

TWO BOYS CRUSHED BY CLASON'S POINT CAR

Leo Luter Dead, His Brother Meyer Dying, After Holiday Walk in The Bronx.

RAN DIRECTLY IN PATH

Conductor Scared Them From Home Bound Car and They Didn't See the Other.

Leo Luter, 11 years old, of 332 Dawson street, The Bronx, was instantly killed, and his brother, Meyer, 13 years old, was fatally hurt last night by running in front of an east-bound trolley on the trolley car, which several other boys with them barely escaped being struck.

The two luter boys, sons of George Luter, started in company with half a dozen others to walk to Clason Point yesterday afternoon. They didn't have any money. They walked up Westchester avenue to Clason Point road and then by easy stages across the fields and meadows to the park, where they sat on piers and watched boats, took in all the free sights the place afforded and had a good time as they could without money.

When they came to Pugsley avenue and Clason Point road, just opposite Pleasant Grove, Meyer luter hopped on the running board of a westbound trolley car and the other boys ran alongside as if to do the same, when the conductor came back and they dropped off and ducked in back of the rear dashboard to cross the eastbound tracks.

One of two of them got across just as a crowd of eastbound cars going at a lively clip shot out from alongside the westbound car, but the two luter boys were struck squarely and knocked under the front platform.

Meyer was caught on the fender, but Leo slipped underneath and was pinned under the forward trucks and dragged for almost a block before Motorman Dewney could stop the car. Leo was killed instantly.

On the front platform beside the motorman stood Policeman Fisher of the West Chester station. He jumped down and picked the unconscious Meyer from the fender and carried him to the side of the road. It was necessary to send for a wrecking crew to jack up the forward trucks to extricate the mangled body of Leo.

When Fisher had deposited his burden in the dusty grass beside the tracks he found that he was the only policeman around. Hundreds of women were shrieking hysterically, a dozen or so knitted and a crowd of pushing, jostling people was closing in on him. He picked the boy up and placed him in an automobile belonging to William Landgrebe, a son-in-law of Morris Park avenue and Victor street.

Landgrebe's wife and some girls were riding in the trolley and they took the boy in while Landgrebe opened up his car and took the boy to Fordham Hospital, where it was found that Meyer had a possible fracture of the skull, a broken right arm, internal injuries and multiple bruises and cuts. He cannot live.

In the meantime an automobile ambulance with two doctors came from Fordham Hospital, where the body of Leo was taken out from the trucks the doctors had nothing to do except to care for a dozen or so hysterical women and such as had fainting spells, kept them back enough. Extra police came from the West Chester station and the crowds gradually cleared up.

The luter boys' companions were completely unharmed by the swift course of events and leaned on the rail between the tracks and the meadows sobbing their hearts out. Policeman Fisher couldn't prevail upon them to break the news to the boys' parents. They were just worn out from their tramp and the excitement and their own narrow escapes.

When Mrs. Luter was told she collapsed. She has another son, Sammie, 9 years old, who is nearly blind.

HORSES LIVE IN THE YUKON.

Colts Live Through Severe Winter, Finding Own Forage.

Dawson, Yukon District, May 19.—A recent arrival from White River brings word that Andy Taylor has four vigorous colts which were born outdoors and have lived there under the open sky all their days. Two colts are two years old and two were born last fall. All have lived through the severe winter without help of any kind.

A big band of international boundary survey horses has wintered in the open in that region for several years, finding their own forage under snow in the winter. They subsist chiefly on wild peas and in the summer find many wild grasses.

The locality is close to the sixty-second degree of north latitude.

AFTER PIANO PLAYING RECORD.

One Handed Brooklyn Musician to Perform Against Time.

A new endurance piano playing record of sixty hours will be attempted by a one handed Brooklyn pianist, who is regarded as a marvel by a great many persons. Harry Richard by name and living at Halsey street and Irving avenue in the Ridgewood section. He is now in training for the stunt, practicing daily for hours.

His attempt for a new record will be made in a hall at Wyckoff avenue and Willow street, starting at 12 midnight on May 28.

The endurance record for piano playing at a single stretch without even an instant's cessation or rest is said to be held by a young woman in the West, who is credited with having played for fifty-five hours. Any kind of music, classical, hymnal, patriotic or sage, subject to slaughter at an endurance contest.

