WRECK CONDUCTOR CONFUSED BY QUIZ

Admits Train Order Was Destroyed, but Other Testimony Conflicts

ENGINEER TESTIFIES

Charles Evans and Walter Yeakle, conductor and engineer of the Reading Railway train that collided with another near Bryn Athyn December 5, took the stand in their own defense today.

The wreck cost the lives of twenty-seven persons. Evans and Yeakle are being tried at Norristown for criminal negligence.

Evans' statements under cross-examination were confused and in some instances contradictory. He contended that his train had been in the block when the other train had been ordered to clear from Churchville at the opposite end of the block. "I disregarded no rule, misread no order," he said.

"No other train had any right in that block while I was there." He admitted after a question that the rules of the railroad do not consider a siding as part of the block. His train was on a siding before it pulled out from Bryn Athyn.

District Attorney Renniger then produced a stenographic report of the statement Evans had made at the railway's own investigation, immediately following the wreck.

"If you say now," asked the District Attorney, "that you misread no order, why did you say then 'I mistook the number on the train order. I thought it said 154 instead of 156'?" No, 154 was a delayed milk train that passed Evans' train at the siding at Bryn Athyn.

Denies Nothing in First Report

The only reply Evans would make was, "I deny nothing that I said in that report."

Here Judge Swartz took a hand in the interrogatory.

"If you read the order properly, you must have known that No. 156 had to be in the block or it couldn't pass you?"

"Yes," replied the witness.

"If you could have waited until it passed, would you have left that siding and gone into the block?"

Evans maintained again that while he was in the block 156 had no right to be there. At the same time he admitted that the authority of the train order was supreme.

"Well," asked the Judge, "what use is the train order if you can run the trains as you see fit?"

In Reading's Employ Since 1900

Evans, in answer to a question by his own attorney, said that he had been in the Reading service since 1900, and never before had had a serious accident.

Yeakle took the stand next. He is still recovering from injuries received in the wreck. He seemed very feeble, but insisted that he would stand rather than sit.

Yeakle said that Evans had given him a copy of the order and that he put it in his pocket. He had received no order to move on, but nevertheless, seeing his switch open, started his engine.

"I looked back," he said, "and got a hand signal from somebody to go on."

He said that it was the custom among engineers on the division to regard an open switch as authority to go on.

"They do it every morning at Huntington Valley," he said.

Records Destroyed

Records of the train order that Evans, the conductor, is supposed to have disobeyed, have been destroyed.

Harry V. Tomlinson, station agent at Church Villa, testified that on the morning of the wreck, while No. 156 was waiting, he had received an order from the agent at Bryn Athyn reading "Clear block," and thereupon No. 156 had moved on.

Theodore Lane Bean, counsel for Evans, asked Tomlinson if he had made a record of the order. The witness replied that he had. The lawyer asked to see it. Tomlinson produced a book entitled "signal records."

Mr. Bean examined it carefully. "This is not the original book?" he said.

Tomlinson hesitated, then replied that it was not. He explained that shortly after the wreck he had torn the entries dating from November 30 to December 8 from the original book, first, however, copying them into the book he had produced. In reply to a question from the attorney, he said that it was these recopied entries he had shown at the investigation before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Judge Swartz here intervened and asked if the particular record under question had not been copied exactly, including the entry of the minute of its receipt.

"Yes," Tomlinson replied.

"Can you show it to us?" the Judge asked.

Tomlinson took the book, fumbled with it for a moment, and then announced that the order in question had not been included in his copy.

"Is not that most unusual?" asked Mr. Bean. The witness admitted that it was.

He was then asked what he had done with the original records. He explained that after copying them he had dropped them into his waste basket. He said he had made the copy because the old book had become crowded and contained some extraneous notes.

Baggage Master Testifies

Felix Liberto, baggage master of Train No. 151, said he had seen Evans get his orders from Russell Clayton, station agent at Bryn Athyn. He had not seen the orders. He had noticed, however, that as the train moved on the manual signal remained set against it.

He said that he had observed Train No. 154, the milk train, pass at Bryn Athyn and that no one familiar with the train could have mistaken it for No. 156.

The Judge asked Liberto if the derail switch had not also been closed until one of the crew threw it on.

"That would have been impossible, for the pony truck (front wheels) of the locomotive was already on the switch."

It was the custom, he said, when trains were running late not to use the derail switch when a train was held up at the entrance to a block.

Judge Swartz then said to Mr. Bean that if he could prove that the moving of a train against orders had been sanctioned by the railroad officials in this or any other instance, he would admit such testimony. Mr. Bean said he was not yet ready to prove that.

