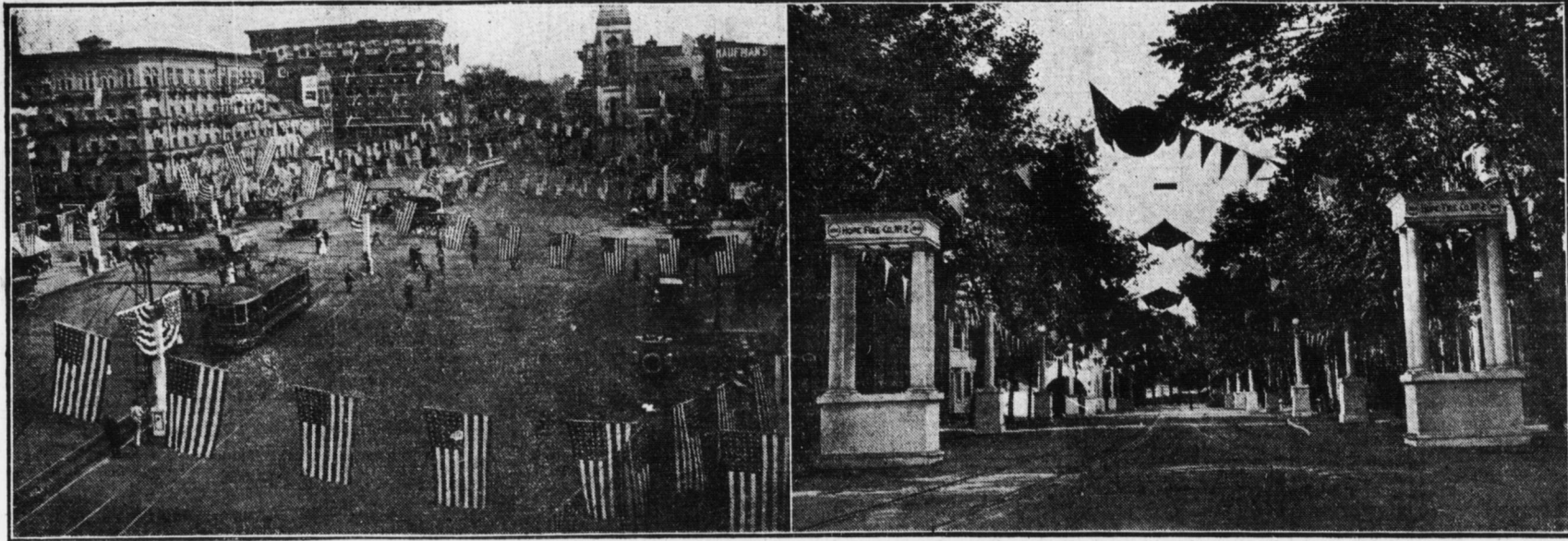




HUNDREDS OF DELEGATES TO FIREMEN'S MEET GATHER IN CITY FOR CONVENTION'S OPENING



All Harrisburg is dressed up in its best clothes as a tribute to the visiting firemen who are beginning to throng into the city for the annual State Firemen's Association convention. Market Square with its festoons of American flags from one end to the other is perhaps the most interesting part of the city from a decorative viewpoint. The etching on the left shows the Market Square decorations. The etching on the right shows the "court of honor" erected by the Hope Fire Company decorators in Second street between State and North streets.

State Officers Open Headquarters in Bolton House and Hotel Columbus; Famous "Goosenecks" Will Have Big Round-up Tonight; Business Sessions Open Tomorrow Morning at 10; Uniontown Company First to Arrive

DECORATORS WILL COMPLETE THEIR WORK THROUGHOUT TOWN TONIGHT

Kill Big Ox at New Cumberland For Roast Tomorrow at Beech Club Along the Yellow Breeches; Tents Go Up on Vacant Lots to House Visiting Thousands; Hotels Filling Up; Big Carnival Opens on "Hill"

