PLEDGE FAIR FUND, COUNCIL IS URGED

City Must Take Initiative, Declares Mayor, Asking Promise of Five Million

ANNOUNCE SITE IN 3 WEEKS

Mayor Moore this afternoon asked **Council** to pass a resolution pledging the **city to raise** $5,000,000 for the Sesqui-**Centennial.**

In submitting the resolution the **Mayor** said:

"**As a** first step, looking to the submission of more definite and practical plans, a resolution in the nature of a pledge by the Council is submitted herewith for your consideration. The Executive Committee of the Exhibition Association is not wedded to the form of it, but submits it merely as a suggestion of the desirability of prompt and emphatic action, which will be notice to the world that Philadelphia is in earnest and purposes to move vigorously toward the patriotic, world-inspiring goal in 1926."

The Mayor, in his communication, said the celebration must be supported by city, State and nation and other nations and independent bodies.

"In order to inspire others," said the Mayor, "it is believed to be the duty of the city to take the initiative in the biggest, broadest way. In the judgment of the committee and the Mayor, confidence in this great enterprise would be best promoted by a declaration of the Council that it will guarantee in some suitable form not less than $5,000,000, to be applied as needed, leaving the details of expenditures for consideration when a site definitely has been agreed upon and plans have been approved."

Assurance Is Needed

The Mayor continued that if the committee had some assurance of getting the money, they could go ahead with the work of getting the equipment and personnel needed, and could go to Congress and the world for assistance. The Mayor stated a comprehensive inquiry is being made in the matter of sites, and the executive committee expects a report in the next few weeks. The Mayor said there were fourteen sites being considered

When all these data are assembled, the Mayor said, public meetings will be held, so that the advocates of the various locations may be heard from.

"Another suggestion for your consideration," wrote the Mayor, "was that upon sanctioning the financial support asked for by the Executive Committee, the Sesqui-Centennial movement would assume proportions warranting, if your body should think well of it, the resolution of your honorable body into a committee of the whole on Sesqui-Centennial, to be prepared for future questions and details as they may arise.

Before the Mayor's message and resolution were read, Councilman Hall introduced a resolution of his own, to the effect that Council resolve itself into a committee of the whole to take charge of everything pertaining to the Sesqui-Centennial.

Mr. Hall provided that the committee should select its own chairman. In speaking on the resolution he intimated it was the intention to make Richard Weglein, president of Council, chairman of the committee.

The resolution was passed. The Mayor's communication was then read and referred to the committee of the whole just created.

Grading Bill Changed

Council recalled and amended on the floor an omnibus grading ordinance passed last week. The amendment was to strike out provisions for grading Ingersoll street from Taney to Stillman, Seybert street from Taney to Stillman and Taney street from Thompson to Master.

The streets would have traversed the site of the old Spring Garden reservoir, last year cut through by the city and sold as lots. The purchaser had agreed to do this grading. It would have cost the city $20,000, it was estimated.

Director Caven, of the Department of Public Works, presented to Council today a copy of his answer to the recent letter of Dr. Edward Martin, Commissioner of the State Department of Health, in which the Commissioner urges immediate steps to stop pollution of the Delaware River.

In his reply Director Caven draws attention to the fact $2,000,000 is all the city can now spend upon sewage conversion, and outlines the work along these lines, from the opening of the Pennypack Creek sewage disposal plant down to the work now going on at the Northeast plant, which was started in 1917.

WANT POLICE EXAMINERS

Civil Service Board Asks Council for Three More Employes

The Civil Service Commission, in a communication from its president, Clinton Rogers Woodruff, today asked Council to authorize the acquisition of three additional investigators, at a salary of $1800 each, to examine the 800 applicants for police positions who will take the examinations in the near future.

The examination of these men, the communication states, would take many weeks, if done only by the two examiners now at work.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee, as was the ordinance introduced last week providing for the loan of $1,000,000 to the Delaware River Bridge Commission.

BOULEVARD IN PARK SYSTEM

Fairmount Commission to Let Old Traffic Regulations Stay

The custody of the Roosevelt boulevard has been given over to the Fairmount Park Commission by action of City Council.

Richard Weglein, president of Council, read at today's meeting a letter he wrote to Eli Kirk Price, of the Park Commission, asking whether any changes would be made in the present traffic regulations governing the use of the boulevard. Mr. Price's reply stated the boulevard would remain a thoroughfare for pleasure and burden vehicles, as heretofore.

STADIUM BILL AMENDED

Council Changes Ordinance and Then Repasses It

The ordinance passed by Council last week, authorizing the extension of the projected stadium at Franklin Field out over adjacent streets, was recalled from the Mayor's office today to receive minor amendments which will permit it to comply with the regulations of the Department of Public Safety.

It was then repassed and returned to the Mayor for his consideration.

DO YOU OWN A CAT?
You'll be interested in "The Day of the Cat" to be featured in Magazine Section of next Sunday's PUBLIC LEDGER.—Adv.

