THE WEATHER
Fair and colder tonight and Wednesday with lowest temperature tonight about 20 degrees; moderate winds.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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4000 JOBS OFFERED TO UNEMPLOYED AS NIGHT WATCHMEN

Mayor's Committee Has Plan to Guard Every Block in Philadelphia

TO AID POLICE AT SMALL COST AND CHECK CRIME

A plan whereby 4000 men will be given work this winter, and at the same time aid in curbing banditry, is being put into effect by the Mayor's Unemployment Committee.

In brief, householders are being asked to contribute fifteen cents each week for the services of a private watchman, who will guard their block at night between the hours of 6 and 6.

Not only will these men guard their homes, but they will keep a sharp eye out for hold-up men, automobile bandits, and lawbreakers generally. The plan has the enthusiastic support of Director Cortelyou, and the watchmen will augment the overworked police force of the city.

The men to be selected as watchmen are to be qualified in every way by the police department. They will, it is expected, be given a course of training at the Police Training School, will be sworn in as private watchmen, and will be taken by the district chairmen of the committee to each individual householder whose house is to be guarded, and will be personally introduced.

Provides Winter Jobs

This plan will give three months' work during the winter to worthy men, and if put into service generally will wipe the names of 4000 from the lists of unemployed.

It will, it is expected, have a tremendous moral effect upon bandits, for the watchmen, it is thought, will not be in uniform. Bandits, therefore, will regard every man on the street in plain clothes after dark as an armed, trained and determined watchman, on the lookout for them.

Already many blocks have signed up for the watchmen. The plan is for the people living on the main streets only to pay for the watchmen, unless persons on the other streets insist upon paying, too. The watchmen will not be responsible for both sides of the street, but will be responsible for four sides of a city block. The block across the street is to be guarded by another watchman, and so on, block by block, until, it is hoped, the entire city will be covered.

John F. Buchanan, chairman of the Mayor's Unemployment Committee, is working to have every block in the city able to contribute toward such watchmen do so. In this way, by the payment of only fifteen cents a week householders can feel they are doing their bit toward aiding the unemployed, it is pointed out, and will receive in addition protection that may be much needed.

Idleness Is Decreasing

Colonel George W. R. Hicks, of the Chamber of Commerce, secretary of the Unemployment Committee, and Colonel John Price Jackson, of the Industrial Relations Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, both report that unemployment generally is slowly decreasing in Philadelphia.

"It is a serious thing for the city to speak too loudly about the decrease in unemployment," said Colonel Hicks. "The moment we do so there comes a flood of the unemployed from other cities to Philadelphia, and when they arrive here they only serve to swell the ranks of our unemployed, for our unemployment, while slightly improved, is still one of our most serious problems. Another side is that men with families do not rush here upon receipt of such news, but only the single, unattached men. When they arrive they find no work and become drifters.

Expects Plan to Work

"I feel enthusiastic over the results promised by the private-watchman plan of the Mayor's committee, and that will aid us greatly. We have been already greatly aided by the work of the Mayor's committee and through it of the district committees. Ernest T. Trigg, of the Chamber of Commerce, is chairman of our Industrial Relations Committee. He was a member of the Hoover Committee and is regional director for the work of that committee in Eastern Pennsylvania. It was Mr. Trigg to whom the

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"WHEN IS GIRL OLD ENOUGH TO SMOKE?" CO-EDS ASK

Columbia University Authorities Are Called on to Solve Problem

New York, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—When is a girl old enough to smoke?

This question has cropped up at Columbia University and is puzzling hundreds of co-eds who want to be told why Barnard College rules say nothing about use of the soothing weed in graduate dormitories and prohibit it in those of the undergraduates.

Undergraduate sentiment began to crystallize last week when two girls were caught smoking in their room in Whittier Hall. They were detected by a watchful monitor despite their every precaution—stuffing keyhole and transom cracks and laying down a barrage of incense. They were suspended.

Some one suggested that there were no such rules in Fournard Hall, where houses only faculty and graduate students.

And then some one asked, and none yet has answered, "Just when is a girl old enough to smoke?"

