



BRUNNER HERE TO RUSH PLANS FOR BUILDING

Street Changes to Be Made in Conformity With Whole Park Scheme
CITY ORDINANCES GO IN Provide For Transfer of the \$300,000 Bridge Fund and Incidentals

Arnold W. Brunner, of New York, the State's consulting architect, was here today in consultation with State officials and went over details of the drawings of the proposed office building and the Memorial bridge with Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings Thomas E. Templeton. In the meantime City Council was active in introducing legislation to look after the municipality's part in the great program.

Mr. Brunner says that upon the urgent request of the State officials he is rushing the detailed plans for the office building to be erected in Capitol Park extension area, but that he is of the opinion that the widening of Walnut and Third streets should not be attempted until the State is ready and has the funds to go ahead with the general reconstruction planned for the eastern entrance to the Capitol grounds. Mr. Brunner says that the question of widening the streets by taking away the sidewalks and thus giving additional width to the streets is a simple one, but that such a move is overweighed by the element of safety which would enter into such work.

Element of Safety
Until the State is ready to proceed with the general frontage scheme, which includes a raised terrace and walk around the Third and Walnut street sides of the present grounds and new entrances at State and Walnut streets, Mr. Brunner thinks it would be unwise to start any of this work. He further says that by attempting all the work at one time would mean that Fourth, Third and Walnut streets would be tied up for traffic while the new office building construction is taken upon by the Fourth street side would be affected.

Mr. Brunner says that by removing the sidewalks and allowing the present steps and entrances, would force pedestrians to step right out into the street traffic and that there would be considerable danger at all times of persons being struck by automobiles.

The plans for the office building are fast reaching completion and within the next month they are expected to be ready to ask for bids for construction. The Board of Public Grounds and Buildings was expected to meet with Mr. Brunner today but owing to the absence of Governor Sproul the meeting was postponed.

On First Reading
City Council acted on first reading ordinances which include provisions of the recent act relating to the Capitol Park improvements. Recently City Solicitor John E. Fox was authorized to prepare all necessary city legislation for council action and to-day through Commissioner W. H. Lynch the ordinances were presented.

One of them provides that the State shall have the right to occupy State street from a point in the park extension area to a line of Thirtieth street, to be used for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial bridge; that the city will give \$300,000 toward the expense of erecting the bridge, (the money to be provided by transferring the Walnut street bridge loan by a vote in November) and the city agreeing to maintain the roadways and sidewalks on the bridge. A provision also made that if street railway companies are given the right to place lines on the bridge an agreement must be reached with the corporation and the municipality for maintaining the roadway between the car tracks.

Another ordinance which was introduced provides that buildings to be erected in the future along the property one block north and one block south of the new Memorial bridge, must be approved by the State Art Commission, the State is liable for all consequential damages.

Next week an ordinance will be passed on first reading authorizing a vote in the city in November on the transfer of the \$300,000 bridge fund so that it can be paid over to the State.

Germans Very Bitter Over Seizure of Property

Washington, Aug. 12.—Publication in Germany of the alien property custodian's report dealing with the seizure of enemy property in this country has evoked a storm of press criticism which the American mission in an official cablegram made public to-day described as "very bitter."

