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PITCHED BATTLES

IN RUHR; GERMAN

DEATH TOLL 8000

FOR SUFFRAGE ACT

Informed Amendment Will Be Ratified, but by

IS PARAMOUNT QUESTION

reposed Repeal of School Code Also Takes Precedence Over Votes for Women

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN Bever, Del., March 22.-Upon in bewarton which comes to me through the highest sources I am led to believe that the extra session of the Delaware Iggislature, which began today, will-arife the suffrage amendment. It will the suffrage amendment is accomdangerously close if it fished—one or two votes at the utmost To the embattled farmers of Dela-are, however, the amendment is a third-rate issue compared with some ther problems that are to be decided in the coming week or ten days, embattled they surely are, for it her are not actually fighting they are st fighting mad.

marily they affect their pocketbooks, scheduled for consideration and must sed of on the instant, or there ts. The ratification of the amend-can wait, and wait it will. was can wait, and wait it will.

With definite knowledge of the promain, I am assured that it will be along sward the middle or end of this week give the suffrage question is considered. It may even go over till next seek before it gets so much as its nose side the legislative door. the suffrage question is consid-It may even go over till next before it gets so much as its nose

ethe legislative door, ingressman Caleb R. Layton and ed States Senator L. Heisler Ball inted States Senator L. Hersler Band grived in Dover this morning. They shally carry to the Republican ma-sity in the Legislature, it is said, a met appeal from the national Repub-ian committee and Will H. Hays that Republicans ratify the amendment. Rival Leaders On Hand for Battle The leading lights and leading ladies suffrage comedy drama, mgedy, as one chooses to regard it, re all on hand from the four corners (the nation to re-enforce with cheer ad counsel the local strategists. Of surse, no equal rights battle could possible arise above the level of a skirmish ethout the militant presence of Miss lice Paul, the stormy petrel of the afragists movement. Then there is Mrs. Bragasts movement. Then the large is all brence Bayard Hillis, daughter of the te Thomas F. Bayard, and Mrs. Alert McMahon, of Virginia; Miss Mac atonon, of Newport, Del., and chief staff, Mrs. Henry Ridgely, a clever oman and wife of one of the leading

the outer walls and windows of the uffrage headquarters fairly bristle defiance. Posters and caricatures widn't vote and added to this are the suasive plens of Mrs. Henry B, bigher salari on finances.

Henry Scott and above all the inessike Miss Alice D. White, who Maine to re-enforce whorts with counsel and sugges-

ions of political sagneity.

The politics of the situation will de-Broar. Hence, those ardently enthusiastic

eminine souls who anticipated a ma-tine-gun decision, as to rapidity, will souls who anticipated a mareed to cork up their enthusiasm and bow their fair heads in humble subsion to the will of the creature man The program as arranged follows: The curtain paiser will be the con The curtain raiser will be the con-ideration of the reassessment bill. his will be followed by the entre acte, Washington Street After that urged by speakers,
pted repeal The Rev. R. E. Johnson, secretary e presented the attempted repeal the school code in two acts. And of the conterence committee of ance, prohibition and public ance, prohibition and public acts, but a strongly independ the political lice Paul, and the entire prosuffrage

Much has been written about the unpular school code, but I find that it marked for econd in importance to the prodesigned to do away with the old rstem of real estate assessments. A courd of three county assessors is to

WOMAN GETS U. S. POST

en Hamilton Gardener Appointed Washington, March 22 .- (By A. P.) lamilton Gardener, of this word Colonel S. A. Day, and and lecturer, was nominated to-President Wilson to be a memof the civil service commission succeed Charles M. Galloway, of charles M. Galloway, of charles M. Galloway, of charles M. Galloway, of charles M. C., who was "ousted" and cash. The entire loss is estimated and cash. The charles is estimated to be \$700.

Sughter of the Rev. Alfred Griffith the born at Window. The interior open a rear window. The interior open at window. The interior open at window. The interior open a rear window. The house was in a topsy-turvy cond the born at Winchester, June 21, 1858. nated at the Cincinnati high and smal schools and taken postgraduate in biology, medicine and other ches in New York, she became the Me of Colonel Selden Allen Day, U. S. J., how deceased, in 1901. She carly seen acting suspiciously in that neigh-borhood. sed literary tastes and is the auer of many stories, essays and scien-

rticles in magazines as an editor contributor. She has been active in movements for gress and development of women, Friends Will Tell at Hearing ig a member of the executive board the National American Woman Sufge Association, a lecturer on sociat the Brooklyn Institute of Arts ers and a member of the American of the Stability Motors Co. and of the Daughters of the American today.

