

JAP TROOPS STILL POOR TO CHINA

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U. S. INQUIRY TO JAPAN A SECRET

Wilson Declines to Discuss Scope of America's Communication to Japan

Pekin, March 23.—Conferences regarding the demands made by Japan upon China will be continued at the Japanese legation because the condition of Minister Eki Hiroki, who recently was hurt by falling from a horse, will not permit him to go to the Chinese foreign office for the meetings. At several recent sessions, it is reported, the representatives of Japan have argued that Japanese immigration into Mongolia and Manchuria should not be subject to Chinese laws. This proposal is said to have been persistently opposed. Some fear is expressed here both by foreigners and Chinese that the additional Japanese troops in Manchuria and Shantung provinces may cause friction, but the Chinese have been warned by the central government to conduct themselves discreetly. According to Chinese reports 600 Japanese troops with eight field guns have arrived at Tsinan while other detachments have been stationed at points along the Shantung railway. Six thousand more soldiers are said to have reached Manchuria, 3,000 going to Mukden and 3,000 to Daini.

U. S. Inquiry About the Demands

Washington, March 23.—President Wilson declared to-day that the only definite thing that could be said at this time on the Japanese-Chinese negotiations was that the United States had addressed an inquiry to Japan concerning her demands on China. The President declined to discuss the scope of the American government's communication. When asked, however, whether Tokio dispatches were correct in saying the American government had inquired about "minor points," the President made it clear that he did not consider the points of a minor character.

HOME RELIEF WORK CLOSING

Only Red Cross and Foreign Divisions Will Operate After the First of April Eighty-four boxes of supplies containing more than 27,000 articles have been shipped abroad by the Home and War Relief Committee, through the Red Cross and Foreign Relief divisions during the past three months. Practically every article excepting the bandages and surgical supplies was made by paid workers of this city who have drawn more than \$6,000 in wages. There remains but one week for this great relief work to operate. The last materials will be issued to-morrow. They may be returned any time until April 1, when the Home and Supplies divisions close. The Red Cross and the Foreign divisions will remain open. Among the donations of materials and goods to local poor and charitable institutions were supplies to the Nursery Home children, whose clothes were destroyed by the fire last week. The night of the fire forty-five night gowns were sent speedily to the engine house where the children were quartered and the next day additional garments were sent there.

\$270,290 C. V. BRIDGE COST

Difference of Almost \$400,000 Between Highest and Lowest Bids Following the announcement a few days ago that the contract for the big concrete bridge of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company spanning the Susquehanna river from Mulberry street was awarded the Robert Crane Company, Pittsburgh, it was learned this morning that the cost will be \$270,290, which was the lowest bid. The company's officials said some time ago that the total cost of the bridge would be approximately \$750,000. The bid of the Pittsburgh firm covers only the concrete work on the bridge and by the time the rails, along with other equipment, are completed, the cost will total near the company's estimate. The next lowest bid was that of E. Purcell, \$270,968. Among the other bidders, of which there were thirty-eight, were Booth & Finn, \$283,303; the H. C. Brooks Company, Inc., \$345,604; John Gill & Co., \$393,635. The highest bidder was L. H. Focht & Son, \$633,690.

BUYS PROPERTY FOR BAKERY

Mrs. Mary L. Graupner Purchases Site at Tenth and Market Streets Following the announcement last week that Mrs. Mary L. Graupner would build a large concrete bakery, the first step toward its erection was taken yesterday, when the property at the northeast corner of Tenth and Market streets was purchased for \$20,000.

CHILDREN GET GARDENS

Civic Club to Continue Help—Youngsters' Raise Vegetables Children of the Harrisburg schools will again be given an opportunity to try their ability in raising vegetables this summer, according to the plans outlined by the outdoor department of the Harrisburg Civic Club, which met at 232 North Second street, this morning. The time and place for the children to apply for the gardens have not fully been decided upon, but due notice will be given the youngsters through their teachers. Enough seeds will also be furnished the children to start the gardens and at the close of the season prizes will be awarded as usual for the best kept gardens.

