P. & R. Crash Probe Decision Is Due

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the great loss of life. That point certainly has been established beyond doubt. But what's the use of talking about wooden coaches? The railroad has these coaches, is using them, and when there is a wreck of this sort a heavy toll of life is exacted."

VICTIM OF WRECK BURIED AT READING

Reading, Pa., Dec. 8.—Dr. J. Irvin Hatch, a victim of the Bryn Athyn wreck, was buried here today from the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. Melvin H. Allen, first vice president of the International Masonic Clubs. Dr. Hatch originally came from this city, though more lately he lived in Newtown. He was a graduate of the dental school of the University of Pennsylvania with the class of 1894 and maintained offices in the Penfield Building, Philadelphia.

Crowds of curious people who wanted to see the funeral were disappointed when they learned that the services were private and of a very simple nature. The body arrived here on the 11 A. M. train today and was immediately taken to the home of Dr. Allen. A small group of relatives were the only mourners over the inclosed casket. It was announced, however, that Dr. Hatch's identification was positive. Following the services the remains were immediately taken to the Charles Evans Cemetery for interment.

WRECK RELICS AID IN IDENTIFICATION

Bent rings, watches, bits of twisted jewelry, bunches of keys, an automatic pistol, coins—all more tedious than Bethayres—have been turned over to the Hagerman mortuary at Jenkintown and are expected to aid in determining the exact number of dead.

Railroad men gathered a large basket filled with the articles found in the final combing of the roadbed at the wreck scene. In another basket were parts of more bodies.

There is a silver belt buckle, inscribed "N. E. R." believed to have been worn by Norman E. Rhonds, of Churchville, Pa., and another wrist watch that may have been worn by Miss Emma Leedem, of Southampton.

A tag issued by a Philadelphia store had the number "15888" engraved on it. There is a bunch of keys, with an identification tag issued by the Travelers' Protective Association, numbered "131829."

Tools Aid Identification

Small pieces of gold, once rings or lockets, will serve no purpose in work of identification. The machinists' tools carried by Clarence E. Shull, who left his home in Philadelphia to take a job and who perished in the wreck, were found, with his keys, making his identification a positive one.

There is an automatic pistol, too. The heat had caused discharge of the cartridges. There are also the handles from handbags, bright-colored beads and twisted bits of metal which were once stickpins or brooches. In all, there are eight bunches of keys.

Mr. Hagerman will place the articles on display at his office, where relatives of the dead may examine them.

The sum of money found after the wreck is small. Intense heat destroyed wallets and clothing, burning all paper money or documents. Many of the coins found are welded together.

Two more identifications classed as positive were made at the Morgue, making the total of identified dead seventeen.

Friends identified a body as that of Charles Preus, of East Cumbria street, Philadelphia.

Another identification made today was that of George Send, forty-three years old, 2808 West Stiles street, a P. and R. carpenter.

A bit of black sateen outer shirt and a small patch of heavy ribbed flannelined underwear enabled Daniel White, his son-in-law, to make the identification.

Coroner Neville declared the total death list will be eventually placed at thirty, if not even higher. He believes several bodies were entirely consumed.

Another Missing

Warren Deal, of Churchville, married, and a Reading Railway employe, may be another victim of the wreck.

According to reports from Churchville this morning, it has been virtually determined Deal missed an early train south, and was on the Newtown local. It is likely that he was "up front" on the engine or tender with crew men, and that his body was incinerated. Nothing has been seen or heard of him since Monday morning.

There are twenty-four bodies actually accounted for. There are seventeen identifications, and eight others absolutely known dead. The names of Charles Bout, Robert H. Eames and of Warren Deal are mentioned as "missing men," all of whom, it is believed, were on either Train 151 or Train 156.

This makes a total death list of twenty-eight—and bears out Coroner Neville's declaration.

Mrs. Ethel Yerkes Kline, of Churchville, is a new name to be added to the list of injured. She is at her home, and her injuries consist of severe scalds and possible internal burns. She was taken home direct from the wreck.

WOMAN GETS COMPENSATION

Claim Allowed for Death of Son Husband Supports Her Now

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 8.—A case of unusual interest here was decided yesterday by Chester W. [illegible] workmen's compensation [illegible] Mr. Florence M. Hershey, of [illegible], made a compensation claim for the death of her son, Edgar, a diagnosis, killed April 21, 1921, on the Reading Railroad on top of a box car. She was wholly dependent, it was alleged, upon the son at the time, as she had separated from her husband in 1920.

