THE WEATHER
Fair and continued cool tonight and Friday; moderate westerly winds.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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BRIBE ATTEMPT CHARGED IN BIDS OF FIRE BUREAU

Men, Posing as Friends of Mayor, Try "Shake-Down" of Equipment Makers

10 PER CENT DEMANDED ON $500,000 ORDER, IT IS SAID

Plot Partly Disclosed by Moore After Cortelyou Makes Probe of Scandal

HOLD UP ADVERTISEMENTS

Prominent Politicians Involved, Is Hint—Rotan to Get Evidence

A bribery scandal which may involve several men of political prominence was partly disclosed today by Mayor Moore.

He uncovered attempts to "shake down" prospective bidders on $500,000 worth of new fire apparatus.

Criminal prosecutions are looming as a result of investigations made by Director Cortelyou, acting on instructions from the Mayor, who also has City Solicitor Smyth at work on the sensational case.

"This case is sewed up tighter than a drum," said Director Cortelyou as he hurried from the Mayor's office today with a big bundle of papers.

The director was asked if politicians, big or little, were believed implicated in the alleged plot.

Rotan to Get Evidence

"They are big, all right," the director replied. All the evidence in the case, he said, will be turned over to District Attorney Rotan for action.

The "tribute" demanded by men, posing as friends of the Mayor, on the ground they could swing the big contract, was said to be 10 per cent or $50,000. The Mayor issued this statement:

"It developed this morning that advertisements for proposals for the $500,000 worth of new fire apparatus which the city need are being held up temporarily, pending an investigation by Mayor Moore, Director Cortelyou and City Solicitor Smyth of rumors of alleged tampering with prospective bidders.

"There is always intense interest in the purchase of fire apparatus, hose and the like, because of the few concerns engaged in the business. Some time ago, when the specifications were being carefully gone over in order to insure fair competition, the Mayor was informed that certain persons, pretending to be his political friends, had approached prospective bidders on the ground that they would be able to influence the contract.

"Director Cortelyou began an investigation and reported enough to the Mayor to warrant him calling in the City Solicitor with a view of instituting criminal proceedings if the facts warranted them.

"The Mayor said further announcements would probably come from the Director of Public Safety or the City Solicitor later on."

Thirty-Eight Pieces to Be Bought

The specifications which were to be advertised call for thirty-eight pieces of apparatus, including motor hook and ladder trucks, pumping engines and hose carts. Council on February 17, 1920, appropriated $500,000 of loan funds for purchase of the equipment.

When the specifications first were prepared the Mayor objected to some of the terms. He held they were too narrow and that they would restrict the competitive field. He directed the rewriting of the specifications on a broader scale, so that a greater number of bids would be received.

Bidders In the Past

Concerns which have bid in the past to furnish motor fire apparatus to the city include the American-La France Fire Engine Company, of Elmira, N. Y. with a branch office at 104 North Eighth street; the Ahrens-Fox Fire Engine Company with offices in the Widener Building and the Seagrave Company, with offices in the Drexel Building.

At the office of the Seagraves Company, Carl L. Jefferson, local manager, refused to comment on the alleged scandal. When pressed for a statement as to whether his company had been approached, he said: "I can neither affirm nor deny any such report."

The other companies would make no statement.

Says Politician Made Offer

An Administration official said that a politician, regarded as a ward leader, advanced a proposition to all three concerns which have agency offices in this city and which are engaged in the manufacture of fire apparatus.

The Seagrave Company won the last contract awarded for motor fire apparatus. It totaled $285,000. The equipment thus supplied had been offered during the latter part of the Smith Administration. Some of the bids at that time were thrown out and the award was made to the America-La France Company.

When the Moore Administration entered office the contract was scrapped and advertisements were ordered for new bids. On the basis of these new offers the $285,000 contract was given the Seagrave Company as the low bidder.

TRAIN WRECKER GIVEN LIFE

Sentenced After Confessing to Derailing Fast Train

Lapeer, Mich., Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—Henry W. Gates, fifty-nine, of Huntington, Ind., who confessed Monday that he wrecked a fast Grand Trunk train near here last Friday night, pleaded guilty in Circuit Court here today.

He was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Michigan penitentiary at Jackson.

