

SNAPSHOTS AT STATE NEWS

All Pennsylvania Gleaned for Items of Interest.

REPORTS ABOUT CROPS GOOD

Farmers Busy in Every Locality—Churches Raising Funds for Many Worthy Objects—Items of Business and Pleasure that Interest.

The South Bethlehem School Board has decided to raise the salaries of all the teachers and janitors.

Roy I. Walter, of Easton, volunteered to crank the automobile of a friend and sustained a fractured arm.

The groundhog season around Emaus is the best in years. Jacou Knappanberger returned from a trip with 15 fine specimens.

As a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident at Douglassville, Mrs. Charles W. Koller, of New York city, died in the Pottstown Hospital.

"Washington Park" is the name adopted for Pottstown's post office site, which will be fitted up and used as a public park until building operations begin.

Norristown School Board has elected new teachers of the High School faculty, I. H. Yoh, teacher of book-keeping; L. E. Ritter, chemistry; Florence Meyers, German.

It is doubtful whether Oscar Eroh, of Hudsonville, will ever recover from the bullet wound inflicted by his brother, Ralph, during a fight over the ownership of a corn cob pipe.

The Berks County has granted a subpoena in the divorce proceedings of Mrs. Annie E. Heffner, of Temple, against George D. Heffner, of Fleetwood, for cruelty and threats.

The Rev. Harrison D. Boyer, a former Reading letter carrier, is now an ordained Lutheran minister, having lately been admitted to the General Synod at Washington, D. C.

The Lutheran congregation of Nesquehoning has purchased a fine building lot from Dr. J. H. Behler on Main street, and will shortly commence the erection of a handsome church.

The South Bethlehem School Board has reorganized by electing Dr. R. J. Yost secretary and John Donegan treasurer, the latter having held this position for more than 35 years.

The Board of Trustees of St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, has awarded to F. F. Speck, of Bethlehem, the contract to erect the new \$35,000 women's ward, a recent gift of Eckley B. Cox, Jr.

While Walter S. Delsher, of Fleetwood, was helping Horace E. Rothermel harvesting wheat he was caught by the binder needle, which penetrated his hand so that the binder had to be taken apart to free him.

Montgomery County Court has approved the bill for \$206.40 of Attorneys A. C. Emery and W. F. Young, who defended, at the instance of the Court, Stephen Marcello, of Rosemont, charged with murder.

A female fox which has a litter of young foxes in a lair in a woods near Copeland Schoolhouse, East Bradford township, Delaware county, is annoying the farmers in that vicinity by stealing food, fat laying hens, as well as young broilers, on which to feed the small foxes. Mrs. Edward Scott has lost 35 laying hens and a number of small chickens. Other poultry men also have lost chickens. While the Scott family was a breakfast they heard a commotion in the poultry yard and saw the sly old mother slink a hen over its back and trot off toward the woods to give the small foxes a chicken breakfast.

A deal has been closed by which George M. Dimeling, of Clearfield; Conrad Wendroth, of Cresson, and others who have large timber tracts secured possession of the Lytle tract of 800 acres in the neighborhood of the Mule Shoe curve on the New Potage Railroad, near Johnston. It is 80 acres in area and extends on both sides of the Cambria-Blair county lines. The sale price was in the neighborhood of \$24,000. The tract was originally owned by Dr. Peter Schoenberger, the pioneer iron man of Western Pennsylvania, in the days before the days before the Cambria Iron Company, of Johnstown, or the Carnegie came into existence.

Hamburg's new piano factory has started in operation with a force of 30 men.

Miss Esther Selp, of Danielsville, died after an illness of only a few days from ptomaine poisoning, aged 19 years.

N. Kurosawa, chief engineer of the Korean Government railroad system, and K. Kusul, president of the Okura Construction Company, of Japan, have completed a detailed inspection of the Standard Steel Works in Burnham.

FIVE AMERICANS HELD PRISONERS

U. S. Consul Negotiating For Their Release.

FOURTEEN BANDITS HANGED

Lawlessness So Great Around Tampico That Better Class Of Mexicans Join the Americans in Vigilant Operations.

