CITY WILL DEMAND BETTER 'L' TERMS

Transit Commission Takes Up Mitten's Suggestions to End Frankford Problem

PUBLIC NOT AT HEARINGS

A fight for terms more favorable to the city in the agreement proposed by the P. R. T. Company for operation of the city-owned Frankford Elevated was started today by Transit Director Twining and City Solicitor Smyth, on instructions from Mayor Moore.

Better terms were insisted upon by those officials, as Council's Special Transit Commission met to hammer out a new agreement. The first session was held in the office of Richard Weglein, president of Council.

The commission was created last Tuesday when Thomas E. Mitten, president of the P. R. T., offered to operate the city-built line in conjunction with the Market street subway-elevated.

Object to Mitten's Plan

Under the new Mitten plan the city would receive the difference between the operating receipts and the operating expenses of the Frankford "L" and would pay a proportionate rental for the use of the Market street subway from Front street to the Fifteenth street station. Mayor Moore is fighting for more liberal terms and is preparing for municipal operation of the "L."

The conferees representing the city were Mr. Twining, Mr. Smyth, Controller Hadley and Mr. Weglein. The company was represented by E. A. Richardson, vice president of the P. R. T., in charge of operation; W. C. Dunbar, vice president in charge of finance, and Coleman J. Joyce, counsel for the company.

The session began at 11:10 o'clock behind locked doors. Mr. Smyth brought Assistant City Solicitor Magee with him. The only other person present who was not a member of the commission was Frank W. Short, executive clerk of Council.

Rates Are Discussed

In preparation for the conference Mr. Weglein last night read ninety-five typewritten pages covering the statements and discussions at the transit meeting last Tuesday.

Six tickets for a quarter may be the rate of fare charged on the Frankford elevated line if the city operates the municipally constructed road.

In his message to Council yesterday accompanying the ordinance authorizing the creation of a Bureau of Operations to run the line, Mayor Moore suggested that if the city operated the elevated "a return to the rates of fare prevailing in 1907 might be brought about."

Six Rides for Quarter?

That means the old six rides for a quarter which prevailed up to 1909. The suggestion that the city might underbid the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company on the matter of fares if it operated the Frankford road was easily the outstanding feature of the transit situation yesterday. The low fare, it was said, would attract riders and would materially increase the number of passengers carried in addition to boosting the receipts.

In Council yesterday Mr. Weglein charged that the proposed agreement forwarded to Council last month by the Mayor would have "stung the car riders of Philadelphia to the extent of $8,000,000," because of a contemplated increase in rates of fare from four tickets for a quarter to a straight seven-cent basis.

MEET ON BANKING LAWS

Committee in First Session to Consider New Regulations

The committee recently named by the Pennsylvania Bankers' Association to consider the proposed codification of the State banking laws will meet for the first time today at the Bellevue Stratford.

The committee will work in accord with the State Banking Commission and study the proposed changes in the banking laws.

The committee consists of John E. Chalfont, Pittsburgh, chairman; John G. Reading, Williamsport; B. M. Marlin, Dubois; J. W. B. Bausman, Lancaster; Edward J. Fox, Easton; H. B. Hagy, Reading; John H. Mason, Philadelphia; B. W. Lewis, Pittsburgh; William A. Law, Philadelphia; Congressman Lewis T. McFadden, Canton; H. B. McDowell, Sharon; H. B. Coll, Pittsburgh; J. M. Wilcox, Philadelphia; James P. McCullough, Harrisburg, and A. B. McDonald, Erie.

LORENZ OPENS N. Y. CLINIC

Examines Sixty a Day Under Auspices of Health Department

New York, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Dr. Adolf Lorenz, noted Austrian surgeon, today opened a public clinic here under supervision of the Health Department. The clinic will be directed by Dr. Jacob Sobel, of the department.

Arrangements have been made to examine about sixty cases each day. Dr. Lorenz will dictate recommendations to a stenographer, and will mail them to relatives of the persons examined.

The State Department of Education, which grants licenses and directs the professions in the State, recently notified Dr. Lorenz that he would have to obtain a license if he decided to conduct his own clinics.

