## JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Many Family Dinners on Christmas — Nancy Wynne Talks About Charity Ball This Evening—Tea Box Sends Christmas Donations to Military Hospitals

We have to think about is those thank. we have to think about is those thankyou notes and our New Year's resolutions It was the best Christmas in years, for the war is all over but the shouting and nearly everybody had their own or somebody else's soldier or sailor at the dinner. And there were any number of big family dinners. The Bertram Lippincotts gave one at their home, 1712 Spruce street, and Mrs. Ephralm Price, of 1320 Locust street, also gave a large dinner.

Mrs. Edward S. Buckley, of 1508 Spruce street, entertained at a family dinner, and the Franklin McCrea Wirgmans also had all their family to dinner. Out Main Line way there were two family parties that I heard of-Mr. and Mrs. T. De Witt Cuyler and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clayton. The Claytons had Mary and Ralph Earl there for Christmas, and then they are going down to Washington to spend New Year's with the Earls. Ralph is a lieutenant, you know, and is stationed down there. Captain Churchill Williams, who is also stationed there, came up for the holidays with Mrs Williams and Churchill, Jr., and they were at the family dinner which Captain Williams's mother, Mrs. Francis Howard Williams, gave at her home. Altogother, it was a big day, any way you look at it.

AND tonight there's the Char'ty Ball. You've riready heard all about the Indian seer, seeing the world as children at play-Bobby Blakes and Dolly Drakes, Flemish children, Kate Greenaway children and children of Candyland. You've heard about Brownie Warburton as Belgium, wearing Ethel Barrymore's costume lent for the occasion by the gracious Ethel: about Peggy Thayer as France and about the other tableaux. And about the American set of chosen dancers. So you know how beautiful it's going to be, and you can imagine how excited all the "debs" and sub-debs and E. A. A.'s and National Leaguers are about their attractive costumes and their intricate steps. Can't you just hear it: "But, my dear, I get that step all right, but what comes after it?" "You look perfectly sweet in that costume"; "Where do we come in, after them or before them?"

There are to be a number of dinners before and box parties during the ball. Sara Dolan is going to be the guest of honor at a dinner beforehand, and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Roberts, of 1827 De Lancey street, are giving a dinner, too. Mr. and Mrs. Cuyler will give a box party and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dale also have a box. Lieutenant Herbert Derbyshire, aide de camp to General Waller, of the Marines, will have a box party, and his guests will include Mrs. Firam Eliason, Constance Binney, Lieutenant Coleman, Lieutenant Marbourg and General and Mrs. Waller.

HEAR that the Tea Box, that quaint little tearoom at the corner of Crossways and Montgomery avenue, in Merion, \* has been so successful in its work that the committee was able to give liberal Christmas donations to several hospitals. To be exact, they sent a hundred dollars to the Lakewood Hospital, a hundred to the Cape May Hospital and a huge fifty-dollar basket of fruit to the League Island Hospital Some proceeds!

I happen to know a student of occupational therapy-don't let that scare you; it only means teaching soldiers to carve toys out of wood, make rag rugs and do ling and such-and down at the hospital at Lakewood. She told me what wonderful work is being done down there for the men who have come back wounded, and how interested and perfectly delighted they are with this kind of work. One of them had both hands amputated, and he held a paint brush in shis teeth and made a picture postcard for his family; and you never saw such a tickled soldier-he just simply beamed on the world. So you see the Tea Box has something very worth while and appreciative to work for, and I understand that the committee has a hard time once in a while to accommodate all the people who stop in for tea and "eats."

