



OLD WAR VETERAN  
LIVES ILL AND ALONE  
IN DAMP BASEMENT

Slumming Party Finds Unbearable Conditions in Sibletown Homes and Shops

MANY PLACES IMPROVED

Landlords Are to Blame in Many Instances; Rentals Surprisingly High

Sick and alone in a gloomy, damp basement of an old house at 311 Mulberry street, Bartley Weitzel, a Civil War veteran more than 80 years old, was discovered yesterday by a party inspecting housing conditions in the city.

Dr. J. M. J. Raunick was making his second trip through the city's "slums" when he came across the sick old man.

Weitzel was dismissed from the Harrisburg hospital a week ago. Since then the old man has been lying in the bed in the cheerless room in the basement of his former boarding house, getting his meals at intervals through the kindness of a fellow boarder. He has a bad cough and breathes with difficulty.

To-day one of the nurses from the Visiting Nurses' Association called to see the man, and he will be given medical attention. Efforts will be made to have members of Post 58, G. A. R., of which Weitzel is a member call to see him and have him removed to another room.

"Too Damp," He Says  
The old man is dissatisfied with his condition, and asked Dr. J. M. J. Raunick to move him from the basement.

"It's too damp in here sometimes," he whispered in a husky voice. He says he pays \$3.50 a week for his room and the meals that are brought to him.

His pension is taken care of for him by Alderman Caveny. Each month the old man receives \$22.50 and says he makes it to the alderman for safe keeping.

The old soldier was just one instance of many bad conditions found by the slumming party yesterday. Dr. Raunick learned, however, that many of the places visited in his first inspection have been improved.

The man who lived in a cellar in South street has moved his things to the second floor, and he says "his rheumatism is better."

Sibletown was invaded by the probers and many filthy conditions were discovered. However, it seemed impossible that humans could exist were everywhere in some sections.

Landlords to Blame

In many instances the landlords are to blame for the conditions. Houses are seldom repaired, no attempt to improve sanitary conditions is made, and yet the rentals are surprisingly high. For a six-room house in North Seventh street where plaster was falling from the walls, and the roof was about like a sieve, a month's rent was paid. In a narrow alley the house kept by an old colored aunt was scrupulously clean and was badly in need of a new roof, but "aunt" had to pay \$8 a month.

Orders to clean up were left by Dr. Raunick at some of the places. At 511 Walnut street in the house owned by Mrs. Dora Frank, a twenty-four hour notice was served. Five minutes after the order, brooms, hose and dust cloths were flying in the hands of Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Mary Miller, the tenant.

In the delicatessen shop was conducted on the first floor and on the other two floors were lodgings rooms, with little furniture and much dirt and foul smells. Outside of the building a hard shack had been put up along the wall. A tiny dirty room, four feet wide and ten feet long was the home for a man.

A bed, an old stove, covered with filthy cooking utensils and a chair were the furnishings. A door and two windows, in which old clothes took the place of glass did more to keep out light and air than to let it in. This place was ordered vacated.

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Late News Bulletins

158,026 CHICAGO WOMEN REGISTER  
Chicago, Feb. 5.—Official registration figures announced to-day by the election commissioners indicated that 158,026 women registered Tuesday in Chicago.

PRESIDENT OPPOSES EXEMPTION  
Washington, Feb. 5.—President Wilson announced to-day that he would use every legitimate influence in his disposal to have repealed the provision of the Panama canal act exempting American coastwise vessels from the payment of tolls.

CARRANZA WINS ANOTHER CITY  
Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 5.—Mazatlan, an important seacoast port in the State of Sinaloa, fell into the hands of Carranza's forces to-day, according to information received in Nogales, Sonora, from rebel sources.

TRAIN HITS SIGHTSEEING AUTO  
Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 5.—A sightseeing automobile was struck by a Seaboard Air Line train here to-day and four persons are reported killed or dangerously injured. Twenty-five persons are reported hurt.

