

THE WEATHER
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Evening Bulletin

NIGHT EXTRA
PRICE TWO CENTS

WOMAN AND WINGS VANISH

Complaints of Camden Investors
Hurry in as Police Hunt for
S. G. Hurst

Majority are persons
of moderate means

Maintenance of Operator
Little of His Past or
Habits, Investigation Shows

Persons in moderate circumstances,
could ill afford to lose their
savings, are said by the police to
have been the victims of S. G. Hurst,
late estate operator, of 14 Haddon av-
enue, Camden, who has vanished.

It is believed Hurst, for whom a
warrant has been sworn out, charging
embezzlement, centered his attention on
middle families who had saved enough
money to purchase modest homes.

No estimate of the total sums the
estate man is said to have dis-
posed of can be given by the police,
though they believe he got the life-
savings of many who have not yet
learned of his disappearance.

John H. Silbke, 789 Mickle street,
Camden, is responsible for the warrant.
He charges Hurst with embezzling
\$10,000, representing money he collected
from selling a house belonging to
Silbke.

When it was revealed that Camden
investors were hunting for the real-
estate operator other complaints started
to pour into police headquarters. Several
complainants appeared at City
Hall and said they also had been swin-
dled.

Destroyed All Clues

With the pushing of the investigation
into Hurst's affairs, detectives working
on the case believe they will find many
clues important as a result of their
confidence in the suave and debonair
Hurst.

Police have been unable to find out
where Hurst came from, although it is
reported he had a mother and brother
living in Winnipeg, Canada. He is
about forty-five years old, weighs about
150 pounds and is fastidious in his
habits.

Persons that he dabbled in stocks and
other investments in that way are not
known. He is said to have given
Philadelphia stock broker a check for
\$10,000 shortly before he disappeared.
The check, although it proved to be
worthless, is known by acquaintances
of the person known as Hurst. He lived
at 14 Haddon street above his real estate
office. When detectives went to the
place they found very little of evidence
that might aid them in their search.
The house had been destroyed and had
been torn from an old hat found in
his bedroom.

Detective King, who is conducting an
investigation into Hurst's affairs, found
Hurst had taken all his papers and cor-
respondence with him. Bits of torn let-
ters were found in a waste basket, but
no light on the reason for his dis-
appearance.

According to Silbke, who seems to
have been better acquainted with the
operator than other persons who met
him, he was a prominent man for
months ago, Hurst had an inter-
esting personality and made friends
easily, although he was reticent in
discussing anything concerning his for-
tune.

Victim Left Penniless

He told Silbke, who today is pen-
iless as a result of Hurst's flight, that
he came from Canada where he has
been in the real estate business. His
mother, he said, was a prominent
Winnipeg physician and the mother
lives on a 100-acre farm in Alberta.

May 25, Silbke told police, he gave
Hurst a check for \$1,000 to cash for
him because he was in a hurry to get
back home. A week later he asked
for the money but was told by
Hurst that he should let him pay the
amount toward his house. Silbke
thought in East Camden. The check had
been given by Mrs. Esther M. Wilson,
Philadelphia, in payment for the
house Silbke now occupies.

Silbke, who is twenty-seven years
old, is married and has an eight-
month-old baby. He is employed as
a driver at the Campbell Equip Com-
pany in Camden and for the last
four years, since his marriage, has
been saving to purchase a new home.

During the first year of his marriage
he was unable to help get the
necessary funds. The \$1,000 that Hurst
took from him was Silbke's total sav-
ings.

This morning Harry Lenox, 411 South
Second street, Camden, told police that
Hurst took \$28,000 of his money, which
had been paid to him for the sale of a
house in Camden, and that Hurst acted as his
agent in negotiating the sale. Isabel
Wright, of Westville, who gave the real-
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gation it was deemed necessary to sus-
pend the firm for failure to meet con-
tracts and for reckless and unbusiness-
like methods.

The exchange directory shows the
firm composed of E. M. Fuller and
W. F. McGee. Mr. Fuller was ad-
mitted to membership in the exchange
February 27, 1920, and Mr. McGee
August 1919.

Branch offices were maintained in
Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland, New-
ark, N. J.; Uniontown, Pa.; the
Bronx, New York; Boston and this
city.

Passing of Fordney Marks Finish of Stand-Patters

Never a Trimmer, Michigan Representative
Has Stuck to His Party Through Dark
Days and Bright—Faith Still Firm

By CLINTON W. GILBERT
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Washington, June 27.—With the
coming retirement of Representative Jo-
seph W. Fordney from Congress the
last of the old-fashioned Republicans
will go. There is no one else in
Washington quite like Mr. Fordney.
No one else holds to the faith in
quite so undiluted a form.

