

THE WEATHER
Partly cloudy and unsettled weather tonight and Saturday; moderate temperature; moderate southwest winds.
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Frankford Board of Trade

WILL BE OPPOSED BY BUSINESS MEN

United Association Prepares to Ask Commission for Return of Five-Cent Rate

CITY AND TRANSIT HEADS CONFER ON NEW "L" LEASE

Frankford Board of Trade Calls Special "L" Meeting

The Frankford Board of Trade has called a meeting for Monday, April 4, to discuss the "L" fare situation.

According to Edwin Hulley, president of the association, it is not so much the question of raising money to run the elevated now as it is a question of the fare to be charged under P. R. T. management.

"We in Frankford are willing to pay the increased fare suggested, but we want to be shown its necessity," he said.

The million-dollar fund proposed by Frankford business men as their share of the expense of getting the elevated going, according to Mr. Hulley, was subscribed in event of the failure of the fare increase. The attitude of his organization upon the new plan proposed, he said, will probably be decided at the meeting.

The United Business Men's Association will protest against the proposed plan of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. to obtain a higher rate of fare.

That announcement was made today after representatives of the association had reviewed the proposition made by Thomas E. Mitten to Mayor Moore at a conference yesterday.

The conference was called to discuss plans for operating the Frankford elevated line. Mr. Mitten declared operation of the line would cause an annual deficit of \$925,000 and that an increased interest rate would be necessary to meet the situation.

In view of the fact that Public Service Commissioner Clement was present at the conference, the United Business Men's Association regards the declaration of the transit president equivalent to official notification of the company's desire to increase its fare.

"Hands Up" Says Flock

The Northwest Business Men's Association will oppose the proposition of raising all car riders for the sake of covering the deficit from operation of the Frankford elevated, said Charles L. Flock, president of the association.

"That has been the position of the association since 1916, at which time it took an advanced position on the question of fares on the high-speed lines, and it has held that position ever since," he said.

"It seems ridiculous to us that the riders of northwest Philadelphia should be asked to pay increased fares in order that the car riders of Frankford may have increased speed and comfort in riding. This was our reason for opposing the transit loan in 1915 and 1916."

"We then asked the city to go slow on the subject because there was no understanding between the city and the transit authority," he said.

Will Ask Five-Cent Fare

C. Oscar Heasley, counsel for the association, who is preparing the protest to the commission, said the action of Mr. Mitten is not consistent with his previous contentions regarding the fare question.

"Legitimate revenues can be obtained from the original five-cent fare," said Mr. Heasley, "and last night the association adopted a resolution which it decided to ask the commission to order a return to this rate."

RESOLVE PROVES FUTILE

The commission should control what the P. R. T. does with its revenues, and should not leave the public at the mercy of the company.

San Quarantine Ends

San Rossore Discharges Passengers Held for Inspection

The Italian steamer San Rossore, carrying 1765 passengers, nearly all of whom are immigrants, docked this morning at Pier 10, foot of Vine street, after having been detained twelve days at Marcus Hook for health precautions.

A passenger who came ashore among the first was Emanuel Troise, of Brooklyn, who went back to Italy recently to bring his children home. Six stewardesses and two crew members were included in her passenger list.

When you think of writing, think of **WRITING-LADY**.

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Death Takes Editor

WILLIAM PERRINE DIES IN HOSPITAL

Editor-in-Chief of Evening Bulletin, who died today

William Perrine, editor in chief of the Evening Bulletin, died early this morning in the Jefferson Hospital. He was in his sixty-third year.

Mr. Perrine had been ill since Washington's birthday with an infected foot. He was stricken in the Union League, where he made his home. Though his illness early began to assume a serious aspect, he rallied temporarily, and until last Sunday his friends had expected him to recover.

MEMBER OF UNION LEAGUE

Mr. Perrine had been a member of the Union League since 1914. He was elected to the office of editor-in-chief of the Bulletin in 1918.

Wrote of Old Philadelphia

For many years Mr. Perrine had conducted a column in the Bulletin under the heading "Men and Things" and signed it "Penn". His first refusal, and himself wrote the portion of this noted work from 1850 to 1884.

Editor-In-Chief Since 1895

Mr. Perrine was writing editorials on the Bulletin when that paper was bought by William L. McLean in 1895. He was then made editor-in-chief.

