



RETAIL, JOBBING AND COMMISSION HOUSES TO AID CLAFLIN CO.

Many Big Concerns Promise to Co-operate and Get Business on Firm Basis

CREDITORS PLAN MEETING

John Clafin Pledges His Personal Fortune of \$10,000,000 to Help Defunct Organization

New York, June 26.—With assurance of co-operation from the leading dry goods firms, jobbing and commission houses and the organization of merchandise creditors and the holders of the firm's paper, John Clafin to-day began the task of reorganization of the H. B. Clafin Company, which went into the hands of receivers yesterday.

In a statement giving his reasons for the receivership Mr. Clafin said regarding possible reorganization that "a plan will soon be presented which we hope will prove acceptable to both creditors and to stockholders."

Defender Bankrupt?

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed here to-day against the Defender Manufacturing company, of this city, makers of underwear, a subsidiary of the H. B. Clafin company which failed yesterday.

Members of the noteholders' protective committee, appointed yesterday to safeguard the interests of banks having some \$30,000,000 of Clafin paper, went into session to-day at the National Bank of Commerce, whose president, J. S. Alexander, is chairman of the committee.

A. C. Drew, secretary of the merchandise creditors committee, estimated to-day that merchandise creditors have claims of about \$2,000,000. "It is our earnest hope," he said, "that merchandise creditors will deposit claims with our committee at the earliest moment. Immediate co-operation is essential to produce satisfactory results. In view of the public importance of this matter, this committee has consented to represent creditors without cost to them."

The liabilities of the company are placed at \$34,000,000, principally in the form of commercial paper. The sets are placed at \$44,000,000, and in addition John Clafin, it is stated, has pledged his personal fortune of \$10,000,000. The outstanding paper is held by thousands of banks throughout the United States and is widely scattered as to prevent a financial strain in any one section which would result in forcing the company to a hasty reorganization and probably prevent reorganization.

Creditors to Meet A meeting of the creditors to be held in about ten days will determine whether the receivership shall be continued, and if so, on what terms they

GUESTS HURT IN HOTEL FIRE

Greensboro, N. C., June 26.—Henry T. Coloff, of Philadelphia, a traveling man, was suffocated and several others were slightly injured when fifty guests were routed by fire from the Guilford Hotel early to-day. Several jumped from windows without serious injury.

BREAKS ARM IN FALL

Mrs. Sarah Schell, 228 South Fifteenth street, was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital last evening suffering with a fracture of the arm which she received when she stumbled over the curb near her home.

Late News Bulletins

BOY KILLED BY READING TRAIN

Reading, Pa., June 26.—An express train on the Reading Railway struck a team at the grade crossing at Blandon this afternoon. Leon Rissler, aged 14, was killed. Harry Tower, aged 7, sustained injuries from which he will die. Charles Conrad, aged 12, was badly hurt.

Batavia, June 26.—The British Kintuck of the China Mutual Steam Navigation Company, crowded with emigrants, was reported ten hours overdue and it was feared she had met with an accident in connection with the earthquake recorded to-day. A steamer has been sent from here to search for her.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 26.—P. Ezequiel Rojas, minister from Venezuela to the United States, died at a hotel here to-day. Death was due to a heart condition of long standing. He arrived here two weeks ago with his secretary and valet, who were at the bedside at the end. The body will be sent to Washington. The deceased was 83 years old.

Batavia, Java, June 26.—Many were killed or injured to-day in a violent earthquake which caused widespread damage in Southern Su-labaja. The offices of the Dutch resident and many other buildings collapsed at Benkoelen, the capital, and telegraph and cable communication was interrupted.

Washington, June 26.—President Wilson sent the following telegram to Governor Walsh to-day: "I am sure I speak for the American people in tendering heartfelt sympathy through you to the people of the stricken city of Salem. Can the federal government be of service in the emergency?"

Santiago, Chile, June 26.—Great gratification is expressed by the Chilean newspapers to-day at the success of the mediators at Niagara Falls. Congratulations are showered on those who conceived and proposed the idea of mediation.

