NEW U. S. TARIFF BOARD PROPOSED

Commerce Chamber Committee Offers Program of Permanent Legislation

TO MEET REAL CONDITIONS

Atlantic City, April 28.—A definite program of permanent tariff legislation to meet present conditions, framed by the committee on tariff policy, was presented to the United States Chamber of Commerce in its annual convention today.

The program calls upon Congress to provide a tariff adjustment board, appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, with "such emolument and tenure of office as will remove them from political influence and personal interest."

This board, it was explained, would be separate and distinct from the present tariff commission, the duties of which should be modified to require a report of its investigations to the tariff adjustment board in addition to the reports it now makes.

Any tariff legislation, said the committee, should be framed to permit adjustment of individual rates or particular schedule of rates within prescribed limitations and provide for "flexibility in the adjustment of said rates to the varying fluctuations of industrial and trade conditions."

Protection Against "Dumping"

"It is recommended," added the committee's resolution, "that in framing such legislation the principles hereinafter stated should control and that it should be the duty of the tariff adjustment board to apply the tariff acts of Congress and fix just and reasonable rates within said limitations to meet changing conditions, in accordance with said principles, viz.:

"Promotion of the interest of the American public as a whole.

"Reasonable protection of American industries that are subject to destructive competition from abroad, and that are, or promise to be, of benefit to the country as a whole or to any considerable section thereof.

"Maintenance and encouragement of export trade.

"Meeting discriminations, direct or indirect, against the products of this country.

"The prevention of dumping of foreign goods into this country to the injury of our markets.

"Due consideration of relative standards of living, earnings and efficiency of labor in this and in other countries.

Alba B. Johnson's Views

"In determining our self interest we must survey the whole of our problem and avoid concentrating our vision upon only a part of it," said Alba B. Johnson, president of the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce, in his address.

"In former years," said Mr. Johnson, "our tariffs were made solely with reference to the interest of each group of manufacturers without much consideration of their effect upon other lines of production and commerce. The needs of Europe for our goods and raw materials will, once peace comes, cease to be left to take care of themselves, and the nations having these goods had ample purchasing powers to absorb them irrespective of our own tariff regulations. Such is no longer the case. Our former customers have become impoverished by the war's destruction of their resources. We have become for the time being, at least, a creditor nation, and if we desire to continue and increase our exports to absorb our capacity for production we must seek foreign markets from the standpoint of American goods.

"No longer ought we to frame our tariff laws in the committee room upon the basis only of the producer's interests. The farmer, the railroad, the workmen in field, mine and factory, also have a stake. Now and always it is the desirable and intelligent duty of every line of business to come forward and tell what it needs for the restoration of its prosperity, and to frame our policies upon the basis of the conditions affecting all."

Conditions Have Changed

"It is not either our wish or our duty blindly to adhere to the traditions of the past. While some [illegible] have failed to perceive the [illegible] commercial and financial relations [illegible] have changed. Twenty years ago that great apostle of protection, President McKinley, saw into the future.

"The greatest need of our commerce today is some common exchange of commodities as will enable foreign nations to obtain from us the materials with which to pay for them in the [illegible] way possible, viz., in products of labor.

"A call for the [illegible] conferences was sounded by the late Dr. Arthur Hale of the United States Customs Court of Appeals of Washington, in his decision of tariff protest.

"The [illegible] the less [illegible] differing [illegible] thousand [illegible] secured America's prosperity [illegible] this [illegible] famous [illegible] The [illegible] that the [illegible] be a trade [illegible] Wood [illegible] be [illegible] the [illegible] Taft [illegible] demanded by Harvey S. Firestone, president of Solar [illegible]

"A [illegible] direct making [illegible] industry [illegible] key industry [illegible] this [illegible] at times [illegible] industrial conditions.

"Salaries [illegible] situations [illegible] George W. Hodges [illegible] Congress [illegible] proximate [illegible] standing [illegible] gess.

JILTED AND JAILED

Rocco Gets Thirty Days After Unsuccessful Wooing Attempt

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Dempsey was [illegible] before Magistrate Mecleary [illegible] Rocco [illegible] South Street [illegible] Salarella 918 North [illegible] Scola [illegible] Doughero [illegible] employes [illegible] attention [illegible]

Health Board Meets in Open

National Park, N. J., April 28.—In order that the members could smoke and enjoy the breeze are the Board of Health Tuesday night had its monthly meeting in the open in front of the fire house.

