

THE WEATHER
Partly cloudy and unsettled tonight and Wednesday with probable local showers; slightly cooler Wednesday.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR:
8 10 11 12 1 2 3 4 5
74 78 80 82 83

Brother Offers His Blood to Save 'Deserter's' Life
Seventeen-Year-Old Bride Sobs Defense That Youth Went A. W. O. L. to Earn Money for Sick Mother

URGENT PROSECUTION OF PHILADELPHIANS IN BERGDOLL CASE
War Department Report Would Punish Slacker's Mother, Romig and Chauffeur



GIBBONEY IS MENTIONED; 3 ARMY MEN MAY BE TRIED
Ansell & Bailey Named for Investigation—Grand Jury to Act This Week

MRS. JOSEPH STEVENS
The seventeen-year-old bride whose husband was shot and possibly fatally wounded on the Parkway yesterday when he failed to halt on a streetcar, an army sergeant who sought to arrest him as a deserter.

John J. Stevens, the seventeen-year-old soldier shot as a deserter yesterday on the Parkway, returned to civilian life to help pay the expenses of his mother's illness.

His young wife, seventeen years old like himself, today told the story of her husband's "desertion" when seen at their home at 2427 Panama street, she said, with tears streaming down her cheeks, it would be murder if her husband died; that he had not meant really to desert, and that he had been made to bring him back to the army.

NO, YOU'RE WRONG!
'Tis the Humidity That Makes It Seem So Hot
The weather today is not as hot as it feels. Many on the street were under the impression that the temperature was more than ninety, but at noon the figure was 83.

Commissioner Ruling Means P. R. T. Passes Stop July 1 Unless Directors Change Decision
Public Opposition Is Growing. Mass-Meeting to Fight Company Set for Tonight

Free transfers will be abolished July 1 unless the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. decides not to put the change into effect because of the strength of public opinion against it.

THE abolition of free transfers will be a blow to the prosperity of the Frankford line, already an application to the Public Service Commission having been made to have the company give some sort of check to riders purchasing exchange tickets when they desire to switch to other lines.

RECOVER FOUR MORE BODIES OF EAGLE BOAT VICTIMS
The bodies of four more members of the crew of the U. S. S. Eagle, which capsized near New Castle, Del., last Friday, were found today near the wreck.

DETECTIVES HALT COUGHLIN SEARCH
Father Calls Them Off to Be Able to Deal With Kidnappers Himself

Investigators have given up the search for Edmund Blakey Coughlin because his father, George H. Coughlin, has announced his intention of dealing directly with the abductors without telling the detectives.

PRINCETON AWARDS 30 DIPLOMAS, 2 HONORARY DEGREES
Final Exercises of Commencement Week Held in Alexander Hall

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger
Princeton, N. J., June 15.—Three hundred and one men, a majority of them members of the class of 1920, but many of them former members of classes 1918 and 1919, who lost a year, and in some cases two, by reason of their war service, this morning received their degrees in Princeton's 173rd annual commencement exercises held in Alexander Hall.

LA FOLLETTE LEADING VOTE
Committee of Forty-eight Ballot for Presidential Candidate
Chicago, June 15.—(By A. P.)—Senator Robert M. La Follette is leading in the referendum vote which he has taken among the members of the Committee of Forty-eight as a suitable candidate for the presidential nomination, according to statements at the party headquarters here.

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ROBBERS BEAT MAN, ESCAPE WITH \$210
Victim in Hospital Following Hold-Up at Twelfth and Green Streets
Two thugs held up and robbed a man of \$210 on Green street near Twelfth early today and then beat him up so badly that he was taken to the Hebronn Hospital in a serious condition.

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IS CLOTH CLOTHING?
U. S. Supreme Court Must Settle Woolsen Companies' Problem
New York, June 15.—(By A. P.)—The Supreme Court of the United States has been called upon to decide whether cloth is clothing under the Lever act.

PROSECUTION OF THREE PHILADELPHIANS
The court-martial of three army men and a rigid investigation of the connection of Bergdoll's Washington lawyers with the escape plot are among other recommendations made.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR SOLDIERS
Major John E. Hunt, commandant of the disciplinary barracks at Fort Jay, N. Y., where Bergdoll was imprisoned prior to being sent to the military reservation at O'Hara and Calvin Park, the sergeants from whom he escaped, are the military men mentioned for court-martial in the grand jury indictment to investigate the Bergdoll case this month.

BERGDOLL CROWD "ROTTEN"
After a conference with Assistant Attorney General Stewart in Washington last week, Mr. McAvoy announced that the names of the Bergdoll plot would be published, and gave as his opinion that "Gibboney has kept himself very much in the foreground during the entire affair."

DUAL KILLING IN LANCASTER
Tragedy May Be Treble—Wife-Murderer and Suicide Shot Baby Also
Lancaster, Pa., June 15.—(By A. P.)—A three-year-old Helen Mull, lying seriously wounded in the back in the children's ward of the General Hospital, alone in the room, was the tragically lone victim of a dual killing in Lancaster yesterday afternoon which resulted in the murder of her mother and the suicide of her father.

FOR EQUAL GERMAN STATES
Erzberger Points Out Prussia Is Too Large
Berlin, June 15.—(By A. P.)—Division of new Germany into states of equal size and importance was advocated by Matthias Erzberger, former premier and minister of finance, in the course of a campaign address at Auziger, he pointed out that Prussia, for instance, was too large and should be divided into equal and independent states.

JUSSERAND WILL RETURN
French Ambassador Officially Announced to Resume Post
Paris, June 15.—(By A. P.)—The official announcement that Jusserand would return to his post as ambassador to the United States, a "good friend of Mexico."

GABELL TRIAL BEGINS
North Penn Bank Director-Clerk Faces Conspiracy Charges
The trial of William T. Gabell, director-clerk in the defunct North Penn Bank, accused on eight indictments in connection with the looting of the institution, began today in the Criminal Sessions Court, Room 633, City Hall.

SCHMIDT STANDS BY STORY
Wittig to Inform Council Today Chicagoan Won't Change Testimony
Council's self-investigating committee will be informed this afternoon by Harry Wittig, a Council sergeant-at-law, that B. Schmidt will not change the testimony he gave before the committee.

RUTGERS HONORS HOOVER
Confers Degree of Doctor of Laws on Former Food Administrator
New Brunswick, N. J., June 15.—(By A. P.)—Herbert Hoover, former food administrator, and Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, retiring president of Cornell University, received honorary degrees of doctor of laws at the 154th annual commencement of Rutgers College here today.

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