



TWING CLINGS TO 'BOBTAIL' TRANSIT PLAN; WOULD HAVE SECTIONS PAY PART OF COST

Says Realization of Taylor Program at This Time Possible Only If People Forego Universal Five-Cent Fare Until 1960

Urges \$35,000,000 Loan for Construction of Broad Street Subway from Erie Avenue to Spruce Street and Frankford "L"—Would Postpone Building of Other Lines for Present

Transit Director Twining laid before Mayor Smith and the Finance Committee of Councils this afternoon his long-expected report giving his argument for drastic modifications of the Taylor plan and setting forth in detail what lines he believes should be begun at this time. Director Twining asked the Finance Committee to include \$35,000,000 in the municipal loan toward the construction of the bobtail Broad street subway, Erie avenue to Spruce street, Frankford elevated, the Roxborough-Manayunk elevated, the Darby elevated and the central city delivery loop.

Director Twining declared that he was heartily in favor of the construction of every one of the lines included in the original Taylor plan, in due time, but he insisted that the comprehensive system as outlined by his predecessor cannot be built at the present time unless the people are willing to postpone the universal five-cent fares to all parts of the city until 1960.

Throughout his report the Transit Director made it plain that he felt he was acting only in an advisory capacity and, while he had shown in parallel lines what the Taylor plan in full would mean and what the recommendations would mean, he was prepared to leave the issue with Councils and the people.

THE TWING REPORT.

The report offered the following suggested improvements in the Taylor program:

First. That the terms on which a comprehensive system of transit lines could be secured by an operator be ascertained, and that no more construction than is now authorized be undertaken until it is definitely known by whom the entire system is to be operated and upon what terms.

Second. Divide the comprehensive plan of lines into two parts:

(a) The sections forming the trunk lines in and through the 25-minute street-car zone from City Hall. These lines to be completed at the earliest possible date, and being for the general benefit of the city as a whole, they should be financed on city bonds.

(b) All extensions and branches of lines into outlying or suburban territory are to be considered as for local benefit chiefly, and the cost of construction of such extensions and branches should be borne by the territory in which they are located. As legal authority for such method of financing these extensions is lacking, it is suggested in this report that proper laws be passed at the next Legislature to empower the city to make use of this method at its option.

Extensions to the trunk system will not become necessities immediately, and, even if they were, they will not be ready for use under three years from date, ample time is available for obtaining such legislation.

Third.—Construct at this time of abnormally high prices only such portion of the trunk lines as may be considered essential, and the remainder, viz.: Part of the Broad street subway and the Frankford elevated—the subway to extend from Spruce street to Erie avenue and Pike street, with a line on Walnut street to 15th street, and on 8th street to 11th street, and by the opening of Ridge avenue between 8th and 9th streets, on Ridge avenue from Rice street to Broad street, the line from Ridge avenue to Pike street to be four-track and the remainder two-track. The Frankford elevated to terminate at the present at Bridge street. All terminals to be considered temporary only, and sections of the trunk lines to be the subject of later determination as conditions warrant.

It is suggested that here be two tracks only in Broad street, at Market street, and that the City Hall Station be located just north of City Hall, instead of under it, thereby bringing the platforms much nearer the surface of the street, and greatly lessening the cost of construction, and separating this station further from the Chestnut street car line.

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THE WEATHER

It snowed last April, and the day before Easter, April 3, the downfall looked like a blizzard for a time. So you see what you may be up against, you who are prematurely getting out campbells for winter and considering straw hats. Not that this year is certain to follow so closely in the footsteps of last; it is just possible that it will not snow again this spring. But, as a rule, one year imitates another in a general way in weather conditions. Speaking of April, it would be advisable for old dodgers who can't take a joke to prepare for April Fools' Day, which comes on Saturday.

Others who enjoy having the children enjoy themselves in the usual way on that day, will forget that it is coming.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled weather tonight, followed by partly cloudy and slightly warmer Thursday; moderate northerly winds. For details see page 15.

