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SHOUTS GRIEF IN LIQUOR HEARING

Witness Becomes Much Excited in Discussing the Alleged Habits of his Neighbor

COURT TRIES TO CALM HIM

Alleged Habitual Drunkards Testify That They Bought Drinks at the St. Lawrence Hotel, in Berksburg, Dauphin County

Several witnesses, including alleged habitual drunkards and at least one juror, went on the stand in court before Judge Kunkel and McCarrell this morning and declared that they obtained liquor in the St. Lawrence hotel, Berksburg, a hostelry whose license application has not yet been passed upon, being held up because of charges of violation of the law have been preferred against the proprietor, William H. Bowman.

A score or more of witnesses also testified, some opposing and some favoring the licensing of the hotel. Bowman himself denied that he ever violated the liquor laws and added that he always instructed his bar clerks to sell intoxicants only to eligibles. Fred Koehler, an Upper End farmer, who recently professed religion at the evangelistic services held in Berksburg, became so excited when he went on the stand to tell of the alleged downfall of a friend that he cried aloud and yelled at the top of his voice.

Major Barton D. Evans, former editor and State official, died yesterday afternoon at his home in the higher apartments, Second street near Walnut, after a long illness from rheumatism and neuritis. He was 70 years old.

CALEB SAYS FULL CREW LAW HASN'T ADDED SAFETY

Superintendent of Philadelphia Division Gives Out Statement in Which He Declares the Act Has Resulted in \$7,000 Useless Expenditure

W. B. McCaleb, superintendent of the Philadelphia division of the Pennsylvania railroad and a well-known resident of Harrisburg, gave out a statement this morning on the full crew law, in which he says:

"The so-called full crew law has been in operation on the division under jurisdiction between Harrisburg and Philadelphia and Enola and West Berksville and I can say positively that it has not increased safety in railroad operations, but rather responsibility has been divided by forcing extra men into train crews. This works against rather than for safety and efficiency in railroad operations.

"In the operation of the Philadelphia division we move, on an average, 282 passenger trains, 3,527 freight trains and 900 fast freight trains per month, and it is obvious as a plain business proposition that we could not afford to permit these trains to be improperly manned. Accidents and wrecks are costly and it is the instant aim and study upon the part of myself and assistants to avoid the same.

TAYLOR ACTS AS FIRE CHIEF

Directs Smoke-eaters at Race Street Blaze During Absence of Kinder

When fire broke out at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a stable at the rear of 528 Race street, the district firemen responded, worked under the direction of Fire Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor who hurried to the scene in the absence of Fire Chief Kinder. The fire was of the city.

FIRE AT SHOEMAKERSVILLE

Reading, Pa., March 1.—Fire at Shoemakersville, this county, this morning destroyed the Mansion House Hotel, the fire room occupied by J. R. Keim, a warehouse and lodge hall in the same building and caused a loss of \$25,000. There is some insurance on the property. The cause is unknown.

MOVEMENT OF HUGE COAL PILES BEGINS UP COUNTY

Release of Immense Surplus Stocks of Anthracite for Spring Shipment Causes Much Activity at McClellan and Halifax

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
 Millersburg, March 1.—Workmen began digging into the huge mountains of anthracite coal piled up along the railroad at McClellan and Halifax, last night, and long lines of freight cars were in waiting to be loaded for the eastern market.

This is the usual movement of coal began every spring to stock up dealers in New Jersey, New York and the New England States, and it to a great extent depletes the black mountains that when seen from the car windows excite the wonder and admiration of travelers.

Under an option obtained late Saturday from the trustees of the Henry McCormick Estate, the City has a chance to buy a three-quarter acre plot of ground on South Ninth street, just above Shanois, as a site for the proposed municipal asphalt repair plant.

OPTION HAS BEEN OBTAINED

Plot Is Located on South Ninth Street and Is Offered by the Estate for \$6,630—Commissioner Says It Is Well Suited for Purpose Proposed

STAR-INDEPENDENT FILLS MAJESTIC FOR THURSTON

Great Crush at Box Office by Holders of Coupons Clipped From This Newspaper Means Big Audience To-night at Reduced Rates

Large crowds which late Saturday afternoon and early this morning flooded the Majestic box office with coupons clipped from Saturday's issue of the Star-Independent entitle holders to a big reduction in the price of seats for the Thurstons at their evening performance. Striking testimony that a good offer needs only to be made in a widely read newspaper and the public will not be slow in taking advantage of it.

