

THE WEATHER											
Partly cloudy and moderately warm tonight and Saturday. Probably occasional showers. Gentle south wind.											
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"THE CRANK" IS WEAKENING ON TRACK AT CITY HALL

Russians Pierce Warsaw's Defense Line; Soviet Denies Intention of Subjugating Poland

WOMAN SOUGHT TO CHECK UP ON SUSPECT'S TALE

Pasquale Brought Here From Harrisburg for New Ordeal of "Third Degree"

TAKEN TO PRISON AFTER DENYING KIDNAPPING

Fingerprint Clues Prove to Be Unsatisfactory, Officials Admit Today

"THE CRANK" AFTER GRILLING HERE TODAY



The first photograph taken of Augusto Pasquale, "The Crank" of the Coughlin kidnaping mystery since his arrest, shows him under heavy guard leaving the City Hall on his way to the county prison at Holmesburg.

Why Was the Baby Stolen? Various Theories Offered

Baby was stolen for ransom by "The Crank," who was acting for himself only, is one of these theories.

"The Crank" took the baby, but was hired to do so by a childless family which coveted Norristown's "Perfect Baby."

"The Crank" stole the child for hire, then independently bled the Coughlins for \$12,000 and was caught when he tried to get \$10,000 more.

Theft of Blakely was instigated by enemies of the Coughlins for motives of revenge.

Family difficulties at the bottom of the mystery.

Burglars, with no thought of kidnapping, entered the Coughlin home and awakened the baby, who began to cry. Fearing the noise would awaken the household, the burglars wrapped the baby up and carried it out of the house, took alarm and ran away, leaving the baby with them.

QUESTION LEGALITY OF TRANSIT RULING

Public Service Commission May Resist Supersedeas Granted by Judge Linn

LAWYER OUTLINES CASE

The legality of the order of Judge Linn, of the Superior Court, which has abruptly halted the hearing of the Rapid Transit Co.'s subsidiaries before the Public Service Commission, was questioned today.

A lawyer who is closely connected with the legal fight against the transit company's fare boost request said the commission had at least two grounds on which to resist the supersedeas granted by Judge Linn which stays proceedings before the commission.

One of these grounds is that the commission's order that the underlying companies file an answer to the complaint of the United Business Men's Association was a mere interlocutory order and not appealable under the public service law. If such is the case, he says, the Superior Court had no right at this time to interfere with a thorough probe before the commission of all the facts relating to the underlying companies.

Commission Not Notified

The second ground is that the stay of proceedings was ordered by Judge Linn apparently without any prior notice to the commission. Under Article VI, Section 10, of the public service company law no appeal from an order of the commission can be allowed until the commission has been apprised.

The success of the underlying companies in removing their case from the commission, the lawyer continued, may cause attorneys for the Rapid Transit Co. to try the same procedure.

The attorney pointed out that the company has thirty days in which to appeal from the order of the commission refusing to put the higher fare tariff into effect.

Attorneys Out of Town

Frederick L. Ballard, counsel for the P. R. T., is out of the city and is not expected back until September. At his office today it was said there was no information there on which action would be taken.

C. Oscar Beasley, attorney for the United Business Men's Association, also is out of the city. He is expected to return Monday. Before leaving Mr. Beasley said he wanted "time to pull myself together," after what he termed was the unusual action of Judge Linn, of the Superior Court.

The local members of the Public Service Commission, Samuel M. Clement, Jr., and James S. Ryan, are out of the city also. It is said today that if the commission resists the order of Judge Linn, Attorney General Schaffer will represent the commission's case before the Superior Court, there is said to be good grounds on which the court would sustain the commission's objections.

CUTS OFF SON WITH \$5

Mrs. Rebecca Lipschutz Leaves \$17,995 to Other Children

After devising her estate valued at \$18,000 to four of her children, Rebecca Lipschutz, 888 North Fortieth street, who died recently, cut off a fifth child, her son William, with \$5. No reason was given in the will, probated in register of wills office today.

The will of Caroline Coppes, 2108 North Thirty-second street, left \$4500 to members of her family. Letters of administration were granted in the estate of Harry L. Whitney, who died a few days ago in the University Hospital, fixing the amount at \$8000. Inventories of personal effects were filed for C. Edgar Richter and Frank L. Noyes, showing that their belongings were valued at \$76,441.36 and \$75,942.55 respectively.

MAIL CLERK IS HURT IN MAIN LINE CRASH

Passengers Shaken Up When P. R. R. Electric Hits Milk Carrier Near Ardmore

COMMUTERS ARE DELAYED

J. E. Mullister, of Lancaster, a mail clerk, was hurt at 6:45 o'clock this morning when a west-bound passenger train on the Pennsylvania Railroad struck a milk train between Wynnewood and Ardmore.

Mullister was sorting mail when the collision occurred. He was hurled to one side of the mail car. He was cut over one eye. A severe laceration of the face brought him to the Bryn Mawr Hospital.