Mrs. Mary F. Baine

Mrs. Mary F. Baine, aged 27 years, wife of George F. Baine, a former resident of this city, died at her home in Pittsburgh, last night following a short illness from Bright's Disease. She is survived by her husband and two small children. Funeral services will be held at her home Friday.

TWO PASTORS OF CITY WILL LEAVE

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points of the clergymen for the coming year. The changes follow: Harrisburg District Superintendent, Augustus S. Fasick. Harrisburg, Fifth Street, Edwin A. Pyles; Ridge Avenue, William W. Hartman. Boiling Springs, Salem and Pine Grove, Arthur A. Bowton. Cross Roads, Luther W. McGarvey. Dillsburg and Wellsville, Ellsworth M. Aller. Fort Loudon, John M. Stevens. McConnellsburg, Albert S. Loring. Mt. Holly, David L. Dixon. New Bloomfield, Homer C. Knox. Stewartstown, Charles V. Hartsell. York, Epworth, John C. Young. York Spring, William R. McKinney, supply.

Williamsport District

Superintendent, Horace L. Jacobs. Lock Haven, Main street, James M. Brennan; Trinity, Oliver S. Metzler. Montoursville, William J. Shaeffer. Muncy, Richard Brooks. Renovo, Henry A. Straub. St. Mary's, Herbert C. Kinkie. Williamsport, Grace, John H. Mortimer; Mulberry street, Benjamin H. Mosser; Pine street, B. H. Hart; South, E. Frank Ruch; Third street, H. D. Planegan. Altoona District District Superintendent, Simpson B. Evans. Altoona, Grace, David D. Kauffman. Fairview, Joseph E. Bremell. Fifth Avenue, Fletcher W. Biddle. First Church, Edgar R. Heckman. Phillipsburg, Charles N. Wasson. Danville District Superintendent, James B. Stein. Bloomsburg, Alfred L. Miller. Catawissa Circuit, John H. Greenwalt. Elysburg, J. Fred Andres. Northumberland, Charles K. Gibson. Selinsgrove, Joseph E. Kahler. Shamokin, Chestnut street, William L. Armstrong. Snyderstown, Abner C. Logan. Sunbury, St. John's, John H. Daugherty. Treverton and Irish Valley, Willis A. Graham.

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HILL TO GET STAPLES JOB

Taylor Has Not Yet Told Playground Man He Is to Be Fired Within the next week or ten days J. K. Staples, of Richmond, Va., who for four summer seasons has been supervisor of the city playgrounds, will be informed by Park Commissioner Taylor that he no longer will be needed in Harrisburg. Mr. Staples now is in Houston, Texas, where he is physical director in the schools for the winter months. Commissioner Taylor this morning admitted that he has not yet informed Staples that he has been "fired" in favor of George W. Hill, 294 Herr street, this city, who has had two seasons' experience as a playground instructor. Hill is to receive \$100 a month.

DIXON GOES TO THE PEN

Negro Had Been Involved in Several Criminal Actions Charles Dixon, the colored man who stole a quart of whiskey from liquor dealer's clerk, attempted to rob a huckster and frightfully slashed his wife with a razor, last evening was sent to the penitentiary for a term of not less than three years and not more than five. Other cases were disposed of as follows: Edgar Gibson, Joseph Sanim and David Kiaro, assault and battery, and Clarence Fleck, larceny, sentence suspended; Harry Perkey, larceny, two months; Frank Lingle, pointing a revolver, \$15 fine and costs.

Plan to Eliminate 700 Roll Calls

By a vote of 90 to 85 the Baldwin bill changing the manner of passing charity appropriation bills in the House was placed on the calendar of the House last night notwithstanding the negative recommendation of the committee. The bill provides that applications for charity shall be made by petition and later appear in several blanket appropriation bills for the different classes of state appropriations. Its sponsor claims that it would save 700 roll calls in one session of the General Assembly.

