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Home Contractor Gets Job. Pottsville.—Pottsville City Commissioners awarded a big street paving contract to a high bidder because of his local residence. M. A. Mangan, of Pottsville, was given the job for \$49,132, which is \$769 higher than the bid of the W. H. Lyons Company, of Sunbury.

Ends Life With Dynamite.

Hazleton.—Carl Dushinski, twenty-two years old, unmarried, a laborer at a local colliery, committed suicide by exploding a stick of dynamite, which blew him to atoms. The man went to the mine before it was time for him to be there and was found by other employees.

Crushed Under 12-Ton Pan.

Lebanon.—Charles H. McMinn, sixty-three years old, of Pleasant Hill, was crushed to death under a twelve-ton iron pan at the coke ovens at the Colebrook plant of the Lackawanna Iron & Steel Co. in the presence of his son, Irwin McMinn, who was working with him.

Girl's Murderer Found Insane.

Pottsville.—Annie Mockus, of Shenandoah, who murdered a little girl by throwing her into a sewer last May, will not be tried for murder. A committee of physicians found the woman to be mentally unbalanced and she was sent to the Schuylkill Haven Insane Asylum.

Freemansburg Postmaster Named.

Bethlehem.—W. Blon Fritchman received word of his appointment as postmaster of Freemansburg. Mr. Fritchman succeeds Mrs. Catherine Vanbillard, who held the post seven years. Mrs. Vanbillard succeeded Fritchman in the position seventeen years ago.

Hold Two For Child's Death.

Harrisburg.—Theodore H. Moltz and William E. Wilson were held for court under \$2,000 bail on the charge of having caused the death of Christian Snavely, twelve years old, when an automobile driven by Moltz ran down the boy on the State highway near Rockville. It is charged that Moltz was driving without a license.

Boy Killed, Four Hurt.

Bernard Brierton, eight, was killed and four other boys were injured, two perhaps fatally, when a cave which they were digging in a hillside in Winebiddle avenue collapsed, burying the boys under rock and dirt. Carroll Woltz, twelve, and Clandor Dardicini are in a hospital. William Brierton, ten, brother of the dead boy, and William Forbuckle were injured slightly.

Carnegie Exhibit Postponed.

John W. Beatty, director of the Department of Fine Arts of the Carnegie Institute, announced that Carnegie institute will not hold an international exhibition of paintings in the Spring of 1915. This course was decided upon because the United States Government will hold an international exhibition at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco next spring.

Believe Poisoner Is Killing Cows.

Scranton.—An analysis of the stomach of one of the cows that died at the Hillside home, has revealed poison other than arsenate of lead which was used on the grass to kill army worms and at a special meeting of the poor board the conclusion was reached that a poisoner is at work at the institution. The directors authorized the payment of a reward of \$500 for the arrest of the guilty person.

Lodge Bankrupt In Jail.

Bellefonte.—W. H. Macker, a former business man of Bellefonte, has been committed to the Centre County jail by Judge Charles B. Witmer, of the United States District Court, for failing to declare and turn over to the receiver seven hundred dollars when he recently went through voluntary bankruptcy proceedings. Macker was tried in the district court at Scranton last spring.

War May Cause Labor Shortage.

Heads of manufacturing and mining companies fear a shortage of labor if the Austro-Serbian War be prolonged. While there are probably less than five hundred Serbians in the Pittsburgh district, it is estimated that there are fully five hundred thousand Austro-Hungarian subjects in western Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia, one-fifth of whom are liable for military duty. The withdrawal of any considerable proportion of this number from mills and mines would be seriously felt in times of industrial activity, while the curtailment of immigration would add to the shortage, say the employers.

WHAT MOBILIZING MEANS IN EUROPE

Turns Nation Into Armed Camp and Stops Business.

RAILROADS FOR SOLDIERS

System And Method Of Bringing Army Together in European Countries Explained By American Officer.

New York.—A distinguished army officer stationed in New York has given a description of the process of mobilization in European countries. "Mobilization is really a simple thing," he said. "It merely means getting fighting men to the place they are needed to fill the complements of regiments, divisions, corps or garrisons, as the case may be. In the United States there is no such thing as mobilization because we have no reserves to mobilize. In this country the process of gathering our forces is called concentration. For instance, we might assemble several army divisions in Houston, Texas. That would be concentration.

