PHILA. MAN FIRST AIR TAXI PATRON

U. of P. Flier Enters for Initial Tryout at Atlantic City Today

OVER-OCEAN EVENTS LISTED

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger.

Atlantic City, May 3.—America's first "air taxi" service was inaugurated this morning. H. F. Hansel, Jr., a Philadelphia banker, and Jack Hubbar, Pittsburgh manufacturer, were the first patrons. They were carried to the Seaview Golf Club this morning. The distance is about eight miles and the trip was reported made in seven minutes. It was announced today at the golf club that an aviation landing field was planned and arrangements are already under way for its erection.

Philadelphia, the Aero Federation officials announced today, is to be upon route No. 1 of the first aerial map of America ever officially issued. Route No. 1 will extend from Boston, on a direct line through New York and Philadelphia to Washington, and will be designated as a main artery. There is to be a transcontinental route either by way of New York or Baltimore to Chicago as the aerial center of the nation and thence to Los Angeles on the south and Seattle on north Pacific coast.

The main arteries will be joined with the future transatlantic air lanes through Atlantic City as the chief Atlantic seaboard airport.

Natty Aviatrix to Contend

Marian Cassidy, of New York and Philadelphia, the first aviatrix, a natty figure this morning in French horizon blue, will be a contestant in flying events next week. Captain Hugh Willoughby, a University of Pennsylvania alumnus, is chief of the board of judges for the first tryout of intercollegiate events of the Pan-American Aeronautical Congress this afternoon.

Philadelphia may have another unexpected entry in the events over the sea in the person of Lieutenant J. B. Huhn, who made good in France. Huhn was out at the air port this morning, begging for the loan of a machine. He has not tried his hand aloft since he came home from France, but feels he never will lose the knack. If he flies with the collegians this afternoon, it will be as a representative of Haverford.

Lieutenant Jeans Ors, the French inventor of the pocketbook parachute for planes, made his first descent this morning with his odd contrivance. He sailed down from Eddie Stinson's reeling boat at a height of 800 feet, landing without a jar.

U. of P. Enters in Eleventh Hour

The University of Pennsylvania is "in" as an eleventh-hour contender.

The Red and Blue banner will be carried by S. Raymond Beckwith in an exciting contest between seaplanes over an ocean course of thirty-one miles around stakeboats stationed off the steel pier, where the aerial scientists are debating all kinds of "sky-high" topics dealing with the technical side of aviation.

What promises to be the keenest battle for collegiate honors in this newest line of sporting endeavor will hold particular interest for Philadelphians because Beckwith, the Red and Blue delegate, is to match his skill with his brother, Ensign Alfred A. Beckwith, flying under the blue banner of Yale, and each is determined to be the "high ace" of the Beckwith clan.

BOY'S CHEST PIERCED BY PENCIL IN POCKET AS WHEEL HITS TRUCK

Bicyclist Seriously Injured in Peculiar Accident on Girard Avenue—Two Others Hurt

A sharp lead pencil was driven into the chest of Frank Preston, 16 years old, of 1206 North Orianna street, when his bicycle crashed into a heavy motortruck. He is in a serious condition at the Children Homeopathic Hospital.

The boy was riding along Girard avenue last night when he lost control of his wheel. The collision followed. As he toppled over with his bicycle he fell directly on the point of the pencil, which protruded from his pocket.

When a motorcycle driven by Herbert Lewis tried to pass the automobile of Fred Harring, of Chestnut Hill, a wheel of the motorcycle caught in the trolley track, hurling Lewis to the roadway in front of the motorcar. Lewis was slightly injured by the front wheels of the machine, and was taken to the Jewish Hospital. The accident happened yesterday in Ogontz.

Troops Back From War and Homeward Bound

ARRIVED

Frederick (cruiser), at New York, from Brest, with 1613 troops, including fifty-five officers and 1137 men, comprising the 119th Field Artillery complete (Thirty-second Division, former National Guard of Michigan and Wisconsin). Also on the Frederick were two officers and 111 men of the 464th Aero Squadron and a few casuals from Kentucky, Missouri, Montana, Michigan, Ohio and New York.

General Goethals, at New York, from Bordeaux, with 1417 troops, including ten officers and 453 men, comprising a medical detachment and Companies A, B and C of the 325d Field Signal Battalion, the 88th, 161st, 487th, 494th and 655th Aero Squadrons; the 650th Aero Supply Squadron and the 218th Replacement and Salvage Company of the Tank Corps.