Revolution. She has traveled exten- Mr.

rely and is an authority on heredity. Cheer Up!

all is well and no trouble we'll bor-

moderate south breezes and warmer tonight and tofurther we don't need to

FAIR WEATHER PREDICTED

ANOTHER MAN SHOT Bliss.

Passerby Who Sounds Alarm Accidentally Wounded by Bullet on 33d Street

BLUECOAT, HELD, SAYS HE FIRED TO FRIGHTEN

'I Did Not Try to Hit Him," He Declares-Mystery Cloaks Intruder's Identity

A burglar was shot and killed by Patrolman Harry Smith after he was ornered and tried to escape from the ome of Matt Shapiro, 1829 North

Thirty-third street, today. Later the patrolman was held for the action of the coroner by Magistrate Oswald, at the Nineteenth and Oxford streets station. He was turned over to the custody of Lieutenant Brenner, his

superior. The man who gave the alarm when he first saw the burglar enter the Shapiro home ran when he heard the shot and was shot at and struck in the arm by other patrolmen, who thought he was an accomplice of the burglars.

The shooting occurred at 3:45 o'clock this morning. Patrolmen Smith and Dennis O'Connell, of the Twentieth and Berks street station, were called by Lewis Weinberg, 3232 West Berks street, the man who was shot accidentally.

Weinberg, passing the house on his at a garage at Thirty-third and Jefferson streets, saw a light moving about. His own house had been robbed Members of the conference, meeting a several days ago and his first thought the Wharton Memorial Church, fifty-fourth and Catharine streets, denated the proper minimum for more distant relatives of his. He hurried to find a policeman, returning with Smith and O'Connell. Fifty-fourth and Catharine streets, de- to find

Smith and O'Connell gained entrance to the Shapiro home and found the intruder hiding on the first floor. He ran into the cellar when discovered. The patrolmen followed after him. The burglar had moved through a cel-

lar window to a position under the porch and refused to return. "I fired merely to frighten him."
the patrolman explained after the
shooting. "I had no wish to kill the
man, or even to bit him. I did not
shoot at him. The bullet must have hit something in the cellar that de-

The bullet struck the burglar in the right side of the back. He was musble to move. Smith crawled under the porch and carried the man to the street, from where he was taken to the Women's Homeopathic Hospital. He num was offered to the churches as the

died about 7 o'clock.

"'pleasure of the conference."

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Van Cleve, secretary of the commission on finance of the Methodist church, and hence an official of the general conference, added was about forty years old, 5 feet 7 inches to convinced him the shooting was tall weighed about 150 pounds, was

found to identify the intruder. When the shot was fired which struck

the burglar, Weinberg, who had stayed four years old, were held this afternoon in front of the Shapiro home to see at Coroner Drawes's undertaking eswhat came of the alarm, ran. Two tablishment in Darby. The Colsimo patrolmen from a nearby beat saw him home is on Lincoln avenue near Folresolution running and taking him for a burglar shot after him. He was wounded in the left shoulder

and was taken to the Lankenau Hos-pital. His condition is not serious. The dead man is believed to be the man responsible for the five robberies tives Walker and Franklin was strongly in the vicinity. Entrance in each of the cases was made through forcing a

when searched at the hospital the man was found to carry a complete out-fit of skeleton keys, a flashlight and other house and lock-breaking paraphernalia.

The decision today on the question of state rights as applied to the alcoholic content of beer and wine.

The decision, if, given

Smith and O'Connell immediately returned to the station house after the shooting, where Smith gave himself over to the house sergeant.

