CRUSH SOWERS BILL WOMEN ARE URGED

Miss Jane Campbell Sees Menace to City in Passage of "Magistrate Law"

DECRIES PETTY FIGHTS

Women voters were urged by Miss Jane Campbell, addressing the Friday Current Events Club of Germantown yesterday, to help crush the Sowers bill now in the Legislature, which restricts the jurisdiction of magistrates.

"Mayor Moore should be supported in his stand against the bill," Miss Campbell said. The measure, introduced by Representative Clinton A. Sowers, provides that persons arrested without warrants must be arraigned before the magistrate of the district in which the arrest was made.

Opponents of the bill contend it is a move to cripple police raids against vice and gambling. Police would be barred from taking prisoners to City Hall for hearings in such cases.

"We thought many evils would be overcome by having only one City Council," she said, "but I can't see any improvement. The members of this Council are divided into factions and instead of attending to the city's business are spending all of their time fighting each other to get control.

"Formerly the school board members were elected by the people, but this was declared a poor way and the members were called thieves and incompetents, so the plan was changed to appointment by the judges. The result, though, is far from satisfactory. I believe that if the people are good enough to elect the judges they are good enough to elect the school board, too."

In referring to the city commissioners, Miss Campbell said:

"You know they are really county officers and that is the reason there is such a pretty fight on now about the Municipal Court. All of this is a disgraceful affair.

"What Philadelphia needs is a great awakening of civic consciousness. One little reform there and another here doesn't do any good."

Miss Campbell urged the women, now that they are directly responsible, to make a study of conditions and join the forces for betterment. She also sounded a warning against upholding reforms unthinkingly.

Shall City Be Ruled By the Underworld?

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virtually impossible to bring to speedy justice and punishment the criminals in certain districts who possess the power of political pull.

Magistrates under the mandate of such an act of the Assembly still have city jurisdiction, but at the same time it compels a criminal to be taken before the committing magistrate of the district in which the offense or crime was committed.

The decent citizens of Philadelphia should awaken instantly to this danger.

They should protest with all the power of an outraged public.

The amendment as it stands today places in jeopardy the lives, the safety and the comfort of the citizens.

Always and ever the aim of a certain class of politicians has been to maintain their control of the creatures of the underworld for the purpose of power and protection money.

Knowing the hopelessness of carrying such cases as mentioned above before certain magistrates, the police authorities now carry them before magistrates of reputation, probity and fairness for commitment and punishment.

All this is swept away by the pending bill.

Knowing how complacent to the will of political bosses such magistrates are, knowing the futility of trying to secure a commitment before magistrates of this kind, the police perforce would be obliged to carry their cases before such men.

In this can be seen the ultimate supremacy of the underworld.

This is the character or object of the Sowers bill, which seeks to restrict the jurisdiction of magistrates.

It is a measure designed to block the war against vice in Philadelphia.

Do the people want this?

It is for them to say before it is too late.

WELLESLEY RALLY TODAY

Entertainment at Academy to Boost Drive for Fund

A rally, in preparation for the Wellesley College campaign fund of $2,700,000, will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the foyer of the Academy of Music.

Mrs. Henry H. Bonnell, of Chestnut Hill, president of the college alumnae association, will open the festivities with a short address. Miss Emma L. McAlarney, class of 1892, will give a short talk, and Miss Sarah A. Schaefer, a teacher in the Germantown High School, will dance. Other Wellesley alumnae will contribute to the entertainment, and will sing Wellesley songs. There will be refreshments and general dancing.

The members of the reception committee are Mrs. Bonnell, Mrs. George B. Wood, chairman of the central committee, and Miss Harriet Manning Blake, president of the Wellesley Club of Philadelphia.

Child Smothered in Fire

Abraham Goldberg, five years old, died in the Methodist Hospital shortly after he was taken from the burning home of his parents at 729 Winton street yesterday. Lieutenant Fair, of Engine Co. 56, found the child on a bed in a second-story room. He had been overcome by smoke. Efforts to revive him proved futile. The mother, Mrs. Sarah Goldberg, was away from home when fire was discovered.

LANDIS NOT WRONG, BANKERS HERE SAY

Declare Clerks in Phila. Banks Receive Living Wage, but Do Not Justify Stealing

REALIZE RESPONSIBILITY

Bankers here seemed inclined to agree with Judge Landis, of the Chicago Federal Court, when asked today what they thought of the jurist's action in suspending sentence in the case of Francis F. Carey, twenty-year-old bank teller, who said he was forced to steal because he received only $90 a month pay. His shortage was $96,500.