Western Hero, at New York, from La Pallice, with twenty-nine casuals, twenty-one from California and the other scattered.

Cassandaigus, at Boston, from Bordeaux, with 1345 soldiers. Included among units on board were 700 officers and men of the 302d Field Artillery of the Seventy-Sixth Division, composed largely of New England men. Other units were the Headquarters Company, Ordnance and Sanitary Detachments and Companies A, B, C and D, 145th Machine Gun Battalion; First Army Artillery Park Motor Section, Headquarters and Truck Company D; Photographic Sections 17 and 23, Air Service, and Casual Company No. 79.

DUE TODAY

Alfonso XIII, at New York, from Bordeaux, April 22, with 1240 men.

Columbia, at New York, from Marseilles, April 28, with 1068 men, including 3 New Jersey casualty company.

TO ENTERTAIN CAPE MAY WOUNDED

MARION COWLES

MARIE LEININGER

RUTH MURPHY

More than sixty wounded soldiers from Cape May will be the guests of a group of Philadelphia girls next Tuesday evening at a play and dance for their benefit

$112,653,100 LOAN TOTAL AS WEEK ENDS

District Shows Total Increase of $15,168,200 for Last Twenty-four Hours

$50,064,900 TAKEN IN CITY

Philadelphia added $3,851,200 to its total in the Victory Loan drive during the last twenty-four hours. The increase for the entire district was $15,168,200.

The increase reported today did not come up to the total of the previous twenty-four hours, however, which was $22,963,950, nearly double the amount of any previous day.

As reported at noon by Victory Loan headquarters here, the total subscribed for Victory notes in the Third Federal Reserve district is now $112,653,100. The figures given were furnished by 938 out of 1094 banks in the districts which have reported. Philadelphia's quota is about $197,000,000, while that of the district is $385,000,000.

By subdivisions of the district the totals now subscribed to the Loan are as follows:

Philadelphia, $50,064,900.
Eastern Pennsylvania (outside of Philadelphia) $47,478,350.
Southern New Jersey, $8,512,350.
Delaware, $6,597,500.

Loan headquarters announced today that the Victory Loan motion picture film, "The Price of Peace," would be shown in two theatres tomorrow evening, the Poplar, at Sixth and Poplar streets, and the Broadway, at Broad street and Snyder avenue.

GERMANTOWN SCENE OF MANY GAY RALLIES

Big Parade Starts at Upsal St. and Germantown Ave.

Germantown was gayly bedecked for its great Victory Loan parade and demonstration this afternoon and this evening with thousands of men, women and children participating. Mrs. W. B. Gurley is chairman of the district.

James B. Coryell served as chief marshal and William H. Embardt as chief of staff. The parade started at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon from Upsal street and proceeded south on Germantown avenue to Seymour street, then west to Greene and north on Greene to Vernor Park, where it disbanded.

There were seven division, including Civil War, Spanish war and world war veterans, several bands, members of patriotic orders, church and welfare organizations, women's clubs, Girl and Boy Scouts and industrial workers.

William T. Broadhead was marshal of the first division, which included: Ellis Post, G. A. R., in automobiles, Ellis Post Band, two companies of United States marines, one signal corps, one search light detachment, one tank, Mutual Band, officers and enlisted men who served in the late war with Germany, home defense reserves, Spanish war veterans, Ellis Camp, S. of V.

In the second division were Thomas E. Clemens, marshal, and aides; Lehigh Band, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Independent Order Odd Fellows, Order of Independent Americans, Improved Order of Red Men, Foresters of America, the Fraternal Patriotic Order of Americans, Knights of Golden Eagle, Stonemen, Knights of Pythias, Order of Owls, P. O. S. of A., Columbia Band, Holy Name societies, Italian societies, Wister Park Band, East Germantown Improvement Association, Cliveden Improvement Association, Belfield Improvement Association, Chestnut Hill Business Men's Association, Germantown Business Men's Association.

Third division, Mrs. Ernest Toogood, marshal, and aides; Liberty Band, executive committee, churches, Light Star Colored Band, colored women's section, Permanent Emergency Association of Germantown, National League of Woman's Service, Italians, Chestnut Hill Y. W. C. A., suffragists, J. and J. Dobson Drum Corps, Falls of Schuylkill Emergency Aid, Emergency Aid of Germantown, Woman's Club, Mothers-in-Council, Colonial Dames, D. A. R., house to house canvassers, Red Cross, Camp Fire girls.

