ALIEN VOTE RULING BLOCKED BY WALSH

Formal Decision Wanted on Petition to Strike Off Names of Unnaturalized Men

VERDICT SET FOR TOMORROW

William Walsh, one of the five commissioners on the new board of registration, prevented that body from reaching a decision today on the petitions filed by the committee of seventy to strike the names of 900 unnaturalized men from the assessment lists.

I. A. Quinn, secretary of the board before which argument on the question was heard, was preparing to sign four petitions that would have taken as many names from the lists when Mr. Walsh objected. He declared that a formal decision should be made, and it was then announced that it would be given at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Mr. Walsh and Mr. Quinn, with Chairman E. Lawrence Fell and Clinton Rogers Woodruff, had been sitting to hear argument on the petitions. It appeared that Mr. Quinn, Mr. Fell and Mr. Woodruff decided to accept the committee of seventy's petitions without Mr. Walsh having expressed his opinion. George C. Pleiss, the fifth member of the board, was not present.

Wanted Formal Ruling

It did not appear that Mr. Walsh objected to the decision to strike off the names, but that he merely desired a formal hearing.

Only four specific cases were brought before the board today by the committee of seventy to force a ruling. In all 900 petitions have been filed to strike off the names of men who are listed as having declared their intention of being naturalized.

Originally 9000 were filed by the committee. Among these were 8000 blanket petitions which were thrown out by the board. Of the remaining petitions 900 were in reference to the unnaturalized residents who are listed either "D. I." or "I. N." meaning "declared intention" and "intended naturalization."

The four specific cases presented to the commissioners today were:

Abe Dechter, 1317 South Fifth street, a tailor classed as a "D. I." He is a Russian who has been in this country for thirteen years, and in that time never made application for naturalization papers.

Joseph Oarx, 421 Earp street, a presser. He is also a Russian, and never made application for his papers.

Samuel Morton, 1313 South Fifth street, a tailor. He secured his first papers six years ago, and a year ago made application for his second papers, which would have made him a citizen. They were not accepted, however, as they had not been filled out correctly.

Meyer Sirrofsky, 1305 South Lawrence street. He is a shoemaker, and applied for his first papers today.

It was explained to the commissioners by William J. Elliott, representing the committee of seventy, that he had at hand four other specific cases, but that he would not press them at present.

Glass Makes Objection

Leopold C. Glass, of the Republican city committee, objected to the strike-off petitions being accepted by the board, on the ground that there was no evidence to show that they had been signed by a qualified elector.

Robert Read, an inspector for the committee of seventy who lives at 5045 Brown street, then testified that he had signed the petitions. Before Mr. Read was called upon to tell where he lived, he consulted an assessor's book and then stated "Eighteenth division of the Forty-fourth ward."

Lee Patton, for the Republican city committee, argued that the commissioners had only the power to strike off the names of men on the assessment lists who have moved or who are dead.

Mr. Elliott declared that an unnaturalized resident is not a qualified voter and therefore has no right to have his name upon the assessment lists.

All of the 900 petitions filed to strike off the names of unnaturalized residents are for downtown wards in the First Senatorial district.

Richard T. McSorley, attorney for the Democratic city committee, asked the board to accept petitions for registrars filed later than last Monday. The time for filing these petitions expired Sunday night, but the commissioners gave the Democrats another day in which to enter them. No action was taken by the commissioners today on Mr. McSorley's request.

