

## Garfield's Order Not Generally Obeyed Here

**Majority of Industrial Plants Close Down But Business Houses All Open This Morning—Situation Still Tense At Netherwood Pumping Plant—Public Service Abrogates All Power Contracts**

Commissioner Garfield's drastic five-day closing order was not generally observed in this city up to noon today. Whether or not the merchants and business houses in general did not observe the order is the dictum of or do not believe in conforming to it to the full extent was not made known but as it stands it may be a matter of choice with each particular individual.

A telephone call of the various local industries disclosed the fact that the Standard Aeroplane Co. was engaged in making inspection, was working as usual. At the Scott Press Works, also making mutations, no statement was made as to the observance of the order pending further investigation.

With being observed.

With the business houses, there was little or no observance. Tepper Brothers and A. E. Force's reported as being open as usual. The Woodhull-Hartman Company stated that it would close next Monday for the day and Rosenberg Brothers declared they were remaining open today and tomorrow but might possibly close Monday for a smaller concern. The result was generally the same. Some said they did not intend to close while others insisted that the order was not meant for them. Still others asserted they would not close their business places until they received word direct from Washington instead of accepting newspapers as authority.

When, it was stated by Secretary Whelan this morning that two carloads of coal had been secured from the shippers Wednesday and that every effort was being made to send more as soon as possible. Ordinarily the company keeps a three months' reserve supply but at the present time, it is barely possible to keep a week ahead. Mr. Whelan remarked that the city would not use water as sparingly as possible and by making sure that faucets are not turned on at night help the company conserve its supply of fuel.

Further apprehension was given Plainfield industries today when a circular letter was received from the Public Service Corporation stating that the city would be required to

The whole idea of the communication from Washington is to save coal and to save the Government money. In the situation today is critical. Fuel is scarce. The Government is making an effort to provide for the hospitals, homes and industrial plants first, but the Government is not going to let the Spelter manufacturing stop at South Plainfield and the International Mechanical Union. The Government is going to take the official apportionment to the Government.

**Appreciate Colonel Martin's Advance**      **Former Local Man Aided Trotsky Back To Present High Position in Russia**

The assignment of Lieutenant-Colonel William B. Martin, of Elizabeth, to take charge of the 104th ammunition depot at Camp Upton, New York, Plainfield with a great deal of satisfaction. For several years Colonel Martin served as adjutant of Company K, the Plainfield division of the old Second New Jersey regiment and he has local admirers by the many hundreds.

Plainfield people who have been following the activities of the Bolsheviks in Russia and the sudden rise of the Russian revolution in 1917, in that chaotic country will appreciate knowing that a former well-known resident of the city became a close personal friend of Trotsky for several years. This man is John L. Trosky, who was born in Poland, came to the Newark schools, who was born and lived in Plainfield until about 1905, when he came to New York to counsel his people but that he lacked the necessary funds to pay his passage over. The former Plainfielder, who was a student at the Newark mutual friends who contrived to secure the necessary amount needed to take the young man to America and to his native land. Trotsky was most effusive in his thanks to his benefactors and the young man, who was a good-bye that he would not forget them if he "made good" in Russia,

As a member of a Newark civil league, in 1913, Mr. Honan was appointed one of a committee to organize for a series of lectures on socialism. The committee was the nucleus of the course of its investigations this committee was given the name of Leon Trotsky. Mr. Honan was elected to the charge of the editorial column of a socialist paper printed in New York City. He was found to be a thoroughly conversant with the sub-

"Little did I know," said Mr. Honan, "that I was to be so closely connected with the Russian revolution. When he was returning from a visit to the home of his mother on West Fourth street, that I was helping to pay the expenses of the revolution in Russia today. Trotsky is a likable chap and from what I know or him will restore the disordered conditions of Russia. I am not a Russian worker if he is given half the chance."

When asked for the reason if he had not been a Russian worker, he answered him by promising to make good his promise to the man who had

As a marksman, Colonel Martin ranked among the top men in the world. He took part in National matches in various parts of the United States and was selected to represent America in the international tourney conducted in London in 1914. He was well known with military marks as well, remember how the marksman from the United States shot the target with military marks.

The New Yorkers wanted for their first match to appear in the Jersey matches, making such a profound impression on the large audience that he was re-engaged a number of times.

He was invited to make out in Europe in 1914. Trotsky informed Mr. Homan that he believed he should go back to Russia to help

believe him in time of need, and positively appoint each of them to a position in the army. Mr. Homan replied:

"I really think, Professor, if I reports I should as Trotsky had enough to do to take care of his own affairs, I would not like to think of offering American jobs. Anyway, I am satisfied to be here in preference to 'Over there,'"

**First Girl to Don Uncle Sam's Uniform  
Doing Duty in Plainfield as Yeoman**

would be quickly recognized when the troops of the State were called to the aid of the National Guard. "I am dubious as to the reorganization of militia until the Elizabeth man has been made a member of the Guard. It is hard to follow his assignment. As commander of the 16th ammunition company, he is not a soldier, and he is not the horse and motor sections and also the ordnance company."

—MARTIN TARTER.

Miss Ruth Tarter of Newburgh, N. Y., who makes her home with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bichel, of Newburgh, is distinguished by the distinction of being the first woman to wear Uncle Sam's feminine design of the regular army uniform.

In response to the Government's call for stenographers, she is the only woman in the service. "First class stenographer," she is called. "I wear a dress at intervals would suit my fancy much better than the continental uniform."

—MARTIN TARTER.

"There are lots of things to be done in this war that girls do," she is wont to say. "I said Miss Tarter to the recruiting Record reporter, 'and when they want to go to the front, they should wear the uniform the same as the boys wear. The doing of course, being the same. I am not a soldier, but I am a soldier's friend. I wear a dress at intervals would suit my fancy much better than the continental uniform.'"

—MARTIN TARTER.

Camp McClellan in command of the Second New Jersey Regiment, but when this unit was merged with the First and Fourth Regiments of New Jersey, to form the 113th Infantry, "yeoman." In this capacity she was assigned to duty at the Scott Press Works in this city, where gun mounts are being manufactured for government ships. The young wo-

Lieutenant-Colonel George M. Little came to the fore as the Elizabeth River section and the 25th Infantry to the Fifty-fourth Depot Brigade. When the depot unit was disbanded, Lieutenant-Colonel Martha was attached to the 25th Infantry, and the Fifty-fifth Brigade, and has been serving on the Divisional efficiency board and on the special court martial for the 25th Infantry.

From the first it was considered likely the divisional commander would make good use of such ability as was possessed by his old Regt. and Miss Mercer, and his nomination for a divisional command is one of the most popular announcements that has been made at Camp Sherman, Ohio, since the war.

He saw service with the Third New Jersey Infantry in 1864 as a private, and was named captain and Inspector of the 25th Infantry in 1892, becoming Lieutenant Colonel in 1902. His present

man was placed on the same footing as male yeoman in relation to pay and ration, consequently was compelled to wear the garb which Uncle Sam describes for his female volunteers. It consisted of the familiar national colors, and the uniform was overcast, such as the sailors wear, together with the substitution of lifted skirt for the rest of "Jack Tar's" outfit.