"I feel that bank officials have a heavy responsibility in such cases," said E. Pusey Passmore, formerly governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of the third district. "I read the dispatch from Chicago, and it seemed to me there was a good deal of merit in the judge's criticism of the officers of the bank.

"Naturally a great deal depends on environment and circumstances, but if it is true that farm hands in the community where the young man was employed received twice as much as was paid him, the officials certainly are subject to criticism.

No Justification for Crime

"It must not be argued, of course, that ill-paid clerks in any business are justified in stealing from their employers, but at the same time employers must remember that they are subjecting employes to temptation when they pay them unjust wages."

Mr. Passmore was asked about salaries paid in Philadelphia for work corresponding to that done by the young paying teller of the National City Bank, which is at Ottawa, Ill.

"In Philadelphia there are very few junior clerks, men just beginning the banking business, who have neither responsibility nor experience, who are paid as little as this young man was getting. But the pay here for responsible work in banks is very much higher. I should say that tellers in the banks in this city are paid at least $2000 or $2500 a year, ranging upward to as high as $4000 or $5000, depending on the size of the bank and the years of service of the teller. Good tellers are very hard to get and they rank in responsibility next to the junior officers of a bank."

Got Less Than Stenographer

Asa S. Wing, president of the Provident Life and Trust Co., likewise commented on the smallness of the salary paid the young teller of the Ottawa National City Bank.

"A good stenographer cannot be obtained today for under $1200 or $1500 a year," said Mr. Wing. "The $90 a month reported paid the young man who was brought before Judge Landis seems to me extremely low considering the responsibility of his position.

"You will not find any bank in Philadelphia paying so little for work of this character. I should say that about $2000 would be the lowest salary paid a teller here."

Carey pleaded guilty to the theft of the Ottawa bank's funds. He had taken the money when left alone late one night in the bank. He did not appear for work next morning and officials at first thought that he might have been shut in the big vault by accident. The vault was closed with a time lock and it was necessary to get experts to open it. The currency was missing and a note left in its place, saying: "If you had treated me different this wouldn't have happened."

Calls It Astonishing

When it was brought out at the youth's trial that his pay had been only $90 a month, and that he had tried to support his widowed mother and two sisters on this sum, Judge Landis whistled and pushed back his chair.

"This is a most astounding disclosure," he said. "Of course, it doesn't justify stealing, but it is hard to realize that this boy, who I understand handled $25,000 a day in money, was not getting as much as the elevator men in the Federal Building, who are notoriously underpaid."

The judge said that he could not set the boy free, but would send him home while the court considered the case.

"This boy was put in the way of temptation," said the judge. "The responsibility is entirely on the bank directors. I don't want to send him to Leavenworth, but I'll have to send him somewhere. There is a tremendous lot of human nature and a tremendous lot of equity involved in this case. It's a hard nut to crack and I'll have to figure it out."

Salaries Higher Since War

"Since the war," said Robert Fussell, cashier of the First National Bank of Media and secretary of the Pennsylvania State Bankers' Association, commenting on Judge Landis' attack, "the underpaying of bank employes has been largely remedied.

"The enormous war industries," he continued, "such as Hog Island, which sprang up, then depended upon the banks for their cashiers and tellers and paid them high salaries. Now, in order to get these men to return to the banks, we have been obliged to offer them greater financial inducements."

REPORT HOUSE RIVERS BILL FAVORABLY TO THE SENATE

Bills Introduced Would Permit Actual Bombing of U. S. Ships

Washington, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—The House rivers and harbor bill, carrying a lump sum appropriation of $175,250,000, was reported favorably to the Senate today by the commerce committee without amendment.

Resolutions proposing an actual bombing of naval vessels by aircraft were introduced by Senator New, Republican, Indiana, and Representative Anthony, Republican, Kansas. They direct the secretary of the navy to turn over to the army air service five obsolete warships for experimental bombing.

The resolutions said the future policy of development of aircraft and aircraft might be changed as a result of the proposed experiments.

The agricultural appropriation bill as approved today by the Senate agriculture committee carries nearly $200,000 drought-stricken areas.

House total. The principal increase voted by the committee are $200,000,000 for purchase by the treasury of federal farm loan bonds and $5,000,000 for loans to buy seed grain for farmers in drought-stricken areas.

