



CITY'S CHANCE TO TAKE OVER 'INDEPENDENCE' IS SLIPPING

Island Where 4,000 People Crowded Into 'River Basin' Yesterday Afternoon Is Sought by New York Syndicate; Present Owner Wants to Dispose of Property to Devote Time to Other Business

BIG DEMAND FOR MUNICIPAL CONTROL

Growing Popularity of Water Front Seen Yesterday When 7,000 Took Dip Between Maclay Street and the Dam; Hundreds of Canoes and Boats Ply Up and Down Stream From Morning Until Night

Harrisburg's opportunity to acquire Independence Island as a municipal bathing resort seems to be slipping, according to reports current to-day. This afternoon at a conference at one of the local banks representatives of a New York syndicate expect to close an option for the purchase of the island. It is said the price is between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

E. Charles Ensminger, who with his father, Major John T. Ensminger, are present owners of Independence Island, to-day corroborated the report regarding a probable sale. He said: "I have received several good offers within the past six months. After my price was named I heard little about them. The New York parties, however, mean business. I cannot say who they are at this time, nor do I care to give the names of the representatives. "I have given my price. If they meet my demands and agree to my figure for a six months' option, with the payment of a certain amount of the purchase price each year for three years, I will close at once. I understand the New York people plan to considerable money in improving the island and intend to make it

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RAUNICK TO SPEAK

At the convention of the Municipal League of Third Class cities to be held in Johnstown next week, Dr. J. M. J. Raunick, local health officer, will read a paper on "Garbage Collection." The convention opens at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning August 29. Dr. Raunick will be the principal speaker in the afternoon. On Thursday afternoon John F. Jackson, State Commissioner of Labor and Industry, will address the convention. His subject will be, "Municipal Self-government, and Co-operation with the State."

MOVING TO SUMMER CAPITAL

Washington, Aug. 21.—President Wilson plans to spend practically all of September and October at Shadow Lawn, the summer White House in New Jersey. Removal of office furniture from the executive offices to the quarters engaged for clerks at Asbury Park was begun to-day. Practically the entire office force of the White House will go.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Tuesday; not much change in temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night and Tuesday; not much change in temperature; light southwest winds.

River The Susquehanna river and all its branches will fall slowly or remain stationary in a stage of about 3.05 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Tuesday morning.

General Conditions A disturbance, now central over the Middle Missouri Valley, has caused showers in Minnesota, Iowa, Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, Colorado and Wyoming, with amounts of rainfall being generally small except at Huron, South Dakota, where it was 1.5 inches. There has been a general rise of 4 to 10 degrees in temperature west of the Rocky Mountains. The temperature has been unusually high for the season over the southern part of the Lake Region.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 74. Sun: Rises, 5:22 a. m.; sets, 6:54 p. m. Moon: New moon, August 28, at 12:25 p. m. River: Stage: 3.1 feet below low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 80. Lowest temperature, 60. Mean temperature, 70. Normal temperature, 72.



VACATION SEASON IS AT ITS HEIGHT

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AQUA-PLANING MAY GIVE FUN DURING KIPONA

Meeting of Navy This Evening to Report Progress of the Various Committees

MEMBERSHIP OVER 200 Standing, Double Paddle, and Three-Man Crew Canoe Race New Feature

Rumors of the presence in Harrisburg of a professional expert on the popular Hawaiian water sport of aqua planing has started some local boys thinking and if the tentative plans of the program committee of the Greater Harrisburg Kipona don't miscarry there will be some excellent competition on the day of the great carnival. Yesterday afternoon on the Susquehanna this famous sport in which the natives of Honolulu engage on the beach at Waikiki was first introduced into Harrisburg. Men who have traveled standing erect on a board behind a motorboat going thirty-two miles an hour, however, are of the opinion that it would be dangerous to attempt aqua planing on the river here on account of the rocks. And it is doubtful if a speed boat could be obtained on short notice that would afford any excitement. The matter will be discussed at an important meeting of the Navy at Dintaman's at 8 o'clock this evening. A report on entries will also be made at that time. The committee is working on the aqua planing feature and if it is at all possible an exhibition will be given.

Standing Canoe Race New Feature

An additional feature of the carnival on Labor Day will be a canoe race between two crews of three men each with Richard Rensch in command of one crew and Harry Lindsey captaining the other. The men will be required to use double paddles from a standing position and the race promised to be an exciting variety.