The surgeon's cause was championed by Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner, and the clinic opening today at his direction was said to be within the requirements of State authorities.

Doctor Acquitted of Illegal Drug Sale

Reading, Pa., Dec. 16.—Dr. L. F. Wagner, charged by police detectives with illegal drug selling, was acquitted yesterday, but must pay the costs. Dr. Wagner is county jail physician.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph Clayton, Penlyn, Pa., and Julia Ashton, Ambler, Pa.
John G. Simmons, Newark, N. J., and Frieda E. Meyer, New York City.
James Swarther 911 S. 5th st., and Annie E. Parker, Atlanta, Ga.
Jacob Getz, 3214 Cedar st., and Anna C. Dickinson, 3214 Cedar st.
Samuel S. Capian, 1327 S. 5th st., and Rebecca Weinfield, 805 N. Marshall st.
Christo K. Gitsac, 333 S. 7th st., and Perrifone A. Rocki, 333 S. 7th st.
John Dugan, 2726 Oakford st., and Margaret McFutyre, 2726 Oakford st.
William Jackson, 731 S. Chadwick st., and Mary Miles, 731 S. Chadwick st.
Jack A. Godles, 953 N. 6th st., and Celia Joseph, 953 N. 6th st.
Giuseppe Nissario, 1137 S. 7th st., and Massimina Antonelli, 1137 S. 7th st.
Alfonso De Gregono, 4068 Thompson st., and Giacinta Bruno, 4046 Thompson st.
Charles Pratt, 614 N. 46th st., and Mollie G. Dominick, 614 N. 46th st.
Tomasso De Ritism, 1008 Christian st., and Concetta DeLuca, 1683 Latrona st.
Nathan Witkin, 2441 N. Napa st., and Martha Sylvan, 2423 N. Napa st.
Urell E. Beach, Ithaca, N. Y., and Margaret L. Ogden, 1111 S. 54th st.
Frank Garrigues 3306 N. 15th st., and Essie H. Smith, 5300 Girard ave.
James W. Taylor, West Chester, Pa., and May C. Deputy, 789 N. 64th st.
James Adams, 833 N. 13th st., and Esther Johnson, 1224 Potts st.
William C. Meyer, 2722 S. Mole st., and Violet M. Neville, 2722 S. Mole st.
David M. Brodstone, 231 Spruce st., and Ida Kohn, 2658 N. Woodstock st.
Chester B. Dickinson, 8309 Shawnee st., and Alice E. Bosher, 8309 Shawnee st.
William J. Mertz, 2406 N. 16th st., and Emma L. Rustine 1808 Hazzard st.

COLLEGE MEN NOT BEST 'WHITE COATS'

Needn't Be Educated, Says Caven, Opposing Mental Examinations

WANT JOBS OPEN TO ALL

College graduates do not always make better street cleaning superintendents than practical uneducated men, according to Director Caven, of the Department of Public Works.

He made this declaration, today, before the Civil Service Commission, at a hearing to determine whether to give a mental examination to street cleaners, placed on the city payroll when it takes over the cleaning of its streets, January 1. All will be exempt if in the employ of the various contractors up until December 15.

"I know of one college graduate," said the director, "who was appointed a superintendent of street cleaning. He failed dismally. He got affairs into a condition of chaos, through his mismanagement. His men were forced to work on Sundays to catch up. He was fired. Another man was engaged. He was uneducated, but he got results."

Albert Smith Faught, secretary of the Civil Service Reform Association, suggested a rigid examination of the moral character and reputation and record of applicants for street cleaning jobs be made. This was objected to by Commissioner Neeld, who said that street cleaning jobs were considered one of the lowest forms of employment, and a man with a prison record should be allowed to try and make good in his efforts to rehabilitate himself, if he so desired.

Mr. Faught countered with the suggestion that hold-ups were becoming frequent, and one couldn't be too careful. Commissioner Neeld reminded him that many hold-ups were the result of desperation born of unemployment.

The street-cleaning forces of the contractors who now do the work will be taken over by the city. Director Caven wanted all those engaged by the contractors prior to December 1 to be hired by the city withotu examination. Chief Dunlap, of the Bureau of Highways, suggested December 15 as the exemption date. There are eight superintendents, thirty-five foremen, 100 sub-foremen, twenty horseshoers, eight wheelwrights, five harness makers and 1850 laborers to be taken over.