MARY PACKARD is having a good time these days, isn't she? She's an awfully popular girl and she has always done so hough for other people. You know she is at the head of the Girl Scout troop out there in Villanova, and the girls are all wild about her. Her marriage to Dr. Arthur E. Billings is to take place on Tues--day afternoon in Rosemont, you know, with a reception afterward at The Meadows. A number of dinners and luncheons have been given in her honor, and she's soing to give a dinner herself tomorrow evening for her bridal party. That includes her sister Elizabeth, Helen Hope Wilson, Katherine Lea, Frances Tyson, Rachel Fit. ler, Elizabeth McMichael, Elizabeth Trotter, Ruth Hobart, Major John B. Carson, Dr. Duncan Despard, Dr. Alexander O'Neill. Mr. John H. Packard, 3d, Mr. Evan Randolph, Dr. James Gibbon and Dr. William B. Stroud.

THE baby had had two Christmases before, but yesterday was her first with all the aunts and uncles and grandmothers and -grandfathers and everybody. Of course, the only thing they cared about was her reception of the tree and the gifts. The entered the room last, while everybody. watched in breathless silence. She's a dainty little thing, and the sigh of joy that escaped her when she saw "my baby" sitting complacently under the tree was the daintiest thing you ever heard. She was still speechless when she picked up the and then she saw the cook stove, the addition and the hammock. "I don't know What TO do!" she exclaimed softly. And then, while the whole family registered filent and full satisfaction, she suddenly saw the tree, heaved another tiny little deep sigh and repeated, "I don't know what tol WILL do!" NANCY WYNNE.

## Social Activities

Mr. and Mrs. James Frances Sullivan, of The Woods, Radnor, will give a dinner on New Year's eve in honor of their daughter, was Elaine S. Sullivan, before the dance to given by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Ashton, of Redisaf, Wynnewood, in honor of their daughter, Miss Anne Ashton.

te Captain and Mrs. Robert Hunter, of 185

Lieutenant and Mrs. George Eustis Paine. of New York, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Paine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Struthers Ellis, in Bryn Mawr.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Morris Duncan Douglas, of Cleveland, O., will spend the week-end as the guests of Mrs. Douglas's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dinsmore, of 412 West Chel-ten avenue, Germantown.

Mr. John Guy Hallowell has returned from the United States Government hospital at Lakewood, where he has been undergoing treatment since his return from overseas. He a member of the 103d Trench Mortar Battery, formerly the First City Troop. Mrs. Hallowell, who will be remembered as Miss Gertrude Phillips, has been living at Lakewood, to be near her husband. They are spending the bolidays as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Fraley, of Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Moriey are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter on December 22. Mrs. Moriey has been visit-ing the home of her mother, Mrs. George W. Fairchild, in New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Matlack, of Gowan venue, Chestnut Hill, will have with them luring the holidays their daughter, Miss Margaret Matlack, who is in the quartermaster's department in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McKinney, of the Falls of Schuylkill, are receiving congratula-tions on the birth of a son, Samuel Mc-Kinney, Jr., on December 16.

The Rev. M. B. Gurley, son of Mrs. William B. Guriey, of Harvey street, Germantown, will return home early in January.
Mr. Gurley went to France to work with the Y. M. C. A., and most of his time has been levoted to work in the harbor of Brest

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Leonard Wheaton have returned from their wedding trip and will be at home after January 1 at 6625 North Twelfth street. The bride was Miss Marguerite Yeager, daughter of Mrs. Howard M.

Mrs. J. Tainall Lea and her family, of East Orange, N. J., are guests of Mrs. Lea's sister-in-law, Mrs. Reed McIntire, of Ardmore, over the holldays.

Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. John Richard Peterson, Jr., will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Peterson, of New York, during the Christmas and New Year holl-

Mr. and Mrs. A. Schwartz, of 1016 North Second street, have gone to Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend the holidays with their son, Mr. Samuel Schwartz. Later they will go to Palm Beach, where they will spend January and February.

## MISS SARAH CLAXTON IS MARRIED TODAY

Becomes Bride of Mr. Carl Meyer at Quiet Ceremony at Home

An interesting wedding of today was that of Miss Sarah C. C. Claxton, daughter of Mrs. Charles Claxton, of 5137 Morris street, Germantown, and Mr. Carl L. W. Meyer, of New York, which took place at noon at the home of the bride's mother, with the Rev. Franklin S. Moore, rector of Calvary Pro-

testant Episcopal Church, officiating. The bride, who were a gown of white satin and georgette crepe, with a veil of tuile caught with orange blossoms, was unattended. Mr. Meyer had for best man Mr.

