



GROSS SENDS APPARATUS TO CENTRAL IRON PLANT AGAINST CHIEF'S WISH

Kindler Supported by Verbeke Who Sends Firemen Home

ORDER LEFT CITY WITHOUT PROTECTION, MEN DECLARE

Robert H. Irons Turns in Alarm When Department Refuses More Steamers to Fight Blaze in Iron Scrap

E. Z. Gross, superintendent of the city fire department, overruling Fire Chief John C. Kindler and Assistant Fire Chief Marion Verbeke, yesterday afternoon sent two of the last three fire engines available for use in the city to the scene of the week-old fire on an iron heap of the Central Iron and Steel Company.

OVERRULED BY EDWARD Z. GROSS



FIRE CHIEF KINDLER Who Is Supported by Assistant Chief Marion Verbeke in Controversy With Superintendent of City Fire Department.

NEW PLANET, SIZE OF EARTH, DISCOVERED

New York, Dec. 22.—A new planet is believed to be responsible for irregularities in the motion of the planet Neptune, according to Prof. Harold Jacoby, of Columbia University.

RADICALS HOLD DEMONSTRATION AS "ARK" SAILS

Woman Separated From Anarchistic Husband Leads Attack on Ferry

144 Hours in Action At that time the Susquehanna engine had been at the plant operating for 144 hours continuously, and the Hope and Paxton engines were being repaired.

Chant International As pieces of glass crashed to the pavement, the crowd began chanting the "Internationale."

Captain of "Ark" Is Permitted to Choose Own Landing Port

New York, Dec. 22.—Sailing orders now in the hands of the master of the "Soviet ark" Buford, a lumber steamer, which is to be used to transport the "Reds" to Russia.

12-MILL TAX LEVY FOR 1920 DECIDED UPON BY COUNCIL

Budget to Pass on First Reading at Tomorrow's Session

\$126,000 MORE REVENUE Many New Items and Increased Operating Costs Responsible

City Council will pass on first reading to-morrow morning the 1920 budget ordinance, and will fix the tax rate for next year at 12 mills, thus providing about \$1,062,000 in revenue.

Final action on the budget was taken at a conference of Councilmen this afternoon, when it was decided to include a number of important items for the coming year.

Much Additional Revenue The two-mill increase over this year's rate of ten mills will provide \$126,000 more revenue than was available this year.

COURT HOLDS UP ITS DECISION ON VOLSTEAD'S BEER

Adjourns Until January 5 Without Ruling on One-Half of One Per Cent.

GRANTS RETAILER'S PLEA Government Must Show Cause Why Original Proceedings Should Not Be Instituted

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Supreme Court today recessed until January 5, without handing down an opinion on the constitutionality of sections of the Volstead prohibition enforcement act, which fixes the lawful contents of beer at one-half of one percent.

Contract Expires With the expiration of the five-year contractors' guarantees on a number of additional sections of the highway bill, it is estimated that \$5,000 will be available for the highway department for this work.

More For Patrolmen The plan of Council to purchase the Fager building from the school district for \$20,000, paying \$10,000 in January, necessitates including the latter sum in the 1920 budget.

Wilson to Give Gift to Children Despite His Illness; Will Eat Turkey

Washington, Dec. 22.—Children living along the road between Washington and the Country Club in Virginia will receive Christmas presents from the White House this year as usual, despite the President's illness.

Women of Nebraska Force Down Price of Eggs Through Boycott

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22.—Women of Nebraska are being called upon by the Lincoln Women's Club to wage an active campaign against the high cost of living.

WEE DROP NOT CUSTOMARY

Druggists do not favor the suggestion that the internal revenue department that a dangerous emetic be mixed with bay rum so as to discourage the drinking of this brand of toilet water by inebriates who feel the need of a wee bracer now and then.