LOST AND FOUND

PROFESSOR POLICE, No. 1304, of the Institution Co. of North America, issued Jan. 1, 1916, a check for \$1000.00, payable to the order of Miss M. J. Kelly, of 22nd and Chestnut streets. The check is now missing. If anyone has it, please return it to the undersigned. Reward \$50.00. J. H. Kelly, 22nd and Chestnut streets.

MISSING.—A pearl and diamond necklace, consisting of 25 pearls, 12 diamonds and 225 rubies, mounted on a chain of 25 pearls and diamonds, was lost by Mrs. J. H. Kelly, of 22nd and Chestnut streets, on Saturday. If anyone has it, please return it to the undersigned. Reward \$50.00. J. H. Kelly, 22nd and Chestnut streets.

PHILADELPHIANS DEMAND RETENTION OF POSTAL TUBES

Ask Senate Committee Not to Abolish Pneumatic System

A committee of Philadelphians went to Washington today and appeared before the Senate Committee on Postoffice and Telegraphs to argue for the retention of the pneumatic tube system. Included among them were John J. Coyle, Edward R. Martin, W. P. J. Murray, R. E. Stewart, John E. Millhoff, Michael P. Doyle and John M. Masten.

While the postoffice appropriation bill as it passed the House carries an item for continuation of the pneumatic tube service, it cannot be continued without specific authorization by Congress.

Those who appeared before the committee today argued that the Postmaster General should be allowed to continue the present tube service, pending a report by the special commission appointed in 1902 to investigate the entire subject of transportation by pneumatic tubes in New York, Philadelphia and other cities. It was pointed out that, although the commission was to have reported in October of last year, no report has been received.

DASH OF DODD FORCE FLANKS VILLA BANDITS

Troops from Madera Close In on Chief, Reported in Canyon

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 29.—Brigadier General Pershing reported today to Major General Funston that Francisco Villa was said on Monday to be heading for Santa Catalina or some point farther east. The Santa Catalina referred to is believed to be the one in the Guerrero district. There is a possibility that General Pershing may establish his base at Chihuahua City.

MOVE TO THE WESTWARD

DELIVERING into the history of Eugene O. Kane, the undertaker, to whom Waite claims he paid \$3000 to swear, if occasion demanded, that he used arsenic in embalming Peck's body, the District Attorney's office today learned that Kane is connected with the undertaking establishment which prepared for burial Mrs. Katherine Adams, the victim in the famous Molineux case.

It was recalled that Kane was also the murderer's poisoning agent. He wanted to establish safe ground for himself, so he wired the Peck family a warning.

The Molineux case was so much in his mind that he used the name of the victim as a signature.

Mrs. Margaret Horton was scheduled for another session today with District Attorney General Pennington, but she never noticed dual personality in her admirer. Discussing the question with reporters, Waite's companion at the Plaza denied ever noticing any double character in "stud" companion.

That insanity will be the defense plea of Doctor Waite was strongly indicated today. Friends of the accused said today that Waite's mind has become distorted through the use of powerful violet rays.

Dr. Waite bought a \$1200 apparatus for the purpose.

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PENNYPACKER SHOWS SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

Ex-Governor May Resume Boardwalk Rides Tomorrow

Former Governor Pennypacker, who has been struggling with a combination of general debility and rheumatic troubles at Atlantic City for three weeks while former close friends are fighting in Philadelphia for his death, today, according to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, showed a slight improvement today.

It was stated this morning that the action of his physicians yesterday in ordering the ex-Governor to bed was a precautionary rather than a necessary measure, and he may be permitted to resume his rolling chair rides on the Boardwalk tomorrow if there is no further change for the worse.

It is no secret, however, that the ex-Governor's physicians are at a loss to account for his failure to respond to scientific baths and their best efforts to break the grip of the rheumatic malady that has made him virtually a cripple, moving only with the aid of a cane and thus with the greatest difficulty. This morning Miss Pennypacker's daughter, the ex-Governor's asserted members of the family hope for his full recovery.

"Rheumatism and the breaking of his arm some weeks ago," she explained, "have served to make it appear that he is much more helpless than is the case."

Mr. Pennypacker does not believe members of the Historical Society, of which organization he is exceedingly proud, will permit his sentiments respecting international relations and the pro-German views to disrupt the society.

