

DIRECTOR TWINING AS HE APPEARED BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



The head of the city's Transit Department is shown reading the testimony offered at a previous hearing at Harrisburg. From left to right, members of the commission are William A. Magee, ex-Mayor of Pittsburgh; James Alcorn, Michael J. Ryan, W. D. B. Alney, chairman; John S. Rilling and Milton J. Brecht. Below are, left to right: Ernest Lowengrund, Assistant City Solicitor, and E. Clinton Rhoades, who represents the Frankford taxpayers.

BERNSTORFFS HEAR FRIENDLY ADIEU AT PIER

Dismissed Envoy and Party Receive Cordial Farewell Board Vessel

CRANK NABBED BY COPS

Bernstorff Parrot Breaks Diplomatic Etiquette

HOBOKEN, N. J., Feb. 14. ONE member of the party of Count von Bernstorff, dismissed German Ambassador, proved very undiplomatic today when the party boarded the Scandinavian-American liner which will carry them on their homeward journey. The irate member of the party was a brilliantly plumed parrot belonging to Countess von Bernstorff.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Feb. 14. With a courtesy and marked attention seldom if ever accorded any guest of the nation, Count Johann von Bernstorff, dismissed German Ambassador, and his official family were escorted aboard the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII today for the second stage of their long journey to Berlin.

Every precautionary measure that could possibly be devised to insure the safety and comfort of the departing Germans was taken by a small army of Government secret service men, augmented by scores of Hoboken police and members of Collector Malone's neutrality squad.

Before Count and Countess von Bernstorff had been aboard the steamship an hour, one crank attempted to board the vessel and was promptly seized by secret service operatives.

"I am a cousin of Crown Prince Wilhelm, and I have a letter to be delivered to Count von Bernstorff, said the man as he pushed through the cordon of police and secret service men. 'It is highly important and I must be allowed to go aboard at once. Do not detain me.'"

With this he started to rush to the gang plank, and half a dozen policemen fell on him at once. The man at first refused to say who he was, but finally admitted that he was Alfred Hopkins, a salesman. He is believed to be demented. Hopkins talked incoherently and refused to say who gave him the letter. Later he said he merely was a messenger. Hopkins said he lived at 114 East 133d, is 19 years old and lives with his mother and half brother. He was held for examination but was not formally under arrest. The newspaper photographers tried to snap Hopkins as he was being hustled

THE WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Generally cloudy and unsettled tonight, and Thursday, with probably some light snow or rain; moderate temperatures, with lowest tonight about twenty-five degrees; moderate, variable winds.

REBELLIOUS CUBA WARNED BY U. S.

Lansing Message Says Insurrectos Can Expect No Comfort or Aid

NATION'S POSITION PLAIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Thoroughly aroused by information that the Cuban rebels were gaining the upper hand, the State Department sent a second warning message to the Cuban people this afternoon. The message unequivocally asserts that the revolutionists will get absolutely no comfort from this Government and clearly intimates that action will be taken by the United States to support the duly constituted Cuban authorities.

THE WARNING

The Government of the United States has received with the greatest apprehension the reports which have come to it to the effect that there exists organized revolt against the Government of Cuba in several provinces, and that several towns have been seized by insurrectionists.

"Reports such as these of insurrection against the constituted Government cannot be considered except as of the most serious nature, since the Government of the United States has given its confidence and support only to Governments established through legal and constitutional methods.

GERMAN INFLUENCE SEEN

The sinister hand of German influence was seen today in Cuban and Mexican troubles.

TWO MORE BRITISHERS FALL VICTIM TO U-BOATS

The F. D. Lambert and Innishowenhead Torpedoed—Most of Crews Saved

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The British steamship F. D. Lambert has been sunk. All of the crew except four were safely landed. It was announced today. The vessel was a steel screw steamship of 2195 tons.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 14.—A cable received this morning by William Thompson & Co., shipping agents, from G. Hayn & Son, Belfast, Ireland, announces that the British steamship Innishowenhead has been sunk at sea. She sailed from Belfast February 12 in ballast for St. John.

