STILLMAN DIVORCE SUIT IS POSTPONED

Action Believed Preliminary to Dropping Entire Proceedings

LAWYER REFUSES TO TALK

White Plains, N. Y., March 15.—Court proceedings incident to the suit for absolute divorce brought by James A. Stillman, president of the National City Bank, of New York, against his wife, the former "Fifi" Potter, were adjourned indefinitely here today before Supreme Court Justice Morschauser.

John F. Brennan, of counsel for Mrs. Stillman, told the justice that counsel for both sides had agreed to postpone indefinitely argument on an application concerning the examination of Mr. Stillman for the purpose of ascertaining his income, relative to determination of alimony and counsel fees.

When Mr. Brennan made his formal motion for adjournment, Justice Morschauser offered no comment and called up the next case. Mr. Brennan, when asked if this action was a prelude to dropping the entire case, made no reply and refused to discuss any other angles.

Child's Future Involved

John E. Mack, of Poughkeepsie, guardian of the infant, with the sanction of the court, whose officer he is, can compel, it was said, those who launched the suit to clear the name of Guy Stillman or sustain their claim of illegitimacy. This question was said to be an exceedingly difficult and delicate one legally, with the burden of proof resting upon the plaintiff, Mr. Stillman. Mr. Mack declined to be quoted as to what his attitude would be if such a situation should arise.

It has been definitely established that Justice Morschauser on March 5 granted Mrs. Stillman permission to file an amended answer to her husband's action for divorce, and it has been learned that this answer had been served.

Mrs. Stillman's original answer was a flat denial of her husband's charge of intimacy with Fred Beauvais, the half-breed Indian guide, and of the question raised as to the legitimacy of her son Guy.

Mrs. Stillman's amended answer, which took the form of what is technically termed as "affirmative defense," is reported to have named at least one woman as corespondent. This answer was said to have all the effect of a counter-suit, and was said to be customary procedure in such a situation, having the effect of joining in one action all the issues involved in the counter-charges of husband and wife.

Stillman Disowns Boy

Mr. Stillman, it was learned, has not recognized Guy Stillman as his son since the day of the boy's birth in New York city twenty-eight months ago. According to a person with almost complete knowledge of the case, "he pondered long and sought the advice of distinguished counsel" before he finally arrived at the decision which resulted in the bringing of the action on September 13 last to divorce his wife and prevent her son from sharing in the Stillman fortune.

The first name of Beauvais, the half-breed Indian named by Mr. Stillman as co-respondent, is said to be Ferdinand, as he appears in the documents of the case as "Ferd" and not "Fred."

Mrs. Stillman, whose place of residence has been a mystery ever since the action was started, was found yesterday at Lakewood, N. J. She is stopping at the Laurel-in-the-Pines with two of her children and a nurse. One of the children is the boy Guy, twenty-six months old, who, Mr. Stillman alleges in his complaint, is illegitimate.

During her stay at the hotel Mrs. Stillman has attracted considerable attention, and so has the boy Guy. Mrs. Stillman has appeared in the dining room wearing the head dress which she has made distinctive in the past—a sort of bandana bound tightly around her head. She created a social sensation at her wedding in 1901 by wearing her wedding veil in that fashion instead of in the usual way. Her pictures in recent years have shown her still favoring the same style of head dress.

20 Billion Marks Asked of Germany

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soldiers because of the revolutionary character of the addresses refused to stay, and it became necessary to call in the local police to assist in quelling the fighting which ensued. None of the soldiers was injured.

The city housing department has been thrown into consternation because of a request by the occupational authorities for 300 two-room apartments, a six-teen-room house and a number of flats, all furnished. It will be impossible to fulfill the request without serious hardships to the populace.

Geneva, March 15.—(By A. P.)—The German protest to the League of Nations against the infliction of the allied penalties had not reached the secretariat of the league up to 10:30 o'clock this morning. In view of press reports regarding the protest, however, it was expected at any moment.

Berlin, March 15.—(By A. P.)—A bill aiming at carrying out Articles 177 and 178 of the treaty of Versailles prohibiting warlike organizations, was introduced in the Reichstag yesterday, and after a lively debate was referred to a special committee.

Dr. Simons, the foreign secretary, said that the application of the penalties did not relieve Germany of the obligation to disarm. An animated discussion followed, in the course of which Dr. Simons again urged that Germany could not repudiate Versailles because others had violated the treaty.

