



HARRISBURG BEGINS FORMAL OBSERVANCE OF GREAT THREE-DAY IMPROVEMENT CELEBRATION

Thousands of Harrisburgers at Home and From Abroad Co-operating to Make Week-End One That Will Go Down in History of City

Exercises Begin With Unveiling of Marker and Tablet in River Front Park North of Market; Big Auto Tour Takes Town Boosters Over Line of Fifteen Years' Progress; Big Reception Tonight.

TONIGHT'S AND TOMORROW'S PROGRAM

To-night, 7.30 P. M.—'Merchants' Night'—Illumination of display windows. 8 P. M.—Big reception in Chestnut Street Hall. To-morrow, 9.30 A. M.—Parade of 11,000 school children. 10 A. M. to 10 P. M.—Decorated floats anchored along river wall near Walnut street. 1 P. M.—Unveiling of marker of Harris' Ferry near Washington street, in Harris Park. 2 P. M.—Water carnival. 4.30 P. M.—Parade of Red Men. 7 P. M.—Pageant, historical. 'Burning of John Harris'. 8 P. M.—Illuminated boat-parade and fireworks.

Harrisburg to-day, began the formal observance of the great three-day celebration that marks fifteen years of active civic wakefulness after the long sleep of years and years.

For weeks various committees working with the Chamber of Commerce have been busy with the details of a program that was intended to outdo the famous "Old Home Week." Thousands of Harrisburgers at home and from abroad are co-operating and Pennsylvania's capital city has begun a week-end such as will go down in history.

The formal exercises began this afternoon with the unveiling near the formal entrance to Harrisburg on the river front of a handsome marker and tablet commemorating the fifteen years of public improvements. It was dedicated and presented to the city by the Chamber of Commerce. Following this was a tour of inspection covering some twenty-five miles of the city by the Chamber of Commerce and the hundreds of men and women who helped in making the big improvement program possible.

To-night the city is to be aglow with electric lights in honor of "Merchants' Night." Following this the Chamber of Commerce will tender a reception to its guests of this afternoon in Chestnut Street auditorium.

And to-morrow, and Friday the best is yet to come.

Longest Auto Train Spins Over Streets of City; 120 Motors

The longest automobile train that ever rolled over the streets of Harrisburg this afternoon carried the hundreds of guests of the Chamber of Commerce on the twenty-five-mile inspection tour of the city's parks, playgrounds and other public improvements of nearly fifteen years.

All told there were just 121 cars in line, and they stretched for blocks up Front street in a long chain during the dedication of the Chamber of Commerce improvement marker near the Market street bridge entrance while waiting to take aboard the members of the Chamber and their guests.

Following the comparatively brief ceremonies at the marker the cars loaded up and started away across the river on the first lap of the trip. Nearly an hour was required to get the big train loaded and under way.

While the wonderful story of Harrisburg's improvements, as illustrated before them, wasn't a new story to scores of the guests, they got a great deal of enjoyment out of it nevertheless. They'd read about it, it is true; but they wanted to see just the same.

The trip served a purpose, too. In many a car there was an informal but none the less jolly reunion of friends who hadn't been together on a congenial little automobile trip or any other trip except in a business way, perhaps, in many, many years.

Following a visit to the island filter plant, the playground and the nursery, the train returned to the city and for the next two hours the auto train wound through the southern section of the city, then across the parkway to the eastern section and around into Reservoir Park. Back to the city again the train chugged, over the Mulberry street viaduct and then up through the proposed-night Park extension zone to the Twelfth street playgrounds, on up through Wildwood Park and

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THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night and Friday with slowly rising temperature. Lowest temperature to-night about 50 degrees. Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Friday. Slowly rising temperature. Light to moderate variable winds.