WHEN a woman marries a man she doesn't love, when she knows how deeply he loves her and when she finds real love in her heart for another man, the result is sure to be a story that will take and hold your interest. That's the situation in

"The Marriage Gambler"

Which is handled by that expert in making a story vivid and appealing,

HAZEL DEVO BATCHELOR

The first chapter appears today

On the Woman's Page

Physician Sacrifices Life in War on Yellow Fever

Dr. Cross, of Rockefeller Institute, Dies in Mexico While Studying Dread Disease in Plague Center

By the Associated Press

Vera Cruz, Mex., Dec. 27.—Dr. Howard B. Cross, of the Rockefeller Institute, died here today, a victim of the yellow fever.

Dr. Cross came here early this month to open a laboratory for study of yellow fever and the marsh fever for the Rockefeller Institute.

Twelve days ago he went to Tuxtepec, center of the yellow fever district, and after spending two days there inspecting sanitary conditions, contracted the disease. He was immediately brought here, and futile efforts were made to save his life.

The funeral will take place tomorrow, attended by the medical corps and representatives of the authorities.

Dr. Cross is the second American physician to die here of yellow fever within a year, the first being Dr. Hendrick, attached to the American Consulate.

The death of Dr. Cross recalls the many tragic sacrifices made by American physicians in fighting yellow fever. Notable among these martyrs of the medical profession was Dr. Walter Reed, for whom a large hospital in Washington is named.

In 1898 Dr. Reed was placed at the head of a board to investigate the typhoid epidemic among troops assembled for the Spanish-American War. In 1900 he went to Havana and demonstrated that yellow fever is transmitted from man to man only by the bite of mosquitoes of a certain variety.

Reed and his assistant, Carroll, allowed themselves to be inoculated by infected mosquitoes. Practical application of their discoveries resulted in the extermination of yellow fever in Cuba.

Both Reed and Carroll became dangerously ill as the result of their experiments.

M'FADDEN HINTS GOVERNORSHIP AIM

Congressman Admits He Will Run if Given Proper Support

BEIDLEMAN BOOM WITHERS

Congressman Louis T. McFadden, of Canton, Bradford County, a visitor in this city, today admitted he has his ear to the ground for a possible call to the Governorship of Pennsylvania. He believes the State's financial condition will be the problem uppermost for the next Governor.

Congressman McFadden is a banker and is chairman of the House Banking and Currency Committee, one of the most important in Congress. He and Senator Penrose are friends. In banking circles he is regarded as a serious student of financial problems.

Mr. McFadden today did not openly proclaim his candidacy for Governor. He said the entire matter is one "for the people to decide." He admitted he would like to be Governor, and that he will be a candidate if he feels sure of popular support.

"The next Governor will have a big problem on his hands because of the State's financial condition," Mr. McFadden said. "He will be faced with a big deficit, and he will need all the co-operation he can obtain from the Legislature. I believe in a budget system for the State government, a real, scientific budget, a budget that budgets."

Friends of the Congressman who accompanied him to this city expressed their belief that Lieutenant-Governor Beidleman and State Treasurer Snyder have been eliminated entirely from the governorship contest. They said the disclosures made in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER have killed the Beidleman and Snyder booms.

With the swift passing of the holiday season eliminations are occurring all along the line. This condition will become more pronounced in the next few weeks. The party candidates will be chosen at the State primary in May.

BOY AND GIRL, TOO POOR, TO WED, COMMIT SUICIDE

Change Original Plan of Taking Poison on Christmas Day

Passaic, N. J., Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Too poor to marry. That was the reason that impelled Thomas Brands, eighteen years old, and his sweetheart, Matilda Rist, seventeen, to take their lives by poison here early today, the boy told the police at the General Hospital, where he died.

Thomas was employed as a clerk by a local mill and the girl was a stenographer.

The boy and girl met about a year ago and soon became fast friends. Because of their youth, and the fact that Thomas was just starting on his career and was not making enough money, they had not planned an early marriage.

Last Saturday, however, the girl confided to her sweetheart that she felt they should marry soon. They talked it over and decided that this was out of the question, for financial reasons. Then came the resolve to die. They planned to make it Christmas Day, but loath to bring grief to their families on such a holiday, they waited until this morning.