EDUCATORS PLAN WORLD CONGRESS TO AID PEACE

Program Contemplates Promotion of International Friendships

Washington, Dec. 16.—Plans are well under way for an international congress on education to meet in the United States in 1923 under the auspices of the National Education Association. Dr. Augustus O. Thomas, of Maine, chairman of the association's Committee on Foreign Relations, has been in Washington the last few days in conference with President Harding and others who are interested in promoting world understanding through education.

At the request of Miss Charl Ormond Williams, president of the National Education Association, Dr. Thomas has directed a formal letter to President Harding, asking him to extend to the nations represented in the Arms Conference an invitation to join America in this educational congress.

Along with this letter is a memorandum outlining the objectives to be accomplished and giving the means to be used in reaching these objectives. Such a conference will conserve the fruits of the present Arms Conference by developing among the children of each nation right attitudes toward the peoples of other nations, says the statement of the Committee on Foreign Relations. "The dynamic forces that make for world peace are formed when the young are taught. The teacher, whether mother, priest or schoolmaster, is the real maker of history, and the school will shape the destiny of tomorrow," continues the statement.

The purpose contemplated is comprised in the teaching of international civics; organization of textbook material used in schools to give a more accurate visualization of the dominant traits and ideals of the nations; exchange of teachers and scholarships to students of foreign countries; a program looking to universal education; exchange of articles on education setting forth programs and methods used in the various countries; exchange of educational periodicals and the designation of a day to be observed by all which may be known as "World Good-Will Day," when programs may be given such as will promote international friendship.

O. K. FOR BERLIN ENVOY

Karl Lang, Charge d'Affaires, to Sail for America This Week

Berlin, Dec. 16. — Approval by the United States Government of the appointment of Karl Lang as Germany's Charge d'Affaires at Washington was delivered to the Foreign Office here yesterday. Herr Lang will start for the United States at the end of the present week.

The new charge has been in the German consular service at Montreal, Chicago and St. Louis, and also in Russia. Recently he has been attached to the passport section of the German Embassy in Paris. He is about fifty years old and speaks English. He has made a favorable impression in American official quarters in Berlin. After he is released as Charge d'Affaires at Washington, Herr Lang will assume the post of German Consul at New York.

CHILEAN VOLCANO ERUPTS

Mount Rinehua Rains Rocks and Pours Forth Hot Ashes

Buenos Aires, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Eruption of a volcano in the Andes Mountains, believed to be Mount Rinehua, in Chile, is reported in dispatches received here. The townships of Osorno, Union and San Pablo, Chile, were considerably damaged by falling rocks.

Incalculable damage is said to have been done to the grazing lands north of Lake Nahuel-Huapi, hot ashes covering the ground to a depth of nearly six inches. The livestock there is in danger of starvation unless it can be transported from the affected zone. The reports add that further eruptions are feared.

BERGER APPEALS FOR DEBS

Wisconsin Socialist Appeals to President for Clemency

Washington, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Victor Berger, Wisconsin Socialist, who was twice refused a seat in the House, called at the White House today and it was understood appealed to the Chief Executive in behalf of Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, serving a sentence in the Atlanta Penitentiary for violation of the espionage law.

Mr. Berger said he called to see the President as a "member of Congress, but unseated," and found that Mr. Harding had "a big heart." He declined to comment further upon his call.

CHILDREN IN EDUCATIONAL WEEK PAGEANT

These tots of the John H. Webster School, Frankford avenue and Ontario street, had a big time presenting the program enjoyed by parents and friends

REPUBLICAN WOMAN'S CLUB NOT TO ENTER ANY MERGER

No Basis for Union With County Committee, Says Mrs. Lorimer

It has been decided finally at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Republican Woman's Club of Pennsylvania that there is no basis existing for a rumored merger of the ogranization with the Philadelphia County Committee.

According to Mrs. George Horace Lorimer, president of the club, "Our plan and our scope are entirely different and along different lines. The aims of the two organizations do not coincide. I believe both have important work to do, but it differs in many essential particulars. Their work is not our proper work.