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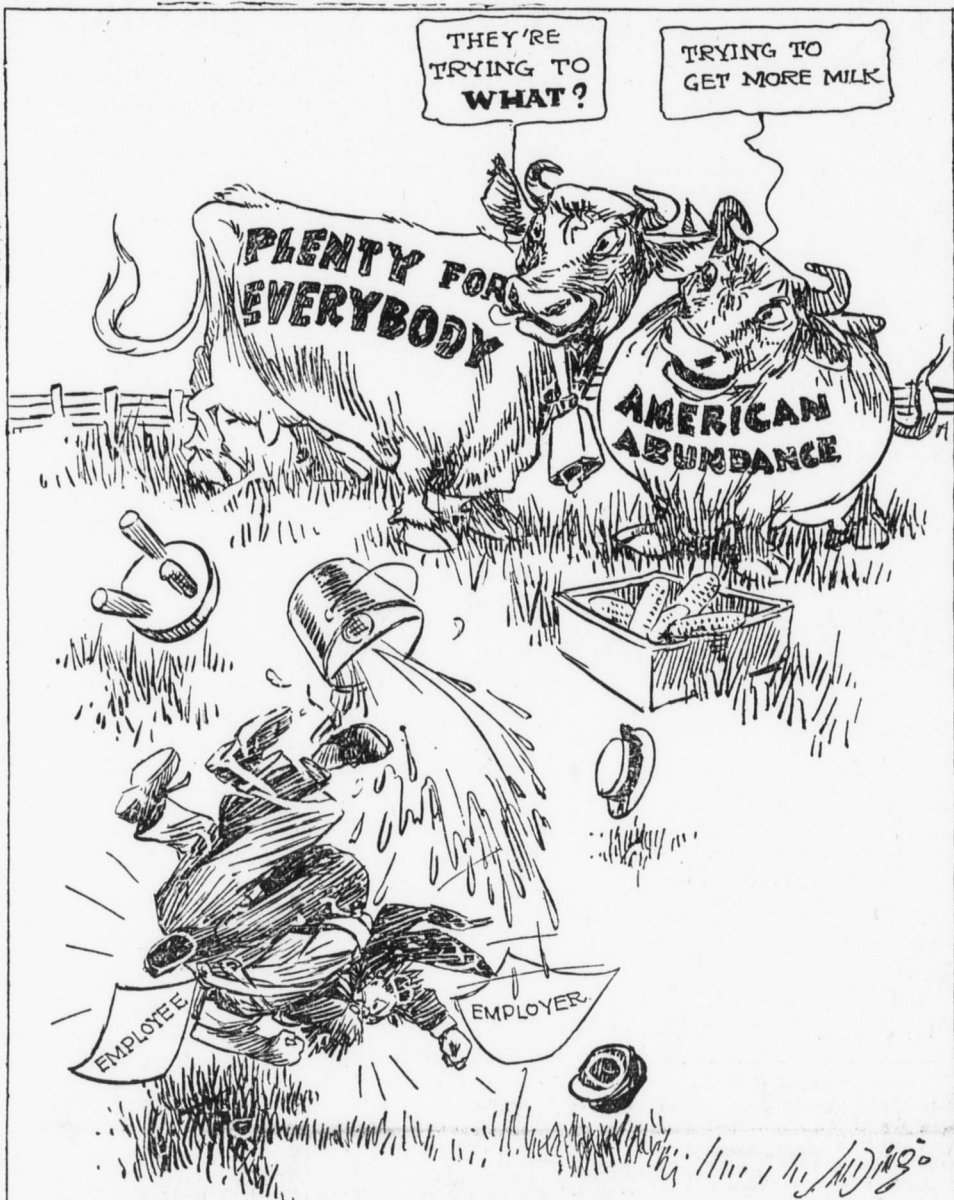
The striking shopmen in plants near the city appear to be firm in their determination to hold out against instructions of the international officers and the appeal of President Wilson, but from many other parts of the country, reports came that thousands of men had already gone back to work or would return to-day.

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What Fools These Mortals Be



\$100,000 NEEDED TO EXTEND CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM

Harrisburg's Growth Said to Be Hindered by Lack of Drainage

Commissioner W. H. Lynch to-day asked other members of City Council to approve an ordinance asking the voters to approve a \$100,000 loan for new sewers.

In his statement Mr. Lynch asks that trunk sewers be constructed in Shamokin street, and along the State Hospital grounds, in addition to the large one to be extended along Spring creek.

The ordinance providing for a vote on the loan probably will be passed finally in a week or two. The question of the city's indebtedness is to be increased for these important sanitary improvements will be submitted to the voters in November.

Mr. Lynch's statement to Council follows in part:

Lynch's Statement
"We have the fact before us that because of its rapid growth, there are many parts of this city where it is impossible, without additional trunk sewers to drain many houses now constructed using pits, and this condition prevents the building of homes in most desirable sections, which homes are at present so badly needed. It is unnecessary to say that cess pools are very expensive to maintain, and very annoying and insanitary. Because of the topography of this city with its outlying hills, it is impossible to further extend the present sewer, and new conduits should be constructed, reaching through lowlands the locations spoken of above. Spring creek sanitary sewer should be extended eastward along the creek from Nineteenth street to near the almshouse, and then

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EUROPE BUYS AMERICAN FOOD MUCH CHEAPER

Wilson's \$100,000,000 Fund For Feeding People of Continent Draws Fire
BUSHY DAYS IN CONGRESS Both Houses Devoting Time to Consideration of Laws to Bring Prices Down

Washington, Aug. 12.—Living problems continue to absorb much of the attention of Congress. Federal supervision of the issuance of stocks and certificates has been proposed in the Senate and the cold storage regulation suggested by President Wilson is before the House agricultural committee.

