

Liquor Sold "On Credit" Over Many Hotel Bars of City, Proprietors Admit

Woman Tells How Husband Runs "Booze" Bills as High as \$20 a Month; Hearings on 5 Remonstrances Heard Until Late This Afternoon; Half Dozen Others Will Follow

Liquor is sold "on credit" over many hotel bars of the city, according to the statements of witnesses and the admissions of saloon proprietors at this morning's session of the 1914 Dauphin County License Board.

How the systems are carried on to the detriment of many a monthly pay check, and the evils that result, were developed in the course of a series of inquiries begun by the instance of the Civic Council of the Federated Churches of Harrisburg.

All day President Judge Kunkel heard remonstrances. The inquiries of saloonkeepers affected marks the initial move of the campaign proposed by the Dauphin county "No-Licenses League," whose purpose is to drive the liquor traffic from the county.

The particular places in which the existence of the credit system on more or less extensive scales was pointed out, was a direct result of the statements made to President Judge Kunkel in four letters relative to uptown saloons and signed by one "George Brown."

Couldn't Find Letter Writer
George Brown failed to answer to his name to-day and counsel for the liquor men affected, the District Attorney and the counsel for the Civic Council of Federated Church all declared their efforts to locate a George Brown.

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MELTING SNOWS ARE NOT LIKELY TO PUT RIVER ON A RAMPAGE

Susquehanna Is Low and Excess Drainage Will Not Overflow Banks of Stream

ICY STREETS CAUSE ACCIDENTS

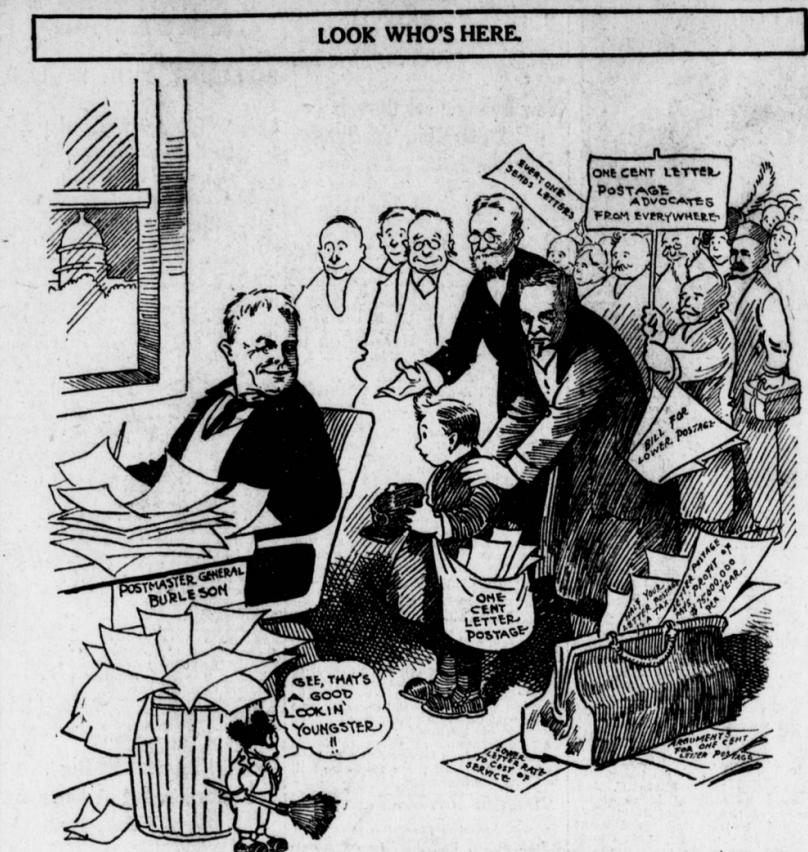
People Fall by Dozens; Colder Weather Expected by Tomorrow Afternoon

Anxious property owners and residents of the flood district along the Susquehanna river in this city and its vicinity have little cause for worry on account of the rapid melting of the snow, according to a statement issued to-day by E. R. Demain, of the Weather Bureau.

Hundreds of people living along the river entertained fears to-day that the stream would be thrown into a dangerous flood stage because of the snow and the steady rain of last night and to-day.

Harrisburg is lying in the very center of the section of the State affected by the heavy storm of a week ago. A foot of snow in the Susquehanna water shed, but the river will not rise until to-night to any noticeable extent. By that time, the rise may be rapid, but because of the low stage of the river no alarm need be felt. It is said that melting snows from the upper branches will begin to effect the river here to-morrow but the creeks above the city will begin to pour their burden down to-day.

