



ADVANCE OF GERMANS THROUGH BELGIUM AND FRANCE TOLD IN CHAPTERS OF WRECKAGE AND RUIN

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Belgians placed coils of wire in trenches around Termonde to prevent the spread of bursting shells. While furnishing protection to soldiers as they fought behind the breastworks, the wires did not save the adjoining houses.

Warfare means destruction of years of labor, British troops finding it necessary to blow up bridges to halt the progress of German forces. This bridge was wrecked at La Farte when the Kaiser's army neared the French metropolis.

SCANDAL OF JURY WHEEL AGAIN HEARD BY GRAND INQUEST

Delaware County's District Attorney Submits Fraud Charges Against ex-Sheriff and Two Commissioners.

The case of ex-Sheriff S. E. Sprout and Jury Commissioner Jacob Wise and James Stuart, charged with malfeasance in office, was called before the Grand Jury in Media today by District Attorney John B. Hannum. Until a late hour this afternoon no decision had been reached.

In December, 1912, the community of Media was shocked by the discovery that more than 20 names had been found in the jury wheel which had not been selected by the court. When this discovery was made by the court it was pointed out that a jury selected for the trial of criminals would not be an unbiased one, but would consist mostly of those whose names, it was alleged, had been improperly placed on the list of jurors.

The reason given at the time of the exposure was that the names had been placed there to protect several prominent Republicans accused of forging Washington party and Bull Moose nomination papers.

A petition was presented before Judge Isaac Johnson in Media this morning by the Bar Committee of Delaware County, asking that the court permit the "bad slips" which were discovered in the jury wheel to be turned over to an expert for identification. The judge held the request under advisement.

The expert who is to be named by the Bar Committee will examine the slips, which will remain in the custody of District Attorney Hannum, as soon as permission is granted by the court. This is thought to be a matter of only a few days.

The petition was presented to the court by A. B. Geary, E. A. Howell and Frank B. King, who formed the committee named by the members of the local bar association which is conducting the jury scandal investigation. This is the fourth or fifth time the jury scandal has been aired in some way or other since early in 1913.

John B. Hannum, Jr., the present District Attorney, has done all in his power to bring the guilty persons to justice and with the experts' expected testimony as to the handwriting on the many alleged fraudulent slips, many men prominent in affairs in Media and surrounding towns will be called to explain.

SENT TO THE "CORRECTION"

Man Breaks Promise After Wife Gives Him Another Chance.

Failure to keep his promise after his wife had given him another chance a week ago, resulted today in James Donohue, of 248 North Clark street, being sent to the House of Correction for three months, by Magistrate Emery, at the Park and Lehigh avenues station.

Donohue was arraigned in the Deserion Court on the complaint of his wife recently, but she agreed to give him another chance. She testified today that he took \$4 she was saving toward the rent of their home and went on a spree with it. According to his wife Donohue had not worked for a year.

JURY FAILS TO AGREE

In Farmer Ware's Suit Again Railway Company.

After being out all night, the jury in the case of George W. Ware, a farmer, against the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad Company, failed to agree in the Camden Circuit Court today.

AUSTRIANS, HELD UP BY ENGLISH, ROUGHLY USED

Army Officers Here Now Tell of Their Detention.

Held as prisoners of war in England, two lieutenants in the Austro-Hungarian Army were released when they showed that they had sufficient money to bring them to the United States. They are now in this city stopping at 1335 Pine street. According to the officers they were roughly treated by the English police. At the Vrixton police station in London, where they were made to register, being citizens of the enemy, the soldiers said the police were insulting. They were detained there. One policeman, said the lieutenants, shoved them about and shouted, "It would be best if we killed you."

The officers are brothers, Lieutenants Paul and Ewald Fallin. Their homes are in Prague, Bohemia. They were in Belgium when Austria and Germany declared war on the French. It being hopeless to return home by way of the Continent they went to England to get a boat. They were in London when war was declared and were detained by the authorities as prisoners. When they produced sufficient funds to enable them to get to this country the men were released. The Home Office wanted them in America, where they could not get back to Austria, rather than in England as prisoners of war.

