THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Friday. Slightly cooler tonight. Moderate northwest winds.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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ANSELL TERMED MASTER MIND OF BERGDOLL PLOT

House Probers Would Bar Lawyer From U. S. Courts, Majority Report Says

WOULD OUST CRESSON FROM ARMY FOR "WHITEWASH"

Loss of Pension Is Urged as Punishment for Col. Hunt. Discharge for Guards

WESCOTT IS EXONERATED

Wilson's Friend Called Catspaw in Hands of Others—Used Only for His Influence

High Lights in Johnson Report on Bergdoll Case

"Money talked in whispers in the whole Bergdoll affair."

"General Ansell was brought in for his influence as well as his legal acumen."

"General Ansell should be kept out of courts in future by act of Congress."

"Keeping Grover Bergdoll at Governors Island so long instead of sending him to Leavenworth indicated money was used.

"Colonel Hunt's retired pay should be immediately discontinued."

"Colonel Cresson should be dismissed from the service in dishonor, by action of Congress."

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, Aug. 18.—Upon former Judge Advocate General Samuel T. Ansell is placed major responsibility for the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, Philadelphia draft evader, by the majority of the select House committee which investigated his escape.

This was disclosed today when the committee submitted two reports to Congress, ending four months of investigation and hearings, during which more than a score of witnesses testified. The contents of the minority report were printed previously.

The meeting of the committee had been delayed since Saturday, pending the return of the chairman, John A. Peters, of Maine, who had been absent from Washington since he found his report unsatisfactory to the majority more than two weeks ago.

Chief interest lies in the majority report, written by Representative Ben Johnson, of Kentucky, and signed by himself, Representative Hall Flood, of Virginia, and Representative Oscar E. Lubring, of Indiana. The minority report was signed by the chairman and Representative Clinton N. McArthur, of Oregon, and is considered less severe than the Johnson report, which was given in confidence to the newspapers several days ago, but was not officially released until 11:11 o'clock this morning, daylight saving time.

Majority Recommendations

The majority makes these recommendations:

First. Disbarment from practice in all Federal courts and before all governmental departments of General Ansell, who was Bergdoll's counsel when he escaped.

Second. Discontinuance of the $3600 annuity paid to Colonel John E. Hunt, retired, who was the major in charge of the camp at Governors Island, and whom the Johnson report holds responsible for inadequacy of measures to prevent the escape.

Third. Discharge from the army of Major C. C. Cresson, who prosecuted the charges against the then Major Hunt when he was court-martialed on five specifications for alleged neglect.

Fourth. Discharge from the army of the two sergeants, York and O'Hare, from whose personal charge Bergdoll successfully fled.

Fifth. Discharge from the Government service of Earle B. Wood, a Washington employe of the Department of Justice, who assumed the responsibility of not informing his superiors when advised in advance that Bergdoll planned to escape.

The majority report commended the seizure of the Bergdoll property in Philadelphia by Alien Property Custodian Miller, and urged that he make every effort to obtain the $105,000 in gold which Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll withdrew from the United States Treasury.

This paragraph was included in the report on demand of Representative Lubring, who took the position that the withdrawal of the gold was the foundation of the conspiracy.

It is the hope of Representative Johnson that the House, through its Military Affairs Committee and its Judiciary

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DOG IN SUBWAY BITES MAN

Animal Seemed Friendly Until Inspecter Gets Close

A thrilling chase after a strange dog in the darkness of the subway this morning relieved the monotony of an inspector's life for Frank Grundahl, thirty-eight years old, 1448 North Redfield street.

Grundahl was about his work in the subway near Thirteenth street when he saw a small dog trotting along the tracks. He coaxed the little fellow toward him with the idea of putting him on the platform out of danger. The dog was apparently friendly until Grundahl got close and then he made a rush and bit him on the left hand.

This changed the aspect of things and Grundahl picked up a club and started after his erstwhile friend. The dog was the better runner and finally disappeared in a crevice under City Hall, probably getting down into the unused Broad street subway station. Grundahl was treated at the Hahnemann Hospital.

Oldag, "world's best lubricant."—Adv.