After purchasing poison they went to the girl's home. Shortly after midnight Matilda staggered into her mother's room, suffering from convulsions. While an ambulance surgeon was working on her, Brands entered, in a similar condition. They were taken in the same ambulance to the hospital, where they died within two hours.

BALTIMORE GIRL MISSING

Mystery Seen in Her Disappearance From Y. W. C. A.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Mystery enshrouds the sudden disappearance from the South Branch of the Young Women's Christian Association, 1224 Light street, of Miss Lila Dale Russell, a Southern girl of refinement and beauty, who came to this city several months ago from Albemarle, N. C., to study designing and costuming with the view of opening an establishment of her own. Miss Russell, Saturday afternoon, was visited by Raymond Morris, from her home town. Morris brought Miss Russell a box of chocolates.

Miss Russell and her roommate ate some of the chocolates soon after Morris left, and Miss Russell later in the evening complained that she wasn't feeling well.

Trolley Seriously Injures Man

John Waters, fifty-eight years old, 131 East Wishart street, is in the Episcopal Hospital with a fractured skull, received today when struck by a trolley car at Kensington avenue and Hagert street. At the hospital his condition is said to be "not good."

The best writing papers are WHITING papers.—Adv.

WAR AGAINST WAR PLANNED BY DEBS

Freed Socialist Leader Would Have All Humanity Sign Pledge Not to Bear Arms

LEAVES FOR HOME TONIGHT

By the Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 27.—War against war is to occupy a great part of the future activities of Eugene V. Debs, freed from Atlanta Penitentiary by executive clemency on Christmas Day, according to his own announcement here today. The Socialist leader said he could make no concrete plans for the future until he reached his home in Terre Haute, Ind. He will leave Washington at 6:20 o'clock tonight.

Debs announced his determination to obtain, if possible, a vow from every man, woman and child in this country and every country which he might visit, that they refuse to take up arms and go to war. But until world relations undergo a reformation, he asserted, wars would continue.

Need Co-Operative World

"There will be war in some form," he said, "and war growing progressively more and more destructive, until a competitive world has been transformed into a co-operative world. Every war for trade sooner or later and inevitably becomes a war of blood."

Debs expressed the opinion that President Harding, at heart, was against all war, but described the President as the representative of a system that made war possible. The Arms Conference, he contended, was significant only in that it was a recognition of the cost of warfare and an effort to reduce expense instead of eliminating the cause.

Action in behalf of others still imprisoned for violation of war laws, Debs declared, would be undertaken as soon as he reached his home and readjusted himself to circumstances.

Harbors No Resentment

As for himself, he said he harbored no resentment because of his imprisonment.

The Socialist leader began today a series of conferences with friends and co-workers which was expected to last until he left the capital tonight. Among the first of his callers was Peter J. MacSwiney, brother of the late Lord Mayor of Cork.

Debs still wore his prison-issue clothes and declared his intention of returning home in them and of wearing them for some time.

"Like the wrinkles on my face," he said, "they have cost me something."

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Terre Haute is forewarn with Socialists today, leaders of the organization from all parts of the country assembling here as the advance guard of the thousands expected to welcome Eugene V. Debs on his arrival from Washington about 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Phil K. Reinhold, chairman of the local committee in charge of the plans, said today there would be 25,000 men and women in the parade tomorrow afternoon. A mass-meeting has been called for tonight as a tribute to Debs.

Among those who will take part is D. Ferrell, of Dayton, O., who carried distinction when he polled an unprecedented vote in the fall elections as a candidate on the workingman's ticket. G. O. Hoehn, editor of the St. Louis Labor and one of the oldest editors of Socialist and labor publications in the United States, also will speak.

OFFERS TO DRINK EVIDENCE

"Judge" Takes Man's Word That Liquor Isn't Poison; Declines Taste

Henry Oehalek, Twenty-second and Ruffner streets, Nicetown, offered to prove to Magistrate Price that an inch of colorless liquor in the bottom of a gallon demijohn was not "poison," but the "judge" took his word for it and let him go.

Oehalek was brought to the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station last night after a Christmas celebration at his home, from which his wife, Mary, was taken to the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital. Mrs. Oehalek declared her husband had tried to "poison" her with the liquor, and she was pumped out by the physicians and her husband arrested.

The "evidence" was handed around the courtroom this morning. Everyone took a sniff, no one hazarded a taste.