Charles Ryan, a Brooklyn pianist, of 127 Hill street is said to hold the endurance record for the East. He played for fifty-three hours in a moving picture theatre at Woodbine street and Greene avenue. His achievement and that of the fair piano player of the West started talk. Henry Metz of Wyckoff avenue and Willow street, at whose place Richard's powers are to be tested, asserted in the presence of a number of other piano enthusiasts that he had confidence in the ability of Richard to put the two record holders to blush. He said he had a hundred dollars with which to back his claim. There were four takers of bets at \$2 each. It was agreed that Richards must not have even a second's respite during his playing. He will not be allowed to play the same piece twice. The record piece to be played will be called off for him as he plays.

Richard's left hand was amputated after a railroad accident several years ago. All that remains is a stump, but he manages skilfully in playing.

GAVE A PARTY FOR A HORSE.

Baby's 25th Year of Work is Fittingly Celebrated.

The children of East street and the old timers who lived there long before the shadow of the queensboro bridge had fallen across their doorsteps united yesterday noon in a grand celebration that included a reception and a dinner to a horse. Baby's twenty-fifth anniversary in hauling iron and coal for the firm of Heipshauser Bros. boiler-makers, was celebrated with flags, cheering, songs, ice cream, and a double measure of oats for Baby. The party began at Carl Schmidt's stable, whence Baby in his Sunday coat of a twelve by eighteen foot American flag was led to the volunteer life saving station on the dock at the foot of Broome street.

It continued while speeches were made and while the kids stuffed themselves with all the ice cream they could hold. Baby's boss, John Stern, who has driven the veteran iron hauler for the whole twenty-five years, said that in all that time, excepting holidays, Baby had only once failed to report for duty, and that was when a spell of colic kept him in the stable for a week. The horse was groomed until his black coat was as smooth as a tar baby's, and the large American flag trailed on the cobblestones as he swept along to the life saving station, with fifty or more children to keep him company.

The old inhabitants who love to tell of the time when a stray porpoise was lassoed from the Broome street dock said that nothing equal to this had happened in the history of East street, and from the meditative expression on Baby's face as he was led back to the stable it was clear from his point of view also the reception had been a triumph.

John Stern, a big man with a bronzed face and a grin, said that Baby had four blue and red ribbons and a certificate after marching in the workhorse parades. Another ribbon was coming to him this year, he hoped, for the horse was as good as ever. Baby's photograph, framed in mahogany and gold, is one of the decorations in the life saving station, and Baby's gentlemanly behavior was the subject of conversation among the gaspellers who sat on the dock and smoked yesterday afternoon. The idea of giving him a party came just naturally, said Mr. Stern, and Rosaline, Charlie, George and Freddie Stern forthwith made calls on all their neighbors, inviting them to a "reception and a party for the horse."

NEW HOSPITAL CORNERSTONE.

Gov. Wilson Takes Part in the Ceremonies in Jersey City.

Mayor H. Otto Wittmann laid the cornerstone of the new German Hospital on the Hudson Boulevard at Warner avenue, Jersey city, yesterday afternoon, in the presence of over 3,500 persons, including Gov. Wilson, United States Senator James E. Martineau and Representatives James A. Hanill and Eugene F. Kinkaid, all of whom made speeches.

The ceremonies marked a red letter day for the members of the German Hospital and Dispensary Association who have been working for fourteen years to carry out their project. They have been assisted by a Ladies Aid Society, which has raised much of the money by fairs and kindred events. The hospital building will cost \$125,000, and the sum of \$60,000 was paid for the site.

The committee and invited guests, including Senator Martineau and many city and county officials, marched behind a band from the association's headquarters at 312 Ocean avenue to the hospital grounds, where they greeted Gov. Wilson twenty minutes later upon his arrival from the home of Joseph L. Berstein, who entertained him at dinner.

After a prayer in German by the Rev. Gottlieb Andrae, pastor of St. John's German Church in Fairview avenue, William Entenmann, president of the hospital association, made a little address.

Second Assistant Prosecutor of the Pleas James W. McCarthy of Hudson county, the master of ceremonies, said in introducing Dr. Wilson that the "Governor was a man who had done more for progress, liberty and popular rights than any man who has preceded him."

Gov. Wilson said he was glad to take part in such a ceremony on so fitting a day as the Sabbath, declaring he had been born in a straight street composed of those who observed the Sabbath and had been trained to know what the Sabbath signified. There were no hospitals up to the time Christ was born, he said, and without hospitals the Sabbath day of all others on which to celebrate the beginning of this beautiful project of beneficence.