The House bill extending the provisions of the seamen's act so that the passenger service season on the Great Lakes may open on May 1 instead of May 15, and continue until October 15, instead of September 15, was favorably reported by the Senate commerce committee.

Four Burned to Death in Fire

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—Two women and two children were burned to death today in a fire which destroyed the upper floor of a two-story frame dwelling, at 675 Pontotoc avenue.

REGULAR LIMPIN' LIM'RICK RULES WILL GOVERN JACK'S JINGLE BOX

Contest for Kiddies to Begin Monday Will Not Interfere With This One for Grown-Ups

Norristown School Teacher Awarded Prize by Jury of Supplee-Biddle Hardware Co. Employes

Did all you grown-ups and kiddies see the announcement we made here yesterday—the one about Jack and his Jingle Box?

Jack will be here on Monday. All the little folks can then have a limpin' lim'rick contest of their own and it will be printed in the second section of the paper—on the page opposite the funny pictures.

In that way, the grown-ups of the family can have their lim'rick on this page and the children can have theirs in the other part of the paper.

Jack is going to give away TEN DOLLARS EVERY DAY as a prize for the best last line sent in to his jingles. All of the rules that govern this grown-up contest will also govern Jack's Jingle Box, except that the kiddies will have their own separate postoffice box number to which to send their answers.

This grown-up contest will continue just as it is. In fact, judging from the enthusiasm of the fans, they haven't any intention of letting us stop it, in spite of the fact that the little remaining sanity of the Limerick editor is rapidly evaporating and his poor old bare dome is getting barer every day—if that is possible.

Jack's contests will be for children fourteen years of age and under. Jack told us he thought these grown-up lim'ricks were too hard for the kiddies and he insisted in running the Jingle Box himself, for, he said to us, "you're getting old—you know you are. And what can an old man like you know of what the kiddies want. No; you just stick to your grown-up contest and leave this other one to me."

So that's what we're doing. Jack will be with you on Monday and we hope the kiddies will have as much fun out of his Jingle Box as the grown-ups seem to be having with these limpin' lim'ricks.

Norristown Teacher Wins Prize

They certainly seemed to place a lot of confidence in us over at the Supplee-Biddle Hardware Co.'s store at 513 Commerce street when we went there to meet the jury that picked out today's winner, because after the "jury room" seemed to be simply crowded with many attractive jurors, we were left entirely alone with them without any one to watch over us.

Oh, boy! That certainly filled our old heart with joy when these girls grouped themselves around us and asked us about a million questions. How could they expect us to give a sensible answer when our heart was just turning somersaults. At all events we managed to get away with it and how we did hate to leave there! But we realized that, in this hard-boiled world, all good things like that must come to an end sometime.

When we finally counted the votes that had been cast by the jury we found that they were unanimous in selecting as the best line that submitted by:

MISS LOIS MILLER,
606 Swede Street,
Norristown, Pa.
Teacher in James A. Welsh Public School, Norristown, Pa.

Miss Miller believes that being selected as the winner of the lim'rick contest has a few disadvantages as well as advantages. You see, what Miss Miller is not looking forward to is the "kidding" that she anticipates from her pupils when they discover that she has reached the highest pinnacle of fame in "lim'rickdom."

But Miss Miller seems to have an angelic disposition which is certainly to be expected when you consider the fact that she was born in Paradise, Honest. There's no kidding about that because she really was born in Paradise, Pa., and after graduating from the Lancaster High School, studied at the Millersville State Normal School to become a teacher.

And now she rules over forty "little dears" in the James A. Welsh school at Walnut and Airy streets, in Norristown. Do you know that we would rather enjoy studying a little readin' an' writin' and 'rithmetic if we had a teacher like Miss Miller?

Miss Miller, at the present time, in addition to her teaching at Norristown, is taking a college course in sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, and she expects to use the $100 check that we have mailed to her for the purpose of carrying on her studies at Penn.

She admitted to us yesterday that she had earned this particular hundred dollars with less effort than she had thought could be possible. Pretty soft, isn't it, to be paid one hundred bucks for a mere matter of six words?

The lim'rick, as completed today by Miss Miller, was:

Limerick No. 48

Said a nut out at Vineland, "It's queer;
Beanstalk but the corn's ears don't hear;
You can't churn buttercups—
Dogwoods don't grow from pups—
And prim-Rose won't elbow two-lips near.

