### MAYOR APPEALS TO PUBLIC

Asks Citizens to Contribute to Relief o Stricken Families.

ONLY WAY TO PROVIDE FOR BEREAVED

Death of Four of Best and Bravest Firemen Calls for an Exhibition of Appreciation of Their Sacrifice.

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OMAHA, Nov. 27.—To the Citisens of Omaha: A terrible calamity has again befallen our city. Yesterday morning between the hours of 3 and 4 o clock four of our best and bravest firemen were killed while in the discharge of their duties at the Allen Bros. fire.

The business men of Omaha should not neglect this opportunity of testifying in a practical way to their appreciation of the bravery and fidelity of these fire boys. Unfortunately there is no way provided whereby the families of these men can be cared for out of city funds. Whatever is received by them must be provided by the generosity of our public-spirited citizens.

As mayor of the city I appeal to you on behalf of these families, who have been left in destitute circumstances by this because the firm of the companion of the city. I appeal to you on behalf. Before 10 o'clock yesterday morning this fund was started by Colonel R. C. Clowry of New York City, who remitted me from the Paxton hotel, where he was temporarily stopping, a check for \$100, and this morning other subscriptions are pourling in upon me.

All checks should be made payable to the

all checks should be made payable to the order of Luther Drake, treasurer, and mailed to him direct, or to myself, or left at the office of the three daily newspapers, whose co-operation 1 ask in this behalf, and each day's contributions will be published daily. Respectfully, FRANK E. MOORES, Mayor.

List of contributions received for the relief of the families of the four firemen killed November 26, 1903:

Colonel Robert C. Clowry, New York 

John L. Lynch, city plumbing inspector 5

Sinister Verse. Over the cot which was occupied by Lieu-

tenant Burmester at Engine House No. 2 hangs suspended by a silken cord this

"When fire is cried and danger is nigh, God and the firemen is the people's cry; But when the fire is quenched and all things righted. God is forgot and firemen slighted." True in a measure, but not the sentiment

of the four brave boys who sacrificed their Hves in the discharge of duty, was the interpretation of this tersely written motto

A deep gloom has settled down over the little engine house on South Tenth street. The usual activity displayed in cleaning up the trusty fire engine, the burnishing of the hose wagon and the drying of long lines of pipe, a customary scene after all down town fires, was lacking. The men went about their work in a prefunctory way, the load of grief each man carries rendering him indifferent in a sense to routine duty.

When the Men Went Down.

"We had just started to lay in a second pipe line when the building collapsed," said Captain Coyle of No. 2, "and were doing this in compliance with an order from Chief Salter. We thought the fire was out, but we were mistaken, and discovered that it was burning with great vigor in the entire upper part of the building. When the floors gave way I rushed to the door through which Lleutenant Burmester and his men had entered. I heard groans; but that was all."

Captain Coyle explained that the four firemen went down in a vortex of leaping

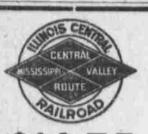
"The floor above was burning flercely when it gave way with the weight of the floors above," he said, "and there was fire all around where the men stood as near as I could see.

No. 2 has six regular men on the wagon besides two men on the engine. A full complement of men is at the station, Grant Fox of No. 5, Ed Helderman of No. 4 and Mike Kotch of No. 3 having been detailed o the station and Jack Barnes and Jim Drew, ex-fireman, are also on duty.

"We had arranged for a Thanksgiving dinner," continued Captain Coyle, "We had four fat chickens given us by the produce dealers and were going to eat chicken and give thanks in true fireman style. It's too late now," and the Captain turned and walked slowly away not willing to give vent to his pent up feelings in the presence of spectators.

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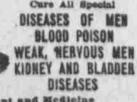
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BICK—Mrs. Christine Meta. November 26, aged 62 years 2 months and 19 days.

Funeral from the residence, 1769 Manderson street, Sunday at 2 p. m. Friends in yited.

BUSINESS HEROISM AND

Thrifty Philadelphian Seeks Adequate Compensation for Work at a Train Wreck.

In these practical times it is not altogether surprising to find a hero who believes that there should be something more ubstantial than fame in his heroism.

D. B. Gray of Philadelphia was one of those who figured prominently in the rescue work following the frightful wreck of the Royal Blue express on the New Jersey Central ratiroad at Westfield, N. J., last January. The published accounts of the disaster agreed in crediting him with herole conduct and in praising him for the splendid service which he rendered the injured passengers.

