

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.

NO VACATION FOR UTILITIES BOARD

Public Service Commission is Too Busy.

"NO PARTY" NOMINATION

United States Field Agents To Probe Worm Remedies—Award Contract For New State Hospital—Hearings By Utilities Board.

Harrisburg.—There isn't going to be any vacation for the members of Pennsylvania's Public Service Commission. Under the act the commission must meet twice monthly and even if the members were inclined to comply with only the letter of the law and have purely formal meetings, with just a quorum present, there is so much business piled up that vacations would upset things and make the task of the commissioners doubly hard in the fall.

The job of being commissioner is by no means any clench, as every day sees complaints appear and questions without number are turning up so constantly that it takes hustling to keep the decisions worked out. The plan now is for the commissioners to hold regular sessions in August and attorneys who are compelled to appear are not in the most amiable frame of mind.

The amount of business before the commission is far and away beyond expectations, and as far as possible cases of the same character are being grouped so they can be disposed of when precedents are established. The organization of the bureau is being perfected and two houses in Capitol Park extension district which will not be needed soon are being fitted up as temporary quarters for commission officials who cannot be accommodated in the suite in the Capitol.

One of the odd things about the congested condition of the commission is that on the floor above there are five fine offices and one of the finest court rooms in the country reserved for the uses of the Appellate Courts, which occupy them about three days a year, the Supreme Court not using them at all this year. The State Board of Public Charities uses one suite five times a year and the Board of Pardons the court room ten times a year. Yet they are maintained in splendid, though solitary state, ready for the courts which sit here in March and in May, and then for about seventy-two hours.

Field Agents To Probe Worm Remedies

Federal Government field agents began an investigation into the ravages of the army worm in Pennsylvania and also to take samples of materials used to exterminate it, because of reports that they were being adulterated. The reports received at the Department of Agriculture showed that the worm was in large numbers in northeastern counties and along the northern tier, where it had not been very active. Erie reported a bad visitation. A new pest was reported from several corn growing counties, it being the web worm, which attacks the interior of the stalks and is very destructive. It is said by State officials to be hard to discover until it has eaten the heart of a stalk. Remedies for it are the same as for the army worm.

Contract For New State Hospital.

Dr. H. D. Heller, State quarantine physician, awarded the contract for the building of the new hospital for contagious diseases to Parry Richardson, of Marcus Hook. The specifications call for brick and hollow tile construction, one story high, with stucco finish and sun porches. There were eight other bidders.

Files "No Party" Nomination.

Winfield L. Halsey, of Rheems, filed a nomination paper to be candidate for member of the House from the Second Lancaster Legislative District on the "No Party Ticket."

Hearings By Utilities Board.

The Public Service Commission spent a day hearing applications for approval of charter applications and for approval of contracts. The applications for new electric companies in Philadelphia were continued until fall.

State Official, 76; Gets Roses.

Secretary of Agriculture N. B. Critchfield was seventy-six years old Monday and in honor of the event heads of divisions of his department placed seventy-six roses on his desk as a surprise.

Mine Fall Kills Two.

Edward Willis and Samuel Kerda were killed by a fall of rock in a shaft of the Lykens Valley coal mines. Joseph Peterson and Shemmelh Please were seriously injured and may die.

Law Limits Defined.

An opinion was given to Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, by William M. Hargest, Deputy Attorney General, in which the head of the School Department is advised that the provision of the school code requiring a vote of three-fourths of a School Board to elect as teacher a relative of a director, does not apply to a teacher who is a first cousin or niece of a School Director's wife.

KEYSTONE STATE IN SHORT ORDER

Latest News Happenings Gathered From Here and There.

TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

An Electric Crane Struck Geo. Loucal At Steelton, and He May Die. Electric Illumination At Penbrook, August 1.

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Penbrook will have its first electric illumination August 1.

Twenty-five houses will be started in Harrisburg in the next fortnight.

Lykens Valley mines are working three days a week.

Contracts for the new Siftle roads will be signed immediately and work start soon.

The Central Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Association will observe August 15 as self-denial day.

Clarence Rice, of Coatesville, strangled to death from food lodgins in his throat. Companions tried to aid him without avail.

Frank G. Swanner, of Downingtown, district president of the P. O. S. A., of Central Chester county, visited Wayne and installed the newly-elected officers.