While Congress went ahead with consideration of various bills and suggestions for legislative relief Attorney General Palmer continued negotiations with representatives of his department of state, city and county agents throughout the country for co-operation to bring about lower prices for the necessities of life.

Retail Dealers Feel Pinch
Coincident with the announcement by the War Department that prices of surplus Army food would be reduced from time to time to conform to reductions in the retail market on similar commodities, which was taken here as an indication that retail dealers already were beginning to feel the effects of the Government's action in placing the vast quantities of stores on the market, it was announced last night that the War Department also would offer to the public two million surplus blankets. These include practically all grades and range in price from \$6 for the best all-wool to \$1.25 for reclaimed cotton blankets.

Sale and distribution of the blankets will be conducted through post office and municipal channels on the same plan that foodstuffs are being handled.

Garretson Makes Charges
A. B. Garretson, former head of the Order of Railway Conductors, told the House Interstate Commerce Committee to-day that operating officials in charge of railroads during Government control were actuated by the one desire of demonstrating that government ownership was not best for the country.

"Exactly the same operating force that built up a great surplus before the war created this big deficit," Garretson said.

"There could be no real test as to government operation so long as the future disposition of the roads had not been determined. Every effort was made to convince the people that private management was best."

"When the railroad official praises, he turns his face to Wall street, but once it is demonstrated, for instance, that the future will be government in Washington, I am sure he will serve the Government as earnestly as he can."

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FRENCH TO HAVE 23 CORPS

Paris, Monday, Aug. 11.—Demobilization of the military organization built up by France during the war is proceeding, and when it is completed the organization will be the same as in 1914 before the outbreak of the war. The French Army, if present plans are not changed, will comprise the 21 corps of 1914 and two corps created during the war.

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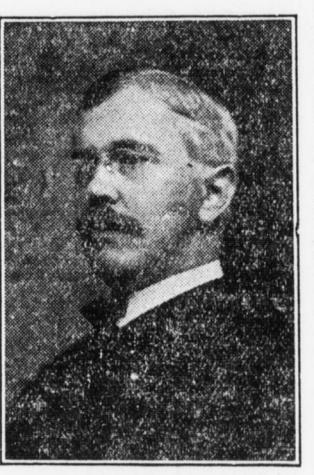
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F. B. WICKERSHAM TO RESUME HIS LEGAL PRACTICE

Assistant District Attorney to Quit His Office in January
SERVED TWENTY YEARS Convicted Many Murderers For Commonwealth During His Tenure in Office



FRANK B. WICKERSHAM

Frank B. Wickersham, assistant District Attorney since 1897, with the exception of a few years when he was a member of the House of Representatives, announced to-day that he will retire from the position of prosecuting attorney for the Commonwealth, which ends next January.

Mr. Wickersham is one of the best known members of the Dauphin county bar. For years he has resided in Steelton, and has been borough solicitor for thirty years. As assistant District Attorney he has been in the service of the county for twenty years, handling court cases with four District Attorneys of the county.

Mr. Wickersham began his work as a prosecuting attorney in 1897, with the late Meade D. DeWolfe, then District Attorney. In 1899, he became assistant to Albert Miller, an uncle of Albert Miller, one of the Representatives from Harrisburg at the last session of the Legislature.

Member of Legislature
Six years later Mr. Wickersham became assistant to John Fox Weiss, who was the next District Attorney. He prosecuted cases with Mr. Weiss for three years, and then was elected a member of the Legislature, attending the sessions of 1905, 1906 and 1907. At the expiration of Mr. Weiss' term, Michael E. Stroup, the present District Attorney, was elected, and he named Mr. Wickersham an assistant, after the latter had not appeared as a prosecuting attorney for a lapse of about four years while in the House of Representatives. Since 1912, however, he has served as an assistant continuously.