One of the jurors had been making notes of the testimony. The Judge, noticing this, said that such things were forbidden in his court, because he thought it gave one juror an advantage over another in the later argument. He ordered the juror to surrender the notes. They were then sealed by one of the court officers.

Delay Railroad Board Legal Test

Chicago, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—The Pennsylvania Railroad's suit to test the authority of the United States Railroad Labor Board, scheduled to come up here before Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, was postponed until February 20.

IRISH BILL PASSES SECOND READING

Amendment to Alter Boundary Commission Provision in Treaty Defeated, 302 to 60

42 KIDNAPPED MEN FREED

By the Associated Press

London, Feb. 17.—The bill establishing the Irish Free State passed its second reading in the House of Commons today after the amendment offered by Captain Charles Craig, leader of the Ulster Unionists, for altering the Boundary Commission provisions of the Anglo-Irish Treaty had been defeated by a vote of 302 to 60.

Lord Hugh Cecil charged the Government with treating the Sinn Fein as if it were a constituted government.

"Now that we have found it is not a government, and that crimes of a terrible character are breaking out," he said. "I think the bill ought to be rejected." He said the Ministers did not express their own opinions, but one another's opinions. "The Government," he continued, "is in the astounding position that it wants the Chief Boundary Commissioner to decide whether the Government should break faith with Ulster. The Government is looking on with interested curiosity to see whether they are cheats and liars."

Former Premier Asquith vigorously supported the bill, in the debate before the vote, saying the boundary question was an integral part of the treaty and that it would be impossible for the Government or the Parliament to escape the charge of gross bad faith if there were any repudiation of that part of the agreement.

Lloyd George Defends Course

Prime Minister Lloyd George, interrupting an attack on the Government by Thomas Moles, Unionist member for the Ormeau division of Belfast, contradicted the Ulster member's assertion that the Government had assured Sir James Craig that the boundary adjustment would be of a minor character while promising Michael Collins extensive changes.

"Ulster demands a straight deal," said Mr. Moles. "If a breach is made in the wall surrounding the Ulster area and invasion is attempted we will stand in the breach and defend it or fill it with our dead bodies."

During the debate Austen Chamberlain, the Government leader, revealed to the House that at one point in the negotiations with Eamon de Valera the Government thought the struggle in Ireland would have to be renewed and that the Government at that time communicated with military and police advisers concerning requirements for bringing the struggle to a successful conclusion. He said the Government was prepared, if no other way was possible, to raise 100,000 men in addition to putting all available troops into Ireland and to wage this most cruel form of war month after month if necessary. Therefore, he argued, the Government had a right to try to see if there were other honorable means of accord still open.

Labor Backs Bill

Speaking for the labor members of the Commons, J. H. Thomas urged rapid passage of the bill. He asserted that the chief difficulty confronting Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith was not the followers of Mr. De Valera, but the advocates of a Soviet republic.

Roland McNeill, Unionist member for the Canterbury division of Kent, attacking the Anglo-Irish treaty, declared that Mr. Churchill in the dead of night had signed away the whole basis of the Conservative doctrine. He said he feared Lloyd George's name would go down in history "as the man who won the war and lost the Empire."

Secretary Churchill, in repudiating the charge of Mr. McNeill, said the bill was not the policy which any party sought or desired to follow.

"When I signed the treaty I knew the risks I was running. I staked my whole political life and reputation—and what is more, the respect of my friends and colleagues," Secretary Churchill said.

Belfast, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Forty-two Ulster Unionists, kidnapped during the recent raids across the border from the South, have been released, Michael Collins, head of the Provisional Government, today telegraphed Colonial Secretary Churchill that he had succeeded in obtaining the liberation of this number of prisoners.

Belfast was quiet last night, but there was further incendiarism in County Tyrone, where yesterday an unsuccessful effort was made to destroy the Strabane workhouse, which the military had commandeered for barracks purposes. A large mansion near Ballygawley, owned by a Belfast firm, was burned during the night. Quantities of hay saturated with petrol had been placed in the rooms.

The Executive Board of the Sinn Fein in Belfast has sent the following telegram to Prof. John MacNeill, Speaker of the Dail Eireann, in Dublin:

"On behalf of the religious and political minority in Belfast, forming 100,000 citizens, we protest against the misleading and lying statements contained in the telegram addressed by Sir James Craig to the Premier of England, in which he states that the recent murderous atrocities to which our people have been subjected were the outcome of raids in Tyrone and Fermanagh and the affray at Clones Station.