With the influx to-day of firemen from every part of the State and the opening of headquarters for the State Firemen's Association in the Bolton House, the big week of the year in Pennsylvania fight-fighting circles is on. A conservative estimate is that 15,000 firemen will be in the parade on Thursday. Not less than 3,000 delegates and alternates will attend the convention, and it is believed that 60,000 strangers will come to Harrisburg during the week. Members of the Firemen's Union completed all details for the big meet Saturday night.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally cloudy to-night and Tuesday. A stage of about 75 of a foot is indicated for Harrisburg Tuesday morning. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Generally cloudy to-night and Tuesday; gentle to moderate winds, mostly easterly. River: The main river will remain nearly stationary to-night and Tuesday. A stage of about 75 of a foot is indicated for Harrisburg Tuesday morning. General Conditions: The weather continues unsettled over the southern part of the United States and the rain area attending the disturbance, which seems to be central in the East Gulf, has moved slowly northward along the Atlantic coast as far as New Jersey. The pressure is below normal over nearly all the western half of the country. A general rise of 2 to 16 degrees in temperature has occurred from the Plains States eastward to the Atlantic coast since Saturday morning. Temperature: 8 a. m., 58. Sun: Rises, 6:05 a. m.; sets, 5:43 p. m. Moon: Rises, 5:01 p. m. River Stage: Eight-tenths of a foot below low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 73. Lowest temperature, 54. Mean temperature, 64. Normal temperature, 59. MARRIAGE LICENSES: Vivian K. Shope and Anna Toomey, city.

SUMMARY OF STATE FIREMEN'S CONVENTION WEEK ACTIVITIES

TO-DAY—Reception of delegates and visiting companies. Opening of State headquarters at Bolton House. "Gooseneck Round-up" to-night. Opening of Ferrar's Carnival on Hill. TUESDAY—Opening of State Firemen's Convention, Chestnut Street Auditorium, 10 a. m. Opening State Women's Auxiliary, State Association Tech Auditorium, 11 a. m. Reception of Delegates and Visiting Firemen. Business session State Association at 2 p. m. Meeting of Women's Auxiliary at 2 p. m. Oxroast at Beech Club near New Cumberland 4 p. m. for Visiting Delegates and Firemen. Motorcycle parade 8 p. m.—route same as that of the big parade on Thursday. Carnival 9 a. m. until 11 p. m. WEDNESDAY—Business sessions State Association and Women's Auxiliary 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. Reception of Visiting Fire Companies. Grand dress ball for Visiting Firemen and Ladies at 8 p. m., Chestnut Street Auditorium. Dress ball at armory for guests of Hope company, 8 p. m. Masquerade ball at Winterdale hall, 8 p. m. Parade of "Ninety-niners" and "Seventy-sevens," 7 p. m. Reception for all Visiting Firemen at local fire houses. Carnival—"Elks' Night"—Local and Visiting Elks to be guests of Ferrar Company. THURSDAY—Wind-up of convention business 10 a. m. Arrival of fire companies and visitors. Parade, 1:30 p. m. Reception to visiting firemen at all fire houses, 7 p. m. until 11 p. m. Departure of visiting fire companies. Firemen's night at Carnival. FRIDAY—Drills and hose racing contests, Market Square, 10 a. m. Program to be announced to-morrow. Trip to Hershey for members of the Women's Auxiliaries of the State and city. SATURDAY—Departure of visitors and wind-up of week's festivities. Carnival wind-up.

MURPHY DISMISSED FREELY PREDICTED IN CITY CIRCLES

While it was generally predicted in municipal circles that Council would dismiss Patrolman Andrew E. Murphy from the city police force after the public hearing this afternoon on charges of insubordination, conduct unbecoming an officer, etc., it was understood that Mayor John K. Royal's suggestion for a successor would not be considered. Jacob Kinley was named by the Mayor to succeed Murphy. Just "who would be who" as to the presiding officer at the public hearing afforded ample cause for widespread discussion, too, in view of the Mayor's repeated declarations that he would not preside. He has insisted that he and Col. Joseph B. Hutchison had already heard Murphy on several occasions. One of the commissioners was asked to-day who would be called to the chair provided the Mayor persisted in his refusal to conduct the session and he said he supposed that Commissioner W. H. Lynch would be the choice. While the meeting called for this