"I'm not the man, unless in the last extremity, to sacrifice our youth which escaped the war," he exclaimed.

In connection with the reported forthcoming withdrawal of the American troops from the Rhine the Cologne correspondent of the Tageblatt remarks:

"The absence of Americans in the chain of occupation armies would deprive Germany of an element of influence which proved itself more objective and unbiased in its appraisal of German conditions than any of the Entente nations represented among the forces of occupation."

Cologne, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Discussing the recurring rumor that the American troops along the Rhine would be withdrawn, the Cologne Gazette says:

"Notwithstanding the hardships imposed on the Rhineland population through the forces of occupation, and granting that a general desire to have burdens lightened is most natural, nevertheless it appears that our interests along the Rhine demand the presence of American troops, for the time being at least."

Atlantic City—Palm Sunday and Easter. Additional trains via Pennsylvania System. Ask Ticket Agents for Special Time Table.—Adv.

SENATE ADJOURNS; DELAY SHIP BOARD

Harding Unable to Select Personnel to Direct Mercantile Marine

R. W. BLISS FOR STATE POST

By the Associated Press

Washington, March 15.—The extra session of the Senate, which began March 4, ended shortly before noon today. After confirming a few additional nominations by President Harding the Senate adjourned sine die.

The last day's session was convened at 11 o'clock in expectation that the President might be able to send in the nomination of shipping board members. The White House, however, telephoned Senator Lodge that there was delay in selecting the personnel of the board and Senator Lodge then moved sine die adjournment.

One of the nominations confirmed today was that of Robert Woods Bliss, of New York, now chief of the State Department division of western European affairs, to be third assistant secretary of state.

Mr. Bliss will succeed Van Santvoord Merle-Smith, who was appointed several months ago to succeed Breckinridge Long, who resigned to become a candidate for the Senate. Mr. Long was defeated in the November elections by Senator Spencer, Republican, Missouri.

The appointment of Mr. Bliss completes the State Department list, as the post of second assistant, which has been held by Alvey A. Adee since 1886, is nonpolitical.

Mr. Bliss, who is a graduate of Harvard University, has been in the diplomatic service for seventeen years, his first appointment being as second secretary of legation at Petrograd in 1904. He has served as secretary of the legation at Brussels and Buenos Aires and secretary and acting counsellor of the embassy at Paris.

Rear Admiral Benson, chairman of the shipping board, had a long conference today with President Harding. He declined to say what was discussed and there was no statement from the White House. It was understood, however, that the admiral was authorized to continue to direct the affairs of the board until a successor has been named and has qualified.

There was increasing evidence today of the difficulty Mr. Harding is having in inducing the men he wants to accept appointments to the board, and some of those in touch with the situation believe it will be some weeks, at least, before a complete new board is named.

ANTI-DUMPING BILL WILL BE PASSED

Washington, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Announcement of the final program for fiscal legislation at the coming special session of Congress, involving a decision as to whether tariff or internal tax revision shall be accorded second place, probably will be made today following a conference with Chairman Penrose, of the Senate finance committee, and Chairman Fordney, of the House ways and means committee, with President Harding. The question of priority in the fiscal program was left undetermined at the conference which Republican members of the two committees held yesterday with Secretary of the Treasury Mellon.

A decision was reached at the conference, however, to rush through as speedily as possible at the special session an anti-dumping bill to protect American industries from European competition. Such legislation would provide a special tax on foreign goods offered in this market at below the American cost of production, and both Chairman Penrose and Chairman Fordney, of the Senate and House committees respectively, predicted that it could be gotten through both houses within a few days after convening.

Antidumping legislation was agreed upon in lieu of an attempt to put through an emergency tariff measure, it being the unanimous opinion of the committee members that any tariff enacted should be of a permanent nature. While final decision on the question was left for today's White House conference, a majority of the members were said to favor giving permanent tariff revision right of way in the fiscal program.

TO TRY ORGANIST'S SLAYER

New Jersey Grand Jury Called to Hear Case Friday

New Brunswick, N. J., March 15.—(By A. P.)—An extraordinary session of the Middlesex grand jury will be called Friday to examine George Washington Knight, twenty-two-year-old Negro charged with the murder of Mrs. Edith Wilson, church organist, whose body was found near her home in Perth Amboy late Saturday night.

This announcement was made here last night by County Prosecutor Joseph E. Strickler, who said Knight had made a full confession of the crime.

