

# RIGHTS OF INSANE ARE SAFEGUARDED

### Ruling of City Solicitor On Temporary Detention.

## MEASURES BEFORE CONGRESS

Corporations Chartered Outside of the District Doing Business and Having Headquarters Here Are Not Amenable to the Code.

The District Commissioners yesterday received from Mr. A. B. Duval, the City Solicitor, three opinions on bills submitted to the Commissioners by the committee of Congress.

On Senate bill No. 2899, to provide for the temporary detention of persons dangerously insane, the Solicitor says: "This bill, in my judgment, provides appropriate proceedings for the temporary detention of the dangerously insane, and at the same time safeguards their rights. Some of its provisions are to apprehend, detain, etc., declaratory of the course of proceeding now adopted without express authority of law."

The Solicitor submits a few suggestions as regards the wording, and adds that the bill appears to be in good form and should receive the favorable recommendation of the Commissioners.

### Opinion on Salaries.

A second opinion was that rendered on the communication of the Recorder of Deeds requesting the District Commissioners to report on an amendment desired by him to section 553, of the code of law for the District. The proposed amendment consists of striking out the words "eighteen hundred and ninety-one" in the sixteenth line of the section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "nineteen hundred and one."

"The object of the amendment," explains Mr. Duval, the Solicitor, "is to restore the provision for the payment of the janitor and the sweeping and cleaning of the office, which was made by the act of March 3, 1891. I am not prepared to say whether the section, if amended as desired, would not affect the pay of any other clerk or employe in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, and therefore, in my judgment, it would be better to remedy the matter by providing specifically therefor, and instead of striking out the words 'eighteen hundred and ninety-one' in line 16, to amend it by inserting after those words the following: 'Except that there shall be paid to the janitor \$250 per annum, and to the charwoman, \$150 per annum.'"

"I think that the office should have the services of such employes, and I do not suppose that the phraseology of section 553 was adopted with the purpose of depriving the office of such services."

With the exception of these employes, the officials and clerks in the office of the Recorder of Deeds are paid from the fees collected in the office.

### Corporations Question Law.

The third opinion rendered yesterday was in regard to the communication of H. M. Adams, requesting information as to whether sections 659, 617, and 622 to 624, inclusive, of the code of law for the District, are applicable to existing corporations chartered outside of the District, but doing business and having headquarters in the District, or whether the sections apply only to corporations chartered in the District.

"These sections," the Solicitor says, "relate to the matter of election of officers, annual reports, transfer of stock, and inspection of books. They constitute part of subchapter 4 of chapter 18, relating to corporations formed in the District of Columbia, and apparently have no relation to corporations chartered outside of the District of Columbia but doing business and having headquarters in the District."

### CHURCH INCORPORATED.

Articles Placed on File in Office of Recorder of Deeds.

Articles of the incorporation of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church were placed on file yesterday in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. The object of the organization is stated to be to maintain a place of religious worship. The incorporators are: Andrew O. Nash, Charles Spriggs, Charles E. Davis, William R. Jones, James R. Chambers, Hanson Brooks, John Sykes, Armstrong Randall and Ewell L. Conway. The church building is located on Fifth Street, between M and N Streets, northwest.

### PART OF OLD JAIL WALL FALLS

No General Collapse, However, as Was at First Reported.

A great deal of interest was aroused at police headquarters yesterday by a report that the walls of the old District Jail, located in the rear of 433 C Street northwest, had collapsed.

The building is one story high, and adjoins the mail bag repair shops. It is said to have been the first place used as a prison by the District government.

Only about 200 bricks of one of the walls had fallen, the result, no doubt, of the extreme dampness of the past week.

### Cosmopolitan Hotel Leased.

Miss Katie Schludner has leased the Cosmopolitan Hotel, New Jersey Avenue and C Street northwest, for a period of five years. The lease runs from January 1, 1932, at an annual rental of \$4,650, payable monthly. The property is owned by Mr. Thomas W. Smith.

Lectured on "Corporations."

An interesting lecture was given the pupils of the post-graduate law class of the National University last night by ex-Attorney General Monnett, of Ohio, on "Corporations." Nearly every member of the class was present.

### William Dudley Foulke's Lecture.

The lecture which was to have been delivered by Mr. William Dudley Foulke on "The Desirability of Examinations for the Diplomatic and Consular Service" before the School of Comparative Jurisprudence and Diplomacy last Friday will be delivered tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 in Law Lecture Hall, 1420 H Street.

### Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Co.

