5 POWERS INVITED TO ARMS PARLEY

Allies and China Formally Requested to Participate in Disarming Conference

TEXT OF NOTE MADE PUBLIC

Washington, Aug. 12.—Putting into definite terms its proposal for a disarmament conference, the United States yesterday invited the great Powers to unite in "a practical effort to remove the causes of misunderstanding" and so facilitate reduction of the world's enormous outlay for the materials of war.

In formal identic notes of invitation forwarded to Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan the American Government pledged its own unstinted co-operation in such an effort and further defined as follows its own conception of the principles involved:

That there can be no hope for peace or stability until the tax burden resulting from heavy armaments has been reduced.

That such a reduction is possible only if troublesome international problems are solved by common consent.

That among these problems the Pacific and Far Eastern questions occupy a position of "unquestioned importance."

That the question of naval armaments might well be considered first, though there should be no barrier to a full consideration of armaments of every sort.

Ask China to Participate

Coincident with the dispatch of the invitations to the four great Powers, China was asked to send a delegation to take part in those discussions of the conference which relate to the Pacific and the Far East. All of the five nations thus invited have indicated informally that they would accept, and formal responses are expected to reach Washington within a few days, opening the way for a more detailed preliminary negotiation on the scope of the conference.

In every respect the note of invitation follows the principles previously defined by this Government in its informal conversations with the other Powers, but particular attention was attracted by the suggestion that a solution of the Far Eastern situation should include "common understanding with respect to matters which have been and are of international concern."

State Department officials would not interpret the text of the note, but the general assumption here was that under this definition a way would be found to discuss such questions as Yap and Shantung, which "have been" of international concern, but which Japan now is inclined to regard as closed incidents.

The text of the formal invitation to the Disarming Conference is as follows:

"The President is deeply gratified at the cordial response to his suggestion that there should be a conference on the subject of limitation of armament, in connection with which Pacific and Far-Eastern questions should be discussed.

"Productive labor is staggering under an economic burden too heavy to be borne unless the present vast public expenditures are greatly reduced. It is idle to look for stability, or the assurance of social justice, or the security of peace, while wasteful and unproductive outlays deprive effort of its just reward and defeat the reasonable expectation of progress. The enormous disbursements in the rivalries of armaments manifestly constitute the greater part of the encumbrance upon enterprise and national prosperity; and avoidable or extravagant expense of this nature is not only without economic justification, but is a constant menace to the peace of the world rather than an assurance of its preservation.

"Yet there would seem to be no ground to expect the halting of these increasing outlays unless the Powers most largely concerned find a satisfactory basis for an agreement to effect their limitation. The time is believed to be opportune for these Powers to approach this subject directly in conference; and while, in the discussion of limitation of armament, the question of naval armament may naturally have first place, it has been thought best not to exclude questions pertaining to other armament, to the end that all practicable measures of relief may have appropriate consideration. It may also be found advisable to formulate proposals by which, in the interests of humanity, the use of new agencies of warfare may be suitably controlled.

"It is, however, quite clear that there can be no final assurance of the peace of the world in the absence of the desire for peace, and the prospect of reduced armaments is not a hopeful one unless this desire finds expression in a practical effort to remove causes of misunderstanding and to seek ground for agreement as to principals and their applications. It is the earnest wish of this Government that through an interchange of views with the facilities afforded by a conference, it may be possible to find a solution of Pacific and Far-Eastern problems, of unquestioned importance at this time, that is, such common understandings with respect to matters which have been and are of international concern as may serve to promote enduring friendship among our peoples.

"It is not the purpose of this Government to attempt to define the scope of the discussion in relation to the Pacific and Far East, but rather to leave this to be the subject of suggestions to be exchanged before the meeting of the conference, in the expectation that the spirit of friendship and a cordial appreciation of the importance of the elimination of sources of controversy, will govern the final decision.

"Accordingly, in pursuance of the proposal which has been made, and in the light of the gracious indication of its acceptance, the President invites the Government of Great Britain to participate in a conference on the subject of Limitation of Armament, in connection with which Pacific and Far-Eastern questions will be discussed, to be held in Washington on the 11th day of November, 1921."

* NOTE.—Identical invitations went forward to Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan.