Practicing for War Canoe Race

A large number of Technical High school students reported at Dintaman's this afternoon for practice in preparation for the war canoe race, one of the big events of the carnival. The large, racy Morris war canoe that was ordered to bring the boat safely from Beale, Maine, to this city. A. P. Dintaman received a telegram to this effect from the manager of the company.

The Engineers Society will do its share to assure the success of the Kipona in the work of the committee with the general regatta committee, with the possibility of something special on its own responsibility. Frederic E. Langenheim is chairman of this committee.

"Explosive Blood" Is New Munitions Workers' Disease

Baltimore, Aug. 21.—A new disease called explosive blood has appeared among munition workers. John Reynolds of Baltimore, employed at the du Pont Works at Carney Point, N. J., has been treated for the strange malady in Mercy, and at the City Hospital in Baltimore. It is true that blood explosions are not accompanied by deafening detonations; that the patient's body is not torn asunder by the combustion that the explosions occur just the same. They take place only in the smallest veins. The effects are no more or less disastrous than to cause a rather malignant eruption in the skin of the arms and legs. Simultaneously with this strange condition the patient becomes of a yellow complexion.

However, complex the malady, the treatment is extremely simple and rapidly effective. It consists solely of fresh air and a light diet.

Camp Stewart Turned Into Lake by Storm

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 21.—Torrential rains, driven by a 35-mile wind, struck El Paso and the army camp late yesterday afternoon. Streets were turned into creeks and the canyons leading to the plains where the 40,000 troops were encamped were flooded.

Tug Captain Denies He Is Waiting For Bremen

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 21.—The Baltimore tug Hansa, which arrived in Norfolk Saturday morning, is tied up at the pier of a local coal company. Captain Cullison declined to see newspapermen. "The Hansa formerly was the Thomas F. Timmins, convey of the German submarine Deutschland, and her presence here led to rumors that the submarine Bremen would soon arrive outside the Virginia capes. Major General Cullison declared that he was in Norfolk to tow mud scoops up the bay to Baltimore, and that he would sail as soon as the northeast abated. Ideal weather prevailed.

Death Drives Out of Path That Life Might Survive

Chicago, Aug. 21.—Life and Death were fellow passengers for a brief period in Chicago last night. And Death drove out of its way that Life might survive. Mrs. Mildred Volensky was ill. She miscalculated and the supreme moment overtook her as she was hurrying to a hospital on a street car. The conductor halted a passing hearse. With the aid of a policeman, Mrs. Volensky was placed inside the vehicle, alongside the casket and a few blocks from the hospital a boy arrived. Mother and son are doing well.

AUTO HITS CARRIAGE

Mifflintown, Pa., Aug. 21.—Last night while George Williams and Bristol Horning were driving to their home in Slim Valley, an automobile owned and driven by Dr. W. H. Banks ran into and wrecked the buggy throwing Mr. Horning out and severely wrenching his back and bruising him considerably. Mr. Williams was thrown over the dashboard and was dragged by the horses several yards, but was not injured. The accident happened about 9.30 o'clock on the State road.

WHO KILLED THIS MAN? R. R. HEADS ARE CONFIDENT STRIKE WILL BE AVERTED



She leaned forward, and a hundred half-suppressed gasps went up as her lips lightly touched the forehead of her escort.

THE MYSTERY IS SOLVED IN SILVER SANDALS

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CHAPTER I. The Amazing Entrance

The wine-born laughter softened, ceased; bluntness became solemn hush. The life and color of the big restaurant seemed chilled, as though some icy wind had come, unheralded, to destroy. Jewel-panoplied women lowered their eyes, only to raise them again and stare. The movements of the waiters, silent always, seemed more ghost-like than ever. The ringing click of silver on china was stilled, as diners forgot food, to watch the three persons who were entering the dim dining-room of the Beaumonts.

It was the man who attracted the eye first; it was the woman who held the face under the snow-white hair exerted an instant spell of repellent

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JITNEY PETITION SIGNED BY 236 UP UNTIL NOON

Voters Crowd Into City Clerk's Office to Place Names on Referendum

Harrisburg's first initiative and referendum movement aiming to have Council amend the present jitney ordinance opened this morning and at noon 236 registered voters had signed the petition.

