

SEEK TO KNOW LAND TANGLE

Mrs. Elliott, Who Sued Head of Springfield Manor Development Co., Leaves City

PUSH THE INVESTIGATION

Another "disappearance" became known today in the Springfield Manor development company tangle.

Lee A. Wallace, promoter of the land company, left the city after a lot holder obtained a warrant against him and when Mrs. Gertrude E. Elliott sued him for alleged breach of promise.

Now it is Mrs. Elliott who is said to have "disappeared." Attorneys interested in the case learned today she had gone to the mountains. She previously reported to have left "for the south."

The development company was formed recently by Wallace, who acquired a tract of land west of the Sixty-ninth street terminal and later induced Mrs. Mary B. Hill, owner of the adjoining tract, to participate in the development.

The first tract which Wallace obtained was known as the Yarnall tract. The promoter is said to have made a small cash payment, leaving a purchase money mortgage of \$81,000 against it.

Sold Lots On Both Tracts

The affable and persuasive Mr. Wallace sold lots on both the Yarnall and Hill tracts. When lotholders tried to obtain title insurance for their purchases they were unsuccessful.

Literally hundreds of "little insurance" companies were established to take a wife believed to be in the west. The wife's signature was needed on the legal documents.

Later Wallace is said to have introduced a woman as Mrs. Wallace. The latter signed the documents and then, apparently, left the city.

While the \$20,000 mortgage of promise suit has added piquancy to the case it is not regarded as having any effect on the adjustment of the lotholders' claims that have been advanced.

Ready Expert Employed

A ready expert, John H. Longstreet, has been empowered to negotiate a mortgage on the Hill tract, the proceeds to dispose of claims against that piece of ground.

Both J. Joseph Stratton and Fazzon, president of the real estate company, are confident that the claims of lot buyers on Mrs. Hill's tract will be all adjusted satisfactorily.

The Yarnall tract figuring in the case was owned by sisters of Albert T. Yarnall, treasurer of the J. T. Jackson Company, realtors. Frank P. Felton, Jr., president of the same company, took exception to statements that his company held the mortgage against the Yarnall tract.

Mr. Felton issued this statement: "The J. T. Jackson Company assert that last spring they acted as agents in the sale of a tract of land at Springfield Manor, a real estate company.

The owners passed title to the land subject to a purchase money mortgage. This closed the transaction so far as J. T. Jackson Company concerned."

MAN SHOT IN BUFFALO

Riot Follows Hold-Up of Carrying Workmen

Buffalo, Oct. 7.—(By A. P.)—Several men were slightly hurt and one was reported wounded by a bullet from a revolver this morning, when a crowd of 1000 men held up cars of the Buffalo and Lake Erie Tractor Company between the city line and Lackawanna.

Ties and blocks of concrete piled up on the tracks held up the first car and ultimately blocked off the carrying workmen to Lackawanna Steel Company, one of the three local plants closed by the strike.

Fuzillades of rocks met the cars as they came to a standstill. The workmen fought back and several of them, according to police information, used revolvers. A detail of police hurried to the scene in an automobile and quickly put the rioters to flight. The man said to have been wounded had disappeared when the police arrived.

YORK COUNTY FAIR OPENS

Thirty Thousand Attend, Including 5000 School Children

York, Pa., Oct. 7.—With record exhibits in every department, the sixty-fifth annual York county fair opens today under most favorable conditions.

The seventy-five acre enclosure is filled with every conceivable attraction for the entertainment of the young and old, and the biggest exhibition in the history of the county is presided.

The management has retained the twenty-five-cent admission charge, including five-cent children's rate, and the fair will run for a month. The public guests of the county today have been closed for the afternoon.

A strong racing program has been provided for the visitors. The opening attendance is estimated at thirty thousand.

SEND FOR CHILDREN BOARD ITALIAN SHIP

Five Hundred Boys and Girls of Lady of Good Counsel Institution Visit War Vessel

ADMIRAL CONZ GREETES THEM

Some of the boys decided at once to join the navy, and one little girl of seven said she intended "to be a Red Cross."

It was a great day for the Italian-American youngsters from the school of Our Lady of Good Counsel at Eighth and Christian. Five hundred of them, on a rough count, and they didn't stand still long enough for any one to count them carefully, were received today on board the Conte di Cavour by Admiral Ugo Conz, members of his staff and crew.

