



## SHOT TO DEATH AS SWEETHEART PULLS A RIBBON

A. H. Cowl, Heir to  
Hearn Millions,  
Makes Girl Unwittingly Kill Him

## REPORT HE HAD BEEN JILTED

Bullet From Concealed Revolver Crashes  
Into His Head, As Result of His  
Cruel Contrivance, and He Dies  
Soon Afterward From Wound

New York, April 27.—Arthur Hearn Cowl, the youth who accomplished his own death by a singular expedient in Stratford, Conn., last night, was a son of Clarkson Cowl, president of the Central Mercantile Association, of this city. The youth was a grandson of the late George A. Hearn, of the retail dry goods firms of James A. Hearn & Son, who died in 1913, leaving an estate valued at \$10,000,000. Under the will of his grandfather he inherited a substantial interest in that firm.

Calling at the home of his fiancée, Miss Emily Wheeler, daughter of Arthur De Forest Wheeler, a banker, the young man directed the girl to pull the end of a ribbon attached to a revolver which he had concealed. When she did so the revolver was discharged, inflicting a wound in Cowl's head from which he died in a Bridgeport hospital early to-day. It was reported here that Miss Wheeler had broken their engagement. Cowl, who was 22 years old, lived with his father in this city in the winter and at Great Neck, Long Island, in the summer. He owned a fast power yacht on which he frequently crossed the sound to the home of his fiancée. Several months ago he suffered a nervous breakdown and was sent to Bermuda whence he returned a week ago. His mother, Mrs. Clarkson Cowl, was a daughter of the late George A. Hearn, and held in trust for him and another grandson of the merchant 1,680 shares of the firm of James A. Hearn & Son to be divided equally.

## CLOCK WORK BOMB HIDDEN IN PARIS MINISTRY OF WAR

Paris, April 27.—A powerful clock work bomb was found hidden yesterday in the Ministry of War at Constantinople according to a dispatch from Saloniki. It was timed to explode at an hour when the council would be in session. The meetings of this body are attended by Enver Pasha, Minister of War, Field Marshal Von Der Goltz and General Liman Von Sanders. An investigation is said to have disclosed that the bomb was placed in the room by a sweeper who had come to clean the chimney and who then disappeared. Several minor officials connected with the Ministry of War have been arrested on suspicion of being his accomplices. The police believe the plot was directed against the young Turks and the Germans. Members of the committee of union and progress are said to have decided at a meeting to which no Germans were admitted to adhere to a "waiting policy," but to favor the conclusion of a separate peace with the allies if Germany failed to provide assistance sufficient to repulse an attack on the Dardanelles.

## RUSSIANS IN NEW ATTACK ON CARPATHIAN UZOK

Geneva, Switzerland, April 27, Via Paris, 12.50 P. M.—The Russians have begun another strong offensive movement around the heights of Uzok Pass, in the Carpathian mountains, according to a telegram received from the "Tribune," of Geneva. The Austria German casualties there in the last two days, the dispatch says, numbered 20,000 men. Melting snow has hindered the Russian advance between Stry and Matamoras.

Greece Seeks \$7,000,000 Here  
London, April 27.—The Exchange Telegraph Company's Athens correspondent says the newspapers in that city state the Greek government has negotiated with American capitalists for a loan of \$7,000,000.

## ASK FOR \$500 TO REMOVE FIRE MENACE TO CHILDREN

Managers of the Industrial Home Make  
Plea for Public Subscriptions So  
That Electricity Can Be Installed  
and Matches Eliminated

The use of matches is to be eliminated from the Children's Industrial Home, Nineteenth and Swatara streets. That was determined yesterday by the board of managers of that worthy institution, who believe it necessary in order to remove a constant menace to the lives of the 130 little ones who are now housed there.

To remove the menace, the members of the board say, it will be necessary to substitute electricity for gas as a means of lighting the building, and this will require the expenditure of \$500. This it has been determined to raise through public subscriptions, as all the available funds that the home now has are required to meet current expenses.

