THE WEATHER
Fair tonight followed by increasing cloudiness Saturday becoming unsettled; little change in temperature;
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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71	73	74	76	79	80	81			

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COMBINE FOES UNITE TO CRUSH VARES AT POLLS

Mayor Heads War Council of All Factions Opposed to Contractor Rule

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE TO BE NAMED TOMORROW

Administration, Penrose, Voters League and Women Will Be Represented

GREAT DRIVE IS OUTLINED

Efforts to Be Made to Arouse Public to Importance of Beating "Bosses'" Slate

50 Pretty Girls Continue Registration Drive Today

Fifty pretty and appealing girls are at the various railroad stations today to call attention of women voters that their last chance to register will be tomorrow. They carry banners inscribed:

"To women voters of Philadelphia. Your last chance to register is Saturday, September 10. Don't forget."

Later in the day the young women will walk through the central sections of the city spreading the gospel of registration.

The strong and righteous forces opposed to contractor misrule joined their arrays today in a powerful, well-officered army, ready for the bitter fight on September 20.

Every element of civic life opposed to the Vares and the "fifty-fifty combine" entered into alliance at a notable meeting in Mayor Moore's office. As a result of this meeting, the most important held since the beginning of the present primary campaign, a general committee of sixteen, charged with the direction the battle against the Vares, was authorized and will be named tomorrow.

The organization meeting, at which the plans of campaign will take final form, will take place tomorrow at the headquarters of the Voters' League, 224 South Broad street.

Full Alignment Present

The meeting today was more than a gathering of the Mayor's War Board. Conferring with the Mayor and his chief advisers were representatives of the various powerful elements which are sweeping steadily against the contractor combine. Besides the Administration representatives were the spokesmen of the women, of Senator Penrose and of the Voters League.

The Campaign Committee, as decided on today, will consist of sixteen members, four representatives each of the Administration, of the Voters League, of Senator Penrose and of the Republican Women.

Though there was no decision as to personnel, it is believed the chairmanship of the Campaign Committee will be vested in either Thomas Raeburn White or Franklin Spencer Edmonds. For vice chairman the name of Mrs. Bessie Dobson Altemus has been proposed. She is chairman of the Republican Women.

The representatives of the four elements probably will contain at least some of these names:

For the Administration: David T. Hart, Twenty-third Ward; Harry J. Trainer, Third Ward; Andrew Frosch, Forty-second Ward, and John Fisler, Forty-sixth Ward.

For Senator Penrose: President Judge Brown, Fifteenth Ward; Oscar Noll, Thirty-seventh Ward; Buck Devlin, Eighth Ward, and Robert Greer, Eighteenth Ward.

Three posibilities mentioned for the Voters League are: United States Attorney George W. Coles, Sheriff Lamberton, and Edward J. Hunter, executive secretary of the league.

Women to Be Represented

For the women: Mrs. Altemus, Mrs. Barclay H. Warburton and Mrs. John Wanamaker, 3d.

Political leaders agree that it is hard to overestimate the importance of the meeting today. The pride of accomplishment felt in Senator Penrose's final declaration of support was visible in every face. There was a marked spirit of co-operation evinced by members of all four elements. Enthusiasm, radiating from the Mayor, swept through the meeting.

It was the resolve of every one there

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SENTENCE IN SHORE BOOZE CASES DEFERRED