SCHMIDT CASE GOES TO JURY  
New York, Feb. 5.—The fate of Hans Schmidt, accused of the murder of Anna Amuller, was placed in the hands of a jury to-day for the second time. At his former trial the jury disagreed.

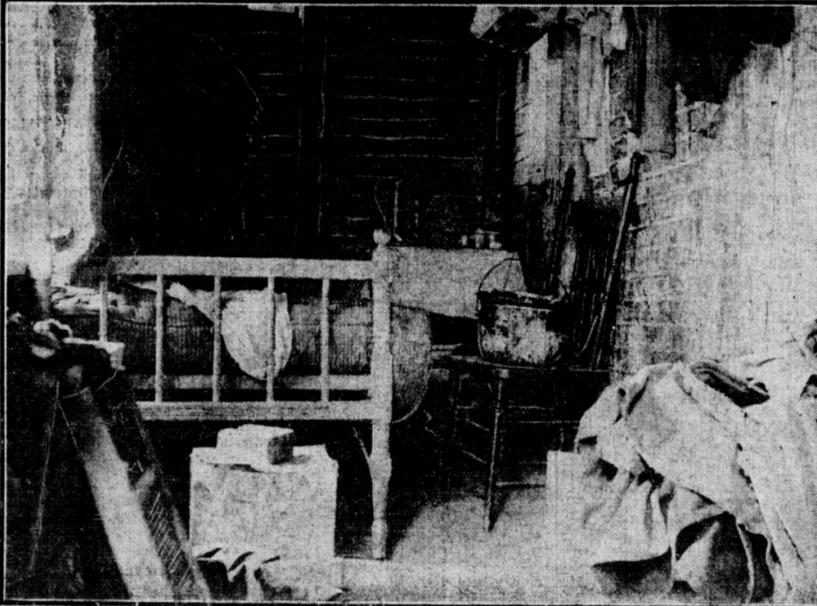
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BARRED  
Washington, Feb. 5.—Monplaisir, one of the several candidates for the presidency of Haiti, has arrived at Cape Haitien on the German steamer Savora, but has not been allowed to land, according to Navy Department dispatches to-day from Commander Bostwick, of the Nashville. Monplaisir tried to disembark at Port Au Prince, several days ago, but was refused permission.

RATE OF DISCOUNT REDUCED  
Berlin, Feb. 5.—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany was reduced from 4 1/2 to 4 per cent.

New York, Feb. 5.—The market closed easy. Liquidation increased the available supply of stocks and bear operators were active in searching out weak spots. Declines of a point were made in Reading, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and other representative shares. Fractional recoveries occurred in the final dealings.

New York Closing.—Amal, Copper, 77 1/2; Atchison, 98 3/4; Baltimore and Ohio, 94 1/2; Brooklyn Rapid Trans., 91 1/2; Canadian Pacific, 218; Chesapeake and Ohio, 86 1/2; P. R. R., 112 1/2; Lehigh Valley, 153 1/2; New York Central, 94; Northern Pacific, 113 1/2; Reading, 167 1/2; Southern Pacific, 98; Union Pacific, 162 1/2; U. S. Steel, 65 1/2.

CONDITIONS FOUND BY CITY OFFICIALS ON TOUR THROUGH SLUMS



Living conditions in the "slums" of the city are shown by the photographs above. Yesterday a party of city officials visited Sibletown and other sections of Harrisburg and ordered the owners of hovels to clean up at once. The upper left hand etching shows the entrance to 515 South alley, where a man was living in a cellar. The upper right hand etching is a shack where a woman has lived alone for six years. Below is seen the inside of the "cave" of a white man at 511 Walnut street, for which a rental of \$1.50 a week is charged.

HUERTA INCREASES  
FEDERAL ARMY FOR  
ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Circular of Instructions Issued To-day by Provisional President

Mexico City, Feb. 5.—President Huerta last night issued a decree authorizing an increase in the army of 50,000 men. Including irregulars, according to official figures, this will bring the available fighting force of the army up to 239,000 men. President Huerta declares that he will begin an active campaign immediately in all sections of the country.