Laredo, Tex.—The five Americans held prisoners by Constitutionalists at Hidalgo, Mexico, near Colombia, on the Texas border, are from well-known Texas families. Threats of organizing a "rough rider" regiment to cross the border to release them have been made.

American Consul Garrett at Hidalgo is negotiating for their release. Cattle, horses and other property of the prisoners was reported confiscated.

Their offense was said to have been trading with Huerta sympathizers. Those under arrest are Robert, Arthur and Ashton Habelrig, Isaac Cade and William Randolph.

Washington.—The attention of the State Department was called to the imprisonment of the Americans and the seizure of their property by Consul Garrett at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. When Consul Garrett demanded the release of his countrymen, the revolutionists, told him they must await orders from Piedras Negras.

So great is the lawlessness around Tampico that the better class of Mexicans have joined Americans in organizing vigilant committees under commission of the federal military governor of San Luis Potosi. Already 14 bandits have been hanged. It is expected that a military governor will take charge of the State of Tamaulipas, as has been done in Vera Cruz and San Luis during the last few days.

The consul at Maxatlan has reported to the State Department that many destitute Americans are arriving at that port and that he has already sent 24 refugees to San Francisco.

Secretary Garrison ordered Col. Edwin P. Brewer, of the Fourteenth Cavalry, at Fort McIntosh, Tex., to demand the release of five Americans, together with 350 cattle and 30 horses, held by Mexican revolutionists at Hidalgo, Mexico. Secretary Bryan requested the action.

ACCUSE AMERICANS.

Mexican Papers Say They Are Aiding the Rebel Forces.

Mexico City.—Much space is devoted by the newspapers here to articles in support of charges that American citizens are aiding the rebels. Alleged specific instances are given, the material for which, in part, at least, has been supplied from official sources.

The official correspondence is given in the case of Jesse H. Johnson, United States Consul at Matamoros, whom Elias, the Mexican inspector of consuls, charges with attempting to induce federal troops to join the rebels who had captured that town. Elias also accuses Frank Rabb, whose probable appointment as port collector at Daredo, Texas, was recently under discussion.

The charge is brought that an American warship at Guaymas threw the rays of its searchlights on the city during the recent fight, thus enabling the rebels to take better aim.

HELD AS COUNTERFEITERS.

Hugh Somers and Thomas W. Black Arrested At Burnham, Pa.

Lewistown, Pa.—Charged with counterfeiting United States gold coins, Hugh Somers and his brother-in-law, Thomas W. Black, were arrested by Fred M. Tate, a government inspector. It is alleged that a complete counterfeiting outfit was discovered in a shop in the rear of Black's home. Somers is accused of passing several bogus coins here. Both the prisoners were engaged in the steel industry at Burnham, where the arrests were made. They will be given a hearing before United States Commissioner Rudy tomorrow at Huntingdon.

GEN. RIVA'S WOUNDS FATAL.

Leading Cubans Under Arrest On Account Of Murder.

Havana.—Gen. Armando Riva, chief of the Cuban National Police, died of wounds received during a pistol fight on the Prado after he had raided a gambling club. Gen. Ernesto Asbert, governor of Havana province; Senator Vidal Morales and Representative Arias are under arrest, awaiting trial in connection with the crime.

NEGRO HANGED BY MOB.

Unidentified Black Had Assaulted a Young White Girl.

Pensacola, Fla.—An unidentified negro, who had assaulted a young white girl at Bonifay, Fla., was taken from a railway train at Milton by a crowd of men and after the arrival of a mob from Bonifay he was hanged to a telegraph pole. The negro was taken from county officers of Bonifay, who had made desperate efforts to reach Pensacola with their prisoner.

RECEPTION AT RESORT STATIONS



BULGARIA NOW ASKS FOR PEACE

Appeals to Powers to End the Conflict.

DEFEATED AT EVERY POINT.

Bulgars' Plan To Drive a Wedge Between the Greek and Servian Armies Has Failed.

London.—The end of a week's desperate fighting in the Balkans finds Bulgaria forced to appeal to the powers to arrange peace. The Bulgarian plan to drive a wedge between the Greek and Servian armies in the neighborhood of Guevghehli has completely failed. The latest reports of the fighting received from Athens show that the Servians and Greeks at this point are combining their forces, while the Rumanian army is beginning an invasion of Bulgaria.