Wilson Shy of Factional Fights

Washington, March 23.—President Wilson has no intention of interfering in factional differences between Democrats in New York and Pennsylvania. He told callers to-day that he thought the people of each State were able to look after their own affairs.

CIVIL COURT TRIAL LIST

Was Announced This Morning by Prothonotary Holler as Containing Thirty Cases

Thirty causes are listed for hearing at the next term of common pleas court, which will be held during the week of April 12. Prothonotary Holler to-day announced the cases as follows: Walter S. Young vs. Williams township, assumpsit; Alfred Bechtel vs. Alice Parmer, assumpsit; Moorehead Manufacturing Company vs. Robert Ross Jones & Brother, assumpsit; Samuel Bower vs. R. L. Weist, appeal by defendant; Samuel Bell & Sons vs. J. M. Tittel, assumpsit; Robert E. Cameron vs. Andrew Redmond, appeal by defendant; Samuel and Abraham Morrison vs. Edward M. Schell, trespass; Simo Rusov vs. Artso Dimoff, trespass; George B. Rosadieu vs. Karl T. Opperman, assumpsit; Sarah and Benjamin Powell vs. Harrisburg Railways Company, trespass; C. J. Mahoney vs. City of Harrisburg, trespass; Emmanuel Rinehart vs. William J. Bayles and James M. Sanders, trespass; L. R. Wix vs. David Long, trespass; Peter Magaro vs. Louis W. Kay, assumpsit; Samuel Capin vs. E. L. Frankem, assumpsit.

A. L. Greenberg Iron Company vs. Township of Midlin, assumpsit; Bessie M. Downey vs. Central Iron and Steel Company and the receivers thereof, trespass; Samuel Plough vs. John C. Giede, assumpsit; Harry and Luther Strayer vs. Oliver P. Strayer, assumpsit; J. C. and H. Hoover vs. Harrisburg Light & Power Company, trespass; Silvanus Brothers vs. George B. Miller, assumpsit; Lulu and W. O'Brien vs. City of Harrisburg, trespass; Daniel and L. W. Eyster vs. the Boyertown Mutual Fire Insurance Association, assumpsit; Joseph J. Baughman vs. Carl L. Altmaier, assumpsit; W. L. Fissel vs. C. W. Strayer, assumpsit; Birdson & Company vs. Nick Lingerin, assumpsit; Riley Bogner vs. Northern Central Railroad, trespass; Charles Bedrico vs. J. H. Kellberg, trespass; Anna Taylor vs. Albert McCall, trespass; A. Judson Pugh vs. Ralph M. Wolfe, trespass.

FEMALE EMPLOYMENT BILL PASSES SENATE

The Senate to-day agreed to the amendments made in the House to the following bill: For the care and treatment of persons habitually addicted to the use of alcohol and drugs; for the establishment by the Board of Game Commission of State game preserves on forestry reservations. The Senate non-concurred in the amendments to the bill authorizing municipalities to construct and acquire by purchase and operate underground street passenger rail ways. The bill now goes to the House and if it does not recede from its amendment a committee of conference will be appointed to adjust the differences. House bills passed the Senate finally as follows: Authorizing cities of the third class to extend their water pipes beyond the city limits to supply water to persons, corporations and other municipalities. Granting to boroughs and incorporated towns the right of eminent domain. Making appropriation to S. L. Stayman, of York, to refund money erroneously paid the State treasury. The bill for the reorganization of the militia of the State came up on final passage, but at the request of Senator McKee action was postponed for the present. Senator McNichol called up on final passage the bill on the postponed calendar regulating the employment of females in hotels, restaurants and boarding houses, and it passed by 32 yeas to 5 nays. Senator Sprout introduced a bill requiring counties hereafter to pay the expenses of primary elections; also providing for the death of either parent the surviving parent shall be guardian of minor children, notwithstanding provisions to the contrary in the will; also to validate school boards issued since May, 1911, when not issued at the time of the annual levy roll school taxes. Senator McNichol offered a bill applying the provisions of the commodities act of 1913 to bottles or jars for milk or cream. Senator Mills, on a question of personal privilege, announced that he was unavoidably absent when the final vote was taken on the woman's suffrage amendment, and had he been present he would have voted for the measure. The bill increasing the number of game wardens from thirty to sixty which has been in committee for over a month, was reported favorably. The House resolution calling on Pennsylvanians to make children notwithstanding provisions to the contrary in the will; also to validate school boards issued since May, 1911, when not issued at the time of the annual levy roll school taxes. The Senate about noon adjourned until 8.30 o'clock this evening.

