PENNELL RUMPUS STIRS ART WORLD

Art Club Directors May Refuse to Accept Resignation

APOLOGY IS SUGGESTED

C. M. Burns, Famous Architect, Supports Etcher in His Views

A civil war was under way in the Art Club today, following the abrupt withdrawal of Joseph Pennell, foremost etcher and American artist, who tendered his resignation and moved from the club when some members preferred charges of disloyalty and anti-British criticism against him and Charles M. Burns, noted architect, Civil war veteran and fellow member.

Indignation at the aspersions cast upon the patriotism of the famous artist and the veteran architect was expressed in no mincing terms in art circles. Friends of the accused rallied to their defense, pointing out as significant that the names of the accusers are being withheld by the house committee.

They demand a "showdown" in the rumpus, first news of which was published yesterday in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER.

It was intimated around the art clubs that strong pressure will be brought on the board of directors of the Art Club to refuse to accept the resignation of the distinguished artist. Some went so far as to say that apologies to Mr. Pennell and Mr. Burns were due from the house committee.

An analysis of the events that led up to the situation was made this afternoon by a well-known member of the Art Club, who attributed the affair to the infusion of younger blood in the membership and consequent friction between this type and the older circle, of which Mr. Pennell and Mr. Burns are leaders. The friction resulted in an open blaze when in very outspoken language the artist objected to the presence of British army officers, who, he said, were making a rendezvous of the club for drinking purposes. Mr. Burns and others supported him in the stand that he took, holding that drinking by officers in uniform is contrary to the regulations of both the British and American armies.

Fuel was added to the flames when the report spread that the University of Pennsylvania would be asked to withhold the honorary degree of LL. D. scheduled to be conferred on Mr. Pennell on Washington's Birthday.

Asked to comment on this, Provost Edgar Fahs Smith said:

"I do not know what will be done in the matter. I really have nothing to say at this time."

Edward Robins, brother-in-law of Mr. Pennell and secretary of the trustees of the University of Pennsylvania, conferred with the artist today, but when asked about the degree referred the matter to the provost.

WELSH DEFENDS PENNELL

The appearance in town of H. Devitt Welsh, assistant secretary of the committee of public information's pictorial department, gives the laugh, Mr. Pennell's admirers assert, to those who have made insinuations against his Americanism.

Mr. Welsh is here to confer with Mr. Pennell in the matter of the patriotic posters the latter has done for the Government.

"Joseph Pennell is a patriot," he said with emphasis. "I was outraged to read that any insinuation against him could have been breathed. He has worked consistently for the Government since the declaration of war. He has come to New York for conferences on the posters, has paid his own expenses, has done everything without a cent of remuneration.

"The poster he has done for the next Liberty Loan is a marvelous bit of art. No one who had any anti-Ally feelings could have done it.

"Mr. Pennell has been in close correspondence with Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of the Navy Daniels. He has letters of the highest praise from both of them. Few men are as well thought of in Washington as Joseph Pennell.

"In a little while he and Charles Dana Gibson will start lecturing throughout the country on the patriotic posters. I am not criticizing the Art Club, but I cannot understand how this thing came about.

"I have talked with some of the most prominent members of the club today. They are outraged that any action should have been taken against Mr. Pennell. Many think it a disgrace. I have heard that Mr. Pennell commented on the drunkenness of officers. Is a man to be reviled for that? It doesn't matter what uniform they wore. Suppose they were British, it was not the uniform, it was the condition of the men that provoked the ire of Pennell, if what I hear is right.

Mr. Welsh said that he knew nothing of the reported commission given to Mr. Pennell to make sketches in the navy and doubted its existence.

Mr. Pennell maintained his silence following his statement yesterday, that he had tendered his resignation.

Mr. Burns, who is to have a hearing before the board of directors next Thursday, also declined to talk about the case except to say:

"Only half the truth has been told about me, and a half-truth is more dangerous than a whole lie. I can say nothing more than that now."

He refused to take the charges seriously, joking about them. Some of his friends, however, were particularly incensed at the charge of disloyalty made against the veteran.

Mr. Burns, who is a naval veteran of the Civil War, was one of the first members admitted to the Art Club. Notable among examples of his work is the Episcopal Church of the Advocate, Eighteenth and Diamond streets, which he designed. He was a bluejacket in the United States navy under Admiral Farragut.

Apart from admitting that he had resigned, Mr. Pennell would not comment on the action of the Art Club. He left his apartment in the Windermere Hotel early today. Mrs. Pennell characterized the affair as "a disgrace and outrage."

Dr. Thomas Fenton, president of the Art Club, declined to make a detailed statement regarding the action of the house committee.

"The office that I hold, I regret to say, prevents me from talking," he said. When asked if Mr. Pennell had made remarks that could be construed as anti-English, he replied:

"These facts are common property among the members."