"We assert that it can easily be proved our people were being murdered almost daily for a week before either of the occurrences mentioned. Furthermore, we are convinced that Craig deliberately made this misrepresentation for the purpose of excusing or justifying the cruel and cold-blooded murders being inflicted on the minority in this city, on whose behalf we speak."

JURY CLEARS YOUNGSTER

Exonerates Ten-Year-Old Boy in Death of Playmate

The Grand Jury today ignored bills of indictment against John Lopowski, a ten-year-old boy, charged with murder and manslaughter in causing the death of a playmate, C. Abrowchi, Christmas.

The evidence showed the shooting was accidental while the boys were playing with a pistol.

BERLIN PAYS MORE GOLD

Fourth Installment of 31,000,000 Marks Sent to Banks

Paris, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—The German Government today advised the Allied Reparations Commission that the fourth ten-day payment of 31,000,000 gold marks was made this morning to banks designated by the guarantees committee.

This payment is in accordance with the temporary schedule adopted recently by the Reparations Commission at Cannes.

SNAPPY STORIES
"Flesh of My Flesh," by Barker Shelton and "By Whatever Name," by Frank Henry Shoemaker, in the Magazine Section of next Sunday's PUBLIC LEDGER.—Adv.

WHERE WOMAN'S BODY WAS FOUND

Arrow shows spot near Kaign Avenue Bridge, Camden, where the frozen body of an unidentified woman was found today. Scratches about the face and hands lead authorities to believe the woman may have been murdered

MEXICO QUIET; U. S. TROOPS ALONG BORDER DEMOBILIZE

Only Disturbances Are Few Cases of Marauding and Looting

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Brigadier General R. L. Howze, commander of the First Cavalry Division, believing that an emergency close to Juarez and El Paso no longer demands drastic attention today issued demobilization orders. Soldiers, under these orders, need no longer be held in camp at Fort Bliss.

Mexico City, Feb. 17.—Mexico is tranquil, except a few places in the States of Michoacan and Jalisco, according to reports from postmasters in all parts of the Republic to Secretary of the Treasury de la Huerta, in answer to his request for authentic information regarding reported rebellions against the central Government.

Disturbances in a few places were reported, but these were described as being directed against organized society in general rather than against the Mexican Government, taking the form of marauding and looting.

The Standard Oil Company has definitely suspended all work at its refineries near Tampico. Workmen numbering upwards of a thousand will be discharged immediately, according to advices, which say orders to this effect have been received from New York. Only the pump workers will be retained.

PARSON GUILTY OF MURDER

Hired Another Man to Kill Woman Recluse to Get Property

Mount Ida, Ark., Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—The Rev. Harding Hughes, superannuated minister, charged with murder in connection with the death of Mrs. Anna McKennon last May, was found guilty by a jury early today.

His punishment was fixed at life imprisonment.

Hughes, who is sixty-four years old, was charged with having employed Raymond Cole to kill Mrs. McKennon, a recluse, in order that he might obtain her property, believed to contain valuable mineral deposits. Cole, who is serving a life sentence for the murder, testified the minister gave him whisky and, when he became intoxicated, offered him $850 to kill Mrs. McKennon. Hughes, Cole said, furnished the rifle with which the murder was committed.

Hughes on the stand denied the testimony of Cole.

HIDE ERZBERGER SUSPECTS

Alleged Assassins Said to Have Asylum in Budapest

Berlin, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Heinrich Schulz and Heinrich Tillesen, the alleged murderers of former Minister of Finance Erzberger, have been living in Budapest under full protection of Hungarian officials and monarchist sympathizers, who prevented two German detectives from serving warrants for their arrest, according to a dispatch to the Tageblatt today.

The alleged assassins, says the dispatch, lived in the Hotel Astoria while in Budapest, frequented expensive restaurants and purchased clothes and furs amounting to hundreds of thousands of marks. An employe of the hotel observed that the men placed loaded revolvers on the tables by their beds and reported to the police, who confiscated the weapons and then returned them. Afterward the men were given permission to "disappear."

DELAY ACTION ON TARIFF

Senators Inquire If Valuation Clause Contravenes Treaties

Washington, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Final action on the American valuation feature of the tariff revision bill was postponed today by Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee to await an opinion from the State Department regarding effect of the proposed clause on several treaties, including those with the "most favored nation" provisions.

Committee members asserted today that the tariff bill was in such shape that it could be reported within ten days except for the State Department's report.

In considering various schedules of the bill, the Republican members heard several Senators, including Senator Pepper, who discussed rates on Pennsylvania manufactures.

HARDING RECEIVES PRINCE

Lvoff Calls at White House to Thank President for Russian Relief

Washington, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Prince Lvoff, former head of the Provisional Government which came into power in Russia following the abdication of Czar Nicholas in March, 1917, was on President Harding's engagement list today. The call was arranged by the State Department.

