

AMERICAN SURVIVOR OF SUSSEX BACK; TELLS VIVID TALE OF TRAGEDY

President of U. S. Rubber Company Not Sure Whether Liner Was Mined or Torpedoed

ATTACK ON STARBOARD

Ship's Officer Declares He Saw Wake of the Deadly Torpedo

NEW YORK, April 14.—The first survivor of the Sussex disaster to reach the United States arrived here today on the American liner St. Paul.

"I could not say positively whether the ship was blown up by a mine or torpedoed from a submarine," said Mr. Huxley.

"The disaster happened about 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon when the Sussex was half way between Folkestone and Dieppe.

"(Previous reports, both official and unofficial, said that the explosion occurred about 2:30.)

"I was standing on the port side of the ship at the time. Suddenly there was a terrific blast, which tore away the whole bow of the ship and hurled debris and water high in the air.

"The explosion was on the starboard side of the ship forward and several persons that were in that part of the ship were killed outright or thrown into the sea.

"The wireless outfit on the vessel remained working order and the operator continued to send out calls for help after the explosion, but it was nine hours before a British torpedo boat destroyer appeared on the scene.

"I have a letter from Captain Thomas Carroll, embarkation officer at Boulogne, France, which says in part: 'The poor Sussex lies beached. I saw the body of a poor woman on board with a piece of a German torpedo imbedded in her stomach.'

"Of course, I cannot say how the ship was blown up, not having seen any mine or torpedo, but whatever it was it had tremendous power behind it."

WILL TRY TO KILL VOLUNTEER ARMY PLAN

National Guard Contingent in Senate Decides to Force Another Vote

WASHINGTON, April 14.—National Guard supporters in the Senate have decided to force another vote on the Federal volunteer army plan adopted several days ago.

"The volunteer army plan was accepted by the narrow margin of two votes, so that switching of one vote would tip the scale on another vote. The argument that the \$40,000,000 annual expenditure on the Federal volunteer army could be better spent on the naval building program counted on to induce sentiment why the motion to strike out the plan was presented.

"The Senate put on more speed today to bring the Chamberlain vote. Beginning at noon today no Senator was permitted to speak more than once or longer than 10 minutes on any amendment.

TROLLEY ROAD RAISES WAGES

Frankford, Tacony and Holmesburg Line Grants Increase

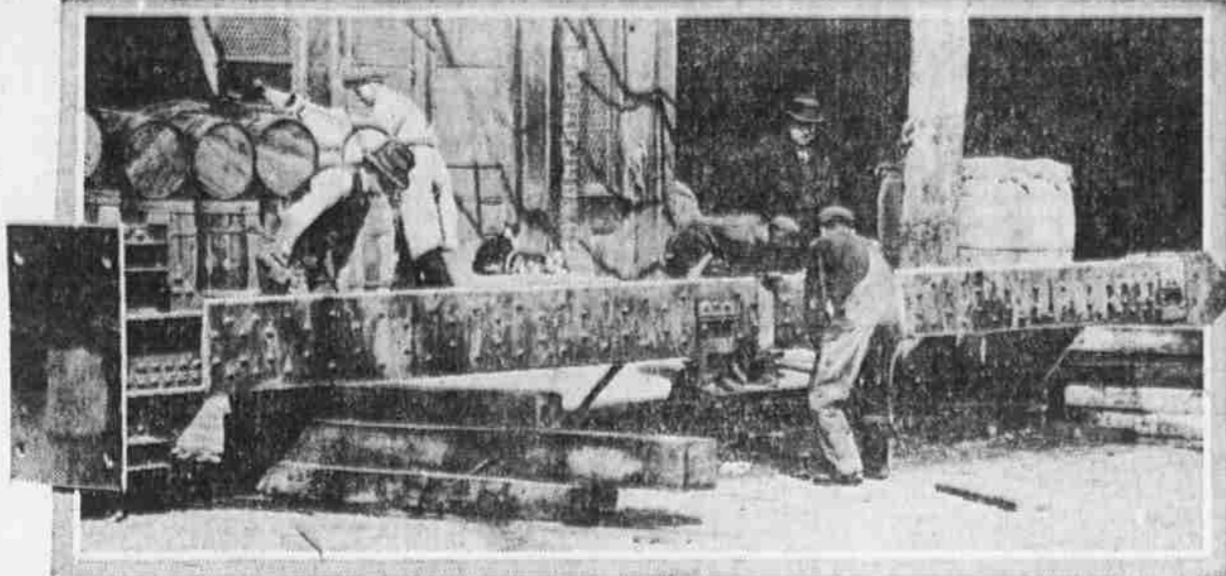
The Frankford, Tacony and Holmesburg Railway, which runs an independent trolley line in the northeastern section of the city, announced yesterday that it had granted a wage increase to its employees, effective May 1.