Delights trip daily at 6:30 p. m. from foot 7th St. to Old Point Comfort, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Newport News. See ad. page 5.

## SMOKE LAW VIOLATORS.

### A Number Appear in Court and Demand Trial by Jury.

The Washington Traction and Electric Company is again on the rack on the smoke question. A warrant summoning Mr. Lindley E. Sinclair, superintendent and general manager, to answer to another charge of violating the law at the Benning Road powerhouse, was served on him, and when he appeared yesterday to demand trial by jury, he was confronted with the charges of violating the law at various other powerhouses belonging to his company. He gave a bond of \$500 on each for his appearance when wanted.

There is an apparent disposition on the part of many others who have been brought up on similar charges to fight the smoke law to the limit, and following the example of Mr. Sinclair they have demanded trial by jury.

Among these are Theodore J. Talty, of the Babehel Hotel; John D. Coughlin, manager of the Union Building; J. Harrison Key, of the Barton Hotel; J. Franklin Schneider, of the Cairo Flats; Christian Heurich, the brewer; Moses & Sons, Joseph L. Crippen, the Ohio Avenue lumber dealer; Charles H. Jaynes, the game and bird dealer; and Charles E. Hood, manager of the Pacific Building.

Mr. John J. Devine, manager of the Shoreham, fought \$25 yesterday when a charge against him was called.

## MR. LEE AWARDED DAMAGES.

### Suel Railway Company for \$20,000, But to Get Only \$500.

In the case of Timothy F. Lee against the Metropolitan Railroad Company to recover \$20,000, claimed as damages for personal injuries, the jury awarded him \$500. It was the second time Mr. Lee has been awarded damages for his injuries.

At the first trial of the suit in January, 1931, the jury which heard the evidence awarded him damages in the sum of \$5,000. The verdict was set aside by the presiding justice and a new trial ordered which resulted as stated.

Mr. Lee was injured on May 3, 1928, at the corner of F and Ninth Streets northwest. In the accident he suffered a compound fracture of his left hip and has since been able to walk only with the assistance of crutches.

## DONOVAN BADLY HURT.

### Young Man Assaulted Last Friday Night May Not Recover.

John Donovan, the young man, who was severely beaten last Friday night at the corner of Thirty-fourth Street and Prospect Avenue, continues in a critical condition. It is feared that his injuries may prove fatal.

Several days ago he was removed from the Georgetown University Hospital to his home on Thirty-sixth Street. Daniel McCarthy and Hugh Clements, charged with having committed the assault, were today released from custody in the Police Court, each furnishing bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance in court when wanted.

## YOUNG HOUST NOT LOCATED.

### Local Police Find No Trace of the Missing Son of Jersey Pastor.

The detectives have as yet been unable to find George L. Houst, the fifteen-year-old boy whose father, Rev. H. R. Houst, came to the city last night to search for him.

The home of the Housts is in Elizabeth, N. J. The lad is rather short and stout, weighs 90 pounds, has light brown hair, blue eyes, and has three bare spots on his head and a long scar on the little finger of the right hand.

## SENTENCE SET ASIDE.

### Andrew Pryor Was Found Guilty Under Jury Drawn Illegally.

Justice Barnard yesterday set aside the sentence imposed upon Andrew Pryor, colored, convicted of larceny on January 9. The prisoner was found guilty by a panel of jurors drawn for service in the Supreme Court of the District in December. This jury was declared to be illegally organized by the Court of Appeals for the District.

The former trial of Pryor was therefore illegal, hence the action of the court in the present case. When declared guilty by the twelve men who sat as a jury, Justice Barnard sentenced Pryor to imprisonment in the penitentiary at Mount Vernon, Va., for a period of a year and a day.

Since his conviction Pryor has secured the services of Attorney Melendez M. King, who stated yesterday that he will again make an effort to secure his acquittal. The case will probably come up for trial next week.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

### Ninred P. Thompson and Lucy McKenney.

James M. McNamee, Grafton, W. Va., and Ruby C. Knott, St. Mary's county, Md.

### William Wade and Maggie Clark.

Amos Johnson and Carrie Bellows. John H. Gray and Mattie E. Topp. Arthur Gleason and Lillie May Cramer. Cleveland Church and Ida A. Norris. Richard F. Dix and Alice Dunton, both of Lancaster, Va.

### Harry Davis and Ida Cronin.

Thomas Parker and Anna G. Tyler. Herman A. Fleming and Edna Earle Billings, both of Richmond, Va.

### Lawrence E. Jones and Ida Brown.

Joseph Woodward and Mattie Cook, both of Shenandoah County, Va.