Rectory Robbery Foiled

were brave enough to stand fast for Three men forced a rear window, prohibition. You should counsel every entered the rectory of the St. Columba Roman Catholic Church at Twenty-fourth street and Lehigh avenue, at man in your congregations to go to the Roman 12:30 o'clock this morning and were interrupted by the housekeeper Continued on Page Thirteen, Column One conference that a former Chester county ransacking the house for the Sunday

> of the church, was asleep on the second floor, and knew nothing of the attempted robbery until the three men had escaped. Margaret Doyle, a maid, entered the rectory at midnight and went to the third floor. She was talking with Mary Gilligan, the housekeeper, when the two heard a noise on the first floor. The housekeeper went downstairs. As she switched on the electric light in the dining room the three men disappeared through a kitchen window.
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> It was due largely to Admiral Benson's confidence in him that he (Sims) was selected to the high post he or cupied during the war, the witness admitted, adding that in urging his selection Admiral Benson incurred the dislike of many officers senior to Admiral Benson in As she switched on the electric light ing.
> in the dining room the three men disappeared through a kitchen window.
>
> Desks and tables on the first floor
> had been ransacked. The money from entertain. the Sunday collection at the church was

SEES HUGE PROFIT FOR U. S.

Baker Urges Government Operation of Nitrate Plant

Washington, March 22.—(By A. P.)
-An annual profit of \$2,900,000 would result from government operation of the Muscle Shoals. Ala. nitrate plant for the manufacture of commercial fertilizer. Secreary Baker today told the Senate agriculture committee.

He advocated passage of the War De partment bill to organize a \$12,500,000 government corporation to operate the plant for commercial purposes.

and University Extension the total of his shortage as president COURT UPHOLDS DUCHESS

emy of Political and Social Science he was president, will be made known Would Restore Conjugal Rights Former Consuelo Vanderbilt

London, March 22 .- (By A. P.) hearing on charges growing out of the shortage before Magistrate Grelis. At the hearing it will become known whether his friends have collected sufficient funds.

Longon, March 22.—(By A. P.)—The application of the Duchess of Mariborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, for a decree for the restoration of conjugal rights, was granted by

Condition Will Continue for First Half of Week, Says Forecaster Fair weather is to be the portion of Philadelphia at least during the first half of the week, according to predictions today of Weather Forceaster

The forecast for tonight is fair, with temperature of about 42 degrees. Tomorrow will be fair and somewhat warmer, with moderate southwest winds. There is no indication that this brand of weather will change Wednesday.

4 CHILDREN SAVED

Neighbor Fights Her Way Twice Through Blaze-Escapes Falling Roof

when flames destroyed the interior of day before the Senate committee in their home at 3827 Poplar street.

They are Percy Atkins, eight years old; David, aged six: Martin, aged three, and Rose, eighteen months old. They were rescued by Mrs. Celia Shapiro, of 3828 Poplar street.

The children's mother, Mrs. Nathan Atkins, left them playing on the first

Atkins, left them playing on the first floor, and went to a grocery store, a block away. A few minutes later, Barnett Shapiro, playing in the street, saw smoke and flames swirl from an upstairs window. Running into his house the boy told

street. By this time flames were sweeping the upstairs, from front to rear, and smoke filled the downstairs. Mrs. Shapiro rushed into the kitchen of the burning home, and using her apron as a smoke-mask, made her way to the children.

She picked up the two smallest and carried them to safety, and hurried back to save the other two. Percy and David, apparently partially overcome smoke, were carried from the burning home just as the second floor

When the mother returned to find her home a mass of flames, she became hysterical and attempted to rush through the flames. She was led to the home of Mrs. Shapiro, where she found

CORONER EXONERATES BOY Shooting of Four-Year-Old Brother

is Declared Accidental Philip Colsimo, Jr., the nine-year-old Ridley township boy, who shot and killed his younger brother, George, yes-terday morning, was exonerated today by Coroner Drewes, of Montgomery

The coroner said an investigation official of the general conference, added his word of approval to the plan for tall, weighed about 150 pounds, was higher salaries in the course of a talk smooth-shaven and bald headed. He loaded the double-barreled shotgun on finances. "There must be an advance in the coat, mixed hat and a colored shirt. His lected to remove the shells afterwards.