It is recalled that within one week recently the Children's Industrial Home was set on fire three times, presumably by a youngster with too great a fondness for playing with matches. These blazes, by good luck, were discovered in time to prevent panic among the inmates or serious damage to the building. There also have been other blazes in the home, notably several recent ones in the basement, all of which have been attributed to the presence of matches in the building. It has been decided, therefore, as a means of protecting the lives of the little ones, to call for contributions to install electricity in place of gas in the building. Cash contributions will be received at the offices of the daily newspapers or may be sent to Miss Agnes Felix, treasurer of the board, at 10 North Market square.

## SEVEN DEAD IN EXPLOSION

Italian Workmen Killed in Premature  
Blow Up of Dynamite in  
Cutoff Trench

By Associated Press.  
White Plains, N. Y., April 27.—Seven Italian workmen were killed and eleven injured to-day when there was a premature explosion of dynamite in the cutoff trench at the New Kensico dam.

The charge had been placed and the men were getting ready to go to safety when the explosion occurred, throwing out forty tons of rock. Four of the injured are so seriously hurt it is thought they will die.

## STARTS \$1,200,000 CONTRACTS

Morton Truck Company Begins Work  
on Big Foreign War Orders

In the last week definite arrangements were made by the Morton Truck & Tractor Company, of Harrisburg, to begin work on the large war orders for motor vehicles, aggregating in the neighborhood of \$1,200,000, obtained from the Russian and British governments. The Morton company also is negotiating for other and larger contracts, and it is expected that they will be closed in the very near future.

Extra manufacturing facilities have been arranged for with the Harrisburg Manufacturing & Boiler Company. The work on these first orders all will be done in Harrisburg and on future orders according to capacity of the local plants.

In expectation of receiving other large orders, tentative arrangements have been made elsewhere for the manufacture of such trucks as can not be taken care of in Harrisburg.

## REPORTER KILLS HIMSELF

Former Member of Harrisburg "Telegraph" Staff Uses Pistol

Williamsport, Pa., April 27.—George Morganroth, 28 years old, a magazine writer, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart in the woods near a Rose Valley farmhouse where he was staying in search of local color for his stories. Ill health was the cause.

George Morganroth worked in Harrisburg last summer as a reporter for the Harrisburg "Telegraph." He went to Kane, Pa., in October, to benefit his health. His Harrisburg address was 719 North Sixth street. He contributed to several periodicals including the Associated Sundays Magazine. Mr. Morganroth came here from Shamokin where he has a brother who is a lawyer.

## CANNON DANCES VIRGINIA REEL

Former Speaker, Nearly 70, Fulfills  
Promise at "Frisco Fair"

By Associated Press.  
San Francisco, April 27.—Congressman Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, last night fulfilled a promise made five years ago by dancing a waltz in the New York State building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The former Speaker is a member of a Congressional party en route to the Hawaiian Islands.

The promise was given at the time San Francisco and New Orleans were fighting before Congress for the right to hold the exposition. Mr. Cannon, then Speaker of the House, declared that if San Francisco should be selected as its site he would visit the grounds and participate in a Virginia reel. Congressman Cannon will celebrate his seventy-ninth birthday anniversary on May 7.

## TAYLOR PLAYPLOT PROJECT HELD UP

His Effort to Get Action  
on \$9,000-an-Acre Purchase Is  
Voted Down 3 to 2

## MAYOR ASKS FOR A DELAY

Says by Next Week He Will Have a  
Definite Plan Whereby the City  
Can Get a Site in Hoffman's Woods  
—Curfew Bill Amended

Despite Park Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor's persistent effort to get action on his ordinance to purchase an acre and a half of land at Fifth and Emerald streets for a playground site at the rate of \$9,000 an acre, three of the five members of the City Commission—Mayor Royal and Messrs. Gorgas and Bowman—voted this afternoon to postpone consideration of the Taylor bill for another week. Lynch voted with Taylor against postponement.

It was at the request of Mayor Royal, who wants to buy a part of the Hoffman woods at a price not to exceed \$4,000 for the proposed playground site, that the question of postponing the Taylor measure was raised. Taylor strenuously objected to delay, saying: "I cannot agree. Here this ordinance has been postponed from one week to another, and—"

Mayor Royal interrupted before Taylor could finish his statement, saying: "Yes, and you have had the park money available for more than a year and now suddenly want to spend it."

