

THE DODGES 200 MISSILES AS THE STOVE BLOWS UP

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red through the air like shrapnel, creating havoc with everything in their path.

Mrs. Bamberger's Chair Shattered. Pieces of the cast iron stove gouged grooves an inch deep in the woodwork.

The force of the explosion was so great that a door leading from the dining room to the living room, which was closed, was forced open, and red hot coals were hurled into both the living room and the front parlor, burning holes in the parlor carpets and rugs.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Bamberger can account for the explosion. There was a water front in the destroyed range, but they say this did not cause the accident.

PLAN RECEPTION FOR TENER

Charlottesville Friends of Former Governor to Extend Royal Home-Coming. Charlottesville, Jan. 23.—A home-coming reception is being arranged for former Governor John K. Tener.

MORE SNOW PREDICTED

Colder Weather Forecasted and Precipitation May Revert to Beautiful. After five inches of snow had fallen, rising temperature which turned the precipitation to rain and melted what had already fallen.

SENTENCE COURT MONDAY

Check Forgers Will Not Be Called Pending Motion For New Trial. Half a dozen defendants committed of petty crimes at the January criminal court last week will be called for sentence on Monday.

DIRECTORS ELECTED

Members of Millers Mutual Fire Insurance Company Hold Meeting. At the annual meeting yesterday of the members of the Millers Mutual Fire Insurance Company in their offices in the Kunkel building, directors were elected for the ensuing year.

STATE EMPLOYEES TRAMPS ON NAIL

J. L. Fritz, 109 North Second street, a clerk in the State Highway department, stepped on a nail this morning on Capitol Hill and injured his foot so badly that he was compelled to go to the Harrisburg hospital for treatment.

ABOLITION OF FEE SYSTEM PROPOSED BY BEIDLEMAN

Dauphin Senator Declares That All County Offices Should Be Salaried Ones and Will Soon Introduce Bill to That Effect

The abolition of the fee system for county officers will be one of the first measures to be introduced in the Senate by Senator Beidleman, but possibly not on Monday night, as it is expected that there will be a rush of bills on that evening, in order to give the committee something to do on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Another important bill to be introduced by Senator Beidleman is the creation of the office of Receiver of Taxes, to whom shall be paid all county and city taxes.

IRVING COBB HERE THURSDAY

Noted Journalist Prepared to Answer Questions After Lecture. At the Chestnut street auditorium, Thursday evening, January 28, Irving Cobb, journalist and war correspondent, will give an illustrated talk on his experiences in the zone of the present European war.

TO PROBE AUTO ACCIDENT

Crash That Caused Miss Maugan's Death Will Be Investigated. A coroner's inquest into the automobile accident at Front and Walnut streets, at 11 o'clock New Year's night, in which Miss Grace L. Maugan, 310 Foster street, was killed when the automobile in which she was riding collided with a Valley Railway Company's car, will be held next Wednesday evening.

DIVORCED MAN ASKS IMMUNITY

Jacob Snyder Formally Objects to Paying Alimony and Counsel Fees. Jacob Snyder, to whom a Dauphin county jury recently granted a divorce on the grounds of desertion, and whose wife since has appealed the case to the State Supreme Court, to-day filed papers with Prothonotary Holler in which he objects to paying his wife further alimony—\$30 a month—and counsel fees, with which to finance the appeal.

RUSSIAN HAS CHANCE TO GET WELL

W. S. Russell, proprietor of the Mt. Holly Clay Works, who was seriously burned when his home, near Mt. Holly, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning, was reported this afternoon by his physician to be much improved.

MODERN WOODMEN ANNIVERSARY

The thirty-second anniversary of the Modern Woodmen of America and seventeenth anniversary of Harrisburg camp 5250 will be celebrated next Tuesday evening at the camp hall, Second and Walnut streets.

CHICAGO CLOSING GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Close: Wheat—May, 144 1/2; July, 126 1/2. Corn—May, 79 1/2; July, 80 1/2. Oats—May, 56 1/2; July, 54 1/2. Pork—May, 18.92; July, 19.17. Lard—May, 10.87; July, 11.02. Ribs—May, 10.30; July, 10.52.

