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The Town Crier

The Bloomingdale Orchestra, under the direction of B. J. Wrightsman, will resume rehearsals for the season on Saturday evening, September 23, at Bethany Baptist Church, Rhode Island avenue, near Second street northwest.

A meeting of the National Women's Hughes-Fairbanks League will be held Saturday, September 16, at the home of the league president, Mrs. Ellis Logan. Women favoring the Hughes-Fairbanks ticket are invited.

A block carnival is to be given to-night and tomorrow by the North Carolina M. E. Church, on Ninth street, between B and C streets southeast. A parade of Boy Scouts and a program of entertainment furnished by children will be among the features.

The St. Vincent De Paul Conference of St. Patrick's Church will hold its annual reunion night at Poli's Theater on September 18. The regular bill offers an Irish play, "Little Peggy O'Moore," and the society will receive half the proceeds of the entertainment for its fund for the poor of the parish.

Fifty members of the committee on membership of the Board of Trade will hold their fall outing September 23 and 24.

The International Academy of Sciences will give a concert with vocal and instrumental music by the American Ladies' Quartet, of Boston, at Dumbarton M. E. Church next Monday evening for the benefit of the Methodist Children's Home.

The Washington District Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church is to hold its annual meeting in Union M. E. Church Monday, October 2. Reports of officers and superintendents are to be presented and Bishop W. F. McDowell is to deliver the principal address.

Members of the Drill Corps of Kallipolis Grotto will hold a "hop" on October 31, at the New Willard Hotel. The Drill Corps will make special trips to Philadelphia and Alexandria as it has done to Baltimore, to personally invite members of the Masonic order to attend. The trip to Philadelphia will be on September 21.

Kallipolis Grotto will meet tomorrow at the New Willard Hotel to make plans for the convention of the Supreme Council of the order, which takes place in this city next June. William F. Gude is chairman of the convention committee.

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be held September 20.

The International Academy of Sciences will start a series of lectures at the Idle Hour Open-air Park by Albert H. Zimmermann and a special children's hour, consisting of motion pictures and slides, in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The lectures will be on Mexico and "America, the Land of Greatness."

Purely Personal

Henry J. Tierney and Stephen J. Montague, of Boston, are the guests of Thomas E. Concannon, of First street northwest, during the Havre de Grace race meet.

Miss Etta Treaner and Miss Phyllis Shea have completed their work at the Capitol and left yesterday to spend the balance of September at Atlantic City.

Miss Sally Norton of C street southeast, who has been a student at Notre Dame Academy, will leave Manhattanville, N. Y., Saturday, for a finishing course.

Eugene E. Mahan, of Needham, Mass., arrived in Washington yesterday to take up his studies at Georgetown University law school.

James F. Tuckey and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Strange were the guests of Mrs. C. E. Brock for several days. They left yesterday to continue an auto tour to Niagara Falls.

Asley C. Haines, assistant clerk of the Boston municipal court, is on his annual vacation and is spending it with relatives in Georgetown. He visited the District court yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thurber, of Littleton, N. H., are spending their honeymoon trip as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Boyle, former residents of Littleton, but now residing in Eighth street southeast.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Maher, of Washington, are registered at the Great Northern Hotel, New York.

Nathan B. Scott, president of the Continental Trust Company, has returned from his vacation.

George Weber, member of the local stock exchange, has returned from his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clephane have returned to their home here, following a vacation spent on the Maine coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schermerhorn will leave Washington Thursday to make their home in New Haven, Conn. Miss Mabel Snead will accompany them.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunmire have returned from a trip through New England.

Carl C. Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, left Washington yesterday for a speechmaking trip.

Brig. Gen. and Mrs. William L. Marshall have taken a residence on Kalorama road for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Millan have announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, to Horace H. Epes, of Newport News, Va.

William Knowles Cooper, C. L. Johnson, L. W. DeGast, W. R. McMillan and Gordon Leech, secretaries of the local Young Men's Christian Association, returned yesterday from the annual Interstate Y. M. C. A. conference at Mountain Lake Park.

Walter T. Holt and Karl Holer left the city Sunday afternoon for a motoring trip. They made stops at Frederick, Braddock Heights and Harpers Ferry, returning to Washington Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horald Paddock, of Geneva, N. Y., are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. George Duncan, 2900 Seventh street northeast.

Miss Virginia Snead will leave today for New Haven, Conn., where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Schermerhorn.

Robert Warwick, of the World Film Corporation, was in the city yesterday, registered at the Willard Hotel.