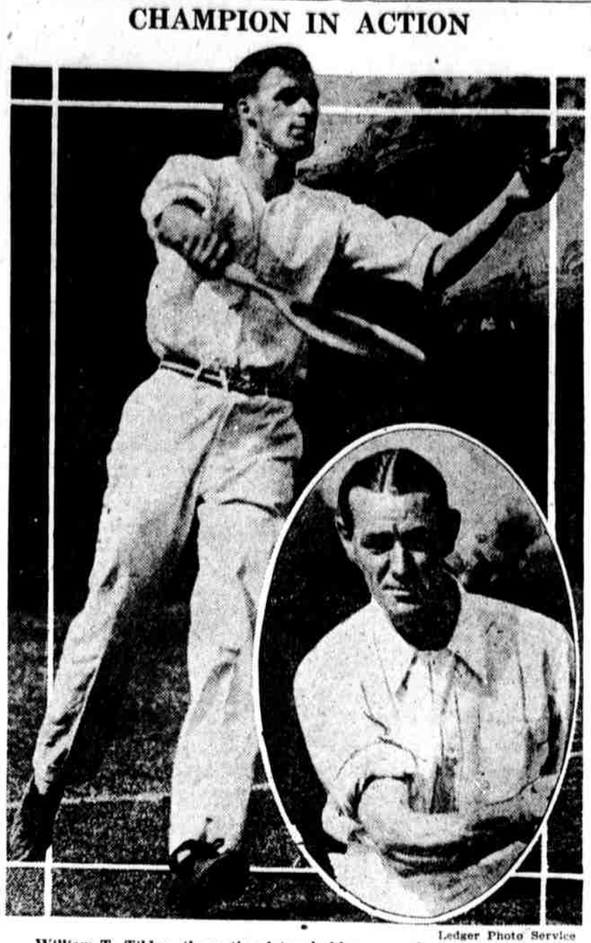
Judge Ingersoll Delays Action on 104 Defendants

Atlantic City, Sept. 9.—Motion by Attorneys Perskie and Nutter to defer sentence in cases of defendants represented by them resulted in Judge Ingersoll making announcement this morning that sentence would be deferred in all liquor cases. Out of 130 warrants served 104 defendants have pleaded non vult, and when Court opened shortly after 10 o'clock the courtroom in the Guarantee Trust Building was crowded to overflowing. Fully a score of lawyers were present to make pleas before sentence would be imposed.

Judge Ingersoll announced that no sentences would be imposed today. "I will hold to my original plan," stated the Court, "not to sentence piecemeal. All cases notified to appear here today for sentence will be postponed until next Tuesday. Bail entered will hold good until that time."

When you think of writing, think of WRITING—Adv.

CHAMPION IN ACTION



Ledger Photo Service

William T. Tilden, the national tennis king, opened up the championship tourney at the Germantown Cricket Club today with a straight-set victory over Irving Wright, of Boston. J. O. Anderson, of the Australian team, is shown in the oval

"30 SECONDS; GIT!" CRIES FINING SQUIRE

Speedy Millbourne "Judge" Shoos Auto Club Attorney From Court

WOULD HORSEWHIP HIM

Robert W. Beatty, attorney for the Keystone Automobile Club, was given thirty seconds to get out of the court of Justice of the Peace D. Martin Yerkes, the "fining squire," at Millbourne, today.

Mr. Beatty endeavored to put up an argument, but did not wait for the expiration of the thirty seconds, which the judge was telling off on his watch.

Before ordering the attorney out of the court, the squire read the riot act concerning legal tactics at speed case hearings, and the Keystone Automobile Club in general.

"Judge" Yerkes came to court today with "blood in his eye," ready for trouble if the Keystone Club's attorney resorted to his usual obstructionist tactics.

The only case in which the Keystone Club was interested was that of Chapin L. Barr, prominent Philadelphia business man, whose home is in Springfield Township. Mr. Barr was cited for two alleged violations of the speed laws, one August 11, the other August 18. In reply to a question from the Judge as to his speed on the first date, Mr. Barr said he did not know how fast he was going, but took it for granted he was going slow, as he had known about the speed trap at Millbourne.

"So you were another of those fellows who knew all about it before it was in the newspapers," snapped the Judge. "Well, I'll just fine you $14.20."

Trouble Starts

It was when the Judge asked the defendant how he wished to plead on the second charge that the trouble with the attorney started. Previously the Judge had warned the club's legal representative that he was not to interfere. Mr. Beatty spoke up, however, when Mr. Barr hesitated, and said: "Plead not guilty."

Judge Yerkes sharply ordered the attorney to keep quiet. "You come here as the representative of the Keystone Automobile Club," said the Judge, "the representative of an organization which boasts that it breaks up more speed traps than any other club in the country. That's a record to be proud of, I am sure. I remember you appealed the case of William Harrow, whom I fined two weeks ago. If that man gets off on appeal he and you both ought to be horsewhipped. It was a flagrant case; I saw it myself.

