FUND STARTED TO AID NORTH PENN VICTIMS

Some of Depositors Reported Virtually Starving — Former Director Contributes $100

CHURCHES ARE HARD HIT

Destitution caused by the scuttling of the North Penn Bank has made it necessary to start a fund in the neighborhood for depositors who are in want.

Wallace C. Powelson, a former director of the bank, today made the first contribution of $100.

A number of persons in the vicinity of Twenty-ninth and Dauphin streets have come forward to assist those who had their savings swept away by the bank looters and are now virtually penniless.

"Conditions are such," said Mr. Powelson, "that something must be done to help the people who are virtually starving."

"I scarcely recognize the neighborhood," said the Rev. Walter P. Gough, rector of the Catholic Church of St. Columba, Twenty-fourth street and Lehigh avenue. "It is poverty, distress and hunger wherever you go. The people seem stricken almost dumb by the sudden mishap."

The Federation of Jewish Churches will make a survey of the neighborhood to take care of any depositors who may be in need, following collapse of the institution.

Several churches were hard hit in the bank collapse. One of them has had to borrow money from its wealthy members to "keep going." Another lost the nucleus of its building fund, and the shock so affected the minister that he suffered a nervous breakdown.

Father Gough said the St. Vincent de Paul Society, connected with his church, had $600 in the bank. The organization took care of more than fifty destitute widows and orphans in the district. The church itself, said the priest, has lost several hundreds of dollars.

Catholic Club Loses All

The Young Men's Catholic Club, of Twenty-fifth street and Lehigh avenue, was deprived of all its assets, amounting to $500.

"My church is stripped—absolutely stripped," said the Rev. Robert E. Johnson, pastor of the Twenty-ninth Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Twenty-ninth and York streets, yesterday. Of this church Walter O. Coldflesh, self-confessed record-jagging bookkeeper of the wrecked bank, was a member and he also taught a Sunday school class there at one time.

"In all," continued the Rev. Mr. Johnson, "the church loses $2000. That sum includes the Ladies' Aid fund, the missionary fund and the trustees' fund. Among the members of my congregation hundreds have been impoverished. From morning to night they come to me. I do the best I can to give them hope and comfort them, but I know little more than they do.

Had to Borrow Money

"As you know, the summer season is a bad time for the churches. We have had to borrow money from a few wealthy members to 'keep going' for the next months. Several churches in the neighborhood, regardless of denomination, have suffered as we have."

The Rev. Mr. Johnson's statement was substantiated by Mrs. J. A. Wengle, wife of the Rev. J. A. Wengle, rector of St. Bartholomew Protestant Episcopal Church, Twenty-fifth street and Lehigh avenue. The building fund of the church, which was the hope for a new, handsome structure of both the pastor and the congregation, she said, disappeared in the smash-up. This was such a shock to the minister that his health has been affected, and he was sent to the country by his physician.

There is not a single member of the congregation, added Mrs. Wengle, who has not lost money in the bank. Even the savings of the choirboys, who recall Coldflesh as an unkempt schoolboy, were sunk in the swindle.

A fund of $1800 belonging to the Thirty-eighth Ward Service Men's League, for which a memorial tablet in honor of the soldiers, sailors and marines of the ward was to have been purchased, had been deposited in the defunct institution.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rawlings, a newly married couple, of 3002 Taney street, saw the $400 they had saved to buy their home swept away.

Soldier Loses Bonus

Max Kaizen, who fought through the war for $30 a month and eventually was discharged from the army, is numbered among the victims of the scandal. Kaizen, who lives near Thirty-first and York streets, had just collected his $60 bonus from the government and placed it in the wrecked institution as the nucleus of a savings account, when the crash came. It was the former soldier's only resource aside from his daily work.

Decision of the Federation of Jewish Societies to make a survey followed action by Miss Teresa Widawski, 2551 North Twenty-ninth street, a depositor in the bank, who went to the aid of an elderly woman made destitute by the loss of her savings.

Miss Widawski is employed in a downtown cloak and suit factory. But, although all her own savings were lost in the wreck, and she has to toil hard for a living, she is giving of what little she has to victims more needy than herself.

