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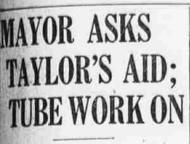
PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, MAY 4, 1916.

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WASSACHUSETTS SENDS OFFICIALS AND MILITARY MEN TO TAKE PART IN PREPAREDNESS MEETING



In the group from left to right are members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, of Boston, in the persons of Capt. James D. Coady, Adjt. Gen. George H. Washburn, Licuts. Charles G. Kemble and William N. McKenna, A. J. Drexel Biddle, City Statistician E. J. Cattell, Governor Samuel W. McCall, of Massachusetts; Mayor James W. Curley, of Boston; Capt. Harvey Hamilton and, on the extreme right, Receiver of Taxes W. Freeland Kendrick. The visitors will attend the meeting tonight in the Metropolitan Opera House.



Breaks Precedent, Taking Advice From Ex-Director, Ignoring Twining ORDERS DIRT TO FLY

Developments in **Big Day for Transit**

Merritt Taylor, former Transit Director, issues warning that obstructionists are planning to defeat \$67,100,000 loan on May 16. Mayor Smith indorses Taylor's warning and declares that fac-tional polities will not be permitted to interfere with loan. Mayor, breaking all precedents,

ns Mr. Taylor to his office for conference on loan fight and on resumption of work under City

His own Director of Transit, Twining, not present at conference. nounces that work on the Broad street pobway and island station will be resumed tomorrow under "force accounts" item in the con-tract with the Keystone State Con-truction Company. Following conference, Mayor an-

President Louchheim, of the Krystone concern, announces that the arrangements are satisfactory to his company and work will be started immediately.

Mayor Smith, sweeping aside all preceazisit director in the cabinet of ex-Mayor ankenburg, to call upon him in his office r advice as to how work could best be ned on the Broad street subway der City Hall, and to discuss plans for city-wide fight for the passage of the 7,100,000 transit and port loan bill at e polls on May 16. It was the first time in the city's history a way the first time in the city's history at a Mayor had ignored his own Director d gone to the Director of a predecessor office for advice. The direct result of s conference was an order from the syor to the Keystone State Construction impany to resume work on the Broad rest tube at once. The Mayor and former Director Taylor re in private conference for a half ur. Later Jerome H. Louchheim, pres-int of the Keystone Company, and mator McNichol, head of hte concern, are called in. Neither Transit Director wining or any of the other members of a Mayor's Cabinet were present. The conference with Mr. Taylor followed a publication this morning of a state-ent from the former Transit Director ap-aling for support of the transit loan at the polis and warning that obstrue-ulats are threatening to kill the loan d hold up rapid transit.

WARNING TO VOTERS!

THOSE interests which are opposed to rapid transit devel-Lopment, coupled with free transfers, and the elimination

of the three-cent exchange tickets are thoroughly organized. Their agents and political allies are working in every ward to lead you to vote against the Transit Loan at the election on May 16.

As a former public servant, with your best interests at heart, I cannot remain silent in this emergency.

As the author of and sponsor for the "Taylor Plan" of transit development, with free transfers and the elimination of the exchange tickets, I accept the challenge and, with the aid of the people of Philadelphia and of the great newspapers interested in the city's welfare, I shall wage a relentless nonpartisan fight for the Transit Loan from now until election day. The interests of both the City of Philadelphia and of the citizens who have supported me successfully in every fight which I have waged for them as Transit Commissioner and as Director of the Department of City Transit are in peril.

The voters of Philadelphia decreed by a vote of nearly ten to one at the election held in April, 1915, that the city shall proceed with transit development. They voted six million dollars toward that purpose.

The carefully formulated plan of the obstructionists, who have only their own selfish interests to serve, and who care nothing about your welfare or the welfare of the city, is to create a feeling of uncertainty and distrust throughout the city which will lead the people to vote against the Transit Loan, and to thus decree that the elevated railway and subway lines, already partly constructed, shall lie idle; that the present overcrowding of surface cars during the rush hours shall be continued; that the illegal and discriminatory exchange tickets shall be maintained and paid for by the street car riders, and that the passengers shall be compelled to continue wasting their time in traveling long distances between the various sections of the city in street cars. THIS PLAN OF THE OBSTRUCTIONISTS MUST BE SCOTCHED.

