

REVIEW OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR NEWS READERS

Happenings of the Week in the Capitol Building and Throughout the State Reported for Our Readers in Fulton County and Elsewhere.

PALMER PETITION SIGNED BY 4000

For United States Senator at First Senatorial Primary.

MANY HOUSE PETITIONS

Other Candidates For State-wide Nominations Enter Their Papers At Harrisburg—Pick Regiments For Joint Army Maneuvers.

(Harrisburg Correspondence.)

Harrisburg.—Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, of Stroudsburg, candidate for Democratic nomination for United States Senator at the first Senatorial primary to be held in Pennsylvania, filed his petitions at the Capitol. Papers from twenty-five counties, containing almost 4,000 names, were put on record.

Seven other candidates for State-wide nominations entered their papers as follows:

Supreme Court Justice—Judge Emory A. Walling, of the Erie county bench; papers from Erie, Venango, Lawrence, Potter, Mercer, Blair, McKean, Clinton, Butler and Crawford, each containing more than one hundred names, being entered.

Governor—Joseph B. Allen, Bryn Mawr, Socialist, 657 signers.

Lieutenant Governor—William T. Cressy, Catawissa, Democrat, 1,400 signers, and E. D. Powell, West Middlesex, Republican, 600 signers.

Congress-at-Large—Robert S. Bright, Philadelphia, Democrat; W. S. G. King, Linesville, and Dennis O'Brien Coughlin, Wilkes-Barre, Socialists.

Congress—George D. Sutton, Quakertown, Republican, Eighth District; John H. Rothelmer, present member, Reading, Democrat, Thirteenth District; Dana R. Stephens, Athens, Washington, Fourteenth.

Senate—J. W. Endley, present member, Somerset, Republican, Thirty-sixth; A. A. Dale, Bellefonte, Republican, Thirty-fourth; J. W. Stewart, Jefferson, Democrat, Forty-sixth.

Asa K. Dewitt, present Senator, Plymouth, Democrat, Republican and Washington papers filed, Twentieth.

Republican House Petitions. Alexander Morrow, present member, Catawissa, Second Lehigh; John S. Eby, Newport, Perry; J. B. Weaver, Latrobe and J. B. Goldsmith, Mt. Pleasant, First Westmoreland; Thomas P. Wallace, Pittsburgh, Sixth Allegheny (also Washington party); George A. Price, Reading, First Berks; C. J. Goodnough, Emporium, Cameron; W. H. Seward, Conneautville, Crawford; Joseph P. McKee, Pittsburgh, Fourth Allegheny; H. M. Showalter, Lewisburg, Union; William Neville, Conshohocken, Second Montgomery; B. F. Brungard, Monessen, Second Westmoreland; Murray Edlis, Pittsburgh, First Allegheny; C. G. Corbin, Granville, Mifflin county; H. A. Cassidy, Wilkes-Barre, seventh Luzerne; Robt. S. Spangler, present member, York, First York; C. E. Wood, Sixteenth Philadelphia; Frank H. Marvin, Mansfield, Tioga.

Democrat House Petitions. A. Frank Krause, Milton, Northumberland; W. H. Grabe, present member, Butler; L. L. Bane, Coal Center, Washington; Jacob A. Leshner, Reading, First Berks; E. R. Brennan, Shamokin, Northumberland; P. A. Herman, Sellersville, Snyder; B. M. Hess, Grapant, Clearfield; R. H. Trach, present member, Easton, Northampton; Thomas Brown, Knox, Clarion; John Glenn Brown, Evans City, Butler; Milton R. Peters, Boiling Springs, Cumberland; M. M. McLaughlin, Lewis town, Mifflin; Nicola Gigliotti, Erie, First Erie; Thomas F. Gallagher, Lost Creek, First Schuylkill; Orrin C. Lester, Beaver Falls, and Edward J. Schletter, Freedom, Beaver; W. G. Stary, Temple, Second Berks; Charles O'Donnell, Tamaqua, Third Schuylkill; Eugene Kinney, East Stroudsburg, Monroe; G. H. Seamon, Honesdale, Wayne; W. P. O'Connor, Shamokin, Northumberland; E. J. Peters, Bushkill, Pike; A. L. Mulhern, Seventeenth Philadelphia; S. Gray Bigham, Gettysburg, Adams.

Socialist—Marks Vanbuskirk, Bethlehem; William Liddle, Easton, Northampton; John E. Smith, Dunbar, and L. S. Mellinger, Dawson, Second Fayette; John Tone, Laurel, Third York.

