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# Philadelphia

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## SMYTH 'FIRES' ENTIRE STAFF IN NEW OFFICE

**Demand of City Solicitor for Resignations Taken as Moore Answer to Vares**

**DEFIANCE IN COUNCIL SEEN AS CAUSE OF ACTION**

**Sixty Assistants and Clerks Are Hit by Move—Few Will Be Reappointed**

**CITY HALL IS AROUSED**

**Department Head Says Purpose Is to Reorganize Office According to Own Views**

City Solicitor David J. Smyth has asked for the resignation of every man and woman in his department.

This is considered Mayor Moore's answer to the Vares commission's challenge of a fight to the finish made at the organization of Council yesterday.

Mr. Smyth said that certain of those in the office will be reappointed, but that the resignations of the others will be accepted and will go into effect immediately.

The city law department is a stronghold of the Vares faction in politics and news of Mr. Smyth's action spread like wildfire throughout City Hall.

**Sixty Lose Official Heads**

About sixty assistant solicitors and clerks have their official heads snuffed as the result of the new solicitor's first official act.

This is preliminary to a reorganization of the law department," Mr. Smyth said. "It will be reorganized along lines which will enable me to work out my own views of handling the city's law business. For example, some of the present assistants will be reappointed and reassigned. Different bureaus will be consolidated to meet my views on the subject."

The payroll of the city's law department is more than \$100,000 a year and some of the finest minds in the political arena are plucked by appointment at that department.

Most of the jobs are outside the jurisdiction of the Civil Service Commission and they are labeled "confidential" and the incumbent of the office of city solicitor has the privilege of appointing persons in whom he reposes confidence of their ability to work and to keep silence.

Many followers of Senator Vares, Senator Martin and David H. Lane are among those now holding office. Few, if any, of them, are expected to be reappointed under the reorganization plan. As a whole they are resigned to their fate, and take it philosophically, as one of the fortunes of a political warfare.

**Lowenrund to Be Renamed**

Among those who are sure of reappointment, according to the word passed around the City Hall, are Ernest Lowenrund, first assistant city solicitor, Joseph C. Maguire, a general assistant; Glenn C. Mead, in charge of road jury cases, and Mayne R. Long, chief assistant in charge of tax liens.

Mr. Lowenrund is expected to be a surprise. He is a political party frequently made known his intention of "leaving home" at his office, but Mr. Smyth was somewhat reluctant to discuss the possibilities of a political "housecleaning" in his department.

More significance is attached to the request for resignations because of this fact. Politicians are sure that Mr. Moore, through his personal appointees, Mr. Smyth, has taken this method of showing that he will declare ruthless warfare throughout the City Hall department unless the concrete and definite terms to his reign, and his representatives in the new Council is stopped.

## Who Will Get Woodruff's Place on Election Board?

**Control in Which Both Moore and Vares Leaders Are Interested—Reform Program Demands Same Political Allegiance**

**By GEORGE NOX McCAIN**

In the general flurry of excitement and gratulation incident to the advent of the Moore administration, one very important matter has seemingly been overlooked:

Who will succeed Clinton Rogers Woodruff as member of the board of registration commissioners?

Mr. Woodruff has been chosen one of the new civil service commissioners under the Moore administration. If Mayor Moore and his friends, in the interest of municipal reform, are to retain control of the elections of the city, they must, necessarily, retain control of the election machinery.

The fierce struggle that was made over the appointment of members to the existing registration board is too recent to have been forgotten.

The present board, with Clinton Rogers Woodruff as a member, has been severely divided in its sympathy and political allegiance as between Vares and anti-Vares, with President E. Lawrence Fell acting as umpire between the factions.

**Commission's Present Line Up**

All this will be changed now unless Governor Sprout appoints an anti-Vares member in place of Mr. Woodruff, who is catalogued as an anti-Vares commissioner. The line up in the commission is: Vares—George G. Plerie and William Walsh; anti-Vares—Quinn and Clinton Rogers Woodruff; E. Lawrence Fell, Independent, and holding the balance of power is president of the commission.