A feature of Mr. Wickersham's long service is the number of murder cases he has handled, either for the prosecution or in defense. Probably no other attorney in the county bar has appeared in more cases as counsel on one or the other side in homicide trials.

During the second term when Mr. Weiss was District Attorney Mr. Wickersham together with W. Justin Carter, defended Josephovic, a foreigner charged with murdering his wife and then shooting himself. He recovered from the self-inflicted wound and was placed on trial. Mr. Wickersham with Mr. Carter, defended him and W. Harry Musser was the prosecuting attorney. For

DENIES NEGOTIATION CHARGE

Berlin, Monday, Aug. 11.—Dr. George Michaelis, former imperial chancellor, has sent to German newspapers, a statement declaring he did not refuse to negotiate with England through Pope Benedict in 1917, as has been alleged by Premier Bauer in recent published statements.

AMERICANS LIKE TO TAKE CHANCES

Rome, Monday, Aug. 11.—Professor Luigi Luzzatti, former Premier, for a lapse of thousands of letters from America which demonstrate the love of Americans for taking a chance. This avalanche of correspondence, which the aged statesman showed the correspondent to-night, was filled with checks for amounts varying from \$1 to \$100, the aggregate running up into the thousands. The letters implored the former Premier to reserve tickets in the gigantic international lottery which the letters asserted he is conducting to pay the cost of the war.

"The proposal for an international lottery was widely published in the French press," he said. "Such a scheme was shown me by an Italian some months ago, but I am not identical with it. In fact, at the time that I was interviewed regarding the plan I strongly disapproved of it. I hope Americans will forgive my inability to satisfy their appetite for a good game."

MANY RESIDENTS OF HARDSCRABBLE ASK FOR A SETTLEMENT

Majority of Property Holders Want to Get Money From City and Chance to Locate in New Neighborhoods
DELAY IN GETTING WORK DONE IS PROVING IRKSOME

Many of the property owners on the west side of North Front street, between Herr and Calder streets, the district known throughout Harrisburg as "Hardscrabble," are anxious now to have the city take over these properties which have been condemned and pay the values fixed upon them either by the board of viewers or by jury awards in court trials.

In August, 1914, the city began its action to take over the buildings, raze them, and convert the river front along this section into a continuation of the formal park. It is pointed out the longer the city waits the greater the hardship on the property owners. The price of properties is steadily rising and it is said that delays mean higher costs for men who must buy in other parts of the city.

Long in Courts
Much litigation followed. Appeals from the wards of the viewers, court trials, appeals from verdicts and the court's decision about legal points, all ended recently when the State Supreme Court, the highest judicial body in the State, passed on the legal points involved with the taking of the properties.

The only remaining action will be the payment of the amounts awarded as damages, so far as the property owners themselves are concerned, to be followed necessarily by the raising of the buildings and the park development.

After five years of delays and legal battles the owners in many instances want the city to end the whole question by paying over the money. The municipality has bonded itself to do this, and one of the property owners said that he is planning to go before the court in the fall and ask to have the money paid to him, or the ban removed from his property.

Ban on District
This ban, brought about by the condemnation proceedings, means that only necessary improvements have been made to the properties since 1914. A number of the dwellings are in need of repairs and improvements but the owners, realizing now that the city can at any time serve notice on them to leave, are only doing such repair work as is absolutely necessary.

The delay of the city is inconveniencing them and they declare that they want the whole question settled by the payment of the damages allowed them.

A few of the owners are not anxious to leave, but they said that as the cases have been carried to the Supreme Court and a final ruling has been made, they realize that they must go.

Harry J. Berrier, known as the "Mayor of Hardscrabble" who for many months opposed the city's move to take over these properties, [Continued on Page 17.]

CHARGING BULL DERAILS CAR ON EDGE OF BANK

Beaver Falls, Pa., Aug. 12.—A score of persons narrowly escaped death or serious injury when a bull, escaped from a field, charged a Harmony Route interurban car at Eckert Stop, between Ellwood City and Zellen-ople, late yesterday, derailing the car, which was brought to a stop on the edge of a sixty-foot embankment. None of the persons aboard the car was injured, but the bull was killed by the collision.