TO DIE; DOESN'T KNOW DATE

Condemned Murderer's Ignorance Due to Delay in Official Papers

West Chester, Pa., Aug. 12.—William Knight, formerly a member of a section gang on the Pennsylvania Railroad, recently sentenced to death for the killing of Willian Kning, a Malvern deputy constable and whose execution date was set by the Governor for September 26, is still in the Chester County prison here and ignorant of the date of his death at Fairview by electrocution. For some reason the papers in the case are being delayed, and Sheriff Pechin has been awaiting them for some time so he may acquaint Knight of the fated date.

In his cell Knight seems reconciled to his fate and anxiously waits news of the date of his death. He spends much of his time reading his Bible, and his spiritual adviser is frequently in conference with him. He still declares Kning pulled a revolver and threatened to shoot him before he fired the fatal shot.

NICOLL CLASHES WITH SHIP HEAD

Attorney Requested to Obtain Vacation of Injunction or Resign

DECLINES TO DO EITHER

By the Associated Press

New York, Aug. 12.—A letter from Francis Mayer, president of the United States Mail Steamship Company, to Delancey Nicoll, its attorney of record, requesting he take steps to have vacated injunction proceedings whereby the company recovered nine ships seized by the shipping board, was read to Federal Judge Martin T. Manton by Mr. Nicoll at a conference today. The letter requested Mr. Nicoll to withdraw as attorney if he did not feel he could take such action.

Mr. Nicoll declined to comply with either request on the ground that, as counsel, he represented not only the officers of the company but its stockholders as well.

The matter came before Judge Manton at a conference in chambers, which was attended by attorneys representing the company and Shipping Board. At the close Judge Manton said the matter of substitution of counsel should be brought up in a formal way. This would be done, it was stated, early next week.

Argument before Judge Manton indicated that some uncertainty existed as to who controlled the company. Reports that Malcolm Chase and Alexander Smith, connected with Boston and Chicago interests, had obtained control, were denounced by William Marshall Bullet, counsel for the Shipping Board, as "unfair and unjust."

He declined, however, to make any statement regarding the Government's knowledge of the company's affairs, or as to what move would be taken by the Board to recover the ships. Mr. Nicoll asserted that the new board of the steamship company was "controlled by Mr. Bullet." Bullet denied this.

Mr. Nicoll also stated that last week he had approached the court with a proposal that a receiver be appointed for the company, but that later he had been informed plans were under way for refinancing it. These plans, he told Judge Manton, did not materialize.

"I am asked to surrender these ships," Mr. Nicoll said, "and to be a party to a scheme by which the company shall be left hopelessly bankrupt and its creditors left to whistle for their money. I decline to do it."

Mr. Bullet stated that the Shipping Board desired immediate action on the matter, so that it could be adjusted.

At the office of the company E. A. Charles, assistant to Mr. Mayer, said that there were no new developments. He admitted that control of the company had changed hands.

ARTIST HELD FOR STEALING BENEFACTOR'S PAINTINGS

Boston Itinerant Painter Is Charged With $10,000 Theft

New York, Aug. 12.—(By A. P.)—Edward Irvin Valentie, said to be an itinerant artist whose home is in Boston, has been arrested at the request of the Baltimore police for the alleged theft of four paintings valued at $10,000 from his benefactor, Nathan D. Smith, of Baltimore.

The artist was nabbed yesterday after a telegram from the Baltimore police stating he had been indicted in that city for the theft.

The paintings, which adorn the walls of a police station today, are two woodland scenes by Diaz, the Barbizon painter; a landscape by John S. Constable, the famous Englishman, and a sunset by George Innes, American.

Valentie was indignant when detectives found him in a studio.

"Mr. Smith gave me the paintings and authorized me to bring them to New York and sell them," the detectives said he told them. "There they are—on the walls."

The Baltimore police informed the authorities here, however, that Valentie came there last April, unknown, and fell ill. He was in a Baltimore hospital and destitute when Mr. Smith befriended him and took into his home and afterward rented him a studio.

The four paintings and other artistic fittings were lent to him by his benefactor for the studio, the police said. Discovery was made Wednesday that the paintings had been cut from their frames.

U. S. Calls on Penn for Wood's Release

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that man is Mr. Brunker," said Horace Martin Lippincott, secretary of the University Alumni Association, last night.

Today Mr. Brunker telegraphed as follows:

"Am in constant touch with Mrs. Wood, and can only say she and I both feel General Wood has committed himself in every honorable way to become head of University of Pennsylvania as soon as he can discharge his temporary obligations in Philippine situation and make his report.