"Heretofore motormen and conductors have been receiving an hour's pay. Hereafter the wages will be 23 cents an hour for three years of service and 24 cents after four years. In view of the fact that nearly all employees have been in the service a number of years, virtually the entire force immediately will get the benefit of the 24-cent rate. All the shopmen and other employees have also had their wages advanced about 10 per cent.

Park Avenue Choral Society

The "spring musicale" of the Park Avenue Choral Society was given last evening at the Park Avenue Methodist Church. The chorus displayed an ample volume of tone for its numbers as well as excellent quality. There was abundant and varied light and shade in its interpretations and it was accurate in attack and release of tone. The program was interesting and well selected and had the advantage of solo contributions by Kathryn Meiss, in rich contralto arias; W. Roy Pontius, in well-sung four numbers; and Bertrand Austin, whose tenor was musically eloquent. Nina Freeman Howell was a splendid accompanist, and Lewis J. Howell directed with ease and authority.

WORK STARTS ON NEW FRANKFORD "L"



Steel pillars, 16 to 36 feet long and weighing 3600 pounds, are being put up today at Front and Callowhill streets by the contractors who will build the sections from this point to Frankford avenue and Unity street. The superstructure is to be completed by October 31.

FIRST "L" COLUMN TO BE PLACED TODAY

Extra Force to Rush Erection of Pillars Delayed by War Orders

The first steel column of the Frankford elevated line will be set in place today at Front and Callowhill streets. Ten of the big columns arrived yesterday from the Phoenix steel mills, Phoenixville, Pa., and erection of the steel superstructure of the Frankford line began immediately. The columns average in weight 3600 pounds and range in length from 16 to 36 feet.

The contract for manufacture and erection of the superstructure from Callowhill to Unity streets is held by the McClintic-Marshall Company. The contract is divided in four sections and the section from Callowhill to Girard avenue, on which work has been begun, is to be completed on May 15.

The superstructure for the four sections will cost nearly \$1,750,000, and the section just begun, \$261,400. This does not include track floors and station buildings. Contracts for these will be awarded soon. The rush of war orders on the steel mills prevented the arrival of the columns yesterday, although the contract called for work to begin April 1. The contractors will use an extra force of men in order to complete the work in the specified period.

City Solicitor Connelly, upon whom rests the decision as to what terms for resumption of work on the Broad street subway under City Hall will be acceptable to the city, returned to the city today. He said that he probably could not prepare the transit opinion for Director Twining before next week. Meanwhile the work will be at a standstill.

DOG DERBY EXCITES NOME Result of Alaskan Event Still to Come—Malamute Team Leads

NOME, Alaska, April 14.—All of Nome turned out today to witness the finish of the Alaskan derby, the 412-mile dog race from Nome to Candle and return. Last reported place Bob Brown and the team of 14 Malamutes and Leonard Serpala with 17 Siberian wolfdogs in the lead.

Brown and Serpala were last reported from Gold Run, 24 miles this side of Candle.

Truck Driver Held for Boy's Death

A. B. Culbertson, of 2130 Wood street, was held without bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Beaton in the night court last night, charged with having killed Edward McDowell, 7 years old, who was run over yesterday afternoon by the automobile truck that Culbertson was driving at 61st and Lombard streets.

Sir Sam Hughes Denies Graft Charge

NEW YORK, April 14.—General Sir Sam Hughes, Canadian Minister of Militia, today made a sweeping denial of the truth of the charges made against him in connection with munitions transactions, upon his arrival from England aboard the liner St. Paul. He told reporters he welcomed an investigation of any false transactions.