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Sex Education and Domestic  
Science in Schools Is Urged  
by State Health Commissioner

Sex education under certain restrictions in the public schools of the State was advised by Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Commissioner of Health, rather than the portrayal of sex problems in the theater in an address made to-day at the nineteenth annual convention of the school directors' department of the State Educational Association.

Dr. Dixon also declared that an educational system which lacks the teaching of domestic science is deficient in the training of the mothers and wives of the future.

The modern tendency in education, he warned the directors, was toward the development of the brain at the expense of the body.

Giving his reason for favoring the teaching of sex hygiene in the schools, Dr. Dixon said the dangers of sexual diseases should be taught by competent teachers rather than paraded before the mixed audience of the theater.

300 Directors Hear Addresses

Dr. Dixon gave a talk filled with valuable suggestions to the 300 school directors here from all parts of the State. He was one of four speakers this afternoon. Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, John Price Jackson and J. C. Brown, president of the department, spoke.

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RODMAN WANAMAKER  
PLANS AIRSHIP TO  
FLY ACROSS OCEAN

Trip, According to Announcement, Could Be Made Within Fifteen Hours

New York, Feb. 5.—The success of Rodman Wanamaker's flying boat in crossing the Atlantic ocean in a single flight will depend almost entirely upon its motor, according to aviators and aeroplane constructors, who to-day let it be known that other machines were either in process of designing, or building with a similar object in view.

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Murder Suspect Will  
Return to Cleveland

Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 5.—Norman Stanley, arrested here early to-day in connection with the murder of Robert Mercer, of Pittsburgh, whose body was found buried in a shallow grave in the basement of the new city hall in Cleveland, decided later in the day to return to Ohio without extradition papers. When told that a charge of murder had been entered against him in Cleveland he said "I am in the clear." He admitted he was with Mercer the night Mercer disappeared, and said he would tell all he knew of that night's happenings when the right time came.

CONGRESSMAN DIES  
AFTER TREATMENT  
OF RADIUM FAILS

Taken to Dr. Kelly's Sanatorium After Other Physicians Worked in Vain

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 5.—Robert Gunn Bremner, member of Congress from the Seventh New Jersey district, and editor of the Passaic Daily Herald, died to-day of cancer at a local sanatorium where he had been undergoing radium treatment since last December. He had been suffering from the disease for four years.

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With His Wooden Arm  
He Cruelly Soaked 'er  
in the Eye, Says Susie

Charged with hitting Susie Forsythe, 38 South Tenth street, in the eye with his wooden right arm, Barney McGuire was arrested yesterday. He will be given a hearing before Alderman Murray to-night.

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KREIDER OPPOSES  
SPENDING \$40,000,000  
FOR ALASKA ROADS

Much Better to Provide Transportation Facilities by Lease Under Commission Rule

Washington, Feb. 5.—In an address before the House, Congressman Kreider vigorously opposed the Senate bill appropriating \$40,000,000 for experimental railroad building operations in Alaska.

He made it clear that Alaska is not bottled up as it is made to appear, but that its transportation facilities on both land and water were ample for its present requirements and its small population.

He said in part: "I approve of the policy of the government in retaining absolute control of the coal and mineral lands but advocate the adoption of a leasing system on a royalty basis under the control of a commission appointed for the purpose with absolute and well defined powers."

"I would also put the railroads under the control of the same commission. Under such a policy the country will be developed and railroads

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Railroads May Issue  
Passes to Families of  
Employees, Is Ruling

Public Service Commission Decides That Free Transportation Privileges Shall Not Be Curtailed by New Law; in Accord With Governor Tener's Views; Good News For Thousands of Railroadmen

The Public Service Commission to-day ruled that railroad companies may issue free passes to their officers and employees to be used for the transportation of the dependents, members of the families of such officers and employees. The ruling is strengthened by the declaration that the granting of these concessions will not be regarded by the commission as a violation of the provisions of the public service company law.