"Last night I had a phone conversation with Coroner Drewes, of Delaware County. He told me that in the last six weeks there have been ten automobile deaths in the county. He commended the work we are doing here, and said I might quote him emphatically for it.

Attorney Waived Aside

"You and your club are interested in breaking up speed traps, which are the only protection against these constant automobile killings. You and your club members share in a heavy responsibility.

The Judge continued by declaring that the attitude of the Keystone Automobile Club was an "invitation to break the law." Here Mr. Beatty tried to interrupt. The Judge waved him aside.

"I'm through with you," said 'Squire Yerkes. "I hereby disbar you from any further practice in this court. Nor will I let any representative of the Keystone Automobile Club practice here who tries to resort to the obstructionist methods you have followed. Now get out—I give you exactly thirty seconds."

This encounter had so "het up" the Squire that he finished all the first notice cases on his docket. He imposed, however, only one other fine. This was $14.20 on E. Shuster, of Fifty-sixth and Chestnut streets. Six of the others he let off with the payment of costs, one he discharged, and one case he continued.

The Squire announced he would hear a big docket of second notice cases next week.

MOTHER SOBS PLEA TO SAVE HOFFMAN

Wants "Millionaire Kid" Kept From Reformatory Despite Admission of Guilt

ASKS "ANOTHER CHANCE"

Mrs. Edgar T. Hoffman, of Collingswood, pleaded today with E. L. Van Roden, Assistant District Attorney of Delaware County, at Media, for the release of her son Charles, the "millionaire kid," who is in Media jail awaiting trial for larceny.

"Let him go this once," said the mother, weeping, "and I will guarantee that he will never get into trouble again. I won't once let him out of my sight."

The mother argued that he had suffered enough, and further punishment was in the nature of persecution.

Mr. Van Roden told her that the law would not persecute her boy, but that he must suffer for his own sake and the sake of the community.

"He will plead guilty," she said, "and my only fear is that he may be sent to the Huntingdon Reformatory. This is a nice jail at Media, and I would rather he had a six months' sentence here."

Mrs. Hoffman said she would plead with Judge Isaac Johnson, who will hear the boy's case during the September term.

Young Hoffman was committed recently to Glen Mills School for the theft of a large sum of money from his employer, who had sent him with checks and cash to bank. Before that he had been arrested for drawing fraudulent checks on the Corn Exchange Bank.

Two weeks ago the boy ran away from Glen Mills, stopping in Delaware County to steal clothes and money from the home of Henry Smithson, and was caught in Lancaster.

DETECTIVES SWORN IN

Acting Detectives Charles Schwar, head of the missing persons bureau, and John Mahaffey were sworn in as regular detectives today by Assistant Director Tempest.

STRAIGHT SET WIN FOR BILL TILDEN IN TITLE TENNIS

Champion Easily Eliminates Irving Wright, 6-0, 6-0, 6-1. Takes 17 Straight Games

WALLACE JOHNSON DEFEATS MERCUR, SCHOOLBOY STAR

Results of Feature Matches in Nationals

William T. Tilden, 2d, Philadelphia, defeated Irving C. Wright, Boston, 6-0, 6-0, 6-1.

Wallace Johnson, Philadelphia, defeated Fred Mercur, Harrisburg, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL
Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

William T. Tilden, of Philadelphia, world's tennis champion, opened the national singles tournament at Manheim today by decisively defeating Irving C. Wright, of Boston, in straight sets. This means three in a row and the scores were 6-0, 6-0 and 6-1.

Tilden won seventeen consecutive games which might be a season's record. If it isn't, it should be.

Tilden was entirely too good for his opponent. He scored repeatedly with all sorts of shots, depending on none in particular. Wright took things for granted after the first set and seldom made an effort to lay his racquet on Bill's hard returns.

After taking seventeen games in a row, Wright finally won a game. This was due to the fact that Tilden was hitting the ball into the net and getting careless. However, he came through in the sixth and was allowed to leave the court with the first victory of the day under his belt.