"Mr. Pennell's stand in this matter is entirely justified," said a friend of the artist today. "I know the inside story about what led to these absurd charges. Mr. Pennell, in his own positive way, objected strongly to the presence of British officers who were being served liquor in the cafe of the club. Perhaps he was not as diplomatic as he might have been. But he made the point strongly that these officers should not be served with liquors while some of our own army were denied the privilege. He also intimated that they should not be permitted to drink in public places and charged that they were guests of the Art Club."

SALOON BRAWL VICTIM WANTED FOR SHOOTING

Michael Barrica Found Dying After Fracas—Had Been Sought for Two Months

For the second time in two weeks the local police have found a man they have been looking for for some time only when he has been violently brought to their attention.

Two months ago Michael Barrica, of Porter street above Eleventh, shot Ernest Carlson, a night clerk at the Revere Hotel at 112 North Eleventh street. Last night the police, who have been seeking Barrica ever since, found him dying from a gunshot wound near the heart in a saloon at Twelfth and Vine streets.

He was taken in a taxicab to Hahnemann Hospital, where, it is said, his injuries are fatal.

The man who shot Barrica is not known. He had been quarreling with a gang of roughs, it is said, and a sudden shot found Barrica on the floor and the gang dispersed. Detectives of the Sixth district are investigating.

HELD UPON CHARGE OF SHOOTING HUSBAND

Committee May Inquire Into Mental Condition of Mrs. Sarah McIntyre

Mrs. Sarah McIntyre, 2437 Thompson street, was held for court today by Magistrate Collins on a charge of assault and battery on her husband, George McIntyre.

On December 12, it is charged, she shot him with a revolver. He has been in a very serious condition since that time, but was able to appear at the hearing today.

He testified that his wife had been melancholy for some time previous to the attempt on his life and had at three times tried to commit suicide, once by cutting her wrist with a penknife and twice by taking poison. He believes that, in a condition of mental derangement, she had intended to kill him and then kill herself. It was suggested that a committee be appointed to determine her sanity and in the meantime she is to be held by court.

A pathetic incident of the hearing was the story told by the fourteen-year-old son, Hugh McIntyre, of the struggle he had with his mother when he discovered her by his father's bedside with the smoking pistol in her hand. It was with some difficulty that he was able to take it from her, he testified.

SORE FEET PLEA FAILS TO SAVE "BOOTLEGGER"

Defendant Unable to Hunt Work, Admits Peddling Liquor to Soldiers and Sailors

About three weeks ago Thomas Reilly, also known as Martin Kennedy, of Syracuse, N. Y., pleaded guilty to selling liquor to sailors and soldiers, but Judge Thompson, in the Federal Court, took compassion upon him and gave him his liberty on a promise to earn a living from legitimate work. Today Reilly, or Kennedy, again appeared in court charged with the same offense, and, for the second time, pleaded guilty.

"Only a short time ago you promised to get a job and keep out of this business," remarked Judge Thompson. "Why have you broken your word?"

"Your honor, my feet were so sore that I couldn't look for work," Reilly attempted to explain.

"Apparently they were not so sore as to prevent you from walking along the streets and selling liquor to our soldier and sailor boys. Maybe your feet need a rest. I will sentence you to four months in the Bucks County jail, at Doylestown, and maybe in the meantime they will heal."

URGE PORTER TO RUN FOR STATE SENATOR

Independents Ask Former Director of Public Safety to Oppose Jenkins in Sixth District

A committee headed by Robert D. Fripps, former Director of Public Safety, called upon George D. Porter, Mayor Blankenburg's Safety Director, last night with a petition signed by 300 voters of the Sixth Senatorial District asking him to oppose Owen B. Jenkins, the Vare Senator from that district.

The other two members of the committee were Kern Dodge and Arthur G. Graham. George W. Coles, chairman of the Town Meeting party committee, announced today that his party will stand behind Porter and the independents assert they have a good chance to elect their candidate, since the Sixth District is made up of the Twenty-first, Twenty-third, Thirty-eighth and Forty-second Wards.

Among the signers to the petition were John C. Winston, R. L. Austin, Francis B. Reeves, Arthur H. Lee, John D. McIlhenny, John Story Jenks, A. G. Scattergood and Walter L. Sheppard.

CUNNINGHAM APPOINTS FIVE MORE PENROSE MEN

Fills Vacancies in Quarter Sessions Court Created by Removal of Vare Followers

Thomas W. Cunningham, clerk of Quarter Sessions Court who recently discharged twelve Vare followers and began filling their places with Penrose men, named five more today.

The following were appointed miscellaneous division clerks at salaries of $1350 a year: Benjamin H. Fields, Twenty-fourth Ward; Thomas S. Hewitt, Thirteenth Ward; Thomas A. Connor, Twenty-sixth Ward; Thomas J. Weldon, Forty-fourth Ward. Jerome Jones, Seventeenth Ward, was appointed messenger at a salary of $1000 a year. Two Penrose men had previously been appointed.

