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NIGHT EXTRA

THE WEATHER Rain tonight and Tuesday; slightly warmer tonight with lowest about 45 degrees; increasing easterly winds.

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MOORE QUALIFIED FOR CABINET POST, PENROSE DECLARES

Mayor Favorably Mentioned as Interior Secretary—Then Peace With Brown Is Urged

WANTS HARMONY REACHED WITH HEAD OF CITY COURT

By a Staff Correspondent Atlantic City, Dec. 13.—Senator Penrose sprang a real surprise in his Philadelphia harmony campaign when he announced here today that Mayor Moore was available for consideration for a cabinet appointment under President Harding, and suggested, furthermore, that the Mayor and Judge Brown, of the Municipal Court, might profitably meet in conference on final disposition of the million dollar appropriation for the court.

LIMERICKS!

Can you write 'em? Do you like 'em? Can you finish one if somebody starts it?

SURE! THAT'S EASY! All right. And now, one more question—DO YOU WANT ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS?

Read about the Limerick Contest. YOU'LL FIND IT ON PAGE 2

Limerickitis Breaks Out; Germs Laugh at Science

And Limerick Fans Laugh at Germs as They Get Busy to Win the First HUNDRED DOLLARS

Well, it's here. The epidemic begins today. It's a disease that scientists do not recognize for they can't isolate its germ and study it. And they've found no antitoxin for it. Funny part of it is that those who catch it don't want to be cured. And the scientists get it as bad as any body else. It's called LIMERICKITIS. And it's teaching 'em most startling lesson—'The lowly and highly. The slowly and spry— A disease that is proving a blessing. Today we begin with the leopard; It's a beast that is sated and peopled. We'll present him to you if you'll turn to page two. But the only other rhyme we can think of refers to sheep, and that's 'sheepard.'

MAJOR CATCHES MUNICIPAL COURT BUREAU A EASE

Moore Observes Contrast Between Small Claims Office and Legal Aid Branch

ADVISES YOUNG COUPLE TO END THEIR QUARREL

Mayor Moore visited the small claims bureau of Judge Brown's Municipal Court today and commented unfavorably upon the apparent idleness of the bureau in contrast to the bureau of legal aid of the Department of Public Welfare.



Ledger Photo Service NELLIE WESCOTT HOEY Sixteen-year-old girl who eloped to Elkton and was married to sixteen-year-old Joseph Hoey. Now her mother-in-law says she can't have her hubby. Mrs. Wescott, who 'chaperoned' the elopement, says the couple are married and are going to stay that way.

MOTHERS-IN-LAW AT ODDS OVER ELOPERS

Mrs. Hoey Puts 16-Year-Old Son Under Lock and Key After Elopement to Elkton

MRS. WESCOTT 'CHAPERONE'

A slim, little blonde-haired girl with big, gray eyes, stood on the threshold of her home at 719 North Twentieth street this morning and said: 'I'm not a bit sorry I got married. I want my husband and he wants me.' So much for Nellie Mae Wescott, a sixteen-year-old attitude toward her marriage in Elkton last Thursday to Joseph Urban Hoey, of this city. The young man is also sixteen and still a high school boy. He was taken to Elkton by his parents over a week ago since the return home from the brief southern winter vacation.

TEXTILE MILLS CUT PAY 22-1/2 PER CENT IN NEW ENGLAND

100,000 Workers Affected by Announcement—New Wage Scale to Begin Next Week

GENERAL MOVEMENT IN COTTON INDUSTRY SEEN

Boston, Dec. 13.—Textile mills throughout New England have announced a wage cut of about 22 1/2 per cent to become effective on Monday next, December 20. Approximately 100,000 workers are affected. The movement appears general, and while some have made no announcement as yet, it is anticipated that a general slash will become effective before the new year.

Save Starving Children in Europe, Wilson's Plea

Washington, Dec. 13.—(By A. P.)—President Wilson today called upon his "fellow countrymen" to contribute funds to save 3,500,000 children who are facing starvation in central Europe.

"It is estimated," says the statement, "that they can be tided over until the next harvest for \$50 per child. The countries involved can furnish two-thirds of this cost, but for the other one-third they are looking to us." "Since 1914 our people have given with unparalleled generosity, and they should not be lightly called upon for additional charities. But there is a life and death situation in central Europe, where orphans, destitute, famished children, pitiful creatures of the world war, must die unless aid is sent. Ten dollars contributed through the European relief council will save the life of one child.

BUSINESS SECTION OF CORK MASS OF BLACKENED RUINS

Ambush of Soldiers Followed by Fire, Rioting and Panic

LOSS MAY BE \$15,000,000; MILITARY NOW IN CONTROL

By the Associated Press London, Dec. 13.—British regulars stood guard today over twisted and blackened ruins left by the fire which Saturday night destroyed the business section of Cork, Ireland. Charges are made that the police authorities there, maddened by the killing and wounding of comrades by ambushed Sinn Feiners on Saturday, looted the fire demon of the city. Estimates of the loss run as high as \$15,000,000.

BOY HEIR IS AFRAID OF PALS' 'RAZZING'

Murray Thompson Fears 'Gang' Will Josh Him at Receiving \$300,000 Fortune

DEVOTED TO STEPMOTHER

Murray Forst Thompson, the fifteen-year-old boy, who has just come into an inheritance of \$300,000, was more concerned this morning over the 'razzing' he was afraid the 'fellows' at the West Philadelphia High School would give him than over his unexpected fortune. He talked a few minutes after it as he prepared to leave his home at 700 Wynnwood road for school, playing manfully with Gyp, his white bull terrier. "Don't put too much about this in the paper," he said, "or the gang sure will give me one awful razzing. I must hurry or I'll be late. Mother'll tell you all about it. She's the best little mother in the world."