The political logic of the situation would suggest that an appointee to the new board should be of the same political brand as Commissioner Woodruff. The selection of his successor from the Vares camp would place the commission back in the old tracks where it would soon get into the disgraceful ruts which characterized its operation for years.

Mr. Woodruff, however, has been replaced by H. Vares and his friends made last year to retain control of the Board of Registration Commissioners and prevent the removal of two of his friends, is an indication of the political value attached to the place.

While active politicians have been devising their time and exercising their tempers over the organization of Council, and the inauguration of the new Mayor, foresighted and potential leaders have not been idle. The Woodruff succession has been under discussion for ten days, or since it was known that Mr. Woodruff was slated for a place on the municipal Civil Service Commission.

Governor Sprout, who was in the city yesterday in attendance on Mayor Moore's inauguration, had his attention drawn to this subject by several political leaders.

They called upon him in person to discuss the question.

**Sprout Is Noncommittal**

It is known that the Governor is giving thought to the subject, but he has remained noncommittal on the point that there is ample time in which to consider the matter. Mr. Woodruff is still a member of the Board of Registration Commissioners and will be until his appointment as Civil Service Commissioner has been confirmed by City Council.

There is a serious doubt that the appointment of his successor will fall upon either political line. Had a Vares commissioner been elected to another position his successor on the board doubtless would have been of the Vares faction. As Mr. Woodruff is now an Independent of the anti-Vares type his successor will unquestionably come from the same political faction.

It is said that the name of Thomas Robbins will be put forth by the Vares people as their candidate for the vacancy. Mr. Robbins was excessively active in the campaign against Mr. Moore. Another suggestion is that of Senator Edward A. Patton, of West Philadelphia.

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## SHALLCROSS GIVES LIE TO MERCHANT IN SCHOOL BOARD POW

**Denies He Ever Said Savage, New Superintendent of Supplies, Was Incompetent**

**ASSISTANT SECRETARY REPEATS STATEMENT**

**Says Conference Was Held Five Years Ago—Catharine Demands Survey of System**

The passing of the lie between a member of the Board of Education and one of its paid officials today enlivened the controversy over the appointment of Mahlon W. Savage as superintendent of supplies.

"Edward Merchant says that is not so," said Thomas W. Shallcross today, and you can tell him so for me, never went to an anti-Vares school board conference," Mr. Shallcross used "the short and ugly word" in referring to Mr. Merchant.

"I can only reiterate what I said before in spite of Mr. Shallcross's denial," said Mr. Merchant, when told that Mr. Shallcross had said, "He came to me almost five years ago and said that Savage was incompetent and asked me to try to reverse his work."

Edwin Wolf, president of the board, has resigned because of the appointment of Savage, who for seven years had been acting superintendent while the superintendent was away from the office because of physical disability.

**Says Merchant Wanted Job**

While Merchant claims he was asked to take up the work in the supplies department because the board considered Savage incompetent, Shallcross says Merchant just wanted the job himself, that he assumed all the power and left Savage merely as a figurehead.

"Savage has never had a chance to buy things. The by-laws of the board say that bids must be advertised and the sealed bids should be presented to the property committee so the award may be made to the lowest competent bidder. Merchant never advertised. Bids that did come in were opened by clerks in the office and awards were made helter skelter. Contractors came to me to know why they did not have a chance to bid on things that I had never heard of."

He quoted as an example the contract for hauling ashes. "Merchant," Shallcross said, "last year issued orders to have the ashes hauled at a price of \$1 per cubic yard. For the year \$27,119.90 were spent. Last September I demanded that we advertise for bids and a contract was let this year to have the ashes hauled at a price of five cents per cubic yard. If Merchant had acted according to by-laws, we would have saved \$9779.95 last year."

**Savage Awarded Contract**

Mr. Merchant, when presented with this, declared that last year's bids were awarded by Mr. Savage and that he could prove it by the papers. To this Mr. Shallcross merely replied: "A pack of lies."