Havana Entries for Tomorrow

First race, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $400, 5½ furlongs—*Laudator, 94; Napoli, 104; Pickle Fancy, 107; Phododen, 103; *Elizabeth H., 108; Kale, 109; Herder, 109.

Second race, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $400, 6 furlongs—Duchess of Linwell, 100; Scylla, 100; Dash, 103; Lemoora, 103; Biddy, 103; Manfred, 107; Watering, 107; Regular, 107; Zodiac, 112; Functionnaire, 113.

Third race, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $400, 6 furlongs—Rhymer, 102; Nettie Walcutt, 104; Sister Emblem, 104; Beverly James, 105; James, 109; Hands Off, 109; Sleeper, 109; Al Hudson, 109; Charles McFerran, 112; Pajaroita II, 112; Early Sight, 112.

Fourth race, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $400, mile and 50 yards—*Violet, 100; *Conan, 102; *Lohengrin, 108; Brizz, 107; Captain Marchmont, 107.

Fifth race, the Caribbean Stakes, three-year-olds and up, claiming, $1000 added, 1 1-16 miles—*Flash of Steel, 91; Marauder, 98; *Scheiner, 99; *Big Tudo, 99; Money Maker, 107; Nashville, 102; Gun God, 111; Ocean Prince, 111. Marauder and Scheiner coupled.

Sixth race, three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse $400, mile and 20 yards—Tippo Saib, 97; *Calaveroek, 103; *Gramercy, 105; Rockport, 109; Vagabond, 109; Donald MacDonald, 109; *Roy, 110.

Seventh race, three-year-old and up, claiming, purse $400, mile and 20 yards—*Protection, 100; *Get Up, 103; Birdman, 104; High Tide, 105; Mother Machree, 106; Jude, 109; Brown Prince, 113.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.
Weather, clear; track, fast.

CAR SERVICE BETTER UNDER U. S. NAVY SPUR

Fifty "Cripples" Repaired and Placed In Use by P. R. T.

The rejuvenation of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company service brought about by the Navy Department's investigations of inadequate facilities for transporting the 8000 workers at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, today shows signs of spreading to other sections of the city.

Although there has been no general improvement in the cross-town service since the commission headed by Rear Admiral Christian Joy Peoples speeded up the lines to the navy yard, the company has requisitioned enough car repair materials to enable fifty of the broken-down trolleys to be put in operation.

At least half of these cars were put on the lines running to the Frankford Arsenal today. Whether this move is to forestall a War Department investigation similar to that of the navy officials or just because the Frankford lines needed the cars could not be learned.

The balance of the cars have been put on the Midvale, Bridesburg and Sixtieth street lines, which have been the greatest source of complaint. Hog Island service also has improved; cars now wait at transfer points and extra dispatchers and inspectors hover around to make sure there are no needless delays.

Complaints filed with the Public Service Commission by the Fox Chase Improvement Association and allied organizations in this city against the service furnished by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company in various sections will be officially answered by the transit company within the legal ten days required by law. While no official statement as to the nature of the answer could be obtained at the offices of the transit company yesterday, it was hinted that they would show by contracts now in their safe that they had made every arrangement to keep up the rolling stock, but that the war prevented obtaining needed materials.

The transit officials also will possibly refer to Rear Admiral Peoples, of the Navy Department, who straightened out the League Island situation, as their trump card, because they aver that he gave the service a clean bill of health, both in private utterance and public statement. They point to his interviews as positive proof that the service was as good as could be provided under circumstances, many of which the transit company declares it held no control over.

COMMON-LAW WIVES FIGURE IN DRAFT CASE

Men Accused of Falsely Swearing They Were Legally Married Released by Judge

Two men who were accused of trying to evade the draft by falsely swearing in their questionnaires that they were married and had their wives to support were released by Judge Thompson, in Federal Court today, when it appeared that their objects had been the protection of the good names of women with whom they were living.

Joseph H. Healy, twenty-six years old, Wyalusin avenue near Fifty-fifth street, begged to be sent to France immediately rather than to jail. He had left his lawful wife, taking their child with him, and gone to live with Mary Sherman, at the home of her parents. All the neighbors had been told that he and Miss Sherman were married, which they intended to be as soon as Healy could obtain a divorce. To protect Miss Sherman's name he had sworn she was his wife. His real wife, Estella Healy, had informed the authorities and caused his arrest and Miss Sherman's. Free now, he will go into the draft army.

Micha Ilin, an Austro-Hungarian, was the other man released. He had eloped from Detroit with his boarding mistress and their child, fearing the wrath of the woman's husband. Called in the draft, Ilin had sworn the woman was his wife, having represented her as such in Philadelphia. After hearing testimony regarding the kind of man the woman had left for Ilin, Judge Thompson was disposed to be lenient.

