

CAPITOL HILL

CATTLE MEN AIDING IN FIGHT ON MOUTH DISEASE

Dr. Marshall Tells the Governor There Is More of a Disposition to Co-operate With the State Authorities in Fighting the Plague

The State Live Stock Sanitary Board met with Governor Tener at the Executive Department this morning when Dr. Marshall made report of the work of stamping out the foot and mouth disease. The work, he said, is progressing satisfactorily.

Called on the Governor Members of the railway brotherhoods now in session here looking after legislation that may come up during the next session, called on Governor Tener at the Executive Department to-day to pay their respects.

New Game Commissioners John M. Phillips, Pittsburgh, and J. S. Speer, St. Mary's, were this morning appointed members of the State Game Commission, the former being a reappointment, and the latter to take the place of C. K. Sober, of Lewisburg.

New Justice for Wrightsville R. Frank Beard was to-day appointed justice of the peace in Wrightsville, York county.

'Farmer' Creasy Here William T. Creasy, of Columbia, former Representative and the recently defeated Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor, was at the Capitol to-day. Referring to the result of the recent election Mr. Creasy said it was a "landslide."

POOR PERSONS ASK FOR COAL

Fifty-one Applications for Aid Received in One Day by County Since the cold wave came East with freezing temperatures there has been an almost constant run on the office of the Directors of the Poor by poor persons who are seeking aid. Yesterday the requests for assistance numbered fifty-one, the majority of the applicants asking for coal.

Some of the requests come from Dauphin, Middletown, Steelton, Penbrook and this city, and in practically all of the cases it was stated that the fathers and sons were without work and have no money with which to buy coal. To-day there were no so many requests. Records show that the number of appeals since the cold wave started is about the average of those made under similar conditions in other years.

TO 'SCRAPE' 30 MORE ARMS

Health Department Taking Every Precaution to Check Smallpox Twenty or thirty more persons who are suspected of having come in contact with R. J. Hinkson, 209 State street, who was taken to the city hospital on Monday suffering from smallpox, will be vaccinated to-morrow evening, according to a statement made this morning by Dr. J. M. Kaunic, City Health Officer.

ITALIAN STABS A FRIEND

Draws Stiletto in Course of Tussle at Market House Following what was at first a friendly tussle at the Chestnut street market house, Tom Huffner, an Italian, pulled a stiletto and stabbed Frank Sereno, a fellow countryman, in the neck. He was arrested by Policeman McCann and at a hearing at police court this afternoon before Alderman Hilton was held under \$1,000 bail for court. The charge is assault and battery. Sereno was not seriously hurt. He received treatment at a nearby doctor's office following the stabbing.

TO SELL CANDY FOR RELIEF

Girls Clad in White Will Dispose of Sweets at Orpheum Eighteen Zembe girls, who appeared last night at the Chestnut street hall in the interests of the Red Cross, will to-morrow sell candy at both performance at the Orpheum theatre for the benefit of the general fund of the Home and War Relief Association. The girls will be dressed in white, with ribbons bearing their candy trays inscribed, "Home and War Relief."

Mrs. Throne's Condition Better

Mrs. Beulah Throne, who was shot and seriously wounded by her husband, who afterwards took his own life, is reported as slightly better at the Harrisburg hospital to-day. She spent a quiet night and, although her temperature is still high, physicians now believe she may recover. The body of her husband, George Edward Throne, was taken to Womelsdorf this morning for burial.

Major General Dies Suddenly

Washington, Dec. 16.—Major General George B. Davis, former judge advocate general of the army, died suddenly at his home here last night from heart disease. He was a notable writer on military topics and an American delegate to the Hague conference and to the Red Cross conference at Geneva.

Hurt Under Fall of Boxes

Golden Jackson, of Oberlin, an employe of the Pennsylvania railroad at the Division street transfer, was caught under a fall of boxes this morning, suffering a severe strain and contusion of the back. He was treated at the Harrisburg hospital.

ZEMBO WILL VISIT YORK

Nobles and Ladies Will Accompany Band and Patrol to Neighboring City To-morrow

Zembo Temple, including the band, patrol, nobles, their wives and friends, about 300 strong, will go to York by special train to-morrow evening where they will be entertained by the York members of the Zembo Shrine. Of the two hundred and twenty-five shriners in York county one hundred and seventy-five are members of the Harrisburg temple.

This will be the Zembo's first visit to York and, incidentally there will be held the first of a series of winter dances for the benefit of Zembo's members. The special train will leave Harrisburg at 7.15 o'clock. The members of the band and patrol will assemble at the Chestnut street auditorium at 6.45 o'clock and will march to the Pennsylvania Railroad station, going out Chestnut street to Second, then to Market Square and out Market street to the station.

