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Washington, Nov. 26.—Rain and colder tonight; Thursday rain or snow. TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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SPORTS EXTRA

PRE-WAR PHONE RATES RESTORED; 16 PER CENT CUT

U. S. Reaches Coal Wage Decision; Reduction in Rise Urged by Secretary Wilson Expected

\$450,000 IS SAVED TO PHONE USERS IN PHILA. DISTRICT

Service Board Lops Off Increase Ordered by Postmaster General Burleson

CHANGE GOES INTO EFFECT ALL OVER STATE MONDAY

Commissioners Commend Law Limiting Frequency of Schedule Changes

Comparative Phone Rates of Now and After Dec. 1

Table comparing phone rates for residential, business, and wholesale services before and after Dec 1, 1919.

A 16-2-3 per cent cut in Bell Telephone Co. rates, effective December 1, next Monday, was ordered this afternoon by the Public Service Commission in Harrisburg.

The order, restoring the rates in effect here prior to June 16 of this year, was based on the company's plea to continue its war-time rates after December 1.

The rates ordered restored are those established in April, 1917, which were to continue in force for three years.

It is estimated that the return to the pre-war rate will save \$450,000 a year to telephone subscribers in Philadelphia, \$350,000 to subscribers in Pittsburgh and approximately \$1,000,000 throughout the state.

Finds High Charge Needless The commission in its decision says it was a wise provision in the public service law that contemplated "three years' repose," following orders for utility companies' rates and service, and that the evidence as to the financial condition and prospective revenues submitted by the company in the light of prevailing circumstances is "not sufficient to convince the commission of the necessity of the increase prayed for, nor of the justness or reasonableness of the rates proposed to advance the applicant's rates above those which were in effect prior to the period of federal control."

It is said that the company has, with other utilities, suffered from increased costs and there is no disposition to deny "just and reasonable support," but that it does not appear that the company would be injured by returning to the state commission established rates of 1917.

Expect No Higher Costs After saying that the figures submitted by the company as the result of wartime operations are as yet inconclusive in determining the reasonableness of the rates, the decision says it would not "be warranted in basing a conclusion upon the conjecture that higher costs of operation and service than those which have already been reached will be the experience of this company. To so decide would in a sense foreclose the rights of the rate payers, and the future reveals a necessity for rate readjustment," says the decision, "prompt relief can be

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RAIN OR SNOW TOMORROW

Thanksgiving Forecast Pessimistic. Much Colder Tonight

Rain or snow is forecast for tomorrow, Thanksgiving Day. It may last until evening.

Philadelphia will get at least the signs of a severe cold wave which is sweeping the West. The temperature is due to drop to 40 tonight, and tomorrow freezing weather is expected.

MERE POLITICAL BIFF CAN'T CHECK PROFITEER

Attorney General's Plan So Impractical That Doubt of Administration's Sincerity of Purpose Springs Up Throughout Nation

By GEORGE NOX MCCAIN

Washington, Nov. 26.—United States Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer and his official advisers in Washington started out to control food prices at the wrong end. Unfamiliar with the work, they attempted to do something which they hoped would avert a crisis.

Up to the present the plan has been a conspicuous failure. If Attorney General Palmer, foreseeing the inevitable, had called into consultation twenty or thirty of the leading food administrators of the country and obtained the benefit of their advice and experience, with the promise of assistance in controlling profiteers, the situation today would not be where it is.

Instead, it was taken for granted by the authorities in Washington that state food administrators and other members of the Hoover organization would leap into the breach, reorganize their scattered legions, and handle the food situation in peace, as it had been handled in war. But even under this assumption the attorney general's office made a mistake.

Food Administration Ignored In addition to its failure to invite the co-operation and assistance of the national food administrator and his staff, I understand that the attorney general obtained a list of state administrators and wired them directly, invoking their assistance, instead of working through the agencies that had made wartime food conservation a national success. To designate it by no ruder term, it was an error.

A knowledge of human nature and the exigencies of modern business life, should have suggested that after more than a year's strenuous activities there would be a natural hesitancy on the part of state administrators to con-

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WOMAN ENDS LIFE UNDER TRAIN HERE

Body Dragged Three Miles. Found Clad in Kimono Near Broad Street Station

World-Famed Military Genius Is Shot for Aiding Villa Rebellion

Worried Over Ill Husband Faced Accusers Proudly

Mrs. Nettie Bennett, forty years old, 5401 Thomas avenue, committed suicide shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, the police say, by throwing herself under a train.

She was killed on the tracks of the West Chester line of the Pennsylvania Railroad in the rear of her home. The woman was despondent, according to the police because of the serious illness of her husband, M. Bennett.

Today is her husband's birthday. For the past two months he has been an inmate of the Mount Alto Sanatorium for consumptives. His condition is serious and he has not as yet been notified of his wife's death.

A note was found on the dining-room table of her home this morning. Mrs. Bennett wrote that she did not want to live any longer, the police say.

Body Found Near Station The upper part of Mrs. Bennett's body, clad in a kimono, was found about 8 o'clock a few hundred feet outside the Broad Street station. The woman's limbs, severed by a train from Media which reached Broad Street Station at 7:24 o'clock, were found at points along the track near her home.