FIRST FORESTER AT WORK

Mueller Says One of His First Duties Will Be to Take a Census of the City's Trees

30 KILLED IN EXPLOSION

Barrel of "Rice" Explodes on Mexican Gunboat at Progress—Five Women Among Victims

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M'CORMICK LAND FOR REPAIR PLANT

Lynch, Whom 'Patriot' Criticised, Will Put In an Ordinance Providing for Purchase

ENTRANCE TO DARDANELLES FORCED BY ALLIES FLEET

The entrance to the Dardanelles. According to the latest cable despatches, all the forts at the entrance of the Dardanelles have been reduced and the greatest fleet of war ships ever seen in action is attempting to pound a way through to Constantinople and the Bosphorus.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AID RELIEF WORK

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One of the visitors to the headquarters, 7 South Front street, who has done exceptional work has made eleven visits between February 1 and 24. In that time she spent \$5.40 for materials and has transformed those materials into 24 baby saucers, 14 baby caps, one baby blanket, a child's petticoat and nine hospital socks. Her work is unusually good. The entire general committee welcomes such visitors, or those desiring to inspect the place.

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COPS TAKE SIDES IN BASEBALL ROW

Whole Department Divided on Question of Who Shall Manage Bluecoats' Team

AN ELECTION IS PROPOSED

Assurance Is Given That the Balloting Will Not Be on Political Lines and That No 3-to-2 Vote Will Be Tolerated

The police force is divided on the all-important question of who is to be manager of the coppers' baseball team this year. Sergeant Drabentz was manager last season, and a pretty good manager was he, but some of the coppers incline to the theory that he is not the only Connie Mack the department is capable of producing and they want to give someone else a show at the honor. At any rate they want to have an election and the members of one faction have trotted out Sergeant Eisenberger as a candidate for managerial honors.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

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NEW SENSATION IN PASSPORT FRAUD

Stegler's Wife Under Arrest Following Scene in New York Hotel Early To-day

IS CHARGED WITH ATTACK ON SCRIBE

Said to Have Thrown Seltzer Bottle and Beat Reporter Over Head With Cane—Mysterious Suitcases and Another Couple Figure in Case

The arrest was made in the Hotel Grenoble. Matekiet, who is said by the police to be a reporter on a German newspaper, charged that the woman attacked him with a seltzer water bottle and also beat him with a cane.

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ALLIES FLY FLAGS OVER TURK FORTS

Formers' Fleet Reaches Chanak, 15 Miles From Mediterranean Entrance to Straits

BROUSSA NEXT SULTAN CAPITAL

Operations of British and French Warships Creating Tremendous Stir in Near East—British Press Warning on Fall of Constantinople

London, March 1, 12 noon.—The flags of Great Britain and France are now flying at the entrance to the Dardanelles over the Turkish forts reduced by the sea power of the allies. While it would appear to be a fact that the allied fleet has reached Chanak, fifteen miles from the Mediterranean entrance to the straits, the British press warns the public not to expect the immediate fall of Constantinople. Nevertheless, the operations of the British and French warships against the sea defense of Constantinople are creating a tremendous stir in the near east. Broussa, in Asiatic Turkey, is being selected by the Turks as their new capital in case it becomes necessary to evacuate Constantinople. The Germans in Turkey, it is declared, wanted the Turks to move to Adrianople, in European Turkey, but the Turks would have none of this and started shipping their archives to Broussa.

Russians in Desperate Struggle
 Interest in the fighting along the eastern battle front has been deflected for the moment from the Carpathians to the north of Poland, where the Prussians appear to be making a desperate effort to regain the ground Field Marshal Von Hindenburg won when he drove them back from East Prussia. Consequently a stubborn struggle continues on the lines from the Bohar to the Narew where Grand Duke Nicholas has yet to establish his ascendancy.

Counter Claims on Western Front
 In the west interest is centering on the fighting in the Champagne region, where fierce attack and counter attack have marked operations of the last week. Berlin claims to have repulsed French advances in this region, while Paris asserts the French troops have been successful in making progress and repulsing the German counter attacks. Paris claims also the capture of 2,000 yards of trenches to the northwest and north of Beausjour.

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SLUMP IN FEBRUARY MARRIAGES

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