Mother Drowns With Child

GREENVILLE, Pa., March 29.—With her daughter, Mary, 8 years old, in her arms, Mrs. Murray English, 28 years, of Erie Pa., committed suicide at the home of her father, at Hazlet, near here, by jumping into a small lake. The bodies were recovered. For some time Mrs. English had been in ill health and her mind was affected. Her husband resides in Erie.

License Lost, Files Bankrupt Plea

Samuel S. Yost today filed a petition in bankruptcy after his application for a renewal of a liquor-selling privilege for his hotel, in the village of Gum Tuck, Chester County had been refused. Yost filed his petition in 1914.

30 DEAD, 40 HURT IN WRECK OF 3 CRACK TRAINS IN OHIO; DOZING TOWER MAN BLAMED

Twentieth Century Limited Crashes Into Section of Eastbound Flier. Employee, Unthanking, It Is Believed, Set Wrong Signal

Pennsylvanians Among the Injured—Most of Dead Were Foreigners in Rear Coaches—Several Inquiries Started to Ascertain Real Cause of Disaster at Amherst

CLEVELAND, March 29.—At least thirty were killed—the exact total may not be known until tonight—and more than forty injured in the wreck early today of three of the New York Central's crack passenger trains, one of them the Twentieth Century Limited, a mile west of Amherst, O.

Twenty-five bodies had been taken out at noon and five more were known to be in the debris.

A slip-up on the part of a dozing tower man is to blame for the wreck, A. S. Ingalls, general superintendent of the New York Central, decided this afternoon after a hasty inquiry.

Ingalls, with L. A. Robinson, general passenger agent, and Daniel McBain, superintendent of motive power, held the mechanical equipment of the signal system faultless.

"My hasty inquiry shows plainly that the sleepy tower man is directly responsible for the wreck," declared Ingalls. "The fact that the tower man's wife gave birth to a child Sunday night and that the tower man had since been without sleep, either on duty or sitting up with his wife, is an added factor."

"Had the first section been allowed to proceed on its way, the accident would not have occurred," Ingalls reasoned. "Chances are that the tower man was dozing; unthinkingly he set the signal, the first section stopped short—the rest is known now."

GERMANS SMASH WAY INTO TOWN OF MALANCOURT

New Drive Northwest of Verdun Sweeps French From Long Line

BREAK 2000-YARD FRONT

BERLIN, March 29.—German troops have broken the French front for more than 2000 yards, capturing several lines of trenches in the fighting north of Malancourt, 10 miles northwest of Verdun. The French announced this afternoon. The Germans captured 450 prisoners and five guns.

The new drive carried the Germans into the northwest portion of the village of Malancourt itself.

The gain is the greatest made by the Germans in the Verdun offensive in more than a fortnight. The German advance further imperils the French positions in the sharp salient at Bethincourt and Malancourt.

Part of Avocourt forest, northwest of Verdun, has been recaptured by the French. It was announced today by the French. The Germans made furious counter-attacks in an effort to drive the French from their new positions, but all were repulsed with extremely heavy bombardment on the remainder of the Verdun front throughout the night.

The text of the official communique follows:

In the Argonne our batteries have bombarded the organizations of the enemy to the north of Haute Chevauchée, south of the forest of Chempy. A general attack, coupled with an attack in the adjoining sector, enabled us to make a marked advance north of Avocourt, and to take some prisoners.

West of the Meuse the enemy made no fresh attacks against our positions on the Hautcourt-Malancourt line during the course of the night. On the front of Bethincourt, Le Mort Homme (Dead Man Hill) and Cumières, the bombardment took on a certain intensity.

During the morning, after intense preparation with artillery, our troops directed a strong attack in Avocourt Forest. We captured the section in the southeastern part of the wood with a depth of more than 400 yards, as well as an important work called the Avocourt redoubt against which the enemy launched violent counter-attacks.

A fresh German brigade which had arrived a few days before was completely repulsed. The enemy suffered heavy losses and left 50 prisoners in our hands.

