



ELECTION NEXT JUNE WOULD DELAY RAPID TRANSIT ONE YEAR

Vote in March on \$30,000,000 Loan Needed to Start Actual Work on Project at Once.

Digging of Subway Could Be Coincident With Excavations for Relocating Sewers—Connellly Silent.

Construction of the Broad street subway and inception of the general plans for a high-speed transit system for Philadelphia can be begun while the work of relocating the sewers in the central part of the city is in progress this summer.

AMOS STRUNK SUED

Athletic Outfielder and Autoist Defendant in Action for Damages.

Amos Strunk, centerfielder of the Athletics, is being sued by Terrence A. Malone in the Municipal Court for \$1500 damages for injuries sustained by Malone in an accident in which Strunk's automobile figured.

Malone, in his statement of claim, alleges that on the night of July 16 last he was driving his carriage north on Ringgold street and as he was crossing the intersection at Somerset street, Strunk's car, which was coming east, smashed into the carriage, knocking him from his seat. Malone contends that the accident was largely due to the excessive speed at which the ballplayer was driving his car and Strunk's failure to sound a warning of his approach.

RESIGNATION OF BRYAN ASKED BY GERMAN CLUB

Secretary Is Pro-Ally, Declares New Jersey Alliance.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Jan. 8.—The resignation of Secretary of State Bryan is demanded in a set of resolutions adopted by the German-American Alliance of this city, on the ground that Bryan is favoring the Allies against Germany. The exportation of arms and munitions to the powers of the Triple Entente is condemned in strong terms.

The resolutions say that the national policy is "apt not only to make a laughing-stock of our country, but to bring us into discredit before the entire world and to stamp us as a vassal state of England, and make our best friends, Germany and Austria-Hungary, our enemies."

The organization has a membership of some 3400 persons, including several prominent men.

NO DANGER IN TURBID WATER

Philadelphians who find the water from the city supply more turbid than usual need have no fear of germs, according to Chief Davis, of the Water Bureau. The increased turbidity is caused by slight flood conditions in the two rivers, but the additional solids are mineral and do not contain any disease-breeding germs.

'YOUNG DAFFY OVER CULTURE,' SAYS SUNDAY

Big Afternoon Audience Hears Evangelist Score Hypocrisy as "Disgrace to God" in Fiery Sermon.

"Lots Join the Church for the Same Motive That a Man Blows a Safe," He Declares.

Hypocrites of the church came in for a sound lashing at the hands and through the piercing words of "Billy Sunday this afternoon when he preached to a throng that filled the tabernacle at 19th and Vine streets. With fire in his eye and denunciation on his lips, "Billy" pounded the pulpit until it seemed it must split white

MEXICANS IN FIERCE BATTLE AT SALTILLO

Carranzistas Evacuating Town Attacked by Villalistas.

LAREDO, Tex., Jan. 8.—Carranzista and Villalista troops are engaged in a fierce battle at Saltillo, according to a dispatch received here today.

The battle began at 3 a. m. when the Carranzista forces evacuating the town were attacked in the rear by the Villalistas.

WOULD ISSUE CANAL BONDS

Ohio Congressman Sponsor for Bill to Strengthen Panama Fortifications.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—A bill authorizing the sale of Panama Canal bonds, valued at several million dollars, to strengthen the fortifications of the canal and to purchase additional warships and war craft was introduced in the House this afternoon by Representative Post, of Ohio.

The bill authorizes the creation of a defense board, composed of President Wilson and Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Secretary of War Garrison. This board is given authority to determine what additional coast defenses are needed at Panama and also power to build additional war vessels.

GERMANS WIN WAY ACROSS CONTESTED RIVERS IN POLAND

KAISER LAUNCHES FRESH DRIVES ON OISE AND AISNE

Attempts to Pierce Allies' Lines to Relieve Pressure on Wings.

PARIS, Jan. 8.

With a two-fold object in view, the Germans have launched a series of fresh attacks upon the positions of the Allies west and north of the River Oise and along the Aisne. The double purpose of the invaders is:

First, To find a weak spot in the lines of the French and British defending the territory immediately east of Amiens.

Second, An effort to divert the attention of the Allies from the northern and southern ends of the 25-mile long battle front, where the pressure of the French, British and Belgians is being steadily increased.