"Ours is primarily an educational organization, founded on the plan of the Union League Club for men. It is to be a Union League for women. We shall continue our original plan, namely, to form branch clubs of Republican women who will be in sympathy with and work for the plan of the parent club.

"Branches will be formed in Frankford, Oak Lane, Tioga, Kensington and other sections of Philadelphia. One is forming now in West Philadelphia. They will be formed also in Montgomery, Delaware and Bucks Counties. These branches will come under the direction of a chairman of branches, yet to be selected.

"Our whole work is educational. We hope with the aid of capable speakers to educate and enlighten our voters. At present that is all we will try to do. No merger is contemplated, but it is hoped members of the Philadelphia County Committee will join the branch clubs. All branch club chairmen will be members of the Central Executive Committee of the club. Our main clubhouse is at 219 South Seventeenth street."

U. S. BRIGHTENS CHRISTMAS, SAYS AUSTRIA'S PRESIDENT

Hainisch Expresses Gratitude for Relief Work Among Children

Washington, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Gratitude to the American people for their aid in alleviating suffering among the children of Austria was contained in a letter from Dr. Michael Hainisch, President of Austria, to Arthur Hugh Frazier, American charge d'affaires at Vienna, made public today by the State Department. Dr. Hainisch wrote:

"The Government and the people of the United States have now contributed so generously toward alleviating the sadness of the children of Austria over two Christmas seasons that I feel that it may make Christmas happier, even in your happy land, to know the happiness you have given. May I, therefore, on behalf of the government and people of Austria ask you to convey to the President and people of the United States the expression of our heartfelt gratitude.

"The happier faces and stronger brains of our children tell better than any words of mine what we owe. And we are indebted for more than human kindness. The scientific research and efficiency which have marked the system of American relief in Austria have been the means of emphasizing not only the permanent necessity of child-care by the state but the best way to attain it.

"One of the youngest among the republics is happy thus to acknowledge its debt to the eldest of all the republics.

"A crisis beyond the scope of relief work now threatens the very existence of our state but we keep courage and trust in a better time to come."

LINED POCKETS WITH BONDS

Millionaire Found Incompetent to Handle His Affairs

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—William F. Wendt, millionaire manufacturer of Buffalo and Los Angeles, was declared incompetent to handle his own affairs by a jury here today. The case was given to the jury yesterday afternoon, and its verdict was reported at the convening of court today.

Wendt's eccentricities, according to the evidence, included the giving up of his home here to live in a cheap hotel; carrying about in his pockets bonds worth several hundred thousand dollars; claims of close acquaintanceship with royal families of Europe and the writing of strangely worded letters. He was a heavy whisky drinker, one of the witnesses testified, his average indulgence being three pints during a day and a quart at night.

Mr. Wendt did not come here from Los Angeles for the trial.

Two Men Rob Camden Grocery

Two Negroes robbed the grocery store of Theodore Lambert, Ninth street and Atlantic avenue, Camden, about 8 o'clock last night, getting about $4 worth of merchandise. Lambert told the police this morning that the men came in and picked out the groceries and started from the store without paying. When he demanded money they threatened to shoot and got away.

Millionaire Wins Scholarship

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 16.—John Nichols Brown, of Newport, R. I., a millionaire in his own right, is winner of a Harvard College scholarship. The scholarship grants no money, but is awarded for excellence in study the previous college year on recommendation of the student's different instructors.

Chandler Hearing Postponed

Owing to the indisposition of J. Howard Reber, counsel for Willard P. Barrows, trustee for the defunct brokerage firm of Chandler Brothers & Co., a creditors' meeting for today was postponed. It will be held next Wednesday in the office of John M. Hill, the referee, in the Penn Square Building.

Hurt by Auto

WILLIAM M. BOENNING, JR.
Who was seriously injured when run into by an auto while riding his bicycle on Fairmount avenue

British Commons Ratifies Irish Pact

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trary, he declared all he ever had suggested was that the character of the population would be taken into account as well as the economic and geographical conditions.

Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier, and Colonel Spender, secretary to the Ulster Cabinet, arrived in London today for consultations regarding Ulster's position. He told newspaper men he had come in connection with the important question of Ulster's boundaries, which the treaty stipulates are to be fixed by a commission. He hoped, he said, to have an early opportunity of seeing Austen Chamberlain, the Government leader in the House of Commons, and possibly Prime Minister Lloyd George.

"The present position appears to throw us back to where we were in 1914," he said. He added that the boundaries issue seemed to him to be a very serious matter indeed.

"Without that I think I might have been able to secure approval of the treaty," he declared, "but the boundary proposals entirely alter the outlook."

Dublin, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—The crowd greeting the members of the Dail Eireann at the entrance of University College was much thinner this morning than on the two previous days of its consideration of the Irish peace treaty.

The private sessions of the Dail, it is declared in some quarters, have been devoted largely to an attempt to discover some method whereby it can accept the treaty and at the same time not register a defeat for De Valera and his followers. The principal difficulty in the way is said to be De Valera himself.

The Dail can accept or reject the treaty, but cannot make a fresh one without renewed negotiations, yet parts of the debate in secret session are said to have been concerned with the details as to how the delegates might have secured better terms.

The attitude of the republican army is causing much speculation. Its heads in the Dail are admittedly divided on the question of accepting the treaty, but all the leaders agree in deprecating any interference by the army in the political decision.

The official organ of the army declares that whatever the decision may be the army will accept it in the true spirit of disciplined soldiers, in support of the national will constitutionally expressed.

MAY PRESERVE TODD HOME

Plan to Convert Residence of Lincoln's Wife Into Museum

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 16.—Mary Todd Lincoln's home during her childhood days and where she received the martyred President, Abraham Lincoln will be purchased as a memorial to her and as a museum for preservation of Lincoln furniture, manuscripts and relics now in Kentucky, if plans of a group of interested citizens materialize.

The old Todd home formerly was a saloon and now is a soft-drink stand. Those wishing to secure it for historical purposes have obtained an option on the property.

The historic rooms where Mary Todd spent her childhood, and where she received Mr. Lincoln, are much the same as when she married and when she visited her old home after marrying Mr. Lincoln.

WELFARE REFORMS CITED

Official Says State Plans Greater Control of Agencies Given Aid

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16.—"Disgraceful conditions of inefficiency in many welfare agencies in Pennsylvania are to be revolutionized," said Dr. J. M. Baldy, of Philadelphia, head of the new State Welfare Department, to 200 officers and workers of social and charitable bodies of the district here. Immediate control by the State officers of all institutions receiving State aid was included in the plan outlined.

It is planned to increase at once by 30 or 40 per cent the number of prisoners doing useful labor in penal institutions. Overlapping of effort and waste of funds are to be stopped and only efficient employes retained, Dr. Baldy said. Placing with private families of all normal children who are in children's homes was another of the reforms planned, he announced.

MOTORIST RUNS DOWN BOY; CAUGHT AFTER CHASE; HELD

Under $1500 Bail—Also Fined for Driving Without License

William J. Keene, 904 North Sixteenth street, an insurance broker, while driving an automobile last night, struck William M. Boenning, Jr., thirteen years old, 2030 Green street, at Sixteenth street and Fairmount avenue. He was held in $1500 bail today for a further hearing December 18 on a charge of assault and battery by accident. He also was fined $10 and costs for driving without a license.

At the time of the accident Keene did not stop, and John Rakus, 721 North Seventeenth street, a taxicab driver, pursued him. When Rakus attempted to jump on the running board of Keene's machine he was thrown to the street and badly injured, suffering a fractured arm and a possible fracture of the knee.

At the hearing today, Keene testified he did not know he had struck the boy and did not know that Rakus had attempted to jump on his car. He said the first he knew of the accident was when he was arrested at Eleventh and Parrish streets by Patrolman Van Horn, of the Twentieth and Buttonwood streets station, who chased him in an automobile.

Patrolman Van Horn, who witnessed the accident, said Keene was driving up Sixteenth street at moderate speed and at Fairmount avenue he almost collided with another car. In avoiding the collision, said the patrolman, Keene turned out, and in that way struck the Boenning boy, who was riding a bicycle. Keene, he said, swung his car back into the street and drove on. Keene admitted he does not own the car and has no driver's license.

