



FIRE SWEEPS ROW OF PROGRESS HOMES EARLY THIS MORNING

Four Houses Burned to Ground; Six Families Must Seek New Homes

GOSSIP AS TO THE ORIGIN

Said That Someone Smoked in Bed; Harrisburg Firemen Help Fight Blaze

Fire starting about 2.30 this morning, in "Hoak's Row" at the Cross Roads in Progress, burned four houses to the ground, and did much damage to two others in the row of eleven homes.

The flames started in the south end of the row, and but for the valiant work of the firemen of Penbrook and this city, the entire row would have been swept away.

The families living in the houses which were burned are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Reidell, four sons, Ralph, Roy, Grant and John and two daughters, Minnie and Mary. Loss \$1,200. Furniture insured partly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bechtel, one son, John, and three daughters, Eleanor, Pearl and Margaret. \$1,000 loss. Furniture uninsured.

Mr. and Mrs. William Himmelright, and infant. Loss, \$1,000. Furniture uninsured.

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Weitzel, and children, Martha and Paul. Loss, \$1,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Irvin, and daughter, Bella. Loss, slight. A house between the homes of the Himmelrights and the Weitzels, which was unoccupied was burned to the ground.

The houses are owned by Mrs. Clara A. Hoak, of Progress, who lives within a hundred yards of the row. The loss is estimated at about \$5,500 and is only partly covered by insurance. All of the families in the row with the exception of Reidell's removed their furniture across the street on a vacant lot. This morning's fire, however, is only partly covered by insurance. All of the families in the row with the exception of Reidell's removed their furniture across the street on a vacant lot.

Dog Burns to Death. A dog owned by one of the families was burned to death, having been forgotten by the excited people in their hurry to remove furniture from the blazing homes. Several other dogs in the neighborhood came up to the smoking embers and sniffed around sadly, showing that they missed their friend. Children who live in the row were anxious to know whose dog had been burned and showed much relief when they found that it was not their pet.

150,000 Sons of Erin Parade in New York in St. Patrick's Honor

New York, March 17.—More than 150,000 men planned to take part in the St. Patrick's Day parade here today. Two companies of soldiers from Montreal, half a regiment of Irishmen from the West and a company of girls dressed in white and wearing wide green sashes, besides various military organizations, were in line.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair rather to-night and Thursday, with little change in temperature. Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair weather to-night and Thursday, with little change in temperature.

River. The river observers report a nearly stationary condition throughout the system this morning without any precipitation. A state of about 4.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions. Over the eastern portion of the country clear weather prevails, with the exception of some cloudiness along the coast from Georgia to North Carolina. In the West generally fair weather continues with some cloudiness at scattered points.

Yesterday's Weather. Highest temperature, 47. Lowest temperature, 34. Mean temperature, 40. Normal temperature, 38.

1,500 HEAR STOUGH PREACH ONCE AGAIN

Harrisburgers Throng Lancaster Tabernacle, Where Evangelist Is Now Campaigning

TELLS "WHO'S TO BLAME"

Says Preachers and Church Members Are Responsible For Booze, Vice and Gambling Holes

STOUGH STINGERS

"I didn't talk long enough to the church members in Harrisburg; I didn't get all the preachers converted in the church." "When David did wrong he married the woman. That's more than a lot of you dirty skunks have done." "Either quit dancing and playing cards—or get out of the church!" "Most church members know more about a card deck than they do about the Bible." "If you preachers obeyed the tenets of your church, you would fire every dancing and card-playing member in your congregation."

In just what esteem Dr. Henry W. Stough, the evangelist, is held by Harrisburg people was shown last evening when more than 1,500 went on a special excursion to Lancaster to hear him preach. And preach he did—with a power and a mastery such as he showed only on one or two occasions throughout the entire seven weeks of the local evangelistic campaign.

He took his text from St. Paul's letter to Timothy, in which the great

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EMBARGO ON INDIAN CORN

Washington, D. C., March 17.—The Department of Agriculture has issued an order, effective immediately, prohibiting the importation of Indian corn from Java, India and parts of Oceania. A disease known as sclerotium may, it is believed, be in the corn plant, and it is to prevent the pest from reaching the United States that the embargo was ordered.

DEMOCRATS IN POWER

Hoboken, N. J., March 17.—In the first election held here under the commission form of government the Democrats elected all five commissioners. The result of the election became known to-day.

STIEFF PIANO STORE IS TO BE REBUILT

Plan Largest and Most Up-to-date Exclusive Warerooms in Central Pennsylvania

L. Frank Bass, manager of the Charles M. Stieff Piano House, 24 North Second street, announced this morning that on April 1 he will begin tearing away the building which he now occupies to make way for what will be the largest and most up-to-date exclusive piano wareroom in Central Pennsylvania.

Modern in every respect, and fireproof throughout, the new home of the Stieff piano will include the very latest ideas in piano display and salesrooms. The building will be fireproof.