This is the first initiative petition to be drawn up in the State, according to city officials, and more than 1,700 signatures will be needed within ten days to meet the required 10 per cent of the city's total vote for Mayor at the last election.

All morning former jitney drivers hauled scores of men from all sections

Thief Who Stole Kadaks Returns to Gettysburg Drugstore For Films

Gettysburg, Pa., Aug. 21.—The thief who entered Huber's drug store on Thursday night and took nine kodaks, not molesting anything else, returned to the scene of his operations on Saturday night, forcing his way through a rear door. He was evidently so much pleased with the cameras obtained on his first visit that he decided that he would use them, and made his second visit to obtain films and developing materials, as this was all he took.

RAIN BRINGS RELIEF

Chicago, Aug. 21.—A rainstorm, which developed in the Plains States, and is moving northeast over the Missouri valley, is bringing relief from the heat wave that has hung over the mid-west since Friday, officials of the government weather bureau announced to-day. The storm should send temperatures down in Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Western Missouri by to-night and in the western lake region by to-morrow afternoon, it was said.

WANT TO ACCEPT WILSON'S PLAN BUT ALSO PRESERVE PRINCIPLE OF ARBITRATION

Another Conference Brotherhood Delegates Are Acquainting Congressmen With Details of Dispute

Washington, Aug. 21.—The railroad presidents and their committee of managers worked steadily to-day to devise some means of averting the threatened strike which would in the main accept President Wilson's plan but at the same time preserve the principle of arbitration.

Leaders of the railroad executives declared they were united against the President's plan as it stands and hoped to agree on some form of counter proposal.

The railroad presidents were considering under what circumstances they could find a way to accept the eight-hour day but still conserve the principle of arbitration which has become the crux of the whole fight.

Western railroad presidents arriving seemed confident that a way would be found to avert the strike. No conference between President Wilson and railway executives is expected before to-morrow afternoon.

SEVERE BUT NOT HOPELESS

The men after a brief meeting to-day adjourned until to-morrow awaiting developments and meanwhile sent delegates to congressmen to acquaint them with the details of the controversy.

The situation continued, as both sides expressed it, serious but not hopeless.

The committee of the 640 railway brotherhood representatives, who already have accepted the President's proposal, continued to-day to mark time pending the employer's decision.

President Wilson's army to arbitration as a principle in the present controversy. He has so informed

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Dying Motorman Stops Car and Saves Passengers

Oliver Klinefelter, aged 32, 2225 Atlas street, a motorman of the Harrisburg Railway Company, was suddenly stricken with an attack of heart failure while operating a Rockville car shortly before 7 o'clock Saturday evening. The ambulance was summoned, but the stricken man died before reaching the hospital. Mr. Klinefelter stopped the car, which he was operating, just as he fell to the floor, and avoided any serious accident to the passengers.

Mr. Klinefelter has been a resident of this city since February, moving here from Gettysburg. He was one of the company's biggest employees, measuring over six feet six inches in height and weighing 200 pounds. He had three children, two boys and one girl. He was a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of that town.

Power Cut Off, City Sweats, Frets and Fumes

Businessmen in the city this afternoon fumed, fretted, perspired, waited, prayed and finally climbed the long flights of stairs to their offices. In the composing room of newspapers, and other plants where electricity is used to run motors, the foremen were doing the same, only they didn't have any stairs to climb. Trouble at the plant of the Harrisburg Light and Power company was responsible. All direct current in the city was shut off for about ten minutes, and every electric elevator, and motor stopped. No reports were made and the power was again turned on.

Patient Kills Doctor When He Tells Him He Will Die

Freedom, Pa., Aug. 21.—Dr. Clarence J. Lockhart, sitting in his automobile, was shot dead at noon yesterday. Stephen Hessler, laborer, charged with murder, was hurried to the county jail after threats of lynching had been heard. Hessler had been treated by Doctor Lockhart and had told friends he was not being cured. "If I have to die that doctor will have to die, too," he is quoted as saying.

Dr. Lockhart was returning from a call when Hessler stepped from the sidewalk of the principal street and signaled him. As the physician stopped his car Hessler fired five shots from a revolver. Four bullets entered the physician's breast, one penetrating the heart. The fifth struck the right leg at the knee, fracturing it.