Rescue Proves Futile

Pedestrian Pulls Boy From River, but Too Late to Save Life

While playing "soldiers" with other children last night, William Gibson, eight years old, of 222 South Boushall street, accidentally fell into the Delaware river at the foot of Spruce street.

Accused of Bond Theft

Two Men Arrested on Charge of Stealing \$8200 From Bank

Chicago, March 25.—(By A. P.)—The police today announced the arrest of two men charged with selling Liberty bonds valued at \$8200, the greater part of which were said to have been stolen from the private bank of A. G. Blakeslee, at Galien, Mich., March 19.

Called Panama Congress

Special Session to Consider U. S. Demand in Costa Rica Dispute

Washington, March 25.—(By A. P.)—President Perras of Panama, has called a special session of Congress for next Monday to consider Panama's attitude toward the demand made by the American Government that Panama accept as final the White award as to the boundary between that country and Costa Rica.

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Schuck's "Mary" Sued

U. S. RIVALRY TALK ABSURD, JAPANESE NAVAL HEAD SAYS

Not Trying to Compete With America in Building Warships

By the Associated Press
Tokyo, March 25.—(By A. P.)—The Japanese navy program was being followed for the purpose of competing with the United States navy, was denounced as "preposterous and absurd" by Vice Admiral Tomonoburo Kato, Japanese minister of marine, in an interview with the Associated Press here yesterday.

He declared Japan was not trying to compete with the United States navy, and that the Japanese navy program had been formulated so that the island empire could be defended against any emergencies arising in the Far East alone.

CONEY STARTS "ONE-DAY" FLIGHT ACROSS CONTINENT

"Hops Off" in Florida on Speed Trip to Pacific

Jacksonville, Fla., March 25.—(By A. P.)—Although never today since he "hopped off" at 1:40 o'clock this morning from Jacksonville Beach in an effort to make a one-day, one-stop airplane trip from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, landing at San Diego, Calif., friends of Lieutenant W. D. Coney, army flyer, believed he was well on his way to Dallas, Tex., where he planned to make his only stop before noon. Weather conditions were reported good so far as visibility was concerned, but predicted strong head winds were expected to delay his speed.

Fair Following Storm

Wind and Rain, Damage Property, Fine for Easter

Considerable damage was caused in the city and suburbs by a heavy rain and windstorm which continued from before midnight until nearly 4 o'clock this morning.

Call Off Tugboat Strike

Workers Resumed Work—Department of Labor Offers Conciliation

New York, March 25.—(By A. P.)—The coastwise strike of marine engineers and officers on ocean-going tugs, begun yesterday in protest against wage reductions, was ended today by union officials after the receipt of a telegram from the Department of Labor offering conciliation.

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\$100 for Her Hope Chest

LIMERICK NO. 83

"What have you," asked Percy St. Clair,
And the jeweler said,
"With a wag of his head,
"Ring her hand. Chain her heart.
"Lock-et there!"

"MYSTERIOUS MARY" FIRE THREATENS PENNSGROVE, N. J.

Ray Schalk's "Sweetheart" is Whole of Former "Powder Town"

Charged With Cruelty in Separation Action

A suit for divorce was entered today against Mrs. Mary McGarvey, 5338 Chancellor street, the "girl" of Raymond W. Schuck, convicted of murder recently, and who was known as "Mysterious Mary."

In filing the suit William J. McGarvey, the husband, who gave his address as 14 West Turnbull avenue, South Ardmore, based on alleged barbarous treatment accorded him by Mrs. McGarvey.

In his complaint he set forth the marriage occurred April 23, 1913, in Philadelphia, and that he and his wife lived together at 4255 Violin street, 1965 South Main street and 5135 Chancellor street.

Mr. McGarvey, in the brief statement filed, declared that from January 1, 1918, up to January 25, 1919, his wife "constantly and on occasions too numerous to mention, did by cruel and barbarous treatment, endanger the life of her husband, and offered him indignities which rendered his condition intolerable and his life burdensome."

Philadelphia Wins Girl

Miss Miller, of Trenton, Received 70 Offers of Marriage

A man from Philadelphia has been selected by sixteen-year-old Dorothy Miller, of Trenton, as her prospective husband.

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A few days ago Miss Miller offered to marry a man two years hence who would immediately supply \$1000 to pay for an operation which will soon have to be performed on her mother.

MISSING MAN FOUND

Eugene Perole, fifty-three years old, of 629 Webster street, has been located by his family after having been missing from his home since last Tuesday.

