

TRAFFIC RATES MUST INCREASE IS PREDICTION

Official Says the Government Must Provide Additional Revenue at Once

Carlisle, Pa., May 30.—Frank P. Fayant, assistant to the chairman of the Association of Railway Executives and publicity representative for the organization, appeared before a largely attended luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce under the presidency of Dr. Guy Carleton Lee yesterday and summarized the financial situation of the railroads under government ownership, calling particular attention to the relation existing between prospective receipts and expenses.

Mr. Fayant's announcement as to the probability of an increase in railroad rates in the near future is the first authoritative utterance on the subject. He predicted beneficial results for the railroads, after their return to private ownership.

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Tech Athletes All Fit For the Big Meet at Island Tomorrow

V. Grant Forrer, assistant superintendent of parks and secretary of the Harrisburg Track Athletic Committee, announced to-day that everything promises a huge crowd at the island to-morrow afternoon when the interscholastic track and field meet scheduled for last week, will take place. The pictures shown here give some idea of what Harrisburg has in store in the way of victory and Keane, Malick, Beck, Garrett and Hoffmeyer will be counted on to give the visiting athletes all they can take care of.

The array of visitors is to include Williamsport, Reading, Stetson, for sure, and Carlisle, Lansford and Lewistown fairly certain to show up. Tickets secured for the meet last Saturday, May 24, will be good to-morrow.

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York Father of Triplets Doesn't Know if He's Glad

York, Pa., May 30.—"I hardly know whether I should expect congratulations or sympathy," was the statement made to-day by George H. Billet when informed that the stork had visited his home and left male triplets. "It certainly is coming pretty hard to have such a sudden increase in the family when the cost of living is so high," declared the father. The mother of the three babies is 25 years old and weighs 95 pounds.

DIAMONDS DIPPED IN GOAT'S BLOOD BURST

New York.—In an article on the diamonds of the Kimberly Mines, Dr. J. R. Sutton discusses the origin of the numerous broken fragments of diamond found in that region.

One hypothesis current, says the Scientific American, on the subject is that these fragments owe their condition to violent eruptive outbursts which shattered the rocks in which they occur. Another common belief is that certain classes of diamonds frequently break spontaneously.

One authority states that light brown, smoky diamonds often crack on exposure to the dry air, but they will remain intact if kept in a moist place. In accordance with this notion there is a popular story of South Africa diamonds being sent to England inside potatoes.

Crookes, in his Kimberly lecture, seems to attribute the fractures to the sudden lowering of pressure in the space surrounding diamonds, and speaks of consequent explosion. Doctor Sutton says he has met plenty of people who have heard of the bursting of diamonds, but none who ever witnessed this phenomenon with their own eyes.

This idea of the bursting of diamonds is of high antiquity. Albertus Magnus says that a diamond immersed in the fresh-warm blood of a goat will burst—especially if the animal had previously browsed on parsley or drunk wine. Pliny vouchsafes a similar notion.

Doctor Sutton believes that in a majority of cases the breaking of diamonds has been due to the energy exerted by the mineral inclusions which they so often contain. These are most frequently garnet, but sometimes zircon, lime-nite, iron pyrites and possibly chlorite. The thermal expansion of nearly all crystals, except those of the beryl family, at ordinary temperatures, is much greater than that of the diamond.

If the same is true under plutonic conditions of heat and temperature, differences in the rate of expansion and contraction of the diamond and its inclusion could account for the shattering.

COSTLY ECONOMY John D. Ryan, copper king and air expert, said at a luncheon: "Look out for the manager who is always talking about retrenchment. He's apt to resemble Blink."

"Mr. Blink," said a clerk, "I wish you'd get in some blotting paper, sir."

"Humph!" Blink grunted. "Blotting paper's gone up. The staff will do without blotting paper hereafter, and wait for the ink to dry."—Galveston Tribune.

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"Just Didn't Think," Says Bride of Two

Cleveland, Ohio, May 30.—Mrs. Minnie Hetch, alleged soldier-love profiteer, who is charged with having collected the government allowance as the dependent wife of both William Hetch and Ralph Cottrell, told the presiding municipal court judge here when arraigned on a warrant for bigamy that she "just didn't think."

She said she married Cottrell under the erroneous impression that Hetch, her true husband, had obtained a divorce prior to her marriage to Cottrell. The first marriage was in 1915. The wedding in which Cottrell was a principal was shortly before he entered the service. She will face the grand jury.

ALBATROSS ARE CAUGHT WITH HOOK AND LINE

Boston.—Curious though it may seem, it is a fact that birds are caught with rod and line in many parts of the world. The pastime is regarded to be almost as fascinating as fishing. Gulls in Newfoundland are caught in this way in large quantities. In New England fishing for gulls and petrels is an important industry.

The method of bird fishing is practically the same as that of ordinary fishing. Two men go out in a dory and throw pieces of cod liver on the water. When large quantities of birds have been attracted to the spot, more cod liver is thrown out on a hook. This the birds greedily swallow and thus fall easy victims.

Albatross are fished for in the same way off the Cape of Good Hope. A piece of pork is attached to a long line and thrown overboard. The bird will eye it for a long time, gradually and cautiously making it. Suddenly he will seize it and hold it in his beak. When he dis- covers that he is caught, he will sit on the water and vigorously flap his wings. However, he will be drawn into the boat and made a captive.

Albatross fishing is rood sport, since the bird requires careful handling. So long as he nuzzles against the line it is easy enough. The moment however, he swims forward the hook will drop from his beak unless it is skillfully manipulated, and the bird will find himself free.

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General Strike in Toronto Is Called by Committee

Toronto, May 30.—A general strike in sympathy with the metal workers will go into effect in this city at 10 o'clock this morning. The final call for the walkout came shortly after midnight when the central strike committee of fifteen declined the offer of the employers in the metal trades to arbitrate the question of a 44-hour week.

CONFESS KILLING OF MAN

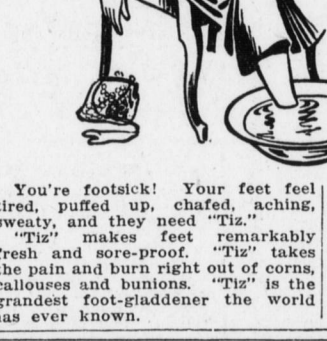
Lancaster, Pa., May 30.—District Attorney Hosterman announced this afternoon that Petro Scortio, held for the murder of Bruno Trotiano, Tuesday night, near York Furnace, had confessed, implicating Frank Capp, who is also held. Scortio said he shot Trotiano and Capp beat him down with a billy, after Scortio had threatened to "try out his gun."

MY FIRST LAUGH IN BELLEAU WOODS

The Seventh Infantry had come up the night before and relieved some of the marines, but the machine gunners stayed in. In the morning as I was standing my gun watch, one of the infantrymen came along and asked: "Say, can you tell me da way to da Eytalian headquarters?"

"To the what," I asked. "To da Eytalian headquarters," he repeated. I looked at him for a moment, and then it dawned on me. I pointed out the way to battalion headquarters. — Corporal G. I. Syverson, Company C, Sixth Machine Gun Battalion, in The Indian, published at Neuweid-on-the-Rhine.

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