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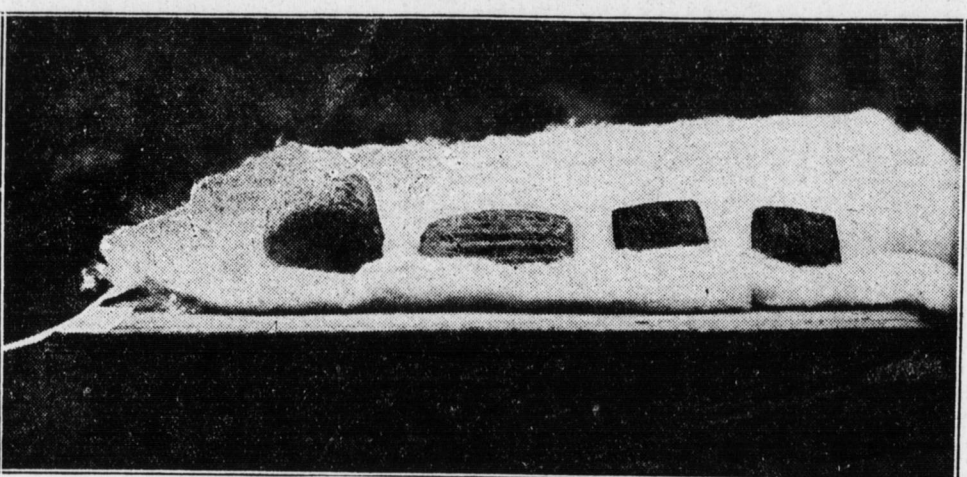


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GRAND JURY IS CALLED TO PROBE FUEL VIOLATION

Coal Miners, Operators and Dealers Involved in Nationwide Investigation LIMITED PRODUCTION Anti-Trust Laws and Lever Fuel Control Act Broken Is Charged

RELICS OF 2250 B. C. SHOW HOW WORLD CONDUCTED BUSINESS



MESSAGE CARRIED ON STONE 41 CENTURIES

Public Library Shows How Ancients Recorded Records Before the Time of Newsprint; Chisled During First Babylon Dynasty

STATE TO BUILD TWO BUILDINGS IN PARK ZONE

Architect Authorized to Draw Plans for Second Structure to Cost \$1,250,000 TO HOUSE MANY OFFICES Next Legislature Will Be Asked to Approve Appropriation

THIS TO BE VERY MISCHIEVOUS DAY IF WORLD STANDS

New Charlattan Appears in Local Field With the Forecast That Some of Us May Suffer "Abrupt Removal" While the Planets Play Hob in the Heavens

LANE INTENDS TO WITHDRAW FROM CABINET

Denies Report of Resignation but Says He Will Quit Soon as Possible CONSIDERS PRESIDENT To Go When He Can Without Adding to President's "Burdens or Worries"

MEN, ARMED TO TEETH, PROTECT MYSTERIOUS CAR

Guards Work in Relay on the Trip From Kentucky to the Coast

Cumler Estate Sells Big Plot of Ground to Bethlehem Steel Co.

Purchase of 275 acres of ground in the First ward, Steelton and Swatara townships, by the Bethlehem Steel Company, from the George W. Cumler estate, was announced to-day.

COMMISSION MEETS AS A WHOLE

Harrisburg. — The State Constitutional Commission met for the first time to-day as a committee of the whole. The preamble and declaration of rights of the Constitution as it stands were adopted without much discussion.

THE VERY LATEST IN BUNCOMBE

Here's the very latest dope on fate as furnished by a Harrisburg newspaper writer: "According to the stellar testimonies this promises to be a very lively and interesting day, with various prospects very encouraging and eventual experiences were indicated in the realm of pleasure, romance and social activities.

GETS \$15,000 IN JEWELS

Newark, N. J., Dec. 17.—Platinum and gold jewelry valued at nearly \$15,000 was obtained by burglars who, early to-day, forced a safe in the office of the J. Ring Company, according to a report made to the police.

