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ONE MAN KILLED ANOTHER HURT ON GRADE CROSSING

Fast Passenger Train Runs Down Big Truck at Middletown

LAMP THROWN 1,000 FEET Watchman Injured When Flying Truck Splintered His Box

One man is dead and another is in a critical condition as a result of a collision between a fast express train, No. 55, westbound, and a heavy auto truck at the Ordnance Depot crossing at Middletown at 3:30 o'clock this morning.

The dead man is R. E. Welbourn, 23 years old, driver of the truck. Frank Still, of Highspire, the watchman at the crossing, who is believed to have been sleeping at the time of the accident, is in a serious condition at the Harrisburg Hospital.

Watchman Asleep? Still, the watchman who is believed to have been asleep at his post at the time of the accident, was injured when the train struck the truck, the rear end of which was swinging around and hit the watchman's box and knocked it down over a steep embankment.

The truck, one of five-ton capacity, was heavily loaded with cinder used for filling in purposes at the depot. Not noticing the approach of the fast train and not being flagged by the watchman, it dived on with the truck across the crossing, but had just started across the first track, the westbound passenger track, when the fast express struck the truck.

Thrown Thousand Feet Evidence of the speed with which the train was traveling is given by the fact that the lamp of the truck after being hurled through the air for a distance of a thousand feet, was imbedded six inches deep in one of the railroad ties.

Still Declared Sick G. W. Terry, an officer on duty at the Ordnance Depot at night said that he had gone to Still's watchbox at 2:30 o'clock and found the man comatose and not being well. At 3:25 o'clock, Terry again visited the sleeping man, but still appeared to be unwilling to get up.

C. S. Silger and A. A. Slavin, two government employees, who were aided in a structure near the scene of the accident, were awakened by the crash and rushed out to be of what assistance they could. They picked up the injured watchman and brought him to the Harrisburg Hospital in Silger's automobile.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cool to-night, with lowest temperature about 55 degrees; Sunday fair and slightly warmer.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Sunday; slightly warmer Sunday; light, variable winds, mostly northerly.

River The upper portion of the main river will begin to fall late this afternoon or to-night and the lower portion Sunday, by the amount of about 5.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

General Conditions The St. Lawrence Valley disturbance has passed off northeastward and a high pressure area from Western Canada has overspread the Middle Atlantic States and the country east of the Mississippi river, attended by somewhat lower temperature and a decrease in humidity.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 58. Sun: Rises, 5:35 a. m.; sets, 8:25 p. m.

Moist: First quarter, June 16. River Stage: 5.0 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 75. Lowest temperature, 57. Mean temperature, 66. Normal temperature, 70.

HUN DIVISIONS ARE REFORMING FOR NEW ASSAULT ON ALLIES

General Situation in France Not Seriously Affected by the Great Blows Enemy Has Struck This Spring Despite the Massed Number of Men Crown Prince Has Thrown Before the Allied Guns

EXPECT HEAVIEST BLOW IN THE PICARDY FIELD

Berlin Claims to Have Secured Great Amount of Booty and Ground as Result of Recent Offensives; Italian Troops Break Up Every Effort of Austrian Army to Sever Lines; Pass Safely Held

Allied strategy and tenacity in combat again have checked blows by masses of German troops as the German crown prince has given up his second offensive within a month without either of them having affected seriously the general situation on the western front.

South of the Somme and between the front and the railway, the military line has been above normal but there are no indications that the Germans are prepared to renew their offensive on either sector.

Yankee Bombers Busy Berlin reports the number of guns captured since May 27 by the crown prince as 1,020. In the latest offensive the Germans gained 180 square miles of territory and captured 15,000 prisoners and 150 guns.

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Italy Checks Advance Italian troops have checked successfully strong enemy attempts to force a passage through the important Tonale pass, northwest of Trent.

Work Trains Collide; Two Killed, 15 Hurt, in Cut Near Moosic Scranton, Pa., June 15.—Two men were killed and fifteen others injured when two work trains on the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valley (Laurel line) came together in a rock cut near Moosic, a few miles south of this city last evening.

New Hummelstown Bridge Approved by Grand Jury With the approval to-day by the Grand Jury of the report of viewers recommending a new bridge over Swatara creek on the main highway from Harrisburg to Reading, and located just east of Hummelstown, it is likely the County Commissioners will advertise at once for bids for the new structure which will replace an old wooden covered one.

WALK MORE SMOKELESS CUT DOWN IN EXPENSES War Stamps start at 25c

U-Boat Danger Not Serious

LONDON, June 15.—German submarine activity off the Atlantic Coast of the United States should not be taken very seriously, as the Germans probably will not attempt a blockade of the American shores. This is the opinion of Vice Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, first sea lord of the British Admiralty.