Miss Trower received her allotment of clothing, 150 other young women in various parts of the country have received theirs.

The novel sight of a girl garbed in naval "tweed" has attracted considerable attention in Plainfield and in Gloucester, the latter being the home of the regiment.

It is amusing to hear that often becomes unpleasant. Nevertheless, Miss Trower says she is proud to wear the uniform of Uncle Sam's "little blue boys."

She is anxious to know how to do whatever work she may have for her

out in his yeomanry work, and if his enlistment will result in others following, she will be all the more repaid for any sacrifice she might make.

Miss Trower recently testified her willingness to go abroad and may be sent to the coast of Africa, where she will be assigned in the war effort to transport supplies to the French. When asked if she realized that crossing the ocean on a small vessel is a hazardous undertaking, at this time she replied with a smile:

"Of course it's dangerous, but then why should the young men of the United States be sent to France? I have agreed to 'do my bit' and I intend to carry out this determination no matter where duty may call."

Miss Trower is a very capable position as expert stenographer with a large concern in her home town and has been called upon to do considerable work at the headquarters of the 25th Infantry, and at the standard yeoman pay of thirty-three dollars per month.



# LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

## Happenings of the Past Week Tersely Told For Busy Readers.

Division No. 4, A. O. H., installed these officers, Tuesday night. President, J. P. Casey; Vice President, John Hurley; Treasurer, John J. Gallagher; Recording Secretary, Timothy Collins; Financial Secretary, John Collins; Sergeant at Arms, John Collins; Secretary, Patrick Diakin. The division will hold the annual St. Patrick's ball this year as usual and a committee composed of William Laferty, John Shea and Thomas Nugent has been appointed to complete arrangements.

Miss Edith McKillop gave an enjoyable piano recital at the Hartridge Auditorium yesterday afternoon. The attendance was limited to the Alumnae, the members of the academy, and the faculty of the school. The proceeds, which amounted to a neat sum, will be applied to Hartridge School Junior Auxiliary to the end crowd.

Attorney Robert Newton Crane has secured a satisfactory settlement in the case of Oliver Collins vs. Hartridge Plainfield, against the Lorraine Lumber Company for injuries received while in the defendant's employ. The matter was to have been heard in the Civil Court. The amount of settlement was not made known.

District Deputy George Newton and staff, of Essex County Lodge, I. O. O. F. of Newark, will visit Plainfield Lodge of Odd Fellows next Monday night for the purpose of installing the recently elected officers. Grand Secretary Harry Pine, of Trenton, and other grand lodge officers will be in attendance. Important business will be transacted that calls for a full attendance of members.

All friends as well as members of the Y. W. C. A. are given a cordial invitation to attend the annual meeting of the association to be held at the organization's building, 119 East Front, street, next Monday night, January 21. Mrs. Frederick G. Wood, honorary vice president, will be in charge and a most interesting program has been provided. This includes an address by Rev. Stephen J. Fisher, of Westfield, the reading of reports from committees and vocal and instrumental music.

Royal Council, No. 77, O. U. A. M., held a euchre party in the Coward building on Park avenue, Wednesday night. The attendance was quite large and a most enjoyable time was had.

The home of Henry Nischwitz, on Fairview avenue, the residence of the scene of a "double birthday gathering" Monday night. The affair was given by Mrs. William T. Woodworth and Mrs. Henry Nischwitz, in honor of Mrs. Nischwitz's daughter, Mrs. Richard H. Bellis, and Miriam A. Woodworth, whose natal anniversaries occur on that day. Represented in addition to a gathering of twelve early in the evening, after which cards and song diversions were enjoyed until midnight.

Through Attorney Robert Newton Crane, Chancellor Walker has granted as an absolute divorce Irving Winter, of this city, from his wife, May P. Winter. The action was based on statutory grounds and cited among other things that the defendant said, "that she married the petitioner out of spite." The name of Carl Offert was mentioned in the case as the father of Mrs. Winter's child. The couple were married by Rev. C. B. O'Leary at the Grace Methodist parsonage, 1009 Plainfield, on July 17, 1915. Previous to this time, Irving Winter was Miss May P. Hall, daughter of William Hall, of Grant avenue.

Rev. Dr. Irving, former president of Labor College, India, addressed the Women's Association of the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon in "The Appeal of Christianity to a Cultivated Non-Christian People."

The congregation of the Children of Israel, whose synagogue is on New street, has announced that Abraham Chernavsky, of Haverville, Mass., would take charge of the work here at once.

At the regular meeting at Trades Union Hall tonight, the Building Trades Council, of this city, will install the following: Robert H. Corey, vice president; Everett Harvey; recording secretary; Robert H. Corey; Treasurer; Harry DeWitt; Trustee; John O'Brien; James Anderson and Augustus Reed. Important business to be transacted tonight includes the election of a business agent, and William Langer, who has served the Council in a most efficient manner for several years, is slated for reappointment.

A. B. Meredith, of East Ninth street, this city, assistant state commissioner of education, addressed the Monday Afternoon Club at a regular meeting this week. The subject of his address was "The Schools and Democracy."

Mrs. Gilbert H. Fletcher, of West Seventh street, entertained last night members of Camp Middlebrook, Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of Bound Brook, at her home Tuesday afternoon.

# "Bone Dry" Liquor Men Say, if Any

North Plainfield's budget for the coming year has been fixed at a total of \$15,000 as against \$12,000 last year. The increase has been made necessary by an advance in salaries to policemen and firemen, together with the payment of interest on the water supply, sewer expenditures and the general advance in cost of all materials. The budget was adopted at a meeting of the Council last Saturday night, during which Mayor William I. Smalley announced that every item had been pared to the bone to prevent any further increase in the taxes.

Mrs. Mina Duray, who recently returned from the devastated regions evacuated by the German troops, will speak in the Hartridge Auditorium next Sunday night, January 20, under the auspices of the Beloit Committee of the Plainfield Chapter of the Red Cross. She will exhibit a number of views taken abroad.

The Plainfield High School Auxiliary to the Red Cross has proven to be one of the most active organizations of the kind in the city. The report just presented to headquarters shows that the members have been very busy during the last week of 2,100 persons.

City Clerk John J. Carroll has been appointed executive license agent for this district by the United States Government. All persons who handle or use explosives of any kind must apply to Mr. Carroll for a license to carry on their business.

Plainfield Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, held the first meeting of the year, Monday night, and to celebrate the event served a turkey supper to the members at the close of the session. The committee in charge of the supper was composed of Charles Padgett, chairman, J. T. Carthy, George Egan, M. Nichols, D. Muldowney, J. Egan and Louis Feinberg. In the lodge session, Edwin New was elected, and succeeded Charles Feinberg, resigned. The regular election of officers takes place in March.

# Frelinghuysen In Favor of Suffrage

In a letter to Mr. Lillian F. Pelek, of this city, president of the New Jersey Suffrage Association, Senator Frelinghuysen this week made known his intention to vote for the suffrage amendment when it comes before the State Legislature.

Senator Frelinghuysen explained that he had hesitated in deciding to vote for the resolution because of the fact that the amendment was introduced in New Jersey in 1915, when suffrage was defeated by a majority of 51, 108. At the same time suffrage was defeated in New York by a comparatively small margin. The result of the last suffrage election in New Jersey, however, persuaded the Senator to vote in favor of the amendment.