Heading the long double line came two little girls, Jennie Roberto, with an Italian flag and a carefully written address, and Lucy Guarnerio, with a large bunch of flowers. Following in a double procession came the boys of the school, and then the girls, many wearing a small Italian flag.

After a number of cheers, in which American and Italy were jollily mingled, the children gathered around the admiral while he told them that those who had never been in Italy could now say that they had been there for the warship was part of Italy.

"The good American citizens," said the admiral, "so that Italy may be respected in America."

Sing Italian National Hymn

The Italian national hymn was sung, and the crew sang lustily "The Belle of Trieste," Italy's most popular war song.

Some of the luckiest of the youngsters managed to get small pieces of food to take away with them. The exercises were finished near noon, just as the bread was being taken from the ovens, and the children found their way into all corners of the ship stopping in the bakery long enough to get a souvenir.

The afternoon program included sight-seeing for the admiral and his aide, Lieutenant Bruno Riva.

"I am not my own master," said the admiral smilingly, "I must my master general, Mr. Welch of the War Camp Community Service, and I believe we go to points of historical interest inside and outside Philadelphia this afternoon."

Given Dinner Tonight

Tonight the local Italian committee will entertain Admiral Conz and his officers at a royal Italian dinner at Leonard's restaurant, Twelfth and Spruce streets. Three hundred men of the crew will be dined tonight by the Benedict Society Club at its headquarters, 3017 Market street.

The trip to Atlantic City, which was to have been today, has been postponed until next Monday, at which time the admiral and nine of his officers will be the guests of Mayor Bacharach. They will have a dinner at the Ambassador Hotel and will be shown about the resort.

The engineering officers of the battleship visited the Atlantic Refining Company today.

CONZ TO BE GUEST OF CHESTER FRIDAY

City to Receive Italian Admiral With Elaborate Program

Chester, Oct. 7.—Admiral Ugo Conz, of the Italian navy, who arrived Sunday on the Conte di Cavour, will be the guest of the Italians of Chester Friday. Elaborate plans are being made for the reception of the naval hero and his staff.

The admiral will come to Chester by automobile Friday afternoon and will be received formally at the City Hall by Mayor McDowell and city officials. He will then be escorted to Deshong park at the home guards, where he will be given a welcome by school children of Chester. It is expected that the schools will adjourn Friday afternoon's session in order that all the children may have a part in the welcome to Admiral Conz.

Following the school children's rally and community singing at the park Admiral Conz will be the guest of the Pennsylvania Military Academy. He will also visit a number of the industries.

HOLD TWO IN TIRE THEFTS

Spectator Arrested in Case During Hearing of Boy

While Magistrate Wrigley was hearing a case against a boy accused of stealing tires today, James Craven, twenty-two years old, of Kensington avenue, entered the courtroom and was arrested by detectives, who charged him with receiving stolen tires from the prisoner.

The boy under examination was Edward B. Jones, seventeen years old, of East Ontario street. Detectives Graham and Reeves of the York road and Champlott avenue police stations, told the magistrate that young Jones had stolen tires valued at \$250 on October 5 from the garage of William Abrams at A and Mentor streets, and had hidden them in the cellar of his brother-in-law, Harry G. Winger, 3100 Kensington avenue.

Detective Graham said he arrested the boy after buying twelve new tires from him for \$20.

FAVORABLE SIGNS SEEN BY PHYSICIANS

Appetite Better, but Complete Rest Enjoined

Washington, Oct. 7.—(By A. P.)—President Wilson continues to improve, and he is eating and sleeping well, said a bulletin issued at 11:25 a. m. today by Rear Admiral Grayson, the President's physician. Rear Admiral Still

INJURED AVIATORS BETTER

Slight Improvement Has Been Noted in Condition of the Six United States Army Aviators who were injured in two crashes at Buxton Field last Sunday afternoon. They are all now at the Frankford Hospital, where they were taken following the accident. All