BUILDER GIVES PLEDGE TO END PRICE-FIXING

Tells N. Y. Probers He Will Recommend Abandonment of Practice

New York, April 28.—(By A. P.)—Albert A. Ainsworth, secretary for thirteen groups of manufacturers accused before the legislative building trust inquiry of exchanging price lists and information on sales declared on the witness stand today that, on advice of counsel, he would recommend abandonment of these practices.

Mr. Ainsworth waived immunity upon taking the stand. Nine of the thirteen organizations are composed of manufacturers of building equipment and fixtures.

Under further questing Mr. Ainsworth declared his attorney already had advised abandonment of price and sales reporting. This system, it was contended by Samuel Untermyer, committee counsel, was used for guiding member firms in fixing prices.

Young Girl Slain on Country Road

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schoolhouse, and at 8 o'clock last evening several persons saw them pass through McClure.

The scene of the shooting was less than 100 feet from the Hoffman farmhouse. Members of the Hoffman family went to bed early and knew nothing of the crime until they were aroused by the Weiands.

Members of the Weiand party heard groans from the side of the road as they were passing the scene. They stopped, left their automobile and went back along the road.

The girl was breathing with difficulty when they found her lying in a pool of blood. Another pool of blood, fifty yards away, indicated that she had been carried some distance by her assailant and then abandoned to die.

Word was sent out for a physician from the farmhouse, but before medical aid could be given her, the girl died.

Rifle Believed a Blind

An electric flashlight, a pair of heavy pliers, a screwdriver, part of a loaf of bread and the repeating rifle were found beside the girl's body. The rifle was apparently left beside the body to confuse the authorities, as the magazine was filled.

Bullets which caused the girl's death were of small caliber.

In a pocket of the man's mackinaw, worn by the victim, were found a spool of black thread, a comb, a small mirror and a pair of man's garters.

Description of these articles led the mother to visit the Lewistown morgue and positively identify the body.

The scene of the crime is near the almost impenetrable wooded section of Jack's mountain. A search of this mountain, for the girl's slayer, is being organized by the Mifflin county authorities.

Erma Rhodes was an exceedingly pretty girl, with dark eyes and hair, white, small teeth and little body. Since the separation of her parents she had lived part of the time with her mother in Lewistown and with the father at Reedsville.

SENTENCED FOR FRAUD

Man Gets Two Years Six Months for Unlawful Conversion of $650

Solomon Cohen, who lived at Eighth and Bainbridge streets, was convicted today before Judge Shull in the Quarter Sessions Court of unlawful conversion of $650 belonging to Abraham Davidson, a furrier, and was sentenced to two years and six months in the county prison.

Last October Davidson's place at 1026 Arch street was robbed and $22,000 worth of furs taken. Cohen called at the prosecutor's store, and had a talk about the stolen property, saying he could get it back to Davidson if the latter put up enough money. Cohen demanded $2000, but finally compromised on $1000.

The following day he phoned in New York to Davidson to come to that city, which the prosecutor did, and met Cohen at a hotel. Cohen assured the prosecutor he was in touch with the men who recovered the stolen furs and on the strength of this Davidson paid him $650 on account. Davidson returned to this city expecting to get his goods back the next day. He never received the goods nor the return of the money paid to Cohen.

WILL AIDS BAPTISTS

John C. Rigney Leaves Funds for Churches and Institutions

The will of John C. Rigney, of 1335 West York street, who died April 14, was admitted to probate today. He left $27,100. Of this amount $8000 went to relatives, $5000 of the residue to the East Baptist Church, East Columbia and Gordon avenues, for new pews and windows, $1000 to the First Baptist Church of Ocean City, N. J., $500 to the Baptist Institute for Christian Workers, and the balance equally divided between the Baptist Orphanage at Angora and the Baptist Home at Germantown and Norris streets.

Charles W. Peterman, of 4017 Ogden street, [illegible] $8000 to relatives. Also $100 to Mercersburg Prime Improved Order of Red Men, and $100 to the Order of Independent Americans.

An inventory was filed in the estate of Clement B. Collier, who died $37,580.

Letters of administration were granted to Louisa M. Schmidt, 412 West Hunter street, $25,000, and Mathew Donnelly, 1706 Race street, $31,500.