The latter fact doubtless was the deciding factor in the Bulgarian appeal to the powers. How far Bulgaria's defeat is due to dissensions in high military quarters, which resulted in the resignation of General Savoff, and how far to the fact that the Bulgarian troops, which bore the brunt of the hard fighting in the last campaign were more exhausted than the Greek and Servian forces, will probably never be known.

Nothing can be predicted at the moment as to how events will shape themselves, the Rumanian invasion of Bulgaria having brought an entirely new factor into the problem.

Russia and France are devoting their efforts to persuading the allies to adopt a moderate attitude in order to facilitate a peaceful settlement. The Servian Premier is quoted in the Vienna Neue Presse as declaring that the new war has completely set aside all treaties of alliance and that peace must now be negotiated on an entirely new basis.

Despatches from the European capitals published in London severely criticize Premier Danef's overbearing policy as being the cause of the Bulgarians' defeat, and his speedy downfall is predicted.

According to the Constantinople correspondent of the Telegraph Dr. Danef adopted the same policy with Turkey. The correspondent adds that unless M. Natchevitch consents immediately to evacuation of the Porte will, after 24 hours notice, order the Ottoman troops to drive out the Bulgarians.

AUBREY BOUCAULT DEAD.

Actor and Playwright Succumbs To Pneumonia in New York.

New York.—Aubrey Boucault, actor and playwright, died of pneumonia at the New York Hospital. He had been in poor health for years. Mr. Boucault was a son of Dion Boucault, a well-known English actor, and was born in London in 1868. He came to this country in 1890.

TO CALL ON WILSON.

Railroad Officials and Employees Urge Erdman Act Amendment.

Washington.—Representatives of railroad companies and trainmen's brotherhoods will call on President Wilson to urge that he aid in preventing the threatened strike of 100,000 employees of Eastern railroads by advocating immediate passage of pending amendments to the Erdman Act.

TO INSPECT ARMY POSTS.

Secretary Garrison and General Wood To Make Long Trip.

Washington.—Secretary Garrison announced the itinerary of his trip for inspection of Army posts. Leaving Washington Wednesday, with Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, and Major General James B. Aleshire, chief of the quartermaster corps; Secretary Garrison will visit, first, Atlanta, Ga., after which he will tour the West. The party will return August 28.

COL. ROOSEVELT AND JAP DISPUTE

Letter to Viscount Kaneko on the Trouble.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST.

Expresses the View That American Public Opinion Will Not Permit Naturalization Of Japanese.

Tokio, Japan.—The Taihei-yo News Agency says that Viscount Kaneko has received a letter from Theodore Roosevelt expressing the view that American public opinion will not permit the naturalization of Japanese in the United States, as it would lead to a similar claim on the part of the Chinese. Mr. Roosevelt, according to the news agency, promised to use his efforts in the solution of the California alien land ownership situation.

Viscount Kaneko is a graduate in law of Harvard University. He was the unofficial representative of Japan in the United States during the Russo-Japanese war and delivered many addresses all over the country.

Washington.—After a conference of an hour and a quarter with Ambassador Chinda, Secretary Bryan announced that the dispatch of the reply to the two latest Japanese notes on the California anti-alien land law might be deferred until next week. No reason for the change was given.

Mr. Bryan told inquirers that the points of his reply were discussed with Ambassador Chinda, but he declined to make public any part of the details under consideration.

The fact that Mr. Bryan proposes to postpone the dispatch of his reply gave rise to the conclusion in diplomatic circles that he will redraft the note, which it was supposed was in readiness for transmission to the Tokio Government. Mr. Bryan said, however, that no point was raised in his conference with the ambassador which would necessitate Viscount Chinda's communication with his government before the delivery of the American reply.

THE TURK SEES HIS CHANCE.

Quick To Take Advantage Of the Allies' Quarrel.

Constantinople.—The reply of Bulgaria to the request of the Sublime Porte, agreeing to evacuate the Mamora coast, intimates that the Bulgarian delegate, M. Natchovitch, ex-foreign minister, who arrived at Tchatalja, is empowered to negotiate a settlement of the Mamora question. Meanwhile the Porte has determined immediately to proceed with the military occupation of all the territory up to the Enos-Midia line, in accordance with the peace protocol signed at London. The military preparations forcibly remind one of the state of affairs last autumn.