It also ruled that the free transportation furnished by common carriers to policemen and firemen in the discharge of their public duties is not such free transportation as is prohibited by the provisions of the law.

The commission did not pass upon the questions regarding reduced rates for clergymen nor did it dispose of several other propositions of a kindred nature concerning rates and fares.

Governor Tener's public statement to the effect that there was no sound reason why free passes should not be

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PROGRESSIVES NOT  
MUCH WORRIED BY  
DEMOCRATIC SLATE

William Draper Lewis Their Choice For Governor; Kelly in the Opening

Sentiment among the Washington party chiefs gathered here for the council of war this afternoon appears to be all favorable to William Draper Lewis for the gubernatorial nomination and for Clifford Pinchot for senator. The announcement from Washington last night that Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer would be the senatorial candidate and that ex-Mayor Vance C. McCormick would be put forward as the reorganizers' candidate for Governor did not seem to ruffle the Bull Mooseers to any extent, and if anything there was a feeling of relief that McCormick and Palmer was going to be Lewis' opponent. What was uppermost in the minds of the men who talked in the corridors of the hotels while awaiting the arrival of William Flinn was whether Edwin S. Stuart would stand for Governor.

The main business before the council will be to get rid of Congressman

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JUST 105 MEN ARE  
AFTER JANITOR JOB  
AT POLICE STATION

Johnny Grissinger Speaks Up When Patrolmen Speak of Fatal March 1

At roll call last night and this morning the one particular question asked about the police department was "What are you going to do after March 1?"

"We're like the Thanksgiving and Christmas turkey," said one of Mayor Royce's patrolmen, "we just keep on feeding and guessing until our heads go off."

"You can't please everybody," spoke up Charley Fleck. "I would like to know how they are going to satisfy 724 applicants with but 300 jobs."

"Well, there are just 105 after my job," spoke up Johnny Grissinger, the janitor, this morning, "and some of the men after the job are now drawing down from the \$45 to \$50 a month pension from the Pennsylvania Railroad."

"And the worst is yet to come," added Sergeant Tom Rodgers.

"Yes," signed Harry White, the detective.

COMMITTEE READY FOR WORK

By Associated Press  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—Members of the House mining committee who will investigate strike conditions in Michigan and Colorado will leave Washington to-night.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled weather to-night and Friday, probably snow; slightly colder to-night, with lowest temperature about 25 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Unsettled to-night and Friday; probably snow; colder to-night; light northeast winds.

River  
The Susquehanna river and its principal tributaries will continue to fall, except the North and West branches, will remain nearly stationary to-night.

General Conditions  
It is colder from the Great Lakes eastward to the Atlantic coast and decidedly colder in North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana and Washington, with temperatures 10 to 20 degrees below zero. It is somewhat warmer along the western shores of the Great Lakes and in the Upper Mississippi Valley.

Temperature 5 a. m., 30; 2 p. m., 31. p. m., 28. Wind, light S. by E. Force, 5 to 10. Moon, all moon, February 10, 12:35 p. m. River Stage: 7.5 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather  
Highest temperature, 46.  
Lowest temperature, 24.  
Mean temperature, 40.  
Normal temperature, 28.

MARRIAGE LICENSES  
Jesse Franklin Rees and Fannie Smyley Keet, city.  
Clarence Moul and Catherine Cummings, Lemoyne.  
Joseph J. Harrison and Margaret Blyer, city.

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PROPERTY OWNERS  
TO PAY PAVING OF  
FRONT ST'S WIDTH

Hearing on Assessments Between Maclay and Division Sts. Tomorrow

Properties abutting in Front street between Maclay and Division will be assessed for the cost of paving the full width of the highway, according to an opinion on the subject given to City Engineer Cowden yesterday by City Solicitor Seitz.

The action is the result of the decision of the members of City Council reached at the conference of a week ago.