Heads U. S. Sleuths

WILLIAM J. BURNS
Noted detective who has been appointed director of the investigation bureau of the Department of Justice

BURNS MADE HEAD OF U. S. SLEUTHS

Appointed Director of Investigation Bureau of Justice Department

REPLACES W. J. FLYNN

By the Associated Press

Washington, Aug. 18.—Appointment of William J. Burns, of New York, as Director of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice was announced today by Attorney General Daugherty.

Mr. Burns succeeds William J. Flynn.

"I have known Mr. Burns personally for thirty years and have watched him develop in his specialty," Mr. Daugherty said. "He is familiar with all of the departments of the Government, is an intelligent and courageous man and at this time especially is considered to be as high class a man as could be secured to assume the important duties assigned him. The bureau will be reorganized as expeditiously as possible and brought to the highest point of efficiency.

"Mr. Burns has severed his connection with the Burns Detective Agency and will come to Washington and devote his entire time to the service. It is the policy of this department, well understood by Mr. Burns and highly recommended by him, that the Department of Justice establish the most cordial relations with police officials and law enforcement officers throughout the entire country, and, in fact, throughout the entire world, to the end that there may be co-operation and that life, property and the rights of the people may be preserved and protected.

"No partiality will be shown in co-operating with police or other law enforcement officers, public or private, but the best plan that can be conceived will be adopted and carried out to see that the law is enforced and the best order possible prevail throughout the country as far as the Government and the Department of Justice are concerned.

"The President and I have known Mr. Burns for many years and know his dependability and efficiency."

William J. Burns is just short of sixty years old. He was born in Baltimore, but spent his early life in Columbus. His father was Police Commissioner of that city, and it was then—though he was never officially connected with the department—that William J. got his first experience in detective work. He joined the Secret Service in 1889, beginning at St. Louis, and five years later was promoted to the Washington office.

He handled many important cases, among them that of Bill Brockway, a noted counterfeiter, who caused to be engraved a spurious $500 gold certificate; the celebrated case of the counterfeiting of the $100 Monroe head silver certificate, which was executed at Philadelphia and was so perfect that all the experts of the Treasury Department declared it genuine; the Costa Rican case, which involved two clever adventurers who attempted to counterfeit the paper of that country, to be used in the promotion of a revolution.

After he opened the Burns Detective Agency seven years ago he figured in many important cases, including the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times Building, which caused the loss of many lives and which Burns trailed to the McNamara brothers, whose conviction he secured; the Leo Frank affair in Georia and others in which he is said to have incurred the hostility of the Anti-Saloon League and of the labor interests.

SCRUTINIZE NEW BUS LINES

Public Service Commission Doesn't Want Roads Cut Up

Public Service Commissioner Benn announced today that in future the State Highway Department will be consulted before certificates of convenience are granted for new bus lines.

Mr. Benn said the Lincoln Highway to New York had been so badly cut up that motorists were forced to detour in places to avoid particularly bad stretches of road. The damage has been done, he said, by heavy motortrucks.

The occasion of the announcement was the application of the West Chester Transportation Company to establish a bus line from West Chester to Valley Forge and Norristown. Mr. Benn said the application would be held under advisement until the Highway Department could investigate the character of buses the company purposed to use, and decide whether damage would be done the roads.

PERSHING AT PENNA. CAMP

General Joins Young Son Near Montrose

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—General John J. Pershing is a guest at Camp Red Cloud, near Montrose, Pa., where his son, Warren, has been spending the summer.

The general reached the camp last night, and it is said expected to stay there a couple of days.

MAYOR CONFIDENT OF PENROSE HELP AFTER NEW CONFAB

Says He Expects Senator to Come Out Against Contractor Rule "in Due Time"

"ISSUES, NOT MEN," ARE SUBJECT OF CONFERENCE

A direct man-to-man talk with Senator Penrose in Washington today left Mayor Moore still positive that the forces controlled by the Senator will be on the side of good government in the battle to crush contractor bossism in Philadelphia.

"I am still thoroughly convinced," said the Mayor, as he hurried by taxicab to the Union Station in Washington, "that the Senator, in his own good time, will make a declaration stating his opposition to a fifty-fifty ticket or any ticket that means a continuation of contractor boss domination.