Theodore Thiesing, of Washington, D. C. The ceremony was followed by a brackfast for the families and a few close friends. The bridegroom and bride upon their re turn from an extended southern trip will be

home in Raleigh, N. C. SCHECHTER-WEINER

very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Keneseth Israel Temple on Tuesday evening, when Miss Fannette Weiner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Weiner, of 107 Northeast Boulevard, and Dr. Isaac Schechter were married by the Rev. Joseph Krauskopf. D. D. The bride's father gave her in mar-riage. Mr. Herbert Weiner, the bride's brother, was best man. The service was followed by a dinner for the families at the home of the bride's parents and a large re-ception was held on Christmas evening. This morning the bridegroom and bride will leave on an extended trip through the South

## MISS TINKLER ENGAGED

#### Popular Young Singer of Norristown to Wed

Mr. John Townsend Tinkler, of Norristawn announces the engagement of his daughter, Miss Florence Kathryn Tinkler, to J. New-

ton Hunsberger, Jr.
Miss Tinkler, who has a charming voice is extremely popular in the younger set. Mr. Hunsberger has been decorated with the Croix de Guerre as well as being cited on two occasions for bravery as a member of the University of Pennsylvania Ambulance Unit, Mr. Hunsberger, who is still in the service in Belgium, is a son of Doctor Huns-berger, 514 West Main street, Norristown.



SISS FLORENCE KATHRYN TINKLER
Daughter of Mr. John Townsend Tinkler, of Norristown, whose engagement to
Mr. J. Newton Hunsberger, Jr., also of
Norristown, is announced

TO DANCE IN CHARITY BALL



MISS MARY D. NORRIS Photo by Photo-Crafters. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Norris, of Falls of Schuylkill, who will take part in the pageant before the Charity Ball this evening

## BOLSHEVIK RULE WORSE THAN CZAR'S EVER WAS

So Declares Marechal des Logis Desoil, of Belgium, Who Spent Time in Russia

"Bolshevik rule in Russia is more autocratic than the Czar ever was, Ideal theoretically, as a means of government, in practice it makes use of murder indiscrim-inately to accomplish its ends."

Marechal des Logis Desoil, one of the first 00 Belgians to volunteer in the early days of the war, and since Belgian commissioner to Russia, who made the above statement, summed up his impressions of Bolshevik rule last night at the Bellevue-Stratford by terming it "Sold to Germany."

The mass of the people are friendly to the United States and desire this country to send over economic help. The feeling is turning even more strongly toward us in Russia, although the old bureaucracy is ardently pro-

"The leaders of the Bolshevik movement are without exception bad. I do not know of one who is to be trusted. But the great bulk of the supporters of the Bolshevik movement are good. They are not all robbers even those few are dishonest."

Marechal Desoil was one of the first of the Belgian troops to be assigned to Russian service, arriving at the headquarters of General Brussiloff in 1915. He fought in the Galician campaign and wen two war cros from the Russian Government. This folio a year of active service with the Belgian army, in the course of which he had been twice wounded, and had received the Belgian Croix de Guerre for gallantry in action.

While in Galicia, Marechal Desoil again wounded by a bullet that plerced the

envelope of his heart, penetrating his lung. He was confined to a hospital for eight During the course of his hospital treatment Marechal Desoil was attended by a Belgian

girl, Mile. Madeleine Werbrouck, who had been visiting in Poland prior to the war and had been unable to return home. Mile. Wer-brouck subsequently became the bride of the soldier. She accompanied him to this city Ordered to return to Belgium, Marechal

Desoil made his escape from Russia by way of Vladivostok, traveling a large part of the or vindivorton, traveling a large part of the time with the Czecho-Slovak soldiers, and was assigned to duty as the Belgian Govern-ment's representative with the Allied war trophies exposition that is now touring the Middle West. He will remain in the East for several weeks.