Cardinal Gibbons urged all Catholics to use the Manual of Prayers—Adv.

Debutante

Harris & Ewing

MISS BERTHA CANTACUZENE
Debutante of this season in Washington social circles. She is a great-granddaughter of President Grant

FIFTH BODY FOUND IN TRAGEDY OF SEA

Inquest Shows Feeling Against Coast Guards — Coroner Threatens to Jail One

NEGLIGENCE IS CHARGED

Ask for Seaplane to Hunt for Bodies of Fishermen

A request for a seaplane to aid in the search for the bodies of the fishermen drowned Monday off Anglesea has been made to the Navy Department.

The help was asked for in a telegram sent to the commandant of the Fourth Naval District this morning by the Commissioners of Wildwood and the Byron Tennington Crocker Post No. 184, American Legion.

By a Staff Correspondent

Wildwood, N. J., Nov. 3.—While the Coroner's Jury was considering today the deaths by drowning of the eleven fishermen lost on the Hereford Bar last Monday, one more body was washed ashore, bringing the total recovered to five.

The body came ashore at Wildwood Crest, close to where Captain Charles Johnson was found on the beach yesterday. It was the corpse of Charles Dolstrom, one of the crew. Dolstrom came here three months ago to visit his sister and has been fishing during his visit.

When the Coroner's Jury convened for the inquest this morning the feeling against the Anglesea coast guards was made very evident. The line of questioning throughout was seemed directed toward proving the men at the station were negligent. Bitter feeling broke out on several occasions and in one instance the Coroner threatened to place one of the jurors in jail.

Hearing Room Crowded

Coroner Way called the jury together in the Council chamber of City Hall and the little green-walled room was crowded to overflowing. The walls were lined with those who could not find seats and the doors were packed solid with those content to wait for hours on the chance of hearing even a few words.

Many others stood outside the building to hear the latest gossip as friends called the proceedings downstairs. Chief among the men and women crowding the room were fishermen in their heavy boots, and hooded women relatives of the dead men.

County Prosecutor Eugene B. Coles directed the questions at the witnesses. The jury was made up of Harry McGinley, a former captain of a life-saving station; Elmer Hewitt, a Freeholder; Peter L. Peterson, City Treasurer and treasurer of the Fishermen's Union; Peter Munson, captain of the fishing smack Samuel Belle; Emile Mansika, captain of the fishing smack Okera, and

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CLIENTS WILL NOT SUFFER, SAY CREDIT FIRM'S AGENTS

Worth & Co. Ask Investors to Reserve Judgment

Worth & Co., fiscal agents for the National Guarantee Credit Corporation, which was recently forced into a temporary receivership, today advised their clients to reserve judgment until the case was finally heard.

The company says the only loss sustained will be the cost of the receivership and the loss of business due to direction with unfamiliar hands. This announcement was made through Henry J. Scott, counsel for the company.

"It appears the National Guarantee owes not more than $5000 and that it has at least $100,000 in cash in bank to pay the same," the announcement says. "This disposes completely of any question of insolvency or bankruptcy."

PHILA. ARTIST WINS PRIZE

Charles Grafly Awarded Gold Medal and $1000 at Chicago Exhibition

Chicago, Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—Cecilia Beaux, of New York, was awarded the Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Logan Medal and $1500 for her painting, "The Dancing Lesson," at the thirty-fourth annual exhibition of American paintings and sculpture at the Chicago Art Institute.

The Potter Palmer gold medal and $1000 was given to Charles Grafly, of Philadelphia, for his portrait bust of the late Frank Duveneck, noted Cincinnati artist.

W. Elmer Schofield, of New York, received an award of $1000 for his painting "Morning Light," and George Bellows, of New York, a silver medal and $500 for his "Old Lady in Black."

MENDENHALL SAYS CHANDLER CO. SOLD ITS CLIENTS' STOCK

Admits $500,000 Was Hypothecated in One Day to Avert Crash—Blames Market

SECRET ACCOUNT HID REAL CONDITION FROM CREDITORS

Chandler Brothers & Co. hypothecated and sold securities belonging to their clients in a vain effort to save the banking and brokerage firm from the crash which occurred July 25.

