all concerns to keep a set of books to be available for creditors' inspection at all times."

City Statistician Edward J. Cattell spoke with confidence of a prospective boom in business the next ten years.

GRIP KILLED 17,000 SOLDIERS 338.257 Cases Treated at Army

Camps in America Washington, Dec. 10.—(By A. P.)—An official summary of the results of the influenza epidemic in army camps and military centers in the United States, made public by the War Department today; shows that there were 388,257 cases of the disease up to December 1, with approximately 17,000 deaths.

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Because deaths resulting from influenza and pneumonia were not separately grouped, only approximate figures were given for those due to the epidemic. From September 13, the date of the outbreak, to December 1 19,649 deaths from all causes were reported by milling ary stations in the United States. Army medical authorities estimate that about 1000 of these were due to causes other than influenza and pneumonia. given for those due to the epidemic. From September 13, the date of the outbreak, to December 1 19,649 deaths from all causes were reported by military stations in the United States. Army medical authorities estimate that about 2000 of these were due to causes other than influenza and pneumonia.

Evening Ledger Reports of the Peace Conference

Self-government, the boon conerred upon a few millions of Amerans 142 years ago, which stirred the nations of the earth first to ier at the audacity of the conption and then to realize the grandeur of "triumphant democacy," is the slogan of the World e Conference which less than fortnight hence will assemble in To make its reports naurate with the character this momentous assemblage, the ENING PUBLIC LEDGER has comsloned as its representatives

CLINTON W. GILBERT

tall Correspondent, whose Wash-igton dispatches since the beg of the great war have as oted nation-wide attention, and ne gifted writers:

TO SERVICE BODY

Total Membership Now Is Formal Complaint Filed With Commission at Harrisburg

Contention That Emergency Necessity Has Passed

The trolley skip-stop question was ed to the roll of the Union League at taken to the State Public Service Commission at Harrisburg today, when Harry L. Heinzeroth, 1527 North Fiftyseventh street, filed a formal complaint Despite these additions, however, the against the system and a request that it be ordered discontinued.

Some days ago the commission, refer ring to a suggestion that it deal with the skip-stops, said it would take no notice of them unless a formal com-plaint should be filed, in which case would act in the manner prescribed

The Heinzeroth petition apparently i was elected president, succeeding Gov-ernor-elect William C. Sproul, who was the second president of the Union League troversy. Other Philadelphia transi natters, including the proposed lease the city's high-speed lines to the Rapid Transit Company, are now pending t

War Emergency Passed

that the skip-stop system was put in effect as a fuel conservation measure during a war emergency at the reques of the Federal fuel administration, sets up the contentions that the emergency has passed, that the skips inconvenience the public, that they are unpopular and that they constitute a menace to public Mr. Heinzenroth was not at home this

afternoon. The city director describes him as a clerk. The Rapid Transit Company today is

busy painting on its poles where cars stop, signs to that effect.

The company is preparing to submit the skip-stop question directly to a vote of its patrons. This is the conclusion drawn today from the company's latest

not the "Why of a Skip-Stop," in which it amounced the public will have the animal "say so" on the question.

It naked its trolley riders to "Ttake Governor-elect William C. Sproul will "ard." but there were no cards to take

get them for distribution tomorrow. "Looks to me," remarked one con-leter, "like it will be an invitation to accept the skip-stop or 6-cent fares.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Senator Poin-dexter (Washington) today introduced a resolution for investigation of the ordnance and quartermaster depart-ments by the Senate Military Affairs

Committee.

Hinting at questionable activities which intimated might have delayed production of guns and shells, for the army, Poindexter said that "if some traitors and spies had been executed in the early days of the war the lives of better men might have been saved."

10.000 TROOPS DUE TODAY

Four Transports Bringing Americans to Home Port

New York, Dec. 10.—More than 10,000 troops are due in New York harbor to-day on transports and hospital ships.
The Empress of Hritain was the first big transport to arrive. There were big transport to arrive. There were seventy-six officers and 2339 men aboard. The vessel left Liverpool November 30. The vessel left Liverpool November 20.
Among other transports due today are
the Adriatic, with eighty officers and
2008 men aboard; the Ascanlus, with
fourteen officers, 1427 men, and the
Kroonland, with sixty-three officers, 1180
men and 704 sick and wounded.

and Other Places

hundred other Americans who have been Martin, E. Pussy Passmore, governor of scattered in various camps in Germany the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadel-

