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HIGH PAY, LESS WORK HITS LUMBER TRADE

Dealers Declare Output Has Been Halved, While Wages Go Up 300 Per Cent

BOOMS INCREASE SCARCITY

Men in the lumber camps and sawmills are doing half as much work as before for three times as much pay.

Thousands who formerly worked in the mills and lumber camps have gone to the tobacco fields and other lines of work less strenuous.

These are the two chief reasons for the high cost of lumber, local dealers say.

Hundreds of men who were formerly satisfied with the life in a sawmill and the small towns down South changed their view of life entirely after entering the country's service. Many got a taste of big city life for the first time. They met youths of their own age who earned three times as much money as they of the South did.

City attractions also appealed to them, and so the sawmill life and the home-town movie seemed slow and insignificant.

Large Wage Demanded

Those who did return demanded big pay and the employers had to meet the demand or close down their mills.

An illustration of increase in the cost per thousand feet of ordinary lumber may be seen by the following comparison of present prices with those of four years ago:

	1915	1919
Hemlock	$27	$54
Long-leaf yellow pine	40	65
North Carolina sizes, yellow pine	25	50
Yellow pine flooring	45	75

A representative of Charles F. Felin & Co., Old York road and Butler street, said that mills are only providing about 60 per cent of their normal output. The resumption of building booms in Philadelphia and other cities will, of course, increase the scarcity, he said. Normal building activities were resumed by other cities some time ago, and Philadelphia was the last to start.

Higher Wages, Less Work

In addition to receiving higher wages, employes of the saw mills down South are doing less work, according to a representative of the firm of Joseph H. Collins & Son, dealers, Twelfth street and Glenwood avenue.

"A working force which formerly produced 50,000 feet a day," he said, "now produces 25,000 feet and receives three times as much wages as before. This is one of the many reasons for increase in the cost of lumber. The men are not returning to the mills, but are going to the tobacco fields and to other lines. The mills are oversold all the time. Incidentally, many of the men working in the mills are driving about in limousines."

A representative of Charles Benton & Co., Front and Reed streets, and those of other concerns agreed that the chief cause of lumber scarcity was the failure of the southern mills to turn out the work.

BUT WHERE'S THE RING?

She Caught the Soldier—He's Held in $500 Bail—But?

By camping persistently on the spot where first she met him, Jane McGonigle, of Eddystone, finally saw Paul A. Johnson, a soldier, who, she claims, robbed her of a $250 diamond ring on the night of June 9, while they were at a vaudeville show. She had him arrested last evening, appeared against him today and had the satisfaction of seeing him held in $500 bail for court. The ring has not yet been recovered.

Jane said she met him in Broad Street Station June 9, "fell for" the uniform and consented to accompany him to Keith's. He began to admire her diamond ring very much, she says, and slipped it from her finger. Then he went out "for a smoke" and didn't come back. So she "covered" Broad Street Station every night until she saw him. Johnson gave his home address as Keyser, W. Va.

CYCLE HITS CAR; 3 HURT

Crash at Thirteenth and Shunk Streets Injures Motor Riders

Frank O'Hara, 2632 South Iseminger street; John Sanderson, 2600 South Howard street, and Carl Kartren, 2251 South Lee street, were injured last night when the motorcycle on which they were riding collided with a trolley car at Thirteenth and Shunk streets.

All were taken to the Methodist Hospital.

Frank Schmidt, Nicetown and Harrowgate lanes, was struck by a car last night at Norris and Palethorp streets. He was taken to the Stetson Hospital with a fractured thigh and possible fracture of the skull.

Girl Scouts No. 56 Hold Party

A "district party" will be held tonight by members of Girl Scout troops of this city to mark the second anniversary of Troop 56. The affair will be held in the church of St. Jude and Nativity, Eleventh and Mt. Vernon streets. Arrangements for the affair were completed under the direction of Captain Elizabeth Russ, of the troop. Several sketches will be given by the Girl Scouts.

DOPE SMUGGLED INTO JAIL, WARDEN ADMITS

McKenty Says He Can't Stop Practice Where So Many Men Are Held

PREPARE FOR INQUIRY

Robert J. McKenty, warden of the Eastern Penitentiary, made no effort yesterday to deny that narcotics and liquor had at times been smuggled into the institution.

The smuggling of "dope" to inmates of the prison is one of the questions to be considered when Governor Sproul starts his inquiry into the warden's administration. It has been alleged that the warden had failed to make a serious attempt to put a stop to the practice.

Toward this, as well as all other criticisms of his administration, the warden assumes an attitude of outspoken defiance.