"Knight frankly and freely admitted attacking Mrs. Wilson," Mr. Strickler said. "He is one of the coolest men charged with murder that I have ever talked with. He repeated the story in the presence of the husband of the dead woman without fear, apparently. He seemed little concerned in his own fate."

ROTARY CLUBS IN SESSION

Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia District Holds Convention

Fairmont, W. Va., March 15.—(By A. P.)—The annual conference of Rotary Clubs of the sixth district of the International Association of Rotary Clubs opened here today. Over one thousand delegates from Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia were present when the meeting was called to order.

The sixth district comprises the clubs of Altoona, Beaver Falls, Brownsville, Butler, Clearfield, Du Bois, Erie, Greensburg, Johnstown, McKeesport, New Castle, Oil City, Pittsburgh, Sharon, Uniontown, Warren and Washington in Pennsylvania, and Bluefield, Buckhannon, Charleston, Clarksburg, Elkins, Grafton, Huntington, Morgantown, Moundsville, Parkersburg, Spencer, Weston, Wheeling and Fairmont in West Virginia.

GERMANS AND POLES CLASH

Captain of Plebiscite Police and Others Killed in Silesia

Berlin, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Captain Luschin, of the German plebiscite police in Upper Silesia, was shot while riding with French and British officers, says a dispatch to the Vossische Zeitung today from Koenigschutte, Silesia.

At Michalkowitz a collision occurred between plebiscite police and Poles, in the course of which several Poles and two plebiscite officers were killed and six plebiscite officers severely wounded.

NAVY YARD MAN GIVEN LIM'RICK PRIZE BY—AHEM!—SOME JURY!

No One Can Wonder at Popularity of Logan Post 367 After One Look at Its Ladies' Auxiliary

Jury Meets in Director Cortelyou's Office and Awards Hundred to Albert Barton, of S. 17th St.

Today's award was made by a jury of members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Logan Post, 367, American Legion, at a special meeting in the office of Director of Public Safety James T. Cortelyou. Photo on back page.

Tomorrow's award was made by employes of Thomas E. Brown & Sons, Second and Westmoreland streets.

Silence, and very little of that.

A gray corridor on the second story of City Hall. Footfalls approach, and they are the footfalls in which one can distinguished the click of high heels.

"Now, this way, ladies, and stay close to the wall." It was the voice of a guard. "Be careful, don't step over."

"O-o-o-oh!" One of those ladylike squeals you hear at picnics, at the seashore (upon wetting the new bathing-suit) and when a mouse appears at a boarding-school.

Almost as quickly as the sound had died, the heavy grating closed behind them. They were safe in the office of Director "Jimmy" Cortelyou.

This was the jury, led by Mrs. Cortelyou herself, a genial, gracious lady whom nobody even took time to introduce to us. We have found, as the years go by, that we matter less and less, anyway. The reason for the soft-footing tactics and the squeal of alarm was a heavy coat of floor paint. Along the wall there was a strip about eighteen inches wide, leading to the director's office. They could walk there, but they didn't want to. They were as nervous as a cat crossing a railroad track.

So far as is known this is the first time that the straight and narrow path has led directly into the presence of a director of public safety. But Pocatepetl, whom we hid under a desk after following the ladies into the office, began to sing disgracefully, "I see a flock of Angels bright." Just like the scene from "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Our wrath knew no bounds. We tied him to a parachute and dropped him out of a window. We understand he was safely escorted to Sixth and Chestnut by a corporal's guard from the Pun army.

Mirror Had First Call

This little duty done, we turned to survey our jury. We found nobody present but "Jimmy" Cortelyou and an official or two. Mr. Cortelyou nodded significantly toward a mirror, which peeped over a screen. There we could see, dimly through our horn-rimmed specs, the entire jury of nine making up its—mind. At any rate, that is the best we could ascertain.

Shortly the jury emerged, radiant. Mrs. Cortelyou marshaled them forth as proudly as would the head mistress of an exclusive boarding school. And she was right. She had a jury before which the Limerick Department bows in admiration.

It is an old adage that in situations like this "there is safety in numbers." Despite Mrs. Cortelyou's presence and the beaming graciousness of her husband, we couldn't keep our society manners on straight. We smoked a strong black cigar to soothe our nerves and shouted at the photographer in a loud, boisterous voice, just to make it seem as though we weren't scared. Friends, that was no Department of Public Safety for your old editor. It was a Department of Personal Peril.

