



GOVERNOR MEETS HIS FRIENDS FOR "CONVERSATIONS"

Men From Almost Every Congressional District Here to Talk Over Politics

SOME CANDIDATES HERE

Snyder Enters Race For Auditor General—Governor May State His Position

Signs that the lines are being drawn for a contest for control of the Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican national convention and of the Republican state committee were abundant at the State Capitol to-day and it was intimated that Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh, who was in conference with men from all parts of the State, contemplated issuing a statement setting forth his position. The Governor's office, however, did not intimate what might occur during the day and the Governor was too busy seeing callers to talk.

Speaker Charles A. Ambler, of the House of Representatives, who has been mentioned as a possible candidate for Auditor General, refused to talk about the announcement of Senator Charles A. Snyder, of Pottsville, that he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for that office and refused to say anything at all about himself. Harmon M. Kepner, chief clerk of the Senate, much in the news as a possible candidate for State Treasurer, who was also here to-day, smiled and said: "All I have to say is that my first name is Harmon."

Governor Brumbaugh had a distinguished list of callers and there may be more before night. In the list were ex-Lieutenant Governor L. A. Waters, of Scranton; Chairman William E. Crow, of Uniontown, who refused to talk; H. B. McDowell, Sharon; Charles H. Young, referee in compensation, New Castle; Representative E. Rich, Lock Haven; Representative John W. Vickerman, Bellevue; John A. Scott and James W. Leech, of the State Compensation Board, and others.

Men from practically every congressional district in the State outside of Philadelphia are expected either to-day or to-morrow for "conversations" with the Governor. One of the first to make statements after leaving the Governor's office.

Congressman W. W. Griest, of Lancaster, and Judge Isaac Johnson, of Media, saw the Governor yesterday when Congressman D. F. Lafean, of

Death of Wife Leads to Arrest of Swindler Who Secured \$100,000

New York, Jan. 26.—The death of his wife to-day learned to have led directly to the arrest here of George A. Gray, on a warrant signed by the Governor of Massachusetts, charging him with larceny of cash and securities valued at \$100,000 from Fred Kenschel, of Chicago, and "other persons living in Massachusetts." A detective arrived here from Boston to-day to take him back for trial.

Gray was arrested last night after having been followed by police from an undertaking shop to the cemetery where Mrs. Gray was buried earlier in the day, and back to the undertaker's. He is said to have taken his arrest calmly and to have told the police that the matter was a family affair involving no larceny and would quickly be adjusted.

Gray was indicted in Boston, charged with larceny of \$10,000 and "ten pieces of paper valued at 1,000 each" from Kenschel, and \$40,000 and "forty pieces of paper valued at \$1,000 each," from another person whose name has never been made public, but who is said to have been a wealthy woman living at Swamscott, Mass. He is 45 years old and formerly was a lawyer.

BABY SCALDED While playing in the kitchen of his home this morning, Adam Wagner, 19-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Wagner, 1410 Wallace street, climbed up on a chair beside the stove and pulled over a kettle of boiling water. The child was badly scalded about the left arm and left leg. He was treated at the Harrisburg Hospital.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Cloudy to light rain Thursday; warmer to-night, with lowest temperature about 50 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy to-night and Thursday; warmer to-night in southwest portion; moderate south winds.

River The Susquehanna river and all its tributaries will fall slowly or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 62 inches is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions The weather disturbance, now central over southwestern Colorado and with its front reaching northeastward into the lake region, has retarded the eastwardly movement area in the Northwest and is causing unsettled weather generally over the country, except the South Atlantic States. It is 2 to 24 degrees colder generally west of the Rocky Mountains.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 40. Lowest temperature, 35. Moon: New moon, February 3, 11:06 a. m. River stage: 6.6 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 50. Lowest temperature, 35. Mean temperature, 42. Normal temperature, 35.

PENNSYLVANIA AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOLS DOING MUCH FOR BOYS OF RURAL DISTRICTS



WAR MATTERS OF PRIME INTEREST BEFORE BRITISH

Discussing Attitude of Labor Toward Compulsion and German Blockade

ALBANIAN PORT FALLS

San Giovanni di Nedua Captured by Austrians; Montenegrin Drive Continues

The position of the British government on two matters of prime importance in the conduct of the war is to be determined as a result of proceedings under way to-day. The attitude of labor toward compulsory military service will be decided at the great conference meeting to-day in Bristol. The debate on the question of a blockade of Germany is before the house of commons.