New York, June 26.—Following the uncertain tone of the early afternoon the market gradually swung around to the highest level of the day in the final hour. Leading stocks were then between 1 and 2 points above yesterday's closing. The market to-day showed a tendency to break away from the depressing influence engendered by the Clafin failure and save for a brief interval showed a firm undertone. The closing was strong.

Wall Street Closing.—Chesapeake and Ohio, 50 1/2; Lehigh Valley, 134 1/2; Northern Pacific, 109 1/2; Southern Pacific, 94 1/2; Union Pacific, 153 1/2; C. H. & St. Paul, 98; P. R. R., 109 1/2; Reading, 161 1/2; N. Y. Central, 88 1/2; Canadian Pacific, 192 1/2; U. S. Steel, 60.

"MOVIE" MACHINE TO BE INSTALLED IN FIFTH STREET M. E.

Rev. Hart Declares He Can Materially Increase Size of His Congregation Thereby

EXPECTS MUCH CRITICISM

Insists, However, That This Is but One Step Further in Advance of Stereopticon

In keeping with the rapidly changing methods of church work, the Fifth Street Methodist Church, of this city, will in the very near future install a complete and modern moving picture machine.

For several weeks the pastor, the Rev. B. H. Hart, has been experimenting in the Sunday evening service with stereopticon pictures and the results have been so satisfactory that he and the members of this church are prepared to go a step further. Mr. Hart said this morning:

"Yes, it is true that we are about to install a moving picture apparatus. The matter has been under consideration for some time and a competent committee has been at work gathering data about the various kinds of ma-

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Paxtang Citizens to Meet Tuesday Night

Paxtang's citizens will meet in the schoolhouse at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening to arrange for all the details incident to the proposed organization of the borough following the handing down of the formal incorporation decrees.

Officers will be nominated for presentation to the court for appointment. Chairman W. E. Seel has issued the call for the meeting.

DUKE HAS TYPHOID FEVER

Naples, June 26.—The Duke ofosta, eldest cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever caused by eating oysters. The Duke, who is a lieutenant general in the Italian army, is 45 years old.

INDIAN BRAVES OF CITY TO HOLD BIG PARADE ON JULY 17

Will Celebrate Elevation of Local Man to Head of Order in Pennsylvania

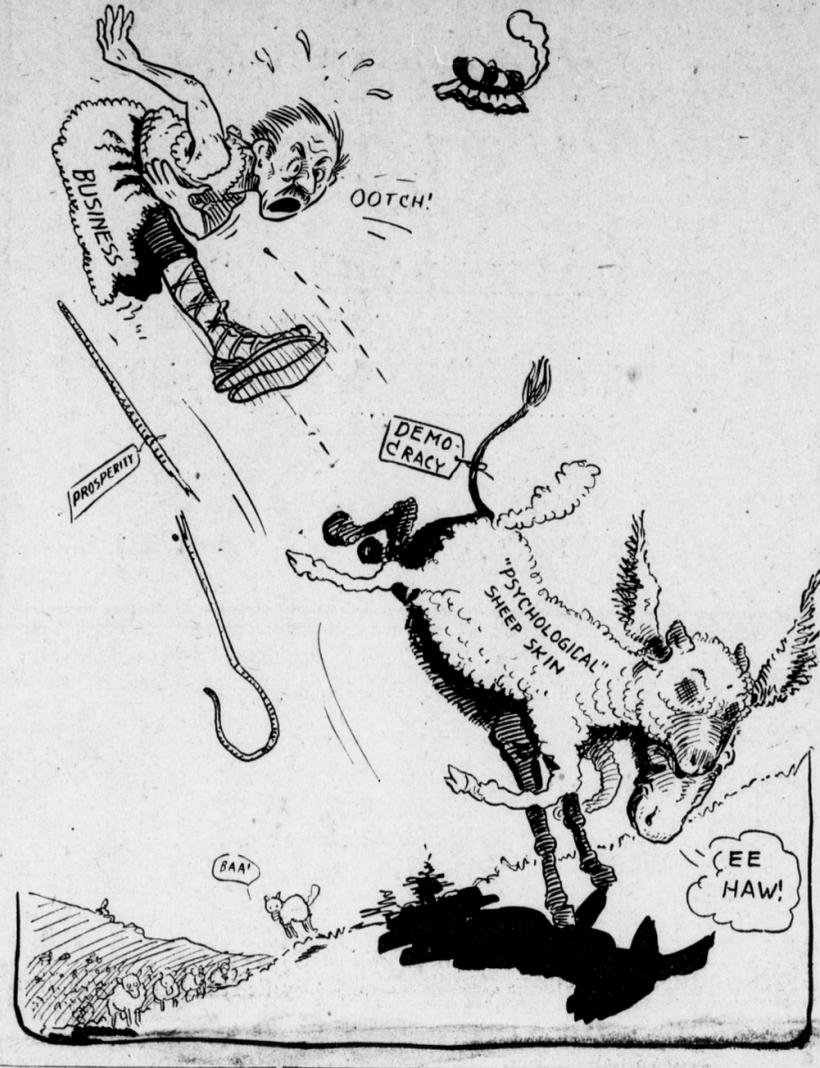
Great Sachem Charles E. Pass, of the Great Council of Red Men of Pennsylvania, who is a Harrisburger, will be honored by chiefs and many braves on the night of July 17 in this city.

