



FIND MURDERED MAN BESIDE AN EMPTY BEER KEG

Head Crushed in, Foreigner Is Discovered Slain in Third Street, Steelton

REVENGE THE MOTIVE?

Dead Man Said to Have Killed Two Others in Days Gone by

Lying beside an empty beer keg in front of the home of Nick Zutic, 123 South Third street, Steelton, Yoso Bakic, aged about 40, was found murdered early this morning.

The police believe that foreign residents in the vicinity could name the murderer and that the crime was committed to avenge the death of other men whom Bakic is said to have killed.

Bakic had been lying on the pavement all night, it is believed. His body was cold when removed by H. Witt's Sons, undertakers, South Front street. Coroner Eckinger was notified shortly after the case was reported to the police.

Bakic's face was crushed in and two large holes were found over his left eye, the other under his chin. It is believed that he was knocked over onto the beer keg.

Was Bad Character He was identified by Constable Gibb, who had arrested Bakic in past years on several charges, among them aggravated assault and battery, felonious assault and battery, malicious mischief and carrying concealed deadly weapons.

According to the story told the police, Bakic came to the borough yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock. He went to the home of Steve Radosevic, 713 South Third street, and asked for food. Later he said that he intended to get work at the Pennsylvania Steel Company plant and stay in the borough.

Shortly after Bakic left and according to people in the neighborhood, he was seen until his body was found this morning. The police do not know whether he was murdered there or at some other place and the body placed in front of Zutic's home. Chief of Police Longenecker is working on several clues.

Community Center Plan to Feature American Civic Association Meeting

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—Discussion of the community center plan will be a feature of the annual meeting of the American Civic Association beginning here today. Tuesday. The program for the four days' convention announced to-day also provides for general consideration of city and county planning, industrial housing and many kindred subjects.

AWARD STORY PRIZES

The December issue of the Tech Teller was distributed to the students of the Technical High school. A special feature was a contest for two prizes offered by the members of the Tech Faculty for the two best Christmas stories. The first prize of \$3.00 was awarded to Gilbert Stewart, a member of the junior class. His subject was "The Chimes." John Wilsbach, with the subject "The White Brick" won the second prize of \$2.00.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Light rain and warmer weather to-night, with lowest temperature about 38 degrees; Friday partly cloudy with moderate temperature.

MUNICIPAL TREE CELEBRATION TO START AT 7:45

Christmas Carols and Pictures of Biblical Stories to Feature Observance

MONEY BADLY NEEDED

Committee Will Have to Go Down in Own Pockets to Pay Bills

7:15 P. M.—Meeting of singers from public schools at Zion Lutheran Church, Professor E. G. Rose in charge; meeting of singers from local churches and Sunday schools at Zion Lutheran church, Professor J. J. Decevee in charge.

7:30—Commonwealth Band, with choruses, march Front and Market streets, moving out Fourth to Market, to Market Square, to Front and Market, to habits to be turned on when procession reaches Market Square.

7:45—Singing of Christmas carols by choruses; illustrated Biblical views to be shown on screen at Hotel of Trade Building; singing; dismissal.

Harrisburg's annual Municipal Christmas Tree celebration to-morrow night will be brief and impressive. The exercises will start at 7:45 o'clock with the singing of a Christmas carol by the choruses. Appropriate Biblical pictures to be shown on a screen at the Board of Trade building, will be interspersed with singing. The exercises will close with the singing of "America" by everybody.

Workers from the Harrisburg Light and Power Company to-day completed the decoration of the big tree with colored lights. A large electric star was placed on the top of the tree. A platform will be erected for the committee and chorus leaders.

The musical feature will be under the direction of Prof. E. G. Rose and Prof. E. J. Decevee. Singers from the public schools will meet Prof. Rose at Zion Lutheran church at 7:15. At the same time singers from the local churches and Sunday schools will meet Prof. Decevee. Only familiar Christmas carols will be sung.

The march to Front and Market streets, where the exercises will take place, will start at 7:30. The Commonwealth band under the leadership of Prof. J. Fred Weber will head the procession. The route will be out Fourth street to Market; up Market to Market Square. The parade will halt one minute to await the turning on of the lights of the big tree. The procession will then move to Front and Market streets, the singers surrounding the tree.

Following singing by the chorus, appropriate stereoscopic pictures will be shown on a screen in front of the Board of Trade building. At intervals, verses of a Christmas carol will be shown on the screen and the public is invited to join with the chorus in the singing. The exercises will close with the singing of "America."

Money Badly Needed Mayor John K. Royal, chairman of the committee to-day said, "Everywhere I see a shortage but the finances. Unless the public gets busy between now and to-morrow night, the members of the committee will have to go down in their pockets to meet the expenses. The amount needed is more than \$150. Heretofore the cash was forthcoming without any special effort. This year we called upon the public, but to date have received but \$1.50."