Colsimo explained he had placed the

3.5 BEER RULING DUE TODAY

Supreme Court to Settle New Jersey made Percentage Question

Washington, March 22 .- The Supreme Court is expected to hand down a indulge in personalities, but when press-decision today on the question of state ed by Chairman Hale he said he re-

Legislature making legal the sale of beer naving a 3.5 percentage of alcohol. Numerous other phases of prohibition legislation are also before the Supreme an amendment, asked for by New Jersey and Rhode Island, is expected in the

MUSIC MEN CONVENE

The Rev. Walter P. Gough, rector Fritz Kreisler to Play for Delegates. scientiously. Girard College Visited

More than 1200 delegates will attend

Hollis Dann, president of the na-

in a safe on the second floor. The tional supervisors' organization, will to London. The reply was that Adburglars escaped empty-handed.

N. Y. DOCK STRIKE GROWS

morrow in University Hall.

750 Deep-Sea Longshoremen Walk Davison's home, about January 1-1 Out at Fruit Company Piers

New York, March 22 .- (By A. P.) The strike of longshoremen engaged in constwise traffic today was extended to deep sea longshoremen when 750 men went on strike at the piers of the United The walkout was in violation of the instructions of T. or, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, issued Saturday, union leaders declare,

Fears were expressed in shipping cir cles that the strike would affect othe deep-sea longshoremen who were in sympathey with the strike of the coastwis workers, with approximately 8000 men demanding increased wages and shorter he welcomed the cross-examination, that

Boyer Candidate for Convention Charles S. Boyer, of Camden, today filed with the secretary of state at Trenton a petition, in which he announced he would be a candidate at the residential preferential primary April
7 for alternate delegate to the Repubmiral Sims.

Congressional district. The petition was signed by about 150 voters of Camden. Gloucester and adjoining municipalities. Boyer has note celared himself for any candidate.

SIMS SAYS BENSON **CAUTIONED HIM TO** BEWARE OF BRITISH

Informal Warning Given as America Entered War, Senators Are Told

THOUGHT ADMIRAL WAS STRONGLY ANTI-ENGLISH

Was Due to Chief of **Naval Operations**

By the Associated Press Washington, March 22 .- Rear Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations MOTHER WAS AT STORE during the war, was the official who told

Rear Admiral Sims "not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes: Four children were rescued at 10:45 we would as soon fight them as the 'clock this morning by a neighbor Germans," Admiral Sims testified towar. Admiral Sims said the remark was

made just after he had received final instructions from Secretary Daniels preparatory to his departure for England on the eye of the entry of the United States into the war. He added, however, that it was not made in the course of formal instructions, but during a conversation in the office of Rear Adhis mother of the fire. She gave the miral Palmer, chief of the Burcau of alarm and then nurried across the Navigation.

The witness told the committee Ad iral Benson had repeated his admosix months later in London-

Thought Benson Was Anti-British Admiral Sims said he did not pay particular attention to the statement at hat time because he believed Admira Benson was intensely anti-British. He added, that this belief was entertained

generally throughout the service. An aide recently called his attention to the remark, the admiral said, and Admiral Palmer also told him that he nembered hearing Admiral Benson nake the statement.

The witness was reluctant to give he name of the officer, but Chairman

the name of the officer, but Chairman Hale insisted.

"Then I will tell you the whole story," said Admiral Sims, "Early in April, 1917, I was ordered from my post at Newport to Washington. When I arrived I reported to the Navy Department by telephone and was told not 40 come to the department, but to get in touch with the chief of the bureau of navigation. Mear Admiral Leighter Admiral Leighter and the chief of the property of navigation. of navigation, Rear Admiral Leigh

'Everything was very secret, the way with the chief of pavigation then and partment and then I had an interview with the secretary of the navy in his office. No one else was present, as I

Shrinks from Personalities

"The interview was very brief. was told that I was going abroad to confer with the allied admiralties and that an officer of high rank be sent there for that purpose. After leaving Secretary Daniels's office, or just be-fore going there, I don't remember which, I went to the bureau of navigationfl The admiral was there and it was at that time that the remark the chairman has asked me about was

" asked Chairman Hale. The witness said he did not wish to

ferred to Admiral Benson, Admiral Sims said he had included Admiral Benson's remark in his letter to enforce a law passed by its own to Secretary Daniels on January 7, reding the navy's part in the war,

men fighting alongside of him, it has an unconscious influence on him." Court for settlement. No decision on the constitutionality of the eighteenth and always regarded the admonition as Russians, Finns and Poles from all and always regarded on the part of a personal prejudice on the part of Admiral Benson." He described the Admiral Benson. former chief of operations as "an upstanding, honest man, who has convictions," and added he everything that Admiral Benson did the war was done