ASSORTED TITLES FOR SALE

Baronetcy Offered for $125,000 Helps Stir British Scandal

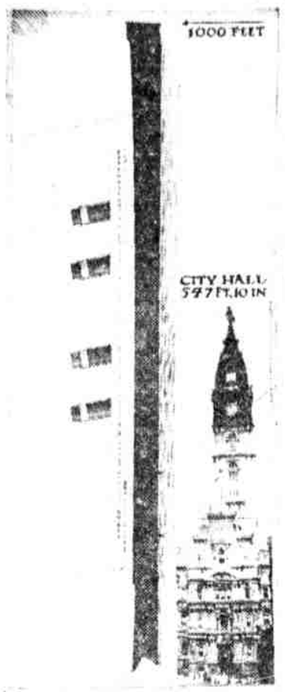
London, July 24.—(By A. P.)—Dispensation of titles is the tender spot in British political life today. They are awarded by the king on the prime minister's recommendation. Reformers complain that for a long time titles have been awarded by prime ministers for purely party services and virtually bought by contributions to party funds.

The new National party, which has a few members in the House of Commons, has taken up the question. General Page Croft, its chairman, has written to the newspapers proposing to prove before any judicial committee that since 1910 one member of Parliament has rejected an offer of a title in return for a cash payment to party funds and that the father of a member of the House of Commons was offered a baronetcy for $125,000. He charges also that a member of Parliament who was created a peer after the beginning of the war subscribed shortly afterward a very large sum of money to a newspaper that supports the premier.

He mentions instances. One title, he says, was granted to a politician so notorious as to be regarded unfit to be a candidate for Parliament, another to a politician deemed unscrupulous and a third to a man "previously involved in a notorious social scandal."

Small Fire in Drug Store

Smoke, penetrating the living apartments of Joseph Cook, above the drug store of William Groff, Seventeenth and Federal streets, early today led to the discovery of a fire in the store. The family turned in an alarm and the blaze was soon quenched. The fire started in a rear room of the drug store, behind the prescription counter, the place being closed at the time.



LINER AND PENN COMPARED
Two liners, 1000 feet long, almost twice the height of Penn's hat on City Hall, which is 547 feet above the street, are to be built by the shipping board

Two Super-Liners Planned by U. S.

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that in addition the location would reduce the voyage to Plymouth, England, by 118 miles, the distance being 2873 miles, as compared with 2991 miles from New York city.

Another advantage in using Fort Point has the announcement said, would be the relieving of congestion in New York harbor. The plans provide for double tracking the present railroad from Montauk Point to New York, so as to care for the passengers and freight handled by the new liners.

Other improvements necessary at Montauk Point will be sea walls to protect the ships from northeast gales and a customs house and immigration station as well as wharves and warehouses.

Supervisory Board

Plans for the great American liners were formulated at a meeting of naval constructors and private builders, and Chairman Hurley has recommended to Secretary Daniels that the construction be supervised by a committee to be composed of Rear Admiral David W. Taylor, chief of the Bureau of Construction, as chairman; Homer L. Ferguson, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company; Joseph W. Powell, president of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, N. A. Neeland, president of the New York Shipbuilding Company; H. I. Mull, president of the Cramps' Shipbuilding Company, and W. F. Gibbs, of the International Mercantile Marine.

The proposed titanic greyhounds of the deep will not only eclipse any present vessel in size, but in speed as well. The Mauretania, of the Cunard Line, holds the record of four days ten hours and forty-one minutes from Queenstown to New York, so the contemplated speed would shave half a day from the quickest passage.

The Leviathan, formerly the German steamship Vaterland, is the largest liner afloat, being 950 feet long.

Next to the Leviathan, the largest ship now afloat, is the Imperator of 52,1069 gross tons, which is now used as an American transport and which ultimately will be turned over to Great Britain. Her speed is only about twenty-three knots. The largest British liner afloat is the new Britannic of 48,158 gross tons.

By way of comparison, the length of the proposed vessels will be almost twice the height of Penn's hat on City Hall, which is 547 feet above the street.

Shipping men here today could not say whether the contracts for the shipping board's projected gigantic passenger liner cruisers would come to a Delaware river shipyard.

There are several yards in the Philadelphia district that could handle the construction of these monarchs of the deep with slight alterations of their slideways. Among these are the plant of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation at Camden, the plant of William Cramp & Sons and the Hog Island plant of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation.