Interested owners may air their opinions on the question before the Engineer between 9 and 12 o'clock tomorrow morning, notice to that effect having been advertised for the last few weeks.

In addition to the owners of property abutting in Front between Maclay and Division, those living in the following streets will have an opportunity to be heard on the question of paving assessments too:

Penn street from Woodbine to Emerald and Catherine street from Fifteenth to Seventeenth streets.

Differs from Whitehall St. Problem  
The city's proposed action to assess abutting property owners for the cost

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WHO'S WHO IN CITY  
MUNICIPAL CIRCLES  
TO BE KNOWN SOON

Resolution Ending Suspense May Be Presented Next Tuesday Afternoon

Who's who in the matter of municipal office holders as far as the provisions of the Lynch councilmanic removal resolution is concerned may be determined at next Tuesday's meeting.

When Commissioner W. H. Lynch last Tuesday offered the measure which provides that all holders of city offices in any department be dismissed March 1, unless otherwise provided for by the Clark act, it was generally expected that the resolution authorizing the specific changes wouldn't go in before February 17.

To-day some of the commissioners discussed with City Solicitor Seitz, it is understood, the question of whether or not the appointments and dismissals contemplated couldn't be submitted to Council at the meeting next Tuesday instead.

Whether or not this can be done legally will be decided before evening, it is said, and the commissioners will be informed of it to-morrow. If this

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Ex-county Commissioner  
John W. Deibler, Dies at  
His Home in Berrysburg

Berrysburg, Pa., Feb. 5.—Ex-Commissioner John W. Deibler, 63 years old, died on Wednesday morning after an illness of about a year. He was one of our most prominent citizens.

He served two terms as commissioner of Dauphin county and also filled several prominent offices in Berrysburg. He is survived by his widow and one son, Harry. Funeral services will be held on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Reformed Church, burial to be made in the United Brethren Cemetery.

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White Girls Hidden  
Between Flooring and  
Ceiling of Chinese Den

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 5.—While searching a Chinese roominghouse in Chinatown last night for opium smokers, the police discovered three white girls hidden between the ceiling of the first story and flooring of the second. The girls were crowded in a small aperture, concealed by a false ceiling into which they had been forced when the police entered the building. At the police headquarters the girls said they were all over 20 years of age. They refused to tell how they came to be in the house or to give any information against Young Yiek, a Chinese who resisted the police while the raid was under way, and who was arrested with them. The police believe they found a Chinese white slave depot.

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STEAMER ENGINEER SCALDED

New York, Feb. 5.—The oil tank steamer San Gregorio, in port to-day from Rotterdam, reported that on Monday evening a valve box in her engine room broke, filling the compartment with steam. William Kemp, an engineer, was scalded to death and three other members of the crew were seriously burned. They were in the ship's hospital when the vessel came in to-day.

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Fall of Two-ton Rock  
Kills Upper End Miner

Williamstown, Pa., Feb. 5.—While working in Shaft No. 2 last night M. Irvin Eitzwiler, 27 years old, a machine man, was killed by the falling of a rock weighing nearly two tons.

Eitzwiler had just come to work and was working about his machines in the tunnel. Without warning the rock dropped from the roof of the mine, striking him a glancing blow. He was picked up with a broken back. He died in the ambulance on his way home.

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Advertised Goods  
Are Usually of  
Better Quality

When a man puts an article on the shelves of a store, he is giving it his personal endorsement.

It is creating a standard that he expects to succeed. He must fulfill all his advertising promises—and if he is a wise advertiser he will do a little bit more.

His hope of profit is the steady demand he wishes to create, and this can only come from an article with real merit.

The great advertising agencies which are expert in planning big campaigns frequently advise would-be advertisers to wait for months or years until they bring their product to a point where it is ready for exploitation.

All things being equal it is a safe rule to choose an advertised brand rather than one that has no particular sponsor.

It will generally assure you more satisfaction for your money.

It's what you get for what you pay, that counts.