Immediately after this Mr. Taylor argued in favor of the passage of his measure, saying that Hoffman woods is six and a half blocks farther north than the site he proposes to buy.

"Of course the ground I'd like to buy would cost a few more dollars," commented Taylor.

"Pshaw. A few more dollars," put in the Mayor. "Well I guess, \$4,000 an acre for one plot and \$9,000 an acre for another. Yes! That is some difference and a few more."

Gorgas Against Taylor Plan  
Gorgas suggested that to buy the Fifth and Emerald street ground would mean that the city sooner or later would have to pay assessments incident to paving around this property, and said that there is no money available to take care of it. He added that in his judgment it also will be necessary to get much earth to fill mud holes.

"No, no," quickly returned Taylor, "we would not do that, (referring to the mud holes). We could drain the ground with sewers. And we could pay the paving assessment out of the park loan."

This would mean an added expense, officials estimate, of more than \$1,000. By next week the Mayor expects to be able to present an offer for the purchase of a part of Hoffman's woods, and he will attempt to have Taylor's ordinance amended.

Information obtained by City Clerk Miller from five cities—Beaver Falls, New Castle, York, Titusville and Mead, Keesport—tended to show that the curfew law in force in those cities are "working to perfection."

## Curfew Bill Amended

The curfew bill, which is pending before the Commission, was amended on motion of the Mayor so as to permit children, when unaccompanied by parents or guardians, to be on the streets until 9.30 p. m., between April 27 and April 28.

## ASPHALT PLANT CONTRACT LET

Cummer & Son Company Gets It To-day at Bid of \$9,768

The contract for the municipal asphalt repair plant was awarded by the City Commissioners this afternoon to F. D. Cummer & Company, of Cleveland, O., at their bid of \$9,768. The vote on the award was 3 to 2, the Republicans being in the affirmative and the Democrats, Mayor Royal and Commissioner Gorgas, in the negative.

Lynch submitted data showing the difference between the Cummer plant and that of the Barber Asphalt Company which bid \$7,495. The Barber plant, Lynch said, is anywhere from 25 to 60 per cent. less efficient than the Cummer plant.

## CONTEMPLATE BIC STATION

Rotary Club Told That Penny May Add Two Sheds at Division Street

During a visit of the Harrisburg Rotary Club to the Division street freight transfer station of the Pennsylvania railroad announcement was made by Transfer Agent J. W. Dennis that it is expected to build two more sheds and increase the working force to at least 500. These additions will be made in time, he said, although they have not as yet been definitely planned.

The Rotary Club made its inspection of the station following its weekly luncheon at the Metropolitan hotel. The trip was under the direction of Freight Claim Agent George W. Mumma, a member of the club.

Must Wear Bathing Trunks  
So many complaints have been made to the police that youths were swimming on Sunday around the river islands without bathing suits that several plainclothes men will be sent to the island next Sunday to guard against a further violation of a city ordinance, which prohibits the bathing without trunks. Offenders will be fined the limit.

## HOMER S. MAY IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CLASSIS

Ministers and Laymen of Reformed  
Church Open Annual Meeting Here  
—Lancaster Clergyman to Preach  
on John Huss To-night

The Rev. Homer Skyles May, pastor of the Fourth Reformed church, was elected president of the Lancaster Classis at the opening session of the annual meeting of the classis held last night at that church.

Other classis officers, elected to-day, are the Rev. Robert L. Bair, of Lancaster, vice president, and the Rev. William J. Lowe, of Maytown, assistant clerk.

Committees were announced this morning as follows:

Religious Services—Harry Nelson Bassler, Homer S. May and Elder M. S. Kline.

Minutes of the Eastern Synod—W. F. Lichliter, C. A. Huyitt and G. J. P. Raub.

Minutes of the General Synod—W. S. Cramer, J. H. Watts and J. W. Apple.

Minutes of Classis—D. G. Glass, A. S. Meek and W. S. Miller.

Overtures—H. J. Hillegass, G. B. Raper and E. H. Mongle.

Examinations and Licensure—J. H. Pannebecker, G. A. Whitmore, George S. Butz, E. P. Sayres and H. L. Gise.

