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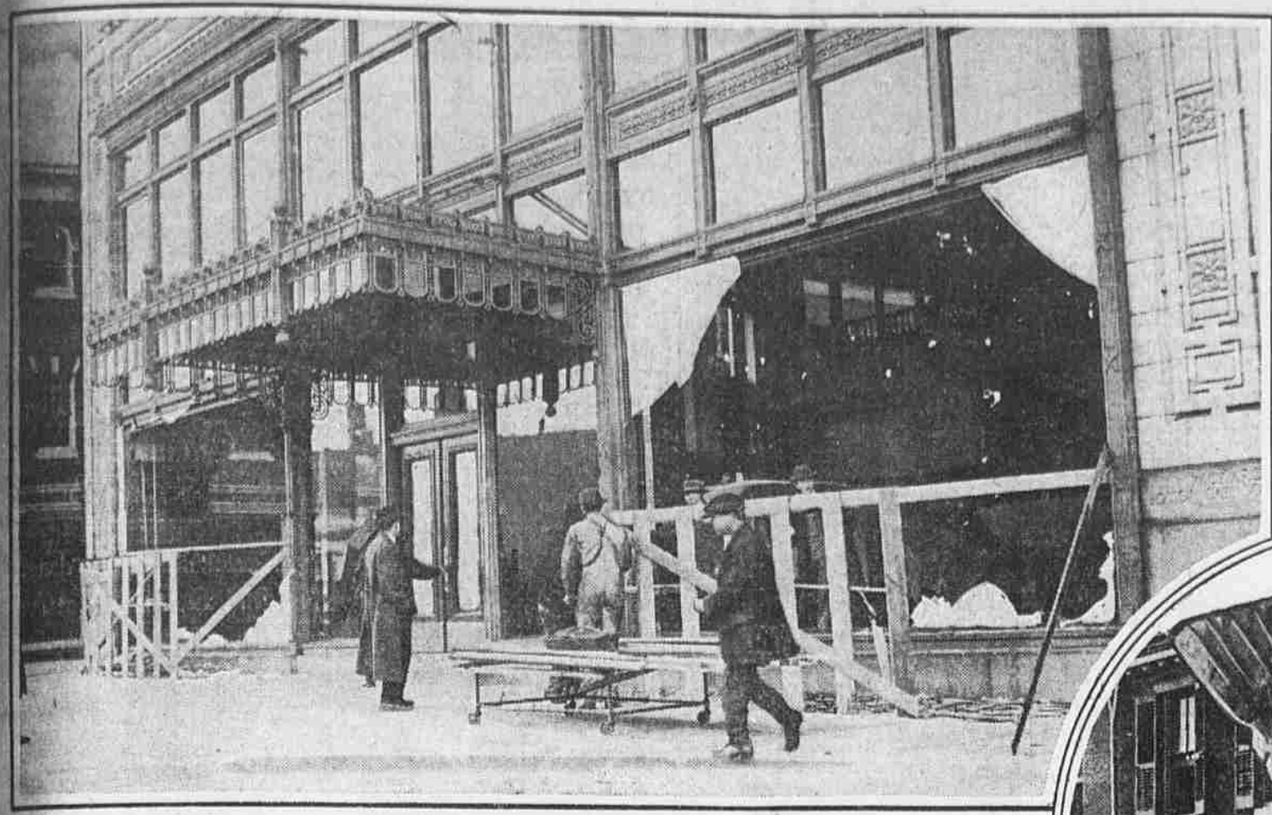