State Committee Petitions. Democratic—B. F. Davis, Lancaster; W. D. Zerby, Center; E. M. Dickson, Washington; Adam P. Lowry, Indiana; Arthur McKean, Deaver; E. Milton Guss, Juniata; D. J. Driscoll, St. Mary's, Elk; H. B. Sherwood, Mes hoppen, Wyoming; J. C. Amig, Lewis town, Mifflin.

Republican—H. G. Seip, Easton, Northampton; H. H. Swaney, Beaver Falls, Beaver; John A. Welt, Allen ville, Mifflin.

Mrs. Emma Eckert, widow of Chas. Eckert, and mother of John W. Eckert, former president of the Allentown Fair, died at her country estate at Eckert, Lehigh county.

Peter J. Kirk, sixty-five years old, Bremen at the Thomas colliery, Shenandoah, was found dead of heart disease there.

Burglars cut a plate glass window in the jewelry store of I. Dropkin, at Shenandoah, and escaped with \$700 worth of jewelry.

A. MITCHELL PALMER



Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of Stroudsburg, introduced in the House of Representatives a joint resolution to amend the constitution to provide for woman suffrage.

THE NEWS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Over the State.

LIVE NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Bethlehem To Erect Steel Tank To Hold a Million and a Half Gallons Of Water—Allentown Band Wins First Prize.

The tax rate in Bethlehem this year will be nine mills.

The number of Chester public school pupils is 5,444.

James McCulley, Valley Township, was held up and robbed while on his way home from Coatesville.

A comedy, "Engaged," was presented at West Chester by the Cap and Bells Club, of Haverford College.

Marshalltown Council, Daughters of Liberty, celebrated its first anniversary.

The Century Band, of Allentown, led by Joseph Smith, won first prize in the parade at South Bethlehem in honor of Court Karolyi.

Stepping aside to avoid being trampled by a team of mules, John Kerestes was killed by a train of mine cars at North Mahanoy Colliery.

Bethlehem Town Council has awarded the contract for the erection of a steel tank to hold a million and a half gallons of water.

John B. Solt, while out shooting along Jordan Creek, killed an eagle which measured five feet, three inches from tip to tip of its wings.

Committees were appointed by the Council of the Lutheran Church, at Manheim, to plan for the annual Feast of Roses, which will be held June 14.

Thomas Weiss, fifty-five years old, was found dead in a shanty on a farm near Slatington. Death was due to dropsy.

A. Lincoln Watt has been appointed as health officer, of Bristol, and Dr. Howard Pursell as secretary, of the Board of Health.

The congregation of Bethany Reformed Church at Bethlehem has raised in the last week \$1,350 to pay on the church indebtedness.

The members of the Merchants' Association of Bethlehem have decided to close their stores during the summer one-half day each week.

David Smoyer, of Lower Sancon, was struck by a train on the Reading Railway in South Bethlehem, and his left leg was cut off.

Delegations from three lodges of the Shepherds of Bethlehem, of Wilmington, Del., were entertained at the headquarters of Morning Star Lodge, at Chester.

The Presbytery of Chester has declared that the pastoral relation between the Second Presbyterian Church of West Chester and its pastor, Rev. D. J. Augustus Cox, shall be dissolved June 14.

The baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the high school, at West Lampeter was delivered in the Reformed Church, by Rev. H. S. Shelley.

Home cooking and home dressmaking were discussed by the Current Events Class of the New Century Club at West Chester.

Lehighton.—An application has been made to the Carbon County Court for the incorporation of the Lehighton Boys' Band.

CONDEMNED YOUTH ESCAPES GALLOWS

Pardon Board Has Busy Session at Harrisburg.

DOZEN HURT IN COLLISION

Pardon Board Grants Commutation To Luigi Deleo, But Companion Must Die—Children Held At Mahanoy City As Burglars.

YOUTH ESCAPES GALLOWS

Harrisburg.—Luigi Deleo, seventeen years old, was saved from the gallows by recommendation of the State Board of Pardons that his sentence of death for a murder in Fayette county be commuted to life imprisonment, but Frank Wells, nineteen, convicted with Deleo, must die. Their youth was urged as reason for commutation. District Attorney S. Ray Shelby, of Fayette, protested that the men had shot down a man who interfered to prevent a highway robbery. Counsel for Deleo asserted that he did not do the shooting. Wells is to be hanged this Thursday.

The board pardoned Theodore Eisenbower, of Schuylkill county, who was convicted of murder, and continued the application for a rehearing of the case of Malena Masga, Schuylkill, who was refused commutation last month.

The following recommendations for pardon were made:

Dominico Demalo and Dominick Fontinana, Lawrence, illegal sale of liquor; Samuel W. Sproul, Philadelphia, larceny; William McClelland, Washington, larceny; W. Biggard, Montgomery, larceny; Charles B. Snyder, Philadelphia, forgery.

