

AND ORPHANS LEFT DESTITUTE BY FIRE

Churches Throughout City Raise Fund for Benefit of Lutheran Home

GIRLS IN HOSPITAL BETTER

Churches and relief societies throughout the entire city, especially those in the Germantown section, have already...

The fire, which caused damage estimated at \$30,000, broke out just before daybreak, at about 5 o'clock in the morning...

Children Showed Bravery I heard a scream shortly after five o'clock," said Miss Campbell, "and upon opening the door found the hall filled with smoke...

All Dressed Up And then some one saw Menalkas yesterday. He did not answer the description furnished by the distracted father...

Drops Dead at Home Raymond Elliott, of Twentieth street and Olney avenue, fell dead suddenly while walking in the yard of his home last night...

SON OF RAYMOND DUNCAN GOES ON SARTORIAL SPREE

Youth, Reported Missing in Paris, Doffs Greek Robes and Dons Derby Hat—Father Was Arrested Here for Cruelty

Menalkas was lost and is found. He is the fifteen-year-old son of Raymond Duncan, and appeared here during the unusually cold winter of 1910...



Little Menalkas, son of Raymond Duncan, "beat it" from his Greek-garbed father in Paris. The photograph shows father and son as they appeared when in this city.

They weren't paid for it. With them, or at least with the father, it was a matter of principle. The father posed as a Greek, but the proprietors of most of Philadelphia's lunchrooms and shoe-shine parlors would have none of him...

Accepted by Paris In time father and son became known to "Panama" as one of its special attractions to tourists, like the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, the midjet who knows how to open the door of a Paris taxi in front of the Folies Bergere, Napoleon's tomb, and so on.

Parisians have a habit of deciding for anything in the matter of what people wear, or forget to wear.

Paris accepted Menalkas and his father, Raymond. Some people think they helped win the war by keeping the residents and permissionaires cheerful.

But, last Friday, Menalkas did a most unorthodox thing from the Greek standpoint. He disappeared. For a time, it looked as though the waxed-mustache gendarmes of the French capital would have to go to work.

Preliminary steps were taken looking to the ordering of an investigation. In another month or so, the gendarmes would probably have received orders to hunt for Menalkas.

And then some one saw Menalkas yesterday. He did not answer the description furnished by the distracted father. Instead of long fluffed hair and poplin, Menalkas was decked out in the latest creations of the boulevard tailors. He wore shoes. He wore a half-hose. He wore underwear. He wore trousers. Also a shirt and vest and coat. But, worst of all, he wore a derby hat.

In Raymond Duncan's Parisian Greek colony, there is gladness mingled with sadness. Menalkas is living, but it were better to be dead in the night of some, than to wear patent-leather shoes and a derby hat.

The police believe the boy decided to go on a sartorial spree. The father declares he will prefer charges of kidnapping if he finds the man who wonned his boy away from his sandals and poplin.

Paris smiles, as usual.

OPPOSE SURRENDER OF GERMAN COWS

Women Declare Loss of Supply Would Mean Death Sentence for Children

APPEAL TO FRENCH SISTERS

By the Associated Press Berlin, Dec. 20.—Surrender to the Allies of 800,000 milk cows, which have been demanded under the terms of the Versailles treaty, would have disastrous results in Germany, says a letter to the women of France from a committee of German women.

Continued deprivation of the German people of the milk supply represented by these cows would result in weakening public stamina and individual resistance and, therefore, operate to reduce the ability of Germany to fulfill treaty obligations through necessary production, it is said.

"As women are defenders of the rights of children," the letter declares, "we embrace with equal sympathy suffering children of all nations. Our sympathy goes out in fullest measure to children in the devastated regions in France, where it appears to us to be urgent that help should be granted as speedily as possible. On the other hand, we see the need of every part of Germany is so great that further reduction in the milk supply would be equivalent to the death sentence for hundreds of thousands of children. Instead of the 20,000,000,000 liters of milk which Germany produced annually in peace times, the country is now producing only 8,500,000,000.

