

Pardon for William S. Leib, former Republican boss of Schuylkull County, now serving a sentence in the Eastern The time men wars tried last Feb. The three men were tried last Feb-Penitentiary, will be asked of the Board ruary, charged with driving to various Pardons when it meets today. places near Vincland automobiles which Ever since Leib's conviction of forg- were stolen from a garage at Sixteenth It was a serious gathering, but en of Pardons when it meets today.

ery of tax receipts, friends have been making strenuous efforts to obtain his release. They have made up the peti-tion which will be placed before the the statements in your discussion of the dry law enforcement or of the way a series gathering, but en-thusiastic in its applause of any denun-ciation of the dry law enforcement or of any prediction that the Volstead Act sanction of the Treasury Department

Aside from Leib an interesting case is that of Sabatino De Masi, who had been in the Eastern Penitentiary for twelve years. He was saved from the death penalty and his sentence changed to life imprisonment, after Charles J. Roney, a lawyer, had worked untiringly RIOT AT CHRISTMAS TREES

in his behalf. Although De Masi was without funds when he was tried in 1909 for the killing of James Quinn, son of a saloonkeeper at York road and Lycoming street, Mr. Roney, after questioning the prisoner, became convinced of his

innocence. The trial resulted in a verdict of guilty, and the late Judge Ralston mentenced both De Masi and Michael Comporto, a companion, to be hanged. Following Mr. Roney's appeals De Masi's sentence was changed to life

imprisonment. After her husband's death, five years no. Mrs. Roney, who resides at 109 Catharine street, continued the fight in De Masi's behalf. A month ago she convinced the District Attorney's office that a complete investigation of the

that a complete investigation of the case was necessary. Mrs. Roney said it was hoped to pre-ment sufficient testimony in De Mast's behalf to the Board of Pardons to obtain his release before Christmas. The hardships of three young men who are serving terms in the State Peni-teritary have aroused the sympahty of Mrs. E. M. C. Webster, of Vineland. to the point where she will personally take before the board information which she believes will obtain their release. stolen goods this year. she believes will obtain their release.

Joseph dl Biaso, his brother, John di Biaso, and Dan Peluso are the three who are serving terms varying from two to three years in the penitentiary for receiving stolen goods. A petition in their behalf has been circulated by Mrs. borough treasury is depleted.

German Crowds Cry "Profiteer" and

Seize Yuletide Greens Special Cable Dispatch. Copyright, 1221 Berlin, Dec. 21.—The numerous plundering riots, coincident with the Christmas shopping rush, which at times have assumed diangerous proper-

three speakers commented on the letter tions, took a remarkable turn yester- the rear of the orche day, when masses of rioters attacked his feet and should ;

could be repealed.

There were boos for Bishop Berry

whenever speakers referred to his class-ification of the members of the associa-tion as "bootleggers, bums and crim-inals." Several days ago Bishop Berry,

in declining an invitation to join the

day, when masses of rioters attacked Christmas tree dealers. Apparently the same crowds which have been suddenly gathering and at-tacking food and other stores in various districts caused the trouble yesterday. A farmer who brought a wagenload of trees to the city was surrounded by a group of children. When 150 marks apiece was asked for the trees there and allowed to depart. Were crics of "Profiteer." Several men boarded the wagen and scattered the speaker. Earlier this month he intre-

boarded the wagon and scattered the speaker. Earlier this month he introtrees into the crowd. At the North Station another meb option and that bill is now in the Ways stele 100 trees, so there will be at least 100 happy families gathered around speech was spent in describing that bill, which, or one like it, he predicted,

No Funds, Borough in Darkness Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 21.—Gil-erton, a borough with 4600 popula-terton, a borough with 4600 popula-terton, a borough with 4600 popula-

Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 21.—Gil-berton, a borough with 4600 popula-tion, has been in darkness the last two nights. The Schylkill Electric Light and Power Company has shut off the light, due to failure of the Town Coun-voil to nay its hills to the company. cil to pay its bills to the company. Saloon League leaders. The Councilmen of Gilberton say the "Newspapers reported yesterday that

the Rev. Mr. Berry declined to join our

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About 3000 persons, including more criminals. than 150 women, gathered in the Met-Then came the hisses and booes. ropolitan Opera House last night for Later, after describing his bill for benl option, Mr. Hill again referred the first meeting of the Association to the Bishop It was a serious gathering, but en-

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"My bill for Federal local option, although opposed by the Anti-Saloon League, from the statements in your chose

of the Federal Government. "I wonder if the Rev. Mr. Berry on reading this morning's Philadelphia newspapers will classify the members of the Treasury Department, one of whom is a member of President Harding's Cabinet, as belonging to the class association, declared that it was doomed of 'bootleggers, bums and criminals' to to defeat.

