

GIRL DIES, VICTIM OF AUTOCRASH

Miss Maugans Expires Early To-day as Re- sult of Accident at Front and Walnut Sts.

THREE OTHERS OF PARTY INJURED

Coroner Eckinger Starts Inquiry to Fix Responsibility for Machine and Trolley Car Coming Together—Rail- way Crew to Be Questioned

Miss Grace L. Maugans, 5 years old, 310 Forster street, died early this morning in the Harrisburg hospital from injuries she received when an automobile driven by John J. Hargest, Jr., crashed with a Valley Railways Company trolley car at Front and Walnut streets at 11 o'clock last evening. Three other occupants of the auto were seriously hurt, but all are expected to recover.

Miss Maugans was picked up unconscious and hurried to the hospital in the police ambulance. She was operated on immediately to relieve a depressed fracture at the base of the skull, but she failed to respond to treatment and her death occurred at 3 o'clock. She also received a compound fracture of her right arm and numerous bruises of the head and body.

With Miss Maugans in the tonneau of the big touring car were Miss Lillian Swails, 1410 Green street, and T. Elder Cleckner, 1112 Green street. All three were thrown against the trolley car by the force of the crash. Miss Swails was rendered unconscious, but recovered soon afterward and was able to walk to a ward in the hospital after treatment. She is suffering from a badly wrenched right hip and a sprain of the back. She suffered a great deal of pain, but her injuries are not dangerous. Cleckner suffered a sprain of the back and an injury to his left knee. An X-ray examination was made at the hospital late this afternoon to determine if the knee was fractured.

Samuel Weber, 150 Sylvan Terrace, who, with Hargest, was riding in the front seat of the machine, did not go immediately to the hospital following the accident, but when he began suffering severe pains in his right side he hurried to that institution. On examination of him there it was found that four ribs on his right side were injured. An X-ray examination was made this afternoon to determine if any were broken. Hargest, who is proprietor of the Rex garage, was the only other occupant of the auto and escaped injury.

Coroner Starts Inquiry

Coroner Eckinger started an investigation of the accident as soon as the death of Miss Maugans was reported to him this morning. The diagnosis of death from a fractured skull, as given out by the hospital physicians, was accepted by the coroner, who immediately released the body to the girl's mother. Coroner Eckinger will hold an inquest as soon as the other injured persons are out of the hospital. The trolley crew and some of the passengers who witnessed the accident will be summoned as witnesses. There have been no arrests.

Miss Maugans resided with her mother, Mrs. Cora L. Maugans, 310 Forster street, who is the only close relative to survive the girl. Mrs. Maugans was in bed at the time of her daughter's death and the news was a great shock to her. Her condition was said at her home to be slightly improved this morning.

The auto belonged to M. H. Gettys, 1718 North Second street, and Hargest had permission to hire it out, according to the latter's statement made late last night following the accident. He had hired it to Weber, he said.

Hargest's Story of Crash

The party was returning from a spin up the river road, according to Hargest, and when the auto approached Walnut street he saw several trolley cars coming across the people's bridge toward the city, but thought at first he could get across Walnut street ahead of the trolley car. He said that an instant later he realized he couldn't make it and applied the brakes, but the street was so icy that it was impossible to stop the auto.

The front of the automobile ran onto the track and the front of the trolley car crashed against it. The rear of the automobile was brought sharply around, striking the trolley and the occupants of the rear seat of the auto were thrown against the side of the trolley car.

Miss Maugans was riding on the right side of the auto, which hit the trolley car with the most force. She was wedged under the foot of the trolley car so firmly that jats had to be employed to release it.

Miss Maugans and Miss Swails were employed at Cunningham's restaurant at Walnut and Court streets, where a great many Capitol Hill officials and attaches take meals. Cleckner is a graduate of the technical High School and is employed as a traveling representative by a Harrisburg shoe manufacturing firm. Weber is a prominent athlete and is a member of the bowling and baseball teams of the Elks.

AUTO WITH FOUR RIDERS PLUNGES DOWN RIVER BANK

Two Couples Pinned Under Machine in Accident at Seneca Street Are Rescued by Party Headed by At- torney H. A. Segelbaum

An automobile going up Front street near Seneca shortly before 6 o'clock last night skidded on the icy street and plunged down over the embankment of the river, rolled completely over twice and pinned the occupants, two men and two women, beneath it only a few feet from the ice of the river. The occupants were not seriously injured, and after they were rescued were able to walk with support. They made every effort to conceal their identities. They do not live in this city.