East of the Meuse there was great artillery activity on both sides in the region of Vaux and Donnauport and in the Woèvre in the sector of Mouldenville.

On the rest of the front the night was calm.

LONDON, March 29.—The British official statement issued tonight on the campaign in France and Belgium reads: In spite of a very heavy hostile artillery fire last night and at intervals today, our infantry successfully held the ground gained by their yesterday at St. Etol (three miles south of Tournai). Our artillery fire was very effective in replying to that of the enemy.

Held on Impersonation Charge James H. Cameron, of Hazelton, was held in \$1000 bail for his appearance at the May session of the Harrisburg Court by United States Commissioner Edmunds today, charged with impersonating a United States postal inspector. The alleged offense was committed at Hazelton, in April, 1914.

WOMAN KILLED BY CAR. Miss Margaret Cass, employed in the home of Dr. F. Barrett Liveray, of 2807 North Broad street, was crossing Broad street and Lehigh avenue last night when an automobile, driven by Alphonse Duchasness, of 2543 Harold street, at Camac and Diamond streets, today. Both sustained slight injuries.

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QUICK NEWS

BALTIMORE "FED" CLUB SUES BASEBALL CHIEFS FOR \$300,000

Suit for \$300,000 damages was brought by the Baltimore Federal League Baseball Club in the United States District Court here this afternoon against Organized Baseball, the National Commission and James A. Gilmore, Charles E. Weeghman and Harry Sinclair, backers of the defunct Federal League. The plaintiff claims \$300,000 under the Clayton amendment of the Sherman anti-trust law, which provides for a verdict treble the damage sued for.

WORK STOPPED ON BUILDING WHEN MAN IS KILLED

Coroner Knight this afternoon ordered all work stopped on the structural part of the new Franklin National Bank Building, Broad and Chestnut streets, following the death of a steel worker, who fell from the 15th floor. The building does not comply with the laws inspect to protecting workmen, according to the Coroner.

CONESTOGA TRACTION COMPANY INCREASES WAGES

LANCASTER, Pa., March 29.—The Conestoga Traction Company has posted notices stating that an increase of wages will be made May 1 of from 10 to 15 per cent. for car crews. The scale of increase will be graduated according to the length of service with the company, and 240 men are affected. Nearly 100 of the men have been with the company more than 10 years.

SHACKLETON'S SHIP DUE OFF NEW ZEALAND FRIDAY

WELLINGTON, N. Z., March 29.—The Premier of New Zealand today received a wireless message from Shackleton's Antarctic expedition ship Aurora, stating that she would arrive off New Zealand on Friday.

TWO MORE U. OF P. STUDENTS HAVE SCARLET FEVER

Medical authorities at the University of Pennsylvania are making every effort to check scarlet fever, which has attacked two more students in the last 48 hours. Fourteen other students who lived in the same houses with those stricken will be kept under observation and not allowed to attend class for 10 days. Four students at the University are suffering with measles and are in the University Hospital. The two latest victims of scarlet fever are Fred Kelly, of the veterinary school, and Leon Wainman, a dental student.

SCHUYLKILL RISES FOUR TO EIGHT FEET

Rain has effected a four to an eight-foot rise in the Schuylkill River. Measurements taken over the dam at Flatrock showed the first figure and at Manayunk it was twice as much. Wissahickon Creek is more than a foot above its level.

AUSTRIAN MUNITION PLANT BLOWS UP; 100 KILLED

BUCHAREST, March 29.—One hundred persons were killed when an ammunition factory at Weisdorf in Austria blew up today.

GERMANY PROMISES TO PAY BRAZIL

RIO JANEIRO, March 29.—It is announced that the German Government has declared its intention to assume responsibility for the payment of the money deposited in Berlin banks to the account of the State of Sao Paulo, amounting to about \$30,000,000. The newspapers praise the quick action of the Brazilian Chancellery in this matter. A Epoca, however, asks if the Germans will be able to keep their promise.