"I'll prove it's good, Judge," said Oehalek, with a longing look at the bottle.

"Never mind," said the magistrate. "I believe you. I'll take your word for it."

"And we'll keep the liquor to rub the horse with," said Lieutenant Howard Lawson. They have a motor patrol at his station house.

EARRINGS RIPPED FROM SICK WOMAN IN STORE HOLD-UP

Two Bandits Hold Three Men at Bay and Escape With $1000

15 AUTOMOBILES STOLEN; SNEAK THIEVES ARE BUSY

Two cool bandits methodically held up a storekeeper, his wife and two friends, tore earrings from the woman's ears, causing her to suffer a serious relapse from a nervous illness, and escaped with more than $1000 just before 9 o'clock last night.

Charles Besser, proprietor of a dry goods store at 333 North Fifth street, was sitting in the rear of his establishment with Morris B. Blank, his father-in-law and a neighbor, when the door opened and two roughly dressed young men came in. One of them held a handkerchief to his face and was apparently suffering from a bleeding nose.

Mr. Besser was approaching him when the younger of the two said:

"Get me some handkerchiefs, quick, will you? My nose is bleeding."

Gun Dumfounded Man

Besser hurried to the rear of the store, where the handkerchiefs are kept, and ran back to the men with two. He received a dollar and took the change for it from his vest pocket. As he handed it to the man who complained of his nose, he felt something pressed against his ribs, and, looking down, he saw it was a heavy pistol.

"You come up with your money or I'll blow your brains out," the bandit said in a low tone.

Besser, dumfounded, complied, giving his assailant $970 in cash and a check for $100.

At this instant Mrs. Besser, who has been under the doctor's care for a year with a nervous ailment, came into the store from the rear room. The older bandit, who up to this time had stood back, stepped toward her and said:

"I'll take those earrings. Give them up."

The shock was so severe that Mrs. Besser was unable to move or cry out. The bandits reached over and pulled at the earrings. Seeing that they were attached so hard that it would necessitate his tearing her ears if he snatched them, he quietly unscrewed them and removed them gently. They are valued at $500. The men then backed from the store. Although the robbers worked slowly and quietly, the whole thing happened in a very brief time and left all the occupants of the store paralyzed with surprise.

A boy who was across the way at the time told the police that the two men did not even run as they moved half way down the block and got into a waiting automobile, which had been left with its engine running. Then they sped away.

The shock to Mrs. Besser was so severe that it may be fatal. After the earrings had been wrested from her she screamed, ran into the back room and fainted.

Fifteen Autes Stolen

Fifteen cars and two trucks, valued at more than $43,000, were reported missing during the week-end.

Housebreakers reaped a rich harvest in jewelry and wearing apparel from five dwellings they ransacked. Jewelry in Yuletide gifts valued at $3000 were stolen from the home of Nicholas Long, at 916 Greenwich street.

Forcing a cellar window in the home of Anthony Montague, at 1921 South Hemberger street, intruders rifled the lower floor of the house while the family slept, and made off with wearing apparel valued at $182. A fur coat and several rings having a total value of $200 were carried away from the residence of Peter Jensen, at 854 North Twenty-sixth street.

Sawing a panel from a kitchen door in the residence of Mrs. Louis Langlein, at 2859 North Franklin street, thieves rifled closets and bureau drawers and escaped with jewelry and clothing worth $605. Mrs. Rebecca Finkelstein, of 4903 Aspen street, reported the theft of silk dresses valued at $200. The thieves rode away on a bicycle belonging to Mrs. Kinkelstein's son.

One of the first robberies reported yesterday was in the butcher shop of Frank Graziero, 2300 Cross street, when the robbers covered him with revolvers and escaped with $65 in a waiting automobile.

Same Gang Active

About an hour later the same gang, it is believed, held up Frank Irvin, 5732 North Sixth street, at Eleventh street and Fisher road, escaping with $80 in cash and a gold watch and chain valued at $150.

As W. D. Clook, a clerk in the drug store of W. S. Rice, southeast corner of Farragut terrace and Market street, was about to close the place, two men entered and ordered him to throw up his hands. While one covered him with a revolver the other rifled the cash register of $65.