Advertisement for JONAS THE 40 CANDY SHOP. The shop is located at 616 Chestnut Street, between 40th and 41st streets. It is open until midnight. The ad features a small illustration of a woman and child.

DROP PARTY LINES IN GASOLINE-COST PROBE

Senators of Both Parties Prepare Attacks on Standard Oil Company

WASHINGTON, April 14.—New attacks upon the Standard Oil Company for raising gasoline prices were in preparation today by Senators of both parties, as a result of Attorney General Gregory's refusal to comply with the Senate's request to make public reports of investigations of oil interests.

Demand for investigation into the Standard Oil Company's responsibility for the high price of gasoline have been pouring in upon Senators from every part of the country, particularly from the Middle West, during the past few days.

BOY CATCHES ALLEGED THIEF

Used as Messenger, He Turns Tables on Man Who Employed Him

A messenger boy, who was used as an accomplice by an alleged thief, caused the arrest of the man. The boy was engaged by Henry Schultz, who gave a fictitious address on 6th street, to bring him a roll of silk, valued at \$350, which the police say was obtained on a forged order from the firm of Kohn, Adler & Co., 720 Market street.

The messenger took the silk to his office and was met by Detective Walsh, who had been sent by the firm. The detective prepared a dummy parcel, which the boy took to Broad Street Station, where the man had left orders for him to go. He gave the package to Schultz and then held him for Walsh, after a brief struggle. Schultz was held under bail.

"SHOOT ME!" CRIES "VILLA"

New York Lunatic Takes Himself for Mexican Troublemaker

NEW YORK, April 14.—"I'm Villa! I'm Villa! They've got me!" shouted a small dark man as he ran past the Paulist Fathers' Church, in Columbus avenue, into the arms of Policeman O'Connor last night. When the policeman got him to the West 68th street station, however, he changed his story.

"I'm Colonel Fernando Castro, on the staff of General Villa," he said. "The Gringos have been trying to kill me, and now they got me. Here, here, shoot me, Gringos!" he cried as he tore open his shirt. He was sent to Bellevue for mental observation.

At his boarding house, 162 West 80th street, it was said Castro recently came to this country from Costa Rica, and so far as known was in the cattle business, and not a Villista.

METER THIEVES GET BIG HAUL; IMPERIL LIVES

Score of Persons Narrowly Escape Death—Crooks Get \$200 in Many Homes

The lives of a score of persons were imperiled this morning by six meter thieves, who entered nearly two dozen houses in West Philadelphia and stole sums of money amounting to about \$200. In each case entrance was effected by forcing side cellar windows.

The thieves began their operations on Stiles street, between 424 and 434 streets. They went from house to house, evidently without fear of detection. At the home of Joseph Cassidy, 4245 Stiles street, they left the gas flowing, and but for the awakening of Mrs. Cassidy, she, her husband and seven members of the family would have been asphyxiated. She went from room to room arousing her children.

After arousing the household, the woman collapsed and was attended by a physician. Among other meters robbed were those in the homes of George Ritter, 4239 Stiles street; Elias Stetler, 4231 Stiles street; H. Zimmerman, 4233 Stiles street; J. W. English, 5225 Stiles street; Isaac Ruion, 4221 Stiles street; and Charles Senzel, 4207 Mantua avenue.

'GASAFOAM' RUNS AUTO IN A TEST AT TRENTON

Producer Declares Substitute for Gasoline Can Be Made for 12 Cents a Gallon

TRENTON, April 14.—After having made a thorough test of his substitute for gasoline, following four years' work of research, Henry T. Caulett, of this city, announced today that his new essence, which he declares can be manufactured with a profit for 12 cents a gallon, is ready to be placed on the market.

Caulett says his product is a blending of oils under a new process of agitation and that a gallon of it will last longer than gasoline and give 30 per cent. more power. He has named the new fuel "gasafom" because of its foamy nature.

A test of the Caulett product was made in a standard car a few days ago and after some trouble in the mixing chamber, which was overcome by using a larger bore valve, the new "gas" worked perfectly. Caulett declares there is virtually no evaporation in "gasafom" and that there is a great deal less carbonization than in gasoline.