"I do not know whether the Senator will declare for any set ticket," the Mayor continued. "We discussed principles rather than men. That is the fight the Mayor is making."

Mr. Moore said he has no intention of setting up a ticket himself and that there will be no so-called "Mayor's ticket" in the field.

Interested Only in Issues

"The Mayor is striving only to keep intact the principles achieved in the last mayoralty campaign, which if upheld will assure good government in the city and help it along in the State," he declared.

Questioned about tentative tickets now in the field the Mayor said:

"No doubt a number of the candidates will file petitions before next Tuesday. The contractor combine is doing this and there is no reason why others should not do so, too."

Mr. Moore reached the office of the Senate Finance Committee at 10 o'clock. After a brief wait while the committee hearing was getting under way the Mayor and Senator Penrose, chairman of the committee, withdrew to an inner room.

The conference lasted about twenty minutes. The Mayor was in a buoyant mood as he walked from the building.

Blames Cunningham

Mayor Moore believes that Tom Cunningham is responsible for the present inaction of Senator Penrose.

He believes Cunningham has been working with might and main to prevent a definite break with the Vares and to frame a harmony ticket. Mayor Moore conceived his job today to be that of breaking the grip Cunningham seems to have on Penrose for the benefit of the Vare-Brown-Cunningham combine.

No sooner had the Mayor left Washington last week than Cunningham and Judge Brown went there and conferred with Senator Penrose. It is obvious that so far Penrose has been prevented from putting into action the promises and statements he made to the Mayor.

It is this fear of being "left at the post" that has moved the Moore War Board to start the circulation of nomination petitions for Moore candidates for the county offices. The Mayor and his friends do not want to be left without candidates after the last day, next Tuesday, for filing nomination petitions has passed.

Vares Going Ahead

Meanwhile the Vares are going ahead. They have done their part to try to force Penrose to remain silent; or at

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OPPOSED TO HOME BREW. ASHURST QUITS CONFEREES

Won't Participate Further in Anti-Beer Bill Conferences, He Announces

Washington, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Senator Ashurst announced that he had refused to participate in further conferences on the anti-beer bill "because of an evident intention on the part of the conferees to weaken and destroy the effect of the Stanley amendment, adopted unanimously by the Senate."

As a member of the Judiciary Committee Senator Ashurst was named one of the Senate managers, but it developed that he withdrew from the meeting Tuesday night. He declared that he would "not return to take part in the conferences if the conferees proposed to agree to any amendment which will directly or indirectly permit the manufacture of vinous, malt or spirituous liquors in the home or elsewhere for beverage purposes."

Senator Ashurst declined to comment on published reports that Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League, sat with the conferees yesterday and assisted in the work of trying to get the House and Senate together on provisions of the bill.

"I was not present," he said.

WOMAN PEDDLER HURT

Found in Street With Ribs Broken, Autoist Detained

Catherine Madison, fifty-eight years old, of Fourth and Spruce streets, known by sight to many Philadelphians as a streetpeddler of shoelaces and notions, was found mysteriously injured at Broad and Cherry streets early today.

She was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital by Harry Teitell, 5747 Spruce street, who said he saw her lying in the gutter, dazed. Physicians found that she had several fractured ribs.

The hospital authorities detained Teitell on the chance his car might have caused her injuries. Magistrate Grelis held Teitell in $600 bail for a further hearing.

SUSPECT TETANUS IN BOY

Camden Lad Ran Nail in Foot. Taken to Hospital

Edward Logan, ten years old, 3514 Federal street, Camden, was taken to the Cooper Hospital today with suspected tetanus poisoning. The child ran a nail in his foot several days ago and the wound later became infected.

John Boes, seven years old, of Cape May, left the same hospital this morning after having been there since April 13 suffering from tetanus. His accident was similar to Logan's.

Now in Cloister

EVE LAVALLIERE
Once noted French cabaret beauty, who, in the early days of the war, was the sensation of Paris. Now she has been found living in cloistered seclusion in the Vosges Mountains, known only for her neighborhood charities

EVE LAVALLIERE RECLUSE

Paris Cabaret Beauty Found in Cloister in Vosges

Paris, Aug. 18.—From a cabaret in Montmartre to a cloister on the outskirts of a village in the Vosges—that is the hiatus in the life of Eve Lavalliere.