Lured into the hallway of a building on Eighth street near Spruce, J. H. Kurland, 710 Bainbridge street, was beaten by three men and robbed of $5. Frank Ciccrchia, eighteen, janitor of the building, was arrested as a suspect.

Five bandits in an automobile early yesterday drove up to the jewelry store of B. Goodis, 926 West Girard avenue, and, after smashing a side window, stole two trays of rings worth $265.

After he had delivered some Christmas presents among neighbors, Frank Irwin, 5732 North Sixth street, was attacked by five men in an automobile, who took his wallet, containing $80, and his watch, valued at $150.

TO SELL CHURCH EFFECTS

Court Orders Sale to Liquidate Debts It Has Failed to Meet

The effects of the First Pentecostal Assembly, a Negro church at 683 Central avenue, were ordered sold by the Camden District Court this morning. An organ, the pulpit, sixteen benches and a Bible will be included in the sale. The Bible, it is said, will be turned over to the secretary of the congregation.

The property was purchased by the church several years ago from Michael Brown, 650 Ferry avenue, Camden, but it failed to make proper payments.

KISSING ACCORDING TO HOYLE
To know how, when and where to kiss, refer to "Kisses" by Charles W. Duke, in the Magazine Section of next Sunday's PUBLIC LEDGER.—Adv.

Mr. Rotan's Bride

Mrs. George W. Elkins, widow of the traction magnate, married District Attorney Rotan today in Georgia

SAMUEL P. ROTAN WEDS MRS. ELKINS

Nuptials in Georgia Today for District Attorney and Traction Magnate's Widow

WAS HUSBAND'S ATTORNEY

Samuel P. Rotan, District Attorney of this city, was married at 1 o'clock this afternoon to Mrs. Allethaire Elkins, widow of George W. Elkins, at Folly Farms, near Savannah, Ga.

The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. Henry Rankin, of Waycross, an Episcopal clergyman. Present at the ceremony were Mrs. James B. Ludlow, of this city, mother of the bride; her sisters, the Misses Ludlow, of Cleveland, and her nieces, Miss Martha Ludlow and Miss Helen Ludlow, both of Philadelphia. Other close relatives and friends completed the small wedding party.

The newly married couple left as soon as the ceremony was over for a honeymoon in Florida. Upon their return they will live at the Wellington Apartments, Nineteenth and Walnut streets.

Mr. Rotan reached Folly Farms late yesterday. The plans for his wedding had been kept a carefully guarded secret. The formal announcement was not made until yesterday, when it was given out by Mrs. Henry C. Bruce, of Covington, Ky., an aunt of the bride.

Folly Farms, the winter home of the bride, was bought by her a little more than a year ago. Formerly it was the old Gordon plantation, known as Myrtle Grove, on the Ogeechee Road, and about twenty-five miles from Savannah. Upon purchasing it Mrs. Rotan made extensive alterations in the house and grounds and renamed it Folly Farms. She has been passing the winter there with her brother, C. E. Ludlow.

Mr. Rotan, who was a bachelor, had been personal counsel for Mr. Elkins. He was re-elected recently to a fourth term as District Attorney.

The former Mrs. Elkins was formerly Allethaire Ludlow, daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. William E. Ludlow, of Cleveland. Mrs. Rotan was married today for the third time. Her first husband was William Myles Cummer, of Cleveland. She married Mr. Elkins, traction magnate and financier, and a widower, June 19, 1917. Before that time she had lived in Cleveland. Mr. Elkins died October 23, 1919. He is reputed to have left his widow a fortune of between $20,000,000 and $30,000,000.

DUKE OF BRABANT TO WED ITALIAN PRINCESS, IS RUMOR

Engagement of Leopold and Yolanda Reported in Brussels

Brussels, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Reports of the engagement of the Duke of Brabant, eldest son of King Albert, to Princess Yolanda, eldest daughter of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, have gained considerable circulation. Ignorance of their reported engagement was professed today in royal circles, but other persons prominent in Belgian society expressed belief that the report was not without foundation.

The Duke of Brabant, who celebrated his twentieth birthday on the 3d of last month, is the eldest son of the King and Queen of Belgium. During the World War he served with distinction in the Belgian army and was awarded the Croix de Guerre and the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor by the French Government. He accompanied his father and mother on a tour of the United States in 1919. He is also known as Prince Leopold and is the heir apparent to the Belgian throne.

