

Master Shipbuilder Who Gave \$1,000,000 to Employees Has Own Philosophy of Labor 'THEY EARNED IT,' HE SAYS

Philadelphia can claim some share in William H. Todd, one of the world's master shipbuilders, the man who recently gave away \$1,000,000 in stock to his employees.

He once was a newsboy in this city. He filled his 'lux-trees' with a boyish vim that the years developed into the masterful vigor of a planner and executive.

Then he was a train 'butcher,' selling magazines, fruit, candy and cigars on Pennsylvania Railroad trains between this city and Baltimore.

Now he is president of the Todd Shipyard Corporation, controlling yards and drydocks on the eastern and western coasts with more than 15,000 men on his payroll.

When he gave \$1,000,000 in stock to his employees last week he simply was putting into practice a philosophy growing from long association with workers.

Mr. Todd says his men don't work 'for him. They work with him.' The master shipbuilder laughed when asked if philanthropy prompted him to give away \$1,000,000.

He gave away the money because it was coming to them, because they had earned it, because I promised it to them," he said. "I didn't really give it away at that time. We all went to work. We all did pretty good work for the last four years and I simply was giving the gang I work with a split on what we made."

Mr. Todd, whose vast yards are free from labor trouble, insists his attitude towards labor is purely one of common sense.

"Loyalty of labor? You can't buy that with a million times a million. Incentive to increased efficiency? There's not a big man in our outfit who was not lifted out of the ranks by his own effort. Philanthropy? Workmen don't want philanthropy. They want a fair deal all around."

No Time for Shirking Employee The former newsboy has little time for the employer who gets into a hole of his own making and then runs to his workmen to be helped out. He has equally as little time for the shirking employe.

"There's the workman who says he can't work more than six hours a day," he explained, "and when he gets the six hours complete he complains that it is not enough to live on. Why doesn't he work longer, then. I am working more hours a day now than I ever did."

Mr. Todd has his own views on that. He believes the "cost-plus" system of letting war contracts was largely responsible.

"That cost-plus plan was no good for anybody," he asserted. "I never took one unless it was forced on us. We built mine sweepers during the war on a lump sum basis, and we turned out nine sweepers to the other fellow's one right along. Cost-plus is simply an inducement to lay back, pile up construction costs and add to your profit by percentage. It's likely to make contractor and workman alike lose respect."

Middle Class Has Been Hit Mr. Todd insists that something must be done for the middle class of America's population, the "white collar" class, neither capitalists nor laborers.

"Unless some one watches out," he warned, "there will be an uprising of the middle people in this country. They are the ones whose interests have not been considered. The big fellow and the workman may be able to fight it out, but the people who are not in the capitalist class nor yet laborers have rights, too. The American people are not fools."

Mr. Todd, a son of James and Sarah E. Todd, was born in Wilmington, Del., November 27, 1864. His father had been a Philadelphian. He was married in 1889 to Miss Mary Emma Babcock, of Wilmington.

COSTS MORE TO MAKE GAS Public Service Officials Explain Reason for Asking Higher Camden Rate A conference between Public Service officials and the special committee of members of Camden City Council was held last night at the Camden City Hall on the matter of the gas company's application to the Utility Commission to increase its rate from \$1.15 to \$1.55 per thousand.

PICNIC FOR ODD FELLOWS South Jersey Lodges Hold Outing Today at Alcyon Park The combined lodges of Odd Fellows, of South Jersey, will have a picnic and outing at Alcyon Park, N. J., this afternoon and evening. Nearly every lodge in Camden and Gloucester counties will take part.

CAMDEN POLICEMAN HAS SUN SHADE



The Camden policeman, who controls the traffic just outside of the Pennsylvania ferries spends his time under an umbrella. It works in rain or sunshine

ORANGEMEN PLAN BIG CELEBRATION

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MEXICO REJECTS VILLA'S PEACE BID

Unconditional Surrender of Bandit Chieftain Demanded by War Minister

NEW REBELLIONS STARTED

By the Associated Press Mexico City, July 10.—The government has decided to reject the peace proposals of Francisco Villa, said General Francisco R. Serrano, under secretary of war and marine, to the Associated Press yesterday. Only unconditional surrender would be accepted, he declared.

Three members of the crew of an airplane on its way to the north and in the military campaign were killed when the machine crashed, according to Zacatecas dispatches received by El Universal.

Washington, July 10.—Address to the State Department yesterday from the American embassy in Mexico City said officers formerly on the staff of General Pablo Gonzalez were in prison on the charge of plotting against the government, that the state of Chiapas is in open rebellion, and that General Francisco J. Murguira, who was defeated for governor in the state of Michoacan, had raised the flag of rebellion.

The Mexican embassy has received official advice which it published yesterday stating that General Juan Barragan, Alfredo Ricourt and Lucio Blanco and Colonel Paulino Fontes had returned to Mexico from the United States where they fled after the killing of Carranza.

Mexico City newspapers received yesterday give prominence to reports that two of the generals, Blanco and Ricourt, together with Ygnacio Bonillas, formerly ambassador to the United States, attended a "junta" recently at San Antonio, to promote a new revolution looking to the restoration of the Carranza government.