"As a matter of fact," wrote Mr. Frelinghuysen to Mrs. Pelek, "I have no doubt that the suffrage for women I should still vote in favor of. It is a democracy, pure and simple, anything less than that is not democracy. The essence of popular government is that the people have the right of the people to pass judgment upon their organized law, with a view to change, whenever the nation is in error. I cannot refrain from saying that, in my opinion, the test of fitness, as a prerequisite to casting one's ballot, should never have been based upon sex. Women should always have been voted with this right."

# Men Still Needed For Aviation Corps

A call for 7,000 men in the aviation section of the United States Signal Corps, which has attracted thousands of men to recruiting offices, is the latest report from this time to Plainfield. The army recruiting office at the Watchung avenue postoffice building is always open to receive recruits. However, however, applicants have been few in number.

The men required for the aviation section must be specialists in one of the following lines: Gas engine construction, as machinists, sheet metal workers, cabinet makers, painters, wheelwrights or cooks. The cost of this service will be sent to Camp Hancock, Ga.

Call for recruits for the water supply company of the Trenton and New York Water Company, with headquarters at Camp Dix. The men are to supply deficiencies in the existing organization. Married men will be accepted by the local officer upon giving address, number and number of dependents (children) and age, also dependent widowed mother. The Government makes allowances for those in addition to half of the soldier's pay.

# News of the Theatre

## Best Burlesque Yet Fine Vaudeville at Plainfield Theatre

### Coming Next Week

In years gone by many theatregoers never went to see burlesque because of the reason that the majority of companies presented this class of attraction were a hodgepodge of inferior performers, singing in a very poor way and giving a brand of comedy that offended, the scenery was old and in many instances was cast off by other companies and in a ragged state; however in the past few years conditions have changed for the better, instead of the haphazard methods that were in vogue burlesque has blossomed into one of the leading and most important enterprises of this country, managers of wealth and brain have taken hold and have put forward the best efforts of the theatre workmen to build their productions and scenic artists to paint them into settings that will please the eye; the



Town, at Plainfield Theatre, Lynn Center, with "Best Show in Town" on Tuesday, January 22, Mat. and Night.

costumes and millinery are imported or copied from the very latest creations; the actors in many instances are recruited from Broadway productions or vaudeville and only those of exceptional ability are engaged; the female portion of the casts not only must possess talent but also charm and shapeliness, so that today burlesque not only contains the best in theatrical talent but also the magnificence of scenic and electrical equipment. Millions of dollars have been spent to bring this happy combination into being, but the labor and money spent has been well rewarded in the popularity of the art. The burlesque not only contains the best in theatrical talent but also the magnificence of scenic and electrical equipment. Millions of dollars have been spent to bring this happy combination into being, but the labor and money spent has been well rewarded in the popularity of the art. The burlesque not only contains the best in theatrical talent but also the magnificence of scenic and electrical equipment. Millions of dollars have been spent to bring this happy combination into being, but the labor and money spent has been well rewarded in the popularity of the art.

of the value of the business during the past three years. Former Judge J. J. Jones declared that the burlesque object was not aimed at in this bill, but only the sale of intoxicants. He and Mr. Shields believed that compensation should be passed for compensation for the burlesque object. The burlesque object was not aimed at in this bill, but only the sale of intoxicants. He and Mr. Shields believed that compensation should be passed for compensation for the burlesque object.

# Order Gives Homes First Call on Coal

Coal for suffering families and war utilities has the right of way over the National railroad today. Priority orders issued by Secretary McAdoo declare that fuel must be supplied at critical points before any other kind of freight, household necessities or anything else is moved.

After the first vital needs for coal have been supplied, then his order states that it is to be given priority, and thirdly bunker coal for ships tied up in New York harbor for lack of fuel.

The State administrators were notified by Fuel Administrator that today that wherever a shortage of coal or coke is found to exist for domestic use, the coal or coke may be diverted to the strikers district.

Director McAdoo in the face of the terrific situation and increasing suffering growing out of the heavy snow and widespread cold weather which has swept the country during the last week.

# NOTES FROM THE PARK AV. BAPT. CHURCH

The Park Avenue Baptist church congregation will send a reception to the members of the church on Sunday night each month. The first of these will take place Sunday, January 22, at 8 o'clock.

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Plainfield, N. J.



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Barrel delivered to your door	\$12.75	Also, small Sweet Potatoes, 2 qts. for	15c	Dozen	\$2.25
96 lb. sack	\$6.40	Armour's Veribest Fresh Western Eggs in cartons; doz.	50c	Campbell's or Van Camp's Pork and Beans; can, 15c; dozen	2.10
Thomas' Red Kidney Beans—Extra quality, 2 cans for 25c; doz.	1.50				

**EXTRA SPECIAL!**—Just received, a large shipment of New Maine Style Pack CORN—Absolutely Guaranteed to be in Perfect Condition.

2 Cans for	25c	Per dozen	1.50
Fancy Cut Beets; unseasoned; can, 15c; dozen	1.75	White Rose Tea, Tetley's Tea; 3 1/2 lb. package	25c
Fine Jersey Pack Lima Beans; wonderful value; can, 15c; dozen	1.75	Fancy New York State Sauerkraut, 3 lbs.	25c
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Sultana Raisins, lb.	17c	Fancy Columbia River Spring Catch; 1-lb. flat	30c
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Fancy Oregon Apples, doz.	35c	Tomatoes—Solid Pack; No. 2 cans, 14c; dozen	1.65
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California Dried Peaches, lb.	17c		
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## County Tax Board Hears Thirty-one Plainfield Appeals

Sitting in the Council chambers on North avenue, Monday, the Union County board for the Equalization of Taxes considered appeals from Plainfielders objecting to their assessments. The total number of petitions heard was thirty-one, a much smaller number than any year previous. Last year nearly 100 cases were passed upon.

Most of the appeals made Monday were on personal assessments and the majority of them were allowed as the form of appeal is one of the most difficult confronting the assessors. None of the grants were for very large sums, the only notable one being a reduction to John Oswald, of the East Front street confectioner, of \$1,800 on an original assessment of \$2,500. The owner's claim was for \$500.

Speaking of the petitions after the sitting, Peter J. Oise, of Elizabeth, secretary to the board, said the small number of appeals was evidence of the good work done by the Plainfield assessors. In previous years the County Board has had all day sessions in Plainfield, but the meeting of Monday sufficed to clear up all objections from property owners. He declared that a similar state of affairs had been noted in the county as far as the Board has gone.

