

PRESIDENT DEMANDS THAT MINE OWNERS ACCEPT TRUCE PLAN

Head of Colorado Fuel and Iron Company Refuses Terms Offered, But Is Told to Reconsider.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—President Wilson today refused to let the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company turn down his plan of a peaceful settlement of the Colorado mining strike, when J. F. Welborne, president of the company, told the President that his plan was not acceptable to the company.

The President, in reply, told Mr. Welborne to reconsider, and in the most emphatic fashion told him that in view of the present crisis in the country he should not definitely refuse the offer of settlement.

Mr. Welborne promised to get in touch with the other operators in Colorado, and have their answer in the President's hands in a few days. It is considered probable that the operators will accept the truce plan presented by the President and stand pat on their declaration.

The Colorado Fuel and Iron Company through Mr. Welborne has presented to the President an alternative plan of settlement to the truce plan. The latter declined to consider it, saying that he was not thoroughly familiar with the facts of the Colorado situation, but that he thought the plan of a three years' truce a fair one. He added that he did not intend to act as judge or arbitrator in the situation, but only as mediator.

The President showed his disappointment plainly. He had believed that, under existing conditions, his proposal for a three years' truce would be accepted by both sides. He remained firm, however, and informed the coal magnates that he would insist on the acceptance of the plan.

"Go back to Colorado," he is reported to have declared, "and reconsider your decision. You cannot afford to decline such a proposition in view of all the existing circumstances."

Mr. Welborne was closeted with the President for nearly an hour. On leaving the White House he appeared flustered, but he declined to divulge any details of his interview.

SUFFRAGETTE MEETING ADDRESSED BY PASTOR

Crowd Hears Rev. Mr. Ilman at Noon Gathering.

A crowd of several hundred persons assembled near the Federal Building, Ninth and Chestnut streets, at noon today to hear an address on woman suffrage by Rev. Thomas W. Ilman, pastor of All-Souls Universalist Church. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Central Pennsylvania Association and was one of a series of noon-day meetings. Dr. Ilman in a short address outlined the necessity of woman suffrage as a means of attaining the ideals of popular government, and maintained that woman suffrage was essential to the millions of women of all classes for their own protection and the welfare of the race. He asserted that woman suffrage would do a great deal in eliminating the white slave evil.

Dr. Ilman was introduced by Mrs. Frank Miles, day member of the Advisory Board of the Equal Franchise Society and vice president of the Pennsylvania Child Labor Association. In introducing the speaker Mrs. Miles said that woman suffrage was needed not only as a means of achieving the final economic, political and social emancipation of woman, but also as a means of carrying out immediate reforms along the lines of social legislation.

Dr. Ilman said in part: "One thing is very evident about the movement to secure votes for women, and that is it has ceased to be a surprise, a novelty. Militant suffragism has taken a place in the life of the world that shall accord with their honest realization of their own powers and capacities; to answer the demand of society's clearly perceived and generally confessed need of their awakened and intelligent feminine services. The force of the country needs new blood, with finer ideals and loftier conceptions of the voter's responsibility such as are an integral part of the woman's movement."

MAGISTRATE SETTLES VEXING SHIRT SUIT

Chinese and Customer Carry Dispute to Police Court.

The story of a shirt was unfolded before Magistrate Renshaw at the Central Police Court this afternoon, and he used Solomon's wisdom to unravel the monotonous dispute. The story runs like this: David Matthews, fourth street and Baltimore avenue, took three shirts to the laundry of Charlie Lee, 424 Market street. When the shirts were returned to Matthews he said that one of them did not belong to him and was inferior to the shirt he gave the Chinaman. Lee said it did. Words followed and the Chinese was arrested. When the controversy was renewed today before the Magistrate, it would have gone on indefinitely had not he made a suggestion. Matthews was asked to tell how much more the shirt he once had was worth. He put the figure at \$1. It was explained to the Chinese that it would cost many dollars to have the case go on, so at the suggestion of the Magistrate, he gave Matthews a dollar and both men went away smiling.

INSPECT ASSASSINATORS' LISTS

All Parties Agree Not to Oppose Names Belonging There.