This statement was made under oath today by Earl Mendenhall, head of the defunct concern, in a lengthy statement which he read at a meeting of creditors called by the referee in bankruptcy, John M. Hill, and held in the assembly room of the Chamber of Commerce, at Twelfth and Walnut streets.

The statement was twenty-nine pages long, with numerous supplementary exhibits and schedules. Mr. Mendenhall, visibly nervous, yet keeping himself well in hand, read all of the main statement. It told from beginning to end the story of the collapse of the banking house under pressure of falling markets. The various exhibits were not read, but it was announced that they might be examined by those who cared to see them.

Mr. Hill, the referee, occupied a rostrum which resembled a preacher's pulpit, reminiscent of the days when the hall in which the creditors met was the chapel of the old Church House.

J. Howard Reber, attorney for the referee, occupied a place near him, and asked whatever questions were necessary. Less than a score of persons, creditors and their attorneys, were present.

Broker Tells of Crash

The story of the banking firm's collapse, with the frantic efforts made to save it, was a dramatic one, enhanced by the quiet voice in which Mr. Mendenhall read the document. Mr. Reber explaining before Mr. Mendenhall began, that the statement was the fruit of two days of conferences between the former head of the firm and the referee's attorney, and that the reading of it would save days of questioning.

Fred T. Chandler, Jr., of this city, and Edward S. Little and L. E. Waring, the last named being the New York members of the firm, were not present to hear their former chief's recital.

Mr. Mendenhall explained that the firm of Clark, Childs & Co., the Chandler firm's New York correspondents, had requested permission to go over the Chandler books, but this had been refused, in an effort to conceal the real condition of the firm's affairs after a falling market had caused them heavy losses.

Demanded Million at Once

Mr. Mendenhall said Clark, Childs & Co. had been the Chandler firm's principal correspondents; that in December, 1920, notified the Chandler firm of a $1,000,000 shortage in its marginal account, and demanded the money be sent at once in cash or securities.

After a conference with a "Mr. Meffert," of the New York firm, it was agreed that Chandler Brothers, should take up curb stocks of face value of $200,000; pay $200,000 to $250,000 that same day in cash or securities and continue to pay over cash or securities until the account was on a sound basis.

According to the statement, Percy M. Chandler, Mr. Mendenhall and the other partners of Chandler Brothers & Co. held a conference in New York to discuss means of raising money.

"It was at this time," says the statement, "that we realized that we were insolvent unless we could realize on the book accounts due, for which we held little or no collateral."

Mr. Mendenhall then explained that the firm's distress was caused by the decline of the market in the summer and fall of 1920. The firm could not get additional collateral from margin customers, and could not sell them out for fear of losing everything, whereas the market might recover if the customers were "carried."

New Yorkers Insistent

The Chandler account was brought to a condition where, according to Mendenhall, "we had an equity of about $900,000, which however, was not the full equity we should have carried." Mr. Meffert, of Clark, Childs & Co., came to Philadelphia "and said there must be something wrong with Chandler Brothers & Co., that they apparently were not calling for sufficient margin from their customers and suggested that Clark, Childs & Co. go over the books.

"As a result of the conference between the four partners and P. M. Chandler, it was deemed advisable not to permit Clark, Childs & Co. to go over the books at that time, as it would reveal to them the real conditions, which would cause the New York firm to close out the account, and it could not be placed elsewhere, especially as the account was so large, amounting to $5,000,000."

By reason of the continued decline in the market, Mr. Meffert came to Philadelphia again December 23, 1920, and said it was "necessary they be given authority to sell enough stocks to protect themselves." The same day $500,000 worth of stocks was thrown on the market.

Customers' Stock Sold

"Clark, Childs & Co. knew that these stocks which they sold were stocks of our customers which were carried by us in the marginal account, and either the same day or the following day certain stocks of our customers carried in the marginal account of Arthur Lipper & Co. (another correspondent of Chandler Brothers) were also sold. This meant that some of the stocks belonged to customers whose accounts were in proper condition and the stocks stood long in their accounts."

All such transactions were recorded in what was called "No. 502 account."

"Up to the sale of the first lot of stocks in the latter part of January, 1921, Clark, Childs & Co. had no real knowledge as to the existing condition of our company, the facts being concealed from them by us and P. M. Chandler.

