

MUSCLE DANCE MILD, AND TORGY AT BANQUET, SAYS BACON DEFENDER

Corporal Van Dyne Says Clique Made Scandal of Affair and Deposed Captain of Company C

PROTEST BY A WIFE

A "conservative musical" dance was the only lively feature of the much-talked-of 2nd Regiment Army stag dance on the night of February 12, which caused the dismissal from service of Captain John P. Bacon, commanding Company C, 1st Regiment, on the charge of "unfitness for duty."

THE ART OF MUSCLE DANCING

"As for our little stag dinner I want to say that it was extremely tame compared to the ball. We had a little muscle dancer, but she did her little turn from a purely artistic standpoint, and there wasn't the least thing objectionable in her act."

OTHER DANCES CITED

"The performance given at our stag dinner was mild, compared with many which are given in Philadelphia. The dancer was provided with clappers, and she performed her act on the floor, and not on a table, as has been reported."

LETTER FROM A WIFE

Captain Bacon announced today that he had signed a contract with a syndicate for \$50,000 damages against the person or persons responsible for sending the anonymous letter signed "A Guardsman's Wife," which was sent to the Department of Public Safety.

This letter is now in the hands of Superintendent Robinson. The writer says she is a stenographer, helping with her work to support her husband and family. She returned from the stag dinner intoxicated and that from him she learned of a "shameless orgy." Soon after the receipt of the letter the Adjutant General's department at Harrisburg announced the discharge of Captain Bacon.

DENIES STATE'S RIGHT

"The army board gave us permission to hold the affair. The State really has very little to do with our affairs, you know. We are not a public organization. We have a little social organization which is known at the army as 'The Little Sons of the Rich.'"

FOIL PLOT TO WRECK NEBRASKA CAPITOL

Bomb Damages Garbage Incinerator in Basement at Lincoln

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 24.—Discovery of what authorities believe to be an attempt to wreck the Nebraska State capitol here by use of a strangely constructed bomb was announced by officials today.

The force of the explosion hurled the bomb from the furnace on a stone wall 6 feet distant. Only a small part of its contents had exploded. The remainder was examined by chemists today.

AUTO SCARE IN GERMANTOWN

Ambulance Skids and Surgeon Is Thrown Out

Germantown pedestrians were thrilled today at the sight of an automobile ambulance from the Germantown Hospital, skidding on East Walnut street.

Marriage Licenses Issued in Elkton

ELKTON, Md., Feb. 24.—Marriage licenses were issued by the following: Harry J. Trick and Irene B. Knott; Edward J. Hewlett and Rebecca H. Smith; Frank W. Schable and Mae A. Schable; Harry E. McCartney and Sam B. Haddock; Joe P. Adams and Leah Haddock; all in Philadelphia; Alfred E. H. H. and Jennie W. Dupre, Landolt; and J. H. Jones and Ella J. Munson, Harrisburg.

HENRY FORD'S PEACE VOLLEY HASN'T HIT CONGRESS YET

Expected Letter Bombardment Fails to Materialize

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Members of Congress have not received any letters from their constituents as a result of Henry Ford's nation-wide advertising campaign to bring about peace by peace.

ASSISTANT OF EDISON WITNESS IN BEHALF OF ELECTRIC COMPANY

William J. Hammer, Consulting Engineer, Tells of Great Value of Stock Issued on Patents

VALUED AT \$5,000,000

Information acquired by 24 years of study was laid before the Public Service Commission today by William J. Hammer, of New York, distinguished consulting engineer, for many years a pupil of Thomas A. Edison and the superintendent of the first electric light manufacturing plant in the world.

FIRE FOLLOWS EFFORT TO RUSH NEW HOUSE

\$6000 Damage to Spruce Street Dwelling Being Hurried for Eager Buyer

One of three Colonial houses on the south side of Spruce street, west of 43d, recently completed, was damaged by fire this morning with a loss of \$6000. They are the property of Jerome Koerber, a builder, of 8124 Chestnut street.

COURT DECLARES WAR TAX CONSTITUTIONAL

Decision in Trust Company Suit by Judge Dickinson Affects Millions of Revenue

The war tax act of October 22, 1914, known as the war emergency revenue act, was declared constitutional today by Judge Dickinson, of the United States District Court, in a suit brought by a trust company against the act.

PRESIDENT DEFIES CONGRESS; STANDS PAT

Gore Introduced his resolution to keep Americans off belligerent vessels. Senator Brandegee's objection warded off a serious situation. The Senate relapsed at once into a discussion of pending business.

REFUSES TO TALK

Senator Hoke Smith, one of the leaders of the anti-administration sentiment in the Senate, also conferred with numerous Senators. He declined to discuss the situation, however, Senators Overman and Cummings, who have heretofore been believed to be for the administration, conferred at length with Senator Hoke Smith.

Brigadier General H. C. Cook

Brigadier General Henry C. Cook, a veteran of the Civil War and an Indian fighter, died at his home in Fall River, Mass., General Cook was born in Fall River September 22, 1837, and was educated at Pierce Academy, Middleboro, Mass.