Counsel representing all political parties informed Judge Halston, in Common Pleas Court No. 5 today, as he was preparing to hear applications of 81 citizens to have their names placed on the division assessors' lists, that they desired to inspect the petitions themselves and where they were satisfied that the applicant was entitled to have his name put on the list, they would interpose no objection to his petition being granted. Where reasons were found for a rejection, the court would be asked next week to fix a day for a hearing to pass upon the petition. The names of the petitioners had been left off the assessors' list by mistake. Where otherwise, many of them being omitted because the persons had not returned to their city homes by September 2, the last day for making public. When these persons went to buy a poll tax receipt they found that they were not assessed.

MILEAGE BOOK INCREASES LIKELY TO COVER COUNTRY

Commerce Commission Not Inclined to Suspend Roads' New Rates.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Advances from 3 to 2 1/2 cents per mile in the charge for mileage books proposed by the Eastern railroads to take effect October 1 may not be suspended by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

If any recognition of the few complaints that have been filed against the proposed advances is taken at all by the Commission it will be within the next week. However, the Commission has already gone on record as holding that the passenger rates are abnormally low and this referred to the practice of the roads in selling mileage books.

It is believed here that the plan of the Eastern railroads to increase the cost of mileage will be followed by a similar plan on the part of the Southern and the Western roads. So far as possible the advances will be general throughout the country.

BRITISH DEATH LIST IN NORTH SEA FIGHT ESTIMATED AT 1654

Survivors From Three Cruisers Sunk by German Submarines Arrive in England. Tell of Escape.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The magnitude of the disaster suffered in the North Sea when the cruisers Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue were struck by German submarines, struck home to England today when it was learned that only 611 survivors, officers and sailors, had been accounted for. The missing number 1654, the three ships having carried 2100 officers and 1550 crew.

It is believed that some of the missing have been rescued by ships that will report later, but even the most optimistic fear that the death list will total at least 1650.

Only the barest details have yet reached here of the terrific execution caused by the torpedoes sent from the German submarines. The unofficial reports state that the three cruisers were sent to the bottom within a space of only two hours. The Aboukir was attacked about 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Within a few minutes her shattered bulk had sunk, leaving on the surface only wreckage and members of the crew who had been able to throw themselves into the sea before the vessel went down.

Within a short time the Hogue reached the spot, and while close watch was kept for the enemy's submarines, its boats were lowered away to save the Aboukir's crew. To this fact many of the Hogue's sailors owe their lives, for, despite the precautions taken, a submarine dispatched a torpedo against the Hogue's hull and she followed the Aboukir to the bottom.

The Cressy was the third to be destroyed. She is said to have been sent to the bottom about 8 o'clock while her boats were engaged in rescuing the crews of the Aboukir and Hogue.

The Aboukir was struck on its starboard side, before they were picked up by the British submarines. The survivors were nearly undressed in their berths when the torpedoes struck. They jumped overboard and were rescued by the captain of the Dutch steamer Tilton, who picked up a number of survivors and took them to the Hook.

Survivors from the three British cruisers are being cared for at the Naval Hospital at Haslemere, Surrey, and at the Great Eastern Hotel at Harwich, to prevent the news of the disaster from being spread. The only information vouchsafed was that they reported probably 700 had been saved.

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His Language in Answering Inquiries Shows His Sentiments.

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He stated that the amount of clerical work required by his duties is not large and that it cannot be carried on temporarily without the services of a clerk. The Magistrate gave as his opinion that the duties of his clerk are so inconsequential that it matters little whom he appoints to the position, particularly since the incumbent receives only \$4 a week salary.

Mr. Call did not vouchsafe any information as to what other means of livelihood his clerks have to bring their \$4 a week up to a living wage, nor would he explain the large fee believed to have been received by former employees.

The duties of constable in the Magistrate's office, since the dismissal of Jake Gillman, who was involved in the straw ball difficulties, have been discharged by Frederick Nichterlein, of 95 North 19th street. Previous to his appointment by Mr. Call, Nichterlein, although an electrician by trade, was associated with a saloon, Theodore C. Nichterlein, in a saloon business at Eighth street and Girard avenue. Frederick Nichterlein's many friends in the 23rd Ward, where the Magistrate's court is located, expect that he will make a faithful and efficient constable.

Ward politicians regard the appointment of Nichterlein as a wise step on the part of Magistrate Call to smooth over the rather ugly situation which has arisen out of the alleged irregularities in his office. Nichterlein undoubtedly will receive the Republican nomination for constable at the coming election.