"Beginning at that time, however, at certain talks which P. M. Chandler had with Mr. Clark, of Clark, Childs & Co., the situation was gradually unfolded until Clark, Childs & Co. were

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Boy, 15, Fights Relations to Save Estate of Sister, 5

Rudolph Dascher, 4465 Silverwood St., Carries Plea to Coroner's Office to Keep Property in Czecho-Slovakia Willed Child

A fifteen-year-old boy, who is staging a lone fight to save his little five-yearold stepsister's estate from relatives in Czecho-Slovakia, made such an earnest plea this morning that he has enlisted the aid of several important city officials.

Rudolph Dascher, 4465 Silverwood street, came to the Coroner's office this morning and told his tale to Deputy Coroner Joseph Ward. He said his stepfather, Joseph Mistick, died October 12, 1918, of influenza. A short time before his death he made a will before a notary public by the name of Berry, in which he left his entire estate to his wife, Dascher's mother, with the proviso that it should go to his daughter, Camelia, at the death of her stepmother.

The mother died a short time later, leaving Rudolph as the head of the family; besides his little stepsister there are two younger brothers. At this time the mother left all her property to her children, and, of course, the fortune went to little Camelia.

The property consists of a small grant of mining land in Czecho-Slovakia, which may or may not be of great value. At any rate relatives of Mistick, who live near the land, have put in a claim for it, saying they are his only surviving relatives.

Unfortunately just after the death of Mrs. Dascher-Mistick, the notary, Berry, came to the office of the Registrar of Wills and said Mistick's will had been lost. Now that the rival claim has been set up for the mining land, little Camelia has no one to fight for but her fifteen-year-old stepbrother.

That is she did not have any backing until Rudolph had his chat with Deputy Coroner Ward this morning. Now all the legal talent at the command of the city will battle behind the little girl and her plucky protector. As soon as Mr. Ward heard the story, he took Rudolph to Thomas Biddle Ellis, the Assistant Director of the Department of Public Welfare.

Mr. Ellis, after hearing the story, hurried the boy to Romaine Hasselrick, chief of the Legal Aid Bureau, and the three men have promised to see personally to the fight Rudolph is making for his little sister's fortune.

FINGERPRINTS FREE CRIMINAL'S DOUBLE

Arthur Pamblin, Fidelity Insurance Co. Auditor, Nabbed by Mistake for Swindler

IMAGE OF ROGUE'S PHOTO

After being mistakenly identified by Nickolas Maskow, 1633 Juniata street, as the man who worked the "handkerchief swindle" on him recently, Arthur Pamblin, payroll auditor of the Fidelity Insurance Company, was discharged at noon today by Magistrate Carney.

Mr. Pamblin is an exact double of a criminal whose picture is in the Rogue's Gallery.

Maskow met two men on the street recently, and they persuaded him to join his $1055 savings with their $9000, all of which they ostensibly wrapped in a handkerchief and left in his keeping. When he opened the handkerchief there was nothing but brown paper.

He kept an eye out for the swindlers, and saw Mr. Pamblin on the street recently, and had him arrested.

Maskow charged that Mr. Pamblin was the man who had made off with his money. He identified him again at Central Station.

Mr. Pamblin claimed he was the wrong man, and had been in Reading on the night in question.

Upon reference to the rogues' gallery a picture of a man was found who was the double of Pamblin. The resemblance was so startling that Mr. Pamblin himself could hardly believe his eyes.

Magistrate Carney solved the difficulty by ordering Mr. Pamblin's finger prints taken and compared with those of the listed criminal. They were found to be totally different and Mr. Pamblin was discharged.

The man whose picture is in the police records is undoubtedly the one who performed the swindle, says Magistrate Carney, but for obvious reasons his name cannot be divulged.

MODISTE IS SANDBAGGED BY N. Y. WOMAN BANDIT

Padded Hat and Heavy Coiffure Prevent Fracture of Skull

New York, Nov. 3.—"I hate to do this, but I am driven to it," said a woman bandit yesterday just before hitting Ray Naftal, a modiste, on the head with a sandbag.