She returned again to her husband in May, 1921. As the son had been her support when the accident occurred, however, she was awarded $8 a week for 300 weeks.

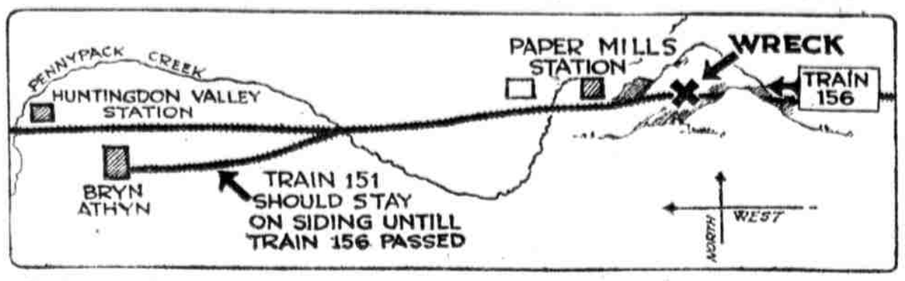
Ridley Park Firemen Elect

The Ridley Park Fire Company elected the following officers for the year: President, W. O. W. Smith; vice president, C. A. Carlson; secretary, E. G. Jardine; assistant secretary, L. H. Fagan; treasurer, L. B. Pace; trustees, John Derousse, W. T. Dunning and J. H. Parsons; chief engineer, M. I. Freeman; first assistant engineer, A. F. Congdon, Jr.; second assistant engineer, R. J. Rogers; delegate to the State Firemen's Association, I. Leroy Gilbert; delegates to the Delaware County Firemen's Association, T. E. Lewis, T. H. Durkin and J. W. Fausey. Chief engineer emeritus elected is W. J. Johnson.

Mrs. McCudden Visits Boston

Boston, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Mary E. McCudden, the British gold star mother, came to Boston from Toronto yesterday, and was welcomed by State and city officials and by American Legion representatives. As she stepped from the train with her daughter Kathleen, she was greeted by Mrs. Frederick H. Putnam, Massachusetts' gold star mother.

RELATIVE POSITIONS OF TRAINS IN FATAL WRECK



The diagram explains the relative positions of trains in Monday's fatal wreck near Bryn Athyn. Train No. 151, from Philadelphia, was scheduled to meet and pass Train 154, a milk train, and Train 156, a commuters' train, bound cityward. Nos. 151 and 154 were both late or they would have passed at Huntingdon Valley siding. The conductor of No. 154, the milk train, waited at Bryn Athyn because he knew he could not go further in safety with No. 151 approaching. The milk train waited far enough behind the siding switch to be "in the clear," so No. 151 could pass the switch and back in. This was done and the milk train proceeded. The mistake came when No. 151 did not continue to wait, as ordered, for No. 156, but left the siding, only to meet No. 156 head-on in the rock cut a mile away

Hollywood Folks Champion "Fatty"

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mache church who put into compact and vivid sentences the collective opinion of the high and humble of the movie colony. She knew old Fat very well, she said, and he wasn't a menace at all.

What She Thought

"Everybody here," said the bobbed-haired with the bobbed hair, "thinks the way this whole business has been made to reflect on the movies and the people who work in the studios. To begin with, there are too many girls around here who should have kept their jobs in the cafeterias. They will never amount to anything and they are in everybody's way. They come looking for romance and are sore at times.

"Lord! Listen. I am going over now to try to look pretty and pleased in a scene for a director who hasn't every minute of the time as if some one were sticking a knife into him, and yesterday I had to stand in a fake rain shower. But the water wasn't fake. And I do not get paid enough. But I have hopes, and I am willing to work and study.

"There's more to this business than simpering. There's hard work. And falling around as Fatty does—as he used to, I mean—is hard work. Why won't they let him alone? The long and short of it is that Virginia Rappe drank too much at the party, and she had no right to be there, anyway. Why, even Brady got in for some of those rich fellows from Seattle that come burning down the coast with a lot of money and think they own everything and everybody in sight.

"Millionaires get in trouble, don't they? And doctors and lawyers and plumbers and paperhangers and cleaners and dyers get in messes, but you aren't hard for it, and nobody tries to advertise plumbing or the law or cleaning and dyeing, as a bad influence to the community, or says that all plumbers and doctors and cleaners and dyers are wicked.