The Commonwealth band gives its services free. The Harrisburg Light and Power Company brought the tree to Harrisburg and will furnish the electricity. The total expense last year in round figures was \$170. Contributions can be left at the police station.

Man Who Tries to See Wilson Shoots Two in Big Passenger Station

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 22.—Robert L. Knox, surveyor of customs in New Orleans, yesterday shot and killed Alexander Fraikin, an aged man on his way to enter a hospital, and Benjamin Foster, prominent real estate man and lawyer, of Hattiesburg, Miss., in the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroad station here. He shot them both without any provocation, without speaking to them and without knowing either of them. The station was crowded at the time with passengers waiting to catch a New Orleans train.

State Department Needs More Money Because of War

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—An additional appropriation of \$142,000 to care for the increased work of the State Department resulting from the European war is asked by Secretary Lansing in a memorandum submitted to Congress.

ONE OF SANTA'S HELPERS AT WORK IN DUNCANNON



Eight hundred sleds are being made daily at the Standard Novelty Works, Duncannon, and the etching shows one of the men at the plant putting on a sled seat.

JUDGE WALLING IS APPOINTED TO SUPREME COURT

Erie County Jurist to Fill Vacancy Caused by Elkin's Death Governor Brumbaugh to-day announced the appointment of Judge Emory A. Walling, of Erie county, to the State Supreme court bench to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice John P. Elkin.

At the same time the Governor appointed Captain Ed. L. Whittelsey, of Erie, to be judge on the common pleas bench of Erie county, succeeding Judge Walling.

Judge Walling was born in Greenfield township, Erie county, June 11, 1854. He was educated in the public schools, in Edinborough State Normal school and as a private student in the

ONE OF SANTA'S WORKSHOPS IS IN DUNCANNON

Kris Kingle Gets His Supply of Sleds in Hustling Perry County Town

Duncannon, Pa., Dec. 23.—Christmas stories told this week to children all over the country lead them to believe that Santa Claus will have a very difficult time bringing all his toys from his North Pole home on Friday night. Many youngsters are puzzled to know how that one fat round little fellow is going to carry over such a distance all the playthings necessary. Sleds, for instance, are popular and they are heavy, too.

TELEGRAPH'S BIG CANDLE TO BE LIGHTED TOMORROW EVENING AT 5

It's 56 Inches High, 3 in Diameter and Weighs 11 Pounds; Presented by W. R. Houser of I. C. S. Branch

SEASY TO NAB SHERLOCK HOLMES

Will Leave Telegraph Building This Afternoon at 5 O'clock

INDIANA WANTS FAIRBANKS ON PRESIDENTIAL BALLOT

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—Sixty of the ninety-two counties have sent in petitions asking that the name of Charles W. Fairbanks be placed on the ballots for the primary next March for the presidential vote for the Republican nomination for President, according to a statement to-day by W. L. Henley, secretary of the Republican State Central Committee.

WOLF TAKEN IN BY MILLIONAIRES LIVE NEAR HERE?

Possibility That Little Fellow Adopted by Shehards Remembers Harrisburg

REMEMBER A LOST BOY?

May Have Lived on Farm Within Driving Distance of This City

New York, Dec. 23.—Scientists who have been looking into the history of little Finley J. Shepard, the wolf who has been adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Finley J. Shepard—she who was Miss Helen Gould—believe that the lad once lived on a farm, near a city which had a Broad street, on which is situated a marketplace where farmers congregate. This is a new development of the great mystery lying around the lad's birth. It may lead to the discovery of the boy's parents.

All the lad can tell of his past is that he once lived in a big house with grass around it, that chickens and cows were there and that occasionally a wagon or automobile passed that way. The only street name he can remember is that of Broad street. The country has been searched with a fine tooth comb for such a house on a Broad street and nowhere has one been found.

This has led the scientists employed on the case to the conclusion that the house is in the country and that the boy never knew any street except that on which the family wagon stopped when it occasionally came to town.

Paxtang Burgess Pays \$5 to Couple He Marries

Within five minutes last evening Burgess Thomas W. Smallwood, of Paxtang, had a desire fulfilled and kept his promise to give \$5 to the first couple he would wed.

WARNINGS FOR THE HOME AND PREVENTION OF FIRE

In a convincing pamphlet which has been issued by the National Fire Protection Association attention is called to the dangers of fires at Christmas time and these warnings are so much to the point that we reproduce them herewith hoping that they will make the people who read them more careful in their decorations this year.