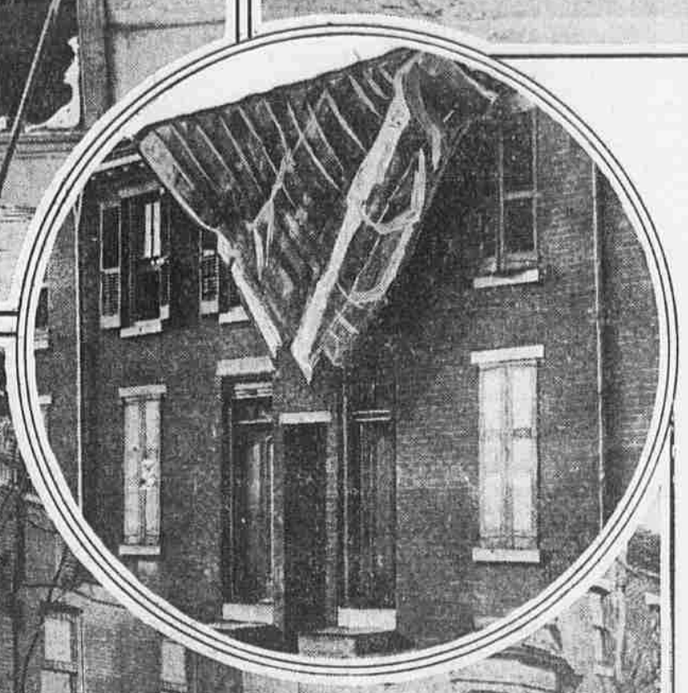

At the upper left hand the photograph shows a yawning gap where stood a great bulk plate glass window in the Packard Automobile salesrooms, at Broad and Race streets. These windows are among the most expensive in the city. On the right is a street almost barred by a huge strip of metal ripped from the tops of four houses in Buckius street, near Kensington avenue. In the circle is shown a roof covering in this street as dislodged and left hanging over the eaves. Below is a big elm uprooted and thrown across the thoroughfare at Broad street and Susquehanna avenue.

SCHUYLKILL FLOOD, WORST IN YEARS, REACHES THIS CITY

DAMAGE CAUSED BY GALE AND FLOOD IN AND NEAR CITY

Flood ravages banks of Schuylkill for nearly 100 miles, threatening railroad service between here and the South.

Sixty-mile gale that swept city the third highest wind on record here.

One life taken by storm in Camden, scores injured in this city and suburbs.

City almost isolated for hours by disruption of telegraph and telephone service to outside points.

Trolley lines blocked by trees blown down and passengers marooned.

Trains hours late.

Road to St. Timothy's Hospital blocked by three-foot inundation and nine firemen, overcome at Manayunk blaze, held up for five hours.

Great destruction of awnings, trees, signs and housetops in all sections of the city.

Market street littered with broken glass from bulk windows of department stores smashed by the wind. Contents of display windows strewn about the streets, including everything from kitchen ware to costly hats and garments.

Thousands of umbrellas turned inside out lie about city streets.

Damage to Mills And Homes Along 100 Miles of River, Which Floods Manayunk Streets.

Third Highest Wind Recorded Here Blows Down Roofs and Wires—One Dead, Scores Hurt.

High tide in the Schuylkill River late this afternoon will mean the worst flood in the history of the city, according to members of the crew of the Police Boat Reyburn.

Hundreds of men were put to work this afternoon in lumber and coal yards all the way from the Fairmount Dam to Point Breeze removing stock from the danger points.

The flood, of which warning was sent out from Reading by Weather Bureau officials, reached this city while the tide was ebbing at full force. In spite of this the water continued to rise in the Schuylkill.

When the tide turned the rapidity of the rise increased, and no one can tell where it will stop.

The flood devastated the Schuylkill River front for nearly 100 miles before reaching this city. Communication by rail between this city and the South is threatened. It will be cut off if the river below Market street rises a few inches higher.

The crest of a 20-foot wall of water swept down the river past Reading this morning. It struck Manayunk more gradually, but virtually every mill along the river front is closed.

Householders desperately worked trying to save furniture. In many streets close to the river vans were dragged through streets hub deep in water.

The tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad are partially submerged. Those of the Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore Railroad are threatened. The water is within a few inches of them near [illegible] Station. Train service to the South may [illegible] suspended.