For nearly six years the populations of German cities have not had milk, the letter asserts, and owing to this fact the death rate from tuberculosis has doubled since 1913, and 38,000 more children died in 1918 than in 1913. In Prussia alone there has been an increase in child mortality of 100 per cent. The letter declares these facts are not known to the French "because the press

has not permitted the information to be made public."

Brussels, Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Private conversations between allied and German financial experts to the amount Germany may be expected to pay the Allies reparations continued here this morning. Delegates to the conference expressed the hope they would be able to complete their work before Christmas, and indicated that unexpected progress had been made.

TAXI DRIVER ATTACKED

Police Say Striking Employees Were Responsible for Assault

Samuel Cohen, thirty years old, 1107 Mount Vernon street, a driver for the Quaker City Taxi Co., was attacked by several men at Twelfth and Vine streets last night and beaten.

Cohen was struck over the head by a man who wielded a bottle. The victim's scalp and face were cut and bruised. He was taken to Hahnemann Hospital in the patrol of the Tenth and Lutonwood street station.

The man's assailants, believed by the police to be striking employes of the taxicab company, escaped.

Deaths of a Day

JOHN D. FOY

Former Newspaperman of Philadelphia Dies in Toronto

A telegram received by his family in this city announces the death, in Toronto, of John D. Foy, formerly a well-known newspaperman of Philadelphia. Mr. Foy died after a long illness in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

Mr. Foy's newspaper career began in the early eighties on the old Philadelphia Morning Times, where he served for many years as a reporter, and subsequently in various editorial capacities. Later he became associated with the Evening Telegraph as financial editor, leaving that paper to enter a business career in Canada.

Mrs. R. Livingston Beckman Providence, R. I., Dec. 20.—Mrs. R. Livingston Beckman, wife of the governor of Rhode Island, died suddenly of heart disease at White Sulphur Springs, Va., today. Mrs. Beckman before her marriage was Miss Eleanor Thomas of Zanesville, O.

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"BOOTS" WORRIED BY 13 WITNESSES

Girl in Peirce Murder Objects to Unlucky Number at Inquest Tomorrow

WANTS ONE WITHDRAWN

Marie ("Boots") Phillips-Rogers, one of the three persons held on the charge of murdering Henry T. Peirce, at 2007 Market street, a month ago, fears the outcome of the coroner's inquest tomorrow because there are thirteen principal witnesses to be examined.

This is the first intimation that "Boots," worldly-wise and sophisticated, has a streak of the superstitious. Detective Rowland, of the coroner's office, went to Moyamensing Prison today to arrange for the presence of Peter D. Treadway, Joseph A. Moss and

"Boots," the three accused, at the inquest.

When he was taken to her cell one of her first questions was, "How many witnesses are there?" Rowland replied "Thirteen." The girl immediately asked that one be withdrawn or some one found who knows something new about this case. "Make it either twelve or fourteen," she asked.

The inquest, conducted by Coroner Knight, is expected to be brief. Treadway and Moss have confessed their connection with the murder of the Philadelphia business man. Police are still looking for a third man implicated in the murder, which was the result of a robbery plot.

Peirce was killed in his apartment the night of November 22, the murder was discovered November 24. Treadway and Moss were arrested in Wheeling two days later, and Moss was arrested near Pittsburgh about five days later.

Peirce lived at Fort Washington with his family. Mrs. Peirce will shortly close the suburban house, and go with her children to Lansdale, where she has relatives, to live.

Amnesty for Political Prisoners

A mass-meeting under the auspices of the American Civil Liberties Bureau will be held at Turgenheim Hall, Broad street and Columbia avenue, this

evening. Dr. Judah L. Mignone and Roger N. Baldwin will speak on "Amnesty for All Political Prisoners." Francis Fisher Kane will be chairman.

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