BUSINESS MEN TO AID

Mayor Seeks Support for Navy Yard Dredging Project

Mayor Moore today invited one hundred business organizations and [illegible] in the matter of dredging the Navy Yard to see that sufficient funds are provided for the purpose by Congress. Federal appropriation for the Philadelphia Navy Yard, amounting [illegible] for dredging [illegible]

Also $100,000 is needed for dredging [illegible] the coal pier. The Mayor has taken the matter up with Congress and is [illegible] the cooperation of [illegible] trade bodies.

The Mayor takes the position that [illegible] helps the Navy Yard helps [illegible] and country. The dredging [illegible] are [illegible] and further information is needed [illegible] the work can be carried on.

AUTOISTS IN CRASH. HELD

Two Machines Collide, but Occupants Escape Injury

Occupants of two motorcars escaped [illegible] when they collided last night at Germantown avenue and Stenton avenue. Both machines were damaged.

Harold B. Snow, 30 Popham road, owner of one of the machines, was held in $1000 bail by Magistrate Pennock in the Germantown police station, for a further hearing Sunday. The other car was driven by F. S. Kitson, of Fort Washington, who placed responsibility for the accident on Snow. With Snow in the machine was Arthur Bernstein, of 6600 North Tenth street.

REMEDY IS OFFERED IN BUILDING JAM

Labor and Capital Must Stop Kidding Each Other, Sherman Rogers Says

PUBLIC ANXIOUSLY WAITS

A boom in building is waiting only on a drop in building costs—people are eager to build, but will not pay $15,000 for a $10,000 house—according to Sherman Rogers, associate editor of the Outlook and an authority on industrial problems.

Mr. Rogers, who a few months ago made a survey of the city's textile situation for the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER, spoke last night at a banquet of the delegates to the conference of mutual savings banks.

"There never was a time," said Mr. Rogers, "when there was so much demand for new building. In the large urban centers alone $1,500,000,000 worth of building is awaiting the rule of reason in the building trades industries.

"Thousands are eager to build or buy homes, but refuse to pay $15,000 for a $10,000 house. Building costs will have to come down the same as clothing and food, and when the public is convinced the building material men want to play fair and building trades labor shows a sincere desire to cut out its fifty-seven varieties of inflexible rules and get down to earth an unparalleled building boom will start within twenty-four hours.

"Tens of thousands of persons are cooped up in apartments. They are paying twice the rents they would have to pay if the investor could get a fair run for his money and the home purchaser honest value. But the renter is willing to be 'stung' temporarily in an exorbitant rent rather than be permanently 'stung' on a home that costs 35 per cent more than it is worth.

Public on Buying Strike

"We hear much about building trades labor and the master builders squabbling as to wages and material prices. They both have the wrong idea as to their economic position just now. It's the public that is on a buying strike, and they will not call off that strike until all elements in the building industry regain public confidence.

"It doesn't mater a particle if building trades labor contractors and construction material men make a deal among themselves; if the public is not satisfied it would not do a single bit of good.

"There are 600 vacant houses in Westchester county, New York. At the same time there are more than 25,000 home purchasers in New York city searching for houses. But after inspection they go back to a dingy apartment to await a return of sanity in the building industry. These are new-built homes I am talking about, and they bear silent testimony to the fact that neither building labor contractors nor material men can 'bunk' the public any longer.

Bankers "Panned"

"Bankers are being 'panned' for not lending money for new construction in much greater volume. They all want to get construction started, but level-headed depositors would withdraw their money from any bank that went too heavy in lending 60 per cent on a house not actually worth the 60 per cent in the first place. Banks cannot get behind building with both feet till they can assure their depositors that advances to builders are protected by an honest value.

"If building would begin on the sweeping basis that the demand will justify, business all over the country will take a brace. Thousands of railroad cars will be needed, lumber mills can resume on a normal basis and this activity will quickly stimulate every line of business and branch of labor. Business will not return to normal till construction does start.

"To get back to normal capital and labor must stop throwing mud at each other. They are both to blame for present conditions. They should mutually shoulder the blame and start a new page.

"The present great problems of industry cannot be settled by union men in a labor temple or by capital behind a directors' desk. Labor and capital must get together and put their cards down. When they meet in that manner and quit kidding each other the so-called labor problem will soon cease to exist.

"The labor problem has been pretty well settled in several hundred plants where direct contact has been established—where management and men frankly discuss all matters pertaining to industry.

"When the great majority of progressive employers and conservative employes get together they will soon relegate the reactionary employer and the revolutionary agitator to the scrap heap."