When the meeting started the par-quet floor seats were all taken, the boxes were occupied and there were several hundred in the balcony. All More hisses followed that statement, ernment." which were changed to cheers when Mr. Hill explained that by beer he meant

the 4 per cent variety and by light wines he meant the kind that has 12 per cent alcohol by volume. But the real demon-stration was unidesed in real demonof Bishop Berry. In the midst of a speech a man in stration was unlosed when Mr. Hill should be the interest and financial sections was unloosed when Mr. Hill should be the interests of the industrial

esterday by Senator Capper, Repub-icon, of Kansas, as "really rendering the country a greater service at this time than any other group of men."

Mr. Capper said the critic who had most astonished the country was Sec-retary Weeks, who attacked the bloc in a recent address in New York. "In a general attack upon a Congress whose achievements are considered

achievements are considered somewhat epochal," continued the Kan-sas Senator, "not only did the Secretary of War find nothing good to say of any of the legislative measures enacted in behalf of the farming industry and approved by the President, but he con-demned much of it as unsound economically, one must infer, because it was introduced by the farm bloc." Mr. Capper also replied to statements attributed to Otto Kahn, New York banker, whose remarks, Mr. Capper sgid, would cause one "to think that business sits on the right hand of Gov-

The Senator entered a plea for the

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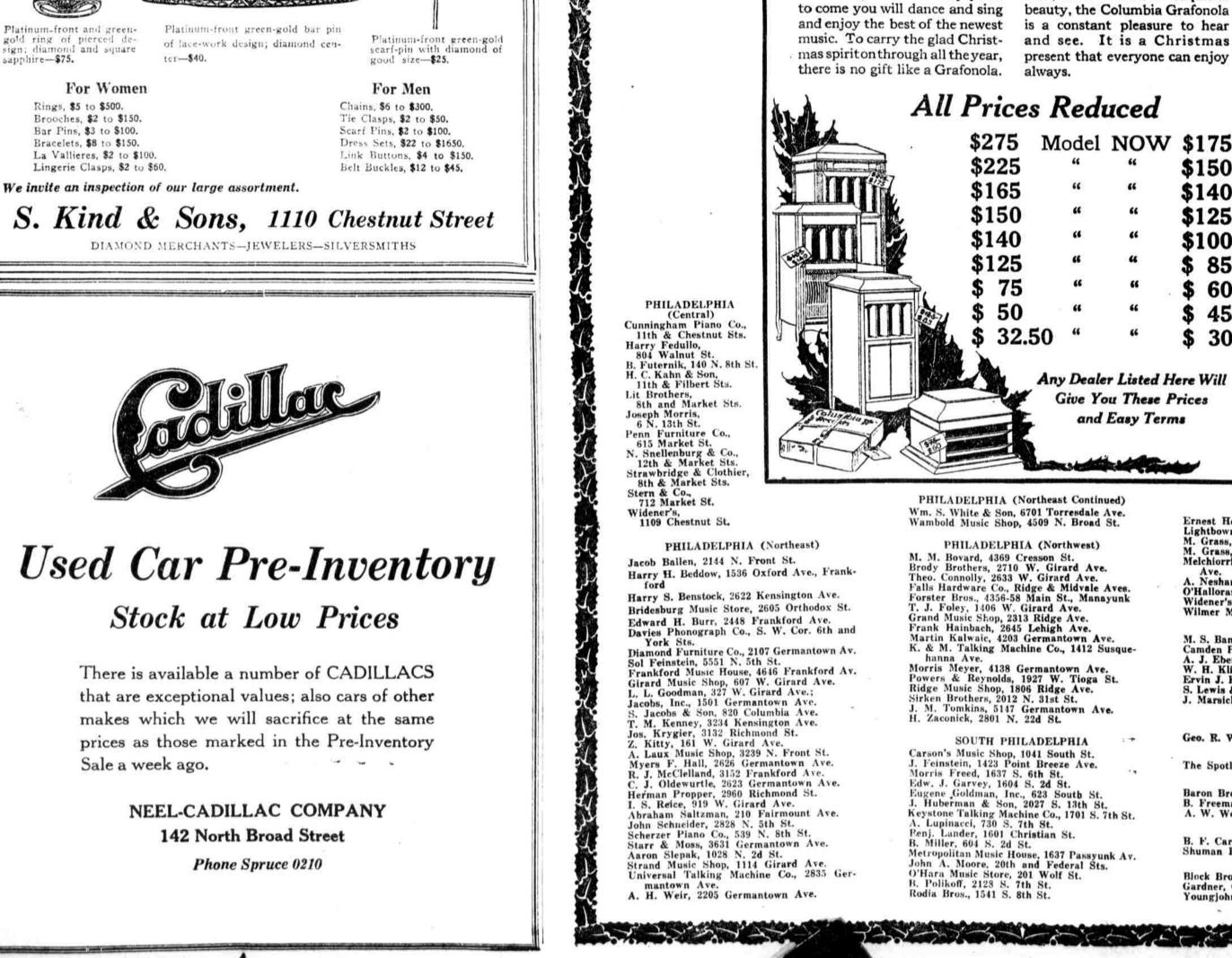
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