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## G. A. R. COMMITTEE AT WORK.

### Considerable Progress Being Made by Those Having Encampment in Charge.

Great progress is being made by the citizens' committee of the G. A. R. encampment toward selecting a number of other important committees. It is realized by those having in charge the encampment affairs that the appointment of a score or more of these minor committees is absolutely necessary, and every effort is being made to organize them as soon as possible.

Mr. Frank K. Raymond, the chairman of the finance committee, yesterday announced that he would be ready to make public the names of those selected to serve upon a subcommittee which will shortly be organized. In speaking of the fund Mr. Raymond said that he was greatly pleased with the manner in which contributions were coming in and that there was no question about raising the necessary \$50,000 for the entertainment of the war veterans.

It is stated that a meeting of the committee of seven will be held in a few days for the purpose of organizing and making public the various other committees.

Mr. Bulkeley announced this afternoon that Mr. S. B. Hope, of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, had been made chairman of the committee on transportation to the battlefields, a position held by Mr. Hope ten years ago, during the last local encampment.

## AUGUSTUS E. L. KEESE BURIED

### For Over Half Century Prominent Citizen of National Capital.

Mr. Augustus E. L. Keese, for over sixty years a prominent citizen of the National Capital, was buried yesterday afternoon with fitting ceremony by members of the Grand Army of the Republic and other organizations.

Funeral services were held at his late residence, 467 N Street northwest, at 1:30 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Butler, pastor of the Keller Memorial Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment was made at Rock Creek Cemetery. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Knights of Pythias, and Veteran Firemen's Union acted as honorary pallbearers.

## BOOKMAKING CASES QUASHED

### Government Attorneys Abandon Prosecution of James McGill.

The movement resulting from the recent arrest of some ten or twelve well known men of this city, who were charged with making books on horse races contrary to the gaming law, received a blow yesterday, when the case of James McGill, the first one to be tried, was abandoned before half of the witnesses for the Government had been heard, in the Police Court. None of the witnesses heard would say that they had bet money with McGill, and they denied that they had played the horses at any time or any place.

The failure of the Government to secure a conviction with the evidence presented, it is predicted, will result in the quashing of proceedings against all of the other defendants in similar suits.

## WEEKLY MORTALITY REPORT.

### Official Statement of Deaths and Their Causes in the District.

There were 166 deaths in the District during the week ended on Saturday last, of which 99 were of white and 49 of colored persons. The death rate for the whites was 15.3, for the colored 23.4, and for all deaths 19.4. By the last report the mortality was 112 and in the corresponding week of last year they numbered 151, representing a rate of 28.17 per thousand of population.

Compared with last week the mortality from affections of the kidneys increased from 7 to 19, from pneumonia from 17 to 21, and among children under five years of age from 22 to 27; that among infants under one year old from 15 to 22. There was a decrease in the same time in deaths from diseases of the brain and nervous system from 12 to 7; heart affections from 12 to 7, and grippe from 2 to 2. Of typhoid fever, there was 1 fatal case, and 2 fatal cases of diphtheria were reported. By violence, 3 deaths occurred, 1 being a case of suicide by gunshot and 2 accidental, 1 being by burns of body and 1 crushed by a runaway team.

Of births, there were 123 returns made during the week, of which 66 were of whites and 57 of colored; the males numbering 65 and females 58.

At the close of last report there were 5 cases of smallpox under treatment in the hospital. During the week 5 new cases developed, 4 were discharged, and 1 left in hospital at the close of this report.

Of diphtheria, there were 22 cases in quarantine at the close of the last report. During the week 9 new cases occurred and 5 being discharged left 22 cases in isolation in 15 patients.

There were 28 cases of scarlet fever in quarantine at the close of last report. During the week 14 new cases were reported, and 2 being discharged, left 40 cases with varying grades of the disease.

The mean conditions of the weather which prevailed during the week were temperature of the atmosphere 50 degrees, relative humidity 95, and barometer 30.7. There was a rainfall of 1.78 inches with northwesterly winds averaging 12 miles per hour, and reaching 35 miles on the 15th. The maximum of the thermometer was 29 degrees on the 17th and minimum 16 degrees on the 20th.

The following were the deaths classified according to their causes: 1, Apoplexy; 1, bronchitis; 6, congestion of lungs; 2, consumption; 14, convulsions; 1, diarrheal disease; 4, diphtheria; 2, diseases of the brain; 3, diseases of heart; 1, disease of kidneys; 30, malarial fever; 1, malignant growth; 4, meningitis; 2, pneumonia; 21, suicide; 1, typhoid fever; 1, miscellaneous; 29, total, 109.