"An alliance between England, France "An alliance between England, France. Belgium and the United States is the next step," he said, in commenting on the future relationships of Belgium. "Neutrality is not a sufficiently good defensive for us. We also desire the commission for relief in Belgium to remain there until we have completed our

# DIES ON STATION PLATFORM

Columbia Professor Expires While Awaiting Train at Princeton Junction

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 26 .- William Addison Hervey, professor of German at Columbia University, died on the platform at Princeton Junction while waiting for a train last night. He had been spending the day visiting in Princeton and left town apparently in good health.

At the Junction he was seen to stagger was helped to a bench by a bystander He died before assistance could reach him. He was about sixty years old.

## HOWARD GOULD ILL

Brother Hurries From Paris to England to Be at Bedside

New Yerk, Dec. 26.—A report has reached here of the serious illness in England of Howard Gould, third son of the late Jay Howard Gould, third son of the late Jay Gould. The report was accompanied by a statement that Frank J. Gould, his brother, had hurriedly left Faris to be at his bedside. At the home of George J. Gould it was said that the last the family had heard of Howard Gould he was in his usual health.

Former Arkansas Governor Dead Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 26.—Dale W. Jones died at his home here yesterday. He was born in Bowie County, Texas, December 15, 1839. He served two terms as Governor and one as Attorney General of Arkansas. He was a colonel in the Confederate army.

City Has \$14,880,378 in Cash The weekly report of City Treasurer shows an income of \$270,864,97, an expenditure of \$1,283,862,42 and a total balance in the city treasury of \$14,880,375. The latter sum does not include the Sinking Fund

Deaths of a Day MRS. A. E. SINNOTT DIES

Widow of Colonel Joseph F. Sinnott Was Seventy-six Years Old

Mrs. Annie E. Sinnott, widow of Colonel Joseph F. Sinnott, died yesterday at her home. 1816 South Rittenhouse Square. Mrs. Sinnott, who had been ill since August, was seventy-six years old.

Before her marriage Mrs. Sinnott was Miss Annie E. Rogers, of an old Pennsylva-nia Quaker family. She was a member of the Colonial Dames, Daughters of the Amer-ican Revolution, Acorn Club and Merion Cricker Cub.

Her surviving children are Miss Mary E. Sinnoit, who lived at the family home in Rittenhouse Square; Clinton R. Sinnoit, an insurance broker, of 4623 Baring street; Mrs. J. Ryan Devereux, wife of Major Devereux, U. S. A. Medical Corps; John Sinnott, pres-tident of the Gibson Distilling Company, who lives at 2040 Locust street, and Clarence Sinnot, who is hurrying to the city from his ranch in Montana, having been summoned a few days ago when his mother's illness took

Serious turn.

Monsignor James P. Sinnott, rector of the Catholic Church of St. Charles Bor-romeo, Twentieth and Christian streets, is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Sinnott.

## The Rev. John H. Murphy

The Rev. John H. Murphy, a widely known young Catholic priest, son of John Murphy, of 2201 Spring Garden street, died on Christhas Eve at the home of his brother, the Re-Edward J. Murphy, rector of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Allentown, An-other brother is Dr. Eugene C. Murphy, chief turgeon of St. Agnes's Hospital, a low with the United States army base hospital in France.

Last August Archbishop Dougherty re-lieved Father Murphy of all cierical duties.

coping a rest would restore his health, bu Il efforts falled

Father Murphy was born in the Visita-tion Parish, June 1, 1886. He attended St. Ann's Parochial School, St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., and then went to Rome to complete his studies. After three years he was compelled to return on account of his health. In June, 1906, he was ordained to the priesthood at St. Mary's, Emmitsburg by Bishop Hoban for the Philadelphia Arch His appointments were to the Church of

Nativity, Media; Boys' Protectory, the Nativity, Media; Boys' Protectory, Church of the Presentation, Cheltenham; St., Mary's, Phoenixville; St. Patrick's, Norris-town, and Corpus Christi, this city. The body was brought to his father's home and the funeral will be held next Mon-day in St. Francis Xavier's Church, Twenty-fourth and Green streets.

