



**SMOKES VALUED
AT \$750 STOLEN**

**Three Arrests Follow
Uncovering of Plan
Whereby Cigarettes
Are Purloined**

**TAKEN FROM THE
PENNSY STATION**

**Clerk Employed at Warehouse Is One
of Those Seized and He Makes
Statement in Which He Absolves
Other Captives From Blame**

Following a man who was peddling cigarettes by the wholesale, at much under the price quoted by the manufacturer, Captain Barclay and Lieutenant Crawford, of the Pennsylvania Railroad police, and City Patrolman Morrissey and City Detective Harry White last night uncovered a plan whereby cigarettes were being stolen in large quantities from the Pennsylvania station here. Three men were arrested, one of whom is N. H. Miller, 1221 Market street, employed by the railroad as clerk at the warehouse. Cigarettes to the value of \$700 consigned to Harrisburg dealers have been missed from time to time and the disclosures made by the police to-day show how easily the thefts were accomplished.

Daniel Rose, a barber at 20 North Cameron street, and Edward Weiler, a boarder at that address, were arrested last night when it is alleged the latter was attempting to dispose of "smokes" by the wholesale. The police story is that Weiler said he got them from Rose. Later Miller was taken to police headquarters and according to the blueprints made a clean breast of the affair.

Miller said he had invested \$250 which he had received as his share from the sale of cigarettes—first in an oyster house and then in a shooting gallery, both at 1010 Market street. He said that he planned the thefts and he absolved all others from blame. Cigarettes to the value of \$250 have been recovered from him.

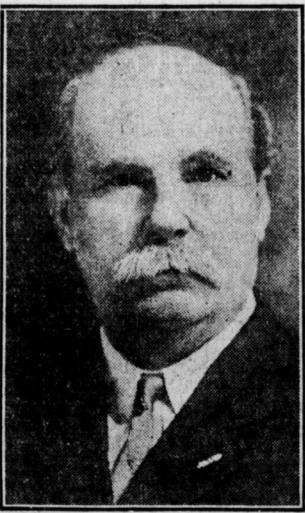
Miller declared he reached an agreement with Rose whereby the latter would send a man with a wagon to the freight warehouse with a note and Miller would permit the man to cart the cigarettes away for half the money received by the sale. Two cases of cigarettes were taken last Sunday and one some time ago, according to the police.

Miller was permitted to go home last night in consideration for his wife and child. The others were committed to jail from police headquarters for a hearing. The case has been turned over to Alderman Hoover, who will give the men a preliminary trial to-morrow, if the policemen have the case ready to present at that time.

CAPTAIN DELANEY VERY ILL

**Reported to Be Gradually Sinking In
His Home at Chevy Chase**

Friends of Captain John C. Delaney, former State Factory Inspector, so long a resident of Harrisburg by reason of his connection with State administrations and the Legislature, learned to-day that the illness from



which he has suffered for some time at his home in Chevy Chase, a suburb of Washington, is likely to prove fatal and that he is gradually sinking.

Captain Delaney was in Harrisburg a few weeks ago and at the time his appearance indicated that he was a very ill man, but he greeted his friends cheerfully. On his return to Chevy Chase he was again stricken and has for some time been confined to his bed.

Herman P. Miller, Senate Librarian, who has been a friend of Captain Delaney for years, left for Washington last night in response to a request from Mrs. Delaney.

Leg Fractured Between Trucks

Wesley Diehl, of Paxtang, suffered a compound fracture of the right leg at the ankle at 7:30 o'clock this morning while working at the plant of the Keystone Stone and Lime Company, of Paxtang. He was caught between two trucks. He was admitted to the Harrisburg Hospital for treatment.

**LYNCH TO OFFER MEASURE
TO CLOSE RIVER WALL GAP**

**He Will Present Ordinance, Probably
Next Tuesday, to Carry Out Plan
That Will Leave a Landing Place
For Coal Flats Near Market Street**

Coinciding with the views of the engineers and members of the Board of Public Works, who maintain that the best way to close the present gap in the Front street "steps," between Walnut and Chestnut streets, where rivermen maintain a coal wharf, is to erect a 120 foot wall beyond the outer edge of the "steps" and fill with earth back of the wall to the level of the top of the steps. Highway Commissioner Lynch said today that he will offer an ordinance providing for that improvement either at next Tuesday's session of the City Commissioners or the next subsequent meeting.

