

**THE WEATHER**  
 Washington, Feb. 6.—Snow or sleet and colder; unsettled tomorrow.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR											
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**NEW YORK TRAFFIC HALTS; SITUATION THERE GRAVE**

Millions of Dollars' Damage Done—Many Vessels Are in Distress

**By the Associated Press**  
 Washington, Feb. 6.—The East is staggering under the severe snow and wind storm which began Wednesday and continued through last night. Great damage has been done. Land and sea travel hampered and lives imperiled.

Another twenty-four hours of snow and high winds along the Atlantic coast, from Maryland to Maine, was forecast today by the Weather Bureau.

The peak of the storm is now in New England, where the heaviest fall of snow in the East this winter—twenty inches—was recorded in places. The fall continued general from the Canadian border to central Virginia and covered a path as far west as the upper Ohio Valley.

Damage resulting from the storm has been heavy. High tides, heavy seas and high winds have wrought havoc at Atlantic coast resorts from Carolina to New England, places damaged including Atlantic City, Coney Island, Ocean City, Maryland, Ocean View and Buckroe Beach, Virginia, and Wrightville Beach, North Carolina.

Shipping also has suffered severely. Many vessels being in distress all along the coast.

Railroad traffic has been seriously interfered with, reports to the railroad administration showing passenger trains far behind schedule and in many sections freight trains blocked.

At the weather bureau it was said that the center of the storm had moved so close to land that it is possible now to forecast snow today, drifting south-east of Nantucket, Mass. The storm is moving northeastward and, it was said, will move a little more rapidly than it has.

There has been no marked cold at any point in the storm area, it was said at the weather bureau, temperatures generally being only a little below the freezing point.

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Two of Uncle Sam's aviators were fighting their way to New York in the teeth of yesterday's gale when their engine went dead. The pilot landed in a tree-top near Swarthmore, as shown in this photograph. Both men escaped unhurt and the mail was forwarded by train.

## MOORE LEADERS MUST HAVE VOICE, DECLARES DEVELIN

**"I'm Independent in Practice as Well as Theory," 34th Ward Councilman Says**

**WON'T BE GOVERNED BY CAUCUSES, HE ASSERTS**

**Weglein Points to Similarity of Figures of "Charley" Hall and Develin**

In a frank statement of his position today, Councilman James A. Develin, who blocked a majority program in Council, asserted the administration should consult with Independent leaders if it wishes the support of Independent voters.

"Inasmuch as the administration has to depend on Independent votes," said Mr. Develin, "it is foolish to ignore them. It would only be a waste of wisdom to take them into account. The Independent leaders seem to have been ignored."

The West Philadelphia councilman, who yesterday moved an amendment to the majority salary resolution, made it clear he referred to George W. Cole, chairman of the Town Meeting party, and Sheriff Robert E. Lamberton as the leaders who had been "ignored."

Develin's assertion today squares with a recent utterance of Horace W. Reilly, secretary of the Town Meeting party. Reilly, who is personal deputy to Sheriff Lamberton, declared Town Meeting leaders were not being consulted by Mayor Moore.

Develin said he wanted it clearly understood that there was no question of patronage in his attitude toward the majority resolution referred back to the finance committee along with Develin's own amendment. He said he was a supporter of Councilman Charles B. Hall, a Vore leader.

He has no candidates for councilmanic jobs, Councilman Develin added. The only man he sponsored recently, he said, was a Republican Alliance follower, whom he succeeded in placing in the sheriff's office.

Discussing the administration salary resolution, Mr. Develin declared it was one that concerned the councilmen only and was not one to be governed by a caucus.

"I thought the measure was an extravagant one and voted against it for that reason," he said. "Every member of Council should have a fair show to vote on such measures as he sees fit without thought of other influence."

**Independent in Practice**  
 "But I want it to be understood that I am an Independent in practice as well as theory. I am not to be governed by the result of any caucus if it is against the best interests of the city and my constituents. Rather will I be governed by what I believe to be right."