## S. Harry Pitcher

S. Harry Pitcher, fifty-two years old, for many years secretary and treasurer of the Logan Iron and Steel Company, and widely known in musical circles, died on Monday after a brief illness of pneumonia at his home in Overbrook.

On retiring from his secretarial duties with the Logan company, Mr. Pitcher.

the Logan company, Mr. Pitcher entered the journalistic field. He was the son of the late Marvil Pitcher and Christine Lindsay Semple. His great-grandfather, Nathan Pitcher, was the tenth Colonial Governor of New York.
Mr. Pitcher was a member of the Musical
and Art Clubs. He is survived by a sister
and brother. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

## Penrose A. McClain

Penrose A. McClain, aged thirty-six, died yesterday at his home, 5150 Hazel avenue, after several months' illness. He is surgived by his wife, two children and a sister, Mrs. F. Joseph Laws, of Atlantic City.

He was a son of the late Penrose A. McClain, who was a member of Select Council for the First Ward, and United States collecter of internal revenue. The younger Mr. McClain, like his father, whom he succeeded in the grain business, was a member of the Commercial Exchange. He also belonged to the Red Men.

## Mrs. Louis Weglein

Mrs. Louis Wegiein died on Tuesday at 3018 Girard avenue, the home of her son, Richard Weglein, real estate assessor and Select Councilman of the Twenty-ninth Ward. Her other surviving children are Louis Weglein, Jr., who with Richard Weiglein comprises the firm of Weglein Brothers, manufacturing confectioners, \$16 North Thirtieth street, and Mrs. Caroline Scherr. Two other same who were members of the firm ther sons, who were members of the firm iled within a few years ..

Dr. Edward Humphreys

Dr. Edward Humphreys, aged sixty-one years, a widely known homeopathic physi-cian, of 1925 North Thirty-second street, cian, of 1925 North Thirty-second street, with offices at 152 North Fifteenth street, died yesterday. He was graduated from Hahnemann College in 1881.

He was a member of Concordia Lodge, No. 67, F. and A. M.; the Homeoparaic Medical Society of the Twenty-third Ward, and his Garmantown Medical Society.

## DR. J. WILBUR CHAPMAN. NOTED EVANGELIST, DEAD

### Was Pastor Here and Recently Moderator of Presbyterian General Assembly

The Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, former pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church, this ity, former moderator of the Presbyterlan General Assembly and one of the most noted evangelists in this country, died in a New York hospital Christman morning following in operation on Monday last.

The funeral services will take place next Sunday at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, of which Doctor Chapman was paster from 1900 to 1905. Interment will be in Woodlands. Doctor Chapman started his evangelistic areer in this city, in addition to his vangelistic campaigns in this country, be toured China, Japan, India and Australia, In ompany with Charles M. Alexander, the singing evangelist, preaching to immense audiences wherever he appeared Outside of the United States Doctor Chap-

nan probably met with the most enthusiastic eception in Australia.

Chapman and Alexander conducted a big vangelistic campaign in this city a dozen years ago, which was the most successful campaign of its kind in Philadelphia had known, prior to the "Billy" Sunday meetings.

#### Began Career Here

Doctor Chapman was known and esteemed by thousands of Philadelphians. He always referred to his pastorate at Bethany as one of the most agreeable experiences in his

In his last published book, "The Minister's Handicap," he said:
"Bethany Church in Philadelphia at that time was in some respects the most con-spicuous church in the world, not only be-cause of its large membership, but also beause of its great Sunday school, which was a monument of the work of the Hon. John Wanamaker, and many times in the Bethany Sunday school during my pastorate the attendance would be quite 5000 scholars on a Sunday. The church was also distinguished because of its former pastors, especially the Rev. Arthur T. Pierson, D. D., who was my immediate predecessor. It was a people's church, and its great buildings were throng-

ed at almost every service."

