

9 CURT IN WRECK OF PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

Four Cars of Train on Way to This City Leap Tracks at Longfellow, Pa.

ENGINEER PROVES HERO

Nine persons were injured when a Pennsylvania Railroad passenger train was derailed...

Among the injured are: Mrs. Mary Talbot, East St. Louis, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Talbot, East St. Louis, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Talbot, East St. Louis, Ill.

JURY HOLDS MURPHY'S FATE

Accused Slayer Offers No Defense. Expect Verdict by Night.

Judge Bell charged the jury trying Thomas Leonard Murphy in the Court of Quarter Sessions at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon.

Murphy is on trial for the murder of Abby Ryan, a motorcycle paragon, of Trenton, N. J., in 1918.

Murphy, who was introduced in evidence by the prosecution, Murphy had claimed the motorcycle was a motor for a bandit, as he was armed.

Rick, jointly indicted with Murphy, but not yet brought to trial, is expected to testify on the advice of Henry J. Scott, assigned by the court to defend him.

GAFFNEY SCORNS ROPER

Refuses to Reply to Charges on Prison Ration Grant.

Joseph P. Gaffney, vice consul-general, termed as "too insignificant to take up" the question of the prison ration grant.

Mr. Gaffney would make no further comment than that the other members in Council said that the old Council, under the Smith administration, had appropriated \$60,000 for the purpose of the grant.

They said they had not seen the letter from the chief clerk of the Eastern Penitentiary stating that \$100,000 would be the amount required for the grant of prisoners on August 1, 1919.

FOR MORE CO-OPERATION

Help for Disabled Men Discussed by Industrial Physicians.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 25.—(By A. P.)—Closer co-operation of agencies dealing with the rehabilitation of the human disabled must come if the work is to be made effective and efficient.

The meeting was held supplementary to the safety conference, which adjourned last night.

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MERCHANTS UNLOAD SHIP

Charleston Business Men Work at Wharves During Strike.

Charleston, S. C., March 25.—(By A. P.)—Three scores of business men of Charleston took their boats today and began unloading a 600-ton cargo of general merchandise from the Baltimore and Carolina Steamship Co. freighter Lake Clear, which had been ordered to return to Baltimore.

It is estimated that it will take the volunteers three days to truck off the Charleston consignment of freight and load 100 tons for the return trip.

FIRE DESTROYS AUTOS

Fire starting in some brushwood last night destroyed a one-story frame barn and two automobiles on the place of E. Joseph Miller, a contractor, at Magnolia, N. J.

He is survived by three sons, Washington N., Hudson and William D. Lake, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held from his home on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at 4000 N. 15th St., Philadelphia.

RURAL SCHOOLS URGED TO MERGE

Consolidation Suggested as Means to Reduce Shortage of Instructors

MUSIC NEED EMPHASIZED

A 50 per cent reduction in the 10,000 one-room rural schools in this state would make possible a reduction of 40 per cent in the number of teachers necessary.

This statement was made by Lee L. Driver, director of the bureau of rural education for Pennsylvania, in a speech before the music supervisors' national conference in University Hall, Warranaker's street, this morning.

Mr. Driver, whose subject was "Music in the Rural Schools," pleaded for a consolidation of the small rural schools.

"A working knowledge of music should be required of every rural school teacher, and until schools are required to teach music as they do arithmetic, history or geography, the proper sort of music teachers will not be developed."

"I believe that music will get into the rural schoolroom by the aid of the talking machine more than in any other way."

Mr. Driver also recommended the use of talking machines in rural schools.

"The end of musical instruction in schools must be appreciation," he said. "We must make rural life so attractive that people won't want to leave the farm. Music will help to do this."

Mr. Driver also stated that the population of this country was shifting to the city at an enormous rate.

He said that community life in the country depended on the schools and that the country schools were still operating on Revolutionary war ideas.

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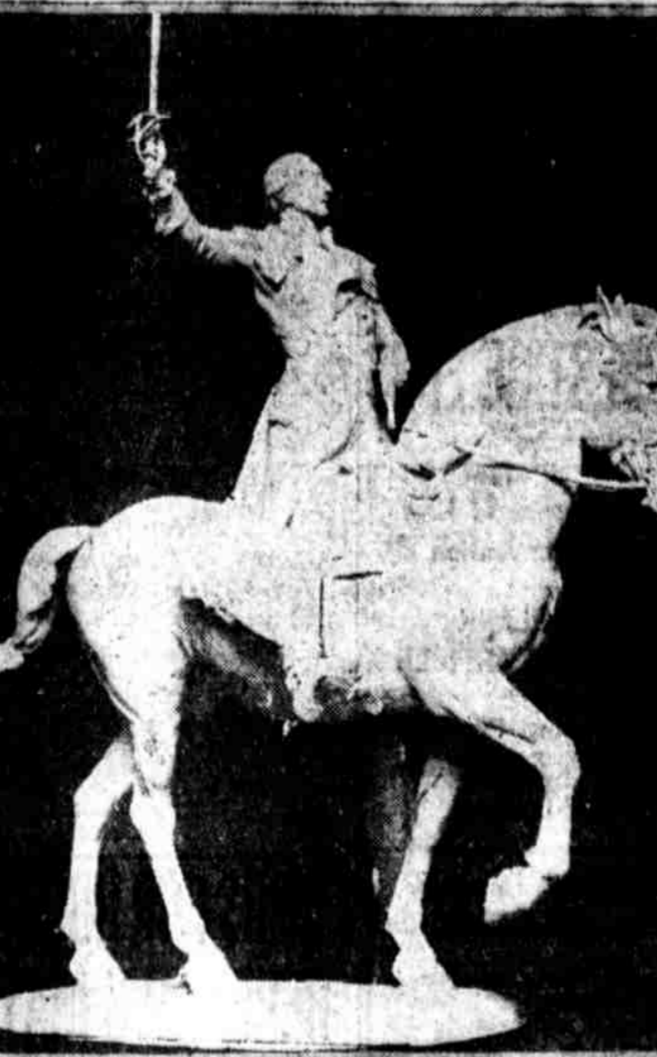
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Secretary's Delay Caused Serious Personal Shortage, L. C. Palmer Testifies

TRIED TO STOP RECRUITING

By the Associated Press. Washington, March 25.—"Procrastination on the part of Secretary Daniels was responsible for a serious shortage of personnel which proved 'the initial handicap of the navy in the war.'"

The secretary, Captain Palmer declared, was unable to appreciate the necessity for obtaining and training men in service before an actual declaration of war.

"Even after war was declared," the witness stated, "he used to say 'We have too many reserves now.'"

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INDUSTRIES FIGHT OPENING STREETS

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