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## 102 MERCHANTS UNASSESSED

Constables Report the Names of Those  
Omitted From the Lists of Mercantile Appraiser

Joseph A. Miller, Dauphin county's Mercantile Appraiser, has completed his appraisal for the year 1915, showing about 2,700 assessments, and now the constables of the county, as is customary, are certifying the names of such merchants as are alleged to be liable for the tax but whose names do not appear in the appraiser's lists.

Thus far thirty constables have made returns to the County Treasurer. Twenty-four have certified the combined total of 102 merchants who, they hold, should have been assessed. County Treasurer Bailey to-day said this number is considerably smaller than that certified by these constables a year ago. The majority of the constables already have made returns. Some of them had no unassessed merchants to report.

The extra lists show the following returns: Harrisburg, First ward, 7; Second, 17; Sixth, 3; Seventh, 28; Eighth, 1; Twelfth, 14; Thirteenth, 2; Steelton, First ward, 2; Third, 3. East Hanover, 1; Swatara, 2; Hummelstown, 2; Highspire, 1; Penbrook, 1; Halfway, 1; Lower Paxton, 2; Halifax borough, 1; Wiconisco borough, 1; Upper Paxton, 1; Jefferson, 4; Londonderry, 1; Royaltown, 1; Lykens, 4; Middle Paxton, 2.

The constables will receive the fifty-cent commissions in these cases instead of the appraiser.

## AUTO DOES FREAK STUNT

Machine of Joseph Goldsmith Runs  
Away and Damages Home of  
Mrs. Kate McCormick

A freak stunt on the part of an automobile occurred this morning when the machine owned by Joseph Goldsmith, a local upholster, started down Briggs street and smashed into the home of Mrs. Kate McCormick, 833 Briggs street, tearing away a corner of the house and loosening the plaster in the parlor.

The automobile was standing unattended a few doors above the home of Mrs. McCormick, the chauffeur being in one of the neighboring houses doing some work. Suddenly the machine started down Briggs street, turned at the corner of East street, darted over the curb line, tore down a tree and then smashed into the McCormick home. Mrs. McCormick, an elderly woman, was sitting on her front porch when the accident occurred and barely escaped being injured by the runaway machine, which came within a few feet of her. No reason for the freak action of the machine could be learned.

## To Test Prize Fight Film Law

Department of Justice is friendly to a suit to test the law forbidding importation of prize fight films. Solicitor General Davis recently assured attorneys for the film manufacturers that the government would expedite such a case.

## \$1,415,000 LOPPED OFF STATE COLLEGE BILLS

The State College appropriation bills, which were reported out this morning from the House committee, cut \$1,415,000 from the amount asked. The maintenance item granted by the committee is \$900,000 or \$450,000 less than requested. Separate requests for \$900,000 for buildings and \$65,000 for purchase of property and live stock are not allowed.

Amounts in other State college bills reported out are: \$110,000 for extension work; \$80,000 for extension work in connection with the federal government and \$10,000 for summer schools.

Chairman Woodward, of the appropriations committee, said that as much money as possible from the present revenue was given to this institution.

## MAN AND HORSES ARE KILLED IN ROAD AS LIGHTNING BOLT HITS



These Pictures Were Snapped in Hockersville Just After Lightning Killed Harry Hoffer, of Lebanon, and His Team of Horses During Storm Late Yesterday—Pictures Were Taken by Dr. J. Irwin Ruff, of Hummelstown.

## BOLT KILLS BOY AND HIS HORSES

Lightning Brings Instant Death to Youth  
and Team Near Hummelstown

## RECORD APRIL HEAT CONTINUES

Weather Forecaster Holds Out No  
Promise for a Material Drop in the  
Temperature in the Next Few Days  
—Heat Makes Shopman Ill

## SWEDISH STEAMER IS SUNK BY A MINE; CREW IS SAVED

Stockholm, April 27, Via London, 12.38 P. M.—The Swedish steamer Centric, on her way from Stockholm to Helsingborg, Sweden, has been sunk by a mine off Alland islands. The members of the crew were saved.