The collision delayed traffic on the Main Line. When the road was opened again, trains of extra length, some of thirteen cars, were needed to carry waiting crowds into Broad Street Station.

The passenger train, an electric, left Broad Street Station at 6:30 o'clock. It was trailing the milk train. Between Wynnewood and Ardmore the electric train ran past a signal, according to witnesses, and crashed into the caboose at the rear of the train ahead.

The motorman on the electric train and a baggage man jumped to the side of the tracks, as did two flagmen and a brakeman in the caboose of the milk train. Several passengers on the electric were shaken up by the jolt but did not require medical attention.

Several flat cars loaded with milk were thrown from the track and overturned by the force of the collision. The milk supply for numerous Main Line families was spilled along the roadway.

Hurried telephone calls were made for physicians living near Ardmore. They hastened to the scene in motor-cars.

Trains were diverted to another track while the wreckage was being cleared away. Main Line trains were delayed for an hour and a half.

YOUTH KILLS FATHER TO SAVE HIS MOTHER

Was Choking Woman to Death When Son Fired Six Shots Into Body

By the Associated Press

Fairview, N. J., Aug. 6.—After shooting and killing his father early today in defense of his mother, Louis F. Gross, Jr., twenty-one years old, telephoned to the police and awaited arrest. Gross, police say, declared his father was choking Mrs. Gross when she returned from a trip to Asbury Park with her son's girl friend. Four of six shots fired at the elder Gross took effect.

"My father broke into a jealous rage when my mother arrived home, and started choking her to death," the police say young Gross declared. "He accused her of being out with other men. I thought it was going to be a case of mother's or father's life, so I ran to my room and got a revolver. I warned him that he probably would kill her and when he ignored me I fired six shots at him."

The Gross family came here from Jersey City six months ago.

BOY, SIX, HIT BY AUTO

Driver Leaves Victim at Hospital and Evades Arrest

While playing in front of his home last night, John Forte, six years old, 737 South Sixth street, was struck by an automobile and knocked down. The driver was making an attempt to drive on, it was said, when he was stopped by the yelling of pedestrians who attracted the attention of several policemen.

The driver then returned, picked up the child and took him to the Pennsylvania Hospital and drove away before his identity could be obtained. Physicians at the hospital say the boy's skull was fractured. Search is being made for the driver.

AUTOS IN COLLISION

Occupants Are Unhurt Though Car Overturned—Driver Arrested

Two motorcars collided on the Roosevelt boulevard early today and, though a car overturned, no one was hurt. A car driven by William Moss, 3232 North Stillman street, was speeding south on the boulevard, according to witnesses, when it struck a machine going in the opposite direction, driven by Jack Cronin, Edmonds street, Tacony.

Cronin's car was overturned by the impact and he was thrown to the street, but was uninjured. Moss was arrested and will be given a hearing today by Magistrate Costello on a charge of reckless driving.

STEAMER IN DISTRESS

Freighter Supertec Sends Call for Aid—Four Ships Respond

Boston, Aug. 6.—(By A. P.)—Four ships were hurrying to the aid of the new freighter Supertec, which sent a radio message last night saying she was leaking badly and was fracturing right shoulder. The ship was gaining on the pumps today, the Supertec reported.

She was bound from New York for Havre and struck a machine reported to be 100 miles south of Halifax. The steamers which responded to her call were the Bristol, Norden, Western Maid and West Nyoko.

WILL HEAR LABOR'S PLEA

Palmer to Receive A. F. of L. Resolution for Amnesty

Washington, Aug. 6.—Attorney General Palmer notified Samuel Gompers today that he would hear the plea of the American Federation of Labor for amnesty for political prisoners next Wednesday.

The federation adopted a general amnesty resolution at its Montreal convention and this will be handed the attorney general.

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WRANGEL CLAIMS VICTORY

Constantinople, Aug. 6.—(By A. P.)—Armies of the Russian Soviet Government, which have been engaged in fighting General Wrangel's forces in southern Russia, have been completely defeated, according to a telegram from General Wrangel, which has been received here. The anti-Bolshevik has captured 4000 prisoners, thirty-nine cannon, 150 machine guns, four trains, five armored cars and a great quantity of war material, it is said. Pursuit of the Bolsheviks, it is declared, continues.

THREE-ALARM FIRE IN NEW YORK OIL DISTRICT

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Three alarms were turned in this afternoon for a fire at the Virgil Neal Chemical Works, in the midst of the oil storage district in Queens, between Greenpoint and Long Island City, where a destructive fire occurred a year ago.

COAL SHIPMENTS TO NORTHWEST HASTENED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Speeding up of the coal movement to the northwest sufficiently to enable delivery of 20,000,000 tons by November 1 was forecast today by officials of the Interstate Commerce Commission as a result of the return to normal working conditions of bituminous mines in the central competitive field. Movement of 4000 cars a day carrying 200,000 tons of coal to lake ports for trans-shipment to the northwest was ordered by the commission.