"Must Do Something"

"I read of the terrible case of Mrs. Rachel Cohen," she said. "I felt I must do something."

Mrs. Cohen, who lives at 2912 Westmont street, was rendered totally destitute through the wreck. She has a crippled husband, four children and an orphan grandchild to support. On Saturday she told a reporter there was no bread in the house.

Miss Widawski took a basketful of provisions to her, enough for two or three days. She succeeded in interesting relatives, who promised to care for the impoverished family for the remainder of the week. Furthermore, Miss Widawski got in touch with officials of the Federation of Jewish Charities, who promised a survey of the entire district.

Inspectors to Join N. H. Strike

Boston, Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—Members of Bay View Lodge 57, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, voted last night to join with federated crafts of the Boston and Maine, Boston and Albany and New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroads in their contemplated strike next Thursday. The lodge has 400 members who are employed by the New Haven road as inspectors and mechanics.

SPURN STRIKE COMPROMISE

Scranton Electrical Trouble May Be Settled by Philadelphian

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—The strike of electrical workers continues despite promises of settlement last Saturday. The workers repudiate the compromise accepted by the Board of Trade and Central Labor Union committees, because the Scranton Electric Company reserved the right to judge the competency of new men to be employed and also because of the refusal of the Laurel Line electric road between here and Wilkes-Barre to grant the same wage increase as the electric company.

Today the strikers' committee will report to the strikers that the "preferential shop" is the best they can secure. William Young, of Philadelphia, chief mediator of the State Department of Labor, is here today to arrange further conferences.

Moore in City; Seeks Harmony

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going strong in the mayoralty prospectives under consideration by the committee of one hundred, declined to say today whether he would accept or decline indorsement by the committee.

"I may have something to say within the next few days," said Mr. Acker.

It was reported in political circles that should Judge John M. Patterson be the selection of the Vare forces he would not receive the support of State Senator Edward W. Patton. This rumor gained circulation because Judge Patterson did not support Senator Patton when the latter ran for county commissioner.

Asked concerning this report today, Senator Patton said:

"If a majority of the Republican leaders are for Judge Patterson I will be for Judge Patterson, too. I'll support the man whom the majority of the leaders favor."

Patterson May Run

Judge Patterson may be a candidate for the mayoralty nomination, but he is not going to seek the honor.

If he becomes a candidate it will be at the solicitation of Republican leaders and Republican voters in the city.

This, in substance, is the way in which Judge Patterson outlined his position in the mayoralty situation.

The jurist who is mentioned most frequently as the probable choice of the regular Republican organization for the mayoralty is back in the city today after a sojourn at the seashore.

"Have any overtures been made to you to run for the nomination since you expressed a willingness to become a candidate several days ago?" Judge Patterson was asked.

Friends Still Urge Him

"No, not in a political way," he answered, "but my friends continue to urge me."

"Do you intend to announce your candidacy soon?" he was asked.

"I do not intend to make any formal announcement," was his reply.

"I am not a candidate in the sense of seeking the nomination. I am satisfied to remain right where I am.

"But if demand for me to become a candidate becomes urgent, then I will file papers for the nomination."

In political circles the belief is growing that Judge Patterson will be the choice of potential leaders affiliated with the Republican city committee.

Believed Ideal Candidate

His past record, his work as a member of the charter revision committee and of the subcommittee which drafted the charter bill are believed by many Republican leaders to make him the ideal candidate to draw strength from the big body of independent voters who are expected to be a factor in the coming primary.

Persons close to the big leaders would not be surprised to see the Republican city committee leaders slate a ticket headed by Judge Patterson, which would contain one or two men prominent in independent circles in the past as candidates for row offices. Such a ticket, they argue, would split the opposition.

Edwin S. Stuart, who has served both as Governor of the state and Mayor of the city, is the "ideal" of Select Councilman Charles Seger and Charles B. Hall, the Seventh ward leaders, for the mayoralty.

Vare Favors Stuart

The former Governor was on the list of eligibles put forward by Senator Vare last Friday.

