

## GERMANS STORM FORTS AT DVINSK WITH BAYONETS

Infantry Assaults Under Cover of Devastating Bombardment of Outlying Works

## CHARGES ARE TERRIFIC

Russian Military Authorities Order Civil Population to Quit Minsk

BERLIN, Sept. 22.—In addition to the heavy German artillery fire against the western defenses of the fortress of Dvinsk (Dunaburg), General von Hindenburg's troops are making terrific bayonet assaults against the Russian lines.

The Field Marshal is making steady progress in his campaign for the capture of Dvinsk (Dunaburg).

Today's official report from the German General Staff stated that his troops have penetrated the advanced Russian position west of Dvinsk, capturing 17 officers, 2,105 men and 4 machine guns.

The Russian resistance on the front stretching from the village of Chotomino (20 miles west of Vilna) to the region east of Subodzino on the Gauja river, has been broken, it is announced. The Germans there took 100 prisoners.

The Russian position west of Walewka, 20 miles north of Baranovitch, has been captured by Prince Leopold of Bavaria, the Germans taking 389 men and 2 machine guns.

Great pine forests west of Dvinsk, in the region of Novo-Alexandrovsk, have been set on fire by the Russians to compel a retirement of the Germans from their advanced positions, and for miles the countryside is a seething furnace.

There is only one point on the 30-mile front from the Pripyat River to the Baltic, of which the Russians are able to attempt an offensive movement. That is in the region of Lemmewaden, northwest of Friedlandstadt, where today's dispatches report hard fighting in progress.

In the section east of Vilna the Germans have now pushed forward till they are 6 miles southeast of that city and they are attacking the Russian rear guard between Smorgone and Mojodet-scho.

## COMET UNDER COVER

If You Know What Right Ascension Is You May Find It

Take a look at the new comet. It is plainly visible in or near right ascension 16 hours 20 minutes, declination plus 26 degrees 20 minutes. It can be seen tonight with a small telescope—if it isn't cloudy or the comet hasn't decided that vicinity of the universe is undesirable.

This heavenly speed boid was discovered by astronomers at the Yerkes Observatory, Wisconsin, and the Lick Observatory, California, September 19 and 20. It hasn't been decided yet how long its tail is or where it is going, but no doubt these facts will soon be known. Perhaps some Philadelphian can help the astronomers by discovering something or other about the comet. Just point your telescope at the neighborhood of right ascension 16 hours 20 minutes (it doesn't care if it's afternoon or morning) and declination plus 26 degrees 20 minutes. The comet will be there.

Professor Monroe B. Snyder, astronomer at the Central High School, said to-day that the comet, at present, at least, isn't worth looking at.

"It is an uninteresting object now," he said. "The orbit has not yet been computed. It is nothing but a speck of light beneath the constellation Leo."

## JUROR UNDER OPERATION

Quits Jury Room for Hospital; Then Returns to Colleagues

Twice within 12 hours Albert Scott, 62 years old, of 1901 E. Wishart street, a juror serving in Quarter Sessions Court, was removed from the jury room in City Hall and sent to the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital.

After being locked in for the night with the other jurors sitting with him in a criminal case, Scott became so ill that Police Surgeon Egan ordered him to the hospital at 10:30 o'clock last night.

After he had left the juror was taken back to the jury, but at 2:30 this morning he again was suffering severe pain and was sent to the hospital in a patrol wagon the second time. A slight operation was performed, and he was taken back to the jury room.

## KILLED BY PITCHED BALL

Man Dies in Harrisburg Hospital After Being Hit on Head

HARRISBURG, Sept. 22.—Russell Kistler, 25 years old, of Marysville, died today in the Harrisburg Hospital as a result of having been struck on the head by a pitched ball in a baseball game between Dauphin and the team of his home town last Saturday.

Kistler, who was a star batter, had played only two games in the Central League.

## SALESMAN KILLED BY AUTO

Harold M. Swing, Representing Scranton Company, Crushed New York

YORK, Pa., Sept. 22.—Harold M. Swing, 25 years old, a salesman, connected with the Lansing Hardware Company of Scranton, Pa., was instantly killed early today near New Oxford, when his automobile plunged over an embankment and turned turtle on top of him.