"In making this commitment, only reservation he made was in case of war or threatened war, when he would be, of course, subject to call by President, as are all officers on retired list.

"I personally do not believe there has been any change in Philippine situation of sufficiently serious nature to justify any change in his decision.

"Have further been asked by Mrs. Wood on all my recent trips to Philadelphia to act for her in regard to living arrangements for Wood family this fall and winter pending alterations and additions to provost's house, which they desire to occupy as soon as possible.

"A. R. BRUNKER."

In the absence of an official White House announcement of General Wood's appointment, the most definite indication was the introduction of a bill by Chairman Wadsworth, of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, which will permit General Wood to retain his army rank while serving in a civilian capacity. Senator Wadsworth's bill provides that "officers of the army on the active list shall be eligible for appointment to any civil offices in the Government or any territorial possession of the United States the chief executive of which is required by law or by order of the President to render reports to the War Department, and Sections 222 and 1860, Revised Statutes, shall not apply to the acceptance or the exercise of the functions of the said office."

Under the terms of the measure, which apparently was designed wholly to meet General Wood's case, he still will hold his rating as major general on the active army list.

Six Automobiles Stolen

Six automobiles were stolen yesterday. They are the property of the Crane Ice Cream Company, Twenty-third and Locust streets; Thomas E. Shanahan, 2907 Walnut street; S. R. Block, 1362 Ridge avenue; James Goldman, 229 South street; G. B. Bush, 5023 Springfield avenue; Louis O'Donnell, Twelfth and Market streets.

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ON THE SANDS AT NARRAGANSETT PIER

Central News Photo.

The children are Mary Jane Ballard, Fanette Homer and Preaux Ballard. The Ballards are Philadelphians, while the Homer child hails from Louisville, Ky.

MISS MARY BROWNE LOSES IN DOUBLES

Defeated With Mrs. Williams by Miss Gilleaudeau and Mrs. Cole

MISS BRISTED IS BEATEN

Seabright, N. J., Aug. 12.—Miss Mary K. Browne, of Santa Monica, Calif., who lost to Miss Eleanor Goss in the singles semi-finals yesterday, was humbled again this morning when she, playing with Mrs. Louise Williams, of San Francisco, was defeated in the semi-final round of the Seabright bowl doubles by Miss Helen Gilleaudeau, of New York, and Mrs. Benjamin E. Cole, of Boston. The sets were 6-3 and 7-5.

Mrs. Marion Zinderstein Jessup, of Wilmington, Del., teamed with Miss Eleanor Goss, of the West Side Tennis Club, New York, won a place in the finals by walking through two sets, 6-0, 6-2, against Miss Ceres Baker, of South Orange, and Miss Grace Bristed, of Philadelphia.

Miss Gilleaudeau played by far the best tennis of the quartet in the feature match. On her own service she won four times and in the second set, with the score 4-5 and 15-40 against, she saved the match from going into three sets by brilliant placements down the side line out of reach of Mrs. Williams.

The point score:

Gilleaudeau and Cole—
2 4 0 4 4 5 4 4—28—6
Browne and Williams—
4 2 0 4 4 2 3 0 2—21—3

The second set seesawed to 5-all. Miss Williams, in the eleventh game, could not get her first service, fell over, and in addition wildly outed three. Mrs. Cole served the match game and won the deciding point on a spectacular cross-court placement.

The point score:

Gilleaudeau and Cole—
1 4 4 1 4 4 5 2 4 4 4—38—7
Brown and Williams—
4 4 1 2 4 1 6 3 4 2 1 2—34—5

Miss Baker and Miss Bristed never did get going in their match against the national doubles champions. Taken in its entirety, the match proved only a workout for the United States doubles champions, who won as they pleased.

The point score:

FIRST SET

Miss Goss and Mrs. Jessup—
4 1 4 4 4 1—24—6
Miss Baker and Miss Bristed—
0 1 2 0 1 1—5—0

SECOND SET

Miss Goss and Mrs. Jessup—
4 2 4 4 4 2 4 4—28—6
Miss Baker and Miss Bristed—
0 2 1 4 2 1 1 2—13—2

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Semi-Final Round

Miss Helen Gilleaudeau, Mamaroneck, N. Y., and Mrs. Benjamin E. Cole, Longwood, Mass., defeated Miss Mary K. Browne, Santa Monica, Calif., and Mrs. Louise Williams, San Francisco, 6-3, 7-5.

