

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.

An eleventh-hour plot to defeat rapid transit at the polls tomorrow was discovered today... LANE'S PERSONAL SCHEME...

The election on Thursday, April 26, is to enable the city to borrow \$6,000,000 to start a subway, and it is only the beginning of an expenditure of over \$100,000,000...

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

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

THE WEATHER UNSETTLED. The wildest antics of Bethlehem Steel have nothing on the performances of the thermometer during the last few days.

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled weather with probably local showers tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight; light, variable winds.

Observations at Philadelphia. Barometer 30.02, Temperature 56, Wind North-east, Cloudy, Precipitation last 24 hours .06.

On the Pacific Coast. San Francisco—Weather, Clear, Temp. 54. San Diego—Weather, Cloudy, Temp. 53.

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.

FULL CREW REPEALER BELIEVED TO BE DEAD. Senate Committee Refuses to Report Bill Affirmatively.

RUSSIAN ARMY, TO AID ALLIES, ATTACKS TURKS

Czar Concentrates Great Force at Odessa for Assault on Constantinople.

Transports Ready to Carry Forces Across Black Sea for Landing on Ottoman Coast.

Sultan's Fleet Bottled Up in Bosphorus by Fire of Hostile Fleet and Unable to Attack Troop Ships.

PETROGRAD, April 28. Russian expeditionary forces are to aid the western Allies in their campaign against Constantinople.

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 Colonne—Austrians Lose Heavily in Galicia.

Vigorously pressing their counter-offensive 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.

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TODAY'S BASEBALL GAMES

Table with 2 columns: Team and Score. BROOKLYN 0 0 0 0, PHILLIES 2 0 0 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BANKER'S JAIL SENTENCE COMMUTED. 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...

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...

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 Boyd home.

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.

ALL ENGLISH PORTS CLOSED, BERLIN HEARS

BERLIN, April 28.—The Overseas News Agency today gave out a dispatch from Amsterdam stating the British Consul there had given notice that all 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.

STANDARD OIL INCREASES PAY OF DECK OFFICERS

In compliance with the request of the Neptune Association of Masters and Mates in Ocean 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.

CREW JACKS CAR TO RELIEVE INJURED MAN

Fifteen minutes passed before the crew of a Parkside car was able to jacking it high enough to release Patrick Breslin, 50 years old, 115 North 9th street, who was run down at Spring Garden street and Ridge avenue.

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.

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 Szobala, southwest of Stryl, Galicia.

WATCHMAN DOWNS ARMED BURGLAR. An alleged attempt to rifle the safe in the establishment of the J. B. Van Selver Company, Camden, was foiled last night by the watchman, J. J. Shepherd.

AUSTRIANS TORPEDO FRENCH CRUISER OFF OTRANTO IN ADRIATIC

Leon Gambetta Goes Down. Only 136 Saved Out of 725 on Board—Every Officer Lost—Paris Admits Loss. PARIS, April 28. The French armored cruiser Leon Gambetta has been torpedoed and sunk in the Adriatic Sea.

FORTUNES IN RARE JEWELS FOR 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. The wedding of Miss Cordelia Biddle and Angier Buchanan Duke will take place at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

PARIS HEARS ST. JULIEN CAPTURED BY BRITISH

French Make Further Advances Along Ypres Canal. PARIS, April 28. It was announced here today that the British have recaptured St. Julien, in West Flanders, from the Germans.

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. Advice from half a dozen points today indicate that, despite the strength of the German line, it is wavering under repeated assaults at certain points.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Monday, bunch of 8 keys, from Ledger Central to 24th and Kensington ave. via No. 15 car on Walnut to 2nd and Market sts. Reward if returned to "Miss Dean," 1243 Chestnut.



PRINCIPALS AND BRIDESMAIDS IN TODAY'S WEDDING



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