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Police Chiefs in Our Midst Swapping Views on How to Trap Wrongdoers

IBACH EXPLAINS BERTILLON PLAN

Colonel Hutchison Tells of Economic Value of Identification Bureau— Tillard, of Altoona, Calls for Civil Service and Pension System

Chief Joseph B. Hutchison, of the Harrisburg Police Department, spoke at the opening session of the Pennsylvania State Association of Chiefs of Police, in the Board of Trade auditorium this afternoon, on the economic value to the taxpayer of a police identification bureau such as Harrisburg has in operation. He was assisted by City Detective Joseph W. Ibach, who has charge of the local bureau, in a demonstration of the system.



CHIEF JOSEPH B. HUTCHISON
Head of Harrisburg's "Finest" Ad-
dresses Visiting Sherlock Holmes

Chief Hutchison described how the bureau was opened in Harrisburg thirteen years ago by the purchase of measuring tools and cards for the Bertillon, and how later it was developed by the purchase of a cabinet and finger print outfit. Now, he said, Harrisburg has a bureau of identification equal to any in the country. "The money value to Harrisburg can hardly be estimated," added the chief.

City Detective Ibach, in charge of the Bertillon system here, who transferred his card cabinets to the platform in the convention hall, demonstrated to the policemen that the complete criminal record of a suspect, together with a full description of him, could be obtained almost in an instant, no matter what alias the criminal was known to have used.

The convention was opened with E. G. Smith's leg amputated. Hill Employee Undergoes Operation at Harrisburg Hospital.

Edwards G. Smith, of Philadelphia, clerk in the office of the State Fire Marshal, had his left leg amputated above the knee in the Harrisburg hospital yesterday afternoon. He has been suffering from an infection due to rheumatism for a number of years and efforts were made to save his leg, but physicians who have been treating him in the hospital since March 17 decided that an amputation was necessary if his life were to be saved.

The operation was successful and Mr. Smith's condition was improved this morning. His Harrisburg home is the Bolton House.

Martins Move Into Awning Home. The flock of Martins that maintain a summer home in the awning over the front of the store of Bates & Co., 110 Market street, began arriving yesterday, one day behind their arrival last year. There were but a few twittering around this morning, but the full membership will come back with another spell of warm weather.

ELOPING BRIDE OF 15 EXPECTS TO BE FORGIVEN

Renatta Bennett, Who Ran Away and Married Harry Stormfultz, Still Is Kept From Husband By Parents— Friends Say Latter Will Relent

A very tearful little bride and a very uncomfortable but determined bridegroom to-day are awaiting the blessing of the former's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Bennett, 1642 North Third street, on their romantic elopement of last Sunday.

On Sunday night, on her way to church, Miss Renatta Bennett, 15 years old, met her sweetheart, Harry Stormfultz, 21, and they decided to take a walk instead of going to service. During the walk the young man suggested that they go to New Cumberland, wait for the midnight train to Baltimore, and go to that city and be married as soon as a license could be obtained and a clergyman found.

This plan was carried out to the letter. Upon their arrival in the Maryland metropolis they were married at the parsonage of a Lutheran church. The young people returned to Harrisburg last night and went to the home of the bride's parents. The mother sent Stormfultz to his own home and kept her daughter with her until the father, an engineer on the Pennsylvania railroad, should return from his trip.

Mr. Bennett reached home early this morning and after a family conference decided to accept the inevitable and not take any steps toward having the marriage annulled as said, he at first intended to do.

The parents, however, have not yet given their blessing to the pair but their friends expect it to be forthcoming very soon. Then the parents will let the bride go to her husband. The couple probably will take up their residence at the home of the bridegroom's parents, 1230 1-2, North Sixth street.

OPTION BILL OUT TO-NIGHT

House Law and Order Committee Ex- pected to Report It at Start of the Evening Session

The Law and Order Committee of the House of Representatives met at 3 o'clock this afternoon to consider, among other bills, the Williams county local option bill which has the backing of Governor Burbaugh. This bill will likely be reported out in the House at the opening of the session at 8 o'clock this evening. It will be on the first reading calendar to-morrow. There is usually a light attendance on Thursdays and it will likely not be called up for action on second reading before Monday night.

To-day was the day fixed by the Law and Order Committee for action on all of the bills before that body.

SENATE TO MEET ON FRIDAYS

Work Will Be Rushed So Adjournment Can Be Taken on May 6 or 13

It was stated in well-informed legislative circles to-day that the House resolution providing for final adjournment of the Legislature on May 6, which has been reposing in the Senate Committee on Executive Nominations for some time, will be brought out about May 3 and adopted, provided that the Senate can see the way clear for the disposing of the important legislation that is now coming to the front.

If there are any signs that the work cannot be completed by May 6, then the day for final adjournment will be fixed for May 13. It is understood by those who have been consulted that the day of final adjournment will not be later than May 13.