Prince Lvoff at present is head of the All-Russian Zemstvos outside of Russia, an organization devoted to relieving suffering among the approximately 2,000,000 Russian refugees scattered throughout the world. He has been in the United States for several months seeking to interest prominent persons in this country in his relief work, and it was understood that he planned to convey to President Harding his appreciation of the response given his appeal for his compatriots. It was said the visit was without political significance.

RECEIVER FOR N. Y. BROKERS

Court Appoints R. P. Stephenson for R. H. McMasters & Co.

New York, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Federal Judge Learned Hand today appointed Robert P. Stephenson receiver of R. H. McMasters & Co., stock brokers, who were expelled yesterday from membership in the Consolidated Stock Exchange for alleged violations of rules.

SHORT SKIRTS—SHAPELY FEET
Every woman will want to read "More Attention Paid to Shapely Feet," by Deborah Smith in the Magazine Section of next Sunday's PUBLIC LEDGER.—Adv.

Find Woman Dead, May Be a Murder

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fifteen-year-old Raphael Costanzo, the missing woman's son, to see if he could identify the body as his mother's.

There were no signs of a struggle in the snow, though some of the victim's hair was found frozen in the ice. Nor did the police find the imprints of her shoes, as they might have expected to do if she had walked over the brittle surface of the snow.

The police think it even possible that the woman may still have been alive when left in the park, though either unconscious or too weak to walk, and may have frozen to death on the exposed ground in the coldest weather of the year.

The spot where the body was found is a very lonely one. It is about 200 yards from the Kaighn avenue bridge over the Cooper Creek, 100 yards from Kaighn avenue, and ten yards from the River Drive, which at this point curves into the park. The automobile, which made tire marks around the spot where the body was found, had gone back, the tracks showed, to Kaighn avenue.

William Strang, of 41 North Twenty-fourth street, East Camden, a lamptrimmer employed by the Public Service Corporation, found the body at 10:45 o'clock.

Strang was trudging along through the crusted snow, making his rounds, when he discovered the body lying off the road. He notified the police.

A police sergeant said the body lay on its left side, with the face pillowed on the right arm.

"The left hand had been scratched," said the sergeant, "and a bit of flesh had been gouged out of one of the knuckles. There were stratches on the nose and on the neck. One of the woman's shoes also was unlaced."

Around the body were plainly visible in the ice-coated snow, the tracks of an automobile, which had circled around the body and gone back to Kaighn avenue. It gave the appearance of the body having been brought there in an automobile and thrown out.

Coroner Holl was summoned and ordered the body removed to the Morgue. It was necessary to wait for some time, so that it might thaw out, to remove the clothing without destroying it. The police did not wish to mar the clothing in case clues might be found there.

The body was that of a woman apparently about thirty years old, dark-skinned and with dark hair, apparently an Italian. It was clad in a dark tailormade suit, with white buckskin shoes, a soft dark khaki colored cloth hat, and a tan muffler. The hat lay some yards from the body.

The only mark of identification found in the first examination of the body was a signet ring worn on the second finger of the left hand. The shield of the ring was turned in. When scrutinized carefully it was seen to bear the initials "E. G." The woman had one gold tooth and her right arm was found to be withered and smaller than the left.

No handbag was found near the body, nor any other personal possessions. This is an additional reason, the detectives point out, for thinking that the woman died or was murdered elsewhere, and her body brought to the spot where it was found.

DR. BRICKER PUT ON TRIAL FOR CAUSING GIRL'S DEATH

Woman Star Witness Against Accused Physician

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

Atlantic City, Feb. 17.—Dr. William H. Bricker, Jr., of Philadelphia and Ventnor, was placed on trial today on an indictment charging an unprofessional operation on Miss Irene Michaelson, of Philadelphia, who died in the City Hospital from peritonitis.

The trial began in Criminal Court at Mays Landing before Supreme Court Justice Black.

Miss Carrie Riley, 1103 Montgomery avenue, Philadelphia, testified that she was arrested in a raid on Bricker's place by the police. She is the star witness for the prosecution. She said Bricker brought Miss Michaelson there on the night of December 30, 1921, and took her to the basement. Bricker had installed a dentist's chair in the basement in July, the witness testified.

"He had taken other girls there before," said Miss Riley.

Dr. Theodore Senseman, chief of the surgical staff at the Atlantic City Hospital, said post-mortem examination had shown the girl's death to be due to general peritonitis resulting from an operation.