Mrs. Marion Zinderstein Jessup, Wilmington, Del., and Miss Eleanor Goss, West Side Tennis Club, New York, defeated Miss Ceres Baker, South Orange, and Miss Grace Bristed, Philadelphia, 6-0, 6-2.

NEW WORLD'S RECORD

English Motorboat Speeds at Eighty Miles an Hour

Southampton, England, Aug. 12.—The English motorboat Maple Leaf VII, challenger for the international cup to be raced for off Detroit early in September, has attained a speed of eighty miles an hour in trials in the Solent, it was announced here today. This is said to be a world's record.

The world's record has been held by the motorbat Miss America, owned by G. A. Wood, of Detroit, which attained a speed of 77.85 miles an hour in trials in the Lake George one-mile championship trophy competition held at Detroit last September.

BOY CONFESSES TO ARSON

Youth, 15, Tells Police He Burned Home of Former Guardian

Doylestown, Pa., Aug. 12.—State police Wednesday arrested a fifteen-year-old youth, an aid society protege, who since has confessed to burning the residence of his former guardian, a Bucks County farmer.

The youth is William Daugenbaugh, of Altoona. Last May he was employed by John Geetz, Tinicum Township, Bucks County. He set fire to the house, the State police say, by placing wood saturated with kerosene in the cellar and ignited it with a match. Yesterday the youth, at the Bucks County prison, Doylestown, told State policemen he stole money from the house and wanted to burn it down to cover up the theft.

He also said he did not like his home because he had to do the hard work and was not allowed to operate the plow. He was charged with arson and will await a session of Juvenile Court. The Geetz home was entirely destroyed as a result of the fire.

Family Silverware Stolen

Family silverware valued at $500, was stolen from the home of Jacob O. Clark, 402 West School lane, yesterday.

Caruso Memorial Candle to Last for 5000 Years

New York, Aug. 12.—(By A. P.)—An eighteen-foot candle that can be burned on every All-Souls' Day for 5000 years is being made here as a memorial to Enrico Caruso from the inmates of an orphan home to which the Metropolitan Opera star contributed $10,000 a year for many years. It will be placed in the church of the Madonna of Pompeii at Naples, Italy.

Antonio Ajello, maker of the candle, has erected a derrick in his shop by means of which the candle is dipped thrice daily into boiling tallow. It will be completed in ten weeks, and will weigh 1000 pounds. Mr. Ajello has figured that the candle would burn continuously for thirteen years and seven months.

PHILA. BOYS LEARN TO SHOOT AT MEADE

Company A, Among Other Men, Does Well at Target Practice in Citizens' Camp

PLAN BIG DANCE TONIGHT

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

Citizens' Military Training Camp, Camp Meade, Md., Aug. 12.—Company A, of the Philadelphia troops, in the Citizens' Camp here, are a proud bunch now, for to them fell the honor of being among the first to go on the target range for practice in firing.

The entire First Battalion, which includes Company A, was taken to the range today and preliminary instruction in firing was given them. Scores are not available, but officers said that the men did well considering that many of them had never done anything like this before.

Men who satisfactorily pass proficiency tests on the field will be awarded medals as sharpshooters and marksmen. These evidences of their ability to handle a rifle will be distributed along toward the end of the training period.

This afternoon the biggest of the demonstrations being held for the men in the camp will be put on, when the various aids of the infantry in battle will be brought into play by troops from the regular army. These will include tanks, armed with machine guns and one-pounders, trench mortars, hand and rifle grenades, smoke cans and the many other recent developments in warfare.

During the brief lulls between going from one activity to another the men are doing a lot of careful preparation for the dance to be held tonight at the camp gymnasium. Everything of aid to the making of masculine beauty is in demand by the members of A Company, who will go in a body. All the members of the First Battalion met last night with chaplains in charge of the entertainment and made preliminary plans for a show to be put on at the War Department theatre next Tuesday night. A glee club is to be organized, as well as an orchestra. Men proficient in anything theatrical will be given a chance to display their talents. The show will take the nature of a vaudeville performance.

Plans are now being made to have organizations from Baltimore and Washington put on shows for the entertainment of the men on other nights, the program as now planned being to fill in every evening except Saturday and Sunday—the latter day will be devoted to religious exercises.

POSSE TRAILS SLAYER OF 2

Murderer Flees to Woods of Potter County—Troops Join Hunt

Coudersport, Pa., Aug. 12.—Sheriff's posses and State troopers of two States are combing Potter County woods today for William Meyers, thirty-six years old, a State highway laborer, of Hector Township, twenty miles from here.

