**HOLD-UP GANGS** 

**DISPLAY NO FEAR** 

Men No Deterrent to

Highwaymen

Masked Robbers Attack Phil-

adelphians Near Reading.

Thefts Continue Here

Despite the presence of plain-clothes

men and detectives in every section of

the city, robberies and hold-ups continue.

The outlawry has extended to nearby

points, two Philadelphians having been

held up in spectacular style by masked

Held Up By Five Men

impatience is developing in England MIDVALE AWARD employed by a newspaper that is supporting President Wilson and recently arrived in Paris from London, says it is unlikely that President Wilson today would receive any applause riding through the streets of

The Tory press, assisted by Bottomley's John Bull, a paper widely circulated among the unthinking masses, has conducted a bitter cam- BENEFITS FEW. HE SAYS paign against President Wilson. similar in intent to the campaign of innuendo in the French conservative

No doubt, public opinion in England, as revealed in the recent electoral campaigns, is decidedly for a harsh peace against Germany. On this issue, the conservatives of the Machinista' International Associa-France and England have their pub- tion, said this afternoon he would aplics with them.

#### Real Issue Burst Forth

The response of the French nation day from Chicago, to the Chauvinistic propaganda is unmistakable. President Wilson, moreover, leaves here at a difficult time, with the real issues of peace, hitherto kept in the background, suddenly bursting forth and obscuring the more academic questions, hitherto discussed.

Further, the position of England on the details of peace with Gerterests, apparently, however, are the same as those of France, in that both seem determined to tie the hands of Germany so as to prevent formidable German competition growing up in Europe. And there is little doubt that the great, unthinking masses in England do want a punitive peace.

The great strength of the United States in this issue lies in the power of America possesses in the credit that both England and France must have, us. and in America's future greatness in the world, which makes England, especially, desirous of American friendship and co-operation.

and complicated, but, for reasons often indicated, President Wilson remains, despite these recent partly successful efforts against him, the greatest and most powerful single factor in the Conference. He cannot impose his will limitlessly, of course, but he can obtain muchthough he certainly will have to pay for what he gets.

## WEEKS WOULD CANCEL COMPTROLLER OFFICE

Senator, Opposing Williams, Wants Powers Turned Over to Reserve Board

that the Comptroller was attempting to intimidate bankers to prevent their ap-

Celebration of Lincoln's Birthday A celebration of Lincoln's Birthday was held in the chapel of Girard College this morning, the feature of the exercises being the presentation of alumni prizes to students. Dr. Cheesman A.

prizes to students. Dr. Checsman A. Herrick, president of the college, and Justice J. Henry Williams, of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, made addresses. Music was furnished by the Girard College Band.

Charles N. Christman, class of 1993, presented the prizes. The winners were:
C. S. Lazarus, for highest schelarship, a gold watch; E. P. Geuther and H. V. Hurbrink, money prizes, for original declamations; J. H. Horley and F. M. Shick, money prizes; J. W. Keiley and H. Schad, watchfobs, for descriptive essays; J. L. Russell, F. M. Murphy and J. Cohen, war savings stamps, for essays on thrift; G. Berneisthel and V. Wilkes, money prizes, for improvement in penmanship; H. Knorr, gold medal, for proficiency in athletics, and L. Cline, a bronze medal, for proficiency in French studies.

Captain Louis P. Hoyer, commandant of the cadets, presented prizes to the fallowing students; W. F. Steiner, and

Captain Louis P. Hoyer, commandant of the cadeta, presented prizes to the following students; W. E. Steinert, a saber, and J. H. Horley, a silver medal, for winners of the competitive drill for company captains; R. Peensy and T. James, medals, for proficiency in inovidual drill. Each member of Company C was presented with a photograph of the company.