Seger and Hall would like to see a faction fight averted by the election of a harmony candidate.

"I believe ex-Governor Stuart would be an ideal candidate," said Mr. Seger. "He also looks to me to be the ideal man to harmonize the Republican party in Philadelphia. I would think that he would suit all factions.

"Mr. Stuart's record as Governor and Mayor would assure the citizens of his home city that they would make no mistake by entrusting the affairs of the municipality in his hands for the next four years."

Former Governor Stuart declined to discuss the mayoralty in any way whatever.

Selection of a mayoralty candidate by the committee of one hundred is expected some time this week.

The platform committee, headed by Thomas Raeburn White, meets today to begin drafting the declaration of principles.

Acker Leads Independent Field

The executive committee, headed by John Hampton Barnes, will meet tonight to go over suggestions for the mayoralty and will submit a list of names to the main committee when it meets tomorrow afternoon.

Republican Alliance workers are assiduously pushing the Acker boom and circulating petitions urging him to run.

Congressman J. Hampton Moore, who returned to the city from Washington, and John C. Winston, chairman of the charter revision committee, also are strong possibilities.

Wilson Back at His Desk; Takes Up Price Problem

Washington, Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—President Wilson returned to Washington early today from a week-end trip down the Potomac on the Mayflower. He had no engagements for the forenoon and was understood to be devoting his attention to the high cost of living problems.

LAFEAN'S FRIENDS SEE "POLITICS" IN CRASH

Former Banking Commissioner Now Silent on North Penn Case

HOME TOWN IS INTERESTED

By a Staff Correspondent

York, Pa., Aug. 4.—Daniel F. Lafean, former banking commissioner, who taxed Banking Commissioner John F. Fisher with dereliction in failing to close the North Penn Bank, is silent to questions why he himself did not act if he knew conditions at the bank were not as they should be.

Assertion that the present head of the state banking department had knowledge of the precarious condition of finances in the institution at the time he assumed the banking commissionership, through records on file in the banking department, together with his predecessor's criticisms of the examinations, was made by Mr. Lafean.

Efforts to get him to support his own administration, however, to state why, with his admitted personal knowledge of the financial state of the North Penn Bank before him, following two surveys of the institution by his examiners, he did not take summary action, were futile. To all questions put to him his only reply was, "I have nothing to say."

Last Examination September, 1918

Mr. Fisher says that the last examination of the wrecked bank was made, under former Banking Commissioner Lafean's administration, in September, 1918. The findings of the examiners are withheld under the provision of the banking law, which forbids publicity concerning financial institutions.

Publication of the statement of Mr. Fisher, in reply to the attack upon him by his predecessor in office, blaming him for dilatoriness in taking action against the wreckers of the North Penn Bank, that he would in time show knowledge of conditions by Mr. Lafean and his connection with the bank, has caused much comment among residents of York, where Mr. Lafean lives.

Mr. Lafean, a Republican, was elected, in a strongly Democratic district, four times to Congress. He met his Waterloo on his fifth candidacy. Now he rules the lesser lights in the Republican organization. At present he is endeavoring to win the Republican nomination for the county treasurership for his son, Stuart R. Lafean, recently returned from overseas.

Samuel S. Lewis, former postmaster of York, and the leader of the Republican machine in York, was formerly private secretary to Mr. Lafean and owes much of his success in life and political advancement to his mentor. Today, however, he is Mr. Lafean's most bitter opponent.

Is Penrose Adherent

He is a Penrose adherent and holds high place in the councils of the Republican party in his bailiwick. Mr. Lafean leads the Brumbaugh-Vare cohorts in York. Lewis's candidate for the county treasurership was ruled ineligible because he held a county commissionership.

James A. Dale, president of the York County National Bank, and a former assemblyman, is probably as close to former Banking Commissioner Lafean as any man in town. Speaking of the expose of the North Penn Bank, and of the allegations made against Banking Commissioner Fisher by Mr. Lafean, and the threats of legal reprisals made by Mr. Fisher, he gave voice to the laconic utterance, "Politics."