Miss Michaelson's dying declaration was put in as evidence over the protest of the defense. In it she said she had of Mr. Gray. In it she said she had paid $125 to Dr. Bricker and made an appointment to come to Atlantic City. The young woman, too weak to sign the statement, had attached her mark to it and died three hours later.

SAW NONE OF CREW IN LIFE BOAT OF NORTHERN PACIFIC

Kickapoo Captain Says Four Men Probably Sank With Craft

Cape May, N. J., Feb. 17.—Captain Hutson, of the coast guard cutter Kickapoo, which went to the aid of the burning steamer Northern Pacific, when shown a copy of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER with an article that an Italian steamer had picked up a lifeboat from the ill-fated steamer, fifty miles south of the Delaware Breakwater, said:

"I saw the lifeboat float off of the hurricane deck of the ill-fated steamer and the Kickapoo cruised close enough to get the boat alongside and make sure there were no living beings in the boat. On account of rough seas, however, they did not pick up the boat, because to launch a boat would have endangered the lives of the crew of the Kickapoo."

Plunges Down Shaft to Death

Scranton, Pa., Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Struck by a large piece of ice that fell as he was descending the shaft at the Manville Colliery of the Hudson Coal Company today, James Kennedy, thirty-eight, was knocked from the mine cage and plunged several hundred feet to his death.

HOWAT FORCES DEVELOP UNEXPECTED STRENGTH

Outcome of Appeal From Lewis' Decision Now in Doubt

Indianapolis, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Surprising strength favoring consideration by the convention of the United Mine Workers of America of an appeal by Alexander Howat and other expelled Kansas miners for reinstatement in the union was shown today in the early voting on the appeal. Administration supporters of President John L. Lewis said they were doubtful of the outcome.

Favorable action on Howat's appeal would throw the whole Kansas controversy before the convention, delaying until next week the consideration of the union's wage policy, the principal business before the convention.

Less than one-third of the convention vote was cast during the morning session, giving a lead of 175 to President Lewis in his opposition to taking up the Kansas appeal. Howat's supporters predicted victory, but the administration delegates would not concede defeat.

Three of the four districts, voting in the morning, were carried by the administration. District No. 1, the anthracite field about Scranton, Pa., gave a majority of twenty-five against Howat. District No. 2, the bituminous field of Central Pennsylvania, went to Howat by thirty votes.

District No. 5, the Pittsburgh bituminous field, voted against Howat bringing the administration lead to fifty, and Ohio, forming District No. 6, gave a 2 to 1 vote for the administration, bringing its unofficial majority to 175.

ESTATE IN MEXICO LARGER THAN NEW JERSEY IS SOLD

Chihuahua Land Was Property of Nation's Richest Man

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Virtual completion of one of the largest private land deals in the history of Mexico was announced here yesterday.

A. J. McQuattters, president of the Alvarado Mining Company, announced the purchase of the 6,000,000-acre estate in Chihuahua of General Luis Terrazas, former Governor of Chihuahua. The land, in two pieces, consists of more than 9000 square miles.

The northern boundary is approximately 500 miles south of the American border and the southern boundary about 100 miles south of Chihuahua City. The land will be split up into small farms and ranches. During the revolutions the property was confiscated, but recently was restored to the owner by President Obregon.

The Terrazas estate is larger than the entire State of New Jersey, which comprises 7525 square miles.

BERLIN FLIRTS WITH SOVIET

Germans and Russians Confer on Economic Restoration

Berlin, Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—Direct negotiations between official representatives of the German Government and of Soviet Russia which have been going on in Berlin for two days are expected to result in the early ratification of a working agreement between the two countries defining the extent of Germany's participation in the economic restoration and exploitation of Russia, it was learned today.

The present deliberations, it was said, do not affect either country's participation in the Genoa conference, but are concerned only with the subject of arriving at a practical working basis for a German-Russian economic entente.

WON'T PROBE RUSSELL CASE

Mississippi House Leaves Charge Against Governor to Courts

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 17.—(By A. P.)—The Mississippi House of Representatives today adopted a resolution declaring it to be the view of that body that the damage suit brought by Miss Frances Birkhead against Governor Russell should be left entirely to the courts for adjudication.

The vote was 75 to 30 and was accepted by leaders as blocking further executive action in the matter.

BOXER HELD IN DRUG CASE

Brother of Patsy Wallace Had "Dope," Is Charge

Joseph Appalucci, a prize fighter, of Fulton street near Seventh, arrested last night at Eighth and Locust streets on a charge of peddling drugs, was held in $1000 bail today by Commissioner Manley.

Federal agents say they found a large quantity of drugs in his possession.

The man told the agents that he fights under the name of Joe Wallace, and is a brother of Patsy Wallace, another prize fighter.