TAX PLAN EXCITES INTEREST

Third Class Cities in Fight to Extend Gradual Reduction Idea While Mayor Joseph G. Armstrong and some of Pittsburgh's councilmen are fighting to obtain the repeal of the Stein act providing for a gradual reduction of taxation on buildings as compared with unimproved land, in second class cities, officials and civic organizations of fourteen third class cities, including Harrisburg, are urging the Legislature to keep the law on the statute books and extend it to cover their municipalities. A bill to make this extension of the law was presented in the Senate by Senator Tompkins, of Cambria county, and it has already passed the upper branch of the Legislature. The bill is now in the municipal corporations committee of the House and it is believed will be reported with a favorable recommendation. A hearing on the Pittsburgh repealer was held before the municipal corporations committee of the House this afternoon. Assistant City Solicitor Charles K. Robinson, of Pittsburgh, spoke in favor of its enactment. He will be opposed by Scranton representatives and also business men from the third class cities who wish to secure the benefits of the act.

The Harrisburg Hospital is open daily except Sunday, between 1 and 2 o'clock p. m. for dispensing medical advice and prescriptions to those unable to pay for them.

SAXON COMPANY BEGINS SHIPMENTS OF NEW "SIX"

This Week Witnesses the Shipping of the First of the Popular Machines From the Firm's Factory in Detroit, Mich.

This week witnessed the shipping of the first of the Saxon "Sixes" from the factory of the Saxon Motor Company in Detroit. The builders of this \$785 "Six" have started quantity production of this popular model and expect to have demonstrators in the hands of every dealer as fast as production will permit. With the shipping of the first model, announcement is made that the production plans of the Saxon Company call for an output of 1,500 cars in April. According to the Saxon officials spring buying has opened up earlier this year than usual. Although the new Saxon factory gives five hundred per cent. greater facilities than last year, this plant is working to capacity every day in the endeavor to take care of orders on hand. The Saxon output will be 25,000 cars this year and at present a large daily shipping average is being maintained. The new roadster model is sharing popularity with the six-cylinder type. Ever since the Saxon "Six" was exhibited for the first time at the national automobile shows in New York and Chicago, and in scores of other local towns throughout the country, orders have been numerous. The Saxon "Six" has attracted interest everywhere chiefly because of the number of features it offers at what hitherto was considered a low price for six-cylinder cars. Among these points are the small bore, high speed motor, 112-inch wheelbase, cantilever springs, 32 by 1 1/2-inch tire stream-line touring body effect, complete equipment, including electric lighting and starting system, and numerous other features. The Keystone Motor Car Company, local distributors of the Saxon, Dodge Bros. and Chalmers cars, says: "The results of the exhibits at the Sixth Annual Auto Show this year were the most remarkable events in the history of any local display. The inquiries, the general interest manifested by the many visitors and the actual sales closed far exceeded any previous show. The orders are just rolling in even to-day."—Adv.

ANTIQUITY OF SEAL RINGS.

