

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.

THE PENAL LABOR LAW COMMISSION

Body to Consider Work and Pay for Convicts.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS MADE

The Municipal Home Rule League Formed At Harrisburg By Representatives From Fifty-Four Municipalities.

Harrisburg—Members of the commission to consider the revision and amendment of the penal laws of Pennsylvania, provided for by the last Legislature, were named by Governor Tener. The commission, which has an appropriation of \$5,000 to pay its expenses, is to "inquire into the advisability of amending the penal laws of the Commonwealth so as to provide for the employment of all inmates of all penal institutions, to provide compensation for their labor and to provide for utilizing the results of such labor in the penal and charitable institutions of the Commonwealth."

The commissioners named are Edwin M. Abbott, Philadelphia, chairman; Dr. Louis M. Robinson, Swarthmore, secretary; W. D. Grimes, Pittsburgh; Samuel I. Spyer, Huntingdon, and Andrew Hourigan, Wilkes-Barre, who are attorneys; R. J. McKinley, warden of the Eastern Penitentiary, Philadelphia, and Dennis Hays, Philadelphia. The bill provided for four lawyers, one representative of organized labor, one expert in investigations and one experienced in penology.

Other appointments announced were:

Charles Schmeiffing, Warren; S. R. Mason, Mercer, and W. R. Hunter, Erie, reappointed trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane at Warren.

John H. Landis, Millersville; P. E. Slaymaker, Lancaster, and George Gessell, Lancaster, reappointed trustees of the Thaddeus Stevens Industrial School.

William H. Richards, Canonsburg, and John A. Elliott, Beaver Falls, appointed trustees of the Pennsylvania Training School at Morgantown.

Jacob M. Schenck, Lebanon, and Colonel Walter T. Bradley, Philadelphia, reappointed trustees of the State Asylum for Chronic Insane at Wernersville.

Edward Bailey, Harrisburg, reappointed member of the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Asylum at Harrisburg.

League To Fight Public Service Law.

The Municipal Home Rule League was formed here by representatives of fifty-four municipalities and resolutions were adopted against certain portions of the Public Service Company law which give the Public Service Commission control over utilities in municipalities.

Plans were made to start an agitation for the repeal of these sections, which, it is contended, take from municipalities the right to contract with public service companies within their borders and interfere with competition.

David L. Starr, of Bellevue, Allegheny county, was elected chairman, and George F. P. Langfitt, of the same borough, secretary, and R. A. Holmes, Lansford, treasurer.

The speakers included John A. West, Avalon; Mayor Ira W. Stratton, Reading; W. R. Peoples, Jersey Shore; Harry Calhoun, New Brighton; R. A. McCullough, Kittanning; William W. Hall, Pittston; Horace W. Davis, Sharon, and W. L. Pace, Wilkes-Barre. Arrangements were made to raise a fund of \$5,000 and for committees on finance, legislation and campaign.

It was stated that letters from one hundred municipalities not represented, but pledging support, had been received.

Automobile License Fund.

State Treasurer Robert K. Young announced that he intended to appeal to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judges McCarrill and Henry upholding the constitutionality of the automobile license act which appropriates the revenue from licenses to the State Highway Department for use in road work. The Treasurer said that he did so to get important questions determined and that he hoped the case would be expedited.

Auditor General A. W. Powell said, when asked what he intended to do, "I will likely join in the proceeding."

Attorney General Bell said that the Commonwealth would be ready for the case as soon as the appeal was taken, but declined to make any comment on the case.

Highway Commissioner Bigelow said:

"I regret the action taken, as it simply means that the highways of the State will remain in a neglected condition so much longer. This ties the whole matter up."

The papers for the appeal are being prepared and will be filed within a day or so.

Aldermen Are Appointed.

Charles H. Sherry was appointed alderman of the Eighth Ward of Hazleton, and George W. Rianhard as alderman of the Eighth Ward of Williamsport.

THE NEWS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Over the State.

LIVE NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A New \$60,000 Industry, the Leather Flooring Company, Has Been Capitalized and Started at Glen Rock.