First Set

Tilden	4	6	7	4	4	4	—29—6
Wright	2	4	5	1	1	0	—13—0

Second Set

Tilden	4	5	4	4	4	5	—26	—6
Wright	1	3	1	1	1	3	—10	—0

Third Set

Tilden	4	4	4	4	4	2	4—26	—6
Wright	1	2	2	2	1	4	2—14	—1

Wallace Johnson Wins

While Tilden was disposing of Wright, Wallace Johnson, another Philadelphio hope, was eliminating Fred Mercur, the Harrisburg schoolboy, who recently won the Middle States Junior title here. Mercur succumbed in straight sets, but he gave Johnson a much better battle than Wright put up against Tilden. The scores were 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.

The point score:

First Set

Johnson	4	1	4	4	4	4	4—6	—25
Mercur	1	4	1	1	0	1	2—1	—10

Second Set

Johnson	4	4	4	4	1	1	2	4—6	—28
Mercur	2	1	1	0	1	4	4	4—3	—19

Third Set

Johnson	2	2	7	4	4	4	1	1—6	—33
Mercur	4	4	5	1	0	2	2	4—4	—27

Weather Ideal

The day was ideal for the opening of the tournament. The sun was shining without opposition and a faint breeze blew across the courts, making it pleasant for players and spectators.

Although a record crowd was ex-

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COAL DEALERS COMPLAIN

Declare Product Sent From Mines Is Improperly Graded

Reading, Pa., Sept. 9.—(By A. P.)—Voicing many public protests, the Reading Coal Dealers' Association today sent to the State Association a complaint against the coal companies which send anthracite to this city.

It sets forth that large quantities of pea coal are mixed with chestnut size, and that buckwheat size is similarly mixed with pea, while as high as eighty pounds of coal dirt have been screened from one ton of coal.

The State Association is requested to take up the matter with the coal companies.

TROUBLE AT BELL EXCHANGE

All the private branch exchanges connected with the Walnut Exchange of the Bell Telephone Company were out of order for about an hour this morning. The exact cause has not yet been ascertained, but the trouble was in the ringing machines. Telephone company officials said that the trouble was not caused by any electrical disturbances, but that the condition was something not uncommon, although not usually of such long duration. Inspectors have not yet turned in a complete report on the scientific reason for the trouble.

CITY "DOOMED" TOMORROW; "SAINTS" PREPARE FOR END

Fire and Pestilence to Sweep Philadelphia, According to "Prophet" of the Glad Tidings Apostolic Mission

Fire and pestilence will sweep Philadelphia tomorrow and many will perish, if a prophecy genuinely believed by the curiously styled Glad Tidings Apostolic Mission comes true.

The members met last night in a public hall at 431 Broadway, Camden, and there prepared gravely for the scourge that most of them appear convinced will attack Philadelphia tomorrow.

The fire and pestilence, the mission believes, will be a punishment of the people for certain unspecified acts of wickedness, and the unrighteous will perish in large numbers.

The belief is based on a prophecy made by Ashburn Carr, of 455 East Price street, Germantown, a member of the cult.

Carr is a West India Negro who has lived in this city for a number of years. Except for his wife, he is the only Negro "saint" of the Glad Tidings Mission, the pastor of which is a Scotchman, the Rev. Dobson Hunniford, who lives at 2070 A street, Kensington. Mr. Hunniford says he vouches for the "inspiration" or authenticity, of Carr's prophecy.

Prophet's "Inspiration"

Carr is tall, of powerful build and about forty-three years old. There is no affectation in his dress, nor cant in his speech. He admits that he is unlearned, in the worly sense, and when asked what his occupation was replied, "common laborer."

He gave an account of the "inspiration" which led to his prophecy.

"It was the evening of the sixth of June," he said. "I was sitting in my kitchen reading in the paper about the flood disaster in Pueblo, Col., when I found myself being seized by the Spirit. I was commanded to take a pencil. I found myself writing over the back of the newspaper these words:

"'I will pour out my wrath upon this city not many days hence by fire and pestilence and many shall perish—September, 1912, tenth day. Thus saith the Lord.'"

"Vision" Is Revealed

At first, he declares, Carr said nothing about this "revelation," even to his wife. But some days afterward, during a meeting of the Glad Tidings Mission, according to Mr. Hunniford, the Spirit, "speaking through" another member of the cult, commanded him to tell it. Some time afterward Mrs. E. M. Endicott, of North Fifth street, Camden, announced a "revelation," which was:

"I am the Lord of Hosts. I shall do whereof I have spoken to your brother."