The city of Harrisburg will send the Mayor and other city officials to the Third Class City League meeting at Meadville on August 25.

Mrs. Margaret Yerkes, of West Chester, celebrated her 96th birthday with a reception at the home of Mrs. William Hill, of Concord.

Mrs. Hattie E. Pennypacker, of near Lionville, celebrated her 94th birthday anniversary by attending services in the Lutheran Church at that place.

West Chester Camp, No. 673, P. O. S. A., is planning to pay a fraternal visit to Kennett Square Camp on August 17.

Mrs. S. B. Mingle lost a diamond pin, valued at \$300, in an automobile accident, in which she and her husband were slightly injured.

Reading public school officials have received notice that this city's share of the State appropriation will be \$73,379.20.

Thefts of chickens in Schuylkill Valley towns, which have been going on all summer, have been traced to weasels.

Andrew Yosso, twenty years old, committed suicide in the woods at Northampton Heights by shooting himself in the head.

Charged with ill-treating his wife, who testified that he attacked her with a knife, Joseph Papalowna was held under \$300 bail for court by Alderman Elliott.

Richard Lynch, of Phillipsburg, N. J., was found dead beside the Reading tracks near South Bethlehem. It is believed he had been struck by a train.

After failing to return from work at a colliery after being absent nearly two days, a searching party found Joseph Wieszowski, of Mt. Carmel, asleep in a breast.

In a collision between a cow and a motorcycle on the Lancaster Pike, William E. Ash, of Downingtown, was thrown from the machine and severely injured.

When a Reading freight train struck the automobile driven by M. K. Watkins, a Mount Carmel banker, at Lewisburg, he and his family escaped injury, but the car was badly damaged.

Mrs. Morris Bloom was seriously injured when two trolley cars collided at Mount Carmel. One car had stopped to take on passengers when a car following crashed into it.

While helping tear down the Evangelistic Tabernacle, at Ashland, John Wagner, seventy-five years old, fell forty feet and is at the hospital in a critical condition from injuries.

FARM HAND WHO SHOT WOMAN DIES

Attacked Employer's Wife When Discharged, Then Cuts Throat.

VICTIM IS RECOVERING

Truck Smashes Auto; Two Occupants Escape—"Indians" Tie Boy To Tree and Forget Him—Steps On Match; Fires Home.

Coatesville.—"Happy Dooley," the cowboy farm hand whose correct name is Tyson Dolan, who shot his employer's wife, Mrs. Roy Martin, of Cain township, while she was in a field digging potatoes, seriously injuring her and then fled to Cook's woods, cut his throat and fired a bullet into his brain, died in the Coatesville Hospital.

When Martin paid "Happy" off on Tuesday he gave him a check for the month in full. Dolan had some words with his employer about being discharged and attempted to knock him down with a hoe. Other farm hands assisted Martin in putting "Happy" off the place.

From the time threshing began Dolan had been drinking heavily. He would oversleep himself and come down stairs late for breakfast and order Mrs. Martin to set a meal for him. This Mrs. Martin refused to do.

Mrs. Martin is more seriously injured than first reported. Her finger was so badly lacerated from a bullet that she will lose it. Unless blood poisoning develops she will recover, although she has been confined to bed since the shooting and is suffering from the excitement of her experience.

In the scuffle with the farm hand Mrs. Martin lost her gold eyeglasses and sunbonnet. The bonnet caught fire from the discharge of Dolan's revolver and was burned.

Truck Smashes Auto.

Mauch Chunk.—A big auto truck owned by a brewing company of Mauch Chunk became unmanageable coming down the Mansion House Road, ran down the steep hill at terrific speed and overtook and struck a touring car owned by Mrs. Fayette Lantz, of Philadelphia, and occupied by her and her chauffeur, Edward Leinhard, of Beaver Run. The car was practically demolished and knocked through the guard fence, and Mrs. Lantz and Leinhard thrown down the hillside to the edge of a seventy-five foot precipice above the Central Railroad of New Jersey. They escaped without serious injury.

Steps On Match; Fires Home.

Chester.—Stepping on a match while groping his way through the dark, David Sapovits started a fire that ruined the first story of his home. Edgar Price, his wife and baby, who occupy the third floor, were rescued by Sapovits, who also carried his mother from the burning building. He was assisted in the rescue work by Albert Greenhalgh, a neighbor.

