# RAPS SCHOOL BODY AS 'MEN IN DOTAGE'

### "Servility, Not Service, Demanded," Declares Father of Dismissed Instructor

### CHARGES RULE OF TYRANNY

"Men in their dotage," is the description given members of the Board of Education by C. Austin Miles, who today took exception to the dismissal of his son as a teacher in the Elwood public school, Oak Lane avenue and Twelfth street.

The dismissed instructor is Russell Hancock Miles, a composer of numerous hymns and songs, and a member of the American Organ Players' Club. He was dismissed at the last meeting of the board on Tuesday, on the charge of insubordination.

The father of the young man, charging that the board "substitutes tyrannyx for authority and demands servility rather than service," says that Miles, "having admitted his error as to fact of insubordination in that he refused to teach ragtime in the assembly room," was discharged.

"Rank insubordination," is the reason given for his dismissal by William Dick, secretary of the Board of Education, and David H. Lane, a member of the elementary schools committee, who personally investigated the case.

"Miles went so far as to order his class to remain seated after the students had been dismissed by the principal of the school," Mr. Dick added. "He declared that he was in charge of the classroom."

**Contemplates Libel Suit**

The senior Mr. Miles said today that he was contemplating a suit for libel against the principal, Mrs. Elizabeth B. Pendlebury, because, he says, she charged that his son refused to play "patriotic" airs, such as the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "America." He says Mrs. Pendlebury also asserted that his son opposed the Victory Liberty Loan.

"I most assuredly did not," Mrs. Pendlebury declared when asked if she had accused the young man of opposing the loan.

Mr. Lane smiled when shown the paragraph of the statement made by the senior Mr. Miles, referring to the "mature years" of the members of the Board of Education, and the inference of politics.

"That's the same old thing," he said with a wave of his hand. "Why discuss it? I've been hearing about 'pull' and 'political jobs' for a number of years. The Board of Education has a waiting list and the appointments adhere strictly to civil service requirements. They must, and investigation shows that they do."

According to Superintendent of Schools John P. Garber, the matter was referred to him and turned over to "the proper committee." He said that Miles had been dismissed by the board on the recommendation of the elementary schools committee.

"If the board wants me to give out the facts in this case, I will," Mr. Garber said. "But I feel that it would be very unfortunate for the young man to do so.

**Admits Technical Guilt**

According to the father's statement, there was a hearing before the committee, at which the dismissed teacher admitted that he had been guilty of a technical act of insubordination, though not intentionally, and agreed to apologize, which he was told would be sufficient. When, according to the father, the young man took his letter of apology to the executive offices of the board he was informed that it was too late and he had been dismissed.

The elder Miles said that his son, as a musician, was unwilling to play some of the songs brought out during the war, because he felt they had no merit musically. Young Miles refused to attend a Liberty Loan rally in Oak Lane, the father said, because he had to keep an engagement to play elsewhere.

"It is hoped," the father said, "that the time will come when we shall have at the head of the Philadelphia schools an organization truly representative, of men of mature years and not in their dotage, although no one dare quarrel with old age: openly and admittedly in politics, if preferred, rather than secretly and surreptitiously subject to a pull if it comes from the right side."

Mr. Lane, in discussing the case, said:

"I happen to know something of this case personally. The young man came to me with a letter from a friend. When he had explained his case I told him that it was a case of rank insubordination. He was only a young fellow, and probably acted hastily, and I was inclined to look at the matter in a lenient manner.

"I gave him a letter to the superintendent and asked that leniency be shown him. That was the last I heard of the matter. It appeared to be an administrative matter."

Miles recently returned from service with the army, and was formerly a substitute teacher, for six months at the Germantown High School. A statement made by the elder Miles that the young teacher was an instructor of music in the Ellwood School was denied by the principal.

"Mr. Miles was not a teacher of music," she said. "He was simply a grade teacher."

In making reference to "ragtime" in the public schools, the elder Miles said:

"The schools of this city are used by publishers of cheap, low-grade music as a medium whereby they may exploit their productions; if without the knowledge of the board, then so much the worse for the board."