They Are Mentioned in the Bible and Their Origin Is Unknown. The origin of seals is lost in the shades of antiquity. In Assyrian and Babylonian ruins seals are still found, and it is certain that their use passed from those countries to Greece and Rome, to all European countries and from England to America. Originally they were set in rings. The earliest references to them in Biblical history is found in Genesis xxxvii, where it is recorded that, pending certain negotiations between Judah and Tamar, the widow of his son, Tamar demanded a pledge and Judah gave her his signet and other belongings. And when Ahab, king of Israel, tried to buy Naboth's vineyard and couldn't buy Naboth's vineyard letters in Ahab's name and sealed them with his ring. In the book of Esther, chapter viii, it is written that King Ahasuerus said to Esther and Mordecai, "Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name and seal it with the king's ring, for the writing which is written in the king's name and sealed with his ring may no man reverse." Seals doubtless were used long before the stirring events described in the quoted chapter of Genesis, but no one took the trouble to write about them. From the time of Jeremiah to William the Conqueror the pen was practically unknown to king, noble or peasant, so the seal was absolutely necessary.—Kansas City Star.

BASEBALL OR FOOTBALL.

Which of the Two Games Calls For the Greater Courage? A group of former varsity football players were arguing the interesting point as to which requires more nerve on the part of participants—football or baseball. One would think there would not be a dissenting voice to the opinion that the gridiron sport requires far more nerve. Yet there were several who strenuously debated this contention, holding that the mental strain was greater upon the man who plays baseball. "I played varsity baseball and varsity football," said one man of the group, "and I ever tell you that the only time I ever felt inward tremors was when I stood at the plate facing a pitcher who had a fast ball. There is something about the situation—or always was to me—which made me feel my helplessness, made me feel at the mercy of the pitcher, or rather at the mercy of his possible bad aim. In football you were fighting against one man and he had nothing to throw at you. "I felt the same way," chimed in a former varsity guard. "When I came from prep school I had a reputation as a pitcher but I never tried for the team because I hadn't the nerve to face the shoots of varsity twirlers." The cautious thing is that this man in his day was one of the most daring and resourceful football players in the game.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Dog or Ox.

W. B. Wright says: "A dog drinking is the emblem of alertness. Watch him. If a leaf rustles he sees it and starts. Sights and sounds which elude your powers of observation arrest his. The most conspicuous distinction between the dog and the ox at water is this: The ox never quenches his master until his thirst is quenched; the dog never heeds his thirst till his master is obeyed. I have seen a bound panting with heat, his black lips bared, his tongue cracked, dart toward the cool spring. But his master's whistle arrests him at the brink, and he darts back without a drop. I have watched drovers call, pound, goad oxen at the ford, but the beasts would not budge until their thirst was slaked. Both types you may have seen among the recruits enlisted in the army of the Lord."—Christian Herald.

GOOD INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL MUSIC AT ORPHEUM

Royal Dragons Have Well-selected Numbers—Substitution Made When Ushers Fail to Perform—"Straight Path" Leads Wrong Way

"The Straight Path," in which Claude and Fannie Usher were to have appeared at the Orpheum this week, seems to have led in the wrong direction, since the performers did not make their appearance on the stage. The management's judgment in assigning the act's position on the bill was questioned, it seems, by the Ushers, and another act was promptly substituted for theirs. Another of the really good musical acts, Dunbar's Royal Dragons, heads the numbers here well selected. Classical selections always find favor in parts of Orpheum audiences, and ragtime never fails to be appreciated. Both sorts are included in the offering, and both are well given, as vocal and as instrumental music.