Frisco Sore on This Town

"What have the critics done? I'll tell you. Before they were in every one could buy about four laughs a year in the theatres, and each cost just about $40. I'm allowing one to all to every ten New York shows. The movie comes along and they give about five laughs for a dime—five comic films and two cents each. And ever, the highbrows get a chance to take a look at the movies, they jump at it. Trust to the great American public to appreciate only the things that cost a lot of money. Frisco is sore on this town. That's all there is to it. And Brady is trying to show how smart he is."

There would be more of this if the director hadn't turned up to perform the marriage ceremony.

Los Angeles and Hollywood and their people are wrong about Frisco. Frisco has almost forgotten the Arbuckle case. It has a greater California expansion in its head, now, and a new water supply, spoils of prohibition enforcement, and a rich man's caught smuggling liquor, and [illegible]

[illegible] are saying and doing in Frisco. Fatty who? Oh, yes, Arbuckle. He was up for something, wasn't he?

Frisco is almost true to its advertisements. It wants action or nothing.

Tokio Tentatively Accepts Program

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France, will be signed. This, it is indicated by the British, will replace the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. This will be the minimum accomplishment of the Conference.

All Expected to Accept

There seems to be no doubt about its acceptance by all four Powers. If no agreement is possible on naval reduction and none is possible respecting China, the four Powers will apparently agree to discuss their troubles for a long period before resorting to war. Believers in arbitration hold that war can ordinarily be prevented by this method.

This agreement will probably take the form of a treaty, as there is no public objection to treaties of arbitration in this country.

A second agreement will also relate to the Pacific and cover naval reduction, the limitation of naval bases in the Far Eastern waters and some understanding with respect to the safety of remote possessions of the contracting Powers, such as the Philippines left defenseless through the reduction of naval armament and the limitation of naval bases. This may also take the form of a treaty.

The details of this agreement present difficulties yet to be solved. It has been accepted in principle by Japan, Great Britain and the United States. It is said by the Japanese to be in no way contingent upon the reaching of an agreement with respect to China.

No Treaty on China

The third will be some understanding with respect to China. This is the farthest off of all. It will probably not take the form of a treaty, but will be rather a joint declaration of policy.

With regard to China one thing is certain, however, no one can say that the Chinese delegation will accept the opinions of the Government, which are being largely governed by what Japan is willing to concede.

Wang Reconsidered

It can be stated most positively in spite of denials that Mr. Wang, one of China's three delegates here, resigned because of the turn the Shantung negotiations have taken, but afterward reconsidered his resignation.

These resignations may be more gestures intended to influence the Japanese and the Americans. But China has in her power to defeat the end of the Conference so far as she is concerned by refusing to sign as she did at Paris.

However, the other aims of the Conference seem to be safeguarded by their separation from the Chinese question and their embodiment in treaties or joint notes already tentatively accepted by Japan.

23 CAUGHT IN LIQUOR RAID

Mercer County Officers and State Police Make Round-up

Mercer, Pa., Dec. 8.—(By A. P.)—Twenty-three persons are in the Mercer County jail here today as the result of raids yesterday and last night by county officers and State troopers, on places suspected of being "speakeasies." Court officials said the number of prisoners would in all probability be four before nightfall.

The raiders were active in Sharon, Farrell, Greenville, Grove City and other towns, and confiscated a large amount of liquor and a number of stills.

Freed Prisoners Like Peace Treaty

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commercial community, which in late years had hardly been able to keep going. They expressed the hope for an earliest possible settlement.

Period of Prosperity Forecast

Officers of similar organizations in other cities expressed similar opinions and prophesied a period of prosperity such as the country has not seen for a long time, if the agreement is ratified. They believed, however, that there must be some readjustment in the phrasing of the economical and financial arrangements. As an instance, they asked if Ireland would be empowered to adopt free trade or protection as it pleased. They pointed out that the terms as published imply full fiscal autonomy with power to establish tariffs against England if wished, but this, they said, is not explicit enough, and needs elucidation.

Archbishop Gregg, of Dublin, said he was deeply grateful that an agreement for a settlement had been reached. All parties, from whatever point of view they approached the question of the truce and conference, should now "work together for the common good and strive to make a success of what is now a constitutionally authorized experiment.

"I hope that all eyes will turn to the future," he added, "rather than to the past.

