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ATRLETICS

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PRICE ONE CENT

PLOT TO DEFEAT TRANSIT, ADMITTED BY DAVE LANE. HOTLY SCORED BY TAYLOR

Circular Scattered Broadcast Over City by Republican City Committee Head Urging Voters to Defeat \$6,-000,000 Loan Branded "False" by Director of Transit.

Heavy Stockholder of Union Traction Company Tells Voters Adequate Transportation Plan Would Reduce Property Values and Be Burden on Taxpayers-"Misleading" Answers Comprehensive Plans Author-Vare and McNichol Not in Plot.

LANE'S PERSONAL SCHEME.

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AUSTRIANS TORPEDO

FRENCH CRUISER OFF

Leon Gambetta Goes Down.

Only 136 Saved Out of 725

on Board-Every Officer

Lost-Paris Admits Loss.

The French armored cruiser Leon

Gambetta has been torpedoed and sunk

in the Adriatic Sea. Part of her crew

of 725 men was saved, but the loss of life is believed to have been heavy.

The cruiser was torpedoed off Otranto,

the important Italian port on the

The commander of the Leon Gambetta

and all the staff perished when the ship

was sunk off the entrance to the Otranto

Canal. The following official statement supplementing the early announcement of the cruiser's loss was issued by the Min-istry of Marine this evening: "The Leon Gambetta was sunk while

cruising off the entrance of the Otranto Canal. She went down in 10 minutes. All the high officers died at their posts. One

hundred and thirty-six sailors and petty officers were saved by Italian Boats.

It is considered certain here, however, that the ship was attacked by a submarine from the Austrian naval base at

The scene of the Austrian submarine's attack is said here to have been near Cape Saint Maria Di Leuca, south of Orrante

The Leon Gambetta wes a sister ship

VIENNA, April 28.—Official announce-ment was made today that an Austrian submarine had torpedoed the French ar-

mored cruiser Leon Gambetta in the Adri-atic. Part of the warship's crew was

ROME, April 28.—The French cruiser Leon Gambetta is reported to have been in Italian territorial waters when it was

nk by an Austrian submarine. An quiry is now being made to deter-ine whether Italy's neutrality was

Watchman Downs Armed Burglar

Adriatic.

Otranto.

PARIS, April 28.

OTRANTO IN ADRIATIO

An eleventh-hour plot to defeat rapid | sit, or shall the city not have real rapid transit at the polls tomorrow was dis- transit? It is up to YOU." covered today. 'Hundreds of cards, at-LANE'S PERSONAL SCHEME.

Proof that the movement was a personal scheme of Mr. Lane and that it would not be backed by the Republican Organization was given immediately by Senator McNichol and Senator Vare, in Harrisburg, who declared that they knew nothing of the cards. Other Organization leaders in this city stated that they will not be influenced by the Republican chairman's attitude in view of the open

tacking the \$6,000,000 transit loan bill, and urging its defeat at the special election, were scattered broadcast over the city. At first the origin of these cards was unknown, but later David H. PLAN Lane, chairman of the Republican City Committee and one of the heaviest in-dividual stockholders of the Union Trac-

tion Company, admitted full responsibil-ity for the attempt to defeat the Taylor high-speed transit plans.

The cards put in circulation by Mr. Lane and his adherents of the 20th Ward read:
"The election on Thursday, April 26, is

to enable the city to borrow \$5,000,000 to start a subway, and it is only the be-ginning of an expenditure of over \$100, 000,000, which means an increase in the coo.coo, which means an increase in the property values to adjoining counties at the expense of the taxpayers and property owners of Philadelphia. A vote in favor of the loan is a vote to reduce the already low value of property in this neighborhood, and ultimately to increase the tax rate. Therefore, go to the poils and vote against the loan."

TAYLOR DENOUNCES SCHEME. Director Taylor was shown one of the cards. He at once dictated a reply, ad-dressed to the voters of Philadelphia as follows:

"To the voters of Philadelphia: A last-minute attempt is being made to defeat the transit loan at the polis tomorrow. A circular containing false and misleading statements and requesting YOU to vote against the transit loan is

being widely circulated.