FIGHTS FOR HER CHILDREN

Mrs. Stokes Has Tense Day on Witness Stand

New York, April 28.—Crouched in the witness chair, blue eyes set and adame, red lips drawn thin, chin tilted defiantly much as an enraged kitten sparring at its tormentor—this was Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes under the first day of cross-examination yesterday.

All of yesterday's proceedings simmers down to this: Her verbal story of cruelty, supplemented by her diary, is set against her love letters written to her aged husband. She was compelled to reconcile the grim picture of previous days with gushing endearments scribbled, so the husband contends, at the time of its setting.

She did it, after a fashion. She wanted to "please" and she loved him, even him, until the day of the trial—"his attitude did it." Yet she was sorry she was married to him. But the letters would prove she did not marry for money.

When Herbert Smyth, for W. E. D. Stokes, asked her to hurry in reading the diary her tiny chin quivered.

"I have two babies in Denver, Mr. Smyth. I have been waiting and fighting for them and a half years to have them," her voice was harsh; "I shall not hurry now."

MEDIA WOMEN APPOINTED

First of Sex to Hold Political Jobs in Delaware County

The first women appointments in Delaware county to political offices were announced today by Judge Isaac Johnson in Media in the selection of three women to the position of registry assessors in Swarthmore.

The women chosen are Mrs. Horace G. S. Inquette, Mrs. W. R. Shoemaker and Miss Maud S. Bishop. The women will assume the duties of their offices May 1, to begin the assessment of voters. All are prominent in social activities. The petition asking for their appointment was presented by Harry J. Makiver.

STORE FOLKS WILL ACT TONIGHT

Ledger Photo Service

A bit of "Faust" will be given in the presentation of "La Soiree de la Reine" by the Strawbridge & Clothier Chorus in connection with their annual concert, to be given at the Academy of Music tonight. They are, left to right—L. Shalet, as Faust; Marie Brown, as Marguerite, and J. Loudenslager, as Mefisto

3 MURDERERS HERE SENTENCED TO DIE

Less Than Half Hour Taken by Judges in Ordering Electrocutions

NEW TRIAL FOR ONE MAN

Three murderers—Michael Marano, 827 Washington avenue, James Priest, 1939 Fernon street, and Earl Carter—were sentenced to death in Criminal Court No. 1 this afternoon in less than a half hour.

A fourth man, the youngest of them all, James A. Murray, was granted a newtrial because of the "over-zealousness" of the district attorney who prosecuted. Murray broke down and sobbed when Judge McCullen announced the good news that the boy would not follow the three older men to the electric chair.

Marano was first to be taken before the court, where Judge McCullen sat with Judges Ferguson and Audenreid, to take action on motions for new trials.

Judge Ferguson announced that the evidence in the case had been reviewed and the judges would refuse to reverse the verdict of the first trial.

At the judge's order the prisoner and the spectators stood up.

"Have you anything to say why sentence of death should not be pronounced?" asked the judge.

Killed Wife as Unfaithful

An interpreter repeated the question, and Marano, who stabbed his wife Grazia to death April 24, 1920, replied in Italian:

"I should have been freed the first day. My wife was unfaithful."

Judge Ferguson cut him off.

"I therefore sentence you," he said solemnly, "to be delivered into the hands of the warden of the Western State Penitentiary, and to be confined by him in the house set aside for the condemned, there to await execution of the death penalty on such a date as the Governor of Pennsylvania may signify."

Marano was led off pale-faced and but half understanding, and Priest put in his place. He shot and killed his wife, Anna, April 13, 1920.

"The court has considered your argument," Judge McCullen said, "that the verdict was not sustained by the evidence. The court believes you were guilty of premeditated murder, for you armed yourself with a revolver and sought your wife and killed her. Have you anything to say?"

Priest, his face a sickly sallow, shook his head, and was sentenced.

To Die for Killing Grocer

Carter, alias French, a mulatto, came next. He had shot and killed Richard Manus, a grocer on Ninth street near Jackson, June 17, 1920.

"The evidence is overwhelmingly against you," said Judge McCullen. "There is no warrant that I can see for granting you a new trial. Therefore your motion is denied."

SPEED AMBLER TRIAL

Defendant Will Ask Case Be Taken From Jury Today

The trial of Charles A. Ambler, former state treasurer, for embezzlement may end this afternoon with a demand by Michael J. Ryan, Ambler's counsel, that the case be taken away from the jury.