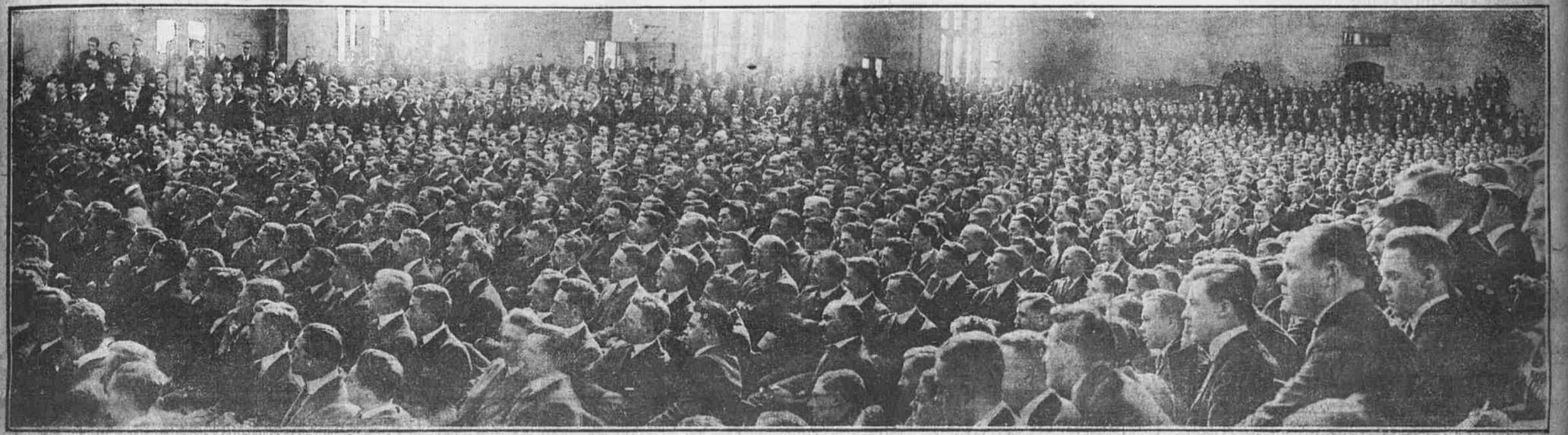
Near Laassigny the Germans are attacking on the part of the line lying nearest to Paris.

Kaiser Captures Trenches on East Banks of Bzura and Rawka—Austrians Retreat in Bukowina.

French Press Advance Into Alsace and Occupy Town But Eight Miles From Muelhausen.

German forces are on the east bank of the Bzura and have taken Russian trenches in this long-contested field. Admission of the Kaiser's gain near

STUDENT HOST IN UNIVERSITY GYMNASIUM LISTENS TO "BILLY" SUNDAY ROAST COLLEGE SINS



advocates of the plans of Director A. Merritt Taylor asserted today. A year can be gained in the completion of the projected transit system, it is contended. If Councils act promptly on the ordinances introduced yesterday to provide \$30,000,000 for transit by a special election of the voters.

THE WEATHER FAIR. What a pity the warm wave couldn't last. It only for another day. If the temperature had remained at yesterday's dizzy figure along about noon today some one with a fair-to-middling reputation for veracity would have been among us with a report of seeing the first robin. And perhaps the ducks northward bound, and maybe a budding leaf or two. But all that is asserted and we're all back to the business of shoveling coal in recalcitrant furnaces and wondering when the next blizzard will strike. But don't hunt for trouble; there's a quicker way: Wait for it!

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair today and tonight with no change in temperature. For details, see page 2.

Table with weather forecasts for various locations including Philadelphia, Port Richmond, Chestnut Street Wharf, Hedy Island, and Shrewsbury.

FLOUR \$8 A BARREL; NO RISE IN PRICE OF BREAD PLANNED

Bakers Laid in Large Supplies, Expecting Increase.

Flour is selling in Philadelphia today at \$8 a barrel. This is the highest figure since the steady jump in the price of flour began. Wholesale bakers predicted today that flour would be selling at \$12 a barrel after the European war ended.

It was pointed out that with the war over, all the ports abroad would be opened. This would result in large shipments of flour from American mills.