Vessels of 55,000 tons and more have already been built at the Camden plant of the New York company.

Doubt as to whether vessels of the size of the proposed liners could be safely launched in the Delaware were scouted in shipbuilding authorities, who said there would be no trouble in putting them over at high tide.

SCHAPPELLE BAIL AT $2500

U. of P. Professor Who Killed Burglar Is Quickly Released

Dr. Benjamin F. Schappelle, assistant professor at the University of Pennsylvania, was held without bail for the action of the Grand Jury by the coroner's jury today for causing the death of Anthony W. Holfelner, twenty-eight years old, the second-year medical student who was shot and killed while attempting a robbery at a fraternity house at 219 South Thirty-sixth street.

The law forced the coroner to hold Doctor Schappelle without bail. Coroner Knight advised the professor's attorney, however, to gain his client's release from the district attorney. This was done, bail being fixed at $2500. Dr. Schappelle was free fifteen minutes after the jury's verdict had been rendered.

Holfelner, whose home was in Buffalo, N. Y., was killed on July 14.

Lumber Yard Fire Blamed on Engine

Fire, believed to have been caused by sparks from a passing locomotive, last night destroyed a two-story cement building in Smedley Brothers' lumber yard, Church and Tacony streets.

TEN MORE WARRANTS OUT FOR SALOON MEN

Charged With Selling 2.75 Beer, Forty-two Prosecutions Under Way

DEALERS WANT QUICK TRIAL

Ten more warrants were issued today for the arrest of saloonkeepers in this city charged with selling 2.75 per cent beer. The government authorities, under the supervision of United States Attorney Kane, have already brought prosecutions against forty-two saloonkeepers and bartenders within the last few days. More warrants are to be issued.

Chief William J. Flynn, head of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, arrived in this city today. He went immediately to the Federal Building, where he called on Todd Daniel, in charge of government investigations, and on United States Attorney Kane.

Present at the conference were Mr. Kane, Mr. Daniel and Special Agent Rowland D. Clark. The talk lasted for half an hour. At its conclusion Chief Flynn was asked if his visit had any significance in connection with the campaign just undertaken by the government in this city to stamp out the sale of beer. He denied it.

He declined to be quoted to make a rearrangement of his official force of agents and investigators and had called the conference to outline his plans for speeding the co-operation of both Mr. Daniel and Mr. Kane. Chief Flynn said his stay in this city was likely to be brief, probably not more than two or three days.

Dilatoriness of federal authorities in prosecution of brewers and saloonmen is so vexing to members of the Philadelphia Retail Liquor Dealers' Association that offer has been made by Neil Bonner, its president, voluntarily to furnish United States District Attorney Kane with the evidence he seeks.

Not Criminals, Says Bonner

"We don't want to be hounded by government detectives," declared Mr. Bonner. "Instead of the government dabbling at the enforcement of the act which it holds prohibits beer selling, why not let the saloon owners of Philadelphia all come to the Federal Building each with a bottle of beer as a sample of the sort they sell, and voluntarily offer testimony that they are selling such beverage? That would be all the evidence needed by the government. We don't want to be hounded like criminals. We feel we are receiving shabby treatment from the government."

Todd Daniel, of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, smiled when advised of the proposition of Bonner and said neither the Department of Justice nor the district attorney's office had received any such formal offer from the saloonmen.

More U. S. Agents Coming

"Such a plan would materially change the situation," he said. "I really can't say just what I'd do if Mr. Bonner made me such an offer, but I wish he would make it.

"Tell him to get in touch with me," said District Attorney Kane reflectively. Mr. Daniel, who has just returned from Washington, having had a talk with Assistant District Attorney General William L. Frierson, who is in charge of the enforcement of the liquor law for the Department of Justice, declared there was a likelihood of the government forces in Philadelphia being augmented within a short time.