COURT REFUSES CHARTER

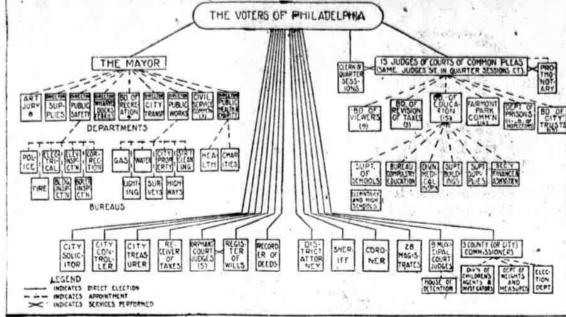
Application of Negro Masonic Temple Association Denied

Unholding the report of the master which was adverse to the application of Masonic Temple Association. It appeared that the petitioners were to erect a half for the use of the grand lodge, an unincorporated body, and funds of the grand lodge were to be invested in the temple. Under these circumstances the master reported the grand lodge, for its own projection, must control the body eraction.

of the 28,880 banks in the United States, State and national, last June 30, amounted to \$40,210,000,000, of which \$22,371,000,000 was credited to the 21,175 State, savings and private banks and trust companies and \$17,839,000,000 to the 7705 national banks. This was shown yesterday by a report of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Deposits of the State banks amounted to \$18,567,000,000 and loans to \$12,426,-000,000, showing an increase of 5 per cent in deposits over the record of the year previous and of 6.5 per cent in National banks showed \$14,021,000,000 deposits, an increase of 9.8 per cent, and \$9,620,000,000 loans, an increase of 9.1

ORGANIZATION CHART OF CITY AND COUNTY



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In connection with the charter revision movement, the Municipal Research Bureau has had a chart drawn show ing the city and county offices filled by the direct vote of the people and the appointive power under their jurisdiction. The chart aims to show the overlapping between city and county offices

CHARTER CHANGE **UNDER ACID TEST**

The Helzenroth petition, after stating Proposed Civic Code Be-

SPROUL WILL ATTEND

terance in its "Know the Truth" campolitical horizon, will be given the acid

be present at the conference, which was ad the company officials declined to plain just when the cards will be called by a committee of citizens, headed ded out or what is to be printed on by Russell Duane. Nearly every man Trolley crews, however, expect of prominence interested in getting a new harter for Philadelphia will be present. More than 800 acceptances have been received and more are coming in hourly at the headquarters of the Committee

Mr. Duane will be toastmaster. The list of speakers is John C. Winston, chairman of the Committee of Seventy; Thomas Raeburn White, George W. Coles, chairman of the Town Meeting party; Mrs. H. S. P. Nichols, of the New Century Club: Powell Evans, Clinton Rogers Woodruff, Mrs. Edward Biddle, of the Civic Club, and George W. Woodward, Senator-elect in the Germantown district.

The speakers will be limited to five inutes each.

Among others who have sent accept-Among others who have sent acreases for the dinner-conference are George Wharton Pepper, William Draper Lewis, Cyrus H. K. Curtis, Edward T. Stotesbury. Alba B. Johnson, George Dallas Dixon, Richard L. Austin, John Windrim, P. Windrim Hampton Barnes, John T. Windrim, the Rev. Dr. Joseph Krauskopf, Bishop Thomas J. Garland, the Rev. Dr. Cari E. Grammer, the Rev. Dr. Edwin Heyl Delk, former Judge Dimner Beeber, former Judge A. M. Beitler Sall fourteen officers, 1427 men, and the Kroonland, with sixty-three officers, 1180 men and 704 sick and wounded.

2800 U. S. PRISONERS FREED

Leave German Camps at Rastatt

Leave German Camps at Rastatt letter, William A. Glasgow, Jr., Super-intendent of Schools John P. Garber Berlin, Dec. 10.—(By A. P.)—Twenty-six hundred American prisoners of war interned at Camp Rastatt left there yes-lines Collins Jones. Henry LaBarre erday and today for Switzerland. Two Jayne, Dr. W. W. Keen, Judge J. Willis are leaving Germany by way of Holland and Denmark.

The Foreign Reserve Ballon of Potter, Judge phia: Colonel Sheldon Potter, Judge Joseph P. Rogers, Frederic H. Strawbridge, and Controller John M. Walton.