Few small bakers have taken steps to increase the price of bread. For weeks bakers have been storing carloads of flour in their cellars.

Louis J. Kolb, of the Kolb Baking Company, said there was no hope in sight for a reduction in the wholesale prices of flour. He is among the highest price paid for this month in January in recent years and the highest price with four exceptions since the Civil War.

A drop of nearly 1 cent followed on a flood of selling orders.

May Wheat \$1.50 in New York. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—May wheat sold on the Consolidated Exchange this afternoon at \$1.50 a bushel as compared with yesterday's price of \$1.47.

MISS SOFIA D. IRWIN DEAD

Descendant of Benjamin Franklin Succumbs to Effects of Fall.

Miss Sofia Dallas Irwin, a descendant of Benjamin Franklin and head of the Agnes Irwin Girl's School, 211 De Lancey street, died last night in Boston as the result of an injury she suffered 19 days ago in Providence, while on her way to Boston. Her sister, Miss Agnes Irwin, former dean of Radcliffe College, died about a month ago.

Miss Irwin fell while on her way to the station in Providence. She suffered an injury to her head, which, shortly after reaching Boston, necessitated her removal to a hospital. She suffered concussion of the brain. Her condition became worse and for several days before her death, Miss Irwin was unconscious.

Miss Irwin was born in Denmark, her father, William Wallace Irwin, being then the United States Minister to that country. She returned to the United States with her parents a few years later and was situated here. Her sister, Agnes Irwin, who died recently, founded the Agnes Irwin Girl's School. She remained head of that school until 1904, when she retired to take up the position of dean at Radcliffe. Miss Sofia Irwin then took over her sister's work.

Medical Chief at Norristown

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Jan. 8.—Dr. S. M. Miller was elected Chief Physician of the Male Department of the Norristown Hospital for the session at a meeting of the trustees this afternoon. He has been acting chief since the resignation of Dr. Cyrus McKinnis, some months ago.

Hawaii Volcano in Eruption

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—The steamship Hiloan, which arrived today, brought word that the volcano Mokuawao in Hawaii is in violent eruption.

RUSSIANS CRIPPLE TURK CRUISER AND SINK TRANSPORTS

Medjidieh, Built in Philadelphia, Badly Damaged in Black Sea Battle With Czar's Ships.

PARIS, Jan. 8.

The French Foreign Office announced today that the Turkish cruiser Medjidieh had been badly damaged and two Turkish transports had been sunk by Russian warships and a mine.

"A Turkish transport was sunk by a mine on January 2 in the Bosphorus," says the statement. "On January 5 another transport, conveyed by the cruiser Medjidieh, was sunk in the Black Sea, between Sinope and Trebizond."

"Two Russian warships attacked the Medjidieh, which escaped badly damaged."

The Medjidieh was built at the Cramp yards in this city and was completed in 1901. She is 221 feet long, with a beam of 45 feet and a maximum draught of 17 feet, and displaces 330 tons. Her guns were made at the Bethlehem steel plant.

The main battery consists of two six-inch and eight 4-inch guns. The Medjidieh's best record speed is 32 knots and her complement is 32 officers and men. Until the addition of the Goeben and Breslau to the Ottoman navy, the Medjidieh and the Hamidieh, built in England, were the only two modern warships the Turks possessed.

TWO DESERTED INFANTS FOUND

Police Care for Babies Left in Baskets on Cold Streets.

Two deserted babies found early today are being cared for by the police.

The blue eyes of one of them, gazing from the depths of a market basket at her policeman, of the 10th and Huttenwood streets station, made such a hit with the blueshirt he wants to adopt the owner of the eyes. He will confer with his wife. McMahon found the youngster, a 6-day-old boy, beside a lamp-post at the rear of 1204 Green street. The infant was wrapped in a Turkish towel.

A 6-weeks-old baby girl, sniveling in a sheet, was discovered on the step of 323 South 19th street, by Henry Krantz, of that address. Mrs. E. C. Hixson placed the stranger before a warm fire until a physician arrived. Then the foundling was taken care of by the police.

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ITALY ORDERS ENVOY TO LEAVE TURKEY IF DEMAND IS REFUSED

Rupture of Diplomatic Relations Believed Certain if Porte Withholds Apology for Hodeidah Incident.

ROME, Jan. 8.