Advised to Keep Open

Saloon owners crowded the headquarters of the Liquor Dealers' Association in the Penn Square Building and voiced vigorous protest against the methods employed against beer sellers by District Attorney Kane. They were met by Bonner and Frank J. Mancely, counsel for the organization, who advised them to disregard the government's campaign against beer sellers and to keep their saloons open and go on selling beer.

HOME FOR MILLIONAIRE BOY

Court Grants Petition of Heir's Guardian to Spend $100,000

New York, July 24.—Under a ruling of the Supreme Court John Arthur Hinckley, thirteen years old, who will have an estate of $2,700,000 when he is twenty one as an inheritance from his father, J. Arthur Hinckley, famous yachtsman, who died in 1911, will be permitted to move from the narrow limits of a room at the Hotel Lorraine to a home of his own in Dutchess county, surrounded by forests and mountains and overlooking the majestic Hudson.

This transplanting of the prospective millionaire was made possible by an order of Justice Ford permitting Mrs. Josephine Wood, the boy's grandmother and general guardian, to spend $100,000 from his estate to acquire a 200-acre property at Hamburg, N. Y.

Cameron O'Day McPherson, eighteen years old, grandson of the late Daniel O'Day, of the Standard Oil Company, and heir to an estate of $350,000, obtained an order from Surrogate Cohalan yesterday for an allowance of $250 a month from the estate. When he reaches his majority he will enjoy an income of $15,000 a year from this source.

McPherson says he is engaged in the leasing of acreage for oil in Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Arkansas, his father providing the capital. He is making $500 a month, which he told the court does not cover his traveling and other expenses.

WILLS PROBATED TODAY

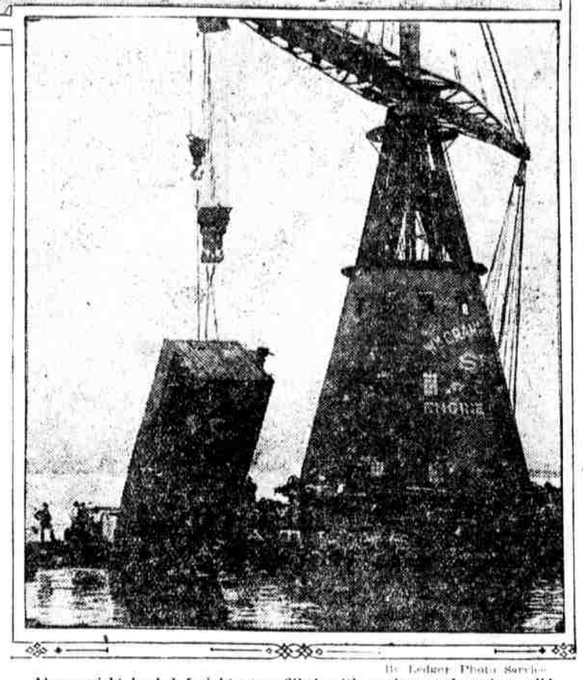
Many Private Bequests Made in Estate Settlements

Wills probated today were those of Helen H. Robins, 2115 Pine street, $85,000, private bequests; Charles Mecky, 6620 Limekiln pike, $60,200, private bequests; and Rose Flig, 1954 East Stella avenue, $3200, private bequests.

Accounts of personal estates filed were those of William Kelley, $160,619.15; James W. Cortney, $7244.93; Angelo Jackovelli, $16,292.90, and Elizabeth Berkenstock, $5449.94.

Letters of administration were granted the estates of Mary E. Peterson, 3354 North Twenty-second street, $12,000, and Fred C. Eckhardt, 628 East Berks street, $10,000.