Belfast, Dec. 8.—(By A. P.)—The members of both houses of the Ulster Parliament considered the Irish agreement at a meeting this morning. After two hours of private conference it was announced that Sir James Craig, the Premier, would leave for London tomorrow.

There were demonstrations of rejoicing and bonfires in the streets of the Sinn Fein districts last night. There was also some shooting, but nobody was reported injured. At two points the police were attacked by armed men, and in one instance returned the fire.

Cardinal Logue, Primate of Ireland, told the correspondent today that he thought the Irish peace terms very satisfactory. He added:

"I would like to see unity and no division of the country so that all could pull together for the good of Ireland. I would like to see the people of Ireland living in peace and charity with each other."

The Cardinal expressed the fear that the expense of the Northern government would weigh heavily on the people of six counties. Replying to a query as to whether he thought it wise for Ulster to retain her own Parliament, he said:

"I think it would be a blessing if we could all pull together and give up the old battle cries. It is satisfactory to be given a Parliament of our own. It prevents us from being fleeced by England and paying to her far beyond our taxable capacity. I think it will be a blessing and that it will promote trade, if there is concord."

London, Dec. 8.—(By A. P.)—An interview between Prime Minister Lloyd George and representatives of Ulster for the elucidation of certain parts of the new Irish agreement has not been definitely arranged, but it was considered quite likely at No. 10 Downing street today that Sir James Craig, the Premier; Lieutenant Colonel Spender, Secretary for the Ulster Cabinet, and Sir Ernest Clark, under-secretary, would cross from Ireland tonight and see Mr. Lloyd George tomorrow.

The Prime Minister goes to Chequers Court this afternoon for a few hours relief from his arduous labors of recent weeks. He will return to London tomorrow morning.

Lord Londonderry, the leader in the Ulster Senate, is quoted in a dispatch to the Daily Mirror from Belfast as saying regarding the Irish agreement:

"This is a settlement. There will of course, have to be adjustments, but for good or ill, a settlement will now come on the lines of the present proposal. One may hope for the best without being excessively optimistic."

Washington, Dec. 8.—It is predicted in Washington the Irish Free State will lose little time in establishing an entente cordiale with her sister home-ruled states in the "Commonwealth of British Nations." One point is of particular interest to the country. Canada is still struggling for separate and independent diplomatic relations with the United States. She wants her own Minister and legation here. In that aspiration she is certain to find an eager ally in the Irish Free State.

The prospect is not remote that before many months both the maple leaf of Canada and the shamrock of Ireland may be flying over diplomatic establishments on the Potomac.

Ireland is expected to establish at once a high commissionership in the United States.

ARMY AND RESERVES LINKED

Weeks Makes Chiefs Responsible for Assignments to Each Branch

Washington, Dec. 8.—An important connecting link between the regular army and the organized reserves was seen yesterday in the order of Secretary Weeks charging chiefs of the various branches of the regular service with personal responsibility for officers they assign to duty with reserve units.

Under former practice chiefs of the branches have been concerned only in assigning personnel to units of the regular army. Under the new orders the chiefs are made equally responsible for assignments to the reserve as to the regular forces, thus creating a condition by which the various components of the national defense will be similarly administered.

The effect of the orders was described as far-reaching and important with relation to the development of the reserves as the main dependence of the small regular establishment for re-enforcements and expansion in time of emergency.

WORLD-WAR MYSTERY ENDS

Soldier Has Been Reported Both Dead and Alive

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 8.—Harvey M. Reese, of Mountville, has received word that the body of his son, Lieutenant Earl L. Reese, will arrive in New York from France about December 10. The body will be sent to Mountville for a military funeral.

The case of Lieutenant Reese has been one of the mysteries of the World War. He was a member of the 111th Infantry when wounded October 2, 1918, in the Argonne. He was reported as having died in a base hospital on October 10. Afterward came news to his parents from more than one source that the young man was seen alive in a hospital after October 10. Colonel E. C. Shannon, of the 111th Regiment, investigated, but could learn nothing definite.

Foch Arrives in Houston

Houston, Tex., Dec. 8. — Marshal Ferdinand Foch arrived in Houston late yesterday and was welcomed by a salute of nineteen guns. He took part in a parade and last night attended a banquet in his honor.