# FRENCH FAVOR STRONG POLAND

Clemenceau, Receiving Delegation, Adds All the Allies Do Paris, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—Prenter Clemenceau yesterday received the
islegation from the University of Craow, which conferred an honorary derese on President Wilson last Saturday,
has delegation, headed by Professor
iichael Siediecki, presented to Clemenacu a diploma carrying with it the dese of honor doctor. In accepting the
has remain Clemenceau said:

Teland has suffered much in this
had thust first be rehabilitated. It

# DISPLEASES MEN

Machinists' Leader Will Appeal From War Labor **Board Decision** 

Minimum Wage Given Only One Shop, Which Reduces Force, He Asserts

William Kelton, Philadelphia head of peal from the war labor board's decision in the case of the Midvale Steel Company's Nicetown plant, as reported to

The decision was announced by former President Taft, chairman of the board, and followed extended hearings of repployers. It provides equal pay for men I women doing the same kind of rk, a basic eight-hour day, the right collective bargaining, minimum rly wages and retroactive pay where employes have received he scale established by the award

Mr. Kelton's objection to the award lies in the fact that the minimum wage many is not clear. England's in- He said he considered this unfair and "The men presented their case last October," said Mr. Ke'ton. "The board heard witnesses on both sides and me

> William H. Johnston, international esident of the Machinists' International Association, represented me at Chicago yesterday when the decision was handed down. I have not yet reselved a copy of the official award.

anics and employers were represented Gas Fumes Imperil Aged In-

valid and Drive Four Fam-

ilies From Homes

street, were driven from their homes by

Another neighbor turned in an alarm

bed the meter, according to O'Shaughnessy. The property is owned by Thomas Wilson.

JEWS TO RAISE \$150,000 HERE

Mass-Meeting and House-to-House

Canvass Arranged

"Dry" Measure Shelves It

#### Rejected Award

"Basing my judgment upon the repor it telegraphed to the Philadelphia newspapers from Chicago, however, I wish to say that it is unsatisfactory to

The award made was the identical award which I rejected last week in Washington when the case was up before the board. The men will refuse even to listen unless the award includes

ten witnesses, who testified to conditions in every shop.

"If this award, as reported, is the final decision we will make an appeal, as we have done in other cases. The fining wage award leaves out finally 50 per cent of the men. There are three by. The aged woman, who was parfolinimum wage award leaves out finally 50 per cent of the men. There are three shifts running in Shop No. 7, and they total only 750 men at present. At its busiest period during the war Shop No. 7 had only 1500 men in three shifts, although the plant officials stated there were 10,000 employes in the works.

"Moreover, men are being transferred to the home of a neighbor. The aged woman, who was partially unconacious from smoke, was retaily unconacious from Moreover, men are being transferred from Shop No. 7 to Shop No. 2. In street, were driven from their homes by thirty days, at the recent rate, there will be no one working in Shop No. 7.

Another neighbors.

Better no Award

"No award at all would be better than such an award as this."

The award declared that eight hours shall constitute a day's work, with time and one-half pay for overtime work and double pay for Sunday and holiday and double pay for Sunday and holiday bed the meter, according to O'Shaugh. and double pay for Sunday and holiday work, the scale to remain in effect un-til April 1 and not to affect piecework. Minimum pay was fixed at eighty ents an hour for first-class machinists and toolmakers, fifty-five cents for helpers and sixty-five cents for specialists.

The award also ordered that women Washington, Feb. 12 .- Senator Weeks, receive the same pay as men for the

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Members of the official party of the League to Enforce Peace are on their way to Minneapolis, Minn, today. There a congress is to be held like that which closed here last

intimidate bankers to prevent their appearing before the committee.

In opening his testimony, Mr. Cooper corrected a statement made by him yesterday, that attorneys representing Mr. Williams had endeavored to induce him not to testify. The correction showed that Mr. Williams had summoned several attorneys who were friends of Mr. Wade and asked them to intercede.

STUDENTS GET PRIZES

Presentation at Girard College
Presentation at Girard College
College of Lincoln's Birthday

Minn., today.

Be today.

Hefore departure of the party expressed regret at the debate which arose yestered and your amendment of a resolution pledging America to "Finish the work she had begun by building a structure that would banksh the scourge of war." The amendment, adopted after a sharp produced denomination was made to the amendment on the ground that it introduced denominationalism into a league of whose purpose was humanitarian, but the amendment, was adopted, 166 for to 128 against. the had begun by building a structure hat would banish the scourge of war."

The amendment, adopted after a sharp lebate, incorporated the phrase: "With evotion to her historical Christian deals." Exception was made to the mendment on the ground that it incorporates the produced denominationalism into a league those purpose was humanitarian, but he amendment was adopted, 156 for to 38 against.

The action was ill-advised." Mr. aft said. "Both sides. I think, were aboring under a misconception, but if had been in the room at the time I hould have iried to stop it."