German ruthlessness at sea, the first sea lord declared, must be met by centralized warfare in the North Sea and in the Mediterranean.

YANKEE BIRDMEN DROP BOMBS ON GERMAN BASES

Americans Act Like Veterans in Thrilling Adventure in Air

With the American Army in France, Friday, June 14.—The first raid by an American bombing squadron behind the German lines was accomplished with successful and satisfactory results.

As they made their start for Germany the bombing planes received quite an ovation. A number of French and British aviators and officers cheered them from the flying field as they came racing down the grass, tilted upward and then turned north toward the enemy's lines.

Get Hot Reception The German anti-aircraft batteries gave them a hot reception as they crossed the front but this shelling was extremely tame compared with that to which they underwent as they approached Donny-Baroncourt.

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Acid Thrown in N. Y. Street Inflicts Burns on Dozen Young Women New York, June 15.—Twelve young women were victims of strange attacks last night and early to-day when they were burned by an acid thrown from a bottle or squirted from a gun by an unidentified person.

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Weather Fair Next Week Washington, June 15.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the weather bureau to-day, are: North and Middle Atlantic States, generally fair, showers in New England probably about Wednesday. Moderate temperatures.

PERSHING SCRAPS ARMY'S WHISKERS

Washington, June 15.—A beardless American Army will fight democracy's battles in France. On the theory that a fellow fight, neither by his face is devoid of a three days' growth of beard, General Pershing has supplied every soldier in the American Expeditionary Forces with a razor. The shaving injunction is a once over every day.

GOOD SPEAKERS WILL ADDRESS TONIGHT'S RALLY

Patriotic Mass Meeting to Be One of Most Important Since War Began

Of course, you are going to the hall of the House of Representatives to-night for the most important patriotic rally since the beginning of the war. Under the auspices of the Pennsylvania branch of the American League to Win the War—the League to Enforce Peace—important action will be taken with respect to the attitude of the people of this community as representative of the Commonwealth.

Arrangements for the rally have been made by Dr. J. T. Rothrock, the secretary of the league, and in addition to some eloquent speech-making there will be music and community singing.

Dr. Rothrock will present Bishop James Henry Darlington as chairman of the meeting and the Rev. Dr. George E. Hawes will make the invocation. One of the most eloquent speakers from the western front has been ordered here and will be among the speakers. Others who have consented to make addresses are Professor Smith Burnham, of West Chester and W. D. E. Ainey, chairman of the Public Service Commission.

Those who have men in the service are especially urged to be present to-night. There will be no tickets of admission nor will there be any appeal for funds. It is purely a patriotic rally with a view to developing the work of the organization which is formulating already the constructive peace plan which must be adopted when the Hun shall have been crushed.

Reading Inspector Quits After Long Service Record

T. E. Hasenbruch, fuel and locomotive inspector on the Reading system, has resigned. Mr. Hasenbruch has been with the company for a number of years. He will be succeeded by H. W. Cathcart, now assistant fuel and locomotive inspector.

WAR GUIDES TO DIRECT RETAIL TRADE IN CITY

Mercantile Committee Named by Authority of Federal Director E. L. Fell

The Mercantile Committee, which will outline regulations for the conduct of retail merchandise establishments during the war, was announced by J. William Bowman, chairman, and Warren R. Jackson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, this morning.

The committee was appointed at the suggestion of E. Lawrence Fell, Federal director of mercantile economy for Pennsylvania, who addressed the meeting of merchants at Farnesstock Hall Monday evening. J. William Bowman was made chairman, with power to appoint a committee to aid him in formulating regulations to be observed by all the merchants of the city.

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THREATEN STRIKE It is rumored that carpenters employed on government operations at Spiedtown will strike if their customary bonus is not continued to-day. Efforts are being made by the men in charge of the work to avert the strike.

800,000 TROOPS ARE IN FRANCE; SHIPS HOLD KEY

Number of U. S. Fighters Going Overseas Is Limited Only by Capacity

VITAL TO SEND QUICKLY Importance of Holding Allied Line From Rheims to Sea Paramount

Washington, June 15.—More than 800,000 American troops have been sent to France and the government expects to have a million there by July 1.

This disclosure was made to-day by General Peyton C. March, Chief of Staff, at his first weekly conference with newspaper correspondents, and at an earlier conference of War Department officials with members of the Senate Military Committee.

General March summarized the battle situation as it stands to-day with four distinct phases of the great German offensive halted, but with its final battle still to come. To meet the emergency, he added, only lack of shipping facilities is limiting the rush of American troops to the fighting front.

Points Out Fighting The newspaper conference was held in the rooms of the war council. On the walls were great maps showing the battle fronts and as General March talked he pointed to the rows of colored pins that marked each phase of the fighting.