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LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

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avowed purpose of testing the right of the British government to interfere under certain conditions with American shipping.

The Dacia, cotton laden, from Galveston, waiting moderation in weather to up-anchor, will determine the question of giving American registry to a German vessel, and the voyage of Wilhelmina, from New York last night with American foodstuffs, will decide it, it is expected.

The Dacia, a German steamer, took American registry since the beginning of the war. The British government says it will stop her and test the case before prize court.

RUSSIANS KILLED BY AUSTRIAN SHELL

Berlin, Jan. 23.—Wireless to London, 9.20 A. M.—It is officially announced here that the Russian railway station near Cheucy (about ten miles southwest of Kielec, southern Poland) which the Austrians destroyed by a single heavy shell, was filled with Russian troops at the time, all of whom were killed.

REPORT INSIGNIFICANT ENGAGEMENTS

Petrograd, Jan. 23.—"On January 21, insignificant engagements took place on all sections of the line," says the official communication issued by the staff of the army of the Caucasus to-night, "the more important of which were in the Transhestorokh region, where our offensive continues successfully in spite of obstinate resistance by the Turks. Near Aldos we captured a Turkish cannon."

AUSTRALIANS SINK SUPPLY SHIP

London, Jan. 23, 6.20 A. M.—A Melbourne dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company states that an Australian cruiser on January 6, captured and sank a supply ship which had been acting as an auxiliary for German cruisers. The officers and men of the German ship are prisoners aboard the cruiser.

WEEKLY BANK CLEARINGS

Bradstreet's Figures for Last Week in Harrisburg and Other Cities. Bank clearings in the United States for the week ending January 21, as reported to Bradstreet's Journal, New York, aggregate \$3,163,370,000, against \$3,079,710,000 last week and \$3,535,784,000 in this week last year.

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CAPITOL HILL SUBSTITUTE FOR HEN FRUIT

State Flooded With Concoctions Alleged to Be Good Articles of Food to Take Place of Eggs

Two more bogus "egg" powders have been brought to the office of Pure Food Commissioner Foust, and it seems that the state is being flooded with substitutes for the real hen fruit.

The two new preparations were also analyzed and found to contain corn starch and analine dye, and the decree has gone forth that their sales must be stopped once.

DEPOSED FOOD DEALERS

The Pure Food division has commenced prosecution of seven persons in different parts of the state who sold bad eggs, fruit, rotten eggs and renovated butter.

GOVERNOR IN PHILADELPHIA

Governor Brumbaugh left for Philadelphia yesterday afternoon accompanied by Private Secretary Hiatt. He will attend the Five O'clock Club dinner this evening, and return here on Monday noon.

MEADIE MEMORIAL

The Legislature will be asked by the Meadie Memorial Association to make an additional appropriation for the Meadie memorial and statue to be erected in the city of Washington.

ADVICE TO BREEDERS

Carl W. Gey, Director of Horse Breeding of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, has issued a circular to Pennsylvania horse breeders in which he says that horse market events have been such a definite turn that there can no longer be any question of the outcome of horse breeding in this country.

THAW BACK IN N. Y. TO-NIGHT

Returned to the Custody of Empire State Officials To-day. Concord, N. H., Jan. 23.—Harry K. Thaw was returned to the custody of New York State officials to-day.

LEVIN IS A BANKRUPT

Jacob Levin, a local merchant, has been adjudicated a bankrupt by the Federal court of the Middle district. Levin's creditors will hold a meeting in the office of John T. Olmsted, the bankruptcy referee, Third and Market streets, Harrisburg, February 3, at which time a trustee will be elected to take over the business and wind up the affairs.

IT PAYS TO USE STAR

INDEPENDENT WANT ADS.

HUNTING THIEVES IN SNOW

Lower End Posses In the Trail of Three Men Suspected of Having Tried to Rob Hen House

(Special to the Star-Independent.) Middletown, Jan. 23.—Constables and volunteer sleuths, half a dozen in all, early to-day were on the trail of three colored men who are suspected of being the trio that made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the henry of Isaac Kettering, tenant on the Engle farm, back of Kingston, two miles north of here.