Dazed, the modiste dropped in the hallway of an apartment house she had just entered. Two men stepped up, seized the fashionable gowns she was delivering, removed $1500 in jewelry from her fingers, stole her purse and fled, leaving a drugged handkerchief over their victim's mouth.

Police who went to search for the robbers said the modiste's skull would have been fractured but for her well-padded hat and heavy coiffure.

ROB REGISTER IN CAFE

Owner Knocked Out by Two "Customers," Who Get $50

Two men knocked Fred Nathinson, 814 Broadway, Camden, unconscious, early this morning in his restaurant and robbed the cash register of $50. Nathinson is in the Cooper Hospital with an injured head.

The young man, who operates the restaurant with his father, was alone in the place this morning between 7 and 8 o'clock when the men entered. They asked for ham and eggs, and then said they could not wait for their order and asked what kind of pies were on sale. When Nathinson turned to look he was struck from behind by some blunt instrument.

He was found by a colored diswasher, who came in to work about half an hour later.

DRUNKEN AUTOIST GETS 6 MONTHS IN CAMDEN JAIL

Man Who Caused Accident Was Traced Through Lost Spare Tire

Richard Elbart, of Gloucester City, N. J., pleaded guilty today to charges of operating an automobile while intoxicated and without a license, and was sentenced by Recorder Stackhouse in Camden to serve six months in the County Prison.

An automobile driven by Raymond Dunham, of Camden, was run into by another machine at Broadway and Spruce streets Monday night and two of his family injured. Mildred Carvy, twelve years old, his stepdaughter, received a fractured skull, and is in the Cooper Hospital in a serious condition. Mrs. Edna Dunham was slightly hurt.

The other car sped away without stopping, but lost a spare tire from the rear at the time. Through this tire and a description of the car City Detective Whaland traced the car and arrested Elbart in his home last night.

CONVICTED CASHIER SUED FOR DIVORCE

Elwood Strang, of North Penn Bank Crash, Smiles at Papers Served in Prison

WIFE CHARGES DESERTION

James E. Caldwell, better known as Elwood Strang, notorious cashier of the North Penn Bank, who, in the course of a few short months, spent thousands of other people's dollars on pleasure for himself, is being sued for divorce.

Copies of allegations made by his wife, Mrs. Julia Caldwell, now living at 41 Kent road, Stonehurst, were served on him yesterday in his cell in the Eastern Penitentiary. Strang looked at them carelessly, smiled and said nothing.

The petition filed with the suit for divorce which Mrs. Caldwell brought yesterday in the Delaware County Court, sets forth she was married to Strang April 19, 1919, or when the young cashier was at the height of his profligacy. They lived together at a Chestnut street hotel, she continued, at her husband's instance, though his salary was then bu t$1200 a year. Later they moved to a house at 6855 Ogontz avenue, Philadelphia, where they stayed until Strang bought a $10,500 house on Lodge's lane, Cynwyd.

On April 6, 1920, Mrs. Caldwell says, her husband, already in very hot water, deserted her. Three months later he pleaded guilty to embezzlement and was sentenced to from two to five years in the penitentiary.

Strang Was Married Twice

Strang was married twice. Apparently he used the same methods in the wooing of both wives—expensive parties, many motors, lavish tips and vague but seductive tales of boundless wealth. During all of this time he was earning no more than an average bookkeeper.

His first wife was Miss Katherine Dewald, of 2718 North Thirteenth street, whom he persuaded to elope with him, after a very brief acquaintance, in the spring of 1917. After a short life together, in which hundred-dollar parties and $50 tips were commonplaces, she left him, and began suit in which she alleged cruel and barbarous treatment.

The divorce was granted early in 1919, or about the time Strang, as James Emmet Caldwell, was being introduced to Miss Julia Glah, who became his second wife.

$2500 IN FURS STOLEN FROM N. BROAD ST. STORE

Thieves Visit Establishment for Second Time In Three Months

Two thousand five hundred dollars' worth of furs were stolen from the establishment of Abraham Silk & Bros., 1752 North Broad street, some time after 3 o'clock this morning.

The thieves gained entrance to the store by forcing the front door. It is the theory of District Detective Winnemore, of the Nineteenth and Oxford streets station, that the men were professionals and experts in their line.