The Bristol conference is the most important of this kind ever held in England, representing more than 2,000,000 members of trades unions. The compulsory military service bill having passed the house of commons and encountered little opposition in the house of lords, the outcome of the long campaign on this issue will depend largely on the attitude of organized labor. Although great opposition

Wellesley Is Stirred Up by Her Plea For a Man

Wellesley, Mass., Jan. 26.—Wellesley College girls are very much disturbed over the verses of a senior, whose name Miss Miriam Vidder, editor of the College News, refuses to divulge. The verses, which were called loudly in poetry for a man. Two verses are:

"I'd give my month's allowance for a man, Or, having spent it, I'll give up what I can. For what is prom without a young recruit."

A tall fellow in a full dress suit. To pilot down the reversing line. While your proprietary smile says "He's mine?"

"And yet I've reached the end of my resources; I can't find a man by human forces. O you who have a corner on the brand That's known as Homo Sapiens, my Must move your stony heart until it grants

A single man—no need for 'sapiens' if he dances!"

"The verses cast suspicion on all of us," said one senior, who has a flock of young men in her train.

"Bud," Alaskan Collie, Has a Regular Funeral

No longer will the children of the families residing in the vicinity of Swatara and Crescent streets romp and play with the neighborhood pet, "Bud," the sleek-coated white and tan Alaska collie, that for years has been their pride.

"Bud," owned by Mr. and Mrs. James E. Dick, 418 Crescent street, is dead. Also he has been buried—that's why this is written. "Bud" had a regular funeral.

In a coffin lined with soft ribbons and carnations the body of "Bud" was placed. All his equipment, collars, etc., went with him. Then, while sad-eyed, almost tearful, youths of the neighborhood watched by a draped motor truck drove up to the Dick home Sunday and the coffin was placed aboard. Amid the sobs of the children the cortege moved away.

At the house of George Schadt, Middletown, the truck stopped and the pallbearers bore the "body" to the burial ground, which was in front of the Schadt home. The pallbearers included William Reel, James Dick, George Schadt and Michael Frank, of Middletown.

Peace, Prohibition and Petticoats, Party Slogan

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26.—Members of Congress are interested in a movement now being organized for a third party in the United States. The promoters of the new proposition will have for their slogan "Peace, Prohibition and Petticoats." The forces composing the party will come from the peace-at-any-price, prohibition and woman suffrage advocates.

Henry Ford, William J. Bryan, Jane Addams, Miss Alice Paul, Miss Lucy Burns and other peace, anti-liquor and equal suffrage leaders will be at the head of the tri-party organization.

STATE ROAD TO MILLERSBURG IS NEARING REALITY

Cunningham and Railroad Officials Get Nearer an Understanding at Hearing Today

"NARROWS" DANGEROUS

Several Serious Accidents Have Occurred; To Use Old Towpath

State Highway Commissioner Cunningham and Chief Engineer Uhler had a conference to-day with officials of the Northern Central Railway Company regarding the narrow highway between this city and Sunbury, which skirts the right of way of the railroad lines, especially that section between Dauphin and the Clark's Ferry bridge. It is understood that the railroad company is desirous of increasing its trackage and to do so it will be necessary to make some arrangements regarding the present line of the highway.

Already this road is a menace to travel and positively dangerous owing to its proximity to the railroad and the narrow width of the highway. The road runs along a shelf and there have been several accidents because of the abandoned basin of the old canal west of the roadway.

New Highway Only Remedy Highway Commissioner Cunningham and engineers of the department have made a close study of the situation and are strongly of the opinion that the only remedy is the building of a new highway from Dauphin to Clark's Ferry along the line of the old towpath. This change would remedy present unfortunate conditions and also eliminate three dangerous grade crossings.

Outlook Is Bright At the conclusion of the hearing this afternoon it was apparent that the State and the railroad company are nearer a solution of the problem now than ever before.

Some time ago the Pennsylvania Railroad Company asked the Highway Department for permission to extend its tracks between Speecheville and Millersburg through the Narrows. The department found that the road is only about twelve to fourteen feet wide there now and to grant further concessions would be to block the highway entirely. Therefore the permits were held up.