TWO JUNK DEALERS FINED

Arrested on Charge of Making Undue Profits by Use of Short-Weight Scales

Considerable profits were earned by Morris Hutchinson and John McKeever, junk dealers, of Second and Cumberland streets, the police say, through scales which operated only to their advantage. The men went from house to house buying rags and junk by the pound and were enabled to buy large quantities for very little money. It was charged, because their scales were fixed for the purpose.

They were arrested by District Detective Green, of the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station, on complaint of a woman who sold them junk, and each was fined $5 and costs by Magistrate Price.

HAD ARSENAL WITH HIM

Mount Carmel Youth Arrested Here "Heeled" for German Spies

Here is a young man from Mt. Carmel who believes in preparedness. He was arrested early today at Broad Street Station charged with lounging, and when he was searched two revolvers, a blackjack, two pairs of handcuffs, a dime novel and $18.80 were taken from him. He said he was traveling so well "heeled" because no one is safe these days, when German spies are at large, unless he is prepared to meet any emergency.

The young man is Joseph Merelli, fifteen years old. His parents have been notified of his arrest. He attempted to enlist in the army yesterday.

WOMAN STRUCK BY CAR DIES

Victim of Accident in Germantown Succumbs to Injuries

Miss Johanna Sweeny, twenty-eight years old, of Earlham terrace, who was struck by a street car Thursday night at Chelten avenue and Morton street, died today in the Germantown Hospital as the result of her injuries.

Her skull was fractured when she was hit by a westbound car on Chelten avenue.

Praises Morals of Camps

Back from a tour of army cantonments, the Rev. Dr. Robert R. Littell, pastor of the Tioga Presbyterian Church, at Sixteenth and Tioga streets, declared in an interview that he found moral and spiritual conditions excellent and the hospitals in splendid shape.

Gives Blood to Young Mother

A pint of blood was given by a prominent Philadelphian, who woud not allow his name to be used, to save the life of a young anemic mother, who since the birth of her baby a week ago has been desperately ill at Jefferson Hospital.

THEY'RE MARRIED; DOG RESPONSIBLE

The picture shows Sergeant Louis Pegel, of Tacony, now at Camp Hancock, Ga., Field Hospital No. 110, and his bride, who was Miss Margaret Woffenden. She offered the dog to the Field Hospital. Sergeant Pegel came North to get the animal and stayed to wed. The dog, "Yankee," playing the part of a canine cupid.

RED CROSS DOG STEALS A MARCH ON DAN CUPID AS MATCHMAKER

Canny Canine Fostered Soldier Romance Which Blossomed in Wedding of Philadelphia Man and Maid After Journey From Georgia

HERE'S a tale of a soldier, a maid and a dog and the romance that the Red Cross can weave into war.

Sergeant Louis Pegel, of Field Hospital No. 110, U. S. A., Tacony, came all the way back from Camp Hancock, Georgia, on a special ten-day furlough to get the dog. First he married the girl who wrote to him about the dog—Miss Margaret Woffenden, she was—and today he and his bride went to the home of the donor of the dog—Miss Curtis Wager-Smith, artist, writer and Red Cross worker—to claim the canine who acted as Dan Cupid.

The dog here is "Yankee," a fine seven-month-old specimen of the pincher breed of Red Cross dog. Now, as a full-fledged member of Uncle Sam's army hospital service, he will go to Camp Hancock tomorrow with his new master to begin training as a retriever of wounded soldiers on the battlefield with his cousins, who have done noble work for the armies of all nations. That he will make good no one doubts, for he has a championship pedigree. His sire, Lord von Lillenkron, is a $1000 Red Cross dog, and his mother, Sophie von Fern Felsen, had a record-breaking litter, all of which were given good American names to show their loyalty.

"Yankee" was offered by Miss Wager-Smith to the Red Cross bazaar of the public schools last December when the call came for trained war dogs. The privilege of placing the puppy fell to the lot of Miss Woffenden, a prominent Red Cross worker, of 5758 Lesher street. Realizing that perhaps the safety of her sweetheart would depend on the sagacity of a dog, she wrote to Sergeant Pegel offering "Yankee" to the hospital unit. The soldier consulted his commander, Captain Emmett Vaughn, who was so eager to get the dog that he arranged a special leave.

Sergeant Pegel arrived last Friday, and naturally visited the source of his information about "Yankee." The object of his mission was forgotten temporarily—the Valentine season was approaching—and so they were married Monday in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, White Hall. They returned yesterday from their honeymoon at Atlantic City.

Sergeant Pegel, whose home is at 5815 Van Kirk street, Wissinoming, was a member of the hospital unit when, as Field Hospital No. 2, N. G. P., it served on the Mexican border in 1916.