The flood tore three barges from their moorings in the Schuylkill at Callowhill street shortly before noon. They were whirled down to Gray's Ferry, endangering other shipping tied up along the river front, before being caught by the Police Boat Reyburn.

RIVER 18 FEET OVER NORMAL.

At noon the river at Manayunk registered 18 feet above normal, the highest in three years, and had backed up to the steps of many residences on the Montgomery County side.

Immediately after notifying the Central Police Station of the serious flood in the Schuylkill at Reading, the Weather Bureau sent a message to the Schuylkill Navigation Company that this flood "might be expected in Philadelphia some time late this afternoon." Every mill owner and resident along the river bank at Manayunk and towns nearby was told by telephone of the impending danger. They spread the news broadcast.

Extra hands were put to work removing effects from those mills on the river bank that thus far have not been touched by the flood. Some are stacking their belongings in fields until quarters are found for them.

Manayunk is standing the brunt of the flood in this section. While the river there is the highest in three years, only a mile further up, at Flat Rock Dam, it

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DOVER FORTS SINK GERMAN SUBMARINES, BRITISH SAY

Bold Raid Upon Harbor Frustrated by Heavy Fire of Gunners—Two Undersea Fighters Destroyed, According to Unofficial Report. Hostile Aeroplanes Sighted in Channel.

It is reported that two German submarines, attempting a raid on Dover harbor today, were fired upon and sunk by the forts. The submarines, it is said, were accompanied by aeroplanes, which were sighted at several points along the English Channel.

Capture by the Russian forces in the Caucasus of a whole Turkish regiment, the 92d, is reported from Petrograd. This success is the result of continued fighting near Kara Urgan, southeast of Sari Kamysh on the Transcaucasian border.

(This report is denied by the Turks.)

Tabriz, second largest city of Persia, has been taken by the Turks and the Russian troops in that section have fallen back.

The invasion of Egypt by Ottoman forces is expected by the British guarding the province, despite reports that the campaign had been abandoned. German officers are said to be leading the march.

The Russian drive on Cracow through southern Poland has collapsed, according to Vienna, which records a repulse of the Czar's forces at the River Nida in a great artillery battle.

The Austro-Germans have launched a movement to expel the Russians from Galicia, and General Hindenburg is sending an army into the invaded province to carry on the offensive.

Germany has sent three corps to aid the Austrians in Servia, according to reports, which Petrograd interprets as a ruse to draw troops from Poland. If the reports are true Berlin evidently aims to clear a route to the Turkish war zone.

Both Russian and German forces are massing along the Bzura and Niemen Rivers. Germans in the latter (northern Poland) field presage a drive on Warsaw from a new direction.

Further loss of ground east of Soissons, where severe fighting centres, is

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THE WEATHER

Gosh, what a storm! You were a lucky person, indeed, if, for one reason or another, you did not have to be out of doors last night. Sort of a nice feeling, wasn't it, to be able to draw up nearer the fire when the violent gusts of wind made the hard-working old furnace outdo itself. And when the time came to go to bed, just to be able to duck under the covers was no little thing to be thankful for. More than that, you ought to utter a prayer of thanks that Old Boreas did not spoil it all by ripping off the roof with one of his big 42-centimetre gusts. No, it was not much fun at Broad and Chestnut streets in a storm like last night's. But it might have been worse in some places, we imagine.

A battle trench for instance!

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Generally cloudy and slightly colder.

Observations at Philadelphia

8 A. M.

Barometer	29.44
Temperature	34
Wind	Northwest, 28 miles
Weather	Cloudy
Precipitation last 24 hours	3.29
Humidity	66 per cent.
Highest temperature	58
Lowest temperature	33

Almanac of the Day

Sun rises	7:17 a. m.
Sun sets	4:57 p. m.
Moon rises tomorrow	7:20 a. m.
High water tomorrow	6:47 a. m.

Lamps to be Lighted

Autos and other vehicles ..... 5:15 p. m.

The Tides

PORT RICHMOND.