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Bill to Classify 67 Counties Like Cities

A bill to divide the sixty-seven counties of the State into eight classes on the same general plan as cities are classified, for purposes of legislation was introduced into the House to-day by Mr. McVicar, Allegheny. The classifications are proposed as follows: First, counties having 1,500,000 or more population. Second, 800,000 to 1,500,000. Third, 300,000 to 800,000. Fourth, 150,000 to 300,000. Fifth, 100,000 to 150,000. Sixth, 50,000 to 100,000. Seventh, 25,000 to 50,000. Eighth, less than 25,000. The population is to be computed on the census and the act is to take effect when the Legislature adjourns.

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SHOWS TO OBSERVE ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Special Programs Will Be Presented at Both Automobile Exhibitions

Society folks are turning out in force to see the automobile exhibits at the two shows now going on in the Keltner Street Hall and Arena. Between seven and ten o'clock last night both places were well filled and around many exhibits, interested spectators jammed the aisles. The attendance at each, both morning and evening, is a surprise to the managers and is a satisfaction.

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RUINS OF THE NURSERY HOME AND YOUNGSTERS WHO WERE DRIVEN FROM THE INSTITUTION BY FIRE



The etchings show the ruins of the Nursery Home which was burned late yesterday afternoon; and the youngsters who were driven from the institution. The boys and girls spent last night in the Citizen firehouse. They are being housed temporarily in the Children's Industrial Home in the East End.

BROTHER OF HARRISBURG RABBI DIES MIRACULOUSLY IN POLAND

Falls Dead at Altar After Praying That He Be Killed Rather Than City Be Destroyed by Germans

Rabbi Moses Judah Rabinowitz, of Grodno, Poland, who died while praying in the Great Synagogue, of that city, is a brother of Rabbi Leon Album, 213 Keltner street, this city. Rabbi Album received word of his brother's death this morning when a cablegram was received from Grodno, via London, England. The dramatic circumstance surrounding the death of Rabbi Rabinowitz is remarkable according to the report received here. At present the Germans are besieging Grodno. While the Germans were busily engaged on the siege, Rabbi Rabinowitz offered a prayer at the altar of the synagogue asking the Lord to spare the city and

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PLANNING MODERN \$100,000 BAKERY

Mrs. Graupner and Her Four Sons Are Back of the New Enterprise

Notwithstanding reports to the contrary yesterday, Harrisburg will have a new baking company. It will be capitalized at \$100,000. Plans call for a four-story brick and stone building at Tenth and Market streets, northeast corner. Work on the plant will start within the next two weeks. A meeting for the organization of the new enterprise will take place sometime next week. At present the interested parties are Mrs. Mary L. Graupner, widow of the late Robert H. Graupner, and four sons, Max R., Albert R., Frederick E.,

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COMPLETE PLANS FOR BIG MASS MEETING

1,500 Epworth Leaguers Expect to Attend Service in Grace M. E. Church

Final plans for the mass meeting of Epworth Leaguers of the city and vicinity, to be held in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, have been completed. Special features will be music by a men's chorus and an address by the Rev. Dr. Dan B. Brummitt, of Chicago, editor of the Epworth Herald. Careful arrangements have been made to insure seating the crowd of

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JOHN S. WEAVER DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Proprietor of Oldest Candy Store in City Stricken With Pneumonia and Heart Attack

John S. Weaver, veteran confectioner, and proprietor of the oldest candy store in Harrisburg, located at 24 North Third street, died at his home, 205 Pine street, this morning at 11 o'clock, aged 65 years. Mr. Weaver had been ill with pneumonia for ten days. His condition became critical three days ago, following a heart attack.

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NURSERY YOUNGSTERS HAPPY AFTER FIRE

Enjoy Selves in Firehouse After Conflagration Which Destroys Home

Happy as birds despite the \$15,000 damage done last night by fire to the Nursery Home, at Third street and Reel's lane, forty-six youngsters, averaging less than 6 years of age, were transported by automobiles this morning from the upper parlor of the Citizen Fire Company house, where they

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THE SHAMROCK

In humble, simple things God teaches lessons wise; The shamrock leaf bears witness of the skies!

Growing close to earth, Common, wild and sweet; St. Patrick through it saw The Godhead meet!

Three leaves upon one stem, One leaf yet forming three, Symbolic to mankind Of Trinity!

—ANNA H. WOOD. Written for the Telegraph.