This change will entail a cost of between \$3,000 and \$4,000, in the opinion of the public works engineers. The work will be done by the Stucker Brothers Construction Company, which under a contract it now has with the city, is building the intercepting sewer protective wall.

Engineers figure this latest plan will permit rivermen to construct a folding derrick on the wharf by which coal may be taken from flats in the river. A barge walk is to be provided on the wharf.

The original plan to close the gap at the wharf steps just as have been constructed along the greater part of the river front, has been abandoned because it would mean the closing of the wharf or "landing place."

That would be in violation of the John Harris grant, it is conceded, which among other things specifies that "landing places" be provided along the river front. City Solicitor Selitz this week sent a legal opinion to the Board of Public Works on this question. The adoption of the plan to build the wall instead of the steps was the result.

The folding or collapsible derrick, by which the coal may be hoisted from the river flats to wagons that can be driven on the proposed wharf, must, city officials say, be provided by those who would have need for it.

P. & R. CHIEF ENGINEER DIES

**Hunter Succumbs to a Stroke Sustained
While Waiting for Train
in Philadelphia Terminal**

Philadelphia, April 2.—William Hunter, chief engineer of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, died in a hospital here to-day from a stroke of paralysis, sustained Wednesday night. He was 60 years of age, and had been in the service of the Reading for many years. Mr. Hunter died at 6:40 a. m. Members of his family were present when the end came. Later in the day the body was removed to his home at Jenkintown, near here.

The Reading's chief engineer was stricken as he was waiting for a train in the Terminal here to take him home. He had arrived from Williamsport on a short time before. He spent much time the past winter in Florida and although it was known that his health was impaired it was not considered that his illness was serious.

Mr. Hunter was born May 25, 1854, at Moselev, Berks county. He was graduated from the Polytechnic College of Pennsylvania in 1872 and entered the service of the Philadelphia and Reading as rodman, serving until 1878. Then he left the employ of the road and went into business for himself.

A year later he re-entered the railroad business, serving from 1877 to 1878 as division engineer of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad. In 1878 he returned to the Philadelphia and Reading railway. He was first assistant engineer, then assistant road master and on August 9, 1900, was made chief engineer. He has a wife, two sons, Fletcher and Nicholas, and a daughter, Lillian.

MRS. CARMAN TO BE RETRIEVED

**Alleged Slayer of Mrs. Bailey Will
Again Face Jury**

Mineola, N. Y., April 2.—Mrs. Florence Conkle Carman, wife of Dr. Edwin Carman, of Freeport, will go on trial again charged with the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey.

District Attorney Smith, of Nassau county, announced to-day that the case would be called on May 10 and that the Appellate division of the Supreme Court had assigned Justice Abel E. Blackmar to preside at the trial.

**WILL REPORT THE LOCAL
OPTION BILL NEXT WEEK**

**Committee Will Bring It Out Either on
Tuesday, When the Open Hearing
Will Be Held, or on Wednesday—
It May Reach Final Vote on Friday**

It is expected that the local option bill, which has been in the House Committee on Law and Order since its introduction in the House, will be reported out either on next Tuesday, the day the big mass meeting is held here, or on the following day, Wednesday. The bill has been held back in committee at the request of Governor Brumbaugh to give him time to line up votes for it, and it is understood the Governor will give the word for its release either on Tuesday or Wednesday, as he says he is "perfectly happy over the situation." This would make it possible for a final vote to be had on the bill in the House by Friday next.