AGRICULTURISTS DEMAND CHANGED WHEAT STANDARD

Farmers Charge Producers Are Defrauded and Consumers Get No Benefit

Washington, Aug. 12.—Demands that changes be made in government standards under the price guarantee act, "so as not to penalize every grower of wheat," were made in a statement prepared by Chairman Gronna and representatives of farm organizations and approved to-day by the Senate agricultural committee.

Chairman Gronna announced that a committee would be named to present the demands to Julius H. Barnes, president of the United States Grain Corporation, and representatives of the Department of Agriculture in the hope of having modified various government regulations by which it was charged "the producers are defrauded and the consumers receive no benefit."

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LIGHT SITUATION DUE TO ACCIDENT DIEHL REPORTS

Preliminary Report Shows Outrages Due to Coincidence

In a preliminary report to Council to-day, City Electrician Clark E. Diehl said the conditions which caused Councilman's action last Tuesday, was a coincidence rather than a usual occurrence, because two circuits were out of service, but he declared that too many lights in scattered districts of the city, are out or give poor light.

Assurances that larger forces will be over the city to remedy this situation have been given. Mr. Diehl said, and until he has time to observe the [Continued on Page 10.]

C. E. UNION TO OPEN A STATE OFFICE HERE

Haines A. Reichel Named General Secretary For Pennsylvania Work

Headquarters of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union will be located in this city, it has just been announced. Plans now provide for the opening of these headquarters on September 10. Haines A. Reichel, of Columbus, O., newly appointed secretary, will be in charge.

Mr. Reichel has been field secretary and intermediate superintendent [Continued on Page 8.]

1,000 YOUS AND MES SOON TO KER-CHOO IN UNISON

Hay Fever Is Upon Us With an Evil Will, Say the Medical Sharps, Who Predict Many Weary Days Yet to Come

Ker-choo!

The hay-fever season is among us. So say the medical authorities.

They say also that you or me or 1,000 of the other yous and mes of Harrisburg will be suffering with the affliction before many days have passed. In fact, approximately 1,000 cases, or about one-half of one percent of the population will be "ker-chooing" for dear life, by the twentieth day of the month.

In fact, so sure are members of the medical profession of the city of their ground, that they are making extensive preparations to care for their patients who may be stricken by the catarrhal affection of the mucous membrane of the eyes and nose, and respiratory apparatus.

Some few cases have already appeared, it is reported, and numerous persons are bemoaning their ill luck at having inhaled the pollen of various plants.

But the end is not yet, and you may now escape, no matter how good your fortune has been in this respect in previous years.

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WAR LABOR BOARD TO COMPLETE WORK

New York—The National War Labor Board which convened to-day to consider wage disputes on street cars in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Ohio, announced it would officially end its jurisdiction over labor troubles after the meeting here adjourns.

CARNEGIE FUNERAL THURSDAY

Funeral of Mrs. Andrew Carnegie to-day announced that the funeral of Andrew Carnegie will be held Thursday morning at the residence. Strict privacy will be observed.

WILL PROSECUTE SUGAR PROFITEER

Wielcing—John B. Wilson, agent of the Department of Justice, has announced that he would recommend Federal prosecution of George B. Hevener, of Baltimore, secretary of the C. D. Kennedy Company, operating a chain of 100 stores on the charge that he ordered the sale of sugar at a higher figure than Government regulation.

BRADY AND COHAN BACK ON STAGE

New York—Actors, now managers, who have not appeared before the footlights in years, are being forced by the strike called by the Actors' Equity Association to appear in plays they are presenting. William A. Brady, following the lead of George M. Cohan, announced to-day that he would play the role of a butler in his production "At 445" when that play reopens this week. Brady, also a manager, will appear with

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Richard Brown and Jane Thompson, Carlisle; Vincent J. Schafmeister and Frances F. Dunlap, Harrisburg; Wesley E. Foster, Sr. and Ethel P. Allen, Harrisburg; Harry S. Dando, East Mauch Chunk, and Susan L. Brinner, Hummelstown.

Earl L. Smith and Julia A. Canada, Harrisburg; George N. Danville, Harrisburg and Theresa S. Linnus, Liverpool; Clinton E. Aldridge and Alice W. Brooks, Steelton.