Captain Campbell and all members of the crew, with the exception of one man were

U. S. NOW TRAILS "PSYCHIC" PASTOR

\$1000 Fraud Alleged in "Rev." S. G. Fenner's Gold Mine Project

"TIPS" FROM THE ANGELS

Chief Postal Inspector James T. Cortelyou today requested Samuel G. Fenner, who, besides being the head of the Universal Church, a "psychic temple," at 1716 North Broad street, finds time to promote gold mine projects from his home at 1933 North Park avenue, to call on him and explain his interest in two gold mining companies.

This is the second time that the spotlight has been turned on the mining activities of Mr. Fenner by the postal authorities within the last few years.

According to Inspector Cortelyou, several years ago he received anonymous complaints from Philadelphians that while attending "seance parties" given by Fenner they were induced to invest money in mining projects. It was then that the postal authorities instituted an investigation to find out whether Fenner was using the mails in connection with his seances and mining business. At that time Fenner denied he was sending out any information relating to the companies.

Today Mr. Cortelyou requested Fenner that when he came to his office to bring along any literature which he had and which had any bearing on mining or the possibilities of making a fortune in gold mines.

SUIT TO RECOVER \$1000

After waiting more than three years for the fortune promised to him by "spirits," William H. Wilde, an insurance agent, of 215 North Thirty-eighth street, has instituted suit for \$1000 against Fenner, which, he alleges, he was induced to invest in, what is termed in the proceedings a "fake gold mine."

Both the plaintiff and his wife, Mrs. Ida C. Wilde, for many years have been visitors at Fenner's temple.

BREAK IN COLD WAVE LOOSES ICEBOUND RIVER

Decided Rise in Temperature Relieves Conditions—Unsettled Weather Predicted

A decided break in the cold wave has brought beneficial results in many directions and more moderate weather will probably continue for today and tomorrow.

TWO MASONS KILLED IN FALL OF 75 FEET

Horrified Pedestrians Witness Accident at Taggart Tilden School, Due to Broken Derrick

Two stone masons were instantly killed when they fell from the fourth floor of the new Taggart Tilden Public School, at Fourth and Porter streets today. They were John Ingalls, forty-eight years old, of 149 North Fifteenth street; and John Tiani, forty-five years old, of 423 Montrose street.

TWINING SEES TRANSIT COST UP \$28,000,000

Director Says Labor and Material Costs Make Figures Soar

CITY AT P. R. T. MERCY

Tells Service Commission Broad Street Subway Might Be Bobtailed

Transit Director William S. Twining testified before the Public Service Commission today that estimates completed in the cold gray dawn at 3 o'clock this morning showed that a total of \$91,000,000 would be necessary to complete the city's comprehensive system of subway and elevated high-speed lines, authorized by Councils and voters approved by the voters at the polls. This is an increase of \$28,000,000 over the Taylor figures of 1915.

The testimony of Director Twining was given in Select Council Chamber, City Hall, where the commission met to hear arguments on the city's application for certification of public convenience to permit the immediate construction of the Broad street subway, the subway delivery loop, the Darby "L," the Parkway-Northwest line and the three-mile extension of the Frankford "L" from Bridge to Rhawn streets.

The latest estimates of the Transit Director, given in reply to interrogations from Commissioner Michael J. Ryan, came as a complete surprise to the throng of spectators who appeared at the hearing.

With total loan moneys of \$62,100,000 available for transit improvements the new figures will mean, according to the intimations of Mr. Twining, either that all of the smaller lines can be completed and the Broad street subway "bob-tailed" at Spruce street and Erie avenue, or that the Broad street subway can be completed and several of the smaller lines omitted for the present.

The estimate of \$91,000,000, the Director explained, includes the cost of the Chestnut street subway and without this line \$55,000,000 will be needed. The new figures are based upon bids submitted last week for the three sections of the subway delivery loop and they take into consideration the increased cost of labor and materials.

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The lack of funds to complete the entire system and particularly the lack of funds to make any provision for the Chestnut street line, according to Commissioner Magee, virtually leaves the city at the mercy of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company.

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QUICK NEWS

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NORWAY, SWEDEN AND DENMARK ISSUE PROTEST TO BERLIN

Germany is prepared to send submarines into American waters, especially to the region of the Panama Canal. The possibility of America entering the war has been carefully considered by German officials, but, nevertheless, they expect to have the Entente at their mercy within six months, regardless of American developments.

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