"Dry" Measure Shelves It Hartford, Feb. 12.—Ratification of the Federal prohibition amendment by the Connecticut Legislature has been definitely refused, the first State to reject the measure. The House yesterday voted for ratification and refused to recoisider this action, and as the Senate is tweek refused to ratify and refused to recoisider its vote, the Senate joint resolution, used as the medium upon which a vote was obtained, falls between the two branches.

There is little likelihood, however, of anything further being done with the resolution this session.

Florida oranges.

sweet potatoes.

Product, Grade, etc.

VEGILTABLES.

Beans-Fiorida
Heets-Barrel
Brussels Sprouts
Carrots-New Jersey, & basket
New Jersey, barrel
Cabbary-New York, old
Florida new
Cauliflower-California and Florida
Celery-Florida
Pennsylvania
Lettuce-Florida
California, Joshare

Celery-Piorida

Lattuce-Piorida

California, Iceberg

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California

and apples.

Market Guide for Housewives

Prepared by the City Marketing Agent of the Bureau of Markets,

United States Department of Agriculture

ABUNDANT-Potatoes, onions, cabbage, carrots, turnips, lemons and

NORMAL-Parsnips, grapefruit, California oranges, bananas, beets and

SCARCE-Tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, spinach, beans, strawberries, celery

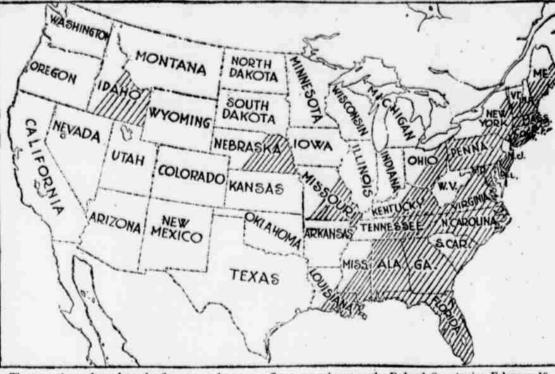
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7.00-8.50 bbl. (38-42 % pk.)
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24-40 lb.
24-15a lpk.
9-14a lpk.
9-14a lpk.
12-19a lpk.
12-19a lpk.
20-30a lpk.
8-60 lpk.
8-60 lpk.
1-12a lpk.

Cost to Retaller

#### HOW SENATE VOTED ON SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT



The map above shows how the Senate voted on the suffrage amendment to the Federal Constitution February 10. States entirely white indicate that both Senators voted in favor of the amendment. Where one Senator "Yes" and the other "No," one-half of the State is marked with a line tint, the other half left white

#### EXPLOSION AND FIRE COUNCILS' FIGHT AGAINST CHARTER REVISION COSTLY BLAMED ON THIEVES

City Fathers Opposed to Smaller Legislative Body and Are Spending Many Hundreds of Dollars Every Week to Defeat Bill Before State Lawmakers

Few advocates of charter revision lof no small size, even for a councilmanic sirect today and an aged invalid was against the movement, resqued, when fire, believed to have been Hundreds of dollars are being spent caused by meter thieves, damaged the home of Joseph O'Shaughnessy, 3135 Weikel street, to the extent of about

specially, desirous of American fore the board. The men will refuse even to listen unless the award includes all the employes of the plant.

Wilson Still Big Influence

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time at Harrisburg, at the city's expense, in an effort to protect Councils
from any adverse legislation and to further such revenue bills as have the
approval of the committee.

The construction of the committee of the com

know the extent to which the city gov-ernment, through Councils, is working pected to bring forth greater bills when the activities of the Legislative Com-

aused by meter thieves, damaged the weekly out of the City Treasury for cab larged.

Meikel street, to the extent of about 1200.

O'Shaughnessy was awakened shortly

O'Shaughnessy was awakened shortly after three o'clock by an explosion of the gas mater. The gas ignited and the flames spread quickly over the entire front of the house.

Without waiting to dress, he called his wife and six-year-old as Michael.

to oppose all that has to do with improving the present system of municipal government.

Pending the opening of permanent headquarters, Arthur R. H. Morrow, clerk of Councils Finance Committee, might lean toward a single Council. clerk of Councils Finance Committee, might lean toward a single Council-and other lobbyists are spending much manic body or one composed of fewer

The first four days spent by Mor- part and have in no way indorsed the row at Harrisburg cost the city nearly campaign against charter revision or \$200. At this rate his activities during for a series of revenue bills such as the session will form an expense account those proposed.