School Bus Damaged by Fire

An automobile bus which hauls pupils to the Saywood School, 6063 Drexel road, was damaged by fire today. None of the pupils was in the bus, as it was being backed from the garage, at Sixty-third street and Overbrook avenue. The fire was caused when the engine backfired.

Ferry Riders Mystified at "Steam" From Water

Ferry riders this morning, shivering on the decks of the Delaware River boats, were mystified to see what looked like steam rising from the water.

According to the weather forecaster this phenomenon was caused by the difference in temperature between air and water, the air being by far colder.

The rapid evaporation of the river water made the little jets of "steam"—really vapor. "Just like your breath on a frosty day," explained the forecaster.

URGE RESERVATION TO PACIFIC TREATY

Fortifications Clause in Naval Agreement Also Under Senate Scrutiny

HARDING CONSULTS HUGHES

By the Associated Press

Washington, Feb. 17.—While President Harding was preparing to communicate with Secretary Hughes today regarding the Senate request for further information on the four-Power Pacific treaty, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee completed its preliminary reading of all the Arms Conference treaties except that relating to Yap, and laid them aside without action until next week.

No serious opposition was revealed to the general Far Eastern or Chinese tariff pacts, which were read by the committee at today's meeting, but there was considerable discussion of the provision of the naval limitation treaty, fixing a fortifications "status quo" in the Pacific. Committee members indicated that they would desire the advice of American naval authorities before they acted on the fortification article.

Meeting again Monday, the committee is expected to consider the Yap treaty and perhaps have before it at the same time the President's reply to the resolution adopted yesterday, asking for records of the four-Power treaty negotiations.

Awaits Word From Hughes

Mr. Harding is understood to have taken steps to communicate with Secretary Hughes, who has gone to Bermuda, after a visit to the White House today by Senator Lodge, who was a member of the American delegation.

Senators Johnson and Borah asked a number of questions at the committee meeting regarding the fortifications "status quo" agreement, under which the United States pledges not to further fortify the Philippines and Guam.

Senator Johnson told his colleagues that he desired further information as to how the "status quo" zone was defined, and indicated that he would either ask for the appearance of American naval officers before the committee or for adoption of a resolution, asking the executive branch of the Government for the desired data.

Query on Chinese Tariff Treaty

Senator Borah also started a committee discussion regarding the Chinese Tariff Treaty, asking whether its provisions did not infringe upon the sovereignty of China. He was assured by Senator Lodge that the arrangement was the most satisfactory that could be obtained at the present time, but there were indications that some further discussion would be necessary.

While they awaited word from the White House on the four-Power pact the committee members revived in their private consultations the project of a reservation declaring that the agreement could not be construed as obligating the United States to use armed force without the express authorization of Congress.

Several members, both Republicans and Democrats, were said to be leaning toward adoption of such a stipulation, and all agreed that much debate was in prospect both within the committee and on the Senate floor.

Deaths of a Day

THOMAS MELLOR BAINS

Manufacturer Dies at Age of Seventy-six Years

Thomas Mellor Bains, widely known manufacturer of hosiery, died of heart disease at his home, 1208 Sixty-eighth avenue, at 5 o'clock this morning. The funeral will take place in St. Martin's Episcopal Church Monday at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Bains, who was seventy-six years old, was vice president of the Oak Lane Bank. He was a high degree Mason.

Mr. Bains first entered the hosiery business with his father under the firm name of Mellor Bains and Mellor Company, which is no longer in existence. Mr. Bains leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter. The sons are Edward Bains, of Germantown, and Thomas M. Bains, Jr., now living in Missouri. The daughter is Mrs. Charles Brown.

MRS. PAUL DANA

Wife of Former Editor Was Leader in Society

New York, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Mary Butler Duncan Dana, wife of Paul Dana, died yesterday at the age of sixty-two. Mrs. Dana had for a long time been a sufferer from asthma, which finally developed into heart disease.

She had long occupied a distinguished position in New York society. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Butler Duncan.

The marriage of Miss Butler Duncan to Paul Dana, son of the late Charles A. Dana, took place on November 11, 1884, and after that event Mr. Dana and his bride lived in the house adjoining and part of that in which her parents lived.

Three children were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dana. They are Mrs. Longcope, wife of Dr. Warfield T. Longcope, who was Miss Janet Dana, and two sons, Anderson and W. B. Duncan Dana.

Mr. Dana succeeded his father, Charles A. Dana, as editor of the Sun, but severed his connection with that newspaper in 1903.

