

HEAR ARGUMENT ON PENSION CASE

Question of Husband's Unknown Whereabouts to Be Threshed Out in Court

Among the dozen cases listed for hearing Tuesday at the May session of the State Court is the suit brought by mutual agreement of the State authorities and the trustees of the "Mothers' Assistance Fund" (the "Mothers' Pension Board") of Philadelphia to determine certain legal phases of the mothers' pension law. The question at issue is whether or not a wife and mother is eligible to receive a pension where no proof of the man's death has been established but whose whereabouts is unknown. The other cases follow: Schuykill Haven borough vs. Schuykill Haven Gas and Water Company, appeal from the decision of the Public Service Commission; Edward C. Enders vs. Dauphin County Directors of the Poor, appeal and motion for new trial and motion for judgment; Charles F. Messinger vs. Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company, new trial; Manchester Rubber Company vs. V. F. Salerno, new trial; Mallico and Conroy vs. George E. Hapier, new trial; Security Trust Company and Fred C. Miller vs. Ralph E. Moore, C. E. Murray and Ellen McCauley, rule to satisfy judgment; Harry H. Gordon vs. executrix of James M. Neely estate, motion for judgment; George A. Saltsman vs. Theresa K. Saltsman, argument; C. Ross Etter vs. Katharine Etter, argument; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Trustees of Mothers' Assistance Fund, Philadelphia, vs. Auditor General A. W. Powell, case stated.

At the Register's Office. — The will of Joseph A. Fletcher, Steelton, was probated to-day and letters on the estate were issued to Alfred Fletcher. Grubb succeeds Zimmerman. — Appointment of Charles S. Grubb, Loyaltown, Washington township, a former shirt manufacturer of Halifax and an employe of the State Highway department, to succeed Charles C. Zimmerman as clerk of the county commissioners was announced to-day by the commissioners. Mr. Zimmerman died very suddenly a week ago. Mr. Grubb will begin his duties June 1 on a salary of \$75 per month.

Charter Chemical Co. — Application will be made June 12 to the State authorities by Charter Chemical Co. for the chartering of the Harrisburg Chemical company.

Sell Copper Wire. — Bids will be opened at 3 o'clock, June 1, by City Commissioner Harry F. Bowman, superintendent of public safety, for the sale of about 1,750 pounds of pure copper wire. The material is stored at the pipe line shop.

Connell's Special Session. — Because of the absence of City Commissioner W. L. Gorgas, superintendent of finance, who is in Philadelphia this week attending the national convention of bankers, the special session of City Council will meet any more this week to consider the Cumberland Valley Telephone underground wiring ordinance as had been expected. The commissioners, however, will probably get together Monday.

Want to Buy Furniture? — All the furniture and "good will" of the Fort Hunter hotel will be sold at 2 o'clock Wednesday, May 23, at public auction by J. G. Fackler, trustee in bankruptcy for Walter C. Baskins.

Speakers at Enola Playground. — Youth City Commissioner E. Z. Gross and Assistant Park Superintendent V. Grant Porter have been invited to attend the formal dedication and opening of the new playground at Enola on Monday.

Official Count Begins. — Official counting of the vote cast in Dauphin county at Tuesday's primaries began at noon to-day when the corps of computers appointed by the county commissioners were sworn in. The count, it is believed, will hardly be finished before to-morrow evening.

REAL ESTATE

MODERN LITTLE OFFICE BUILDING IS PLANNED South Harrisburg is to have another modern little office building in the near future when the plans of Simon Micklovitz, a lower end iron dealer, materialize. Mr. Micklovitz to-day got a permit to erect a two-story brick office structure in Paxton street, at the intersection of the Pennsylvania railroad siding. It will cost \$2,500. Work will be started at once.

TODAY'S REALTY TRANSFERS To-day's realty transfers included the following: Ida Wiest to D. J. Wiest, Lykens, \$6,298; R. M. Grimm to Jerry R. Grimm, Millersburg, \$175; J. J. Bowman to H. H. Holtzman, Millersburg, \$275; D. F. Bauer to Paul G. Plume, 1830 Chestnut street, \$2,200; C. W. Plack to Addie M. Murray, Millfin, near Keltner street, \$1,600.