# PLAN 100 MILLIONS TO BENEFIT WORLD

City to Arrange Vast Betterment Campaign

barrage of self-help for the world

and benevolent business for the next twelve to thirteen millions for the next twelve months, to be followed by similar increases during the ensuing four years that will make a round hundred millions that will make a round hundred millions of the Corps bound for Camp Upton and the company of the Second Army would aggregate thirty millions for the same period.

The executive commission probably

will dispatch a message of encourage-ment to President Woodrow Wilson, rul-ing elder of Princeton, N. J., in Paris.

## FRANCE IS "BLED WHITE"

Population Decreased 750,000,
Not Counting Deaths Due to War
Paris, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—France's
civilian population in four years has decreased by considerably more than three
quarters of a million without including
the deaths in occupied northern France,
nor the losses due directly to the war.

Official statistics show that in 1913
the births outnumbered the deaths by
17,000. But this slight excess disappeared in the following year, since which
time the deaths have outnumbered the
births—in 1914 by more than 50,000 and
in 1915, 1916 and 1817 by nearly 300,000
in each year. The total excess of deaths
over births for these four years is given
as \$85.150.

Births, which numbered approximately
600,000 in 1813. as \$83.150.

Births, which numbered approximately 690.909 in 1918, dropped to 315,000 in 1916 and 343,000 in 1917, while the deaths increased, but not in comparable proportions; so that the total decrease in population was due to the great diminution in births, and not to any great increase in deaths.

The statistics cover seventy-seven departments, excuding eleven invaded departments and not including 1,400,000 persons killed in the war.

## ORR TO BE BURGESS

Will Be Recommended by Lansdale Council-Weachter Not a Candidate Council—Weachter Not a Candidate
Lassdate, Pa., Feb. 12.—David Orr,
secretary of the Lansdale Foundry Comnany, has been indersed for burgess
here, succeeding the late A. R. Place,
who died a few weeks ago. He will be
recommended by Borough Council to the
court for appointment.

Hiram B. Weather, formerly burgess,
was mentioned in connection with the
office, but he sent word to the Council
ha was held a candidate. A petition
sent to Council urgins Orra inderment was handed by the signature
L. Warrange and th

# 2084 TROOPS ARRIVE, THOUSANDS ON WAY

Presbyterians Meet in Atlantic Transport Stockholm at New York-Pershing Announces Other Sailings

Washington, Feb. 12.—Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, spoke today before the same seri of work, and that no woman sidering the renomination of John Skelton Williams as Conptroller of the three months work. The board also declared that it shalt be optional with the workers whether the postent that the spoke serve Board.

The powers exercised by the Comptroller and vesting its powers in the Federal Reserve Board.

The powers exercised by the Comptroller, the Senator contended, where to great and too important to be vested in one man, and conflicted with the authority of the reserve board. Even were the office not so important, he was attempting to authority of the reserve board. Even were the office not so important, but was officed with the same part as measor of the same serve board.

TAT DEPLORES SECTS "SPAT"

Debate on "Christian" in League Wade Cooper, Washington banker, and same serve the office not so important, but was executive hearing of the committee, which is some sale in the present succession of the committee, the controlled was attempting to the three months works and hour after three months work and hour after three months work and hour after three months work and hour after three months and hour after three months and hour after three months work and hour after three months and hour a subject of rejoicing when leaders of 568th Infantry Regiment, Ninety-third accused of attempted highway robbery, the Presbyterian Church in the United Division; the 954th Company Transporting Magistrate Imber. The hold-up occurred shortly before Kirk was held up

General Pershing advised the War De-Conference."

Plans for the great offensive include the immediate increasing of missionary and benevolent budgets from six millions to thirteen millions for the next twelve to thirteen millions for the next twelve pennsylvania, Illinois and the regular

> headquarters troop of the Second Army Corps to be sent to Camps Upton, Dodge, Dix, Grant, Sevier and Sherman. On this ship also is an advance detachmen this ship also is an advance detachment of nineteen officers of the Twenty-seventh, New York National Guard Division, who are going to Camp Upton, where the division will be sent on its arrival, and a detachment of the 412th Telegraph Battalion for Camp Travia.
>
> Units aboard the Montana are the third aboard the Montana are the 148th Machine Gun Battalion comflete.

which for New York was announced re-cently, has been diverted to Newport News, and is due about February 18.