This was interpreted by the "saints," as the mission members call themselves, to refer to Carr's prophecy.

The Glad Tidings Mission kept the

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Afternoon Feature Matches at Manheim

2 P. M.

No. 1—Watson M. Washburn, New York, vs. A. D. Thayer, Philadelphia.
No. 3—J. O. Anderson, Australia, vs. L. B. Rice, Boston.
No. 4—R. N. Williams, 2d, Boston, vs. Sidney Thayer, Philadelphia.
No. 6—R. Lindley Murray, Niagara Falls, vs. Hugh Talent, Boston.
No. 12—Zenzo Shimidzu, Japan, vs. A. C. Neilson, Illinois.

4 P. M.

No. 1—William M. Johnston, San Francisco, vs. Hugh Kelleher, New York.
No. 3—F. Gordon Lowe, England, vs. J. L. Werner, Princeton University.
No. 4—J. M. Davies, Los Angeles, vs. Stanley Pearson, Philadelphia.
No. 7—S. Kashio, Japan, vs. Carl Fischer, University of Pennsylvania.

U. S. AGENT SUICIDE AFTER RAIDING SHIP

Seven of Greek Crew Wounded. $90,000 in Liquor and Drugs Seized

PISTOL DUEL OFF N. Y. PIER

By the Associated Press

New York, Sept. 9.—After a raid by Federal prohibition and narcotic agents on the Greek steamship King Alexander today, in which seven members of the crew were wounded by pistol shots, Frank J. Fitzpatrick, chief narcotic officer here, who had taken part in the raid, committed suicide at a nearby pier, according to a police report.

Other Federal agents were conversing with Fitzpatrick in a room of a ferry house near the King Alexander's dock in Brooklyn when he shot himself in the heart, the police said. The wounded members of the crew had just been sent to a hospital under arrest and the prohibition and narcotic agents were returning to Manhattan with confiscated drugs valued at $75,000 and liquor valued at $15,000.

Motive for Suicide Unknown

Fitzpatrick was twenty-eight years old and before joining the Federal forces here lived in Bridgeport, Conn.

Other Federal agents declared they knew no motive for Fitzpatrick's suicide. They expressed the belief that the excitement and strain of the raid temporarily deranged him.

United States Marshal Power, thirty deputy marshals and twenty policemen were sent to the King Alexander after the suicide to arrest all members of the crew on board and take them to the Federal building for questioning.

The raid was under the direction of Ernest L. Langley, chief Federal Enforcement Agent in New York. Agents searched the vessel thoroughly, the crew fleeing below decks. There were intermittent pistol shots from both crew and agents as the search progressed. When the battle subsided three of the wounded men were found lying in their bunks.

Mr. Langley said that $300 had just been paid by one of the advance agents and part of the contraband articles delivered when the crew's suspicions were aroused.

Score of Shots Exchanged.

More than a score of shots were exchanged by the crew and fifteen prohibition agents.

In order to obtain evidence, the prohibition agents said, two of them arranged on Wednesday with members of the crew to pay $14,000 on the vessel today for the liquor and drugs. These two went on the vessel alone. Meanwhile, a member of the crew noticed a launch with the other agents approaching. He warned his comrades, and the battle began.

The shooting attracted customs guards and police reserves, who surrounded the pier to prevent the crew from fleeing. The prohibition agents said, however, that an officer of the vessel to whom they were to pay the money had vanished.

The King Alexander participated in a midnight race to port from beyond the three-mile limit September 1 in an effort to make sure that the immigrants on board would be admitted to the country under the monthly quota regulations.

RABBI PREFERS CHARGE

Dr. Nathan and Family Struck by Borrowed Truck

Rabbi Marvin Nathan, 3417 Ridge avenue, of the Temple Beth Israel, Thirty-second street and Montgomery avenue, appeared in the Central Station this morning before Magistrate Renshaw against John Ferre, fifteen years old, of Blackwood, N. J.

The clergyman testified that he was crossing Delaware avenue last night with his wife, Dorothy, and her mother, Mrs. M. Buckwald, when a truck driven by Ferre knocked all three of them down. Mrs. Nathan was taken to the Jefferson Hospital, being the most seriously hurt, and the others were treated at their home.