COURT HOUSE

WILL CASE ARGUED IN COURT

Jury Trial Is Sought by Heirs of Late Martin Adams One only of the twenty-five cases listed for argument before Judges Kunkel and McCarrell to-day was taken up this morning. It is the appeal of some of the heirs of Martha Adams, who are contesting Harrison Seiferd's right to share in the distribution of the estate. Seiferd, under the will, is to receive the bulk of the \$12,000 estate and other heirs says he is not entitled to it, alleging that as a clairvoyant he influenced Mrs. Adams to make him one of her beneficiaries. The court now is asked to pass upon the application for a jury trial of the case. Hear Jitney Case A public hearing on the application of the newly-formed Jitney Transportation Company to operate a bus line in Harrisburg will be conducted by the Public Service Commission on April 7. Pays Mercantile Tax Harry S. Gilbert, a Millersburg merchant, was the first to pay the 1915 mercantile tax. He received his bill yesterday and this morning turned \$2.85 over to the County Treasurer. Lebo Back at Desk D. Frank Lebo, chief clerk to the County Commissioners, who had been ill for several days, was at his desk again to-day. Building Permits Samuel Fishman this morning obtained a building permit to remodel the four-story brick building at 426-28 Market street so as to provide sleeping rooms in the three upper floors, costing \$7,000. William Jennings got papers to convert the store room at 418 Market street into a restaurant, the improvement to cost \$3,000. C. H. Boone procured a permit to build a one-story garage on Howard street at the rear of 2415 Reel street, costing \$100, and W. H. Allwine was granted a permit to build a one-story brick garage at 1248 Kittatiny street, costing \$150. Rashinsky's in Again Just because Louis Rashinsky marks "paid in full" on the checks with which he pays his wife weekly maintenance money, she has refused to cash the checks and appeared against her husband in desertion court last evening. The Rashinskys have been estranged for some time. Mrs. Rashinsky's complaint was that the checks "do not pay in full," and that her husband is several months back with the payments. The court gave the lawyers a week to try to disentangle the matter. Goes Back to Jail Steve Kobay, who has spent several months in jail because he has not furnished bond to operate a maintenance order made in favor of his wife, was returned to prison yesterday, the wife complaining that she is afraid of him and that it would be dangerous to "let him go" without furnishing a bond. The case was continued one week. AGED RESIDENT DIES Mrs. Catherine Proud Succumbs in Her Sixty Year Mrs. Catherine Proud, an aged resident of this city, died last night at her home, 1148 Market street, aged 83 years. She is survived by four sons and two daughters: John A. W. M. H. B. and Albert A. Proud, all of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Blanche Downstetter and Miss Alice Proud, at home. Funeral services will be held from her home Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. Dr. Clayton Albert Smucker, pastor of Stevens Memorial Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mrs. Proud was a member. Interment will be in the Paxtang cemetery. Mrs. Florence Miller Mrs. Florence Miller, aged 24 years, died this morning at 6.30 o'clock at the Harrisburg hospital. Funeral services will be held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Crum, 2517 North Sixth street, Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The services will be in charge of the Rev. Dr. Ellis N. Kremer, pastor of the Reformed Salem church. The body will be taken to Newport Friday morning at 7.55 o'clock for interment. Mrs. Fannie B. Wainwright Mrs. Fannie B. Wainwright, wife of I. H. Wainwright, formerly of this city, died at her home in Camden, N. J., Sunday. She was a daughter of the late John Pennell, of this city, and is survived by her husband and one brother, John A. Pennell, 629 Peffer street. Miss Alice Noss The body of Miss Alice Noss, aged 49 years, who died Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Susan Travis, 125 Linden street, was sent to Pottsville to-day by Undertaker Charles H. Mank. Services and interment will take place at Pottsville to-morrow. Mrs. Emory Miller Mrs. Emory Miller, aged 21 years, of Siddonsburg, died from septicaemia at the Harrisburg hospital at 6.30 o'clock this morning. She was admitted to the hospital Sunday.