Princess Yolanda is the eldest of the five children of the King and Queen of Italy and is just past twenty-one years of age.

This is not the first time that Princess Yolanda has been reported engaged. In 1916 there were persistent reports of her betrothal to the Prince of Wales, but the report was officially denied by the Italian Embassy at Paris.

In 1919, when King Ferdinand of Rumania was reported to have been dissatisfied with the morganatic marriage of Crown Prince Charles, the Italian princess was much talked of as Prince Charles' possible fiancee.

Again last January she was reported engaged to Archduke Ferdinand of Austria, but the report was quickly denied officially in Rome.

WHITE HOUSE NEW YEAR

President and Mrs. Harding to Revive Public Reception

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—The official White House New Year reception, formerly an occasion of great importance in administrative circles but discontinued during the Wilson Administration, will be revived this year.

President and Mrs. Harding, according to plans now made, will receive next Monday morning the Diplomatic Corps, the Cabinet members and their families, and the public at large. It is expected that several thousand people will attend the function, for which the invitations are not sent out. The usual hours for the reception are from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M.

IRISH SENTIMENT ALMOST SOLID FOR PEACE AGREEMENT

Reports From South Indicate 90 Per Cent of People Favor Ratification

DE VALERA TO WITHDRAW OPPOSITION, DUBLIN RUMOR

By the Associated Press

London, Dec. 27.—Government throughout Ireland, as reflected in dispatches to London newspapers this morning, is overwhelmingly in favor of the Irish Peace Treaty. Reports from various provinces indicate that fully 90 per cent of the people in the twenty-six counties of Southern Ireland want the pact ratified.

This confirms predictions made when the Dail Eireann adjourned its debate on the treaty last Thursday until January 3, that the recess would bring definite expression of the people's will, and the view is now put forward that when the Dail re-assembles the treaty will be approved by a majority which will make an appeal to the country unnecessary.

De Valera May Drop Opposition

The Morning Post's correspondent says a rumor is afoot of a "possible sensation" before the Dail meets again, this being taken to mean that Eamon De Valera intends to announce withdrawal of his opposition, in view of he overwhelming weight of opinion for the treaty.

The Times sent a special correspondent to County Clare, the council of which appealed to Mr. De Valera to abandon his opposition. According to the correspondent, the council's action is indorsed with pride by a vast majority of the people. Clare is known as "the banner county," from its having been the traditional home of Irish political movements, among them Daniel O'Connell's emancipation campaign and Charles Parnell's Land League struggle, and its people regard the council as having lived up to traditions.

The reporter discussed the question with all ranks and classes of people, from the highest ecclesiastics to the lowest menials, and says that, while he heard nothing in disparagement of Mr. de Valera, he was assured that from 70 to 80 per cent of the county favors the treaty. The minority he believed to mostly members of the Irish republican army.

Dail Agreement Broken

The Dublin correspondent of the Times cites as evidence of the public support of the treaty the fact that a long letter from Erskine Childers, published in the newspapers Saturday, explaining and supporting the alternative oath of allegiance ascribed to Mr. De Valera, attracted little interest. Moreover, it was regarded as a breach of the agreement made before the Dail's rising, that none of the members would issue controversial statements during the recess, and was interpreted as an indication that De Valera's party is increasingly in fear of defeat.

Arthur Griffith, one of the leading pro-ratificationists, countered the letter with a statement declaring it inaccurate as regards Mr. Childers' account of how the alternative oath was discussed by the Irish delegation to the London peace conference.

Belfast, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—One man was killed and several wounded in a clash between a constabulary patrol and a number of men in the Marrowbone area today.

The constables challenged the men, who were acting suspiciously, whereupon one of them opened fire, wounding a policeman. A running fight followed in which the sniper was killed. Order was restored with the aid of an armored car.

11 NOW DEAD IN CAIRO RIOTS

Egyptian Nationalists Attempting to Wreck Railroad Trains

London, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Eleven Egyptians were killed and fourteen others wounded in the recent Nationalist disturbances in Cairo. No British casualties occurred, it was stated.