While his little son and daughter, under five looked on, Meyers Wednesday night shot and killed two men who tried to save his wife, whom he had beaten into unconsciousness. His victims are Archie Carlon, fifty years old, and Mark Brown, twenty-two years old, neighbors. He turned the gun on his wife, but all the bullets had been discharged, so he fled to the woods.

Mrs. Blankenburg's Car Kills Man

Henry Zimmerman, a chauffeur for Mrs. Lucretia M. Blankenburg, widow of a former Mayor, ran down and killed an unidentified man on the Roosevelt Boulevard near Castor road last night. Zimmerman, who was driving Mrs. Blankenburg's limousine, told the police the man stepped out from behind a truck. The victim was about forty-five years old and poorly dressed. Zimmerman was held in $1500 bail by Magistrate Costello today.

RUSSIA ADVERTISES TO FIND AMERICANS

Soviet Government Promises to Do Its Best to Fulfill Hoover's Terms

BARS POLITICAL MEDDLING

By the Associated Press

Riga, Letvia, Aug. 12.—The Russian Soviet Government will combat any attempt to interject political questions into famine relief, but it is sufficiently practical to see that if the holding of Americans in prison is an obstacle to the feeding of a million Russian children it is best that Herbert Hoover's stipulation in this respect be granted, declared Maxim Litvinoff, the Soviet special envoy here last night.

M. Litvinoff gave American newspaper correspondents this explanation of the Russian negotiations with the American relief administration. He reviewed the famine situation to them and explained the situation from the Russian viewpoint.

In addition to those held in prison in Russia, declared the Soviet envoy, every facility to leave would be given by the Soviet Government to any Americans in the country, even to the extent of advertising for them in the newspapers. Obviously the Government could not undertake to locate them all, however, as even the list the American Government had prepared was probably inaccurate, and in many cases the names bore no addresses.

M. Litvinoff stated that British, French and other subjects whose repatriation had been arranged long ago were still appearing now and then asking for passports to leave Russia. He added that if the United States insisted on the delivery of all the Americans on the list handed him, the Russian famine probably would be over before the last man could leave.

"Mr. Hoover has stipulated that all Americans imprisoned in Russia should be released," the Soviet representative continued. "They have been kept in prison for certain reasons and some of them have been accused of grave offenses against the Government. One Kalmatiano even had been condemned to death."

Novy Put, the official Soviet newspaper at Riga, has said that Kalmatiano (one of the prisoners who came out of Russia this week) had been condemned in connection with a plot to organize a military mutiny against the Soviet Government in 1918.

"Still," said M. Litvinoff, "the Soviet Government was sufficiently practical to see that if this was an obstable to feeding 1,000,000 children, then the conditions should be fulfilled. I realize that this condition is of some importance to America, but certainly, if it were only a question of Russian internal affairs, our attitude would be quite different."

Special Cable Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

London, Aug. 12.—Two United States destroyers, the Stoddard and the Osborne, will leave Cherbourg, August 15, for Riga, Reval and Helsingfors on a trip of observation of conditions in Russia.

COURT "REVIVAL" FAILS

Magistrate Not Swayed by Hymns of Negro Congregation

Madame Louring and her husband, pastors of a Negro congregation on North Marshall street near Green, were arraigned before Magistrate Carney today on a charge of breach of the peace, brought by Mr. and Mrs. George Shaffer. When the magistrate's clerk called their names Madame Louring and her husband arose with ten of their flock. All twelve produced Bibles and while some chanted a prayer the Loufings preached.

Magistrate Carney waited until the hubbub subsided and then held the two in $300 bail each for the Grand Jury.

DISPUTE OVER WEAPONS

Coroner Says Policemen Must Not Give Up Evidence

Police orders instructing patrolmen to turn in revolvers taken as evidence in shooting cases to the Director of Public Safety's office, were opposed by Coroner Knight today.

He said a weapon once out of a patrolman's hands could not later be identified in court as the one confiscated from the person who did the shooting.

The contradiction in orders came about through the gun, police say, Charles Harrison, a Negro, Alder street near Norris, used in killing John Cunningham, a Negro, 1837 North Twenty-first street. Harrison was held without bail to await action of the Grand Jury.