U. S. REPLY TO BRITAIN ON EMBARGOS NOT YET READY

Washington, March 23.—President Wilson said to-day the American government's reply to the declaration by Great Britain and France of an embargo on commercial intercourse between Germany and neutral countries was not yet ready. At the same time he declined to give any intimation of its character because the document had not been finally put into definite shape. It was made clear at the White House that there will be no further correspondence with Germany or Great Britain on obtaining an agreement with reference to foodstuffs and the submarine blockade. The President pointed out to callers to-day that the American government's suggestions were entirely informal, that the United States of course had no right to ask the two belligerents to agree to anything between themselves, but thought as a moral obligation it should suggest the means by which Germany and Great Britain could come into an agreement if they desired on those maritime questions.

JUDGE R. E. UMBEL RESIGNS

Quits His Post on the Fayette County Bench as Legislature Is About to Start Inquiry as to Conduct

Facing impeachment proceedings if he remained on the bench, President Judge Robert E. Umbel, of the Fayette judicial district, yesterday sent his resignation to Governor Brumbaugh, which was at once accepted. Two years ago James S. Dumbauld, a Fayette attorney, began impeachment proceedings against Umbel in the Legislature, which failed to come to a head because of lack of time to consider them. It is said that Dumbauld had made threats that unless Umbel got off the bench he would renew the impeachment proceedings this year. Umbel, to prevent such proceedings, it is charged, signed an agreement with Dumbauld whereby he would step off the bench in 1916, provided Dumbauld did not begin impeachment proceedings this year. This agreement being made public, Representative Sinclair, of Fayette, introduced in the Legislature a resolution asking for a committee to investigate with a view to Umbel's impeachment on the charge of having entered into a corrupt agreement. The Judiciary General Committee of the House was about to take charge, when Umbel sent his resignation to the Governor. The entire matter is said to have grown out of a factional Democratic fight in Fayette county, Umbel belonging to the Reorganizers and Dumbauld to the Old Guard. In accepting Umbel's resignation Governor Brumbaugh wrote him as follows: "Your counsel, in view of the resolution now pending in the House of Representatives, have explicitly stated that the tendering of your resignation at this time is not to be construed as an admission upon your part of the truth of any of the charges made against you." The Governor will appoint a Republican as successor to Umbel. In view of the resignation of Judge R. E. Umbel from the Fayette county bench which was accepted by Governor Brumbaugh last night, the House Judiciary General Committee, which was considering the petition to institute impeachment proceedings, to-day decided that nothing was before the committee. This officially ends the Fayette county fight which has been before the House for two sessions.

MUCH BRIGHTER NOW THAN IT WAS IN THE TENTH CENTURY

The two stars, Mizar and Alcor, form a double star system, which can easily be perceived by the naked eye. This was not the case formerly, as the Arabs used the resolution of the system into its two components as a test for good eyes. It would seem, therefore, that this star has increased in brightness since the tenth century, a supposition which is supported by the fact that it is not mentioned by the ancients. The history of this star was familiar to astronomers when it was found, in 1507, that Alcor is itself a double star. It is now discovered by Harlow Shapley that Alcor varies in brightness, the variations having a feeble amplitude and a short period. The spectrum type of Alcor, which is a star A5—that is to say, a white star with hydrogen predominating and the doubling of the lines—announces a variation of the Algol type, by eclipse rather than continuous variation. It is supposed that there exists a couple of elliptic stars very close together and inclined on their orbit in such a way that the mutual eclipse is feeble or almost nothing, the variations of brightness resulting from their marked ellipticity.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

WILLIAM A. HOFF DIES

Brother of Mrs. Charles E. Pass Succumbs at Elmira, N. Y. Word was received to-day by Mrs. Charles E. Pass, wife of Charles E. Pass, shipping clerk of the Harrisburg Foundry and Machine Works, of the death of her brother, William A. Hoff, a former resident of this city. Mr. Hoff died at his home in Elmira, N. Y., late last night, where he was foreman of a large machine shop, death being due to heart trouble. Mr. Hoff was a resident of Elmira for three years and prior to that time resided in Philadelphia. He is survived by one brother and two sisters: E. S. Hoff and Mrs. W. Edward Wainmover, both of Detroit, and Mrs. Charles E. Pass, of this city. Funeral services will be held at Philadelphia Friday afternoon. Talk on Stars and Constellations "The Stars and Constellations as Lifelong Friends" is the subject of the talk for this evening's meeting of the astronomical section of the Natural History Society. A neasy way to learn the constellations will be outlined. The meeting will be held in the Willard school building, State street, at 8 p. m. Insurance Agent, 79, Drops Dead Williamsport, Pa., March 23.—A. D. Landy, State agent for a number of insurance companies, dropped dead to-day at Lidred, Pa., while on a business trip. He was 79 years old.