**Auto Hits Wagon: Horse Killed**

An automobile driven by William J. McAvoy, 2105 South Third street, ran into a baking company wagon at Germantown and Roumfort avenues, and so badly injured one of the horses that it had to be shot. The wagon was driven by Raymond Krapzer, 1631 West York street. McAvoy was arrested by Patrolman Wagner. He was held by Magistrate [illegible].

# URGES CLARIFICATION OF CHARTER CLAUSE

### Attorney General Would Rewrite Budget Feature of Revised Measure

### GOVERNOR ASKED REPORT

Attorney General Schaffer has recommended that the budget clause of the Woodward charter revision bill, one of its fundamental features, be rewritten. The attorney general says the clause is "too complicated and not understandable."

Mr. Schaffer conferred with Thomas Raeburn White, one of the members of the charter revision committee, and George W. Coles, chairman of the Town Meeting party. They went over the charter revision bill in detail and Mr. Schaffer recommended several technical amendments. They discussed the contract clause of the bill and also the clause providing for a small Council of twenty-one members. Mr. Schaffer said he had no recommendations to make respecting these clauses, but that he expected both of them would be fully discussed at the hearing on the bill before the House committee on municipal corporations at Harrisburg Tuesday next.

**Legal Viewpoint Only**

The attorney general is examining the bill from a legal viewpoint only. He is not concerning himself with matters of municipal policy or practice. It is understood his recommendation respecting the budget clause is based upon the fact that that clause contains many unusual phrases and technical terms. Mr. Schaffer explains that, while these phrases and terms may be correct from an accounting viewpoint, they may have an entirely different definition in law and, therefore, possibly could not stand a test before the courts.

Mr. Schaffer's recommendation that the budget clause be rewritten is being considered by Mr. White. The question will be submitted to the charter-revision committee for deliberation. The work of drafting the clause as it is now written took many weeks. It was an extremely difficult task, because of the complicated nature of the subject. Incidentally, the clause, while providing a system of accounting which is acknowledged to be in line with the most modern developments of that science, has been criticized from many directions because of its technical language.

**Covers Ten Printed Pages**

The budget clause, which embodies Article 16 of the main charter bill, covers ten printed pages in the pamphlet issued by the charter revision committee.

Drafted to supplant the present "pay-as-you-go act," it would require the Mayor to submit to Councils each year an estimated budget for the ensuing year. It is to include the estimated expense of the ensuing year and the estimated budget deficit of the current year, if any, together with the estimated revenue for the ensuing year.

After the budget shall have been considered, which the clause requires to be not later than December 1, Council is required to fix the rate of taxation for the ensuing year.

**Final Action Delayed**

Governor Sproul recently said he had requested the attorney general to examine the charter bill and added he would place confidence in Mr. Schaffer's recommendations. Should the charter-revision committee decide to accept the recommendation of the attorney general—and in view of the Governor's dependence for advice upon Mr. Schaffer it is altogether likely the recommendation will be accepted—final action upon the measure will be delayed some weeks.

Both the Governor and the attorney general will attend the hearing upon the bill on Tuesday. The Governor said yesterday he would be present as a spectator, merely to "see what was going on and to hear the views expressed." Prominent lawyers will speak upon the legal phases of the bill. The attorney general desired such a hearing in order that he might hear the views of the best legal minds in the city upon the legal points of the measure. It is Mr. Schaffer's desire to return the charter bill to the Governor in such shape as to assure its affirmation by the courts should it ever become the subject of a legal test.

## TWO HELD AS AUTO THIEVES

### Pair Arrested After Collision on Berks Street Near Eleventh

With caps crammed into their pockets, although wearing straw hats, William Kelly, of Twenty-second and Diamond streets, and James Gallagher, of Eighteenth street and Fairmount avenue, were arrested after a chase this morning, following the collision of an automobile they were driving, with a trolley on Berks street near Eleventh.

The pair, who were accompanied by two other men, were held by Magistrate Grelis in $800 bail, after they had failed to give an account of the ownership of the machine.