FOR RUNNING A SPEAKEASY

Jury Convicts Head and Employees of Petty Officers' Club.

Ira Sykes, president, and the employees of the Petty Officers' Club were found guilty of operating a speakeasy by a jury in Judge Carr's court this afternoon. Judge Carr deferred sentence pending a motion for a new trial, and increased the amount of bail from \$200 to \$500 for each defendant.

J. Mira and A. Iwai, two Japanese waiters employed at the club, and James McKeown and William McKeown, other employees, were also found guilty by the jury.

BICYCLE PROBLEM TO BOY

Policeman Found Him With Stolen Machine He Couldn't Ride.

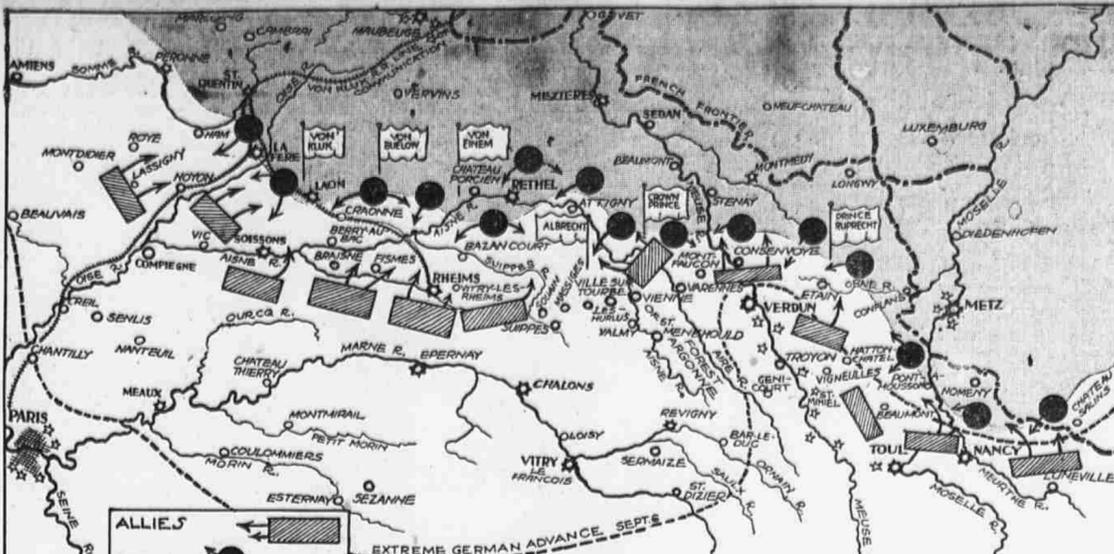
Inability to ride a bicycle he is alleged to have stolen near his home today resulted in the arrest of Otto Talbo, 12 years old, of 126 Federal street. The boy was found by Sergeant Milburn, of the Fifteenth street and Snyder avenue station, seated on a curb trying to figure out how to maintain his center of equilibrium. The boy was taken to the House of Detention and will be given a hearing tomorrow.

HOUSE PASSES LAND BILL

Conservation Measure Opens Mining and Oil Lands to Public.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The House today passed an administration conservation bill, regulating leases of public lands containing coal, potassium, sodium, oil and other minerals.

Several million acres of valuable mining and oil lands are opened to the public under proper restrictions by the bill.



The 10th day of the battle on the Aisne and nearby river valleys, from Noyon to the Lorraine frontier, finds the great armies still lined up in front of each other almost in a deadlock from one of the greatest artillery duels the world has ever known. While the Germans claim to have retaken the Heights of Craonne, and to have gained a small town near Rheims, and to have attacked the heights along the Meuse, at Vigneuilles, which is near Troyon, the French claim that these movements of the enemy were without special result, and that the advantage still lies with the allies, especially in their flanking movement near Noyon, Lassigny, and on the left bank of the River Oise, where they are threatening the forces of the German right, under von Kluk. Official reports give no details of this flanking movement, but unofficially place the French van near Peronne and St. Quentin on the Somme, and a large French force at Lassigny. The German right has also moved its headquarters north over the Belgian line.