Plan to Crystallize Ideas

At the conference tonight it is pro posed to crystallize the charter revision ideas held by leading men in the legal, medical and clerical professions, and in finance, the ideas entertained by men in public office and the thoughts of men and women active in civic and business

Civie Club Will Ask Councils for \$16,000 Additional Plans were made today by members of the mothers' assistance fund volunteer committee of the Civic Club to ask Coun-cils for \$16,000 in addition to the an-nual apportionment of funds for widows'

The State has offered \$16,000 above its

Statistics of June 30 Last Shown in Comptroller's Report

Washington, Dec. 10.—Total resources

NESOURCES OF BANKS

Inc. State has offered \$16,000 above its year's apportionment for the use of Philadelphia County in caring for dependent widows and their children, but an equal sum must be given by the County or the State's offer will amount to nothing.

With 664 widows on their waiting list, a large per cent of whom were made destitute by the recent influenza epidemic, the committee members feel the problem is more important than ever. Mrz. H. Gordon McCouch, chairman of the committee, said:

"The registration of dependent widows has been heavier this month than any time since the pension law want into effect. Many of the women or our waiting list applied as long as two and a half years ago. Three hundred and twenty-nine of the unanswered applications were made this year." ons were made this year."

CARD LEADS TO ARRESTS

Name and Address Left in Automobile

Taken Without Leave
A personal identification card left by Williams in an automobile alleged to have been taken from Fifty-second street and Baltimore avenue by Gorge Hovell, fitteen years old, led to the arrest of both boys today. The car beinged to Alonso Chalfant, club, 1117 Spruce street, and he found that when weighed in the balance of a higher spirituality, we are most of us "guilty." According to Mr. Armstrong the smile or good-will of a friend is worth all the unaterial advantages of life put together. "Let us he lifters, not leavers of the human race," said the speaker. Taken Without Leave

OVERLAPPING OFFICES LISTED | SENATE TAKES UP Chart Shows Conflict of City and

County Jurisdiction chart showing the city and county offices filled by the direct vote of the people and the appointive power under their jurisdiction has been drawn up by the Municipal Research Bureau in connection with the charter revision

fore Dinner Conference
Tonight

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The treemedous appointive powers rested in the Mayor and board of judges is set forth clearly and contestly by means of the chart.

"Since the consolidation act of 1854," the reverse side explains, "the city of Philadelphia has been extended to cover all of the reverse side explains, "the city of Philadelphia has been extended to cover all of the reverse side explains, "the city of Philadelphia founty Unfortunate all of Philadelphia County, Unfortunate all of Philadelphia has been extended to cover all of the reverse side explains, "the city of Philadelphia founty Unfortunate all of Philadelphia has been extended to cover all of the reverse side explains, "the city of Philadelphia founty Unfortunate all of Philadelphia founty Unfortunate all of Philadelphia has been extended to cover all of the re

DEFENSE BODY TO DISBAND

Committee on Public Safety Will Wind Up December 31

e Pennsylvania committee of pub safety and national defense—head-by George Wharton Pepper, of this y, will wind up its affairs December, according to information given out is afternoon at Harrisburg. The State war commission, headed by Governor Brumbaugh, was in session in Harrisburg today, and plans to end the work of Mr. Pepper's organization were discussed.

FAVORS ARMY PROBE

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Poindexter Wants Ordnance and Quartermaster Depts. Investigated Washington, Dec. 10.—Senator Polardexter (Washington) today introduced a resolution for investigation of the ordnance and quartermaster depart.

List of Speakers

At the headquarters of the Committee of Seventy. But Mr. Duane and others sponsoring the conference point out that it is not a Committee of Seventy affair. It is to be a citizens' meeting, irrespective of head over until the end of the assert, with the one object of securing for this city a form of government that was given a fund of \$2,000,000. Drafts on this fund were authorized by Governor Brumbaugh's commission whenever the public safety committee needed funds.

WILL PROBE SECURITY LEAGUE

tee to Make Investigation

Washington, Dec. 19.—The House today adopted without "record vote the
Frear resolution calling for an investigation of the national security league

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Baltimore, Dec. 10.—(By A. P.)—The

building Corporation, numbering 8000 men, refused to go to work today when they appeared at the shipyards of the Sven Anderson, manager of the plant, demands on the company. He believes that the affair is the outgrowth of a strike which occurred yesterday, when between 500 and 400 men refused to work until there is an adjustment of wages and working hours. Efforts are being made to reach a settlement of the trouble.