FOREIGN BRANCH BANKS URGED AS AID TO TRADE

Special to The Washington Herald.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 13.—Chairman Edward N. Hurley, of the Federal Trade Commission, speaking before the Bankers' Association today, strongly urged American capital to establish foreign branch banks and agencies as a stimulation and aid to foreign trade.

"To place at the disposal of our exporters American financial facilities instead of compelling them to depend on British, German and French; to give the necessary information of foreign credits, and to assist our exporters and importers to finance their transactions—all this is the province of the American banker," he said. "That is his part in the organization of American business so as to hold and extend our foreign trade. It means more business and more profits for our banks."

He further urged the bankers to make it a condition before granting loans to business men that an accounting system that will show their real costs and real financial condition be established.

GOVERNMENT PREPARES FIGHT ON BIG COMBINE

Brief to Be Filed Shortly Against Railroads and Coal Companies.

The Department of Justice is marshalling its legal forces for a final attempt to break up the combination between the eastern railroads and anthracite coal producers, it was announced here yesterday. By next Monday or Tuesday the government will file its brief in the Supreme Court of the United States in the cases against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and many subsidiary concerns, including coal mines. The Lehigh Valley owns many coal mines, the government alleges.

The Department of Justice will tell the high court that by means of interlocking directorates the railroad and coal companies have been able to maintain a tight combination in restraint of trade. This, the Department, will argue, is in defiance of the Sherman Law.

The directors sitting on both the railroad and coal company boards, are among the biggest Wall Street financiers.

Nutshell News

Representative Ben Johnson, of Kentucky, cairman of the House Committee on the District of Columbia, has been renominated in his district, according to information received at the Capital yesterday.

G. V. Buck has been elected president of the newly organized Optimists' Club. Other officers chosen were: Edwin H. Etz, vice president; Granville Hunt, secretary; Wade H. Cooper, treasurer; George S. Wainwright, sergeant-at-arms, and William H. Sanders, Dr. Clarence J. Owens, George Killian, John Lane Johnson and Beverley P. Evans, board of governors.

An oyster club has been organized at North Beach, Md., with Henry C. Hoagland as president. J. Howard Bangs is secretary and Appleton Cady, sr., treasurer., Following the election of officers the club had its first oyster roast on the lawn of A. H. Taylor's residence.

Samuel Spong, the canal barge captain whose three children were scalded to death with steam from a broken pipe at the Capital Traction Company's plant, yesterday, applied at the morgue and took custody of the bodies. They will be buried in Keedysville, Md. Mrs. Spong, who also was scalded, is improving rapidly at the Emergency Hospital, and will be able to leave the institution within a few days.

Funeral services for Joseph H. McCann, who died at his residence, the Balfour apartments, Tuesday, will be held at the Zurhorst parlors today at 2 p. m. Interment will be private.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ernest L. Schmidt, wife of the president of the Washington Title Insurance Company, will be held from her late home, 3423 Oakwood Terrace northwest, today. Interment will be in Prospect Cemetery. Besides her husband, two children and two sisters survive.

John Boyle, who died Monday at his home in Silver Spring, Md., will be buried today. He was 79 years old and had a wide acquaintance in Washington. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Oscar B. Yeatman, daughter of William E. and Amanda C. Brooke, will be held from her late residence, 1006 Seventh street northeast, today at 1:30 p. m. Church services will follow at the Church of the Epiphany and interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Funeral services for Samuel O. Mullen, who died at his residence, 1251 Fourth street northwest, will be held at the Wright Chapel today at 9 a. m. Interment will be at Leesburg, Va.

Justice Walter I. McCoy will succeed Justice Siddons on the bench of the District Supreme Court today. Justice Siddons finished his vacation term yesterday, and his successor will preside until the opening of the fall term, October 30.

Esta M. Cheshire has sued R. Rapley Cheshire for absolute divorce. The petition was filed in the District Supreme Court yesterday by Attorneys Thomas M. Baker and T. L. Jeffords. Mrs. Cheshire states that she was married to the defendant, who is a government clerk, in 1913. She prays that the court grant her temporary alimony pending the final hearing on the case.

Maj. E. W. R. Ewing was elected Commandant of Washington Camp, No. 305, Sons of Confederate Veterans, at a meeting Tuesday night at Confederate Memorial Hall, 1322 Vermont avenue northwest. Commandant William A. Brockman presided.

Washington's only cosmopolitan animal hospital will soon be ready to receive patients. It is located at the National Zoological Park and will be able to accommodate four animals at one time, providing they are no larger than buffaloes. Head Keeper Blackburn will be in charge.