GERMAN DIPLOMAT STIRS WASHINGTON BY 'DECIDED' VIEWS

Secretary, Newly Arrived From Tokio, Stresses Anti-American Feeling in Interview Obnoxious to Administration.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Because of what is regarded by the State Department as a "loose talk," Baron Wilhelm Freiherr von Schoen, recently secretary to the German Embassy at Tokio and freshly arrived to swell the staff on the German Embassy in Washington, may be politely requested to move on to some other capital.

Baron von Schoen talked at length in a morning newspaper. His interview was brought promptly to the attention of the White House.

"You may safely say," the Baron is quoted as saying, "that the mass of the Japanese people believe war with the United States is inevitable. Throughout Japan there is an intense hatred of the American people."

This declaration by a diplomat is regarded as being especially obnoxious at the present time, when the Administration is seeking to steer a neutral course and avoid collision with other nations embroiled in the European struggle. While the White House had no statement to make about the situation, it was evident that the Administration was deeply incensed.

The utterances of Baron von Schoen were regarded today as especially unfortunate, in view of the strained relations now existing between the Administration and the diplomatic representatives of the Kaiser in this country.

On one or two occasions the statements issued from the German Embassy have stirred the Administration.

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SUPREME COURT CONFIRMS DR. WILLIAM BACON'S APPEAL

Order Acts as Supersedes in Election Contest.

The Supreme Court today gave an order allowing the appeal of Dr. William D. Bacon from the decision of Judge Audenried confirming the report of the special examiner in the contest brought by Dr. Philip H. Moore. Moore contested the election for Select Council in the 4th Ward, and the Supreme Court order acts as a supersedeas on the lower court's ruling.

The official returns of the election showed Doctor Bacon, the Republican candidate, to have been elected by seven votes over Doctor Moore, the Fusion candidate. When the ballot boxes were opened before the examiner a number of ballots were found to have been imprinted with the name of Doctor Bacon, and others were not counted for Doctor Moore. After a recount, the examiner reported a majority of 29 votes for Doctor Moore. An appeal was at once taken when Judge Audenried confirmed the special examiner's report, and the order of the Supreme Court was issued.

GERMANY LOSES 63,467 SO FAR, BERLIN ANNOUNCES

Total Casualty List Gives 10,086 as Number Killed.

BERLIN (by way of Amsterdam), Sept. 23.—The total German losses in the war, properly counted, are made public, according to lists thus far made public, are 63,467. These are divided as follows: Killed, 10,086; wounded, 29,760; missing, 13,221.

69 PROPERTIES TO BE RAZED FOR PARKWAY

Director Cooke to Receive Proposals for the Work.

Proposals for the razing of 69 brick and frame buildings and smaller structures along the Parkway will be received by Director Cooke, of the Department of Public Works, on October 2.

Twenty-one of the properties to be demolished are located between Cherry and Appleton streets east of Seventeenth street. The remainder of the structures are all west of Logan Square.

Contractors may bid to pay the city for the privilege of reducing the building for the materials or to receive pay from the city for the work, with the material remaining in possession of the city. The properties were purchased by the city at prices 10 per cent. above the assessed valuation.

They are located on Seventeenth, Cherry, Twentieth, Vine, Pearl, 21st, Wood and Carleton streets, West Logan Square. A mill property on the south side of Wood street west of 21st street is included.

AUTUMN'S ADVENT HERALDED WITH UNUSUAL WARMTH

Temperature No Indication, But Subtle Change Evident.

The summer heat has given way to autumn's cool and gold. The sun is shining brightly, and the year is well advanced for the feast, the banquet is rich and the world is ready for a taste of autumn's bounty.

Autumn displaced summer at 4:26 o'clock this afternoon. This year the unusually oppressive temperature served to conceal the subtle change from summer to fall, but for those who sought there was plenty of evidence that the new season was at hand.

In the woods the chestnut burrs are splitting and the walnuts are almost ready to drop, apples are luxuriously ripe, and the autumn shower of leaves has set in, and all trees but the evergreens are contributing to the var-colored carpeting.

Flapjacks and maple syrup are coming into their own in the restaurants, and before long turkey will be on the regular bill of fare, even in the smaller cafes, for those who have the price. Soon the man with the chestnut will be in the market, and the position in the city streets with his box of chestnuts and his tiny glass.

The smoky haze that ordinarily accompanies the autumn season so far has been missing, but tomorrow or the next day it may make its appearance. The local weather forecaster, marveling at the present hot spell, expects a drop of 15 degrees in the temperature tonight. The tank as of burning leaves peculiar to autumn will come along later.