When the crash came Hoseman Jackel, of Engine Company No. 2, at Warnock and Berks streets, saw the men start to run. He caught Gallagher, Patrolman Bell, of the Twenty-eighth district, nabbed Kelly. A search revealed the caps in their pockets.

## PONTA DELGRADA HARBOR, AZORES, GOAL OF U. S. SEAPLANES

HARBOR, PONTA DELGADA...

# DIFFICULTIES IN WAY OF PARADE FOR 79TH

### Liberty Division Men Will Be Discharged in Scattered Camps

### PLANS BEING CONSIDERED

Demands are being received insisting the Seventy-ninth, the old Liberty Division, should be honored with a parade when all its units have arrived in this country. This may be difficult, as it is understood that the men of this division, which comprises many of Philadelphia's drafted men, are not being concentrated in one camp, but are being sent to different camps near the Atlantic coast.

The 315th Regiment is almost entirely composed of Philadelphians, who are also numerous in the 314th and 316th Regiments. These may parade alone if the entire division cannot be brought here.

Enthusiasm for this parade has already been aroused. No definite action has as yet been taken, but the welcome-home committee will communicate with Washington immediately relative to the holding of the parade.

The transport Virginian, with detachments of the 312th Artillery and the 312th Machine-Gun Battalion, and the transport Tiger, with the 310th Field Artillery and a detachment of officers from the 310th Machine-Gun Battalion, are homeward bound. The Virginian is scheduled to dock at Newport News on May 25, and the Tiger at New York on May 26.

More transports bearing men of the Seventy-ninth Division are expected to leave France this week, but their sailing dates have not yet been announced. Should the moving of the division take any great length of time, rapid demobilization of the unit may prevent the anticipated parade.

## N. J. CAR RIDERS WALK; LINE LOSES $1,753,000

### Competing Influences Resulting From Zone System Cuts Total Revenue $3,993,440

New Jersey trolley riders, who are walking to save increased fares, are causing a yearly decrease in revenue of $1,753,000 to the Public Service Railway Company, according to reports made by Harry C. Donecker, assistant manager of the company.

Total losses in revenue to be expected from the reaction against the purposed zone system will be nearly $4,000,000, Mr. Donecker estimates. This loss comes from the walkers, from those who use jitneys and competing steam railroads and from millions of stay-at-homes.

Mr. Donecker explains the loss from those who walk by telling how 7,500,000 passengers a year walk from one zone to another rather than pay the extra cent fare into a new zone. Jitneys carry 22,378,327 former street car passengers; railroads handle 2,503,447 and those who won't use the cars at all reach more than 5,000,000. A total loss in passengers, as estimated by Mr. Donecker, of 37,530,390 results from these competing influences. The total loss in revenue, he says, is $3,993,440.10.

## U. S. IRISHMEN IN PARIS

### Delegation Reaches French Capital From England

Paris, May 17.—(By A. P.)—The American delegation representing Irish societies in the United States reached Paris from England last evening. So far as can be learned the delegation has no definite appointment to see Premier Lloyd George.

Members of the party made no statement concerning their plans.

# DEFEAT OF SUFFRAGE IS LAID TO MILITANTS

### N. J. Convention Delegates Indignant at Picketing of White House

### HOPEFUL FOR AMENDMENT

Atlantic City, May 17.—At the door of the National Women's Party was placed the defeat of the federal amendment in committee reports today before the annual convention of the New Jersey Suffrage Association.

The picketing of the White House was indignantly scored by the suffragists from President Wilson's own state. The legislative committee, of which Mrs. E. G. Blaisdell, of Stockton, is chairman, vigorously condemned the attacks on President Wilson, which were held responsible for the inactivity of the Senate in not adopting the amendment to give women the ballot.

Delegates are confident of success at the coming special session of Congress which opens on Monday.

Leaders say they have two more votes than needed in the Senate and a big majority in the House unless an eleventh hour disappointment arises. The club established by the New Jersey Association at Wrightstown entertained 150,000 soldiers during the last year. Twenty thousand was the highest registration for a month. The work will be continued.