"On the other hand, Germany, Russia, France and Austria have thousands upon thousands of men who have served in the army and are upon the reserve lists for further service when called upon. When the time arrives these troops and the reserves are mobilized. On the French border Germany, for instance, has her most powerful forces. The first line of troops, those nearest to the border, are nearly up to war strength.

"When war comes the reservist drops his pen or his shovel or whatever tool he may be using and without more ado hastens to the front. He has served in the army before, is really a veteran. He has known during the days of peace just to what regiment and in just what city or post he belongs. And he makes all possible speed for that post. I suppose that not more than 48 hours would be required to mobilize the entire French army. Germany is equally as fast, while Russia and Austria, in military circles, are not supposed to be so well trained.

"War is a business with the Continental citizens and everything gives way to preparations for it. When the reservists are called out nothing interferes with their progress to their stations. The railroads are theirs and private business and pleasure stops. The Government simply takes possession of what it wants. The reservist starts at a minute's notice, without gun, uniform or equipment of any sort.

"On his arrival at the mobilization camp a big bundle is thrown at him. It contains everything he needs. He puts on his clothes, shoulders his rifle and, presto, the civilian has disappeared and the trained soldier stands ready for war. Over here we have no conception of the celerity with which it is all done.

"One of the most interesting parts of the operation is how the military authorities keep track of the eligible men. In every village, town or city lists are kept and the men who are on the reserve list must keep the authorities informed of their addresses. "Then when the call to colors comes thousands upon thousands of automobiles, horses, motorcycles and now even aeroplanes, carry to each man the order to join his regiment. Sleeping villages are awakened as by a Paul Revere, horsemen passing through deserted streets shouting the word that the reservists are wanted for duty. Before morning an army is on the move.

"Reservists who leave the country are obliged to leave their addresses with the authorities and they are called back by means of cablegrams, telegrams and other means of communication, directed by Consul and military agents. "In this country when we start to get troops together we have to begin months in advance to arrange for transportation. Preparations for war in the United States outside of the army and navy is a joke."

COMPLAIN OF BALTIMORE LINE.

Grocers Say Rates Are Based Upon Estimated Weight.

Washington, D. C.—Charging that rates were based on estimated rather than actual weight, two complaints were filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by wholesale grocers of Denver, Col., against the Baltimore Steam Packet Company. The petitioners were the Shields-Metzler Grocery Company and the J. S. Brown Mercantile Company, and both claim reparation for overcharges on shipments from Baltimore to Portsmouth, Va., en route to Denver.

OLDEST YALE GRADUATE DEAD.

Augustus Smith, 99 Years Old, 40 Years In Treasury.

Washington, D. C.—The funeral of Augustus Smith, said to have been the oldest graduate of Yale University and who died here Monday, was held at Washington, Conn. Mr. Smith, who was 99 years old, served in the Treasury here more than 40 years and had known all the Presidents after Johnson, excepting Roosevelt, whom he never succeeded in meeting.

RURAL SKYSCRAPERS



SAYS EUROPEAN WAR MEANS DISARM PART PANAMA CANAL MAY PLAY

World-Wide Peace if Big Nations Become Involved. European War Would Make It Strategic Highway.

20,000,000 MEN IN FIGHT OPEN TO VESSELS OF WAR.

Representative Hensley Of The House Naval Affairs Committee Would Make Money And Credit Contraband Of War.

Washington, D. C.—The dawn of the day for world-wide disarmament will follow a general European conflict, in the opinion of Chairman James Hay of the House Military Affairs Committee and Representative Walter L. Hensley, of the House Naval Affairs Committee.

"If the troubles between Austria and Serbia involve the whole of Europe," said Mr. Hay. "It will be the bloodiest war in all history, and when it is over the day for disarmament by all powers will be nearer. If Russia and Germany join in the conflict, I do not see how England, France and Italy can remain out. With all these nations in the struggle 20,000,000 fighting men will be arrayed against each other, armed with the most modern equipment in all history, and the result will be a catastrophe such as the world has never beheld before.

Predicts No More Wars.

