



UNITED BRETHREN CONFERENCE OPENS; CAMP MEETINGS MAY BE ABANDONED

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3,000 CONVERSIONS IN CONFERENCE YEAR

Great Strides in All Districts Because of Evangelistic Campaigns; Most Notable Gains Where Dr. Stough Exhorted Sinners; to Extend Work in Philadelphia; Bishop Weekly Pre- sides

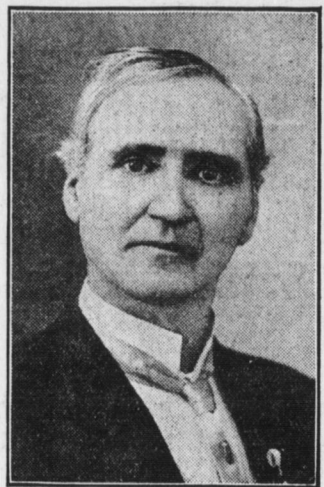
Asserting that several of the old-fashioned "campmeetings" of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the United Brethren Church have outlived their usefulness and are not bringing in results, the Rev. Dr. D. D. Lowery, conference superintendent declared that they should be dispensed with, at the season of the one hundred and sixteenth annual conference this afternoon in the Sixth Street United Brethren Church.

Dr. Lowery said that some of the camp meetings have become unnecessary, he believes, and that the conference delegates should take action on the matter. Strong comment for and against the proposal of abandoning the meetings arose on all sides, several of the pastors urging the retention of the campmeetings, and other claiming that they had become big "treations" instead of evangelistic campaigns.

The Rev. Dr. Lowery said that he hoped that something would be done. Action on the matter was deferred until the subject can be fully discussed. The suggestion itself came as a big surprise to many present, particularly those from churches close to campmeeting sites.

Urges Uniform Financial System. Dr. Lowery praised the Young People's Society rallies and Sunday school work. He advocated a uniform financial system universally operative, and asked the conference members to take action on a resolution to be presented later demanding a compulsory individual member canvass and weekly budget fund to be raised by each church. The conference superintendent

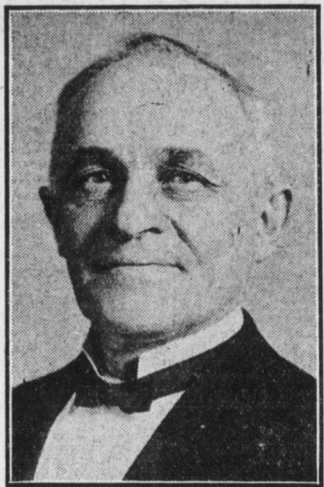
LEADING FIGURES IN UNITED BRETHREN CONFERENCE



BISHOP W. M. WEEKLEY, Of Parkersburg, W. Va., Presiding at U. B. Conference.



REV. DR. D. D. LOWERY, Of Harrisburg, Conference Superintendent.



THE REV. CLINT S. MILLER, Of Mount Carmel, Chairman Publicity Committee.

CHICAGO BANKS AGAINST LOAN

But Financiers Favor It; Syndicate Will Handle Project

WHAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE PROMISE TO GET \$500,000,000. Essential points of loan to England and France announced yesterday. Amount \$500,000,000. Term Five years. Interest 5 per cent. Price to investor 98. Price to underwriters 96. Net yield to investor About 5.50 per cent. Total cost \$480,000,000. Total cost to countries (including interest) \$625,000,000. Denomination of bonds \$100 up. Purpose of loan—to stabilize exchange in pounds sterling and francs. Result Expected—Adequate prices for American exports. Method—Money to remain in United States and to be paid in installments. Composition of Syndicate—Groups of bankers and financiers in the larger cities of the country or the more populous sections. New York syndicate consists of forty banking institutions; more are expected. Headquarters—New York City.

ABSENT WIFE IS "GOOD AS DEAD"

So Bigamist Explains—Weds Twice and Gets Two Years in "Pen"

"When you applied for a marriage license to wed the second time, you knew your first wife was not dead. Why?" "She's been gone for a year and a half and to me that was being as good as dead."

\$25,000 LOST BY CARLISLE WOMAN

Infatuation For Philadelphia Man Leads Her to Give Him Large Sums of Money

Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 29.—With the arrival of investigators from a number of companies which she represented, it became known here to-day that Miss Anna M. McCommon, for a number of years in the real estate and insurance business here, has lost some \$25,000 from money claimed to have been advanced during the past year to William Steale, of Philadelphia.