Former Banking Commissioner Lafean is considered a wealthy man. He made the bulk of his money, with other members of his family, in the candy business.

The Lafean home, a $40,000 structure, surrounded by velvet lawns, with luxuriant shrubbery and vines, and built of brick and stone, is situated on Market street, at Richland avenue, and is one of the showplaces of York. In the garage is a little flock of motor cars. Besides the candy business the former congressman and banking commissioner is interested in a color-making works and divers other enterprises.

Regulars Wanted Stuart for Mayor

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publicans, however, for he has always been a "regular."

Backed By Organization

All that he has received in the way of political honors has come from the organization. When the organization sends out S O S signals will he regard the call, no matter at what cost to himself? I have a very pronounced idea that Governor Stuart could declare that he has served his party, has given the best years of his life to its service, and that therefore he must not be considered as available for further political activity.

Should the suggestion of his name by Senator Vare and then by Councilman Seger bear fruit sthen the Penrose Alliance must decide the question as to the Independents' position. It is possible that, as Councilman Seger has declared in favor of the Penrose people provided they name a "practical man," the latter may be disposed to consider the suggestion of Governor Stuart's name. That, however, is a doubtful question.

If so, the picture would be presented of each faction claiming Governor Stuart as "their man."

Senator Penrose would magnanimously forget the jeremiads that have been hurled at him by the Vares and John R. K. Scott; Senator Vare and his brother with Christian forgiveness would excuse the Penrosian outbursts as to contractor-bosses as the ebullitions of a superheated senatorial temper, and worthy of forgetfulness; the dove of peace would cut a pigeon wing, while four-ply harmony would settle over the warring factions.

Plane Circles Pike's Peak

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 4.—Lieutenant Alex Lendrum, of Colorado Springs, in a Curtiss oriole biplane, circled the summit of Pike's Peak yesterday, reaching an altitude of 14,200 feet. The flight was the first ever made to the crest of the mountain.

NORTH PENN DIRECTOR'S SHORE HOME

Summer residence of William T. Gabell, one of the directors of the defunct North Penn Bank, at Wildwood, N. J.

Directors of North Penn Bank Blamed for Institution's Collapse

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was run on an efficient basis and was doing splendidly. About two years ago, however, there was a change. The depositors attributed the laxity in methods to the war, believing that the bank could not obtain competent help."

Charles A. Horn, a stockholder, whose officers are in the Bourse Building, verified Mr. Powelson's assertions. He also said that Ralph Moyer, the cashier; Walter Coldflesh, head bookkeeper, and Elwood Strang, paying teller, ran the bank "in a high-handed manner."

"They made themselves very offensive to the depositors," said Mr. Horn. "These men smoked cigars in the bank and were very insolent."

Calls Them Boneheads

"Boneheads" was the appellation given the directors of the bank by Charles Pfeiffer, a brother of one of the members of the board.

Mr. Pfeiffer, who conducts a saloon at Ridge avenue and Cumberland street, said he sized up the men and decided that they knew nothing of the banking business.

"I wouldn't put my money in that bank when I saw what kind of men were on the board, and I advised my son Robert to put his money in a safe place. He did not listen to me and put it in the bank. He had saved $1000 to furnish a house, as he soon was to be married, and today he is minus his $1000."

Pusey Resents Criticism

Colonel Pusey and Mr. Cameron, sitting comfortably in the probe office in the Bailey Building, took exception to the criticism of the depositors who have demanded to be informed of the condition of their accounts.

"There is nothing to it," said Colonel Pusey. "The investigation is being made at full speed and we are at it day and night."

"But the depositors are indignant," he was told, "at the delay and are asking for facts. "They say it has gone on long enough for them to have facts."

"There is no need for any indignation," he snapped. "We are working hard to uncover all the bank transactions. It is not going slowly; it is going along fast."

Mr. Cameron then said that a statement of the bank's assets and liabilities had not, as yet, been completed, "but," he added, "we are not waiting for that. We are working to get all the money possible from people who owe the bank."