RELIEF WORKERS TYPHUS VICTIMS

Three Dead, Four Ill of Dread Disease in Russia Famine Area

FAMINE HORRORS GROW

By the Associated Press

Moscow, Jan. 5.—Russia has begun the year 1922 with eight months of unspeakable horror before her and the terrible dread that next summer's crop may only slightly relieve the gnawing famine.

At Tsaritsyn, Saratof, Samara, Ufa, Orenburg and Kazan frozen bodies are stacked high awaiting burial in trenches which workmen cannot prepare fast enough for the victims of famine, exposure and typhus—and every day the situation is growing worse.

American relief workers, who originally cautiously placed the number of probable deaths in the famine area this winter at 2,000,000, now say that 5,000,000 is a low estimate, and many say the number may reach 10,000,000, or even more. This is possible particularly since the shortage of horses, oxen and camels makes it impossible to reach the more remote sections and since it is predicted the typhus epidemic probably will be the worst that Russia has ever suffered

Relief Workers Typhus Victims

The Americans are feeding nearly 1,000,000 children, and the British and various other organizations are furnishing nourishment for at least 100,000 under the most dangerous conditions.

Dr. Reginald Farrar, of the Epidemics Commission of the League of Nations; Miss Mary Patterson, of the English Quaker Relief Mission, and Dr. Guertner, of the German Red Cross, have died within the last week of typhus contracted in the famine area.

Miss Nancy Bobb and William Kenworthy, of the English Quaker unit, are ill with typhus at Busuciuk, near Saratof, and Anna Louise Strong, of Seattle, who is associated with the English Quaker organization, is recovering from the same malady in Moscow. Colonel Bell, of the American Relief Administration, is convalescing from the disease at Ufa.

These cases have occurred among less than fifty foreign relief workers in the famine area, who exerted every precaution to avoid contracting typhus. The disease is so prevalent throughout all of the Volga region and in Turkestan that the Soviet Government has stopped all passenger service to and from these regions.

Living Worse Off Than Dead

George Newes, of the British Save the Children Fund, reports he saw 250 frozen bodies, many of whom were children, buried in a trench at Saratof in one day. He says trainloads of refugee children, underfed and scantily clad, are riding from the famine area in such a pitiable condition that the living children are worse off than the dead.

The Soviet Government has agreed to grant the American Relief Administration the use of 8000 cars and 200 locomotives, required to move the supplies which the $20,000,000 just appropriated by the United States will provide. It is estimated that 200 cars and five locomotives will be required daily for forty days.

Although the higher officials of the Bolshevist Government are giving the American relief workers co-operation, there is a spirit of criticism manifested in many quarters, which is surprising to the Americans.

Americans Criticized

In the recent all-Russia congress Dr. Fridtjof Nansen and the official heads were commended much more heartily than was the American delegation. Delegates from the floor criticized the Americans for permitting priests on their local committees.

Russian newspapers are carrying little publicity about the American organization, and are not permitted to print matter which does not come through the Bolshevik liaison office between the American organization and the Soviet Government.

Americans say this suspicious attitude is a handicap to their work, but they believe this attitude will disappear with the proposed limitation of the activities of the Soviet Cheka.

NEWBERRY TO FACE SENATE

Expected to Personally Defend His Claim to Seat

Washington, Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—Senator Newberry, the title to whose seat is to be decided next week, returned to the Capitol today and began preparations to clear himself against the charges made by Henry Ford, his Democratic opponent.

Mr. Newberry conferred with Senator Spencer, chairman of the Election Committee, which conducted the inquiry into the Michigan case. When the Newberry case got into debate in the Senate, Senator Spencer said that there was "quite a probability that the junior Senator from Michigan would come before the Senate to make a statement."

Senator Harrison, Democrat, of Mississippi, asked that the limitation to be placed on debate early next week be not applied to Mr. Newberry, declaring the one-hour period was not sufficient for a man whose seat is contested to defend himself. Senator Spencer objected to the proposed change, saying there was no necessity for it. The objection killed the suggested change.

SOCIETY WOMEN AS MODELS

Exhibit Exquisite Costumes at Art Alliance Gathering

A number of exquisite costumes were exhibited at the Art Alliance this afternoon by Miss Peggy Thayer, Mrs. David Lewis, Miss Elfrieda M. Klauder, Mrs. William J. Baird, Mrs. Harrison K. Caner, Jr., Mrs. Dobson Altemus, Mrs. Georgianna Brown Harbeson and Mrs. W. Neilson Edwards. The same women, all socially prominent, will show the gowns again tonight.

Mrs. Bertha Holley, an artist, spoke this afternoon, and will talk again this evening. Following her talk this afternoon an informal reception was held for which the hostesses were Mrs. Harrison K. Caner, Jr., Mrs. George Dallas Dixon, Mrs. Henry S. Jeanes, Mrs. Charles Z. Klauder, Mrs. Joseph Lathrop, Mrs. J. Bertram Lippincott, Mrs. George Horace Lorimer, Mrs. Imogen B. Oakley, Miss Harriet Sartain, Miss Caroline Sinkler, Mrs. J. Madison Taylor and Mrs. Carroll R. Williams.