Many People Fall
The rain which started early last evening froze as it fell and made walking treacherous. Many people fell before they realized that the pavements were covered with ice. Half a



News Item—One cent letter postage is being demanded at Washington. President Burrows and Secretary McIntosh of the National One Cent Letter Postage Association, are heading an invasion on the National Capitol in behalf of lower letter postage.

NO TRACE FOUND OF SCHOONER KINEO AND 11 MEMBERS OF CREW

Wireless Calls, Sweeping Over Sea, Unable to Locate Disabled Vessel

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 19.—Wireless calls sweeping over the sea from the radio towers on the Middle Atlantic coast, revenue cutter and numbers of steamships to-day found no trace of the five-master schooner Kineo of Bath, Maine, last reported yesterday taking twelve inches of water an hour and in a disabled condition. The schooner with her crew of eleven had been in bad fortune for the last month, twice she had her sails blown away by scattering gales and once put into port for safety. When she was sighted by the steamer City of Atlanta yesterday, it did not seem necessary for the liner to take off her crew.

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MACKAY DIVORCE IS GREAT SURPRISE TO FRIENDS OF COUPLE

Separation Granted in Paris; Case, Many Thought, Would Be Heard in Maine

New York, Feb. 19.—The announcement that Clarence H. Mackay, financier and president of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, and Catherine Duer Mackay, his wife, had been granted a mutual divorce by the French courts on February 11, came as a surprise, not because it was unexpected but because of the place and manner in which the decree was granted. For many months the couple have been living apart and social friends have been speculating when a suit for divorce would be filed.

It was thought Portland, Maine, would be the place, as Mrs. Mackay leased a house and established a resi-

"BUTCH" McDEVITT MAY BRING STATUE TO REILY NOSE FAIR

"Millionaire-for-a-day," Says He's Broke, But Wants to Come to Help the Cause

Harrisburg will see John Jay McDevitt, better known as "Butch" McDevitt, "the millionaire for a day" and his wife providing arrangements to have the famous Wilkes-Barre resident visit Harrisburg during the fair now in progress.

The man who became famous spending two small fortunes, chartering special trains, visiting New York and later Washington, D. C., to have his statue placed in the Hall of Fame, writes in answer to a request from Harry Stron that he may come to Harrisburg and visit the Reily Nose Company fair. He says:

I do not know what to say regarding the statue and the request you make, as you will appreciate the fact, that I am no longer a man of money. However, I would be only pleased to assist the cause and if I could see my way out I would do so. It will naturally cost you a few dollars to have the statue transported to your city, and if you desired to have it placed in the fair grounds, I would be obliged to have at least my expenses.

You understand that I do not make a cent out of the venture, but, as I have stated, I am not in a position to get down in my pockets. Anyhow if I did get down, I would find them empty. So if you wish, I will arrange to go Saturday evening and take my statue with me, but I would be obliged to stay but one night, as I have other engagements under consideration.

It was announced by the Reily Nose Company committee that it is the intention to have "Butch" McDevitt come to Harrisburg, but the date had not been decided upon. It will be either on Saturday or early next week.

BEGINNERS IN HILL SCHOOL ROOM HAVE HALF DAY SESSIONS

Crowded Conditions Compel Dividing of Youngsters Into Afternoon and Morning Classes

Overcrowded conditions in Allison Hill have made necessary half-day sessions for beginners in one room of the Webster building and filled every other room on the Hill to capacity.

Two hundred and twenty-three beginners were admitted to schools all day during the first two weeks of February. This number is larger by half a hundred than last year's record, when 168 were admitted. With these beginners, the total enrollment in the city schools is close to 10,500, the highest in the history of the city schools.

To accommodate the rush on the Hill and relieve several crowded rooms twenty of the beginners were sent to Miss Morgan's room of first grade students in the Webster building. There were forty-eight pupils in this room before February 1 and sixty-eight scholars were too many to handle.

Dr. F. E. Downes decided to divide the school into two sections, having one section attend school in the morning and the other in the afternoon. This condition will last at least until June.

In other parts of the city, schools are also crowded. At the Forney building six new desks were crowded into one room where there were forty-eight children before. At the Reily building nine new desks were added in a room which had not been crowded before.