Representative Hensley, who heads the coterie of "peace advocates" in the House, said the world will stand aghast over the death and destruction of a war involving all Europe. He said the only bright ray in such a struggle would be the masses of people who will rise up and say there shall be no wars. Mr. Hensley said he is in favor of a movement which will make money and credit from a neutral nation a contraband of war.

"I would make it a treasonable act," said Mr. Hensley. "for bankers, corporations or individuals to advance funds to a foreign country to finance a war. We all know that a country in these days cannot finance a great conflict within its limitations. It must call on capitalists and bankers of other nations to buy its war bonds. I believe if something could be done to prevent bankers of other nations from buying these war bonds it would go a long way toward preventing wars."

Lewis Would Stop Foodstuffs.

Representative David J. Lewis, of Maryland, another advocate of peace, offered the suggestion that it might be a humane act to Europe for America to say that in the event of a general European war the nations involved cannot get foodstuffs from this country. He said such action, if it could be made, might have a halting influence on the war gods of Europe.

MINERS WILL AMALGAMATE.

Western Federation Adopts Proposition Of United Mineworkers.

Denver, Col.—A motion to amalgamate the Western Federation of Miners and the United Mineworkers of America was adopted by the convention of the federation. The motion provides for the appointment of a committee of three from the Western Federation of Miners to meet a like committee from the United Mineworkers of America, and that the joint committee shall fix a plan for the merger of the two and this proposal shall be submitted to a referendum vote of the members.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS IN BRIEF

Sur-Tax On Incomes Attacked.—The constitutionality of the sur-tax imposed by the new Federal law on incomes over \$20,000 was raised in a case docketed in the Supreme Court by John F. Dodge and Horace E. Dodge, Detroit automobile manufacturers.

MEXICO IS NEAR A PEACE BASIS THE NEWS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

President Wilson Regards Situation Encouraging. Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Over the State.

CARBAJAL URGES ARMISTICE LIVE NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Peace Parley Likely To Be Concluded Within Two Or Three Days—Cartridge Laden Vessel Missing. Kitchens of Hotels and Restaurants Being Inspected By State Health Department Officials—Farmers Holding Wheat.

Washington, D. C.—Referring to the Mexican situation generally, President Wilson described the outlook for peace as "entirely encouraging." Advances from every quarter to the Washington government show a trend toward the restoration of tranquillity throughout the republic. The Zapata faction is now working in harmony with the Constitutionalists, and an agreement has been consummated through which the support of the southern revolutionary forces is promised to the new Constitutional government.

With the arrival at Saltillo of the delegates from Provisional President Carbaljal it is expected that an armistice will be ordered by General Carranza. The peace parleys are not expected to last more than a few days. Provisional President Carbaljal is ready to surrender the executive power to General Carranza, or whoever may be designated by him upon an amnesty pledge. Washington government officials believe the desires of each faction will be satisfied and a peace agreement signed in a short time.

The situation from the viewpoint of Carbaljal was outlined in the following statement prepared by his personal representative here, Jose Castellot, after receiving a long message from Mexico City:

"Provisional President Carbaljal is fully resolved to carry out negotiations on the general basis already agreed upon.

"It is the unalterable purpose of Mr. Carbaljal to turn over the government in a peaceful and dignified way. Mr. Carbaljal has urged me to make every effort to obtain an immediate armistice and, if not possible, the suspension of all hostilities without loss of time, even though this be not formally declared, but merely established as an actual fact, since in view of the certain success of the negotiations about to begin any further bloodshed not only would be unnecessary, but quite inhumane."

Although there have been no reports about the attitude of General Villa toward the peace parleys at Saltillo, administration officials believe he will fall in line with the program. The fact that some prominent members of the Madero family have gone to confer with General Carranza was regarded as a hopeful sign, for they are influential with Villa, and could be instrumental in bringing Villa and Carranza into harmony.

El Paso, Tex.—The steamer Hatteras, laden with 1,000,000 cartridges and several hundred rifles for Villa's army, is missing somewhere between Galveston and Tampico, and may have been lost or captured.

She sailed about 20 days ago routed by way of Havana. This was about the time of the Carranza-Villa conciliation conference at Torreón.

FIRE AT McDONOUGH.

Two School Buildings Burned—All Boys Safe.