Missing Ex-Soldier Sought

An appeal has been made to the police by the family of Mrs. Martha A. Beck, of 915 North Thirteenth street, to locate her son, a former service man, who has been missing since he was mustered out of the service two years ago. Mrs. Beck died this morning. She was sixty-two years old and had been in ill health some time.

WHERE ONE WAS KILLED AND TWO HURT IN FIRE

Residence of Charles Greene, Woodbury, N. J., damaged by fire early today. The white figure to the left indicates Mr. Greene diving from a second-story window with four-year old son in his arms. The black figure shows the servant, Sarah Paige, leaping from third-story window. George Green, Jr., brother-in-law, who rushed into the blazing home and saved six-year-old Lotta Greene, is shown in the circle. The child died later. Below is Charles Greene, the father, who suffered a broken leg and arm in his jump. The son he clutched was u--ratched

IS OWN ASSISTANT LAWYER AT TRIAL FOR SLAYING WIFE

Directs Defense as Jury Is Told He Shot Wife on Street

Taking an active part in his own defense by taking notes and advising his attorney, William Benjamin went on trial for his life today before Judge Davis. Benjamin is charged with the murder of his wife Matilda, who was shot June 17, 1921, and died two days later.

Assistant District Attorney Kelley charged Benjamin willfully, deliberately and with premeditation killed his wife. The jury was told the defendant lay in wait for his wife behind an automobile at Twenty-second street and Montgomery avenue; that when she returned from her day's work he shot her.

Benjamin was pursued and when returned to where his wife was dying in the street, said, according to the Assistant District Attorney: "I'm sorry I didn't give her the other barrel and make a good job of it."

MUST FACE TRIAL

Bond Salesman Loses Fight to Avoid Hearing Here

Losing his fight in Supreme Court in New York to gain his freedom on a writ of habeas corpus and defeat extradition proceedings, Murray Kohl, a New York stock salesman, was returned here today in custody of Detective Bolay.

Kohl, who was accompanied by his wife, is wanted here to answer charges of securing money by fraud from Michael Wahl, of 1236 North Twenty-ninth street.

According to the complaint, Kohl came to Philadelphia last August to deliver some oil stock bought by Wahl. He is said to have represented that he had for sale railroad stock valued at $2000 for which he asked $1500. Wahl paid and received the stock. Later he learned the stock was valueless. The firm which employed Kohl denied knowledge of the transaction, stating it had never dealt in the stock referred to.

$2275 LOST IN LIQUOR DEAL

Chester Man Out Cost of Booze and $1000 Fine

West Chester, Pa., Jan. 5.—At a special session of court today Michael Swartz, who conducted a drug store in Chester, pleaded guilty to transporting liquor, and was sentenced by Judge Butler to pay a fine of $1000 within two weeks. The prison sentence was suspended and one for carrying a revolver was not pressed.

Swartz was arrested by a State trooper near West Grove several weeks ago while carrying eighty-five gallons of alcohol in his automobile. Near West Grove his machine became disabled and an inquisitive State trooper found the liquor, which was confiscated. Swartz had paid $15 a gallon for it in Baltimore and had it sold in Chester for $22 a gallon. He loses the money paid for the alcohol in addition to the fine.

15 YEARS FOR AUTO THIEF

Judge Monaghan Gives Stiff Sentence for 1920 Crime

Thomas A Waters, was sentenced to Eastern Penitentiary today to serve from eleven to fifteen years by Judge Monaghan on charges of robbery and assault.

Waters entered a garage early in December, 1920, and at the point of a revolver took the automobile of John Whitaker. Traffic Officer Jacob R. Winkle, Jr., later saw the stolen automobile and jumped on the running board. He was thrown off by Walter.

EGYPTIAN OFFICIAL SHOT

Crimes Dept. Controller Wounded in Attempted Assassination

Cairo, Egypt, Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—Badreldine Bey, Controller of the Egyptian Government Crimes Department, narrowly escaped assassination today at the hands of a youth, believed to be a student.

The Controller was seriously wounded by a revolver shot. He returned the fire and pursued his assailant, but the latter escaped.

Badreldine Bey has been prominent in the prosecution of the "vengeance gang," an anti-British organization, seven of whose members were sentenced to death last year, but had their sentences commuted.

PENN INVITED TO PARIS

French Ask Quaker Track Men to Enter Reunion Games

An invitation for a University of Pennsylvania relay team to compete in Paris has been received by Lawson Robertson, track coach, from Captain Maurice Delvart, who ran here with the French relay team in the Penn games. Robertson is asked to enter a Quaker quartet in the French Reunion Games to be held on April 16 and 17.