"Indians" Tie Boy To Tree; Forget Him

Ashland.—While playing Indian on the mountain a crowd of young boys tied ten-year-old Harry Smith to a tree. When the boys tired of the sport they went home, leaving young Smith in a helpless condition. A searching party found him late in the evening suffering badly from fright and exhaustion.

Engineer Killed in Train Wreck.

Red Bank.—John McMahon, an engineer of Driftwood, was killed and two other trainmen were seriously injured when passenger train 276 on the low grade division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, left the track at Shannon near here. Passengers were shaken and cut by flying glass, but none dangerously hurt.

Woman Killed in Auto Crash.

Rolling Green.—A woman was killed and three others injured when an automobile owned and driven by S. E. Felton, of Sunbury, collided with the car of J. E. Sanders, a mile from here. The dead woman is Mrs. S. E. Felton, a thirty-eight years old. Her skull was fractured and her throat was cut.

Two Boys Hurt By Auto.

Mahanoy City.—Frank Lukosh, nine, and John Lukosh, seven, were run down by an automobile and badly hurt. The older boy's jaw was broken, his shoulder dislocated and he was otherwise badly hurt. Both youngsters jumped off the rear end of a speeding wagon directly in the path of the automobile.

Judge Paroles Prisoner.

Seranton.—James Harrington, of North Seranton, whom Judge Albert W. Johnson, of Lewisburg, sentenced January 12 last to a year in jail, was paroled on his representations to the judge that he has broken off the cocaine habit during his confinement and that a job awaits him.

Asks \$5,000 Heart Balm.

Altoona.—Mrs. Saleem Karam, of Altoona, entered suit for five thousand dollars damages against Mrs. Anna Horn O'Conner for alienating the affections of her husband, Albert Karam. She alleges she married her husband twenty-one years ago, but he began to neglect her three years ago.

ROUNDING THEM UP FOR PEACE

Wilson's Agents Getting Mexicans Together.

ALL PROMISE TO BE GOOD

General Villa Declares He Will Join the Other Constitutionalists in Restoring Peace—Question Of Amnesty and Guarantees.

Washington, D. C.—Official advices revealed that the Washington administration was meeting with success in bringing Provisional President Carranza, General Carranza, General Villa and Gen. Emiliano Zapata into harmony for the restoration of peace in Mexico. From these four leaders—representing all the factors concerned in the establishment of a stable government—came encouraging messages in answer to the counsel and advice which the United States has been lending through its numerous consular and diplomatic agents to smooth the way to a complete agreement.

General Carranza is ready to grant an amnesty and give guarantees to those who have opposed the Constitutionalists, persons criminally responsible for the assassination of Madero and Suarez will not be given immunity. As most of the guilty have fled the country, the Carranza government is not disposed to object to such exceptions as are made by General Carranza in this connection, especially as it is intended to prosecute them through the courts, and those accused will have an opportunity to prove their innocence.

Doubts which officials had expressed over General Villa's attitude also were quieted to a considerable extent when word came from the fighting general himself that he would do all in his power to restore peace in Mexico, and would unite with the other Constitutionalists toward that common purpose. Villa's message was sent in response to the personal appeal of the Washington government urging him to forget his personal differences with Carranza in the interest of national patriotism. Officials felt after the receipt of Villa's message that even if political dissension did arise over promotions or division of political spoils, such friction would not be permitted by Villa to develop to the point of counter revolution, a circumstance on which he now realizes the American government would frown.

Asks Separation Of All Roads. The Government asks that the contract, combinations and conspiracies in restraint of trade and commerce, together with the attempts to monopolize, be declared in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. It asks for the separation of all the railroad, steamboat and trolley lines, and for the breaking up of the control of steamboat lines through the navigation company.

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Finally the Government prays that all of the sales necessary to the breaking up of the alleged monopoly be made under the supervision and direction of the Court to persons not stockholders or agents, or otherwise under the control or influence of the New Haven company.

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AGE LIMIT FOR JUDGES.

Wilson Says He'll Consider No One Over 60.