Disturbances are continuing in Cairo and attempts have been made to bring about wrecks on the railways. One such attempt succeeded, a train on the Helnan Railway being derailed Christmas Day.

Mrs. Patton Reweds

Was married today to Milton C. Work, attorney and whist expert. Both were recently divorced

MRS. MARGARET H. PATTON MARRIES MILTON C. WORK

Bridegroom Divorced by Wife Nov. 18; Bride Freed Dec. 19

Mrs. Margaret Hazlehurst Patton, recently divorced from Henry B. Patton, a member of the Philadelphia bar, was married today to Milton C. Work, a wealthy lawyer, clubman and bridge whist expert, whose wife divorced him last month.

Mrs. Work got her divorce December 9 from Mr. Patton, and Mr. Work's wife won her divorce November 18. The couple were married by the Rev. Frederick Griffin, of the First Unitarian Church, Twenty-second and Chestnut streets. The ceremony was performed in the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Francis Hazlehurst, 324 South Nineteenth street, in the presence of a small party of near relatives.

The news that the two were to marry was a surprise to society. Both are widely known, the bride as one of the wittiest and best-looking young matrons in Philadelphia, the groom as an international authority on bridge whist and a one-time tennis and cricket expert. There are two Patton children, a boy and girl, the eldest ten years old. The new Mrs. Work married her first husband in 1909.

XMAS THIEVES RAID CAMDEN

2 Homes, 2 Stores and Stable Entered; Loot Does Not Total High

Burglars made various efforts to steal Christmas presents in Camden last night, but did not get anything of great value, although two homes, a stable and two stores were broken into.

The home of the Rev. Frederick Blaser, 632 State street, was entered some time in the night through a rear window. A gold watch and a masonic charm were the only articles taken.

The home of Harry Luckings, 528 State street, a block away, was also entered through a rear window, and $5 in money stolen.

A side window was forced open at the establishment of Taylor Brothers, Front and Market streets, and $25 taken from the cash register. Burglars also entered the stable of Otto Brooks, Sixth and Walnut streets, and stole two crates of oranges and a crate of apples.

RECEIVER FOR INGERSOLLS

Watchmakers Admit Inability to Pay Their Debts

New York, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in Federal Court today against Robert H. Ingersoll & Bro., manufacturers of the Ingersoll watches. The concern admitted its inability to pay its debts and expressed willingness to be adjudged bankrupt. Edward H. Childs was appointed receiver under bond of $25,000.

The proceedings were brought by the National City Bank of New York, Chase National Bank of New York and Hathaway, Smith, Folds & Co., with combined claims of $450,000. Liabilities were set forth as $3,000,000 and assets, exclusive of goodwill, as $2,000,000. The company has plants in Trenton, N. J.; Waterbury, Conn., and Chicago.

Child Dies of Burns

Marie Rose, two years old, 847 North Orkney street, who was badly scalded last Thursday when she fell into a tub of water her mother had heated to wash clothes, died today at the Roosevelt Hospital.

HALTS DISCHARGES FROM ATLANTIC FLEET

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Vice Admiral Hilary P. Jones, commanding the Atlantic Fleet, today ordered that beginning December 28 there should be no further discharges of enlisted men. A reduction of 10 per cent of the enlisted personnel of the fleet had been ordered recently.

$2000 WORTH OF RADIUM FOUND IN ASHES

NEWTON, KAN., Dec. 27.—Nearly $2000 worth of radium, or about one-third of a quantity missing from Axtel Hospital here, has been recovered from 300 pounds of ashes by eastern chemists, it was announced today. The radium disappeared about two months ago, and investigation prompted the theory that it had found its way to the furnace in bandages removed from patients. More ashes will be shipped to the chemists for examination, it was stated.

JAZZ RUSHES POST CLERKS

Phonograph in Harrisburg Office Keeps Men From Getting Weary

Harrisburg, Dec. 27.—Jazz music on a phonograph kept Harrisburg postoffice clerks stepping lively during the holiday rush. Postmaster Sites installed the phonograph and the jazz records to keep the boys from getting weary during the rush, which was the heaviest ever. One million pieces of mail were handled.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR HELP? PERHAPS the very person you want is advertising under Situations on page 29.—Adv.