GERARD TO GET FORMER AMERICAN **KAISER'S U-BOAT ENVOY ARRESTED ANSWER TODAY**

Lansing Announces Ger- James M. Sullivan, Minman Chancellery's Promise of Delivery

CONTENTS KEPT SECRET WAS BRYAN PROTEGE

WASHINGTON, May 4, Secretary of State Lansing stated to-day he has been officially advised by Am-bassador Gerard that the German Foreign Office has promised to hand him some time today the reply to the American aub-marine ultimation of April 18.

The Secretary further stated that the notification from the Ambassador con-tained no intimation regarding the char-acter of the reply.

By tomorrow the State Department expects to know just what Ambassador Gerard was told by Kaiser Wilhelm and what Ambassador Gerard told the Kaiser In their conference at the Germany army field headquarters concerning America's submarine demands.

REPLY HERE BY WEEK-END.

This report, now on the way, Mr. Gerard cabled today, should make clear all the elements that enter into the German re-ply. The reply itself is expected Satur-

Mr. Gerard's messages, telling his report was on the way and that the reply itself probably soon would be, furnished the only new light on the situation to the Administration aside from further press comments sent. The comments, which, it is believed took has account the accession is believed, took into account the session between the Kaliser and the Ambassader, did not arouse optimism among United States officials who saw them. There is reason to believe they were unfavorable to a settlement of the submarine issue on America's terms.

One Administration official said, however, there was no certainty the press views forwarded reflect the German offi-

QUICK NEWS

DISSOLUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA STEEL RATIFIED

Stockholders of the Pennsylvania Steel Company of New Jersey at a special meeting in Camden today ratified the directors' resolution for the dissolution of the company in carrying out the sale of the properties to the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. The number of shares of preferred stock voted in favor was 166,441 shares out of 205.093 outstanding, while 451 were voted against. Of the common stock 105,632 were in favor and 24 against out of 107,485 outstanding

GERARD TO GET GERMAN REPLY TODAY .

BERLIN, May 4 .- The Foreign Office made the positive announcement today that Germany's reply to President Wilson's submarine demands would be handed to Ambassador Gerard this afternoou.

WILMINGTON'S POPULATION NOW 106,000

WILMINGTON, Del., May 4 .- The population of Wilmington, as compiled by the Police Department census completed today, is 106,000, compared to 97,000 in 1910.

ASK \$43,000,000 FOR RIVERS AND HARBORS

WASHINGTON, May 4 .- The Senate Commerce Committee today authorized enator Clarke, chairman, to report favorably the rivers and harbors bill carrying approximately \$43,000,000, an increase of about \$3,000,000 over the House bill.

FIFTH CONTINGENT OF SLAV TROOPS IN FRANCE

PARIE, May 4 .-- Another contingent of Russian troops has been landed at Marseilles, it was officially announced today. This is the fifth body of Russian troops to be landed here.

CONVICTED OF LIBELING WASHINGTON'S MEMORY

TACOMA, Wash., May 4 .- Paul Haffer today was convicted by a jury of 'libeling the memory of George Washington." Haffer's conviction followed a letter written by him and published in a newspaper in which he referred to Washington as a "slave-holder" and "inveterate drinker." Under the State law, Haffer is liable to fine and imprisonment. He will probably appeal,

AMERICAN RANCHER SLAIN BY MEXICANS

EL PASO, Tex., May 4 .- The murder of C. H. Holly, a wealthy American ranchman, and his Mexican foreman, 15 miles northeast of El Rubio, by Mexcan outlaws, was announced here today in a report from General Fershing to Major General Funston. They were shot to death on their ranch.

BALANCE OF \$5,742,962 IN CITY TREASURY

The weekly statement of City Treasurer William McCoach shows that the receipts amounted to \$1.418,296.63 and the payments to \$822,303.81, which, with the sum on hand last week, not including the Sinking Fund account, left a balance of \$5,742,962.21 at the close of business last night.