Miss Miller's lim'rick was No. 2 on the ballot. The other lines were:

No. 1. "But a beach wood be pop'lar out here." E. H. Holt, 246 South Eleventh street.

No. 3. "Could a straw-bury the deadwood that's here?" Edwin S. Candy, 4762 Worth street, Frankford.

No. 4. "Brussels sprouts give no carpets, my dear." Mrs. Leona R. Passmore, 427 Cottman street, Jenkintown, Pa.

No. 5. "Nor breadfruit from doughnuts—out here." Ford Jennings, 1410 South Penn Square.

No. 6. "And the elder's the youngest tree here." Frank M. Ellis, 718 Vine street, Camden, N. J.

No. 7. "Nor does kale come from mint. Not this year!" S. H. Rippey, 7012 Greene street, Germantown.

No. 8. "But a hen is an eggplant I fear." John A. McMahon, 2735 West Oxford street.

No. 9—"Farmers' wives pine and bal-sam out here." Edward A. Greene, 122 Elm avenue, Ardmore.

No. 10—"Where do lightning bugs get lit up, dear?" John L. Corry, district detective, Fourteenth district, Germantown.

The jury that made the award was composed of:

Miss Hattie E. Clayman, 963 N. Sixth street, claim department.
Miss Mary Lawder, 210 East Evergreen avenue, billing department.
Miss Mildred McGettigan, 1738 North Twenty-seventh street, statistical department.
Miss Mabel L. Seeburger, 3245 East Phillip street, president's office.
Miss Margaret M. Breslin, 3219 North Fifteenth street, auto accessories department.
Miss Amelia Laubach, 1932 North Gratz street, ediplione department.
Miss Margaret Crowe, 3931 North Franklin street, advertising department.
Miss Esther Jaffe, 135 Fitzwater street, filing department.
Miss R. Hullinger, 228 West Queen lane, filing department.
Miss L. T. Bass, 230 Sumac street, government department.
Miss A. S. Urner 5433 Addison street, billing department.

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1. Contest is open to any one. All that is required for you to do is to write and send in your last lines to the Limerick, using for convenience the coupon printed below. Please write plainly, and be sure to add your name and address.
2. All answers to the Limerick which is printed below must be received at the office of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER by 6 o'clock Monday evening. Address Postoffice Box number given on coupon. Answers left at the office of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER will also be admissible.
3. The winner of the ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR prize for the best last line to each Limerick will be announced one week after the Limerick is printed.
4. In case of ties, $100 will be awarded to each successful contestant.
5. The decision of the judges in each Limerick contest will be final.

THE WINNER OF TODAY'S CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED ONE WEEK FROM TODAY

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TO THE LIMERICK CONTEST
P. O. Box 1524, Philadelphia.

LIMERICK NO. 54

A fellow who boarded a car
Said, "How stupid these people all are;
For, night after night,
They're jammed close and tight—

.....
(Write your answer on this line.)

Name .....
Street and No. .....
City and State .....

GIFTS TO GIRL SEND CONCERN INTO RUIN

Diamonds, Autos and Fancy Lingerie Help Smash $3,000,000 Stock Scheme

DIVIDENDS NEVER DID COME

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 12.—Nellie Preston, pretty daughter of a prominent Aberdeen, Md., family, on whom William S. Livezey, president of the defunct Little Motor Car Co., lavished diamonds, motorcars and silk underwear, while stockholders waited for dividends that never materialized, told on the witness stand in Federal Court yesterday how in her girlhood he made her gifts of baby dolls and toys.

Livezey and four other officers of the crooked concern are on trial for alleged use of the mails to defraud, in connection with a three-million-dollar get-rich-quick stock-selling enterprise. Testimony as to Livezey's extravagances, in behalf of Miss Preston, was introduced by the government in an effort to show that the funds of the Little Motor Car Co. were wasted.

Appearing timidly garbed in a simple frock, Miss Preston amazed court spectators with her naive narration of Livezey's generosity. She told how, at the height of his prosperity in the spring of 1920, he returned to Aberdeen, the home of his boyhood, and showered her with gifts ranging from candy to two automobiles in one day, and how she returned his gifts many months later, when his firm went into the hands of the receiver, to "help him out of trouble."

Denying any intimate relations existed between them, Miss Preston declared she regarded Livezey as a brother and accepted his gifts as she might from a member of her own family.