RICH MAN FOUND DYING IN AUTO WITH WAITRESS

Harold A. Blair, of Newark, Unconscious at Wheel of Car

New York, Dec. 8.—Harold A. Blair, wealthy president of the Union Loan Company of Newark, is in a precarious condition in the Orange, N. J., Memorial Hospital. Physicians believe he will die. Mr. Blair was found unconscious in a lonely spot on Walton road, South Orange, in company of a Newark girl late Tuesday night.

Physicians ascribe Blair's condition to high blood pressure. He is forty-one and lives in Bloomfield. He is married and has two daughters. One of the daughters is twenty-three years old.

In his pockets were found $5175 in cash, a $500 bond and checks, bringing the total up to $4000.

A taxicab driver found Blair across the steering wheel of his machine, the girl frantically trying to revive him. The car had been driven into the gutter and parked.

His daughter, Miss Lillian Blair, insisted the girl in the case merely happened to pass by and was trying to help Blair when the taxi man drove up.

The girl is Catherine Bower, nineteen, employed in a Newark lunchroom.

ELECTION CONTESTS BEGUN

Legality of Return in Case of Blair County Judge Questioned

Harrisburg, Dec. 8.—Formal contest of the re-election of Thomas J. Baldrige, President Judge of the Blair County Courts, was filed yesterday at the office of Attorney General George E. Alter, and as soon as Mr. Alter returns from Washington, where he has been arguing State cases in the United States Supreme Court, the papers will be considered, along with those contesting election of A. W. Lloyd, Judge-elect of Northumberland County.

This is probably the first time since enactment of the Judicial Contest Law of 1874 that two petitions have been presented at almost the same time. Should the Attorney General decide there are grounds for a contest in either case the proceedings would be heard by special courts composed of three Judges each. Such contests are always very expensive propositions.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 8.—Robert A. Henderson, Democrat, defeated candidate for President Judge of Blair County, took the steps to contest the re-election of Judge Baldrige, Republican, who, according to the official returns, won by 342 votes. Violations of the election laws are alleged in the mode of counting ballots and in not providing guard rails in certain booths. Henderson claims he was elected by 1900 votes.

CHURCH BAZAAR OPENS

Trinity Lutheran to Benefit From Proceeds of Sales

The Christmas bazaar of the Trinity Lutheran Church opened yesterday at the church building, Eighteenth and Wolf streets, and will continue until Saturday night.

The bazaar is open from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock at night, with a cafeteria restaurant in operation from 5:30 to 9.

Washington D. Read

Washington D. Read, seventy-five years old, of Somers Point, N. J., died suddenly last night at the home of his son-in-law, Reuben W. Smith, 301 White Horse pike, Collingswood.

Mr. Reed was stricken with paralysis Monday while in Pleasantville and was taken to the home of his son-in-law, with whom he had planned to spend the winter.

Mr. Read was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad for fifty years, until he retired recently. For the last twenty-five years he had been assistant superintendent of the main line at Harrisburg. Mr. Read was a member of the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the Revolution, University Lodge No. 610, F. and A. M., this city, and also a Shriner.

He is survived by his wife and a son. Funeral services will be held at Collingswood Saturday and interment will be in Harleigh Cemetery, Camden.

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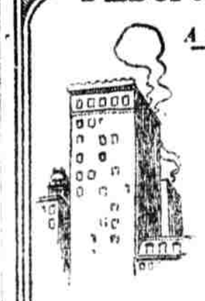

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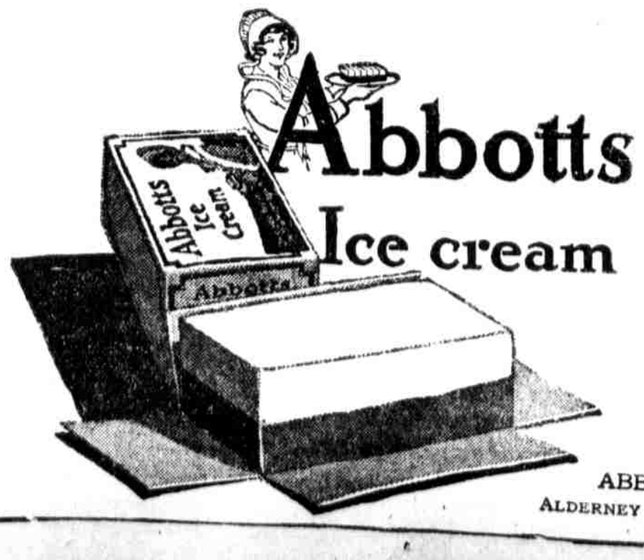

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