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Philadelphia and Dr. W. E. Bieder-
wolf, widely known evangelist of Chi-
cago, and the election of Dr. James
M. Steer of Los Angeles as Pacific
Coast secretary of the New Era
movement.

Dr. Davies' subject was "The Hour
Is Come." He declared that the time
had come for Presbyterians every-
where to place their services at the
disposal of the church in preparation
for the new era of adjustment which
the church is facing.

DEFENDS Y. M. C. A.

The Rev. Lynn T. White, recently
returned from France, said that four-
fifths of the attacks upon the con-
duct of Y. M. C. A. war activities
were unjust and that the canteens
were taken over by the Y. M. C. A.
at the request of General Pershing.

He admitted that the canteens had
sold cigarettes which contained gift
cards, saying that these goods had
been purchased by the Y. M. C. A.
from the army through some confu-
sion in the Quartermaster's Depart-
ment.

He said the canteens gladly gave
an additional package of tobacco to
any soldier who complained of having
been charged for one intended as a
gift.

WOMEN HOLD CONFERENCE.

There was a special conference for
women during the day which was ad-
dressed by Mrs. F. S. Bennett and
Miss Margaret E. Hodge, represent-
ing the Women's Board of Home and
Foreign Missions.

A conference of young people was
held in the afternoon in Westmin-
ster Church. The speakers were the
Revs. G. G. Mahy, David McCon-
aughy, Dr. A. W. Halsey and W. R.
Hall.

During the evening there was a
special conference for laymen con-
ducted by Dr. Mahy and one for
ministers only conducted by Dr.
Davies.

Dinner was served to the 500 dele-
gates by the Congress of Presbyterian
Women of the Bay region, assisted by
the elders' association.

Millionaire Cabin Boy Arrives in S. F.

When the Matson Navigation Com-
pany's steamer Lurline arrived in San
Francisco yesterday from Honolulu
she brought as a member of the crew
George Sherman, millionaire of Chi-
cago and Honolulu, en route to Wash-
ington to confer with A. Mitchell
Palmer, alien property custodian,
concerning the affairs of the H. Hack-
feld Company, recently seized by the
government and of which Sherman
has been placed in control.

Failing to obtain passage on the
Lurline when she left Honolulu, be-
cause the owners of the vessel had
not renewed their passenger-carrying
license, Sherman made arrangements
with Captain Peterson to ship as a
cabin boy.

Havside Recovers From Severe Illness

Harry Havside, well known in
shipping circles and a member of
the firm of Havside, Withers and
Davis, ship chandlers and riggers,
who has been seriously ill at the St.
Francis Hotel for the past month,
was recovered sufficiently yesterday
to return to his new home, 100 Twen-
ty-sixth avenue. Havside will again
take up his business activities Mon-
day.

Preston Going East

DOWNED IN OTHER TOWNS.

Reports received by the Board of
Health show a rapid improvement in
the epidemic situation in the follow-
ing cities, where the citizens have
been compelled by law to wear
masks: San Rafael, Sacramento,
Stockton, San Jose, Berkeley, Ala-
meda and Redwood City.

"Laxity in continuing the preven-
tive measures against the influenza
would cause an immediate flareup,"
was the warning of Dr. W. C. Hass-
ler, health officer, last night. "With
the steady arrival of citizens in this
city daily from Southern California,
where the disease continues, we must
be cautious for some time. San Fran-
cisco's health rapidly is returning to
normal, due to the masks, and to
keep our health we must continue
wearing them."

Not alone has the wearing of
masks routed "Old Man Flu," but
records at the Board of Health show
a falling off in other communicable
diseases, which records show are
generally prevalent at this season of
the year.

POLICE MAKE ARRESTS.

The police continued their enforce-
ment of the mask ordinance yester-
day with many arrests, and the police
judges impressed fines on those citi-
zens who were neglectful.

At the San Francisco Hospital,
after removing all the old patients
back to the institution from the Re-
lief Home, where they were taken to
make room for influenza sufferers,
there were still vacant beds, with no
new cases booked. For the past two
months the hospital has been crowd-
ed to capacity with influenza pa-
tients.