"Let them bring on their investigation," he declared yesterday. "Let them come day or night. I'll give them all the help they want, but—keep your eye on your Uncle Dudley, and watch him ride his colt. If anybody starts anything I'll ride right along and come out with a garrison finish. I figure that what I do around this place is right, and when I figure I'm right nobody can frighten me. There are always people on the outside of an institution who think they could run it better than the man in the saddle. That is always to be looked for. But I have no time to bother about such people. I have fifteen hundred men here to look after, and that is as much as I can handle at one time."

The warden maintains that it is impossible to put an absolute stop to the smuggling of liquor and "dope" into an institution which houses such a large number of inmates.

Smugglers' Methods

"Narcotics have found their way into the prison," he admitted, "but to say that I allowed it is ridiculous. The only thing I can do is to stop practice and punish the offenders when I am able to catch them. There is hardly an institution in the state that is visited as much as this prison. Can I be expected to search every person who steps into the place? I cannot only tell you that 'dope' has been brought in—I can go you one better. I'll describe how it has been done in a couple of instances. We caught one woman transferring 'dope' to a prisoner in the finger of a rubber glove. The finger had been filled with the stuff, the end securely tied, and the whole thing hidden in a can of fruit. Another woman was in such a hurry to kiss her husband on another occasion when the guard's back was turned that we became suspicious and discovered that she had transferred a small rubber pouch of narcotic from her mouth to his. If any of the investigators can show me a way to put a stop to that sort of thing I'll be ready and willing to act on their suggestions."

McKenty stoutly denied that "Reddy Jake" Melincoff, "king of the Tenderloin," had made money during his confinement in the prison, as has been alleged by outside critics.

ATTACK ON M'KENTY DENOUNCED BY BRADY

Harrisburg, June 24.—Representative William J. Brady, of Philadelphia, expressed indignation over the charges against Warden McKenty, of the Eastern Penitentiary. Mr. Brady issued the following formal statement:

"The reported investigation of the Eastern State Penitentiary is certainly unnecessary, since there is absolutely no doubt that the penitentiary is the best conducted institution of its kind in America and has a warden in the person of Robert J. McKenty who has not only the confidence of the prisoners themselves but also the people of Pennsylvania.

"It is reported in the newspapers that one of the board of prison inspectors, an undertaker by the name of Dunlap, is the instigator of the investigation, but it is hard to believe that Governor Sproul would pay any attention to statements of Dunlap, who was a political appointee of the Brumbaugh administration. The other members of the board are men of the highest standing, who have in mind the best interests of the prison and the prisoners.

"Warden McKenty is a practical man, who is an ardent exponent of the 'square deal' principle and a man held in the highest esteem by his fellow-citizens of Philadelphia. He has brought the Eastern State Penitentiary to its present high position by a constant study of the inmates and of means to improve them in character and ability."

LIQUOR MEN TO KEEP LAW

But Demand Unconditional Removal of Bans—1000 Meet Here

Unconditional removal of all restrictions upon the sale of liquor was demanded by more than 1000 members of the Philadelphia Retail Liquor Dealers' Association at a meeting in Lu Lu Temple yesterday. Not even a concession in the passage of the bill introduced by Representative Ramsey, of Delaware county, which would legalize the manufacture of 2¾ per cent beer, was desirable, the liquor men decided. By unanimous vote they decided to go to Harrisburg today to urge the bill's defeat, and, failing in this, to appeal to Governor Sproul to veto the measure.

As a retaliatory measure, if their attempts to hold back the enforcement of bone-dry laws until January 16, 1920, fail, they agreed unanimously to make the city as dry as Death Valley and show the direful results of prohibition. The liquor men, it was learned, vowed yesterday that they would not sell a drop illicitly.

It was decided also to send a committee to Washington to appeal to members of Congress to remove the prohibition on all liquors, once the peace treaty is signed and the war officially over. The liquor men, it is said, are of the opinion that they ought to sell all the stock of spirituous liquors they have at h

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BIDDLE DECORATION
Major Charles J. Biddle, of this city, has been honored by the French Government. He has been made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor

MAJOR BIDDLE GETS FRENCH HONOR MEDAL

Aviator Receives Decoration of Legion d'Honneur—Served in Lafayette Escadrille

Major Charles J. Biddle, this city and Andalusia, has been awarded the decoration of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur by the French government, according to word received here today from Washington.

Major Biddle won fame in the war by his daring as an aviator.

The decoration depends from a red ribbon, to which it is attached by a small silver wreath. The base of the medal is of silver, inlaid with green and blue enamel. Five double points of white enamel rest over the base, running from the center, in which there is a button of gold. The inscription on the button reads, "Republique Francaise," and bears the date 1870.

