

THE WEATHER
Unsettled this afternoon; possibly showers; fair tonight and falling; clearing by morning.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

8	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5
65	69	72	75	70	80	81		

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CHARTER'S FRIENDS UNITE TO KILL CIVIL SERVICE CHANGES

Mayor's Proposals Decried as Unnecessary and Return to Old System

GRUENBERG AND FAUGHT EXPLAIN OPPOSITION

Mayor Moore's proposals that certain changes be made in the civil service section of the new city charter have aroused virtually the united opposition of those who were instrumental in drawing the charter.

This opposition was voiced today by Thomas Raeburn White, chairman of the subcommittee on charter revision; Frederick E. Gruenberg, director of the Bureau of Municipal Research, and Albert Smith Faught, secretary of the Civil Service Reform Association.

Mr. Faught has begun a campaign of disseminating information with respect to the Mayor's proposals. Today he is mailing to each member of the charter committee, the Committee of Seventy, Council, the Civil Service Commission and Mayor Moore and his directors, a statement entitled: "The other side of the proposal of Mayor Moore to change the 'M' service system in Philadelphia."

Mr. Faught signs the statement as a member of the charter committee and as a member of the Committee of One Hundred.

Expects Sprout's Support

Mr. Faught and the others who freely expressed opposition to the Mayor's plans, were confident that no part of the Mayor's proposals in this connection would be accepted by the Legislature. Governor Sprout on several occasions has said that he was opposed to any tinkering with the charter at this time.

The general belief is that no fundamental change should be made in the charter until it has been in operation long enough to have passed the experimental stage.

"As a general proposition," said Mr. Gruenberg, "any fundamental change, which goes to the essence of the charter, is unthinkably unwise."

"Of course, the Mayor is acting in good faith, but he shows a personal hostility to the civil service system. He talked of elasticity, but he showed his hand, showed that he does not like the system. We must be on guard against a revival of the old spirit of 'Let the boys get the pap.'"

"Personally I have interviewed the leading members of the charter committee and they are opposed to changes in the charter at this time and certainly are opposed to changes in the civil service section."

"Colonel Van Dusen of the Civil Service Commission, has written to Mr. White, that while it is theoretically desirable to have the right of subpoena, it is not worth while to risk an opening of the whole civil service question by trying to get this slight amendment."

20 Years Severest Penalty for Second Degree Murder

Here is the punishment fixed by statute for murder in the second degree, which is that of Peter D. Treadway stands convicted:

"Every person duly convicted of the crime of murder in the second degree, shall, for the first offense, be sentenced to undergo an imprisonment by separate or solitary confinement, not exceeding twenty years; and for a second offense, for the period of the offender's natural life."

The section fixed no minimum.

Will Know Fate Today

Peter D. Treadway, convicted of the murder of Henry T. Peirce, was brought before Judge Audenried at 11 o'clock this morning for sentence, but the fixing of his prison term was deferred by the judge until some time later in the day.

Assistant District Attorney Spieser brought out by a series of questions that Treadway had been convicted and served prison terms several times previously.

It was just five minutes of 11 when Treadway was led into Room 433, where he was found guilty of murder in the second degree after his sensational trial that began last Tuesday.

St. George Atkinson, Jr., Treadway's chief counsel, greeted him with a "Hello, Pete," which Treadway answered with a familiar "Hello, Chip," the attorney's nickname.

Treadway Admits Record

When Treadway was arraigned at the bar of the court Mr. Spieser said: "How many times have you been arrested before?"

"Three times," said Treadway in a low voice.

"Speak up so I can hear you," ordered Judge Audenried.

"When was the first time?" asked the district attorney.

"In 1911, at Kansas City, for highway robbery," said Treadway.

"Under what name?" "Williams."

"In what prison did you serve?" "A term of twenty-three months in the Missouri State Reformatory."

"The second time?" "I was arrested at Wichita, Kans., in 1916, in connection with an automobile."

"For larceny?" "Yes, sir."

"What sentence did you serve?" "Three months in the Kansas State Reformatory."

"How about Hutchinson, Kansas?" "That's where the reformatory is located."

"Weren't you arrested there on a charge of burglary and given fifteen years?"

Prisoner Appears Cheerful

"Yes, sir, but I was paroled in three months."

Thomas J. Minnick, of Treadway's counsel, interrupted to ask:

"Wasn't this a crime of which it was found later you were not guilty?"