Some of the gifts, she enumerated under the district attorney's questioning, were a gold ring with a diamond setting, a diamond pin, a lavalliere of platinum, set with two large diamonds and several smaller ones; a platinum diamond cluster ring, a diamond bracelet, a sedan and a roadster, a saddle horse, a case of silk underwear and negligee, a Siberian squirrel coat, scarf and muff and about $400 in cash and checks.

HITS DUAL POLICE FORCE

Research Bureau Opposes Two Detective Bureaus

The Bureau of Municipal Research today questioned the necessity for two separate detective forces, one maintained by the city, the other by the county of Philadelphia.

The query was based on the recent trial of William P. Brines on a charge of murdering Elmer C. Drewes. The bureau referred to reports that the city detectives and the county detectives had not co-operated in building up a case for the commonwealth.

G. W. CARPENTER DIES AT AGE OF 84

Civil War Veteran Was Son of Founder of Natural Sciences Academy

FUNERAL SERVICES MONDAY

George W. Carpentier, who was widely known in Philadelphia, died this morning at his home, 128 South Nineteenth street. He was eighty-four years old.

Mr. Carpenter was a son of George W. Carpenter, scientist and scholar, and a vice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and founder of the Pennsylvania Academy of Natural Sciences.

The elder Mr. Carpenter owned what was once a famous estate around Upsal and Carpenter's Station. His home, "Phil-Elena," was one of the showplaces of the country.

In 1869 the younger Mr. Carpenter married Miss Mary Rodman Fisher. He enlisted in Captain William Roth Wister's company and served in the Civil War. This company was known as the Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry. Mrs. Carpenter died and in 1901 Mr. Carpenter married Mrs. Susan Emlen Jones, the widow of Mortimer Heath.

Mr. Carpenter lived a great part of his life abroad, but he was a familiar figure in Rittenhouse Square, when in this city. He was a member of the Rittenhouse Club and spent much time walking about the square, feeding the pigeons and playing with the children of the neighborhood.

He is survived by his widow and by two daughters, Mrs. William Redwood Wright and Mrs. Robert Glendinning. There are nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

There will be a service Monday at the residence and a service at St. Luke's Church in Germantown, where Mr. Carpenter was a vestryman. The Rev. Samuel Upjohn, rector of the church, and a lifelong friend of Mr. Carpenter, will officiate.

JURY DISAGREES; DISMISSED

Two Women and Ten Men on It Can't Reach Decision

Unable to agree on a verdict, a jury, including two women, were discharged at 10 o'clock last night from further consideration of the case of Barney Banich, accused of carrying concealed deadly weapons.

Banich, tried before Judge Monaghan, had been arrested on suspicion of plotting, with three other men, to hold up a building and loan association treasurer, several weeks ago, at Fifth and Pine streets.

Banich was the only one of the four, it is said, who could be identified later. He has been remanded for another trial.

The sheriff was instructed today to summon thirty more jurors for service in the Quarter Sessions Court. They are to report Monday and will bring the panel up to 110 members.

DAWES IN CABINET GOSSIP IS REVIVED

Belief That Chicagoan Will Be Offered Portfolio Is Growing

CONFERS WITH HARDING

By the Associated Press

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 12.—Charles G. Dawes, Chicago banker, who has been prominently under consideration for appointment as secretary of the treasury, headed President-elect Harding's appointment list for today with a conference that started a new train of cabinet speculation here.

Once conceded to have first call on the treasury portfolio but more recently regarded as a less formidable contender for the place, Mr. Dawes has become one of the mystery men of the cabinet problem. It was said at Harding headquarters that his call was not the result of a formal appointment made at Mr. Harding's request, but in some quarters the fact of his coming at this time was interpreted as evidence that he still is being considered for some high government position.

Mr. Dawes is in Florida to visit relatives, having come directly from Washington where he created a sensation last week by publicly condemning the methods of the Republican majority in Congress in its investigation of the conduct of the war.

Two names have been mentioned frequently in connection with the important office of undersecretary of state and for both men Mr. Harding has high regard. These are Dr. David Jayne Hill and Henry P. Fletcher, former ambassador to Mexico.

BANDIT LEADER ROBBED

$15,000 and Jewels Missing From Body of Man Killed in Hold-Up

New Brunswick, N. J., Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—Belief that Frank Walsh, bandit leader, one of two men killed in the whisky truck hold-up near here last night, was robbed of nearly $15,000 and jewels, was expressed by his father, according to Prosecutor Joseph E. Stricker, today.