In March, 1917, Major Biddle joined the American Ambulance Corps, in France, and later entered the aviation school. After service in the Lafayette Escadrille he was commissioned a captain.

When the American forces reached France he was transferred to the aviation section of the Signal Officers' Reserve Corps, as he desired to fight under his own flag.

Major Biddle was twice cited for bravery and was honored early in the war by the Croix de Guerre. The Belgian government recently conferred upon him the Order of Leopold. Major Biddle is the son of Charles Biddle, of Andalusia, Pa.

WOMAN BURNED AT HOME

Clothing Ignites After Curtains In Room Catch Fire

Mrs. George Wells, 1535 South Nineteenth street, was badly burned last night at her home in attempting to extinguish a fire which started in her bedroom. The blaze was caused by a match igniting a curtain.

Neighbors heard the woman's screams and tore off the burning clothing. She was taken to the Polyclinic Hospital. The loss caused by the fire was small.

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PATROLMAN SHOT IN STREET CHASE

Hit in Leg, Bluecoat Continues Race and With Aid of Citizens Overcomes Fugitives

ITALIAN WOUNDED IN FIGHT

Three shooting affrays occurred early this morning, a patrolman in one case being shot in the leg by a fugitive, in the second case, an Italian received a bullet in the stomach during a quarrel. On the third shooting two negroes were shot.

Patrolman John Cuttingham, 2305 South Fifty-eighth street, was on his way home early today when he saw two men break a gas lamp. They ran as he approached. Cuttingham was gaining on the pair when one turned and fired a revolver at him.

The bullet struck Cuttingham in the leg, but he kept after the men and with the aid of several citizens overpowered the two men.

When arraigned today before Magistrate Harris the defendants said they were Gastina Fiola, twenty-three years old, 2328 Aspen street, and Ernest Mealo, twenty-three years old, 7407 Taylor street. They were each held in $1000 bail for court.

The second shooting occurred at Eighth and Fitzwater streets. Several men were said to be quarreling when one drew a revolver and shot Charles Maratto, twenty-six years old, in the stomach. The others ran as Maratto fell. Maratto, whose home is in New York, told Detectives Isola and Comdeco that he didn't know why he had been shot.

The wounded man had dragged himself up Eighth street and had reached a point midway between Bainbridge and South streets when patrolmen found him. He was unconscious from loss of blood.

The patrolmen hailed a produce dealer's motortruck and conveyed Marino to the Pennsylvania Hospital. Physicians say his condition is critical. Marino's address first was said to be 749 South Eighth street, but after an investigation detectives say he did not live there.

Two persons were arrested as material witnesses. They will have a hearing this morning.

The third shooting occurred at Twenty-second and Jefferson streets. Samuel Dubois, a negro, of Twenty-second and Master strets, shot Caleb Stapleton and Cliff Johnson, two other negroes of that neighborhood, while they were sitting on the step. Two bullets entered Stapleton's shoulder and another lodged in Johnson's arm.

The wounded men were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. Dubois was arrested and held in $1000 bail. He said that Stapleton struck his wife two weeks ago.

LAUNCH SHIP TOMORROW

Casper, Thirty-eighth Vessel, Will Leave Hog Island Ways

Hog Island's thirty-eighth ship, the steel cargo carrier Casper, will be launched at 12:10 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from way No. 49.

Mrs. C. F. Winters, wife of Judge Winters, of Casper, Wyo., will act as sponsor. Name of the vessel and the sponsor were selected by the Victory Loan committee of the Wyoming town.

The Casper is a 7825-ton ship of Hog Island's "A" type.

MRS. MAX HOWELL BEHR
Former wife of Philander C. Knox, Jr., who married again

SALESGIRL, EX-WIFE OF P. C. KNOX, JR., IS MARRIED AGAIN

Girl With Whom Senator's Son Eloped Wedded New York Man on May 28

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Mrs. Mary Bowler Knox to Max Howell Behr, in New York, May 28. The bride's elopement with Philander C. Knox, Jr., son of Senator Knox, and the subsequent divorce, caused a sensation several years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Behr are expected to live in New York.

Knox and Miss Bowler eloped in March, 1910, while Knox was a student at Morris Heights Preparatory School, in Providence, R. I., and Miss Bowler was a salesgirl in a department store in that city. At that time the youth's father was secretary of state.