Falsifying Covered Long Period

The chief banking commissioner said that the investigation showed that the falsifying of the books covered a long period—even before Coldflesh took over the main ledger. He added that another "snag" had been encountered in the bank due to the machine-made entries in the books.

In the old system of bookkeeping the clerk made entries by hand, but with the loose-leaf ledgers the entries are made on a machine resembling a typewriter. Hence, he declared, it was impossible to determine who made the entries and necessitated checking each account on the ledgers.

The colonel and Mr. Cameron likewise were perturbed regarding the assertions made by Daniel F. Lafean, former banking commissioner, who has alleged that Pusey, Rotan and Cortelyou are burning up the bank assets by an expensive investigation.

"Anyway," said Mr. Cameron, "the bank examiners are paid by the state and the district attorney employes will be paid out of county funds."

State Banking Commissioner John S. Fisher, explained last week that Colonel Pusey and the certified accountant, employed by the district attorney, would be paid from the bank assets.

Conferences Are Held

Colonel Pusey held several conferences this morning. It is understood that between forty and fifty persons owe the bank approximately $1,000,000. Among this number several women appear as debtors. Colonel Pusey is talking to many of the number and endeavoring to persuade them to pay their loans.

One of his early callers today was William Morgan Montgomery, attorney for the accused cashier. Mr. Montgomery said the cashier had straightened the salary payroll at the bank and that all the employes were paid last Saturday with the exception of those under fire—Moyer, Strang, Coldfesh and Evan Ambler, who says he is not a relative of Charles Ambler.

Moyer did not appear at Colonel Pusey's office this morning. He had an unexpected caller in the person of Charles Neely, 2326 North Twenty-ninth street, one of the directors of the bank. The man refused to reveal his identity when he drove to the Moyer home at Third street and Olney avenue in an automobile. He would not discuss the nature of his business.

Strang Near City, Is Belief

Strang, who presented his wife with a $10,500 house in Cynwyd and drove three automobiles on a $35 a week salary, is believed to be in or near the city today.

"We can put our hands on him at any time," said one of the detectives. In fact, he is not very far away."

District Attorney Rotan, who has been absent from the city for several days, is expected to return tomorrow. He has called a conference for the day and ordered Assistant District Attorney Joseph H. Taulane and James T. Cortelyou, chief of his detectives, to be on hand. Philip N. Goldsmith, certified public accountant, employed by Mr. Rotan, will be at the meeting and may present a detailed statement of the bank's financial standing.

No longer does Moyer claim to be the "goat" suffering from the sins of "higher-ups." Now he maintains there are no "higher-ups."

Aside from this declaration, the cashier is silent on most of the angles of the amazing drama of "other people's money," which has stripped away the life savings from hundreds of families.

Moyer admits he sent out dividends to stockholders as recently as January 9, this year, when the bank, it is said, already was hopelessly insolvent.

The "dividends" were described as "3 per cent semiannual dividends" in the notices sent out by the accused cashier.

Moyer, when asked why the dividends were paid when the bank was defunct, replied:

"It was because they were earned."

"Wasn't the bank then struggling for existence?" he was asked.

"I have nothing to say about that," answered the cashier.

Fisher to Pro-Rate Assets of Bank

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the depositors will share when the assets are distributed.

$25,000 Recovered

"Twenty-five thousand dollars placed in the North Penn Bank by the state treasurer has been refunded to the state by the bonding company which insured the deposit. This $25,000, however, still remains in the bank.

"It will be lost to the bonding company which made a refund of the amount to the state treasurer, but the depositors will gain by the $25,000 accretion thus made to the bank's assets.

"The banking department is acting legally in all that it has done and is doing in the North Penn Bank affair for the depositors.

"It represents and safeguards their and the public interests. The law clothing the banking department with this authority is a very recent one. The North Penn Bank is one of the first two instances in this state where the law is operative.

"The department is following the course outlined by the law, but is very much handicapped by the confused condition of the affairs of the bank, the possible changes which the employes are likely to be involved in and **the utter lack of information on the part of the board of directors.**

District Attorney Called

"Legally the State Banking Department acts under the advice of the attorney general. Due to the developments which will lead to criminal prosecution, the district attorney of Philadelphia has been associated with the Banking Department.