The father, Thomas Walsh, Sr., of Passaic, N. J., told the prosecutor that his son had the money and jewelry when he left home. None of the jewelry and only a small amount of money was found on Walsh's body, Mr. Stricker added.

Newark police, after an all-night examination of Samuel Perkins, driver of the truck, professed belief that the prisoner might be able to corroborate the theory that Walsh was slain to check disclosures before the Whitman inquiry into alleged police graft in New York. He had been subpenaed as a witness.

Abington Police Head Ill

Chief Lever, of the Abington police department, is ill at his home in Horace avenue, Abington, with bronchitis aggravated by an attack of grip.

LENTEN SPEAKER URGES MARRIAGE

Bethlehem Bishop Tells Garrick Audience to Use Religion in Business

PAYS TRIBUTE TO LINCOLN

"Every intelligent business man should get married." Bishop Ethelbert Talbot told the noonday Lenten audience today at the Garrick Theatre.

The Bethlehem bishop talked on "taking religion into business," and incidentally paid a high tribute to Abraham Lincoln as a man and a Christian.

"It should be understood that religion and business do mix," said the bishop. "Righteousness and Christianity are real business principles. God did not scrap the old Testament when he instituted Christianity; he merely enjoined men under the new dispensation to fulfill the old.

"The real Christian takes his Christianity to the office with him six days a week. There are some of the other kind—who are good religious men on Sunday, but you have to watch them every minute on week days."

Tribute to Lincoln Memory

In paying tribute to Lincoln, the bishop told of the meeting of the bishops of the Episcopal faith in England, which he attended, when the conference was adjourned so that all could attend the unveiling of the statue of Abraham Lincoln.

"Lloyd George," the bishop said, "spoke of Lincoln as a figure so great that he belonged to the world rather than America, and characterized him as greater perhaps even than Washington because he was closer to the people.

"Lincoln belonged to no church, and he could not be blamed for this, because the Christianity which he had known in Illinois condemned all the innocent pleasures of life. He said he was looking for a church where the real spirit of Christianity would prevail. This is the sort of Christianity we possess today."

"Vest-Pocket Religion"

The Rev. Granville Taylor, speaking at the noonday service at Christ Church, Second street above Market, declared too many people have religion of the "vest-pocket type," and are really only "playing" with religion.

"Many people rather than be waited on at luncheon time rush to a self-serve counter to save time," he said. "So it is with the religion of too many persons—their religion is a vest-pocket religion, to be used and in evidence when it suits their convenience.

"Too many are living anything but a well-balanced life. They are in danger of sacrificing the better things in the demand for speed. Such a policy is a dangerous policy—it may easily be carried too far.

The noonday sermon at St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, Tenth street above Chestnut, was preached by the Rev. Frederick B. Keuble, the associate rector. He urged that Christians seek to rise above the multitude, and see Christ face to face, as did the publican in Jerusalem, who climbed a sycamore tree when Christ passed.

It was announced that owing to the illness of the Rev. Dr. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, his place as speaker during next week will be taken by the Rev. Robert Norwood, of Narberth.

MAN NOW SAYS HE'S SORRY FOR WRITING 'SUICIDE NOTE'

Camden Police Do Not Connect Walker With Wilmington Death

William F. Walker, arrested Thursday when a letter bearing his name was thought to throw suspicion upon him of implication in the death of a man found near Brandywine Springs, Del., explained the letter today to the chief of detectives in Camden.

On the basis of this explanation, Captain William Schregler said he did not think there was sufficient evidence to hold the man longer unless contrary word was received from Wilmington police today.

A man was found dead in a park near Brandywine Springs on January 30. A Wilmington coroner pronounced death the result of suicide. A few days later a letter was found on the road near Elsmere, about a mile on the other side of Wilmington, signed by "William F. Walker," and setting forth that the signer was about to commit suicide.

Walker was arrested on his return home Thursday. Today he told Captain Schregler he had come to this city and then started walking to Baltimore. At Elkmeere, in a fit of despondency over his "tiff" with his recently married wife and his inability to find employment, he had decided to take his life and had written the note.

Later, he said, he had changed his mind and had thrown the note away.

HEROISM COSTS BOY'S LIFE

Lad Who Saved Children From Canal Dies of Pneumonia

J. Earl Webster, fifteen-year-old hero, who died from exposure suffered when he jumped into the icy waters of the Delaware and Lehigh canal at Tullytown and saved three persons, will be buried this afternoon from his parents' home in Tullytown.