The couple ran away and traversed three states before finding a clergyman who would marry them. Finally they were wedded in Burlington, Vt. Young Knox, when he announced his marriage to his family, was told that his bride would not be accepted, and that he would have to make his own living. He obtained a job selling automobiles, but was not successful. Later there was a reconciliation with the Knox family and the young couple went to live at Senator Knox's home in Valley Forge. The couple separated some time later, were reconciled and then separated finally in 1915. In 1917 Knox obtained a divorce at Reno, claiming that his wife deserted him. Before the divorce was granted Mrs. Knox had gone on the stage and was seen in New York in the musical comedy "Oh, Boy."

Knox was married again in September, 1917, to Miss Josephine Pool, of Charleston, W. Va.

3 TRANSPORTS IN 72 HOURS

Dakotan Will Arrive at Navy Yard Tomorrow Night

Three transports are due to dock here within the next seventy-two hours. The Dakotan, according to wireless advices received at the navy yard, will dock about eight tomorrow night. She brings a field and staff headquarters company, engineers' train, medical detachment and Companies A to F of the 366th Engineers, the 159th Transportation Company and some casuals.

The Santa Barbara is due Thursday and the Radnor Friday.

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5 WOMEN INJURED IN TROLLEY CRASH

Three Rushed to Hospital Following Collision of Cars at Third and Federal

7 HURT IN AUTO MISHAP

Three women were sent to a hospital, two others received slight injuries and traffic on two streets was tied up nearly an hour today, following the collision of two trolley cars at Third and Federal streets.

Most of the injured women were passengers in the Third street car. Both trolleys were crowded with passengers on their way to work. Misunderstood signals caused the Third street car to crash into the Federal street trolley, knocking it completely off the track and smashing the front end.

The following were sent to Mount Sinai Hospital:

Gertrude Winslow, thirty years, 2550 South Second street; injured thigh.

Edna Gibbstein, thirty-seven years, 726 McClellan street; shock.

Talma Jenovese, sixteen years, 923 Federal street; injured ankle.

Treated on the scene were:

Goldie Charman, 2521 South Second street.

Catharine Gill, sixteen years, 1118 South Bodine street.

Patrolmen Kelleher and Mezzes, of the Seventh and Carpenter streets station, were near the corner when the cars collided. They extricated the injured women and administered first-aid treatment.

Seven Philadelphians were injured in three automobile accidents in Old York road suburbs late last night or yesterday.

The injured are: Walter T. Savoye, Lancaster avenue, Overbrook; Mrs. Walter T. Savoye, Miss M. Savoye, Mrs. J. H. Pomery, mother of Mrs. Savoye; Ida Hyman, 1826 North Eighth street; Rea Hyman, 1826 North Eighth street; George Capewell, East Allegheny avenue.

The accident in which the Savoyes and Mrs. Pomery were hurt happened on the Old York road at Crestmont. Mr. Savoye tried to avoid a collision with a car driven by John Fesmire, of Crestmont, and crashed head on into a telephone pole, wrecking the front of a touring car. The occupants were thrown out or cut by flying glass.

NAVY RELIEF TAKES RAIN INSURANCE

Will Collect $20,000 From Lloyd's if Showers June 28 Exceed 1-5 of an Inch

If the rainfall June 28 exceeds one-[illegible]th of an inch the Navy Relief Society will collect $20,000 from Lloyd's, England.

That is a part of the preparation for the opening of the navy yard to the general public Saturday, for the first time since war was declared. Proceeds of the opening will be used in the care of families of deceased sailors and marines.

Lloyd's is famous for insuring such things, and Commander Payne, one of the hundreds of naval officers interested in making the opening a success, decided the committee should not let the weather beat it. The United States Weather Bureau has established a branch meterological station for special observation just on account of this event.

From ten o'clock in the morning until late in the evening, the yard will be open. A variety of entertainments have been planned, including searchlight signaling and an exhibition of star shells and other war pyrotechnics never before seen in this country.

The U-117, the German submarine that operated successfully off the coast of Atlantic City in June, 1918, will be on exhibition.

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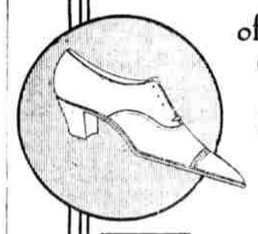
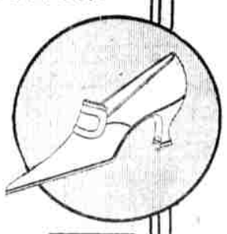
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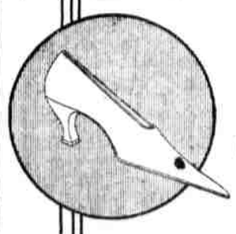
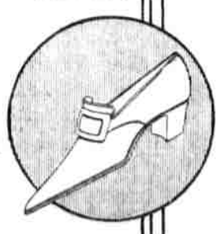
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