"We have won and Mr. Savage is superintendent," said Mr. Shallcross. "If Mr. Merchant meddles any more I will not be responsible for his actions. As Mr. Wolf, but certainly I shall quit the job."

Yesterday's stormy meeting had its aftermath today in discussion of the board of education. Principal among these besides the appointment of Mr. Savage was the proposed survey of the schools for co-operation. John P. Garber as superintendent of schools.

**Dr. Garber Wants Survey**

Doctor Garber today made the statement that he thought the time was ripe for a survey of Philadelphia's public school system. "Any one can make statements," he said, "but we need to know facts. There should be a thorough survey made from the outside to ascertain our faults and how best the system can be built up."

The superintendent of schools refused to comment on the action of the board delaying the appointment of an associate superintendent to succeed the late Dr. Theodore McDowell, and the remaining of the three present associates "temporarily."

"Any business man would see the good sense of spending \$25,000 one to find out whether millions of dollars are being spent to advantage every year," said Joseph W. Catharine today in advocacy of a survey of the schools.

**Not Criticizing School System**

"I am not criticizing the school system," said Mr. Catharine. "I did not mean to criticize either the board or the school system. Almost two years ago I offered a resolution to the board for a survey of the school system. It was not taken up at the time. The last Legislature gave us authority to increase the school tax from six to seven mills. The extra income is being used for the purchase of \$25,000, which is about what a survey would cost."

"I want a survey made that will compare both educational and business methods. I know nothing of the management of either; but in a system as great as ours it is reasonable to suppose that both might be susceptible of improvement."

**Pleads Economy as Reason**

Former Judge Dimmer Beeber, discussing the survey resolution, explained that it had been held up purely for reasons of economy.

"We could not afford to pay school expenses," he said.

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## 1 DEAD, 4 MAY DIE FROM GAS; SOURCE IS UNDETERMINED

**Investigation to Find Point of Fumes' Escape Leads to Discovery of Victims**

**HOUSE-TO-HOUSE SEARCH BEING CONDUCTED BY U. G. I.**

**Woman and Two Men in Hospital—Tragedy Occurs in Northern Section of City**

One man is dead and two other men and two women may die as the result of gas poisoning.

Two of the victims were found today unconscious in one house. The others were discovered in another dwelling nearby.

The police are not certain whether the gas was from a defective main, from broken house connections or whether it was coal gas. They and inspectors from the United Gas Improvement Co. are trying to locate the leak, if that was the cause.

The dead: William Read, sixty-five years old, 2842 Gault street.

The following are in a serious condition: Alice O. Lemberg, 2952 Gault street; Paul Lemberg, same address; Agnes Miller, same address; John Gray, 3110 Chatham street.

Read died after being taken to the Episcopal Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Lemberg and Gray are in the North-east Hospital. Mrs. Miller was too ill to be removed to a hospital, and was taken to the home of a neighbor, Mrs. May F. Flynn, 2511 Ann street.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemberg and Mrs. Miller were found in their home in Gault street by a bonded Leon Miller, when he returned from work early this morning.

He smelled gas, but found none of the gas jets turned on. Miller tried to revive the couple, but failed. He then notified the police.

Inspector Burke, of the gas company, made a thorough investigation in the neighborhood. He examined every house close to the reaching the Stevens Club at 2140 Ann street, he was almost overpowered by gas.

Burke managed to open the windows and discovered Read in the cellar unconscious on the floor.

Gray was found on the first floor of the house. The men were immediately sent to the hospital.

## CELL HOLDS GIRL WHO WANTS TO WED

**Protty 16-Year-Old Miss, Charged With Pocketpicking, Awaits Her Sweetheart**

**HELD FOR \$1000 BAIL**

Laura Slack, sixteen years old and pretty, is in a cell in the City Hall waiting for some one to get her bail bond for \$1000 in which she is held for court.

She is also biding the time when she will be free to marry a sailor in the United States navy, whose identity she will not reveal, but who, she says, will become her husband as soon as she can make the arrangements.

In the meantime, her mother, Mrs. Louis Smith, of 6119 Yocum street, is deploring the fact that her efforts to guide the girl in the paths of duty have been in vain.