Admits Indebtedness to Benson

It was due largely to Admiral Ben-

ernoon in University Hall, Wana-maker's. Fritz Kreisler, violinist, will British sentiments of Admiral Benson that officer had not acted in a minded way in sending Admiral Sim-

> The Nevada senator brought out that Admiral Sims had shown a copy of his letter of January 7 to H. P. Davison

> Sims admitted that showing the letter was "an indiscretion." Senator Pittman and Chairman Halclashed sharply over the form in which the Nevada senator put some of his questions, the chairman queries be confined to the text of Ad miral Sim's direct testimony.

"There need be no discourtesy here."

'No, I will not tolerate any," Sens-Pittman retorted. "I have realized tor Pittman retorted. that you were going to try to break up this cross-examination.

his one desire was to bring out all the "Admiral Benson's statement should never have been made public," said Senator iPttman, resuming the cross-

'Do you mean by me?" asked Ad-

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH WHEN DRESS IGNITES

Dorothy Miller, fifteen months old, 113, North Wilton ignited her dress.

WESTERN CITIES' GROWTH SHOWN BY CENSUS

today by the Census Bureau included: Alton. Ills., 24,714, an increase of 7,186, or 41.0 per cent over 1910; Newton, Iowa, 6,627, increase 2,011, or 43.6 per cent; Bismarck, N. D., 6.951, increase 1.508, or 27.7 per cent; Keokuk, Iowa, 14,423, increase 415, or 3.0 per cent; Columbia, Mo., 10,681, increase 1,019, or 10.5 per cent; Columbia, S. C., 37,524, increase 11,205, or 42.6 per cent over 1910.

SAY DEMOCRATS NURSE LED DUAL LIFE; POLICE SAY SEEK NEW ISSUE cording to advices received here. Of this number 3000 were killed in Leipsic and 850 in Berlin.

fessed Strange Actions

May Evans, brought back to Phila delphia from Baltimore yesterday charged with passing worthless checks, confessed today that she had been leading a dual life, the police say.

Lawndale, Pa., told Detective James of the campaign he will tell you "No."

It is incredible to him that the Demonition during a conversation the fol- Lawndale, Pa., told Detective James lowing day and made the same remark McLaughlin, of the American Bankers' Association, that by day she followed her profession of nursing, but that at night her whole character that at night her whole character batim et literatim inspiration of Ar-seemed to undergo an inexplicable ticle X, the doctrine of presidential in-change.

She would wanter about the streets, and often spend the night sleeping in garages and vacant houses, she sai according to Detective McLaughlin.

the Germantown Trust Co., the Germantown Trust Co., the Wayne Junc-tion Trust Co. and the Northwestern Sinai Trust Co., last December. The checks bore the name of Charles Welsh, and totaled \$500. When ar-rested in Baltimore, Saturday, by Me-

Organized Labor's Intention Re-

November, according to L. E.

he anti-strike provision of the railroad bill which was thrown our in confer party as an issue. Sheppard union officials were carefully studying the record of each member of Congre with a view to opposing those regarded

New York, March 22 .- (By A. P. parts of the country, who have shipped on them in groups.

Mayor

Mayor Moore, accompanied by city officials, made an inspection tour of the river front today aboard the Passyunk, a boat of the Department of Wharves,

George F. Sproule, director of wharves, docks and ferries, and Councilmen Conell, Patton and Limeburner. ip on present fire protection, and to ne the condition of the retaining

JESSE JAMES STUFF

Three "Baby Bandits" Hold Up 8-Year-Old Boy and Take Overcoat longs to his children. Three boys, ranging in age from ten to twelve years, held up eight-year-old asking foreigners to evacuate that re-Judson Covell at Forty-eighth and gion. The entire Adam section is in Indson Covell at Forty-eighth and gion. The there exercises yesterday, and, after taking his overcoat from hiff, made their exercises. When their exercises the position of the against the their exercise. The Cevell boy, who lives at 415 thinly scattered French forces perilous.