During the testimony it developed that Ferre had had no permission to drive the truck, which was loaded with beans and potatoes. Samuel Beakley, of Blackwood, N. J., owner of the truck, said that he did not know it had left his farm until he heard of the accident. Ferre was held in $500 bail for a further hearing Monday.

Fall Downstairs Proves Fatal

Harry Smith, fifty years old, 1316 Wingohocking street, fell down the stairs in his home last night and broke his neck. He died before he could be taken to a hospital. He leaves a wife and three children.

Regular and Special Trains to Manheim

Regular trains over the Pennsylvania Railroad for Queen Lane Station leave Broad Street Station at 11:30 A. M.; 12:10, 12:55, 1:15, 2:20, 3:13, 3:42 daylight-saving time. In addition special trains will be in Broad Street Station from noon and will be dispatched as rapidly as they are filled.

FIND WANT AD WIFE SLAIN IN BUNGALOW MAN, MONEY GONE

Mrs. Isabella Dobson Killed at Runnymede Highlands Two Months After Marriage

HER NIECE AND NEPHEW AND HIS SON GO WITH HIM

Mrs. Isabella Dobson, thirty-nine years old, was found murdered in bed in her bungalow at Runnemede Highlands, along Mt. Ephraim pike, eight miles south of Camden, at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

She had been beaten, apparently by a man's fists, and her throat was discolored by bruises, indicating she had been choked.

The police are searching for her husband, George Dobson, thirty-nine years old, to whom she was married two months ago as the result of an advertisement he placed in a Camden newspaper. He was seen leaving the house heading for the White Horse pike, at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, taking with him his nine-year-old son, Raymond, and John and Barbara McKeown, nephew and niece of the slain woman. The boy is nine years old and the girl eight.

Mrs. Florence Allison, whose home is 150 yards from the Dobson bungalow, discovered the body. After another neighbor, Mrs. E. Miller, had told her this morning she heard screams in the bungalow yesterday morning, Mrs. Allison decided to investigate. The screams were heard just before Mrs. Allison saw Dobson leave the house with the children.

She went to the bungalow, and when her knock was unanswered peered in the window. She saw the body of Mrs. Dobson lying on the bed. Her face was severely discolored. The body was clad in a nightgown and a quilt had been thrown over it.

Mrs. Allison immediately gave an alarm and Lieutenant E. McGrath, who patrols Centre Township, Camden County, was notified. He informed the office of County Prosecutor Woiverton, in Camden, and Assistant Prosecutor Burling and County Detectives Dorn and Smith arrived at the scene a short time later.

After an examination they said Mrs. Dobson had been dead since yesterday. They found a blood-stained towel on a chair near the bed, and both burners of an oil stove were still burning. They immediately began the search for the missing husband.

According to detectives and neighbors, Mrs. Dobson's first husband, Charles Shields, died February 21. At the time of his death she received $1500 and the bungalow at Runnemede Highlands.

Answered Advertisement

Two months ago, Dobson, a widower, inserted an advertisement in a Camden newspaper in which he said he was searching for a wife.

Mrs. Shields answered the advertisement, and Dobson left his home, between Clayton and Franklinville, N. J., and came to the bungalow of Mrs. Shields. Their marriage in a church at Runnemede followed.

Dobson brought his son to live at the bungalow and Mrs. Dobson kept her nephew and niece, whom she had been rearing.

Failure From Start

Neighbors say the marriage was a failure from the start. They declared that frequently Mr. and Mrs. Dobson were heard wrangling, and that at times, he beat her so severely she screamed with pain. On one or two occasions she showed bruises on her arms and face, which she told neighbors had been due to the beatings by Dobson.

Three days ago, neighbors told the police, the Dobsons raised $500 by a mortgage on the bungalow. This money has not been found in the bungalow by those investigating the murder.

Immediately after the County Prosecutor's office was informed of the crime, detectives got in touch with the police of Clayton and Franklinville, where relatives of Dobson live.

Baldwin's Gets Order From Chile

The Baldwin Locomotive Works has received an order from the Government of Chile for ten Mikado narrow gauge freight locomotives.