Washington, D. C.—There is an "age limit" for the Justices of the Supreme Court. This was made plain by President Wilson. The Democratic Congressional delegation from North Carolina asked the appointment of Judge Walter Clark, of the Supreme Court of their State, who is 68 years old, but still active. The President told his callers that he did not believe he could consider the qualifications of Justice Clark and that he could not conscientiously consider for the Supreme Court bench any candidate whose age exceeded 60.

TOWNS MAY INSURE EMPLOYES.

West Virginia Law Held Applicable To Municipalities.

Charleston, W. Va.—An incorporated town or city of West Virginia may become a subscriber to the workmen's compensation fund and share in its benefits as do business corporations, according to an opinion by Attorney-General Lilly in answer to a question by the city of Grafton, which desired to place all its employees under the act. It was also held that counties employing men for public improvements might protect them by membership in the fund.

HUERTA IN JAMAICA.

Kingston, Jamaica.—General Huerta and the party of fugitives from Mexico accompanying him, arrived here on board the German cruiser Dresden from Puerto Mexico. Arrangements had been made in advance of the former Mexican dictator with General Blanquet and the rest of the party to remain here for a week or more at a hotel, where several other Mexican refugees already have taken up their quarters.

U. S. BUILDING AT FAIR.

House Sticks To \$500,000 Appropriation For Purpose.

Washington, D. C.—The House by a vote of 135 to 108 refused to reconsider its decision appropriating \$500,000 for a Government building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition and the building is assured.

BABY IN WATER PIPE.

Floats Eighth Of Mile and Escapes Injury.

Riverside, Cal.—Mary Sobde, 2 years old, dropped her rag doll into an irrigation standpipe. She reached for it, but lost her balance, fell in and floated along in an 18-inch pipe main. Efforts to fish her out at two standpipes farther down failed, but at the third, an eighth of a mile away, James King, a rancher, caught her. She was uninjured.

AFTER HUERTA'S TREASURER.

He Is Charged With Appropriating Two Million Pesos.

Mexico City.—As the result of the investigation ordered by Provisional President Carranza into the finances of the country during the administration of Gen. Victoriano Huerta, it is reported that a warrant was issued for the arrest of Eugenio Parades, former general treasurer of the Republic. Parades is charged in the warrant with misappropriating more than 2,000,000 pesos of government money.

Girl's Heart On Right Side.

Examination made by a physician, following the death Tuesday at Wabash, Ind., of Mabel Talague, 11 years old, disclosed the fact that her heart was on the right side and that her liver was on the left side.

TELLING HIM SOMETHING!



SUIT AGAINST NEW HAVEN ROAD

Bill to Completely Dismember Big Corporation.

CRIMINAL SUITS TO FOLLOW

Nation Declares Company Earns About 91 Per Cent. Of Gross Freight Revenue In New England.

New York.—Under orders of President Wilson and Attorney-General McReynolds, a Sherman law anti-trust suit to dissolve the New Haven Railroad, trolley and steamship combination in New England was filed here. The combination was scathingly scored as a "combination in restraint of trade and commerce."

The bill charges that the New Haven has acquired control of nine railroad systems, 22 boat lines and 1,500 miles of trolley lines. It charges that the New Haven earns about 91 per cent. of the gross freight revenue and about 95 per cent. of the gross passenger revenues of all New England railroads.

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MEXICO GROWS FRIENDLY TO U. S.

Revolusion of Feeling on Part of Public and Press.

STATUE TO BE RESTORED

The Mexican Press Demanding Reparation For Destruction Of Property During Anti-American Riots.

Mexico City.—Following the order of President Carranza that the statue of Washington be replaced on the pedestal from which it was torn during the anti-American riots, a revulsion of feeling toward the United States has been experienced by Mexican citizens and press alike. The belief that the Americans will evacuate Vera Cruz just as soon as a duly elected President is installed grows every day.

Kindlier feeling toward Americans is being manifested on all sides. Where last fall the American Club was stormed and nearly wrecked by Mexicans, the Mexican press is coming forward with demands that reparation in full be made to all Americans who suffered. The newspapers are insisting that the person who took the arm of the Washington statue return it at once. The arm has been missing since the statue was torn down.

Carbal is in complete control of the situation here. Government officials charge reports that the city is about to fall before Zapata are being circulated by a clique with headquarters in Washington, with a view to obtaining intervention. Certain interests are backing this clique, it is declared.