The accident was witnessed by but one person, a woman walking on Seneca street. The occupants of the car, it appears, made no outcry. The woman, as soon as she saw the automobile plunge over the bank, ran to the nearest house, the residence of Attorney Horace A. Segelbaum, 2401 North Front street, and summoned help.

Mr. Segelbaum First on Scene

Mr. Segelbaum, Dr. D. J. Reese and other men in the house lost no time in reaching the scene of the accident. Mr. Segelbaum arriving there first. The river bank is so steep at Seneca street that descent is difficult, but the men slid down as best they could, and set to work to right the overturned car. The head of a man protruded from beneath the machine, and he told the rescuers that if they lifted his end he could work himself out. There was no movement or sound from the other victims.

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GIRL, 14, TO BE A BRIDE

She Is One of Half a Dozen Minors Who Obtain Marriage Licenses Here This Morning

This was "children's day" at the marriage license bureau, half of the dozen applicants for licenses being minors. One of them Annie Searchello, who has consented to wed Linge De Lutz, 22, is but 14 years old. She will not celebrate her fifteenth birthday until May 9, next. The clerk in the marriage license bureau hesitated somewhat before consenting to grant the license and the necessary consent of the parents was given and he was obliged to issue the papers. The young people live in Harrisburg.

William H. Cain, 20, and Sarah S. Shoop, 16, both of Middletown, obtained a license, as also did Josef Drestner, 20, and Verona Verner, 17, both of Billmyer. Other licenses granted this morning included those: Mervin J. Souders, Churchtown, and Lida Shindel, 21, West Fairview; Wilbert Bollinger, 23, and Emma Geesey, 18, both of this city; Josef Toth, 26, and Vera Kovacs, 22, Steelton.

MANY COASTING ACCIDENTS

Five Boys Seriously Injured at Walton- ville by Being Hurled Against a Stone Wall

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Hummelstown, Pa., Jan. 2.—Five Waltonville boys were painfully injured in a coasting accident which occurred at that place on Thursday afternoon. John Lafferty, who was guiding the bobbed, on which the boys were coasting, turned the sled to the side of the road to avoid running down two children and when the sled struck the railroad tracks at the foot of the hill, the occupants were thrown against a stone wall.

Romeo Sevastio had his left leg broken, James Rodney and Louis Gorenator suffered badly bruised legs, Earl Clark had three teeth knocked out and Lafferty sustained a bruised heel and shoulder and had several toes smashed. Dr. W. C. Baker, of town, who was on a professional visit to Waltonville at the time of the accident, attended to the injuries of the boys.

2 ACCIDENTS AT MIDDLETOWN

One Youth's Leg Is Broken When Coast- ing on Ann Street Hill

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Middletown, Jan. 2.—Thomas Leech, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Leech, Lawrence street, had his right leg dislocated at the ankle while coasting on the Ann street hill on Thursday evening. He, with several other boys, was coming down the hill on a sled and when below Wood street tried to turn out of the way for a team when the sled ran into a tree, injuring young Leech. Dr. C. E. Bowers was summoned and dressed the injured leg.

Russel Deith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Deith, Ann street, is also suffering with a bruised limb, the result of having it injured on Thursday while coasting on Ann street. The lad suffers much pain, but fortunately no bones were broken.

Finger Cut Off While Coasting

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
New Cumberland, Jan. 2.—While coasting down a steep hill at this place yesterday, Daniel, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Weigle, Fourth street, had his little finger cut off. He was thrown from the sled and it ran over his hand.

Rotary Belgian Relief Fund

It was unofficially announced that the proceeds for the Belgian relief fund from Rotary Club week at the Orpheum Theatre during the week of December 14, were \$462. An official announcement will be made at a noon-day luncheon of the Rotary Club next Tuesday.

3 SPEAKERSHIP ASPIRANTS HERE

Baldwin and Wilson Confident of Victory —Habgood Admits He Is Only "Receptive"

AMBLER COMING HERE TO-NIGHT

Headquarters Are Opened in This City by the Various Candidates But Few of the Law-Makers Have Yet Ar- rived for Monday's Caucus

Three candidates for the nomination for Speaker of the House in the Republican caucus to be held on Monday night are now in the city and it is expected that by this evening all of the aspirants will be on the ground. What is more to the point, all of them "have hopes."