Young Farmer Hangs Himself

Coatesville, Pa., Aug. 12.—Wilson Hershey, twenty-nine, prosperous farmer, living at Compassville, six miles from here, committed suicide by hanging last night. His body was found by Harry Stern, a neighbor, in the barn on the Hershey place. Hershey two years ago inherited an estate of $50,000 from his grandfather. He is survived by a widow and one son of seven years.

CALL CONFERENCE ON TAX REVISION

Republicans of House Will Meet Monday to Decide on Procedure

FOR LOWER INCOME RATE

By the Associated Press

Washington, Aug. 12.—A conference of House Republicans Monday to consider the Tax Revision Bill was announced today by Representative Mondell, the Republican leader. It will decide on procedure in House consideration of the measure, expected to begin next Monday.

Although there was further delay today in consideration of the bill by the majority members of the Ways and Means Committee, Chairman Fordney was confident that it would be ready Monday morning. The committee planned to meet this afternoon and to hold extended sessions tomorrow, if necessary, to reach final decisions on changes already agreed upon tentatively and others in contemplation.

Many changes in the bill remain to be decided upon. Representative Bacharach, of New Jersey, plans to renew his effort to lower the income taxes paid by single and married men having annual net incomes of $4000 or less. Mr. Bacharach said he preferred that the rate on such incomes should be reduced from 4 to 3 per cent, but indicated that if this proposal failed an attempt would be made to increase the exemption by $500. The committee already has agreed tentatively to increase th exmptions to heads of families having dependents by $200 for each dependent.

Administrative features of the new bill understood to have been agreed upon include a provision designed to simplify the process of settlement of back tax claims. The time of settlement would be limited to three years instead of five, except that additional time might be granted by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Agreement also was said to have been reached to give the Secretary authority to call in representatives of taxpayers in an effort to simplify the present tax return forms.

The committee had yet to act on the proposal to substitute a graduated manufacturers' tax on candy according to cost, in place of the recent flat tax of 5 per cent. This matter is now before a sub-committee.

SLEEPING SICKNESS VICTIM IN COMA FOR 20 WEEKS

5-Year-Old Boy at Rumson, N. J., Loses Weight, Then Gains

Seabright, N. J., Aug. 12.—One of the most remarkable cases of sleeping sickness in this country has developed in the little village of Rumson, on the outskirts of Seabright. On Sunday it will have been just twenty weeks to the day since five-year-old Robert J. Smith has had a waking moment. Not since March 27 has he opened his eyes or moved so much as a finger.

The case is attracting great attention among the medical fraternity, not only locally, but in Philadelphia and New York.

What is most remarkable, according to his doctor, Walter S. Read, of Long Branch, is the fact that although the stricken child's weight decreased from seventy-five to twenty-four pounds the first six weeks, he has been gaining steadily for the last five weeks. He is given liquid nourishment every two hours night and day.

The child is the son of John H. Smith. Prior to the attack of sleeping sickness he was ill with intestinal poisoning, but the doctor is of the opinion that this had nothing to do with the remarkable siege of coma in which the child now lies.

FEARS JUDGE MONAGHAN

Prisoner Takes Three Months Rather Than Stand Trial

Edward Franklin, charged with stealing a box of fruit from a farmer's wagon, was given his choice yesterday afternoon of serving three months in the House of Correction or of going to the County Prison and awaiting court trial. Franklin, who said he had no home, accepted the three months in the House of Correction. "I heard his honor 'treat 'em rough,' Monaghan is going to be on the bench when the courts open this winter," said Franklin, in the work house 'cause Judge Monaghan can say ten years easier than 'three months in the House of Correction.'"

Deaths of a Day

JUDGE WILLIAM C. HOOK

First Appointed to United States Bench by McKinley

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 12.—William C. Hook, sixty-four years old, Judge of the United States Circuit Court, died yesterday at his summer home in Sayner, Wis., according to word received here from his son, Ingraham D. Hook, a Kansas City attorney, who was called to Sayner Wednesday night. Judge Hook has been in ill health for some time. His death was hastened by an attack of pneumonia. He leaves his widow, a son and two daughters.

Doctors Organize Clinic

Dr. Harry Evans was installed last night as chief of staff of the physicians at the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital. At the same time doctors in West Philadelphia organized the Physicians' Clinic Club to meet once a month for the discussion of medical questions. The superintendent of the hospital donated a room for use by the club. Medical books will be purchased for the room and all doctors in that section of the city are invited to attend the meetings.