The appeals and their disposal were as follows:

Ray J. Pettibone, 811 East 35th street, assessed value \$5,000. Diminished.  
John W. Dodge, personal property, value \$200. Owner's value \$100. Granted.  
Florence McCready, 218 East 35th street, assessed value \$200. Owner's value \$100. Personal property. Granted.  
Andrew Marbach, Block 140, assessed value \$1,550. Owner's value \$1,700. Granted.  
Kara Good, 203 Park avenue, assessed value \$775. Owner's value \$775. Personal property. Reduced to \$200.  
Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, 220 East Front street, assessed value \$1,000. Owner's value \$600. Failed to appear.  
W. W. Hazel, 712 Richmond street, assessed value \$200. Owner's value \$75. Personal property. Reduced \$100.  
Thos. A. Kennan, 501 Richmond street, assessed value \$200. Owner's value \$100. Personal property. Reduced \$100.  
Mrs. Theodore Miller, 108 West Fourth street, assessed value \$100. "Cancelled."  
Harold C. Durr, 812 Leland avenue, assessed value \$200. "Cancelled."  
Mrs. George Brattinger, 742 Kensington avenue, assessed value \$300. Owner's value \$100. Personal property. Reduced \$100.  
John S. Miller, personal property, assessed value \$100. Owner's value \$100. (Current taxes). Reduced \$100.  
Catherine Lanchow, 523-53 East Front street, assessed value \$2,500. Owner's value \$7,500. Reduced \$500.

Joseph A. Waglow, 509 Franklin place, assessed value \$400. Owner's value \$200. Diminished.  
John Oswald, 161 East Front street, assessed value \$5,500. Owner's value \$500. Canceled \$1,800.  
Clinton W. Gilbert, 911 West 55th street, assessed value \$500. Canceled.  
Margaret Kennan, 440-42 East Fifth street, assessed value \$3,500. and \$2,000. Owner's value \$7,000 and \$2,500. Diminished.  
W. M. Wilson, 29 Coburn avenue, assessed value \$900. Owner's value \$600. Personal property. Reduced \$300.  
Helen O'Grady, 326 McDowell street, assessed value \$3,850. Owner's value \$2,850. Diminished.  
R. W. Carrington, 1105 West Fifth street, assessed value \$500. Owner's value \$200. Personal property. Diminished.  
Ross Frucht, 564-608 West Front street, and 56-23 Gerard avenue, assessed value \$10,950. Owner's value \$5,000. Reduced \$1,000.  
Mutual Land Improvement Company, various lots and blocks of land as described on schedule attached to petition of appeal, total assessed value \$17,800. Diminished.  
Charles V. Behring, 823-39 West Front street, assessed value \$350. Owner's value \$675. Reduced \$200.  
Young Men's Hebrew Association, 821 West Front street, assessed value \$7,425. Exempt from taxation.  
Thomas MacDonald, 1117 Stevenson avenue, assessed value \$700. Owner's value \$350. Reduced \$350.  
H. Bernard Coombe, 831 Madison avenue, assessed value \$200. Owner's value \$100. Reduction allowed.  
Laura Coombe, 831 Madison avenue, assessed value \$900. Owner's value \$500. Reduced \$400.  
U. S. Mailbox, automobile stored at 224 East Third street, assessed \$800. Canceled.  
Clara Rushmore, 425 Park avenue, assessed value \$1,000. Owner's value \$300. Personal property. Reduced \$700.  
Ross Frucht, 442-43 West Sixth street, assessed value \$11,625. Owner's value \$5,500. (518 Division street included in this assessment). Diminished.  
Rosalia Casper, 142-14 East Front street, assessed value \$25,000. Owner's value \$14,150. Diminished.  
The Standard Investment and Real Estate Company appealed from twenty-three assessments on vacant lots. The appeals were dismissed.

## FREEHOLDERS PREPARING TO START PRISON FARM

The prison farm committee of the Board of Freeholders held a meeting at the courthouse in Elizabeth, last week, to discuss the opening of the new prison farm in New Providence. Those present included Chairman Highland, Messrs. Cady, Marsh, Bird and Hatfield.

A temporary caretaker for the place will be named at the February meeting of the Board of Freeholders. The committee will arrange to supply light to the farmhouse on the premises, which was formerly the Babersworth farm, and will select matters into shape so that work can be started at once. Prisoners from the county jail will be sent to the farm to aid in getting it into shape. The farm adjoins the Bonnie Barr Institution.

## ST. PAUL'S BROTHERHOOD FAVORS WOMAN OFFICER

St. Paul's Brotherhood of Trinity Reformed church on Sunday voted to accept any woman who will secure the favor of the appointment of a woman probation officer for Union county. The brotherhood members are all in favor of this move.

## FREEHOLDERS SEEK MORE MONEY FOR HOSPITALS

The legislative committee of the Board of Freeholders went to Trenton Tuesday for the purpose of circulating several bills that will be introduced during the present session. The most important measure provides for the appropriating of \$75,000 instead of \$50,000 a year to the county for hospitals. At present the county annually contributes to the support of the three Elizabeth hospitals, Muhlenberg Hospital in this city and Overlook Hospital in Summit. One has recently come into existence in Rahway and to help get one as well as to save the growth of the others, the Board of Freeholders feels it could appropriate \$25,000 extra.

## ELKS' NEXT DANCE

Plainfield Lodge of Elks has announced that the next informal reception and dance in the winter series will take place at the clubhouse on Thursday night, January 31. The committee has secured DeLia's orchestra to furnish music and is planning to have several features new to the attendants.

## Believe Edge Road Tax Act Should Be Referred to People

Amendment of the Edge road law to provide that no work could be done on a state highway system until there had been a referendum on the law is the latest suggestion for making the provisions of the act co-operative. It was proposed this week by City Counsel Miller, of Passaic, at a meeting in the office of Mayor Gillies of Newark, of the executive committee which fought the law in the Supreme Court.

Effort to get such a vote of the people, Mr. Miller said, would be in addition to an appeal to the Court of Errors against the decision of the Supreme Court, which recently upheld the law. Not only was he sure that the people, if they had had an opportunity to vote on the act originally, would have defeated it, but he was certain that if given such a chance now, with all the burdens the war has brought, they would repudiate it.

Those at the meeting were the Mayor, Michael J. Taney, of counsel in the court attack, and John B. Brauner, president of the Federation of Improvements Associations. It was voted to pay Mr. Taney \$250 for his legal services, it being stated that the treasury of the committee had \$250 contributed by Elizabeth and \$50 given by Bogota. Dr. Miller said he would see to it that Passaic's \$250 contribution would be paid immediately and Mr. Gillies agreed to stir up other municipalities which had promised to pay a share of the legal expenses. The committee will have to pay George L. Record, chief counsel, \$500.

Mr. Gillies was interested in Dr. Miller's statement that Passaic was going to collect 1917 taxes under the Edge act on second-class railroad property, bank stock and franchises of public utilities. As soon as the Supreme Court ruled that these classes of property came within the scope of the Edge law, a petition was filed with the Passaic County Board of Taxation by Dr. Miller as city counsel, asking that assessment be made for 1917 on these properties. In spite of the fact that December 28 was approximately the last day on which such a petition could be filed, the petition was presented last week.

Dr. Miller agreed to send the Mayor a copy of the petition, and it is likely that Mr. Gillies will ask the Newark City Law Department to file a similar one with the County Tax Board.

"A referendum on the road tax law," said Dr. Miller in recommending an effort to get such legislation, "would be a popular measure with the people. We would have a harder fight if we tried to get the Legislature to repeal the act. The chief trouble with the act is that it authorizes the expenditure of \$15,000,000 to the people having had an opportunity to vote on it. None of us who have entered into this fight for the will of the people had been manifested through a referendum. The expenditure of \$15,000,000 on such a question at this time is against the policy of this government and of

## all other governments."

To determine what steps shall be taken toward an appeal from the Supreme Court decision, a conference of the lawyers who brought the litigation, including Mr. Record, will be held shortly.

