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CITY'S HOUSING POOR AND SCANT SAYS M'FARLAND

At Least 200 More Dwellings Needed, Says Committee Chairman

CHAMBER NEED OF FINANCES Chamber of Commerce Plans to Enlist Aid of Businessmen

WILL SEEK LEGISLATION Few Laws of Little Less Importance Than Prohibition Measure

To provide adequate homes for the working people of Harrisburg at least 200 more houses are needed. So states J. Horace McFarland, chairman of the newly-formed housing committee of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce.

It is well known that Harrisburg's housing is poor in quality and scant in quantity, said Mr. McFarland. As a result of the Chamber of Commerce housing survey last year it was found that the city has less than one per cent. of unoccupied properties, when five per cent. is regarded as a minimum safe margin.

Money Is Needed "There is one thing missing and that is the money. I hope that the energetic work of these experts will result in providing funds for the housing, as they are now provided for farmers.

Mr. McFarland was highly pleased with the selection of the committee behind him in the local housing campaign. "I have an exceptionally strong committee and know of no better hands of men to work together on this important subject," he said.

Body of Fire Boss Killed Under Big Coal Slide Is Found by Searching Party

Williamstown, Pa., Jan. 18.—The body of Charles Barry, fire boss at the Susquehanna Coal Company mine here, who was buried in a fall of coal on Wednesday, was found last night by searching parties who had been at work since the time of the accident.

Moody Week With Much Rain Predicted

Washington, Jan. 18.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the Weather Bureau to-day, are: North and Middle Atlantic States; temperature near or above normal and considerable cloudiness and occasional rains or snows.

Confesses Slaying of New York Stenographer

Yonkers, N. Y., Jan. 18.—While a police officer of New York was still arching to-day for the man who murdered 17-year-old Elizabeth Mary O'Connell, a stenographer, in the borough of Queens in that city on Wednesday night, Patrick McGinnis, 37 years old, confessed in court to-day after he asserted that he was guilty of the murder.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain this afternoon, probably continuing into the night, somewhat colder to-night, with lowest temperature about freezing Sunday forenoon. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain this afternoon and to-night; somewhat colder to-night; Sunday fair; fresh east, shifting to strong northwest winds to-night.

New Map of the Great American Desert



COMMERCE BODY MAPS OUT WORK FOR NEXT YEAR

Members Join in Shaping of Plans For Chamber's Activities For 1919

Determined upon a policy of aggressive activities for the accomplishment of civic improvements during 1919, the new administration of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce has lost no time in preparing plans for a number of important undertakings to be carried through this year.

Housing, a hospital for contagious diseases, and a soldiers' memorial have been suggested as first among the undertakings to receive consideration. The commerce body already has taken preliminary action on these.

But in order that every member can express his opinion of the most vital work to be undertaken by the organization, George S. Reinhold, president, has written a letter to each member, requesting his advice on what the chamber should do.

Each member has been asked to express his opinions on the following questions: What do you expect the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce to do for the promotion of your line of business or activity? What, in your opinion as a citizen, is the thing of first importance to be done for the community as a whole?

Three Prisoners Accused of Trying to Kill Fellow Prisoner

Bloomington, Jan. 18.—Sergeant Gordon W. Hardy is home from the war. He is home alive, despite the fact that eight times his name has been mentioned in the official casualty lists.

NATION CALLED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO ROOSEVELT

Washington, Jan. 18.—By direction of Secretary of War Baker, Grosvenor E. Clark, director of the Council of National Defense, to-day requested all state, county, community and municipal councils of defense to do everything possible to make successful the nation-wide arrangements for memorial services for Theodore Roosevelt, to be held February 9 at the same time that services are held by Congress.

NEW HOTEL STOCK MAY SOON PAY TEN PER CENT.

Penn-Harris Already Assured of Success, Says the Manager That Penn-Harris Hotel stock will be the premier local security in a very short time and will be a ten per cent. investment in five years, the prediction of William T. Hildrup, Jr., at an opening celebration, in the history of Pennsylvania inaugurations is now indicated.

EIGHT TIMES ON CASUALTY LIST BUT HOME SAFE

Burnham Boy Twice Gassed and Spent Nine Weeks in German Prison Camp

LAST DETAIL FOR THE INAUGURAL IS NOW READY

All Former Exercises to Be Outdone by Splendid Ceremonies

The finishing touches to the preparations for the inaugural ceremonies on Tuesday are rapidly being added to-day, but the committee in charge of the arrangements expects to be quite busy all day tomorrow and Monday making ready for Tuesday's events.

AMERICAN FORCES IN LATE ZONE OF WAR TO BE SMALL

Total Now Listed For Demobilization Is 1,177,000 Soldiers

Washington, Jan. 18.—American forces in France and in the occupied territory of Germany are to be reduced to the minimum strength, "consistent with our national obligations," General March said to-day. He added that Marshal Foch had been informed of this policy by General Pershing.

WORRIES OF WAR PRESS HARD ON FORMER KAISER

Amsterdam, Holland, Jan. 18.—William Hohenzollern's illness, which has been principally in the form of chills, is being aggravated by his constant worry, the effects of which are plainly visible in his features and his general physical condition.

USE OF PRISON LABOR ON ROADS URGED BY JURY

County Officials Commended For Condition of Jail and Almshouse

94 TRUE BILLS FOUND Work of Week Concluded With Inspection of County Property

Commending the employment of prisoners in the building and repair of roads in the county, the grand jury at the January criminal court sessions, in its report to the court to-day, recommended that the prison authorities should continue this system.