Despite the efforts of the adherents of one or another of the candidates to make it appear that each is supported by Governor-elect Brumbaugh or the Republican State organization, when pinned down to solid fact none of them can point to any particular declaration for any particular candidate on the part of either Dr. Brumbaugh or the organization.

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BRUMBAUGH FOR AMBLER

Governor-Elect Declares Himself With- out Reservation in the Speaker- ship Fight

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Jan. 2.—Governor-elect Brumbaugh to-day announced that he is in favor of Charles A. Ambler, of Montgomery county, for Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Governor said:

"I agree with Mr. Lane that the Speaker should be in sympathy with all the measures to which I pledged myself in the primary and final contest. Mr. Ambler is such a man. His long consecutive service and his clean Republicanism appeals to me and I am for him for Speaker."

Mr. Lane referred to by the Governor-elect is David A. Lane, of Philadelphia, a local leader, who had made a statement that Ambler typified everything that Mr. Brumbaugh stood for and had had his support.

PRIEST BURNED TO DEATH

His Housekeeper Also Meets Similar Fate When Parish House Is De- stroyed by Fire

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Jan. 2.—The Rev. Stephen Makara, 42, pastor of St. John's Greek Catholic church, and his housekeeper, Mrs. Fedor, were burned to death early to-day when fire practically destroyed the parish house directly at the rear of the church. Police believe the fire was of incendiary origin.

Mr. Makara was found dead in his bed to which firemen finally fought their way through the flames. The housekeeper was lying in the hallway near Mr. Makara's room where she is believed to have been overcome while hastening to arouse the priest. He came here from Philadelphia two years ago. Mrs. Fedor had been housekeeper only since Tuesday.

Police to-day learned that the Rev. Mr. Makara, on November 19, was assaulted by two men and that he was released from a hospital only a few days ago. These two men, according to the police, beat the priest with clubs and robbed him of \$147 and his citizenship papers. The attack took place in front of the parish house. That the men who attacked the priest robbed him to conceal the real motive of the attack, is the belief of the police.

Injured in Fall at Round House

William Skene, 1952 North Seventh street, a machinist for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, fell five feet in round house No. 1, this morning, badly wrenching his right side and back. He was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital for treatment.

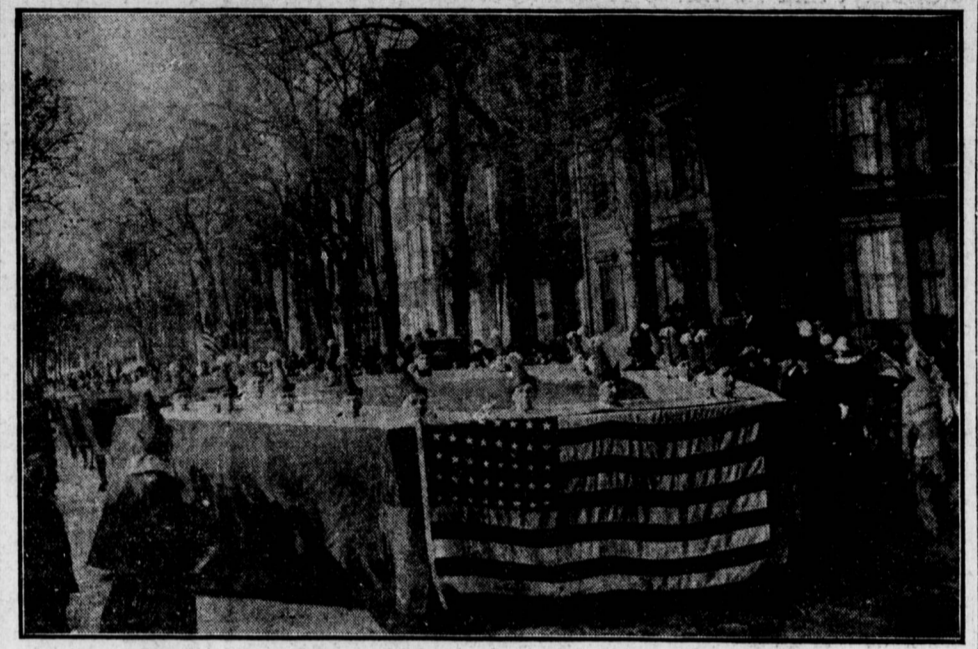
Burglars Make \$150 Haul

Lebanon, Jan. 2.—Burglars entered and ransacked the home of William Freshley on Forge street at an early hour yesterday morning and got away with jewelry and other articles valued in the neighborhood of \$150.