## HEALTH OFFICE REPORT.

### DEATHS.

The following deaths for forty-eight hours were reported at the Health Department yesterday: Diantna H. Dulle, 24 years. Annie Clagett, 29 years. Elizabeth Colvin, 82 years. Ephraim Jones, 29 years. Apoplexy. Elijah Stone, 72 years. William C. Conway, 71 years. Margaret Geyer, 71 years. Jerry Buchanan, 68 years. James Miller, 46 years. Isabella K. Thompson, 66 years. May B. Barton, 62 years. Samuel Bonds, 60 years. Annie Moberly, 57 years. In 28 premature deaths, 16 were males and 12 females. Hannah McDermott, 52 years. Mary C. Salmon, 51 years. Richard D. Thompson, 50 years. Emma F. Rutherford, 49 years. Cornelius Corbin, 40 years. Ellen Nicky, 36 years. Belle W. Harris, 33 years. Karl P. Moss, 31 years. Of the thermometer, Pauline M. Tate, 30 years. Edward Fisher, 27 years. Mattie H. Henson, 27 years. William Henson, 26 years. Richard H. Davis, 19 years. Mary Francis Jones, 4 years. Elsie Brown, 2 years. Bertha M. J. Jones, 2 months. John F. Huxley, 1 month. Infant of Rachel Ferguson, 3 days. Minnie Berger, 3 days.

## GRAND JURY RETURNS MANY INDICTMENTS

### Thomas Morse Held for James Haskins' Death.

### Another Chapter in the Chevy Chase Cow Barn Murder—Other Defendants Held for Trial.

The grand jury yesterday returned an indictment against Thomas Morse, colored, charging him with the murder of James Haskins, also colored, on December 13 last, near Chevy Chase.

An indictment charging murder was also reported against Lawrence Norman, colored. He is held responsible for the death of Annie Brown, also colored, in November last. It was stated at the time that Norman and the woman had a quarrel, and the latter being afraid, fled from the woman, and in her flight she ran into the canal above Georgetown and was drowned.

Indictments were also reported against the following named persons for offences mentioned: Isaac Byrd and William Payne, assault with intent to kill; Alfred Runnell, Charles Gray, housebreaking; Frank Bonwell, embezzlement; Joseph H. Maxwell, false pretences and fraud; W. H. Huss, forgery.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair today; rising temperature. Tomorrow, increasing cloudiness, probably rain by night; light variable winds.

## TEMPERATURE.

Highest temperature, 1 p. m. 52. Lowest temperature, 10 p. m. 40.

## THE SUN AND THE MOON.

Sun rose 6:36 A. M. Sun sets 5:50 P. M. Moon rises 11:13 P. M. Moon sets 6:00 A. M.

## THE TIDE TABLE.

High tide 5:30 A. M. and 6:05 P. M. Low tide 11:22 A. M. and 11:39 P. M.

## STREET LIGHTING.

Lamps lit today 6:29 P. M. Lamps out tomorrow 5:43 A. M.

## AMUSEMENTS.

National—Ethel Barrymore in "Captain Jinks, of Horse Marines," evening. Columbia—"Old Homestead," afternoon and evening.

Lafayette—"Fedora," evening. Academy—"Ward and Vokes," afternoon and evening.

Kernan—"New City Club" Burlesques, afternoon and evening. Bijou—Burlesque and Vaudeville, afternoon and evening.

Chase—"Pellie," Vaudeville, afternoon and evening.

## TEMPERATURES IN OTHER CITIES.

City	Max.	Min.	P. m. fall.
Atlantic City	42	28	42
Baltimore	44	30	44
Bismarck, N. D.	36	24	36
Boston, Mass.	40	26	40
Buffalo, N. Y.	46	32	46
Chicago	48	34	48
Cincinnati	50	36	50
Chester, Wyo.	46	32	46
Davenport, Iowa	52	38	52
Denver, Col.	48	34	48
Des Moines, Ia.	50	36	50
Galveston, Tex.	64	50	64
Indianapolis, Ind.	50	36	50
Jacksville, Fla.	62	48	62
Kansas City, Mo.	56	42	56
Little Rock, Ark.	60	46	60
Madison, Wis.	54	40	54
Mempais, Tenn.	60	46	60
New Orleans, La.	78	64	78
New York, N. Y.	58	44	58
North Platte, Neb.	52	38	52
Omaha, Neb.	58	44	58
Pittsburg, Pa.	56	42	56
Salt Lake City, Utah	58	44	58
St. Louis, Mo.	56	42	56
St. Paul, Minn.	52	38	52
Springfield, Ill.	48	34	48
Vicksburg, Miss.	64	50	64

## Railroad Company Granted Permit.

Mr. Snowden Ashford, Inspector of Buildings, has recommended to the Commissioners that the application of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for permission to enclose the space under the awning in front of the waiting room on the west side of Seventh Street north of Florida Avenue be granted, provided the enclosure be made of wood and glass panels of a portable type, and to be removed when so ordered by the Inspector of Buildings.