Robertson said today that he would present the invitation to the Red and Blue Track Committee at the next meeting.

Foster Home Board to Meet

The annual meeting of the Foster Home Association will be held at the home, Twenty-fourth and Poplar streets, Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

COMMERCIAL AVIATION
New era of improvement in transportation facilities—see "Around the World in Three Weeks," in Magazine Section of next Sunday's Public Ledger.—Adv.

Child Dead, Father Injured in Fire

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dow broken, nor of the waiter's shouts, but said she had a vague notion that she was awakened by the crackling of the Christmas tree which was in a room on the first floor directly below her bedchamber. She said when she did wake up and opened the door the whole lower floor seemed to be in flames and smoke was pouring up the staircase.

The whole family escaped in their night clothes and every particle of clothing in the house was burned. The blaze destroyed the interior of the building and even leaped into the back yard, damaging an automobile in a nearby shed. The children and Mrs. Greene went to the home of Mr. Greene's uncle, Judge Lewis Starr, across the street, where they were administered to by Mrs. Greene, mother of the woman.

Mrs. Starr and Mrs. Greene went among neighbors and relatives to gather clothing, as well as shopping as much as possible in what stores were open.

The surviving children, innocent apparently of any knowledge that their sister had died in the hospital, were playing at the piano in their grandmother's home this morning and prattling excitedly about their adventure.

Greene is an automobile salesman in this city. It is feared his injuries are more serious than apparent.

Deaths of a Day

CALEB S. RIDGWAY

Son of Former Philadelphia Hotelman Dies on Jersey Estate

Burlington, N. J., Jan. 5.—Caleb S. Ridgway, seventy-four years old, son of the late Jacob Ridgway, formerly proprietor of the Ridgway House, Philadelphia, died on his country estate, near Columbia, Tuesday night, after an illness of several weeks. Complications caused his death.

He is survived by his widow and three children, Mrs. Sarah Bruce, of New York City; Jacob Ridgway, of Columbus, and Ridgewood Ridgway, of Philadelphia.

William Hank

William Hank, seventy-two years old, of 1517 Hollywood street, fell dead while walking at Twenty-seventh and Oxford streets, about 9 o'clock last evening. He was rushed to the Northwestern General Hospital, where it was disease.

Arthur Pressey

Arthur Pressey, a probation officer, died today at his home, 113 Chestnut street, Haddonfield, N. J. He was fifty-five years old. Prior to his appointment as probation officer, he was Recorder. Mr. Pressey had been a resident of Haddonfield for thirty-five years.

Man Overcome Saving Clothes

Fire in the home of Morris Volovitch, 3327 Cumberland street, resulted in $300 damage last night. The fire was caused by a defective flue. Philip Fagan, a boarder, was overcome by smoke when he tried to save some of his belongings. He was rescued by firemen, and was revived at the Women's Homeopathic Hospital.

Parents Rescue Children in Fire

Two small children were carried to the street by their parents early this morning when fire was discovered in a tenement house at 716 Lombard street. The blaze started in the kitchen of the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, Negroes. The damage amounted to several hundred dollars and was confined to the Johnson apartment.

Armory Looted of Ten Pistols

Ten automatic .38-caliber revolvers was the loot taken from the Sixth Regiment Armory, Forty-first and Mantua streets by sneak thieves. The automatics were kept in a storeroom.

COURT SAYS KIND WORD FOR MOTHERS-IN-LAW

Presence in Son's Home Not Cause for Wife to Leave

Norristown, Pa., Jan. 5.—In granting a divorce to Leonard Henry, of Montclaire, from his wife, Victoria Henry, Judge John Faber Miller, of Montgomery County courts, gives a helping hand to the much maligned mother-in-law. He says she has a place in her son's home, and her presence is not sufficient cause for the wife to leave.

In the testimony it developed that Mrs. Henry was jealous of the attentions which her husband paid to his invalid mother. They had quarrels about it and she left.

Judge Miller, in his decree, says: "The mere physical presence in the house of her husband's mother, without anything else, is not recognized by the law as reasonable cause for a wife to desert her husband, and that when she does willfully and maliciously desert him without reasonable cause, and for the second time within three months, he is not required to hunt for her, and if she is found, entreat her to return."

CATHOLIC STAR ELIGIBLE

Coffey, Forward Luminary, Will Play Today

Frank Coffey, the speedy forward and acting captain of the Catholic High School five, who has been ineligible for the basketball five for the last three weeks on account of scholastic trouble, became eligible for further games by removing his conditions today.

This announcement coming on the eve of the Atlantic City High game and the two league games of next week makes the Purple and Gold outlook all the more brighter. Coffey is one of the best floor workers in the scholastic circles of the city and his loss was sorely felt the last three weeks.

He will be back at his old post paired with Bill Logan at forward when the Cahillites oppose the St. Joseph Prep School in their second Catholic League game next Tuesday.

