

THE WEATHER

Washington, Aug. 2.—Fair today and tomorrow.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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U. S. TAKES HAND IN AFFAIRS OF WRECKED BANK

Three Federal Agents Visit North Penn With Colonel Pusey, State Prober**LIBERTY BOND INQUIRY IS HINTED AS PURPOSE****Realty Held by Moyer May Be Bank Assets—\$119,000 Invested by Cashier****HOLDS \$38,900 IN PROPERTY****Transactions Traced, but Act May Not Be Criminal, Says Investigator****North Penn Depositors Want Action, Not Talk**

Among the depositors who gathered at the North Penn Bank today there was noticed a marked change in attitude. The strongest criticism was made regarding the former and present bank commissioners.

The depositors say that their money would not have been lost had Daniel F. Lafenn closed the bank before he left office, and they blame the present commissioner, John S. Fisher, for dallying, for failing to make additional arrests as promised and for not issuing a statement of the assets and liabilities.

There was a manifest sympathy with the statement of Mr. Lafenn by the present probers—Pusey, Rotan and Cortelyou—are burning up the assets in an expensive investigation. The depositors want to see action. They say they are tired of statements and demand to know the exact status of their accounts.

The United States Government has taken a hand in the scuttled North Penn bank.

Three agents, believed to be from the Treasury Department, visited the bank this afternoon.

The men were accompanied by Colonel Fred Taylor Pusey, chief state prober, who refused to identify them. It was said by bank employees that the visitors were federal agents. The taxi driver said the men met the colonel in a downtown hotel.

It is believed that the government may be interested in the alleged speculation and irregularities in Liberty Bond transactions, and it is possible that the men visited the bank to go over the records of the bond purchases and disbursements.



LADY DECIES

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould, it is reported, may visit the United States next month. She and her husband will be the guests of Lady Decies' parents at Georgian Court, Lakewood, N. J.

STUART IS SPHINX TO MAYOR QUERIES

Former Governor Refuses to Comment on Whether or Not He Would Be a Candidate

Former Governor Edwin S. Stuart declined this afternoon to discuss reports that he might be a candidate for the Republican mayoralty nomination.

"Will you be a candidate for Mayor?" he was asked.

"I do not care to discuss the subject in any way whatever," he replied. "Would you consider being a candidate?"

"I will have to make the same answer to that question.

"Have you been approached regarding the mayoralty candidacy?"

"My answer to your first question is also the reply to that."

"Whom would you recommend for the mayoralty nomination?"

"I still have to stand by the first answer," said Mr. Stuart courteously.

Mr. Stuart's name has been mentioned not only because he had successful administrations as Governor of the state and Mayor of Philadelphia, but also because of the link which goes with his name. He has several times been elected president of the Union League and has never lost an election.

G. O. P. SLATE FOR BERKS

R. E. Haring, of Reading, is Picked for Sheriff

Reading, Pa., Aug. 2.—The Republican slate for Berks county was decided last night at a meeting of the county executive committee. Only three offices will be contested at the September primaries as a result of the committee's action. They are director of the poor, prison inspector and county commissioner.

The ticket follows: Sheriff, Robert E. Haring, Reading; clerk of quarter sessions, Burton B. Smith, Birdsboro; county controller, John H. Jacobs, Caernarvon township; district attorney, Edgar S. Richardson, Reading.

County commissioners—Daniel G. Gabriel, Boyertown; Richard D. Bechtel, Cumru; Marcus B. Enches, Joseph D. Eisenbren, Edwin K. Mersinger and William H. Moser, all of Reading; directors of the poor, Daniel Cleaver and Charles A. Gigt, Earl township; John Billings, Wyoming, and Edgar A. High, Reading; county surveyor, E. Kurtz Wells, Reading.

KILLS WIFE AND HIMSELF

Jealousy Leads Samuel Folk, of Reading, to Double Slaying

Reading, Pa., Aug. 2.—Samuel Folk, aged forty-two years, lay in wait in a vestibule at 532 Spruce street this morning and shot and killed his wife, Violet Folk, aged twenty-nine years. He then turned the revolver on himself, both died instantly.

Jealousy of Frank Klopf, for whom Mrs. Folk was keeping house, led to the double tragedy. The Folks parted several months ago. They have a nine-year-old son.

BOY DIES OF TETANUS

Hospital Hunts in Vain to Find Parents of Rusty Nail Victim

A five-year-old boy whose name was given as Felix Kascosky and whose address as Richmond street and Erie avenue, died in the Frankford Hospital today of tetanus. He was brought to the hospital yesterday by a man in an automobile, who said the boy stepped on a rusty nail and needed medical attention. The man in the car did not leave his name.