The sessions of the Senate this week will be prolonged to Friday, and it is understood that Friday sessions will be held every week until final adjournment.

MAY ELECT IN THE PRIMARIES

Bill Applying to the Office of Mayor Is Passed by Both Branches

The Senate bill providing that 51 per cent. of the total vote cast at the primaries gives a candidate for mayor unopposed place on general election ticket in third class cities was passed finally in the House of Representatives this morning, and now goes to the Governor for his approval or rejection. This bill applies to Harrisburg.

Tulip Drops Out of the Race

The Dunn bill designating the tulip as the State flower was defeated by a vote of 90 to 28 in the House of Representatives this morning.

Mrs. Dull Sends Money to Firemen

Mrs. A. P. L. Dull, 211 North Front street, to-day sent Fire Chief John C. Kinder, as treasurer of the Firemen's Relief Association, \$50 to be added to the relief fund together with her thanks for the excellent work done by the local firemen in saving surrounding buildings at Bonnymeads when a tenant house burned on April 7.

Well-Known Hotel Man Dies

Baltimore, April 13.—Dr. John L. Perry, one of the proprietors of the United States hotel, at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., died here to-day. He was 75 years old.

WILL BUILD STEPS TO CLOSE UP GAP

Lynch Announces Intention to Ignore the Objections of River Coal Contractors

HAS CONSULTED CITY'S LAWYER

Head of Highway Department Says Only a Court Injunction Can Pre- vent His Going Ahead With Im- provement as Originally Planned

William H. Lynch, City Commissioner of Highways, following a conference with City Solicitor Seitz and City Engineer M. B. Cowden, at noon to-day announced he had decided to close the gap in the river front wall at the Market street wharf, with step sections, precisely the same as have been constructed along the rest of the river bank. This was the original plan but it had been objected to.

Objection had been raised to this plan because it closes the wharf used by contractors who get coal from the river and for years have been using the landing. They have even threatened to take the city into court to obtain an injunction restraining the city from closing the gap in a way to eliminate the wharf. Similar threats were made by contractors when a perpendicular wall was proposed for closing the gap.

Lynch, however, said to-day he is satisfied with the construction of the step section and that he now intends to carry it out unless prevented by legal action.

The contention has been raised that the deeds given by John Harris, founder of Harrisburg, conveying river front land to the city forbid the closing of the landing. City Solicitor Seitz, however, has advised the Board of Public Works that the Harris deed is not a bar to the proposed improvement. Commissioner Lynch said he believes the court would decide that it is without power to restrain the city permanently from making the improvement in the way proposed.

As to whether the City will have sufficient money to finance the cost of closing the gap, Lynch said it will be answered within the next several days. His determination to go on with the work, he said, is final if approved by the Board of Public Works. That body always has been in favor of the steps rather than the perpendicular wall, he said.

The matter will be placed before the Public Works Board at a meeting to-morrow or Thursday. There will be no necessity for action by the City Commission, Lynch said, unless it is found necessary to appropriate additional money for the work.

The Stucker Brothers' Construction Company, contractors now completing the river front work, have agreed to rebuild five sections of steps adjacent to the gap and this work will be started first. Then the gap will be closed. That will be a matter of two or three weeks' work, said Lynch.

Reservoir Park Courts in Shape

Park Commissioner Lynch is planning to have two upper tier tennis courts on the terrace in Reservoir Park facing Whitehall street ready for use by Saturday. These courts were re-equipped with iron posts and new wire netting last year. The other courts will be ready by the end of next week.

PROPOSES OFFICE OF CITY REAL ESTATE REGISTRAR

Mayor Introduces Ordinance Providing for It to Assume Duties of Old Board of Revision of Taxes—Bow- man Would Lease Ball Grounds

The office of real estate registrar, an official who will prepare a file of books, maps and papers covering all real estate changes and new buildings for the benefit of the city assessors, is proposed in an ordinance introduced at to-day's meeting of the City Commissioners by Mayor Royal. City Solicitor Seitz recommended the passage of the measure.

Some other cities of Harrisburg's size have had property registrars for years but Harrisburg, it is contended, had no need for such an official so long as the Board of Revision of Taxes and Appeals was in existence. That body was wiped out by the Clark commission form of government act. Deeds marking transfers of property or showing title to new property must be filed with the city registrar for his information before they are entered of record with the County Recorder. Penalties are provided for failure to do so and the act of 1889 makes it mandatory that the Recorder refuse to record deeds that do not contain the stamp of the city registrar. Certified copies of the registrar's data on any particular parcel of real estate may be obtained for \$1.

A proposition to release to the Pennsylvania Exhibition Company a part of Hargest's Island—the Old Tri-State baseball field—is contained in an ordinance offered by Commissioner Bowman.