While some desultory exchanges of shots have taken place in the edges of the city, it is believed there is no danger of Zapata effecting an entrance. The Government troops are easily strong enough to hold the city against any Zapatista attack. Carranza is not in need of outside assistance. The parties that have attacked the Government outposts have been but mere bands and were repulsed without any trouble. The capital is tranquil.

BLEASE DEFIES ASSASSINS. Manner Of His Death Predestined, Governor Declares.

Laurens, S. C.—Addressing a wildly enthusiastic audience here in his campaign for the United States Senate, Gov. Cole L. Blease told of recent attacks which had been made upon him. He said a cotton manufacturer at Whitmer told him to "Go to h—."

A capitalist at Anderson approached him with pistol in hand and a bank president at Greenville cursed him and tried to assault him Saturday.

"It is reported that I will be assassinated here," said Governor Blease. "If the assassin is here, there is nothing between me and the dirty coward. Let him shoot."

CANAL TO OPEN AUGUST 15.

Secretary Garrison Sets Date For Beginning Of Traffic.

Washington, D. C.—Opening of the Panama Canal to the world's commerce on August 15 next was announced by Secretary Garrison. Probably the first vessel to pass through the great waterway will be the Cristobal, a War Department steamer now at Colon.

RATE INCREASE HALTED.

Boots and Shoes By Rail and Water To Cost No More.

Washington, D. C.—The Interstate Commerce Commission decided that proposed rate increases on boots and shoes from Boston, New York and other Eastern ports to Atlanta, Ga., by water and rail route were not justified. It ordered rates not exceeding the present rate of 95 cents per hundred pounds. The railroads proposed an advance to \$1.05.

WAIVES DEMAND FOR \$200,000.

Miss Harris Releases Congressman's Estate From Claim

Concord, N. H.—The executors of the estate of Congressman Henry M. Baker, of Bow, announced that Magnolia V. H. Harris, of Washington, D. C., had filed with them a release of all claims upon the estate, amounting to \$200,000. Miss Harris claimed this sum on the ground of an alleged promise of marriage, which was not fulfilled because of Mr. Baker's sudden death in May, 1922.

HAITIEN REBELS PUT TO DEATH

Surprise Attack on Capital Ends Disastrously.

REBELS ARE PUT TO FLIGHT

Rebels Attack the City in the Early Morning Before the Garrison Was Awake—All Caught Were Summarily Executed.

Washington, D. C.—Many Haitian rebels were summarily executed at Cape Haitien Wednesday after the government forces had won a fierce two-hour battle in the streets with 500 revolutionists, who had gained entrance into the town early in the morning before the garrison was awake.

Captain Russell, of the battleship South Carolina, reported the affair to the Navy Department. His dispatch said the government troops, numbering 400, repulsed the attack with a loss of eight men killed. The rebels, after having 31 killed, fled in disorder. Many sought refuge in houses, from which they were dragged later for execution.

Captain Russell's report, which came by wireless, follows: At 3 o'clock the rebel forces, about 500 strong, under the leadership of Charles Salnvo, by a still unexplained gain an entrance into Cape Haitien before they were discovered. The government troops, consisting of about 400 men, were concentrated near the point of entry and successfully stopped the advance. Each faction used its ground and a rapid and continuous rifle fire was kept up for about an hour, when the forts, St. Michel and Bellaire, opened up with artillery. The had a demoralizing effect on the rebels and a disorderly retreat was begun. The rebels left their dead and wounded on the field and many threw away their arms. The fighting lasted about two hours. The latest information gives the killed as 31 on the revolutionists side and eight on the side of the government. I am unable to ascertain the number of wounded.

"Cape Haitien is now quiet. After the fight a proclamation was published by the government stating that the number of the rebel forces, which gained entrance into town, were known to be hidden in buildings inside the town and that whoever should harbor or fail to deliver over such persons should, upon discovery, suffer death. The houses of the town were searched and a number of concealed rebels were discovered and shot. Some estimate the number shot as about 50, but that number is not considered reasonable."

BANDITS KILL ENGINEER.

Fast Train Held Up On L. & N. Near New Orleans.

New Orleans.—The New York fast train, through passenger train of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, was held up by two masked men at a crossing four miles east of here. The engineer is reported to have been killed by the bandits and two other members of the train crew are said to be missing.

4 CHILDREN BURNED IN HOME.