Born in Richmond, Ind., June 17, 1859, Doctor Chapman obtained his A. B. degree at Lake Forest University, Illinois, in 1879. His graduation from the Lane Theological Seminary followed three years later, and he took his D. D. degree at the University of Wooster in 1898. An Lie Le degree was conferred upon him at Heldelberg University, Ohio, in 1910. His first pastorate was the First Re-formed Church in Albany, from which he came to Bethany Church.

#### Coaches "Billy" Sunday

He was associated with "Billy" Sunday upon numerous occasions and knew him prob-ably better than any one except "Billy's" wife, he often said. In an interview concerning his friendship and stewardship for Sunhe said:

knew 'Billy' before he knew in and I gave him his first sermon, and it was a fatal thing to do, because I could never use it again. I tried to use it once and a man accused me of stealing 'Billy's etuff. I, perhaps, am more responsible than any one else for 'Billy' becoming a preacher and I consider it the greatest thing God ever permitted me to do. I know him better, probably, than any one else except his wife I know how honest, how sincere and how great he really is."

This personal interest seemed to be characteristic of Doctor Chapman, for he took

an exceedingly fond interest in many men and their personal affairs.

Doctor Chapman carried this personal touch into his syangelistic work. Many are

the stories of his personal selicitation winning ecruits for the Church. Beginning his pastorate at Bethany in 1890,

Beginning his pastorate at Bethany in 1820, he left after a few years to engage in evangelistic work, going on a tour which took him to many sections of the country. He returned to this city in 1826 to resume his pastorate at Bethany Church, continuing there until 1900, when he accepted a call to the Fourth Presbyterian Church, New York. Doctor Chapman resembled a successful business man, rather than a preacher, and he ness man, rather than a preacher, and he preached with an intense earnestness which commanded the respectful attention of men and women everywhere. Thousands joined the Church as a result of his preaching. He delivered addresses at meetings in cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and always at-tracted big audiences. He was elected Moderator of the 129th

General Assembly in May, 1917, this being the highest honor the Presbyterian Church can bestow upon one of its ministers.

As executive secretary of the General As-sembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work, and representative-at-large of the Commis-sion on Evangelism, Doctor Chapman gave great impetus to the evangelistic activities of the Presbyterian Church. At one time, ht organized missionary parties for Australia and other countries.

## Alded Nation in War

Doctor Chapman was enthusiastic for winning the war. His son, Captain J. Wilbur Chapman, Jr., after three unsuccessful attempts to enlist finally passed his physical examination and was assigned to field remount squadron No. 336. He is still in the Bervice. Doctor Chapman traveled about the country, arousing enthusiasm for the war. The evangelist is survived by his widow

## Thirty-Ninth Annual-

## CHARITY BALL Thursday, December 26, 9 P. M.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC OPENING FEATURE

BRILLIANT PAGEANT OF VICTORY THE EVES OF AMERICAN YOUTH"

A brilliant and spectacular picture of happy American youth, the interruption of War and the grand finale of victorious peace beautifully pertravel by three hondred dancers featuring large war colled organizations and representatives of the four beneficiaries.

The beneficiaries are the University of Pennsylvania, Men's Surgical Wards; the Children's Hospital of Philadolphia, and the Feonsylvania Society to Protect Children from Crueity.

Doors open at 8,00, concert 8,00 until 9, Opening feature at 0,00. General dancing about 19,00. Light refreshments at 11,00.

Tickets, including dancing and refreshments, are \$5,00 for each person, and are on sale at the Lombard 124), Heppe's and Ryan's.