## Navy Enlistments Ordered Curtailed

Curtailed of navy enlistments has been ordered. A rush of men into the service has necessitated curtailing New Jersey's quota to twenty-five men a week and restriction to the term of service of first enlistments to the period of the war. Terms of twenty recruits accepted were four years. There was no limit to the number which could be accepted. The order, which affects the Eastern Division, was issued by Inspector John Grady and became effective this week.

The quota of twenty-five means there are about twenty-five stations at each of the five stations will be five a week. Two stations are in Newark, one in Park place and the other at 225 Market street, and Trenton, Paterson and Jersey City each have one.

Preference under the curtailed enlistment policy will be given to landmen for aviation, radio and general electrical branches, as well as those experienced as blacksmiths and cooperatives.

The Eastern Division comprises the New England and Middle Atlantic States, with a population of approximately 23,000,000, and there are about 1,000,000 men in the larger cities. The weekly quota for the entire section has been cut to 160.

Newark and other recruiting stations in the Third Naval District have volunteered to assist the Second Naval District, with headquarters in Newport, R. I., to obtain 2,000 men for the naval reserve. Persons wishing to enter this organization may enlist at 26 Park place, Newark.

## "BLIGHTY" PERIODS FOR "SAMMIES" AT THE FRONT

A general order issued this week creates a "blighty" for America's Sammies.

It announces the grant of a week's leave to every soldier for each four months' service, at the front. The seven days are to be spent in a special recreation center now being established "somewhere in France." These are being built solely with the idea of furnishing the fighting men holiday entertainment and rest.

The order hints that the leave periods will probably be lengthened after the campaign have acquired themselves heroically in future heavy fighting.

The committee for proper conduct of the holiday crowds is emphasized in the order, and it is asserted that strict observance of decorum is essential.

Paris is only to be visited with special permission.

The measure was drawn after a conference between Food Administrator Hoover, Senator Pomeroy, of Ohio, and Representative Law, South Carolina.

## Government Control Will Not Remove Tax on Railroads

State governments which have been concerned with the taking of the railroads by the government would interfere with their income from railroad taxation need not worry. Director General McAdoo has given assurance that government control does not affect this phase of the situation.

Director Edge, of New Jersey, recently wrote to the Jersey members of Congress that any change by the government as to railroad taxes would mean serious damage to the State's fiscal policy, inasmuch as a great portion of the tax yield came from railroads.

Representative Bachrach immediately laid the question before Mr. McAdoo, and the latter, through his legal adviser, John Barton Payne, has replied that no change is at present contemplated and that when any change is in prospect it will be given the widest publicity.

Sweeping powers to compel food conservation in every American kitchen are given the President in a measure introduced by Senator Pomeroy Tuesday. The bill is aimed primarily at proprietors of hotels, restaurants and public eating houses, but it also is broad enough to include domestic consumers.

Specifically, the measure provides that the President may limit or discontinue entirely the use of the manufacture or distribution of foodstuffs to the extent he deems necessary from time to time.

That persons conducting public eating places, manufacturers, carriers, producers, distributors or other persons who fail to obey the President's orders shall be fined up to \$1,000 and imprisoned up to six years.

## Bill to Place Food Control With President

That the bill as a part of the records of the Department of State of any regulation issued pursuant to this act shall be deemed necessary notice to the public.

That the act shall come to be in effect on the day between the United States and Germany is terminated.

Citing that such powers as are carried in the bill are necessary for the National security and the common defense, the measure gives the President complete control of food to the President.

As existing circumstances warrant, the President is empowered to further limit, or suspend or discontinue, directly, the production, and consumption of all varieties of food and food stuffs.

The measure was drawn after a conference between Food Administrator Hoover, Senator Pomeroy, of Ohio, and Representative Law, South Carolina.

It is designed to authorize steps to meet the increasing demands of the Allies for food by compelling Americans to eliminate waste and conserve their own supply.

## State League Favors Ranyon's Measure

The Ranyon-Close bill, of which Senator William N. Ranyon, of this city, is one of the sponsors, received an unqualified endorsement at the hands of the New Jersey Home Rule Republican League at its State conference at the Robert Todd Hooper Hotel, Newark, on Saturday. The act provides that public school teachers shall set as primary school elections of the bill is applicable to non-patients of 10,000 population and over. It also provides that primaries and elections shall be held in the school houses.

It is expected that a hearing on the bill will be held in Trenton at an early date.

The league also took up Senator Ranyon's bill, introduced last week, designed to further limit expenses of candidates at primaries and general elections. The bill would greatly change the corrupt practices and would limit the sum to be spent on the campaign of candidates for Governor and United States Senator to \$25,000 in a primary election and \$15,000 in a general election. The league commended this bill.

## HIDING PARKWELL TO SOLDIER

P. Otto Linke and his aunt, Miss Emma Shaw, of West Second street, left Wednesday morning for Charlotte, N. C., to bid farewell to George Linke, a member of the heavy field artillery stationed at that point. It is understood that he is scheduled to depart for France as early as possible.

The young man enlisted in Troop D and went with that organization to Camp McClellan at Annapolis, Md., but recently was transferred to Camp Greene at Charlotte. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Linke, who also have two other sons in the service and a fourth one preparing to go.

## MR. HIGGINS' NEW POSITION

The Public Service Corporation has re-established the position of inspector for the central division and Hugh Higgins, of West Fourth street, who has been acting as conductor on the Arlington avenue line, has been named for the place. He entered upon his new duties Wednesday and will have charge of all trolleys operating between Rahway, Westfield, Plainfield and Bound Brook. Most of his time will be spent in Plainfield. Mr. Higgins had also been given an assistant who will cover this territory at night.

## TAKE THE WASHINGTON

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## HELP THE BOYS WHO ARE HELPING YOU.

The big drive for the Knights of Columbus National War Camp Fund of \$10,000,000 will commence in every part of the United States tomorrow. Plainfield's apportionment is \$25,000 and while in the face of numerous other appeals for money in the near past, it may seem a large sum, it is not to be doubted at this time that it will be fully subscribed. The reason is simply this:

The \$10,000,000 which the Columbus Knights are seeking is to be expended for the boys in the trenches, those same boys who are offering up their young lives almost before they have lived, them for the benefit of the rest of mankind; that this nation, as well as other peace-loving countries, may conduct its business and affairs without the constant jangling of the Prussian sword. To provide the vast army needed to make democracy safe and to equip it with the necessary food and munitions is the stupendous task that confronts the government. Not having been a military nation it was not prepared for any such emergency and naturally enough the smaller details have had to be overlooked.

These include the social welfare of the brave lads in khaki when they are not in actual duty on the firing line. The soldiers are given rest periods back of the lines but if they are far away from home or "blighted" as the army vernacular has it, they are in a bad way to receive the comforts that their bodily needs require. The Knights of Columbus fund is to be given over almost entirely for the use of the American fighters, no matter what the denomination or nationality may be. Buildings will be erected, similar to those seen at the big cantonments in this country, and volunteer workers will exert themselves to provide rest, comfort and pleasure for the lads who must put their patriotism to the supreme test in the trenches.