"Yes, sir," said Treadway.

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"I will consider the question of the length of your imprisonment and pass judgment later in the day."

The prisoner had worked up a strong strain of nervousness, and walked with buoyant stride.

"I am very thankful to have escaped the chair, for I began to fear it would be a verdict of first degree murder," said Treadway.

"I do not blame Sue Rogers for the testimony she gave," he said. "She was probably honest to tell what she did. I cannot bring myself to believe she willingly did so. It was she who suggested that I go to my story to the end, and I did so."

"I have no word of complaint against my husband, Howard Ogden, and no amusement promoter. Besides her husband, Mrs. Ogden is survived by a son and daughter."

Only One Side Heard

At the meeting one view of the facts before those present, and no opportunity was given to any member of the charter committee or any one else to state his side of the question.

GRIEVING WOMAN DROWNS

Body of Mrs. Lydia Ogden, Who Had Lost Daughter, Found

The body of Mrs. Lydia Ogden, forty-eight years old, 219 East Toga street, was found floating in the Schuylkill river near Strawberry Mansion bridge yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Ogden disappeared from her home February 5. At that time it was thought she was going to pay a visit to her sister. It is stated that since the death of her daughter Marie in April Mrs. Ogden had been grieving. Whether she jumped into the river or fell in by accident has not been determined.

The body was identified at the morgue by her husband, Howard Ogden, an amusement promoter. Besides her husband, Mrs. Ogden is survived by a son and daughter.

"At Cupid's Call"

Mary Drew went through some hazy experiences for the sake of the love she loved. And for a long time she wasn't quite sure whether he loved her or not.

MAY CHRISTIE

has made this story so full of throbbing interest and thrilling adventure that

YOU'LL ENJOY

every single word of it. The very first installment has a proposal in it. You will find it on

The Woman's Page

Another Overall Man a Winner

Fifty-two out of a possible sixty-five votes were given the last line written by the man whose photograph appears herewith. He hasn't worked for three months and needs the money. The Red who said this contest was all a set-up for the elite will please put up his popgun.

LIMERICK NO. 79

"It is spring," cried the motorboat fan,
"And it's time that my little craft ran.
With pep now she ought ter
Make speed o'er the water.
I'll propeller, oar gasoline can."

Jack's Jingle Box Is in Again—Third Page From the Last

TREADWAY ADMITS BIG BUSINESS LINKS

Appears in Court, but Judge Decries Sentencing Him in Death of Henry T. Peirce

EARLY REVISION FAVORED

Harding Wants Senate Sounded on Tariff Views

Washington, March 21.—(By A. P.)—President Harding suggested today to Chairman Fordney that the House ways and means committee sound out the Senate Republicans as to the feasibility of early passage of an emergency tariff that would take care of farmers. The proposal was discussed at length, but it was said the committee reached no definite conclusion.

It was the idea of the President, members said, to avoid an embargo and to limit the bill to a very few items, including wheat and wool.

By Clement W. Lambert

Washington, March 21.—Signs are multiplying here of the drawing together of the big business and the agricultural interests upon a program for the Harding administration. A first indication is the proposal to pass the two-inch tariff bill, suggested by Mr. Fordney in his recent conference with the Kansas farmers.

If this bill is passed quickly, one of the big dangers of the Harding administration, the union of the agrarians with the smaller business interests throughout the country, which are interested in big duties on various commodities, may be averted, and a tariff inconsiderate with this country's position as a creditor nation may be avoided.

The agricultural and the bigger business interests of the country have this in common: Both want to reach foreign markets. The smaller business interests of the country have this in common: Both want to reach foreign markets.

Two-Inch Tariff Bill Urged

A passage of the two-inch tariff bill would clear the way for the early consideration of revenue measures, which is what the bigger business interests of the country earnestly desire. The opinion of business is that there can be no economic recovery in this country until the nation's taxation policy is settled. It is generally held that the passage of the tariff as a whole before taxation measures would be fatal to an early return of business toward normal.

If the consideration of the tariff as a whole results in the formation of a tariff block between the representatives of the agricultural interests and the representatives of such business interests as are concerned only with the domestic market, business recovery in this country may be made slow indeed, for tariff legislation is likely to take the form of duties that will check foreign trade.