The censorship in Mexico City has been relaxed, as copies of the Mexico City newspapers reaching Washington have whole columns blank. No explanation is made by these papers of the renewal of the censor's activities.

To Order Projecting Signs Down Council's committee on law and municipal and county government yesterday approved an ordinance to direct the removal from Chestnut street between the Delaware and Schuylkill rivers of all signs projecting more than eighteen inches beyond the building line. The ordinance is a redraft of a measure submitted to the committee last winter by the Chestnut Street Association.

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AMMUNITION UNIT IN FIRST REUNION

304th Train Gathering Today at Estate of Col. E. B. Cassatt, Berwyn, Pa.

TO FORM ORGANIZATION

Former members of the 304th Ammunition Train, a unit of the Seventy-ninth Division, are holding their first reunion today at Chesterbrook Farm, the country place of Colonel E. B. Cassatt at Berwyn, Pa.

The former soldiers started leaving for Berwyn this morning and will continue throughout the day, all depending on the distance they have to come. According to Major Vincent A. Carroll, who has the reunion in charge, it has been a difficult job to get in touch with all the members of the unit, many of whom have moved and are scattered to the far winds. Any man is welcome, however, whether he receives an invitation or not.

One feature of the reunion will be an organization meeting. It was decided by the men on their way home aboard the transport Minnesota to form a regimental association, and now for the first time this will be possible.

Besides the organization at Camp Meade until they were mustered out of service.

SEE FRAUD IN NOTE TO MRS. BERGDOLL

Federal Agents Believe Swindler Wrote Letter Asking Money for Grover

INVESTIGATION STARTED

A swindler is believed by federal agents to have written the letter to Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, purporting to come from her son Grover, asking that \$1800 be forwarded to Wildwood, N. J. They are investigating.

Mrs. Bergdoll disclosed the contents of the mysterious communication at the Federal Building when she appeared yesterday to put up real estate security and release \$10,000 cash which she entered Tuesday a week following her indictment for aiding and abetting her sons, Grover and Erwin, to escape and evade the draft.

The letter said Grover was traveling with a woman known as "Mrs. H. Workman" and was known as "Mr. H. Workman."

Mrs. Bergdoll, James E. Romig, a former city magistrate and confidential adviser of the Bergdoll family; Charles Erwin, Mrs. Bergdoll's son, and Albert S. Mitchell, an auto accessories dealer, of Broad street near Dauphin, four of the eight defendants indicted by the special grand jury in connection with the draft-dodging scandal of the Bergdoll brothers, will be called to plead to the indictments against them next Monday before District Judge Thompson.

Mrs. Bergdoll said she would appear without a lawyer and plead not guilty, saying she was thoroughly disgusted with lawyers.

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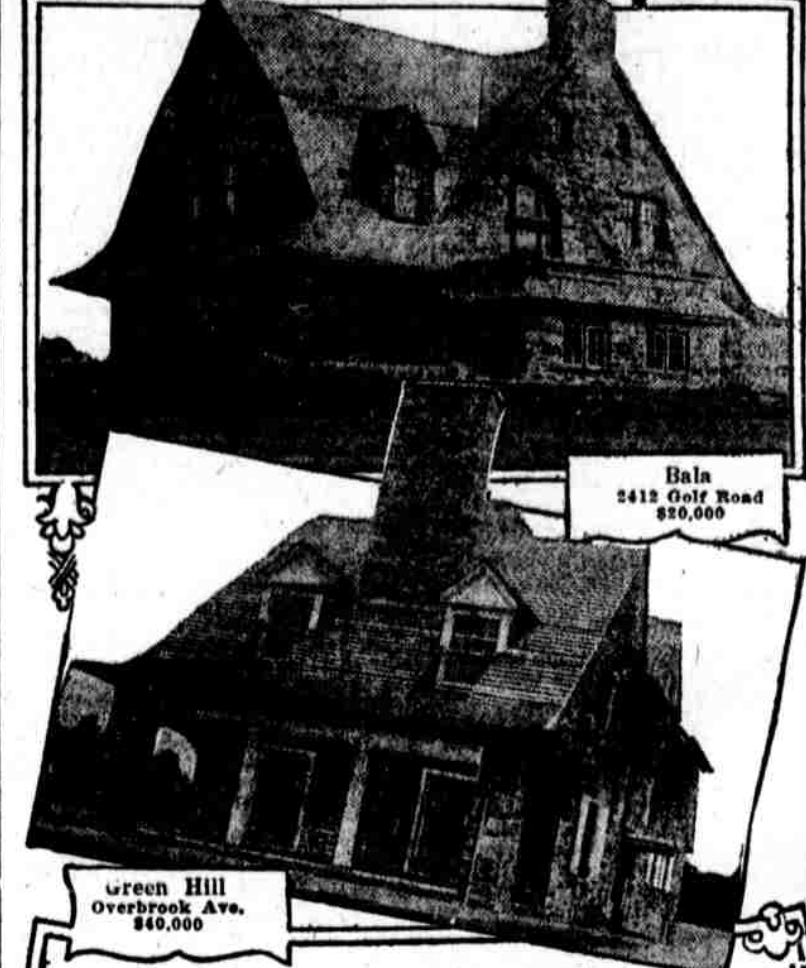
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