She was the toast of Paris the year that America entered the war—a toast with a kick to it that made her the most-talked-of actress in the city. When France was being throttled by the German hand, she sang patriotic songs and heartened her audiences. Then one day she was gone.

She now has been found living as a hermitess in a little white house. The jewels and clothes which made her followers gasp are no more. Her everyday garb is a neat black frock. From the peasants come stories of good deeds done by the little lady of the white house—acts of charity and of great piety.

She still sings, they say—but only at the mass each day in the village church.

TURK ARMY AT BAY ON SITE OF FAMOUS GORDIAN KNOT

Fight Where Alexander the Great Camped 2250 Years Ago

London, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Mustapha Kemal Pasha, Turkish Nationalist leader, is making a stand against the advancing Greek forces at the site of the ancient city of Gordium, near the confluence of the Sakaria and Pursak Rivers, says a dispatch to the London Times from Smyrna. The result of the fighting is not yet known.

Gordium was used as a concentration camp by Alexander the Great in his invasion of Persia about 2250 years ago. It was the scene of the famous story of the Gordian knot.

STOLE CASH FOR BICYCLE

Boy Suspected of Stealing Machine Proves He Bought It

Robert Davis, a thirteen-year-old Negro, 711 Silver street, arrested in Camden on suspicion of having stolen the new bicycle he was riding, proved he owned it, but admitted robbing half a dozen houses for the money to buy it.

District Detective Walter Smith arrested the boy Tuesday, and he was brought before Recorder Stackhouse in Camden today. He was remanded for the Juvenile Court on a charge of larceny.

The boy admitted entering the home of a Mrs. Brown, 631 Bailey street, and stealing $12; the home of Mrs. Henry D. Brock, 516 South Eighth street, $11.53; Mrs. W. S. Price, 810 Linden street, $2.79; William Perritt, 1062 Princess avenue, an opera glass and several dollars; Mrs. C. S. Nutt, 1319 Park boulevard several small articles, and Mrs. M. Palmer, 1052 Princess avenue, a pocketbook with $14.

9 YEARS FOR MANY CRIMES

Man Given Heavy Sentence for Theft, Assault and Other Charges

A sentence of from nine years ten months to eleven years in the Eastern Penitentiary was imposed on Sylvester Beckton, eighteen years old, a Negro, by Judge Davis in the Quarter Sessions Court today.

Beckton pleaded guilty to charges of entering with intent to steal, larceny, assault with intent to kill and carrying a concealed deadly weapon. He said that his home was in Raleigh, N. C., and that he came here in May.

Beckton entered the Farmers' Market, Eighteenth and Ridge avenue, July 9, and when detected in the act of robbing the cash register by the watchman, fired three shots at him and fled. He was caught after he had attempted to seek shelter in the home of a policeman off duty.

SAYS BRICKER IS INNOCENT

Doctor's Lawyer Declares Arrest Was Due to Mistaken Identity

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 18.—Assemblyman Joseph Corio, counsel for Dr. William Bricker, Jr., accused by Dr. Walt P. Conway, of this city, of having performed an illegal operation upon Miss Rodesia Davey, an actress, in his Ventnor sanitarium, declared today it was a case of mistaken identity. He asserted that Bricker was not the man who performed the operation.

The City Hospital reports today that the young woman is still in a critical condition. Bricker has been released from jail under $15,000 bail.

COMMIT YOUNG AUTO THIEF

Simon Goldsmith, 17, Pleads Guilty, Sent to Reformatory

Judge Davis, in Quarter Sessions Court today, committed Simon Goldsmith, seventeen years old, 2112 Auburn street, to the Huntingdon Reformatory, after he pleaded guilty to the larceny of an automobile, but said he had only taken a joyride.

Goldsmith was arrested once before for a similar offense and placed on probation. It was testified he went to a garage and obtained an auto belonging to Yontub Shale, 3065 Kensington avenue, on the pretense the owner had sent him for it.

QUICKER TIME "MEMPHIS SPL." via South. Ry. Svs., Lv. W. Phila. 11 P.M. E.T. Ar. Memphis 8.59 A.M. conner. for Southw'st 726 Real Est. Tr. Bldg., Tel. Wal. 1170. Adv.