To-day H. P. Lincoln, superintendent, and C. E. Brinsler, engineer, of the Williamsport division, appeared before Commissioner Cunningham to discuss the matter. The commissioner said that after a thorough examination of the records he found that in 1809 a charter had been granted for a turnpike company to construct a road from Harrisburg to Pottsville by way of Lewistown and Huntingdon and that this charter conferred upon the company all of the corporate rights of the turnpike company operating on the southern route which included a road width of fifty feet. Therefore, he held, the new road company had a right to a fifty-foot highway. In 1821 this North Route road was split up and all of the charter rights conveyed to the Harrisburg and Millersburg pike, which includes the stretch of highway in question, that was formerly held by the parent company. The highway width remained at 50 feet. A few years later this company went out of business and the charter rights reverted to the township, with the exception of that giving the privilege of collecting toll. Thus the township

Hold Conference Over Unsatisfactory Reply in Lusitania Negotiations

Washington, Jan. 26.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, had another conference to-day with Secretary Lansing over the Lusitania negotiations, the result of which was not divulged.

It was made known in official quarters before the conference took place that the last German proposals were unsatisfactory and that the United States was pressing for a full disclosure of the sinking of the liner with the loss of 110 American lives.

It was understood that such changes as the United States wants made in the proposed agreement were set out in a document the ambassador prepared to-day. It now awaits the approval of the German government. The next step in the negotiations is not expected to be taken before a week at least and in the meantime the ambassador will hear from his government.

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STATE HIGHWAYS ARE HARD HIT BY MOTOR VEHICLES

State Board of Agriculture Gets Report on the Road Situation Today

WOODWARD SPEAKS OUT

Important Session Opened at the Capitol; Noted Speakers For Tonight

U. S. Steel Stock Record Breaking Earnings Make Market Almost Buoyant

New York, Jan. 26.—Stocks were almost buoyant at to-day's opening in recognition of the United States Steel common dividend and that corporation's record-breaking bank earnings.

Steel opened with one lot of 15,000 shares at 86 to 85 1/2, compared with yesterday's closing price of 84 1/2. Gains of 1 to 2 points were made by numerous other industrials and specialties, including American Smelting, Crucible Steel, Republic Iron and Steel, New York Air Brake, Westinghouse, Baldwin and American Locomotive and Mexican Petroleum.

Railway shares of the standard class were higher by substantial fractions to-day, especially the entire list manifested renewed energy.

House-to-House Canvass For Jewish War Relief

To-morrow will be Jewish war relief day. Throughout the city and the towns in this vicinity the Jewish people as well as many Gentiles will answer the appeal of the Jewish relief committee to subscribe to the fund to be used in aiding the thousands of struggling Jews on Europe's war fronts.

Forty or more of the younger Jewish people will serve as volunteer solicitors and they will make a house-to-house canvass to-morrow.

David Kaufman is chairman and Morris E. Jacobson is treasurer of the local committee and both will gladly receive contributions by check or in cash. Personal calls by phone by contributors will receive a ready response.

Governor Brumbaugh to-day called upon the people of Harrisburg and vicinity to remember that to-morrow is Jewish Relief Day. The Governor's appeal was a supplement to his proclamation of last week and was directed especially to the people of this part of the State.

"I hope the people of this part of the State and indeed, of the whole State, will remember the suffering people across the seas," said the Governor. "To-morrow is the relief day and we should help. It is the cry of our own brethren and it calls for help in a big commanding way. Let's all help."

MINERS ENDORSE NONSUSPENSION POLICY OF WHITE

But Slight Opposition to Question of Remaining at Work After Contract Expires

SCALE COMMITTEE MEETS

Pennsylvanian Helping Frame Demands Which Are Over 10 Per Cent.

State Rests in Trial of Mrs. Mohr For Murder

Providence, R. I., Jan. 26.—The State rested to-day in the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr and two negroes, Cecil Brown and Henry Spellman, charged with the murder of the woman's husband, Dr. C. Franklin F. Mohr, on August 21 last.

By the testimony of more than fifty witnesses, including George W. Healls, Dr. Mohr's chauffeur, who turned state's evidence, the prosecution had attempted to prove that the negroes shot the physician at the instigation of Mrs. Mohr. Mrs. Mohr will testify in her own behalf.

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CAN'T RIDE UPON ME, CRIES COP AS HE QUILTS FORCE

Hurls Badge and Equipment at Chief's Feet and Storms From Office

ALL BECAUSE OF CAP

Patrolman Gear Thinks Required Purchase of \$3.50 Hat Unreasonable

Officer George W. Gear, of the city police force, strode into Chief of Police J. Thomas Zell's office this morning, threw down his badge and other equipment and resigned.