MORE RUSSIANS THAN ANY OTHER AMONG FOREIGN CHILDREN

If all the school children in Harrisburg who answered roll call on the opening day of September term should be asked to show the colors of father or fatherland the result might suggest the mobilization of all the regiments for Europe's war of nations. City Clerk Charles A. Miller wanted that bit of information to incorporate in the new city councilmanic directory and he asked Clerk Austin N. Miller, of the School Board, to get out that data in compiling the returns of the results were turned over to Mr. Miller Saturday afternoon. City Clerk Miller wanted the children of foreign birth as well as those

WOMEN OF GERMANY ARE BRAVER THAN THE MEN

That the women of Germany are bravely caring for the wounded, ministering to the prisoners and doing everything in their power to facilitate the identification of the dead is the declaration of Fred Krause, 213 Cumberland street, an American citizen, who has just returned from strife-torn Europe. The women bravely suppress all signs of sorrow, Mr. Krause said. "They are braver than the men," declared Krause, "and the men are the bravest in the world."

BIG REGISTRATION IN CAPITAL CITY BY REPUBLICANS

Returns made to the County Commissioners to-day show that, with one district to hear from, 13,208 persons personally registered for the November election. The registration last year was 11,815, being run up because of the great interest in the municipal election when the first Council was elected under the third class city act. Republican leaders to-day declared that the classification of the registration, which was begun to-day and will require the checking up of every name, will show that the number of Republicans registered is far and away ahead of all other parties. The registration for the first two days showed 4,550 Republicans and 2,373 Democrats with less than 500 Wash-

Annual Meeting of the Commerce Chamber Tonight

Five new members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be elected this evening at the first annual meeting in the assembly room of the Harrisburg Club. Annual reports of the work of the Chamber of Commerce will be presented by committee chairmen and the president, George B. Tripp. Later Alva B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, of Philadelphia and vice-president of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, will speak. Late in the evening a reception will be held in honor of the retiring president, George B. Tripp, who will leave soon for New York. Afterward, it is expected that the directors will elect a president. John A. Shank, a chauffeur for W. H. Roland, of Lancaster, abandoned the automobile he was driving, while in this city, yesterday, so that he would not disappoint his sweetheart, with whom he had made an engagement for a certain hour last evening. The party arrived here yesterday afternoon and the driver, after waiting until late in the afternoon, hurried for a train to Lancaster. The owner, upon returning with three others, found the car empty and upon inquiry found that his chauffeur had left on an early train for Lancaster. He hired Lewis McKamey, an employe of the City Auto Garage, who piloted the machine to its destination. McKamey returned on a late train last evening.

LOCKSTEP IS OPPOSED

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 5.—Elimination from prisons of the lockstep and the "silent system" was advocated by J. G. Wells, warden of the Kentucky State Penitentiary, in an address of "Prison Discipline" to-day before the American Prison Association, which is holding its annual convention here. The "honor system," music and flowers and a prison library were urged as invaluable aids in maintaining discipline.

Why Newspapers Sell Goods

Newspaper circulations are built by public confidence. People believe in the newspapers they read. They personally know most of the local advertisers. When a national product is advertised in the newspapers it enters good society. It has the stamp of familiarity. It carries confidence with it. It reaches people when they are in the mood to buy and tells of goods readily obtainable. National manufacturers who are interested in increasing sales are invited to address the Bureau of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Association, World Building, New York.