Laura was brought into the Central Station this morning, where she faced Magistrate Penneck on the charge of pocketpicking. She was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Powers and Garrity attached to a department store at Twelfth and Market streets.

They told the magistrate that she had attempted to steal a woman's purse in the store by cutting the handle with a pair of scissors. When arrested the girl had scissors in her possession.

**Makes Good Appearance**

Laura is strikingly pretty. She has blonde hair, some wavy strands of which persisted in pushing their way from beneath her hair, and a sweet smile. Her eyes were blue and large and a petulant little mouth and dimpled cheeks gave her an air of innocence that it took a lot of evidence in court to destroy. She was dressed quietly and neatly from toe-tip to toe-tye and looked like a dainty high school girl.

She faced her accusers calmly, almost stoically, but with an air of defiance and indignation that missed nothing. She seemed to feel relieved when returned to her cell.

The women who testified against her were Mrs. Grace O'Donnell, of 807 North Seventeenth street, whose purse the girl is alleged to have attempted to steal, and Mrs. Mae Smith, of 2203 South Thirtieth street, Camden, who was a witness.

**Sorry for Daughter**

"I am so sorry for my girl," said Mrs. Smith today, when she learned of her daughter's plight. "God knows I tried to bring up her right. I have tried unsuccessfully for two years to get her to attend school, but she has stubbornly resisted my efforts. She seemed to like the young men and clothes too much. She told me she was going to get away and marry a sailor, but refused to tell me his name."

"She has made a practice of going away from home against my wishes. I tried to make her attend school, but she would not. I am sure of my mind she would go to some other place. Her stepfather tried to correct her in schooling her, but it only seemed to make matters worse."

## COURT AGAINST JENKINS

**Mexican Judge Refuses Nullification of American's Release on Bail**

Mexico City, Jan. 6.—(By A. P.)—The appeal of William O. Jenkins, American consular agent at Puebla, for nullification of his release on bail was denied yesterday by Criminal Judge Guzman, in Puebla. According to Jenkins, the \$500 bond furnished by J. Sater Hansen, another American, was given without his knowledge or consent.

Jenkins, who was arrested on charges of collusion with the bandits who kidnapped him last October, had declined to furnish bail himself, declaring he would accept nothing short of unconditional release.

Neither Jenkins nor his counsel appeared in court yesterday, although the prosecutor, Julio Mitchell, and Indian witnesses against Jenkins, were present.

Democratic Senators Make Proposal to Mild Reservation Republicans

**MAY FORCE LODGE'S HAND**

**By CLINTON W. GILBERT**

Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Jan. 6.—The prospects of treaty ratification were made much better today by a proposition from the Democrats to the mild reservationist Republicans.

The mild reservationists are considering the proposal at a meeting this afternoon. There are about twenty Republican senators who are working for a compromise independently of Mr. Lodge, but upon lines close to the Lodge reservations.

It is said that forty-four Democrats have been consulted about the proposal made to the Republicans, and have in substance agreed to them. This includes every Democrat except the two candidates for leadership, Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Underwood, and Senator Reed, the most uncompromising opponent of the treaty on the Democratic side.

Details of the proposal were not disclosed, but Senator McNary, who is familiar with them, was stated and thought it would be acceptable to the Republicans.

If sufficient of the mild reservationists accept the proposal and agree to operate with the Democrats, Senator Lodge will probably be compelled to accept the compromise.

It is not likely, however, that this will be difficult for Mr. Lodge, as he and the mild reservationist Republicans are not far apart.

**HITS SUGAR PROFITEERS**

**Smoot Says Attorney General Should Handle Dealers Overcharging**

Washington, Jan. 6.—(By A. P.)—Retail dealers, charging twenty-two cents a pound for sugar were attacked in the Senate today by Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, who declared, "They ought to be handled by the attorney general."

"There is plenty of law to deal in drastic fashion with these profiteers," said the senator, "and the people ought not to be forced to pay such prices."