JOHN McLAUGHLIN

John McLaughlin, seventy-one years old, of 531 South Eighth street, Camden, the oldest employe in point of service with the Public Service Railway Company, died yesterday in his home. He was employed as a motorman. Before the advent of the electric street cars in Camden, Mr. McLaughlin drove a horse car in Camden. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Hannah McLaughlin. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon.

Walter M. Costello

The funeral of Walter M. Costello will take place tomorrow morning from his home, 3017 West Susquehanna avenue. Solemn requiem mass will be celebrated in the Church of the Most Precious Blood, after which interment will be made in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Mr. Costello died Wednesday from heart trouble. He was a member of Charles Carroll Council, No. 1364, Knights of Columbus; St. Vincent de Paul Society, Holy Name Society of the Church of the Most Precious Blood, and Southwark Council of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He is survived by a widow and two children.

John Conway

John Conway, seventy-eight years old, 1436 McKean street, died Wednesday, of a complication of diseases. Mr. Conway was born in the vicinity of League Island and was one of the early settlers of South Philadelphia. He lived at Broad and McKean streets for sixteen years and was known throughout the neighborhood both to the children and older inhabitants as "Grandfather." He was active in politics, although he never held any political office and has been retired for the last eighteen years as a brick manufacturer.

Services will be held at the home Saturday at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will be in Mt. Moriah cemetery. He was a member of the Phoenix Lodge, No. 130, F. and A. M., and Palestine Chapter, No. 240, R. A. M. He is survived by two sons, David and Thomas, and two daughters, Miss Marie Conway and Mrs. Margaret Scemple.

Three of This Hen's Eggs Make Dozen, It Is Figured

A hen in Ogden, Delaware County, which may have been hatched in the Zoo and thinks it's an ostrich, laid an egg yesterday weighing a quarter of a pound.

Lawrence Soutter, a farmer, who owns the ambitious chicken, avers the egg measures 8¾ inches around the thick end and 6¾ inches at the other.

Soutter's neighbors figure three such eggs would make a dozen.

Mrs. Emma A. E. Mathues

Mrs. Emma Allibone Eyre Mathues, eighty-nine years old, widow of Dr. Andrew W. Mathues, of Media, died yesterday at her home, 330 West State street, Media. She had been ill for some time of pneumonia.

Mrs. Mathues was a member of one of Philadelphias' old families, being the daughter of the late Nathan W. and Mary Ann Wagner Eyre, of this city. She was a lifelong resident of Media.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James Cook McAllister, of Media, and two sons, A. Wilson Mathues, Burgess of Media, and George W. Mathues, also of Media.

The funeral services will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Christ Protestant Episcopal Church of Media, of which she was a member.

Mrs. May Hollis Weaver

Funeral services for Mrs. May Hollis Weaver, wife of Dr. Harry S. Weaver, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at her home, 1433 Spruce street. Mrs. Weaver, who had been in ill health for some time, died Wednesday in the Hahnemann Hospital. She was the daughter of the late William Griffith Hollis. She was a member of the Civic, New Century and Philadelphia Music Clubs and the Art Alliance, and was active in charitable, philanthropic and church work. She is survived by her husband and one son, Harry S. Weaver, Jr.

John S. Miller

Chicago, Feb. 17. — John S. Miller, seventy-four years old, nationally known lawyer, died yesterday. Among the best-known cases in which he appeared were the defense of the larger Chicago packers against charges of violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and the reversal of a $29,240,000 fine assessed against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana on charges of accepting rebates by Judge K. M. Landis.

William C. Spare

Pottstown, Pa., Feb. 17.—William C. Spare, sixty-three years old, for thirty-four years constable of the Third Ward, Pottstown, died yesterday from a stroke of paralysis. He was a Democrat in politics, but had held office in a Republican ward.

Joseph B. Wright

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 17.—Joseph B. Wright, a midshipman of New York, member of the third class at the naval academy, died yesterday of pneumonia. His father, Joseph B. Wright, Sr., is attached to the State Department at Washington.

Lord Dundas

London, Feb. 17.—Lord Dundas, formerly one of the Senators of the College of Justice in Scotland, died yesterday. He was born in Edinburgh in 1854, was a graduate of Oxford and Edinburgh Universities and was a prominent barrister. Lord Dundas in 1909 was a member of the university court of Edinburgh University as assessor to A. J. Balfour, chancellor of the university.

RECEIVER NAMED FOR BROKERS HERE

U. S. Court Takes Charge of Local Offices of Anderson, Brown & Co., of N. Y.

Ancillary receivers were appointed by Federal Judge Thompson here today to take charge of the Philadelphia offices of Anderson, Brown & Co., Inc., stock brokers, who failed in New York Wednesday. The firm had branch offices at 123 South Broad street. Miss Bertha Rembaugh, was appointed domiciliary receiver by the New York Court after bankruptcy proceedings were filed against the firm, and Edward Stone, local attorney for Miss Rembaugh, was named here.