Advertisement for Neptune Laundry, 1501 Columbia Ave. The ad features a small illustration of a person and text: "As the result of years of experience we have developed special methods of laundering for particular kinds of wash. Whatever you send—table linen or old valuable lace—rest assured of the best results without fear that your fabrics will be harmed in any way. Neptune Laundry 1501 COLUMBIA AVE. Why not have the best?"

Advertisement for Bradburn & Nigro, Tailors to Particular Men, Cor. 13th & Sansom. The ad features a small illustration of a person and text: "Spring Suits \$30 To Measure BRADBURN & NIGRO Tailors to Particular Men Cor. 13th & Sansom Suits \$25 to \$50"

Advertisement for Galvanized Copper and Zinc Sheets, L. D. Berger Co., 59 N. 2d St. The ad features a small illustration of a person and text: "GALVANIZED COPPER AND ZINC SHEETS L. D. BERGER CO., 59 N. 2d St. Bell, Market 218 Keystone, Main 1000"

Large advertisement for Perry & Co. featuring the text: "This One Week Sale of INTENSIFIED VALUES in Perry Spring Suits at \$15 Ends Tomorrow Saturday Night, at Six o'Clock". It also includes a testimonial: "And will be long remembered by every man who bought one of them; for he will show it to his friends for months of Sundays as the best value in clothing sold this season!"

Advertisement for J. E. Caldwell & Co., 902 Chestnut Street. The ad features a large illustration of a diamond and text: "J. E. Caldwell & Co. 902 Chestnut Street prepare, upon request, special designs in color, for diamond and precious-stone Jewelry"

Large advertisement for Franco-American Soups. It features a central illustration of a woman in a kitchen and text: "the soup of the epicure 'A man seldom thinks with more earnestness of anything than he does of his dinner' As Mr. Barrie would say, this is 'what every woman knows.' And knowing it, the capable manager of the home welcomes every ally in her deft campaign to achieve success in the dining-room. Franco-American Soups are delightfully rich and satisfying just as food. Their French delicacy of seasoning and flavor appeals to the nicest taste. They present such a wide variety of choice that a different kind may be served every dinner-time for three weeks without a single repetition. They are so convenient that they may be served at a moment's notice; 'merely heat before serving' are the only directions for their preparation. Wherever Quality in food is held of prime importance, Franco-American Soups enjoy exclusive popularity. Merely heat before serving. Thirty-five cents the quart. At the better stores. Twenty selections." The ad also includes the name "A. Biardot OF PARIS" and "formerly superintendent of the palace of H.M. King George of Greece." and "Let us give you a taste of our quality"

Advertisement for Purock Water. The ad features a large illustration of a woman and child and text: "HEALTH demands clean water. We do not eat food after it has fallen in the dust. Why should we be content with water after it has passed over or thru miles of soil or piping, picking up from it minerals or harmful organic matter? Are you as particular with your drinking water as you are with your food, or do you, too, judge it by its clarity alone? PUROCK is not only clear, but pure and an unvarying safeguard to health. Purock Water is delivered to office and homes tightly sealed. Six large bottles or a five-gallon demijohn, 40c. DRINK Purock WATER THE CHARLES E. HIRS CO., 210 S. 24th St., Philadelphia BOTH PHONES"

Advertisement for Perry & Co. featuring the text: "Will you be in on it when the final bugle blows? In case you've missed reading, hearing, or seeing what it is—here's the sum and substance of it in a paragraph. These Intensified-Value Suits are made from fabrics bought by ourselves in the piece in quantities of thousands of yards, of a grade such as regularly went into Suits at \$20, \$22.50 and \$25 before the phenomenal rise in prices took place, so you can figure for yourself what Suits of such fabrics are worth today—the most attractive, most numerous, most diversified fabric designs that we've ever seen in many a long day—grays, blues, browns, in stripes, in plain and fancy mixtures; soft, indistinct plaids and overplaids; serges. Models and styles for men of all years; for men of every size, of every persuasion—a regular \$25, \$22.50 and \$20 selection and abundance, all at the— Uniform Price of \$15 until 6 P. M. Saturday! With that simple statement, we rest, and leave the verdict to you—but, the earlier in the day you decide, the better we'll both like it! PERRY & CO. 'N. B. T.' 16th & Chestnut Sts. 590"