Low water	7:19 p. m.
Low water tomorrow	12:29 a. m.
High water tomorrow	7:28 a. m.

CHESTNUT STREET WHARF.

Low water	7:07 p. m.
Low water tomorrow	12:09 a. m.
High water tomorrow	7:18 a. m.

REEDY ISLAND.

Low water	8:25 p. m.
High water	8:30 p. m.
Low water tomorrow	3:39 a. m.

BREAKWATER.

Low water	8:35 p. m.
High water tomorrow	12:20 a. m.
Low water tomorrow	4:30 a. m.

BOOM FOR WILSON LAUNCHED IN SENATE

Williams, of Mississippi, Tells Colleagues President Will Be Re-elected.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The Wilson Presidential boom for 1916 was officially launched in the Senate today, when Senator Williams, of Mississippi, one of the chief spokesmen for the Administration in Congress, declared that "Woodrow Wilson is going to be renominated by the Democratic party and re-elected by the people for the term succeeding the present one."

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY; MANY DIE; ROME IN PANIC

Vatican Buildings and Churches Damaged. Many Small Towns Are Almost Wiped Out.

ROME, Jan. 13.—Rome was thrown into panic at 7:56 o'clock this morning by a severe earthquake, the most serious experienced here for 16 years. There were two distinct shocks, but the first, at 5 o'clock, was slight.

Pope Benedict was saying mass when the earthquake occurred. He knelt and prayed during the shocks, and then continued the mass.

After the undulations had ceased King Victor Emmanuel rode through the city to inspect the damage.

Plaster was knocked from the ceilings of some of the Vatican buildings by the earthquake and other damage was done to the interior of some of the chapels.

Reports indicate that the earthquake, which destroyed a number of buildings in the city and suburbs, caused great loss of life. It is reported that in Perete, a small town in the Compartiamento of Abruzzi, 15 persons were killed.

TOWNS ALMOST WIPED OUT.

One report says that 30 persons lost their lives in and near Perete. The entire province of Abruzzi is declared to have suffered and many of the small towns have been almost wiped out. Several towns in Rome province also suffered.

The towns which are reported to have suffered most include Capelle, Magliano, Fresinone, Montecrotondo, Verely, Valmontone and Albano. It was reported that many of the inhabitants were

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PENROSE WILL URGE CAUSE OF HIGH SPEED

Senator to Speak in Behalf of Prompt Action at Tomorrow Night's Transit Demonstration.

United States Senator Boies Penrose will step forward as an advocate of Philadelphia's rapid transit development tomorrow night at the great transit mass meeting in the Academy of Music. The Senator said today he would speak at the demonstration. In an address recently the Senator urged the construction of the high-speep lines at the earliest possible moment, and it is expected he will declare his position even more emphatically tomorrow night.

The entire demonstration, including the parade on Broad street prior to the meeting, promises to exceed all expectations. Preparations made by the organizations of all kinds throughout the city indicate that all classes of citizens have been aroused to the necessity for the high-speed system planned by Director Taylor.

The campaign for speed, comfort and economy persistently advocated by the EVENING LEDGER since its birth last September has won thousands of adherents, who will demand that Councils stand by their moral and legal responsibility to represent the people.

Prominent men in every walk of life, the pulpit, the bench, the bar, the business man, the workingman, will be present to voice their co-operation in provision for a necessity which is vital to the progress of the city.

They are encouraged by the promise of sincere support from the Councilmen upon whose shoulders now rest the responsibility of giving this city high-speed transit, and the public will formally de-

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PLANS TO QUESTION LEGAL STATUS OF JOHNSON CONTRACT

Mayor's Cabinet Discusses Supreme Court Test and Hastening Work at Blockley.

Tentative plans that may result in a higher court decision being sought on the legality of the contract in perpetuity held by Philip H. Johnson as architect for all Department of Public Health and Charities buildings were discussed today at a meeting of the Mayor's cabinet.