Charles Shoop, a boy, while crossing a field near Neumedia, stepped on a rake which penetrated his bare foot. Lockjaw resulted and he died Wednesday.

For killing eleven Virginia Cardinals, commonly known as Corn-crackers, George J. Reiche and Charles Brunhouse, of York, had to pay approximately one hundred dollars.

Rather than strike two pedestrians, Wesley Eves, of Greenwood, sent his motorcycle crashing into the automobile of Frank Heller, in Millville. He escaped serious injury.

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Edward Reddig, five-year-old son of Paul Reddig, was drowned in a dam in the Ontonagon at Lehighville. The father and son were spending the day fishing.

James Finnebough and Witmer Stover are held in the York county jail, charged with shooting and killing a horse of Joseph Gindfelter, of Shrewsbury Township.

Children playing with matches set fire to the barn of Henry Jendrich, of Nazareth. The building, which contained smoked meat and lard, was destroyed. The loss is \$1,500.

Knights of Hobah past chancellors of Northampton county, held their annual convention at South Bethlehem and elected George A. Mentzell president.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Buchen, of Fairmount, were compelled to flee in their night clothes, when their house was burned. Their daughter was awakened by the smell of smoke and she gave the alarm.

The crushed body of William Negls, sixteen, was found beneath a coal car in the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company No. 9 shaft, at Tamaqua. It is believed he fell under the wheels when he tried to board the car.

The Millin County Church Federation decided to erect a tabernacle and obtain an evangelist to conduct a campaign soon. President Judge J. M. Woods will address the federation on the divorce evil.

R. O. MacIntosh, of Harrisburg, formerly identified with Troop C, of the State constabulary, of Pottsville, and Miss Helen Schultz, were married at the home of the bride by Rev. C. M. Nicholas, of the English Lutheran Church.

The Susquehanna Coal Company, following an inquiry into several accidents at mines between Shamokin and Mt. Carmel, discharged six employees, who were held responsible. It was said they were under the influence of liquor. Notice was served that hereafter, all men found intoxicated in the workings would be discharged.

Mrs. Cecelia Howard, keeper of a tollgate on the Bird-in-Hand Turnpike, was knocked down at the gate by an automobile driven by Amos S. Graybill. The machine was almost stopped when she stepped in front of it. It was not believed she was seriously hurt, but she collapsed shortly after being admitted to a hospital.

Honors were announced at the South Bethlehem High School. Miss Edith Yotter, of Freemansburg, was the salutatorian and Miss Marjorie Robert, of Northampton Heights, the valedictorian. The Lehigh University scholarships were won by Leon A. Fritchman, of Freemansburg, and John Jacobs, of South Bethlehem.

The fourth resignation within a few weeks in the faculty of the Reading High School, for boys was announced when Prof. Samuel Ziegler, head of the history department, resigned to take a position as instructor at the West Philadelphia High School for boys. Because of the unusual exodus of teachers the School Board is finding it difficult to fill the positions.

The one hundred and fifty-sixth anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the historic Sun Inn and the one hundred and fifty-third observance of the issuing of the first liquor license in America was celebrated in Bethlehem. The license was issued by King George III of England. The inn during the Revolutionary War was the headquarters of General George Washington.

BANDIT DRIVES OFF WITH WIFE

Altoona Robber Meets Her On the Road.

POLICE FAIL TO CATCH HIM

"Gibson Girl" Weds Rich French Banker—Allentown Shaken By Great Dynamite Blast—Auto Racer Killed.

Auto Bandit Drives Off With Wife.

Altoona, Pa., June 17.—After remaining in hiding since he escaped from the Blair county jail Easter morning, Frank G. Eohl, the auto bandit who shot up and robbed the Union Bank here March 23, wounded Cashier A. P. Rupert and a depositor and got away with \$2,800, emerged long enough to drive away with his wife, who has been staying at her home in Salem, Ohio, ever since his arrest, and both have disappeared.

Chief of Police Tillard was informed that Eohl drove up in an automobile entered his wife's home with a revolver in each hand and demanded that she be produced.