Francis F. Burch, chairman of the finance committee of Council, said today:

"I favor the Develin amendment because it sets forth the minimum number of clerks necessary. I believe the number of clerks provided in the amendment is not excessive. It is a fair proposal and will be ample to carry on the work. I do not want to see any delay. The whole matter should be cleaned up at once."

Richard Weglein, president of Council, expressed optimism today. He said he had no fear of a definite split, but he did take a vigorous whack at Develin and Burch for their ideas on economy.

"Economy," said he, "is often confused with cheapness. And cheapness doesn't always mean economy. It is the most expensive course sometimes."

Mr. Weglein says it is "a coincidence" that the ideas of Charles Hall, of the Vore forces, and of Mr. Develin on the question of the amount needed for Council jobs are so similar.

**Financial Aspect Uppermost**  
 "Mr. Hall believes the figure should be \$35,980 and Mr. Develin says it should be \$35,900," he observed. "They both seem to have the financial aspect uppermost."

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## Independents 7, Vore 4, in Finance Committee

This is the political line-up in the body which will act upon the Develin employe amendment.

Francis F. Burch, Chairman, Fourth district, Independent.

George Connell, Fourth district, Independent.

Sigmund J. Gans, Sixth district, Independent.

Alfred Montgomery, Seventh district, Independent.

Robert J. Patton, Eighth district, Independent.

Charles H. Von Tagen, Sixth district, Independent.

Alfred J. Limeburner, Seventh district, Independent.

Joseph P. Gaffney, First district, Vore.

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## BOY'S QUICK WIT SAVES 4 FROM GAS

**Charles Murphy Seeks Aid and Helps Rescue Mother and Kin**

**BLAME LEAKING MAIN ONE OTHER IS VICTIM**

The quick wit of a boy last night saved his mother and brother and two sisters from death when a leaking pipe filled the house at 207 Federal street with gas.

Charles Murphy, thirteen years old, was on the second floor when he awoke and smelled the fumes. Although he felt ill he groped his way to a gas fixture and found the cocks were closed properly.

Recalling that gas from leaking street mains had caused a number of deaths in this city, the boy dressed hastily and ran out to the snow-heaped street.

The boy met Patrolman Hoffman, of the Seventh and Carpenter streets station, and asked for help. Boy and blue-coat ran back to the house and opening windows on the first floor before ascending to the upper floor.

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Two young women, each of whom received injuries in trolley accidents, died last night at the University Hospital.

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**Ancient and Famous Beacon Tower Tottering Under Assaults of Wind and Wave**

**BEACH COTTAGES WRECKED**

The lower end of Rehoboth Beach, Delaware's only seashore resort, is strewn with wrecked cottages today and the famous Cape Henlopen lighthouse is threatened with destruction, the result of the worst storm ever experienced at the resort. The total damage so far is estimated at \$125,000.

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## STUARD SUCCEEDS HARLAN

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**Snow Driving Deer to Feed With Cattle**

Warren, Pa., Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Deep snows throughout this entire section is driving the deer from the forests to seek food and shelter with domestic cattle in adjoining farms. One herd of thirteen has been seen a number of times in the vicinity of Kane, and other herds, not so large, have been reported from other sections.

Oil men report that the mortality among game birds has been unusually heavy, in spite of their efforts to feed them. For weeks the ground has been covered with ice, and it was impossible for the birds to obtain their usual supplies.

## TWO BUS LINES PROJECTED

**General Thayer Organizing Company to Operate on Broad Street**

Two companies are planning to operate motorbus lines along Broad street and adjoining traffic lanes. Both will soon present petitions for certification of public convenience to the Public Service Corporation.

The lines are being organized by General Russell Thayer. A five-cent fare for a ride from the navy yard to Olney avenue along Broad street, with other thoroughfares, is planned. The backers of the second company are not known.