$15,000 IN WINES TAKEN BY THIEVES IN MAIN LINE HOME

Four Men Caught With Goods Taken From Cellar of F. P. Dimmick, of Strafford

ROBBERS MAKE $5000 HAUL FROM WAYNE CELLAR

One liquor robbery was frustrated and a second one carried out successfully on the Main Line last night.

Fifteen thousand dollars' worth of fine wines and liquors was recovered, five men arrested and two autos confiscated in the one case, and $5000 worth was spirited away in the other. There is a possibility that the same gang perpetrated both robberies.

The house of A. G. Rosengarten, on Church road, Wayne, was entered and thieves got away with $5000 in wet goods. The Rosengarten home is closed for the summer. The thieves got in the back door by cutting away the wood around the lock with an augur. Neighbors heard the noise of a motorcar and notified the police, but the men had escaped before they arrived.

Frustrate Robbery

The police were more successful, however, in the robbery of the cellar of Fred D. Dimmick, in Strafford.

About 9:30 last night occupants of an auto acting suspiciously were noticed in Wayne, and a detail of police under command of Captain Sweeney started trailing the machine. After about an hour they lost the car and did not pick it up again until a little while after midnight, when it was seen standing near the Strafford station of the Pennsylvania Railroad. It was unoccupied but loaded to capacity with case goods and wines.

Police believed the liquor had come from the Dimmick home, which is the closest estate to the station, and they took up a watch on the Old Eagle School road. There is no other means of leaving the Dimmick home. Police placed two cars across the end of the road and took up a position behind their barricade. After a few minutes' wait an auto sped around the bend and bore down on them.

Police Make Capture

Captain Sweeney and his detail stepped into the road with drawn pistols and held up the four men in the car. The men were so completely taken by surprise that they had no chance to use the army type automatics that were found lying on the seats beside each man. The second car, which was larger than the one the police had already found, was also loaded with the remainder of the contents of Mr. Dimmick's cellar. The men admitted the ownership of the car found at the station.

The men were taken to the Radnor Township police station at Wayne and questioned. None was over twenty-five years old, and they were exceptionally well dressed. They gave their names and addresses as Edward Branigan, 2242 North Randolph street; John H. McCann, 1106 West Montgomery avenue; George A. Brown, no home, and Horace Collins, no home.

On information gained from the prisoners Captain Sweeney came to Philadelphia and arrested Wesley Hurley, 2104 Master street, a Negro, formerly employed by Mr. Dimmick as a chauffeur. Police claim Hurley gave the other four the information about the contents of the cellar that led to the robbery. After a hearing before Justice of the Peace Cunningham this afternoon the men will be taken to the Philadelphia Detective Bureau, where they will be questioned further.

In searching one of the autos used by the prisoners Chief Sweeney found a bank book in the name of Frank McShea. The book showed many deposits of $500 and $1000, and about one month ago there was one deposit of $10,750. There were also letters addressed to the same man at a North Nineteenth street address. The license of the car was taken out in the same name and address. The letters all were regarding liquor transactions and most of them had contained inclosures of money.

Chief Sweeney believes that one of the men under arrest is McShea. Two of the men refuse to give addresses and claim they have no homes, although they are well dressed and well supplied with money. Sweeney believes one of these is McShea. All of the men refuse to talk and all swear they never have seen one another before they were brought into the station.

DEAD MAN "SAVES" WIFE

Woman Freed on Plea Husband's Evil Influence on Her Was Gone

"This woman is blameless. Her action was due to the influence of her husband, who has since died. She was as putty in his hands, but with his death the evil influence was removed. I move she be discharged."

This defense was successfully offered today by Clinton A. Sowers, a member of the Legislature, in defending Mrs. Rebecca Levin, of Poplar street near Twelfth, against the charge of bootlegging before Magistrate Carson in Central Station. The woman was discharged.

Acting Detectives Hopkins and Saunders testified they bought a pint of gin for seventy-five cents from the woman in her grocery August 5. It was testified the woman's husband, Max Levin, died August 10.

Mrs. Levin's son, Samuel Levin, is a Vare committeeman in the Twentieth Ward.