Mrs. E. E. Feickert, of Plainfield, was selected president for her seventh term at the convention today. Other officers were elected as follows:

Vice presidents, Mrs. Wells P. Eagleton, of Newark; Mrs. John J. White, of Atlantic City; Mrs. Robert S. Huse, of Elizabeth; Mrs. J. Thompson Baker, of Wildwood; Mrs. Arthur Hunt, of Montclair, and Mrs. Harriman S. Simons, of Elizabeth; secretary, Mrs. E. G. Blaisdell, of Stockton; treasurer, Mrs. Edward Olmstead, of Elizabeth, and auditors, Mrs. Frank Kidde, of Montclair, and Mrs. F. T. Kellers, of Jersey City.

## CAN'T BELIEVE IN SIGNS

### So Declare Strangers of Germantown Avenue and Penn Street

Strangers in the vicinity of Germantown avenue and Penn street find themselves walking in circles and standing in the middle of the street trying to find out from the course of the wind or the position of the sun which way is north and which way is east.

These peculiar actions are due to the fact that some wit has transposed the street signs at the corner, and a person new to the neighborhood wanting to go east on Penn street discovers that he is going north on Germantown avenue or vice versa. These signs are attached to an iron fence on the northeast corner of these streets and it was a simple matter to effect this geographical transposition without feeling the heavy hand of the law.

## HAVERFORD DUE TOMORROW

### Transport, Bringing 2145 Troops, to Dock Here at 8 A. M.

The transport Haverford, with 2145 troops aboard, will dock at Pier 53, south wharves, at eight o'clock tomorrow morning.

The vessel had been expected to arrive in time to discharge the troops today. It has encountered head winds and slight westerly gales since leaving Liverpool.

It will pass the Delaware Breakwater about three o'clock this afternoon and will in all probability anchor in the Harbor of Refuge till early tomorrow Dmorning.

## *Troops Back From War and Homeward Bound*

**ARRIVED**

Floridian, at New York, from St. Nazaire, with twenty-eight officers and 1770 men of the 113th Infantry, Twenty-ninth Division (old National Guard of New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia). The details included headquarters of the First, Second and Third Battalions, Companies C to G, inclusive, and I to M, inclusive, and sanitary detachments of the Second and Third Battalions. The men are under orders for Camps Custer, Dix, Dodge, Grant, Gordon, Pike, Shelby, Taylor, Travis, Upton and Devens.

Mount Vernon, at New York, from Brest, with 5834 army personnel, including 132d Infantry (less forty-three officers), fifty-eight officers and 3234 enlisted men; 122d Machine Gun Battalion, complete, fourteen officers and 365 enlisted men; Thirty-third Division Headquarters, Headquarters Troop and Railhead Detachment, twenty-one officers and 493 enlisted men; 108th Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop, one officer and fifty-five enlisted men; Special Casual Companies, Nos. 845, 847 and 848; Base Convalescent Detachments Nos. 259 to 263, inclusive, 634 enlisted men, all sick or wounded; thirteen casual officers. Secretary Daniels also was aboard.

**DUE TODAY**

Antonio Lopez, at New York, from Bordeaux, with 1174 army personnel, including 325th Infantry Headquarters, Second Battalion, Medical Detachment, Companies E to H inclusive, twenty-five officers and 977 enlisted men; 326th Infantry Detachment, seven officers; 327th Infantry Detachment, twenty-four officers; 544th Casual Company, New York; Special Casual Companies Nos. 838, 841 and 842; Bordeaux Convalescent Detachments Nos. 294, 316 and 317, twenty-four officers and one enlisted man, all sick or wounded; fifteen casual officers. Also twenty-four wives of officers and enlisted men.

Yale, at New York, from Brest, with 228 men, including Casual Company No. 844, Nebraska Special Casual Companies Nos. 4422 and 4423; thirty-six casual officers.

# JUDICIAL OBSEQUIES OVER J. BARLEYCORN

### Court Hears Single Plea for 1919 License—Women Applicants Absent

### PROBABLY FINAL SESSION

They were doing it to old Jawn Barleycorn today. They started in at 10 o'clock, in Room 296, City Hall.