OBJECT TO OPEN SUNDAY

A resolution protesting against passage of pending legislation in Harrisburg "designed to open places of amusement on Sunday and permitting commercial advertising to be placed at the weekly meeting of the Baptist ministers' conference today in the First Baptist Church.

WINTERY BLAST TO SMITE SUMMER DREAMS TONIGHT

Weatherman Says Mercury Will Take a Forty-Degree Tumble Before Morning From the 80 Mark

Don't let your heater fire go out, even if the thermometer did strike 80 degrees at 1 o'clock, breaking all records for the date, and still going up.

It's due to come down again just as fast. By tomorrow morning, according to forecasts, inside the radiator.

If the "dope" turns out right, there is due to be a drop of 40 degrees or thereabouts between this afternoon and tomorrow morning.

Mr. Bliss says the warm winter and spring have been due to the vagaries of what is known as the "Atlantic high," which is a great area of high pressure, that the weather is warm. When it sweeps over toward the Azores or the coast of Africa, the weather here is cold, whether in winter or summer. Its movements never can be predicted. It has been responsible for every seasonal vagary. It gave us our cool summer last year. It has been hanging around so long it may move off again soon and give us another cool summer.

METHODISTS DENY VOTES OF LAYMEN AFTER HOT DEBATE

Bishops Berry and Neely in Verbal Tilt Over Letter's Attempt to 'Argue' HIT MAYOR AND CORTELYOU FOR OPEN SUNDAY STAND

Argument preceding the defeat of a proposition to give laymen equal voting membership with ministers at general conferences created a tense moment today between Bishops Joseph E. Berry and Thomas B. Neely at the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal conference.

As an honorary member of the conference, Bishop Neely, who is retired, was given an opportunity to discuss the proposed amendment to the constitution of the Methodist Episcopal church.

"Lay representation would be impracticable and unworkable," Bishop Neely said in his opening remarks on the subject.

Bishop Berry brought his gavel down. "Now, Bishop, you are arguing this question and you are not allowed to give information," he declared.

"Well, I will give information and I will also argue the question," the other bishop replied.

MAN DEAD AFTER PARTY; POLICE SUSPECT MURDER

Hot Arrested After Victim Is Found With Skull Crushed

A. H. Nogorski, fifty-three years old, 2416 Orchard street, was found dead at 8 o'clock yesterday morning in the kitchen of the home of Stanley Zinack, twenty-seven years old, at 4540 Bermuda street, in Frankford.

The man's skull was fractured. Both his eyes had been bruised and the body bore other marks indicating Nogorski had participated in a fight.

Later today district detectives of the Frankford station arrested Zinack.

The police say there was an all-day party at the Zinack home yesterday.

It is not certain whether Nogorski was murdered or whether his skull was fractured by a fall. He was a vagabond.

LENINE REPORTED READY FOR COALITION CABINET

Boleshevik Premier to Yield Part of Power, Revival Hears

Copenhagen, March 21.—(By A. P.)—Negotiations looking to the formation of a coalition government for Soviet Russia, have been opened by Nikolai Lenin, Boleshevik premier, with leaders of the Menshevik and Social Revolutionary parties, says a dispatch from Reval to the Herlingske Tidende.

The sixteen men on whose cases the justice department acted.

Sid Hatfield, police chief, Reece Chambers, William Bowman, Clair Overstreet, Doug Mounts, Jesse Boyd, Charles Kiser, Ben Chambers, William H. Coleman, Ed Chambers, Geo. Taylor, James Overstreet, Al Williams, Van Clay, Fred Burgraff and Hallie Chambers.

Those whose cases were dismissed were: Isaac Brewer, Fred Webb, B. R. Page, N. H. Atwood, William Star, Albert Burgraff and J. C. McCoy.

After being dismissed Brewer testified for the prosecution.

Six other indictments hang over the deaths of the other six operatives who fell during the engagement.

Hatfield also stands indicted, charged with the larceny of \$700 from the body of Albert Felts.

Five of the private detectives who escaped after the battle were indicted in connection with the death of Mayor Testerman, Otto Kingsley and Robert Mullens, the latter eye being the other residents of Matoonian who met death. They have been described as bystanders.

Several months after the street fight Anne Hatfield, proprietor of a hotel that housed the private detectives during their stay in Matoonian, was shot and killed while sitting on the porch of his hotel.