SEVEN HUNDRED TO TAKE PART IN HOLIDAY PAGEANT

Christmas Day Exercises to Be Played Before Thousands

REHEARSAL OF CHOIR CALLED

An important rehearsal of the City Choir and those interested will take place in Fahnstock Hall, Y. M. C. A. building, this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Bride of Hummelstown Youth Dies Three Hours After Marriage Ceremony

Married to Miss Estelle English, of Williamsburg, as she lay abed at her home, Hershey, J. Rousch, of Hummelstown, a 20-year-old freshman at Carnegie Institute of Technology, became a widower just three hours later.

Hugo Liberated Under Agreement to Pay \$1,500 Ransom Within 12 Days

Washington, Dec. 22.—Frederick Hugo, the American ranch manager arrested by Mexican officials in the recent raid on Muzquiz, was liberated under an agreement to pay \$1,500 ransom within twelve days.

RESTIVE AND WRIGGLY EEL IS THEIR CHRISTMAS FEAST

Staid and Dignified Turkey Supplanted by Fresh and Salt Water Variety; Prices Depend on Ability to Twist and Squirm

Law abiding eels have been yanked from the fresh waters of the St. Lawrence river and various streams in Maine, Delaware, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina to disport themselves in fancy sauces and gravies at Italian feasts.

EXTRACTS AND PERFUMES GET LEASE OF LIFE

Druggists Hear They May Be Permitted to Dispose of Stocks

FEAR THE USE OF POISON New Ruling May Keep Flavors and Toilet Waters on Sale

Harrisburg druggists who feared they were facing a big loss because of the ruling of the Internal Revenue Department that toilet waters, perfumes, flavoring extracts and proprietary medicines containing alcohol may not be sold after January 16 when the nation "soes dry" under the prohibition amendment to-day learned that certain modifications now are being considered which they declare will be more reasonable.

STRINGER PLEADS NOT GUILTY

HARRISBURG. — WILLIAM A. STRINGER PLEADED NOT GUILTY TO THE CHARGES OF LOOTING THE NEW CUMBERLAND DEPOT, OF WHICH HE HAS BEEN SUPERINTENDENT, AT A HEARING BEFORE UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER JOHN A. F. HALL THIS MORNING.

PRINCESS PAT MOTHER OF SON

London. — Lady Ramsey, formerly Princess Patricia of Connaught, gave birth to a son yesterday. She was married to Commander Alexander R. M. Ramsey, of the royal navy in February.

MINERS QUIT AS PROTEST TO COURT

Pittsburgh, Kan. — Declaring that they would not return to work until they knew what Judge Anderson, at Indianapolis, intended to do with Alexander Howat, the 250 miners employed at Crowe, No. 15, one of the largest producers in the Kansas field, went on strike to-day.

WHITE AND MRS. JONES ADMITTED TO BAIL

Mays Landing, N. J. — Charles S. White, accused of the murder of "Billey" Dansey, and Mrs. Edith L. Jones, housekeeper for White's father, charged with being an accessory after the facts were admitted to bail by Judge Black, in habeas corpus proceedings to-day. White's bail was fixed at \$7,500 and Mrs. Jones' at \$2,500.

CAPTAIN SITES OPERATED ON

Harrisburg. — Frank B. Sites, aged 22, son of Postmaster Sites, underwent an operation at the Harrisburg hospital last night for appendicitis. His condition is fair.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Milton W. Garland, Worcester, Mass., and Florence A. Whaler, Harrisburg; George A. Pell and Katharine Burger, Lykens; Daniel T. Jordan, Brookville, and Esther H. McGee, Meigs; Milton Virgil R. Jordan, Jackson, Pa., and Helen Lauman, Mt. Holly Springs; Walter C. Myers, Lewisburg, and Mabel E. Drobbaugh, York county.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and Vicinity: Generally cloudy to-night and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature. Lowest to-night about 25 degrees. Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy to-night and Tuesday, not much change in temperature. Fresh north wind. Susquehanna river and all its branches will fail or remain stationary except where the channel becomes choked with ice. The river at Harrisburg became jammed with floating ice Saturday evening and is expected to remain closed and nearly stationary until at a stage of about 7 feet.