In celebration of Mr. Pass's election to the highest office in the order of Red Men in Pennsylvania and to show their appreciation, every tribe in Harrisburg will parade. With the local tribes on parade will be tribes from Steelton, Highspire, Middletown and other surrounding towns. Invitations

WORKMAN ELECTROCUTED

Reading, Pa., June 26.—While looking for a break caused by the storm of Wednesday night, William H. Eyer, 25 years of age, was electrocuted this morning. He was perched on a forty-foot pole when he lost his balance, grasped a live wire and was shocked to death.

THE DEMOCRATIC LAMB



"SPLENDID" CROPS IN THIS COUNTRY IS PRESENT PREDICTION

Rains of Past Several Days Have Been a Wonderful Help Say Agriculturists

From the hot fields of Dauphin county with their growing crops of grain, corn, grass, alfalfa and fruit excellent reports of the conditions were brought this week by agriculturists.

Excluding a few dark spots here and there the crop situation well might be epitomized in one word:

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Flight Across Ocean Is Again Postponed

Hammondsport, N. Y., June 26.—The definite announcement yesterday that the transatlantic aeroplane America would not be shipped to New Foundland until July 11 means that the flight to Europe cannot begin about the middle of July, as had been planned. It will take four or five days to make the trip from New York to New Foundland by steamer and then the assembling of the machine and further trials will delay the over-sea flight until July 23 or 24.

The delay in shipping the machine, it is said, is due to the fact that John H. Curtiss, her constructor, wishes to experiment with new auxiliary hydroplanes.

It was reported here to-day that if the America is not in perfect trim by the end of July, Lieutenant John C. Porte, who will pilot the aeroplane, will postpone the trip until August, so that he can have the benefit of the full moon while flying across the ocean.

Fine "Movie" Owner For Hiring Lad Aged 13

Charged with violating the child labor law prohibiting the employment of any person under the age of fourteen years, Edward Conners, manager of the Realty theater, Middletown, was fined \$10 and costs of prosecution by Alderman Hilton yesterday afternoon. Information against Conners was made by James L. McCormick, an inspector for the Department of Labor and Industry. It is alleged that Edmond Yost, aged 13 years, was employed by Conners in his "movie."

GENERAL WHISTLER DIES AT HIS SUMMER RESIDENCE

Tampa, Fla., June 26.—Garland N. Whistler, aged 66, U. S. A., retired, is dead at his summer home here. General Whistler invented smokeless powder and a system of fire control for artillery coast defense by which officers in a central station can map out the exact location of approaching vessels.

Million Dollar Blast Furnace to Be Built at Penna. Steel Mills

Work Started Today; To Be Strictly Modern in Detail With 500 Tons Per Day Capacity; Brings Joy to Hundreds of Unemployed; Improvement Work Well Under Way

Official confirmation was made at the offices of the Pennsylvania Steel company this morning that work has been started on the construction of a blast furnace at the big Steelton mills.

This new furnace with its ore yard and other appurtenances will cost approximately \$1,000,000 and more than a year's time will be required for its completion.

The management of the steel company has foreseen the turning of the tide politically. It realizes that Democratic mis-rule at Washington can be but temporary and it is putting itself in position to take full advantage of the prosperity that is sure to return.