Too Young to Wed at Elizton

ELIZTON, Md., Sept. 22.—Charles L. Reed and Edna Bonemaster, Lancaster, were refused a marriage license due to their youth. Those married in Elizton this morning were: Harvey Doggett and Beatrice Hinslett; Herbert Greenberg and Elsie D. Delbaum; and John Bartlett and Susie Marmer, all of Philadelphia; Samuel T. Slemmons and Maud H. McWilliams, Lancaster; Benjamin H. Jersey and Cleverda Y. Brunner, Lancaster; George W. Hintze, Newark, N. J.; and Elizabeth E. Stiefel, Wilmington.

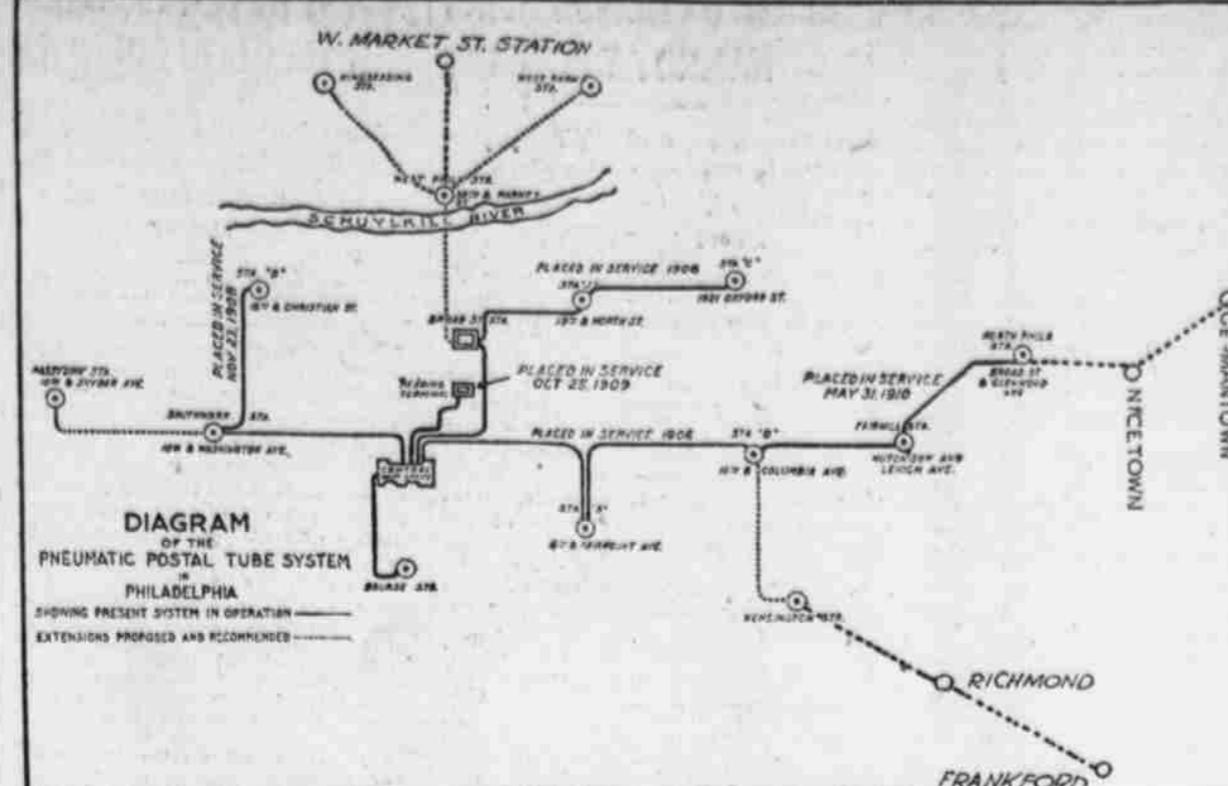
Ward Leader Has Cold

Andrew French, Republican City Commissioner from the 2d Ward and Republican leader of the ward, is confined to his home, at 49th avenue and 13th street, with a severe cold. He was taken while working at the polls, on election day.