DREXEL INSTITUTE OPENS

Enrolment of 560 Students Largest in History.

With the largest enrolment in its history Drexel Institute opened its doors for the season of 1914-1915 today. Announcement was made by Dr. Hilly Godfrey, head of the institution, that but few changes have been made in the faculty excepting for the addition of a number of young instructors. The enrolment of boys and girls is about equal. The Domestic Science and Art Departments have doubled their capacity and greatly increased their facilities. These departments are growing in popularity. Two new laboratories have been added to the institute. The beautiful picture gallery is henceforward to be used as a social room by the girl students.

RIDLEY PARK SHOW OPENS

Novel Features at Fourth Exhibit of Civic Association.

The fourth annual flower, fruit and vegetable show under auspices of the Ridley Park Civic Association opened this afternoon in the Ridley Park Auditorium with many novel features.

HELD ON MURDER CHARGE

Prisoner Must Answer for Death of Man Who Succumbed to Wound.

Joseph Di Simone, of 775 South Eleventh street, was held without bail by the County jury, accused of the murder of Ernesto Volteintata, of 731 South Seventh street, who died September 21 in the Pennsylvania Hospital from a gunshot wound in the neck, said to have been inflicted by Di Simone.

SIR JAMES WHITNEY DIES

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 25.—Sir James Whitney, Premier of Ontario, died at noon today. He was 71 years old. He succeeded to the leadership of the Conservative opposition in 1892 and became Premier in 1896.

LEWIS J. SEGREST

Lewis J. Segrest, 87 years old, died yesterday at the home of his son, Lewis P. Segrest, 3120 Diamond street. He has been in splendid health until two years ago, when he broke down on account of the death of his brother. Segrest retired thirty years ago from his business as contractor and builder. One son, Lewis P., a druggist, who has been retired for the last fifteen years, survives.

TOMBSTONE GUIDE BEQUEST OPPOSED IN PALETHORPE WILL

Sum of \$150,000 Too Much, Say Contestants, to Tell Visitors of the Family Virtues.

A bequest of \$150,000 in the will of the late Henry R. Palethorpe to provide for a guide to show visitors to his tomb in Laurel Hill Cemetery and expound the history of the Palethorpe brothers, was made the object of an attack in a contest to break the will today before Judge Dallett, in Orphans' Court. The case was held under advisement.

COUSINS CONTEST WILL

The contestants include William H. Hay, secretary of the State Commission on Election Laws, and his brother, Albert E. Hay, secretary and treasurer of the Ohio Light and Power Company, of Cleveland, cousins of the testator.

The contested will provided for bequests to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the Commissioners of Fairmount Park, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, the Pennsylvania Institute for the instruction of the Blind, Presbyterian Hospital and the Pennsylvania Hospital. The legacies totaled \$330,000.

The will also provided \$150,000 in trust to the Provident Life and Trust Company as executor and trustee for such charitable purposes as the trustees might determine, and the principal argument of the contestants is that the trustees to the document are both connected with the Provident company. Under the act of 1885 and the act of 1911 provisions are made for "disinterested" signatures to wills. D. P. Jones and Richard T. Cadbury are the witnesses to the Palethorpe will.

Thomas Raeburn White and Justin J. Wesley are the attorneys representing the contestants. Mr. White declared that, as the signers to the will are connected with the trust company, the organization was "built into the construction of the charity itself," and held that this is prohibited in the act of 1885.

OPPOSES TOMB GUIDE

It was also contended by Mr. White that the \$150,000 set aside for the care of the tomb and the employment of a guide is altogether out of proportion to the cost of such a thing. Properly invested, he said, the amount would yield \$4000 a year, and the superintendent of the cemetery had testified that this is more than is necessary to keep the lot in good condition.

SCREAMS PREVENT ROBBERY

Woman Ignores Intruders' Threats of Death and Summons Policeman.

Threats to kill did not terrify Mrs. Mary Lorra when two men entered her room in the house at 830 North Franklin street with the intention of robbing her last night.