Mayor Blankenburg is in Asheville, N. C.; Director of Public Safety Porter is in Boston and Transit Director Taylor is busy planning for the demonstration tomorrow night, but all other memebrs of the cabinet were present. It was the first meeting attended by Dr. S. Lewis Ziegler, the new Director of Public Health and Charities, and complet charmony in the cabinet has been re-established.

Immediately after the meeting, it was learned that Mayor Blankenburg would send a message from Asheville to City Councils tomorrow week asking that body to appropriate the $1,000,000 for the rehabilitation of Blockley at once, either to the Department of Public Works or the Department of Health and Charities.

This will put squarely up to Councils the question of whether there is to be

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Woman's Bequests to Charity

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Jan. 13.—The poor of the congregation of the Line Lexington Mennonite Meeting are to receive the proceeds of 20 shares of Schwenkville Bank stock, according to the will of Anna Swartley, of Lansdale, probated today. She also gives away to Mennonite ministers, relatives and friends about $30,000.

"LIE," SUNDAY'S RETORT TO RUM USER'S EXCUSE

"Fellow Who Says He Can Leave It Alone, Can't," He Warns "Moderate" Drinkers.

Applause and cheers rang out in "Billy" Sunday's tabernacle, 19th and Vine streets, this afternoon when the fiery evangelist gave his throbbing, inspiring sermon on morals. It was a powerful discourse against the sin of immorality and the danger of associating with the immoral. The big building was filled with attentive listeners.

"Billy" calls this sermon "The Leper," and, in graphic description shows how the man or woman who desires to lead a clean Christian life should avoid the company of all persons whose lives are not as God would have them be.

"But he was a leper." These words from Second Kings were his text.

"I say to you, young man," Sunday howled into the faces before him, "don't you go with the Godless, good-for-nothing gang that blaspheme and sneer at religion. That bunch of character assassins will make of your body a doormat to wipe their feet on. Don't go with that bunch. I heard you swear, I heard you sneer at religion. Stop or you will become a staggering, muttering, bleary-eyed, foul-mouthed down-and-outer, on your way to hell. I say to you, stop, or you will go down to hell, breaking your wife's heart, wrecking your children's lives and with nothing to show for it. God pity you for all you have to show for serving the devil. You are a fool! You are a fool! Take it from Bill, you are a fool!"

HITS "MODERATE DRINKER."

Then he threw more verbal firebrands at the young men who believe they can "take a drink and let it alone." Again

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ALTER ATTORNEY GENERAL?

Former Speaker Mentioned as Successor of John C. Bell.

George E. Alter, former speaker of the House at Harrisburg, is being mentioned in political circles today as likely to succeed John C. Bell as Attorney General. The appointment of Mr. Alter, it is pointed out, would conciliate the Olivers should Governor-elect Brumbaugh determine to drop Robert McAfee, now Secretary of the Commonwealth.

While Doctor Brumbaugh has given no intimation as to the personnel of his cabinet, it is understood that Mr. Alter has been suggested to him as a man whose appointment would be desirable for the sake of harmony. Mr. Alter is from Allegheny County.

LOST AND FOUND

ALL "LOST AND FOUND" ARTICLES advertised in the Evening Ledger or reported to the "Lost and Found Bureau" at Ledger Central will be listed for 30 days. These lists can also be seen at the Main Office, 6th and Chestnut sts. "Lost and Found" advertisements can be left at any of the stop places receiving Ledger ads, or can be telephoned directly to Ledger Central, Call Walnut or Main 1000.

LOST—Saturday, large Airedale; answers to name Billy. Reward. Return to M. R. GANG, 6152 Sherwood road, Overbrook.

LOST—Saturday, 60th st. trolley, silver vanity bag. Reward. 1308 N. Gillham.

LOST—Large Airedale cat. Reward if returned to 2032 Locust st.

LOST—Sunday night, platinum bracelet. Reward. Mrs. Hale, 1700 Locust st.

Other classified advertisements on pages 11 and 12.