The trial is the outgrowth of the North Penn Bank failure. It is alleged that Ambler diverted to the use of the Ambler Construction Co. funds which belonged to the defunct Pittsburgh Life and Trust Co., for which he was receiver by virtue of his office.

The trial began Monday before Judge Henry and a jury in Criminal Court No. 2 and has been dragging drearily while Mr. Ryan and Joseph A. Taulane, assistant city solicitor, have fought over legal technicalities. It was expected that it would take at least another week.

Judge Henry revived the fast-dying hope of an early verdict when he announced today that certain basic facts had been agreed upon by counsel and the court.

LAUNCH TANKER TODAY

New York Girl Will Name New Vessel at Chester

The oil tanker Puente, built for the Union Oil Co., of San Francisco, will be launched at the Chester yard of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corporation at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. Miss R. Pernelle Pryor, daughter of Samuel F. Pryor, of New York, will act as sponsor.

The Puente is equipped with eighteen main oil tanks, with a capacity of 70,000 barrels of oil. She is 424 feet long, fifty-eight feet at beam and thirty-three feet in depth. A large delegation of guests from New York, Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore will witness the launching.

BANKERS URGED TO BE AGGRESSIVE

Should Stimulate Building by Accepting More Mortgages, Is Assertion

ARE CAUTIONED, HOWEVER

Bankers should assume a more aggressive attitude and let the public know they like mortgages and will gladly take them on safe properties—when the cost of labor and materials come down.

That was the sentiment expressed at the second national conference of mutual savings banks in session at the Bellevue-Stratford today.

Delegates from all over the country discussed the housing problem and mortgage question.

William E. Knox, of New York city, said: "We would be criminals to loan under present conditions. We haven't the right to lend at the present cost of construction. Builders may not like it now, but they would not think much of us if, in a few years they found themselves owners of property not worth so much as the loan."

George E. Brock, chairman of the convention, expressed the opinion of many that the bankers should not be blamed for the present housing conditions all over the country. "Economic conditions are to blame," he said. "We should not loan money on property greatly inflated.

Brings on Panics

"That is the sort of thing that brings on panics. We want to make it plain to the public that we are ready and willing to make mortgage loans as soon as the cost of labor and material is reduced."

It was a general opinion that the banks have been maligned in this housing question and that "certain politicians have made a political football of the situation."

T. F. Wallace said that farm loans were today a good investment for eastern banks that could make that sort of loan. Some states do not allow banks to make loans outside the state. The risks eastern bankers took in the early nineties in placing loans on western property is almost gone, he said.

The losses then were due to dishonest houses rather than to poor property.

Jerome Thralls, executive vice president of the Foreign Trade Financing Corporation, in discussing foreign trade financing questioned Herbert Hoover's "charitable policy" in sending food abroad.

"Wouldn't it be better business," he said, "to send raw materials abroad on credit and let them work in factories and earn their own living?"

An electrical "daylight bandit" and vault protection system, designed to protect bank vaults from burglaries of various kinds, is being exhibited at the conference. Moving picture films illustrating the various kinds of bank robberies were shown, the movie robbers being foiled in their efforts to hold up banks by the operation of the system. S. H. Fifield and A. E. Davies, of New York, are conducting the experiments.

WINE IMPORTS INCREASE

Dry Law in U. S. Proves Boon to Foreign Dealers

Prohibition in the United States, while affectig the trade conditions in ordinary liquors in foreign countries, has been a boon to them in the exportation of sweet wines to this country.

That was the statement today of William M. Stracham, trade commissioner of the United States Department of Commerce, who has just returned from a trip to Spain. Mr. Stracham is in this city conferring with business men on foreign trade conditions at the Foreign Trade Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce.

"Spain exported to this country ten times as much sweet wine for sacramental purposes since prohibition than ever before," Mr. Stracham said. "The business in imports in this country of raisins has shown a fabulous increase. In two years this business has grown from $20,897 in 1918 to $7,563,761 last year."

SHIP LINES URGE ARGENTINA

Support U. S. Demand for Control of Buenos Aires Port

Buenos Aires, April 28.—(By A. P.)—The transatlantic "Centro De Navegacion" presented a memorial to the minister of finance today asking protection against the unjust demands of the port workers' union.

This memorial added the weight of five overseas steamship companies, operating in Buenos Aires, to the demand of the United States that the Argentine Government enforce its "nationalizing" decree placing the port services under government control.