Her screams drove the men out of the house and brought Policeman Belle, of the Tenth and Buttonwood streets station. He arrested James Martin, who said that he lived at 2517 Waterloo street, and James Tibbes, who gave his address as 238 North Third street.

This morning they were held under \$800 each for a further hearing next Tuesday. In the pocket of Martin was found \$2 which it was testified was stolen from a room in the house.

\$4000 LEFT TO CHARITY FROM ESTATE OF FRANCIS HEYL

\$100,000 Holdings of Alfred D. Silliman Co. to Family.

Charitable bequests of \$4000 are made from the \$17,583 estate of Francis Heyl, who died recently in the Germantown Hospital and whose will was admitted to probate today. The residue of the estate is bequeathed to relatives.

The Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane will receive \$600, the Summit Presbyterian Church, Germantown, \$100; Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, \$100. Of this last amount, \$50 is for the Arthur Ewing Memorial Church College in the United Provinces of northern India, and \$50 for the school for Christian Women and Teachers in northern India.

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the United States will receive \$500; the cause of synodical instruction the synod of the Presbyterian Church, \$300; the cause of church extension, \$200. Each of the following Presbyterian organizations will receive \$200: Board of Education, Church Education Fund, Board of Publication, Board of Relief for Disabled Ministers and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers, Missionary Fund, the College Board, the Board of Temperance.

The estate of Alfred D. Silliman, late of 235 West Upeal street, valued at more than \$100,000, is devised to the widow, Ada L. Sullivan, and the children. The widow is named executrix in the will. Other wills probated today dispose of the following estates: Charles H. Fieldstein, 126 West Ontario street, \$25,000; Susan Myers, 6011 Torredale avenue, \$4300; Sarah E. Tanner, 2068 Diamond street, \$2500; Michael Boyle, 1312 South Capital street, \$2000.

PRISONER HAS FIT IN COURT

Attack of Epilepsy Nearly Causes a Panic in Quarter Sessions.

Confined in the prisoner's cage in Room 43 of Quarter Sessions Court, today awaiting trial with a score of other prisoners, Adolph Davidson, a Negro, nearly created a panic among the prisoners and spectators seated near the cage.

The afflicted man, writhing and moaning, caused the other occupants of the restricted space to crowd to the far-end of the cage, while women seated a few feet from the barred compartment, apparently believing that an outbreak among the prisoners was eminent, showed signs of hysteria. Court officers were kept busy for a few moments with Davidson and the excited women.

CASTLES MAY DANCE

Appearance at Keith's Next Week Is Uncertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, who have been dancing at Keith's, will be permitted to complete their engagement for this week. A truce has been arranged between the Castles and the Schuberts, who have, on a previous occasion succeeded in obtaining an injunction prohibiting the Castles from appearing in this city under any other management but the Schuberts.

The management of Keith's has announced, however, that no settlement has as yet been arranged as to their appearance at the theatre next week. In case the Schuberts continue in their objection to next week's engagement Valeska Suratt will come here to complete the bill.

PUZZLED ADMIRAL HERE VAINLY LOOKS FOR BATTLESHIP

Metaphorically, But Not Literally, All at Sea, as to Minnesota, Which He Is to Command.

An admiral without a ship is as bad as a ship without a rudder. At least that's how Rear Admiral Walter McLean feels. He is now at the Bellevue-Stratford taking life easy and looking about.

But the Admiral should be on the battleship Minnesota, and he came here in a hurry this morning to hoist his flag. He received special hurry orders at Washington yesterday to rush here and take charge of the ship. Being a faithful observer of discipline, he was somewhat out of breath when he reached the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He was taken immediately to the foot of Broad street, where the Minnesota should have been in waiting.

The ship wasn't there, however, and an exhaustive search of the docks thereabouts failed to bring it to view. Several obliging officers then surveyed the Delaware River southwards, but no ship resembling the Minnesota could be seen approaching.

Admiral McLean rubbed his eyes and looked at his orders again. They stated that he should board the Minnesota immediately. There was much conjecturing as to the warship's whereabouts, and then Breakwater was called up. But the naval man in charge of that place said that the absent ship was nowhere around. He was sure that it had not passed in from the ocean.