Spectators' tickets, 50 cents each for the Amphiheatre, as well as regular \$5,00 tickets, will be on sale at the Academy on Thursday evoning. Witherspoon Hall This Aft, at 3

# John Charles Thomas

Tickets, 75c to \$2.00. Seats on Sale at Heppe's, and Beginning 10 A. M., Box Office, Witherspoon Hall

ACADEMY-Seats at Heppe's, 1110 Chestnut. Dancing CORTISSOZ

BAKER BLDG.
1520 Cheatnut St.

Private lessons dally, 9:30 A. M. to 11 P. M. ORPHEUM MATINEE TODAY, 16c, 25c. A 50c. Mae Desmond "LILAC TIME" CASINO BEN WELCH

Dumont's MINSTRELS, Arch St. and 9th. Merchants' Shipyard Jail of SCHWAB'S MILLION-DOLLAR UMBRELLA Mailton Today. 19-20-25c. Christmas Tree GAYETY MAX FIELDS, WILL THE TEMPTERS Trocadero Mat. THE PROLICE OF THE SHIP



DR. J. WILBUR CHAPMAN Former pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church, this city, and noted evangelist, died in a New York hospital Christmas morning, following an operation on Monday last

and daughter Mrs. Fred E. Linder, of New York. Doctor Chapman was married thi-times. His first wife, Irene E. Siedden, and nis second, Agnes P. Strain, are both dead. His third wife, Mabel Cornella Moulton, sur-

Though a robust man, Doctor Chapman suffered many linesses. This was his third operation, two others having been performed for the elimination of gall stones. His life was almost forfeited in 1993 when by mis ake he was poisoned with bromide administer ed instead of a tonic. The bottles became

In recent months Doctor Chapman devoted simself entirely to the New Era movement of he Presbyterian Church, of which he was vice chairman and active executive, in charge of the staff in New York. He expected to conduct personally a series of evangelistic campaigns in many of the large cities of the country next year.

This movement is a re-enlistment of all the members of the Presbyterian Church into a full co-ordination of all the forces of the church behind its work and is especially designed to meet all the reconstruction problems arising out of the war. It plans to spend \$500,000 on stricken churches in the war zone and another \$500,000 on Presbyterian soldiers and saliors returning from the war. It has prepared a budget for the coming year of \$13,000,000 for the entire Presbyterian pro-

### CHARITY BALL TONIGHT

Two Pageants Will Feature Annual Affair at Academy of Music

The thirty-ninth annual Charity Ball will take place tonight at the Academy of Music. The ball will open at 9 o'clock with a spectacular pageant, entitled "The Eyes of American Youth," in which more than 200 young women, prominent in the social world, will take part,

Following the finale will be a patriotic demonstration of peace, in which the various war relief organizations of the city will be represented,

represented.

Every box has been taken and many parties are being planned proceding the ball. The beneficiaries selected this year are the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, men's surgical ward; the Jefferson College Hospital, medical wards; the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and the Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children from Crucity.

## Relatives Benefited by Wills

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Relatives were the only beneficiaries in
four wills probated today as follows: Mary
S. Bent, 6040 Drexel road, Overbrook, \$260,
400; Blanche D. Kennedy, 2202 Walnut
street, \$95,000; Charles R. McEwan, 2117
South Fifteenth street, \$15,200 and James
McCluskey, 634 North Sixtyfeurth street,
\$8500.



NORMA TALMADGE

"The Forbidden City" hristmas Cantata—Stanley Orchestra Week—Ceell B. De Mille's Version of "THE SQUAW MAN"

PALACE 10 A. M. to 11:15 P. M. MADGE KENNEDY

## R C A D I DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS

in Picturization of "ARIZONA" Added Attraction First Showing J. Montgomery Flagg (himself) in satire "Perfectly Flondish Flanigan". Nt. WE -WM. S. HART, Branching Broadway VICTORIA MARKET ABOVE DTH