PLAN ARRESTS IN KANSAS

Deportation Considered for Alien Leaders of Riots

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—While National Guardsmen patrolled the Kansas coal fields today Richard J. Hopkins, State Attorney General, and C. A. Burnett, prosecuting attorney of Crawford County, studied evidence at hand against a large number of persons with a view of issuing warrants in connection with strike disorders which earlier in the week threw the district into turmoil and resulted in the sending here of troops to protect non-strikers, members of the International Mine Workers' Union.

Possible deportation proceedings against alien agitators and radicals in the district also were being contemplated by Federal officials, it was said. According to reports here a large proportion of the men on strike are not naturalized Americans.

Three warrants had been issued early today by State officials in connection with the disorders. According to Mr. Burnett, some of the warrants to be issued will be for women who led crowds of female strike sympathizers in riotous demonstrations.

Union men employes at more than half a dozen mines voted to go to work during the day.

RACING NEWS BILL OPPOSED

Newspaper Publishers Urged to Resist Press Muzzling

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Thomas R. Williams, president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, today called upon all members of the organization, as well as publishers generally, to use their efforts to defeat House bill No. 6708, on the ground that "no such mischievous interference with press freedom has ever before been seriously proposed in this country."

"The bill," said Mr. Williams in a statement, "prohibits publication in newspapers of any news likely to lead to gambling. Ostensibly aimed at racing news, it would be equally applicable to a large quantity or variety of financial and other news, such as reports of bank clearings, which have been gambled on in many cities.

"The unprecedented censorship involved by the bill itself is more than sufficient warrant for its defeat. Its embargo on so much news required for the proper information of business interests is a strong additional reason."

SAYS PROBE HITS TRAFFIC

Railroad Official Urges Commission to Hasten Its Inquiry

Washington, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Constant agitation of the railroad rate subject has had a harmful effect on business in general and a tendency to retard traffic, T. C. Powell, vice president of the Erie Railroad, said today, in testifying at the continuation of the Interstate Commerce Commission investigation into transportaiton rates.

He asked the commission to hasten its investigation, in order he said, that its conclusion might decrease the disturbance and relieve the expectation of general lower rates.

CABRERA FEARS RELEASE

Former President of Guatemala Prefers Jail for Safety

Washington, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Friends of Estrada Cabrera, former President of Guatemala, who was imprisoned when Carlos Herrera became President in 1920, fear to release him from prison, according to a statement today by Dr. Julio Blanchi, Guatemalan Minister to the United States under the Herrera regime.

Representatives of the Liberal Government in Washington today said Cabrera had elected to remain in jail until the tribunals of justice of Guatemala had had opportunity to pass on his case, thus preventing possible later disputes as to the legality of his freedom.

BERLIN NOTE GETS FRIGID RECEPTION

French Displeased at Lack of Regret in German Plea for More Time

INDEMNITY BOARD TO ACT

By the Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 16.—The Allied Reparations Commission, meeting today to consider the German notice of inability to pay the next two installments in full and requesting extension of time, virtually agreed that the Commission itself should take definite action on the request instead of referring the question to the allied governments. The note was coldly received by the French press.

It was announced that the Commission would meet again this afternoon to discuss the matter further.

Dr. Mayer, German Ambassador, delivered to Premier Briand today a copy of the German reparations note. The German Embassy announced that Dr. Mayer's visit was limited to this errand and that there was no truth in the report that he had presented a formal demand for delay in the payments or for a moratorium. The two payments, 500,000,000 gold marks each, are due January 15 and February 15 of next year.

The note declared that, even with the time extension, payment in full depended upon the success of efforts to obtain a foreign loan. Customs receipts and revenues from other sources which Germany intended to use in making the payments had netted only from 150,000,000 to 200,000,000 gold marks, the note continued.

Note Lacking in Details

Although the note cannot be described as curt, it is regarded in reparations circles as remarkable for its lack of details or expression of regret over its failure to live up to the agreement. For these and other reasons, the note has made an unfavorable impression in French circles.