DENIES PRISON PROBE PLAN

Dr. Baer Says U. S. Is Cheated if It Pays 78c Day to Feed Prisoners

Dr. Elizabeth Baer, who was released from Moyamensing Prison July 25 after having been imprisoned there since April 24 of this year following her conviction on a charge of violating the espionage act, declared today she will visit other prisons in this district to investigate conditions.

She is well enough acquainted with conditions at Moyamensing Prison, she said, and will not make her probe there. She has written a letter to United States Marshal Noonan, calling his attention to the conditions she alleges exist there. She said today the government pays seventy-eight cents a day to feed federal prisoners.

"If that is the case, the government is being cheated at Moyamensing Prison," she said.

Doctor Baer's objections to Moyamensing Prison were based on her opinion of the food given prisoners, and the treatment afforded them.

MAY RUN FOR SHERIFF

Edmonds and Carr Mentioned as Candidates

Either Franklin Spencer Edmonds or George Wentworth Carr may be put forward by the committee of one hundred as the candidate for the nomination for sheriff.

In the event that A. Lincoln Acker becomes the mayoralty candidate, the candidate for sheriff, the next place in importance on the ticket, will likely be independent.

Mr. Edmonds and Mr. Carr have figured actively in former independent campaigns. Mr. Carr managed the Blankenburg campaign in 1911.

Mr. Edmonds won laurels as a Y. M. C. A. worker in France.

WIFE SEES HUSBAND DROWN

Clarence Snyder, of Flemington, Sinks Despite Rescue Effort

Flemington, N. J., Aug. 4.—Clarence Snyder, of Flemington, aged about thirty-four years, was drowned in the South Branch river, near Neshanic station, yesterday afternoon. He swam across the river, and while returning sank in midstream.

Harry Snyder, a cousin, nearly lost his life while attempting to rescue the drowning man. Harry succeeded in getting Clarence within a few feet of shore, when he became exhausted and was pulled out of the water by their wives, who witnessed the tragedy. Clarence's body was recovered. Besides Mrs. Snyder, four children survive.

WILL PROBE BLAST THAT KILLED BOYS

Dynamite Left Easy of Access in Unlocked Shack, One Child Says

QUARRY OWNER IN DENIAL

An investigation is being made by the police today to determine whether the dynamite that exploded and killed three boys yesterday was kept under lock and key.

The foreman of the quarry, where the accident occurred, says the tool house was locked and as far as he knows no dynamite or caps were in the building. A brother of two of the dead victims says he visited the quarry Saturday and the only bar to entrance to the structure was a nail stuck through the eye of a rusty hasp.

The dead boys are:

Walter Moliski, thirteen years old, 2013 Ruan street.

Frank Hagen, thirteen years old, 1935 West Cayuga street.

Stanley Hagen, six years old, 1935 West Cayuga street.

The quarry in which the accident took place is between the Reading Railway tracks and Roberts avenue, about one block from Wayne avenue.

Bodies Mutilated

Walter Moliski's body was so badly mutilated that it was not until several hours after his parents began to examine it that they were able to make positive identification.

Frank Hagen also was terribly mutilated. He was found where he had crawled, halfway up the side of the steep hill surrounding the quarry excavation, with one leg and one arm blown off.

Little Stanley, who had been allowed to leave his home only because he was to be under the guardianship of his older brother, and Moliski, a cousin of the Hagens, was found buried in the ruins. Fragments of lumber from the wrecked building had pierced his abdomen.

William Humes, 4443 Grant street, a Reading Railway brakeman, was the first to reach the scene of the accident. He was working a few hundred yards from the quarry when the explosion occurred and was thrown from his feet by the impact.

He uncoupled his engine from the line of cars being shifted to a siding and had the engineer speed to the quarry. He and Edward Clemens, another yardman, quickly got the two Hagen boys to the level ground surrounding the quarry, and, summoning a passing automobile, had them taken to St. Luke's Hospital.