## WILSON'S SILENCE WEAKENS TREATY

**Democratic Senators Likely to Defeat Ratification Unless He Gives Cue**

**PRESIDENT ANGRY AT GREY**

**By CLINTON W. GILBERT**  
 Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Feb. 6.—Democrat in the Senate have had no sign from the White House since the Grey letter. Without a sign that President Wilson purposes to yield, they are likely to stick to their position on Article X and defeat ratification of the treaty to the Democratic attitude, always providing that it has not moved the President, and that the Republicans, by suggesting that the British envoy has done privately and publicly has encouraged the Republicans, while knowledge that the British Government does not object to the League reservation has not in any way weakened the Democratic opposition to them.

The Republicans now feel that their policy is unassailable. They have offered a compromise. They have conferred and consulted with the Democrats. And their program of reservations does not wreck the league or "break the heart of the world."

Indeed, the heart of the world is left quite undisturbed by the Republican reservations and is only in danger of being broken by Mr. Wilson's extreme "no-reservation" policy. Having this consciousness, the Republicans are now more unyielding than ever over the League version of Article X.

There is a storm, however, in the fruit of Republican satisfaction. Maurice Low, in a dispatch yesterday to the London east, discloses this storm. He describes the Grey letter as "well meant, but ill advised." He thinks his publication was the kind of international meddling which can only cause resentment.

**Wilson Could Claim Alibi**  
 The President may easily take the position, if the league is defeated, that he refused to be driven by English pressure into accepting alterations to the league covenant which would weaken it, that Europe never cared for the league, all along seeking to sap its effectiveness and being interested chiefly in bringing us into world affairs, that he had all along resisted such efforts at Paris and that he continued to do when Lord Grey repeated them in conjunction with Mr. Lodge in Washington.

I do not say that this would be a highly ingenious argument, but it is a perfectly possible campaign argument. And the President is wise to take the treaty to the stump, will probably assert that relations between Europe and the Republicans did not begin upon Lord Grey's arrival in Washington, but continued throughout the peace negotiations at Paris, to the great detriment of his efforts there.

In other words, the storm in the apple of Republican satisfaction is that if they are cleared of the load of European objections to their league policy, they may not escape the load of too.

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## 'NOTHING HEROIC ABOUT ME,' DECLARES MRS. SPIKER

**Wife Who Came to Aid of Husband's Sweetheart and Her Baby Says She Is Only Doing Her Best—Not Condoning Misdemeanors**

**By a Staff Correspondent**  
 Baltimore, Md., Feb. 6.—"There's nothing heroic about it. I'm just trying to do my best. I'm not condoning misdemeanors—merely trying to remedy as best I can the wrong done. And I shall keep on trying to do my best."

That was the way Mrs. Percy Spiker expressed herself today concerning her attitude in the tangle that includes her husband, his English sweetheart and their baby, and Spiker's brother, Guy Spiker, who offered to marry Emily Knowles, the English girl.

Unmindful that she is the subject for discussions the country over, Mrs. Spiker is making preparations to receive her husband's "war bride" as her new sister-in-law.

Still Has Faith in Husband  
 "Indeed, I have not lost faith in my husband," she said as she paused in the midst of housework to discuss the case. "I have no fear he will be unfaithful to me in the future. It was only a mistake that influenced him to make a mistake. If he had been home it would never have happened."

"It is so foolish for people to marvel at my stand in the case. No true wife could do anything else. Some say they see how I could sympathize with Miss Knowles, but they don't see how I could

## SON FOUND AFTER 11 YEARS

**Relatives Eagerly Await Home-Coming of R. R. Squires**

Roland R. Squires, of Gracey, Calif., will come to this city in the spring to see his family for the first time in eleven years.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Squires, his parents, 158 North Eighth street, and his sister, Mrs. A. Manning, same address, eagerly await his arrival.

The son left home in 1909 to enlist on a naval training ship. He was fourteen years old. No word was received from or of him until recently when he was located through a newspaper advertisement. He has two children; his wife is dead.