Carranza Takes San Luis Potosi

Washington, Jan. 2.—Capture of San Luis Potosi by Carranza forces was reported in advices to-day from Galveston to the agency here.

INDIVIDUAL EFFORT MADE THE MUMMERS' NEW YEAR'S PARADE A DELIGHTFUL SPECTACLE



Keystone of Motorcycle Club Born by Score of Members



Steelton Loyal Order of Moose Entry

JUDGES MAKE AWARDS IN FINE MUMMERS' PARADE

Was Hard Job to Decide the Winners, but the Schmitz Bum Band, of Elizabethtown, Carried Off the First Prize

That the clubs and organizations who took part in the mummies' parade yesterday went to the trouble and expense they did has made the way for the celebration next year a comparatively easy one. The parade was not a long one, but it was so good that even the officials of the Harrisburg Mummies' Association were surprised at the showing.

It was a hard job for the judges to decide the winners and after a lengthy session following the parade these awards were made:

Comics—Club or organization, first prize, Schmitz Bum band, Elizabethtown, \$25; second prize, Sour Note band, Lemoyne, \$15.

Individual, Ida Mason, \$5; unpaid band, divided, Schmitz Bum band, Elizabethtown, \$10, and Sour Note band, Lemoyne, \$1.

Team, M. H. Hinkle, Hershey, Pa., bear and trainer, \$10.

Finest appearing—Club or organization, first prize, Keystone Motorcycle Club, Harrisburg, \$65; second prize, \$10.

PARADE IN ANOTHER'S COAT

City Detective Harry White late evening noticed D. B. Peck walking on Market street with an overcoat and realizing that Peck did not wear one usually, investigated.

It was later identified, the police say, as one taken from the Y. M. C. A. and belonging to Edward Rinkenbach. The latter identified the gloves Peck was wearing as his property and a handkerchief in the pocket of the coat. Peck was sent to jail, charged with larceny.

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The Star-Independent Calendar for 1915 is another of the handsome series, featuring important local views issued by this paper for many years. It is 11x14 inches in size and shows a picture, extraordinary for clearness and detail, of the "Old Capitol," built 1818 and destroyed by fire in 1897. It is in fine half-tone effect and will be appreciated for its historic value as well as for its beauty.

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SOLD TO THE DEAD ON "C. O. D." PLAN

"B. F. Brown," Charged With Odd Swindle, Arrested Through Ef- forts of Local Police

MOURNERS WERE MADE VICTIMS

Prisoner, After Reading Obituary No- tices, Said to Have Collected Big Prices for Cheap Trinkets From Relatives of the Deceased

Charged with sending "C. O. D." packages through express companies to dead persons and depending on the relatives of the dead, through sentimental motives, to pay for what eventually turn out to be almost worthless trinkets, a man who styled himself as "B. F. Brown" and is alleged to have operated from Harrisburg under the firm name of B. F. Brown & Co., was arrested in Lewistown yesterday on a tip furnished by the police of this city.

Brown is said to have reaped a financial harvest. His method of operation was, the police say, to read obituary notices in the newspapers and from notices obtained in that way to send out the trinkets on the "cash on delivery" plan. Usually he would get \$2.50 for a twenty-five cent trinket, the police say. Relatives of a dead

SHERIFF CLOSES A HOTEL

Middletown Hostelry's Fixtures Will Be Sold to Meet Debt of \$9,000

The Ann Street hotel, Middletown, which for more than a year has been conducted by John A. Haas, was to-day closed by Sheriff Wells and the bar and fixtures will be sold by the Sheriff at 10 o'clock next Thursday morning. The Sheriff's action was the result of the issuance of an execution on a \$9,000 judgment note which, it is said, Haas gave one of his backers who aided him financially at the time he took over the hotel.

On the afternoon of the day Haas' hotel is to be sold the Sheriff will put eleven parcels of real estate under the hammer at a sale to be held in the Court House.