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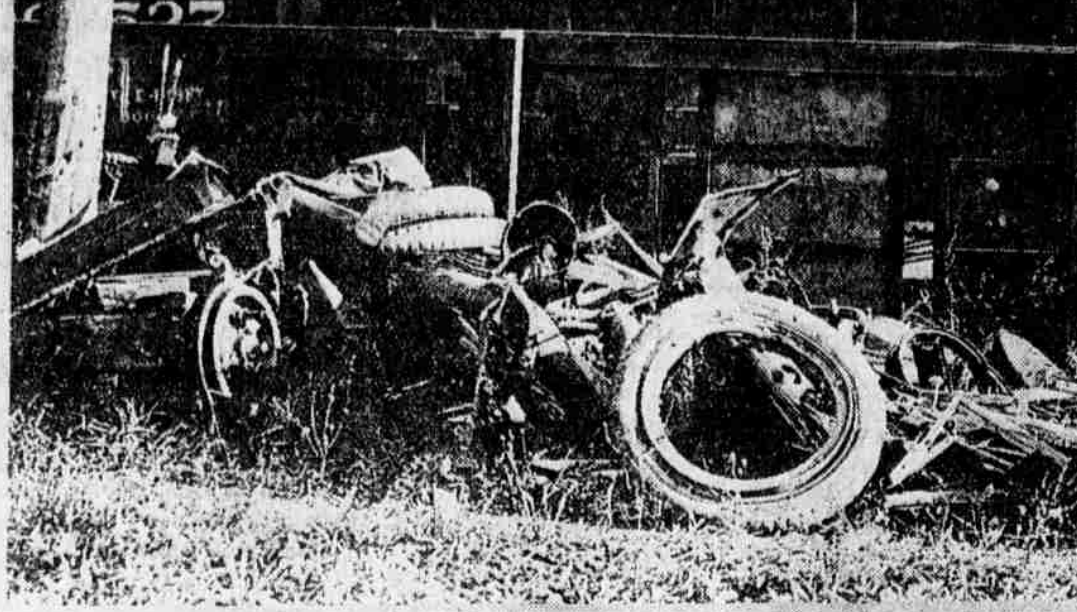
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Doctor Grayson said the President was restless and desired to attend to public matters. However, the doctors insist that their orders for complete rest be strictly carried out and the President will be kept in bed for the present.

In the view of Doctor Grayson, the President, despite the improvement shown during the last few days, is not yet out of danger and the physicians fear that any undue excitement now might offset the gains he has made.

There is no intention now to send the President away from Washington. Messages of sympathy continued to reach the White House today. One from President Ador, of the Swiss Confederation, said:

"The Swiss federal council, truly grieved to hear of your illness, begs you to accept its wishes of speed and full recovery."

A cablegram from President D'Arignani of Italy, said:

"With most sincere wishes for speedy recovery, I send to His Excellency, the President of the United States, sentiments of genuine sympathy in which the government and people of Italy heartily join."

London, Oct. 7.—(By A. P.)—King George, who is greatly concerned over the illness of President Wilson, today sent his private secretary, Colonel Clive Wigram, to the American embassy to seek the latest news regarding the President's condition. Colonel Wigram also was instructed to express his master's sincere sympathy with President and Mrs. Wilson.

Universal Service Scored by Price

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city of armed interference arise the navy of England would be found fighting with ours.

"Without the possession of a great armed force a country will hesitate long before declaring war.

"Do you think it a good thing, a wise thing, to inculcate the war germ in the hearts of our American youth?"

Fears Growth of Militarism

"Could anything be more hateful than the conception of the thought that they might grow to give a toast, as German officers did for years, to 'The Day' when war would begin?"

"Universal military service is not proof of the faith of Americans in the integrity of its covenants and the stability of its institutions.

"The military policy of this country is of vital concern to its people, no less important than is the treaty of peace or the league of nations covenant."

LIBERTY LOAN BODY FORMED

Workers in Philadelphia Organize a Permanent Association

To keep intact the body of Liberty Loan workers there has been formed in this city the United States Liberty Loan Association.

At the first meeting the following officers were elected: President E. McLean Watters; vice presidents, Howard Kinney and Casimir Sienkiewicz; secretary, George I. Bodine, Jr.; and treasurer, Joseph C. Wickham.

It was decided to notify about 100 men who had done exceptional service during the loans to become members of the club and at the second meeting to be held at the Union League today the scope of the club will be more definitely determined.

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N. J. BOARD FAILED STATE, IS CHARGE

Montclair Attorney Says Utilities Commissioners Treated City as "Lunatics"

GOVERNOR HEARS EVIDENCE

Trenton, Oct. 7.—Not only has the Public Utility Commission of New Jersey been guilty of misconduct in office and neglect of duty, but it has treated the municipal officials of the state as "incompetent, idiots, lunatics or infants," according to former Congressman Eugene Leek, at the hearing today before Governor Runyon in the state house.