LLOYD'S ODDS FAVOR PEACE BEFORE YEAR ENDS

LONDON, May 4 .- Indicating a very strong belief that the war is beginning to draw to a close, Lloyd's today posted new insurance rates, wagering only 1 to 3 that the was will not end before December 31, 1916. For several weeks the rate of insurance to guarantee against loss if the war ends by the close of the year has been advancing steadily until it is now almost prohibitive. There has been much speculation as to whether the brokers have any substantial reason for their action

FIFTEEN KILLED IN BUDAPEST FOOD RIOTS

THE HAGUE, May 4 .- Fifteen persons were killed in food riots in Budapest on Sunday, according to private advices received here today. Two hundred arrests were made. Crowds of old men and women surrounded the Burgomas-



IN IRISH REVOLT

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Taken to London

TIRED OF BEING THE GOAT.

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AFTER THE CONFERENCE.

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I told him that I believed the only

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FORECAST

Philadelphia and vicinity-cloudy tonight; Friday fair warmer; moderate winds, mostly and southwest. er details are page 15.

LOST AND FOUND

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Lost and Formi Ads on Page 17

This city's proper development and the welfare of the citizens require a modern high-speed transit machine, consisting of subways and elevated railways operated in conjunction with the existing surface lines which will enable any passenger to board a surface car near his front door, ride to the nearest station on the high-speed system, transfer free to any point on the high-speed system, and to again transfer free upon leaving the high-speed system on a surface car to destination, all for one five-cent fare. That is what the people are going to get by voting for the Transit Loan.

I shall prepare a series of articles, a different article will be published every afternoon next week, which will keep you fully informed and show the benefits which rapid transit will bring to each separate section of Philadelphia.

I ask all of the great newspapers which are interested in the welfare of Philadelphia and in the welfare of the people to co-operate with me in the relentless fight which I shall wage for the adoption of the Transit Loan by giving broad publicity to these articles.

I ask every voter and the members of every organization in Philadelphia which has influence with voters to co-operate with me by reading these articles, by arousing public sentiment, and by delivering a last and crushing blow to their enemies by voting for the Transit Loan on May 16.

This is the only way to secure the construction of the

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BAY STATE LEADERS

cial view. The first message from Ambassador Gerard in nearly a week reached the State Department this forenoon, and re-ported a quantity of press comment. Included in this was one article, in which li was said that responsibility for any break in relations would be on President Wilson. As to the reply's probable contents, one of two things is expected in officialdom:

First. Direct compliance with the American demands. Second. An evasion of the direct issue.

By this is meant a temporizing note, rais-ing issues to be negotiated by Ambassador Bernstorff while indicating that the submarine methods to which the United States ojects, actually have been stopped for the present.

The time taken in framing the reply

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NEW CAR LINE ALMOST SURE FOR 56TH STREET; P. R. T. HAS FIRST CALL

Councils' Committee Reports Demand for Resignation Fol-Bill Favorably to Let Private Capital Build It if Company Refuses

WILL COST \$300,000 VARE DEFIES OLD ALLY

An ordinance giving the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company 90 days to decide whether it will build a double-track trolline in 56th street between Lancaster and Elmwood avenues, with the alterna-tive that private capital will build the

tive that private capital will build the line if the transit company declines was reported favorably in Councils today from the Committee on Street Railways. The ordinance was approved by the committee following a public hearing held in the Finance Committee room. Resi-dents of West Philadelphia and a deiga-tion from the Allied Business Men's As-sociation appeared at the hearing, and explained the freed for the line. John M. Mediaryev, the principal

John M. McGarvey, the principal speaker, told the councilmen that sufficient noney has been pledged by individuals to incorporate as the 56th Street Passenger Railroad Company and buid the line, should the Philadelphia Rapid Transit fail to take advantage of their 90-day option. The line will then be leased to the transit ompany as the line on 52d street is now used. The cost will be about \$300.009. FaFvorable action upon the ordinance

is expected at the meeting of Councils

two weeks. Whether or not the United Busins Whether or not the United Business Men's Association will be asked to submit to Councils the names of six men desir-able for membership on the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Rasid Tran-sit Company will be decided today by the fate of a resolution carrying the sugges-tion. The resolution characterized by President Lennon, of Select Council, as "revolutionary," passed the Select branch two weeks amo by a close vote and will wo weaks ago by a close vote, and will likely meet day's session opposition in Common at to-

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LONDON, May 4 .- James M. Sullivan former United States Midlister to Santo Domingo, has been arrested in Dublin in connection with the Sinn Fein uprising, it was announced today at the United States Embasay

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with the Sinn Fein uprising.