The following were refused: Martin L. Krater, Snyder, carrying weapons; Harry Hilsanz, Philadelphia, forgery; Adolph Strohl, Clinton, forgery and larceny; Nicholas Roccell, Northampton, robbery; Claude Jennings, Fayette, assault.

Sentenced For Drowning His Wife.

Mauch Chunk.—Oscar Fritzing, who confessed to the Norfolk, Virginia, police last November 13, that he drowned his wife in the Lehigh Canal at Weissport on April 12, 1906, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to undergo from six to twelve years' imprisonment in the Eastern Penitentiary. Fritzing in his written confession, said that he and his wife were walking along the canal bank when she asked him whether she should jump into the water. He told her not to jump, he said. A little later she pushed him into the canal, he declared, and he grabbed her and pulled her into the water. He says she must have sunk at once as he waited half an hour and failed to see her come to the surface or hear her scream.

Silver Service From Sailors.

Allentown.—A silver service was the wedding gift of the seamen on the battleship Wyoming to Miss Kathryn C. Elwood, married to John F. Kennedy, a turret captain of the vessel, in the church of the Immaculate Conception by Father J. J. Mahon. A party of the Wyoming's sailors was present. Miss Florence Elwood was bridesmaid, and the best man was John C. Hair, bosun's mate on the battleship. A guest of honor was the bridegroom's aunt, Mrs. Susan Boyle, who came from Donegal, Ireland, for the wedding, bringing for the bride a pearl necklace.

Children Held As Burglars.

Mahanoy City.—Charged with robbing the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Pelton, at Gilberton, several days ago, during the family's absence, Elizabeth Budber, an orphan, eleven years old, and Caroline Wesner, ten, were arrested by Detective Samuels. The girls, according to the officer, forced a window of the Pelton home and with a mining lamp for a light ransacked the place, getting sixty dollars in cash and valuables.

Pick Scranton School Head.

Scranton.—The Scranton School Board announced that Dr. Samuel E. Weber, dean of the School of Liberal Arts, Pennsylvania State College and director of the Summer school there, had been tendered the superintendency of the Scranton schools at a salary of \$5,000, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of George Howell. The formal election will take place May 4.

Choir Sings At Leader's Funeral.

Mahanoy City.—The Columbia mixed choir of one hundred voices, singing favorite hymns of its dead leader, Thomas Rosser, marched at the head of his funeral procession here. Mr. Rosser died of injuries received in the mines when he went to the assistance of a driver.

Will's Validity Undecided.

Pottsville.—The decision as to the validity of the bequest of Harry P. Slater of one hundred thousand dollars to establish a home for aged women here is held up indefinitely, according to a decree of the Supreme Court. The Court sustained Judge Bechtel's decision in dismissing the proceedings started in an effort to break the will, but also ruled that the validity of the will should not be passed upon at this time. This leaves the whole question open.

ELEVEN DEAD AND HURT.

Trapped Like Rats in Six-Story Rooming House By Flames.

New York.—Ten persons were burned to death, another is dying and five more are suffering untold agony in the Polyclinic Hospital here as a result of a fire which swept a six-story rooming house in Eighth avenue, trapping the tenants like rats, but causing only \$25,000 damage. Forty of the rooms in the building, located at 741 Eighth avenue, were rented to theatrical people and cloak models.

SALUTE IMPOSSIBLE, MEXICO'S REPLY.

Mexico City, April 19.—The Mexican Foreign Minister, Senor Portillo y Rojas, announced tonight that it would be impossible to agree to the demand of the United States that the flag of that country be unconditionally saluted, because that flag was not saluted, because it was not flying from the launch and because the marines were set free even before an investigation and the officer responsible for the arrests was himself arrested and held for trial.

HUERTA REFUSES TO SALUTE AMERICAN FLAG

The Mexican Dictator Counters With New Conditions Which President Wilson Promptly Rejects.

U. S. WILL NOW RESORT TO FORCE

Blockade and Seizure of Mexican Ports Will Be the First Action.

Washington.—General Victoriana Huerta, provisional President of Mexico, flatly refused Sunday to accede to the unconditional demands of the United States that he salute the American flag, and Congress will be asked by President Wilson Monday for authority to use armed force to uphold the honor and dignity of the nation.

VILLA'S VIEW OF IT.

Says Bombardment of Tampico Would Not Be War.

Torreon, Mexico.—"I do not believe the Tampico incident will result in war between the United States and Mexico," commented General Villa.

"I regard the complication as one existing between President Wilson and President Huerta, and question whether even the bombardment of Tampico would be construed as an act of war against Mexico, since Huerta is the offender and illegally holds that port."

