

Japan Abandons Fight for Removal of Immigration Barriers; Urges Equal Rights for Aliens Already in States Joining League

LEAGUE OF NATIONS AHEAD 2 TO 1, FIRST POLL SHOWS

Persons in Many Walks of Life Questioned on Streets

CANVASS OF THE CITY IN SEVERAL SECTIONS

458 Approve, 281 Oppose the Project and 150 Are Undecided

MANY REASONS GIVEN FOR AND AGAINST PLAN

Evening Public Ledger Men Get Views of General Public

League of Nations Poll at a Glance

District polled	For the league	Against the league
Broad and Chestnut streets—		
Men	89	66
Women	43	42
Fifty-second and Market streets—		
Men	42	31
Women	27	17
Twelfth street and Passyunk avenue—		
Men	37	28
Women	26	14
German town and Chelton avenues—		
Men	75	31
Women	23	9
Allegheny and Kensington avenues—		
Men	44	24
Main street, Manayunk	30	19
Totals	458	281

ARE YOU FOR OR AGAINST THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS?

Do you approve or oppose the plan which is now being considered by the Peace Conference in Paris to prevent future wars?

The Evening Public Ledger is taking a poll of public opinion in Philadelphia on this much-discussed subject. Results, exactly as they are ascertained, will be published daily.

Polls will be taken at busy street corners, in the great shop plants, the mills, theatres, hotels, clubs, churches, City Hall, railroad stations, ferry houses and many other places where Philadelphians assemble.

ALAS AND ALACK! BIG COUNSEL FEE YEOWOMEN SAD IN SHEEHAN CASE

Uncle Sam Says "Nix" to Natty Brown Silken Hose

County Commissioners Ask Councils to Appropriately \$5000 for Purpose

NO FRILLS ARE ALLOWED HAVE OWN LAWYER

U.S. DOCTORS ENTERTAINED Eminent Medical Men in London Give Reception for Visitors

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WAR FINANCE CORPORATION CONSIDERING ISSUE OF 4 1/2 PER CENT BONDS

THE THREE STRINGS They are strings that mystify you; they are strings that serve as clues; they are strings that swiftly tie you with interest to the news. They are heart strings, tense, vibrating, for a brain that is sore perplexed. IN THE EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER—read the story Monday next.

KNIGHTY DETECTIVE YARN SKILL FULLY UNRAVELLED

CORONER BLAMES 3 RAILROAD MEN FOR FATAL CRASH

Unperformed Duties Caused Fort Washington Wreck Which Killed 14, Is Verdict

Failure of three employees of the Reading Railway to properly perform their duties was responsible for the wreck at Fort Washington January 16, when fourteen persons were killed, according to the verdict of the coroner's jury today at Northtown.

Those responsible, according to the jury, are William McCormick, telegraph operator at Fort Washington; William A. Russell, a freight train conductor; and Michael J. Powers, flagman of the Doylestown local, which was hit by the "Scranton" flyer.

The accident was caused, says the verdict, by the failure of the three of the Hall signal system to work properly on a Camp Hill station light getting in line with light of signal No. 211, giving Engineer Philomeno Charles Gillman the impression that the signal showed two white lights.

The accident was contributed to by the failure of the company by notifying the train dispatcher at Philadelphia that a freight train was at his station, also by the failure of William A. Russell to obey the rules of the company by insisting that the operator notify the train dispatcher of a breakdown to his train; also by the failure of Michael J. Powers, flagman of the local, to go back far enough to stop a high-speed train on a curve, which he should have known was following, if he had consulted the schedule which he carried.

The jury asserted that the Hall signal system frequently failed to function properly.

MAIL REPLIES FAVOR LEAGUE

Seven Affirmative, Three Negative Votes in Postcard Reply

In addition to the replies which the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER reporters received on the streets for or against a league of nations, numerous letters have been received at the office of this newspaper from persons who wanted their views recorded.

In the mail which was received, approval of the league of nations, were ten postcards, seven of them from persons in favor of the league of nations and three from those opposed.

Those who sent in cards affirming their belief in the league of nations signed the cards as Matthew Rummold, 2265 Spring Garden street; Joseph Walls, 225 North Daria street; W. Mansur, a steamfitter, 2210 Mantua avenue; John Miller, 2125 Spring Garden street; Christopher Hare, a bartender, 1521 Buttonwood street; Leonard Bell, 2212 Spring Garden street; and James Augie, 2210 Spring Garden street.

Those opposed to the plan are H. L. Buchen, 1714 Sydenham street; A. Carney, 2224 Spring Garden street; and H. F. Goodwin, 2212 Spring Garden street.

HOLD BOY FOR ARSON

Negro Youth Accused of Trying to Fire Olympia Theatre

Sixteen-year-old Carl McKenzie, a negro of South Chestnut street, was held without bail for court by Magistrate Pennock in Central Station today, accused of arson. The police say he attempted to burn the Olympia Theatre, Broad and Fitzwater streets, last night after the management had refused to let him see the performance free.

Several times last night he attempted to sneak into the theatre, but each time he was caught and ejected by an usher. McKenzie, according to the police, went home for a can of kerosene and, coming back to the theatre, threw a lighted paper into the can, which was placed at one of the exits. There was a burst of flame, but the fire was extinguished before it attracted the attention of the audience.

McKenzie was arrested by Detective Vaughn and sent to City Hall on a charge of arson.

KOCH ACTING SCHOOL HEAD

Sprout Designates Deputy to Succeed Schaeffer Temporarily

Harrisburg, Pa., March 20.—(By A. P.)—Prof. C. D. Koch, of Philadelphia, deputy superintendent of public instruction, has been made acting superintendent by an executive order and will administer the Department of Public Instruction until a successor is named to the late Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer. Professor Koch was formerly one of the State High School inspectors and was named a deputy superintendent to succeed the late A. D. Glenn last year.

Attorney General Schaeffer sent an opinion today to Auditor General Snyder that the Governor had authority to name one of the deputy superintendents to act as superintendent and his acts should be accepted as official. The school department law does not provide precedent for the deputies and Mr. Schaeffer says that the designation by the Governor is within his powers.

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Suffrage Loss Blamed on Wilson at Dinner at Acorn Club Here

Women who have served jail terms in Washington for the cause of woman suffrage and toured the country on the "Prison Special" demanded an extra session of Congress for the passage of the woman suffrage amendment to the constitution. Their demand was voiced at a dinner given last night in the interest of the National Woman's party at the Acorn Club. The speakers held the President responsible for the failure of the amendment to pass the Senate at the last Congress.

MERCURY TAKES RISE

Higher Temperature Preliminary to Official Arrival of Spring

The mercury took a decided rise today in Washington, to spring, which arrives tomorrow.

At 7 o'clock today the thermometer in the Weather Bureau in the Federal Building at Ninth and Chestnut streets stood at 32 degrees. It was 35 degrees at 12:30 o'clock and still rising. Continued fair weather is predicted.

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Berlin Paper Reports Allied Bridgeheads Extended to Include East Rhine Towns

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The newspaper adds that the French also occupied the cities of Mannheim and Karlsruhe.

A Berlin dispatch, received Monday, said that reports had been received there that the British and French had advanced their outposts from the limits of their bridgeheads at Cologne and Mayence, respectively. The French were reported to have entered Frankfurt.

Mannheim is south of the Mayence bridgehead area, but is directly on the east bank of the Rhine, where it is joined by the Neckar. Karlsruhe is about five miles east of the Rhine. There have been no reports of disaster in Mannheim and Karlsruhe recently.

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