During the last few months of 1918 about a score of prisoners were employed through the State Highway Department building a road near Shrewsbury. Others serving sentences were at work at the county almshouse farm during the summer.

The prisoner inspectors and those in charge at the jail, and the county poor directors and the grand jury officials are commended for the excellent conditions as found at these institutions by the grand jurors.

President Judge George Kunkel, when he received the report of the grand jury, said that it was a source of much satisfaction to the taxpayers of the county to know that the institutions where unfortunate persons were housed were kept in sanitary condition and properly managed.

Heavy Sentences With a record of three sentences in the Dauphin county court and also to have served time on sentences in Cumberland and Lancaster counties, James Savercool was given from three to five years in the penitentiary by Judge Kunkel, when he pleaded guilty to charges of breaking into the offices of the W. L. Pike Shoe Company, Hummelstown, on November 20 and December 15, when he stole a typewriter, adding machine, roll top desk, chair, typewriter table and filing case, valued at \$300.

ONE PATIENT DIES AND THREE OTHERS ILL WITH INFLUENZA AT HOSPITAL

One death due to influenza occurred at the Harrisburg hospital this morning and three other patients are in a critical condition. Mrs. Elmer Swigert, aged 26, Linglestown, died at 7:55 o'clock. Her son, William, aged six, also is at the hospital with influenza. Mrs. Swigert was admitted Thursday night in a serious condition.

EVERY CENT OF BALL TICKETS TO GO TO CHARITY

Fancy Costumes in Great Demand For Annual Event at the Penn-Harris

So complete are the arrangements for the Charity Ball to be held at the Penn-Harris Hotel a week from Friday night that every penny of the several thousand dollars which will be received from the sale of tickets will go to the Associated Aid Society.

SHAFFER SAILS FOR HOME ON THE LORRAINE

Dauphin Aviator Expects to Be With Family in Few Weeks

OUT OF FRENCH SERVICE Boards Passenger Vessel For America at Port of Bordeaux



Walter Shaffer, Dauphin flyer who distinguished himself as a member of the Lafayette Escadrille of the French flying corps during the war, and who won a Croix de Guerre for heroic service while in action, expects to be home within a short time, he has cabled his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Shaffer.

Shaffer set sail on the Atlantic to-day from the port of Bordeaux on the Lorraine steamer. He was released from a Hun prison camp at the conclusion of the war, after he had fallen behind the German lines and been taken a prisoner during a raid by the French flyers. One balloon and one Hun aeroplane were brought to earth by the Dauphin lad.

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PEACE FOR WHOLE WORLD STARTS IN FRANCE'S CAPITAL

All Delegations Hold Their Final Meetings Prior to the Formal Session to Begin in Paris This Afternoon

SPEECHES AT OPENING ONLY BY POINCARÉ AND CLEMENCEAU

Paris, Jan. 18.—The peace conference was formally opened this afternoon with a speech by President Poincaré.

With the assembling of the first full session of the peace congress to-day the prospects of the notable assemblage of statesmen making rapid progress with its work seem enhanced by the apparent defeat of Bolshevism in Germany, thus opening the way to the stabilizing of the government and the prospect of its being able to send responsible representatives to the conference.

Poincaré Thanks Allies President Poincaré thanked the allied nations for their having chosen Paris for their important work and praised the valor of the allied armies which had preserved the capital of France from the enemy.

"Gentlemen: France greets and thanks you for having chosen as the seat of your labors the city which for more than four years the enemy has made his principal military objective and which the valor of the allied armies victoriously defended against an unceasingly renewed offensives. See Homage in Meeting Permit me to see in your de-

GERMANS MUST PAY FOR WAR

Paris, Jan. 18.—Marshal Foch, according to the Matin, will immediately break off the armistice with Germany if the conditions of the armistice are not fulfilled. The Allied commander-in-chief, the paper adds, does not believe that the Germans exaggerate when they cry "famine." The situation of the populations of Austria and Prussia, the marshal is quoted as saying, is near the starvation point. Germany still possesses an army, the marshal declared, but the Allies hold the Rhine, which constitutes a formidable strategical barrier. Marshal Foch is said to have declared he did not believe that a Bolshevist invasion through Germany to France was possible.

AWAIT WILSON'S RETURN

Chicago—Members of the committee of five appointed by the National Labor Congress to go to Washington to seek federal intervention for Thomas J. Mooney and Warren Billings, now serving life sentences in a California prison, said to-day the fulfillment of their mission would probably depend on the time of President Wilson's return from Europe.

WILSON TO VISIT WAR TORN REGIONS

Paris—President Wilson will avail himself of the first opportunity between the meetings of the peace delegations at the French foreign office to visit the devastated regions of France.

WAR COSTS BERLIN INCONVENIENCE

Berlin—Berlin's interurban railway has been compelled to suspend operations as a result of the delivery of its best locomotives to the entente powers. The 494 now in running condition, it is declared, are hardly adequate to carry provisions and coal to Berlin.

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New York—The American steamship President Grant and the battleship South Dakota arrived to-day from Brest with troops.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Martin W. Corman, Harrisburg, and Mabel E. Sheeler, Washington Heights; Frederick D. W. Myers, Harrisburg, and Sarah E. Brackbill, Port Royal.