REJOICE, DON'T GROWL, EVANGELIST NICHOLSON TELLS DARBY CROWDS

Grumbling and Pessimism Not Mark of Piety, for Christianity Means Hope, Preacher Asserts

WILL BUILD BIG ANNEX

Long-faced, gloomy, grumbling church members, dark churches, and sermons and too much ritual in worship were severely scored this afternoon by Evangelist William E. Nicholson in the Nicholson-Hemmlinger tabernacle in Darby. At the same time he criticized severely the men and women who claim to be children of Christ but neglect to give a full day's work for a full day's pay in factory, store and office.

HANEL ADMITS TO COPS HE SLEW MRS. HEILNER

Former Philadelphia Convict Had No Accomplish in Killing of Brooklyn Woman

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Joseph E. Hanel confessed today, according to the police, that he killed Mrs. Julia Heilner, his wealthy employer, in her home in Brooklyn. Details of Hanel's confession were not given out.

PURDUE ARMOY BURNED

1200 Government Rifles Destroyed at Lafayette, Ind.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Feb. 24.—The Purdue University armory was destroyed by fire, supposedly of incendiary origin, early today, with a loss of \$30,000. Firemen saved the other buildings on the campus.

\$465,000 WAREHOUSE BLAZE IN PITTSBURGH

Union Storage Loses Plant. War Munitions Factories Menaced

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 24.—The Union Storage Warehouse Company, with its contents, was destroyed by fire this morning, entailing a loss of approximately \$465,000. The building was valued at \$65,000.

'POP' ANSON'S WIFE IS LAID AT REST

Friends, Relatives and Baseball Fans Attend Funeral Services

Funeral services for Mrs. Virginia M. Anson, wife of "Pop" Anson, veteran baseball player, were held at the funeral home of the undertaking firm of Oliver H. Blair, 18th and Chestnut streets.

"WE ARE AMERICANS NOW," SAY GERMAN CITIZENS AT PLAY

Cannstatter Volksfest Verein Decorates in Teuton Colors, but Puts Sympathies for This Country First—A Benefit for Charity

Moore Hall, usually in North Broad street, just got back at a benefit for the Cannstatter Volksfest Verein. It left the city early last evening in company with the Cannstatter Volksfest Verein.

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'DRYS' AT PENNSGROVE REVIVE CAMP-MEETING LAW TO BLOCK BOOZE

Coup, in Forming of Religious Association, Protected for Mile Radius, Stuns Liquor Forces

MANY LICENSES ISSUED

PENNSGROVE, N. J., Feb. 24.—By organizing and incorporating the Pennsgrove Campmeeting Association the "dry" law has been dealt a "scooter" by the "wets" making applicable to Pennsgrove a State statute which prohibits sale of intoxicating liquor within one mile of a religious organization and incorporated campmeeting association.

Woman Found Dead; Gas Victim

A woman, who is believed to have accidentally turned a gas jet after she had extinguished the light to go to bed, was found dead late last night by other occupants of the house in which she lived.

BRUMBAUGH UNDECIDED ON PRESIDENCY RACE

"Matter Is Still Up in the Air," Says Governor on Nomination Question

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 24.—Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh last night said he was still undecided about allowing his name to go on the Pennsylvania ballot in the primaries as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President of the United States.

PROPOSAL FOR ROOF OVER CURB OPPOSED

Many Members of New York Outside Market Do Not Like Idea of a Home

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—It was learned today that considerable opposition had developed to the proposed Curb Exchange that has been suggested by a committee of the New York Curb Market Association.

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Rich Richards Almanac

Rocky fields yield scant grain. Art thou sowing the seeds of merchandising where lies the field most fallow?

SPEAKERS PLEAD FOR PEACE ACTION BEFORE COMMITTEE

Delegates Urge Adoption of London Resolution by Congress

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Ardmore to Plan for Baby Week

Ministers, teachers, representatives of civic organizations, women's clubs and every other branch of public activity will meet tonight at the Ardmore Young Men's Christian Association to discuss plans to organize an Ardmore committee in aid of the baby-week plan. Mrs. Harland C. Nicholson, of Ardmore, will be in charge.

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'PHILADELPHIA TODAY AND TOMORROW' TO BE DEMONSTRATED

Former Director George W. Norris Outlines Plans for Great Civic Exposition This Spring

MAYOR SMITH CHAIRMAN

Detailed plans for a "Philadelphia Today and Tomorrow" exposition, which will be the largest single civic exposition ever held in America, were made public today by George W. Norris, former Director of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, and president of the Exposition Committee, at a luncheon at the Arcadia Cafe.

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SUNDAY CUTTINGS \$1.00 Atlantic City, Wildwood, Hally Beach, Anglers, Wildwood, N. J. Atlantic City 7:30, Wildwood 7:30. From Market Street Station. Penn. Woods Street Station. \$2.00 Baltimore. \$2.50 The Monumental City 7:45. \$2.50 The Monks' Cafe. Sunday, March 16, April 15, May 14. Pennsylvania R. R.