Only the most valuable and easily handled furs were taken. Three women's cloaks, one of Hudson seal, valued at $475, and fifty assorted skins were stolen. Three months ago the same store was robbed in a similar manner of $6000 worth of furs.

CHESTNUT HILL BOY MISSING

John B. Conwell Gues Off on Bicycle—Leaves Note Behind

The wide world lies before John B. Conwell, the fourteen-year-old son of Joseph Conwell, a prominent lawyer, living at 238 Roumfort avenue, Chestnut Hill. The boy ran away from home yesterday, leaving a letter for his parents. But his father expects the first hard rain to bring him back again.

When the boy left he took his bicycle with him, the blankets off his bed, a poncho, a Boy Scout ax and a tin cup. He had very little money, but some definite ideas. In his letter, left upon the dining-room table yesterday afternoon, he wrote: "No doubt you will be surprised to find I have run away; but I will go to another State, enter school, and enter high school from there." The boy was "left down" this term, according to his father, and felt very badly about it.

Police have been asked to look for him and if possible pick him up. He rode a Black Beauty bicycle, is five feet tall, weighs 105 pounds, has blue eyes and light brown hair, and wore a brown suit, blue sweater and black shoes and stockings.

German Mark Below Half a Cent

New York, Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—German marks today dropped to .48, a new low record. This was a decline of 1½ points from the previous low record, made yesterday.

ULSTER'S PREMIER ACCEPTS BRITAIN'S PARLEY INVITATION

Northern Cabinet Unwilling to Surrender Tyrone and Fermanagh Counties

CRAIG COMING TO LONDON TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL

By the Associated Press

London, Nov. 3.—Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier, has accepted the Government's invitation, dispatched yesterday, to come to London and consult it as to Ulster's attitude toward the proposals regarding the Ulster boundary and other questions involved in the Irish settlement.

Sir James, it is stated, will discuss specific plans, submitted to the Government by the Sinn Fein, of such a character that the Government thinks them feasible if Ulster agrees to them. These plans do not, however, embody any agreement definitely reached between the Government and the Sinn Fein.

The Ulster Premier has said throughout that he would not intervene until such an agreement was reached, but has now consented to discuss the provisional proposals.

Two Phases to Ulster Question

The Ulster question has been discussed between the Cabinet and the Sinn Fein representatives along the lines of two different plans.

The question is not merely one of the Counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh, but of other separable nationalist districts, now under the Northern Parliament, in which a plebiscite is being urged not by counties but by districts. The result, according to estimates of authorities on the situation, probably would be to give Southern Ireland the city of Londonderry, South Down, South Armagh and parts of Tyrone and Fermanagh. The Ulster view is that this would leave the Northern Parliament with insufficient territory.

The alternative suggestion is to give the Northern Parliament all the nine counties of Ulster originally included in the Ulster covenant. This would make simpler the problem of representation of the two Parliaments in the central federal body, as the inequality in the size of the two areas would be diminished, the Nationalist representation from the North being increased.

Ulster Cabinet Hesitates

The Northern Ireland Cabinet, however, is unwilling to accept all of Ulster, it appears, asserting that it could count only on an uncertain minority, and fearing that one of the first acts of an all-Ulster Parliament might be to dissolve itself and join with Southern Ireland.

Eamon de Valera, who is being constantly consulted at all stages of the negotiations, is in full accord with the line of policy regarding Ulster pursued by the Dail Eireann delegates, it is declared, this policy following up undertakings given by Mr. De Valera to Sinn Fein deputations from Ulster.

The decision that the time had come to consult Sir James Craig on the plans was reached only yesterday, and he replied at once, saying he would be in London Saturday.

It was said at Sinn Fein headquarters this morning that there could be no important developments in the situation before Monday, although some meetings to discuss points of details might be held meanwhile. A similar view was expressed at the Irish office here.

SHIP BURNING 400 MILES SOUTHEAST OF HALIFAX

Large Vessel, Identity Unknown, Reported on Fire by Oil Liner

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—A large vessel, the identity of which is unknown, is on fire 400 miles southeast of Halifax, according to a wireless message received today by the Canadian Naval Department from the oil liner Saxoleine.