Mr. Fordney is sure with the old
Victorian sureness. Others doubt about
the tariff, wish to know how the
might avoid the necessity of pass-
ing a tariff bill.

Mr. Fordney will finally
pass the buck to
President Harding. But Mr. Fordney
is sure, oh so sure, that a high tariff
is all the country needs to make it rich
and prosperous and that a Republican
victory will come if only duties are
made high enough.

On the bonus question Mr. Fordney
is equally sure. He is not going to
be a candidate again, so he is not pur-
chasing soldiers' votes for himself by
advocating a bonus bill. But the Re-
publican Party all through Mr. Ford-
ney's youth were for bonuses and pen-
sions. It worked. Mr. Fordney does
not change his faith late in life. He
would go to his death for the bonus as
quickly as for the tariff.

Never a Trimmer

He has never trimmed about any-
thing. Political fashions have changed,
but not Joe Fordney with them. Look

over his long political history since he
first came here to Congress in 1898
to be educated by Mark Hanna in the
way he should go. There have been
progressive movements and Rooseveltian
movements, swings this way and that
from blocs, high tariff movements and
low tariff movements. But Mr. Fordney
has stood like a rock. He has been a
reactionary in whom there was no
quail. Can any one beat this record?
He has supported Cannonism when that
spelled political suicide; Lorimerism,
when that spelled to Heaven; Ballen-
gawm, when that was the test whether
you should start public life or not;
and the Payne-Aldrich Tariff Bill, when
President Taft was being damned for
signing it. And more recently he has
supported Elmer Dowe in his attempted
raid on Secretary Mellon.

Spills, tariff favoritism, the big in-
terests, the organization right or
wrong, the exploitation of the public
domain, Mr. Fordney has been for
them all, never, as Senator Platt used
to say, "pandering to the better el-
ment." He was a believer in the lit-
eral inscription of the Republican
Party. His whole life long he never
knew a doubt.

On the day on which he announced
his intent to retire, the Senate put
shinings on the free list. There was
only one moment like it in our political
history. You remember in those
troubled times when the Whigs were
struggling on slavery and getting ready
to disappear, old Daniel Webster, for
big and vocal to be easily disposed of,
asking "if the Whigs disappeared,
"Whistles go on the free list, what
will become of me?" Well,
"Whistles go on the free list, what
will become of Joseph W. Fordney?"

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40 AMERICANS HELD IN MEXICO; RANSOM ASKED

Rebel General Gorozave Also
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ued at \$250,000

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TAMPICO CONSUL REPORTS

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gon to Take Vigorous Meas-
ures to Save U. S. Citizens

240 MEN GUARD CAPTIVES

Early Liberation of Bielaski Ex-
pected—Kidnapped Law-
yer Is Freed

By Associated Press

Washington, June 27.—Forty Ameri-
can employes of the Cortez Oil Com-
pany near Tampico and destructible
property valued at a quarter million
dollars are being held by a rebel general
until ransom of 15,000 pesos is paid,
according to a message today from the
American consul at Tampico to the
State Department.

The consul's message contained few
details. It said in substance that the
company's Aguada camp was in the
hands of the rebel general, Gorozave,
with 240 well-armed men; that Gorozave
had demanded payment of 15,000
pesos within forty-eight hours from
yesterday morning and that he was
holding a quarter of a million dollars'
worth of destructible property and the
lives of forty American citizens as
security.

The message added that there were
no Mexican Federal troops in the
vicinity and that the company had asked
for protection for its American em-
ployees and property. As the message
was dated Tuesday, the time for pay-
ment of the 15,000 pesos fixed by the
rebel leader probably was due to expire
some time today.

The State Department sent the fol-
lowing message to the embassy at
Mexico City, similar instructions going
to the consul at Tampico at the same
time:

"Urge the appropriate authorities to
adopt vigorous measures to extend ad-
equate protection to the life and prop-
erty of American citizens, reported held
by the rebel general, Gorozave, and to
punish the perpetrators of this out-
rage."

Meanwhile the department was still
awaiting advices from Mexico as to
action taken by the Mexican Govern-
ment to obtain the release of A. Bruce
Bielaski, captured by bandits and held
for ransom not far from Mexico City
near Cuernavaca. The embassy has
communicated no additional details of
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the Mexican authorities for prompt
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Mexico City, June 27.—(By A. P.)
—Manuel Barcena, the Mexican lawyer
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pend the firm for failure to meet con-
tracts and for reckless and unbusiness-
like methods.

