

SIGNATURE TAKEN IN CALL'S COURT ALLEGED FORGERY

Taylor Declares He Never Signed Bail Bond Accepted There—New Crusade Against Frauds May Result.

Straw ball frauds may be the object of another crusade by District Attorney Samuel P. Rotan, as the result of the charge made by Isaac Friedman, a tailor, that the signature of his name to a bail bond accepted by Magistrate "Joe" Call for Frank Bohrer is a forgery.

Attaches of the magistrate's office will appear today before Judge Bottelwood in the criminal branch of the Municipal Court to explain the alleged fraudulent signature. Subpoenas were issued for them by Clinton A. Sowers, counsel for Friedman at the request of Judge Bottelwood. Assistant District Attorney Bartlett is in charge of the present investigation for Mr. Rotan. Should the forgery be proven today, he claims criminal action will be started at once.

Magistrate Call's office has been named in connection with alleged straw ball cases many times in the last few years, and in the recent case made by the District Attorney's office several hundred and one official of the office were implicated.

The official was "Jake" Gilman, the constable. He is now under indictment for extortion and has resigned his position. His trial is pending. Adolph Koch was sentenced to three years and three months in jail for impersonating Frank Beriofsky. "Lazy" Lipkin got four years for impersonating a constable and his friend Edward Bernstein was sentenced to two years and nine months.

Frank Wallin pleaded guilty to charges in connection with the straw ball scandal and is awaiting sentence, while "Diamond Tooth" Edlin and Ernest Demont, convicted on conspiracy charges, have made a motion for a new trial.

Friedman has been in this country 15 years, but cannot write or read English, except to sign his name. He declares that a man employed in Call's office did not sign a bail bond two years ago. A few days later he was notified that the case had been disposed of. Again the man applied for his signature, and although he protested, Friedman says, he finally agreed and signed again. This happened a third time. Friedman is positive that he never signed a bond for Bohrer.

The property offered by Friedman in the bonds he also named in the one he calls a forgery, is at Fourth and Poplar streets. Friedman has about \$500 equity in it and the total amount of bonds it covers is about \$100,000. Several of these cases have been disposed of. Five bail bonds are said to have been accepted from the man by Magistrate Call.

McCormick in High Spirits OVER HIS INDORSEMENT

Fusion Candidate for Governor Believes Chances of Election Improved.

HARRISBURG, Sept. 17.—Walter McCormick, fusion candidate, this evening in a Washington letter to the press, expressed his confidence that he is the "probable" nominee for the Democratic nomination in the State of Pennsylvania. McCormick took a short recess yesterday, coming here in time to accept formally the indorsement of the Washington party for the place of Governor on their ticket.

The action of the Washington Party State Committee in indorsing Mr. McCormick to fill the vacancy in the ticket caused by the withdrawal of William Travers Lewis, was taken with little hesitation. Early in the day it was announced that a minority faction in the Washington party would try to force the withdrawal of Congressman A. Mitchell Warner in favor of Gilbert Phipps as the candidate for United States Senate, before placing Mr. McCormick on the ticket.

The same success of this kind was achieved, however, was shown when Judge Charles N. Brumm, of Pottsville, was mentioned as an opponent of Mr. McCormick. The vote of the party was in favor of Mr. McCormick, and for Judge Brumm. One of the reasons changed his vote when the judges explained that he must not be considered a candidate. Six delegates declined to vote.

Mr. McCormick received a glowing cheer of welcome when he landed his boat of acceptance with the world's "fusion" progressives." In the course of his address he withdrew Mr. Lewis for his position in withdrawing in order to make possible the opening of decent citizens to wipe out Penrose.

'TOMMY' VERIFIES DISPATCH

Boy on Ireland Writes How Germans Fear Black Soldiers.

The youngest war correspondent on record has sent to Mary C. Hayes, of 300 Spruce street, verification of a dispatch in the Evening Ledger narrative that the French troops take advantage of the German fear of dark-skinned soldiers by blackening their faces and giving vent to unearthly "war-cry" when they charge.