This game was originally scheduled to be played in the auditorium of Catholic High, but at the last moment it was changed and will be played in the Second Regiment Armory at Broad street and Susquehanna avenue.

Catholic's other league appearance next week will also be played at the Second Regiment Armory instead of the auditorium of the school.

It was also announced the league game which was scheduled for tomorrow between Villanova Prep and the new addition Salesannum High, to be played in the former's gym, has been postponed and will be played Saturday night, January 21.

PLAY CAPTAIN BALL

West Philadelphia High School Girls in Exciting Game

An exciting game of captain ball was staged this afternoon by the girls of the West Philadelphia High School between teams representing sections 4-B and 3-B in the gymnasium of the institution. The game, which is played with an indoor baseball, kept the twenty-four lassies on the jump from start to finish. Two ten-minute halves were played, and the 4-B girls came through with flying colors by the score of 13 to 2. At the end of the first half the winners led by 8 points to 2.

The teams were made up as follows:

In another game the 4-A girls defeated the 3-A team, 6 to 1.

4-B—Misses Dorothy Nixon, Jean Barton, Helen Farr, Ora Coder, Isabel McCaughin, Mary Hipple, Beatrice Lamb, Caroline Young, Margaret Moore, Mary Campbell, Catherine Horn, Betty Garde.

3-B—Misses Elizabeth Bartlett, Carmelitta Carroll, Grace Likens, Eleanor Cullen, Mary Dufour, Zarock Zakes, Mary Stevenson, Dorothea Kern, Frances McCafferty, Virginia Coombes, Alice Bloom, Una Schaefer.

The referee was Miss Cullen.

Rosa Lee Pays 12-1 in First

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Consul, Crest, Cremona, Magikon, aBashful, Bertha S. also ran.

SECOND RACE, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $1000, 6 furlongs:

1. Oralegge, 112, McCoy ... 7-2 7-5 7-10
2. Pavia, 106, Thomas ... 15-1 6-1 3-1
3. Philanderer, 107, A. Wilson ... 20-1 8-1 4-1

Time, 1:14 1-5. Marjorie M., Rancocas, Herald, Murphy, Fluzey, Loys, Capers, Miss Rankin and Corkey W. also ran.

THIRD RACE, the Black Hawk Purse, three-year-olds, purse $1000, 5½ furlongs:

1. Penitent, 103, Coltiletti ... 11-5 even 2-5
2. Comic Song, 112, Turner ... 13-5 6-5 3-5
3. Fly Ball, 108, A. Wilson ... 10-1 4-1 2-1

Time, 1:07. Lieut. Colonel, Eager Eyer, Image, Brilliant Ray, Happy Buxton, Fred Kinney, Omnipotent and Stickpin also ran.

HAVANA RESULTS

FIRST RACE, three-year-olds and up, claiming, $700, 5½ furlongs:

1. Toss Up, 111, Kennedy ... 7-2 6-5 3-5
2. War Tax, 101, Doyle ... 12-1 5-1 5-2
3. Light Fantastic, 104, Chalmers ... 2-1 4-5 2-5

Time, 1:07 4-5. Artesmisa, Mabel Reynolds, Hibbler, Acclamation, Shorty's First, Onota, John J. Riley, Col. Rockinghorse and Dragoon also ran.

SECOND RACE, for four-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $700, 5½ furlongs:

1. War Map, 109, Burns ... 12-1 5-1 5-2
2. Memphis, 106, Scheffel ... 3-1 6-5 3-5
3. Maysville, 106, Penman ... 8-1 3-1 8-5

Time, 1:06 3-5. Eliza O., Buford, Cy Merrick, Ravenses, Heizz, Sevillian and Bierman also ran.

THIRD RACE, four-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $700, 1 mile:

1. Alf Venize, 110, Corry ... 2-1 4-5 2-5
2. Ava R., 107, Kennedy ... 7-2 6-5 3-5
3. High Olympus, 105, Chalmers ... 20-1 8-1 4-1

Time, 1:41 3-5. Tov Along, Pocatello, Sain Rose, Scar Flank, Jose de Valca, Dike and Triomphant also ran.

FOURTH RACE, four-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $700, 1 mile:

1. Hazel W., 100, Scheffel ... 7-1 5-2 6-5
2. Currency, 110, N. Swart ... 4-1 8-5 4-5
3. Quaker, 110, Brydges ... 6-1 2-1 even

Time, 1:40 1-5. Lieut. Wm. J. Murray, Sun Rose, Tim J. Hogan, Butt-a and Chico also ran.

PREACHER TO HEAD STATE DRY FORCES

Early Appointment of the Rev. J. T. Davis as Prohibition Director Forecast

McCONNELL TO RESIGN

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, Jan. 5.—Appointment of the Rev. John Thomas Davis, of Blairsville, Indiana County, as Federal Prohibition Director for Pennsylvania was forecast today on official authority.