DANISH KING UNDER KNIFE Copenhagen, May 19. — King Christian X, of Denmark, has just undergone an operation for intestinal trouble. The royal physicians report his condition is satisfactory.

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SANITOL WEEK JUNE 4TH

WIFE OF OUTLAW IS IN EL PASO READY FOR FLIGHT



SENORA JUANA TORRES DEL VILLA & CHILD. (INTL. FILM SERVICE.)

Growing weary of waiting in Havana for Pancho Villa to join her in their projected flight to the Argentine, Mrs. Villa has returned to El Paso to get into communication with her husband and to assist him in escaping from Mexico. Mrs. Villa has a ranch in the Argentine Republic awaiting Villa when he can get out of Mexico. Mrs. Villa's friends say she will go into Mexico to her husband should she find it necessary.

IS PATRIOTISM A DANGEROUS VIRTUE?

The other day at the Gridiron club dinner Mr. Wilson announced, as reported in the press, that he would "be as ashamed of being rash as of being cowardly"—a statement which stands on a par with a statement on the part of a woman that she would be as ashamed of being quick tempered as of being unchaste. Such statements from a private man would call for no comment. When made by the man who is of necessity taken abroad as speaking for the American people, they call for the sternest reprobation. These sentences furnish the key to Mr. Wilson's acts in international affairs, both as regards the Great War and as regards Mexico for the past three years. Taken together with his acts, they show that he is endeavoring to persuade the American people to accept the view that patriotism is sometimes a dangerous virtue, and cowardice often a venial fault.

It would be impossible to overestimate the harm done to the American people by President Wilson in accusing them to play an easy and disgraceful part in the present crisis of alien insult and aggression. The man who habitually submits to shameful insult gradually becomes incapable of all manly action. The man who repeatedly permits his wife's face to be slapped, without resenting it save by conversation, gradually loses all power of self-respecting action. The administration has done its utmost to train the American people into a mental attitude which accepts making money and avoiding risk as satisfactory offsets to the wholesale and continually repeated murder of American men, women and children by outside enemies—Theodore Roosevelt in the June Metropolitan.

EARLY DAYS OF FISHING

Fishing is probably the oldest sport in the world, although in the beginning it was anything but sport. The caveman who went out with ruder spear to watch by brook or pool had no scruples as to legal length or size of bag. He was out for his supper. But then the conditions of his life established the sanest kind of a bag limit. His fishing was so slow and so difficult that there was little incentive

AN OLD ONE

A very inquisitive man was sitting at table next a man who had lost an arm above the elbow. "I see you have lost an arm," finally was ventured. The one-armed man picked up his empty sleeve and peered into it. "Great Scott! I believe I have," he answered.—The Christian Herald.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE

A multi-panel cartoon by Briggs. Panel 1: A man says, 'BELIEVE ME, I'M GOING TO DOLL UP MY PRETTIEST AND SEE IF I CAN'T MAKE A HIT WITH MARY. SHE IS SOME GAL - IF I GET A GOOD CHANCE I'M GOING TO ASK HER FOR HER LITTLE OLD HAND.' Panel 2: A woman replies, 'WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO HEAR THIS DUET BY CHARLIE CLAPIN AND CARUSO?' Panel 3: The man says, 'OH FINE!' Panel 4: The man says, 'HERE'S A NEW RECORD I WANT YOU TO HEAR.' Panel 5: The woman replies, 'I'VE GOT A LOT OF DANDY NEW RECORDS SINCE I SAW YOU LAST.' Panel 6: The man says, 'I'LL BE BACK IN A MINUTE - I WANT TO GET SOME MORE NEEDLES.' Panel 7: The man is running away, saying, 'SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE.' The cartoon is signed 'By BRIGGS'.

HOPELESSLY HURT MEN EXCHANGED

Germans and Austrians Sent From Russia; Constant Line of Trains

Stockholm, Sweden, April —. —Clad in great coats of West Point gray, the first of the hopelessly wounded German and Austrian prisoners of war to come out of Russia this year, passed through Sweden a few days ago in exchange for the helpless and hapless Russians who had been sent home from the German hospital camps. The Austrians and Germans were a more cheerful lot than the stolid, silent Russians and seemed to have a more definite idea of their future life.