IMMIGRATION BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Measure Adopted as Amended to Limit Restriction to One Year

EXPECT DEFEAT IN SENATE

By the Associated Press Washington, Dec. 13.—The John D. Immigration bill, as amended to prohibit all immigration for a period of one year, was passed today by the House. It now goes to the Senate, where its defeat is predicted by Senate leaders. The vote was 292 for the bill and 41 against. Six members voted 'present.' The vote was taken after last-minute attempts by House leaders to insert in the bill the clause restricting immigration for two years failed. The House approved the bill by a vote of 181 to 105 the other day.

AGED PAWBROKER DIES OF SELF-INFLICTED SHOTS

Wounds Received in Germantown Avenue Shop Prove Fatal

Albert Rosenthal, an aged pawbroker, died last night in the Staustran Hotel, after a four-stenographer, who was shot on November 26 under peculiar circumstances in his place of business, 2274 Germantown avenue. He also died after the shooting suspicion was directed toward his son, Harry Rosenthal, forty years old. He was held by the police after he had been seen coming from the shooting scene on the night of the tragedy. After an autopsy he was released and later Rosenthal admitted that his wounds were self-inflicted.

BANK PRESIDENT RESIGNS

C. J. Rhoads, of Central National, to Be Succeeded by C. E. Ingersoll

At a meeting of the Central National Bank board of directors today, the resignation of Charles J. Rhoads as president of the bank was accepted, to take effect January 1, 1921. Mr. Rhoads leaves the presidency of the Central to become a member of the firm of Brown Bros. & Co., but remains a director of the bank.

MAJOR CAUTIOUS ON GAS

Moore Will Take Time in Naming Experts for Survey

Although Mayor Moore signed an ordinance today authorizing the appointment of experts to study the property and the operation of the gas works here, he announced he will not name the experts until he has made further inquiries. The ordinance provides \$25,000 for the employment of three public utility experts and two other persons, to be named by the Mayor, with the approval of Council. The United Gas Improvement Company, which leases the gas works here, has agreed to shoulder the expense of the investigation.

THREE HUNDRED BUILDINGS IN CORK DESTROYED

CORK, Ireland, Dec. 13.—More than 300 buildings are said to have been destroyed in the fires which yesterday laid waste a great part of this city. Most of the fires have been extinguished, but there are occasional sporadic outbreaks of flames.

NEW MOVE IN BANDIT WAR

City Will Have Sixty-five Police Booths With Phones

Police booths, linked by a network of telephone wires, are to be placed all over the city in the immediate future to aid in the war on banditry. An ordinance appropriating \$20,000 for these booths and most of the cost, \$10,000, was signed today by Mayor Moore. With the new funds at his disposal, Director of Public Safety Corbett will place sixty-five police booths in street intersections and at important points on roads leading out of the city.

GOING TO PRIVATE SCHOOL

Murray Forst Thompson in February will attend Philadelphia High School and go to Exeter, where he will prepare for college.

FATHER AND DAUGHTER STRANGLED

Husband and wife separated before the child was born, and when the infant seventeen days old the mother sent word to the father to come and get the infant.

SUICIDE IS IDENTIFIED

Long-Missing Man Killed Himself in Weymouth Swamp

A body found Thanksgiving Day by hunters in Weymouth swamp, Atlantic county, N. J., was identified as that of William H. S., seventy years old, formerly of Frankford.

BOY ABSCONDER NORMAL

Dr. Leopold Declares Elliot Michener Is Not Unusual Type

Dr. Samuel Leopold, psychiatrist in chief of the neurological division of the Municipal Court, after making a mental examination of Elliot Michener, the fourteen-year-old absconder, said: "It is very unfair to the boy to give him a 'bad' record. He is a very bright boy and his case is no different from dozens we encounter, except in the amount of money concerned. The boy is and appears self-reliant. He has displayed a great deal of initiative in that this is not his first offense, as has been generally believed." The case was scheduled for a hearing today, but was postponed until Wednesday.

"FLYING PARSON" SAFE

Widespread Report That Maynard Was Missing Disproved

New York, Dec. 13.—(By A. P.)—A report that Helen W. Maynard, a sister, who is a lieutenant in the army, had started by airplane for Worcester, Mass., yesterday, was disproved today. Lieutenant Maynard said he had been delayed in getting started to Worcester and gave up the idea.

NOMINATIONS FOR SENATOR IN 17TH DISTRICT FILED

HARRISBURG, Dec. 13.—Certificates of nomination for Col. C. N. Berntheisel, of Lancaster, Republican nominee for Senator in the Seventeenth District, selected by conferees here on Saturday, and William E. Shaak, of Lebanon, chosen by the Democratic state executive committee at Pittsburgh Saturday, have been filed with the secretary of the commonwealth. They will be immediately certified for the special election on December 21. Mr. Shaak was the Democratic candidate against the late Col. Horace L. Haldeman.

FORGOT OWN BOYHOOD DAYS

Man Who Pulled Gun on Ball Player Held to Grand Jury

I didn't intend to shoot the boy. I just wanted to take a shot at his back and get him out of my back yard," said Harry Trex, of Lury street, near Fourth, when arraigned today before Magistrate Price on charges of pulling a .38-caliber revolver on a ball player in the street and hitting him with a brick.

THE HUSBAND HATER

She married a man she disliked. But her husband's hateful life with him on a western ranch was enlivened by the other man who thought she loved him.

Hazel Devo Bachelor

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Today's Developments in National Capital

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