It was said Davis' appoinment may be expected in the next few days, and that, coincidentally, the resignation of William C. McConnell as Prohibition Director will be officially announced.

Davis, whose name has been prominently mentioned in connection with the prohibition post, was said to have been approved by Senator Penrose. The late Senator had agreed to "go along" on Davis, and also guaranteed the resignation of McConnell, informing officials interested in the Pennsylvania enforcement problem he would back them up in the reorganization program.

The Senator had seen Davis and talked with him and it was understood the change would be made immediately after the holidays.

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes was out of the city today. In his absence, other officials were reluctant to discuss the prospective change in Pennsylvania. It was said unofficially, however, that Senator Penrose's death does not change the situation.

S. F. Rutter will remain in Philadelphia for the present as associate director and head of the field force in Pennsylvania, it was said.

John Exnicios, whose recent controversy with Federal Judges in Pittsburgh embarrassed the prohibition unit and threatened to bring Exnicios into contempt of court, is to be retained at Pittsburgh in charge of enforcement work in the western end of the State, according to present plans.

If Davis is appointed, the drys will at last have one of their own number in the prohibition directorship. He is an out-an-out prohibitionist, is entitled to be called "Reverend" by virtue of ordination in the ministry, and has the backing of the Anti-Saloon League and church organizations in Pennsylvania. He is regarded by Commissioner Haynes, who investigated his qualifications thoroughly, as exceptionally well equipped for the post.

He is Chairman of the Law and Order Committee in the lower branch of the State Legislature, and has been active in religious, reform and educational work in Pennsylvania for many years. He is now engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in Blairsville.

Davis is a native of North Carolina, but has lived in Pennsylvania since his youth. He was educated in North Carolina and Pennsylvania schools, attended Bucknell College and was prepared for the ministry in Princeton Theological Seminary.

CRIME HINT IN NOTEBOOK

Memorandum Held to Supply Motive for Killing Policeman

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—A memorandum found in a notebook on the body of Policeman James A. Preston, of Wakefield, was attacked as incompetent for admission as evidence in a brief submitted today by counsel for Clarence W. Loud, of Melrose, a shoe salesman, who is on trial for the alleged murder of Preston.

The memorandum was: "Clarence W. Loud-Alice Bennett, April 9, 9:10 P. M.," with an additional notation of a statutory offense. It is the contention of the State that the police officer surprised Loud and a woman in Loud's automobile on the lonely Lowell road in Wakefield and that when the patrolman indicated his intention to prosecute he was shot and killed.

LIVESTOCK TRADER SHOT

Kansas City Man Killed in Lobby of Exchange—Two Others Wounded

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—Harry Bruener, of Des Moines, was shot and killed, and Adolph Drahos, Cedar Rapids, Ia., and W. B. Hall, Kansas City, were wounded when, according to witnesses, Frank Thompson, a stock raiser of Olathe, Kan., opened fire on Bruener in the crowded lobby of the Livestock Exchange here today.

Drahos and Hall, railroad livestock agents, were bystanders and each was struck by one bullet. Drahos was wounded in one leg and Hall in the abdomen.

At police headquarters it was stated Thompson admitted the shooting, but declined to say why it had taken place. Bruener was employed by a local commission concern and was engaged in trading on several livestock markets.

GAS BLAST KILLS MINER

Two Others Badly Injured in North Scranton Pit

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—One man was killed and two others badly burned today by an explosion of gas in a mine operated by the Leggett Creek Coal Company at North Scranton.

The dead man is Peter Gustitus, forty. Men burned are Victor Racunis, thirty, and Joseph Saskalouska, forty. They are in a hospital.

DENTIST'S WIFE ADMITS INTOXICATION THREE TIMES

Defendant in Divorce Action at Shore Denies It Was Her Fault

Atlantic City, Jan. 5.—Mrs. Marguerite Buhre Fitzsimons resumed the stand today in the divorce action brought against her by Dr. Otto Leroy Fitzsimons, wealthy dentist.

Mrs. Fitzsimons today vigorously denied that she had ever made the statement "Fitz, you have enough on me to hang me."

The witness admitted that she had been under the influence of intoxicating liquor three times during her married life, but disclaimed that in any instance it was her fault. On one occasion, she said, her husband had brought two other dentists home to dinner and wine was served. She took too much and drank some more when other company came after dinner, getting sick and becoming unconscious.

On another occasion she had taken liquor on the advice of a friend after infection from a tooth extraction and she said her husband advised her not to drink on an empty stomach.

Explaining the charge that she entertained generously at her apartments, Mrs. Fitzsimons stated on the stand today that she felt "the need of social diversion," and was obliged to entertain her friends because she saw "so little of har husband."

INDICT SEWER PIPE MEN

Eleven Firms Charged With Violation of the Sherman Law

New York, Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—Indictments charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law have been returned by a Federal Grand Jury against eleven corporations and ten individuals, alleged to have been members of a sewer pipe combine. The indictments, returned secretly several weeks ago, were unsealed today.