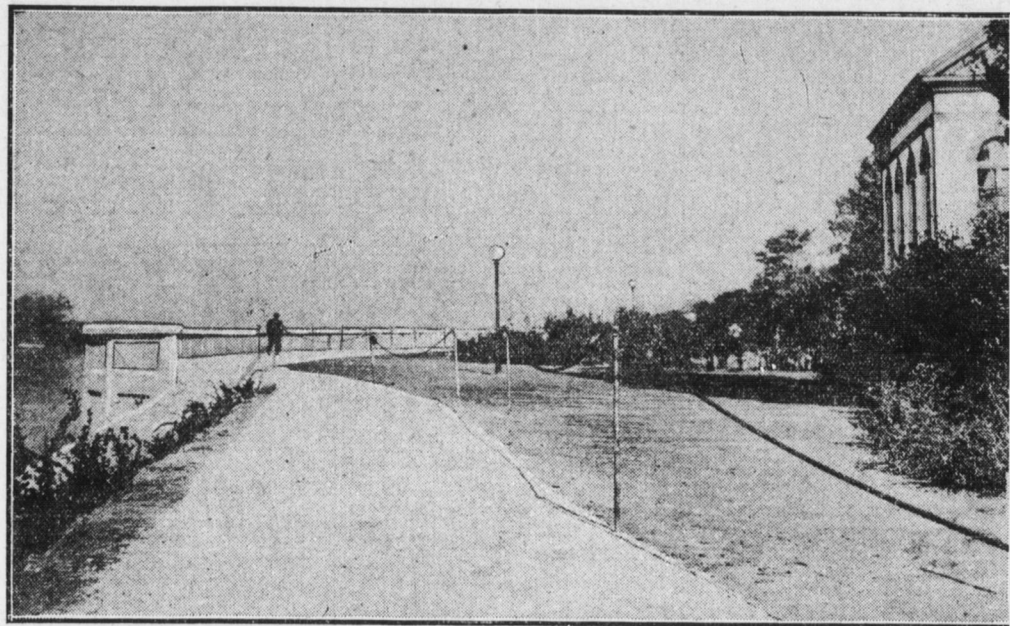
River The Susquehanna river and its principal branches will fall slowly except the lower portion of the main river will remain nearly stationary to-night. A stage of about 4.1 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

General Conditions The crest of the area of high pressure covering the eastern half of the country is now located over the Middle Atlantic States. It is 2 to 3 degrees cooler over a narrow belt of country extending from the upper Susquehanna valley southward into Southern Florida and light frosts were general in the Susquehanna valley.

Temperature: 8 a. m. 48; 2 p. m. 65. Sun: Rises, 5.53 a. m.; Sets, 6.03 p. m. Moon: Full moon to-day, 4.35 a. m. River Stage: 4.2 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 64. Lowest temperature, 50. Mean temperature, 57. Normal temperature.

A CORNER OF THE NEW PLAZA FACING THE RIVER AT THE PUMPING STATION



DOLLAR SUPREME RULER TOMORROW

Merchants Will Demonstrate Their Advancement by Offering Rare Bargains

STYLE SHOW OPENING

Stores Will Make Splendid Demonstration of Modern Merchandising

Not the least of the features which the people of Harrisburg and visitors from other parts of Pennsylvania will be privileged to enjoy during the celebration now in progress will be Dollar Day to-morrow. The celebration would not be complete without giving the public a special opportunity to have demonstrated to them the great strides which Harrisburg stores have made at the same time the civic improvements were being taken care of. The development of the city along these lines has not been accomplished with a blare of trumpets and a sounding of hautbois, but is the gradual, almost imperceptible growth of public sentiment merged into individual progressiveness. The merchants of Harrisburg are justly proud of their forward movement and a celebration feature of the nature of a Dollar Day is additional proof, if that were needed, of the active spirit which characterizes movements of this sort in Harrisburg.

RECEPTION TONIGHT Citizens Who Helped New "Harrisburg Grow"

Hundreds of the public-spirited men and women of Harrisburg who helped make possible the working out of the program of fifteen years of improvements will be the guests of the Chamber of Commerce this evening at a great reception in Chestnut street auditorium. The hall has been prettily decorated with flags, the national and city colors. Arrangements have been made by the Chamber of Commerce to accommodate at least a thousand guests. Attractive souvenir programs have been prepared bearing the city flag and embossed in blue and gold. Features of the program will be the 1,700 feet of moving picture film showing Harrisburg parks, playgrounds and other beauty spots. This will precede the address. In conclusion, J. Horace McFarland will illustrate his talk with a series of lantern slides.