When three children broke through the ice and were threatened with drowning, more than a week ago, Earl plunged in and saved them all. He ran to his home, but he had been thoroughly chilled and pneumonia developed; his death resulting in the Harriman Hospital Wednesday.

Residents of the little Bucks county town are planning a memorial or medal in recognition of the young hero, and the case will be brought to the attention of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. The children saved were Ella Baker, fourteen years old; Elizabeth Wilson, twelve years old, and William Carman, nine years old.

BAD WEATHER IN PROSPECT

Forecaster Promises Unsettled Conditions, With Snows or Rains

Washington, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are:

North and Middle Atlantic states, unsettled, occasional snows or rains, temperature near or above normal.

Ohio Valley and Tennessee region of the Great Lakes, upper and lower Mississippi valleys, northern Rocky Mountains and plateau regions, considerable cloudiness, occasional rains or snows, temperature near or above normal.

THE TUSKEGEE SINGERS
will render a program of Plantation Melodies, Negro Folk Songs and Hymns at the four o'clock Sunday Meeting.

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FRENCH SPORTSMAN TO WED DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH

Jacques Balsan Engaged to Former Consuelo Vanderbilt

(Special cable dispatch reprinted from today's Public Ledger, copyright, 1921)

Paris, Feb. 12. — The Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, who recently was divorced, is about to marry Jacques Balsan, a widely known French sportsman, member of a wealthy family and cloth manufacturer. He with his brother is proprietor of a great racing stable. For years he was interested in ballooning, and once competed for the Gordon Bennett Cup and was the first private airplane owner in France.

The Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, is the daughter of the late William K. Vanderbilt, of New York.

SHIP BOARD HEAD PRAISES SCHWAB

Work of Iron Master Frightened Germans, Hurley Tells House Investigators

ALLIED NATIONS ASTOUNDED

By the Associated Press

Washington, Feb. 12.—E. N. Hurley, of Chicago, former chairman of the shipping board, testified today before a House committee which is investigating operations of the shipping board, that he had been told by Clemenceau at the Paris Peace Conference that the appointment of Charles M. Schwab as director of the Emergency Fleet Corporation had frightened the Germans, heartened the French and enthused the British.

Describing Mr. Schwab as the "foremost captain of industry in the country," Mr. Hurley praised his services to the government during the war and told the committee that he had been instrumental in getting Mr. Schwab to serve with the fleet corporation. He had done so, he said, because he realized that "satisfactory progress was not being made in the building of new yards and in the construction of wooden ships."

Mistakes Unavoidable

Reviewing the board's work generally during the war, Mr. Hurley said mistakes had been made, but that they were inherent in the magnitude of the job of expanding many fold the ship construction facilities of the country. He declared that, in spite of the many difficulties encountered, the board was able to turn out ships in great enough numbers to help turn the tide at the most critical period of the war.

The shipping board's efforts were appreciated abroad, Mr. Hurley said. He declared that the English, French and Italians—and even the Germans—were astounded at what was accomplished.

Outlining the rush job which the board faced, Mr. Hurley asked:

"In the circumstances which then existed, is there any man of affairs who would contend that the job could be done with that high degree of efficiency that would commend itself to competent business men in times of peace, or that there could be exercised that rigid economy which might have been possible had the ships been constructed when peace prevailed?"

Yards and Force Increased

When the United States entered the war, Mr. Hurley said, there were thirty-seven steel and twenty-four wooden shipyards in the country, employing 44,000 men. At the peak of activities this force was increased to 381,000, with 200,000 other industries providing ship materials.

The witness defended the accounting system of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. A modern business method was adopted, he said, but its operation was interfered with by the loss of skilled accountants who were lured away to better jobs in private industry.

Mr. Hurley denied he had promised wooden shipyard owners sufficient contracts for three turns on their ways, regardless of an early termination of the war.

Discussing the placing of contracts in Japan for steel ships, Mr. Hurley said the increased expense was justified, because the United States had to have ships in a hurry and the Japanese yards were able to rush delivery.

Mr. Hurley said he was optimistic as to the future of the American merchant marine. He declared, however, that it might prove a liability if an international surplus of ships develops, and warned that the United States must watch the tonnage requirements and facilities of other countries and adjust its marine policy accordingly.

