

WIFE SLAYER AND MOTHERLESS CHILDREN



When their mother was slain yesterday by their father in a fit of jealous rage, the children of William Feldkeller, 1926 North Leithgow street, were taken in charge by the police. The photograph shows Anna, 12, the tallest, together with Robert and May on their way to the City Hall this morning to attend the hearing of their father, who is shown in the prisoner's dock.

Written Consider Plan Only One Fair to Short Riders—May Make Plea to Council

A zone-fare plan, under which the short rider will continue to pay five cents and the long rider a fare increasing with the distance he travels, is again being considered by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. as it is reported by Thomas E. Mitten, president of the transit company, and president of the zone-fare plan, it is said, sees in the zone-fare plan a way of increasing the company's income and at the same time throwing the burden of higher trolley travel upon the long-distance rider—who now is actually being hauled at a loss.

This is according to Mr. Mitten's own testimony before the Public Service Commission when he said the short rider in Philadelphia was the rider who was being hauled at a loss. The longer car rider's ride. Transit officials admitted today Mr. Mitten has the zone-fare plan under consideration and that he has given it attention for some time. Mr. Mitten left town this afternoon, but no information as to destination or the purpose of his trip could be obtained at the P. R. T. offices.

To Ask Modification Council will be asked to modify the 1907 agreement by establishing a zone-fare system, with five cents as the basic fare. It was said, under the Mitten plan, the zone-fare plan would be adopted by the transit companies into one operating company, thereby reducing the fixed charges by something like \$5,000,000, as is reported.

Unless this compromise is effected, it is said Mr. Mitten, with Mayor Moore's encouragement, will go on the floor of the Council on Monday to inaugurate the zone fare plan. This will bring the whole transit question up before the Public Service Commission again, a committee and a public utility company no longer have the right of independent, unrestricted charter, but all change of rates are subject to the commission's approval.

Colonel Sheldon Potter, a former city representative on the P. R. T. directors, points out this supreme authority of the Council. He says that when the line of efforts to keep fares down should be an attack on the underlying companies, with the city leading in the fight, instead of a modification of the 1907 agreement.

Eventually, experts agree, a valuation of the transit system is essential before the middle is cleared and a proper rate of fare fixed and the water requested out of transit stocks. The appraisal that has been in preparation by the traction company here for the last two years is now virtually completed. The city officials and the transit company officials are expected to agree on the submission of the valuation figures to the Public Service Commission, despite the fact the commission will have no fare-raise application to consider in its immediate connection with the audit of the system.

Future Relief Pointed Out Future relief from the exactions of privately controlled trolley car service is pointed out by the Public Service Commission. It is said that the only relief for the United Business Men's Association. He declares a constitutional amendment will be voted on in November which gives the right to the public utility, or any part of that system, without inquiring its borrowing capacity.

To Sell Yard as Whole The sale of the shipbuilding plant, according to the report, probably will be upon a competitive basis for the yard as a whole. Disposal of the shipyard under the sales policy recently announced by the board will begin as soon as the necessary advertising arrangements have been completed. Officials at Washington believe that the decision to sell Hog Island means that Chairman Benson is going ahead with the plan to aid down the shipyard board by the merchant marine act, without awaiting the appointment of the new board.

Navigation Chief Quits San Diego, Calif., Aug. 19.—(By A. P.)—Captain Leigh C. Palmer, United States navy, chief of the Bureau of Navigation during the world war, tendered his resignation which has been accepted by Secretary Daniels. It became known here yesterday. Palmer is known as one of the gunnery authorities of the navy. His resignation came after 20 years of service. No reason was announced.

SLAIN WOMAN'S CHILDREN MOTHERED BY DAUGHTER, 12

Anna Feldkeller Tells of Parents' Quarrels—Little Ones Saw Their Mother Killed

Smiling bravely through trembling lips and tear-dimmed eyes, Anna Feldkeller, twelve-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jennie Feldkeller, murdered by her husband in a jealous rage, attempted to soothe her frightened younger sister and brother in the matron's room of the Front and Master streets police station yesterday.

More severe than before. When they quarreled I always tried to make peace between them, but could do little. Yesterday they quarreled again and mamma told us to go outside and play. So I took May, or Marie as we call her, and Bobby and we played the engines in the yard.

Delegates are told to hold U. S. bonds. Treasury Official Tells Convention of Negroes "Uncle Sam" is Best Investment

Booker T. Washington was the author of the phrase "Mother and Save," said William Mather Lewis at today's session of the National Negro Business League, holding its twenty-first annual meeting in the Dunbar Theatre.

Seek Uniform Laws Annual Conference to Consider Prohibition and Occupational Diseases

St. Louis, Aug. 19.—(By A. P.)—The task of making uniform various state statutes was considered at the thirteenth annual national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws, which opened here today.

Four More Explosion Victims Die Muskegon, Mich., Aug. 19.—(By A. P.)—Four more of the men injured yesterday in the explosion in the rubber department of the Brunswick-Balke Colender Co. plant died this morning, bringing the number of dead to seven. Three others are in a hospital, where it was said one probably will die.

SENATORS ARE TOLD OF HOUSING NEEDS

Calder and Kenyon Here at Meeting to Discuss Problem of Reconstruction

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Mayor Moore spoke of Philadelphia as a "city of homes," in introducing Senator Calder. "The majority of our two-story houses," he said, "are owned by the occupants. We have not a sufficient number of them, however, to meet the needs of all those who wish separate homes."

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LANCASTER SWEEP BY HEAVY STORM

Damage Estimated at Thousands of Dollars Caused by Downpour

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PONZI, ARRAIGNED, WAIVES HEARING

Trial Set for September Court. No Attempt Made to Get Bail

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