Informing that she had gone out on a road near town to meet him, he sped away, picked her up and that was the last heard of either.

Circulars with pictures and descriptions are being sent to all police departments.

"Gibson Girl" Weds Banker.

Scranton.—Miss Lavina Grimes, a Scranton girl whom Charles Dana Gibson described a few months ago as a perfect type of Irish beauty, was married to Albert V. Surrpennat, a wealthy banker, of New York and Paris, in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York. It was announced here. She had lived at intervals in New York the last two years. The couple will sail this week for France. Mme. Surrpennat is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grimes, of Scranton, and is a sister of Peter Gordon Grimes, newspaper writer and globe trotter. She went to New York as a millinery designer, but her beauty attracted the attention of artists and she became the subject of some of the most popular drawings of Gibson and others. Mr. Gibson's statement made her famous in art circles. While her engagement to the Parisian financier was known to her relatives here, the announcement of the wedding which reached them by telephone was a surprise.

Great Dynamite Blast.

Allentown.—What many persons thought was an earthquake shook Allentown at sundown, but those interested realized it was a remarkable test explosion in the quarries of the Bath Portland Cement Works, where the largest blast in the history of the Lehigh region was set off. The material tested was a new French instantaneous fuse, heretofore used principally in submarine work and at Panama, but never before in the United States proper. The use of this fuse does away with the sensitive and dangerous detonating caps which are the main cause of "premature" explosions. Thirty thousand sticks of dynamite were used in twenty-eight holes 105 feet deep, and at least one hundred and fifty thousand tons of rock came tumbling down a Niagara 300 feet wide. The fuse was touched off by Manager Fred B. Franks in the presence of a large assemblage of explosive and quarry experts.

Auto Racer Is Killed.

Uniontown.—J. E. Shafer, of Pittsburgh, a contestant in the hill climbing contest of the Automobile Club of Fayette county, was killed at the Crow's Nest, a dangerous point on the National Pike. Shafer misunderstood the signal of the man at the bend, and in attempting to change the course of his car drove it against the cliff.

A few minutes later the car driven by J. D. Kerr, of Richmond, Va., skidded and dashed into the crowd along the course.

At the finish Dr. Joseph Van Kirk, of Elizabeth, Pa., became so excited he was stricken with apoplexy and died within an hour.

Cuts Off Hair of Young Woman.

Titusville.—A burglar who entered the home of Miss Margaret V. Graham, twenty-four years old, cut off her hair and carried it away. There is no clue to the culprit. That the cutting of the hair was a sudden inspiration is indicated by the fact that a pair of shears owned by the young woman were used. Her hair was sixteen inches long and the burglar took all except four inches. The girl didn't awaken then, but learned of the loss of her hair when she awoke several hours later. Several articles of jewelry were also taken.

Six Hurt In Auto Races.

Uniontown.—Six motorcycle and automobile racers were injured, one seriously, in the annual hill-climbing contest of the Automobile Club of Fayette county held on the National Pike near here. All the accidents occurred at a point known as "Turkey's Nest." Of the injured three were motorcyclists and three automobilists.

TWO HUNDRED ARE ENTOMBED IN MINE

Fire Follows Explosion in a Mine in Alberta.

ALL BELIEVED TO BE DEAD

Even if The Men Escaped The Fire, It is Believed That They Were Killed By Poisonous Fumes Or By Falling Debris.

Calgary Alberta.—A mighty explosion Friday entombed 250 miners employed in Mine No. 20 of the Hillcrest Collieries Ltd. Of the 50 miners rescued only 14 were living Friday night. The effects of the disaster were: Men in mine when explosion occurred, 600, of whom 350 escaped. Number rescued, 50, of whom 26 died later.

Miners still entombed, 200, probably perished by fire which followed the explosion.

The explosion, which occurred about 9 a. m., shook the country side for miles around, lifted the roofs from many miners' cabins and demolished numerous small buildings. A moment after the explosion a score of panic-stricken surface workers rushed from the mine, followed by a dense cloud of smoke and poisonous fumes.