Summer, however, went out in a blaze of glory. The thermometer climbed to 90 degrees this afternoon and tonight, the influence of the thunder showers in the Ohio Valley is expected to bring about a drop in temperature. At 5 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 68 degrees.

Yesterday was the second warmest September 22 on record here. At 2 o'clock yesterday the mercury climbed to 90 degrees. The highest ever recorded on that date was in 1855 and the figure reached was 97 degrees. The dry spell now being experienced also is the second longest in the records. In 1910, from September 15 to October 19, only 34 of an inch of rain fell. This year, from August 22 until today, the precipitation has been .37 of an inch.

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MYSTERY IN DEATH OF FORMER WASHINGTON MAN

Found Dead With Friend Who Is Seriously Ill Today.

Mystery surrounds the death of Anton Lagler, 48 North Fifth street, formerly of Washington, D. C., and the serious illness of Rudolph Hicks, at the same address. A physician summoned today by the landlady, said Lagler probably died of typhoid fever, but refused to say positively. Hicks is at the Hahnemann Hospital, apparently suffering with the same malady.

CURRENCY DEMANDS OF COTTON GROWERS MAY HOLD UP BILLS

Southern Congressmen Threaten Filibuster Against War Tax Measure Unless They Are Granted Requests.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Southern members of the House who have been demanding emergency currency legislation especially for the benefit of the cotton growers today, threaten a filibuster against the war tax bill unless the Administration and Congress show some disposition to hear their complaints and grant their requests.

As Representative Henry, chairman of the Rules Committee, is one of the chief agitators in favor of a currency act whereby a billion dollars' worth of emergency currency would be turned loose in the South, to be loaned to cotton growers, the Southern members believe they have a fair chance to club the House into submission.

It is understood that Chairman Henry will do all he can to make trouble for the Underwood gag rule which is necessary to get the war tax bill passed unopposed. He claims his cotton currency bill will get a chance.

The Ways and Means Committee have planned to get the war tax bill through the House in a hurry tomorrow afternoon under gag rule and steam roller methods.

If enough Southern Democrats join with the Republicans to vote against the rule and conduct a real filibuster, there are grave doubts as to the passage of the measure.

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JERSEY NEEDS RAIN

Water Problem Growing Serious in Some Sections.

LANSBURYVILLE, Sept. 23.—The water problem here is growing serious, and unless there is a rain within the next few days there will be actual suffering. The three reservoirs of the Lansburyville Water Company are low, and wells used by many are practically dry. At Stockton the Wickekooks Creek has fallen to a mere rivulet.

RUSSIA FLOATS BIG LOAN

PETROGRAD, Sept. 23.—The issue of 200,000,000 rubles (\$100,000,000) treasury bonds has been successfully placed in London, and all lands are opened to a large extent.

NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD CHOSEN FOR UNIVERSITY

Dr. Harold Pender Named for the Electrical School.

Dr. Harold Pender, former director of the research division of the Electrical Engineering Department and Professor of Electrical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will become head of the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Pender is known throughout the country as an engineer, scientist and teacher. He graduated from the Johns Hopkins University in 1885 and received his doctor of philosophy degree from the same institution in 1901. Upon graduation he taught at Johns Hopkins and later at Syracuse.

In 1908 he entered the service of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company on the engineering staff. He was later employed by the New York Central Railroad to draw plans and specifications for the various parts of the distribution system for the New York terminal electrification.

He was a member of the engineering staff and secretary of the Metropolitan Edison Company from 1905 to 1909. In 1909 he was appointed professor of theoretical and applied electricity at Massachusetts Tech, and in 1912 was made director of the research division of the electrical engineering department.

FOW ASKS THE COLONEL A PERTINENT QUESTION

Roosevelt Letter Inconsistent in His Support of McCormick.

An open letter to Theodore Roosevelt, inquiring how he can support Vance C. McCormick as the Washington party's gubernatorial candidate in Pennsylvania, has been sent by John H. Fow, Democratic candidate for Congress in the Third District. Mr. Fow wants the Colonel to explain the inconsistency in his support of the party's gubernatorial candidate by word and act, that the new line of action which promises so much to the community may be intelligently inaugurated.