Only the twin facts of our age and our shyness conspired to save us.

(Confidentially—and this must not be repeated to any member of the jury, whatever happens—there was one young woman who had been on a previous jury, and we think our antics had amused her so much she brought some of her young friends along to show them how foolish men look when they get old and matrimonially ineligible.)

But did they do a conscientious job of jury-ing? Our feline friend, who is looking over our shoulder, bursts out singing:

"O, the Jury! The Jury!
The ladies of the Jury!
They're judging every minute
Most any one may win it.
Rhymes for breakfast,
Puns for dinner,
Votes for suppertime!
You draw a hundred dollars
And it doesn't cost a dime—
etaoin shrdlu cmfwyp vbgkqj xzfl !!!!

Whoever threw that slings a vicious ink-well!

Anyhow, to return to the cold facts of their final decision, the vote stood four and four and one. Miss Dougherty's vote was the odd one. Upon her rested the decision which was to give $100 to one contestant at the expense of another. Miss Dougherty decided, like a true woman—the limerick with the cookbook stuff won.

Who said the fair sex ever really gets away from fundamentals?

Winner a Thorough Lim'ricker

Albert J. Barton, the winner, is a married man with a modest little home, a wife who makes herself neat and attractive at dinnertime, and two healthy youngsters. Margaret, who is almost nine, has real talent at the piano, talent she got from her dad, although she resembles her mother. He used to tickle a wicked ivory in South Philadelphia, although his present occupation keeps him in the tool-steel supply department at the navy yard.

Mr. Barton graduated at Central High School. His son, eight, is named Jack. Jack looks very much like father, but aside from knowing that his "pop" would win a limerick some day, hadn't much to say.

Mr. Barton deserves praise for the very thorough way in which he went after a prize. Whenever an idea occurred to him for a word to rhyme or pun with, he jotted it down in a note-book. He showed his lines to his "boss" for approval. Once or twice, navy yard men have notified him he had won when there was nothing to it. Now he has the laugh on them.

Mr. Barton searched all through a dorter book to get a list of herbs on which to make the puns which he used in his winning line. He believes in mixing perspiration with inspiration. He knew anybody couldn't write limericks. So he CONCENTRATED. He struck a jury that liked a limerick about cookbooks. And he won. Congratulations, then, to

ALBERT J. BARTON,
2312 South Seventeenth St.

His limerick read:

Said an author, "Now this, my last book,
Will be a success, for it took
Five long years to write,"
But his friend said, "Good-night—
"Your's no 'sage'; save your
'thyme': learn to cook."

Other lines on the ballot—and some of them averaged high in our judgment—were:

No. 1. **"For a plot for a grave you should look."** Mrs. Grace Pflying, 1948 North Camac street.

No. 2. **"O, Henry! how Haggard you look!"** H. E. Thomas, 5246 Emerald street.

No. 3. **"Some 'pugs' that can't write can 'right hook.'"** Walter Gosling, 1104 Morton street, Camden.

No. 4. **"'Twill be red—in the fire—by its look."** Margaret B. Nyland, 5523 Larchwood avenue.

No. 5. **"Your Gals-worthy of Tennyson a brook."** J. M. Dallam, 410 Empire Building. Four votes.

No. 6. **"Your 'best seller's' a 'Dryden-ish' nook."** C. C. Shanfelter, 1206 North Broad street.

No. 7. **"Calves have brains; so might you. But why look?"** Miss Anna W. Burt, 5903 Spruce street.

No. 9. **"'Twill take ten years to right it, Gadzook!"** Leslie S. Pearson, 1502 Pine street.

No. 10. **"But he can't write a check for his cook."** Maurice Goodkin, 5806 Addison street.

The Lim'ricker's Letter-Box

From J. O. P.—"Oftentimes you have said through the limerick Letter-Box that a nine-syllable line must have accents on the third, sixth and ninth syllables, yet once more I find a line a winner where there are four complete accents, viz.: "Bill SAID, 'PEACE' let us BOTH be a PEAR." You have also stated that lines must not end with the same as the last syllable in the first line. That rule has been broken, viz.: 'Now Bob built the half of bobbed Claire.' Also, 'Watch the hands on the clock and not May's.'