Purchase of the remainder of the Cuban sugar crop, estimated at 2,250,000 tons, to stabilize and reduce prices on the American consumer was urged in a cablegram received from Rafael Montoro, secretary to the president of Cuba, by Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon.

President Wilson has announced his decision not to make the purchase on the recommendation of the sugar equalization board.

**WYNNE SWORN AS CHIEF**

**Cortelyou's Former Assistant Heads County Detectives**

Major Samuel Wynne, former assistant chief of county detectives, was sworn in today as chief of this force succeeding James C. Cortelyou, who became director of public safety yesterday. Judge J. Willis Martin.

Major Wynne worked under the direction of Mr. Cortelyou when the latter was chief postal inspector of this district and made an excellent record. When Mr. Cortelyou was appointed head of the county detective force, he made Mr. Wynne his assistant.

During the war Major Wynne was attached to the intelligence bureau.

**TRY FIVE FOR SEDITION**

**Alleged Radical Papers Presented as Evidence Against Chester Allen**

Media, Pa., Jan. 6.—William Giddick, James Zamborski, Michael Gidyczuruk, Peter Diedo and Peter Pickens, foreigners, of Chester, were put on trial today charged with sedition and unlawful assembly on July 3 last. Translations of alleged inflammatory literature found on the defendants at the time of their arrest were admitted as evidence.

The documents were issued by the Federation of Ukrainian Socialists of America.

**PEACE DELAY HAS HURT PORT, SAYS MAYOR**

Failure of President Wilson to declare peace is one of the reasons why the progress of Philadelphia as a port has been retarded, Mayor Moore told members of the Kiwanis club at luncheon today. "While we have been delaying," he said, "other administrators have gone ahead with their efforts to get as large a share of control of the world's commerce as possible."

**IS TRAPPED BY MINE EXPLOSION, BUT ESCAPE**

**MARTIN'S FERRY, Ohio, Jan. 6.—An explosion occurred in the Laughlin mine of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Co. near here this afternoon. Eighteen men were said to have been trapped in the workings, but had later escaped.**

**TRUCK FALLS FIFTY FEET**

**Vehicle at Mail Platform Becomes Unmanageable—No One Hurt**

A motortruck was wrecked and twenty-three bags of mail matter were scattered on the ground when the vehicle fell from the mail platform of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Thirtieth and Filbert streets to the street. The drop is fifty feet. No one was hurt.

Early this morning the truck was brought to the platform with the load of mail and the driver was busy preparing to make the trip. An employee of the railroad attempted to move the truck from its position and started it. He lost control and the machine dashed through a door of the shed and fell to the street. The man saved himself by jumping from the truck to the platform.

**CIVIL SERVICE BODY ON JOB**

**No Announcement of Changes in Rules for Several Days**

The new Civil Service Commission, consisting of Clinton Rogers Woodruff, Louis H. Van Dusen and Charles N. Neeld, took over the duties of their new office this morning.

After leaving Mayor Moore's office, they held an organization meeting on the seventh floor. Mr. Van Dusen made the following statement before the meeting started:

"Any changes in the civil service rules will not be announced for several days, as the new commission means to make a study of the needs and place itself before any action is taken."

**President Retains Power**

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## PRESIDENT SEEKS TO ECLIPSE BRYAN AT JACKSON DINNER

**Secrecy Over Message May Help to Drown Sound of Commoner's Guns**

**TREATY PROBABLE ISSUE TO BE GIVEN DEMOCRATS**

**Executive and Nebraskan May Oppose Each Other in Coming Campaign**

**By CLINTON W. GILBERT**

Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Jan. 6.—The President's message to the Congress today is being well staged. Every day the press is assured that the message will be "important." It will be released to newspapers only as it is being read. It is occupying the first page of the newspapers for days in advance.

No other question regarding the Democratic national committee's meeting here is permitted to overshadow the question of what the President will find to say that will be so important as to require such guarding.

In all this may be seen the determination of the Wilson administration to be in the center of the stage. The intention is to concentrate attention on Mr. Wilson and what he shall say and prevent any one else from taking first place in public interest on the morning after the Jackson dinner.