"Tommy is the name given by the boy correspondents in a letter to Miss Hayes, who is his aunt, and his home is in Ireland. He is twelve years old, and the name of his letter indorsement is the children of the Old World are as deeply interested in the great war in Europe as are their fathers and brothers at the front. The letter, which was written August 29, is as follows:

LITTLE SUFFERERS AT ST. CHRISTOPHER'S BRAVE AND CHEERY

Hospital in Northeast Section the Daily Scene of Hopeful Struggle Against Diseases of Children.

Just at present St. Christopher Hospital, Lawrence and Huntington streets, has 47 little patients.

Opportunity to study child life is ever present to the visitor at St. Christopher's. Teddy Roosevelt will not greet him at the door, but Teddy Roosevelt Wick will welcome him on the roof garden. This little boy, like Miss Jeffords, head nurse, wishes to interest every one in the work of the hospital, and consequently he will talk for a half hour without a complaint and smile during waking and sleeping hours.

It is the build of a prizefighter in embryo that Teddy carries when he is stretched in bed. He has hip disease. From his waist up he is perfect. Miss Jeffords does not think that Teddy will ever be far-famed as an athlete, but eventually he may walk without a false step and make a name for himself.

In the cot next to Teddy on the roof garden is Isabella Lawson, 6 years old, a sufferer from infantile paralysis. She is walking today, but it is with the hesitating steps of a old woman or child just learning to walk. The fact is, she is just learning over how to walk. She is confident, and when she falls she smiles in an apologetic manner. She is the messenger and errand girl for Teddy Roosevelt Wick. She is about as speedy as the average messenger boy, but she is much more certain of results.

Ida Rudolph, 5 years old, is also on the roof. She has been there two months, but shows little improvement. The doctors see her every day. There is something wrong with Ida because she is given to crying. The doctors have a lot of names for her complaint.

Then there is Beatrice, 14 years old. Beatrice is a favorite, but the nurse will have forgotten her last name. She will be operated upon tomorrow or the day after by Dr. E. G. Alexander. There is a tubercular condition of her spine and not of her legs. Miss Beatrice has not caused that an operation is imminent, so she has not become hysterical as some of her older sisters might. When she is not in bed she sits on her left leg.

Francisco Dileo has spent six of his ten years in the hospital. As an old resident he says that he prefers the roof garden to a ward. He is more alert, and then he can hear all the street noises. He can tell just what is happening by the cries of the newboys and he also is a judge of the various shouts of the vendors. Francisco, who is one of the older patients, will never push a truck or sing a baritone on the roof garden. He may be made for better things and an easier job. He has a hip disease.

Heon Hopkins 3 years old had a fall, hip disease and tubercular bones follow. He has been in many hospitals. She smiles when she does not feel pain. When she does she holds the hand of one of the nurses or bears the pain alone. Heon has been operated on for appendicitis five days ago. For three days Miss Jeffords cared for her patient, but now since Clarence is always hungry there must be some fault.

In the surgical ward lies Billy Garnett, 3 years old. The tiny boy, who is the mother of the time in a street or station, was killed by a horse on January 25, and was knocked down. He was picked up and hurried to the hospital. Every one but the physician who received him said that the child was dead. He is alive, but that is all.

The featherweight of the hospital is a 3-day-old baby girl. She is of Italian parentage, and at noon she weighed exactly two pounds six and one-half ounces. She will live, probably, until hospital care, but if she had been left with her mother she would have perished.

Nearly all the other children in the hospital's wards are recovering from summer ailments or marasmus under a small tent are children recovering from illness or children with pneumonia or other lung complaints. There Tom holds a piece of wood, and is suffering from malnutrition and is only a year old. Tom was taken to the hospital last January by a man and woman who said that he was their child. The man and woman have not since been seen.