"MADE IN AMERICA" ENDORSED BY HOUSE

Resolutions Passed Calling on the People of State to Buy Domestic Products

Resolutions calling upon the people of Pennsylvania and the government of the State, all counties and municipalities to buy American made products were introduced into the House to-day by Mr. McCall, Allegheny. The resolutions recite that as American manufacturing industries are only partially operating at this time and

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GERMANS SCORE AGAIN IN SUBMARINE WARFARE; BRITISH STEAMERS SUNK

Constantinople Dispatches Say Allies' Cruisers Approaching Outer Fortifications of Dardanelles Were Driven Back by Heavy Fire; British Are Still on Offensive; Six Members of Fingal's Crew Missing

Germany has scored again in her submarine warfare on British shipping. The British admiralty announced to-day that the steamers Atlanta and Fingal had been torpedoed. The crew of the Atlanta was saved, but six lives are reported to have been lost on the Fingal.

The last of news concerning the attack on the Dardanelles is explained in a dispatch from Constantinople, which says that only unimportant operations have been attempted by the allied fleet during the last few days. Two attempts of cruisers to approach the outer fortifications in connection with mine sweeping operations are said to have been frustrated by the fire from shore.

Increasing activity is indicated along the western end of the Franco-Belgian battle line. A message from a correspondent at the front of a Paris newspaper says that Nieuport has been bombarded by the Germans and Westernde by the allies. The Belgians are reported to have made some headway against the Germans, capturing positions in two localities. The British army is still on the offensive, although its advance apparently has been checked by the Germans.

Man Is Crushed When Jack Under House Slips

Middletown, Pa., March 17.—Charles Bubb, aged 33, a laborer, residing in Catherine street, was killed instantly this morning when a frame house, which was being moved on rollers, slid off a jack, catching Bubb's head between the house and a rail on which it was being moved. Bubb's skull was fractured and his neck broken. It required fifteen minutes to raise the house sufficiently to permit the removal of his body. He was dead when a physician arrived. The house is owned by Harry Bumbach. Bubb is survived by a widow and three children.

WARSHIPS DRIVEN BACK

Constantinople, via Berlin, and wireless to London, March 17, 9.05 A. M.—Only unimportant operations have been undertaken by the allied fleet operating against the Dardanelles for the past few days. The activity of the warships has been limited to demonstrations. Two new attempts by cruisers and destroyers to approach the outer fortifications and clear the channel of mines are reported to have been futile because of the effective fire from the defenders.

REBELS DISPERSED; 100 KILLED

Rome, via Paris, March 17, 5.15 A. M.—An Italian punitive expedition sent out from Benzai under Colonel Patola dispersed a strong force of rebels near Gebadja after a hard fight. The insurgents lost 100 men, killed and

many wounded while the Italian losses are placed at forty killed and forty-five wounded.

Want School Building Named in Memory of Prof. Wm. S. Steele

The Harrisburg Rotary Club last evening adopted the suggestion of C. Harry Kain that the school board be asked to name the new school building to be erected in the Tenth ward the W. S. Steele building, in memory of the late principal of the high school, who was also a prominent Rotarian.

The club also appointed as committee to draw up resolutions on Professor Steele's death, Karl Steward, John S. Musser and L. Frank Bass. President William S. Essick and Howard C. Fry, secretary, spoke on the life and work of the departed member.

VILLA TO MAKE REPARATION

Washington, March 17.—Enrique C. Llorente, representative here of General Villa, conferred with Secretary Bryan to-day on the killing of John E. McManus, an American in Mexico City by Zapata troops. He assured the secretary on the strength of a message from General Villa that proper reparation would be made.

Norristown, Pa., March 17. — A resolution pledging

Governor Brumbaugh the support of the conference in his stand for local option was passed by a rising vote at the opening session here to-day of the annual conference of the meeting of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal Conference, which began here.

Philadelphia, March 17. — The directors of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company to-day declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent. on its common and preferred stock.

South Shields, England, March 17, via London, 2.55 P. M.—The British steamship Blonde, arriving here to-day reports that she was attacked in the North Sea by a German aeroplane which dropped a bomb on the deck of the vessel. One member of the crew was killed.

Washington, March 17.—Foreigners at Progreso, alarmed by disorders in the city, have asked for refuge on the American cruiser Des Moines. General Carranza, however, after conferences with American naval and diplomatic officers at Vera Cruz has promised full protection for them.

SELLS FARM AND COMMITS SUICIDE

Williamsport, Pa., March 17. — Becoming despondent after selling the farm on which he lived for twenty-five years, James Brown, aged 60, to-day committed suicide with a shotgun at his home near Liberty. Members of his family were packing the household goods preparatory to moving.

York, Pa., March 17.—The Directors of the Poor of York county decided to-day that they lacked authority under the new drug act to grant the request of York physicians that they furnish "dope" to victims of the habit. They ruled to supply only indigent patients who will become inmates of the almshouse during treatment for their relief. There are 1,200 victims of the drug habit in York, the physicians assert.

Washington, March 17.—Each of the justices of the Supreme Court appeared on the bench this afternoon wearing a sprig of Shamrock in the lapel of his coat and each seemingly took pains to see that it peeped out from beneath his gown.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Henry E. Shadel, Lingletown, and Martha R. Mags, Penbrook.