The injuries of Ralph Coffin, who was injured Tuesday when the horse he was riding in a steeplechase, at Bluefield, W. Va., fell on him, are not as serious as were first thought, according to dispatches received here yesterday. He is said to be resting well at the Bluefield Hospital and chances for his recovery are good.

Four men in an automobile last evening collided with a motor car driven by J. L. Martin, 229 Ninth street northeast, at Fifth and B streets, throwing the latter machine against a lamp post. Martin was uninjured. His machine was damaged to the extent of $30. Police are looking for the four men.

The police have been asked to look out for Jacob Pitman, 81 years old, who has been missing from his home, 621 Rock Creek Church road, since early yesterday morning.

Rose Eyler, 1039 S street northeast, reported to the police that a colored man entered her home yesterday morning and stole a handbag containing $14.

James Wynkoop, 16 years old, 1331 Rhode Island avenue northwest, was taken ill at Third and E streets northwest yesterday afternoon. He was taken home in a taxicab. His condition was reported as not serious.

Thomas McCave, 86 years old, of Dominion Heights, Va., employed at the Quartermaster's Department, fell down a flight of stairs at his office, Seventeenth and E streets northwest, yesterday afternoon, sustaining a cut in the head and other minor injuries. He was taken to Emergency Hospital.

Sparrows have increased in numbers so alarmingly in the district of Brunswick, Germany, that the municipal authorities have offered a reward of 10 pfennigs (2.33 cents) for each sparrow's nest with eggs and half that sum for each dead fledged sparrow.

GERMAN 'IRON BELT' IN WEST MENACED BY FOCH

French Seize Main Road Feeding Peronne from Cambrai.

By C. F. BERTELLY.
(International News Service.)

Paris, Sept. 13.—The thunderbolt launched by Gen. Foch yesterday and today north of the Somme brings him within measurable distance of completely breaking down the German iron belt.

The three miles which he occupied in the German system of third-line trenches, which is the last strongly organized defense of the Germans, are built on the main road which forms the most important artery in this region, feeding Peronne from Cambrai.

In this month's fighting on the Somme, a few heavy shells immediately render useless any cover. The tactical results are the occupation of the Bapaume-Peronne main road as well as the capture of the culminating positions between Peronne and Bapaume, while the French guns also command the Paris-Lille Railway.

In some places the French guns now have to smash only hastily constructed dugouts, sparsely timbered and not strengthened by cement which demonstrates that the war has passed into a new phase. With the attack sweeping all before it over distances of several miles and considerable depths, the operations have lost their character of isolated trench storming which prevailed for the two years past.

This is due to the deadly new artillery which batters out of shape all trenches and puts out of action all defenders, so that when the infantry is released it fights in the open or in woods void of trenches. This change was apparent yesterday, when Gen. Foch executed the first open manoeuvre since the Marne.

Pivoting on the Somme River, his left wing carried a bastioned front a kilometer long and three kilometers deep, including Hill 76, two miles north of Peronne.

Farther north the greatest feat accomplished was the capture of another trench running in a straight line from the river to Merval, with only one opening, Hill 145. The Germans built this strong work to cover the Peronne-Bapaume road, 2,000 yards to the rear. The French hammered it for four days with the fiercest shell fire and seized it in exactly twenty-six minutes.

GERMAN WAR COUNCIL PLANNING FOR WINTER

Teutons Await with Keen Interest Outcome of Conference.

(By the International News Service.)

Berlin, Sept. 13.—All Germany is awaiting with keenest interest the outcome of the great war council being held by the Kaiser at eastern army headquarters, which Archduke Carl today was reported to have joined. Others with the Kaiser are Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria, Enver Pasha, Turkish minister of war, and Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg.

The council is of vital interest to Germany because it is believed that upon it depends the economic as well as the military welfare of the Teutonic allies. It is understood that the Kaiser and his associates are considering the conservation of the food supplies and similar steps, as well as military problems.

The matter of food is a serious one in Germany and more so among her allies, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria.

The council, it is said, is concerned mainly with plans for the winter campaign in the East. It is conceded that there will be much fighting on the eastern front during the winter, which is always severe and long in the Balkans.

Von Bethmann-Hollweg will announce the result of the conference when he makes his opening speech in the Reichstag on September 28.

NEGRO ODD FELLOWS WILL PARADE TODAY

The annual address of E. H. Morris was the feature of the national convention of Negro Odd Fellows yesterday, under auspices of the biennial moveable committee, at Convention Hall. He took up many phases of the race question, showing how the order was helping to make the negro better and develop him into the highest possible manhood.

Julius C. Johnson, of Maryland, presided at the opening yesterday, and introduced Grand Master Edward H. Morris, of Chicago, who spoke on the condition of the order.