RAIL UNIONS BEGIN FIGHT IN WAGE CASE

Labor Board Asked to Defer Decision Until Working Rules Are Settled

LIVING COST DROP DENIED

By the Associated Press

Chicago, April 28.—Railroad labor today began its reply to the carriers' request for lower wages by asking the Railroad Labor Board not to decide the wage question until rules and working conditions are settled.

The union leaders also presented figures which, they said, proved that the roads could reduce operating expenses annually by $3,377,355,000, or more than 50 per cent, without lowering the rates of pay for employes.

B. M. Jewell, president of the railroad employes department of the American Federation of Labor, led the labor attack. He contended that even under the present rates of pay, it would take the employes three years to recoup their losses during the war period and disputed the roads' statements concerning reduction in cost of living since July, 1920, by saying that the present rates were based on cost of living in December, 1919.

He also announced a meeting of general chairmen of the shop crafts here Monday and Tuesday, at which the rules the unions will advocate to replace the national agreements will be drawn up. He asked the board to adjourn tomorrow until next Wednesday so as not to interfere with this meeting.

Possible Savings Tabulated

Mr. Jewell, while announcing that he did not accept the figures of Brigadier General W. W. Atterbury, of the Pennsylvania lines, concerning savings to be effected by abrogation of the national agreements on July 1, included them in his estimate of savings which he said could be made by the roads annually without reducing wages. He presented the following table:

Fuel savings, if prices continue to decline, $1,000,000,000.

Savings from abrogation of national agreements as estimated by General Atterbury, $300,000,000.

Inadequacies of railroad management, $1,226,500,000.

Savings derived from additional capital investments, $759,855,000.

Savings on apprentices, $22,000,000.

Savings on helpers, $80,000,000.

Total, $3,377,355,000.

"The railroads contend that their annual operating expenses are $6,000,000,000," said Mr. Jewell, "so it is possible to make a saving of more than 50 per cent, without lowering the pay of a single worker. Under these circumstances it is not fair for the roads to take their losses out of the wages of the employes."

Mr. Jewell outlined labor's case by announcing that thirty-eight exhibits could be prepared for the board, some of which were filed last week.

Railroad Telegraphers Heard

E. J. Manion, president of the Order of the Railroad Telegraphers, presented a statement which named a number of roads as having lower rates of pay for their tower and telegraph operators than the average for all roads in the same territory.

These included the Pere Marquette, the Ann Arbor, the Chicago and Western Indiana, the Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Western, the Long Island and the Erie. Mr. Manion said the percentage increase for telegraphers on the Pennsylvania Railroad since 1915 in reality was only 70 per cent., instead of 149 per cent. as claimed by the carrier. He said the road, in reaching its figures, maintained that a decrease in hours was an increase in compensation, a point which the labor side did not concede. He said the roads he mentioned were among the lowest paid and "had been studiously picked for a concerted drive to lower wages."

A meeting of general chairmen of the railroad shop crafts will be held here Monday and Tuesday to draw up a uniform set of rules which the unions will advocate in place of the national agreements, ordered abrogated by the railroad labor board, effective July 1. The rules will be presented to the railroads by negotiating committees representing the crafts on each road. A committee of 100 shop craft men now is working on these rules.

EX-POLICE SURGEON HELD

Charges Grew Out of Operation Said to Have Been Performed

Dr. Charles H. Barnett and Dennis Kelleher, of Colwyn, were held in $1000 bail each by Magistrate Mecleary this morning, for a further hearing May 13, on charges growing out of an operation performed by Dr. Barnett, which Kelleher is said to have abetted.

Dr. Barnett, formerly police surgeon in the Sixteenth district, is now under suspension. They had received a preliminary hearing on the charges. The continuance was asked pending the investigation of the Civil Service Commission which will try Dr. Barnett.

Deaths of a Day

Mrs. Thomas H. Ashton

Mrs. Thomas H. Ashton, of Hamilton Court Apartments, died last night, following an illness of several weeks. The cause of death was a general breakdown, extending over several years. Mrs. Ashton is survived by her husband, and her daughter, Katherine Virginia Ashton. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, interment to be in Greenmount Cemetery, Baltimore. The services will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Archibald McCallum, of the Walnut Street Presbyterian Church.

