

P. R. R. INSISTENT ON SECRET BALLOT

Company Says Rail Labor Board's Opposition Gives Brotherhoods Advantage

OFFICIALS IN CONFERENCE

Attempted abolition of the secret ballot was given as the real cause of the break between the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Railroad Labor Board by Pennsylvania officials yesterday. It is said the Railroad Board had insisted that the employees agree to vote on ballots for representatives, and the railroad objected. It is said that approval of 90 per cent of the railroad personnel took part in the election and the company officials objected to the named ballots on the ground that it would give the Brotherhoods a chance to blackmail those men who did not vote for union candidates. For this reason the management desires to retain the secret ballot to protect independent workers. Five days remain in which the road may accept the Labor Board's ruling, that the working agreements between men and managers are contrary to the railroad's wishes. On Thursday next the Pennsylvania must confer with System Federation No. 90 on the subject of new elections.

Conferences between Vice President W. W. Atterbury and other officials were continued yesterday to discuss the situation, but no statement was issued. The prediction made several days ago, that the railroad will ignore the Labor Board's decision, is still strong. General Atterbury was the leading spirit in working out new kinds of agreements and a system of election of leaders for the employees, these agreements going into effect when the national agreements were abrogated by the Labor Board, a few months ago. Ballots were printed for the election of representatives from each craft, each employee being allowed to vote for whomever he wished. The balloting is secret.

Specific instructions were given by the road that the vote is to be taken without reference to, or consideration of, the membership or non-membership in any organization. Employees are to vote their choice according to their own interests without prejudice.

No Identification Marks. No marks of identification were on the ballot, and should they now be signed as the Labor Board desires, the railroad management fears the danger of pressure being brought to bear on independent employees, with possible blacklists or boycotts. Following is the form of ballot prescribed by the Labor Board:

Those who desire to be represented by the System Federation No. 90, Railway Employees' Department of the A. F. of L., mark an X in this square. X Those who desire to be represented by the American Federation of Railway Workers, mark an X in this square. X Those who desire to be represented by individuals, or by any other organization, write the name of such individual or organization here and mark an X in this square. X Place employed in this square. X Craft. X Actually working. X Laid off or furloughed. X Name of voter.

Steal \$3400 in Liquor. Ten men with a motor van stole thirteen barrels of whisky and one barrel of wine, valued at about \$3400, late yesterday afternoon from the building of the United Drug Supply Co., 1500 North Franklin street.

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A Candidate



Central News Photo. HENRY W. CURRAN, Borough President of Manhattan, is now a candidate for Mayor of New York City on the Republican ticket.

Y. W. C. A. GIRL TO SAIL

Jane Button to Direct and Organize in Rumania. Miss Jane Button, former secretary of the Germantown Y. W. C. A., will sail for Europe tomorrow to begin her work as Y. W. C. A. director and organizer in Rumania. Since leaving Germantown Miss Button has been general secretary of the Harlem branch of the New York Y. W. C. A. She is a graduate of Wellesley College, and has been in Christian Association work seventeen years. Her home is at 6115 Germantown avenue.

SERVICES FOR UPLAND HERO

Charles Spence to Be Buried This Afternoon With Military Honors. Charles Spence, of Upland, Pa., who was killed at the battle of the Marne and who was one of the first of the boys from that section to go overseas, will be buried this afternoon from his home. Services will be held in the Pleasant Grove Chapel. The Spence-Riley Post of the American Legion, named after him and another boy who lost his life overseas, will attend the funeral with other Delaware County posts. Spence's body arrived at the home Wednesday. A brother of Spence was killed shortly after Charles fell, but the body has not arrived from overseas.

16 Killed in Train Crash

Mladivostok, Aug. 3. - In a collision between a passenger and a freight train near Nikolai sixteen persons were killed and eighteen injured, among them a few Japanese. The collision was said to have been caused by bands of partisans who have been engaged in sporadic hostilities in that region.