Fourth Division, Holman White, marshal, and aides; Boy Scout Band, high school section, including private schools, Washington Band, elementary school section, Firemen's Band, parochial school section.

Fifth division, William H. Betts, marshal; and aides, Boy Scout Band, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts.

Sixth division, William C. Wright, marshal, and aides; Logan flute and drum corps, ministers of churches, Bible classes, Sunday schools, Keystone Colored Band, colored churches with J. H. Crump as marshal.

Seventh division, Norman Mellor, marshal, and aides; band, Midvale Steel Company, American Pulley Company, Link Belt Manufacturing Company, Edward G. Budd Manufacturing Company, J. & J. Dobson Inc., Tyleas Tube Works, Leeds & Northrup, Brown Instrument Company, Fox Gun Company, Frankford Arsenal.

There will be a rally about the Victory statue in Vernon Park at 7:30 o'clock this evening. United States marines signal corps and signal light detachments will put on exhibition drills, and there will be music and speeches. Thomas D. McCarthy, of New York, will be principal speaker.

10,000 WILL MARCH IN NORTHEAST PARADE

Civic Organization Joins Service Men in Demonstrations

Women Victory Loan workers in the northeast district, headed by Mrs. John W. Moyer and a committee from the Y. M. C. A., have planned a street parade and reception to returned sailors and soldiers this afternoon in Frankford.

More than 10,000 marchers will compose the parade, which will start at 3 o'clock from Vandyke and Paul streets. Under the direction of Chief Marshal J. H. Schumacker, they will march up Pratt street to Oxford avenue, and on Oxford to the Boulevard. The daredevils and marine circus are expected to take part in the street demonstration on Harrison street between Castor road and Horrocks street. There will be a regimental review of 1500 Philadelphia Home Defense Reserves on Community Field after the parade.

Fraternal organizations of the northeast, in addition to detachments from the regular army, the Frankford Arsenal and the Home Defense will march.

BANDS AND SINGERS IN S. PHILADELPHIA

Women Plan Numerous Loan Rallies This Afternoon and Night

South Philadelphia Victory Loan workers, under the leadership of Mrs. Walter Jackson Freeman, have donned their "gladdest rags" and their greatest show of "pep" for loan demonstrations this afternoon and tonight.

Snellenburg's band will play from 4:30 to 6:30 o'clock this afternoon in front of the Southern High School, Broad and Jackson streets. The Camden band will play at the statue, Broad and Wharton streets, tonight, and the boy soprano, Uber Williams, will sing. Judge Raymond MacNeille will be the speaker. There will be a band and singers at most of the booths this evening.

Ralph Dunkelberger, student at the School of Industrial Art, will accompany speakers on a truck that will tour the booths in South Philadelphia. He will make lightning sketches of people in the audience.

Several big Victory sings are planned in this district for tomorrow. One will be in Fitler Square, Twenty-third and Pine streets; another at Third and Washington avenue, and another at Fifth and Bainbridge streets. They will begin at 4 o'clock.

ON WITH YOUR HAY-LID!

And if You Are Mule or Bolshevik, Stick Your Ears Through

Mules and horses, boys and men!

Put on your straw hats once again!

Trot out your old hay "lizzie" today, frisk your wife's, your sister's or your mother-in-law's toothbrush, buy a bottle of dirt-chaser, roll up your sleeves and bravely tackle your annual job. Then wear the May-Day "kelly"!

If the mice have been at it and chawed the brim so that it looks like the edge of a barber's razor feels, or if the last rain of last summer made the two-inch circular awning sag and dip like the path of a scenic railway, wear it anyway.

There's nothing that startles the neighbors to admiration like the dimly white, tried and true, sun-reflector of a forgotten day.

Put a band around the crown with a dash of color in it. And if you are a horse or a mule or a Bolshevik, don't forget to stick your ears through.

Brokers Expand Association

Plans for the expansion of the National Canned Foods and Dried Fruit Brokers' Association to include every eligible broker in the United States, for the betterment of trade conditions and ultimately the decreasing of distributions costs, are announced by H. A. N. Daily, president of the association.

BOMB SCARE AT CITY HALL OVER MISSIVE TO STRIKE

Psst-Plink-Tr-r-embly Music—Tragedy Looms as Package From Lancaster Is Opened by Experts—Voila, Catnip!