Sid Hatfield, police chief, Hallie Chambers, Ed Chambers and Talmadge Chambers have been indicted in connection with his death. Anne Hatfield, known as "Devil Anne," had been looked upon as an independent witness in the trial just concluded.

The trial ended today has been the longest and conceded to have been the most consistent in the history of Virginia. It was held in the county courthouse at Williamson, but a few miles from where the Hatfield-McCoy feud was hatched.

GREEK KING CALLS 45,000 RESERVISTS TO COLORS

Constantine Believed Preparing to Launch New Offensive on Turkey

London, March 21.—King Constantine of Greece has called three divisions to the national colors, according to reports received here.

The king's action, in all probability, portends a Greek offensive against the Turkish nationalists in the opinion of Demetrios Gounaris, the Greek minister of war, in an interview today.

This decision of King Constantine is a natural consequence of the attitude of Turkey, which has again declared she will not accept the proposals of the London conference, and is demanding the return of Thrace and Smyrna, obtained by Greece as the result of the war.

It is also being openly declared that the Turkish nationalist forces are being withdrawn for use against the Greeks, and we have news of a Kennelist concentration against our army. Therefore the latter has been re-enforced, and 45,000 men have been called out.

"Such precautions must be taken, and the commander-in-chief has taken them," said the British ambassador in Athens today.

"I cannot say exactly what this portends, but in all probability it portends a Greek offensive."

BOY SHOTS 2 PLAYMATES

Playing With Musket, He Accidentally Wounds Sister and Cousin

Charles Nichols, twelve years old, who shot his way into the cellar of his home, 5000 Merion avenue, accidentally shot his sister and cousin at 10:45 o'clock this morning.

The wounded children, Ida Nichols, eleven years, and Joseph Mando, eight years, are in the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital in a serious condition. Ida was shot in the back and Joseph under the right arm. Charles was arrested. All the children are colorless.

The children went to the cellar to look for kite strings. Charles found the musket, pulled the trigger and the scattering shot struck his sister and cousin.

REVERSES SPY CONVICTION

Supreme Court Frees Three N. Y. Men Because of Government Error

Washington, March 21.—(By A. P.)—Upon the government's motion, confessing error, the Supreme Court reversed today conviction of Charles W. Stevens, Frank L. Preston and William Huetz, in New York state, under an espionage act. They were sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment, each.

The government refused to waive the convictions in California of Edward Anderson, Mortimer Downing and thirty-eight others on charges of conspiring to violate the selective service and espionage act.

PENSIONS CHIEF SLATED

War to Head Department

Washington, March 21.—(By A. P.)—President Harding is said to have decided to appoint Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich., a former member of the House of Representatives and a Union veteran, as commissioner of pensions.

Mr. Gardner served as a private in the Sixty-fifth Ohio Infantry and was severely wounded. From 1890 to 1911 he represented the Third Michigan district in Congress. He has been commander of the Michigan department, Grand Army of the Republic, and in 1913-14 was commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.

LICENSES IN MONTGOMERY

County Judges Refuse Only Those Charged With Offenses

Norrisstown, Pa., March 21.—All the liquor licenses in Montgomery county were granted this morning by Judges Swartz and Miller, except those against which there were indictments pending and the license for the American Hotel, Conshohocken, of which William Ford has been in charge for thirty years.

The Ford license was held up by reason of a petition presented by the district attorney's office, at the direction of the court, in which Ford was charged with violations of the liquor laws.

Governor Rejects Plea of Methodists on Liquor

Governor Sprout today met a delegation sent by the Methodist conference to discuss the liquor question.

He was urged to work for the Martin bill, now in the Legislature, and backed by clergymen.

The Governor told the delegates, headed by the Rev. Dr. Walchman, that he favored an amended Brooks law and that he could not change the position he has taken since his election.

NEW ATTACK ON VALIDITY OF DRY AMENDMENT BEGUN

Based on Requirement of Ratification Within Seven Years

Washington, March 21.—An entirely new attack on the validity of the prohibition amendment, based upon the requirement that it be ratified within seven years, was made today in the Supreme Court.

The attack was made in a brief filed by counsel for J. J. Dillon, of San Francisco, charged with violation of the prohibition enforcement act. Dillon is seeking a writ of habeas corpus.

The provision attacked was offered first by then Senator Harding when the amendment was being proposed in the Senate.

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