**Wilson Versus Bryan**

One interpretation of all this stage-managing is that it is aimed at Bryan. A definite issue exists between Wilson and Bryan. Will the old peerless leader in the present prostration of the party take the lead in the new party—make the party a radical government ownership party, write the platform, and nominate the candidate, or will he stay in the background?

The recurrence of Bryan's name in Washington. Has he strength? Has he popular following? Can he repeat? You ask the best-informed men who come from the West where Bryan was once strong and they tell you he does not know.

For Mr. Bryan to get back a certain distance into party importance has been easy. He is, for example, assured a nomination in the Democratic national convention, which was held in St. Louis a year ago. The difficulties of Senator Hitchcock assure him of that.

This time, for various reasons, Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan.

And probably Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan. Mr. Hitchcock does not want a fight with Bryan.

As men see it here, Mr. Bryan will not get far except in a complete demoralization of the Democratic party, because he lacks a big issue. If the Democratic party is going into voluntary bankruptcy, Mr. Bryan may be its receiver.

He is not likely to take the leadership away from President Wilson. Mr. Bryan lacks an issue. All he has talked so far are woman suffrage, which belongs to the past, and the government ownership of railroads, which may be long in the remote future. Only a desperate party would commit its fortunes this time to the government ownership of railroads.

The stage is set for a fight. Mr. Bryan is intended probably to keep Mr. Bryan from getting his issue. Care is being taken to prevent the peerless leader from getting on the front page the morning after the Jackson dinner.

**Would Yield to Lodge**

President Wilson has an issue in the treaty. It is the only big first-class issue in sight. And it belongs to the President. Mr. Bryan would like to see the treaty disposed of to remove this one issue and place himself in the President's rear on a party in the Democratic party.

He favors making surrenders to Senator Lodge with the President understood to be unwilling to make. But Mr. Bryan's position on the treaty is difficult. He cannot break with Mr. Hitchcock and organize a movement among the Democratic senators favoring a surrender.

To do so would probably lead Mr. Hitchcock to oppose the reappointment to federal office of Bryan's friends in Nebraska, and also the seating of Bryan in the Nebraska convention delegation. And to do so would require Mr. Bryan's co-operation with Senator Underwood, an old foe.

Therefore Mr. Bryan would like to hurry the treaty out of the way, but can do nothing toward that end.

He is likely to take himself out of the picture by making an important message to the assembled Democrats? Probably something on the treaty which will tend to make the treaty the issue in the next campaign. He would like to take himself out of the race for the third term. This has been already announced on authority. To take himself out of the race to create a situation which would make for a revival of the Democratic party by Mr. Bryan.

**President Retains Power**

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## "OUT OF POLITICS," ROXBOROUGH DOGS DECLARES MOORE

**"But I Have to Safeguard the Administration," He Adds With a Smile**

**CONFERENCE HINT SHAKEUP TO BE DECIDED SOON**

"I'm out of politics, but I have to safeguard the administration," said Mayor Moore today to a question as to whether there were any developments in the political situation.

The question was put as the Mayor was leaving his office after a morning of conferences.

Two conferences regarded as especially significant were held with Richard Weglein, president of the new Council, and James T. Cortelyou, director of public safety. The conference with Director Cortelyou was especially lengthy. It was held in some quarters that it was the forerunner of a police shake-up.

The splitting up of the new Council in Moore and Vares factions, with the administration men in control, was regarded as making the conference today with Mr. Weglein especially significant.

Vares followers in City Hall are looking for a shake-up, fearing that Mr. Moore may order a clean sweep of the departments. Substance was given to their fears by City Solicitor Smyth's demand for the resignations of all the employees in the department.

Vares adherents fear that the employees in the department of public safety will be the next to go.

Director Cortelyou refused today to discuss rumors of changes impending in his department.

"Police captains and lieutenants will be expected to do police and not political duty under my administration," said Mr. Cortelyou. He declined to elaborate on this statement, or say whether he planned to drop anybody for former political activity.

There will be a conference between the new police head and the chiefs of his department tomorrow. At that time, he said, he would outline the plans on which the department will be conducted in future.