SINKING BARGE SLIDES FREIGHT CARS IN RIVER



By Ledger Photo Service

Above, eight loaded freight cars, filled with produce and oysters, slid into the Delaware river at Pier 38, South Wharves, when the barge on which they were being ferried from New Jersey sunk. The captain of the tug towing the ferry, seeing that the barge was about to sink, steered for the shore when the cars went overboard off Christian street. Below, the powerful crane, Atlas, from the William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company, hauling the submerged freight from the river after divers had fastened chains about the cars

HABEAS CORPUS WRIT FOR SABOR'S RELEASE

Counsel Employed to Seek Freedom of Man Charged With Wife's Murder

WEAPON USED NOT FOUND

Freedom for Charles Sabor, the Glassboro grocer, now in the Gloucester county jail at Woodbury, charged with the murder of his wife Clara, who was shot and killed in the bedroom of her home yesterday, is to be sought through a writ of habeas corpus.

George Marshall was retained as counsel for Sabor today by Harry J. Krasne, of Wilmington, Del., a brother in law of the accused man. In company with Mr. Krasne, Attorney Marshall visited Mrs. Krasne in Cooper Hospital and obtained her signed statement of the occurrence of Wednesday morning, to use in the habeas corpus proceeding.

The guilt or innocence of Sabor may be determined by the fingerprint system which the Gloucester county authorities will make use of today.

Search for the pistol which was used to fire the fatal shot at Mrs. Clara Sabor has proved futile, although the house and the surrounding premises have been thoroughly ransacked by the authorities.

Searching inquiry directed by Coroner I. Preston Potter, of Clayton, N. J., and County Prosecutor Oscar B. Redrow, of Woodbury, N. J., at the coroner's inquest which will be held at Glassboro, on Saturday, is expected to result in the discharge of Sabor.

Says Arrest Not Justified

"I don't think much of the arrest of Sabor," said Coroner Potter today. "We know more than the Gloucester people did and were doing more than they were, but I could not see where the arrest of Sabor was justified.

"He was arrested and given a hearing and held without bail, being immediately committed and sent to the jail at Woodbury, without either Prosecutor Redrow or myself being present. In fact, we had no knowledge of the hearing until it was over. We were not consulted in the matter. We had Sabor under constant surveillance and there was no chance that he would not be at hand if we wanted him.

J. A. McGINLEY DIES

Undertaker Never Recovered From Overwork in Influenza Epidemic

John A. McGinley, an undertaker, died at his home, 3730 Spring Garden street, Tuesday, after an illness of seven months. Last January Mr. McGinley, who was thirty-four years old, suffered a breakdown from overwork during the influenza epidemic. He never regained his health.

Mr. McGinley is survived by a widow, Mrs. Gertrude McGinley, and a son, James, four years old. Funeral services will be held at his home at 10:30 o'clock on Saturday morning and solemn requiem mass will be said at St. Agatha's Church. Interment will be made in St. Denis's Cemetery, Ardmore.

Mr. McGinley, who was in the undertaking business six years, was a member of the following organizations: West Philadelphia Council, No. 344, K. of C.; West Philadelphia Catholic Club, Division 24, A. O. H.; Commandery No. 8, Knights of Red Branch; A. O. M. P., Southwestern Assembly, Fraternal Mystic Circle, Ruling No. 2117; St. Patrick's I. C. B. U., Dreamon Alumni, S. F. I. S., and Twenty-fourth Ward Republican Club.

CONFESSES MURDER

Man Arrested for Theft Tells of Killing Man Two Years Ago

Confession of a murder committed by him two years ago, when he shot a man with whom he had a quarrel, at Clayton, N. J., was made to the Camden police today by Giuseppe Genevorardi, following his arrest on suspicion of having stolen $500 from the John J. O'Leary Construction Company, of Passaic.

Genevorardi, alias Samuel Bruno, lived in Fairhill street near Pike, this city. According to William Schregler, head of the Camden detective force, he confessed to the Claxton, N. J., murder.

His identity was established through a photograph forwarded after his arrest to the Passaic police. The prisoner denied the theft.

Two-Year Terms in Abduction Case

Frederick Bender and George Leon, the latter a Chinaman, today were sentenced to two years each in the county prison by Judge Ferguson, in Quarter Sessions Court, on charges of conspiracy to entice fourteen-year-old Edith Bear. Before imposing sentence, Judge Ferguson overruled a new trial motion made on behalf of the convicted defendants. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judge Ferguson.