The liabilities are "in excess of $100,000," while the assets in this district, which consist of office equipment, furniture, stocks and bonds, are worth about $5000.

Judge Thompson authorized Elmer D. Simon, receiver of Samuel N. Hall & Co., bankrupt brokers, who had offices in the Pennsylvania Building, to close out two accounts the firm had in the Middle City Bank and the West End Trust Company. Securities worth $14,000 were put up for $11,000 in loans.

The office furnishings of the Simon-Scheaffer Company, another bankrupt brokerage house, brought only $469 at a public sale, which was confirmed today by Federal Judge Thompson. The three members of the firm have disappeared.

DEATHS

WILLIAMS.—Feb. 17, JOSEPH, husband of Sarah Ann Williams, aged 70. Funeral services Monday, 1 P. M., at late residence, 52 Volan st., Merchantville, N. J. Interment private. Remains may be seen Sunday eve.

NOREMAC.—Feb. 15, 1922, GEORGE D., husband of Della Noremac, aged 68. Funeral Sunday, 2 P. M., from late residence, 5540 Woodland ave. Interment Arlington Cemetery. Remains may be viewed Saturday, 8 to 10 P. M.

MASON.—At Blackwood, N. J., Feb. 16, 1922, Emily E., wife of Herbert T. Mason. Relatives and friends, also Ladies' Auxiliary Cyrene Commandery, No. 7, K. T., of Camden; Ladies' Auxiliary of the Community Masonic Club of Blackwood, are invited to attend funeral services, Monday, 10:30 A. M., from her late residence, Blackwood, N. J. Interment Blackwood. Friends may call Sunday after 7.

BAINS.—At his late residence, 1208 Sixty-eighth ave., Oak Lane, THOMAS MELLER BAINS, in his 76th year. Relatives and friends invited to attend funeral services, at St. Martin's Church, 10th and Oak lane, Monday, 2 P. M., precisely. Interment private.

MILLER.—Feb. 14, at Misericordia Hospital, ALICE MAUD, widow of James T. H. Miller. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral services, at her residence, 1917 S. 47th st., Monday, 20th inst. 2 P. M. Interment private.

LAUGHLIN.—On Feb. 16, HARRIET S. LAUGHLIN. Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, on Monday, at 2 P. M., at residence, 3337 W. Harold st. Friends may call Sunday evening. Interment private.

COOPER.—Of Rockford, Wilmington, Del., on Second month 16th, CAROLINE MIDDLETON COOPER, aged 68 years. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral service, at the residence of William P. Bancroft, Second day, Second month 20th, at 11 A. M. Interment private. Omit flowers.

WARREN.—On Feb. 17, 1922, SALLIE M., widow of Capt. John T. Warren. Funeral services on Sunday, at 6:30 P. M., at the residence of his son Frank C. Warren, 234 N. 7th st., Camden, N. J. Interment Smyrna, Del., on Monday morning. Train leaves Broad St. Station 10 A. M.

CLEMENTS.—On Feb. 16, ELIZABETH E. ROSE, wife of James Clements. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, on Monday, at 2:30 P. M., from her late residence, 5605 Willows ave. Interment Mt. Moriah Cemetery. On view Sunday, 7 to 9 P. M.

BARKHAN. — Feb. 16, 1922, ANNA FRANCES, wife of John P. Barkham. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral, Monday, 2 P. M., at her late residence, 928 Hudson st., Gloucester, N. J. Services at the Church of the Ascension, 2:30 P. M. Interment Arlington Cemetery, Camden, N. J. Friends may call Sunday evening.

GRAFF.—At Hamilton Court, 16th inst., ALICE HULME, daughter of late Charles Graff and Frances C. Hulme and sister of late Rev. W. Harry Graff. Services at St. James Church, 22d and Walnut st., on Monday, 2:30 P. M. Interment Woodland Cemetery.

PHILLIPS.—At the Longacre, on Feb. 17, 1922, LUCY THOMAS, widow of William Dayton Phillips and daughter of the late John Dover and Mary Howens Colton Thomas. Service on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at Holy Trinity Church, 19th and Walnut sts. Interment private.

RITCHIE.—At her residence, 4104 Ogden st., on Feb. 17, 1922, ISABEL HARMER, wife of Earl P. Ritchie and daughter of Simeon H. and the late Mary C. Davis. Announcement of funeral later.

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