Aked if American non-combatants now resident in Mexico can be protected should war break out, Villa replied:

"It would be a war between two civilized nations, and American non-combatants could rely on the same protection here as could Mexicans in the United States."

"But suppose there was a popular uprising against Americans; could you control it?"

"Well, I have driven 25,000 federals out of rebel territory, and I think I could control the 'proletariat.'"

WERE MARRIED IN FINE STYLE.

Congressman Flood Weds Miss Anna V. Portner.

Washington, D. C.—One of the most brilliant weddings of the week was that which took place, when Representative Henry D. Flood, of Virginia, married Miss Anna Valer Portner. The ceremony took place at 5 o'clock at All Souls' Church and was followed by a brilliant reception at the Pan-American Bureau, which was offered by Mr. Barrett, director of the Pan-American Union, who was an usher, as a compliment to Mr. Flood, who is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the House. Miss Portner was led to the altar by her brother, Mr. Alvin O. Portner, who gave her hand in marriage.

FIRE SWEEPS WARSAW, IND.

Twenty-Three Homes Laid In Ashes. Checked By Dynamite.

Warsaw, Ind.—Fire that started shortly before noon destroyed 23 cottages at Lake Winona, a summer resort near here. Fort Wayne was appealed to for aid and a fire engine and hose wagon were rushed to the scene on a special train. Dynamite was used in an attempt to check the flames, but a high gale blowing off the lake carried the fire across the cleared space. The loss was \$100,000.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Iowa's annual poultry and egg output is valued at \$38,000,000.

London's latest motor car show was the greatest it has ever had.

China yearly sends \$30,000 worth of peanuts to the United States.

Three Chinese provinces have a total of 126,303,013 uncultivated acres.

Sweden in 1912 bought \$86,000 worth of cash registers in the United States.

Mrs. Clara Dikeman, of Lee, Mass., is weaving a rag carpet for President Wilson.

It is estimated that 75 per cent. of the laws have to do with the home in some way.

NAVAL STRENGTH IN MEXICAN WATERS

Washington.—Never before in the history of the nation has the strength of the navy been shown as it is in Mexican waters today. A greater percentage of fighting machines were assembled about Cuba in the war with Spain, but the navy of 1898 had not the fighting strength of the navy of today either in number of vessels, in tonnage or in gun caliber.

The war strength which the United States now has or will have in Mexican waters within a few days with which to compel compliance with the demands of this government may be summarized as follows:

Table listing naval vessels: On East Coast, On West Coast, Men Available for Landing Purposes.

Additional marines have received orders to prepare for departure to Mexico. The number available are: On the east coast, 3,000; on the west coast, 1,000.

This strength, if used for landing purposes, can be reinforced by troops, 15,000 of whom are along the border.

Details of the Fleet.

Table listing fleet details: North Atlantic Fleet, Rear Admiral Charles J. Badger, commander-in-chief.

Table listing fleet details: Third division—Rear Admiral Frank E. Beatty, commander.

Table listing fleet details: Now at Vera Cruz.

United States Singled Out.—"It cannot but strike anyone who has watched the course of events in Mexico as significant that unusual incidents such as these have not occurred in any case where representatives of other governments were concerned, but only in dealings with representatives of the United States, that there has been no occasion for other governments to call attention to such matters or to ask for apologies."

These repeated offenses against the rights and dignity of the United States, offenses not duplicated with regard to the representatives of other governments, have necessarily made the impression that the government of the United States was singled out for manifestations of ill will and contempt.

THE INSULT AT TAMPICO

Friday morning, April 19, a business crew of United States marines, command of Assistant Paymaster Charles C. Copp, left the gunboat Phoenix for Tampico to get a fresh supply of gasoline.

The United States flag was hoisted from the stern of the whaleboat as it approached the landing in Tampico. For no assigned cause Assistant Paymaster Copp and his men were placed under arrest as they stepped ashore.

After the Americans had been detained several hours, word of their arrest was carried to Rear Admiral Mayo, who demanded their immediate release.

The demand was complied with, the only reparations made was a public expression of regret for the alleged mistake.

that which permitted placer mining to be carried on in small areas by unorganized individuals, in the most unscientific manner. For this heavy burden to be paid to the government, and the fees were certain, while the product was very much the reverse, the industry was not one which attracted either capitalists or prospectors of good repute.

A young man never judges his own heart by his knowledge of his own mind.

Against the Rules. "Why don't you try to get work?" "It's contrary to orders, making me belong to the great army of the unemployed, and the leaders won't let me work. We just eat and sleep."

The Reason. Manager—I discovered that you were an actor in the stock yards. Critic—I suppose that is what hogged the play.