Attempts for help were dispatched to many towns and in the meantime residents organized an emergency crew and began the work of rescue.

When the first rescue crew arrived a large force of men set about to clear the shaft, working desperately as the means of the entombed men came feebly from the mine. The moans became fainter and finally ceased. Thousands of tons of rock have fallen into the mine, and it is feared that the men, even had they escaped death from the poisonous fumes, probably were crushed to death by the falling debris.

No information as to what caused the explosion has been given, but it is believed it was due to the forming of gasses.

Thomas Quigley, superintendent of the mine, is among those entombed.

Fire broke out soon after the explosion, but almost immediately died out, although the gas fumes made it impossible for the men to work effectively for several hours.

The explosion tore out both ends of the pit and blocked the interior of the workings, making it almost impossible to gain entrance. Most of the miners were working about 400 feet inside the mine.

A majority of the men are foreigners, but a large number of them are English-speaking.

WILSON FOR CHURCH UNITY.

Writes Sympathy In Movement To Rev. W. H. Roberts.

Philadelphia.—President Wilson, in a letter received by the Rev. William H. Roberts, stated clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, expressed his sympathy with the movement for unity among all Christian churches. In his letter the President said:

"I have been gratified to learn by your letter of the 5th inst. that a delegation representing the American churches will go to Europe next August in connection with the 'World Conference on Faith and Order.'"

"It is especially pleasing that our churches will be represented by divines so eminent as Bishops Rhinlander and Anderson and the other gentlemen you mention. May I not ask you to be good enough to make known to them and through them to the World Conference my entire sympathy with the great object of the Conference which looks to unity of all Christian churches?"

"Sincerely yours,
(Signed) "WOODROW WILSON."

CONSUL-GENERALS NAMED.

Robert P. Skinner Transferred From Berlin To London.

Washington, D. C.—The President nominated: To be Consul-Generals: Robert P. Skinner, of Ohio (now Consul-General at Berlin), at London, England.

Julius G. Lay, of the District of Columbia (now Consul-General at Rio de Janeiro), at Berlin, Germany.

Alfred L. M. Gottschalk, of New York (now Consul-General at large), at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Consul transfers: Charles K. Moser, of Virginia (now Consul at Colombo), at Harbin, China.

To be Consul: George S. Messersmith, of Dover, Del., at Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada.

WARREN McCARRICK DROWNED.

At Least, Police Think So—Father Is Not Convinced.

Philadelphia.—An examination of the body of 7-year-old Warren McCarrick, which was recovered from the Delaware river after a country-wide search for the boy had been in progress for three months, showed that death was due to drowning. There was no evidence of violence. The police still hold to the theory that the boy was accidentally drowned.

\$85,000 GONE FROM STRONG BOX.

Loes Discovered By Pittsburgh Trust Company June 8.

Pittsburgh.—It became known Friday that many detectives are searching for \$85,000 which mysteriously disappeared from a deposit box in the Colonial Trust Company, of this city. The loss of the money was discovered on June 8 and was not made public in order that city and private detectives could make a quiet investigation. Not a trace of the money has been found.

ANSWERING THE CALL



Kansas Calls for 50,000 to Help Harvest the Crop.—News Item.

VILLA PREPARING TO LEAD FIGHT

All Friction With Carranza is Smoothed Out.

MANY PETTY ANNOYANCES

Will Head Assault On Zacatecas In Person—Is Confining Attention To Army and Not Meddling With Mediation.

Torreon, Mexico.—General Villa, all friction between him and Provisional President Carranza having been smoothed out, is preparing actively to lead the Constitutional forces against Zacatecas.

So far as Villa is concerned, General Carranza is still first chief of the Constitutionals. There is no unresolvable differences between the two men, Villa's friends declare. They summed up the situation as follows:

"Being human, General Carranza and General Villa at times have diverse general opinions as to the plans to be pursued to secure the best results under certain conditions, but in the past have striven each to meet the other half way in order to reach an agreement having for its object the advancement of the principles of the revolution.