She Went Into Bee Nest to Don Her Bathing Suit

Camden, N. J., Aug. 21.—Physicians at Cooper Hospital did their very best to soothe Miss Margaret Gholley, eighteen, of Philadelphia, when she appeared yesterday. It took oodles of lotions, for her body was covered with the punctures of yellowjackets. The girl had gone to National Park with friends. In the woods she was changing her street wear for a bathing suit, and she stepped into a nest of the insects. She said it seemed to her as though a thousand jets of live steam had been turned on, each jet with a needle and each needle charged with tabasco sauce. She did not get in the water. The doctors say she might forget the experience in about nine years.

FIRST AUTO RIDE AT 90; KILLED

Salem, Va., Aug. 21.—A. W. Garner, of Drapersville, was 90 years old before he ventured to take a ride in an automobile and to-day he is dead. Yesterday afternoon the car in which he took his first ride plumed over a 60-foot embankment, turned over five times before it struck and killed Garner and injured four others including his wife.

SUCCESSSES ARE CLAIMED BY BOTH SIDES IN EAST

Growing Activity Along 150-Mile Front in Macedonia; Greece Disquieted

USE FLAMING LIQUIDS

Germans Trying Hard to Regain Fleury; Artillery Fighting Along Somme

The Macedonian campaign itself does not yet seem to have developed an engagement of first rate magnitude, but there is pronounced activity along the 150-mile fighting front, with successes claimed by each side at various points.

In Entente quarters there is said to be no apprehension felt that the plans of General Sarrail, the Entente commander, will be interfered with by the German and Bulgarian attacks on the Allied flanks. Greece, however, is reported to be disquieted over the advance of the Bulgarians toward Kavala, the Greek seaport east of the Allied front, and the southward move of the Bulgarians on the other flank, which resulted in the occupation of Florina.

Use Flaming Liquids

In the Verdun region, the Germans, who again lost the village of Fleury northeast of the citadel, in fighting late last week, are making determined efforts to regain the place. Last night they drove against the village with strong forces, using flaming liquid to aid their attacks but according to to-day's Paris bulletin the French fire effectively stopped the assault.

Along the Somme front the artillery battle is raging violently. No infantry actions are reported by Paris, however, although a German counter attack apparently is in preparation following the capture by the French of a strong fortified wood between

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ABANDONS BAR FOR PULPIT

Chicago, Aug. 21.—The Rev. Wm. M. Saunders has deserted the saloon business for the pulpit. The Rev. Mr. Saunders, who formerly conducted a saloon in Smithton, Pa., has been appointed pastor of the Avondale Presbyterian Church here. When Saunders decided a few years ago to devote his life to the ministry, he closed his bar and entered the McCormick Theological Seminary as a student.

WOMAN SHOT AT NEWVILLE

Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 21.—Pearl Hawkins, aged 33 years, colored, was shot with a 22-caliber rifle at Newville to-day by Neely Johnson, also colored, 34 years old; and the woman is in a serious condition. The ball struck a rib and lodged in the abdomen. Johnson escaped and a posse is in pursuit of him.

AGAIN CONDEMN OVERHEAD BRIDGE

Harrisburg — After hearing the plea of a representative of Swift & Co., the City Planning Commission, in session to-day, reaffirmed its decision to recommend to council that an ordinance granting Swift & Co. the right to build an overhead bridge across North Seventh street between two parts of its plant, be not passed. The commission also considered the proposed Walnut street bridge over the Pennsylvania railroad but adjourned without taking action.

561 SIGN PETITION

At 3.40 o'clock a total of 561 voters had signed the petition for the repeal of the present jitney ordinance.

HEAT PROSTRATION

Harrisburg — Charles Finley, aged 25, 1420 Marion street, was overcome by the heat at Thirteenth and State streets, this afternoon. He was taken to the Harrisburg hospital in a serious condition.

GERMANY CALLS BOYS OF 17

Paris, Aug. 21.—The Intransigent publishes under a despatch from Lausanne to the effect that Germany has ordered all youths of 17 to report immediately to recruiting bureaus. This class in normal years would be called to the colors in 1919.

ATTACK MAN IN PARK

Harrisburg — Charged with attacking a man in River Front Park on Saturday night and attempting to rob him, R. J. Anderson and Joseph Osbourn were held under \$500 bail for court by Alderman Deshong at police court this afternoon. Taylor Wallace, charged with stealing a bicycle was held under \$300 bail.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Austin Clifton Christian and Elsie Fields, city. Wesley H. Bell and Ada Buch, city.