Defendants named were:

The Central Foundry Company and Robert R. Rust, of that company; Somerville Iron Works and William J. Kirby; Krupp Iron Foundry and W. A. Brecht; Salem Brass and Iron Works and H. C. Hart; J. B. Johnson Company and J. B. Johnson, Jr.; A. Weiskittel & Sons Company and Harry C. Weiskittel; National Foundry Company, of New York, Inc., and Max C. Niman; Sanitary Company of America, and E. M. Rhodes; Haines, Jones & Cadbury, Inc., and T. N. Livesey; Essex Foundry Company, Abendroth Brothers and Charles F. Tuttle, secretary of the Eastern Soil Pipe Manufacturers' Association.

The indictments were returned on evidence unearthed by the Lockwood Legislative Committee.

TRAFFIC DICTATOR FOR N. Y.

Plan to Control All Vehicles in Manhattan From Central Point

New York, Jan. 5.—Dr. John F. Harriss, Special Deputy Police Commissioner, began experimenting yesterday with powerful signal lights which will be installed from week to week until traffic in most of Manhattan will be simultaneously stopped and started by red, green and yellow lights, all operated by a single switch in Times Square.

When the system is fully in operation it will mean that a traffic dictator seated in the center of the city will press a button causing scores of red lights to flash and halting tens of thousands of vehicles at once on the most crowded streets of Manhattan, while allowing tens of thousands of other vehicles and hundreds of thousands of pedestrians to proceed.

Automobile drivers will no longer be started at one corner and stopped at the next, said Dr. Harriss. The signal remains on in Fifth avenue now from one-half a minute to three-quarters of a minute. If all traffic signals are synchronized throughout the city automobiles will be allowed to proceed uninterruptedly for a regular number of blocks after each signal.

URGES NEW WHEAT TARIFF

Ladd Asks for Protection of Growers in Northwest

Washington, Jan. 5.—(By A. P.)—Taxes on imports of wheat and flax which would protect growers of those crops in the Northwest against "ultimate extinction" was asked of Senate tariff makers today by Senator Ladd, of North Dakota. He asked for a tariff levy of twenty-five cents a bushel, or the House bill rate, on wheat and sixty-five cents per 100 pounds, or fifteen cents above the House rate, on flour.

The rate on flax, Mr. Ladd said, should be forty cents a bushel as against a tax of twenty cents in the present emergency law and twenty-five cents in the House bill. As a compensatory duty on flaxseed oils, the Senator asked for three and one-half cents a pound, or approximately twenty-six cents a gallon.

BANK ASKS MORE CITY PAY

Boost From $24,000 to $36,000 Sought for Acting as Fiscal Agent

A request for additional compensation has been made by the Philadelphia National Bank through its vice president, Howard W. Lewis, for acting as fiscal agent for the city.

The request was sent to Mayor Moore and suggested that the present compensation of $24,000 be increased to $36,000. Mr. Lewis points out that the scope of the work has been enlarged, making the increase necessary.

The Mayor forwarded the request to Council, where it will be considered by the Finance Committee.

I. C. C. DISCUSSES PENDING RAIL BILLS

Board Reaffirms Its Power to Fix Intrastate Rates

COURT DECISION CITED

By the Associated Press

Washington, Jan. 5.—Interstate Commerce Commissioners Hall, Esch and Campbell appeared before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee today to present the views of the commission on the bills now pending which propose amendments to the Transportation Act.

The aggregate valuation of $18,900,000,000, placed by the commission on railroad properties as a basis for estimating return, was determined, Mr. Hall said, by taking into consideration the original cost of the properties, cost of reproduction, the accrued depreciation, the amount of investments, the corporate histories of the properties, the value of the lands, and other values and "elements of value, if any."

Commissioner Hall pointed out that the commission would have granted an increase in freight rates in order to give the railroads the Government guarantee, but found it necessary to provide for an increase in interstate passenger fares also when the Labor Board granted increases in wages.

Commissioner Hall insisted that under the decisions of the Supreme Court the commission has authority to remove any discrimination between interstate and intrastate rates and fares.

"We did not undertake to fix a single intrastate rate," Commissioner Hall declared, "although we could have done so."

Chairman Cummins directed the commissioner's attention to the charge that the commssion had authorized the railroads to increase intrastate rates "to remove the disparity" with interstate rates.

"In no case did we regard the disparity alone and by itself," the commissioner replied, "as establishing undue prejudice and unjust discrimination. If we had been inclined to do so, there would have been no necessity for the prolonged hearings and investigation of railroad values."

The Transportation Act was described by Commissioner Hall as providing the commission "short cuts" to accomplish what it was otherwise authorized by law to do.

Commissioner Hall told the committee that it was not until after the State Commissions had failed to take action in adjusting discriminating interstate rates, of which the railroads had complained, that the commission authorized the railroads to increase their State rates to the level of the interstate rates. He denied that the rates in twenty-four States had been "frozen" or made immovable by the action taken by the Federal Commission.