U. S. SHIP PATROLS SULU SEA AS NEUTRALITY GUARD

MANILA, March 29.—Travelers from Mindanao say that the cruiser Brooklyn is patrolling the Sulu Sea, as Germans are suspected of assembling U-boat parts there. The activities ashore and afloat are regarded as suspicious. The Allies warships swarm in these waters and it is asserted are violating neutrality. On one occasion one anchored close to the shore of Bongo Island, the crew landing and commandeering provisions.

KING ALFONSO TO AID MERCIER

ROME, March 29.—The King of Spain has offered to the Pope the use of his influence with the Kaiser in Cardinal Mercier's behalf in urging that the Kaiser personally guarantee the Cardinal's safety. The Pope has accepted the offer, although he is convinced that Cardinal Mercier's safety is not endangered and the freedom of his ministry not threatened.

AUSTRALIAN GUNS AID IN VERDUN DEFENSE

PARIS, March 29.—The company of Australian siege artillery which is reported to have taken part in the battle of Verdun is the so-called garrison artillery of Australia, the only professional soldiers in the Commonwealth. There were 600 of them stationed in Australia during peace time—all men between 6 feet 1 1/2 inches and 6 feet 2 1/2 inches.

RUSSIA WANTS DARDANELLES AS PEACE PRICE

PETROGRAD, March 29.—In the Duma debate Minority Leader Millukoff expressed the opinion that Russia could not make peace until she had secured for herself Constantinople and the Dardanelles as essential to complete access to the Mediterranean. M. Markoff, Conservative, declared: "We must before the war ends obtain by agreement with the Allies absolute control of the Strait, with Constantinople, Adrianople and the corresponding districts of Gallipoli and a substantial area in Asia Minor adjoining the Strait, besides Galicia, Bukovina, Armenia, with Trebizond and northern Persia. Russia must also arrange joint control with the Allies over the Holy Land."

PERSIAN PRINCE REPORTED LOST ON SUSSEX

PARIS, March 29.—Prince Bahram, of the reigning family of Persia, who was a passenger on board the Sussex, is still unaccounted for. His father, Zill es Soltan, who is at present at Nice, has telegraphed to the Foreign Office in London and to the railroad company's offices, and as neither is able to give him any information, he has declared that he has virtually given up hope regarding his son.

WORST STORM IN 35 YEARS SWEEPS BRITAIN

LONDON, March 29.—The worst hurricane and snowstorm since 1881 is visiting Great Britain. In some parts of the country the storm has amounted to a blizzard. Many places are isolated and the main railway arteries between London and Scotland, the Midlands and Wales are blocked, while snow engulms the telegraph and telephone wires. Tales of devastation and disaster are coming into London, which escaped the worst of the storm, although it suffered much.

U. OF P. PHYSICIANS ARRIVE IN BERLIN

BERLIN, March 29.—Four American physicians who have been designated as special attaches of the American embassy have arrived at Berlin. They are Dr. D. J. McCarthy, tuberculosis expert, and Dr. Alonzo E. Taylor, food specialist, both of the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. S. V. Irwin and Dr. J. P. Webster, of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. They will devote their attention to prison camp inspection.

ZEPPELIN RAID ON ENGLAND AT LAST REVEALED

LONDON, March 29.—In the House of Commons yesterday some particulars were given of a hitherto unreported Zeppelin raid, which was said to have been without result. Francis Bennett-Goldney, Conservative member for Canterbury, asked whether six Zeppelins had appeared on the east coast on the night of March 19 and were driven off by British aeroplanes. Harold J. Tennant, Parliamentary Under Secretary for War, replied in reply that certain reports were made on the night in question that the aeroplanes had ascended. There were three casualties to officers in recent raids, the Under Secretary stated, but they were not due to acts of the hostile aircraft.

BETHMAN-HOLLWEG TO DEBATE U-BOAT WAR

AMSTERDAM, March 29.—The Vossische Zeitung says that Chancellor von Bethman-Hollweg will address one of the sessions of the Budget committee concerning the resolution proposed by the Conservative, National Liberal and Centre parties of the Reichstag regarding the unrestricted use of submarines. In regard to the United States the Vossische Zeitung says: "The American danger, as viewed in German political circles, is always exaggerated, but the importance of a rupture of relations with such a powerful nation should not be underestimated."