Ford Inspects Submarines

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Henry Ford, multimillionaire automobile manufacturer, inspects the Brooklyn Navy Yard, the Government submarine base, but did not go down in any of the submarine craft, as had been planned.

## MAIL TUBE ROUTES SLATED FOR DISCARD



## SIGN KNOCKS BOY DOWN, BUT HE HOLDS JEWELS

Even When Unconscious Max Lembsky Proves True to Trust

A 15-year-old boy, whose skull was fractured today when a large sign fell from the third story window of the building at 706 Chestnut, held on to a bag containing jewelry valued at \$1000, and, although the boy was unconscious, was unable to pry it from his hands.

The boy was Max Lembsky, 616 Emily street. So fearful was he that the jeweler with whom he had been entrusted would take him from him that he insisted on keeping it in bed with him at the hospital until his employer should come for it.

The boy was employed by Isadore Saenger, at 862 Chestnut street, a repairer of jewelry. The boy had collected various articles to be repaired and was on the way to his employer's place when the accident occurred.

Chestnut street was crowded with pedestrians when the sign fell, and many persons near the scene, including Olaf Glazeborn, were struck several persons, but they were not injured. The sign fell from the place of Frederick Wagner, an artist, who occupies the third floor of the building.

Mr. Wagner was standing at the front of the building, his hand resting on the sign, which was fastened below the window sill. His weight is believed to have caused it to give way. His hand was severed as he tried to stop the sign from falling.

**DRUG STORE CHAIN SOLD**

Cigar Stores Company Disposes of Riker-Hegeman Holdings

The Riker-Hegeman stores in this city have been taken over by the United Drug Company, together with the entire chain of stores operated by the Riker-Hegeman and Riker-Jaynes Company, according to dispatches received in this city. These stores numbering 100 in various cities of the East, are said to be an annual business aggregate of \$600,000.

The United Drug Company, of which Louis K. Liggett is president, operates about 60 stores, known as the Liggett chain. Although there are none of these stores in Philadelphia, they are common in other nearby cities.

The Riker-Hegeman Company, which operates both the Riker-Hegeman and Riker-Jaynes stores is controlled by the United Cigar Stores Company, founded by George W. Whelan, who is said to be dead but through bequest of the deceased was put through because of the decision of the Whelan interests to devote their attention exclusively to the United cigar stores.

## HELD FOR FLOURISHING GUN

Romance of Married Man Gets Him Into Trouble

The romances of Fred Sulbach, of 2200 Chestnut street, Bridgeport, have brought him considerable trouble, and the climax came today when he was held in \$500 for court by Magistrate Harris.

He was charged with pointing a revolver at Jane Keiss, of 438 Market street, and her mother, Ida. The latter said Sulbach called on her daughter, although he was married. Mrs. Keiss disclosed she went to Sulbach's home to investigate, and he chased her and his daughter out with a revolver.

Sulbach, the police say, admitted he was married, but said he was applying for a divorce.

## JOVIAN MAY DISBAND

Head of League Says Members Show Too Little Interest

The Jovian Electric League, the city's organization of electrical men, may become extinct, according to its president, Washington Devereux, who spoke today at the weekly luncheon at the Adelphia Hotel.

For the last four years, he said, the members have not been taking enough interest in the league to warrant its continuance. He pointed out that good speakers had been obtained, including Mayor Blankenburg and former Director George B. Porter and Thomas B. Smith, rival nominees for Mayor.

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## POSTOFFICE OFFICIALS FACING ACCUSATIONS AT A CLOSED HEARING

Proceeds of Affair Will Go to Poor Woman and Consumptive Son

Business Men Charge That Pneumatic Tube System Has Been Discriminated Against in Favor of Autos

## ABOLITION MAY RESULT

Accusations made by J. H. Milholland, of the Pneumatic Transit Company, against Postmaster Thornton and other officials of the Philadelphia Postoffice, in a public hearing, were put up to the officials at a closed hearing today by the postoffice commission investigating the pneumatic mail tube system.

While the postoffice officials were being heard, it was learned that the commission virtually has decided to recommend the abolition of the tube system on the ground that the tubes are not so efficient as motor trucks. Business men contend that the tube system has been discriminated against.