EXTRA

LIEUT. CONEY BADLY INJURED AS PLANE FALLS IN LOUISIANA

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Lieutenant W. D. Coney, army air service, fell near Crowville, La., at 7:30 a. m. today while attempting a return flight from Jacksonville, Fla., to San Diego, Calif. According to reports reaching here Lieutenant Coney received injuries which may prove fatal. His plane was wrecked.

THROUGH FREIGHT BOAT REACHES HELENA, ARK.

HELENA, Ark., March 25.—The first freight received in Helena from Cincinnati and Louisville by the all-water route and without change of boats in more than ten years arrived here last night on the steamship Queen City, which recently entered through trade between Pittsburgh and New Orleans.

HEINZ PIER AT SHORE AFIRE

Flames Subdued After Hard Fight, Beach Hotels Endangered

BATTLE FOR SAXON CITY OF EISLEBEN RAGES FURIOUSLY

Security Police and Communists in Deadly Struggle as Machine Guns Bark

WORKMEN RE-ENFORCED; BERLIN READY FOR COUP

By the Associated Press
Eisleben, Germany, March 25.—Fighting between the Communists and security police for possession of Eisleben had extended this morning to a half-mile front in the western section of the town with the positions of advantage changing hands from moment to moment. The Communist army of 2500 was being reinforced steadily by peasants and villagers coming into town by unknown roads on foot and on bicycles. They carried army guns in the hope of surrounding the 2000 security police and destroying them.

Rifles, machine guns, grenades and dynamite, which were heard continuously throughout the night, had become a continuous rumble resembling drum-fire. From the postal and telegraph building the combat was visible and above the roar of firing could be heard calls of encouragement to both sides and the cries of the wounded, lying where they fell.

Eisleben, Germany, March 24 (7:10 p. m., delayed)—(By A. P.)—The street fighting as a result of the Communist outbreak which has been in progress for the last forty hours in this important copper mining town of Saxony was continuing desperately to-night with a hand-to-hand combat at the railroad station and in the streets in the center of the city.

The rattle of machine-gun fire, the crash of hand grenade explosions and the popping of rifles was heard steadily for the last three hours. Two thousand police were holding the east half of the town, while 2500 workmen were in possession of the western end. The workmen are heavily armed and well disciplined.

The intensity of the fighting may be judged from the fact that the railroad station changed hands twice in the twenty hours of the fighting. The police now are in possession of the station.

Bodies of the dead and severely wounded were still lying tonight in the streets where the fighting had been hours ago. The less severely wounded were crowded in sheltered doorways, with bullets raising puffs of dust about them.

The extent of the casualties on either side is not definitely known, but at least twenty were killed and fifty wounded in this morning's fighting.

Radio-line communications with Eisleben were cut. The correspondent came into the town on foot. The telegraph office was found in the hands of the police who continued to transmit the reports of the fighting.

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U. S. TO GIVE SOVIET POLICY

Cabinet to Issue Statement Today on Russian Trade Policy

Washington, March 25.—(By A. P.)—A Russian question may be made late today either at the White House or State Department.

ENTENTE DELAYS ACTION ON REBUFF BY GERMANY

Postpones Discussion of Reparations Refusal for Few Days

Paris, March 25.—(By A. P.)—Consideration of the Entente policy toward Germany in view of her refusal to pay by May 1 the 12,000,000,000 marks gold demanded by the reparations commission as the balance of her 20,000,000,000-mark obligation under the peace treaty, will be postponed for a few days.

The Entente foreign offices, it was stated, would wait until after the Easter holidays to begin active consultations on the reparations commission's report of Germany's refusal to pay, and the meeting of the council of ambassadors, which had been set for today, was abandoned. The ambassadors are getting together for their consultations before the middle of next week.

La Liberté announces that the German delegates here today are preparing the reparations commission the German Government's answer to the commission's note of yesterday warning Germany that unless she pays 25,000,000,000 gold marks due under article 235 of the treaty were paid by May 1 penalties would be inflicted.

The wording of the German reply was considered unacceptable by the commission, the newspaper says.

Delaware Ave. Widening to Proceed

The first legal step toward widening Delaware avenue from Laurel to Dyott streets was taken today by Mayor Moore when he signed a petition to leave to file the required bond. It is estimated that \$750,000 in damages will be awarded for buildings to be taken over in carrying out the project.