The message from the Saxoleine, which is en route from Port Eads to Havre, follows:

"Steamship Saxoleine, latitude 42.38 north, longitude 53.25 west, encircled vessel on fire. Burning fiercely. No sign of crew. Apparently large vessel."

Picturesque Figure

ARISTIDE BRIAND
The French Premier is expected to be one of the most colorful personages at the Disarmament Conference

FIND LOUIS TELLIER'S BODY HANGING ON GOLF LINKS

Boston Police Assert Famous Pro's Death Was Suicide

Newton, Mass., Nov. 3.—The body of Louis Tellier, Massachusetts open golf champion, was found today hanging by a small rope in a shelter on the links of the Brae Burn Country Club.

The medical examiner and police said death was due to suicide.

Tellier was a Frenchman by birth and had been in this country for some time. He was one of the leading professional golfers in this country as a player.

Tellier finished with a total of 313, far down the list, in the national open last year at Toledo after qualifying close to the top with 149. This year at Columbia Tellier finished inside the first fifteen with a total of 309. He has made course records around Boston, where his friends were mystified as to the reasons for his apparent suicide.

This is the second professional golfer tragedy of the year. J. Douglas Edgar, once French and Canadian champion, was found mysteriously dead in front of his own gate a few months ago, supposedly killed by an automobile in Atlanta, though the police there are said to be still working on the case.

Tellier and Edgar were both modest, quiet types, most popular with all who knew them.

STARVING CHILDREN INHABIT WOODS LIKE WILD ANIMALS

Russian Waifs Eat Roots and Grass, Flee From Adults

Riga, Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—Children are living in the woods and fields like young animals in some parts of Saratov, says an official wireless dispatch from Moscow. They are little waifs who have fled from famine-stricken cities and villages, and subsist on roots and grass. When adults approach, they flee, showing every evidence of fear.

Overcrowding of children's homes has been carried so far in the Syrzan and Ufa districts that some of the institutions are sheltering four times as many children as they have accommodation for. In these places children take turns in occupying such beds as are available, one small famine victim crawling into a bed the moment another child vacates it.

"Entire families are jumping into the rivers, and cases are reported of parents strangling their children rather than see them die by starvation," says the dispatch, which also gives the report of disorderly migration. "Over the roads in the Irbit district is moving a band of disorderly refugees from starving Volga."

DAVIS CALLED TO MAYOR'S OFFICE IN BRIBE CASE

Ross Davis, chief engineer of the Bureau of Fire, was summoned to Mayor Moore's office today. It is understood he gave information relative to the bribery scandal which administration chiefs say they have uncovered.

TO SEEK DEAD IN WRECKED SHIP'S HULL

RACINE, WIS., Nov. 3.—The schooner Rosabelle, which was towed into the harbor here last night by the government tug Cumberland, is to be examined today by divers in an effort to learn whether the bodies of the crew of nine men are confined within the overturned hull. The schooner was wrecked several days ago while enroute to Benton Harbor, Mich.

DUELISTS FIRE 78 TIMES

Reconciled After Setting Record on Field of Honor

Rome, Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—Count Pietro Rusconi and Lieutenant Altobelli, both of this city, recently engaged in a duel that is believed to have set the record for small-gun practice.

They faced each other on the field of honor and began hostilities, which continued until they had exchanged seventy-eight rounds, neither one having suffered serious damage. At last their seconds and the surgeon in attendance interfered and stopped the fusillade.

The two men, before retiring, declared themselves reconciled.

MAN, 70, KILLED IN FALL

William Ryan, 2231 N. Fifth Street, Tumbles Downstairs

Slipping as he reached the top of the stairs on his way to bed last night, William Ryan, seventy years old, of 2231 North Fifth street, tumbled to the bottom and was fatally injured.

Members of his family heard the aged man fall and found him lying at the foot of the stairs. He died a short time later from his injuries.

Frank H. Simonds, the well-known writer on the World War, will report the Arms Congress for The Philadelphia Inquirer.—Adv.

ARISTIDE BRIAND MOST COLORFUL PARLEY FIGURE

Like Glass of Paris Wine, Iridescent, "Slightly Sweet," Is French Premier

BRILLIANT ORATOR, BUT ONLY IN NATIVE TONGUE

This is the fifth of a series of articles in which Mr. Gilbert discusses the leading personalities in the coming arms conference.