AIM TO AVOID FIRES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

City Officials Adopt Radical Measures to Safeguard Lives of Children

Plans to safeguard public school children and school buildings from fire were made today at a conference of officials of the Board of Public Education, Fire Marshal Elliott and Director of Public Safety Wilson, in the office of the last-named.

Recommendations were made by the Director and Fire Marshal to J. Horace Cook, superintendent of buildings, and John D. Cassell, superintendent of heating, who represented the Board of Public Education. Neither Director Wilson nor Fire Marshal Elliott would reveal what recommendations were made, both saying, however, that there was complete harmony and that an agreement was reached whereby the safety of the pupils will be assured. "Many of the recommendations already are in force," said Superintendent Cook.

It is understood that the conference resulting from the death of four firemen in the George Brooks School fire, agreed upon five points. These, it was said, were:

First. Installation of a sprinkler system in every building, with a minimum of a sprinkler in the loft and one in the basement.

Second. Hiring of night watchmen to guard the $20,000,000 public school property, the sentinels to report hourly to the nearest police station by means of boxes such as are used by policemen on beats.

Third. Building of steel doors that would make stairways in school buildings virtual fire-escapes, free from flames.

Fourth. Frequent fire drills for pupils at unexpected moments, with records kept by teachers to be submitted to the fire marshal.

Fifth. Improvement of heating plants with a view to making them safer.

Aged Woman Hurt in Collision

Mrs. Mary Schoenbein, sixty-eight years old, of 916 Spruce street, is in Hahnemann Hospital suffering from a broken right shoulder and internal injuries caused by a collision between an Eleventh street trolley car on which she was a passenger and a car on the Ridge avenue line, at the junction of the two streets last night. Others slightly injured by the collision were Edward Hummel, of 5823 Crittenden street; Joseph Seka, of 14 Highland avenue; Peter Shegala, of 1919 DeKalb street, and Albert Clark, of 1257 Haines street.

Restrict Swiss Travelers

The Rev. Charles Vulliemoder, Swiss consul, has announced that he has received instructions that all travelers to Switzerland, except Swiss citizens, must have a passport or equivalent identification bearing the vise of the consulate before they will be allowed to enter Switzerland.

Fight Lower Merion Piggeries

At a luncheon yesterday at the Union League a citizens' committee, composed of residents of Lower Merion township, was formed to fight the establishment of piggeries in West Overbrook. An injunction will be sought.

Lectures on War Geography

"Geographic Influences in the Conduct of the Great War" will be the subject of the free public lecture in Houston Hall at 2:30 o'clock today. The speaker will be Dr. George G. Roorbach, of the Wharton School. The talk will be illustrated with lantern slides.

ORGANIZE INDUSTRIES FOR NEW LIBERTY LOAN

Employers Are Asked to Furnish Information Regarding Subscriptions

The Liberty Loan organization of Philadelphia has sent out letters to the industries of the city asking for confidential information in regard to subscriptions to the first two Liberty Loans. This is being done in order to lay the ground for the greatest number of industrial subscriptions to the next loan.

Information requested regards amounts subscribed by each company, its executives and employes in the first two loans; number of employes subscribing, and what percentage of the total payroll; how and where the subscriptions were paid; information regarding employes, such as predominating nationalities, etc.

C. N. Lauer, chairman of the industrial and commercial committee, and Granville D. Montgomery, chairman of the sales committee, co-operated in sending the letters. They were sent to 20,000 manufacturers of the Philadelphia district.

Mr. Lauer and Mr. Montgomery in these letters further suggest to the manufacturers that each plant appoint a Liberty Loan manager from among the executives or employes. This man would organize the plant, so that when a representative of the Liberty Loan committee called, he could gather subscriptions in the least possible time and with the least possible disturbance to the work of the plant. The companies are asked to encourage the paying of partial payment bonds through the company rather than through a bank. It is desired by the Liberty Loan committee that each company report all its subscriptions so that it might be given proper credit.

Systematic plans have been made by Lauer and Mr. Montgomery for soliciting the industries in the next loan campaign. They ask the co-operation of the plants so that there may be no possibility of falling down on the industrial subscriptions. Mr. Montgomery said today:

"The keynote of the preparations being made by Mr. Lauer and myself is to gain the confidence of the people. We realize that business concerns have been subjected to trials and difficulties, but feel that, despite these drawbacks, and will patriotically and heartily lend a hand, knowing that the paramount interest is to win the war. All things considered, we feel that aiding to the fullest extent in floating the next loan will be found the least burdensome and pleasantest way that employers can find to aid their Government in themselves as a national emergency."

SPRINKLER HALTS FIRE

Automatic sprinklers in the plant of J. Milton Hagy Waste Works, Inc., Swanson street below Queen, kept a fire under control today till the engine companies arrived and extinguished the flames.

A spark from a machine set fire to some waste on the second floor of the plant. There were about fifty girls employed in an adjoining building of the company, but there was no panic. The damage is estimated at about $350.