Police of the Belgrade and Clearfield stations are hunting the parents of the boy. They are puzzled because there are no houses at Richmond street and Erie avenue and no one of the name of Kascosky in the neighborhood.

CHICAGO CAR STRIKE ENDS

Commission Begins Hearings to Decide Rise in Fares

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Hearings were begun today by the state public utilities commission to determine what rise in fares will be necessary to pay the seventeen cents an hour increase in wages given to the men.

TWO FIRE ENGINES FALL IN CREEK AT BOATHOUSE BLAZE

Firemen Swim to Safety After Plunge Into Water in Hedleyville Section**LOSS PLACED AT \$8000; MANY HOMES IMPERILED****Furniture Piled Into Streets Hampers Company Battling to Check Flames**

Two of the new motor-driven fire engines of Company No. 33, of Bridesburg, are nearly submerged in a creek near the foot of Hedley street following a spectacular fire along the Delaware river waterfront early today that destroyed four boathouses in a section known as Hedleyville, south of Orthodox street.

The police have failed to determine the origin of the blaze and are investigating the theory that an incendiary is responsible.

The first machine to plunge into the creek was a fire engine that skidded from the exceptionally rough thoroughfare of Hedley street while en route to the blaze. The other machine, a hose wagon, suffered the same fate while returning to the engine house. All the firemen escaped by swimming to shore.

1 DEAD, 2 BURNED IN AUTO MISHAPS

Man Killed by Truck in Camden. Two Pinned Under Machine**ANOTHER BADLY INJURED**

One man was killed, another injured and two seriously burned in a series of automobile accidents that occurred in this city and Camden today.

The dead man was struck by an auto truck at the Camden ferry, while he was on his way to this city.

The two men who were burned were pinned beneath a machine at Fifty-eighth street and Hoffman avenue when it overturned and caught fire.

Martin Bailey, no address known.

The injured:

Michael Carhold, thirty years old, of 824 South Third street, Camden. The men were pinned beneath the machine and efforts to extricate them were unavailing until firemen had extinguished the flames. The injured man was:

Joseph McHugh, twenty-three years, of 211 North Sixth street, Camden, burned about face and body; will recover.

William G. Marley, thirty-four years, of 8840 Tinticun avenue; burned about face, body and hands; condition critical.

James McCall, a companion of the man killed in Camden, is being held by the authorities as a material witness.

Louis Hunt, twenty-six years old, of Swedesboro, N. J., driver of the truck, was arrested and held under \$2000 bail by Recorder Stackhouse. Charles and George Dalby, owners of the truck, were also arrested, but were later released.

The accident occurred when McCall and Bailey attempted to enter the bridge at the foot of Archway avenue, Camden. The machine overturned, the overturned machine in the car until firemen arrived and extinguished the flames.

Both men are in the Misericordia Hospital, where a guard has been placed over McHugh, driver of the machine, for whom a warrant has been issued charging him with driving a motorcar without a license.

The automobile bore two license tags, one from Virginia, No. 25298, and one from the District of Columbia, No. 32477.

There was no woman in the automobile, as first reported. According to the police the automobile was taken from Virginia several days ago.

When the machine overturned while rounding a curve spectators who ran to the assistance of the men were unable to reach them. They had been pinned under the car.

An alarm of fire was sent in, and engine No. 27 responded. Firemen quickly extinguished the flames with chemicals and rescued the men who had been left behind from under the wreckage.

Carhold was riding in an automobile at Fillmore and Van Hook streets, Camden, when he was struck by a trolley car. He was taken to the West Jersey Hospital, where his injuries were said to be slight. His machine was badly damaged.

Sadie Margolin, four years old, 1430 North Nineteenth street, was struck by an autotruck today at Nineteenth and Harlan streets. She was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital suffering from a fracture of the left leg and a possible fracture of the skull. August Lloyd, a negro, driver of the truck. He was arrested and will have a hearing tomorrow morning.

SWISS TROOPS KILL NINE BASEL STRIKERS

Soldiers Fire Volley Into Assaultants After Being Stoned by Rioters

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The federal council places the number of strikers killed at two and says five were seriously wounded. The troops fired a volley into the ranks of the strikers after being stoned, causing the casualties, the message adds.