ANNULMENT HALTS

No Additional Cancellations of Contracts for Shipwork, Says Coonley No cancellations of ship contracts additional to those announced at the time the armistice was signed have been made by the Emergency Fleet Corporation Howard Coonley, vice president, said this

afternoon.
Widespread publicity given the fact that cancellations so far total approximately \$200,000,000, and the consequent alarm it has aroused among shipbulders, led Mr. Coonley to make this statement.

Glenside Baptists Hear Evangelist The Rev. Theophilis Lake, former Baptist State evangelist, preached to a mass-meeting of men at the First Baprist Church in Glenside on "Playing the Man." The Rev. Walter H. Whitley, pastor of the church, assisted in the services. It was the first of a series of afternoon meetings for men of the conof gregation

Fire in Park Trolley Station Fire this morning destroyed the plat-form and part of one wall of the Wynnefield station on the Falrmount Park trolley system. A cigarette thrown between the cracks which ignited the diried leaves and paper there is believed to have caused the blaze. It was ex-tinguished before much damage was done.

Jews Protest Massacres

Four thousand Jews of this city born in Russia. Poland, Galicla and other parts of the world crowded the Metropolitan Opera House last night to protest against the reported slaying of Jews in Lemberg, Galicia, and to call upon President Wilson to stop the relieb massacres.

Polish massacres.

Two More Mummers' Permits Sergeent Harry Dale. New Year's ed two more applications for New Year's paraders, one from the Federal New Year's Association and the other from the Charles Klein Association This makes four applications.

Karolyi Tries to End Life London, Dec. 10.—Count Michael Karoliyi, who took a prominent part in the recent proclamation to a Hungarian republic, is reported in a Budspert telegram to have attempted suicide while in Cospair of the success of his efforts to resonstruct Hungary, says a Central News dispatch from Amsierdam.

THE REVENUE BIL

Big War Tax Measure Is

The revised war revenue bill, designed to raise by taxation about \$6,000,000,000 next year and \$4,000,000,000 in 1920, was taken up today by the Senate,

Chairman Simmons, of the Finance Committee, made a detailed explanatory statement of the measure in opening the debate, after it had been agreed to give the measure the right of way. A minority report generally appro-

ing the 1919 tax plan, but strongly op posing the bill's 1920 provisions, was presented by Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, ranking committee Republican It was signed by all Republican mem-bers except Senator La Follette, of Wis-consin, who is preparing to submit a separate report. A separate minority report also was filed by Senator Thomas, of Colorado, Democrat, opposing the excess profits and inheritance tax proposals, although

approving other major features of the JEWISH CONGRESS HERE

Speaker Clark Appoints Commit- Representatives at Meeting Will

ussion.

The Sunday sessions, afternoon and svening, will be held in the opera house. The remaining sessions will be held in Lu Lu Temple. The congress will close Thursday evening.

WANTS WOMEN TO VOTE

Sherman Urges Early Adoption of Suffrage Resolution

Washington, Dec. 10.—(By A. P.)—
Enactment of the Federal woman Suffrage resolution at the earliest possible
date was urged in the Senste today by
Senator Sherman, Republican, of Illinois. The Senator denounced the egging
of women during a recent suffrage demonstration here and the action of the
war labor board in ordering the Cleveland street car company to discharge
women employed on its lines during the
war. war.

"Had women the same vote as men."

"Had women the same vote as men."

Senator Sherman said, "they would not be egged or they would not be discharged with the approval of the war labor board and Secretary Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor. If they were good enough to serve during the war, they are good enough to continue in service after the war ends."

WAR ON POSTERS OPENS

American Civic Association Starts General Clean-up Campaign

A general clean-up campaign to rid the city of war placards and posters, now not needed, has been launched by the American Civic Association. This plan was adopted at a meeting of the board of the association. The movement is nation-wide. It was decid-ed to make every effort to re-establish the freedom of the parks from advertis-ing signs

the freedom to the sing signs, and for a Federal bureau of the need for a Federal bureau of cities for improving the housing and planning of American cities, improving recreation centers, was emphasized at

CAMDEN COURTS IN SESSION Farmers Attend Opening Delayed by Influenza Epidemic

Court sessions began in Camden today with all the pomp that usually attends the ceremony. Farmers from miles
around attended the opening.

This is the first time court has been
held in Camden for several months,
as the sessions of the October term
were postponed until the December term
because of the influenza epidemic. The
trand jury for this term was impaneled
with David Jester, president of the city
council, as foreman. Judges Charles C.
Garrison, Frank T. Lloyd, and John S.
Kates sat at the opening.