Representative Eugene F. Kinkaid remarked that it wasn't necessary to say that he was an Irishman, and then he proceeded to pay a great tribute to illustrious Germans in history and to the German race.

The Rev. William Sanft spoke in German and then Mayor Wittmann laid the cornerstone, after which Rabbi L. J. Jacobs and Representative James A. Hanill made addresses congratulating the members of the hospital association on the work they are doing in spreading the brotherhood of man.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. J. C. Jorammon, rector of Christ Episcopal Church.

A CONSTABLE SUDDENLY ILL.

With a Billy, Handcuffs, Shield and Summonses Ready.

A man of middle age told Policeman Powers at Second avenue and Twenty-sixth street last night that his stomach ached.

"I've a brother officer of yours," he said. "I've just taken two sodas and I'm sick."

"Who are you?" said Powers. "I'm Dan Hogan, constable of the town of Huntington, Long Island." Policeman Powers took him to a drug store and sent for an ambulance. Dr. Hulse of Bellevue diagnosed the case as acute indigestion and the constable was taken to the hospital in a serious condition. He is 32 years old.

At the hospital the following articles were found on him: one bill, two pairs of handcuffs, one shield, one rabbit paw, a mileage book on the L. I. R. R., a blue key ring with the keys of the money and one dozen summonses on fells in Long Island telling them to appear in the Town Hall at Huntington.

A pair of dice found on him he explained by saying he took them away from some boys shooting craps on the streets of New York. He was coming from Jersey, where he made visits to his mother, thirty-fourth street ferry, when he was taken sick.

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BUSINESS NOT SO GOOD LAST YEAR AS IN 1910

Inland Revenue Commissioner Analyzes Corporation Tax Returns.

A DECREASE OF \$1,154,236

Labor and Supply Men Share More Largely in Receipts of Companies.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—That general business conditions were better in 1910 than in 1911 is indicated in a statement made public to-day by Commissioner of Internal Revenue Cabell, analyzing the corporation tax returns for the last two years. The figures, which are an index of business conditions, show that in the first ten months of this year the returns amounted to \$28,278,118, or \$1,154,236 less than in the corresponding period of last year.

"General business conditions were somewhat better in 1910 than in 1911," says the Commissioner, "particularly with respect to the iron and steel industries, as evidenced in the showing in the Twenty-third district of Pennsylvania (Pittsburg district), and certain manufacturing industries, shown by the considerable decrease reported in the districts of Connecticut and Massachusetts."

"The general decrease is accounted for in part because the corporations filed their returns more promptly in 1911 than they did for 1910, resulting in a saving to themselves of several hundred thousand dollars, according to the 20 per cent. addition for failure to file the return on time. The constitutionality of the law having been upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States, a more careful study also has been made by the corporations with respect to the making of returns to see that no more tax liability is admitted than is required by the law."

While full statistics have not been tabulated, the returns indicate that the decrease in gross receipts in 1911 is not as great as would be indicated by the decrease in net income. This is because labor and supply men shared more largely in the receipts of the various companies in 1911 than in 1910. This appears to be particularly indicated in the case of railroads, which seem generally to have paid increased amounts for labor without a corresponding increase in income being shown.

"It is believed," the statement continues, "that the tax due the Government under the act of August 5, 1909, was more fully assessed during the third year of its operation than in the first two years, which is indicated somewhat by the increased number of corporations filing returns. This increase is quite large, regardless of the fact that thousands of corporations have been stricken from the list in the last year for various reasons, the principal one of which is that they had failed to file their returns about 20 per cent. of the total number of corporations reported to be liable to tax. The exact figures with respect to this are not yet compiled, but the figures with respect to total capitalization, indebtedness and gross income available for publication at this time.

A large proportionate increase in the amount of tax assessed in the fourth district of North Carolina is largely due to the moving of a tax paying corporation to that district from another collection district. The assessments in the Hawaiian district indicate an extremely prosperous condition.

The amounts shown in the statement will be somewhat different before the end of the fiscal year, but it is estimated that the net decrease will be less than \$1,000,000, which, considering the business condition, which existed in the United States last year, is a very satisfactory result, may be considered as fairly satisfactory.

The second collection district of New York has the highest returns, \$1,149,820. The First Illinois district came second with \$2,622,801. The First district of Pennsylvania, including Philadelphia, had a tax of \$1,744,848. The Pittsburg collection district yielded \$1,570,634.