South Fiftieth street, was accosted by the boys, two of whom he describes as well dressed, while the third, he

street, was burned to death today when a coal fell from the kitchen range at which she was playing with a poker and

WASHINGTON, March 22 .- Population statistics announced

By CLINTON W. GILBERT

incredulity. The convention, as insiders privately, will run away insiders privately, will run away in Article X issue. It will have been as a superior of the convention of the convention.

the Article X issue. It will treat Wilson with great respect, call him the

greatest ever, make a roar about the Republican defeat of the treaty, unload

son for putting a Democratic President

was handed down to Wilson on Mt.

Party in False Position

Teutons Attempt to Secure Revision

of Versailles Treaty

Paris, March 22,-(By A. P.)-Ger

copaganda in favor of a revision of he Versailles treaty and the holding of

French and English

foreign countries occupying territory of Arabs-France and England-and

has organized a commission for the pur-pose of bringing Moslems and Christians

displayed at Damuseus, where the Syria congress proclaimed the independence of

"The Arabs existed before Christ

Moses or Mohammed and freedom and independence are rights of Syria. Re-ligion is of God and the fatherland be-

The Syrian congress signed a decre-

Hold-Up Gets \$25

nto a better understanding.

cenntry, declare:

things of this long fight.

vestigating the navy's conduct of the May Evans Said to Have Con- Observers Predict Party Will great disorder prevails. Drop Treaty Despite Wilson's Influence at Night

HELD WITHOUT BAIL HOOVER'S LETTER A FACTOR ers and having batteries of .77 centi-

Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Washington, March 22. is in the campaign." and yet if you ask any intelligent observer of political events here whether it is to be the issue

The young woman, whose home is at

Magistrate Mechany gave the woman this morning and held her without bail for a further heaving later today. She is calleged to have eashed worthless is chileged to have cashed worthless a heap of words upon the outrage and there is the Chestaut Hill branch of then in its candidate seek another rea-

Laughliu and John Fisher, a City Hall detective, the woman was on duty as head nurse of the American Salvation treaty

AFTER CUMMINS'S SCALP

vealed by Union Official

noments of the struggle, seasoned politi-Washington, March 22.—(By A. P.) cal reporters would dash out aress gallery with the word, " -Senator Cummins, of Iowa, is one of the members of Congress whom organpard, acting president of the Order of Railway Conductors, who is in Washing; men would not accept the conference.

Senator Cummins was the author of treaty was defeated. And now men

timistic view of the Democratic leaders Democratic party is now in a false

RELIEF SHIPS AS "ARKS" More Than 400 Aliens Will Be Deported on Grain Vessels

Relief ships to be sent by the United States within the next month with flour if a man has a prejudice against for needy countries of Europe also are PROPAGANDA BY GERMANY information obtained from immigration found to have advocated the use of vioence to overthrow the government, will

> Shipping Board vessels on which the inited States Grain Corporation is to ship 5,000,000 barrels of flour will be itilized as well as commercial vessels, The deportees will include many who the deporters will include on members of Germany, according to a Geneva disvere arrested in raids on members of Germany, according to a Geneva dishe Communist party in January as patch, vell as members of the federation of nion of Russian workers, who arrived of Humanity." has been prepared and which they had been driven, killing tellis Island too late to be deported 10,000,000 copies printed for free disin the Buford, including more than tribution especially in America, England twenty four others, who were promptly

Docks and Ferries. With the Mayor's party, which left Pier 3, south, at 11:30 o'clock, were James T. Cortelyou, director of public safety: City Solicitor David J. Smyth Richard Weglein, president of Council;

wall in Penn Treaty Park, said to be danger of collapsing.

was shabbily garbed. They asked him for a nickel, and when he said that he for a nickel, and when he said that he didn't have the money, he says they attacked him and robbed him of his coat.

The overcoat was a black one with red stripes in it.

Government Troops Forced Back on Rhine by Spar-

SITUATION VERY BLACK AS BOLSHEVISTS RISE

tacan Armies

Radicals Executed After Berlin Clashes-U. S. Bars

Food for Rebels

By the Associated Press

Paris, March 22. - Eight thousand persons have been killed since the German revolt broke out on March 13, according to advices received here. Of

Spartacan forces still control Stettin, Dusseldorf, Elberfeld and Essen, where

Spartacan forces in the Ruhr valley number at least 20,000 and some estimate them at 40,000. They are well organized, being composed of old shock troops and veterans, supplied with artillery, machine guns and mine throwmeter field guns with plenty of ammu-

Troops from Silesia are officially reported to have arrived in the Rubr district and fighting with the Spartacan army there has begun, pitched battles being fought. Negotiations by members of the Ebert

government, party leaders of the Ger-man National Assembly and delegates of workers, which have been going on at Berlin, are declared in an official cratic party in convention assembled at British report to have been interrupted because of an increase in the claims of San Francisco will accept the issue as President Wilson has framed it, the ver the workers.