DIG OUT BIG GREEK TEMPLE

Excavations at Sikyon Reveal Ruins of Great Edifice

Athens, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Ruins of a great temple have been unearthed at Sikyon, a city on the southern shore of the Gulf of Corinth, which in the fourth century before the Christian era was one of the principal cities of Greece. The foundations and pillars would seem to indicate that the temple was built by the Dorians, who captured the town from the Aegaleun Ionians, and held it for several centuries.

BURNS FATAL TO MRS. GOOD

Mrs. Clara Good, 2848 North Bambrey street, who was burned yesterday when her clothes caught fire from a burning pot of paraffin, died in the Samaritan Hospital at 7 o'clock last night. She was putting up preserves.

PUGNACIOUS BALL PLAYER LANDS IN JERSEY HOOSGOW

"Jimmy" Smith, of Phila., Squelched by Blackjack of Plain John Smith, of Camden—"Not Me," Says Second Baseman

"Jimmy" Smith, who gave a Pittsburgh address and said he was a player on the "Phillies'" ball team and had a double-header this afternoon, got into an early morning battle with a special policeman in the Camden ferry and landed in the court of Recorder Stackhouse.

The special policeman, a Pennsylvania Railroad employe in the ferryhouse, exhibited a pair of ripped trousers, a torn shirt and coat as evidences of "Jimmy's" prowess. "Jimmy" had a bruised head to show where the policeman "beaned" him with a blackjack.

As it happened, the special officer's name was Smith, too—John Smith. According to the story told Recorder Stackhouse in Camden "Jimmy" bought a ferry ticket at 3 o'clock this morning and started to pass through the stile, the ticket in hand. Miss Catharine Fanning, the ticket taker, demanded to know why he did not deposit his ticket.

"Jimmy," thinking that the ticket box was farther on, replied that he would deposit it when he came to the right place.

There was a dispute and the special policeman came hurrying over. In a few minutes the wordy argument was punctuated with flying fists, and "Jimmy" was not subdued until the blackjack had bumped his cranium.

Recorder Stackhouse held Smith in $300 bail for a further hearing August 30. The ballplayer was indignant at the treatment given him at the ferry, declaring that he had been slapped in the face by the woman ticket taker, and then blackjacked by the special officer. He swore out warrants for the arrest of both.

At the ball club nothing had been heard of "Jimmy" Smith's row. It was said that the "Jimmy" Smith, who alternates at second base for the Phillies, was out on the lot practicing and had not been in trouble in Camden.

ARREST FOR THEFT ENDS MOTOR TOUR

Germantown Man Accused of Stealing Car and Getting Tires by Trick

FORGERY ALSO CHARGED

Fred Bourquet, of Earlham terrace, Germantown, prepared for a motor trip through New England, but found he was minus means of transportation and a few other essentials.

On July 18, it is alleged, he came upon Abraham Polis, repairing a $5000 touring car in front of 5011 North Broad street. Bourquet remembered that an automobile or an express train was essential to the New England trip.

"Let me fix that car for you. I'm an expert mechanic," Polis said he told him.

Polis was anything but expert, and agreed to let Bourquet try his hand. When he went in his store for a screwdriver for Bourquet the mechanic was so expert that he made the automobile run out of sight, Polis said.

About the same time, it is alleged, Bourquet decided two spare tires would help his plans. He is said to have ordered them from the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Broad and Huntingdon streets, under the name of Lipschutz, and they were delivered at Bourquet's Germantown home. The tires were valued at $110.

Bourquet needed only one thing more for his New England trip. He got $115 by means of a fraudulent check, passed at the store of Owen Smith, 3729 North Broad street, it was charged.

Bourquet was accompanied back from New England yesterday by Detective Beckman, of this city. The detective joined Bourquet at Lyons. The automobile owned by Polis was recovered.

Magistrate Carson, in Central Station today, held Bourquet for the grand jury under $600 bail on the charge of stealing the tires; $800 on the forgery charge, and $1500 bail on the charge of stealing Polis' automobile.

STRICKEN WOMAN DUMB

Police Try to Identify Victim Who Is in Hahnemann Hospital

An unidentified woman, found unconscious at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Ninth and Filbert streets, later regained consciousness at Hahnemann Hospital, but has lost her power of speech. She is forty-five years old and has blue eyes and light brown hair. She wore a black silk suit, white blouse, black hat with plumes, and patent leather shoes.