A burglar alarm, which Kettering installed a week ago, following an attempt that was made to rob him, prevented a raid last night on his poultry stock.

VETERANS HOLD MEMORIAL

Sixteen Vacant Chairs Represent Departed Comrades of Post 58 of Past Year. At the annual memorial services of Post 58, G. A. R., held last night at the post hall, the address was given by the Rev. Dr. L. S. Mudge, pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian church.

COMPENSATION OF WORKMEN

Bill to Be Introduced in Senate and House Monday Night. Representative A. C. Stein, of Allegheny, to whom was delegated the task of drafting the new workmen's compensation act, announces that it will be introduced in the House and Senate on Monday night next.

FIRE WARNING ISSUED

State Industrial Board Will Have It Posted in All Work Places. The State industrial board announces that it has adopted the following form of order which is to be used for fire prevention in industrial establishments:

JOHN RUTHERFORD ELDER DIES

Funeral Services Will Be Held Monday Afternoon at 2 O'clock. The funeral of John Rutherford Elder, 24 years old, son of the late M. B. Elder, who died yesterday, will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Rev. H. B. King, pastor of the Paxton Presbyterian church, officiating.

PEARL MYERS

Mrs. Pearl Myers, 31 years old, wife of Charles E. Myers, died early this morning at the home of her parents, J. S. Schaeffer, 1305 North Second street. She is survived by her husband, two sons and one daughter.

WILSON VIEWS ART

President Mingles With Students at Corcoran Gallery Exhibition. Washington, Jan. 23.—President Wilson spent more than two hours to-day viewing an exhibition of oil paintings by contemporary American artists in the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

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COURT HOUSE 37 WIVES SUE HUSBANDS

Will Appear in Court on Monday and Tell How They Have Been Neglected

Thirty-seven charges of desertion and non-support are listed for hearing before Judges Kunkel and McCarroll on Monday morning. Of that number a dozen of the charges are new ones, suits that were brought since the September Criminal Court.

ARGUMENT COURT CASES

Were Announced by Prothonotary Holler This Morning. A dozen cases are listed for hearing at the regular session of Argument Court which will be held on Tuesday.

SETTLE A DAMAGE SUITS

Middletown Parties Agree on Verdict and Case is Closed. By agreement of the parties the damage suit brought by Miss Esther Hickerson, a Middletown girl, against E. C. Garman, formerly proprietor of a Middletown laundry, was settled.

WILL ELECT WAREHOUSE

The Enterprise Coffee Company to-day obtained a building permit to erect a three-story brick warehouse at Cameron and Mather streets, costing \$4,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Clarence Schwartz, Wilmington, Del., and Hazel Ogden, Clearfield. Grover C. Williamson and Lula Hanson, Laver, of Scranton, and Marion R. Gilbert, of Scranton, and Helen M. Best, city.

SAYS LITERATURE IS LIFE

Superintendent McGinnes Criticizes School Teachers Who Do Not Appreciate Poetry. "I pity the school children," said Superintendent L. E. McGinnes, of Steelton, in addressing the city teachers' institute on "Reading to Learn and Reading to Live," this afternoon.

LECTURE ON GOOD ROADS

Deputy Highway Commission Speaks Before Alicks Association. Members of the Legislature and of the board of governors of the Harrisburg Motor Club were among the 127 men present at the monthly social meeting of the Alicks Association at St. Andrew's parish house, Nineteenth and Market streets, last night.

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The grading of Mulberry street from Eighteenth to Nineteenth cost \$1,125. The viewers allowed \$1,200 damages, assessed \$1,390 benefits and charged the city \$935 for its share of the improvement work.

WELLS BECOMES A CONSTABLE

Former Police Sergeant Succeeds James H. Johnson in Sixth Ward. Bertram A. Wells, who during the administration of former Mayor Ezra S. Meals, was sergeant of police, it was announced to-day, has been appointed a constable of the Sixth ward, to succeed Constable James H. Johnson, who died suddenly a week ago.



BERTRAM A. WELLS Former Police Sergeant Who Becomes Sixth Ward Constable

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