Major Beerfeld, a relative of Maximilian Harden, is commander of the Spartacan troops in the Ruhr district. He is also known as the man who published Prince Lichnowsky's report, blaming the German Government for starting the world war, and was also organization circles you meet the same incredulity. The convention, say the

prominent in the Spartacan trouble January, 1918. Ebert government authorities are concentrating troops and planning to sur-round the Ruhr valley and force the Spartacaus to capitulate. These men, however, are younger and less trained than the Reds.

The occupation of the Ruhr district Says the intelligent observer, and by German troops is in direct viola-tion of Articles 42 and 43 of the also the inside Democrat: "The eyes of the Democratic delegates at San treaty of Versailles, it was pointed out at the foreign office, which added the comment that this was the first act Francisco will be on the main chance."
The same incredulity that has existed committed by Germany in violation of all along with regard to the defeat of the now exists with regard to the the treaty, the other violations being campaign turning upon its defeat as that the French Government would take acting only after consultation with the Men simply

would not believe that one side or the other would not yield. In the last The foreign office advices regarding the Ruhr region are that it was So-and-So has a way of saving the treaty." The fact that it was the treaty. The fact that it was the 4-11-44th way of saving it, and that none of them had worked meant nothronworkers and not the miners illitary organization extends the civil service, and the postoffice, and

Berlin, March 22 .- (By A. P.) -Con will not believe that being defeated it will be accepted by the Democratic litions in Germany are described by the ministry of defense as extremely "You cannot paint the situation throughout Germany too black an official at the ministry declared The trouble, however, with the opthe correspondent after a survey of the

The ministry of defense informed the Democratic party is now in a faise position. It has been put there by President Wilson. One false position in the Ruhr district were becoming leads to another. The second false position leads to a third and worse one of Winster had been taken by the Drensteinfurt, in Westphalia southeast of Muenster, had been taken by the finally extrication becomes diffi-Then something happens from Communists, it was stated, and movement was spreading north and Continued on Page Fifteen, Column Two cast

ministry's information showed, and two

crack regiments of government troops

had been forced to fall back on the fortress of Wesel, on the right bank

of the Rhine, twenty-two miles north-west of Essen, after heavy losses had mans are preparing a formidable world been sustained on both sides. cers in one regiment were killed. The situation in Berlin itself is chara new international conference at which vanquished nations might be represented with the object of changing or order by Sportagen forces. Its officers ered by Spartacan forces, its officers eliminating many clauses of the present treaty between the allied nations and occurred near the Johannestal aviation The government forces recap A book entitled, "The Greatest Crime tured Adlershof and Johannestal

and France, and it is said that millions executed. other pamphlets along the same line RIVER FRONT INSPECTED will follow.

Captain Andre Tardien, one of the the printers' strike and the lack of gas
French delegates to the Peace Confer- for the machinery. The tramway strike
ence, has written an article in which he is still effective. ing, awing to a partial continuance of

declared misself as being opposed to any revision of the treaty, declaring that of Dusseldorf, armed workmen have benevolence to Germany fosters arrotaken over the whole industrial organibenevolence to Germany fosters arrozation and the Reichswehr is powerless to deal with the situation.