The exchange directory shows the
firm composed of E. M. Fuller and
W. F. McGee. Mr. Fuller was ad-
mitted to membership in the exchange
February 27, 1920, and Mr. McGee
August 1919.

Branch offices were maintained in
Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cleveland, New-
ark, N. J.; Uniontown, Pa.; the
Bronx, New York; Boston and this
city.

Passing of Fordney Marks Finish of Stand-Patters

Never a Trimmer, Michigan Representative
Has Stuck to His Party Through Dark
Days and Bright—Faith Still Firm

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Washington, June 27.—With the
coming retirement of Representative Jo-
seph W. Fordney from Congress the
last of the old-fashioned Republicans
will go. There is no one else in
Washington quite like Mr. Fordney.
No one else holds to the faith in
quite so undiluted a form.

Mr. Fordney is sure with the old
Victorian sureness. Others doubt about
the tariff, wish to know how the
might avoid the necessity of pass-
ing a tariff bill.

Mr. Fordney will finally
pass the buck to
President Harding. But Mr. Fordney
is sure, oh so sure, that a high tariff
is all the country needs to make it rich
and prosperous and that a Republican
victory will come if only duties are
made high enough.

On the bonus question Mr. Fordney
is equally sure. He is not going to
be a candidate again, so he is not pur-
chasing soldiers' votes for himself by
advocating a bonus bill. But the Re-
publican Party all through Mr. Ford-
ney's youth were for bonuses and pen-
sions. It worked. Mr. Fordney does
not change his faith late in life. He
would go to his death for the bonus as
quickly as for the tariff.

Never a Trimmer

He has never trimmed about any-
thing. Political fashions have changed,
but not Joe Fordney with them. Look

over his long political history since he
first came here to Congress in 1898
to be educated by Mark Hanna in the
way he should go. There have been
progressive movements and Rooseveltian
movements, swings this way and that
from blocs, high tariff movements and
low tariff movements. But Mr. Fordney
has stood like a rock. He has been a
reactionary in whom there was no
quail. Can any one beat this record?
He has supported Cannonism when that
spelled political suicide; Lorimerism,
when that spelled to Heaven; Ballen-
gawm, when that was the test whether
you should start public life or not;
and the Payne-Aldrich Tariff Bill, when
President Taft was being damned for
signing it. And more recently he has
supported Elmer Dowe in his attempted
raid on Secretary Mellon.

Spills, tariff favoritism, the big in-
terests, the organization right or
wrong, the exploitation of the public
domain, Mr. Fordney has been for
them all, never, as Senator Platt used
to say, "pandering to the better el-
ment." He was a believer in the lit-
eral inscription of the Republican
Party. His whole life long he never
knew a doubt.

On the day on which he announced
his intent to retire, the Senate put
shinings on the free list. There was
only one moment like it in our political
history. You remember in those
troubled times when the Whigs were
struggling on slavery and getting ready
to disappear, old Daniel Webster, for
big and vocal to be easily disposed of,
asking "if the Whigs disappeared,
"Whistles go on the free list, what
will become of me?" Well,
"Whistles go on the free list, what
will become of Joseph W. Fordney?"

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40 AMERICANS HELD IN MEXICO; RANSOM ASKED

Rebel General Gorozave Also
Seizes Oil Property Val-
ued at \$250,000

DEMANDS 15,000 PESOS,
TAMPICO CONSUL REPORTS

State Department Asks Obre-
gon to Take Vigorous Meas-
ures to Save U. S. Citizens

240 MEN GUARD CAPTIVES

Early Liberation of Bielaski Ex-
pected—Kidnapped Law-
yer Is Freed

By Associated Press

Washington, June 27.—Forty Ameri-
can employes of the Cortez Oil Com-
pany near Tampico and destructible
property valued at a quarter million
dollars are being held by a rebel general
until ransom of 15,000 pesos is paid,
according to a message today from the
American consul at Tampico to the
State Department.

The consul's message contained few
details. It said in substance that the
company's Aguada camp was in the
hands of the rebel general, Gorozave,
with 240 well-armed men; that Gorozave
had demanded payment of 15,000
pesos within forty-eight hours from
yesterday morning and that he was
holding a quarter of a million dollars'
worth of destructible property and the
lives of forty American citizens as
security.

The message added that there were
no Mexican Federal troops in the
vicinity and that the company had asked
for protection for its American em-
ployees and property. As the message
was dated Tuesday, the time for pay-
ment of the 15,000 pesos fixed by the
rebel leader probably was due to expire
some time today.