The new furnace will probably be known as the No. 5 blast furnace. It will be built in line with the present No. 3 and 4 blast furnaces and will

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JOHNSON AND MOHAN BOTH CLAIM VICTORY ON EVE OF BIG FIGHT

Poor of Paris Will Benefit by Championship Bout; 10 Per Cent of Receipts For Them

Paris, June 26.—Both Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world, and Frank Moran, of Pittsburgh, challenger for the title, finished their training to-day and each of them declared himself in the best possible condition for their contest to-morrow night.

"I shall win sure," was the cablegram Johnson sent to his mother in Chicago to-day, while a friend of Moran, who visited him at his training quarters at Meriel on the Oise, said that the challenger was no less confident.

The advance sale of seats indicates

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Foreign Trade Details Set Fourth in Report

Washington, June 26.—Details of the \$4,279,000,000 foreign trade of the United States during last year are set forth in the annual report on commerce and navigation just issued by the Department of Commerce. They show exports exceeded imports by \$653,000,000. Exports of manufacturers amounted to more than six times the imports of like classes. Last year 80 per cent of American foreign trade was carried in foreign vessels while in 1850 seventy per cent of our commerce was carried in American ships.

Thousand Buildings in Salem Destroyed; Loss Estimated at \$10,000,000

Tents and Rations Sent to City to Care For Many Persons Made Homeless by Conflagrations; Three Lives Lost; Devastated Section of Historic Town Covers Several Square Miles; Governor Assists in Relief Work.

Salem, Miss., June 26.—The conflagration which laid waste more than a thousand buildings in the historic city of Salem was burning itself out to-day in the leveled ruins.

City officials after making a careful compilation of values to-day figured the total loss at \$10,000,000. The burned district followed the lines of a rough semi-circle, three miles in length and varying in width from half a mile to a mile and a half.

Although many persons were injured only three lives were lost. The charred body of Mrs. Jennie Cunningham was found in Lafayette street; Samuel P. Whitey was burned to death in his home and a badly charred body was found in the mill district. At least ten thousand persons, a fourth of the city's population, were made homeless. Thousands passed the night in the open. Many hundreds were sheltered in schools, churches and public buildings in this vicinity and Beverly.

Before the fire had been fairly checked relief measures and plans for rebuilding were under way. Governor Walsh, Lieutenant-governor Barry and Secretary of State Donahue spent the night here. The governor announced that five thousand tents and ten thousand rations would be shipped to the city at once. He also issued a class for a public meeting at the State House in Boston to take further action.

In the midst of the gloom caused by the staggering blow to the city, residents found cause for thankfulness in the fact that the more noted buildings and the museums, with their priceless collections of antiques, were spared. The birthplace of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the "House of Seven Gables" and the old custom house were threatened for a time and the flames approached dangerously close to the Peabody Museum and the Essex Institute, but none of these structures were damaged.

A second body was taken from the ruins this forenoon but it was so charred that the sex could not be determined. During the forenoon train and trolley service was resumed and thousands of sightseers thronged the city. Stores in the business section which had been closed when the electric light plant was burned, reopened and that part of the city resumed a more nearly normal appearance.

Prompt response was made to a public appeal for relief issued by Governor Walsh. Henry C. Frick, of Pittsburgh, sent a check for \$25,000. Wagons and automobiles loaded with food began to arrive from surrounding cities at daylight and city officials supervised its distribution.

The companies of militia summoned to assist in maintaining order, patrolled the streets to-day. Martial law was not declared, but no one was permitted to approach the fire-swept area without a pass. Only one attempt at looting was discovered.

On the Common and in the outskirts of the city, hundreds of people tried to find a little rest during the

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SAYS HER HUSBAND HAS ANOTHER WIFE IN BRITISH ISLES

Asks Divorce Saying She Had No Knowledge of Former Wedding Until Short Time Ago

In continued term of divorce court this morning before Judge Kunkel Mrs. Grace Watson, 1111 Pine avenue, this city, appealed for a decree of separation, alleging that her husband, Thomas Watson, had a wife when he married her and that the first wife, undivorced, is still living.