"The seizure by Villa's officers of the government posts at Juarez and other points was explained by his adherents as follows:

"In order to do away with petty annoyances which might grow to such magnitude as to become evils it was deemed wise to place in public office throughout the State of Chihuahua, at least, men of one following. The attempt to divide the official duties between partisans of General Carranza and General Villa proved a failure in practice, regardless of what it might have been in theory, and it was thought best to change the system for the advancement and betterment of the public service. The change affects but very few minor positions and has no special significance."

Reports that Villa has notified the mediators at Niagara Falls that he is ready to send a commission to confer with them, and that as a condition he will insist upon the naming of General Felipe Angeles as provisional president are untrue. Villa regards the mediation negotiations as a matter of diplomacy, and has taken no more active interest in them than to follow their course closely. He is very friendly with General Angeles and regards him as well fitted for the presidency, but has taken no steps to suggest him for the position.

TO PASS TRUST BILLS.

And Conservation Measure, Too, Says Underwood.

Washington, D. C.—Representative Underwood conferred with President Wilson over the legislative situation in Congress and told the President there was a strong sentiment in the House for early adjournment. Mr. Wilson insisted that the trust bills must be disposed of at this session and the majority leader thought that not only would that be done, but that the Administration conservation bills would be disposed of.

REVENUE FROM PANAMA CANAL.

United States Treasury Receives \$7,365.12 In Tolls.

Washington.—The first cash return to the United States for the hundreds of millions spent on the Panama Canal was recorded Thursday from collections upon barge traffic begun on May 18 transporting cargoes because of the congestion of freight traffic on the Panama railroad. They were mostly composed of sugar from Hawaii. On that business the tolls in May amounted to \$7,356.12 on the basis of \$1.20 per net ton.

DISMEMBERED BODY, SEWED IN A SACK, TAKEN FROM RIVER.

Schenectady, N. Y.—The nude torso of a woman was taken from the Mohawk river by fishermen. The head, arms and legs had been severed and the body sewed in a sack. The police are investigating.

FIND WOMAN STORSO.

Disassembled Body, Sewed In A Sack, Taken From River.

GIRL A SACRIFICE TO SCIENCE.

Experimented With Diphtheria Serum And Was Infected.

New Rochelle, N. Y.—Miss Marion C. Mable, 20 years old, died of diphtheria, a disease she had been working for eight months to combat by means of an antitoxin. Miss Mable became infected with diphtheria germs while experimenting in the laboratories of the Polyclinic Hospital, New York.

MUNSEY PAPER SUSPENDS.

Publication Of The Philadelphia Evening Times Ceases.

Philadelphia.—Suspension of The Philadelphia Evening Times, one of Frank A. Munsey's chain of newspapers, was announced by Mr. Munsey Tuesday. The paper was established July 15, 1908. Three years later Mr. Munsey offered it for sale, but did not effect a deal.

TWO WOMEN EXECUTED.

Are Beheaded In Germany For Poisoning Husbands.

Berlin.—Two women in Germany paid the life penalty on the headman's block. At Strasburg, Magdalene Wendel, 41 years old, was beheaded, while in a faint, together with H. Werth. Both were convicted of poisoning Mrs. Wendel's husband. At Graudenz, Frau M. Haas also died by the ax, likewise for the murder of her husband by poison.

SUFFRAGISTS BEGIN HIKE.

Cumberland, Md.—The suffragists from Baltimore started their 13-day campaign through Garrett county, leaving from Frostburg after an early morning meeting. "General" Edna Lattimer carried the banner of purple, green and white. The hikers were joined by Miss Julia Downes and Mrs. F. R. Snell, of Washington. Several members of the local Just Government League acted as guides over the mountain to Grantsville, where the suffragists rested for the night.

LINER RAMMED BY FREIGHTER

Kaiser Wilhelm Collides With Incmore.

FOG AGAIN HELD TO BLAME

No Communication Allowed With the Big Lloyd Liner, Which Now Lies At Anchor With a Big Hole in Her Side.