Judges Audenried and Ferguson were at the bar, but the bar had no brass rail, and there was no sawdust on the floor.

Neither was there any piano to put a nickel into, and if there had been, one wouldn't want ragtime in what will probably be the last liquor license court that ever sits in Philadelphia. One wouldn't have the heart, unless you could get one of M. Chopin's funeral march records for the occasion.

The court was just as usual, only more so, while they began to auscultate Jawn. Auscultation is what doctors do when they are listening for suspicious wheezes, and Jawn has all of them, and more.

One could almost see the ghost of Carrie Nation's avenging spirit probing a vicious finger into the region of the old boy's abdominal. Yes, there he lay, all stretched out, grinning feebly, on the judicial platter, while the little locusts of the long drouth sang their monotonous song in the barley fields far away.

Business as usual was the order of the day. With the exception of four applicants for transfers whose hearings go over until next Friday, no particular hitch occurred in the pleadings or in favorable action upon them. There wasn't even a judicial tear to be squeezed out in honor of the occasion. The "honors" engineered the fateful hour's routine as though there were years of such to come.

Somehow, though, it seems that lawyers still have hope. One rather surprised applicant, who hadn't thought it worth while to ask for a 1919 license, is evidently a bit cynical, for he awoke the other day to see that his attorney had acted for one, although the time-limit expired February 9. This was Antonio Fiumara, who has a place at 900 South Tenth street, down in the old "tea room" district.

Now that the lawyer has committed him, Tony is going to see it through, and the court has taken his application under advisement. He was the only man today to apply for a 1919 license.

Absence of several women applicants for transfers endangered the granting of their pleas. Mrs. Anna G. Smith, 805 North Third street, and Mrs. Mary E. Bennett, southwest corner of Seventeenth street and Lehigh avenue, wanted to take over the wholesale license held by their husbands, who are dead.

Mrs. Helen M. Green, who wished to take over her late husband's business at Fifty-fourth and Market streets, could not be in court, her lawyer explained, because her mother and sister both are critically ill.

The transfer of the license held by Katharine Gspann, 354 North Second street, to Wilhelm Hils was questioned because Hils's American citizenship certificate had not arrived. His lawyer promised that it would be forthcoming by the time a new license must be taken out.

The ownership of the bar at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel was transferred from Johnson M. Frazier to Claude M. Bennett.

## *U. S. to Decorate Vauclain Tonight*

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equally well known throughout the business and financial world, will attend.

The untold story of Mr. Vauclain's part in the war begins when General Crozier was telling the country how unprepared it was. Mr. Vauclain, according to banquet officials and others, as expressed in letters, was quietly planning to equip the United States army with rifles the minute war was declared.

He induced the Baldwin officials, according to the story, to spend more than $1,000,000 in changing and modifying 176 types of machinery to build this rifle. It was a long chance.

**War Department Hesitated**

When Congress declared war, Mr. Vauclain went to Washington and there laid before the War Department officials the fact that they were ready to go ahead. The department, while recognizing the vast enterprise as the most logical one to handle the manufacture of rifles, hesitated. A week or more passed.

## UPHOLDS MARY PICKFORD

### Court Decides She Need Not Pay Out $108,000

New York, May 17.—By a decision of the Appellate Division yesterday Miss Mary Pickford was relieved of the necessity of parting with $108,000, which the Supreme Court decreed was due Mrs. Cora C. Wilkening for helping the actress achieve fame and a bountiful salary.

# OVATION PLANNED FOR OLD 2D MEN

### Welcome Committee Goes to Dix to Urge 108th Gunners to Parade

### TROOPS FEARED LONG HIKE

While members of the 108th Field Artillery, formerly the old Second Regiment, are being rushed through the sanitation process at Camp Dix today, Philadelphia is planning to give them a hearty welcome, providing the men can be induced to parade.

The fact that the men who faced German bullets are ready to retreat from the plaudits of their own people—many of them declaring they were glad they missed the parade in honor of the other heroes of the Twenty-eighth—has not marred in the slightest the enthusiasm of those who desire to see them as they marched in France.