AUTO BANDITS ROB HUCKSTERS OF \$201

Band Conducts Early Morning Operations Along North Broad Street

ARE CHASED BY VICTIMS

A "hold-up route" netted four negro bandits \$201 in cash between 3:30 and 5 o'clock this morning.

The netros were in a large touring car. They were all between twenty-eight and thirty years old, average height, about 140 pounds in weight, and all wore dark suits, with dark caps pulled over their eyes. They started in business under the railroad bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad across Broad street at the North Philadelphia station.

First to be held up was James Beck, of 1707 Butler street. He is a huckster and was on his way to Dock street to buy produce. The bandits got \$15, his capital for the day.

Then at Broad and Euclid avenue the bandits held up two more hucksters, also on their way to the wharf. They were James O'Neill, of 2927 Beechwood street, who gave up \$50 and Robert Walsh, of 5612 Sprague street, who lost \$20.

The bandits then drove down Broad street, followed by the hucksters, who galloped their horses. At Market street the bandits doubled north on Broad street and the hucksters gave it up. They telephoned the alarm to the Nineteenth and Oxford streets station.

Meanwhile the bandits had gone to sixteenth and Diamond streets, where they met another huckster on his way to the wharf. He was Thomas Brannan, of 2218 Ellsworth street, and he contributed \$50. At Twenty-third and Diamond streets the bandits held up John Egan, of 2014 North Seventeenth street, and got \$5. So far as is known this ended their operations for the day.

Another huckster, robbed was Frank Vignito, who was relieved of \$61 by the bandits at Eleventh street and Fairmount avenue at 3:30 o'clock this morning. Vignito lives at 2508 Huntington street.

U. S. AVIATORS AID DEFENSE OF POLISH CAPITAL

Poles Surrender Osterov, 55 Miles From Apparently Doomed Capital

RUSSIANS PRESS ADVANCE ALONG NORTHERN FRONT

U. S. Consulate and Legation Closing in Anticipation of Warsaw's Capture

Russo-German Secret Treaty Denied in Berlin

DENVER IN FEAR OF NEW CAR RIOT

Citizens Respond to Mayor's Call for Two Thousand Volunteers

TWO KILLED, 34 INJURED

By the Associated Press

Denver, Colo., Aug. 6.—Fear that rioting by street-car strikers, their sympathizers, and strike-breakers, which last night resulted in the death of two and the injury of thirty-four persons, would be resumed was expressed in official circles today.

Citizens today were responding to a proclamation issued by Mayor Bailey, calling for 2000 volunteers for patrol duty. The police were helpless last night before the mob, which proceeded on its journey of destruction until it tired itself out.

Reports from hospitals today indicated that the injured probably would recover.

No attempt was made this morning to operate cars. Yesterday was the first day since the trainmen struck for higher wages on Sunday that the transit company was able to haul passengers. The cars were manned by armed strike-breakers.

The mob, which remained around the tramway building until daylight, finally dispersed.

H. H. Tammen, one of the owners of the Denver Post, whose building was damaged by the crowd, said today he might be unable to do business from the Post plant.

"The town is without protection," said he. The Post was issued as usual from its own plant today.

Strikebreakers Patrol Bams

Strikebreakers at the South Denver car barns today patrolled the yards in front of the barns with rifles on their shoulders. Last night's two fatalities occurred in a clash at these barns.

The rioting began late yesterday. A man named Blalock was shot and killed and A. G. Smith, of Denver, died of a bullet wound.

The riots followed the first successful effort of the tramway company to employ passengers on street cars manned by armed strikebreakers. Two cars were blockaded by a motorcar just as a parade of strikers and sympathizers were passing. Some one threw a brick and the strikers attacked the cars and crews. Car windows were smashed, protective screens torn off and strikebreakers badly beaten before police could restore order. One man was shot in the foot.

Attack Newspaper Office

The Denver Post was the next object of the mob's attack. That paper was closed by the strike. Every window in the place was broken, presses hammered and sent through into the rollers; the business office wrecked, records and fixtures being thrown into the street. The engraving room was demolished and type and linotype matrices scattered through the composing room. The publishers said they would attempt to publish this afternoon.

While the mob was still at the Post another crowd had gathered at the East Denver car barns and a third mob had attacked the South Denver barns, where 150 strikebreakers who had arrived during the day, were housed. Several hundred cars were fired at the latter place at which the two fatalities occurred. This mob did not disperse until well after midnight.

While police were engaged in quelling these mobs, four street cars which had been waiting in a residential section of the trouble downtown to abate were attacked by a crowd of 5000 persons. Cars were overturned and the strikebreakers, after receiving a severe beating, sought refuge in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and were saved by intervention of priests until they could be taken to the hospital. An attempt to burn the cars, but serious damage by fire was prevented.

German Flags Will Fly on Rhine

Coblentz, Aug. 6.—Brigadier General Henry T. Allen, commander-in-chief of the American army of occupation, has approved for the American some of the interallied commission's decision to permit Germans to fly the national colors from public buildings and homes.

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