Chief of Police Zell when asked about the resignation admitted with reluctance that Officer Gear had quit, but declared that he had done so without giving reasons.

Other officers on the force, however, said that later in the morning Patrolman Gear told them that the box was put out of service by a short circuit. Box 82, an auxiliary, was substituted, and then a broken underground wire in Forster street between Second and Myrtle streets started more trouble. This is on the direct line from Box 51. While workmen were repairing it taps came in on indicators in all of the fire engine houses in the city. No box had been pulled and the companies each received a different alarm. Later in the day the same thing happened.

Electricians worked rapidly and practically the entire system was in shape for service this afternoon.

Mix-Up in City's Fire Alarm System Causes Trouble Throughout Day

A mix-up in the city fire alarm system this morning caused trouble all day in all sections of the city.

The trouble originated at Box 51, Cameron and Her streets, when the box was put out of service by a short circuit. Box 82, an auxiliary, was substituted, and then a broken underground wire in Forster street between Second and Myrtle streets started more trouble. This is on the direct line from Box 51. While workmen were repairing it taps came in on indicators in all of the fire engine houses in the city. No box had been pulled and the companies each received a different alarm. Later in the day the same thing happened.

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WILSON TALKS WITH LEADERS ON LEGISLATION

Shipping Bill, Tariff Commission and Philippine Amendment Are Discussed

LEARNS THEIR ATTITUDE

New Measure Will Provide That U. S. Buy Ships, Then Lease or Sell

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26.—President Wilson summoned to the White House to-day leaders of the Senate and House to learn their attitude toward the shipping bill, a tariff commission and the Philippines. He indicated to them that in addition to the preparedness program and revenue bills those three measures would be the principal ones backed by the administration.

Most of the leaders with whom President Wilson talked to-day opposed the shipping bill in the last Congress and he desired to know their position toward the new bill. He saw Majority Leader Kitchin, of the House, Chairman Fitzgerald, of the appropriations committee, Chairman Clarke, of the Senate commerce committee, Chairman Simmons, of the Senate finance committee, and Senator Fletcher, who led the fight for the ship bill in the Senate in the last Congress.

As a result of the conferences to-day details of the shipping bill which will be supported by the administration became known for the first time. It does not include the failure of the old bill providing for continued operation of ships by the government. Instead it provides that the government shall purchase or build ships and then lease or sell them to corporations or private individuals. Only in case no one offers to lease or buy the ships does the bill allow the government to operate them.

Provides for Bond Issue The government could buy back the ships at a reasonable price for naval auxiliaries in time of war. A bond issue of \$50,000,000 for the purchase or construction of ships would be provided in the bill, which also includes a shipping board to control shipping rates.

Senator Clarke led the filibuster which finally prevented the passage of

THE GOVERNOR'S ATTITUDE

Harrisburg.—Late this afternoon a rumor persisted on Capitol Hill to the effect that Governor Brumbaugh would make a statement declaring his attitude regarding the Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican National Convention.

He is said to favor an untrammelled delegation which will act for the best interests of the State and the Republican party without regard to any personal or fractional differences.

Harrisburg.—The Dauphin county court to-day ordered Dr. Horace C. Cumber, a Steelton dentist, to return his young son to his former wife, Mrs. Rebecca Irene Behney, who had instituted Habeas Corpus proceedings against him.

Harrisburg.—Emil Swenson, Pittsburgh civil engineer in charge of the construction of the new Shenago river bridge at New Castle, appeared as his own lawyer in the Dauphin county court to-day to prove his claim to \$3,892 for work on the bridge.

Harrisburg.—H. B. Herman, 1214 North Cameron street, who runs a local express, was this afternoon thrown from his wagon and injured when his horse ran away.

Philadelphia, Jan. 26.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company to-day declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. There was much interest in to-day's meeting of the directors because of a report circulated in financial circles that the dividend would be increased.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26.—Six persons lost their lives here to-day in a fire which destroyed the interior of the five-story Talbot Walker building.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The Rivers and Harbors Committee voted to-day to include no new projects in its forthcoming bill but to confine appropriations solely to projects already authorized, thus limiting the total to approximately \$44,000,000.

Bristol Eng., Jan. 26.—The British labor conference adopted to-day by a vote of 1,847,000 against 206,000, a resolution entirely approving the action of the parliamentary labor party in co-operating with other political parties in the national recruiting campaign.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Herman E. Row and Ida Schoffstall Bendick, Williamstown.