New Jersey's five utility commissioners are on trial for their official lives on the commission, on charges brought by the board of commissioners of Montclair.

The case has arisen out of the "zone fare" experiment of the Public Service Railway Company, a scheme suggested by the utility board, according to Montclair, without a hearing of persons or municipalities.

Mr. Leek, in presenting the case for Montclair, explained no criminal charges are made, and nothing charged that would reflect upon the personal integrity of the commissioners.

It is charged he made plain, that the commissioners have failed the people of the state and therefore should be removed.

Fatalities Prompt Grade-Crossing War

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described as dangerous. It is an open crossing, with an automatic bell. While this bell rings there is danger. The automobile was stopped at the crossing while a freight train passed. It was then driven onto the tracks, although the bell was still ringing its warning. The passenger train was approaching on another track.

"The automobile was set in motion immediately after the freight train passed. When the engineer of the passenger train saw it on the track ahead it was impossible for him to stop the train to prevent the accident.

"We regret this accident as much as any other person, and think that before we are criticized an investigation should be made into the facts.

"The Reading Railroad has not opposed the elimination of grade crossings. On the contrary, it has spent large sums in that work. During the last year many crossings have been eliminated between Philadelphia and New York and between Harrisburg and Reading.

"It is unfair to say that politics has blocked the fight of the Chestnut Hill Business Men's Association or any other organization against grade crossings. The railroads want all danger spots eliminated.

"When the war started, I understand, word came from Washington to the state Public Service Commission that work on the elimination of grade crossings and other work could be suspended and that the Public Utility Commission to the welfare of the people continued Mr. Leek, was shown by their failure in 1918 to use \$50,000 that was available in an investigation into the affairs of the Public Service Corporation. Instead this money was allowed to revert to the state treasury.

Never Asked for Experts

Now he said, because of this, municipalities of the state must raise hundreds of thousands of dollars to employ experts to make this investigation. Mr. Leek said the commission never asked for an appropriation for experts to obtain the true state of affairs in the corporation.

The Montclair board of commissioners has charged that the commission permitted the Public Service Corporation to set aside franchises with various towns by adopting the zone-fare system, which, it is claimed, forced exorbitant fares on many riders.

It is charged further that no appraisal of the company's property was made by the commission before a rate of fare was decided upon. Furthermore, it is declared, the zone fare system suggested by the commission actually gives the Public Service Corporation a higher fare than it had expected.

All these charges have been denied by the commissioner, in their answer filed with the governor. Today's hearing is the final step in the proceedings.

The commission has on hand many documents comprising reports of various hearings on the fare question throughout the state.

HOTEL MEN RE-ELECT LUKES

Former Owner of Walton Chosen President for Fifth Term

The annual election of officers for the Pennsylvania State Hotel Men's Association was held this morning in the First Regiment Armory, Broad and Callowhill streets, at the fourteenth annual meeting. Louis Lukes, for eight years proprietor of the Hotel Walton in this city, and now of the Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster, Pa., was elected president by acclamation after an absence of two terms from the office. Mr. Lukes holds a unique record in the association in holding the office of president, this being his fifth term. The previous record was two terms.

Other officers elected were: Treasurer, David R. Provan, Adelphi Hotel; secretary, Colonel Thomas Leslie, editor of Hotel and Club News; chairman of the executive committee, Mahlon W. Newton, of Green's Hotel; first vice president, L. Fred Kloog, General Forbes Hotel, Pittsburgh; second vice president, Milton Wood, Hotel Hyde, Ridgway; third vice president, J. B. C. Umble, Mansion House, Reading, Pa.; fourth vice president, A. J. McConory, Penn Square, Lancaster, Pa.; fifth vice president, James E. Kress, Merchants Hotel, Johnstown, Pa.

SKIPPER ENDS LIFE AT SEA

Captain William Johnston Shoots Himself Aboard S. S. Mahopac

Captain William Johnston, for ten years master of the Atlantic transport liner Mahopac, committed suicide last Friday by shooting himself while in his cabin. It became known when the ship reached this port from London yesterday.

The vessel was under command of Chief Officer Rhyne when she docked. Captain Johnston, a sufferer from acute indigestion, which is believed to have caused him such suffering that he decided to take his life, has a wife and five children in England.