In less than ten minutes after the accident, the boys were on the operating table in that institution, but the doctors held out no hope for their recovery.

Third Boy Found

It was some time later when it was discovered that another boy had been killed in the explosion. Search of the scene of the accident resulted in the discovery, and the Moleski boy's body was taken to the morgue.

Mrs. Moleski, in the meanwhile, had gone to St. Luke's Hospital and identified the two injured boys as her nephews. At that time she had no thought that her own son might have been hurt in the same accident.

Her husband was the first to suspect it. The police told him of the finding of the third body, and described the texture of the trousers and hat the boy had worn, and Mr. Moleski was sure it was his son.

The final identification was made by the clothing and part of the dead boy's head.

"It is nearly a month since we did any excavating at the quarry," said Vincent Mercaldo, 353 Price street, in charge of the quarry, "and then we moved to another job. The tools and dynamite were taken away and only a few old picks and shovels that were no good were left. The shack had been securely locked and the boys must have forced their way into it."

"The shack was not locked," Joseph Hagen, older brother of the two dead boys, said. "I was there a few days ago, and it was merely fastened by a rusty hasp and a nail. Anybody could remove the nail and enter.

"Walter came over and wanted us to go out and play yesterday. I didn't want to go, and did not want Frank to go, but he insisted upon it. Finally I said he could go if he took little Stanley along. They left home about 2 o'clock."

Joseph denied the story that the boys had visited the quarry on Saturday and forced open the shack. Frank, he said, was employed as errand boy by a Germantown butcher and had worked all day Saturday.

Leaves $11,000 to Relatives

The will, filed today, of Elizabeth W. Wiltbank, who died in the West Jersey Homeopathic Hospital, Camden, gives $11,000 to relatives. Sarah H. Mullen, who died in the Lankenau Hospital, left an estate of $3200.

CONSTABLE ARRESTED

Charged With Hitting Woman Said to Have Owed Rent

His alleged strenuous methods in levying for rent resulted in the arrest today of Constable Alexander McFarlane, who is connected with the office of Magistrate Harris. He was held in $500 bail for court at a hearing before Magistrate Grelis.

McFarlane was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Harriett J. Patterson, a storekeeper of 176 East Lippincott street. She testified that McFarlane, together with two appraisers, went to her store July 1 to levy for rent. Mrs. Patterson said she objected to the men entering the living quarters at the rear of the store and during an argument, she said, McFarlane struck her with a cane. One witness said she saw the bruises caused by the constable's attack. McFarlane said the woman was several months in arrears and during a previous visit to the place the woman struck him.

NAVAL DISPLAYS TO HONOR KNIGHTS

Wilson Undecided as to Whether He Can Address Convention During Week of Sept. 7

ASK FOREIGNERS TO ATTEND

Naval displays in the Delaware river will be one of the many features of the thirty-fourth triennial encampment of the Knights Templar, to be held here during the week of September 7.

This was announced today at a meeting of the committee of arrangements for the celebration, which will take the form of a peace jubilee. The meeting was held in the Masonic Temple. Dr. A. Howard Thomas, executive chairman, presided, and read communications from President Wilson, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Admiral Benson and Admiral Hughes, Major General Barnett, of the marine corps, and the heads of the various subcommittees.

President Wilson has announced that he is unable to tell at this time whether or not it will be possible for him to come here from Washington to address a mass-meeting to be held in Independence Square on Monday afternoon, September 8. The Marine Band will be in the city for the full week and will take part in the demonstration planned for Independence Square.

Invitations have been issued for this meeting to the representatives at Washington of the twenty-one republics of the world and all the allied governments.

Lee Edward Smith, grand master of the grand encampment of the United States, will arrive in this city with his staff on Saturday, September 6. During the evening a reception will be tendered the grand master and his staff at the Bellevue-Stratford.