700 DIED AS FORMIDABLE WENT DOWN

British Battleship Sank Almost Immediately After Attack by a German Submarine

SURVIVORS' LIST NOT INCREASED

But Captain of Trawler That Rescued Seventy of Ship's Crew Thinks Other Boats Close at Hand May Have Saved Some More

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 2, 3.42 A. M.—It is now believed that more than 700 lives were lost when the British battleship Formidable was torpedoed by a German submarine yesterday morning.

The "Daily Chronicle" states that survivors of the battleship Formidable report that the vessel was torpedoed both fore and aft early Friday morning and sank almost immediately.

The "Chronicle's" Brixham correspondent, who is authority for the above, says the captain of the trawler Providence, which rescued seventy survivors who had escaped from the battleship in a cutter, states that other shipping boats were close at hand. The captain expresses the belief that other survivors have been rescued and taken to Dartmouth. He saw no other boats belonging to the Formidable, however.

The "Chronicle's" Chatham correspondent says that the Formidable left that port on Thursday morning.

London, Jan. 2, 3.45 P. M.—The

British Admiralty to-day issued a list containing the names of Captain Arthur N. Loxley and 34 other officers of the British battleship Formidable, which was sunk in the English Channel yesterday who, it says, must be presumed to have been lost in the disaster as they have not been reported among the saved. The list includes nine midshipmen.

Brixham, Devon, England, Jan. 2. Via London, 4.50 P. M.—Survivors of the British battleship Formidable, which went down in the English channel yesterday after having struck a mine or been torpedoed by a German submarine, have been brought ashore here.

They relate that the warship was struck about the magazine. The explosion was terrific, but the magazine was not reached. Had this also been blown up, the ship would have foundered without there being time to save anybody.

As the water rushed in the men of the Formidable hurried to the deck. They found that the vessel already had a heavy list to starboard. The small boats were sent out. A cutter foundered and the men in her were drowned.

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RUSSIANS INVADE HUNGARY AT FOUR DIFFERENT POINTS

London, Jan. 2, 3.29 A. M.—The "Daily Mail's" Rome correspondent sends a telegram received there from Budapest which says that the Russians are invading Hungary from four points.

"Refugees are flocking into Budapest," the dispatch adds. "There is a panic throughout Hungary as a result of the rapid retreat of the Austrian army before this new Russian advance. All public meetings have been prohibited in Budapest."

STRONG TURKISH FORCE ENTERS RUSSIAN DOMAIN

Petrograd, Via London, Jan. 2, 3.15 A. M.—The "Novoe Vremya" states that a strong Turkish force has succeeded in entering Russian territory in the Caucasus near Kars and Ardahan.

The paper adds that the plan to envelop the Russian rear, however, was upset by the Russian artillery.

PANIC EXISTS IN TURKISH CAPITAL; ITS FALL FEARED

London, Jan. 2, 3.25 A. M.—The correspondent of the "Express" in Athens reports that a state of panic exists in Constantinople and that the Turks have abandoned all idea of taking the offensive.

"The Holy Relics," the dispatch continues, "have been removed to Bruza, Asia Minor, whither the Sultan and the porte are preparing to follow. All available forces, about 150,000 men, are concentrated in the city."

"Adrianople has been practically evacuated and the heavy guns there removed to Tehtalja which is near the Turkish capital. Friendly trenching is in progress along the shores of the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus and preparations are being made to resist the passage of a hostile fleet."

"The attack on Egypt has been definitely abandoned and the troops have been recalled to defend the Asiatic side of the straits and Bruza. Everything points to Constantinople being the first enemy's capital to fall."

SIX GERMAN ARMY CORPS TO RESIST ATTACK BY RUSSIANS

London, Jan. 2, 4.18 A. M.—The

Warsaw correspondent of the "Times" sends a report that six German army corps have withdrawn from that front supposedly to guard against the rumored plans of the Russians to make an attack on the German line of communications between Lowicz and Thorn.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The German attack in France and Belgium, initiated in reply to the offensive movement of the allies, has developed to such a point that the allies now are on the defensive along the greater part of the line. The extent of the German movement is shown by to-day's French statement, which speaks of a series of night attacks against the allies along the front. These onslaughts apparently were not in great force however, and the assertion is made that they were all repulsed with ease.

As to the results of recent fighting in Alsace and the Argonne, along the eastern portion of the front, there is a sharp conflict in the statements from Berlin and Paris. The German statement says further ground has been gained in the Argonne and specially denies the claims of the French War Office that half of the Alsatian village of

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