FRANKFORD'S HIGH SCHOOL

Ground Broken for Buildings at Oxford and Harrison Streets.

Ground was broken this afternoon for the new Frankford High School building at Oxford and Harrison streets. The ceremonies were extremely simple.

G. A. Snook, principal of the school, introduced Franklin Smetley, a member of the Board of Education. He made a short address to the pupils regarding the new building. He then took a pick the handle of which was decorated with the school colors, blue, crimson and gold. With this he broke the ground amid the cheers of the pupils.

POLICE SEEK BABY'S MOTHER

Infant Was Left in Care of Stranger Six Weeks Ago.

Lieutenant Stringer and the other officers at the Tenth and Buttonwood streets station spent a busy afternoon today enquiring into a case which has been reported as being a mother who had left her baby in the care of a stranger woman and had never been called for.

The woman, whom Mrs. Landis described as about 30 years old and well dressed, interested from a conversation with Mrs. Landis while waiting for a car in front of the Landis home. She asked Mrs. Landis to take care of the baby while she went downtown to buy it some new clothes. Mrs. Landis says she has not heard from her since then. Efforts to find the mother this afternoon failed, and Lieutenant Stringer said the baby would probably be placed in a home.

LOOKING FOR SWINDLER

Police Seek Man Who Passed Forged Checks.

Police of this city and Camden are searching for a man who gave the name of Jeremiah Conway and who has been passing forged checks in both places. His latest victim was Elmer Yaczel, salesman at the Methodist Episcopal Book Store, 1018 Arch street, who cashed a check on the Victor Talking Machine Company, of Camden, for \$50 some days ago.

The fraudulent check was signed with the name of Henry H. Hall, as treasurer of the talking machine company. Officials of the company have advised that there is no one of that name connected with their organization and the First National Bank of Camden, refused payment on the check. It is believed that the man who swindled within the last few weeks and the police think the same man is responsible.

"SAFETY FIRST" THE SLOGAN HERE FOR WEEK'S CAMPAIGN

Exercises in Schools and Meetings Today Are Preparatory to Three-Day Carnival and Convention.

"Safety First." This is the cry of Philadelphia today, when the city enters on a campaign of safety, preparatory to the Carnival and Convention of Safety, which will open Saturday and continue three days in Convention Hall, Broad street and Allegheny avenue. The convention will be conducted under auspices of the Home and School League.

"Safety Week," as the period will be known, opens today with exercises in all the city schools. A corps of 200 speakers, delegated by the Home and School League, will speak on various forms of safety. The children are to be given a lasting impression of what it means to guard the safety of their health, minds and bodies.

The exercises in the schools will begin with a salute to the flag, typifying the secure foundation on which the nation stands. Recitations and essays on safety will be read by the pupils and the program concluded with an address by a representative of the Home and School League.

At a meeting this afternoon in Witherspoon Hall, at 2:45 o'clock, under auspices of the Safety Committee of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, headed by Mrs. Jessica McCall, reports will be given on what has been accomplished in Brooklyn to safeguard children in the street.

Mrs. McCall and her assistants were brought to Philadelphia on the initiative and at the expense of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company. The Rapid Transit Company has also engaged Witherspoon Hall for a children's mass meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock, when Mrs. McCall will give the principal talk of the series. Mrs. McCall is remaining in town as a guest of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and will take part in the safety carnival.

In the evening a symposium on industrial safety and accident prevention is to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford. Mrs. Joseph B. Wilson, head of the committee in charge of the convention; Director of Public Safety George D. Porter, and Franklin H. Wentworth, Socialist writer and lecturer, of Boston, are to speak. Some of the addresses will be illustrated by lantern slides.

The carnival and convention proper has a program wide and varied in its purpose. Among the features are drills by Boy Scouts and members of the Police and Fire Bureaus on a large drill ground arranged in the centre of Covention Hall. The following statement commending the efforts of the Home and School League has been issued by Mayor Blankenburg:

"Philadelphia is to be congratulated that within her limits has been found a body of citizens sufficiently earnest and patriotic to undertake this ambitious and helpful work. I heartily commend the work of the Home and School League and their supporting friends to all people resident in the city, asking of my fellow citizens an earnest support of the 'Safety First' movement by word and act, that the new line of action which promises so much to the community may be intelligently inaugurated."

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