## GARAGE ROOF COLLAPSES UNDER ICE; AUTOS WRECKED

The roof of the Pelham Court Garage, Pelham road and Quincy street, collapsed today from the weight of ice and snow and fell in on 36 automobiles stored in the building. The loss is believed to be more than \$100,000. A Dutch, 5741 Christian street, is the owner of the garage.

## MAYOR UPHOLDS MAJORITY'S COUNCIL JOB PROGRAM

Mayor Moore this afternoon upheld the majority program of councilmanic employe, emphasizing in particular that a secretary to the council president is necessary. "It is absurd," he added, "to ask the president of Council to have his office in his hat." The majority program has been blocked by Councilman James A. Develin, an Independent.

## POST PARCELS BURNED

Backfire Sets Truck Ablaze, Destroying Few Packages

Several small packages of parcel post mail were destroyed when a mail truck was fired from the backfire of the engine at Forty-first street and Woodland avenue last night.

John McGarry, Eighteenth and Christian streets, the driver, did not know the truck was on fire until a pedestrian told him. An automobile from the postoffice garage, Forty-third street and Woodland avenue, was passing and the driver extinguished the blaze with fire-fighting apparatus he carried.

## Big Snowfall Reported at Different Places

Philadelphia, eight inches.  
 Scranton, Pa., six inches.  
 Reading, Pa., four feet.  
 Harrisburg, fourteen inches.  
 Baltimore, Pa., four inches.  
 New England, twenty inches.

## PLAN DICKINSON MEMORIAL

Will Remodel Room in West College to Honor Veterans

Dickinson College has decided upon its memorial to Dickinsonians who served during the war. The memorial is to consist of a remodeled room in West College, formerly used as a chapel, and adapting it for various college activities.

The plan is in charge of Bishop William F. McDowell, Washington; Bishop Edward W. Wilson, New York; Bishop Joseph F. Berry, Philadelphia; Hon. Edgar W. Biddle, Carlisle; William L. Woodcock, Altoona; Melville Gambrell, Wilmington; Leman T. Appold, Baltimore; Charles K. Haddon, Camden, N. J.; and Charles K. Zug, chairman, Philadelphia.

## BOWDOIN BUILDING BURNED

\$50,000 Loss in Destruction of College Union Structure

Brunswick, Me., Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Bowdoin College Union Building was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin today. The central heating and lighting plant was located in the basement and the college is threatened with serious inconvenience from the loss.

The building was a story and a half brick structure, first used as a gymnasium and later remodeled for a union. The loss was estimated at more than \$50,000, partly covered by insurance. Frozen hydrants handicapped the firemen.

When you think of writing, think of **WRITING**—Ad.

## U. S. AIRMEN STILL HELD

Mexico Fails to Issue Orders for Release of Wolf and Usher

Douglas, Ariz., Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Orders from Mexico City for the release of Lieutenants L. M. Wolf and G. M. Usher, American aviators detained by Mexican authorities since their forced landing across the border last Monday, were awaited today by army officers along the border.

The two men are allowed the freedom of the city by Naconari officials. The Mexican official investigation into the affair was completed Tuesday. It was said that the investigation was ordered by the federal government and the orders for their release must come from Mexico City.

## WAGES RISE 17 P. C. IN YEAR

Department of Labor Statistics Refer to Average Union Scales

Washington, Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Union wage scales in the general trades in 1919, averaged 17 per cent. higher than in 1918; and 55 per cent. higher than in 1915, according to a summary issued today by the Bureau of Labor statistics.

The regular hours of labor per week in 1919 were 5 per cent. less than in 1918. The figures apply only to persons employed at time rates, and not to piece workers.

## ARMY BILL WANTS ON TREATY

Washington, Feb. 6.—No effort will be made to call up the army reorganization bill in the Senate until the treaty of Versailles has been disposed of, Chairman Wadsworth announced today. Senator Wadsworth had hoped to call the bill up this week, but other legislation prevented.