SUITS OVER THE PORK.

The Heimerdingers Charge That Armour Meat Was Infected.

Five different suits were instituted on Saturday by Edward C. Heimerdinger of the firm of George C. Heimerdinger & Co., dressmakers at 137 Madison avenue, and the members of his family against Armour & Co. for the alleged selling of diseased pork, the eating of which, it is asserted, made Mrs. Heimerdinger and her three sons ill.

The complaint filed in the United States District Court by Charles Dusking of 308 Avenue A, Brooklyn, attorney for Mr. Heimerdinger, charged that Mrs. Heimerdinger and her three sons, 10, 14 and 16 years old, were taken ill with rheumatism, diphtheria and other diseases, the eating of which, it is asserted, made Mrs. Heimerdinger and her three sons ill.

The attorney also says in his complaint that he has received from Armour & Co. a letter in which they said that the bulk of animal industry some years ago made an extensive study of this subject with a view to making an inspection under the most inspection law. It was decided that the expense of making mere sample examinations of every carcass would be far in excess of any good derived from such examinations.

Mr. Dusking said yesterday that Mrs. Heimerdinger and her sons were suing on account of their illness and that Heimerdinger was suing on account of the loss of the estate and company of his wife and children and for the expenses incurred by him during their illness. Mrs. Heimerdinger and her sons were taken ill on the first day of the year. Mr. Heimerdinger said, and they did not recover until a few weeks ago.

JERSEY'S CHESTNUT BLIGHT.

Havages, It is Estimated, Will Cost the State \$5,000,000.

SOUTH ORANGE, N. J., May 19.—What is recognized as one of the most serious problems with which the Essex County Park Commission has to cope is the same one that has given State Forester Alfred Hulse of Bellevue serious concern for the last five years. It is the chestnut blight, which, while the scientists have cast about in vain for a method to combat it, has within an incredibly short time destroyed the greater part of the chestnut trees in Essex county.

Reports are that Hudson, Bergen and Morris counties are no better off than Essex, and that Sussex county, where there was a bountiful crop of nuts last year, will soon be among the denuded districts.

Salem and Cape May counties are the only two that have thus far escaped the ravage. The blight has already done and practically certain to follow, in view of the helplessness of the tree, \$5,000,000 in the State. It will not be long before every chestnut tree in the State will have been killed, and the blight, unless some better means than chopping down the affected ones is discovered.

The disease consists of a fungus growth that destroys the bark and cuts off the nourishment of the tree. Its scientific name is "diplodia" and it is of the nature or origin has never been determined.

MINES TO REOPEN NEXT WEEK.

Final Meeting of Operators and Union Officials To-day.

WESTCHESTER, Pa., May 19.—President White of the United Mine Workers and other officials to-day completed arrangements for a final conference with the coal operators' committee in Philadelphia to-morrow afternoon.

At this meeting the agreement adopted by the convention here yesterday will be signed and the suspension of work, which has lasted seven weeks, will formally cease. President White of the Philadelphia and Reading, the chairman of the committee, sent word here that he will endeavor to have other members at his office by 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

To-day throughout the region the delegates who attended the convention were welcomed by their local unions and their course in deciding to support their national officers and adopt their report and recommendations was heartily endorsed. Most of the mine workers appeared jubilant over the outcome and expressed delight at the prospect of going back to work again in a few days, while the business men of the region were busy arranging to meet a summer's brisk business and to get in stocks, which they had deferred ordering owing to the fear of a strike.

At churches all over the region the ministers offered thanks for the peaceable settlement of the trouble and praised the men for their efforts to avert a strike.

Officials of the coal companies are no less pleased and they will get the mines in shape for resumption as soon as possible. Repair men who report to-morrow may be able to clear out some of the mines, where water and gas have gathered, so that coal may be mined on Wednesday, but mining in most of the collieries will have to be deferred until the end of this week or the beginning of next.

The mining officials, however, said that mining will start as soon as possible, and that there will be no discrimination in taking back the men, each man getting as far as possible the same kind of work and the same place he had before the suspension.

Many of the mining officials praise President White highly and declare their faith in him as a conservative and thoroughly reliable leader.

The suspension started seven weeks ago to-morrow, but as most of the mines will not resume until next week, the period of idleness will be practically eight weeks. In that time the losses due to the suspension are estimated as follows: Loss in wages of mine employees, \$17,000,000; loss to coal companies in net profits, \$10,000,000; loss to sellers of supplies and materials for mining, \$5,000,000; loss to railroads in freight charges, \$10,000,000; loss in wages of idle coal train crews, \$250,000; loss to merchants in trade, \$15,000,000.