22d Ward Republicans to Banquet 22d Ward Republicans to Banquet
The annual banquet of the Twentysecond Ward Republican Club will be
held tonight in Masonic Hall \$425 Gerpresident of the club, will be the toastmaster. Among the guests who are expected to be present are Governor
Sproul. Congressman George P. Darrow
and Congressman Martin Madden, of
Illinois, the guest of Colonel Millard
Brown, of Germantown, who commanded
the 195th Infantry at the battle of
Chateau-Thierry.

Peasants Defeat Bolsheviki

Peasants Defeat Bolsheviki
Vienna, Feb. 10 (delayed).—(By A.
P.)—Advices received here from Kiev
say the forces of Petlura, leader of
the Ukraine peasant army, have been in
poasession of that city for five days,
having defeated the local Bolshevists.
Petlura, the advices say, is preparing
to mip the Franch at Odessa fight Mose
own Dolshavist bands, which are

of the car. After they were convinced they had taken all the valuables the leader made his victims turn their car in the direction of Reading, with a warning to "beat it to Reading and don't attempt to stop or we will shoot."

The masked men then jumped into their car and dashed off in the direction Highwaymen Suspects Committed

Two hold-ups within a few squares

ing the hold-up men were desperate, the valuables were surrendered. The high-

waymen then made a thorough search

of each other were reported to the police today, as a result of which a negro and a white man were committed to jail without bail by Magistrate Imber. August Kirk, of 130 Bainbridge street, was held up by three negroes at Second and Chestnut streets. One of the highwaymen seized his arms, while the others went through his pockets and obtained \$60 in cash and a \$100 check.

Kirk struggled with his assailants and his crites attracted District. his cries attracted District Detectives McGoldrick and Miller, of the Third and McGoldrick and Miller, of the Initu and De Lancey streets station. A chase followed, which resulted in the capture of James Epps, a negro, thirty-five years Fortieth street, near Girard avenue.

David Niden, a grocer, of Viola street, above Pitty-first, Joseph Rosenberg, a produce dealer, of Fortieth street, near Girard avenue. A man who gave his name as James Third street, at Third and South streets and ordered him to throw up his hands to strike him. A struggle followed, and Merden held his assailant until the ar-rival of Detectives McGoldrick and Mil-

Second and Walnut streets. Held for \$2000 Cloth Theft

ler. He was held without bail for court,

Two alleged cloth thieves, accused of stealing olive-drab cloth valued at \$2000 and consigned to the Quartermaster's Department, United States marine corps, Broad street and Washington avenue, were held under \$1500 ball each by Magistrate Mecleary, in Central Station

The men held gave their names as Conference."

The men neld gave their names as way, taking advantage of the new spirit of world righteousness which America is reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the reading into the records of the Peace medical detachment and read reading into the records of the reading into the records of the reading into the records of the reading into the reading into the reading i They told the police that they were teamsters and that a man had stopped them at Fourth and South streets and asked them to deliver a case containing eleven rolls of cloth to Twenty-third street and Ridge avenue, but gave no

specific address.

According to the detectives, the freight car from which the goods were taken had been broken open less than four hours after it reached the Washington avenue yards.

ment, which was unlocked at the time. Among the jewels stolen was a gold opera chain which had been in the fam-ily for more than 100 years.

#### CEDARS TO AID THEIR HEROES Supreme Forest Meets Today to Plan Providing Jobs

Plans to aid members of the organi-Plans to sid members of the organigation who have been discharged from
the United States service to obtain positions will be discussed today at the
seventeenth annual meeting of the Supreme Forest of the Tail Cedars of Lebanon, Grand Fraternity Building, 1626
Arch street.

The organization, a branch of the
Masonic order, has 30,000 members in
Pennsylvania.

Last night Philadelphia Forest No. 10
held a special ceremonial at Moose Hail,
1514 North Broad sireet. The work
was exemplified in full form by Lancaster Forest No. 27.

DECREE FOR EVA PUCK

Separation From Asron Kessler Is Granted Actress

Minecia. I. L. Feb. 12—A judgment of separation on grounds of cruelty and failure to provide has been awarded to Eva. Kessler, known on the stage as Eva Puck, in her suit against Aaron Kessler, a booking agent of New York. The chae was tried before Justice Townsend Scudder, of the Supreme Court, in Brooklyn last December.