The old building of the McDonough school and the residence of W. B. Smith, an instructor, which adjoins the school building, at McDonough, Md., were burned to the ground early Thursday morning, and the 45 boys that occupied the top floors of the school building were forced to flee in their night clothes. All left the building in safety.

Other residences and the main building of the school were threatened for a time, but through the efforts of the Pikesville, Arlington, Govanstown and Towson Fire Departments, which were summoned, and the assistance of the residents at McDonough, they were saved.

REALISM IN WILD WEST SHOW.

Stranded Employes Seize Outfit And Indians On Warpath.

St. Louis.—Armed with repeating rifles and firing volleys into the air, 18 former employes of a Wild West show seized the entire equipment of the recently disbanded company and drove off a train crew which attempted to take 12 of the show cars out of the railroad yards at Alton today.

PEACE ASSOCIATION TO MEET.

Changes Place For Universal Congress From Vienna To Berne.

Brussels, Belgium.—The International Peace Association, at the request of the American delegates now here, has called a meeting for next Friday. As a protest against the warlike action of Austria the association has decided to change the meeting place of the Universal Peace Congress in September from Vienna to Berne.

Lewisburg has petitioned for State aid in improving highways.

Farmers in Harrisburg are holding to their wheat and, not giving options.

S. S. Thompson, of Philadelphia, was re-appointed a trustee of Norristown State Hospital.

John W. Cassell has been elected president of the Dauphin County Auditors.

Allison Hill residents are asking Harrisburg Council for better sewer facilities.

The Hershey family will celebrate the 25th anniversary of its arrival in America at Hershey on August 27.

C. E. Keim has been elected president of the Baldwin Hose Company at Steelton.

Extensive sewer construction operations are to be undertaken in Harrisburg suburbs immediately.

Kitchens of hotels and restaurants in Harrisburg and vicinity are being inspected by State Health Department officials.

J. Evans Issett, a wealthy resident of Norristown, leaves his entire estate to his daughter, Anna, cutting off his two sons.

Members of Marshallton Grange are planning to organize a "Juvenile Grange" for the children of the members.

The dwelling of Miss Mary Fritz, of Glen Moore, was hit by lightning and the chimney and a portion of the roof knocked off.

James, nine-year-old son of Daniel Sheehan, of New Garden, was kicked on the head by a horse and seriously injured.

The first Berks County license to a woman gunner, was issued at the County Treasurer's office to Mrs. Annie L. Yoder, of Reading.

By the bursting of a large iron pulley in the paper mills at Glen Mills, Lawrence Stackhouse was struck by flying fragments and severely cut on the leg.

Miss L. A. Neiswanger, field agent of the Kansas association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis is inspecting the State sanatoria and dispensaries.

John B. Jones and Miss Helen M. DeGodt, of Reading, surprised their friends by the announcement that they had been married in Elkton, Md. They will reside in Reading.

The three-year-old son of Ambrose Fischel, of Nazareth, was perhaps fatally scalded, when a five-year-old brother accidentally tipped over a pot of boiling water from the stove.

Montgomery County Commissioners awarded to Daniel J. Lynch the contract for repaving the Conshohocken Pike for a mile outside of Conshohocken at \$2.05 a ton for stone furnished and applied.

After a public investigation, P. M. O'Dear, president of the Borough Council, of West Reading, and a prominent business man, was exonerated by his colleagues of the charge of having profited from borough contracts.

Thomas Wyne, eighteen years old, of Locust Gap, was killed, when he attempted to board a Philadelphia and Reading coal train. The youth lost his footing and fell beneath the wheels. He died in the Shamokin Hospital.

Governor John K. Tener was the principal speaker at the exercises attending the laying of the cornerstone of the new home of the Ford City Aerie of Eagles. Other speakers were J. D. Dougherty and J. G. Golden, of Kittanning.

Joseph Kolcoskey, forty-eight years old, of Larksville, was killed while trying to turn on the electric light at his home. While holding one hand under a water faucet he reached up to turn on the light and in a few seconds was dead.

The Business Men's Association of Norristown, composed of merchants who keep their stores open on Sundays, have had warrants issued for John Devine and Paul Altreggo, who acted as spotters for the Welfare League and were engaged at \$2 a day and expenses.