MORE DRINKING FOUNTAINS.

S. P. C. A. Soon to Open a Number of New Stations.

A number of new drinking fountains for men and horses will soon be opened to the public at various points throughout the city by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Because of the lack of these refreshing cases in many sections of the city during the most torrid weather of last season there was much suffering in the streets.

A granite fountain for horses is being installed at the park on West Twenty-second street, at the head of Marginal street, the gift of Miss Edith G. Bowdoin. This is the seventh fountain presented by Miss Bowdoin to the society. For many years F. Augustus Schermerhorn has given a fountain annually to the society, and the one donated by him this season will be erected on the small triangular park at Broadway and 137th street. In addition, Mr. Schermerhorn has for a number of years donated \$2,000 every summer to the society for the purpose of emergency watering stations and hiring men to handle the hose and bucket brigades.

Among other fountains which the society has been commissioned to build are for the Andrew Jackson Chapter of the U. S. Daughters of 1812 at Amsterdam and Washington Bridge; gift of Mrs. Julia F. Rogers of Brooklyn, to be erected at the intersection of Broadway, Fulton street and New York avenue, East New York, and a granite fountain at Stuyvesant place and Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I., the gift of the friends of Borough President Cromwell.

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals now has eighty fountains under its jurisdiction, of which fifty-nine have been installed. It is some idea of the necessity of these public watering places may be obtained from the fact that in ten hours, by actual count, more than 100,000 horses drank at the fountain in front of the headquarters of the society on a day this winter when the temperature was freezing. All that the city contributes is the water. The society bears all the other costs of maintenance and is obliged to pay the city for the usual street opening permits and cost of relaying pavements.

ARREST A FAKE POLICEMAN.

Women and Hotels Say Richter Has Been Shaking Them Down.

A young man who said he was 13 years old, but who looked older, and who gave various names, the last of which was John Richter, was locked up in the Tenderloin police station last night on a charge of personating a policeman.

The police, of that precinct had had many complaints from hotel keepers and from women that a young man who said he was a policeman connected with Inspector Lahey's staff had been shaking them down, and he had always succeeded in eluding detectives who were sent out to get him.

His name, against Richter is Helen Martin, who lives at the Hotel Lincoln, Fifty-second street and Broadway. She went to the Tenderloin station last night and told the police that Richter had met her on the street and demanded money from her under threat of arrest, flashing a shield on her. The young woman led Policeman Flynn of Inspector Lahey's staff on a search for Richter and found him in a hotel at Twenty-eighth street and Sixth avenue. Flynn found part of the close imitation of a policeman's shield in Richter's pocket.

Richter first gave his name as James Smith, and said he lives at 604 West 18th street. Then he said he was a son of "Lieut. Wheeler" of the police department. The only Lieut. Wheeler in the police department said over the phone that he had no son. Next Richter said he was a son of Capt. Martin Handy of the East Eighty-eighth street station, who also remarked in no uncertain tones, when the interrogated, that he had no son. Finally, Richter telephoned to the home of Congressman Jefferson M. Levy, at 59 East Thirty-fourth street, and asked for Mrs. Dora Richter. At Mr. Levy's house it was stated that Mrs. Richter was employed there, but that she was out.

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GIVES HIS LIFE FOR LEPERS. Brother Dutton Following Footsteps of Father Damien in Hawaii.

Boston, May 19.—Confronting death with as much fortitude as his noted predecessor, word has been received in this city that Brother Ira Dutton of the Dominican Order, a former New England man, has been stricken with leprosy on the island of Molokai, in the Hawaiian group. He is the last of the pioneer nurses who took care of these unfortunate of the island in the Pacific.

Brother Dutton succeeded Father Damien, who made a name for himself by his segregation and care of the lepers in the Sandwich Islands. Father Damien contracted leprosy and died, and he passed away shortly before his conversion to Catholicism. He was living in a Trappist monastery when the story of Father Damien's work in Molokai reached him.

In 1896 Brother Dutton joined Father Damien and after the latter's death took over the work where Father Damien left off. Now after twenty-six years of labor he has also fallen a victim to the disease. He is well known here and has a large circle of friends in Boston. He was always in correspondence with the priests here in charge of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, whose offices are near the cathedral.

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