WOMAN 102 YEARS OLD DEAD.

No Doubt About Old Age Of Mrs. Katherine Coleman.

Cumberland, Md.—Mrs. Katherine Coleman died at Middlethian, near Frostburg, aged 102 years. She was a native of Ireland, her age having been well authenticated. She resided with her son, Patrick Coleman, her sole survivor.

CHILD KICKED TO DEATH.

Herman Moore and Wife Accused Of Serious Crime.

Moundsville, W. Va.—Charged with kicking three-year-old Herman Darrah to death, Herman Moore and his wife have been arrested. The people who live in the country, are alleged to have kicked the little one until its body was black and blue from head to foot, and internal injuries were inflicted. The body was buried before the crime became known.

AN ARMY AVIATOR DROPS TO DEATH

Lieut. Call Killed By Fall Near Texas City, Texas.

HE PLUNGES DOWN 500 FEET

Aviator Was Making a Flight From the Army Camp When His Bi-plane Collapsed and Dropped Toward the Earth.

Houston, Texas.—Lieut. Loren H. Call, of the United States Aviation Corps, was killed by the collapse and fall of his biplane north of Texas City. He had started his flight from the aviation field in the Second Army Division mobilization camp.

The accident occurred several miles from the troop camp. First information was that the machine was completely wrecked and that the officer was dead when found.

Lieutenant Call was regarded as one of the best army aviators. Lieutenant Call was born in Washington, D. C., June 30, 1888, and appointed a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery from Kansas, September 25, 1909. He was promoted to First Lieutenant July 1, 1911.

The dangerous thing known to aviators as a "warm air current" is held responsible for Call's death. The young lieutenant rose from the aviation field, bordering the Gulf, turned his biplane northward and flew over the level stretches near the artillery camp at an altitude of about 500 feet. He was plainly visible to several soldiers, who said that his biplane seemed to be running smoothly when, without warning, it turned its nose downward and plunged almost straight to the earth.

The "warm air" theory was advanced by officers at the aviation camp who were familiar with the territory over which Lieutenant Call flew.

While a board will be named to investigate, the view is expressed that nothing remains about the wreckage to show the accident's real cause.

Spectators said that Lieutenant Call fought every inch of his long drop, first to right the machine, then, after that was hopeless, to save his life. Spectators said the biplane seemed to halt and plunge so abruptly as to pitch Call forward out of his seat. For about the first 400 feet he fought to get back into the machine, then gave it up, letting go the rail and dropped down ahead of the plane. He landed true, but the force of the plunge was too terrific to overcome. Some of his leg bones were driven through the soles of his feet into the ground.

A few days ago Call fell about 100 feet into the bay but was not hurt.

TWO DIPLOMATS NAMED.

Joseph E. Willard, Of Virginia, Minister To Spain.

Washington.—President Wilson nominated former Lieutenant-Governor Joseph E. Willard, of Virginia, to be Minister to Spain and Justice James W. Gerard, of New York, to be Ambassador to Germany.

The appointments were made following advice from Madrid and Berlin to the effect that the appointees were persona grata to the respective Governments, assurances to this effect having been given the State Department.

For weeks it has been known that these two appointments were to be made, the only reason for delay in announcing them being the failure of Madrid and Berlin to notify Secretary Bryan sooner of their approval of the appointees.

ITALY SHAKEN BY STORM.

Rome Experiences the Coldest July Weather in 600 Years.

Rome.—A terrific storm raged throughout Italy, and in many places the country has been devastated and the crops destroyed. It was accompanied by remarkably cold weather for the time of year, the temperature in Rome falling below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Such weather in the middle of July has not been recorded in Italy since the year 1313, when superstitious persons attributed it to the repetition of the number 13.

SPYING ON JUDGES.

Senate Calls Upon the Attorney General For a Report.

Washington.—Upon motion of Senator Works, of California, the Senate agreed to a resolution calling upon the Attorney General for a report as to what "spies" or inspectors, if any, had been sent out to investigate the proceedings or conduct of federal courts or judges in the last five years.

KILLED BY N. C. R. ENGINE.