Two Held on Tax Fraud Charge

Jacob Blumberg and Bernard Blumberg, of 1004 East Susquehanna avenue, are under $3000 bail each for a further hearing on July 30, on the charge of making fraudulent income tax returns.

MAN THOUGHT SON IN BED AS HE LAY DEAD IN MORGUE

Child Killed by Automobile Remains Unidentified Because Father Thought Mother Had Put Him to Sleep

The body of a twelve-year-old boy lay for twenty-four hours on a marble slab at the morgue awaiting identification, while the lad's father, who later identified it, believed his son tucked safely in bed.

WM. McFALLS, JR.

The boy is William McFalls, Jr., of 316 North Horton street, who was killed by an automobile near Sixty-first and Market streets Tuesday afternoon. His father is a Hog Island policeman and former member of the traffic squad.

Little Billie was sent on an errand to Sixtieth and Market streets by his mother on Tuesday morning. On his return he stopped in a shoe store at Sixty-first and Market streets to price a pair of sneakers. He had had only one pair and they had been stolen from him a week or two before, while he was in swimming. Having priced the sneakers he left the store and, starting to cross the street, was struck by the truck.

Meanwhile Billie's mother was called by the death of a relative to Thirty-eighth and Spring Garden streets. The father, upon his return from work, learned of the death of the relative and went to the house. An aunt of Billie's was in the McFall home, but when Billie did not return she thought he had stopped at the home of a neighbor where he had frequently visited. The father returned from the home of the relative and went to bed, believing that the child was asleep in the next room. He left for work yesterday morning before the child's rising hour. The mother did not return from the home of the deceased relative until about 10 o'clock yesterday morning. She thought nothing of the fact that Billie was not there, taking it for granted he was at a neighbor's.

About 11 o'clock Mrs. Herbert Jones, a sister of Mrs. McFalls, went to Sixty-first and Market streets shopping. There she heard of the killing of a child and also that the body had not been identified. A moment later some one said the boy had been in a shoe store pricing sneakers. Then Mrs. Jones remembered that Billie had lost his sneakers and had been anxious to get another pair. Greatly worried, she told James McFalls, an uncle of Billie's, to go to the morgue. McFalls, together with the boy's father, found little Billie dead.

70 COMMITTEE TO ARGUE

Will Ask Striking Off of Unnaturalized Men's Names

Representatives of the committee of seventy will appear today before the board of registration commissioners to resume argument for striking from the assessors' lists the names of unnaturalized men who declared their intentions to become citizens.

E. L. D. Roach, secretary of the committee of seventy, has offered the board of registration commissioners the services of the committee's corps of detectives who conducted investigations preparatory to the filing of the committee's petitions to strike names from the assessors' lists, as inspectors of registration without expense to the city.