The tent patients will remain out of doors until the weather becomes severe. To help keep down the number of little patients at the hospital the surgeons and physicians each Wednesday give lectures to mothers who bring their babies to the hospital. The women are told how to ward off diseases prevalent among youngsters and are given lessons in how to give the best aid to the injured.

FLOWER SHOWS BY SCHOOLS

Fifty Exhibitions Tomorrow Will Show Skill of Young Gardeners.

Exhibitions of flowers grown by school children during the summer will take place tomorrow in 50 school yards scattered over the city from S. Myrtle to Point Breeze. Some of the flowers have been grown in school yards, but a great majority are the result of the careful and painstaking cultivation of open spaces in the vicinities of the little gardeners' homes.



TEDDY ROOSEVELT WICK, A PATIENT PATIENT WHO JUST CAN'T BE UNHAPPY



IDA RUDOLPH, SHE WAS EXCEEDINGLY THIN. NOW SHE IS CALLED "FATTY"



HELEN HARKINS, CASE ALMOST HOPELESS, BUT SHE IS HAPPY

TRACKS NEW LAID ON NEW RAILROAD BRIDGE

Pennsylvania Has Completed Stone Structure Over Schuylkill

The Pennsylvania Railroad has completed the work of constructing the new five-track stone arch bridge over the Schuylkill River at Girard avenue, and the bridge is now open to traffic. The bridge is a masterpiece of engineering and is the longest stone arch bridge in the world.

Work on the bridge was started about a year ago when the Pennsylvania Railroad found that the old two-track bridge was not large enough to care for all of the demands of traffic, both passenger and freight.

The bridge was built by the Pennsylvania Railroad and is a masterpiece of engineering. It is the longest stone arch bridge in the world and is a credit to the skill of the engineers who designed and built it.

BOY'S MURDERER MUST DIE

Pardon Board Refuses to Commute Sentence of William Abel

The State Board of Pardons has refused to commute the death sentence of William Abel, who was convicted of the murder of Thomas Kane, 12 years old. The boy was killed by Abel near 25th street and Hunting Park avenue, on May 5, 1913. Abel was sentenced to hang, and his crime was committed before the passage of the bill providing for the execution of murderers.

A pardon was also refused to Alfred S. Von Neda, of this city, who was convicted of the murder of Charlotte, in this city, May 26, 1908. Von Neda's sentence was commuted to life imprisonment in 1907, a short time after his conviction.

CHOICE BLOSSOMS SHOWN IN DEVON DAHLIA EXHIBIT

Fifth Annual Display of Horticultural Society Opens Today

"Fragrants of choice blossoms are on exhibition today at the fifth annual dahlia show given at the Devon Horticultural Society, in the Devon Horticultural Society building. The show opened this morning and will close tomorrow evening.

Although dahlias from the principal exhibitors are shown, among these are aster, lily, antirrhinum and several other.

Prizes offered by Mrs. W. T. Hunter, the Devon Horticultural Society, William H. Davis, Powell Evans, Charles Egan and others will be awarded to successful competitors.

ARMY OF MEN TO STUDY BIBLE FOR "BILLY" SUNDAY

Organization of Huge Class Here a Preliminary to Campaign

An army of from 50,000 to 100,000 men is to be organized here for the study of the Bible as a preliminary preparation for the campaign "Billy" Sunday. The purpose of organizing the army is to have a large number of men who will be organized in the general assembly of the Philadelphia County Sunday School Association.

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NEW BRANCHES FOR U. OF P.

Extension Courses Will Be Established in Harrisburg and Reading

Two extension branches of the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, of the University of Pennsylvania, will be opened in Harrisburg and Reading. These schools will be identical in every respect with the branches established last year in Wilkes-Barre and Scranton. The purpose of the branches is to give to business men the essentials of the new type of college education, training them for a successful business career.