Man Believed To Be T. A. Waters Had Five Ribs Broken.

York, Pa.—Struck by a Northern Central Railway engine near Iron Ridge, Pa., a man believed to be T. A. Waters, of Baltimore county, was fatally injured. He died while being taken to the York (Pa.) Hospital. He was either walking or sitting on the track when struck. Five ribs were broken and he sustained other injuries.

PLAN TO CHECK LICENSE GRAFT

Columbia County, Pa. st. 1178 Suggest New Court Rules

TO REFUSE APPLICATION

One Who Pays Money to Other Persons Than Members of Bar Shall Lose Chance—Fees to Attorneys Fixed by Rule.

Pittsburg.—As an aftermath of the report of the Graft Investigation Commission, filed there comes a suggestion from the commission. Taking cognizance of the rumors that implicated members of the bar in license grafting, the commission says:—

"It might be well to add to the Quarter Sessions rules a provision that every applicant who pays money or promises to pay to any person or persons outside of the members of the Bar, or to any corporation or body of men, for the purpose of procuring a license refused. And every applicant shall, immediately before the hearing of his application, file an affidavit stating whether or not he has paid or promised to pay to any person or persons other than members of the Bar, or to any corporation or body of men, any money for the purpose of procuring a license, and if so, how much. The commission further recommends that the fees to be paid to an attorney on a license application shall be fixed by rules of Court, and an affidavit be filed by every applicant immediately before the hearing of his application, stating how much he has paid, or has promised to pay."

Following this report, the members of the bar held a meeting at which the question of incorporating this recommendation in the rules of Court was discussed. It is planned to revise the rules of Court throughout.

Woman Dives for Negro.

Pittsburgh.—Mrs. Harry Coleman, a member of the fashionable Country Club, of Edgewood, a suburb of this city, dived for fully ten minutes in the foul water of an old stone quarry near the club house in seeking to recover before life became extinct the body of Ashton Hayward, aged 13, a negro, of North Braddock, who had been drowned.

Only a blubbering little six-year-old negro boy, the brother of the drowned lad, was the spectator of her efforts. It was in response to his piteous appeals made to her while she was playing golf that she had dropped her clubs and raced across the links for a quarter of a mile at his heels, divesting her apparel as she ran. An expert swimmer, she did not hesitate to dive in. The approach of men attracted by her running caused a cessation of her endeavors. The little negro held the men off until she dressed sufficiently to return to the club house.

New Hospital Building.

Carlisle.—With large numbers of the most prominent persons in the Cumberland Valley invited personally, and many persons from other cities interested in hospital work, in attendance, Carlisle will launch an active campaign to build a new hospital for Carlisle by holding a public meeting in the courthouse. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the meeting secured the services of Dr. Deaver, the noted Philadelphia surgeon, to address the gathering.

Dies After Baseball Mishap.

Altoona.—While covering second base for the Hollidaysburg Mechanics against the Altoona Mechanics, Stephen Hughes, aged 23 years, of Hollidaysburg broke his right leg when a runner slid into the bag. After the fracture was reduced at Mercy Hospital, and before he recovered from the effects of the ether, he collapsed and died.

Dynamite, Not Gas, Deadly.

Mt. Carmel.—That an accident which resulted in the death of George Sadusky and another miner and the injury of 13 others at the Scott Colliery, June 7 last, was due to an explosion of dynamite, and not gas, as was at first surmised, was the verdict of a coroner's jury after hearing the testimony of a large number of witnesses.

Streams Are Stocked.

Marietta.—Through the efforts of Congressman W. W. Griest, 32,000 brook trout have been received in this county for distribution in the several streams. This is the largest shipment of a single order made in the county for many years. The Susquehanna River is now stocked with perch, bass and pickerel.

Suicide Pact Complete.

Pittsburgh.—Kathleen Irene Burns, aged 18, suicide pact partner with Anna Elizabeth Butler, died here. She succumbed at her home in Penn avenue, to the poison she and Anna Butler took on Thursday, June 19. The girls ended their lives because of their first indiscretion in remaining away from home and stopping at a St. Clair street rooming house with two city detectives. In a deposition made by the Burns girl she tells how she and the Butler girl were taken to the St. Clair street house by the officers.