The newspapers printed his picture. His friends were made proud of him. His enemies had reason to envy him. Since that calamity he has been accorded that distinction in the neighborhood which is granted only to those who have achieved an established position in public esteem.

All this must have been fixttering and agreeable to him. He has probably been appreciative of it in the highest degree. But he has come to the conclusion, after carefully considering the matter for nine months, that there is really nothing in itthat is, nothing which he might use to advantage.

Having arrived at his clonelusion he has put in a claim for \$10,500 against the New Jersey Central, the Philadelphia & Reading and the Pullman Palace Car companies as the amount he thinks he is in all fairness entitled to in convideration of the services he rendered those corporations on that fateful evening.

His itemized bill is short and worthy of reproduction: "Pullman Palace Car company, Pullman, Ill., Dr. to D. B. Gray, to saving two Pullman cars of Royal Blue train in wreck at Westfield from taking fire at a total loss

of 'value \$14,000 each'-\$25,000-\$2,500 and one Pullman pass for life. "To saving two vestibule and one baggane car of Royal Blue train . . . from taking fire, at a total loss of \$31,000-\$3,000 and one Central Railroad of New Jersey pass

"To saving two women from plunging through glass in doors, at \$2,000 each-

"To saving man outside, 'fire on his back'-\$1,000 and one Phiadelphia & Reading pass for life. "To enduring grouns, shricks, yells of those burning to death and service to in-

charge "To injuries to my thumb-.01.
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jured and dying, dragging seats, etc., no

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famed as the standard railroad of America. Announcements of the Theaters. Eugenie Blair will close her engagement at the Krug with Saturday matines and

night performances of Sudarmann's great play, "Magda," presenting the same version used by Bernhardt and Duse and supported by an exceptionally strong company, organized by Mr. Gressitt in such a way that each artist would be adapted and suited for the roles of both Zaza and Magda. Miss Blair's performance of Magda should in every way be a distinguished one, as she is known to possess exactly the qualities necessary for the interpretation of this emotional role.

The attraction opening at the Krug Sunday matinee will be the latest sensational success, "A Desperate Chance," which is founded on the life of the Biddle brothers.

At the Orpheum matinee and evening performances today will close the week. Mc-Cart's dogs and monkeys and Rousby's big spectacular production, "In Paris," are two strong cards for the children and women. Commencing matines tomorrow Miss Johnston Bennett, the original "Jane," will be the "topliner." This talented player will present a sketch entitled "A Quiet Evening at Home." Five of the other features on the program come from Europe and of the entire eight numbers only one has been seen here in vaudeville. Rappo sisters are Siberian premier dancers. James and Sadie Leonard will appear in a sketch called "Going to the Dogs." The three Richards will contribute a daring and difficult acrobatic turn. Alexander Petrowitch Rostow from the Imperial Russian circus is an equilibrist. Rauchle will impersonate Napoleon, Bismarck, McKinley, Dewey and brothers do a fast, furious and funny the city treasurer knockabout act they style "A Mysterious Sweetheart." The Kinodrome pictures will

At a bargain matines this afternoon at the Boyd, when any seat in the house may be had for 25 cents, the great Bartley Campbell play, "The White Slave," will be given It will also be repeated tonight. This play is in the hands of a competent company and a very satisfactory performance is

On Sunday and Monday evening "King Dodo," with its pretty songs, pretty scenery and pretty chorus, its funny situations and mirthful lines, will be the attraction at the Boyd. Richard Golden, a well known singing comedian, is the king this year.

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Yours very respectfully.

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### ATTORNEY AFTER THE CITY

Frank Heller Threatens to Bring Suit on Offic al Bonds.

DOES NOT LIKE TO HAVE TAX CASES FIXED

Objects to Policy Adopted of Settling Special Assessment Contests Without Invoking Aid

of Courts.

Attorney Frank Heller was at the city hall yesterday securing evidence for a suit which he declares he will bring against the bondsmen of Mayor Moores and Presi dent Zimman of the council, to collect the amounts conceded by the city in the settlement of special taxes since he notified the municipal government to go slow in October. Heller, it is understood, will demand other eminent historical characters. Rossi that the money be paid into the hands of

> The city legal department, which is fully apprised of Mr. Heller's intentions, has expressed a willingness to test the question in the courts and is not at all worried over the announcement. The lawyers for the city say they have been exceedingly careful in recommending special tax settlenents and are fully convinced of the legality of their methods. The council never acts on these propositions unless approved of by the legal department.