"Every man, woman and child in Philadelphia will be benefited by real rapid transit, connecting up all important sections of the city for one five-tent fare.

"I have exhausted every means at my

"I have exhausted every means at my command to gain for YOU these much needed facilities. YOU will have the final say at the poils tomorrow.

"I most earnestly urge YOU, in your ewn interests and in the interests of the

to turn out tomorrow and vote for the loan. "Shall the city have real rapid tran-

THE WEATHER



The wildest antics of Bethlehem Steel have nothing on the performances of the thermometer during the last few days. It would certainly be a great proposition if one could use thermometer degrees as a speculative unit. Think of the fortunes that would have been made and lost since Sunday. And those who played it stort lest night would certainly be ed it short last night would certainly be cleaning up this morning. The thunder storm of last night is still making itself storm of last night is still making itself felt as to effect. But it is not for long. For, according to the cheerful optimism of Mr. Bliss, the relief is but temporary and we will all be sweltering again by tonight or tomorrow morning. Cheerful stuff that. However, you probably did not have to read the thermometer this morning to realize that the weather was a bit pleasanter. Tell us now, didn't a bit pleasanter. Tell us now didn't you have to reach for those blankets on the bed during the early hours this

For once it was a joy to do so.

FORECAST

The Leon Gambetta wes a sister ship of the Victor Hugo and Jules Ferry and registered 12,552 tons. She was nearly 12 years old, having been completed at Brest in October, 1903. The lost cruiser was 476 feet long, 70 feet wide and carried a crew of 725 men. The Leon Gambetta was protected by Krupp armor and carried the following armaments: Four 7.5-inch (45 calibre) guns in pairs in turrets fore and aft, 15 6.4-inch (45 calibre) guns, 32 of which were in pairs in turrets and For Philadelphia and vicinity-Unsettled weather with probably local showers tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight; light, variable winds. 12 of which were in pairs in turrets and four in casemates; 24 3-pounders, two 1-pounders and two 18-inch submerged tor-For details, see page 2. pedo tubes. The cruiser was capable of 23 knots speed and her indicated horse-power was 21.125.

Observations at Philadelphia

8 A. M. 30.02 50 tation last 24 hours 01 per c

On the Pacific Coast Ean Francisco Weather, Clear, Temp 54 Ean Diego Weather, Cloudy, Temp, 54 Almanac of the Day

Lamps to Be Lighted

Autos and other vehicles 7:05 p. m.

Watchman Downs Armed Burglar
An alleged attempt to rifle the safe in
the establishment of the J. B. Van Sciver
Company, Camden, was folied last night
by the watchman J. J. Shepherd. A man
was seen at the safe in the company's
office by the watchman. The stranger,
according to Shepherd, turned a revolver
upon him and told him to throw up his
hands. Instead of complying, Shepherd
says, he grappled with the intruder, and
after pinioning him to the floor telephoned
for the police. The prisoner said his name
was Wilbert Dudley, S rears old, of the
Line street, Camden. The Tides PORT RICHMOND. CHESTNUT STREET WHARF.

REEDY ISLAND. BREAKWATER.

SURGERY RESTORES MEMORY; VICTIM FORGOT TO MARRY

Van Wie Became "Kennedy" Two Years Ago; Is Again Original Self. MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 28.-Frank Van Wie today prepared to hunt up Clara Heize and explain to her why he didn't keep his date to marry her on May 24, 1913. If he tells her that a man named John S. Kennedy shoved the actual Van Wie from the latter's house of clay and that the real owner has just pried his way in again with the aid of a surgeon's knife and a tap on the spine, he will be telling the exact truth.

To all intents and purposes John S. Kennedy died today, as Frank Van Wie "returned to life."

On May 7, 1913, Van Wie, employed by the Milwaukee Roofing Cempany, fell from a roof. The man fully recovered his physical faculties, but he had no idea what his name was or what his past life had been.

He took the name of John S. Kennedy and worked under that cognomen for two years, at length deciding to undergo an operation. Dr. J. W. Klem performed it yesterday in Kenosha. As effects of the anesthetic died away the soul of Van Wie resumed the necessary of the second for Van Wie resumed the place occupied for two years by the interioping cosmos of "John S. Kennedy." It was hard for Dr. Klem to convince Van Wie that today wasn't May 8, 1913. Van Wie didn't ever know there was a war in Europe.