Plainfield will be well represented in the big army that is to bear the trials and hardships in Northern France. These representatives are the ones who will benefit by every dollar contributed to the war camp fund next week and the money thus donated will help some Plainfield lad get a new lease of life before going back to the grim work of the front line facing "No Man's Land." Not a penny of the big fund is to be expended for salaries. The only expense incurred in the drive will be a very small amount for newspapers advertising and stationery, accordingly it might be said that practically every bit of the \$10,000,000 sought will go direct to the boys. The same Knights of Columbus officials who handle eight millions dollars of insurance within their organization annually can be relied upon to distribute the money without any of the taint that has, too frequently appeared in welfare operations of recent date.

The Knights of Columbus recreation centers at the cantonments and across the seas supplement those of the Young Men's Christian Association. The two organizations are working side by side for the good of the enlisted men. Their doors are open to men of any faith. It is easily understood, of course, how a Catholic boy, and a large percentage of the enlisted men come from Catholic homes, can be made to feel more at home in a recreation center organized and supervised by men of his own church. The great ambition of patriotic men and women here at home ought to be to serve the men who are facing the hardships and dangers of war as best it can be done. The boys fighting side by side in the trenches, never stop to ask each other about creeds. Why should the home folks ask such a question when the good of the men is concerned?

The war-work plans of the Knights of Columbus are endorsed by the Government. They are sup-

ported by prominent non-Catholics as well as by Catholics. It is a work that should appeal to any citizen. It should especially appeal to this city that is represented in the war by so many Catholics.

Plainfield, people of all creeds and stations in life have volunteered to do the hard work of canvassing for subscriptions and will begin their task tomorrow. Help them in their labors for the boys in the trenches by having a good sized donation ready together with a word of commendation that makes their sacrifice a veritable pleasure.

## THE "ABANDONMENT" OF NO. 1 FIRE HOUSE.

An interview printed in the news columns of the Record last week disclosed the fact that Councilman Charles C. Graves, chairman of the Fire and Buildings Committee, is not in favor of abandoning No. 1 engine house on West Second street. This proposition seems to crop up every year just as regular as the violets in Spring, but from just where, no one seems to know. In order to put the quietus on it once and for all some determined stand must be taken by city officials and the attitude of Mr. Graves has met with the hearty approbation of the taxpayers and the general public.

To abandon the West Second street firehouse would be a most foolhardy move, especially at this time when conditions are so absolutely abnormal. Hardly a day passes but what some city is visited by a disastrous conflagration, perhaps incendiary and perhaps of accidental origin. If there be such a thing as luck, Plainfield has had it in that she has had no big blaze to contend with in a long time, but there is no telling when one will come. If it should so happen, the citizens are entitled to the full state of efficiency that is not to be obtained if the Common Council is to decrease instead of increase the department's equipment. No. 1 house is so situated that it can take care of many portions of the town ahead of the apparatus from headquarters or the outlying districts and by keeping the horse-drawn apparatus within its quarters, the dangerous condition of affairs that existed during the heavy snow storm in December can be greatly lessened. At that time the motor vehicles at headquarters and No. 3 house were utterly helpless in the face of the big drifts that block the roads. A trial run showed that the powerful American La France pumping engine at Netherwood was the only vehicle of the kind that could respond to an alarm, thus leaving the business district to the horse-drawn chemical and hose wagon at No. 1 house. It was a dangerous condition of affairs that should not be undergone again.

Plainfield really has two business districts. Most people think only of the Park avenue and Front street vicinities in this respect but there is another area where stores and dwellings are built close together. It is that portion of the West End stretching from Third and Liberty streets to Third street and Plainfield avenue, and along Liberty street from the railroad to Fourth street. This territory has every right to be amply protected from fire at all times and the maintenance of No. 1 house will answer the purpose. Most of the section mentioned can be reached by the West Second street company in barely more than a minute, only the lower end of it being in the quickest arrival distance from No. 3 house. The merchants of Liberty and Third streets pay their full share of fire department cost and any attempt to abandon the No. 1 building will produce a vigorous protest from each and every one.

The financial side of the question is another that must be considered in discussing the so-called abandonment. Labor and materials are higher now than they have ever been in the history of the city. Should No. 1 house be sold it would be only a very short time when another station would have to be located at the south end and the cost would be almost prohibitive. Mr. Graves has pointed out that the Second street property would bring only about \$8,000 at the most liberal estimate while the site and cost of a new one might run up as high as \$20,000. In addition it is difficult to secure building material and the government needs them for war purposes far more than does Plainfield for a firehouse that is unnecessary at this time.

A representative citizen who has studied the Second street proposition from the viewpoint of an interested taxpayer is authority for the statement that the Fire Board would commit a most grievous error if it should order the apparatus out of No. 1 house and sell the building for what it was worth.

When "Hughie" Higgins and "Toby" Nolan organized a dime novel trust that was the envy of the West End boys?

When John Adleman was superintendent of the "Plainfield Street Railroad Company" and the roll-

He pointed out that efficiency is what is most needed in the department and since the slogan of Mayor Calkins, according to his message, is to be economy, it means that no new apparatus or men can very well be added during 1918 consequently the fire committee must make the best of what it has at its disposal. The idea then, according to this man's view, is to perfect the present force to its greatest fire fighting ability and one way to do it is to keep No. 1 house just as it is.

Councilman Graves is one of the best posted men in Plainfield on fire department matters and having studied the house situation from every angle, can be relied upon to oppose any organized plan to dismantle the old building. In this respect he can rely upon the co-operation of every practical citizen who realizes that Plainfield has been fortunate in escaping disastrous fires in the past but may not be so lucky in the future. No. 1 house should stay right where it is, serving the people for as many years in the future as it has done since it was put up by far-seeing officials way back in 1869.

## A TRIBUTE TO FRIEND HORSE.

"Only a truck-horse" plodding along over the ice, and through the snow, the metallic clinking of his chains of servitude, keeping rhythmic time to the creaking of his leathern trappings and thongs of slavery.

"Long and weary" were the miles that have passed beneath his steel-shod hoofs since the starlight hour of his toil began, and long and weary are the miles of deep-fitted winter roads, with their slippery furrows, and heart jolting ruts that yet must pass before his stable's doubtful haven of rest is won.

"Through all the ages," through fair and stormy weather, beneath the glaring heat of the summer's noontide sun or breasting the lashing fury of bleak December's stinging gales, "Friend Horse" with the patient heart and gentle trusting eyes comes to your door, the burden bearer of your folly, or your needs.

There may be, and we hope there is, some realm of beautiful pastures green, where the lush meadow grass grows high and thick and where clear cool streams of water flow, through fields where clover blossoms scent the air and where tall trees with wide spread boughs cast soft shadows on the ground, a realm of peace and rest where the equine soul of man's faithful friend shall find due reward for services too often thanklessly received.

"Friend Horse" in the wake of the blizzard's trail plodds steadily on and his way leads past a stranded wreck of steel trussed power, a man-made steed; whose creator proudly boasted, rivaled in its titanic strength, the combined energy of half a thousand horses; but there it lay, silent, inert and impotent, unable to cope with the conditions or the test of the hour. In the last analysis the made-made steed fails in its competition with the God-made creature of self-contained energy.