About the same time that Sanarzo Sandoro, a Pennsylvania Railroad trackwalker, found part of the woman's garment on the track near her home, Mrs. Bennett's stepdaughter, Edith Bennett, twenty-two years old, notified the police of the discovery. She was on the table, where she had been found at points along the track near her home.

Miss Bennett told of the finding of the notes. When she came downstairs this morning there were two notes in the neck of an empty milk bottle on the dining room table.

One note, addressed to Mrs. Bennett's son, Warren, read: "You go straight to Germantown and ask Uncle Roland to take you."

The other, addressed to Edith, read: "You use this money toward the expenses of burying me. It is mine."

There was no word of farewell in either note. Both were unsigned. A sum of money was in the envelope. Harry Hartman, 2540 North Thirty-second street, Mrs. Bennett's brother-in-law, and Marshall Hall, Wilmington, her brother, went to the morgue to identify the body.

Mrs. Bennett Had Two Children Mrs. Bennett had two children, Warren, fourteen years old, and Francis, seven years old. The two children, with Miss Bennett, the stepdaughter, were in the house when Mrs. Bennett left by a rear door and walked down an embankment to the railroad tracks.



GENERAL FELIPE ANGELES

AUTOPSY IN POISON CASE

Baltimore Coroner to Inspect Body of Woman in Winston-Salem

The Baltimore police said today that the coroner would go to Winston-Salem, N. C., to perform an autopsy upon Miss Lucile Sharp, who died in Baltimore Saturday after a short illness.

Her body was taken to Winston-Salem, her former home, by her mother, Mrs. B. Markle, who is now in the city. The coroner will inspect the body and determine the cause of death.

Politics Behind the Scenes If the old food administration could be reorganized and put to work, something might be accomplished. If the plan ended in failure, as it was bound to, it would be a disaster.

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1300 HAZLETON MINERS OUT

Anthracite Workmen Quit Because of Nonunion Inspector

Hazleton, Pa., Nov. 26.—(By A. P.)—Thirteen hundred miners employed by the G. B. Markle Coal Co. are on strike today. The trouble started two days ago at the Jedd No. 7 colliery over the refusal of a coal inspector to join the union.

The strike spread to two other operations. Still another colliery may close if the trouble is not speedily settled.

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Residence Question Raised After this endorsement by Mr. Smyth the Mayor-elect was asked if he held it against a candidate that he was not distinctly a Philadelphian.

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U. S. TROOPS ARREST IDLE MINERS

Sheridan, Wyo., Nov. 26.—(By A. P.)—Scores of coal miners who declined to return to work were rounded up by United States soldiers in Carneyville, Wyo., today and placed on interurban cars for removal to the county jail in Sheridan.

All other miners in the town were ordered by Major Warren Dean, military commander of northern Wyoming, to return to work this afternoon.

Washington, Nov. 26.—(By A. P.)—Secretary Baker said today it was "improbable" that an army officer would order the arrest of coal miners for their failure to return to work as reported from Sheridan, Wyo.

ADDITIONAL RACING RESULTS

Fifth Bowie race, 1 mile—Pen Rose, 106. Welner, \$3.00, \$3.20, \$2.00, won; Peregrine, 97. Pierce, \$3.20, \$4.80, second; Star Ream, 109. Miller, \$3. third. Time, 1:43 1-5. Blur Devil, Gain de Cause, Ground Swell, Daydne and Armistice also ran.

ABROGATE ZONES. PLEADS NEW JERSEY TROLLEY CO

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Employers and Union Conciliate on Main Questions—Judge Staake Arbitrator

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GARFIELD TO GIVE COAL ULTIMATUM THIS AFTERNOON

Cabinet Believed to Have Decided on From 20 to 25 Per Cent Increase

DOUBT FELT THAT MINERS WILL ACCEPT PROPOSAL

Government Takes Definite Stand as Nation's Fuel Situation Reaches Crisis

The government has reached final decision in the coal mine wage controversy which will be announced late today.

Garfield's plan of an increase of from 20 to 25 per cent is believed to have been adopted by cabinet. Operators, it is said, will bear the burden of the increase without material rise in prices.

United States troops at Carneyville, Wyoming, arrested miners who refused to return to work.

McAdoo declares operators are raising a "smokes screen" to hide huge profits and again challenges them.

By the Associated Press Washington, Nov. 26.—A definite and final statement on behalf of the government in the coal wage controversy will be made to the operators and miners late today by Fuel Administrator Garfield.

Final decision was reached by the cabinet at the meeting today, Doctor Garfield and Secretary of Labor Wilson declared.

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By the Associated Press Washington, Nov. 26.—The House immigration committee's investigation of conditions at Ellis Island was unclouded today when Dudley Field Malone, former collector of the port of New York, whose name was introduced yesterday by Martens, the so-called ambassador from Soviet Russia, appeared to "clear his name."

Malone then was ordered to leave the stand, but he protested and did not step down until the sergeant-at-arms reached the side.

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