It was learned that the men were reluctant to march because of rumors that were spread on shipboard which originated in St. Nazzairre to the effect that they were to march from Snyder avenue to North Philadelphia station with full equipment—a sixty-two-pound pack, rifles, helmets and other articles.

Colonel Francis LeCoq, who commanded them, said that when news was received that they had missed the parade the cheering was deafening. "They were tickled to death," he said.

It is believed that misapprehension may be overcome and representatives of the welcome home committee are in camp today trying to get the men to march in this city as soon as they are demobilized.

Colonel William R. Scott, commander of the John Wanamaker Commercial Institute Cadet Corps, from which was recruited 60 per cent of the personnel of Battery A, is also in Camp Dix to make whatever preliminary arrangements possible for a big reception to be tendered the men at the Wanamaker store, providing they can be brought here.

**Men Get Packages**

Mr. Scott took with him to Dix packages for the men, which it was impossible to distribute to them when they landed at Snyder avenue pier late yesterday afternoon.

Brigadier General William G. Price, who commanded the Fifty-third Artillery Brigade, is anxious to have his men march here, and James E. Lennon, chairman of the welcome home committee of Select Council, said that every effort is being made today to induce them to come.

The greatest throng of people that have yet greeted a returning troopship in this city was on hand yesterday when the boat docked. Fully 40,000 persons lined the piers and railroad tracks along the waterfront waiting for a glimpse of their loved ones.

Many of the men and women had been waiting and hoping for four days, interspersing the weary hours with song and dance on Race street pier until the definite time of arrival was announced.

One incident marred the arrival of the vessel when more than 100 anxious and happy relatives found an unlocked gate and pushed through into the enclosure surrounding the pier at Snyder avenue.

## *Soldier Demands Trial of Officer*

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him would have the same effect as a blow from a smaller man."

No official action has been taken regarding the affair, Captain Gustafson declared. Asked if a court-martial would be ordered, his reply was, "It probably won't be done."

Captain Gustafson said Lieutenant O'Day was not a Philadelphian. He refused to name the officer's home town and declared the entire matter had been very much exaggerated.

**Tells of Attack**

In relating the affair Mrs. Martin, the wounded veteran's wife, said:

"My husband still limps, and it is very difficult for him to move as fast as the rest. Just then the officer grabbed my husband from the rear and started shaking and pushing him. The pushing was too much for him, and when the officer gave him a violent toss he fell to the ground. I tried to explain to the officer that my husband was a wounded man and unable to protect himself. This was taken up by the crowd and further enraged the lieutenant. He turned and struck me a stunning blow in the face with his open hand. We were then taken out of the yard by other men."

Martin and his wife had gone to the pier to greet Mrs. Martin's brother, Charles Evans, Battery A, 108th Field Artillery.

**Alleged Attempt to Steal Auto**

Thomas Curzel, South Twelfth street, was held in $500 bail today by Magistrate Wrigley, on a charge of an alleged attempt to steal an automobile belonging to John H. Brown, Jr., 4519 North Eighteenth street.

# EDGE, NOW SENATOR, PROMISES ACTIVITY

### His Business Ideas to End Government Waste and He Will Propose Reforms

### PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN

Senator-elect Walter E. Edge has ideas about business in government.

He gave those ideas to New Jersey during two and a half years as its governor. Now he has some business ideas for the government at Washington, where he takes his oath as Jersey's junior senator on Monday.

He described himself as "Private Citizen" Edge yesterday as he talked of the past accomplishments and future plans of "Public Official" Edge. He had just turned the governorship of New Jersey to William N. Runyon, president of the Senate, now acting governor. He had three days ahead of playing plain citizen, and he said he liked the breathing spell.

"I feel that I have completed my program in New Jersey," he said. "I could do little more than detail work in that program if I were to complete my term. I am quite satisfied with what I was able to do through the splendid co-operation of everybody.

"We have put business methods into government here," he went on. "It is interesting to note that six years ago, when President Wilson was governor, the state had a deficiency of $162,000. Now there is a surplus of $6,000,000, and we have spent an extra $3,000,000 this year. We have shown that a government can be efficient.