Up to the present time the bulge the Germans have made in the allied line has added sixty-six miles of front to the allied lines from the channel of the sea, and a large number of additional allied forces have been absorbed into the work of holding the lines.

Rush of Men Imperative The Italian front situation was not discussed, and General March indicated that the Russian problem was still political rather than military and, therefore, not within his field of review.

American Ace Brings Down Five Boche Aviators in One Day of Fighting

Paris, June 15.—Sergeant David E. Putnam, of Brookline, Mass., is reported to have downed five Germans in one day. Three of the victories are now official and the other two are under investigation.

The feat accredited Sergeant Putnam is the most notable performed by any American aviator and has probably been eclipsed only once during the course of the war.

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American Batteries Hurl Thousands of Gas Shells Into Hun Lines on Marne

Washington, June 15.—In addition to last night's communication General Pershing officially reported to-day the downing of two enemy machines yesterday by American aviators. Aside from heavy shelling by both sides, northwest of Chateau Thierry, the dispatch said, there was nothing else to report.

AN INCH OF SNOW AT ELLENTON, PA.

With over an inch of snow reported at Ellenton, near here, last night, new cold weather records for June were established in this city and other nearby sections. The official thermometer here registered a minimum of 43 degrees early this morning while in the mountainous sections it had dropped nearly to the freezing point.

BUHL ESTATE GOES TO WAR VICTIMS AND SHARON CITY

Two Millions For Belgian Relief and Remainder For His Home Town

Sharon, Pa., June 15.—Men are building different monuments nowadays. Service is the motive. Two million dollars for the relief of war sufferers in Belgium and northern France is set aside in the will of Frank H. Buhl, retired steel manufacturer, who died last Friday.

Markham Names Ewing as Head of Reading Railway Philadelphia, June 15.—C. H. Markham, federal railroad director for the Allegheny region, announced to-day the appointment of Charles H. Ewing as federal manager of the Reading Railway and the Central Railroad of New Jersey, with office in Philadelphia.

EMMA EICHELBERGER GETS 4 MONTHS Harrisburg—Emma Eichelberger, convicted on charges of selling liquor without license and conducting a bawdy house was sentenced by Judge McCarrell to four months in jail, costs of prosecution, \$515 fine.

RANDALL MOVES AGAIN FOR PROHIBITION Washington—Another attempt to force the prohibition issue was made in the House to-day by Representative Randall, of California, who introduced a resolution calling on the food administration to report to the House the quantity of foodstuffs used in the production of alcohol for the manufacture of explosives and munitions.

CHARGED WITH TREASON TO BRITAIN London—Charles Alfred Vernon, said to have been employed in the ministry of munitions, was charged in Bow street police court to-day with conspiring with Sir Joseph Jones, former lord mayor of Sheffield, who was recently arrested on the charge of having communicated information useful to the enemy.

AIRPLANE MACHINIST KILLED

Key West, Fla.—William D. Jones, Unisdale, Pa., a machinist mate at the naval air school here, was killed yesterday when his body caught in the propeller of a hydro-airplane. He sustained a compound fracture of the skull.

CRISIS IMMINENT IN AUSTRIA

Amsterdam—There are rumors here of rioting in Vienna. The people are crying for peace at any price and a crisis in the affairs of the government is imminent.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Russell Guy Nesbitt, Steelton, and Dorothy R. Buser, Bressler; Herbert A. Brubaker, Waynesboro, and Della M. Allison, Williamsport; Sabatino Businella and Annina Plebani, Hershey; Benjamin F. Harman, Sunbury, and Emma R. Stone, Williamsport; Louis H. Bell, Philadelphia, and Sara Norr, Carlisle.

DOUBLE MURDER CASE IS PUT IN HANDS OF JURY

Tillie Dale Pleads Guilty to Charge of Conducting Disorderly House

OTHER JURY DISAGREES One Holds Out For Conviction of Eichelberger Woman on Similar Charge

Juries in the case of Benjamin, alias "Preacher" Johnson, charged with murder, and in the suit against Emma Eichelberger, charged with selling liquor without a license and conducting a disorderly house, were out at an early hour this afternoon, the jury in the latter case coming into court for a few minutes to announce their verdict.

Postmaster Sites Named War Stamps Chairman Postmaster Frank C. Sites was today appointed as chairman of the War Savings Committee for Dauphin county, to succeed William M. Donaldson, who was compelled to relinquish the work because of business.

CLEVELAND PAPERS RAISE PRICE Cleveland, Ohio, June 15.—Effective June 17, the price of the Cleveland News and Cleveland Press, afternoon dailies, will be advanced to 2 cents.