CIGAR STRIKE HERE SOON

Workers in Southeastern Pennsylvania Demand Rise

Reading, Pa., Aug. 4.—(By A. P.)—Today's outgoing mails bore notices to the cigar manufacturers of southeastern Pennsylvania of the result of yesterday's conference of employes here declaring a general strike to enforce demands for increased wages and shorter hours. When the present stock in the factories has been worked up, the employes will quit pending an agreement.

The notices declare that necessities of life have increased 150 per cent in the last five years, while wages in the cigar industry have increased but 25 to 40 per cent. The cigarmakers' demands include 50 per cent increase in wages of all employes in the industry; eight hours for the first five days of the week and four hours on Saturday, and better conditions generally.

WOUNDS WIFE: KILLS SELF

York Woman Shot for Refusing Reconciliation After Eighteen Years

York, Pa., Aug. 4.—Because she refused to be reunited to him after a separation of eighteen years, Atkins Kauffman shot his wife, Ellen Kauffman, twice this morning and sent a bullet through his temple.

Kaufman died later at York Hospital. The wounds of the wife were inflicted upon the left arm and cheek, but are not serious.

BARNETT IS AGAINST MARINE PARADE HERE

Commander of Corps Says Bringing Men to Philadelphia "Is Not Practicable"

TO MARCH IN NEW YORK

The Fifth and Sixth Regiments of marines, units in the immortal Second Division that won fame at Chateau-Thiery and Belleau Woods, will probably not parade in this city.

This announcement was made today in Washington at the office of Major General George Barnett, commandant of the marine corps.

It was said by General Long, aide to General Barnett, that it "would not be practicable" to keep the division together and bring it here from New York for a parade.

Present plans of the War Department and marine corps call for the parade of the full complement of the division in New York on either August 8 or August 12, it was said at the War Department and marine corps headquarters today.

It is expected that information will be received during the day regarding the date of arrival of the other organizations in this division and that a definite date for the parade will then be set.

Arrived in New York Yesterday

The Fifth Regiment of marines and the Second Battalion of the Sixth marines arrived in New York yesterday on the transport George Washington.

Plans for the reception of the marines, in the event of one being ultimately arranged, will be decided today.

A meeting of the reception committee will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the rooms of the Drexel estate, 112 Drexel Building. Major Anthony J. Drexel Biddle will act as temporary chairman.

The Second Division is credited with engaging thirty-nine German divisions on seven sectors, capturing 288 officers, 11,738 privates, 343 artillery pieces and 1350 machine guns, and making heavy advances into the German lines. It also suffered the greatest number of casualties of any division. Thirty-five hundred members were cited and 646 received the Distinguished Service Cross.

Division Not All Marines

Captain Walter G. Long, a former EVENING LEDGER reporter, who arrived at New York yesterday with the Fifth Marines, made the following statement for the Second Division:

"When the story of the Second Division is told the fellows want it known that they are not all marines. The pride of the division is the fact that it was composed of the army, navy, marines and coast artillery troops, and is the only division of its kind ever organized.

"From the time we went into action at Chateau-Thierry, then Soissons, St. Mihiel and all the rest of it, not forgetting the time we were loaned to the French and broke the German line in the Champagne, we never knew what a rest billet was. All of the Second Division is either home now, that is, in the United States, or on the high seas, except the First Field Signal Battalion. Those fellows are a pretty sore lot to have to stay behind on the Rhine at Coblenz, but they know it can't be helped. And we are going to parade. The men might vote against a parade, in fact, they have shouted loud 'Noes' when the question has been asked, but their divisional commander thinks they ought to, and he is the most loved and respected divisional commander in the world."

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DEATHS

HILL.—At Brest, France, July 25, Captain JAMES R. HILL, of 2405 North College avenue, Philadelphia. Notice of funeral from his summer residence, Pitman, N. J. New York city papers please copy.

ORR.—Aug. 4, at Conshohocken, Pa., CAPITOLA, wife of the late Edward Orr and daughter of the late Samuel and Louisa Hart. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Wed., 2 p. m., from the residence of her brother-in-law, Frank Davis, 806 Fayette street, Conshohocken. Int. Barren Hill Cem. Remains may be viewed after 7 p. m. Tues.