

# SEAT SCARCITY AT TRADE SCHOOL

Girl Pupils Herded Into Quarters at Eleventh and Pine Streets

## BUILDING ANTIQUATED

The opening exercises of a school were planned on the theory that a general gathering will inspire the pupils and arouse enthusiasm for the day's work.

Some 500 girls were crowded into a small room to hear a reading of the scripture and to take part in some singing.

That is the situation each morning at the Girls' Trade School, located in the old school building on Pine street just west of Eleventh street.

Here in a small room on the first floor the girls are herded each morning. There are not enough chairs for a fourth of the girls, and to make the room worse the room, which in later periods is the sewing room, is filled with tables and other impediments.

Morning assembly starts at 9 o'clock. Fifteen minutes before that hour each day the girls begin to flock into the room. The first rowers occupy the seats, the next gain positions of vantage on the tables, and the later arrivals crowd into any available space until the room is blockaded to the doors.

The entire building has outlived its usefulness. In many places the outside light is visible through cracks between baseboard and floor. It is drafts in some places and stuffy in others, and as the children pass from room to room there are plenty of chances to catch a cold.

Despite the unfortunate conditions, Miss Ruth Hill will continue to do her best to keep up spirits and succeed in turning out work that has won praise wherever exhibited. The girls who take the courses are offered good positions as dressmakers, milliners and in many other trades.

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# GIRLS' TRADE SCHOOL'S EFFICIENCY HAMPERED



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**Neighbors Save Life of Girl Wrapped in Flames**  
Child Badly Burned When Dress Takes Fire From Gas Stove

Marie Burnell, thirteen years old, of 1257 South Ringgold street, is in St. Agnes' Hospital badly burned on the face, neck, arms and shoulders. Her dress took fire yesterday from a gas range in her home. She is screaming from the back yard, her clothing ablaze. Her condition is serious.

George O'Donnell, 1733 South Ringgold street, a neighbor attracted by the child's screams, climbed a fence and attempted to tear the burning clothes from her body with his hands, which were badly burned.

Mrs. James McElhenry, of 1731 South Twenty-fourth street, another neighbor, ran from her home with a coat and wrapped it around the girl, extinguishing the flames. She was also burned on the hands and arms.

Both Mrs. McElhenry and O'Donnell, a World War veteran, received treatment at the hospital.

**TO BAPTIZE 40 PERSONS**  
Dr. Conwell Will Officiate for Last Time on Thanksgiving Day

The Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, founder of Temple University, will officiate at the rite of baptism for the fortieth anniversary of his pastorate.

Dr. Conwell has presided at few baptisms recently because of his advanced age. On Thanksgiving Day at the Grace Baptist Temple, Broad and Berks streets, he will immerse forty persons, one for each year of his pastorate.

**Man Stricken on Tugboat Dies**  
John McElroy, sixty years old, 3525 Lancaster avenue, who was seized with acute indigestion on a tugboat in the Schuylkill River near Walnut street yesterday, was later removed to a hospital and then taken to the Polyclinic Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

**TILDEN MUCH BETTER**  
William T. Tilden, American tennis champion, who recently underwent an operation on one of his legs for an infection, was reported much improved today by his doctor, Dr. W. B. Swartzley, at the Germantown Hospital.

## OPPOSE "BLANKET" BILLS

Representatives of 10,000,000 Women Will Meet in Washington

Nine national organizations of women, representing more than 10,000,000 women, are sending delegates and speakers to a conference called by the National Consumers' League to be held in Washington, November 9 and 10.

The organizations represented are the National Consumers' League, the National League of Women Voters, the National Women's Trade Union League, the National Council of Catholic Women, the American Association for Organizing Family Social Work, the National Christian Temperance Union, the National Council of Girls' Clubs, the Council of Jewish Women and the Parent-Teachers' Association.

The dangers of proposed "blanket legislation" and the losses it would entail both to women in industry and women in the home will be presented by the Mount Olive and plans for the erection of the first set of permanent buildings are being drawn up by a group of American and European physicians.

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## PHILA. FUNDS ESTABLISH JEWISH MEDICAL COLLEGE

Contributions Made Here Start School in Jerusalem

With money contributed by Philadelphia Jewry as part of a national fund of \$300,000, the first steps in the establishment of a medical college in Jerusalem have been taken, according to word received by the Palestine Foundation Fund, 1011 Chestnut street. The funds were raised by Jewish physicians, interested in the rehabilitation of Palestine.

Dr. David Riesman, of 1715 Spruce street, is chairman of the Philadelphia Committee, which has not only helped raise funds but also will play an important part in planning for the new college. The college will be part of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, where all instruction is to be given in the Hebrew language. Attractive land for the purpose has been purchased on the Mount Olive and plans for the erection of the first set of permanent buildings are being drawn up by a group of American and European physicians.

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# 2 BURGLARS CAUGHT AFTER PISTOL FIGHT

Camden Police Battle Robbers, Who Fire Many Bullets in Zig-Zag Flight

## TWO MEN ARE ARRESTED

After a running fight, in which several shots were fired, two burglars were captured in the act of robbing the jewelry store of D. C. Hart, 509 Broadway, Camden, shortly after 3 o'clock this morning by Patrolmen Welsh and Hoban.

The shots aroused residents in the neighborhood of the battle and several early morning milkmen and bakers narrowly escaped the bullets fired by both sides.

Patrolmen Welsh and Hahn heard a burglar alarm ring near Benson and Broadway. They suspected it was from Hart's store. Peering in the window the patrolman saw two men crawling along back of a counter toward a showcase filled with watches and valuable rings.

The flashlights of the policemen through the window caused the burglars to abandon their plans and they ran to the rear of the building. Welsh and Hahn tried to force the front door, and finding this impossible

# PISTOL FALLS, MAN IS SHOT

Clerk in Store Accidentally Knocks Weapon Down

Frank Loubrey, nineteen years old, of 4048 Trenton avenue, was seriously hurt last night by a bullet discharged from a revolver which fell on the floor

in a grocery at Wakeling and Tenth streets. He was taken to the Frank Hospital.

The revolver was knocked from a shelf under a counter by Harry much of 2041 Orthodox street, as he was reaching for another of Biermach, who was arrested. Loubrey have been lifelong friends.

At the Camden police station they gave their names as Charles Ahrens, twenty-three years old, Eighteenth and Millin streets, Philadelphia, and William Thompson, of New York.

A large flash light, a long knife and other tools found in the jewelry store, as well as a bag, showed that the intruders had prepared to carry off an abundance of loot.

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