Henry Lawrence Nelms

Funeral services for Henry Lawrence Nelms, who died on Tuesday at his home in the Clinton Apartments, will be conducted Sunday evening from 1820 Chestnut street. Mr. Nelms was president of Nelms & Rowan Co., Inc., brush manufacturers, 407 Commerce street. He had been ill for some time and had virtually retired from active participation in the company of which he was head. He was in his eighty-third year. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Emma Nelms Knight.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Tomasso Di Agostino, 1501 S. Colorado st., and Michelina Torretta, 1811 S. 15th st.
George H. Schaeffer, 1723 Girard ave., and Mae E. Alexander, 1512 W. Firth st.
William Adams, Easton, Pa., and Jennie B. Stoddard, 1208 Reed st.
George E. Nelson, Baltimore, and Marie H. Ross, 2425 W. Norris st.
Harold E. Pearson, 5002 Keystone st., and Doris Williams, 2040 S. Fairhill st.
Robert L. Kalb, 2419 N. 20th st., and Mary Gothard, 2812 N. Ringold st.
Louis F. Flinkman, 1901 E. Moyamensing ave., and Anna Goodberg, Chester, Pa.
Lewis E. Abrams, 5238 Larchwood ave., and Stella Susman, 116 S. 57th st.
George Osborne, Carbondale, Pa., and Minnie Gardner, Scranton, Pa.
John E. Anderson, 44 N. Lindenwood st., and Edith H. Daisey, 437 N. 61st st.
John F. Schneider, 3467 Jasper st., and Mabel E. Lewis, 315 E. Cambria st.
Edward V. Reeves, City Line and Mascher sts., and Sue E. Derham, 7023 Limekiln pk.
Clark W. Sharrow, 4385 Germantown ave., and Edith A. Otto, 4542 Ulber st.

Fleet's Guns Roar Salute to Harding

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first opportunity to salute him. From the proud flagship Pennsylvania down to the humble "beef boats" and from admiral down to bluejackets, ships and men were sleek and alert for the occasion.

Before the fleet entered the Virginia capes the Mayflower, which came down from Washington last night with President and Mrs. Harding and their party, was at anchor off Thimble Light. Nearby was the naval yacht Sylph, on which Secretary Denby and members of the House naval committee came to Hampton Roads, while private yachts, excursion boats and serries clustered around the reviewing party.

Young T. R. on Flagship

With Admiral Wilson, fleet commander, on the Pennsylvania was Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, who made the cruise from Guantanamo with the fleet and was on the flagship's bridge when she passed the Mayflower. The blue and white flag of the assistant secretary fluttered from a topmast. Following the Pennsylvania came the battleships Oklahoma, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, Florida, Delaware, North Dakota, Michigan, South Carolina and Connecticut, the Utah flying the flag of Vice Admiral H. F. Jones, commanding the battleship force.

Close behind the battleships was the tender Black Hawk, leading three divisions of six destroyers each and thirteen submarines of the O and K classes. They were followed by mine force vessels and ships of the supply train, headed by the cruiser Columbia, flagship of the train.

The destroyers, as they slipped quietly along astern of the battleships, were forced to content themselves with less elaborate honors than those paid by the larger vessels. The greater part of their crews were below decks in the heat of engine and boiler rooms or busy on the bridge, and lacking the luxury of a band, they "manned the rail" at attention and let it go at that.

On submarines a little group of men on the decks almost awash stood rigidly at attention as the submersibles slipped by the reviewing party.

Throughout the review the seaplanes from the naval base and army aircraft from Langley Field buzzed and hummed overhead, while three dirigibles droned lazily over the pageant.

Aboard Presidential Yacht Mayflower off Hampton Roads, April 28 (by Wireless).—The day was cold and gray, with an overcast sky and low-hanging clouds, as the hour approached today for the presidential review of the Atlantic division of the American fleet.

Shortly before 9 o'clock Secretary of the Navy Denby boarded the Mayflower and greeted President and Mrs. Harding, who then took the bridge.

At 9 o'clock the great battleship Pennsylvania appeared out of the haze. She was followed at 500-yard intervals by the other members of the armada.

She approached the Mayflower and about a mile away wheeled smartly and passed in review off the port side. Her opening gun boomed in salute at 9:10.

In a little more than an hour after the flagship had steamed past the presidential yacht, the last submarine in the line slipped by and the fleet anchored in the Roads. The Mayflower lifted anchor and joined the armada, President and Mrs. Harding going aboard the flagship Pennsylvania, where they held a reception for the officers of the fleet.