EX-PATROLMAN ARRESTED

Resident of Plymouth Accused of Posing as Federal Dry Law Agent

"Con" Driscoll, former patrolman, of Plymouth, was arrested last night in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., by agents of the Department of Justice from this city, and will be brought here for a hearing.

It is charged that he has obtained sums of money from numerous saloonkeepers here by posing as a federal officer and offering "protection" or "immunity" to the saloonkeepers.

Agents who made the arrest last night said Driscoll had obtained sums ranging from $50 to $1500 from the Philadelphia saloonmen after he had made the proprietors believe he was a federal representative.

Driscoll was arrested after an investigation and a chase which continued for several weeks.

BERLIN TO REJECT ALLIED DICTATION

Germany Prepared to Submit Reparations Proposals to London Conference

MUST PAY DEBT BY WORK

By the Associated Press

Berlin, Feb. 12.—Germany is not going to the London reparations conference to be dictated to, Dr. Wirth, the minister of finance, declared in a speech to the Bremen Chamber of Commerce today. Great economic questions cannot be solved in that way, he added.

"We are prepared to accomplish all we can," continued Dr. Wirth, "because we feel under a moral obligation to assist in reconstruction, and we will make reparation proposals of our own in London.

"The newspaper reports on this subject are incorrect. Our offer will not be a small one. The nation must learn to realize that what we shall offer cannot be extracted from the national wealth, but must be produced by work. And this raises the question whether in these circumstances all the fruits of the revolution can be safeguarded. Work will have to be organized on a great scale, and what we offer must be made good.

"America cannot hold aloof when the economic forces of the entire world shall assemble around one table, and all plans are mere theories unless the whole economic world is prepared to co-operate."

Representatives of German export manufacturers have voted to memorialize the American governmental bodies dealing with tariff matters, setting forth present conditions among German workingmen and the German industries and supplying all available data on German production. This documentary matter is intended as an argument not only that there is no purpose on the part of Germany to dump cheap German wares on the American market, but that it would be impossible for her to do so.

In speeches at the meeting exporters declared the workmen were highly paid and would work only six hours a day, which keeps down production to such extent that no country need fear a flood of cheap German goods.

VASSAR ALUMNAE HERE HEARS TALES OF ORIENT

Miss Sidney Thompson Gives Plays and Folklore Talk

The Philadelphia Branch of the Vassar Alumnae presented Miss Sidney Thompson in Oriental plays and folktales at the Acorn Club this afternoon at 2:30. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used for the Vassar scholarship.

The Philomusian Club had a Lincoln Day celebration this afternoon at 2:45. Dr. Carl Wallace Petz, of New York, spoke on "The Need for National Leadership." Mrs. Edward P. Linch and Mrs. Nette Moore Chain gave selections of music from the Civil War period. Tea and a reception followed the meeting, which was arranged by Mrs. Walter Willard.

The Woman's Club of the Society of Ethical Culture held the monthly meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock. "International Relations" was discussed by Dr. Lucy Biddle Lewis, of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, who has recently returned from reconstruction work abroad.

Lieutenant Governor E. E. Beidleman will speak at the meeting of the Monday conference next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Emergency Aid, 221 South Eighteenth street. "The Governor's Legislative Program" is the subject to be discussed. Plans for the reforesting of Pennsylvania will also be presented by Gifford Pinchot. Mrs. H. H. Birney, president of the Philomusian Club, will preside.

Democrat Not Entitled to Seat

Washington, Feb. 12.—(By A. P.)—George B. Grigsby, Democratic delegate from Alaska, is not entitled to his seat in the House, the elections committee reported today after long investigation. The committee found that James Wickersham, Republican, had been duly elected to serve in the present Congress, which expires March 4.

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DEATHS

LEDDY.—On Feb. 11, 1921, JONAS, husband of Ann Leddy, aged 78 years. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services on Monday, at 2 p. m., at his late residence, 1253 Belmont st., Frankford. Int. private. Oakland (Con.) Remains may be viewed Sunday evening.

STEITZ.—On Feb. 11, GLADYS G. (nee Lyons), wife of Samuel P. Steitz. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, on Tuesday, at 2 p. m., from her late residence, 107 Strawberry road, Brookline, Pa. Int. private.

FOX.—At her late residence, 465 State road, Upsal, Pa., on Feb. 12, 1921, MIRIA LOUISA, widow of George W. Fox. Notice of funeral will be given.

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