By CLINTON W. GILBERT
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Washington, Nov. 3.—An English journalist who knows his Paris well sums up Aristide Briand thus:

"He is to France what Lloyd George is to England."

It is an easy generalization. He might have added, what Mr. Harding is to America, the President being, says the Mirrors of Washington, the embodiment of that simplicity, that conformity to the average, that "just folks" quality, which the people of this country admire.

But nations are so various. One might have said that M. Clemenceau was France. And he was, too, that iron France which has held her rooted to her place, though overrun by Moors, by English and by Germans, again and again, in the course of the centuries. And Mr. Briand is as different from Mr. Clemenceau as the man about town of Paris is from the peasant of the French provinces.

The English journalist went one better. "If you say Lloyd George is a whisky and soda, you may say that Briand is one of those highly colored, slightly sweet drinks that one savors in front of a French cafe."

"Highly colored, slightly sweet." Mr. Briand is the most colorful personality in the conference. Fancy, there are two orators, two great orators in the French delegation. Where else can one find two orators, two? Mr. Harding might have put Senator Borah on his delegation and had one orator, but where could he find a second?

And Mr. Briand has something in common with Senator Borah. He wears his hair long, which is not French. And the cartoons of Paris always picture him as covering his theatrical locks with a hat that would do in Idaho.

Viviani France's Greatest Orator

To return to orators, Mr. Viviani, who is second in the French delegation and will be first, when Mr. Briand returns home, is France's greatest orator. M. Briand is France's second greatest orator. It is a pity he does not speak English, or that we do not all understand French, for then he would add much picturesqueness to the meeting here, which is going to be rather a matter of fact and Anglo-Saxon.

If the French had beaten the English in the Franco-English wars on this Continent that we used to read about in the school, and the two greatest nations on earth were Gallic and had their capitals in Paris and Washington, what a different conference this would have been.

There would have been at least four orators instead of two, and oratory would have dominated the proceedings. Everything would have been highly colored like the glass on the table in front of the cafe and if not slightly sweet, at least intensely dramatic. "Vous ne savez pas profiter de la vie," said a French girl to me once. "You Anglo-Saxons do not know how to profit by life." No oratory, no color, no dramatics, only business.

George Moore somewhere says in one of his innumerable autobiographies, that when it was proposed to send him to Oxford or Cambridge, he replied: "No, mother, I shall go to Paris." "But you are not educated," objected his mother. "The place to be educated in, mother, is a cafe."

Briand and the Princesses

He was thinking of literature or art. For politics education must come from women of la haute monde. And Paris delights to gossip of the princesses and the wonderful unknowns who have molded Briand. But when we think of the stories that are whispered about our domestic never-straying-from-the-fireside statesmen, we need not take seriously [illegible] Briand is a man who has been [illegible] by women in a world where women count for so much more, where romance is not so bilateral as it is in this Anglo-Saxon life of ours. Chiseled gently by these sculptresses, Briand is a social work of art; has a charm that you do not find in Mr. Hughes, who was chiseled by a Sunday school, or Mr. Harding, who was cast by the Marion Club, or Mr. Lodge, who grew up in splendid Cabotian isolation.

They have a sense of social obligation at Paris. Mr. Briand had accepted his invitation to visit Lafayette's old hosts in Washington. Up rises that younger Lafayette, M. Andre Tardieu, and makes a raid upon him in the Chamber of Deputies.

M. Andre is a dangerous young per-

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HARDING MAKES U. S. BUDGET $3,900,000,000

Letter to Speaker Gillett Reduces Former Estimate by $94,000,000

Washington, Nov. 3.—(By A. P.)—Estimated expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year 1922 are now placed at $3,940,000,000, a reduction of $94,000,000 from the August 10 estimate of $4,034,000,000, President Harding has informed Congress in a letter to Speaker Gillett.

The new estimate was presented by the President in connection with deficiency estimates of appropriations of $187,922,576.74 which, Mr. Harding said, were taken into consideration in arriving at the new estimates for 1922 expenditures.