"Will the Ruhr be occupied this time?" "Germany cannot pay, but her industry pays 80 per cent dividends." These are some of the captions in the morning newspapers—straws that show which way the wind of opinion blows. Says the Figaro:

"Germany doesn't want to pay anything, and if her debts were remitted she would soon be asking for indemnities."

Le Journal asserts German industrial magnates have 7,000,000,000 gold marks deposited in foreign banks, but that they demanded such outrageous terms in return for aid to the Government that Chancellor Wirth was obliged to refuse, lacking the courage or strength to require of them more disinterested aid.

Whether the reparation commission's action will take the form of another note to Germany or the immediate transmission to the allied Powers of a statement of the facts, together with implied recommendations, has not been determined, but in reparation circles it is believed the latter course will be followed.

Majority opinion in the commission is said to favor submission to the Allies of an outline of the only three methods considered possible by which Germany could meet the forthcoming payments.

The first method, it is pointed out, would be for Germany to use the money held by German nationals abroad, amounting to about seven billion gold marks. To a request of this kind Germany could reply that she was unable to force her nationals to give up this money, and the Allies would have no recourse.

The second method would be the use of the gold reserve in the German Reichsbank of more than one billion gold marks. Reparation officials say that while this reserve covers only 1 per cent of the outstanding paper and therefore is valueless as a guaranty, the German people nevertheless derive confidence from it, and if the entire reserve were wiped out financial chaos with unlimited potentialities for harm might follow.

Failed to Balance Budget

The third method indicated would be for Germany to buy foreign exchange with her paper marks, which method, in the view of the experts, would be even more disastrous than the second method suggested.

The experts advocate the inclusion of these three methods in a note to the Allies, with the statement that these are the only ways open to Germany for payment of the next two installments and that if, in the opinion of the Allies, failure to resort to one of them would constitute a default, then Germany should be formally declared in default of her payments.

The Allied experts, in expressing themselves on the situation, declare Germany herself is responsible for the situation, as the German Government had failed to make any serious attempt to balance its budget. They declare, however, that regardless of Germany's responsibility, the Allies and the Commission are faced with the apparent inability of Germany to pay except in one of the three ways outlined.

MORE SKIP-STOP PROTESTS

Philadelphia Residents Ask Public Service Body for Relief

Harrisburg, Dec. 16.—Complaints against skip-stops on the Philadelphia Rapid Transit system at Eighteenth and Dauphin, Eighteenth and York, Eighteenth and Lehigh avenue and Nineteenth and Cumberland streets have been filed with the Public Service Commission by J. B. Mahony and others residing on Eighteenth street, and against the skip-stop at Sixty-second street and Haverford avenue by W. S. Hasson.

Complaint has been filed by the Pittsburgh Terminal Railroad and Coal Company against the Pennsylvania, Delaware and Hudson, Lackawanna, Erie, Lehigh Valley, Reading and other railroads against refusal of through rates on coal.

On Witness Stand

DR. M. CAREY THOMAS
President of Bryn Mawr College, who today defended the dismissal of Miss Marjorie Barker

WOMEN VOTERS MEET

Penna. League Discusses Arms Parley at Luncheon Today

Women's interest in the subject of the limitation or armament was amply displayed today at the intercounty conference and round-table luncheon of the Pennsylvania League of Women Voters, held at the Acorn Club. The conference was participated in by officers and members of the Philadelphia League of Women Voters and of the leagues in nearby counties, as well as by prominent women leaders, representing a number of women's clubs and organizations.

The speakers were Dr. Vernon Kellogg, of the National Research Council, who was a member of the Hoover organization during the war; Miss Amy Cryan, of the University of London, an exponent of the subject of international relations, and Lady Beatrice Wolseley, of the British nobility, who is in this country in the interest of stronger relations between the women of this and her native country.

WON'T DIE, ROSEN SAYS

Seventy-four Years Young and Feeling Fine, He Telephones

New York, Dec. 16.—Baron Rosen, former Russian Ambassador to the United States, denied in the Hotel Netherland last night he is in a serious condition as a result of his collision with a taxicab Wednesday. The Baron answered the telephone himself, with a cheerful voice.