Southampton, England.—The New German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which left Southampton after noon Wednesday bound for New York with a thousand passengers, lay at anchor off Netley, three miles to the southeast, with a big hole in her hull amidships, caused by a collision with the Liverpool liner steamer Incmore bound from a Black Sea port for Liverpool.

The Incmore, a much smaller steamer than the German steamer of 2,800 tons, is in dock here with her hull badly smashed.

The collision occurred in the English Channel, thirteen miles south of the Nab Lightship, in a dense fog. It is how it occurred and on which lies the responsibility cannot be ascertained at present. The officers of the Kaiser Wilhelm II. have permitted communication to be held with agents on board and they themselves refuse to give out any information of significant details as have been obtained from the Incmore. That vessel it is stated by those on board, had actually come to a stop because of danger of continuing under way in such a thick fog, when suddenly the loomed up just ahead of her the hull of the Kaiser Wilhelm.

Both captains did their best to avoid a collision, but the short distances separating the two vessels rendered the efforts ineffectual and the Incmore struck the liner on the starboard amidships. The force of the impact crumpled up her own bows and made a big gap in the Kaiser Wilhelm's hull. The two steamers stood by each other until it was ascertained whether needed immediate assistance, then both started slowly for Southampton. The forepeak of the Incmore rapidly filled with water, but stout bulkhead confined it there, although so much down by the bows that the propeller was half out of water, she managed to crawl into port. There it was found that the damage the bows extended for a length of twelve feet and a width of ten feet.

Accident, Says Official Report. St. Petersburg.—It was officially stated that the wreck of the postal train at Tschudnow while preceding the Imperial train bearing the Emperor and the Imperial family from Kishinev to St. Petersburg was due to a defect in the locomotive.

The locomotive of the mail train was well as three freight cars were thrown off the tracks and three employes suffered injuries.

The report that the accident was brought about by an attempt on the members of the Russian Imperial family as officially declared unfounded.

Invention, Asserts London Cable. London.—The report from Berlin that an attempt had been made on the life of the Emperor of Russia and the members of the Imperial family while on their way from Kishinev to St. Petersburg is declared here to be an invention.

AN EIGHT-NATION NAVY.

Peace Plan Provides For International Warships.

Boston, Mass.—One navy for the eight leading nations of the world, the aim of a plan drawn up for the World Peace Foundation to be set Secretary of State Bryan and Secretary of the Navy Daniels. The nations include Germany, the United States, Japan, Great Britain, Italy, Austria, France and Russia, which possess naval armaments costing \$1,000,000,000. The plan proposes a joint convention of these nations to reduce the armament which may be used if any one of the nations is attacked by reason of the reduction, the contracting parties engaging to furnish any resort to force until an international commission of inquiry shall have rendered its report.

TO PROTECT "DRY" STATES

Constitutional Amendment Introduced By Senator Dillingham.

Washington, D. C.—A constitutional amendment designated to protect "dry" States was introduced by Senator Dillingham, of Vermont. It would prohibit the sale for beverage purposes of intoxicating liquors, the Hobson-Sheppard constitutional amendment would merely prohibit transportation of liquor into any State for sale or use for any purpose contrary to the laws of such State.

HEAVY PENALTIES FOR DELAY IN PAYMENT

After June 30.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary of the Treasury A. D. Bowers has announced that all persons, corporations and associations liable under the income tax law must pay their assessments for delinquency before June 30. He pointed out that the law imposes heavy penalties for failure to make payments within the prescribed time and that the Secretary has no power to waive or remit the penalties.

BEGINS 4,000-MILE RACE.

Revenue Cutter Captain Leaves Alutka To See Dying Wife.

Washington, D. C.—Capt. Frederick Utheroff, of the revenue cutter Alutka, has begun a 4,000-mile race to Alaska to the bedside of his dying wife in Philadelphia. It will be the first July before Captain Utheroff reaches his wife's side, and then a necessary operation will be performed which survives until his arrival.

ELIHU ROOT TO QUIT SENATE.

New Yorker Declares He Will Not Accept Another Term.

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