Active preparations are being consummated for the holding of the big meetings at the Chestnut street hall on Tuesday next. The morning meeting will be over in time to permit of those attending to go to the capital where

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**JOHNSON TO FIGHT
McVEY TO-MORROW**

**Colored Champion Desirous of Finding Out
How Good He Is Before
Tackling Willard**

**PROTEST AGAINST
BOUT IS RAISED**

**Friends of Johnson Urge Him to Cancel
Preliminary Contest for Fear of
Injury to Himself Before Going
Into Ring With White Hope**

Havana, April 2.—Discussion to-day between the fight promoters regarding Jack Johnson's proposed exhibition bout with Sam McVey led to some sharp exchanges. This bout is advertised to take place in the stadium on Saturday. Jack Curley, Harry Frazier and others are urging Johnson to cancel it for fear of injury to himself 48 hours before he is scheduled to go into the ring and battle with Jess Willard for the world's heavyweight championship.

Johnson is stubborn. He says he will carry out this program, and that he is anxious to find out just how good he is. Every man financially interested in the fight is exerting his influence on Johnson to-day.

Clerks Busy on Big Bout

A large force of clerks was at work the best part of last night in alloting and distributing tickets. No less than 1,000 complimentary seats will be given out. Out of more than 70 press representatives who will be about the ring more than 30 are from the United States.

The ring, it was decided to-day, is to be about 19 feet inside the ropes, with a two foot extension outside. Threatening weather to-day again interfered in a measure with the training work of the two men. Heavy rains last night left the roads wet and slippery and as a result the early morning work was short and slow.

The promoters are rapidly completing the final arrangements for the fight. With the expected arrival of Referee Jack Welsh all directly concerned in the contest will be on hand. Including principals and officers there will be twenty persons in and about the ring during the battle. This number will be made up of the two pugilists, the two referees, timekeepers, the eight seconds, the four physicians, the stakeholder and the announcer.

FIRST RAINS OF SEASON EXPECTED

The first rains of the season are expected about April 5, the day of the fight. The promoters are planning to avoid any disastrous delay in case of

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DAVIS IS AGAIN APPOINTED

**Wilson Names Him As Revenue Col-
lector in This District**

Washington, April 2.—President Wilson to-day gave a recess appointment to Benjamin F. Davis as Collector of Internal Revenue, Ninth District of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Davis was appointed as collector while Congress was in session, but during the rush incident to the closing hours his nomination was not confirmed by the Senate.

FOURTH VICTIM IS DEAD

**Death Toll of Lewistown Steel Works
Explosion Increased**

Lewistown, Pa., April 2.—Fred C. Shtatzer, of Lewistown, who was among those injured in the explosion of the paint tank at the Standard steel works yesterday, died at the Lewistown hospital late last night, making four dead.

Abner H. Knepp and Homer Detra were instantly killed in the explosion and A. A. Shtatzer died on his way to the hospital. J. K. Gibboney, another one of the injured, is in a critical condition. Three others hurt will recover.

BAKING CO. CAPITAL \$500,000

**Schmidt Concern Increases Amount
From the Original \$5,000**

Papers were filed in the State Department to-day announcing that the Capital City Baking Company, of Harrisburg, chartered a few weeks ago with a capital of \$5,000, had increased its capital to \$500,000.

The incorporators are Bernard Schmidt, John E. Fox and A. G. Eden, all of this city, the latter secretary of the company. Of the original capital, Mr. Schmidt held 8 of the 10 shares, according to the papers.

\$300,000 RHODE ISLAND FIRE

**Stables and Garage of Former U. S.
Senator Aldrich Destroyed**

Warwick, R. I., April 2.—Fire last night on the Warwick Neck estate of former United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich burned his stables and garage. An observation tower 100 feet in height, a land mark for vessels in Narragansett Bay also was burned.

Senator Aldrich organized a bucket brigade and directed it personally. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

Hospital Attendant Has Appendicitis

Benjamin H. Linkous, 25 years old, an attendant at the State Hospital for the Insane, was operated on for appendicitis at the Harrisburg hospital yesterday afternoon. His condition was much improved this morning and his early recovery is looked for.