"Strike, Electrical Bureau, Philadelphia."

Mystified, the clerk in the postoffice, gingerly turned over the thin, short package with the strange inscription and examined it closely.

Visions of a bomb and a wrecked City Hall, filtered through his mind, as he realized that the plain wrapper covered a tin box of approximately the same as the bombs mailed a few days ago in New York city.

With great care he laid down the package and perused a newspaper clipping describing the bombs. The wrapper and the size were the same, only the forged department store mark was missing. It had been mailed in Lancaster.

Quick action followed the discovery. Bomb experts were rushed from the inspector's office and the Department of Justice. They decided to take no chances after examination.

A bucket of water was obtained and the process of putting the bomb out of commission began. With fears and trembling the clerks kept at a safe distance. The experts after more than an hour's careful work opened the package.

Horrors! It contained nothing but catnip!

The water was squeezed out of the swollen leaves, the package rewrapped and marked "Inspected by the Postoffice" and deposited in the electrical bureau an hour later.

There is one peeved cat in the City Hall today and an angry operator in the fire operating room. The cat's name is "Strike." Its owner, "Jimmy" Reilly, is the operator.

Strike, whose fame is known the state over, was used as a brickbat by a woman during the trolley strike of 1910. The grey tiger cat was only a few days old when it was hurled at a strike-breaking motorman at Tenth and Girard avenue. Later it was "Exhibit A" in evidence which convicted the woman of inciting to riot, and Reilly in kindness took "Strike" after the trial, fed it milk with a fountain-pen dropper and brought it up to be the "boss" ratter of City Hall.

When its fame was spread to the world through a magazine in 1914 a Lancaster woman rewarded it with a nice fresh box of catnip. Each year she has sent the weed and this was Strike's annual treat.

U. S. AGENT RELEASES BOMB PLOT SUSPECTS

Hungarians Arrested on Senator Eyre's Estate Kept, However, Under Surveillance

EVIDENCE IS INSUFFICIENT

Three Hungarians from Coatesville, arrested in West Chester yesterday on suspicion of being connected with a Bolshevist plot to blow up the home of State Senator T. Larry Eyre, were released from custody today after they had been examined by Agent McDevitt, of the Department of Justice.

The men—Olah Mihlay, George Metsch and Michael Olah—left, West Chester at noon for Coatesville. They will be kept under surveillance by the federal authorities.

While the three suspects told a story to the authorities today that varied considerably from that they told yesterday in explanation of their presence in the vicinity of Senator Eyre's home, Agent McDevitt felt that the evidence was not sufficient to warrant him in holding them longer. They were to have been given a hearing before United States Commissioner Manley here this morning.

Senator Eyre was present at the examination of the three men, and questioned them. Guards placed about his home yesterday will remain on duty. The grounds about "Eyre View," his country estate, have been carefully searched for possibly concealed explosives.

The Hungarians, when arrested, said that they had been told Senator Eyre's home had been blown up, and they came from Coatesville to see the ruins merely out of curiosity. They are employed by the Lukens Iron and Steel Company, at Coatesville.

Senator Eyre declined to make a statement today. "The matter is in the hands of the Department of Justice," he said, "and I would not express an opinion or make a statement unless at the department's instance."

Efforts to locate the mysterious package carried by the men at the time they were first seen in West Chester have been without avail.

A thorough search of Eyreview, the estate of Senator Eyre, has likewise revealed nothing, according to the police officials.

NO REDS IN THIS BLOCK

Square on 18th Street Boasts 100 Per Cent on Loan, Also 5 Heroes

A block full of patriotic feeling is Eighteenth street between Venango and Pacific streets. Having gone 100 per cent over the top in the Victory Loan, every house is now gayly decorated to welcome home the men of the Twenty-eighth Division, to which this block has given five hroes, as follows: Sergeant Joseph Mooney, 110th Regiment (the old Third of the National Guard); his brother, Sergeant William Mooney, 110th; Private Harry B. Herkinel, 109th (old First Regiment); Corporal Samuel Pollock, 109th, and Private Roy Brommer, 108th (old Second).

Every house has the red, white and blue bunting with a red, white and blue keystone, representing the division, over the door. Not content with decorations, this energetic block has also collected a fund, through Mrs. Emma Wonder, 3619 North Eighteenth street, to which every house has contributed, for the purpose of giving the returning boys a reception and dance.