FINANCE

BETHLEHEM STEEL MAKES NEW HIGH RECORD TO-DAY

Sells Up to 73 In One Lot of 1,100 Shares But Then Shows Effects of Increased Profit Taking and Declines 3 1-4

New York, March 23.—Wall Street.—Leading stocks were again relegated to the background at the opening of today's stock market, while speculative specialties resumed their recent activities. Bethlehem Steel made a new high record at the very outset, selling up to 73 in one lot of 1,100 shares. Gains of 1 to 2 points were registered by other shares of less importance. Reading's continued heaviness—the stock declining as a point in the early dealings acted as a restraining influence among shares in the railway division and caused a moderate reaction elsewhere. The market broadened perceptibly with the progress of the morning session and an increase in volume of these, embracing such representatives as Union Pacific, U. S. Steel and Amalgamated Copper. Investment shares like Southern Pacific, St. Paul, Lehigh Valley, Baltimore and Ohio and Northwestern, also participated to the extent of 1 to 2 points. Bethlehem Steel began to show the effects of increased profit taking however, declining 3 1-4. Additional gold imports were announced. Bonds were irregular. American Smelting & Refining Co. stock declined a point in the early dealings acted as a restraining influence among shares in the railway division and caused a moderate reaction elsewhere. The market broadened perceptibly with the progress of the morning session and an increase in volume of these, embracing such representatives as Union Pacific, U. S. Steel and Amalgamated Copper. Investment shares like Southern Pacific, St. Paul, Lehigh Valley, Baltimore and Ohio and Northwestern, also participated to the extent of 1 to 2 points. Bethlehem Steel began to show the effects of increased profit taking however, declining 3 1-4. Additional gold imports were announced. Bonds were irregular. American Smelting & Refining Co. stock declined a point in the early dealings acted as a restraining influence among shares in the railway division and caused a moderate reaction elsewhere.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

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MOVIE HEARING DATE IS SET

Friends and Foes of Censorship Will Air Views on March 30 The moving picture exhibitors and the backers of the board of moving picture censors will lock horns on Tuesday night, March 30, in the House of Representatives, when the House Committee on Judiciary General will hold an open hearing on the Stein bill, a repealer, which would wipe out the state censorship. Representative A. C. Stein, of Allegheny, obtained permission for the hearing at last night's session of the House. The exhibitors who are most concerned by the censorship have started a state-wide campaign in favor of the repealer and expect by the end of this week to be using slides in the theatres throughout the State to enlist their patrons in the fight. The exhibitors will be opposed, it is likely, by the administration. Both Governor Brumbaugh and Attorney General Brown have emphatically gone on record as being in favor of censorship. Joseph E. Thorley's Funeral New Cumberland, March 23.—The funeral of Joseph E. Thorley, aged 63 years, who died at his home in Marsh Run Sunday afternoon, will be held from his home to-morrow afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. The services will be in charge of the Rev. S. M. Good, pastor of the New Cumberland Church of God, of which Mr. Thorley was a member. Interment will be in Mt. Olivet cemetery. Plan to Pension City Workers Harrisburg will be required to establish municipal pension funds for city employes if an amendment to a bill relating to second class cities so that its provisions shall include third class cities, inserted last evening by Representative Wildman, of this city, is passed. This bill is sponsored by Mr. Geary, of Allegheny.