**BRITAIN ON VERGE
OF BECOMING DRY**

**Question of Abstinence
In United Kingdom
Now Overshadows
All War News**

**PUBLIC DIVIDED
IN ITS OPINIONS**

**Believed That Cabinet Is in Favor of
Total Prohibition and Has the
Power to Enforce It Under the
Realm Act**

London, April 2, 11:55 A. M.—The attention of the British public is to-day continued on the question of abstinence. For the moment it has overshadowed the war. This is Good Friday and in London there are no afternoon papers, but it is doubtful if the biggest headlines chronicling military activity could divert the attention of the people of the all-absorbing topic of the possibility of a "dry" country.

That some drastic measures are contemplated is beyond question but the public is divided in opinion as to whether the prohibition is to be total, or whether the consumption of alcoholic liquors will be permitted under sharp control.

Petitions for Suppressing Liquor

Several of the London morning papers appear with full page advertisements presenting petitions, the request that supporters of the movement cut them out and send them to Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George. These petitions read:

"I am entirely in favor of the suspension of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors during the war, which I consider imperative for a quick and successful termination of the war. I shall heartily support the government in any such measure."

The petition idea is backed by merchants and business men and other employers of labor, who disclaim any save a war interest in the proposed measure. The sense of personal liberty is so strong in England that it may defeat total prohibition. But the sense of fair play fights on the side of the extreme measure, for the opinion is growing that if employees be deprived of their right to drink employers must take their place in the same boat.

It is believed that the Cabinet is in favor of total prohibition which, under the defense of the realm act, it has the power to enforce without any further legislation.

LYBARGER CASHED ONLY PART

**Says He Still Has Check Given to Him
for Work He Didn't Do**

Following publication yesterday of the statement that the State Treasury has cashed some checks for Jesse J. Lybarger for services as a transcribing clerk in the House during the session of 1913, Mr. Lybarger, who now resides in Reading, explained in a telegram last night that he has not taken the pay of \$98 representing fourteen days' service which he did not perform and for which, in 1913, he refused to accept pay. He says he still has the check on his possession—uncashed. Mr. Lybarger's telegram said:

"The actual difference in the dispute of the 1913 Legislature was over the pay for fourteen days representing \$98. I still have in my possession the State Treasurer's check for \$112, including the \$98."

**GOOD FRIDAY MARKED BY
MANY CHURCH SERVICES**

**Easter Shoppers Throng the Streets—
Banks and Many Offices Closed for
the Day—Parcel Post Makes Postal
Men Resume Work Early**

Harrisburg celebrated Good Friday to-day with the usual religious services in the churches. It is a legal holiday and the more fortunate persons who have positions in banks, postoffices, federal estate, county and municipal offices enjoyed a holiday.

There was a pre-Easter atmosphere everywhere and many of the persons who were not compelled to work spent the day in the various shops doing shopping for Easter. The curb-stone merchant with his usual supply of hyacinths appeared this morning and did a remunerative business.

Services were held throughout the day in Catholic and in Protestant Episcopal churches. In the latter the three-hour service was held from 12 to 3 o'clock. There was song services this morning at Salem Reformed church, with an address by the pastor, the Rev. Ellis N. Kremer.

In practically all churches of the city services will be held to-night.

Because of the Easter parcel post business, which promises to reach large proportions in this city this year, the main postoffice and the Thirteenth street and Maclay street stations will be open at 7 o'clock this evening instead of remaining closed until midnight as is usual on holidays.

The offices closed at 10 o'clock this morning in observance of Good Friday. For the convenience principally of persons who are sending away Easter packages they will reopen at 7 o'clock

**BARONESS DECORATED BY THE
EMPEROR FOR RED CROSS WORK**



BARONESS H. E. VON ETTNER

This picture shows Baroness von Ettner, of Vienna, as she arrived in America, where she is to rest up after having acted as a Red Cross nurse in the hospital she fitted up in the Castle Gratz, her estate on the Austrian-Polish frontier. On her arrival the Baroness said she was decorated by Emperor Franz Josef for her interest in the work of the Red Cross.