"It is nothing," said one young Austrian with his right leg gone and two fearful scars on his face; "I am a jeweler by trade and my hands are as good as ever." The exchange of wounded prisoners undertaken by the Swedish Red Cross is a gigantic affair. Effective May 15 three trains running weekly in each direction from the Finnish frontier to the southern reaches of the Baltic can handle but comparatively few of the men so hopelessly used up that the warring nations are glad to get rid of them. Some statistician claiming to have knowledge of the situation has declared that with trains running daily all the year round it would take ten years to complete the transport of the human wastrel of war now held in Russia and Germany.

"Must Be Millions!" One of the wounded Austrians on the first train coming from Russia was asked how many of his comrades were left in Russia. "There must be a million of them," he replied. "There must be a million of them." This prisoner said he had been "all over Russia" and that few war prisoners, either wounded or whole of skin and limb, were permitted to remain in one camp more than a month or two. He was wounded in August last and said he must have been in every hospital camp from Vladivostok to Petrograd.

There was one young soldier from Prague, Bohemia, who had had a terrible experience. He was in the cavalry and was riding in a charge when a shrapnel shell burst just beneath him. The horse was killed and the rider was wounded 21 times. Seven times he was placed on the operating table. He emerged with one leg gone and the other so broken, bent and twisted that it little resembled human form.

And yet the man had pleaded with the doctors for that remnant of a limb. "They wanted to cut it off, too, as well as my right hand, but I heard them talking and I said, 'Please, good Mr. Doctor, don't cut off my other leg and my hand! At last they let me go.' The hand was scarred in many places but secured otherwise to be perfectly useful. But in time of war amputation is such an effective and expeditious treatment.

Maimed and Mangled

Each man of the 217 on board the train from Russia had his own thrilling story to tell. Each one had tasted the utmost of the bitterness of war and some seemed badly maimed and mangled that even Death had refused to accept them. There was one poor fellow moving about the train with sheepskin pads on his knees and both feet gone. "Me no go any more," he smiled in broken English when he learned that the Associated Press correspondent on board the hospital train was an American.

"And boom, boom, boom no good either," he added, mimicking the roar of battle. "This man had lain wounded for days with his feet in a half frozen stream. When found he was more dead than alive. Up to the time he lost consciousness he said he must have been lying out of doors for six or seven days. All this time he heard the screech and roar of shells passing above his head and occasionally exploding about him. Anyone of them, he said, would have been a welcome end to his agony. But now he was smiling and cheerful on his way "home." He did not know what he could do when he got there for he had been a horse-shoer by trade and a horse-shoer without feet is not of much account.

Some of the prisoners complained bitterly of their treatment at the hands of the Russians, but the more intelligent of the wounded soldiers declared that while their lots had been hard they realized the Russians had done all they possibly could under the circumstances. There were the days of exposure on the battlefields which could not be helped, the poor field accommodations for the wounded, who

YOUR DAUGHTER'S PROUDEST DAY



Mother, if you and Winnie will put your heads together between the present and the time she must have her graduation dress ready, you may make her shine with the best of them—at a cost of \$6, or less. That is what this frock cost, and does it not look as nice as scores you have seen at higher prices?

It is made of voile, with a double flounce, and two rows of cording. Irish lace is introduced in the bodice, which makes a simple and appropriate trimming.

had to be cared for in far greater numbers than anyone had ever anticipated, and the hours of neglect due to the fact that the doctors had more work than they could possibly handle.

Worried About Family

The other prisoner far along in the relentless grip of consumption, had also suffered the loss of a leg. He said he had a wife and three children at home and he did not know how he could ever provide for them. The invalid transport trains passing through Sweden do not come to Stockholm and the Swedish people as a whole see very little of the wounded men. The nearest approach to Stockholm is Halsberg, where the men detain for dinner. As the first train from Russia came into Halsberg the military attaché of the Austrian legation in Stockholm was at the station. The train platforms were crowded with soldiers on crutches and with arms torn away. It was pitiful to see the poor cripples straighten up and salute with such hands as they had left when they caught sight of the officer in full uniform.