The Zembo band will give a concert in York in the early evening, after which the patrol will give an exhibition drill. Following that will come the dancing during which light refreshments will be served.

WANTS COMMISSION FIRED

Continued From First Page. will be given another hearing in the matter of the passenger rates recently fixed by the railroad companies. He was informed that the additional questions submitted by him to the Commission had not yet reached it, but when they had, would be taken up and that he would be informed of the date for a hearing.

Mr. Abbott then went to Governor Tener where he complained that the decision of the Commission had been given to the railroad companies before it had been given to the complainants in Philadelphia, which, he held, was against a law which he quoted.

Mr. Abbott said afterward to newspapermen that he had requested Governor Tener to fire the members of the Commission and reappoint others. He said that if the Governor would not do this he would have two other possible ways of abolishing the present Commission, one to have Governor-elect Brumbaugh recall the names of the Commission when he takes office, as they are sent into the Senate by Governor Tener, before they can be confirmed. The other, to have the Senate refuse to confirm the appointments.

Mr. Abbott said he would await developments of the next twenty-four hours before taking any action in the matter.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

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shadowed all other developments for the time being, there were important occurrences in other quarters. The French official statement says that some further progress has been made by the allies in Belgium, that German attacks in Alsace and the Woevre district had been repulsed and that British warships had again bombarded German positions on the coast of Belgium.

It is reported at Constantinople that the tribes of northern Albania have declared war on Serbia. Albania adjoins Serbia on the west and the tribes of the north give allegiance to no king. Their reported entrance into the war was of particular significance because of the uncertain conditions among the Balkan nations and indications that those not already embroiled in the war may join in it.

King Peter of Serbia has re-entered Belgrade in triumph and the Serbian general staff states that not a single Austrian remains within its borders. Premier Salandra, of Italy, again stated that the rightful position of the world is one of "strict neutrality" and the position of the government was endorsed by Parliament.

The Khedive of Egypt is said to have gone to Vienna to confer with Austrian government officials. The Khedive has been in Constantinople most of the time since the outbreak of the war and it has been reported that he would lead an army against the British forces in Egypt.

To-day's official communication from Berlin disputes the French claim to an advance in Belgium saying that an attempt of the allies to move forward supported by British warships, was repulsed.

Further progress has been made by German troops in the east, according to the Berlin statement which says that several strong Russian positions have been taken and 3,000 more prisoners captured. In South Poland, it is said, the German and Austrian forces are gaining ground.

King Peter Heads Victorious Serbians

London, Dec. 16, 12.14 P. M.—King Peter and Crown Prince Alexander and Prince George have entered Belgrade at the head of the victorious Serbian army, according to a dispatch received by Reuter's Telegram Company to-day from Nish. Not a single Austrian, a statement by the Serbian general staff says, now remains on Serbian soil.

Relief Clearing House for Destitute

Washington, Dec. 16.—Myron T. Herick, former ambassador to France, called on President Wilson to-day and discussed his plan for establishing in New York a clearing house for relief to destitute non-combatants in Europe.

Fractures Hip in Fall on Ice

Mrs. Teresa Faulk, of McCall's Ferry, who was on her way to visit relatives in Steelton to spend Christmas, fell on the ice as she was getting off the trolley car at Trewick streets, this morning, and fractured her left hip. She was taken into a restaurant nearby and later removed to the Harrisburg hospital.

Stone Pile Is No Joke

Joe Toner, who at first thought that the stone pile at the almshouse was a joke, is convinced since his stay of two days there that it is a stern reality and he is writing to all his friends to get him out before Christmas. The appeals to the police so far have been without avail.

Railroad Policeman Has Stroke

Harry Morgan, 42 years old, of Newport, a special policeman for the Pennsylvania Railroad, was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital this afternoon suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

Artistic Printing at Star-Independent.

GERMAN NAVAL RAID ON BRITISH COAST EXCITES INTEREST AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Dec. 16.—The German naval raid on British coast towns excited widespread attention here. The first feeling was one of surprise that the cordon of British ships which was said to form a ring of assured defense around the British Isles had been suddenly penetrated and serious damage inflicted on the British coast ports.

It was pointed out that this might put to a serious test the late Rear Admiral Mahan's theory of sea power, according to which a strong naval force could hold at bay the attacks of invaders. It was recalled also that the north coast of England would be in the immediate vicinity of the German attack, had been the historic point of England's invasions in the past.

In the best posted naval circles here to-day the bombardment is regarded as a strategic maneuver, which may have far-reaching consequences. One purpose, as explained by one of the foremost naval strategists, is to create a "care" which will lead to hurried concentration and change of arrangement of the main British battle fleet and expose those ships to attack from unexpected quarters.