Probably Nominal Rent

The understanding is that in view of the fact that the Exhibition Company officers have confessed judgment in fact.

CRUISE OF WILHELM AND POSITIONS OF HER VICTIMS



Above is a map outlining the cruise of the Kronprinz Wilhelm from August 3, when she left New York, to April 11, when she arrived at Newport News, showing the approximate places where she met and sunk her victims, as follows:—1, Indian Prince (British); 2, La Correntina (British); 3, Union (French); 4, Anne de Bretagne (French); 5, Bellevue (British); 6, Mont Angel (French); 7, Hemisphere (British); 8, Potaro (British); 9, Highland Brae (British); 10, Wilfrid M. (British); 11, Samantha (Norwegian); 12, Guadeloupe (French); 13, Tamar (British); and 14, Coleby (British). No. 15 shows where the Chasehill (British), was stopped.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION IS REPORTED FROM SCOTLAND

Aberdeen, Scotland, April 13, 4.15 A. M.—The "Free Press" published the following telegram from Lerwick: "A terrible explosion has occurred. Harbor street was wrecked and many lives were lost. No details are obtainable as yet."

Lerwick is situated on the east coast of mainland, Shetland Islands. It is defended by an old fort, dating from the time of Cromwell, and is one of the chief stations in Scotland for the royal naval reserve. Lerwick is the capital of the Shetland archipelago.

London, April 13, 4.20 P. M.—The fatal explosion at Lerwick, Shetland Islands, yesterday was the result of a fire, according to recent dispatches reaching London. Considerable property was wrecked and four men and one boy lost their lives.

CREW CAN LIVE 100 DAYS IN SUBMERGED SUBMARINE?

New York, April 13.—It was announced to-day that a new storage battery is being made for the submarine L-8, under construction at the Portsmouth, N. H., navy yard, which will do away with the danger to the crew of chlorine poisoning.

It is claimed the submarine can remain submerged for 100 days without danger of asphyxiation to the crew. Miller Reese Hutchinson, chief engineer at the Edison plant in Orange, N. J., made the announcement.

ANOTHER HOPE FOR F-4

Divers Will Attempt to Reach Sub- merged Submarine to-morrow

Honolulu, April 13.—George D. Stillson, chief gunner's mate in charge of the diving operations for raising the submarine F-4, submerged outside the harbor since March 25, said to-day four expert divers would probably make a descent to-morrow.

With the apparatus brought here yesterday by the cruiser Maryland and the use of a new method of supplying compressed air, Stillson said the divers would be able to work at any depth to 400 feet. The work of adjusting the apparatus for the descent will be completed to-day.

JOHN F. KELL DIES IN FALL

United States Commissioner in York District Victim of Accident at Rohrertstown

York, Pa., April 13.—Attorney John F. Kell, United States Commissioner in this district, either fell or jumped from a Pennsylvania railroad train near Rohrertstown, Lancaster county, last night and was killed.

200 LUNATICS ARE RESCUED AT FIRE

Patients In Chicago Hospital For Insane Save Lives as Build- ing Burns

2,800 OTHERS IMPERILLED

Fire Drill Works Without Hitch When Hundreds of Inmates of Institu- tion Are Conducted From Building Burning Fiercely

Chicago, April 13.—Two hundred convalescent patients of the Chicago State Hospital for the Insane were rescued to-day from fire which destroyed a frame structure used as an annex to the institution at Dunning, northwest of the city.

Warned by previous blazes in the building, the hospital authorities had prepared a fire drill which worked without a hitch. Some 2,800 other inmates of the institution were guarded to prevent panic or undue excitement in the main building a few hundred feet away. The loss was estimated at \$50,000.

NEWSPAPER HIS MONUMENT

W. Rockhill Nelson's Last Thought Was That of Taking Care of the Public's Interest

Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—William Rockhill Nelson, owner and editor of the Kansas "City Star," died at his home here this morning. Mr. Nelson, who was 74 years old, had been in ill health several months and had been confined to his home since last December. Uraemic poisoning caused his death, according to physicians.

Mr. Nelson took an active part in the management of the "Star" up until about a month ago, when his condition changed for the worse. Until then members of the "Star" staff gathered at his bedside several times weekly for the purpose of discussing with Mr. Nelson questions of editorial policy. At these conferences he would dictate editorials and outline ideas for cartoons and feature stories. Although his physicians constantly advised against the part he was taking, during the last few months, in the management of the paper, he refused to obey them, reminding them that it was in the building of the "Star" he had been happiest and that he would not be content without something to occupy his mind.

AUSTRIANS IN A FIERCE STRUGGLE IN BUKOWINA

Paris, April 13, 5.10 A. M.—A fierce struggle continues in Bukowina, according to a dispatch to the "Petit Parisien" from Bucharest. The Austrians are reported to have dispatched two armored trains against the Russians near Rojana yesterday. They were met by a terrific fire from the Russian artillery. One of them crawled back to Czernowitz badly damaged but the other was blown up.