MAYOR OF CHESTER ROBBED

Now Has Job of Ferreting Out Thief of Shaving Set

Chester, Pa., Jan. 5.—Acting Chief of Police William T. Ramsey has been busy the last few days interviewing Mayor William T. Ramsey in a very personal case of theft which occurred right in the city executive's office.

An admirer of the Mayor gave him a silver-mounted shaving set valued at $50. With the general public visiting the City Hall over the holidays, it is believed some one saw a chance to reduce his barber bill and grabbed the hair-removing equipment.

With the resignation of Chief of Police Davenport, the Mayor assumed the police executive duties, and as plain William T. Ramsey he is wondering what success the Mayor and Acting Chief of Police will have with this bit of detective work.

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DEATHS

ORAM.—On Jan. 5, 1922, JOHN F., son of Lavinia and the late William H. M. Oram. Friends may call Friday evening at his late residence, 5719 Baltimore ave. Interment at Shamokin, Pa., Saturday afternoon.

CUMMINGS.—On Jan. 5, 1922, LOUISA W., widow of Henry K. Cummings. Services on Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at the residence, 4246 Pine st. Interment private.

ROYER.—At Strafford, Pa., on Jan. 4, ANNA H. ROYER, widow of Dr. J. Warren Royer, in her 88d year. Services at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Jessie R. Greaves, Strafford, Pa., Saturday, 11 A. M. Further services at 2 P. M., at St. Luke's Reformed Church at Trappe, Pa.

BASSOLS.—Suddenly, Jan. 4, at his late residence, 146 E. Washington lane, Germantown, FRANK, husband of Hester Read Bassols. Due notice of funeral will be given.

PRESSEY.—Jan. 5, 1922, ARTHUR, husband of Ella Pressey (nee Schwab), of 113 Chestnut st., Haddonfield, N. J. Funeral and interment strictly private. Friends may call Friday, 7 to 9 P. M.

LOFTUS.—Jan. 3, Miss ANNIE LOFTUS, aged 76. Relatives and friends invited to funeral Saturday, 7:30 A. M., from parlors of D. F. Gallagher, 2321 E. Huntingdon st. Mass at St. Anne's Church, 9 A. M. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

WILKINSON.—Jan. 5, SUSIE B., widow of William S. Wilkinson, aged 70. Funeral services Saturday, 2:30 P. M., at late residence, 5739 Hadfield st. Interment strictly private, Arlington Cemetery. Viewing Friday evening.

RINGWALT.—Jan. 3, 1922, MARGARET L. RINGWALT. Funeral services on Saturday, 11 A. M., at 556 College ave., Lancaster. Interment New Holland, Pa.

BRANDSTAETTER.—Jan. 4, CHRISTIAN, husband of Maggie Brandstaetter, formerly of 1338 N. 4th st. Relatives and friends, William Penn Bund, No. 39, D. O. S. R.; Vollmer Kranken Unt Verein Court Patrick Henry, No. 231, F. of A., invited to attend funeral services, Sunday, 2 P. M., parlors C. F. Brenner, 1532 N. 4th st. Interment private.

DOBLE.—Jan. 3, at Scranton, Pa., EMMA K., widow of William Doble. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral, Saturday, 2 P. M., from residence of her son, E. Frank Griffith, 6608 Van Dyke st., Tacony. Interment Magnolia Cemetery.

MALLON.—Suddenly, Jan. 5, 1922, JOSEPH, beloved son of Sarah A. and late James F. Mallon, and grandson of late Joseph and Sarah Keenan. Relatives and friends, also all societies of which he was a member, are invited to attend funeral, Monday, 8:30 A. M., from his mother's residence, 3625 N. 5th st. Solemn requiem mass St. Veronica's Church, 10 A. M. precisely. Interment New Cathedral Cemetery.

MacKINNON. — Jan. 5, 1922, AGNES, widow of Samuel MacKinnon, at her late residence, Elkins Park. Due notice of funeral will be given.

HULME.—At Miami, Fla., First month, 3d, in the 72d year of his age, ROBERT R. HULME. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral, on Seventh day, First month, 7th, at 2 P. M., at the residence of his son, Arthur K. Hulme, 5528 Morris st., Germantown. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

BECK.—On Jan. 4, 1922, MARTHA A., [illegible] Albert Beck (nee Iaby), aged 62. Relatives and friends invited to funeral [illegible] Monday, at 1 P. M., at 915 N. 13th st. Interment private, North[illegible] Cemetery. Friends may call Sunday from 7 to 9. Harrisburg papers please copy.

TURNER.—At Bethlehem, Pa., on Jan. 4, 1922, LYDIA SIMS TURNER (nee Deitz), wife of Albert Turner. Relatives and friends are invited to the services on Saturday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, at the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem, Pa. Interment private, at Memorial Park Cemetery.

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