The food situation, particularly in SYRIA OPPOSES OCCUPATION The The southern and eastern parts of King Feisal Declares Boycott Against Germany are reported quiet, although unrest was said to be spreading among

Beirut, March 22.-(By A. P.)— the agricultural population in Pomer-Emir Veisal, newly elected king of mila and Mecklenburg. At Kiel, which Syrin, has declared a boycott against the troops had left, conditions were reanla and Mecklenburg. At Kiel, which The marine brigade and the Baltic

GENERAL STRIKE IN MUNICH Workmen's Movement Threatens to

Spread Through Bavaria

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Stuttgart, March 22.—(By A. P.)—general strike has been called in Munich and it is expected the movement less it is stopped, as a result of the ne gotiations now in progress to settle the ing the period they were on strike against the Kapp regime. Meetings are to be held in the Wurttemberg factories by the councils of workmen to consider if similar action should be taken throughout Wurttemburg. Reports received here from Nurem-

Joseph S. Huhn, 628 Fitzgerald Reports received here from Nurenstreet, was held up and robbed of \$25 at herg said that city was quiet on Sunday, following some disorders the pre-

EGISLATIVE O.K. SEEN IN DELAWARE Very Close Vote AX ASSESSMENT REFORM

HELEN HAMILTON GARDENER Nominated by President Wilson to be a member of the National Civil

Minimum Salary Resolution Passed at Conference-In-

dorse Darrow's Re-election

WET CANDIDATES ASSAILED

Methodist preachers would be given minimum salary of \$1300 a year, with dentally. \$200 a year additional if they needed a carriage or automobile, according to a esolution passed today at the annual Philadelphia Methodist Conference.

bated the proper minimum for more than an hour. Several suggestions were e, but the final agreement was on One suggestion was that the minimum be graduated upward according to the number of children a minister had. It was proposed that \$100 be added for each child. This suggestion was declined.

at the Wharton Memorial Church,

The resolution, as introduced by the Rev. John S. Tomlinson, made the \$1300 minson mandatory, and provided that deficits in poor congregations be made up by the board of sustentation. Doctor Bickley Objects The Rev. Dr. George H. Bickley, one of the district superintendents, objected, declaring that this would prove too heavy a burden for the board, and as

heavy a burden for the board, and as passed in its final form, the \$1300 mini-

support of our ministry if we are to have a ministry." he said.

Doctor Van Cleve pointed out that was found in the cloth hat. This is ty.

Doctor Van Cleve pointed out that tuation will detail if pasters' salaries are to keep pace the only clue the police have so far with the cost of living, they must be found to identify the intruder.

Colsimo explained he had placed the gun in his bedroom. He was sure, he said, that his son, Philip, did not know the weapon was leaded. an dig politics out of all this ruck and made 100 per cent greater than they were in 1914.

"Booze" came in again for a full

share of condemnation. A resolution was passed enjoining all Methodists, was passed enjoining all Methodists, clerical and lay, to work for politicians opposed to the liquor traffic and against and all who might be open to compromise. Il who might be open to compromise.

The renomination of Congressmen

"Wet" Candidates Opposed

here will not only be two acces, goes strongly in the second code bill. The tion.

"We are facing one of the most dis"We are facing one of the most disstrongly indorsed the political resoluastrous defeats in our history," he said,
"at the hands of the wet forces. All political factions are striving to put n the field candidates who are as wet as a swamp. Old-line politicians are marked for decapitation because they

of the conference committee on temper-

A primaries and get into the fight for the prohibition candidates."
The Rev. T. W. McKinney told the Continued on Page Thirteen, Column Three

ROB MINISTER'S HOME mber of Civil Service Commission Thieves Loot House While Pastor Is at Church While the Rev. J. B. Rhodes was reaching last night in the Centenary I. E. Church, Camden, thieves ran-She sacked his home at 400 Penn

President had determined to reorlike it.

Helen Hamilton Gardener is the pastor. The intruders evidently forced the house was in a topsy-turvy condition when Doctor Rhodes returned. . The home of C. W. North, 318 Penn street, Camden, a block away from the Rhodes home, also was robbed night. The thief or threves obtain \$60 in cash and clothing valued at \$100. Police are searching for two negroes

BERLET CASE UP TODAY

Shortage Can Be Met Results of the efforts of friends of E. Berlet to raise \$100,000, said to be

Mr. Berlet is scheduled to have

Mr. Berlet formerly was a member duchess, filed last week, is the usual of most of the prominent business or preliminary to divorce in this country ganization in the city. Shortly before The court orders the decree to be obeye became bankrupt he re- within fourteen days after its service Lis company became bankrupt he resigned from all. His friends sent a circular letter to members of the various organizations asking them to send contributions to the "E, J. Berlet". The couple were married in New York in 1895 and have two children. They have been separated for several

BY WOMAN AT FIRE Witness Admits His Promotion