**For Business in Government**

"No one can say just what he plans to do when he is going to take his place for the first time in such a venerable and able body as the United States Senate. I can speak only of my hopes.

"In a large way, I should say, my hope is to carry forward my ideas of business-like government, which I feel I have shown successful here at Trenton.

"A government is a big business. It should not be partisan. It should as soon as possible turn partisanship into business efficiency. Government should not only be business-like in itself, but it should be the partner and helper of private business, not a paternal, controlling organization. There must be regulation, of course, but let government attend to its business of government and allow private business to do the things it can do so well.

"I am convinced that there is only one way to reduce taxes, and that is to reduce the expense of government. There is no way except that. And to reduce expense the first step is to cut out the waste. That is why we must put in a budget on our national government.

"Everybody knows how millions have been wasted. That is why the Republican party was returned to power in Congress. For that reason, I am not sure that we need do much more investigating of war activities than is necessary to drive home the lesson of waste in government. I for one do not want to see Congress foddling away all its time finding out what we all know too well already."

**On Progressive Side**

He laughed when he was asked whether he could be classed among the progressive men of the Senate.

"I don't think I can be classed among any shade of political opinion except that I am a Republican. I did not go out when the split came in 1912, although my tendencies have always been toward the more progressive side. As to the question of the appointment of Senator Penrose to the chairmanship of the finance committee, I will say that no man is better fitted from experience and acquaintance with the subject than he is after twenty years on the committee. The fight seems to be letting up on him, I understand."

He became silent when he was asked what his stand would be when the peace treaty came before the Senate.

"I don't want to see America evade any responsibilities for aiding the nations of the world keep the peace," he said finally. "And yet I do not intend to allow anything to take from us those rights of development which have made us great. We have gone into world affairs pretty deeply and have, therefore, obligations which cannot be evaded, but the world will lose these very things which make it possible for us to sit at the head of the world's council table if our sovereignty is to be hampered.

"It is a dream to say that war can be made impossible. Look at the Balkans. I hear there are eighteen little wars on there now. But the whole world is united and I know this country is determined that something must be done in the world to prevent nations going hastily to war. There must be a deterent.

"But I fear that President Wilson, with his idealism, is too eager to shove the United States into the melting pot of the nations to make his dreams come true. I will not stand for anything which will make this country merely a minority stockholder in an international corporation. The language of the treaty and the league covenant must be clear, very clear in its assurance that we are not giving up too much in fulfilling our just obligation to the world."

When he was asked about the suffrage amendment, he had another smile. "Of course I am for it as I have always been. I am to speak on it tonight at home," he went on. "But I don't seem to be the determining vote now. There is quite a rush it seems to endorse suffrage among the new Senators. At one time, though, it was said my vote would decide the matter. But there is more than enough to assure its passage now.

"It should be interesting to the women of the country that they had to wait to get a Republican Congress before they could get the vote. They know that, too. I feel, and it will have an influence in 1920."

# SPECIAL COUNCILS MAY AID KRUSEN

### $50,000 Fund Needed for Health Director to Keep Pledge to Women

### FAILED AT REGULAR SESSION

Delay incident to the failure of the Department of Health and Charities to introduce in Councils this week an ordinance providing $50,000 for the abatement of nuisances may be overcome by the holding of an extra session of Councils in June.

One of the promises Director Krusen made the churchwomen who called on him yesterday to talk over the housing situation was to abate nuisances. To get the necessary funds councilmanic action will have to be speeded up. Failure to introduce the necessary legislation on Thursday was due to a misunderstanding as to the object of the meeting. Primarily the councilmen got together to receive a favorable report on the $14,750,000 loan and Director Krusen did not understand that new bills would be received as well.

Churchwomen who attended the conference with Director Krusen today planned to keep closely in touch with the Department of Health and Charities and to insist upon the publication of names of property-owners who fail to comply with the sanitary laws. By publication they hope to force the delinquents into doing their duty by their tenants.