John E. Fox, a former State Senator, and prominent in the start of the great development scheme, will preside at this evening's reception. J. V. W. Reynolds, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, and the first contributor to the fund for providing the first expert for Harrisburg, was on the program for an address, but an engagement in New York will prevent his reaching this city in time. He has written a letter, it is understood, and this will likely be read by Senator Fox.

The program follows: Music. Moving pictures, showing municipal improvements. Address by John E. Fox, chairman. "The Capital City and the State," Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh. "Contented City," Spencer C. Gilbert. "Community Co-operation," E. J. Stackpole. "Our City and Its Future," Vance C. McCormick. "The Broad Aspect of the Harrisburg Improvements," J. V. W. Reynolds.

"The Working Out of the Harrisburg Plan," J. Horace McFarland (illustrated with special lantern slides). Alice Williams was arrested last night on a charge of disorderly practices. According to the police, the Williams woman double crossed them. She told of a crap game near the Herr street subway. While the police were enroute to the place to make a raid, it is said she tipped the craps shooters that the police were coming. A hearing was fixed for this afternoon.

SUBWAY ACCIDENT IS INVESTIGATED

City Officials Fear Repetition of Accident in Vicinity of Broadway

TURKISH SUPPLIES RUNNING SHORT

Little Light Is Thrown on Bulgaria's Attitude Toward Belligerents

ROME DECLARES AUSTRIAN FORCES HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY DEALT WITH

Recent reports that Turkish supplies were running short are reiterated in private reports brought to Switzerland from Constantinople. It is declared that because of the lack of raw material 2,000 workmen from the Krupp plant in Germany are idle in the Ottoman capital.

Little further light has been thrown on Bulgaria's attitude toward the belligerents, the latest report being contained in a London newspaper dispatch last night. From Sofia that Premier Radoslawoff had announced to his followers the signing of a convention with Turkey for the future maintenance of neutrality on the part of Bulgaria.

Reports from the Italian front are that snows already are rendering the operations of the Italians and Austrians in the mountain districts increasingly difficult. Rome, however, declares that Austrian forces which have penetrated into the valleys of the Tofana and Cristallo ranges have

MACKAY CHOSEN CHIEF OF BOARD

Compensation Bureau Will Be in Charge of Philadelphia Attorney

Harry A. Mackey, of Philadelphia, was to-day selected as chairman of the Workmen's Compensation board, whose members are at work here on the details of their organization, including the making of districts and State Treasurer Robert K. Young was chosen as chairman of the Workmen's Insurance Fund Board.

Mr. Mackey, who is a former select councilman of Philadelphia and remembered as one of the athletes of a dozen or so years ago, was the chairman's choice for chairman. The chairman receives \$7,500 or \$500 more than the other members of the commission. No secretary will be selected for the present and Francis H. Bohlen will act as counsel.

TEMPERATURE FALLS TO TEN BELOW FREEZING

Temperatures far below normal, with light frosts, were reported from practically every district in the country surrounding this city last night. The mercury here dropped to 42 degrees. It is not expected to be quite so cold to-night.

Crisp, cool weather for the remainder of the week is promised by the Weather Bureau. It is to be slightly warmer to-morrow. At 4.35 o'clock this morning the moon became full and at 10.24 o'clock this evening the sun will cross the equinox of its southern journey, ushering in Fall.

MONSTER STEEL COMBINE FORMING

Proposition Now Before U. S. Attorney General; Would Include Many Big Companies

GERMANS LOSE 250,000

Petrograd, Sept. 23, 1 P. M., via London, 4.15 P. M.—The Russian military authorities regard the withdrawal from the very difficult position near Vilna, which for a time seriously menaced a large army, as virtually completed.

YUNGMAN GETS PROMOTION

Philadelphia, Sept. 23.—Edgar Yungman, division passenger agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Pittsburgh, was to-day appointed assistant general passenger agent of the company. He succeeds the late Colin Studds.