## DEATH OF BOY AND ILLNESS OF OTHER PERSONS INDICATE SPREAD OF RABIES

**General Quarantine May Be Laid on Dogs in Roxborough to Fight an Outbreak of Rabies**

A general quarantine may be laid on dogs in Roxborough to fight an outbreak of rabies which has resulted in the death of a child and the illness of four other persons.

The fatality was that of four-year-old Charles Crossley, 6004 North Saftin street, who died last night. Day in convulsions after being bitten by a dog suffering with rabies.

A conference to be held here tomorrow will determine whether a quarantine will be laid on the dogs in the neighborhood of the state bureau of industry, is coming here to confer with Dr. Elkan H. Yunker, 2344 North Ninth street, the bureau's local agent.

**May Call on Cortelyou**

"If we determine on a quarantine," Doctor Muncie said this afternoon, "we will call on the Department of Public Safety for co-operation. We will give a job to Philadelphia's new safety director."

"Under a general quarantine no dogs will be permitted on the streets in the city unless they are in leash or muzzled."

"Dogs roaming the streets at will, if the quarantine is established, will be rounded up and destroyed. Drastic measures are being taken in every city where there are so many homeless dogs."

Doctor Muncie said the outbreak of rabies had been traced to Bristol, Moore and Broad streets, which is now under quarantine. The state veterinarian said there was a possibility of the disease spreading to other parts of the city.

**Delay Action in Matter**

Doctor Yunker, the local agent, this afternoon said no further action would be taken until the bureau director's arrival here tomorrow.

According to Doctor Yunker, rabies is an acute, specific and infectious disease affecting the central nervous system. All animals are subject to it, he said. The organism which causes rabies has never been isolated and is therefore unknown.

There are two types of the disease, he stated, furious and dumb. An animal with the first type is highly excitable and can snap at anything or any one in its path. Dumb rabies is the progressive form of the malady. Paralysis of the jaw and tongue develops.

A dog with dumb rabies has a paralyzed tongue and drooping lower jaw from which saliva exudes in large quantities. While a dog so afflicted cannot snap, yet it can sink the teeth of its upper jaw into the hand or leg of a human being.

**PERSHING FIRE CHIEF**

**Directs Extinguishing of Blaze at Camp Grant**

Rockford, Ill., Jan. 6.—Fire started in one of the buildings at Camp Grant soon after the arrival of General Pershing yesterday and he directed the work of the camp firemen in fighting the flames, which were quickly extinguished.

General Pershing inspected the camp in the morning and was the guest of Rockford in the afternoon. Ten thousand school children paraded for him.

**Rubaiyat**

Winds from the south with moderate blizzard.

Tomorrow warmer, with some rain or snow.

Cloudy and warmer is the dope tonight.

As to the rest this witness doesn't know.

**IT CAN BE DONE**

But of course, it's done. Read article on page 10, "Why in national popular Service cloths." All newspapers—40c.

## WOMAN'S FEET FROZEN

**Was Working on Farm and Did Not Realize Cold**

Industry may be Mr. Minnie Dixon, eighty-seven years old, of Monroeville, N. J., both of her feet.

While working out of doors on her farm Mrs. Dixon suffered so much from the severe cold that both her feet were frozen.

She was taken to the Cooper Hospital, Camden, today. Physicians there say that both her feet must needs be amputated. Mrs. Dixon told them she had not realized the intensity of the cold until after her feet had become affected.

**MAY CUT NAVY YARD FORCE**

**Congress Is Asked to Appropriately \$9,000,000 Immediately**

Washington, Jan. 6.—Unless Congress makes \$9,000,000 of Navy Department funds available for repairing ships, many employees at navy yards may have to be discharged on February 1, the House appropriations committee was told today by naval officials.

Seventy-one thousand persons are now employed at the yards, of whom 48 per cent are on repair work.