"Dandy First" Boys Hold Chateau-Thierry Record

Company L, of the 109th Infantry, Philadelphia's old "Dandy First," holds the record of having been the first American unit to enter the fighting at Chateau-Thierry.

Company M followed L company closely into action, and both suffered severely from the machine-gun fire of the Germans. Company L is aboard the Maui, due to dock today, but Company M will not arrive in this country until next week, when it will dock at New York.

The heroism which marked the fighting of these two companies at Chateau-Thierry exemplifies the work of the entire regiment at that point and elsewhere in France.

The War Department replacement figures show that of the eighty-four officers and 3491 men aboard the Maui, 2497 are from other states than Pennsylvania, and will not be sent to Camp Dix for demobilization, but will be sent to camps nearer their homes.

CHARGE REALTY MAN BEAT WOMAN TENANT

Ernest M. Berry to Face Magistrate After Alleged Forced Entrance to House

VICTIM STILL IS BEDFAST

Charges were made today against Ernest M. Berry, a real estate agent of 6168 Ridge avenue, as a result of an alleged attempt to force an entry into the home of Mrs. Mary M. Lewis, of 4150 Terrace street, Roxborough, with prospective purchasers for the house in which she lives.

Mrs. Lewis was so badly beaten, it is alleged, when she resisted Berry's asserted attempts to force himself into her home, that she was unable to appear at a hearing before Magistrate Price today.

Mr. Berry also failed to appear, and the hearing was postponed until May 11, one day before the next month's rent on the house is due.

"Mr. Berry came here about 11 o'clock in his automobile," said Mrs. Lewis today. "He had two women and a man with him and asked to show them through the house. I was washing at the time and the house was in disorder, so I told him I could not let him go through today. He insisted, however, and I started to shut the door.

"Then he pushed past me, throwing me against the door and rushed into the hall. I grabbed his arm and attempted to pull him back and he grabbed hold of me, forced me into the parlor and threw me against the piano.

"Our rent, which is $25, has been paid up to May 12. Berry tried to sell us the house for $3800 on several occasions, but we thought he was asking more than it was worth. So we refused to buy it."

Dr. Joseph Lehman, of 4257 Main street, Manayunk, testified before Magistrate Price that one bruise on the woman's arm was six inches long by three wide and that she was physically unable to attend the hearing.

Mrs. Ida Berry, mother of the agent, said her son was "in town today to make a settlement." She declined to state when he would be home.

James Flannigan, who is bookkeeper for Mr. Berry, said Mrs. Lewis called Mr. Berry names. "In all of our leases," he said, "we have a clause which permits us to enter the houses at any and all times. Mr. Berry had a perfect right to go in."

VALLEY FORGE CELEBRATES

Service There Tomorrow in Commemoration of French Alliance

Valley Forge, Pa., May 3.—Valley Forge will celebrate the French Alliance tomorrow afternoon, when at 3.30 a patriotic service will be held in the Washington Memorial Chapel. Lieutenant Harry Brownback, U. S. A., lately returned from France, and of French descent, will be the orator.