"Now, I have been answering limericks ever since the middle of January and not one of my lines has appeared on the ballots. Please don't mention 'sour grapes.' Not at all. Tonight I have a limerick party—only a small one, eleven people. Eleven people for this reason: there are usually ten lines on the ballots. My line makes eleven, and my friend says, though my line is not so good as today's winner, it is of equal merit and worth a place on the ballot. My line was 'But she'll whip-poor-will's bill for fare.' I used the bird whip-poor-will also fare in Bill's fare, and my friends declare it is a far better line than lines Nos. 4, 1, 5, 9, 7 and 8 and equally as good as No. 3, and surely they are very much in doubt that my lines are ever looked at, and they are with me in saying all lines are not looked at—that the winners are 'collar-and-tie' college men, brokers and other such office men. They can kid me all they want. I can stand all of that, but I would like a square deal.

Of course, I don't live in one of the best neighborhoods of the city. There has only been one line on that ballot that has come from near me, or rather seven blocks from my house. I am not the only limericker around this part of the city. They are all around me, and all are of the same opinion—that ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS is not for a person who works in shipyards or men having to wear overalls all day.

"They have kidded me enough, so I think I have said all I want to say with the exception of saying I guess I have answered my last limerick. I have already written you three letters for information which have gone where my lines have gone—in the basket—because they were never answered, and I don't suppose this will be answered either. I don't care because I am through and am quitting a good loser. Good luck to you, Mr. Editor."

(We're very sorry you're through, J. O. P. But we are printing your letter because it is so typical of many that we receive, and it gives us an opportunity to point out to you and others how really unfair they are to take such an attitude. Let's look it over in detail.

In the first line you quote you are wrong in placing an accent on the word "said." The line scans correctly.

We have not stated that the last line must not end with the same word as the first. We have distinctly said many times that some of the world's most famous limericks are written this way. We do, however, avoid it as much as possible because it has proved unpopular with the fans in this contest and will allow it only where we consider it justifiable.

As to your line, "But she'll whip-poor-will's bills for fare," there are two reasons why it did not appear on the ballot. First, it does not scan. There should be another syllable between "bills" and "fare." Secondly, this "whip-poor-Will" idea was the most common one in the contest. There must have been hundreds of lines along the same idea. We have already explained that this excludes an idea from the ballot, for we are looking for the uncommon and unique.

You say only college men can win. Yesterday's winner never went to school. A dozen winners in the past never even finished grammar grades. Your charge that the prize is not for shipyard workers and men who have to wear overalls is utterly disproved by the fact that the award has been made to an electrician in the New York Shipyard, a man whose work is loading coffee bags on trucks, a photo-engraver and a dozen other workingmen.

As to your wanting a "square deal," why not give us one? We'd really appreciate it, but once in a great while. As we say, we're sorry you are through, but we hope you will quit with these corrections in mind.

SUSPECTS HAD BURGLAR KIT

Upper Darby Police Hold Men After Robberies Are Reported

Burglar kits, including what Upper Darby township police say is the finest collection of false keys they have seen, were found on two suspects arrested, early today on Garret road near Bywood station.

A few hours after the pair had been caught Upper Darby police learned that a dry goods store and a branch of the American Stores Co., at Garrettford, had been entered during the night. The stores are about a mile from the point where the suspects were taken.

Patrolman John Leighton, Jr., of the Upper Darby force, was riding along the Garrett road on a milk wagon, at 3:50 o'clock this morning. He saw two forms ahead on the road.

Leighton jumped into the road and leveled a service revolver at the strangers, who later described themselves as James Bradley and James P. Sheriff, of Ridge avenue, this city.

The prisoners refused to make any statement and are being held for a further investigation.

ACCUSED OF HOLD-UP

Man Arrested in Shooting Case May Face Another Charge

John Doyle, Ninth street above Race, held for complicity in the shooting of a patrolman Saturday, was identified today, according to the police, as one of two men who held up and robbed a saloon of $117, February 24.

Doyle was arrested in company with Michael Moran, of the same address, a few hours after Patrolman Ewing, of the Thirty-ninth street and Lancaster avenue station, had been shot in the hip by two men at Forty-first street and Girard avenue.

Moran was identified by Ewing, but he could not positively identify Doyle, who was held for a further investigation.

District Detectives Murray and Gay uncovered the alleged hold-up of Joseph Codes, barkeeper in Vahlis' saloon, Tenth and Spring streets.