## GRIMSBY TRAWLER BLOWN; MEMBERS OF CREW MISSING

London, April 27, 1.08 P. M.—The Grimsby trawler Recoil has been blown up in the North sea. Some of the members of her crew are missing.

Several survivors, some of them terribly mutilated, were picked up out of a crew of nine. The engineer went down with the ship. One of the injured men died.

Opinion differs whether the trawler was destroyed by a mine or a torpedo.

## LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The German rush in Flanders has halted, at least for the moment. Official communications from German, French, British and Belgian war departments to-day bring out this point, although it is not clear whether the allies have accomplished anything of importance further than to check the advance of their opponents.

The official announcement from Berlin shows that the Germans are now on the defensive along their new line north of Ypres. The statement is made that British attacks broke down "with extraordinarily heavy losses."

Both the French and British reports claim that part of the lost territory has been retaken. A dispatch from Field Marshal Sir John French, British commander in chief, says the British made progress in the vicinity of St. Julian. It is also said the French

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## Wilson to Christen Grandson

Washington, April 27.—President Wilson plans to go to Williamstown, Mass., Friday for the christening of his grandson, Francis Sayre. He probably will return here Monday. The President is expected to be godfather to the baby, who was born in the White House.

## YPRES AFIRE AS GERMANS HURL BOMBS

Fighting Hot All Along  
Front, Says Correspondent in Northern  
France

## KAISER'S FORCES IN DARING FEATS

Using Effectively Armored Trains  
Carrying 4.7 Guns—Strategical  
Move of German Troops in Uniting  
Small Towns Near Ypres

London, April 27.—"Ypres is in flames, the Germans having thrown a hail of incendiary bombs in the town." Thus telegraphs the "Morning Post's" correspondent in Northern France.

"The fighting continues hotly all along this front," the correspondent adds. "The Germans show extraordinary daring in bringing heavy artillery close to their front line, the guns using being mostly 13-inch Austrian howitzers on movable carriages."

"The Germans also are using effectively armored trains carrying 4.7 guns. For the use of these armored trains the Germans have consolidated and strengthened the system of light railways uniting a number of small towns in the neighborhood of Ypres, to which they have added strategical branch lines."

London, April 27.—A correspondent of the "Daily Mail" in Northern France says:

"The thirty French guns which the Germans claim to have captured north of Ypres are not in German hands, although the French were forced to abandon them. The guns were abandoned in the marshland with their wheels half covered with water. At present they are in 'No Man's Land' between the rival forces. The French keep up a hail of artillery fire around the guns to prevent the Germans from getting near them."

## FRENCH SAY THE GERMAN ATTACKS WERE REPULSED

London, April 27, 1.50 P. M.—The following report from Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British forces at the front, under today's date, was given out here to-day:

"Yesterday all German attacks northeast of Ypres were repulsed. In the afternoon our troops took the offensive and made progress near St. Julien and to the west of that place."

"The French co-operated on our left and further to the north they retook Het Sas."

"In the course of yesterday's fighting our artillery took full advantage of several opportunities for inflicting severe casualties on the enemy."

"On the remainder of the front there is nothing to report. In addition to the destruction of Courtrai Junction mentioned in the communique last night, our airmen yesterday bombarded successfully stations and junctions at the following places:

"Tourencoing, Bousiaux, Ingelmunster, Staden, Langemark, Bielt and Roulers."

Paris, April 27, 2.40 P. M.—The official statement given out to-day by the French war office reads:

"There is nothing to add to our communication of last night except that we consolidated our positions and continue to make progress to the north of Ypres, Belgium, and also on the heights of the Meuse."

"The summit of Hartmann-Weilerkopf, which was taken from us yesterday morning was recaptured by our troops the evening of the same day. We also took some prisoners."

Swiss Government Seeks Loan  
Geneva, April 26, Via London, April 27.—The Swiss government has taken steps to place a second loan in the United States this summer.

## WALL STREET CLOSING

By Associated Press.

New York, April 27.—Unfavorable foreign advices were followed by declines of 1 to 2 points in the final hour. The closing was irregular. Dullness and irregularity were the dominant features of to-day's market. Reports that Italy had decided to define her attitude caused extensive selling and resultant losses in the later dealings.