Tomorrow's service commemorates the great celebration of the first French Alliance which was celebrated at Valley Forge by Washington and his army on June 6, 1778.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles Norfolk, 1611 Fitzwater st., and Eva Drummond, 1407 Naudain st.
Walter B. Filer, 6240 Carpenter st., and Alida J. Coudriet, Alden, Pa.
James S. Glavroun, 247 S. 11th st., and Margaret Sullivan, 1008 Pine st.
William P. Fetzer, 4939 Mitchell st., and Ruth E. Lamster, Washington, D. C.
Ewen Blevins, Pittsburgh, and Elsie Kurtzler, 658 N. 12th st.
George McNicoll, 3324 N. Orkney st., and Mary Devlin, 3324 N. Orkney st.
Eric Stein, New York city, and Ethel Ax, New York city.
Edward Johnson, 3727 Warren st., and Mary F. Wallace, 3713 Warren st.
Sam Dashkas, 1618 N. Franklin st., and Anna Halper, 1733 S. 4th st.
Leslie L. Meelin, 5740 Market st., and Catharine A. Shellen, 1722 S. Frazier st.
Edward J. Casey, 2036 Annin st., and Mary V. Neilson, 2122 Federal st.
Jose Rodriguez, 2028 Green st., and Ortila Delcado, 614 S. 10th st.
Thomas Ring, 1333 Wanamaker st., and Mary Walsh, 1334 Vine st.
Joseph Rottinger, 1019 Lawrence st., and Sarah Kirschenmann, 3123 Miller st.
Pawel Truss, 2085 N. Howard st., and Marya Dulodey, 3144 Sucil ave.
John Robb, Le Roy, Pa., and Mary R. Gorman, 2010 Berks st.
Serafino Mastromattei, Ambler, Pa., and Katherine Alfieri, Ambler.
Anthony Di Salvio, 8141 Erdrick st., and Josephine Saccone, 8066 Erdrick st.
William E. Hogan, 2626 N. 17th st., and Kathryn Ernst, 2429 Hancock st.
Anton Dobmeier, 1431 N. 29th st., and Anna Bendict, 421 Hollywood st.
Adolph Martz, 733 N. 7th st., and Lena Fox, 517 Franklin st.
Nicholas Razo, 709 Federal st., and Lena Cioci, 614 Kater st.
Nevil C. Hand, 5602 Woodland ave., and Helen McClintock, Havre de Grace, Md.
John Sandonato, 817 Pierce st., and Ida Rizzo, 903 S. Jessup st.
George J. Fox, 223 Paxon st., and Hannah C. O'Connor, 5309 Sansom st.
Albert Pearl, 2250 Wharton st., and Sadie Crystal, Vineland, N. J.
Feliciano Ferrusi, 338 E. Mechanic st., and Filumina Ventrasca, 348 E. Mechanic st.
Albert R. Rodwell, 1604 Brill st., and Clara V. Stout, 1617 Brill st.
Tony Camelio, 828 Christian st., and Rose Mancini, 808 Tasker st.
George D. Stull, 2232 S. 15th st., and Margaret B. Pike, 7240 Woodland ave.
Charles R. Williams, New York city, and Nellie A. Bell, New York.
Francisco Consesio, 3130 Master st., and Cora Shale, 3127 Fairdale st.

FRIENDS' CENTRAL IN FAIRY PLAY

At the fourth annual spring reunion of Friends' Central School this afternoon in the school building, Fifteenth and Cherry streets, the class of 1919 gave "The Twig of Thorn," an Irish fairy play

3 WOMEN HELD, MAN SOUGHT IN MURDER

Camden Prosecutor Suspects Riverside Italian in Connection With Countryman's Slaying

Police and detectives throughout New Jersey are seeking Frederick Dolce, twenty-seven years old, Riverside, N. J., who is wanted by Charles A. Wolverton, Camden county prosecutor, in connection with the murder of Frank Ronando, 1016 South Sixth street, this city. Three women arrested in connection with the case are held as material witnesses.

Ronando's body was found early Thursday morning on Hilton road, Pensauken, outside Camden. For forty-eight hours the county prosecutor and his detectives have been trying to solve the mystery.

Mr. Wolverton said today that he believes circumstantial evidence points to Dolce as being concerned in Ronando's death. Investigations by the detectives, the prosecutor said, disclosed that Ronando had jilted Josephine Dolce, Frederick Dolce's nineteen-year-old sister, who lived in Philadelphia, at 1019 South Fairhill street, with her sister, Mrs. George Lobianco.

As the county prosecutor told the story this morning, it is believed that George Lobianco, the brother-in-law, objected to the attentions which Ronando was paying to the girl.

The lost time Ronando was seen alive, according to Prosecutor Wolverton, was when he left his home, on South Sixth street, with Dolce.

The prosecutor's theory is that Dolce was enticed to a lonely spot somewhere in Jersey and murdered, and his body taken by automobile to the place where it was found.

A description of Dolce has been sent broadcast. He is an Italian.

Early today Josephine Dolce, Rosina Dolce, wife of Frederick, and Marie, his niece, were taken into custody by the police as material witnesses. Prosecutor Wolverton said that when Josephine was arrested she said "He got just what he deserved."

PASTORS URGE HOME RULE

May 18 Designated Date for Civic Righteousness Sermons

Every minister in Philadelphia has been asked by the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce to set aside Sunday, May 18, for the discussion of civic righteousness in the churches.

A letter signed by Ernest T. Trigg, president of the Chamber of Commerce, accompanied by a copy of the "Statement of Principles," on which the chamber is taking a referendum in its membership, has been sent to each clergyman, minister, priest and rabbi in the city, as well as to the bishops of the various denominations.