The State Department sent the fol-
lowing message to the embassy at
Mexico City, similar instructions going
to the consul at Tampico at the same
time:

"Urge the appropriate authorities to
adopt vigorous measures to extend ad-
equate protection to the life and prop-
erty of American citizens, reported held
by the rebel general, Gorozave, and to
punish the perpetrators of this out-
rage."

Meanwhile the department was still
awaiting advices from Mexico as to
action taken by the Mexican Govern-
ment to obtain the release of A. Bruce
Bielaski, captured by bandits and held
for ransom not far from Mexico City
near Cuernavaca. The embassy has
communicated no additional details of
Mr. Bielaski's capture since it received
the department's instructions to press
the Mexican authorities for prompt
action in the case.

WOMAN IN AUTO CRASH

Arrested After Her Car Overturns
Another, Injuring Its Driver

ADELINE KUDER

Miss Adeline Kuder, of 3006 E
street, Kensington, was arrested this
morning at Thirty-fourth street and
Lancaster avenue, when she drove her
automobile into another machine, turn-
ing it over and injuring the driver.

Miss Kuder's car struck that of P.
W. Fick, of Merion, driven by E. Gib-
son, Negro chauffeur. Gibson suffered a
fracture of the right arm. Miss Kuder
was not hurt.

Prevented Accident

MISS GRACE BERG
Whose presence of mind prevented
a crash in a train at Amatol,
N. J., by swerving her auto in
the nick of time

GIRL'S QUICK WIT
PREVENTS CRASH

Miss Grace Berg Swerves Auto
From Running Into Train
at Amatol, N. J.

RED LIGHT WAS WARNING

The presence of mind of Miss Grace
Berg, 3357 North Starwath street,
saved her and two friends from death
last night, when their machine ran
into a moving freight train at Amatol,
three miles from Hammonton, N. J.

Miss Berg was returning from At-
lantic City with her mother and J. J.
Stiller, of this city. As she neared
Amatol a red light suddenly loomed
ahead.

Believing that the light was a warn-
ing sign, Miss Berg immediately slack-
ened speed. A few seconds later she
noticed the occupants of the car
were horrified to see that the light was
on a moving freight train.

Miss Berg swerved her car sharply
to one side and struck the train a
glancing blow. Her expert handling of
the wheel, coupled with the slow speed
of the car, saved them, for the machine
did not turn over and no one was
hurt.

The freight train was running on an
abandoned track used during the war
to haul trains from the Amatol arsenal.

Following the incident, Miss Berg
and her friends proceeded to this city.
"When I saw the light I had abso-
lutely no idea that it was on a train,"
Miss Berg said today. "My instinct
immediately told me to be cautious, and
I slowed up. Fortunately some of us
was killed. If we had been overturned
and dragged by the train it would have
meant not injury but death. We are
all glad to be here today."

"The first thing I intend to do
is to write a letter to the Pennsylvania
Railroad demanding that they properly
safeguard such a dangerous crossing."

U. S. PLANS COAL STRIKE PARLEY

Harding Declared Ready to
Offer Proposal for Negotia-
tion of Differences

NO BREAK IN UNION RANKS;
LEWIS STAYS AT CAPITAL

Murray Hopeful of Settlement
as Scale Committee Meets
at Wilkes-Barre

Washington, June 27.—Realizing
that the deadlock existing between mine
operators and union workers will not
voluntarily be abated by either party
to the coal strike, the Administration
was prepared today, responsible officials
intimated, to offer a plan for negotiat-
ing the differences which, if it is
devised, could not be rejected by either
party.

The coal situation in all its ramifica-
tions was understood to be one of the
chief topics up for consideration by
President Harding at today's Cabinet
meeting.

Just what form the move by the
Government will take no official was
prepared to state, though it was un-
derstood that some Government officials,
after conferring with John L.
Lewis, president of the United Mine
Workers, were of the opinion that no
break whatever could be expected in the
hour conference yesterday that a move
was necessary to bring operators into
conference at once.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., June 27.—The
anarchic situation remains in a state
of uncertainty. When the tri-trial
scale committee of the union resumed
its conference today, the district and
international officials admitted that they
did not know whether the move called
April 1 would be converted into a
general strike or whether the 4000
maintenence men now at work would
allow the strike to stay at that point.

The scale committee will reach a de-
cision today, but at the hour of con-
ferring it was plainly evident that all
eyes were turned on Washington.

F. Holmes, president of the Board of
County