Sullivan has been brought to London. and probably will be placed on trial here.

Sullivan was formerly a resident of New York, where he practiced law. American Ambassador Page today made squiries in the Foreign Office concerning

Sullivan's arrest.

Sullivan has been brought to England. Mr. Page asked what charge has been Continued on Page Two, Column Four

TRAINER CALLS ON MAYOR TO DISMISS DIRECTOR WILSON

lows Executive's Announcement That Police Must Keep Out of Politics

A demand on Mayor Smith for the resignation of Director of Public Safety Wilson by Select Councilman Harry J. Trainer, of the 3d Ward, the defiance of State Senator Edwin H. Vare to Mr. Trainer's threat to have certain ballot boxes opened, and an emphatic declara-

tion by the Mayor that the police and officeholders must stay out of politics were three dominating developments in the city's political situation today.

Mr. Trainer's domand for Director Wilson's resignation was emphasized with the assertion that if the Mayor wishes to

art in good faith he would be commelled to ask for the resignation. "I do not care what Mr. Trainer save." said the Mayor, in reply to the demend. "Director Wilson is an honest and capable

man." Mr. Trainer, who is a former Vare leader, now aligned with the Penrose-Mc-Nichol forces, made his demand while commenting on the Mayor's statement earlier in the day that he would divorce the police and officeholders from politics.

VARE DEFIES TRAINER.

Senator Vare's defiance came as a re-sult of Mr. Trainer's declaration that he would take legal steps to open hallot boxes to substantiate charges of election frauds in South Philadelphia wards. *

frainds in South Philadelphia wards. " "Trainer ought to begin right now in opening ballot hoxes in the division of his brother 'Joe," who called the election off, although he was not an election official." said Senator Vare.

The Senator's statement was quickly replied to by Joseph 4. Trainer, the Se-lect Councilman's brother, who said he Mayor and their rescort went aboard the warships, where the details of naval pre-paredness were explained to them. A special drill of the saliors and marines at the yard increased their acquaintance with millitary efficiency, and both ag

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er's residence, shouting "Give us bread."

THIEF RETURNS GEMS AFTER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

A valuable ; sarl necklace, which was stolen 35 years ago from Mrs. Howard Cooper Johnson, now living at 101 West Mermaid lane, Chestnut Hill, reappeared vesterday through the mail. The package was sent to Mrs. George M. Lamb, of Cedarcroft, N. J., Mrs. Johnson's mother; accompanying it was a letter saying that it had been stolen by a servant girl who long since had repented of the theft and wished to make restitution.

SWEDEN DISTURBED BY CZAR'S SEA BASE

BERLIN, May 4 .- The question of the fortification by Russia of the Aland Islands, the Finnish group lying between the Gulf of Bothnia and the Baltic Sea. off the east coast of Swelen, came up recently in the Swedish Parliament, according to advices received here by the Overseas News Agency. "The question was rought up," says the report, "by Professor Steffen, who stated that these islands had been strongly fortified by Russia, and that the fortifications were a menace to the Swedish capital. Professor Steffen recalled the public discussions on the abject in Sweden during 1968, in which there was general agreement that for Russia to fortify the Aland Islands would be a menace to Swedish neutrality and would endanger Stockholm. Professor Steffen declared that the present fortifications were constructed to facilitate Anglo-Russian co-operation against Scandinavian countries, and that they were thus meant to serve an aggressive purpose."

MAY KEEP FRENCH BATTLE LINE AS "THE HOLY WAY"

PARIS, May 4 .- A campaign has been begun to induce the Government to preserve the present French battle line untouched and appoint soldiers to take charge after the war. This is to enable 600,000 Americans who have expressed an intention of visiting the battlefield to see the entrenched line exactly as it is now. The suggested name of the battle line is "The Holy Way."