A card found in her handbag bore the name of William M. Ottinger, an attorney. He told the police that a woman answering her description had called at his office yesterday afternoon on business and had said she was Marie Tagg, of 112 East Allen street. The police were unable to find friends or relatives of the woman by means of this address.

Hospital authorities believe the woman was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage.

SAY RICH PROFIT BY TAX REVISION

Democrats Charge Measure Shifts Burden to Persons of Moderate Means

FIGHT BILL, KITCHIN URGES

Washington, Aug. 18.—With Democratic opposition pledged as a result of the party caucus last night, general debate on the Republican Tax Revision Bill was continued in the House today. The caucus, which was the fourth held in an effort to determine a program for the minority, was attended by eighty of the 132 Democrats in the House, and the vote for opposition was said to be unanimous. No indication was given of the probable attitude of those members of the party who did not attend.

General debate, which was opened yesterday by Chairman Fordney, of the Ways and Means Committee, for the Republicans, was scheduled to end tonight and tomorrow amendments will be taken up under five-minute speech limitation, with a final vote due late Saturday. Mr. Fordney, in outlining the Republican position on the bill, said it was "as equitable a measure" as was possible to draw "under the circumstances."

The Democratic line of attack was indicated in a resolution adopted at the party caucus, which declared the measure to be "subversive of the principle that should govern taxation for the support of this Government," and charged that it "relieves profiteers and taxpayers of large incomes from their just share of the load of taxation and leaves an unfair portion of the burden to be borne by the people of moderate means."

Democratic Waste Attacked

In opening the general debate yesterday Representative Fordney attacked Democratic extravagance during the war and told the House the country now would have to pay for "rotten finance and the damndest fizzle I have ever heard of."

Although the present debt of this country represents 43 per cent of its wealth, Mr. Fordney predicted "that with a return to prosperity our debt

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PROBE SICILIAN MURDERS

Detroit Detectives to Aid Investigation in New York

Detroit, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—A member of the Detroit Detective Bureau will be sent to New York, it was announced today, to aid the authorities there in the investigation into the activities of a gang, alleged to have been responsible for numerous Sicilian murders in New York, Detroit and Chicago.

Deputy Chief of Detectives McCarty said today that the description of two of the seven men held in New York following a statement by Bartolow Fontano, fitted that of two men arrested here during the last two years in connection with feud slayings.

RAILROAD REFUNDING BILL TO BE REPORTED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Favorable report on the Administration Railroad Refunding Bill was ordered today by the House Commerce Committee. Republican leaders plan to have the House pass the measure early next week. A committee amendment provides that the act shall in no way affect proposed government relief for farmers.

AUTO HITS BUS; ONE KILLED, NINE INJURED

MAHANOY CITY, PA., Aug. 18.—Thomas Bevan, fifty years old, of Gilbertson, was killed and nine others were injured on the new State highway between this city and Lakewood Park today when a bus in which picnickers were riding was struck by a large touring car, driver and owner unknown.

HELD FOR SHOOTING WIFE

Young Husband Calls Fatal Shot Accidental

Scranton, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Harold McConnell, twenty-eight, of New Milford, is under arrest charged with having shot and instantly killed his wife, Dorothy, yesterday. McConnell, according to the authorities, maintains that the shooting was accidental.

The police said he told them his wife was sitting on his lap while he was examining a revolver, and that when she dared him to shoot her, he pulled the trigger, not knowing that the revolver was loaded, and she fell over dead.

WORLD COURT ASSURED

Spain and Haiti Agree, Making the Required Number

Geneva, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Creation of the permanent court of international justice is assured, it is announced here. The secretariat of the League of Nations has been informed that Spain and Haiti will soon deposit their ratifications of the agreement to establish the court, and when they are received the number of nations which have deposited ratifications will have reached twenty-four, the requisite number.

TRUCE PERMANENT, DUBLIN AND LONDON CIRCLES FORECAST

Dail Eireann Expected to Order Plebiscite or Else Accept Dominion Status

BEGINS DEBATE ON REPLY; AIMS TO WIN OVER ULSTER

Optimism prevails in London and Dublin as the Dail Eireann begins debate on reply to the British peace offer.