Dean McCrea, of the Wharton School, in commenting on the prospects this afternoon, said: "The interest displayed by the business men in the new branches is particularly encouraging. We could not open branches until we had a guarantee of at least 100 students in each city. From present indications the enrollment will greatly exceed that figure in both places. The Rotary Club of Harrisburg, is back of the new branch in Harrisburg, and the Reading Chamber of Commerce is active in Reading. At both places big business houses and corporations are co-operating with us to arouse enthusiasm among their employees. The Pennsylvania Railroad invited faculty members to speak before a meeting of their clerks, while the Edison Fishery Company, of Harrisburg, has offered to repay the tuition fee to any of its employees who finish the three-year course."

STEEL MAKING GOOD

MULLINBERG, Pa., Sept. 17.—The work of Steel, West Philadelphia High School former all-around athlete, stood out prominently in yesterday's practice of the Mullinberg team. Steel will get a thorough trial at the quarterback post, for his exceptional speed will be a big asset to the backfield.

PURE FRESH PAINT Believe Me

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RAT EXTERMINATOR RESENTS REFUSAL OF GIFT OF RODENTS

Hurls Shoe Through Barber's Window After Fight With Son

Lifeless rats and an old shoe caused a fight today in the barber shop of Paul Mariana, Thirty-third and Market streets, which resulted in the arrest of Tom Brennan, 210 Sansom street, who the police say hurled a shoe through the shop window, when the barber's son refused to accept his rats.

Brennan recently enlisted as an expert exterminator in the crusade against rodents. He has been seen by many persons armed with a rifle and is known to have slain quite a number of the pests. Today with a rifle in one hand and a pair of dead rats in the other he approached Louis, the seventeen-year-old son of barber Mariana and urged him to accept the corpus.

The boy refused, and Brennan, incensed, hurled the rats in his face. Louis retaliated with his shoe. A fight followed and Brennan, his rats and the shoe were ejected from the barber shop. Two minutes later the shoe crashed through the front window.

Magistrate Harris before whom Brennan was later arraigned in the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue police station discharged him when the man promised to pay for the broken window as soon as he earned sufficient money killing more rats.

ST. RITA'S FIVE READY

Entire Team of Last Year Will Represent Club

The basketball players of the St. Rita's Catholic Club have been called together, and a start for the coming season will be made in a few days. The club will have the entire line-up of last year, including O'Neill and Donora, forward; Ward, center, and McBride and Scanlon guards.

The five lost but three games during last season, playing over 40 contests. The second team, which went through the season last year without the loss of a single game, will also put the same team on the floor intact.

There has been some talk downtown concerning the forming of a league among the Catholic clubs this year.

NORWAY-SWEDEN, MOBILIZED, CALMLY WATCH HOSTILITIES

Great Military Activity, but Countries Are Least Excited in Europe—Tourists Not Admitted to Palace.

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 17. Of all the countries of war-mad Europe today, Sweden and Norway are doubtless the most free from excitement and apprehension. They are so situated that there is little or no danger of their neutrality being violated, and they are in no international alliances that might draw them into the titanic conflict against their will.

Still both Sweden and Norway are keeping watchful eyes on the situation and are preparing for any emergency. Both have mobilized a part of their armies.

There is considerable military activity all over Sweden, though the only places where I have had it under close personal observation are Upsala and Stockholm. Not only are the army landsturm forces being mobilized but included in the active ranks, but the night watch and various other miscellaneous watches and police forces seem to be included also. The royal military are being conveyed—apparently gratis—by train, tram or boat to this or that station; and parties of what may be either yeomanry out of uniform or recruits are seen marching through the streets.

The newspapers are discreetly silent as to what this general mobilization (which is admitted) specifically purports, but it is plain from Germany's recent action in Luxembourg, Belgium, the Sound, the Belt and the high seas that she is fully resolved to stick at nothing to secure her ends, and that the Scandinavian countries must prepare themselves for all eventualities if they are to maintain a shred of their ancient independence.

Plenty of Finnish and Swedish steamers are daily bringing passengers over from Raumo to Gelle and Stockholm. An official announcement has been issued to the effect that thenceforward neither Russians nor Germans would be allowed to land in Sweden, except as guaranteed through passengers, and even this on one occasion only; a number of German passengers were thus sent back to Raumo.