Six Horses Burned in Stable

Five horses and a pony were burned to death and the family of Abe Miller had a narrow escape last night in a fire which destroyed the Miller home and stable at 918 North American street.

REGULAR TRAIN SERVICE MONDAYS

The Pennsylvania Railroad announces that it will operate suburban trains on a regular schedule on Mondays hereafter, such service having been discontinued by the Fuel Administrator as a fuel conservation measure.

FIVE INJURED WHEN ENGINE HITS TAXI

Occupants of Cab Narrowly Escape Death in Crash at Crossing

Five men narrowly escaped death early this morning when a Quaker City taxicab in which they were riding was struck by a Pennsylvania Railroad engine as the cab was crossing the tracks on Washington avenue at Seventeenth street. The taxicab was demolished and the occupants hurled to the ground. Police allege that the crossing watchman failed to lower the gates in time to warn the driver of the machine, who drove directly in front of the approaching engine.

The injured are:

THOMAS GILLEN, twenty-one years old, 2236 Dickinson street; lacerations of the left ear and body injuries.

EDWARD McNEILL, twenty-one years old, 2425 Moore street; badly wrenched back.

EDWARD CROWLEY, twenty-three years old, 1807 South Nineteenth street; contusions and lacerations of the thighs and hips.

ARTHUR JACKSON, twenty-one years old, 2817 Federal street; contusion of the scalp.

BENJAMIN SMITH, driver, twenty-five years old, 213 North Sixteenth street; lacerations and contusions of the right shoulder.

The injured were all removed to the Polyclinic Hospital, where it was later reported that none of the injuries will prove fatal.

About 5:25 o'clock this morning the taxicab, in charge of Benjamin Smith, driver, was proceeding south on Seventeenth street. Approaching Washington avenue, on which run the tracks of a Pennsylvania Railroad spur, the driver did not slacken the speed of the machine, as there was apparently a clear crossing. Suddenly and with no warning noise that any of the men on the machine heard, the headlight of an engine leaped out of the darkness, and the next instant there was a crash, a roar and a grinding of wheels, and the motorcar, with its occupants, was tossed to one side. The occupants were hurled to the ground and the car landed, a splintered heap, beside the track.

As soon as the alarm had been spread, patrol wagon No. 1, of the Twentieth and Fitzwater streets station, hurried to the scene of the accident and removed the injured to the Polyclinic Hospital. Persons who viewed the wreckage of the taxicab could hardly believe that none of the occupants had been killed outright.

FILM LEASING TRUST IS CHARGED IN SUIT

Stanley Booking Corporation Accused of Raising Prices to Competing Concerns

An anti-trust lawsuit against the Stanley Booking Corporation, which operates the Stanley and other million picture theatres and makes bookings for many others, was instituted in United States District Court here today by the Some Amusement Company, which operates the Locust motion picture theatre, Fifty-second and Locust streets, and motion picture theatres in several other cities. The Metro Pictures Corporation, of New York city, and the Metro Pictures Exchange, of Philadelphia, are also named defendants, as is Stanley V. Mastbaum, head of the Stanley Booking Corporation.

The Some Amusement Company alleges that the defendants are practicing trust methods with the purpose and intention of monopolizing the film business in Philadelphia and other cities and that they are seeking to force all competitors to join the combination or quit business. It is alleged that in pursuance of the plan to bring the Some Amusement Company, a competitor, to its knees, the defendants have increased the price of Metro pictures to the plaintiff.

It is alleged that Mastbaum has acquired stock in the Metro Pictures Corporation that he may dictate its policy and thereby help the Stanley Booking Corporation to accomplish its ends.

An injunction restraining the defendants from their alleged unlawful operations, that would force, them to deal with the Some Company on the same terms on which it deals with all others is asked. No date for hearing has been fixed.

MORTALITY OF WEEK SHOWS SLIGHT DECREASE

702 Deaths Reported, Against 729 During the Preceding Seven Days

Deaths throughout the city during the week number 702 as compared with 729 last week and 668 during the corresponding week last year. The deaths were divided as follows: Males 379, females 323, boys 89, and girls 77.

The causes of death were:

Typhoid fever	1
Measles	3
Whooping cough	3
Diphtheria and croup	2
Influenza	7
Other epidemic diseases	9
Tuberculosis of the lungs	78
Tuberculosis meningitis	9
Other forms of tuberculosis	4
Cancer	27
Simple meningitis	1
Apoplexy and softening of brain	24
Organic diseases of the heart	107
Acute bronchitis	15
Pneumonia	93
Broncho-pneumonia	49
Diseases of the respiratory system	10
Diseases of the stomach	9
Diarrhea and enteritis	13
Appendicitis and typhlitis	1
Hernia	4
Cirrhosis of the liver	3
Acute nephritis and Bright's disease	63
Noncancerous tumors	5
Puerperal septicemia	1
Puerperal accidents	2
Senility	23
Homicide	5
All other violent deaths	25
Suicide	5
All other diseases	95
Coroner's cases pending	1
Total	702

HE'S SEEING THE SIGHTS

But He's in Again Because Pair Lifted His Roll

Charles McGinn, of Mount Holly, N. J., believes in seeing the sights when he came to Philadelphia. Consequently he found himself this morning in the Eleventh and Winter streets police station, accused of disorderly conduct. He was dismissed by Magistrate Grelis, as were several other prisoners arraigned for minor offenses.