PUBLIC AT MARINE EXHIBIT

Show at First Regiment Armory Has Interesting Displays

Philadelphia industries play a leading role at the American Marine Exposition in the First Regiment Armory, which was opened last night by Admiral Benson, chairman of the shipping board, and to which the public today was admitted.

The Philadelphia Navy Yard, which has several booths, is exhibiting a number of nautical objects of particular interest. The Luckenbach Steamship Co. has a model freighter on view.

The Bethlehem Co. has one whole side of the armory for the biggest exhibit of the exposition. The New York and Sun shipbuilding plants have large showings, with models and pictures of nearly all their ships.

The Seamen's Church Institute shows comparison of the old-fashioned bunks of sailors with the quarters given sailors at the institute at Second and Walnut streets.

Old Game Costs Girl $250

Miss Edith Jackson, 1252 Point Breeze avenue, lost $250 yesterday at the hands of two men who worked the "pocketbook swindle" on her. The men took advantage of the girl's confidence and, without her knowledge, exchanged her wallet for a worthless one.

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2. All answers to the Limerick which is printed below must be received at the office of the Evening Public Ledger by 9 o'clock Thursday evening. Address Postoffice Box number given on coupon.
3. Answers left at the office of the Evening Public Ledger will also be admissible.
4. The winner of the ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR prize for the best last line to each Limerick will be announced one week after the Limerick is printed.
5. In case of ties, $100 will be awarded to each successful contestant.
6. The decision of the judges in each Limerick contest will be final.

THE WINNER OF TODAY'S CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED ONE WEEK FROM TODAY

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LIMERICK NO. 80

Said sweet Millie, "Well, now; I declare,
Easter's here and I've no hat to wear;
I will look through this aisle
For some cheap, simple style—

.....
(Write your answer on this line.)

Name .....

Street and No. .....

City and State .....

RATE RISE HELD TOO HIGH

Increase of 6.4 Per Cent Ample, Supreme Court Is Told

Washington, March 15.—(By A. P.)—An increase of 6.4 per cent in passenger rates on western roads, instead of the 20 per cent allowed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, would have been sufficient to return the amount set by the carriers themselves as due them under the terms of the transportation act, the Supreme Court is told in a supplemental brief filed today by John E. Benton, counsel for the forty-two states which are co-operating with Wisconsin in the so-called Wisconsin rate case.

Mr. Benton cited figures covering earnings of the carriers to illustrate his point, and declared that upon the basis of these "no valid order could have been made displacing intrastate rates fixed by the laws of Wisconsin."

Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the National Association of Railway Executives, resumed his argument in behalf of the carriers when the court reconvened today. The closing argument was to be made by M. B. Olbrich, special counsel for Wisconsin.

THIEVES TAKEN AFTER FIGHT

Hundred Shots Exchanged Before Farmers' Posse Effects Capture

Pottsville, Pa., March 15.—(By A. P.)—William Gavage, Tamaqua, white, and Alonzo Tearney, a Negro, of Chicago, were captured by a farmers' posse at New Ringgold last night after a sharp fight on the mountain near that place.

Tearney was shot in the leg, and, with his companion, was brought here this morning to answer charges of robbing the store of William Yost at Ringtown, Monday afternoon, after beating Romanus Walters, a clerk, into unconsciousness. A posse quickly formed, trapped the men on the mountain, and 100 shots were fired before they surrendered. State police say they confessed to robbing a Williamsport store three nights ago, and also to being the principals in a score of hold-ups at Tamaqua last fall.

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READING LABORERS HEAR PAY CUT PLAN

Holding Conference With Company's Officials—May Offer Counter-Proposal

UNSKILLED MEN SUMMONED

One hundred representatives of all the unskilled laborers on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway are meeting at the Spring Garden Street Y. M. C. A., Ninth and Spring Garden streets, to discuss with officials of the company plans for a reduction of their pay April 1.

The men, summoned by F. M. Falack, general manager of the Reading, represent platform, warehouse and stock-room laborers, freight handlers, baggage porters, watchmen, engine wipers, car cleaners and all other unskilled laborers.

It is expected that the management of the Reading will submit to the representatives a plan for the reduction of existing rates of pay. The labor representatives may submit a counter-proposal, it is said.

The important railway conference between the presidents of a half dozen large railroads and as many national labor heads is expected to be resumed in the near future.

At the close of the first day's session yesterday neither T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the National Association of Railway Executives, nor the labor leaders would tell the purpose of the meeting. It is thought its scope is antional and that the railroad executives will put the financial situation frankly before the union leaders in an effort to bring about a better understanding between the men and the managements.