Secret messages sent to the Italian Ambassador at Constantinople today are said to have contained orders to leave the Turkish capital at 6 p. m. Saturday, with all the members of the embassy staff, and to turn his affairs over to the United States Ambassador Morgenthau.

Turkey has been given until Saturday evening to apologize for the arrest of the British consul in the Italian consulate at Hodeidah, but it is believed here that Italy's demands, including a salute to its flag, will not be granted.

The rupture of diplomatic relations between Turkey and Italy is certain, diplomats say, and this will be followed by forcible action by Italy against Turkey.

Italy's war preparations are proceeding day and night. A new army aeroplane of remarkable power has just been successfully tried out near Milan. It is a biplane, with wings about 73 feet from tip to tip, the invention of an Italian engineer, Signor Caproni. It is equipped with three independent rotary engines, capable of developing 300 horsepower.

The car of the machine has three seats. It is completely armored and carries a machine gun. The new biplane is capable of a speed of about 80 miles an hour and will carry a useful load of a ton and a half, besides fuel for 25 hours with only one engine working. Two other types of the same biplane of 600 and 1000 horsepower respectively are under construction.

It has just become known here that Greece escaped embroiling herself in the complications pursued upon the recent attack on Durazzo by the narrowest of margins. There are many Greek citizens in the Albanian seaport, and when the party of the residents there became apparent the Greek Foreign Office ordered a cruiser under sealed orders to the scene.

In the nick of time Italy informed Greece that she was prepared to accord full protection to foreigners in Durazzo, irrespective of nationality. The Greek cruiser, which was already on the way to Durazzo, was recalled hurriedly and the incident was closed.

NO FEAR OF WHEAT FAMINE

Pillsbury, of Flour Fame, Takes Optimistic View.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 8.—"Because wheat and flour prices have advanced considerably since the outbreak of the war is no reason for believing that there will be either a wheat or flour famine," said J. S. Pillsbury, vice president of the Pillsbury Flour Mills today.

"There seems to be an ample reserve in the country to care for every domestic and export demand."

Hungary Wins

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IRVIN S. COBB DECLARES WAR WILL LAST YEARS

Tells Red Cross Sewing Circle of Struggle's Inhumanity.

A war that will last for years, while the wounded and the dying lie unattended on the battle fields and in hospital trains, was predicted by Irvin S. Cobb, the noted war correspondent in an address before the Neutral Red Cross Relief Sewing Circle in the home of Mrs. J. Bartram Lippincott today.

While Mr. Cobb vividly depicted scenes of horror, the women of his audience knitted garments for the soldiers.

One phase of the war brought out by Mr. Cobb dwelt upon care of the wounded. While he did not criticize the military governments of Europe, he explained the inattention these injured men endure.

"Our party received word one morning," he said, "that we could proceed to a little station on the railroad over which the wounded were being sent from the German centre line to the Battle of the Aisne. All day long one train after another came into the station, all bearing mangled forms of flesh with just a spark of life left. Many of these trains had taken a week to travel only 50 miles, while the men in the box cars, packed like sardines on bales of straw, bore in silence agony that none of us can imagine."

"It was a gruesome sight at that station. As each train puffed up and stopped, the wounded were taken out and rebandaged, then put back in the cars and sent on to Germany. Some of these trains we could smell a block off. That odor was terrible."

"When he was within five miles of the actual battlefield, that same foul smell reached us again. It came from the more than 4000 dead, dying and wounded who were lying on the space between the two opposing armies. When we reached the trenches, the drums were beating. They beat that way day and night to keep the men in the first line of trenches from going crazy at the shrieks of the wounded who were lying in the field in front of them. These men, who could have been saved with medical attention, must die because their comrades could not go into that hail of steel to save them. The bodies of some had lain there for 21 days and the men in the trenches never ceased smoking so they could stand the odor."

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RUSSIA MENACES AUSTRIA IN THREE TITANIC MOVES

Adds Bukowina, Hungary and Transylvania to Invaded Territory.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The Russian invasion of Hungary through the Usok Pass in the Carpathians and their rapid advance on Transylvania through Bukowina emphasize only with their movement toward Cracow, is arousing great interest among military men here.

These combined operations are the most gigantic undertaken in the war, and their successful completion would have a deep effect on the course of the conflict.

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