Speaking of the attendance this year Dr. F. E. Downes, city superintendent said that this is the first year that there has been an enrollment every month of more than 10,000 pupils. In January the enrollment was 10,250. Last year at the same time the enrollment was 10,063. The addition of the 223 beginners will bring the enrollment for February up almost to 10,500.

DECISION ON FREIGHT RATE INCREASE TO BE MADE IN 3 MONTHS

Announcement of Commissioner Harlan Is Received With Interest

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—Decision by the Interstate Commerce Commission on the proposed freight rate increases is expected to be reached probably within three months and certainly before the commission adjourns for its summer recess on July 1. This announcement substantially, made by Commissioner Harlan to-day.

Commissioner Harlan said: "Recognizing the public importance of an early disposition of the problems before us here, the carriers, shippers and the commission are using every effort to bring the inquiry to an early conclusion, and there is reason to think the record on the main issues in the case may be closed and the arguments had in time to enable the commission to dispose of those questions before the summer recess."

Commissioner Harlan explained that the commission had before it two broad inquiries in respect of the proposed advance:

"Are the present revenues of the carriers adequate?"

"If not, how may they be supplemented?"

At the hearings held so far testimony was taken regarding free services and special allowances to large shippers. A hearing will be held here February 27 and 28 to consider further charges for "spotting" cars on sidetracks and for similar services; and on March 15 and 17 those subjects will be argued. Records of the commission show that there are 25,000 shippers' sidetracks and spurtracks in the territory east of the Mississippi river.

Mr. Harlan expressed the desire of

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TRACY MAY HAVE NO SUCCESSOR ON BOARD; MORE FOR FORRER

Grammar and High School Pupils to Protest Against His Removal

While the question of the election of a successor to David E. Tracy as president and member of the Board of Public Works was discussed at the meeting of the board this afternoon, the chances are that no choice may be made. The board as now constituted, with two members, may continue the city's public improvement work.

The resignation of Mr. Tracy as president of the board had been expected for some time by J. William Bowman and Ed. C. Thompson, fellow members, as well as W. H. Lynch, Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements, the head of the department. They all wanted Mr. Tracy to remain until the improvement work now under way—the river dam, the wall and the Paxton creek job—were completed. Press of business made this impossible, however.

In view of the fact that the board under the new form of government serves only in an advisory capacity to Mr. Lynch, one of the members said to-day that he did not know whether a third man would be chosen.

To-morrow night the Harrisburg track athletic committee will meet to act on the question of the dismissal of V. Grant Forrer as park superintendent. Resolutions will be adopted, it is expected, and it is likely that plans will be laid for arranging a demonstration of the high and grammar school pupils. Mr. Forrer himself declared that while he appreciated the evident efforts of the children of the playgrounds to appeal to Council in his behalf, he advised against this because of the weather.

"This isn't the kind of weather for little folks to be out," he declared, "and while I sincerely appreciate the motive behind this contemplated action, I really don't think the children ought to do it."

Four Men Seriously Injured by Explosion in Pumping Station

Waynesburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—A pumping station of the Manufacturers' Light and Heat Company, one mile from here, was blown to pieces early to-day. John Spior, in charge of the station, was hurled through the air fifty feet and when found two hours later, was in a dying condition. Three other men were seriously hurt. The pumps in the station were wrecked and the gas igniting blazed a hundred feet into the air. The station was the principal pumping point on the company's main line from the West Virginia natural gas fields to the Pittsburgh district.

Original Gowns Worn by First Ladies of Land to Be Put on Display

Washington, Feb. 19.—Many of the original gowns worn by the first ladies of the land in State and other occasions and draped on plaster figures, will be placed on exhibition at the National Museum beginning next Monday. The remarkable collection will show how the wives of the Presidents from Martha Washington to Mrs. Taft were garbed in the style of their day.

Ten gowns have thus far been secured, but the collection will be added to until every period of the nation's feminine fashions is represented. The first ten figures to be placed on view are Mrs. Washington, Mrs. James Madison, Mrs. John Tyler, Mrs. James K. Polk, Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnston, Mrs. U. S. Grant, Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes, Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, Mrs. William H. Taft and Mrs. Samuel L. Gouverneur.

Mrs. Washington will be shown at a tea table at Mount Vernon in one of the picturesque costumes of her day, while Mrs. Taft's cast will be garbed in the facsimile of the gown she wore at the inaugural of her husband.

The display will be in charge of Mrs. Julian James and Mrs. R. R. Hoos, the great-granddaughter of President Monroe.