Mr. Roach said these detectives are especially fitted to be inspectors by the training they had acquired in their investigations of the assessors' lists.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles T. McCall, 420 E. Livingston st., and Ethel M. Boyer, 413 Marlé st.
John H. Smithhurst, 6022 Pine st., and Florence W. Thackara, 2640 N. 5th st.
Casper T. Effinger, 2459 N. 28th st., and Ruth S. Harris, 2459 N. 28th st.
William G. Cohen, 508 Hoffman st., and Ida C. Cherry, 3115 S. 82d st.
Glood Dock, Chester, Pa., and Marie A. Hogan, 1048 S. Bailey st.
Charles J. Greenberg, 1131 N. 11th st., and Freda Parker, 1827 E. Passyunk ave.
Albert H. Conard, 116 N. 17th st., and Lillian Galbraith, 1720 Vine st.
Russell Longstreth, 1828 Herbert st., and Helen M. Little, 3098 Frankford ave.
Benjamin R. Verhart, 5536 Woodland ave., and Crystal E. Miles, 1814 S. Allison st.
Benjamin Matter, 1406 Center st., and Carrie Nichols, 1806 Chatham st.
Raymond Scull, 2401 Oxford st., and Bertha C. Pfender, 2401 Oxford st.
Otto Salo, 2624 S. Howard st., and Olga Lundell, 4531 R. Front st.
Alexander Plinsky, Crumlynne, Pa., and Martha Shoffin, Crumlynne, Pa.
James Lambros, 2031 S. 11th st., and Margaret M. Sommers, 1618 Vine st.
Nicholas Nicolera, 2221 S. 18th st., and Condetta Di Valero, 1416 S. 10th st.
Malcolm J. Harkins, San Francisco, Calif., and Veronica M. Connor, 512 S. 46th st.
David W. Haas, 5031 Germantown ave., and Anna A. von Bosse, 5643 N. 16th st.
Walter Vandegrift, Clementon, N. J., and Theodora Nichterlein, 739 W. Girard ave.
Lester A. Davies, 1532 Porter st., and Lillie M. Medive, Baltimore, Md.
Armand A. Megaro, 302 S. 10th st., and Agnes Panzallo, 3816 Lancaster ave.
Abe Abraham, Washington, D. C., and Bessie Banner, 2226 N. 17th st.
Harold W. Ritchie, 3224 Sansom st., and Lena L. Cottman, 3224 Sansom st.
Phillip Berger, 2836 Wharton st., and Mary Brownstein, New York city.
Francis A. Wagner, Jr., 3177 Cedar st., and Mae P. Petersen, 334 Almond st.

LA VERNE W. NOYES DEAD

Chicago Philanthropist Established $2,500,000 Foundation for Children

Chicago, July 24.—(By A. P.)—La Verne W. Noyes, manufacturer and philanthropist, died early today of a complication of diseases.

Most recent of his philanthropic gifts was the establishment of what is known as "The La Verne W. Noyes foundation," a fund of $2,500,000, the income of which is to be used for the education of American soldiers, sailors and marines in the world war, their children and descendants.

His purpose in establishing this fund, as stated by Mr. Noyes, was to "express his gratitude to those who ventured the supreme sacrifice of life for their country and for the freedom of mankind."

The Ida Noyes Hall, a $300,000 social center and gymnasium at the University of Chicago, for women students, was his memorial to his wife, a well-known writer and artist, who died in 1912.

Mr. Noyes was born in Genoa, N. Y., in 1849. He was a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and president of the board of trustees of the Chicago Academy of Science, to which he made many contributions.

DEATHS

BAUN.—July 23, CHRISTIANA (nee Trefz), wife of David Baun, aged 70. Relatives and friends, also members of the Ladies' Society of St. Luke's Reformed Church, invited to funeral services, Sunday, 2 p. m., at 2542 Girard ave. Int. private. Mt. Peace Cem.

DOE.—July 24, BLANCHE C., wife of Charles A. Doe. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Fri., 2 p. m., at Armstrong & Sons, 1927-29 N. Broad st. Int. private.

KAIN.—July 24, at 1502 N. 54th st., WILLIAM W., husband of Minnie V. Kain (nee Royal). Relatives and friends, also Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 449, F. and A. M., St. John's R. A. Chapter, No. 232, Progressive Assembly, No. 4, A. O. M. P., Employees and Veterans' Association, P. R. R., and Fletcher M. E. Bible Class, invited to funeral services, Monday, 2 p. m., at the Oliver H. Bair Bldg., 1820 Chestnut st., Phila. Int. private, Arlington Cem. Friends may view remains Sun. evening.

HELP WANTED—MALE

STENOGRAPHER wanted immediately by automobile concern; excellent opportunity for experienced man. Phone Poplar 6590, or apply N. E. corner 13th and Wallace.