Missing Camden Girl

ALICE MONROE

Five-year-old girl mising from her home since early yesterday. The police are investigating. She lives at 942 Federal street.

FEAR CAMDEN TOT WAS KIDNAPPED

Alice Monroe, Five, Last Seen Under Bridge Talking to Man Who Gave Her Candy

MAY HAVE BEEN SLAIN

Camden police are searching for Alice Monroe, five years old, daughter of Ira Monroe, a huckster, 942 Federal street, who is believed to have been either kidnapped or murdered. She was last seen under a railroad bridge near Warren and Wright avenues, talking with a man who was giving her candy.

John Tainter, a city detective, assigned to the case, said today he believed the girl has been kidnapped. Evidence is difficult to get and descriptions are lacking in details because the only witnesses are children.

Alice, with her little brother, left their home early yesterday to gather wood in the rear of the Battery B Armory on Wright avenue. After some time the boy returned and told his mother he had left Alice with a little girl neighbor. When this little girl came back she told Mrs. Monroe she had left Alice talking with a stranger under the railroad bridge. She said the man was giving the tot candy and that Alice called for her to come back, but she refused.

The neighborhood where Alice was last seen is more or less of an isolated one, in the rear of several large industrial plants, and it would be an ideal spot for an abductor to do his work. Alice had blue eyes, blonde hair and was of fair complexion. She was large for her age and very pretty. When she left home she was wearing a plaid dress and apron and was barefooted.

SHEDS NICKELS AS HE RUNS

City Hall Guard's Vigilance Forces Thief to Flight Minus Phone Loot

The vigilance of City Hall Guard George Gemenden prevented a telephone box thief escaping with the loot he took from a booth on the sixth floor of City Hall shortly after 9 o'clock this morning.

Gemenden noticed the man enter the booth on the southeast corner of the sixth floor and seeing that he remained there an unusually long time, strolled down to see what was wrong. The man saw him coming and dashed out of the booth, dropping seventy-five nickels in his flight.

He ran down the spiral staircase in that corner of the building and escaped. Repair work is being done near the booth and the police believe that the thief thought this would drown the noise of the hammer he used to smash the coinbox.

CATCH ALLEGED JAILBREAKER

Milton Solomon, who is said to have broken jail in Columbus, O., last month, is under arrest here on a charge of violating the Mann act. He is accused of bringing two seventeen-year-old girls from West Virginia to this city recently. Solomon was arrested here last week on a charge of impersonating a policeman.

R. M. SHOEMAKER DIES IN GERMANTOWN

Richard M. Shoemaker, head of the firm of Robert Shoemaker & Co., wholesale druggists, died last night at his apartment in Germantown. He was eighty-one years old, and death was from heart disease. Mr. Shoemaker was one of the oldest members of the Union League, and had served in the Union League Volunteers during the Civil War. He is survived by four brothers and two sisters.

SCHOONER HAD NO RUM

"Tip" About Liquor Proves a Fish-Box Story

Acting on a "red-hot tip" a squad of revenue agents left this city hurriedly Wednesday night to intercept a whisky-laden schooner due to arrive at Wildwood. According to their tip the schooner landed a cargo of liquor three weeks ago and was due in again yesterday.

The ship arrived all right and was boarded and searched, but the agents found a hold full of fishboxes. They learned she had been in a shipyard during her absence, getting fitted out to resume her old place in a fishing fleet.

7 MEN, 2 WOMEN NABBED

Callowhill Street Ice Cream Parlor Raided—Hold Proprietor

Seven men and two women were arrested in a raid on an ice-cream parlor on Callowhill street above Ninetenth last night by police of the Twentieth and Buttonwood streets station. A letter written to Mayor Moore by mothers of several young girls is said by police to have caused the raid.

Robinson Dennie, charged with being proprietor of the place, was held in $800 bail for court by Magistrate Carney at a hearing this morning. Samuel Allee, said to be his assistant, was fined $12.50. The other people were discharged.