Mrs. De Haven's Funeral

Mrs. Elizabeth Gould De Haven, wife of Assistant City Solicitor Alexander M. De Haven, who died Tuesday at her home, Narbrook Park, Narberth, Pa., was buried yesterday. She was a member of the Philomusian Club and lived at Thirty-fourth and Baring streets.

William Barnard

William Barnard, Civil War veteran and for forty years lithographer for the American Bank Note Company, this city, died yesterday at his home in Clifton Heights, Delaware County. He was seventy-seven years old and leaves a widow and two sons.

Prof. H. C. Adams

Ann Arbor, Mich., Aug. 12.—Prof. Henry Carter Adams, seventy years old, widely known economist and for more than thirty years head of the department of political economy at the University of Michigan, died at his home here yesterday. He was born in Davenport, Ia., and leaves a widow and three sons.

Prof. Adams for many years was statistician of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and in 1913 was adviser to the Chinese Government commission on standardization of railway accounting systems.

GIRL OF 12 MALTREATED

Kidnapped by Two Young Men Whom Police Are Seeking

West Chester, Pa., Aug. 12.—Rose Panelly, twelve years old, of near Toughkenamon, was kidnapped last night by two young men, who took her to the Sharples Ball Park here, where she was mistreated. One of her assailants was badly wounded by two brothers of the girl, who had followed the automobile in which she was taken to the park, but his companion took him away in the automobile.

The police are seeking Warren Hocking, twenty-two, and Frank McGurk, twenty-four, of this place. The girl is in a somewhat serious condition at her home.

WEGLEIN WILL SET HEARINGS ON GAS

Seeks to Arrange Dates for Conference of Council Body, Mayor and U. G. I.

ALL TO BE GIVEN VOICE

Richard Weglein, president of Council, said today that he would endeavor to get in touch with officials of the United Gas Improvement Company, Mayor Moore and others interested, to arrange for a meeting to discuss the future policy of the city toward the gas company. Yesterday Mr. Weglein appointed a committee of eight, besides himself, to represent Council in the discussions.

"I will try to get in touch with the Mayor," said Mr. Weglein, "to arrange a date that will be agreeable to all."

Mr. Weglein said the committee would not meet alone, but it was his thought that they would always meet in conjunction with the other conferees, the Mayor and representatives of the company. He said he expected the conferees would consider the recommendations and advice given by the Gas Commission in its report. Some of these recommendations, he said, no doubt would be adopted. Mr. Weglein has already intimated, however, that he did not favor the recommendation of a regulatory body with powers to supervise the gas works and make 530 B. T. U. the standard.

Politicians, scanning the personnel of the compittee, are wondering what the attitude of Charles B. Hall, Vare leader and one of the members, will be toward the Mayor under the circumstances.

The Councilmen appointed are Edwin R. Cox, First District; Charles B. Hall, Second District; Isaac D. Hetzell, Third District; James A. Develin, Fourth District; Simon Walter, Fifth District; William W. Roper, Sixth District; Hugh L. Montgomery, Seventh District, and Robert J. Patton, Eighth District. When the committee meets for organization it is understood Mr. Weglein, as president of the chamber, will be chosen chairman.

RAIL BILL FACES DELAY

President Told Prospect for Passage Before Recess Is Slim

Washington, Aug 12.—(By A. P.)—Further inquiry into the question of railway relief legislation was made by President Harding today in conference with Senator Townsend, of Michigan, acting chairman of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee.

Senator Townsend is understood to have told the President that while the committee might report the Administration funding bill before Congress recesses he saw little hope that it could be passed before that time.

On his return to the committee from the White House, Senator Townsend announced that an executive session would be called to determine means of hastening a report on the bill. Absence from the city of committee members delayed action, he stated. In the meantime Director General Davis, of the railroad administration, continued his explanation of the railroad situation and the proposed legislation.

NO DEMOCRATIC ASPIRANT

That Party Unrepresented on Supreme Court Ballot

Harrisburg, Aug. 12.—(By A. P.)—No Democratic aspirant for Supreme Court Judge of Pennsylvania filed a nominating petition in the period for entering judicial primary papers at the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which expired last midnight. There are but two candidates. They are Justice William I. Schaffer, of Chester, appointed by the Governor last year, Republican candidate, and Charles Palmer, Ridley Park, Prohibition candidate. This is the first time in years that there has been no Democratic candidate.