NEW JUGO-SLAV CABINET

Triukovitch Becomes Premier and Trumbitch Heads Foreign Affairs

Paris, Oct. 7.—(By A. P.)—A new ministry for Jugoslavia has been formed in Belgrade, according to dispatches received here.

M. Triukovitch has been named as premier, it is stated, and M. Trumbitch as minister of foreign affairs.

M. Trumbitch, the foreign minister, held this post in both the Protitch and Davidovich cabinets. He was one of the Jugoslav representatives at the Paris Peace Conference and was one of the signers of the German peace treaty on behalf of the Serbian-Croatian-Slovene kingdom.

DEATH

CIRAK—Oct. 6. PATTI, husband of Susanna Cirak, aged 52. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services at 7:30 p. m. at the parlors of Frank Dreher, 3005 West Girard avenue—burial, Oct. 7, at 10:30 a. m. at St. Mark's church. Friends of Mrs. Cirak invited to attend services at 10:30 a. m. at St. Mark's church.

Moore Congratulated by Judge Patterson

Congressman Moore, Republican nominee for Mayor, received a letter of congratulations today from Judge Patterson, who was his opponent in the Republican primaries.

The judge said he enjoyed every minute of the "good, clean, stand-up fight." Congressman Moore promptly dispatched a reply by special messenger to the judge in his chambers in City Hall. The congressman thanked the judge heartily.

The judge in his letter put the final seal on the program for party harmony for the November election when he wrote that the congressman could be assured of his loyal support.

JITNEY HEARING OCTOBER 24

Public Service Commission to Take Up Philadelphia Situation

The jitney situation in Philadelphia will be gone over at a public hearing to be held by the public service commission in this city on Friday, October 24. At the same time the application of the Quaker City Taxisab Company for approval of rates will be taken up.

In the jitney cases rates and service of all jitneys or motor buses for hire of which the commission has any information will be considered. Complaints against jitneys running without authority were filed from Pittsburgh and Meadville by persons holding state certificate for the operation of such vehicles.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company today asked the public service commission for amendment to its charter relieving it from obligation of maintaining the passenger way on the old bridge at Nanticoke, the county of Luzerne having built a new one nearby.

NEGRO SLATED FOR COUNCIL

Nathan Nutter Candidate to Fill Unexpired Term of Seger

Nathan G. Nutter, a negro, was nominated by the Seventh ward Republican executive committee last night to succeed Charles B. Hall, who is to be the late Select Councilman Seger. This would be the first time in sixty-five years, it was said, that a negro would be sent to the upper chamber.

Richard A. Cooper, a negro and president of Common Council from the Seventh ward, was elected to the chairmanship of the ward committee to succeed Charles B. Hall, who is to be nominated by the city committee for the vacancy on the councilmanic ticket caused by the death of Mr. Seger. This is the first time a negro has held the post of ward chairman.

These honors were credited to the fact that Edward Dickerson, a negro, was arbitrarily elected to the council from the second district in the late primary.

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FINDS STOLEN SAFE

Robbers Dynamite Vault and Escape With Loot as Policeman Appears

A safe stolen from the restaurant of Horton C. Davis, 511 South Twentieth street, was found last night on the banks of the Mingo creek near Ninety-fourth street and Island road. The door was blown open and a gold watch and several bundles of business papers lay nearby.

The safe was found by Policeman Cavanaugh, of the Sixty-fifth street and Woodland avenue station. Cavanaugh was patrolling his beat last night shortly after 8 o'clock when he heard a muffled explosion. Investigating, he found the safe, but no trace of the men who had stolen it. It was removed to the Twelfth and Pine streets station.

Hired Man and Potatoes Vanish

A wagonload of potatoes and a hired man are being searched for in Camden today. Harry Hopkins, a farmer at Medford, N. J., reported to the Camden police that he sent his hired man, Patrick O'Reilly, to town with a load of potatoes and that the man did not return. He was worried and wanted the police to help in the search.

RUSSIA CAN STAND ALONE

"We Have Finished Job," Says British Chief, Back from Archangel

London, Oct. 7.—(By A. P.)—Major General William E. Ironside, British commander-in-chief on the Archangel front, arrived at Liverpool yesterday and proceeded to London. Asked regarding the position of Russia, General Ironside said:

"I think too much has been said already. We have finished our job and I think the Russians can now look after themselves."

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