**MISS LAURA SLACKER**  
Charged with attempting to steal a woman's purse in a Market street department store, held for court under \$1000 bail

## WYNNE SWORN AS CHIEF

**Cortelyou's Former Assistant Heads County Detectives**

Major Samuel Wynne, former assistant chief of county detectives, was sworn in today as chief of this force succeeding James C. Cortelyou, who became director of public safety yesterday. Judge J. Willis Martin.

Major Wynne worked under the direction of Mr. Cortelyou when the latter was chief postal inspector of this district and made an excellent record. When Mr. Cortelyou was appointed head of the county detective force, he made Mr. Wynne his assistant.

During the war Major Wynne was attached to the intelligence bureau.

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Failure of President Wilson to declare peace is one of the reasons why the progress of Philadelphia as a port has been retarded, Mayor Moore told members of the Kiwanis club at luncheon today. "While we have been delaying," he said, "other administrators have gone ahead with their efforts to get as large a share of control of the world's commerce as possible."

## WELFARE HEAD DOING BUSINESS 'UNDER HIS HAT'; HAS NO OFFICE

**Old Councils Failed to Provide Rooms for Tustin—Walks Corridors in City Hall**

The new director of public welfare is starting out on his new work in the "Tustin Building." He is doing business under his hat.

All this is for the reason that the old Council neglected to provide rooms for Ernest L. Tustin is a man without an office or an office boy or anything. But he is downhearted? Certainly not. With a smile of welcome he is roaming the corridors of City Hall and meeting people who have come to see him in his new position.

The procedure of getting to see the new director is like this. Some one on third floor," says the elevator man. The caller then makes a quick decision on whether Mr. Tustin was going up or down and accordingly takes a position on the second or fourth floor. If he was right the interview comes off in short order. If wrong he starts again.

Mr. Tustin is hoping to be installed in Rooms 502-03 in the near future. After all, there's no place like a home.

## R. I. FOR SUFFRAGE

**Legislature Is Twenty-third to Ratify National Amendment**

Providence, R. I., Jan. 6.—(By A. P.)—The federal woman suffrage amendment was ratified by the Legislature today.

The ratification resolution passed the House by a vote of 80 to 3, and a few minutes later was adopted by the Senate, with one dissenting vote.

Rhode Island was the twenty-third state to ratify the suffrage amendment. Thirteen more states take similar action before ratification is completed. Suffrage leaders are hoping, because of the promises of both parties, that the thirteen legislatures that act quickly will be officially lost during the next presidential election.

**HARD TO GET LOST HERE**

**Bureau Failed to Locate Only 75 Out of 3077 Reported in 1919**

Getting lost in the big city isn't as easy as it looks.

That's what Charles Schwarz, head of the Missing Persons Bureau, shows in his annual report which he made to Superintendent of Police Robinson today. Three thousand thirty-seven persons were officially lost during the past year, but only seventy-five of them dropped out of sight altogether.

A total of 2047 white men was reported missing and all but eight were found again. More trouble was experienced in locating lost negroes, for fifty-four out of a lost 248 were never seen again. Though 703 white women were reported missing and 706 were recovered, the increase is accounted for by the fact that the bureau worked on cases not officially reported as lost.

## ARREST IN SHORE THEFTS

**Man Suspected of \$75,000 Ocean City Robberies Held for Requisition**

Charles Smith, alias Johnson, giving a street address on Kenilworth street near Twelfth, was held without bail by Magistrate Penneck at the Central Police Station today to await requisition papers of the state of New Jersey, on suspicion of being implicated in the \$75,000 robberies of Ocean City homes on Sunday.

The man was marked "Oceanic" is said by the police to have been found in his room. The Oceanic Hotel was one of the places robbed.

## WOMAN'S FEET FROZEN

**Was Working on Farm and Did Not Realize Cold**

Industry may be Mr. Minnie Dixon, eighty-seven years old, of Monroeville, N. J., both of her feet.

While working out of doors on her farm Mrs. Dixon suffered so much from the severe cold that both her feet were frozen.

She was taken to the Cooper Hospital, Camden, today. Physicians there say that both her feet must needs be amputated. Mrs. Dixon told them she had not realized the intensity of the cold until after her feet had become affected.

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