FULL CREW REPEALER BELIEVED TO BE DEAD

Senate Committee Refuses to Report Bill Affirmatively.

By a Staff Correspondent HARRISBURG, April 28.— The full-crew repealer was virtually killed in Senate committee today. The Senate Committee on Railroads met during a re-cess of the Senate and by a vote of 6 to refused to report the bill affirmatively o the Senate.

ever, that the repealer is lost beyond all hope, as the committee has the power to reconsider its action.

RUSSIAN ARMY, TO AID ALLIES, ATTACKS TURKS

Concentrates Great Force at Odessa for Assault on Constantinople.

Transports Ready to Carry Forces Across Black Sea for Landing on Ottoman Coast. To Co-operate With Anglo-French Forces.

Sultan's Fleet Bottled Up in Bosphorus by Fire of Hostile Fleet and Unable to Attack Troop Ships. Slav Torpedoboats Raid Enemy's Shipping.

PETROGRAD, April 28. Russian expeditionary forces are to aid the western Allies in their campaign against Constantinople. Troops are being concentrated at Odessa, whence they will be taken to the estern coast of Turkey to effect a landing under protection of the Russian fleet. Emperor Nicholas has gone to Odessa

to review these troops before their doparture. Announcement was made to-

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BRITISH FORCE GERMAN BACK AT ST. JULIEN

French and Belgians Recapture Het Sas. Allies on Offensive Along Ypres Line.

French Bring Up 200,000 Troops to Reinforce Weak Positions-Battle Still Rages From Dixmude to Armentieres.

Drive on Kaiser's Wedge at St. Mihiel Renewed-Paris Reports Gain of Half Mile Between Les Eparges and Calonne-Austrians Lose Heavily in Galicia.

Vigorously pressing their counteroffensive along the entire Flanders battle line, from north of Dixmude to a point several miles south of Ypres, the Allies have succeeded in regaining many of the positions captured by the Germans in their initial drive. Belgian and French troops have taken several trenches near Het Sas, capturing many machine guns and 200 prisoners. The Germans left 800 dead on the field.

The British have taken St. Julien

Photos by Relly & Way.

according to reports from Paris. In

the Woevre the French gained half a

mile in an attack on the German lines

Desperate fighting is still on in the

entire district north and east of Ypres.

At St. Julien the British are conduct-

ing a furious drive and slowly forcing he Germans back on the positions

which they originally held. The

Frenc's have brought up 200,000 more

troops ir reinforce the weaker points

Berlin reports that in Poland, north-

east of Suwan'l, the Germans have

taken Russian positions along a front

French Make Further Advances

Along Ypres Canal.

It was announced here today that the

British have recaptured St. Julien, in

West Flanders, from the Germans, but

this is not confirmed by the War office.

St. Julien is about three miles northeast

North of Ypres in West Flanders the

French continue to gain ground, it is an-nounced. Hundreds of German prisoners have been taken and at one point 800 Ger-

man dead were counted upon the battle-

GERMANS, NEAR YPRES, WAVER UNDER ALLIES' ASSAULTS

Great Anglo-French Force Hurled at

St. Julien Line.

LONDON, April 28.

The offensive in France and Belgium has passed into the hands of the Allies. Advices from half a dozen points today

Advices from half a dozen points today indicate that, despite the strength of the German line, it is wavering under repeated assaults at certain points. The weight of the Belgian-French-British combined forces in Northern France is being thrown against the elbow in the German new line around St. Julien.

The fighting along the northern line continued last night, according to the reports received here. Advices from the Belgian headquarters today say that last night the Germans distributed a great quantity of their asphyxiating gas along

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CAPTURED BY B. TISH

PARIS, April 28.

PARIS HEARS ST. JULIEN

in their it.

of Ypres.

of 20 kilometres.

between Les Eparges and Calonne.

WASHINGTON, April 28,-President Wilson today commuted to three years the five-year sentence imposed on William E. Gehry, of Reading, Pa., April 22, 1914, for making false entries in the books of the Penn National Bank, of Reading, of which he was teller. Gehry's action was due to his desire to protect another who had overdrawn his account, and he received no money himself.

