

SAYS CITY CAN TAKE MEDICAL LEADERSHIP

Money, Co-ordinated Effort and More Hospitals and Colleges Are Needed

DR. MILLS URGES ACTION

Dr. Charles K. Mills, noted neurologist, urges the medical profession of this city to be "up and doing" to maintain Philadelphia's prestige as the medical center of the continent.

WOMEN TO DEMAND DISCHARGE OF GUARD

Secretary of Big Sisters Says Park Policeman Was Obnoxious to Picnickers

Led Other U. S. Cities

Though Philadelphia led the United States in medicine in the days before the war, it did not lead the world, Berlin and Vienna certainly came ahead of it, and perhaps also Paris.

New York, through a newly organized Association for the Advancement of Medical Education and Medical Science, is endeavoring to take the place of world leadership in medicine.

Philadelphia physicians see in New York's action a challenge to the medical men of this city, who must hasten to organize and co-ordinate local medical facilities—hospitals, teaching institutions, laboratories—if Philadelphia is to develop her full possibilities.

When Doctor Mills's attention was called to the statement that the New York physicians had organized to make their city the world's medical center, he said:

"I believe the movement a good one, and one which should stimulate the medical profession of Philadelphia to a full recognition of what should be done here."

"For many years Philadelphia has been universally recognized as the medical center of this continent, and I feel that this city has not altogether lost its prestige. The profession, however, must be up and doing to maintain this position."

"Lack of money always has been the great difficulty here. Comparatively speaking, very little money has been given to the medical schools of this city. This condition should be changed. It can be changed only by the action of our wealthy men."

"I always have been interested in the extension of facilities for post-graduate teaching in Philadelphia. When the war broke out in 1914 I recognized at once the fact that the departure of

young American physicians for post-graduate course in the capitals of Europe, such as Berlin, Vienna, Paris and London, would be interfered with and probably indefinitely stopped.

"With this situation in mind, at that time I organized the post-graduate school of neurology, which had for its center the Philadelphia General Hospital. Since then students have come here for post-graduate work in neurology from all parts of the country—we had eighteen or twenty states represented, not all at one time, of course. When America entered the war arrangements were made at once to give courses in neurology and psychiatry to medical reserve officers in connection with post-graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania.

"Now that the war is over students again are making application for post-graduate work here. The University of Pennsylvania has organized a post-graduate school and several courses already have been outlined, including, I believe, internal medicine, ophthalmology and neurology.

"But this is the point: While all this is true, the great need in Philadelphia is for a large, active and co-ordinated movement to uphold and advance the medical position of the city. Money is needed to build laboratories and additional hospitals. The Philadelphia General Hospital has done great work for the advancement of science, but additional facilities are required."

Mrs. Marion L. Cohen-Polak, executive secretary of the Big Sisters, declares that that organization intends to ask the Park Commission for the dismissal of Guard Ward, basing the demand upon alleged obnoxious conduct toward Sunday picnickers along the Wissahickon.

Ward, on duty in civilian clothes, arrested Joseph Weisgold for alleged disorderly conduct in a rowboat. Weisgold, not recognizing Ward's authority, resisted, and was joined by others of the picnic party. Magistrate Stevenson held Weisgold under \$600 bail for assault and battery.

Another complaint against Ward is that he pulled a blackjack on Harry Rubenstein, 1817 Sixth street, when the latter resented the guard's actions toward a girl in the party. Ward asserts the young woman was dancing in an objectionable manner and refused to stop when ordered. Magistrate Stevenson remitted a fine of \$7.50 imposed upon the girl, when Mrs. Polak announced her intention of asking a court hearing in the case.

Ward, at the hearing, identified Mrs. Polak as having been among the picnic party, but when she swore that she had spent Sunday in Atlantic City, admitted his mistake. The hearing was attended by many women who witnessed the arrest and who, Ward said, attacked him when he attempted to take Weisgold into custody.

Brooks Drowned Man's Chain Harrisburg, July 14.—Edward L. Drinkwater, while fishing in the Susquehanna river, pulled up his line and on the hook was the gold chain, locket and penknife of the late Rabbi Meir Abraham of the Chislik Emoun Synagogue, of this city. The rabbi was drowned near the spot on June 29 while canoeing.

EVENING LEDGER TALE TICKLES LAWMAKERS

Gentleman From Kansas Amuses Lower House With His Reading

DISCONCERTS COLLEAGUE

A story from the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER set Congress in a jovial mood, eluded them, and disconcerted the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

"The occasion in the House of Representatives on July 11 of the discussion of the bill to prohibit intoxicating beverages and to regulate the manufacture, production, use and sale of high-proof spirits for other than beverage purposes.

Representative Strong, from Kansas, was speaking, as quoted by the Congressional Record:

"Mr. Chairman, a short time ago the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. Moore) put into the Record a statement of the amount of taxes that the nation would lose if we enforced the prohibitory law. I do not think the gentleman from Pennsylvania has been reading his own paper, for up in Philadelphia they have already found that saving of far more than the loss in tax revenue. I read from the Philadelphia EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER of July 5, 1919:

"Daily arrests slumped from 300 to forty-five here—passing of liquor followed by easy days for police, even in Templeton.

"The art of getting arrested is going out of style in this city along with hard liquor.

"From a daily average of 300 arrests here prior to July 1, that average has dropped to about forty-five since that momentous day.

"The oldest boot peddlers at the Tenth and Buttonwood streets station and the Eleventh and Winter streets station could not recall a quieter Fourth of July in their districts.

"In the old days the police worked

overtime in those districts. Yesterday three arrests were made. One man was freed when brought in. He quickly asserted his trouble was not due to near beer. Two youths were brought in for playing craps.

"One lone figure faced Magistrate Pennock in Central Station yesterday. He was arrested for using a wrong license number on his automobile.

"The magistrate had come up to this city on an early morning train from Atlantic City. He thought of the wind-swept beach, sighed as he looked at the lonely prisoner, then discharged him. Pennock got the next train back to the seashore.

And if the Congressional Record south there was prolonged laughter and applause that echoed and rebounded along the many corridors of the capitol meeting hall.

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