Some weeks ago Heller addressed letter to the council, protesting against the policy of settling special taxes, which has been in vogue for several years. At that time the city attorneys laughed at him and said he was doing it because the city was receiving considerable money that used to go into the hands of the tax lawyers, several of whom have made small fortunes combating assessments for special improvements defective because of technical or

other errors in procedure. What Heller Sets Up.

Heller in his communication said he opposed "policy of the authorities of the city adopted some time ago to discharge, remit, relinquish, cancel or otherwise commute certain taxes and special assessments alleged by claimants to be irregular and void;" that at first these claims were few, but now they appear in "job lots, comprising schools, churches and all sorts and conditions of men and women;" further that an and should be put to these compromise proceedings or the courts will be called upon to make his version of the law effective. Assistant City Attorney Herdman says

cerrect, because a void special assessment team, which team also won the obstacle is not a tax and settlements along that race. basis do not "compromise, commute or cancei" a tax. He explains more fully as fol- indoor athletic meet was held, with these lows:

"In no event do we assume to recommend the settlement of special taxes except, first, where the tax itself has been already decreed to be void by the courts, and, second, where it is void upon the face of the record, and then only when no estoppal exists in favor of the city. In each of said cases we are ready to recommend a settlement and to give the property owner everything that he could hope to gain by liti-

What a Property Owner May Win. "In all cases other than assessments for paving, even if the original lavy be void, he city has the power and authority to relevy the principal of the original tax. Thus you may see that as to grading, sewer, boulevard, sidewalk and other assessments of a similar nature, all that the property owner could hope to gain by litigation is the cancellation or saving of the accrued interest on such taxes. This we are willing to concede without suit.

"In the case of assessments levied to pay cost of paving where no petition of property owners was filed we are willing to cancel the assessments on payment of a sum equal to the attorney's fer-15 per cent-the owner would have to pay in order to cancel the same by suit. In the case of paving taxes where a potition has been filed but the tax is void merely for defect in equalization, the city has a right to relevy the principal of such taxes, and in such cases we will settle only in consideration of the payment of the same.

"You will see that in this way the city gives the property owners, without suit, everything that may be gained by litigation and the city receives the money paid by the property owner instead of the same going to an attorney as fees." In diamonds A. B. Hubermann has no

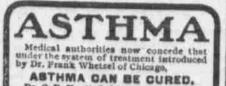
competition. He imports none but white gems, and did it before the last raise of 16 per cent took place. Look at them, BOYS' DAY AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Youngsters Have Thankagiving Forenoon for Their Class Sports and Other Events. The boys' department of the Young Men's

Christian association celebrated Thanksgiving day beginning with a praise service at 8:30 a. m., led by Rev. W. H. Reynolds, at which over seventy-five boys were prescal. Mr Reynolds spoke on the "Beauty of Life." From 9 until 10 a. m. contests and games were run off in the gymnasium, ainety boys in five teams competing. Assistant City Attorney Herdman says The Indian club race was won by the the Helier interpretation of the laws is inFrom 10 until 11 a. m. the regular monthly

results:
Standing broad jump, class A: First, John
Latenser, S feet 7 inches; second, Wilbur,
S feet 5½ inches.
Standing broad jump, class B: First,
Doud, 7 feet 5½ inches; second, Burdick, 6
feet 9 inches.
Standing high jump, class A: First, Joy,
Clark, 2 feet 11 inches; second, Niel Sutherland, 3 feet 10 inches.
Standing -ligh jump, class B: First, Doud,
feet; second, Potter, 2 feet 19 inches.
Long drive, class B: First Willis, 12 feet
11 inches; second, Jöy Clark, 12 feet 7
inches. results:

11 inches; second, Joy Clark, 12 feet 7 inches.
Long drive, class B: First Doud, 11 feet 1 inch; second, Sackett, 16 feet 9 inches. From 11 to 12 basket ball was the pro-gram, three games being played. The Johnny Jump-Ups beat the Keckuts; score, 4 to 1. The Second High Schools won from the Ahamos; score, 11 to 1. The Invinci-bles had a hard tussel with the First Business boys, but held them down with a score



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