Among the prisoners discharged, the police say, were two men who noted that a roll of bills was returned to McGinn.

They followed McGinn. At Tenth and Vine streets the two men, who said they were George Reynolds, Ninth and Vine streets, and William Collins, Sixteenth and Vine streets, stopped him, and, the police say, took the money—$141—from him. But they were seen by Patrolman Gurtz, who promptly arrested them. He also took McGinn back to the police station, where he is being held for "safe-keeping." The trio will again see Magistrate Grelis tomorrow morning.

The police say the two alleged highwaymen only had $15 when searched, and declared they passed the money to a friend, for whom a search is being made.

Weather Causes Explosions

Weather conditions causing the formation of sewer gas are responsible for the explosion of six manholes on Water street between Market and Chestnut streets and three at Twenty-third street and Columbia avenue within the last twenty-four hours.

SEEK RELATIVES OF MAN KILLED BY AUTO

Aged Victim's Whispered Name Not Understood—Two Other Injured by Accidents

The police are today seeking relatives of an old man who died in the Women's Homeopathic Hospital last night after being struck by an auto truck at Thirty-first and Diamond streets. Two other persons were also injured by automobiles last night.

The old man—he was between seventy-five and eighty years old—whispered his name just before he died, but so faintly it could not be heard clearly. It sounded like Abe Kersham or Abe Keisham.

William Fiels, eighteen years old, 216 West Tioga street, driver of the truck, is under arrest at the Twentieth and Berks streets police station.

Herbert Solt, 1711 Lindenwood avenue, was seriously injured when struck by an automobile at Forty-fourth street and Girard avenue. He is in the Presbyterian Hospital. The police are looking for the driver, who disappeared after the accident.

Running across Lancaster avenue, Rosemont, yesterday, little Hilda Griffith was struck by a truck driven by James Miller. She was taken to the Bryn Mawr Hospital with a fractured leg. Miller was held in $1000 bail by Magistrate Lewis.

BARDENS IN COURT FOR PENSION REINSTATEMENT

Former City Employe Dropped From List Because of Alleged Discrepancy on Age

George W. Bardens, a former city employe who after being paid a pension for four months has been dropped from the rolls, has started mandamus proceedings in the Common Pleas Court with the hope of being reinstated. The trouble, according to pension officials, started over discrepancies in reports on the former employe's age.

According to his petition, Bardens was employed by the city for more than twenty years prior to December, 1916, when, at the age of sixty-one, he resigned his $1400 place to go on the pension list. The Board of City Pensions, which is composed of Mayor Smith, Controller Walton, City Treasurer Shoyer, Common Councilman Gaffney and Select Councilman Kennedy, paid him a pension from January to April this year and then stopped payment.

Secretary Hadley, of the pension board, in explaining the action said that Bardens was granted a pension on December 23, 1916, on a statement that he was born November 14, 1856, which would make him over sixty and therefore eligible. Later, it was discovered, according to Secretary Hadley, that he had given his birth for civil service records as November 15, 1859. The same official said that in 1908 he had given his age as forty-six years, which would carry him well under the sixty-year pension eligible list.

DR. BRUBAKER LEGALLY HEAD OF MEDICAL CLUB

His Election Confirmed, Together With Others Who Were Candidates on His Ticket

The election of Dr. Albert P. Brubaker, professor of physiology at Jefferson Medical College as president of the Medical Club of Philadelphia, has been declared legal, the decision being entered on the official record of the club.

The confirmation includes the entire ticket elected at the same time as Doctor Brubaker, whose election was contested because his name did not appear on the published list of candidates. At the meeting last night in the Bellevue-Stratford, when the entanglement was cleared, many of the 300 members present expressed their opinions from the floor.

Under charges of pro-Germanism, Doctor Brubaker withdrew his name from the ballot, but it was replaced a few days before the election. The validity of the election was affirmed last night after reading, by Vice President Dr. G. Oram Ring, who presided, of an exhaustive legal opinion, prepared by a prominent lawyer and passed upon by another lawyer and well-known Judge.

The opinion held the voting of the members at the regular election upon Doctor Brubaker's name amounted to a waiver of the requirement of the bylaw.