LOUIS BENNISON in "OH,
Added Attraction Return Engagement of
CHARLIE CHAPLIN in "SHOULDER
NI. WR.—GEO WALBH IN "I'LL SAY SO"
RECENT MARKET ST. Below 17TH
DOROTHY DALTON
NEXT Week.—HOUDINI in "The Great Mystery"

MARKET STREET
AT JUNIPER
CONTINUOUS
VALUE MR. INCUSTIVE," with Earl Cavanaugh "HERE THEY COME," with JOE LANIGAN New Year's Eve Extra Midnight Performance

Reserved Seats in Advance CROSS KEYS MARKET ST. Below 60TH Daily—Twice Nightly COLINI'S DANCERS BROADWAY BROAD & SNYDER AVE.

TOMMY ALLEN & CO. "ONE WOMAN" By THOS DIXON B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

BESSIE CLAYTON PRESENTS HERSELF AND THE Elsie—CANSINOS—Eduardo With Tom Dingle, John Guiran and Frank Hurst in a "1019 Dance Review" Harry Watson, Jr., Mile. Nitz-Jo AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY BILL!

METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE

The Zeebrugge Affair How the German U-Boats Were Bottled Up Will Be Explained in An ILLUSTRATED LECTURE BY Capt. Alfred Carpenter, V. C. RENEFIT OF BRITISH WAR RELIEF Sat. Evg., Dec. 28, at 8:15 & His Big Show Tickets 1108 Chestnut St. and Ryan's, 50c \$2.50. Boxes, \$50 & \$25. (No War Tax.) WALNUT 6th and Walnut MAT. TODAY "The Garden of Allah"

THE SAME STUPENDOUS PRODUCTION As originally played at Portret Tealing REGULAS MATURES SATURDAY, E.15 SEATS FOR NEW YEARS WHEE NOW

## "POLLY WITH A PAST" A DELIGHTFUL COMEDY

Ina Claire Scores Triumph at the Garrick in Belasco

"Polly With a Past" is a meritorious play and deserved the appreciation which critical audience bestowed upon this latest David Belasco production yesterday afternoon at the lick Theatre. Many plays have been fashloned around the vampire and her part in the lives of the people with whom she comes in contact, but here is a new idea, inasmuch as this girl's past is a fictitious one, George Middleton and Guy Bolton are the authors, and their work teems with fresh, sparkling dialogue. Some of the cleverly turned phrases recall the delightful writings of the latter as heard in "Oh, Boy," "Oh, Lady! Lady!" "Leave It To Jane" and other Diecen.

The comedy deals - ith two distinct ideas, one of which is to make light of the philanthropic work of a society girl, and the other to break off an engagement between this girl and her childhood friend. The plan to have a minister's daughter play the part of a vampire of the worst sort is concected. by this girl when she is employed as a maid in the apartment of the friends of the young man. With the assistance of the two friends, she agrees to be the vampire, but she must have a past, and that is attended to by the self-appointed press agents. She succeeds beyond expectations and in doing so causes complications which will some day find their way into a musical comedy because of their capable handling. How the lady with the past is brought into the home of the bethrothed is best left untold for the enjoy-

From "The Quaker Girl" and "The Follies" to the dramatic stage is the history of the star. Ina Claire, and she will be assured of a following here because her playing is an artistic delight. It was when she sang "Marie-Odlite" in "The Follies" that her work as a dramatic actress was first noticed. Here ransition from a maid to a famous French vampire is a startling bit of dramatic artistry. Miss Claire has no affectations and is a sweet, natural actress, who brings realism to the stage with her initial stellar role. Cyril Scott, remembered for his work in past seasons, is a capital comedian and press agent, and George Stuart Christie is a capable friend. There is a wholesome mother character in the person of Adah Barton, while Louise Galloway is unusually good as the mother of the girl who is jiited. H. Reeves-Smith is the uncle and Herbert Yost is the man in the case. Other characters were presented by Betty Linley, Seez Sebring. Thomas Reynolds, Francis Verdl and Lloyd Neal.

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