Give "Friend Horse"—out of the treasure-chambers of your human heart—a brimming measure of kindness and sympathy and, when you may, let him feel upon his mane the caressing touch of a friendly hand. Remember the day you looked through your window and saw at the gate:

"Only an old-fashioned driver's horse—  
Gaunt and lean, and silvery-gray.  
Yet he ran against time—and won—madam,  
The race with death, for your child that day."

## PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

Say, McAdoo, what time is the 7-36 train due?  
Heat from the earth; power from the waves.  
Why worry about the shortage of coal?

Speaking of the coal situation reminds us that a lot of business houses are closing up because of a lack of fuel. If this proposition keeps up much longer the same houses will be closing up because of lack of customers.

These are the days when the guys who threw a lump of coal out of a window at a howling cat last year go out in the yard and look for that same precious bit of anthracite.

Speaking of the county tax board's session in Plainfield, one of the Elizabeth papers said the sitting was held "in the City Hall." 'Tis a fine sense of humor those county seat fellows have.

This talk about getting heat from the earth is a good proposition but we know another way of securing the supply that has it beat to a frazzle. All you have to do is to run a pipe line from the Yellowstone National Park and "Old Faithful," the geyser, will disburse steam and hot water all over Plainfield. Besides, why use good pipes and shovels for getting heat when the government needs them for the trenches?

## WHAT'S BECOME OF THE GOOD OLD DAYS—

When "Nick Carter" unravelled all the big murder mysteries?  
When the young folks coasted on "Broadway hill"?

When school girls' faces had not been introduced to powder and paint?

When "Hughie" Higgins organized a dime novel trust that was the envy of the West End boys?

ing stock consisted of four new Brill cars and two second-hand "Stephenson's" bought from the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company?

When gas lights dispelled darkness from the street corners and "Old Man Perrine" had the job of starting them going with a blow torch and had to make rounds in the morning to see that they were put out?

## FURTHERING SALES OF THRIFT STAMPS.

The Building and Loan Associations throughout the State of New Jersey are now lining up for the War Savings Campaign, and as the result of their interest it is expected that the sale of the stamps will be greatly stimulated. The Essex County Building and Loan League, which has J. William Hengel as secretary, is now organizing Thrift Clubs among all the different associations. A committee of forty has been organized for the purpose of promoting the sale of stamps to the members of over 261 Building and Loan Associations throughout the city of Newark. On Tuesday, at room 1215 Essex Building, Newark, a meeting will be held to plan the details of the campaign. The following letter has been addressed to more than 50,000 stockholders in Building and Loan Associations:

"Dear R. and L. Associations: We have the honor to participate in the movement to forward the sale of War Savings Stamps. We ought to engage in this work wholeheartedly. By we, I mean you and every other member of this Association. Members of Building and Loan Associations are recognized as the most thrifty people in the United States. The United States Government is admitting that, when it exempted Building and Loan Associations from all corporation and income taxes, gratitude to the Government for its special protection ought to be a sufficient incentive to us to assist it at this time. It is not necessary to appeal to your patriotism, for it is a part of your nature with the whole community. We take it, however, that more success can be gained in asking people inclined to thrift to become more thrifty than in asking people who are not so inclined to become thrifty. We have appointed a War Savings Stamp committee, who will be present at the next meeting of this Association, to sell stamps to you in denomination of 25 cent and \$5.00. If you do not know anything on the subject or you know more on the subject than you know now, come to the meeting and all your questions will be answered and your subscriptions taken. We beg to advise you if you are proud to be a Building and Loan shareholder, if you can save a little more, if you wish to help our boys who are fighting your battles, to do this:

1. Obligate yourself to buy at least 50 cents worth of stamps monthly.
2. Get your child, wife or other member of your household to do the same.
3. Ask your acquaintance to do the same.

"When it comes to saving money to help the Government, you must not be content to do your bit. You must do your best!"

Louis Rumberger, chairman of the Newark War Savings Committee, believes that the support of the Building and Loan Associations will prove one of the most valuable assets during the year. The Associations throughout New Jersey will operate in a similar manner.

## ON THE ROAD TO STIRLING.

(Air—"The Lass o' Gowrie")  
The day was bright, and the air was warm.  
And the valley smiled with the summer's charm,  
As Mellicie and I strolled arm in arm.  
Along the "Road to Stirling."  
The mapster nodded as we passed—  
And the pine trees breathed a fragrant sigh—  
As Love and Hope, with Mellicie strolled on down the "Road to Stirling."  
Then, suddenly out on the evening air—  
Came the loud clear note of a trumpet's blast—  
And the "Call of the Nation" reached us there—  
On the smooth white "Road to Stirling."

The day is dark, and the dusky gas—  
Comes to a trench, through the blood-stained grass—  
And a bride, with a wild, own's yell, shall pass—  
Along on the "Road to Stirling."  
—J. Watson.

## Budget for City of Plainfield—1918

RESOLVED, That the following be and is hereby proposed and approved, as the Budget, to be adopted by the Common Council of the City of Plainfield for the fiscal year thereof beginning January 1st, 1918, viz.:

MUNICIPAL BUDGET—1918	
Surplus Revenue Account—\$150,000.00	
Surplus Revenue Appropriated	\$ 25,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	12,000.00
Licenses—Liquor	40,000.00
"          Other	1,000.00
Permits—Sewer	1,000.00
"          Tax Board	1,000.00
Fines—Police Court	1,000.00
"          Health	500.00
Interest Tax	9,500.00
Post Tax (included in "Other Licenses")	2,000.00
Grand Total	52,000.00
5% Street Railway Receipts	5,000.00
Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$90,000.00

1917	
Appropriations	\$100,000.00
Actuals	\$100,000.00
Police Maintenance	12,000.00
Board of Health	10,000.00
City Share Street Bonds	6,000.00
Health	5,000.00
Hospital	2,000.00
Public Library	2,000.00
Police Court	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	4,000.00
Police Pension	2,000.00
Insurance Premiums	1,000.00
Police Day	1,000.00
Tax Department	1,250.00
Building Inspector	1,000.00
City Court	1,000.00
Interest on School Bonds	27,000.00
Interest on Sewer Bonds	22,000.00
Interest on Police Bonds	2,000.00
Interest on Fire House Bonds	6,000.00
Interest on Street Railway Bonds	1,000.00
Interest on notes	1,000.00
Principal on	11,000.00
"          Sewer Bonds	11,000.00
"          Police Bonds	2,000.00
"          Street Improvement Bonds	2,000.00
"          Sinking Fund	1,000.00
"          Public Library	1,000.00
"          Police Department	60,000.00
"          Fire Ground Commission	1,000.00
"          Street Lighting	2,000.00
"          City Poor Fund	12,000.00
"          City Hall	2,000.00
Grand Total	\$900,000.00

RESOLVED FURTHER, that January 25th, 1918, at 8:30 o'clock P. M. is hereby fixed as the time, and the Council Chambers, 125 North Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., as the place, where all bills and resolutions submitted by any citizen for the consideration of the City of Plainfield, and that notice hereof and thereof be given by publication of notice in three newspapers of general circulation in said city, to wit: the "Record," "The Plainfield News" and "The Plainfield Record," on or before January 18, 1918.