ARMY CRUELTY PROBE TAKING WIDE SCOPE

Committee Investigating 'Hard-Boiled' Smith and Others May Call High Officers

EIGHT CULPRITS SENTENCED

By the Associated Press

Washington, July 24.—The special House war investigating committee, which yesterday heard read War Department records showing that three commissioned and five noncommissioned officers had been court-martialed because of brutalities in handling American prisoners at camps in and near Paris, today were considering the advisability of calling additional witnesses. It was believed that if more witnesses are called they will include a number of army officers of high rank.

The records submitted to the committee yesterday by General March, chief of staff, gave the first official confirmation to reports of cruel treatment by their own officers of American soldiers in France.

Names of the officers court-martialed were given in a cablegram from General Pershing and from reports of Brigadier General Edward R. Kreger, acting judge advocate general. They included Lieutenant F. H. Smith, known in the service as "Hard-Boiled" Smith, who is serving a sentence of eighteen months at Governor's Island for his part in ill treatment of prisoners under his charge at farm No. 2, near Paris.

It is charged only officers of lower grades were convicted and their superior officers allowed to go free.

San Diego, Calif., July 24.—The 158th Infantry, some whose commissioned and noncommissioned officers have been sentenced in connection with charges of cruelties to American soldiers, prisoners in France, went overseas from Camp Kearny in command of Colonel E. P. Grimstead. Government inspectors had referred to this organization, which originated in Arizona, as the "best National Guard infantry regiment" in the country. It was President Wilson's guard of honor when he arrived at Paris, December, 1918. All of its officers signed a pledge when the United States went into the war to drink no intoxicants until peace was declared and it was called "the dry regiment."

MYSTERY IN STORE ROBBERY

Both Doors Found Locked, But $800 Is Missing

Thieves robbed the safe in the store of the United Cigar Stores Corporation at Twelfth and Market streets early today and stole $800 in cash.

The circumstances of the robbery are peculiar, the police say. The front door, securely fastened, was not forced, nor was the rear door, opening on Twelfth street. This door is secured by a double lock, the hasp securing it being fastened with heavy staples.

When the store was closed by the clerk in charge at 1 o'clock this morning the outer door of the safe was open. The thief or thieves forced open the inner compartment containing the money. The robbery was discovered by Alfred Patterson, a clerk, who opened the store at 7 o'clock today.

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BOY WORKS TO ALLOW CHUM GET VACATION

Youth's Return for Services at Club Will Be Week at Seashore for Friend

One of the happiest boys at the Germantown Boys' Club, West Penn street, Germantown, is Abraham Omer, of 20 Armat street, who is working at the club to gain a week's vacation. What makes Abraham so happy is not the prospect of a week at the shore, which will be his payment for his labor, but the fact that he's going to let a boy chum take the week's outing.

It all happened yesterday when little Abraham—he's only nine years old—went into the club to inquire of Superintendent Bainbridge about a certain rule of the club that gives any boy who works there a week, the privilege of spending an equal length of time at the club's summer cottage at Ocean City, expense free.

Mr. Bainbridge told the little fellow that such was a fact, but remarked that Abraham was rather small to do any work, although he appreciated the little fellow's desire to get a week's outing at the shore.

"Oh, please let me work!" pleaded Abraham. "It ain't because I want to go to the shore; my mother says I'm too small. But I want Jimmy to go and he ain't got time to work here."

Then Abraham explained that Jimmy is a friend, another youngster, who has to work all of his spare time in a drug store and turn his money over to his mother so that she can keep their little family. That settled it. Abraham was engaged for a week's work at the club and Jimmy will go to the shore as a result.

Northeast Traction Work Begun

Work is being pushed on the first section of the Bustleton and Byberry surface line by the Northwestern Railroad Construction Company, of Chicago. Despite the recent rains, substantial progress is being made on the line, which, when completed, will be a part of the comprehensive rapid transit system in this city. The surface line will serve the Bustleton and Byberry sections and the Thirty-fifth ward.

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