Chairman Joseph Johnstone, of the investigating commission, was asked why today's hearing is closed, when that at which business men and Milholland were heard was open to the public. His only answer was that the public was not interested in public or private sessions, and he elected to make today's private. Neither the members of the commission nor the officials examined would say what answers had been made to Milholland's accusations.

The pneumatic tubes were first used in Philadelphia 23 years ago. This was the first American city to use them, although they had been in use abroad for years prior to that time. The lines are operated by the Pneumatic Transit Company, under contract with the Postoffice Department, at cost to the Government of nearly \$100,000 a year.

Members of the commission declined to disclose their reasons today. They could not admit or deny officially that they will recommend the discontinuance of the tubes. It was learned from other sources, however, that such a recommendation had been decided on.

The principal reason for giving up the tubes and replacing them with auto trucks, it is said, is the fact that the tubes are too small to handle packages. With the parcel post weight limits constantly increasing, it is necessary to provide means of handling larger parcels. Hundreds of these now must go by auto truck, causing a duplication of expenses.

Ten tubes are now in operation in this city. The contract with the Pneumatic Transit Company expires June 30, 1916. Postmaster Thornton and W. S. Ryan, superintendent of city delivery in this city, were before the commission for examination today. Their testimony was not disclosed.

Several other changes will be made in the service here, it is understood. One of the items taken up today for consideration is the discontinuance of the daily delivery of the Biddle-Duke advertising invitations some months ago. More than 250 invitations to the wedding, said to have been posted at the Middle City station, 17th and Market streets, were not delivered until several days later.

Philadelphia Artist Wins Prize

Second prize in the contest conducted by the Friends of Young Artists of New York was won by John E. Harbeson, of this city. B. Hoyt, a New York architect, was third. Ten others who will be tested was first. E. L. Finlayson of New York receives prizes are M. C. Beebe, George P. Butler, Jr., Joseph E. Cook, Edward J. Law, of Philadelphia; R. H. Douglas, of Pittsburgh; Julian Boone Fleming, of Cincinnati; James McLachlan and G. H. Nichols, of Albany.

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Readings

## POSTER FIGHT TO RAGE AT U. OF P. TONIGHT

"Freshies" and "Sophs" Will Engage in Annual Battle for Defense of "Honor".

The first of the bitterly contested battles which will mark the advent of the freshman class at the University of Pennsylvania this year will be staged tonight at the rear of the Harrison Chemical Laboratory, 26th and Spruce streets, when the annual poster fight will be waged between the "freshies" and the "sophs."

The event is scheduled for 9 o'clock, when second-year men will assemble on the steps leading to the rear entrance to the laboratory and paste a particularly insulting poster on the door of the building. This document will not only enlighten the incoming class as to its inferiority in its mental, physical and moral status, but will also define in plain language certain stringent rules which the "sophs" intend to impose on the "freshies."

The class of 1919 will assemble at the appointed hour in the vicinity of the sophomore occupied by the sophomores. At a given signal a concentrated attack will be made upon the fortified position and an effort made to touch or tear down the offending poster. The battle will be divided into two halves of 20 minutes each, and should the first-year men succeed in reaching the poster during either period they will have won the contest.

In the event of the sophomores successfully defending their position the honor will be given to the incoming class, it is predicted that the lives of the "freshies" will be one of hardship and torment if this should be the outcome of the contest.

The poster fight will be supervised by marshals from the Junior and Senior classes. Gordon A. Hardwick, president of the Senior class, has appointed a committee of nine seniors to be under the direction of Edward D. Harris, captain of the Pennsylvania football team this year, to take charge of the affair. It is as follows: J. E. Lockwood, J. S. Lansill, E. J. Foster, E. C. Russell, D. W. Hopkins, J. R. Breitinger and E. L. Sewell.

The freshmen will be under the supervision of a marshal from the Junior class, while their opponents, led by Ferber Marshall, president of the "sophs," will be under the direction of the senior class.

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## CHILDREN BURN WHILE MOTHER CRIES IN VAIN

Woman, Rushing to Rescue Her Four Babies, Is Held Fast in Window

LARGE, Pa., Sept. 21.—Begging pitifully that they be rescued, four children, three boys and a girl, sons and daughters of