Not only are the clergymen urged to invite the attention of their congregations to the necessity for individual interest and effort to bring about "100 per cent home rule for Philadelphia," in accordance with the "Statement of Principles" adopted by the Chamber of Commerce, but they are requested also to co-operate in the betterment movement by incorporating in their sermons on that day an indorsement of the principles.

GETS MEDAL SARGENT WORE

Decoration Conferred on L. W. Miller Designed by Late John Boyle

There is an interesting incident connected with the Art Club gold medal, awarded to Leslie W. Miller, principal of the School of Industrial Art, Broad and Pine streets, which is not known to the general public.

During the time when the late John J. Boyle filled the chair at the School of Industrial Art as professor of sculpture he was commissioned by the Art Club to design the gold medal, which has been used since 1890 as an acknowledgment of distinguished service to art as well as in its execution. The first award of this medal was made to John S. Sargent.

Mr. Miller was one of the founders of the Art Club, its first secretary and for many years its artist vice president. He has been secretary of the Fairmount Park Art Association continuously for eighteen years, and has served as vice president of the Art Jury.

The medal is of fine gold, one and three-quarter inches in diameter. The obverse bears the head of Minerva in relief, with the inscription "Ars Opus." On the reverse is a sitting figure symbolizing the genius of fame, bearing in her hands an open scroll on which is inscribed, "To Leslie W. Miller for Distinguished Service."

CHARLES C. HARRISON ACTIVE AT 75 YEARS

Birthday Finds Former Provost of University of Pennsylvania at Office

Charles Custis Harrison, former provost of the University of Pennsylvania in the days when the fathers of the present students were undergraduates there, celebrated a large part of his seventy-fifth birthday anniversary today in his office, 400 Chestnut street.

His hair is silvered, but he still retains the rosy vigor of an active man. Today he received a few callers and transacted the usual Saturday business.

He said he had no special anniversary message for his fellow citizens. But he desired to spend the rest of the day quietly at his farm near Devon, in Chester county.

Mr. Harrison graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1862. He served for sixteen years as a trustee, and then succeeded Dr. William Pepper as provost. During his term in office he added equipment and endowment to the University to the amount of $20,000,000. Since his retirement as provost his interest has centered in the University museum, which, under his charge, has expanded to a valuation of $5,000,000.

Recently resigning as manager of the Reading Company, Mr. Harrison is now a director of the Federal Reserve Bank and has other extensive interests. He headed the movement which culminated in the erection of the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge at a cost of $200,000, which is considered one of the most beautiful specimens of Gothic architecture in the world. He sent the first American commissioner to Belgium after the invasion by the Germans to investigate conditions there, and raised large sums of money for relief.

Mr. Harrison is a scholar deeply versed in Babylonian and Sumerian literature.

LAWMAKERS TO SEE PARADE

Legislative Committee Plan Visit for Iron Division Turnout

Elaborate preparations are being made for the Legislature's participation in the celebration which will mark the parade of the Iron Division this month.

The House members of the legislative committee which has charge of the arrangements have their plans well under way. Members of the committee who represent the lower branch of the Assembly are Sigmund J. Gans and Benjamin M. Golder, of Philadelphia, and Duncan Sinclair, of Fayette.

They plan to have a stand built somewhere along the route of the parade which will seat 3000 persons. Following the parade the legislators and members of their party will take dinner at one of the local hotels before returning to Harrisburg.

Governor Sproul, Lieutenant Governor Beidleman, other state officials and employes are expected to accompany the 257 members of the Senate and House, together with the families of the senators and representatives.

The legislative party will come here on a special train from Harrisburg over the Pennsylvania Railroad on the day of the parade and will return to the capital city that night. Originally it had been planned to have them remain here over night.

$100,000 FIRE IN CHESTER

Flames Starting in Garage Spread to Adjoining Buildings

Chester, Pa., May 3.—Damage estimated at $100,000 was wrought here when flames almost destroyed the Pennsylvania garage, 118 East Sixth street, this morning. The fire was extinguished after a two-hour battle. Four hours later the firemen were again summoned and succeeded in saving the warehouse of David Davis Company, wholesale notion dealers, which had been ignited by sparks that are believed to have emanated from the first fire.

Damage was also sustained to the stock of Frank Tollin Company, whose warehouse also adjoined the garage.