110,000 MEN FOR ALLIES

Berlin, Sept. 23.—By Wireless to Sayville.—A new army of 110,000 men has been sent to the assistance of the allied forces at the Dardanelles according to the Overseas News Agency.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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BIG VICTORY FOR U. S. IN LATEST FRYE CASE NOTE

Germany Anxious to Avert Break With Washington Government

UNCLE SAM WINS POINTS

Accept Hague Commission Proposal; to Sink Ships Only After Search

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Germany's latest note on the sinking of the American sailing ship William P. Frye, published to-day by the State Department discloses an important diplomatic victory for the United States. Germany accepts the proposal to fix damages by commission and to let the Hague pass upon disputed treaty rights involved. She also gives assurance that no more American ships carrying conditional contraband will be destroyed under any circumstances. American ships carrying contraband, however, still may be destroyed. What effect this can have in practical operation is problematical, because Germany and Great Britain in their

ANARCHY IN MEXICO IS PREDICTED BY GARZA

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Publication to-day of a warning by Roque Gonzalez Garza that recognition of General Carranza by the American nations would bring anarchy in Mexico brought sharply to the attention of official Washington the fight the Villa element is expected to make on any Mexican pacification plan that does not include the northern chieftain's supporters as possible factors. Garza, who was one time president of the convention here to forward the peace convention plan which the Villa and Zapata elements have accepted at the invitation of the Pan-American conference.

BOMB HITS AMERICAN CONSULATE

Washington, Sept. 23.—The American consulate at Stuttgart, Germany, was struck by a fragment of bomb during the recent raid upon that place by French airmen according to a message to-day from Consul Higgins. He said no one in the consulate was injured but did not indicate whether the building was greatly damaged.

COBB HOLDS STEALING RECORD

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Ty Cobb's stolen base during the Detroit-Philadelphia games yesterday gives him the record of the American League, it was stated by a statistician here to-day. The previous record of the league was 88 bases, stolen by Milan, of Washington, in 1912. Cobb has stolen 89.

GERMANS MAKING PROGRESS

Berlin, Sept. 23, via London, 3.45 P. M.—The new German offensive movement, with its object the capture of the important Russian fortified city of Dvinsk, has made definite progress. The War Office announced to-day that Russian advanced positions west of the city had been penetrated and that more than 2,000 prisoners and several machine guns had been captured.

FOUR CHILDREN TRAPPED IN HOUSE BURN TO DEATH

Large, Pa., Sept. 23.—Trapped by flames which enveloped their home while their mother was calling on a neighbor, four children of Daniel Kish were burned to death here to-day.

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DIES AFTER BEING STRUCK ON HEAD BY PITCHED BALL

Member of Marysville Nine Succumbs to Injuries Received in Dauphin Game Saturday

MISJUDGED FAST BALL

Believed Kistler Thought Spere Was Going to Break Away From Him

From injuries received when struck on the head by a pitched ball during a Dauphin-Perry League game between Dauphin and Marysville Saturday, Russell Kistler, aged 29, of Marysville, died at the hospital this morning at 10 o'clock. Physicians said death was due to a depression of the skull which pressed in on the brain. His death came suddenly to doctors at the hospital who did not regard the injury as fatal.

Kistler was batting in the seventh inning of the game which was being played at Dauphin when White, the Dauphin pitcher hurled a high fast ball toward the plate. The batter seemed to think the ball was going to break away from him and did not move. It struck him a glancing blow aside of the head, tearing his ear and slightly lacerating the scalp. He became unconscious.

A substitute was placed in the game while Dr. A. C. Coble, of Dauphin, gave Kistler temporary treatment. He was taken home in an automobile and apparently did not seem badly injured. Saturday night the ballplayer became unconscious. He was brought to the hospital Monday morning where physicians found the man's skull was fractured.

After a post-mortem examination this afternoon Coroner Eckinger decided that an inquest was not necessary as the accident was purely accidental. Kistler has been playing ball with Marysville teams for years. He played in left field and has been one of the leading sluggers of the Dauphin-Perry league. His widow and three sisters survive him. Kistler was employed as a fireman on the Philadelphia and Erie division of the Pennsylvania railroad and a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.