Crazed Man Kills One and Wounds Two Others

Hutchinson, Kas., Feb. 19.—In what a police believe was a sudden fit of insanity, Abraham Ostatter, a pawnbroker here, to-day shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Cochran, then shot his wife, Mrs. Sadie Ostatter, and his father-in-law, Joseph Cochran, inflicting probably fatal wounds. Ostatter fell to the floor unconscious. A physician pronounced him suffering from epilepsy.

Late News Bulletins

- PATRONS' DAY IN SCHOOL**
Patrons' Day will be observed in the city schools to-morrow. In each building the principal is permitted to make arrangements for exercises.
- MRS. BOND WILL APPEAL**
Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 19.—Notice of appeal from the verdict was given to-day by attorneys for Mrs. Bond, who lost her suit against Senator Gore on the charge of assault.
- VILLA FOR NEUTRAL ZONE**
Juarez, Mex., Feb. 19.—General Francisco Villa, the rebel commander, agreed to the proposition for a neutral zone at Torreon, in a conversation to-day over the telephone with General Hugh L. Scott.
- MRS. ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON DEAD**
Santa Barbara, Cal., Feb. 19.—Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, widow of the famous novelist, died of apoplexy at her home in Montecito yesterday.
- CASTILLO TO GO TO EL PASO**
HACHITA, N. M., Feb. 19.—Maximo Castillo, the captured Mexican bandit and those taken with him will be taken to El Paso this afternoon. There were rumors that an attempt would be made by Castillo's friends to hold up the train, but these were not taken seriously.
- CELTIC AND MADONNA SAIL**
New York, Feb. 19.—Neither the White Star Line steamer Celtic nor the Fabre Line steamer Madonna, which were reported yesterday in collision in the bay of Naples, was damaged to the extent of delaying its sailing, according to advices received here to-day by cable. Both sailed from Naples for New York on their regular schedule.
- HASSETT DENIES RUMORS**
New York, Feb. 19.—Thomas Hasset, a prominent Tammany politician, to-day refuted rumors that he would plead guilty to an indictment growing out of District Attorney Whitman's graft investigation, and demurred to the indictment on technicalities. It had been persistently reported that he would aid the prosecutor.
- NEW YORK, FEB. 19.—The market closed steady. Prices drifted idly in the late dealings, and the level was not essentially changed. Rock Island shares were offered down steadily. The preferred established a new low figure at 9 1/2.**
- Wall Street Closing.—Amal. Copper, 75 1/2; Atchison, 97 1/2; Baltimore and Ohio, 92 1/2; Brooklyn R. T., 92 1/2; Canadian Pacific, 215 1/2; Chesapeake and Ohio, 61 1/2; C. & M. & St. P., 103; Lehigh Valley, 150 1/2; New York Central, 90 1/2; Northern Pacific, 116 1/2; Reading, 167 1/2; Pennsylvania Railroad, 112 1/2; Southern Pacific, 96 1/2; Union Pacific, 162 1/2; United States Steel, 66.**

Chief Justice White Has Been On the Supreme Bench 20 Years

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—Chief Justice White to-day observed the twentieth anniversary of his appointment to the Supreme Court bench. The twentieth anniversary of his service on the bench will not occur until March 12.

The anniversary recalled the bitter contest which preceded Chief Justice White's appointment as an associate justice on the bench. Two selections by President Cleveland had proven unsatisfactory to the Senate. The President solved the problem by choosing a member of the Senate itself, Edward Douglas White, of Louisiana. His nomination was confirmed without delay.

The Chief Justice has many years to serve before he approaches the record for long service in the court, Chief Justice Marshall and Justices Field and Harlan are credited with more than thirty-three years' service each.

Alaska Railroad Bill Passed By House By Vote of 230 to 87

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—By a vote of 230 to 87 the House of Representatives last night passed the Alaska railroad bill. It provides for the construction by the United States Government of a railroad in Alaska at a cost of \$25,000,000. The road is to be owned and operated by the Government and will tap the Bering and Matanuska coal fields.

The action taken assures the carry-out of the Wilson administration project for such a Government railroad, because the Senate has already passed a similar bill. While the House added important amendments to the Senate measure, these are not such as to prevent adjustment of these differences in conference.