## Youthful Housebreaker Sentenced.

George Thomas, about twenty years of age, was yesterday convicted in Criminal Court No. 2 of housebreaking, and sentenced by Justice Barnard to six years imprisonment in the penitentiary. Frank Conroy, sixteen years old, indicted jointly with Thomas, was by direction of the court found not guilty. The boys were charged with entering the house of Mrs. Kate A. Sorogly last September.

## In Girlhood

There is a great need of motherly watchfulness and care. A growing girl needs all her strength, and if she is nervous and melancholy, and loses appetite there is surely something wrong. This is especially true as the young girl approaches her menstrual period.

The best medicine for young girls who are nervous, melancholy, and irregular of appetite, is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

It cures nervousness, dizziness, and melancholy, promotes the appetite, and gives the body strength and health. There is no alcohol in "Favorite Prescription" and it is entirely free from opium, cocaine, and all other narcotics.

"My daughter was troubled with dizziness and constipation and was very nervous for five years. I tried every medicine I could get, but they gave her no relief. At times she would get so bad that she would be unable to get up. I finally bought a bottle of Favorite Prescription and she took it as directed. People say she looks as though she were going into a decline. She is twelve years old. There are no circles around her eyes, and she is healthy and robust, eats as much as any child, and is growing faster every day."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets regulate the bowels.

## S. KANN, SONS & CO.

### "The Busy Corner."

Always the Best of Everything for the Least Money.

All our advertisements are verbal contracts with the public, as binding as legal seal contract. You know there is such a thing as making money by spending it, and those who are wide awake and watch these chances are surely the gainers. The touch of small prices greet you in every department of our store. That's the sort of greeting that forces through the greater throngs, the right prices always draw the thrifty buyers. Therefore, cut off the big margin of the other stores' prices and you'll get the proper idea of our selling.

## Go-Carts for Children.

Of course, they are not constructed like an automobile or a locomobile. They are the safety kind. Go by pushing. We have our new assortment for spring 1932 now in stock. Three very special with introductory prices:

1 lot of Go-Carts, with all the new improvements which one can find in a higher-priced one—they have green gears, full red bodies, and rubber tire wheels, and the cart actually worth \$1.50, introduced at..... \$0.98

We have ten different styles of Go-Carts with green gears, patent nutless wheels, with rubber tires and rubber-capped hubs—these carts are fitted with the latest improved adjustment for front and back—the bodies are all made of the best selected wood. Among this lot there are some upholstered in velvet, with cushion made to take out and which can be replaced in a minute—not one in the lot worth less than \$14, introduced at..... \$9.98

Children's Go-Carts with English broadcloth—this cart is supplied with a fine point de esprit lace covered parol—every new and latest device attachment will be found in this, one of the best-constructed carts on the market; actually worth \$24; introduced at..... \$19.98

50 Children's High Chairs, 39c worth 75c, at..... 39c

This chair is made of oak, strong and durable, and has extra tray—it's a special bargain which we offer just for today only 39c at..... 39c

Fourth floor.

## Opening Sale of Mattings.

For the last few years we have been known as the authority on Mattings. Our treatise on qualities and prices taught people how to buy and where. This year we are still better equipped. Larger floor space, bigger assortments, and still better prices.

We open this selling with 1,000 pieces of assorted kinds and prices. Whether you buy today or a month later, you'll not be able to accomplish any more with your dollars than if you purchased at once. This is how we have arranged this sale:

12c quality of Seamless Matting in a variety of patterns at..... 12c

20c Seamless China Matting in a variety of styles at..... 16c

25c Extra Heavy Seamless China Matting, for..... 19c

30c Seamless China Matting, made of short straws, in a choice line of patterns, for, per yard..... 25c

35c Seamless China Matting, 500 warp, which is considered very fine, for..... 29c

40c best grade Canton Seamless China Matting, for..... 35c

25c Japanese Jointless Cotton