The Anti-Mask League announces
a meeting at 8 o'clock this evening at
Dreamland Rink. The title of the
organization explains the object of
the meeting and Mrs. E. C. Harring-
ton is announced as presiding officer.
Among the speakers announced are
Dr. C. F. Buckley, Eugene E. Schmitz,
Dr. J. P. Rein, Dr. Margaret Ma-
honey, the Rev. Thomas Parker Boyd,
C. F. Welsh, W. S. Scott and Mme.
C. E. Grosjean.

State Asked to Share Cost of Fire Boats

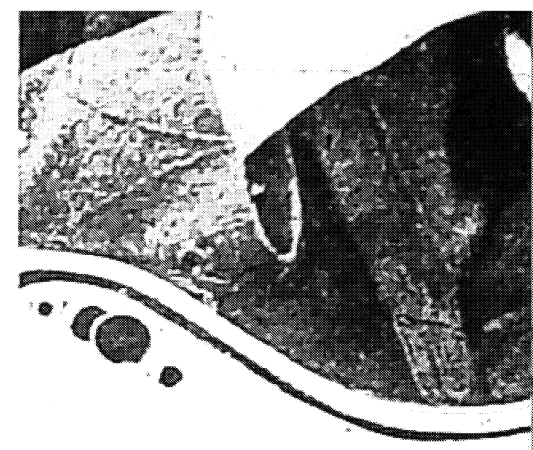
Another effort is to be made by
the city to have the State bear half
the cost of the maintenance of the
two fireboats along the water front.
The Supervisors Finance Committee
made a formal request of the City
Attorney yesterday to draw a bill to
be introduced in the Legislature fix-
ing as the State's share approximately
\$30,000 a year for the next two
fiscal years.

Demand was made yesterday on
the Supervisors to install navigating
officers on these boats at a cost of
\$8 a day. Supervisor Ralph McLe-
ran said that the cost of mainte-
nance was mounting daily and that
State property that is benefited more
than any other should bear a part
of the cost.

It was cited that the boats had
gone to San Quentin and saved
thousands of dollars worth of prop-
erty for the State; that the Oakland
waterfront has also called for the
fire boats and that the State Harbor
Commission is saved thousands of
dollars in insurance premiums by
reason of the fact that the fire boats
are maintained.

Two years ago such a bill was
passed, but the State Board of Con-
trol afterward refused payment of
the claim.

Major H. C. Moffitt Leaves Army Service



U. of C. Graduate, Convicted With 42 Men, Defends

IN the opinion of certain members
of the I. W. W. it was a grave
offense for Miss Theodora Pollock,
one of their number, to employ counsel
to defend her during her recent
trial in the United States Court at
Sacramento.

And because Miss Pollock, the only
woman defendant, did this, effort is
being made to expel her from the I.
W. W. organization.

Miss Pollock said yesterday that the
matter had been brought before a
number of I. W. W. locals in the hope
of bringing about her expulsion, but
she had been informed, she said, that
the movement had not received sup-
port and that the locals had declined
to take action against her.

MADE SILENT DEFENSE.

During the trial at Sacramento
there were forty-three defendants, all
of whom, with the exception of Miss
Pollock and two others, elected to
make a silent defense.

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PHONE GIRLS TO VOTE ON STRIKE

The local Telephone Operators'
Union of 1,500 girls, affiliated with
the International Brotherhood of
Electrical Workers, will meet next
Tuesday evening to vote on the ques-
tion of striking to enforce the wage
demands of the operators and also
of the electrical workers employed by
the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph
Company.

The telephone operators are ask-
ing for a wage of from \$2.50 to \$4
a day, according to length of em-
ployment. At present the girls re-
ceive from \$1.75 for beginners to \$2.50
for experienced operators.

All the electrical workers and tel-
ephone operators unions in the states
of California, Oregon, Washington
and Idaho, where the telephone com-
pany has operators, will take a strike
vote. The men ask for \$6.40 a day,
the Macy wage paid in shipyards.
At present they receive \$4.75 a day.

Officials of the company, it is
claimed, refuse to negotiate new
wage conditions, having referred the
matter to Postmaster-General Burle-
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