BANKER'S TAIL SENTENCE COMMUTED

TODAY'S BASEBALL GAMES

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Wyckoff and McAvoy; Johnson and Ainsmith.

Smith and Lane; Wallace and Koons,

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Appleton and McCarty; Mayer and Killefer.

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PARDONED TO SAVE HIS EYE SIGHT

WASHINGTON, April 28 .- To save him from going blind President Wilson today pardoned Charles L. Greenfield, of St. Louis, sentenced February 8 last to a year and a day imprisonment and \$5000 fine for conspiracy in using the mails to defraud. Greenfield was of material assistance in submitting testimony convicting other

WOMAN KILLED BY LIGHTNING

GRAFTON, W. Va., April 28.-Mrs. Charles Boyd, aged 40, was killed and her 8-year-old daughter badly burned here today when lightning struck the

CULEBRA CUT NOW GAILLARD CUT

WASHINGTON, April 28 .- President Wilson signed an executive order changing the name of Culebra cut on the Panama Canal to Gaillard cut, in honor of the late Lieutenant Colonel D. D. Gaillard, the engineer who superintended the excavation and died from disease contracted in his work.

JITNEY OWNERS IN MILLIONAIRE MOTORIST CLASS ATLANTIC CITY, April 28,-Jitneys have rights not to be transgressed any more than the rights of millionaire motorists, according to Theodore W. Schimpf, City Solicitor. "You can tax 'em and you can regulate them seven days a week," Mr. Schimpf told the City Commissioners today, "but you cannot make them give an indemnity bond any more than any other user of the public highway."

ALL ENGLISH PORTS CLOSED, BERLIN HEARS

BERLIN, April 28.-The Overseas News Agency today gave out a disall English ports had been closed to foreign vessels.

STORK AGAIN EXPECTED AT WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, April 28 .- That President Wilson is to become a grandfather again soon, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo being the parent this time, was generally believed today, though the report was confirmable neither at the White House nor the McAdoo home. The statement that the McAdoos would make a visit to the Executive Mansjon in two or three weeks-since the supposedly expected new arrival was to be another "White House baby," it was said-was regarded as giving an idea of the approximate time of the

STANDARD OIL INCREASES PAY OF DECK OFFICERS

In compliance with the request of the Neptune Association of Masters and Mates in Conn and Coastwise Steam Vessels, the Standard Oil Company has announced that, it will increase the wages of all deck officers in its service \$25 a month, beginning May 1.

MAN HANGS HIMSELF AFTER TAKING WALK

Rudy Kittinger, 65 years old, an employe of the Bureau of Highways, hanged himself this morning in the cellar at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Hevener, 2624 North 27th street, with whom he lived, after he had taken an after-breakfast walk. He was despondent because of ill health. Policeman Rudy Gilbert, of the 26th and York streets station, is a nephew.

CREW JACKS CAR TO RELIEVE INJURED MAN

Fifteen minutes passed before the crew of a Pagkside car was able to jack it high enough to release Patrick Breslin, 50 years old, 315 North 9th street, who was run down at Spring Garden street and Ridge avenue. Breslin, according to witnesses, walked directly in front of the car. He was taken. to the Hahnemann Hospital, suffering from a fractured skull.

FIRE SWEEPS THREE BLOCKS IN ST. PAUL

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 28.—Seven men were injured, one probably fatally, and three city blocks on 7th street, the most prominent part of St. Paul. were either burned or damaged by smoke in a fire today. The fire started in the St. Paul Library and spread rapidly. The Minneapolis Fire Department rushed several companies over to St. Paul to aid in fighting the blaze. The fire zone extends from St. Peter street to Minnesota and 7th streets. The loss probably will exceed \$500,000.

RUSSIAN AEROPLANE SHOT DOWN; THREE KILLED

AMSTERDAM, April 28.-Three Russian military aviators were killed Tuesday, when an aeroplane of the Sikorski type was shot down by Hungarian troops near Szebala, southwest of Stryl, Galicia. The fourth occupant of the machine was taken prisoner.