TWO FUR SWINDLER SUSPECTS NABBED

Pair Taken in Filbert Street Hotel Identified by Alleged Victim

POLICE 'OUTLINE SCHEME

Two members of a gang of alleged fur swindlers believed by police to have earned \$250,000 through successful operation of their scheme in several cities were arrested yesterday when one of their victims was inadvertently surprised to a Gilbert street hotel to appraise some furs in their presence. The scheme as outlined by police consisted of shipping furs from New York, said to be headquarters for the gang, and then reporting the consignment as stolen. The receiver of the woods would dispose of them at approximately half value. Several days after purchase the buyer would receive several visitors in the way of a New York member of the gang and two others representing themselves as detectives. They would produce a bill of sale to the furs had been purchased from wholesalers and then a report of the robbery was made to the police. In the majority of cases the most likely "receiving stolen goods" would be sufficient for the buyer to give up the furs without a struggle. The prisoners are Morris Bernstein, of New York, and Otto Ochman, of Fourth street, near Morris, this city. They were identified by Samuel Brenner, of 822 Arch street, a fur dealer, whose business was ruined by the swindle. In Philadelphia, according to detectives, Ochman was the agent for the firm. It was his task to find a buyer. He did this, it is said, by taking a few sample furs to dealers and offering them at about half actual market value. As a rule he had no difficulty getting visitors to agree to take a few worth of the furs off his hands at this out rate. The merchant was taken to a hotel room and shown the furs. He paid his money and took the furs to his store. Brenner asserts Ochman came to his store on Arch street in June of 1920 with a proposition just like this: He had furs worth \$13,000 in two trunks in his hotel room. After looking over the material Brenner put up \$8500, he says. A day or two later a man who said he was the real owner of the furs came with his "detectives" and took them away. As a result of this deal, Brenner says, he was forced into bankruptcy and had to give up his store. He went to work as a fur appraiser and salesman, as an expert in this line. A few days ago, it is charged, Ochman called on Herman Dimer, of 642 Ritten street, dealer in furs in a small way. But Dimer, although he had heard plenty and told him he had \$6000 worth more at his hotel that he would let go for half that amount. But Dimer, although he had heard nothing of the scheme, was suspicious. He insisted he wanted an appraisal made. Ochman and Bernstein readily agreed, he says. So Dimer went out to find an appraiser. By mere accident he ran into Brenner, whom he knew

TACK IS REMOVED FROM BOY'S LUNG

Lad Speeds From Arkansas for Unusual Operation at Jefferson Hospital

TRIP TAKES FOUR DAYS

A little boy's life was saved by the skill of Jefferson Hospital surgeons yesterday after a four-day race with death from Monticello, Ark. For four days and nights the parents worried as they traveled toward Philadelphia with the boy, a tuck lodged in one of his lungs. It was little Morris Keizer, of Monticello, who was struggling for life on the journey across the continent. With the aid of an eminent surgeon at the Jefferson Hospital, he crossed the tape an easy winner. About a week ago Morris, who is nine years old, swallowed a brass tack while pretending to his admiring playmates that it was a gold tooth. The tack lodged deep in his lung and there threatened to puncture it. The family physician was unable to help the boy. But he had heard of the success which marked the experiments of Jefferson Hospital surgeons in removing foreign substances from the lungs. So he advised the frantic father to make the trip East on the slim chance that the boy might survive long enough to undergo the operation. On the train the boy developed severe coughing spells, and death seemed close many times. The slightest movement of the point of the tack would have meant the formation of an abscess which, physicians say, would have been fatal. The tack remained in its original resting place, and all the jolts of the train and the coughing had not budged the point. So the anxious father brought his boy to the Jefferson Hospital yesterday. There the boy once

TYPHOID IN ORPHANAGE

Swimming Pond Near I. O. O. F. Home Blamed for Twenty Cases

ORPHANAGE

Twenty children in the Old Fellows' Orphanage, Chelton and Ogontz avenues, have been stricken with typhoid fever during the last few days, according to Dr. A. A. Calrus, chief medical inspector of the Health Department. All the typhoid cases have been removed to the Germantown and Episcopal Hospitals, and physicians of the Health Department yesterday gave all the remaining children and adults in the home a thorough examination. Dr. Calrus said last night he believed the children got typhoid from swimming in a pond near the orphanage. A careful examination of the milk and food at the home proved, he said, that they were not the cause of the transmission of the disease. Also, he said, the fact that no adults were affected, showed the food was all right.

GERMAN HOUSING CONDITIONS BAD

Friends' Relief Worker, Just Back From Ruhr, Tells of People's Plight

TYPHOID IN ORPHANAGE

J. Edward Moon, of Morrisville, Pa., has just returned to this country from Germany where he was district manager of the American Friends' Service Committee in the Ruhr Valley. Mr. Moon predicted an epidemic of tuberculosis and other diseases in Germany unless housing facilities are increased within the near future. "Probably Germany's greatest need," said the Friends' worker, "is for houses. Living conditions in all parts of Germany are frightful, but especially in the Ruhr district. In many places dozens of families are huddled together in one congested dwelling. Improper sanitation and ventilation are a direct health menace to the people unless some remedial measures are undertaken. The only solution to the problem is erect several thousand homes, but present prices none of the German people can afford to build. For a year Mr. Moon directed work of distributing food to the malnourished German children in the Ruhr. He has rubbed salt in the position to know their real needs, with all classes of Germans and in the offices of the Friends' Relief Committee, at 20 South Twelfth street yesterday, he described vividly how many as 200,000 children were in one week by the relief agents in that section of Germany. One statement by Mr. Moon on the birth-rate since the war despite "bad times." "Everywhere they are forming at least 27 per cent of the population, and yet their parents can earn enough to feed them, not to mention clothing them. The average wage man in the Rhineland, where wages are at their peak, receives 55 to 65 marks a day, and a suit of clothes above 1000 cost him from 1000 to 1500 marks, more than two weeks' wages."