Pacific Coast Men in House Insist on Action on Immigration Bill

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—Despite efforts of the administration to prevent agitation of proposed legislation for exclusion of Asiatic immigrants pending in the peace negotiations with Japan, Pacific coast members were prepared to insist upon action when the House committee on immigration again considered the subject to-day. Representative Baker, of California, was ready to urge his bill, which would exclude Japanese and other Asiatics, while Representative Church, also of that State, who, although preferring the more sweeping exclusion legislation, pressed as a compromise his bill designed to bar out the Hindus.

Kunkel Building to Be Opened April 1 By Mechanics Bank

The Kunkel building, the city's newest "skyscraper," Third and Market streets, will be ready for occupancy by April 1. The contractor is rushing the interior work now, and the floors in the offices will be laid just as soon as a delayed cargo of lumber arrives from the South.

The Mechanics Bank will be settled in the rooms on the ground floor of the building on April 1. On May 1, the Mechanics Bank will become the Mechanics Trust Company under a new charter. Some of the stock is now being offered.

Half of the floor space in the eight floor building is already rented, Charles Kunkel said this morning.

FIVE MINERS HURT BY FALL OF ROCK AT WILLIAMSTOWN

Accident Occurs in No. 2 Shaft of Summit Branch Coal Mine This Afternoon

ONE IS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Series of Mishaps in Same Coal Operation Recently Result in Injury and Death

Special to The Telegraph
Williamstown, Pa., Feb. 19.—One man was seriously injured and four others hurt in the No. 2 shaft of the Williamstown Colliery this afternoon, by a fall of rock, which became loosened from the top and crashed down on the men. Several other miners working nearby narrowly escaped being buried beneath the fall.

Elmer Shade, of Pine Valley, was the most seriously injured and he was taken by train to the Miners' Hospital at Ashland for treatment. Jesse Hand, of Tower City, and John Hoppel, of Williamstown, received severe injuries, but were able to go to their homes after the accident. Shade and Hand are married, but the others are single men.

The accident occurred in the No. 2 shaft of the Summit Branch mine, operated by the Susquehanna Coal Company, at the same place where a miner was killed several weeks ago. It is located near the No. 1 shaft of the same operation, where two men were killed and two injured by an explosion of gas on Tuesday morning last.

Rebels in Haiti Lose Two Important Battles

Cape Haitien, Haiti, Feb. 19.—Two serious defeats were inflicted to-day on the armies of the rebel leader, Senator Daivilmar Theodore, at Grande Riviere, fifteen miles from here and at Limbe, west of Cape Haitien. General Paul, commander-in-chief of the rebel forces, was killed in one of the battles. The rebels retreated toward Cape Haitien, pursued by the government troops. Fortifications have been erected here by Senator Theodore, who refused to leave.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain this afternoon and probably changing to snow to-night; Friday fair and colder.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain in southern part of the State with west portions to-night; Friday fair and colder, except snow in mountain districts; moderate variable winds becoming north-west.

River
The Susquehanna river and its principal tributaries will rise slightly. No ice movements of importance are likely to occur.

General Conditions
The temperature has risen 4 to 28 degrees east of the Lake region and east and south of the Ohio river since last report, the most decided rise occurring in the Upper Susquehanna valley.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 32; 2 p. m., 35. Sun: Rises, 6:40 a. m.; sets, 5:40 p. m.
Moon: New moon, February 24, 7:02 p. m.
River Stage: 2.0 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather
Highest temperature, 34.
Lowest temperature, 20.
Mean temperature, 27.
Normal temperature, 30.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
Joseph L. Bashore, Upper Paxton, and Edith M. Smith, Philadelphia.
Earl Austan Koons, Linglertown, and Esther Reist, City, Pa.
John W. Hillersburg, and Clara May Leitzel, Elizabethtown.
Felix Fortin and Flora Antoinette, Swatara.
Max Goldstein and Bessie Snyder, City.
Jacob H. Snyder and Anna M. Nye, City.

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The coupons are the advertisements which offer you opportunities.

You do not in a literal sense, have to do any clipping. All you have to do is to read and keep yourself posted, take what you want, and leave the rest.

Reading the advertisements commits you to nothing. It merely tells you what is being offered.

When you buy you naturally want to get your money's worth. You want to buy the thing that will serve you best and you want to pay the lowest market price.

The advertisements spread before you each day the business news.

They are part of the service you pay for when you buy this newspaper.

You are not getting the full worth out of your newspaper unless you keep posted on what it has to say in its advertising columns.

Incidentally some of the advertisements are so well illustrated and written that they are better reading than the news.