SKATING AT HAVERFORD

City Park Lakes, However, Are Not Ready for Crowds

Skating enthusiasts have their opportunity for winter sport on the pond at Haverford College today. If the temperature does not make any radical increases it is expected to continue during the week.

There has not been sufficient ice on any of the Park lakes to permit opening. Inspection today showed there was approximately one inch of ice on Gustine Lake. Two and a half inches are required before skating is permitted.

SUBMARINE ISSUE LIKELY TO AWAIT NEW CONFERENCE

Agreement Then May Be Reached for Europe Like Four-Power Pacific Treaty

SETTLEMENT OF SHANTUNG PROBLEM IS PROBABLE

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Washington, Dec. 27.—The Arms Conference waited today to hear from Paris and from Tokio upon submarines. The indications are that an agreement upon undersea craft will go over to a subsequent council.

Like the limitation of land armament, which is definitely put over by the sailing of the British army and aircraft experts this week, the submarine question is a distinctly European question. England's fear of being placed again in the position in which she was placed by German submarines in the late war is the exact parallel of France's fear of a German army.

It cannot be dealt with here except upon the basis of the abolition or radical limitation of submarines, and France's demand for submarines depends upon what assurances she can obtain from Great Britain.

A European agreement similar to the four-Power pact would probably lead France to modify her position upon submarines. But an understanding between England and France in regard to European and Near Eastern policies is still to be reached.

British Not Averse to Delay

A postponement of the submarine question to a future conference would give an opportunity for England and France to get together. It appears here that the English are not adverse to delay, in order, it is said, to give public opinion an opportunity to form upon undersea warfare.

Mr. Hughes would probably like to clean up the submarine issue, but it is not essential to his program. The fact that topics were on the agenda did not mean that the Secretary of State hoped to reach a conclusion with regard to them.

Mr. Hughes had two main objects in the Conference, to reach an agreement upon capital shipbuilding which would end competition in this highly expensive and now dubious instrument of sea warfare, and to end the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. If the four-Power treaty is ratified, and it seems sure to be, with perhaps reservations that will not greatly affect its scope, both these objects of the American Secretary will be realized.

A complete success, the setting of China upon her feet, an agreement along the line upon limitation of navies, the restriction of land armament, the ending of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance without involving the United States in some Pacific combination to replace it were never dreamed of as possible.

"A success in a Conference like this," said a shrewd Dutch observer the other day, "is a 40 or 50 per cent success, and I think this is going to be rather better than that."

Questions Left Open

The Conference will close no question that it cannot settle, but leave it over for the future to deal with. This policy, it is learned from both American and British sources, is likely to be followed with regard to submarines. When an agreement is reached between France and England and when the other small nations of Europe, which might threaten France and England with underwater armament, can be brought into conference the submarine question may be approached more hopefully.

In a similar way China is likely to go over, though there is a desire to reach a settlement of the Shantung issue because of its political importance before the delegates leave here.

The Conference here is in its last days. The delegates are satisfied generally with what has been accomplished. No one wishes to spend endless weeks upon difficulties which may clear up later, as the submarine and land-armament problems may when Europe gets together upon its economic and political problems.

As soon as the final word is obtained from Paris and Tokio a quick windup is in sight, with the Shantung question probably rushed through to settlement in the final hours.

COMPROMISE NEAR ON CHINESE TARIFF

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Prospects of a compromise agreement on the Chinese tariff question were seen by the Chinese delegation today as the sub-committee of the Far East Committee went into session after a two weeks' recess.

The prospective agreement would permit China to levy an effective 5 per cent customs tariff in lieu of the present nominal 3 per cent or effective 3½ per cent. This would result in a substantial increase in Chinese revenues.

The Japanese delegation, it was believed by the Chinese, will announce that the most Japan could concede in an upward revision of the Chinese tar-

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CLASSIFY WAR AIRCRAFT

Planes Military Weapons When Manned by Experienced Fliers

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—In the effort to regulate the use of airplanes in warfare, the subcommittee of the Arms Conference, which is dealing with that subject today had before it, with prospects of adoption, a resolution declaring that all aircraft, airplanes and dirigibles alike, should be considered military weapons only when manned by aviators who have had at least two years' practical experience as military fliers.

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