**GOVERNOR ORDERS
ROADS REPAIRED**

**Directs Deputy Commissioner Hunter to
Start Operations Beginning Monday**

**\$700,000 OF AUTO
FUNDS AVAILABLE**

**Working Forces Throughout the State
Are Reported to Be in Readiness to
Resume the Work Where It Was
Halted Last Fall**

Work on the State highways will begin on Monday next under direction of Joseph W. Hunter, First Deputy Commissioner of Highways, who has been in charge of the Highway Department since Commissioner Bigelow's resignation, which took effect on last Wednesday evening. To-day Governor Brumbaugh sent the following message to Hunter, who is at his home in Jenkintown:

"Want you on Monday to begin work on State highways. The plans being all made, will you quickly get the force on the roads? See me soon. M. G. Brumbaugh."

Hunter will arrive here on Monday and have an audience with the Governor, and will at once set the machinery in motion. Highway improvement work has been halted during the winter and thus far in the spring.

There is now in the fund for the maintenance of the roads and to carry out the plans made by Commissioner Bigelow before leaving office, the sum of \$700,000 from the automobile license fund, and more is being added to it every day. This fund is kept separate from the other moneys in the State Treasury and is available at any time for road work.

Reports from all parts of the State are to the effect that the forces of men necessary to begin road work are ready at once, and the machinery can be placed in condition after long idleness in a very short time.

BISHOP DUBS' FUNERAL

**Six United Evangelical Ministers to
Serve as Pallbearers**

Six ministers of the United Evangelical Church will act as pallbearers at the funeral of Bishop Rudolf Dubs, to be held from the Harris Street United Evangelical church to-morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock.

They will be the Rev. W. S. Harris, Harrisburg; the Rev. J. Q. A. Curry, Johnstown; the Rev. J. D. Shortess, York; the Rev. H. A. Benfer, Baltimore; the Rev. S. P. Erisman, Allentown, and the Rev. H. V. Summers, Columbus, Ohio.

MERCHANT'S FATAL PLUNGE

**Aged Man, Victim of Somnambulism,
Falls Out Window to Death**

Philadelphia, April 2.—Adolph Hess, a wealthy retired rubber merchant of this city, fell out of a third story window of his home here early to-day and was killed.

Mr. Hess was 78 years old and for some time had been a victim of somnambulism. His absence from the house was not noticed and the body was found by a passerby.

**FORGER TO BE SENTENCED
UNLESS BOND IS GIVEN**

**Thus Far New York Authorities Have
Failed to Post \$2,500 as Guarantee
to Return Mercer to the Local
Court**

If William J. Fallon, Assistant District Attorney of Westchester county, New York proposes to obtain the \$2,500 bond which Judge Kunkel has said must be posted before H. R. Mercer, a crook in jail here awaiting sentence on forgery charges, will be turned over to the custody of the New York authorities, he at least has not yet informed District Attorney Stroup of his intentions.

Fallon wants Mercer to give assistance in a New York inquiry relative to several perjury cases. Dauphin wants Mercer to pay the penalty for having attempted to cheat two Harrisburg banks. He baffled police of other cities, then came to Harrisburg, which he regarded as a "jail" town—and tried a flim-flam game. In three hours the local police had him in a cell.

Mercer's companion in crime is one Fred LeBrun. Both will be called for sentence on Monday and Mercer will be sentenced—probably to the penitentiary—unless the New York prosecuting officer posts the \$2,500 bond as guarantee that Mercer will be returned to this State for his "just dues" when the New Yorkers are through with him. LeBrun also will be sentenced Monday.

Charley Stinney, who until this week had been a fugitive since September, last, and who was wanted for stealing linen from the old United States hotel, his attorney says, has decided to plead guilty and will be called for sentence on Monday.

Other defendants who will be called at that time include the following: Samuel B. Baker, larceny; Jim Belford, serious charge; Charles Chaney, assault and battery; Henry Davis, keeping a gambling house; Samuel Engler, larceny; John Hill and Arthur H. Knouff, non-support; Mack Ritter, larceny; James Lewis and Ilija Rokeric, assault and battery, and Milos Vorkapic, felonious entry and larceny.

Nick Ferencic, convicted of selling liquor without a license and to minors, also will be called for sentence. M. P. Johnson, the defendant's employer, will be called as a character witness.