Discussion of the raid among diplomats friendly to the allies led to the expression of opinions that the first direct attack of the British would be in probability develop advantageously to England by bringing the English people face to face with war and would perhaps stimulate recruiting.

Naval officers here were little surprised to hear of the appearance of German warships on the English coast. They had not only expected some such demonstration, but have been puzzled to know why some such attempt had not been made before. Notwithstanding the strength of the British fleet which has been blockading the German coast, naval officers here have thought that the line of investment could not be made absolutely tight because of the stormy weather at this season, with dense fogs. The British ships also have been obliged to be many miles off the German coast to escape the fire of shore batteries and particularly to avoid the mine fields which lie thickly sown within soundings. They have considered it a hazardous but perfectly possible undertaking for a daring commander to run his vessels through the line by night. It might be possible, though more difficult, for him to bring his ships back to port.

DESCRIPTION OF TWO CITIES SHELLED BY GERMAN FLEET

London, Dec. 16.—Scarborough, which it is announced is being shelled by the Germans to-day, is a seaport and fashionable resort of England in the northern part of Yorkshire on a headland extending into the North sea. It is 37 miles northeast of the important English city of York. It is a little over 200 miles from London.

Scarborough has been popularly styled the "Queen of Watering Places." The town has a large spa, an interesting aquarium, a museum, a fine drive and promenade pier. The permanent population of the place is more than 40,000 persons.

Hartlepool is a seaport and municipal borough of England, in the southeast portion of the county of Durham. It is about forty miles northwest of Scarborough and a promontory that extends into the North sea. Its population is about 25,000. Adjoining Hartlepool is West Hartlepool, a city of more than 65,000 inhabitants.

The Hartlepoons, which are provided with a vast system of docks, before the war had an active trade with the Baltic ports and with Hamburg, Antwerp and Rotterdam. The chief industries are shipbuilding, iron founding and the construction of marine engines. The two ports are of ancient origin, but modern prosperity.

Scarborough is finely situated in the form of an amphitheatre on slopes rising from the north and the south by abrupt cliffs. The most prominent feature of the resort is a promontory 300 feet high, which rises above the harbor on the north side and which is surmounted by the ruins of a twelfth century castle. This promontory divides north Scarborough bay from the south bay. The north cliffs begin near it. The north bay is embellished with gardens and along its shore is the marine drive, two miles long and protected by a seawall.

The fashionable part of Scarborough is the southern part of the city and is separated from the old town by the park. On the southern side are the spa gardens and the mineral springs. At the back of the cliff rises Olivers Mountain, 600 feet high, affording a good view of the port and the sea.

The castle of Scarborough crowning the promontory and commanding the town is one of the most striking objects on the Yorkshire coast. From the beach line the land rises in a deep ascent and upon this slope stands the town, Scarborough, as to situation and appearance, has no rival on the northeastern coast.

The port of the Hartlepool embraces two tidal basins and six docks aggregating 83 acres and timber docks of 57 acres. The harbor covers 35 acres and there are five graving docks admitting vessels of 550 feet long and 21 feet draft.

A breakwater three-quarters of a mile long projects the harbor entrance. There are four shipbuilding yards as well as rolling mills, blast furnaces and saw mills. Two hundred and eighty steamers and eight sailing vessels with a tonnage of 760,000 are registered there.

West Hartlepool is a modern town containing many handsome buildings. Scarborough is the most popular seaside resort on the northeast coast but its many hotels mostly are closed during the winter months. Barracks occupied by a small garrison in peace times and a battery are on a high hill overlooking the sea. There is a handsome amusement building on the sea front with a theatre and art gallery. There are two harbors, the old and the new, the latter being the outer harbor. There is a large fishing industry.

40 OR 50 SHELLS THROWN IN SCARBOROUGH BOMBARDING

Scarborough, Eng., Dec. 16, via London, 3.35 P. M.—Just before daylight broke a vessel of the cruiser type as observed off Scarborough. The warship came in close and for half an hour threw shell after shell into the town, doing considerable damage. A woman behind a counter in a shop was killed instantly and her husband was wounded.

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There was a wide departure in temperature in Harrisburg yesterday, the average temperature of 10 degrees being 23 degrees below normal for that date. The maximum temperature yesterday was 17.

Red Flag Flies For Wildwood Skating on the popular pastime at Wildwood lake, the red flag was unfurled to the winds by Park Commissioner Taylor this morning and according to the weather man's prediction, there will be plenty of skating for some time to come.