Germans Gain Ground at Several Points in Western Theater of War

Brief Announcement Made by French War Office This Afternoon; Battle North of Oise Continues Without Decisive Result; Berlin Dispatches Make No Reference to Turning Movement of Allies

The Allies have been obliged to give ground to certain points on the western side of the battle line. This is announced in a statement issued by the French war office at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The announcement is brief containing only the additional information that the battle continues with great violence to the north of the Oise without decisive results; and that there is no change on the remainder of the front. A wireless dispatch direct from Berlin to-day brings a long German official statement in which, however, there is no reference whatever to the great engagement in which the allies are attempting to turn the German right wing in northern France and reach the German line of communication to Belgium. The German war office declares that in the siege of Antwerp forts Lierre, Waelhem and Konigshoyck have been taken, opening the way for an attack on the inner circle for fortifications and the city proper. As indicating the activity of the London censorship it may be noted that to-day's wireless message is the first to bring to this country, the German official claim that three forts a Antwerp have been reduced. The fact that such a claim had been made was betrayed by a reference made to it in a general summary of the war situation from London last night, showing that the German official announcement has been received in London though it was not permitted to reach the United States textually.

Belief That Total Will Run Close to \$13,500 With Republicans Far in the Lead

Belgian denials that any of their forts had fallen came from Antwerp by way of London yesterday and again to-day an official Belgian censor declares that the situation of the fortified positions around Antwerp remains unchanged to-day. The German war office says that the Russian left wing was defeated after a furious battle of two days of the Niemen river. There has been nothing official from Petrograd but the most recent reports officially from the Russian capital set forth that the German and Austrian forces all along the fighting area from the Baltic to Hungary were being checked, driven back or routed. The returns of the German imperial bank last week are described in a Berlin dispatch as showing an increase in specie of \$10,250,000 over the last previous report. The German infantry have appeared in the fighting in the territory of Kiao-Chow, China. Tokio announces a surprise night attack by infantry from Tsing-Tau, but says that the attack was repulsed. Fighting between the land and naval forces near Kiao-Chow continues. The Servians still claim to be able to capture Sarajevo, the capital of the Austrian province of Bosnia. War headquarters at Nish announce that Servian troops have approached the fortifications of the city.

Left Wing of Allies Continues to Battle, But Without Result

Paris, Oct. 5, 3:50 P. M.—The official communication was given out in Paris this afternoon: "On our left wing to the north of Oise the battle continues with great violence. The result remains indeliberate. We have been obliged at certain points to yield ground. The French have reached Douai in force there has been no change. "In Russia, after a battle which lasted ten days, the German army which was operating between the eastern Prussian front and the Nieman river has been driven back along the entire line and made its retreat abandoning a considerable quantity of war material. This army has evacuated completely the territory of the Russian provinces of Suwalki and Lonja."

Emperor Nicholas Arrives at Front

Petrograd, via London, Oct. 5, 4:52 A. M.—Emperor Nicholas has arrived at army headquarters at the front, according to a dispatch received here to-day. General Soukhomlinoff, minister of war, the court minister and the palace commandant, accompanied the emperor.

Fumes of Exploding Shells Prove Deadly

London, Oct. 5, 5 A. M.—Telegraphing from Paris, the correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company says: "That the fumes of the famous French three-inch shell have a most deadly effect in an enclosed space is shown by a scene that met the eyes of the French and which they had just witnessed. Entering the drawing-room of a chateau occupied by the Wurtembergians petrified in action. Some were at the windows taking aim with their fingers still pressing the trigger, while others were at the tables, where they had been playing games with cards in their hands, while still others and cigars in their lips. An officer stood with his mouth open as if in the act of shouting an order and all the crosses looked absolutely lifeless."

8,000 Germans Killed in Vicinity of Antwerp

London, Oct. 5, 2:15 A. M.—The Antwerp correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing regarding the fighting around Antwerp, under date of Saturday says: "The Germans continued their desperate efforts to capture Antwerp. They are in a desperate hurry to accomplish it, pounding away unceasingly with their artillery at Forts Waelhem and Wavre-St. Catherine and flinging their infantry forward in frantic efforts to break through. Their losses have been enormous and the numbers killed are estimated as high as 8,000 during the present movement."

Earthquake Reported to Have Caused Great Loss of Life in Turkey

Smyrna, Asiatic Turkey, Sunday, Oct. 4, via London, Oct. 5, 1:18 p. m.—The towns of Izbarta (population about 5,000) and Burdur (population about 12,000), in the province of Konia, were severely damaged by an earthquake last night at midnight. The loss of life was very heavy. These two towns are centers of the carpet industry.