"There are several misstatements in the papers about the accident," he said. "In the first place my age is not advanced. I'm seventy-four years young, not seventy-four years old, and I have no intention of dying. It's true my shinbone is broken and that I won't be able to move around for a while, but it is nothing serious. I am feeling first rate."

Baron Rosen stepped from behind an "L" pillar at Sixth avenue and Fifty-fourth street just in time to be struck by the taxicab. He declined to have the driver arrested.

"Hooch" Made in Zinc Still Kills

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Liquor made in a zinc still probably caused the death of Ben McGee, of Charleston, according to the report of Coroner W. P. Black. The report held that McGee's death resulted from asphyxiation induced by a mixture of alcohol and zinc, which was found in his stomach. The combination of the two, Dr. Black believed, caused a gas which brought about McGee's death.

COL. KEMP PLANS TO STEP INTO JOB

Inquiries of Washington About Bond as Postmaster—Will Be Ready December 31

SMILE AT THORNTON DEFY

Colonel George E. Kemp, appointed Postmaster here, and instructed to assume charge of the office at the close of business December 31, has communicated with the department in Washington concerning his bond. He will be prepared to take over the office on that date, his letter states.

Postmaster John H. Thornton's statements to the effect that he does not propose to quit the office, "pay or no pay," are not viewed seriously in Washington.

"He will cease to be Postmaster at the close of business December 31," a high official of the department said today. "We will see to that. There never is any trouble about those things."

Department officials regard Thornton's case as "closed," it was reiterated today. His statements are interpreted as having a distinct political tinge, and as intended for "home consumption."

What will happen if he persists in his position up to the day on which he is scheduled to leave the office is suggested by the practice of the department in other cases. The usual procedure is for two or more postal inspectors to station themselves in the Postmaster's office. When the hour comes for him to step out, he goes out—whether he wants to or not—and he does not come back. The inspectors are armed with full authority from the department to take any necessary measures to enforce its orders and protect the Government's interests. Only a Federal Court can intervene.

"I shall fight to the limit."

This is the declaration of Thornton today. The Postmaster has held his post for eight years and three months and said today he intended continuing being Postmaster until the President requested his resignation.

"If Washington charged that there has been maladministration during my term it is up to them to prove it and I shall demand proof before I leave the office. The fight has just started and if they intend to oust me they will have to fight back."

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DEATHS

PURCELL.—December 14, JOSEPH F. PURCELL. Funeral Monday at 8:30 A. M. from the residence of his brother, Henry F. Purcell, 1825 S. 54th st. Solemn requiem mass at Church of Most Blessed Sacrament at 10 A. M. Interment New Cathedral Cemetery. Employes of Common Pleas Court No. 4 and all organizations of which he was a member invited.

CASSIDY.—December 14, HANNAH CASSIDY (nee Cunningham), wife of Michael Cassidy. Relatives and friends invited to funeral on Monday at 9 A. M. from her late residence, 212 Ardmore ave., Ardmore. Solemn requiem mass at St. [illegible] Church at 10 A. M. Interment St. Denis Cemetery.

GODFREY.—December 16, 1921, EDITH, daughter of the late Benjamin G. and Madeline F. Godfrey. Due notice of funeral will be given.

MOONEY.—December 15, ANNIE, widow of late Patrick Mooney. Relatives and friends, also Married Women's Sodality of the Gesu Church, invited to funeral on Monday, 8:30 A. M., from her late residence, 830 North Uber st. Solemn requiem mass at 10 A. M., Church of the Gesu. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. Elkton papers please copy.

DWYER.—December 14, ELLEN, widow of the late William Dwyer, sr. Relatives and friends invited to funeral Monday, at 8:30 A. M., from 2542 E. Somerset st. Solemn requiem mass at St. Ann's Church, 10 A. M. Interment St. Ann's Cemetery.

BRADY.—December 14, MARGARET MARY, daughter of William and [illegible] Brady. Relatives and friends invited to funeral on Monday at 7:30 A. M., from residence of her parents, 2011 S. 22d st. Solemn mass of requiem at Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9 A. M. Interment

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