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SIMPLE FORMULA MAY END SENATE LEAGUE DISPUTE

U. S. Could Enforce Views by Reservation Permitting Unconditional Withdrawal**ALL OTHER PROPOSITIONS BELIEVED SUBORDINATE****Wilson Probably Would Agree to Proposal of "Middle-Dis-tance" Republicans****By CLINTON W. GILBERT Staff Correspondent of Evening Public Ledger**

Washington, Aug. 2.—A compromise on league covenant resolutions is near. The men who are working on it, both in the Senate and in administration circles, are beginning to see that a simple formula will meet the objections that have been raised to this country's entrance into the world combination.

The chief reservation will be with respect to Article 10, and it will provide for the unconditional withdrawal of members of the league. It is pointed out that if the United States can withdraw at any time without question by the other nations in the league it can avoid any entanglement in affairs which public opinion in this country does not approve, and its sovereignty and free agency as a nation will be fully protected.

Could Enforce Views

Indeed, if this country has full liberty of prompt withdrawal it can enforce its views upon the rest of the league. With its resources and its power the United States will be indispensable to the combination. Neither England nor France will see the United States leave at will. All the members of the league, too, will be much rather inclined to yield than consent to America's departure.

All Entente diplomacy since the beginning of the war has the one aim of drawing the United States into the affairs of Europe. The weakness of President Wilson's policy at Paris was that he did not fully appreciate this, but was made to feel that he must pay Europe some thing for the privilege of having a voice in its decision.

To give the United States the unconditional right of immediate withdrawal Wilson put into its hands the power Mr. Wilson has at Paris, but never had the courage to exercise. Moreover, he might have dominated the League Conference had he made Lloyd George and Clemenceau believe that unless he had his way he would take his delegates back home. His failure at Paris was due to his failure to preserve this freedom. The same freedom to withdraw will enable the United States to dominate the league.

Other Reservations Subsidiary

With the right to withdraw at any time and under any circumstances, without question by other members of the league, the United States has little need to be concerned about the other reservations. Should the league incline to interpret the Monroe Doctrine in a way that was not agreeable to this country, it could leave the league.

Should the other members of the combination wish to take action infringing in any way upon the domestic liberty of America, America could retire to its historic isolation. Moreover, entrance into the league would become largely experimental. The country would not be indefinitely committed.

If the league proved unsatisfactory or if membership in it carried the country farther afield than the conservative sense of the American public approved, the right to get out would always be instantly available. With this right the United States would retain her position and exercise her fullest influence upon the world as the strongest and richest power in the world whose friendship and co-operation were indispensable to the other powers.

The discussion of reservations that has been going on for the last few days has crystallized sufficiently so that prime importance of full liberty of withdrawal has come to be seen. All other issues with regard to the league are dropping into second place.

Wilson's Acceptance Forecast

It is likely that President Wilson will accept such a reservation as this and explain that it was always his intention that this country should be wholly free to quit the world combination whenever it failed to approve the policies of its partners. The best available information is that the mind of the President is just as busy on the subject of reservations as the minds of senators.

The probability is that Mr. Wilson's object in calling the Republican senators to confer with him is as much to find out what they are really thinking, and just what price he must pay for their support, as it is to convince them and convert them to his own views. It is expected that when the situation has sufficiently taken shape the President will be found to have made up his own mind upon reservations, and to have consulted the other

GERMAN COMMISSIONERS SAIL FROM NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Members of the German Red Cross commission, accompanied by five women nurses, eight representatives of the Swedish and Austrian Red Cross and a number of German officers and civilians, thirty-six in all, sailed today for Sweden and Germany aboard the steamship Oscar II. The German commissioners had been prisoners of the Kolchak government at Omsk, Siberia. They came to this country from Vladivostok, landing at San Francisco.

YORKSHIRE MINERS TO VOTE ON CONTINUING STRIKE

LONDON, Aug. 2.—The Yorkshire miners council representing more than 200,000 miners who remained on strike, refusing to accept the government's offer of settlement, decided today to submit to its branches the question of continuing the strike.

RED REVERSES FORCE COUP

Vienna, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—The new Hungarian cabinet is headed by Jules Peidl, who was formerly minister of the people's welfare in the Count Karolyi cabinet. The cabinet contains provisionally many members of the former Bela Kun ministry. Kun's resignation followed the receipt of news from the front which approved.

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14TH STATE FOR SUFFRAGE

Nebraska Ratifies Amendment, Vote in House Being Unanimous**Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—Nebraska today ratified the federal woman suffrage amendment when the House, by a vote of 94 to 0, passed a joint resolution providing ratification. The Senate passed the resolution on Thursday.**

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