Lessler was ordared to pay \$12 a good for the majoreaction of the pay \$15 a good for the majoreaction of the supreme Court.

#### Frankford Arsenal to Be Army's Small Arms Center

Frankford Arsenal will be en arged and made headquarters for the manufacture of small arms am-Presence of Plain Clothes munition for the United States

Frankford Business Men's Association in a letter received yesterday from Captain S. E. Blunt, of the AUTO BANDITS ROB TWO ordnance department, Washington

> The arsenal, Captain Blunt in timated, will also be headquarters for manufacturing optical instru ments for the army, and will become the central laboratory for the ordnance department's chemical research work.

Captain Blunt's letter was in reply to a protest from the association against removal of the artillery ammunition plant from Frank-

#### bandits near Temple, Pa., while two hold-ups, within a few squares of each other, occurred here early today. Held up in true western style by five masked highwaymen, E. H. Morningstar. EAST LANSDOWNE PROTESTS TAXES of 5515 Spruce street, and A. Q. Velt. Fifty-ninth street and Cedar avenue, traveling salesmen of this city, were relieved of all their valuables early to-ON REAL ESTATE

ump of From 100 to 160 Per day when their automobile was stopped when Morningstar tried to pull a re-voiver from the seat of the car one of the bandits shot at him, the builet crashing through the windshield and sending a shower of glags over the two Cent on Realty to Be Reappraised

Error on the part of H. E. Patton borough assessor of East Lansdowne. has resulted in a new assessment Ninety dollars, besides two rings, a of property in that community varying gold watch and chain, gold knife and from 100 to 160 per cent higher than it of property in that community varying from 100 to 160 per cent higher than it has ever been assessed before, according to realty owners of the borough. They have called the matter to the attention of the Commissioners of Delaware County, who have agreed to have the community reappraised.

J. Willard Hoopes, one of the property owners active in seeking the adjustment of such improvements is past, of property in that community varying other valuables were turned over to the hold-up men, who, after ordering their has ever been assessed before, according victims to turn around and proceed to to realty owners of the borough. They Reading, dashed away in an automo- have called the matter to the attention

Morningstar and Veit left the Berk-shire Hotel, Reading, about 11 o'clock last night for Allentown. When about two miles from Temple, they saw what appeared to be the form of a man lying in the middle of the road. Morningstar owners active in seeking the adjustment of the original error, explained the situ-ation as follows:

in the middle of the road. Morningstar was at the wheel and stopped the car.

Before the occupants could alight five men, all masked and carrying revolvers, jumped in front of the car with a demand to "throw up your hands." The five crowded around the machine, while five crowded around the machine, while the supposed leader, who appeared to be older than the others, stood with the revolver pointing at Morningstar and Velt.

Mr. Morningstar had a revolver under the machine to reach who have taken the matter up with sales should be particularly interesting to reach.

"The most important work at present is the school campaigns, but this is not the only phase of stamp selling. The next Liberty Loan will be the final one, but I hope all the workers will get into the savings stamp movement. Business men will be interested to hear of the impending issuance of \$100 and \$1000 stamps in the near of \$100 and \$1000 stamps in the near future."

Mr. Morningstar had a revolver under ever been appraised before.

"We have taken the matter up with sales should be particularly interesting to properties and the stamp should be particularly interesting to properties and the stamp should be particularly interesting to properties and the stamp should be particularly interesting should be particularly interesting the sales and the sales are should be sales and the sales and the sales and the sales are sales are sales and the sal

ment of the erroneous assessments.

is probable that the adjustment effected a fertile field for the spreading of radithen will assess property in the borough cal propaganda.

"Sell them stamps and insure their the several stamps and they in the several stamps and they

#### "MONKEY" BASKETS COSTLY

Grocers and Produce Dealers Fined for Weight Law Violations them to keep up the sales.

Seven West Philadelphia grocers and E. McLain Waters, director Seven West Philadelphia grocers and produce dealers were fined by Magistrate Harris for the use of unmarked baskets. A huckster was fined \$25 and costs for short-weighing potatoes and \$5 and costs for peddling without a license.

The arrests are the result of a campaign instituted some time ago by the bureau of weights and measures against the use of unmarked and odd-sized baskets commonly known as "monkey" baskets, and produce venders who have been short-weighing the public. short-weighing the public.
Dealers fined \$10 and costs on the charge of using unmarked baskets were

Louis Putter, a grocer, of Thirty-eighth street and Lancaster avenue.

d downe avenue, above Fifty-fifth street.