JAP LINER SUNK WITHOUT WARNING

American Among Those Rescued From Yasaka Maru; Loss \$5,000,000

London, Dec. 23, 10:52 A. M.—The new Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, which was sunk in the eastern Mediterranean Monday by a submarine on her way to Japan with 120 passengers and a crew of 160 aboard, was sent to the bottom without warning, according to a report received from Port Said from the agents of the owners. All of those on board the ship, including one American passenger, W. J. Leigh, were saved. The nationality of the submarine is not mentioned by the agents and previous reports referred to the sinking of the ship as done by either an Austrian or a German submarine.

MUCH CONTESTED SUMMIT IS AGAIN IN GERMAN HANDS

Berlin Claims Capture of Hartsmans-Weilerkopf With 1,500 French Prisoners

BRITISH LOSE 112,921

Dardanelles Operations Costly; Expect Teutonic Drive Toward Saloniki

The much-disputed summit of Hartsmans-Weilerkopf, in the Vosges, is again in German hands, according to Berlin. It is announced by the war office that the peak, taken by the French on Tuesday, was recaptured by a landwehr regiment, the French defenders of the position suffering heavily and losing more than 1,500 men taken prisoner.

The French official statement of to-day declared that there was no change in the situation on the left of Hartsmans-Weilerkopf, where the Germans were counterattacking, while progress had been made during the day yesterday by the French light.

The current official reports indicate continued quiet along the eastern war front and in the Balkans.

The French claim they have not only advanced their positions in Hartsmans-Weilerkopf substantially notwithstanding the fact that the Germans succeeded in recouping some of the lost trenches, but have forestalled in a measure an offensive which the Ger-

SMITH PEACE ENVOY TO MEET THE GOVERNOR?

Much Mystery in Night Visit of Mayor-elect to Executive Mansion

NEITHER WILL DISCUSS IT

"Social," Says Brumbaugh; Smith Only Smiles; Gossip Is Lively

Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh had an important guest at the Executive Mansion yesterday afternoon and evening, whose coming was unheralded and whose presence was carefully concealed from the curious on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. Even the representatives of the press were unable to discover the identity of the mysterious visitor until he was about leaving for home last night. Then the mask was removed and there stood revealed Thomas B. Smith, mayor-elect of Philadelphia, who had been closeted with the Governor from the minute of his arrival until his departure for home after 9 o'clock.

What was said during the conference at the Mansion neither of the principals would disclose. Governor Brumbaugh declared that it was merely a social visit, while the mayor-elect smiled beatifically but gave no intimation of the purpose of his coming.

Strange Men Are Eagerly Buying Up Stock of Dyes in State Retail Stores

Sunbury, Pa., Dec. 23.—Due to it is believed, to the general scarcity of dyes in the United States, strange men have been working in Central Pennsylvania during the last few days buying up all of the dark-colored dyes that they can find in retail stores. The dyes that sell at 10 cents for a small package are being eagerly sought, according to merchants here. Their entire supplies were snapped up at the retail price, making the price as much as \$3 a pound. No effort was made to get their names. It was asserted by merchants that thousands of dollars' worth of coloring material have been bought in this manner.

GERMANS CLAIM THEY RECAPTURED SUMMIT

Berlin, Dec. 23, via London.—The war office announced to-day that the summit of Hartsmans-Weilerkopf, captured earlier in the week by the French had been regained by the Germans.

VIENNA RECEIVES SECOND NOTE

Washington, Dec. 23.—The State Department received to-day from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna a brief dispatch announcing the receipt there of the Ancona note at 6 p. m., Tuesday.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TAKES STRYCHNINE

Harrisburg.—Suffering from the effects of strychnine, James Patterson, aged 39, 1931 State street, principal of the Pleasant View school was taken to the Harrisburg Hospital in a serious condition late this afternoon. He had been suffering from nervous disorders for some time and it is believed took the poison in mistake for medicine.

NOTE CREATES GOOD IMPRESSION

Vienna, Dec. 23, via London, 5 P. M.—The new American note regarding the Ancona has made a good impression here. An early answer may be expected. Work on it has begun already.

TWENTY EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN GUATEMALA

Guatemala City, Guatemala, Dec. 23.—There have been twenty severe earthquakes in Guatemala in the last two days. No serious damage has been reported.

REVOLUTIONARY LEADER DIES

San Salvador, Dec. 23.—Dr. Prudence Alfaro, former vice-president of Salvador, died last night after a long illness. For many years Dr. Alfaro was a revolutionary leader.

MARKET CLOSES STRONG

New York, Dec. 23.—Wall Street.—Investment shares were at best prices in the later trading, while specialties, notably oils, were lower. The closing was strong. A board inquiry for rails of the better class, especially Pacifics and New York Central, sustained to-day's dull market.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George Raub Conrad and Lillie Mae Parker, Lancaster. George Meade Rhoads, Steelton, and Ellen Caroline Schein, Williamsport. Etienne LeRoy Mumba, Middletown, and Mary G. Keiker, city.