Austrian troops which followed the train delivered two furious attacks but are said to have been repulsed.

OSSEWETZ IS SHELLED BY GERMANS, BUT LATTER LOSE

London, April 13, 9.45 A. M.—The following semi-official statement issued at Petrograd last night is contained in a dispatch to the Reuter Telegram Company: "Ossewetz was bombarded throughout the day Sunday by eight-inch howitzers. The artillery of the forts repelled, seriously damaging one of the enemy's siege batteries. The Germans tried to send four fire relief trains against the forts but they were sunk. In the region of Jebwabno was active fighting in the trenches, during which bomb throwers were used."

SETBACK FOR THE RUSSIANS IN CARPATHIANS, IS REPORT

Washington, April 13.—An official War Office bulletin from Vienna received by the Austro-Hungarian embassy here to-day said the Russian offensive in the Carpathians had been brought to a standstill and that counter attacks had broken the Russian line in several places.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The effort of the allies to drive back the German wedge in the Meuse-Moselle region continues unrelentingly, but the official communications from both Paris and Berlin indicate that the German lines are holding. The Berlin announcement speaks of a number of French infantry attacks with strong forces, which are said to have been repelled. Small gains are claimed for the Germans in the forest of Lepretre. The French War Office refers only briefly to this fighting, saying that at several points the attackers made their way to the wire entanglements of the Germans.

Elsewhere over the western front there was a lull yesterday. German aviators dropped bombs on three towns occupied by the British.

A French battleship, with the aid of sea planes attacked a Turkish concentration camp in the vicinity of Gaza, in Southern Palestine near the Egyptian border. This camp probably was established in connection with the advance of the Turkish troops to the Suez Canal.

The statement of the French Ministry of Marine announcing the attack

GERMANY IS NOT READY FOR PEACE

No Basis For Report That Negotiations Are Being Consider- ed to End Conflict

CAN PROLONG IT INDEFINITELY

Both Germany and Austria, It Is Said, Have Within Their Borders Ample Means to Carry on the Conflict Against Their Enemies

Rome, April 12, 11.15 P. M., Via Paris, April 13, 8 A. M.—Information obtained from the highest German sources in this city is to the effect that there is absolutely no basis for the report that peace negotiations under conditions are being considered in Berlin. These reports, it is said, are based upon ignorance of actual conditions in the German empire. The assertion is made that both Germany and Austria, particularly the former, have within their borders supplies of everything necessary to prolong the war indefinitely.

Well-informed Germans in Rome declare the determination of the central empires to carry the conflict to the end will become apparent soon when the campaign is resumed with fresh vigor on both fronts, according to plans mapped out by the general staff during the winter. The same sources of information are authority for the statement that not only can Germany provide enough food to supply her people, but that she has on hand a plentiful store of supplies for manufacturing arms and ammunition.

Britain to Buy Wilhelmina

New York, April 13.—The case of the American steamship Wilhelmina, loaded with foodstuffs for Germany and detained since February at Falmouth, England, has been settled, counsel for the owners of the cargo, announced to-day. The British government is to buy the cargo and compensate its owners for loss of anticipated profits in Germany.

Ship Bombed Turkish Camp

Paris, April 13, 11.18 A. M.—The marine ministry issued the following statement to-day: "Yesterday a battleship, in connection with French seaplanes, bombarded the important Turkish encampment in the neighborhood of Gaza."

200 VILLA ADHERENTS ARE EXECUTED, IS LATE REPORT

Laredo, Texas, April 13.—Mexican soldiers in Nuevo Laredo to-day declared General Maclovio Herrera had caused 200 Villa prisoners to be executed yesterday after the Villa defeat near Huisachito, twenty miles south of here. The Carranza commander's only reply to Americans who questioned him regarding the report was: "The prisoners have been disposed of."

In his official report to Carranza regarding the battle Herrera was said not to have mentioned any such execution. Americans familiar with the situation were little disposed to believe the stories although they apparently were taken for true across the border from here.

Hundreds of residents of Nuevo Laredo went to the Huisachito battlefield to-day to watch the burning of dead, killed in yesterday's battle, in which it was said more than 200 Villa troops were killed.

Reports Favorable Trade Balance

Washington, April 13.—Secretary Redfield reported to President Wilson to-day that the commerce department for the general trade figures showed a favorable balance for the United States of \$17,679,267 last week. This was smaller than the balance the week before.

WALL STREET CLOSING

New York, April 13.—Bethlehem Steel rose to 155 in the final hour but lost all of its rise towards the end. Coppers were the feature of the general list at smart gains. The closing was irregular. All other features of to-day's active market were secondary to the movement in Bethlehem Steel which rose 31 points, but yielded all of its gain in the final dealings.