The lake is covered with a five-inch layer of ice and most any kind of a crowd can be accommodated. The ice, however, is rough in spots due principally to the snow, but the condition is not a discouraging one. The boat-house already has been transformed into a shelter "shed" and wraps on hand and by to-morrow it is expected arrangements will have been made for selling hot coffee and sandwiches to the skaters.

A number of skaters were on the lake to-day including Commissioner Taylor and his assistant, Ray L. Hoffert.

Second Section of Cold Wave

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 16.—A second section of the cold wave swept into the southwest to-day and sent temperatures to new low records for the season. The overnight fall in the mercury in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa and Nebraska, ranged from eight to twelve degrees.

River at Marietta Icebound

Marietta, Dec. 16.—The Susquehanna river is icebound from shore to shore, it having closed tight last night. Ice floated all day yesterday. Many streams are closed also in the county. The cold weather continues, the thermometer reaching during the day ten degrees below zero, the coldest in twenty years.

GROVE MAKES A DENIAL

Building Inspector Declares He Did Not Enter Into a Conspiracy to Defraud Contractors

James H. Grove, Harrisburg's Building Inspector, who to-day went on the witness stand in the special inquiry being conducted before Judge McCarrell said emphatically that when he conducted the inquiry into the conspiracy to cheat him and defraud James J. Lynn and W. F. Martin, the contractors who erected the building, out of their money—something like \$2,600.

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The City's side of the case, in support of the Building Inspector's contention that the building should be torn down because of an alleged bulged and defective wall, was opened shortly before noon to-day.

All of the half dozen witnesses who had testified to-day up until late this afternoon are contractors and builders, who said they consider the building to be unsafe. The case may not be decided for several days.

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It was Moyer's duty to count the potatoes for dinner and he had just asayed this work but a short time ago. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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John R. Kinsey Dies at Hospital

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British Pursuing the Dresdeners

Washington, Dec. 16.—Two British warships are pursuing the German cruiser Dresden, which left Punta Arenas on Sunday, according to an official telegram received to-day from the American embassy at Santiago, Chile.

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CAN FURNISH OWN LIGHT

Gettysburg Clearly Within Its Right in Setting Up Its Own Plant, Says Public Service Commission

The right of a municipality to construct and operate its own plant for furnishing electricity to light its streets and other public places and not for sale to others, without obtaining consent of the Public Service Commission, was upheld to-day.

The Borough of Gettysburg filed a petition for the Commission's approval of an electric light plant for its own use. A protest was entered by the Gettysburg Light Company and a hearing was held to determine the preliminary question of the necessity of the borough first to obtain the approval of the Commission before beginning operation. The protest was overruled.

YOUTH FORCED TO TELL NAME

Had "Fun" With Policeman Until Backstoss Arrived

A man who finally described himself to the police as Roy Hensenberger, 23 years old, a steelworker, who resides in Steelton, held five policemen at bay for a few minutes yesterday afternoon at police headquarters. He had been removed from a Market street store for disorderly conduct by Policemen Larsen and Zimmerman.

G. B. ROWLAND RE-ELECTED

Again Heads B. of R. T. Legislative Board

The Legislative Board of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Expressmen and Station Employees met yesterday afternoon at a meeting in White's hall by the election of the following officers: G. B. Rowland, Pittsburg, chairman; S. L. Curry, of Philadelphia, vice chairman; H. E. Evans, Philadelphia, secretary. Mr. Rowland has been chairman for the past ten years.

Cattle Disease in Hospital's Herd

(Special to the Star-Independent.) Danville, Dec. 16.—The foot and mouth disease has broken out in the herd of cattle maintained for the Danville Hospital for the insane, and the work of killing off the 200 head of cattle and 140 fatted hogs and 60 shoats has been started. The work will continue until all have been destroyed.

Scott to Mediate in Mexico

Washington, Dec. 16.—Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, was today ordered by the War Department to proceed to Naco, Ariz., to use his personal influence with Mexican leaders to cease hostilities.

FINANCE

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Furnished by H. W. Snavely, Broker, Arcade Building, Walnut and Court Streets New York, Dec. 16.

Table with columns: Name, Price, Change. Includes Alaska Gold Mines, Amer. Copper, Amer. Beet Sugar, etc.

Chicago Board of Trade

Table with columns: Commodity, Price, Change. Includes Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, etc.

Philadelphia 2 P. M. Quotations

Table with columns: Commodity, Price, Change. Includes Columbia Steel, General Asphalt, etc.

Cards Out for Mayor's Dance

Invitations were to-day issued by Mayor and Mrs. John K. Royal for their dance to be given at the Board of Trade hall on Monday, January 4, at 8.30 o'clock, in honor of their daughter Miss Elizabeth and their son J. Douglas Royal.