The meeting was held in Mr. Cuyler's offices in the Commercial Trust Building. It is the first conference of its kind that has ever been held in this city.

At the conclusion of yesterday's session it was announced that "satisfactory progress had been made in the discussion of matters of common interest." None of the conferees would admit that the proposed wage reduction announced last week by the Pennsylvania Railroad would come up for discussion. It is thought certain, however, that this matter will be brought before the conference not merely as it concerns Pennsylvania but the entire country.

Warren S. Stone, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, smiled broadly when questioned as he left the conference:

"I can't say a single thing," he said.

The faces of the three other brotherhood chiefs, as well as the railroad executives, showed that neither of the contending sides felt it had lost anything by the conference. Labor representatives and management representatives both appeared to feel that "satisfactory progress had been made."

Representing the employes are Mr. Stone; W. S. Carter, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; L. E. Sheppard, chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors, and J. N. Doak, for the trainmen.

Representing the railroads are Mr. Cuyler, and the following railroad presidents: C. H. Markham, Illinois Central; E. E. Loomis, Lehigh Valley; A. H. Smith, New York Central; Hale Holden, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, and W. J. Harahan, Chesapeake and Ohio. W. W. Atterbury, vice president of the Pennsylvania, also is in attendance.

N. Y. C. EMPLOYES REJECT WAGE CUT

New York, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Representatives of common labor employed by the New York Central Railroad today promptly rejected wage cuts proposed by the road, and declined to join in a joint request to the railroad labor board to adjust the matter. Thereupon officials of the road notified the men the reductions would become effective April 1, in any event.

Chicago, March 15.—(By A. P.)—The United States Railroad Labor Board went into executive session today, while the representatives of the railroad employes completed preparation of their case in opposition to the railroad executives' request for abrogation of shop agreements, pending the response of railroad executives to a request that they appear before the board Friday.

T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, and Robert S. Binkerd, his assistant, were requested to bring books and records of the association. W. W. Atterbury, vice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, chairman of the association's labor committee, who filed with the board the executives' request to abrogate the agreements, was subpoenaed, as was Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific. Thirteen other railroad executives may be notified to appear later, among them Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; C. H. Markham, president of the Illinois Central, and H. E. Byram, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

The action followed avowal by the unions through Attorney Frank P. Walsh that the employes could not present their arguments in favor of the shop agreements until the witnesses were called.

LABOR CHIEF CALLS ARMOUR PLAN BUNK

Decision to Give Employes Voice in Management Made After Wage Cut

By the Associated Press

Chicago, March 15.—Plans of Armour & Co., announced yesterday, to organize a council representing the employes to settle matters involving working conditions, today were characterized as "bunk" by Dennis Lane, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's Union.

"The packers go ahead and cut wages and then announce the workmen will be given a voice in the management," said Lane. "But you notice the order comes a day too late—too late for the employes to have anything to say in the matter of the wage cuts."

Announcement was made today that Lane and another labor representative, not yet selected, will represent the packing house workers at their conference in Washington March 21, with representatives of the five leading packers and secretaries of the Departments of Labor, Commerce and Agriculture, it was announced today.

Strike ballots were being mailed out by union leaders today to the packing centers in the Middle West, asking their members to vote upon the eight-hour day question involved in the wage reductions and rearrangement of hours which the packers placed in effect yesterday.

President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, is expected to arrive in Chicago late today, Lane announced, to address a mass-meeting tomorrow at headquarters of the Chicago Federation of Labor. Conditions were reported normal in dispatches from the leading packing centers yesterday, and a much greater number than usual applied for jobs at the stock yards, packing officials said. They issued a statement warning men not to come here from other cities seeking work in the stockyards.

Washington, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Conferences looking to the adjustment of differences between the packers and their employes will be opened here next Monday, Secretary Davis announced today before entering the regular cabinet meeting at the White House.

Mr. Davis said he had received a telegram from Dennis Lane, secretary of the employes' association, agreeing to this date. The packers already have agreed and have their representatives on the ground. Mr. Lane and another spokesman for the employes are expected here within a few days. Secretaries Hoover and Wallace will sit with Mr. Davis at the conference.

Urge I. T. Mann as Ambassador

Washington, March 15.—(By A. P.)—Senators Sutherland and Elkins and several members of the House of Representatives from West Virginia today asked President Harding to appoint Isaac T. Mann, of that state, ambassador to one of the European countries.

