

SEE TRAFFIC AID IN SUBWAY GARAGE

Some Philadelphians Think New York Suggestion Might Be Adopted Here

CHAPMAN NOT SO SURE

Plans for building two subterranean parking garages in New York City, one under Central Park and the other under Bryant Park, presented to the Board of Estimate of New York City today, may be the possible solution of Philadelphia's parking problem.

J. Maxwell Smith, secretary of the Kerston Automobile Club, said today that the plan under consideration in New York is an excellent one, and has great possibilities.

There are a great number of details, said Mr. Smith, "that would enter into constructing such a garage, but on the face of it, the plan looks like a capital idea. It has wonderful possibilities, and if successful in New York it would undoubtedly be successful here."

Mr. Smith said he would write immediately for details of the plan to Dr. John B. Harris, Special Deputy Commissioner of Police of New York, who presented the plan.

What New York Plans to Do The proposed garage under Central Park at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue would care for 30,000 cars, while the one under Bryant Park, at Fifth avenue and Forty-second street, would accommodate 4000 cars.

Kane S. Greene, president of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia, was much interested in the New York plan.

"I happen to know," he said, "that experiments of this sort have proved successful abroad. My son told me upon his return from Europe that he had seen the plan in operation in several cities

of the Continent, notably the German cities. "It seems that if this plan could be worked out in Philadelphia it would alleviate greatly our present traffic difficulties. For some reason the idea has never been pushed here, but it would present a solution for many parking difficulties."

Site Is Big Problem The chief difficulty here would be in obtaining suitable ground for the purpose. I see no reason why the space beneath the Parkway could not be excavated, as for a subway. We have also our city parks, many of them located near the center of the city. It would be merely a matter of digging down deep enough to avoid injury to the trees and plants above.

"Certainly we will have to do something, sooner or later. There is no room for parking on the streets now, and they are so narrow that all the available space is needed for moving traffic. It is a question of putting the parked cars either above or below the ground level. The former would necessitate the construction of a special building on ground that might be used for other purposes, while the latter would make use of underground space now lying idle."

However, Elwood Chapman, president of the Chestnut Street Association, does not see that the building of underground garages offers any solution of the traffic problems of Philadelphia.

"The plan has been suggested here before," said Mr. Chapman, "but there is a good deal of point in asking where the garages might be put. To put them underneath the streets would take an enormous cost—as much as to build a subway. Besides that could not be done without interfering with the subway systems that have been projected and, we hope, will some day be carried out."

"To put them in Washington and Franklin Squares would mean cutting down all of the trees in those squares and robbing them of much of their atmosphere and beauty."

"I think the erection of a few garages where motorists might park their cars at a small sum per day at suitable points downtown would improve the situation. These might be made into very profitable private enterprises."

"More than anything else I think we need a little more tolerance and understanding on the part of the motorists. They must be made to see that it is they, after all, who are responsible for the traffic problems."

BEAUVAIS MOVIE STAR

Stillman Guide Writes and Produces Motion Picture

New York, Dec. 22.—Fred K. Beauvais, poet, Indian guide, philosopher, promoter and correspondent in the James A. Stillman divorce suit, has starred himself in a five-reel film. The picture, which has nothing in it to suggest the divorce suit, was passed by the Motion Picture Commission of the State of New York on December 10 and is scheduled for an early showing in a midtown Broadway movie house, it was learned yesterday.

The film, which is called "The Lonely Trail," is a gripping drama of the North Woods, as pictured on the Canjannava Indian Reservation, near Montreal, and in the timbered districts close by to Trois Rivieres, Quebec. Fred wrote the scenario himself, hired a camera man to "shoot" it and placed the completed film with a New York broker about six weeks ago.

In addition to Beauvais himself there are about ten people in the cast. The leading feminine part is played by Christina McNulty, and a chap named Fred Hazerol also has an important part.

Beauvais as Pierre, a guide, displays his knowledge of the woods in an educational way, and then there comes into the picture the daughter of an English lord. She is being pursued with unwelcome offers of marriage from an

American broker. Pierre has two fights with the broker and manages to rescue the girl from the man's attentions. Pierre, however, does not marry the lord's daughter, but returns into the woods.

RUSTON PEABODY DIVORCED

Widow of C. P. Siems, Millionaire, Gets Decree at Reno

Reno, Nev., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Vernon Marguerite Peabody, of New York, the widow of Chester P. Siems, millionaire contractor who built the Chinese-Siberian Railway, when she married Ruston B. Peabody, was granted a decree of divorce yesterday after a brief hearing.

The Court allowed the decree on a showing of cruelty. Mrs. Peabody alleged her husband manifested a violent dislike for her three children by the former marriage. It was charged Peabody indulged to excess in intoxicating liquor, insulted upon his wife drinking as much as he did and also upon her smoking cigarettes. She asserted he told improper stories in the presence of others, which humiliated her.

Dr. Bricker's Sentence Deferred Atlantic City, Dec. 22.—Sentence was deferred yesterday in the case of Dr. William H. Bricker, Jr., of Philadelphia and Atlantic City, convicted last week of malpractice.

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