FIRE AT OLMSTED SUMMER HOME; LOSS NOT HEAVY

Blaze Starting in Large Chimney Is Discovered by Servants

LOCAL FIREMEN HELP

Hope and Friendship Motor Tractors Rush Over to Cedar Cliff

Fire starting this afternoon in the big chimney in the summer home of Mrs. Marlin E. Olmsted, widow of Congressman Olmsted, at Cedar Cliff, two miles west of New Cumberland, caused damage which may reach almost \$1,000.

GERMAN FORCES LOSE 120,000 ON LINES IN WEST

Allied Army Continues Progress Against Kaiser's Troops, Commanders Report

FURTHER ADVANCES MADE

British Are Battering Third Line of Germans in Vicinity of Loos

Germans Lost 120,000 Men in Recent Drive; Fighting Continues

Paris, Sept. 29, 2:55 P. M.—German casualties in the recent offensive of the French and British, including killed, wounded and prisoners, were given officially by the French war office to-day as in excess of the strength of three army corps (more than 120,000 men).

WILSON REVIEWS UNION SURVIVORS OF CIVIL STRIFE

President Stands on Spot Where Johnson Saw Victorious Army Pass

20,000 VETERANS MARCH

Crowds in Pennsylvania Avenue Rival Those of Inauguration Times

Washington, Sept. 29.—All that remains of the Union army of 200,000 which fifty years ago passed in review before President Johnson, marched up Pennsylvania avenue from the Capitol to the White House to-day and was reviewed by President Wilson.

Bryan Pays Tribute to President Wilson

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 29.—William J. Bryan in an address here last night paid the following tribute to President Woodrow Wilson: "Happy for our nation that we have in the White House at this time a President who believes in setting the old world a good example, instead of following the bad example which the old world sets in this matter. What an unspeakable misfortune it would have been, if in such an hour as this, the nation had been under the leadership of a President inflamed by the false philosophy which has plunged Europe into the abyss of war."

Painters' Torch Sets Fire to Fulton St. House

Painters, using a gasoline torch to remove paint from the front of the home of Frederick Russel, 1530 Fulton street, this morning, set fire to some wood work and an alarm was sent in from Box 31. The blaze was extinguished with a hose, however, before the fire companies arrived.

ITALIAN BATTLESHIP LOST

London, Sept. 29, 1:02 p. m.—A dispatch from the Stefani News Agency of Rome says that the Italian battleship Benedetto Bin sank following an explosion which resulted from the fire on board the vessel. The cause of the disaster has not been ascertained.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cool to-night and Thursday; frost to-night. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night; light to moderate variable winds. River. The West Branch and Upper North Branch will fall slowly. The Lower North Branch will rise slightly this afternoon and tonight and fall slowly Thursday. The main river will rise slowly or remain nearly stationary tonight and rise slightly Thursday afternoon or night.

City Suffragists Will Meet the Bell

On its triumphant tour of the state the women's liberty bell will reach the outskirts of the city this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. It will be welcomed by scores of Harrisburg women in a long line of sally decorated automobiles.

Mass Meeting of Hill Citizens Tomorrow to Boost New Bridge Loan

Why Allison Hill believes the construction of the proposed new bridge across the Pennsylvania tracks at Walnut street will be beneficial, not only to the east end of the city, but to the section lying west of the tracks as well, will be discussed by numerous speakers tomorrow evening at a mass meeting of citizens in Swab Hall, Thirteenth and Market streets.

Soldiers Perish When Big Marsh Is Flooded

London, Sept. 29.—The Times Petrograd correspondent says: "A report which has been confirmed from a good quarter is that the Forty-first German Army Corps was overtaken by the flooding of the Pinsk marshes and being unable to escape nearly the whole of the corps perished."

AGED FARMER SHOTS SELF

Chambersburg, Pa., Sept. 29.—John Moser, aged 65, blew out his brains this morning at his home near Mercersburg. Moser was a retired farmer and about a year ago his wife went out among their four sons and two daughters visiting, leaving the father alone on the farm. He grew despondent and when he became ill took his life in a fit of melancholy.

AWARDED CONTRACT

Low bidders for the contract to complete the Federal building were H. L. Brown & Company of Mt. Vernon, N. Y. The bid was \$129,900. As soon as bonds have been filed by the contractors and approved work will be resumed.

Perseverance Lodge to Conduct Services at Masonic Home Sunday

Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, Masons, will be in charge of the religious services at the Masonic home at Elizabethbeth Sunday afternoon.

Pickax Necessary to Remove Man From Bed

Frankford, Del., Sept. 29.—It took a pickax to arouse James Watson from his bed yesterday morning at Bayard, for he had slept in a bed of concrete and it had hardened more or less during the night.