FOUR IRISH EXECUTED

Men Convicted of Waging War on Crown—Belfast Stores Raided

Cork, April 28.—(By A. P.)—Four men convicted of making war against British crown forces were executed by a firing squad at the military barracks here today. They were Patrick O'Sullivan, Maurice Moore, Patrick Ronayne and Thomas Mulcahy.

A priest addressed words of consolation to the condemned men saying they were going to a city which could not be burned down. The prisoners were then taken out and shot in pairs.

Authorities refused to give the bodies to relatives. Instead they were removed to Cork jail for interment. While the executions were proceeding a crowd knelt in the roadway outside the barracks, offered prayers and recited rosaries amid sobs of bereaved relatives.

Belfast, April 28.—(By A. P.)—Spirit and grocery stores on Newtonards road were attacked last night by a mob, which carried off everything portable. The street which was the scene of the disorder was the center of the exciting events of last July and August.

The section of the city where riots occurred yesterday was invested by military forces this morning. After scantily clad occupants of the houses in that neighborhood, which were, for the most part, boarding establishments, had had breakfast they were ordered to the streets while a search was made of the buildings.

"THANK OFFERINGS" AMOUNT TO $21,404

Episcopal Churches Unite in Raising Funds for Missionary Work

$468,060 LAST YEAR'S SUM

The seventeenth annual presentation service of the United Thank Offering was held at the Chapel of the Mediator, Fifty-first and Spruce streets, at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

The amount collected was $11,112.27, making a total in bank for this district of $21,404.20. This year's collection exceeded that year's by more than $1000.

Bishop Rhinelander had charge of the service and the sermon was by the Rev. Phillips Endicott Osgood.

The United Thank Offering, which at the last general convention amounted to $468,060, is the gift of the women of the Episcopal Church for the training and support of women in the mission field.

In this diocese there are approximately 35,000 women communicants, but not more than 7000 share in the United Thank Offering.

"There is a diocesan treasurer," the announcement says, "and there is a United Thank Offering treasurer in each parish (in Pennsylvania there are about forty parishes and missions that have no treasurers). Through the the blue box each woman should have, the offerings are made little by little.

"Twice a year, in the spring at the presentation service and in the fall at the treasurers' conference, these offerings having been collected by the parish treasurers are turned over to the diocesan treasurer.

"Since 1892 our diocese has shared in this triennial offering. Beginning with $654 in that year, we have increased the amount of our offering until in 1919 Pennsylvania's share was $62,602."

The national convention of the United Thank Offering takes place in Portland, Oregon, next year.

A joint fund of $1,000,000 is expected from the combined contributions to be reported then.

900 GERMANS FACE TRIAL

Men Accused of War Crimes Will Be Arraigned This Month

Berlin, April 28.—Nine hundred Germans, whose punishment has been demanded by the Entente for crimes committed during the war, will face trial at Leipsic, beginning May 23. Seven judges will sit as the court.

Noncommissioned Officer Heine, charged with abusing British prisoners; Captain Mueller, commander at the prison camp at Flavy-le-Martel, and Private Neuman, who is alleged to have maltreated prisoners at the prison camp at Pommerensdorf, will be the first to be tried. Captain Neumann, commander of U-boat 67, which sank the hospital ship Dover Castle, will be arraigned some time in June. Forty-seven witnesses have been called from England.

The minister of justice, in explaining arrangements for the trials, declared yesterday:

"Only men charged with the commission of specific crimes will be tried at first. We are greatly handicapped by the fact that the alleged crimes were committed from five to seven years ago. The witnesses are scattered, some of the accused have left Germany, and several are dead."

TRAIN CRASH KILLS FIREMAN

Two Other Members of Crew and Several Passengers Injured

Altoona, Pa., April 28.—(By A. P.)—Clearing up the wreck of the Pennsylvania Railroad's New York express at Bennington, west of here, late last night, showed one member of the train crew killed and two injured. A number of passengers received injuries, but were able to proceed.

Fireman Earl Winnes, of Derry, was killed. Engineer Dunmire, of Irwin, was seriously injured. Baggagemaster Roy Mickle, of Harrisburg, was also hurt.

Girl Run Down by Auto

David Rosen, 2107 Dauphin street, was held in $800 bail today by Magistrate Oswald after he had run down and injured Miss Reba Weintraub, seventeen years old, 2753 Columbia avenue, as she was alighting from a trolley car at Twenty-eighth street and Columbia avenue last night. The girl is in St. Joseph's Hospital.

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