DOOR WIDE OPEN FOR IRISH PEACE, LONDON BELIEVES

Message of Lloyd George Has Smoothed Way for Acceptance of Parley Plan

DE VALERA MAY DECLINE TO SERVE AS DELEGATE

By the Associated Press

London, Sept. 9.—Sinn Fein Ireland is called upon to state whether its demands upon the British Government contemplate separation from Great Britain, according to the view of newspapers here.

The text of the reply of the British Cabinet to Eamon de Valera's latest note, made public last night, was considered as a demand for a definite reply from the Irish Republican leader, and a plain declaration that the writing of notes between Dublin and London cannot be continued.

It was believed that Prime Minister Lloyd George had smoothed the way for an acceptance by De Valera and his colleagues of the invitation to confer with members of the British Government at Inverness on September 20.

The text of the Cabinet's reply to De Valera was prominently displayed in the papers here today and the opinion was generally expressed that the Government had gone as far as possible. There was considerable speculation as to the nature of De Valera's reply to the note, and much advice was given him by the various journals.

Basis Given for Discussion

"It is impossible to say," said the Daily News, "that the present note asks anything whatever of Ireland that is not freely conceded by Australia, Canada and the ruling majority of South Africa. This may not be the basis for an agreement, but it appears monstrous to say it is not the basis for a discussion."

The Daily Chronicle says that in the answer they send to London, De Valera and his riends must decide "whether they are for or against a settlement."

"They will do well," the newspaper continued, "to clear their minds of any idea that because the Government has preferred the soft answer that turns away wrath, it will yield in any degree on the fundamental issue of unity within the Empire."

Doubt whether De Valera will reply that the only guarantee that he can accept will be a guarantee of complete separation is voiced by the Daily Express, which adds: "We believe a way will yet be found to secure to Ireland the liberty and freedom within the Empire that will insure her every measure of prosperity and development to which she aspires as a self-governing dominion."

Crave for Settlement

"If the earnest desire of all but a fraction of Southern Ireland could determine the matter," remarked the Daily Telegraph, "the British Government's invitation unquestionably wou'd be accepted without delay, with the purpose and resolve to attain in the proposed conference that settlement the country is craving. We shall see how far De Valera and his colleagues are prepared to recognize their responsibility in this regard to the nation for which they claim to speak."

The London Times declared that if the Sinn Fein regards Lloyd George's invitation as incompatible with the principle of self-determination, it will be placing a "narrow and unjustifiable" interpretation upon it. The newspaper asserted that Lloyd George "opens the door to an agreement between Great Britain and Ireland as wide as he can."

"If in making the stipulation that the settlement must be within the Empire," the newspaper concluded, "Lloyd George seemed, nevertheless, to impose

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PICKETS ENTER FACTORY, FORCE 12 WORKERS TO QUIT

Attack Youth and Loot Cash Register, Is Charge

Fifteen men entered the workrooms of Weisbrod & Specter, garment makers, at 1029 Race street, at noon today and compelled a dozen employes to stop work. It is also charged they looted the cash drawer of $167.

At that hour members of the firm and the foreman were at lunch and the establishment was in charge of Louis Specter, eighteen, a nephew of one of the proprietors. When the boy attempted to use the telephone to summon help he was pinioned and held by two of the men and his efforts to shout stopped by a hand held over his mouth.

The building at 1029 Race street is occupied by the offices and workrooms of a number of dressmaking concerns. It was evidently the intention of the men to stop work in the entire building. They went first to the Fair and Waist Company, on the seventh floor of the building. Miss Lillian Maser, twenty, an office worker, who lives at 4255 Mantua avenue, was alone in the office.

She had seen the men coming up the stairway, and before they reached the landing had closed and locked the door. The men pounded at the door and threatened Miss Maser with harm. Their threats and their attempts to force the door failing, they went downstairs to the place of Weisbrod & Specter.

Three men have been arrested. They are at City Hall awaiting a hearing.

Register! Register! Last Chance Tomorrow

Tomorrow is the last day.

You lose your vote if you fail to appear at the polling place and qualify.

The registrars will sit at all the polling places in the city from 7 A. M. to 1 P. M. and from 4 P. M. to 10 P. M. tomorrow.

Those who have not registered in the belief registration subjects them to jury service are in error. Jurors are not chosen from the registration lists.

Fewer than 260,000 of the 700,000 eligible men and women have registered!