Operators Discussing Probability of Coal Prices Taking Leap Upward

Cleveland, Dec. 17.—Probability of coal prices increasing after the commission to be appointed by President Wilson to investigate the coal situation makes its decision on the bituminous coal miners' demands, was discussed here to-day by the scale committee of the central committee of the United Mine Workers of America, Inc.

GUARD RAIL ON BRIDGE IS URGED BY ROTARIANS

Resolutions Addressed to City Council Passed by Business Organization

ZERO WEATHER TO FOLLOW IN WAKE OF STORM

Temperature near zero will be reached to-night for the first time this winter, according to a forecast of E. R. Demain, of the local Weather Bureau.

Showing All Signs Fail in a Dry Spell

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—Word has reached a local warehouse from New York, who last week sent for twenty-four barrels of whiskey he had in storage here, that when they arrived in New York thirteen contained whisky, ten water and one nothing. When they left there all were full of whisky. The mystery is unexplained.

U. S. Observers Scan Sky in Vain For Signs of World Cataclysm

Washington, Dec. 17.—Experts who keep the weather under observation for the Government scanned the heavens and the weather reports in vain to-day for any sign that an alleged solar conspiracy between the planets Neptune, Jupiter and Saturn, which would bring the world to a sudden end, was being consummated.

ARRESTED "INTERNATIONAL CROOK"

Philadelphia. — William A. E. Moore, described by District Attorney's detectives as "one of the most noted international crooks," was arrested at the home of relatives here to-day.

SEEKING CAUSE OF COCKLIN'S DEATH

New York. — Investigation is being made into the cause of the death of Dr. Russel T. Cocklin, who was found asphyxiated in his garage in New York on Monday. Dr. Cocklin is a brother of Dr. Charles C. Cocklin, of this city.

HAD RESERVED SEAT FOR WORLD'S END

Cleveland. — Charles Johnson, 65, farmer, living at West Salem, was in Cleveland to-day with a reserved seat ticket so as to be in the front row when the world came to an end.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Arthur H. Williams, Washington, D. C., and Mabel W. Williams, Oil City; George W. Ensminger, Ansville, and Lucy R. Teah, Harrisburg.

CHICKENS FED CHOICE LAMB WHILE HE WENT HUNGRY

Newark, Dec. 17.—A wife's partiality toward a flock of chickens, in feeding the fowls choice bits of spring lamb while her husband went without, and her action in killing some of the birds for dinner which she was not permitted to eat, are not grounds for divorce, in the opinion of Vice Chancellor Pfeiffer. Such was his ruling in effect in the case of Y. E. Wilson vs. Mary Wilson, of Madison, N. J.

England Is Prepared to Release U. S. Goods

Washington, Dec. 17.—Great Britain is prepared now to release American owned goods seized during the war upon the establishment of their American ownership at the time the goods were shipped, the State Department was advised to-day by the British foreign office. The goods affected include those taken from neutral ships during the enforcement of the British blockade against the central powers before the United States entered the war. It is understood to include goods shipped both from the United States to Germany and from Germany to this country.

DAYLIGHT SAVING PROVES BENEFICIAL TO CHILDREN

Cry by Opponents to Popular Measure That It Breeds Tuberculosis Said Foolish by City Health Officer

FIRE BURNS CLOTHING HOUSE

Cleveland, Dec. 17.—Firemen fought for five hours this morning to save the wholesale clothing district from fire which started in a four-story brick building at St. Clair avenue and West Sixth street, entirely destroying it with a loss estimated at \$250,000. The building was occupied by wholesale dealers in woolen goods and by tailors.

Amateur Astronomer Said to Have Started Rumor, Denies Charge

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 17.—Professor Albert Porta, who is generally credited with having predicted the end of the earth to-day, made no such flat statement, according to information received in university circles here.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and colder to-night with low-est temperature about 8 degrees. Thursday fair and continued cold. Fresh northwest wind. The Susquehanna river and all its branches will fall slowly except where there may occur occasional ice. The sun will be in all stages of about 30 feet below the horizon at Harrisburg to-day evening but a somewhat higher stage will be registered if the channel becomes clogged with ice.