Much mystified, the Admiral then went back to the Bellevue-Stratford. He lighted a cigar, dropped in an armchair and tried to figure out where the Minnesota was by the process of elimination. But as there are many of Uncle Sam's ships prowling about several oceans he gave it up as a bad job.

"I thought something would happen when I was put to sea again," he said, "and I am not surprised." There was no tone of complaint in his voice, however.

He afterward learned that the ship was coming here from somewhere. He was assured that it might get here tomorrow. But as the Bellevue is a comfortable place the veteran skipper is not worrying so very much.

Admiral McLean has just been assigned to the North Atlantic Squadron. He was formerly a member of the Examining Board, or what is familiarly known among naval men as the "Plucking Board." He declined to talk about the Board, but, judging from the twinkle in his eyes, when he spoke of his new assignment he was greatly disappointed at leaving the Board.

The "Plucking Board" recently caused much comment by dropping Captain Hill and Captain Gibbons, two men of much achievement.

Fined for Assaulting Patrolman

John Moreski, a giant Italian fruit vendor, who attacked Patrolman George Haugh when arrested for peddling without a license, was fined \$50 by Magistrate Bosse today in the Frankford police station. Moreski jumped from his wagon and tried to escape while Haugh was driving him to the police station. He was struck at the office when pursued and refused to accompany him until Haugh used his club.

MAN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS AND SERIOUSLY INJURED

Lives in Atlantic City and Does Not Know How He Got to Philadelphia.

With a serious sprain of the back and many contusions about his body, Jacob Bush, 50 years old, of Atlantic City, regained consciousness in the Roosevelt Hospital this afternoon, not knowing how he happened to be in Philadelphia.

Bush was found early today in an unconscious condition at Fifth and Callowhill streets. When taken to the hospital the man at first failed to respond to treatment and his condition was serious. In searching his pockets the hospital authorities found a handbook of the Chelsea National Bank in Bush's name, with a large balance to his credit.

When he regained consciousness this afternoon Bush could not account for his being away from home, but soon discovered that more than \$50, which he had in his pockets, and also a valuable diamond ring were missing. The police of the Third street and Fairmount avenue station are investigating the man's story, while physicians at the hospital say it will be several days before the patient can return to his home.

ASSESSMENTS RAISED

Camden County Board of Taxation Orders Increases at Collingswood.

The Camden County Board of Taxation today ordered the following increases in assessments in the Borough of Collingswood: General Water Company, \$13,550 to \$18,000; South Jersey Gas, Electric and Traction Company, \$22,250 to \$22,250; Public Service Electric Company, \$450 to \$925; Delaware and Atlantic Telephone and Telegraph Company, \$10,600 to \$15,600; Collingswood Sewage Company, \$3,100 to \$4,000.

WAR WORRY CAUSES SUICIDE

LANCASTER, Pa., Sept. 25.—Two painters today found the dead body, still warm, of Charles Groubner, a German farm laborer, 29 years old, hanging from a rafter in the carriage shed at Steinmetz's Mennonite Church, near Schoenock. From remarks made by him yesterday, it is believed he committed suicide through brooding over the troubles of Germany.

SCHWAB TO FURNISH ARMORED TRUCKS TO WARRING NATIONS

Said to Have Been Commissioned by Two European Countries to Supply Hundreds of Equipped Autos.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 25.—During the last few days a large number of representatives of automobile concerns have been here, and the reason for their presence was indicated today in the report that two European countries now at war have commissioned Charles M. Schwab to have built for them several hundred armored and gun-equipped motor trucks. The order will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Mr. Schwab will not talk about the matter, closely adhering to the policy of the State Department, which recently issued directions to concerns in this country whose business is to manufacture munitions to avoid publicity in matters where they have dealings with European countries now at war and thus avoid possible violation of neutrality.

It is believed Mr. Schwab was commissioned to give out the order for motor trucks because he is well known by heads of many European countries, having built warships for them. The armor plates and guns for these war trucks will be made by the local steel company and also the axle work for the cars.