The time for filing judicial and constitutional convention delegate nomination petitions for the primary on September 20 did not end until 1 A. M., daylight saving time, and a number of papers came in at late hours. The State Bureau of Elections remained open to receive them. Nearly 500 are on record.

AGAIN HAS 2 POLICE FORCES

National Park, N. J., Once More Confronted With Problem

National Park, N. J., is struggling to become accustomed to having two police forces. One appointed by Mayor Waters numbers three members and the other, appointed by the City Council, four.

Neither the Mayor nor members of Council seem to desire to relinquish what they believe are their exclusive and respective rights to appointment of the force. The Mayor asserts he's right and Council declares it's right.

The situation had its beginning several months ago, when Council passed an ordinance authorizing appointment of a force. The Mayor refused to discharge the one already working.

Last Tuesday the Supreme Court of New Jersey decided Council was in the wrong. The force went out of existence, but reappeared again last night when a meeting of that body was held and reappointment made.

BERGDOLL REPORTS UP FOR VOTE TODAY

At Least Three Committee Members Will Sign Johnson Views, Is Report

SEE PETERS IN MINORITY

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, Aug. 12.—At least three of the members of the Bergdoll investigating committee will support and sign the report which has been drawn up by Representative Ben Johnson, of Kentucky, and cause the views of Chairman John A. Peters, of Maine, to become the minority expression.

This was learned in connection with a meeting of the committee planned for today to vote perfunctorily upon the reports and to adjourn sine die. It was arranged by Representative Clinton N. McArthur, of Oregon, vice chairman, acting in the place of Mr. Peters, who has been absent from Washington since he submitted his draft, which has been attacked as unsatisfactory.

Mr. Peters may not arrive in the city for the meeting today. The contents of the report, which were published exclusively by the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER ten days ago, have been criticized by other members of the committee. They term the report "spineless" and a "whitewash" of some of the characters.

The Johnson report is understood to lay much stress on the money alleged to have been used by the Bergdoll family in effecting the release and consequent escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll from his guards in Philadelphia to Germany, where he is now a fugitive.

Also, from views Mr. Johnson has expressed from time to time throughout the hearings, it is believed that he is against the Peters report, which is considered to have dealt leniently with former Adjutant General Ansell, later Grover's counsel, and will lay much of the blame of the escape upon that individual.

Representative Johnson is the committee member who attempted to attack Charles Braun, brother of Grover, when he called the Congressman a liar at a recent hearing. From the first Mr. Johnson has said that Mr. Peters was not pushing the investigation with alacrity, determination and harshness that he desired.

Two signers of Mr. Johnson's report have been assured, it is understood. They are Representative Oscar Luhring, of Indiana, and Representative Hall Flood. Both will attach statements to the report to cover phases differently, but, on the whole, the divergencies will be unimportant.

STEAMSHIP MAKES PORT AFTER HITTING ICEBERG

Norwegian Craft Was in Collision Off Cape Race; U. S. Ship Sinks

Christiania, Aug. 12.—The Norwegian steamship Bergensfjord limped into port yesterday from New York, having been damaged by hitting an iceberg while off Cape Race at 3 o'clock in the morning during a dense fog. The iceberg bumped the steamer below the water line and one wing of the propeller was bent so that the liner was forced to reduce its speed. There was no panic, however, among the passengers. The liner will be drydocked and examined here.

Madrid, Aug. 12.—The U. S. S. Shipping Board steamship Black Arrow sank yesterday off Cape Vilano, on the west coast of Spain. The steamship was on its way from Havana to Santander. The crew and passengers were saved.

The Black Arrow was a vessel of 6600 tons. She left New York July 12 for Spanish ports by way of Havana. She was formerly the German steamship Rhaetia.

BOY BADLY HURT BY AUTO

Woman Driver Is Held Pending Outcome of Victim's Injuries

Ellis Suydermann, fourteen years old, 5843 Chester avenue, is in the Misericordia Hospital suffering from a fractured jaw and cuts and bruises of the body as the result of being struck by an automobile at Fifty-ninth street and Washington avenue late yesterday.

Miss Margaret B. Dean, 36 West Phil-Ellena stret, Germantown, the driver of the car which struck the boy, surrendered to police after she had taken the victim to the hospital.

At a hearing this morning before Magistrate Dugan, in the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue police station, Miss Dean was held in $500 bail for a further hearing three weeks from today, to await the outcome of the boy's injuries.

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