Adopted by the Common Council, January 17, 1918; approved by the Mayor, January 18, 1918.

JOHN J. CARROLL, City Clerk. LEIGHTON CALKINS, Mayor.

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## In Memoriam

In loving memory of James J. Strappe, who departed this life on January 19, 1917, we this day pay a silent tribute to his name, as a loving husband and a kind father.

MRS. KATHERINE STRAPPE AND FAMILY.  
425 John Street.

## Congress Planning to Limit Pleasure Vehicles

Congress may take drastic steps to restrict the use of motor cars during the war to conserve oil. Senator Kenyon, member of the committee investigating fuel, declared the use of pleasure cars during the war should not be allowed. Great Britain has found it cannot keep its motor cars going and at the same time fill the oil needs of its navy, he said, adding that, unlike the condition in this country, automobiles are never seen in front of theatres in London and other cities.

## Editorial Briefs

**COMMENT EXPRESSED BY NEWSPAPER MEN IN THIS AND OTHER STATES ON CURRENT TOPICS.**

**War Strengthens Nerves.** (From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.) An English medical report says that cases of neurasthenia among women have decreased fifty per cent. since the war. Women are engaged in war work and have no time for "nerves."

**Age No Bar.** (From the Trenton Times.)

Apparently Governor Edge does not share the opinion held by some of his predecessors in office, that a judge should be retired from office when he has passed the three-score-and-ten mark. He has just reappointed John A. Blair to be judge of one of the District Courts of Jersey City, though Judge Blair is nearly 76 years of age.

The fact that Judge Blair is satisfactory to the leaders of the warring Republican factions in Hudson county, shows that he is either a very shrewd and successful politician who has avoided making enemies, or has been such a fair and able jurist as to command the respect and admiration of all factions.

**Those German Uniforms.** (From the Jersey Journal.) One reason for the excellence of German uniforms, to which attention has been called in the investigation of the standards of cloth for our army, is that Germany prepared early and well, and started the war when all was ready.

In August, 1914, a pamphlet by enthusiastic Germans, written expressly for neutrals, in describing the mobilization, went into caustic over the appearance of the German army in its fantastically fitting new-gray uniforms, and the revelation that 4,000,000 brand new uniforms had been provided. "Where did they come from?" the amazed and delighted German public asked. The quality was the finest, and so was the quality of the immense supplies of new boots, of which the French gathered many on the Marne battlefield.

It can be said for Germany that it has always given to its soldiers the best it had to give. Civilians might have to wear patched clothing and patched boots, eat ersatz bread and ersatz beer, but the army has been maintained as well as the resources of the empire would permit.

**Likewise Codfish Bait.** (From the Louisville Courier-Journal.) It was long ago that the waiter yelled throughout the hall: "Don't give bread with one fish-bait!" Bread and butter aren't given with anything nowadays in many restaurants, and at the present price of bread no just diet can blame the restaurateur, but the rise of codfish after breakfast bacon has passed the reach of the family of moderate means. In discrediting to the people of the Atlantic seaboard, Codfish was beginning to get into the hinterland as an economical housekeeper's last resource, but just as the dry-laid provinces were beginning to accuse themselves to codfish-balls, codfish rose to twenty cents a pound.

The wrath of the Philadelphia Public Ledger is expressed as follows: "No one would have prophesied when cod was selling for a few cents a pound, that it would be quoted at twenty cents and upward. The cod is a plentiful fish, the expense of handling it should not be excessive, and there is nothing to show any falling off in the catch. It is a fair assumption that the present price is artificial. Hake and pollock, always cheap hitherto, have climbed along with cod. Halibut and mackerel have become luxuries to persons of small means. To say that the observance of meanness deals has increased the demand for fish, is an easy explanation; but it isn't wholly satisfying. Is there a real scarcity, or are speculators enjoying their favorite game of corners? If the second alternative is the true one, then the woe of the food administration has the authority to fix prices the better."

It formerly was said that by sticking to a diet of codfish and potatoes a poor man might grow rich. Now, if the draft law, according to the Service, is proving an effective

weapon against German agents for families of those drafted are growing impatient with the anti-American agitators and frequently present information against them.

## New Order Issued For Fuel Saving

The following communication was received by the Record today from John K. English, Union County's Fuel Commission Chairman:

1. All office buildings, banks and buildings of a similar nature must not be heated on Sundays or holidays, except sufficient to keep them from freezing.
2. All electric stoves, except directional, must go out and stay out during the period of the war.
3. A minimum of street lights will be allowed.
4. Saloons and restaurants must close at 10 p. m. A minimum of licensed all night restaurants for the accommodation of working men will be licensed by the County Fuel Administrator.
5. All wholesale, retail and other business houses and stores shall close at 5 p. m.
6. Dry goods, clothing, department and variety stores may remain open on Saturday night of each week until 10 p. m.
7. Pharmacies may remain open after 10 p. m. for the filling of prescriptions, but shall not burn more than 100 Watts after that hour.
8. Theatres, moving picture houses, bars, bowling alleys, billiard halls, public and private halls, and all other places of amusement shall close at 10 p. m. every night, except Saturday. Theatres and dance halls may open earlier than usual. All places of amusement shall be closed on Sunday.
9. Markets and grocery stores shall close at 5 p. m. on all days, except Saturdays, and at 10 p. m. on Saturday.

The foregoing orders shall go into effect immediately and remain in effect until amended or altered by direction of the U. S. Fuel Administrator.

(Signed) JOHN K. ENGLISH,  
U. S. Fuel Administrator for Union County, N. J.

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## Edge Explains Views On Port Development

Commenting upon his demand upon the Legislature for appropriation of \$100,000 to continue the port development preliminaries in charge of the New York-New Jersey Port and Harbor Development Commission, Governor Edge declared recently that any general scheme of railroad improvement to relieve congestion of freight and other traffic now that the Governor's view that the strong possibility indicates the necessity of continuing to recognize and support it be harbor development commission in order that the interests of New Jersey, and likewise the interests of New York, so far as their part of the commission is concerned, Government is in control of operation. The idea of the development of the Port of New York has grown since since Governor Edge proposed a vehicular tunnel and general port development at the beginning of his administration. The Port Commission has been appointed by Governor Edge and Whitman has already our plan."

Port of New York in association with a number of Cabinet officers. The estimate of cost of the vehicular tunnel has been made by Major-General Goodhue, and the commission representing the project has proceeded with the work to a point where the present Legislature is asked to provide a method for financing. The Governor said it was especially gratifying to hear Major-General Goodhue, president of the Erie Railroad Company, testify before the committee of the New York City Chamber of Commerce that the one practical way to relieve congestion of freight at the great freight yard on the New Jersey meadows, accessible to all the railroad lines through the Hudson River, under the Hudson River. The suggestion of a freight yard on the New Jersey shore as a great clearing house for all railroads, which will have direct connection with it, declared Governor Edge, "and by means of the Erie tunnel with the heart of New York is merely an argument for centralization control and legitimate and carefully regulated pooling of railroad interests and therefore directly indicating."

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