DINERS UNMOVED BY FIRE

Patrons Continue Eating During Blaze in Restaurant

Patrons, reassured by the manage-ment, continued eating their lunch to-day in Bahl's restaurant, Nineteenth and Market streets, although smoke was swiring up from a slight fire in the basement and firemen were carry-ing chemical extinguishers through the place.

CHRISTMAS AT HOME \$44,000 SWINDLE FOR CAMDEN HEROES ON BANK CHARGED

of men in the engineers' regiment fear-ed that it had met the same fate. Cor-poral Borton gave no details of the fighting, for did he estimate the losses,

action when the armistice was signed.

Tries for an Hour to Select

President

the Deadlock Will Be

Assemblyman Ralph N. Kellam, of

Union man to resume the leadership position he held at the last session.

Needs of Emergency Fleet Corporation

for Next Year Presented

Charles M. Piez, of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, held an informal con-ference in Washington today with Swager Sherley, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Swager Sheriey, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

The chief purpose of the meeting was to give Mr. Sheriey information regarding the financial needs of the feet corporation for the next fiscal year. A formal hearing will be given officials of the feet corporations alltile later in regard to appropriations.

The question of moving the Emergency Fleet Corporation offices back to Washington was not discussed, said Mr. Plez.

TRUCK INJURES WOMAN

Victim, Struck by Motor, in Serious

Miss Leona Ingram, twenty-one years

old, 5523 Addison street, was struck by an automobile truck on Sixty-first street

south of Spruce today and is in a seri

ous condition in the Misericordia Hos-pital. She is suffering from a double fracture of the right leg, bruises and

John Hutchinson, a negro, Warren street, near Forty-second, the driver of the truck will have a hearing before

HENRY RITTENHOUSE ILL

Aged Lieutenant of City Hall Guard

in Critical Condition

Magistrate Harris tomorrow

Condition * " ."

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 10.

Plans for Welcome to 500 Members of 309th Infantry Teller Accused of Aiding Await Official Word of Departure After Service in Belgium

Five hundred Camden soldlers, members of Companies K and L. 309th In-fantry, Seventy-eighth Division, may be fantry, Seventy-eighth Division, may be and he expected to be home before and he expected to be home before Christmas.
Sergeant Hogan says the division suffered heavy casualties in fighting with the British in Belgium.

Corporal Borton's letter gives Camden its first news of the 194th Engineers. When word was given out that the old Third Regiment in the 114th Infantry was nearly wiped out, relatives of men in the engineers' regiment fearhome for Christmas. They fought in

Belgium with the British. Preparations for a welcome for these two companies will be made as soon as official word of their departure shall have been received. The soldiers are have been received. The soldiers are all drafted men, trained at Camp Dix. The 104th Engineers, about which there was a great deal of anxiety following the disclosure of the fate of the 114th Infantry at Sedan, went into action in this fight and lost heavily. The 104th Engineers and the 114th Infantry, with other units of the Twentyninth Division of New Jersey guardsmen are new in Germany as part of the

The 104th Engineers and the 114th Infantry, with other units of the Twenty-inith Division of New Jersey guardsmen are now in Germany as part of the American army of occupation,
Battery B, Camden's unit in the 112th Artillery, made up mostly of men from the old First New Jersey Artillery, never got into action.

These facts were revealed today in letters from three Camden soldiers; Corporal Richard B. Borton, 110 State street, and Sergeant James P, Hogan, 14 York street.

fork street.

Hogan is in the 309th Infantry. It had been sent up to a support eventy-eighth Division, and he said in tion and held in reserve. BANKERS OPPOSE KELLÁM TO HEAD U. S. OWNERSHIP N. J. HOUSE G. O. P.

Atlantic City Conference Republican Senate Caucus Declares for Return of Roads to Owners

MUST BE CHANGES IS DEFERRED A WEEK

Fair Rate of Return De- Next Tuesday It Is Expected manded Upon Invested Capital-Protection Needed

Special Telegram to Evening Public Ledger Atlantic City, Dec. 10. Investment bankers of America han-Camden, was unanimously selected as iling hundreds of millions of securities majority leader for the 1919 fession of annually, went squarely upon record in the House of Assembly at a caucus of their reconstruction convention at the the Republican Assemblymen this after-Hotel Traymore today against Govern noon. In the event of fellure of Asment ownership of railroads, The railroad resolution, which was

semblyman Arthur N. Pierson, of Union, to become Speaker, as was decided by the Republicans three weeks ago, but which arrangement may fall flat by the action of the Democratic side later, Kellam will step down and allow the Union man to resume the Feedership adopted without a dissenting voice, places the investment bankers "squarely on record as opposed to public ownership of railroads or their permanen operation by Government, and emphatic ally in favor of the return of the railroads to their owners under such regulations as will insure sound credit and