REPORT FEWER ACCIDENTS

P. R. R. Safety Report Shows 20 Employees Hurt in June

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The safety report just compiled by the Baltimore Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the month of June shows that among a total of 5602 employees there were only twenty accidents resulting in disability of more than three days. This is a marked improvement over June, 1920, when the accident total was thirty-six, the report states. A hundred per cent safety record was maintained last month by the following twelve of the twenty-one departments in the Baltimore Division: York shop, electricians, foreman car cleaners, foreman car inspectors, supervisor No. 87, supervisor No. 88, supervisor No. 90, supervisor of signals, master car painter, other station employees, division operator and captain of police. Only one accident was reported for each of the supervising agents, supervisor No. 86, Mount Vernon shop, yard foreman, Benning shop and Canton shop departments. The safety record for the entire division for June was 99.4 per cent.

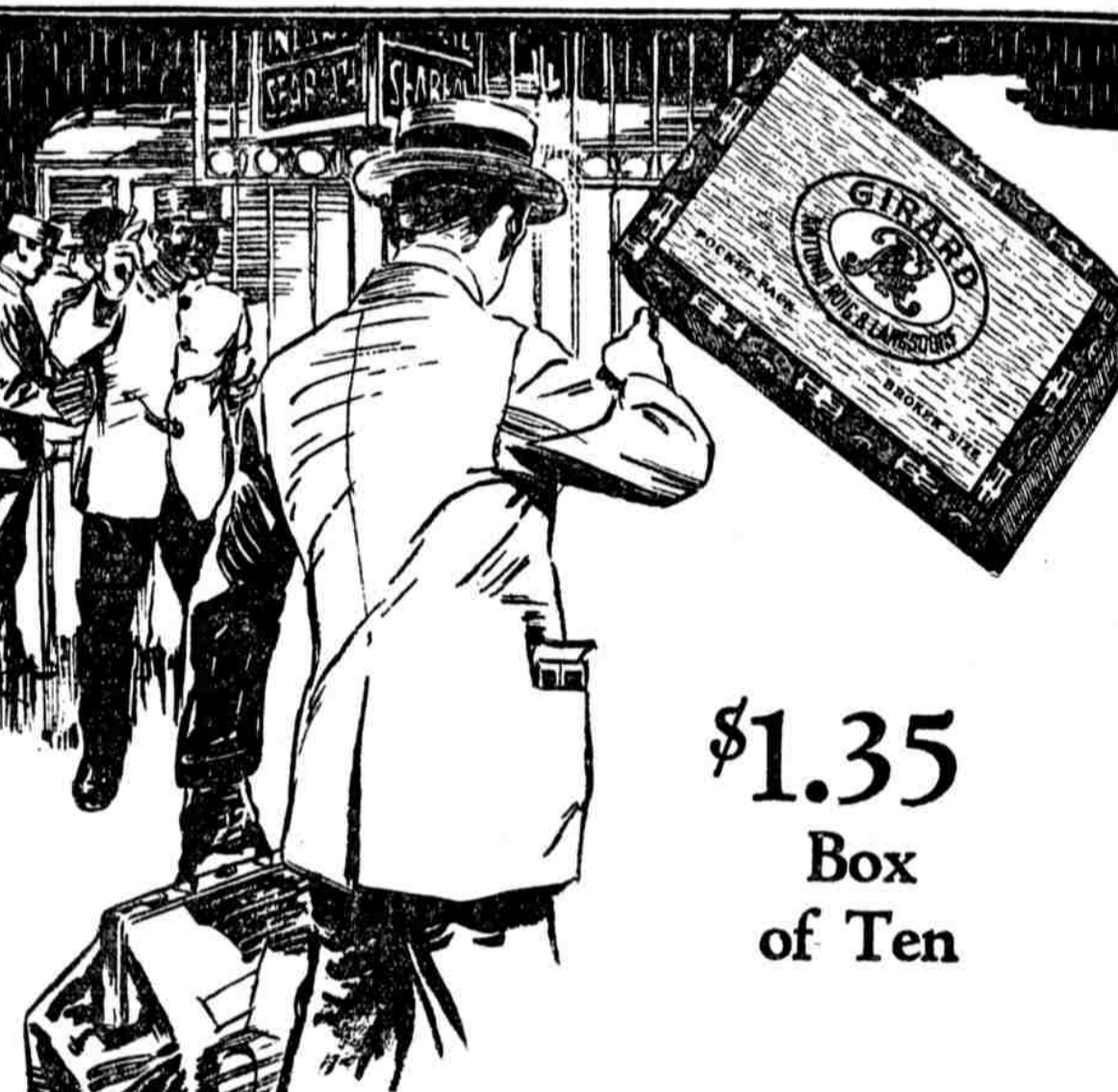
Body of Prospect Park Hero Back

The body of Private Walter Scheible, of Prospect Park, has reached his home at 1118 Lafayette avenue. It was accompanied by a military guard. The funeral will probably take place tomorrow. Private Scheible was attached to Company D, 315th Infantry, and died of pneumonia. The American Legion, posts of Delaware County and the Boy Scouts of the neighborhood will attend.

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