Mrs. Watson said she and her husband were happy until she learned that the first wife was living. Then she compelled him to leave. The wife wept as her mother related the story covering Watson's confession as a bigamist.

Watson formerly lived in Cumberland county. At one time Watson lived in England and late in the eighties he enlisted in the British army.

His regiment was in England in December, 1897, and on Christmas Day of that year he became the husband of Elizabeth Woodvay, whom he had known since childhood, the ceremony being performed in the parish house, Dartmouth, Kent county, England. Three days later Watson's regiment was sent to South Africa. Upon his

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Former Harrisburger Loses Home in Salem

The home of William H. Fitzmons, formerly of Harrisburg, was destroyed in the big fire at Salem last night. Telegrams from Mr. Fitzmons to his brother-in-law, Andrew S. Patterson, of the Union Trust company, say that he and his family escaped injury, but that all their furniture and belongings were burned. Mr. Fitzmons' store was in danger at one time but was not damaged. The Fitzmons' residence was in Gabet street near St. Joseph's Catholic church and orphanage, both of which fell prey to the flames.

Desire to See Aeroplane Cost Lad Broken Leg

Amos Nye, aged 14, of 1018 South Twenty-first street, was eager to see the aeroplane flights at Paxtang Park yesterday afternoon and climbed a tree. His foot accidentally slipped and he fell twenty-five feet to the ground.

He was taken to the Harrisburg hospital suffering with a fractured right leg.

Taylor to Open Proposals For Apparatus June 29

M. Harvey Taylor, Park Commissioner, will open proposals for one or more motor combination chemical and hose wagons and one or more motor tractors on June 29.

Recommendations covering the awarding of the contract will not likely be made by Commissioner Taylor before the July 7 meeting of the City Commissioners.

SIGNS OF BUSINESS REVIVAL BECOMING EVIDENT WILSON

President's Declaration to Go Ahead With Anti-Trust Program Arouses Attention

Washington, D. C., June 26.—President Wilson's emphatic declaration of the administration's intention to go straight ahead with its anti-trust program and place those measures on the statute books of the country with the prediction of unparalleled prosperity to follow attracted widespread attention here to-day. In congressional circles especially the President's utterances were read with keen interest and excited much comment.

While the President's speech was addressed to members of the Virginia Press Association, it was meant for the entire nation. It was regarded, perhaps, as the most important message the President has given to the business work and as his final answer to those who oppose the enactment of the anti-trust program at the present session of Congress.

In Congress the belief was expressed

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THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night and Saturday; Fair to-morrow; warmer Saturday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Saturday; fair to-morrow; warmer Saturday in north and west; mostly gentle north and northwest wind.

River: The Susquehanna river and its principal tributaries will remain nearly stationary to-night and Saturday; slight rise to-morrow; portions of the North and West branches, which will fall slowly. A stage of 15 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 74; 2 p. m., 82. Sun: Rise, 4:37 a. m.; set, 7:37 p. m. Moon: First quarter, June 30, 2:24 a. m. River Stage: 1.5 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 85. Lowest temperature, 69. Mean temperature, 81. Normal temperature, 72.

MARRIAGE LICENSES: William H. Emley, Marsville, and Emma Eckles, Harrisburg. Chester E. McAllister and Vesta M. Evans, Harrisburg. Russell C. Shelley, Duncannon, and Martha J. Coble, Newport.

GOING ON A VACATION? Don't forget to have the Telegraph sent you while you are away. You are sure to find plenty of time to digest its happenings. The cost is just the same as when you are home, except a week. A Postal address to the Circulation Department will bring you the next issue.

Profite Better Than Ever

A large sales force concern which has been advertising in the newspapers finds that the first quarter of 1914 shows larger sales and better profits than ever.

Considering the fact that this period was not one of booming business, showing is the more remarkable. Long experience has taught the owners of this paper that they can get better results at less cost in the newspaper than through any other medium. Dealers are always glad to push these articles because the advertising in the papers creates a definite demand.

Union Trust Company Increases Its Dividend

The Union Trust Company has announced that it will add one per cent to its annual dividend to stockholders. The increase was decided on at a meeting of the directors following a statement of business and earnings showing that the bank's business has had a substantial growth.