MOB STORMS JAIL AND KILLS NEGRO PRISONER

SOMERVILLE, Tenn., April 28 .- A masked mob stormed the Fayette County jail today, got Tom Brooks, a Negro, charged with killing Pleasant Hawkins and R. L. Day, prominent farmers, and hanged him. His body was riddled with bullets. The Negro had been confined in jall at Memphia, but was brought here yesterday for trial.

ARMENIAN REVOLUTIONISTS ARRESTED BY TURKS

ATHENS, April 28.-Four hundred Armenians, including the chaplain of ATHENS, April 18 - Four indicates arrested at Constantinople by order of the Armenian Patriarchate, have been arrested at Constantinople by order of the Armenia agreement the Turkish Government on a charge of plotting a revolt in Armenia, account ing to a dispatch from Salonika.

FOUR GERMAN SUBMARINES TO RAID BALTIC

BERLIN, April 28.-Four German submarines that have been operating in British waters have been transferred to the Baltic to sink Russian warships, eccording to reliable reports there.



The upper row, from left to right, shows Misses Charlotte Harding Brown, Margot Scull, Ruth Coxe and Hope Truxton Beale, who will be the bride's attendants. Below are Miss Cordelia Biddle and Angier B. Duke.

MISS BIDDLE, BRIDE OF A. B. DUKE

Heir to Nearly Fifty Million Dollars and Debutante of 17 Married at Holy Trinity at 4 O'clock This Afternoon-Guests From Many Cities-Confusion at Church Feared.

and Angier Buchanan Duke will take today place at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church at 4 o'clock this afternoon. In the quiet Rittenhouse Square district this morning the canopies set in place at the doors of

thands. Instead of complying, Shepherd says, he grappled with the intruder, and after pinioning him to the floor telephoned for the police. The prisoner said his name was Wilbert Dudley, S years old, of the time of the young bridgeroom—he will eventually be the possessor of between the floor telephoned the name of Biddle, the wast for the police. The prisoner said his name exploits and enthusiasms of her father, anthony J. Drexel Biddle, the vast for time of the young bridgeroom—he will eventually be the possessor of between the distance a diamond chain "the like of which could not be found, the world will be the possessor of between the police of the world that Mr. Duke had given his flance a diamond chain "the like of which could not be found, the world will be the possessor of between the police of the world that Mr. Duke had given his flance a diamond chain "the like of which could not be found, the world will be the possessor of the unexpectation."

The wedding of Miss Cordella Biddle | tributed to bring to Rittenhouse Square than have been invited to the wedding. FORTUNES IN GIFTS

which have been showered upon Miss

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quantity of their asphyxiating gas along the line held by the Belgians and at-tempted an advance. The Belgians lay Capsized Vessel Bound for This Port Divers examining the capacity that owed into Norfolk reported today that Divers examining the capsized vessel

Untold wealth is represented in the gifts

PRINCIPALS AND BRIDESMAIDS IN TODAY'S WEDDING

FORTUNES IN RARE JEWELS FOR

the canoples set in place at the source the church and of the Biddle residence, at 2004 Walnut street, were the only visible signs of a scene that for many reasons promised to exceed in brilliancy and in the confusion and excitement inseparable that few weddings have ever been held in this city which brought forth such offerings and that few princesses have such kind in many years.

towed into Norfolk reported today that it was the four-masted schooner John B. Manning, which sailed for Philadelphia from Fernandina, Fla., on March 24, with a cargo of lumber. The schooner was last reported off Diamond Shoai Lightship April 12. Nothing has been heard from the crew, and it is believed they have been lost.

The Kensingtonian Says: Frank B. Horst is still running after the fire engines. Frank says he has not missed a fire in Kensington since the Civil War. Some old fire horse, ch, boyst LOST AND FOUND

LOST-Monday, bunch of 6 keys, from Ledger Central to 5tth and Kingsessing ave Via No. 13 car on Wainst et io 52d and Market eta. Reward If returned to "Miss Dean." Ledger Central LOST-Sunday, at Fort Side Inn. Instation turquoise and diamond ring, valued as her-icont. Liberal reward if returned. Ledger Branch A 115 Ardmore.

Other Cinerited Ade on Paper 11 and 19