Forty automobiles were stored in the burned garage. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

KISSEL

We don't ask Kissel owners how they like their cars—they tell us voluntarily.

See Photograph in Sunday's Ledger Pictorial Section.

W. CLARKE GRIEB, 506 N. Broad

CONSUL HERE AMAZED BY SLAP AT BELGIUM

Territorial Claims Just and Peace Conference Report Doubted by Hagemans

SEES HARD FEELING ARISE

"I was amazed and nonplussed," said Paul Hagemans, Belgian consul general here, and president of the Philadelphia Consular Association, in referring today to the reports from Paris that Belgium's territorial claims had been reduced by the Peace Conference delegates.

"I cannot possibly believe the report," he said. "Doctor Dillon said a few days ago that the Belgian demands were justified and would be granted by the conference. I am inclined to believe the accuracy and logic of Doctor Dillon's opinion rather than other reports. I look to see the statement repudiated.

"I cannot possibly bring myself, by any reasoning, to find any justice in such an attitude on the part of the other powers represented at the Allied conference. If the news is correct then I can see no reason for it unless they desire to favor Holland at the expense of Belgium. It looks to me as though they desire a strong Holland and intend to maintain a weak Belgium.

"And what was Holland's attitude during the war? Her primary purpose was to make millions and to trade with Germany at the expense of Belgium. Belgium endured what it did for Holland's sake. Had Holland not controlled the Scheldt England could have come in and saved the day at Antwerp.

Utterly Inconsistent

"It is utterly inconsistent with the protestations and former attitude of the Allies. The claims of Belgium are absolutely just and are not open to argument. They are unassailable and I cannot make myself believe that they have been refused.

"Belgium asks for the territory to the south bank of the Scheldt river and for Limburg, where the populations are fundamentally Belgian. The Belgian simply cannot live with the Hollander. They are of a different race, with a different language. They are backward, we are progressive.

"The granting to us of Malmedy, of all our claims, is only a drop in the bucket—a territory about the size of Chester county. It was the great powers after the Belgian revolution of 1830 which gave to Holland the territory to the south of the Scheldt and half of Limburg.

"There was a reason for that then, a reason utterly inconsistent with the ideals for which this war was fought, namely, to create a bulwark against the democratic development which has sprung forth in Belgium and to maintain the dynastic powers in Europe.

Given Scheldt Territory

"After the treaty of Vienna, concluding the Napoleonic wars, the dynasties were all united for each other's mutual benefit. The kings all stood with each other. After the Belgian revolution Holland was given the Scheldt territory, which, by every right, was ours, and a part of Limburg, which was for the purpose of placing a wedge into our country to attack Liege if they desired to do so for the maintenance of the monarchical powers opposed to real democratic development. Belgium was then and is now truly democratic. Our king, Albert, is the most democratic man in the world.

"If Belgium's demands are refused there will be much hard feeling against the Allied powers, but we will never associate ourselves with Germany, no matter what happens. I am equally surprised at the failure to allot Belgium the large sums of money which are necessary to re-establish her destroyed country. It was promised to her and she must have it. However, I feel that this side of the question will be worked out all right."

McReynolds Loan Rally Speaker

Samuel McReynolds was the principal speaker at a Victory Loan rally last night at Broad street and Snyder avenue, in front of the Southern High School. A band furnished music. Troop 180, Boy Scouts, under the leadership of Scoutmaster Charles E. Farley, conducted the loan sales at the rally.

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RIES. — May 2, MARIE, widow of Robert Ries, aged 67. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Mon., 2 p. m., at her daughter's residence, 3318 Malta st. (Kensington ave. and Westmoreland st.). Int. Greenmount Cem. Auto service. Remains may be viewed Sun., 7 to 10 p. m.

CASSEDY.—May 2, MARY L., daughter of Cornelia A. and the late John H. Cassedy. Funeral Tues., 11 a. m. 4101 Spring Garden st. Int. private.

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4 p. m. Auditorium — Special Overseas Speaker: Rev. A. M. WITWER. Topic: "The Voyage Home." The story of a year's service on the western front and the voyage back to Home, Sweet Home. Music, organ and orchestra. Everybody welcome.

7.15 p. m. Lobby — Twilight Song Service. The story of a Famous Hymn given each week. Leader, GEORGE W. SCHROEDER.

8 p. m. Lobby — Evening Forum for Men and Women. Speaker, John E. Winston, Esq. Topic, "Charter Revision for Philadelphia."

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