The attaché and representatives of the German legation distributed cigars, cigars, newspapers and German weeklies to the men on the train. There were two pitiful cases of tuberculosis on the train. The sands of life were fast running out of the glass for one of these, but he seemed to grow a bit stronger as the train neared Trelleborg where the prisoners were to be transferred to a German hospital transport.

"It will be so good to get home," he sighed. "But the poor devil never will get there," said the doctor, for the prisoners coming from Russia are kept outside Hamburg for a month as a rule to guard against the importation of any infectious disease. They are not taken to Berlin, for it is said here

the Germans do not wish wounded men in the streets of the capital. The other prisoner far along in the relentless grip of consumption, had also suffered the loss of a leg. He said he had a wife and three children at home and he did not know how he could ever provide for them. The invalid transport trains passing through Sweden do not come to Stockholm and the Swedish people as a whole see very little of the wounded men. The nearest approach to Stockholm is Halsberg, where the men detain for dinner. As the first train from Russia came into Halsberg the military attaché of the Austrian legation in Stockholm was at the station. The train platforms were crowded with soldiers on crutches and with arms torn away. It was pitiful to see the poor cripples straighten up and salute with such hands as they had left when they caught sight of the officer in full uniform.

Deaths and Funerals

MRS. SUSANNA HEHN SINGLEY Funeral services for Mrs. Susanna Hehn Singley, aged 61, wife of John H. Singley, who died at her home, 1426 Swatara street, Tuesday, were held this afternoon. The Rev. J. A. Lyster, pastor of the Derry Street United Brethren Church, officiated. Burial was made in the East Harrisburg Cemetery.

WILLIAM B. METZGER Funeral services for William B. Metzger, aged 79 years, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. Earl Graeff, 1841 Berryhill street, Tuesday afternoon were held to-day. The Rev. Joseph D. W. Deavor, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church, officiated. Further services were held at Mt. Joy in the Methodist Church. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

WINDOW-PORCH BOXES POPULAR

Large Numbers Appearing Despite Cold Weather; Many Send in Names

Despite the cold weather of the past few days, window and porch boxes are appearing in all parts of the city in extraordinarily large numbers. Florists and carpenters are very busy and the supply of boxes in the stores of a number of dealers have been replenished as many as three and four times to keep up with the unprecedented demand.

By Memorial Day, when all boxes should be in place, the city will be well decorated and as the plants grow with the coming of hot weather, Harrisburg will be utterly transformed.

Among those who have volunteered for the work of spreading the gospel of the City Beautiful are Mrs. C. Harry Kain, 234 Seneca street, who will endeavor to arouse interest among the residents of that street between Second and Third streets; Mrs. Boyd M. Ogelsby, 2317 North Third street, who has volunteered to look after the block between Emerald and Seneca; Mrs. H. B. McClure, 1710 Green street, who will look after the section between Hamilton and Keltner streets.

Individuals who have entered the campaign in the past few days are: Fisher Bros., 1001-3 Capital street; Mrs. Anna Ott, 4 Prospect street; Mrs. Harry Miller, 2223 North Third street.

Mrs. Paul, 2319 North Third street; Mrs. Morion, 232 Seneca street; Mrs. Paul Hooker, 226 Seneca street; Mrs. Knight, 224 Seneca street; Mrs. Edw. H. Fry, 222 Seneca street; Mrs. Shaeffer, 220 Seneca street; Dr. W. R. Walter, 704 North Third street.

Greek-American Shoe Repairing, Third and Briggs streets; Mrs. H. B. McClure, 1710 Green street; Mrs. Mary Shultz, 1921 Penn street; Mrs. Harry Martin, 1924 Penn street; Mrs. Katharine Donnelly, 1923 Penn street; Mrs. Harry Baer, 1909 Penn street; Mrs. W. R. Deppen, Penn and Muench streets; Mrs. Stiner, 220 Herr street; Dr. R. L. Perkins, 2001 North Second street.

Mrs. H. M. Kirkpatrick, 1829 Whitehall street; Mrs. C. W. Fenstermacher, 113 Chestnut street; Mrs. N. K. Hoffert, 600 North Seventeenth street; Mrs. W. E. Orth, 420 North Street; E. W. Clay, 701 North Eighteenth street.

Trains and Drives Her Own Race Horses

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