No Swedish capable of military service are allowed to leave the country without a special permit. The German Consul General has published a notification in Russian to the effect that not a single German port is anywhere blockaded by any fleet.

A notice has been placed on the local Ostana steamers in English, French and German forbidding any foreigners to go on board at all. Soldiers with fixed bayonets are guarding bridges and other means of communication. Tourists are no longer admitted to see even the state apartments of the palace. The King moves unceremoniously about in his motor, and usually instead of a whistle or pibetian "aquealer" his footman uses a royal bugle.

FORMER INMATE ACCUSED OF ROBBING ORPHANAGE

Held for Robberies at Methodist Episcopal Home During Last Year

Accused of robbing the Methodist Episcopal Orphanage of various sums of money during the last year, Charles Schwartz, of 35th and Locust streets, was held under \$500 bail for court by Magistrate Boyle today.

A girl inmate says she saw the man ransacking the rooms of the orphanage yesterday, and Schwartz was arrested by Saxony, a special policeman of the first and Thompson streets station. He was a former inmate of the home.

CHARGE OF TURCOS AT CHARLEROI LIKE "HELL LET LOOSE"

Germans Fall Like "Suffocated Wasps" Before the Terrible Onslaught of Africa's Dark Warriors.

PARIS, Sept. 17. The reckless bravery of the Turcos, the black troops that France has called to the front from Africa, is the theme of many a thrilling tale.

An officer of Zouave, who took part in the magnificent charge of the dusky African warriors at Charleroi and was badly wounded, thus refers to the fight: "You could not if you tried exaggerate the amazing bravery our fellows showed right up to the jaws of death. We had been fighting for four days around the walls of Charleroi. There were 100,000 of the enemy massed against our positions, pouring shot and shell into us. My splendid lads never flinched, although they had not a chance for a meal. Sometimes the advantage was with us, sometimes we had to give way. The more our artillery mowed down the more the enemy seemed to spring up. They swarmed in all directions, and that is why their casualties are much heavier than ours."

"Suddenly our colored cried, 'Give the Turcos free rein.' The avalanche began. It was like hell let loose. They tore along the enemy's batteries for a full mile. The Prussian guard was repulsed over about a thousand yards. As the charge continued the boys chanted the 'Marseillaise,' but one comrade could hardly hear the other. On they dashed, however. All they were within perhaps fifteen yards when the Prussian in the wood ceased firing, or they would have moved down their own guards."

Then the bloodiest of all battles opened over about a thousand yards. My fixer a huge Prussian and could not for the moment release his bayonet he held out with his pistol and shot another, while a comrade by his side would be laboring his foe with the butt end of his rifle. So mad was the combat that many of our men got hold of the noses of the Germans with their teeth. Giants though these picked guards of William are, they are as little children before these terrible Turcos. They fell like suffocated wasps; blood splashed everywhere. I think I shot a comrade with my own revolver. In the end, as you know, the remnants, utterly bewildered, threw down their arms and fled for their lives. You can guess how many escaped."

Another Frenchman, who is with several Englishmen, in the hospital at Rouen, tells the following story: "I was in the battle in the streets of Charleroi. This is sure death," said my pal, as the bullets struck the ground from every side. We came to a farm where we heard cows moaning from hunger. We were saved by Senegalese sharpshooters, who kept a whole regiment of Germans at bay. They are black as devils, and when the Germans see them with their fiery eyes blazing from their inky faces they take to their heels like rabbits."

Chinese to Close Season Here

Roy Thomas announced yesterday that the Chinese would appear again Saturday at the Station A. A. Ball Park. This will be the last appearance of the Chinese. Again he without question the greatest twirler of his nationality. Regardless of his usual performance, the team as a whole is a drawing card.

Advertisement for Spokane on the Main Line, featuring the St. Paul Road and The Olympian train service. Includes a map of the route and contact information for G. J. Lincoln, Commercial Agent.