CAPTURED SHIPS OFFSET LOSSES BY BRITISH

LONDON, May 4 -- Earl Curzon, Lord Privy Seal, announced in the House of Lords that 450 enemy ships had been detained, seized or captured by the Allies in all parts of the world since the beginning of the war. Earl Curzon added that it was an encouraging fact and a curious coincidence that the British merchant ships lost through war operations were exactly balanced in number and tonnage by the new ships added to the register during the war.

WOMAN'S CHAMPION CLAIMS \$200,000 SHE LEFT HIM

A claim for the \$200,000 left by a Detroit woman to a young man who three years ago defended her from a gaug of toughs on a Philadelphia street car has been made by Frank H. Canning, of Clarksboro, N. J., son of William H. Canning, a Gloucester County constable. Canning said today he remembered the incident clearly. The money was bequeathed by Mrs. J. T. Elkins, formerly Miss Irene Chadley, of this city. Mrs. Elkins' will named Frank H. Canning as the man who had come to her rescue, but did not give his address. Philadelphia detectives were asked to find him, but the elder Canning read about the bequest in a newspaper and said his son had performed the service Mrs. Elkins described in the will.

SPAIN MAY BACK U. S. IN U-BOAT STAND

PARIS, May 4.-The Spanish Government, says a Madrid dispatch to the Temps, is disposed to support the policy of the United States regarding submarine warfare. If America asks neutral powers in general to safeguard their rights Spain is willing to subscribe to a general understanding with a view of preventing Germany from continuing the form of submarine warfare she heretofore has followed.

BRAZIL URGES AMERICAN ACTION ON LOSS OF SHIPS

RIO JANEIRO, May 4 .- The Journal do Commercio protests vehemently against the sinking of the Brazilian steamship Rio Branco, announcement of which was made Tuesday. It considers it impossible that "America will continue to witness with folded arms the continuation of these tragedies. The paper says: "To leave the United States to act alone would be equivalent to the collapse of the Pan-American idea. Germany would be obliged to capitulate before the unanimous protestation of the peoples against her manner of making war."

Substituting the officers of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company for Boston's "Royal Rooters" as a bodyguard. James M. Curley, Mayor of the New Eng-and metropolis. is in Philadelphia today. With Mayor Curley is Samuel W. McCall. Overnor of Massachuketts. On his last visit. Mayor Curley and his secort took back a world's series cham-pionship. Today he visited the Navy Yard, at League Island, and absorbed Philadelphia ideals of "preparedness." Myth Adjutant General George H. Wash with Adjutant General George H. Wash of Governor's staff, arrived at Broad Street Station from Boston at 11:15 of be Governor's staff, arrived at develop inside the visitors to the Hotel Adol-phia. Luncheon was served, after which the trip to the Navy Yard was made.

BERLIN. May 4.—Russian revolu-tionists have started a great fire in Mos-cow, which spread to administrative buildings and is still rasing, according to Stockholm displiches today. Revolutionary workmen exploded kero-sene and benzine tanks belonging to the Government, destroying 5900 tons within a few seconds. The blaze speedily com-municated to other buildings.

Fells Her With Blow, Brother to the Rescue

John Quinn, both drunk and caim, doubled his fists and knocked his daugh-fer to the floor with a hook to the jaw. Her brother rushed to the rescue. The number on the floor increased to two and decreased when Margaret arose and broke a milk bottle on the head of the elder Quinn. Cups and saucers from the hand of the son followed, with the result that Quinn subayed from side to side and fell to the floor.

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REVOLUTIONISTS SET

MOSCOW IN FLAMES

Workmen Among Insurrection-

ists Explode Czar's Mili-

tary Oil Stores

under \$300 bond to keep the peace for one year.

BOOM DEFENSE RALLY Mayor Curley, Governor Mc-Call and Ancient and Honorables in Tonight's Fete

FATHER ATTACKS DAUGHTER

the trip to the Navy Yard was made.

GREETED AT LEAGUE ISLAND. Commandarit Russell greated the dis-tinguished visitors at League Island. The buildings used for barracks and comstruc-tion work were inspected. The Governor,

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