REPORT BOLSHEVIK TROOPS WAVERING

Soviet Authorities Seem to Be Losing Control, Stockholm Is Informed

MOSCOW ISSUES APPEAL

By the Associated Press

Stockholm, March 15.—Russian Bolshevik authorities seem to be losing control of the Soviet troops, it is said in dispatches received here from Finland and Esthonia. These messages, for the most part confused and unreadable, were pouring in to this city yesterday and last night.

Artillery fire from the fortress of Kronstadt was directed yesterday along the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland between Oranienbaum and Petrograd. Bolshevik artillerymen in Krasnaya Gorka shelled and destroyed the lighthouse at Tollbaaken, off Kronstadt, during the day.

A man who had just arrived here from Kronstadt was interviewed on Sunday night, and he emphatically denied reports that some of the Kronstadt forts had been captured by the Bolsheviki.

He said the revolutionary leadership was wholly in the hands of laborers, and he declared the fight for the fortress would be a long one, as the garrison of Kronstadt was relying on getting food stores from the American Red Cross station at Viborg, Finland.

Refugees reaching Stockholm from Petrograd say that the streets of that city are strongly patrolled by Soviet troops, and they declare that the ordinary Bolshevik soldiers are no longer to be trusted.

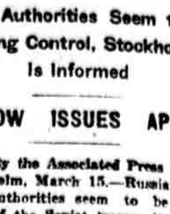
London, March 15.—(By A. P.)—The tenth All-Russian congress of the Bolshevik party, in session in Moscow, has issued an appeal to the workers of Petrograd to stand "firmly to the end for what was gained four years ago," says a wireless dispatch from Moscow today. The appeal says:

"The enemies of the working classes are trying to kindle the flame of a new civil war and are striving to fling us into endless calamities by means of risings, strikes and the destruction of railways, thus preventing the movement of fuel, food and raw materials. The leader of the Kronstadt rising, Tyurkin, is a former czarist secret policeman."

Previous dispatches concerning the revolt in Kronstadt have not mentioned the name of Tyurkin.

Von Tagen Talks to Oak Lane

At the meeting of the Oak Lane Improvement Association in the Reformed Church, Seventh street and Sixty-sixth avenue, last night, Councilman Charles H. Von Tagen gave a resume of the work that had been done by the city in improving that section. He said that $2,500,000 had been spent in paving streets and other municipal work.



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DEATHS

NUSKEY.—March 12, LEWIS R., husband of Miriam Nuskey. Relatives and friends, also members of East Allegheny Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, are invited to attend funeral services, at the above-named church, Thursday, 2 p. m. Residence, 2104 Ann st. Interment North Cedar Hill Cemetery. Remains may be viewed Wednesday evening.

KNTDER.—March 13, EDWARD, husband of Mary Snyder (nee Chester), aged 50. Relatives and friends, also members of Cigarmakers' Union, No. 165, are invited to attend funeral services, Thursday, 2 p. m., residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Florence Detweiler, 2217 East Albert st. Interment North Cedar Hill Cemetery. Remains may be viewed Wednesday evening.

BLUNDIN.—March 14, 1921, ANNIE H., wife of the late Samuel Blundin, aged 72. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral, Thursday, 2:30 p. m., at the residence of her son-in-law, Amos Charles, near Oxford Valley, Bucks county, Pa. Interment Beechwood Cemetery. Autos will meet trains at Woodbourne Station, leaving Trenton at 11:55 a. m., and Reading Terminal 12:45 p. m.

HASENPAT.—March 14, MARY A., beloved wife of John H. Hasenpat, in her 84th year. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral services, Thursday, 10 a. m., from her late residence, 1158 Frankford ave. Interment Mt. Peace Cemetery. Viewing Wednesday eve after 8 p. m.

SWYLER.—March 13, 1921, FANNIE L. SWYLER. Funeral services Friday at 2 p. m. at her late residence, 216 Seventh ave., Haddon Heights, N. J. Interment private, Harleigh Cemetery. Friends may call Thursday, 7 to 9 p. m.

McGLENN.—March 12, 1921, THOMAS, son of the late Cornelius and Margaret McGlenn. Relatives and friends are invited to funeral Thursday, 8:30 a. m., from 1928 S. Croskey st. Solemn requiem mass at St. Edmond's Church, 10 a. m. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

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