Survivors of Steamer Ramazan Given Freedom

Athens, Sept. 28, via London, Sept. 29, 10:25 a. m.—The Greek government has released the Sikhs and Goukas who were survivors of the British transport Ramazan which was sunk by a submarine. They were sent immediately to Malta on the Messageries Maritimes steamer Siboni.

JUDGE VAN CLEAFF DIES

Circleville, Ohio, Sept. 29.—Judge Aaron E. Van Cleaff, noted Ohio editor and statesman, died here last night after a lingering illness in his 77th year.

Hope Still Entertained For Coaldale Miners

Pottsville, Pa., Sept. 29.—Hope for the nine entombed men in No. 11 mine of the High and Navigation Company at Coaldale has been entirely abandoned, even though the rescuers have been unable to secure any trace of them.

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Allies Ready to Begin March on Berlin, Belief of British Officer

Athens, Sept. 29, via Paris, 10:29 a. m.—"I believe we are on the eve of the most important operation of the war, namely the landing of troops in Macedonia in the Balkan front, not so much on Constantinople as on Belgrade," said an officer attached to the General Staff of the British army on the Gallipoli peninsula who has come to Athens for an attack on the front.

DR. LOWERY RE-ELECTED

The Rev. Dr. D. D. Lowery, conference superintendent of the East Pennsylvania Conference, United Brethren Church, was re-elected superintendent for the twenty-third year late this afternoon.

LANDING TROOPS IN GREECE

Berlin, Sept. 29.—By Wirefax to Sayville.—British and French troops intended for service in Serbia have been landed at Port Kathrin, near Saloniki, Greece, according to reports from Budapest received by the Frankfurter Zeitung, the Overseas News Agency announces to-day.

300,000 GERMANS ADVANCING

London, Sept. 29, 3:35 P. M.—"Three hundred thousand Austrian and German troops have begun an advance on the Serbian frontier, in the direction of Orsova," says the Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

TURKS IN FULL RETREAT

London, Sept. 29, 3:28 P. M.—The British have won an important success in Mesopotamia. The Turks are in full retreat toward Bagdad.

TO SHOW ROAD EXHIBIT

Highway Commissioner Cunningham to-day arranged to have a State road exhibit for the Industrial Welfare and Efficiency Conference here in November. The outline of the co-operation of the State governmental departments in the conference was arranged at a meeting to-day.

TO DECIDE NOTED QUESTION

Attorney General Brown has been asked to give an opinion to the State Department on the method of computation in the nonpartisan judicial nomination act fifty per cent. vote clause. The Philadelphia nominations will be cited for clarification.

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SUPERIOR COURT RETURNS

Official returns on the primary for Superior Court Judge nominations were filed at the State Department to-day by Clearfield, Delaware, Forest, Mercer, Northumberland, Pike, Tioga, Lancaster and Westmoreland counties. Twenty-one counties show the following: Brady, 76,805; Huzelton, 40,200; Orad, 67,897; Palmer, 42,818; Wallace, 43,894; Williams, 64,053.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ernest Payne Russell and Margaret Kathryn Clemmens, ety. Charles Leroy McClain, Johnstone, and Jane Elizabeth Thompson, ety. Harry William Folkers and Mary Susan Hoffman, Steelton.

BRITISH ARE BATTERING THIRD LINE OF GERMANS

London, Sept. 29.—The British are battering the third line of the Germans in the vicinity of Loos. The French are maintaining their offensive in Champagne. The Germans in the Argonne apparently have been unable to make important gains and have retired from infantry attacks. This sums up briefly the situation in the west as seen in London to-day.

NO GREAT CHANGE IN CONDITIONS IS SHOWN, BUT ENGLAND ATTACHES HIGH IMPORTANCE TO INDICATIONS THAT OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT OF THE ALLIES IS NOT TO BE RELAXED AS WAS PREDICTED IN SOME QUARTERS. A SHORT BREATHING SPELL HAS SUCCEEDED THE HARDEST PRESSURE ON GERMAN POSITIONS AT THE POINTS WEAKENED OR SHATTERED BY THE ALLIED RUSH.

PLANS FOR THE CAMPAIGN ARE NOW BEING DRAWN UP BY THE BULGARIAN GENERAL STAFF, THE CORRESPONDENT SAYS, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF NUMEROUS GERMAN OFFICERS WHO HAVE ARRIVED IN SOFIA.

BULGARIAN OFFICERS SAY NO ATTACK WILL BE MADE ON GREECE.

RECAPTURE FROM THE BRITISH OF PART OF THE TERRITORY WON FROM THE GERMANS NORTH OF LOOS WAS ANNOUNCED TO-DAY BY WAR OFFICE.