The church women, headed by Mrs. William Abbey, intend to work for a revision of existing laws that permit landlords to collect rents for dilapidated properties. These conditions, Mrs. Abbey told Director Krusen, must be remedied, even if action has to be sought at the hands of the next Legislature.

In the meantime, Director Krusen has promised the prosecution of landlords and owners who fail to comply with the sanitary laws. He also has promised to co-operate with the Department of Public Works in the matter of obtaining sewers for the hundreds of miles of streets that are now without these facilities.

## BANKERS HELD FOR THEFT

### Two Quizzed All Night Regarding $135,000 Loss

Chicago, May 17.—(By A. P.)—John W. Worthington, a Chicago broker and former banker, and George R. Kent, vice president of a suburban bank, were held by the police today in connection with the alleged theft of $135,000 in Liberty Bonds and other securities from the William J. Crittenden brokerage and banking house of Pittsburgh.

Neither would discuss the case and the fact of their detention became known only after they had been questioned all night by private and city detectives. Worthington was then taken to a cell in the city detective bureau, but Kent was allowed to remain in the hotel.

The securities disappeared February 22. According to detectives their trail led to the office of Thomas Watson, a Chicago broker, and they are said to have obtained from him an affidavit charging Worthington with having retained him to dispose of the securities.

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**DEATHS**

STUCKERT.—In Doylestown, May 15, 1919, ANNIE HARNIPT STUCKERT, wife of William Stuckert. Services from her late residence on Mon., May 19, 1919, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Int. private, in the Doylestown Cem.

BURR.—May 16, 1919, EDWARD H., beloved husband of Elizabeth S. Clunn Burr. Relatives and friends, also William C. Hamilton Lodge, No. 500, F. and A. M.; Tristram B. Freeman Chapter, No. 243, R. A. M.; Cressington Commandery, No. 54, K. T., Phila. Foresters No. 10, T. C. L.; Lu Lu Temple, A. A. O. of N. M. S.; Lincoln Castle, No. 28, K. G. E.; Keystone Lodge, No. 2, S. of H.; also board of trustees and members of Summerfield M. E. Church, invited to funeral services on Tues., at 2 p. m., at his late residence, 2430 Frankford ave. Int. private. Remains can be viewed Mon. evening, 8 to 10.

DETWILER.—May 15, FRANCES THOMAS DETWILER, of Lancaster, Pa., daughter of Virginia Van Syckel and the late Edward Thomas. Relatives and friends invited to funeral service at the residence of her mother, Milford, N. J., Mon., 2 p. m.

LINFOOT.—May 17, ELIZABETH PANNIE, widow of Benjamin Linfoot, 750 N. Preston st. Due notice will be given.

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# *F. D. TURNBULL, VON BELOW'S STEPSON, ROBBED OF $1000*

### *Philadelphian Who Spent Four Years of War Along Rhine Is Waylaid in Chicago's Loop District*

Frederick Dale Turnbull, a Philadelphian, was beaten and robbed in Chicago Friday night. He is a stepson of Count von Below, a German general, and lived in Germany during the four years of the war.

According to news dispatches from Chicago, Turnbull went to that city from Lincoln, Neb., where he had visited his fiancee, Miss Vivian Davis. It was in Chicago's loop district that five youths attacked him and robbed him of about $1000. The robbers escaped.

Turnbull was a son of the late Frederick Turnbull, an aniline dye manufacturer. His widowed mother married General Count Hans von Below.

During Turnbull's protracted absence abroad, the alien property custodian is said to have assumed supervision over his property in this country. The supervision was withdrawn recently, and the young man is said to have regained control of a considerable estate.

Turnbull, who lived for a while at 1224 Spruce street, left Berlin December 2, 1918, and reached this city in the second week of January.

On his return he gave a vivid description of conditions in Berlin. Food scarcity, he said, hastened the collapse of the German arms and prodded the German people into revolt.

He predicted that the Germans would assassinate the former kaiser if Wilhelm returned to Germany.

Another of his statements was that Germany is far from bankrupt and could easily meet the heavy indemnities demanded by the Allies.

Turnbull left this city three weeks ago for Nebraska.