WOMAN HOSPITAL FUND GOES OVER THE TOP

Total at Noon Today $17,157 in Excess of $125,000 Goal of Ten-Day Drive

The ten days' emergency drive to raise $125,000 for the Woman's Hospital by noon today has gone "over the top," according to today's report at the campaigners' luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford. Thirty-one thousand, four hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty cents was collected by noon today, making the total sum $142,151. The final report of today's collections will be announced at 8 o'clock tonight, as the committee decided to carry on the campaign throughout the day. The pennant for the most money collected was given to Mrs. A. Edward Newton, captain of team No. 13.

Five nurses of the Woman's Hospital volunteered to make a collection at the Garrick, Forrest and Broad Street Theatres today. They are Misses Bertha Seidenridge, Ethel Rahe, Esther Maytrott, Lois Cates and Mrs. Etta Lamb Jordan.

A short address was delivered after the luncheon by John A. McCarthy, trust officer of the Real Estate Trust Company.

BABIES' HOSPITAL GETS $10,000 BEQUEST

Will of Emilie C. Christman Includes Sum for Charity From $130,000 Estate

A bequest of $10,000 to the Babies' Hospital of Philadelphia is included in the will of Emilie C. Christman, 2036 Chestnut street, which, as probated today, leaves to relatives of the testatrix property valued at $130,000.

Other wills probated were those of Patrick W. Dermody, 5220 North Tenth street, which, in private bequests, disposes of an estate worth $17,100; Catharine A. McCarron, 1218 Race street, $10,000; Sarah H. Hobart, Brooklyn, N. Y., $20,000; Adolph Fellmuth, 2500 North Mascher street, $7000; Alice C. Smith, 1812 North Twenty-fourth street, $4000; Josephine Eichelma, 2234 West Indiana avenue, $4400, and Edwin Johnson, 3410 North Seventeenth street, $3200.

HELD FOR U. S. COURT

Butler, Pa., Man Accused of Stealing Postal Savings Certificates

A charge of taking postal savings certificates resulted today in Maurice Bailey, twenty years old, of Butler, Pa., being held in $1000 bail for court by United States Commissioner Joline, at Camden.

Butler was arrested by Postal Inspector Jordan, of the Philadelphia Postoffice, at the du Pont powder works at Carneys Point late yesterday, having been traced there from Butler.

FUEL CONSERVATION METHODS DISCUSSED

Garfield Aid Meets State Administrator and County Chairmen Here

TAKE UP FUTURE PRICES

Police Census of Coalless Homes Is Stopped by Potter's Orders

COAL IN PLENTY NEXT WINTER

Ample anthracite coal supply for Philadelphia is assured for next season, State Fuel Administrator Potter announced late this afternoon at the end of a long meeting attended by I. A. Snead, J. B. Neal and R. W. Kirkley, of the national fuel administration, and twenty-five Pennsylvania county chairmen. Under the new system the coal is to be delivered by the national administration and distributed by the State officials. It includes also reduction of long hauls and increased production by means of more miners and more working days.

Federal Fuel Agent I. A. Snead, an assistant to Director Garfield, is in the city today in conference with State Fuel Administrator Potter, Francis A. Lewis, and twenty-five chairmen of the State at the University Club, at which conference an effective method of conserving fuel will be worked out. The matter of price-fixing for next winter will be taken up also as a secondary consideration.

The census taken by the police of the homes in need of coal has been completed and Mr. Potter has ordered the census stopped. There is a rumor to the effect that this is done for political reasons as well. Orders for 1400 tons are now on hand.

An announcement from Mr. Potter was made today of an increase of about sixty cents a ton on all bituminous coal mined in the thin-vein district of Pennsylvania. The new price, long expected by the coal operators, became effective at 7 o'clock today.

This price boost, granted by National Fuel Administrator Garfield, makes the new rate about $3.05 a net ton at the mines. This compares with $2.45 hitherto prevailing.

For all coal mined in Tioga, Lycoming, Clinton, Center, Huntington, Bedford, Cameron, Elk, Clearfield, Cambria, Blair, Somerset, Jefferson, Indiana, Clarion, Armstrong, Butler, Mercer, Lawrence and Beaver counties and Allegheny from the lower end of Tarentum borough north to the county line, in Westmoreland County from a point opposite the lower end of Tarentum borough north along the Allegheny River and along the Kiskiminitas River eastward to the Conemaugh River and continuing along the Conemaugh River to the county line of Cambria County, the price is to be $2.60 per ton for run of mine, prepared sizes and slack. Only one price is named because almost all the coal produced in that region is run of mine.

ADVANCE OF SIXTY CENTS

This territory annually produces about 60,000,000 tons.

The old price as fixed by the President on August 21, 1917, for the entire State of Pennsylvania was: Run of mine, $2; prepared sizes, $2.25; slack, $1.75.

Fuel Administrator Garfield stated that he hoped that owing to the advance in the price granted operators in this territory they would greatly increase their production by greater development of their properties and keep their coal freer from impurities.

The coal mined in this territory is used almost ent