British official circles assert confidently war in Ireland will not be renewed.

Believe De Valera's uncompromising declarations merely intended to add to Ireland's prestige.

Sinn Fein newspapers also scout possibility of truce being broken.

Dublin forecasts reply to Lloyd George will announce plebiscite or else accept Dominion status.

By the Associated Press

Dublin, Aug. 18.—Debate on the reply of the Irish Republican Parliament to the British Government's offer of dominion status to Ireland was begun by the Parliament in executive session here today.

During public meetings held Tuesday and yesterday the members heard Eamon de Valera denounce the British offer, and assert that Ireland would insist upon separation from England; but, with the exception of the applause which greeted his utterances, there was little by which observers could estimate the attitude of the majority of the Parliament.

It was the general belief that the Dail Eireann would not break off the negotiations with Great Britain, and it was thought that some action might be taken to approach Ulster in an effort to secure her co-operation in carrying on the conversations in London. De Valera stated yesterday he was ready to get in touch with the Government of Northern Ireland and that the Irish Republicans would "make sacrifices to Ulster that they would never think of making to England."

"Sacrifices" to Lure Ulster

The nature of the "sacrifices" to Ulster that De Valera had in mind were not disclosed yesterday, but it was believed today he would reveal to the members of the Parliament the steps he would advocate in bringing Ulster in accord with the Sinn Fein.

The possibility exists that something may pass between the Mansion House in Dublin and Downing Street in London, there being hope in some quarters that De Valera's speech of yesterday, with its pointed references to Ulster, will arouse Premier Lloyd George or the Belfast authorities to action.

If this does not come to pass the political forecasters take the view that the Dail will either send a considered reply to Lloyd George's letter, announce its decision to submit the question to a plebiscite, or ask the Government whether it will agree to give Ireland dominion home rule of the kind outlined in the recent letter of General Smuts.

Members of the Dail Eireann were astir early this morinng and wore a more serious look than ever when they gathered at the Mansion House for the day's meeting. Apparently, they realized the great responsibility they were carrying.

Women in Mourning Garb

They arrived singly and in groups of young men and young women, as most of the members are, with an occasional veteran, such as Count Plunkett and Prof. Stockley. All the women were in mourning, some wearing widow's weeds.

Most of these youthful legislators are shy and bashful, avoiding demonstrations and displaying particular skill in dodging the cameramen, who are unusually active, apparently desiring to secure pictures of all the Dail Eireann legislators they can, in view of the possibility of a break in negotiations.

Judging from the newspaper reflections of public opinion, however, the residents of Dublin seem to have more confidence than many people abroad that the war will not be renewed. For instance, the Irish Independent, which is closest to the Sinn Fein, says this morning:

"We rejoice to find in Mr. de Valera's statement no suggestion that the negotiations are likely to be terminated."

The Freeman's Journal editorial expresses the view that the path to peace would be considerably smoothed if a plain statement were made that General Smuts' recent letter correctly interpreted the British premier's promises and wishes.

Should Break Deadlock

The Irish Times, referring to De Valera's speech of yesterday, says it suggested a deadlock, but adds that if this is true the time has come to refer the question to the people, and if it is

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RAILROAD HEADS EXPECTED TO DENY UNIONS' REQUEST

Refusal to Cancel Wage Cut and Continue Working Rules Forecast

Chicago, Aug. 18.—(By A. P.)—Refusal to meet the requests of the railroad brotherhoods for cancellation of the recent wage cut and continuation of present working rules was expected in the announcement of western railroads to be made later today following a conference of managers and union officials.

A committee headed by A. W. Trenholm, vice president of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha, has been conferring with Big Four officials for the last two days. Mr. Trenholm's committee represents all western roads.

The employes have presented a four-fold proposition to the railroads before referring the whole situation to the rank and file for action. The employes ask that the July 1 wage reduction b can celled, that n more cuts be asked of th Railroad Labor Board, that the roads continue to pay time and one-half for overtime and Sundays and holidays and that the present workin rules be continued for a fixed period.

Cardinal Gibbons urged all Catholics to use the Manual of Prayers.—Adv.