**SEEKING 135 ENTRIES
FOR BIG PUBLICITY RUN**

**Would Break All National Records—
Jersey and Pennsylvania Cities
Have Pledged 120 Trophies—Ex-
pect One for Every Car**

Twenty-two entries for the publicity run of the Motor Club of Harrisburg before notice have been sent out to the 400 odd members gives the secretary, J. Clyde Myton, a hunch that this will be the greatest run in the history of motor runs. If 135 cars enter from Harrisburg, it will be the greatest run ever held and will attract country-wide prominence, and that is what the managers are hoping for.

They have an able ally in the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, which entered into the spirit of "advertising Harrisburg" yesterday for the first time and their activity is already bearing fruit, with the result that the chamber will be able to announce its plans definitely next week.

Assurances of 120 trophies given by hotels and cities which will profit by the run, which, by the way, is to be a

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**FOUR MORE
BOATS LOST
IN SEA RAID**

**British Steamer South-
point, Thought Lost
In Storm, Sunk By
Submarine U-28**

**THE U-10 SINKS 3
TYNE TRAWLERS**

**Later Vessels Are Blown Up by the
Germans After All Members of the
Crews Are Safely in Small
Boats**

London, April 2, 6:29 A. M.—The British steamer Southpoint, the crew of which was landed yesterday at Lisbon, was not lost in a storm as first reported but was sunk by the German submarine U-28 sixty miles off Cape Finisterre, according to a Reuter dispatch from Lisbon.

New Castle, Eng., April 2, 2:58 P. M.—Three Tyne trawlers, the Gloxi-ana, Jason and Nellie, were sunk by the German submarine U-10 yesterday. After all the members of the crews were safely in small boats the Germans blew up the trawlers. They then towed the fishermen towards the Tyne until they encountered fishing craft which brought the men ashore.

The fishermen say that the commander of the submarine was quite genial. He supplied hot coffee and tobacco and told them: "We have orders to sink everything. It is war, and England started it."

Amsterdam, April 2, Via London, 2:15 P. M.—Eleven men, the crew of the Norwegian bark Nor, torpedoed in the North Sea by the German submarine U-20, were landed to-day by the steamer Unitas at the Hook of Holland.

Paris, April 2, 12:30 A. M.—An Austrian steamer loaded with arms and ammunition on its way from Semlin to Pancsova, both ports on the Danube, struck a mine in the river last night, says a Havas dispatch from Nieh. Serbian artillery immediately opened fire on the vessel which exploded with terrific force.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

German submarines have sunk four more vessels, one of them flying a neutral flag. A Norwegian bark was torpedoed in the North Sea by the U-20, and three trawlers from the Tyne were blown up by the U-10. The crews of all four ships escaped.

Heavy fighting has resumed in Eastern France near the German border. The official statement from Berlin to-day says the French were defeated in a battle near Leperet forest and forced to give up ground which they had won.

Elsewhere along the western front there were artillery encounters yesterday but no infantry engagements of consequence.

Raid by two aviators of the allies in the German province of Baden inflicted damage in the cities of Mulheim and Neuenburg. The destruction of property in Mulheim is described in a London dispatch as considerable, although

CLOUDS CAUSE SOME WORRY

**Weather Observer Says It Will Be Fair
and He Ought to Know**

Prospects for a fair Easter did not seem good to many Harrisburgers who gazed with apprehension at the cloudy sky, arguing that it preceded a storm. They did not think so and forecasted fair weather for to-night and Saturday without much change in temperature. The edge of a storm area which was central in Maine caused the clouds here to-day.

The Florida peninsula had heavy rains to-day as the result of a storm there and this seems to be the only storm that might make a sorry Easter Day here, but prospects are bright that it will move off the coast before any damage is done to new spring crops.

EGGS FOR INDUSTRIAL HOME

**Usual Easter Donations Have Been
Received From School Children**

The usual Easter donations of eggs for the Children's Industrial Home have been received from the public school children of the city and from other individuals.

A lot of thirty-one dozen came from the schools of Hummelstown. The counting of the eggs was proceeding rapidly this afternoon.