Representatives at Meeting Will

Discuss Future as Nation

The first American Jewish congress
will be convened Sunday in the Metropolitan Opera House, with more than politan Opera House, with more than 400 delegates, representing 4,000,000 ment and the railroad world," the Boston. "But there must be a change of method both on the part of Governor when Governor Edge takes his seat in the United States Senate, and ment and the railroad world," the Boston. "But there must be a change of method both on the part of Governor when Governor Edge takes his seat in the United States Senate, and sino a majority leader.

Senator Mackay was supported by ton fiscal expert declared. "The Republican senatorial caucus went over to next Tuesday, after an hour had been devoted today in trying to select a president who will be acting Governor when Governor Edge takes his seat in the United States Senate, and the railroad world," the Boston.

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senting the report of the committee of irrigation securities, said that the issues of sagebrush development syndicates of sagebrush development syndicates are among the most troublesome of se-"No plan has thus far been developed for establishing values throughout the whole of the West that will serve as a

whole of the west hat long range," the report continued.

Lawrence Chamberiain, of New York, eported that war had played havoc with plans during the last year for expand-ing the literature of the profession. William G. Baker, Jr., of Baltimore, for the publicity committee, strongly urged a wider dissemination of informaby members and commended the

Elkton Marriage Licenses

Elkton Marriage Licenses

Elkton, Md., Dec. 10.—The following couples were granted marriage licenses today, all of whom had the nuptial knot tied shortly thereafter: Samuel Myers, twenty-one, and Hannah Hayes, twenty-two, Bridgeton N. I., and Margaret E. Zane, twenty-eight, Pennsgrove, N. J.; Benjamin S. Bennett, seventy-three, and Emma L. Warren, fifty-six, Wilmington, Del.; William H. Downs, thirty-seven, and Katherine Streeper, twenty-three, Camden; Russell E. Campbell, thirty, Indianapolis, Ind., and Mildred Florence, twenty-two, Havre de Grace, Md.; C. Wesley Armstrong, Jr., twenty-one, Trenton, N. J., and Ethel A. Breitenbach, nineteen, Morrisville, Pa.

Lieutenant Henry Rittenhouse of the City Hall guards, is eritically ill at his home, 2818 North Twenty-fifth street. He was stricken three weeks ago with a heart attack.

The lieutenant, who is seventy-five years old, is a widower. He has been on the force thirty years. He fought in the Civil War, and was wounded. TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Depositor to Over-

draw Account

Checks for Large Amounts Carried on Books as Cash,

William C. Snyder, proprietor of bazaar at Broad street and Lehigh ave nue, and George W. Fry, former paying teller of the Excelsion Trust Savings Fund Company, 1006 West Le high avenue, were each held in \$500 bail today for a further hearing, by Magistrate Harris, on charges by Ralph R. Stearly, president of the savings fund company.

Mr. Stearly testified that Fry per-Mr. Stearly testified that Fry permitted Snyder to overdraw his account by many thousand dollars, and that checks presented by Snyder were carried by Fry as cash and not permitted to go through the regular channels of the bank. Mr. Stearly offered several checks said to have been found in Fry's safe. They averaged about \$5000 each and totaled \$44,000. At no time, according to Stearly, did Snyder have sufficient funds on deposit to warrant payment of

funds on deposit to warrant payment of one of the \$5000 checks, Owen J. Roberts, counsel for the com-pany, said he expected to show con-spiracy between Snyder and Fry by which Snyder was enabled to overdraw

objected to the offering of testimony unless the books of the bank were produced. He also said the company had failed to prove any case against Snyder. "It will be shown," he asserted. "that Snyder is guilty of nothing wrong."
Counsel for Fry made similar contentions, and said Fry did not profit to
the extent of one cent by the alleged

Mr. Stearly said the company would press prosecution of the men. Although a shortage in the neighborhood of \$40,000 would result, he said, this is covered by surety bonds and security which the company holds so that no loss of any kind will accrue to the

since boyhood and worked his way up gradually to the position of paying tel-ler. He was dismissed after being arrested Monday by James Long, a priv-

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