Frank Haley, a huckster, of Hancock street, above Norris, was fined \$25 and costs by Magistrate Costello on the charge of short-weighing potatoes, and \$5 and costs on the charge of not having a huckster's license.

## AMERICAN FLIERS REWARDED

Philadelphian Among 20 Honored for Distinguished Service Washington, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—
As a reward for distinguished service
in action overseas, the War Department
announced today that advanced flying
ratings had been recommended for twenty American army aviators, six of
whom are dead. Heading the list are
the aces:

#### 16 GUILTY OF MAIL FRAUD McAlester, Okla., Real Estate Ex-

change Officers Convicted
Cincinnati, O., Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—
Roy Van Trees, president of the McAlester, Okia. Real Estate Exchange,
and fifteen associates, charged with conspiracy to defraud by the use of the
mails and saie of Indian lands, were
found guilty by a jury in the United
States District Court here today. The
jury deliberated seven hours.
The defendants gave notice they would
move for a new trial.
The prosecution of these men began
early last February, when they were arrested by postoffice inspectors. The
prosecution centered largely on the distribution, among the exchange's customers, of a tract of 41,600 acres of land
known as the Buschow lands in southeastern Gkilahoma. The government
charged that the company perpetrated
a fraud on its customers when it took
5135 as a fee for locating and purchasing land, agreeing to act as attorney
and agent, and then sold land it had
bought privately at a profit. Timber
right frauds also were alleged. change Officers Convicted

# NAVAL WAR IS TEUTON IDEA

Ask Allies for Warships to Aid Own Against Bolsheviki London, Feb. 12.—Representatives the German Government have ask permission from the armistics comin sion at Sps to be allowed to use we

# CALLS THRIFT FOE OF BOLSHEVISTS

War Savings Stamp Conference Speaker Urges Sale Propaganda

AID NATION'S POWER

Maintenance of Balance Held Best Insurance Against Adverse Trade

The important part war saving stamps will take in guarding the United States against the growth of Bolshevik tendencies and financing national improvements was explained today at the war savings stamp conference at the Bellevue-Stratford. Representatives of sixty counties in

Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware heard Lewis B. Franklin, national director of the war loan organization, and Cassamir Sienkalswick, associate director, explain the future of the war and thrift stamp movement. Mr. Franklin told how the \$6,000,000,-

000 debt of this country in Europe at the outbreak of the war has changed to a credit of \$8,000,000,000. This balance of financial power, he explained, can only be maintained if a national

such improvements is past, Urges All to Enter Campaign

"We have taken the matter up with sales should be particularly interesting the County Commissioners, who have set to Pennsylvanians because 20 per cent February 18 as the date for an adjust- of the immigrants coming to the United ment of the erroneous assessments. It States settle in this State and they are is probable that the adjustment effected a fertile field for the spreading of radi-

interest in the government and they become good citizens," he said. The meeting was opened by Robert Kelso Cassatt, former director of this He thanked the worker their efforts in his support and urged

E. McLain Waters, director of the local war saving stamp organization called the delegates together.

John H. Mason, a director of the war loan organization here, made the opening address, and J. C. Burg, head of the section on organization of the war section on organization of the savings division at Washington, Harold Braddock, director of

savings activities throughout the District Members Present

by the war savings division of the war loan organization since its amalgamation into the larger body along with the Liberty Loan and certificates of in-

debtedness division. old, of Cambridge street near Seven-teenth, who was held without bail for court by Magistrate Imber in the Sec-ond and Christian streets police station.

Fortieth street, near Girard avenue.

Louis Silverman, a produce dealer, of Seventy-second street and Woodland avenue.

Others fixed on the same charge and the fixed on the same charge and the fixed on the same charge and include W. A. Hutt, W. A. Dyer, C. A. McIlbenney, J. H. Mason, Postmaster Members of the Federal Reserve Sys-Louis Clemence, a produce dealer, of Fifty-second street, near Master, \$20 and costs.

McIlhenney, J. H. Mason, Postmaster Thornton and the recently appointed executive committee for War Savings

New York, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—The will of Harry S. Harkness, filed here, left his entire estate to his widow. It placed merely a nominal value on the estate, but the property he inherited from his father Lamon V. Harkness, the Standard Oil magnate, had been valued unofficially at \$40,000,000.

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