Dr. W. H. Mixon spoke last night at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. Dr. Mixon declared that the greatest liability of the negro race was ignorance. Henry Vinton Davis, Prof. William Pickens and Charles Stewart also spoke.

The feature of the convention today will be a street parade and competitive drill. The parade will form at Third street and Maryland avenue, moving from that point to Pennsylvania avenue northwest; west on Pennsylvania avenue to Fifteenth street, to M street, to Fifteenth street, to Q street, to Vermont avenue, Vermont avenue to S street to Fifth street, thence to the American League Baseball Park.

CASTING BLAMED FOR QUEBEC BRIDGE FALL

(By the International News Service.)

Quebec, Sept. 13.—Failure of a casting was responsible for the disaster of Monday, when the central span of the new bridge across the St. Lawrence collapsed, it was officially stated today. After a thorough investigation the St. Lawrence and Dominion Bridge Company issued this statement:

"Careful examination by the board of engineers and our own engineers indicates that the center span of the Quebec bridge was lost through the failure of a casting on a lifting girder on which the span had been resting with a greater load for the last six weeks.

"The cantilever arms were not injured in any way and preparations are now under way to replace the center span as soon as practicable."

Police Fish for Beer.

Savannah, Ga., Sept. 13.—Thirty barrels of bottled beer were fished out of one of the rivers near Savannah recently by the county police. They were thrown overboard from a black launch that was found to be overloaded on a trip up from Jacksonville. It is said sixty barrels were thrown away, but different people salvaged the remainder before the police got to the scene.

Throws at Her; Falls; Dies.

New York, Sept. 13.—Just before he died in the Flushing Hospital, Philip Lerian, 64 years old, of College Point, said he had been assaulted by a woman. Detectives Hurton and Knapp talked with Mrs. Sophia von Bargen, of Third avenue and Twenty-second street, College Point. She said Lerain several days ago threw a stone at her. She picked up a piece of wood to defend herself, and he, running away, fell.

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Mahogany-finish Dresser—Antique finish, Chinese Chippendale design; very fine construction and best of cabinet work throughout; 45 inches wide, with French plate mirror, 30x40..... $64

Chiffonier to match, 34 inches wide $45

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Mahogany-finish Buffet, Adam design—54 inches wide; French plate mirror, 12x50; best of cabinet work and finish; Mahogany drawer bottoms $64

Mahogany-finish China Closet to match; square ends, 40 inches wide; Mahogany back and mirror panel at top shelf $42

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WEATHER CONDITIONS.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland—Fair Thursday and probably Friday; gentle variable winds.

For Virginia—Fair in north, overcast weather in south portion Thursday and Friday; gentle variable winds.

In the Middle Atlantic and New England States fair and pleasant weather will continue through Thursday and probably Friday. In the South Atlantic and East Gulf States the weather will be overcast with local showers.

LOCAL TEMPERATURE.

Midnight	59	12 noon	76
2 a. m.	58	2 p. m.	81
4 a. m.	57	4 p. m.	82
6 a. m.	57	6 p. m.	80
8 a. m.	63	8 p. m.	75
10 a. m.	68	10 p. m.	75

Highest, 84; lowest, 56.

Relative humidity—8 a. m., 99; 2 p. m., 57; 8 p. m., 80. Rainfall (8 p. m. to 8 p. m.), 0. Hours of sunshine, 5.9. Per cent of possible sunshine, 47.

Temperature same date last year—Highest, 94; lowest, 70.

OTHER TEMPERATURES.

	Highest today.	Lowest last night.	8 p. m.	Rainfall.
Atlanta, Ga.	78	64	70	....
Boston, Mass.	82	58	74	....
Cheyenne, Wyo.	74	44	54	....
Denver, Colo.	80	48	76	....
Helena, Mont.	44	40	44	0.02
Jacksonville, Fla.	82	70	76	1.10
Los Angeles, Cal.	80	54	70	....
Miami, Fla.	84	70	80	0.04
New York, N. Y.	78	58	74	....
Omaha, Nebr.	78	54	72	....
Pittsburgh, Pa.	84	58	78	....
Portland, Oreg.	78	52	78	....
San Francisco, Cal.	82	62	68	....

Match Meets Gasoline; One Hurt.

New York, Sept. 13.—Somebody threw a lighted match into a can of gasoline which Arthur Vogler, 16 years old, of Astoria, was using in loosening bolts in machinery in a lot at Ely and Jackson avenues, Long Island City. An explosion followed and Vogler was badly burned. In St. John's Hospital it was said his condition was dangerous.

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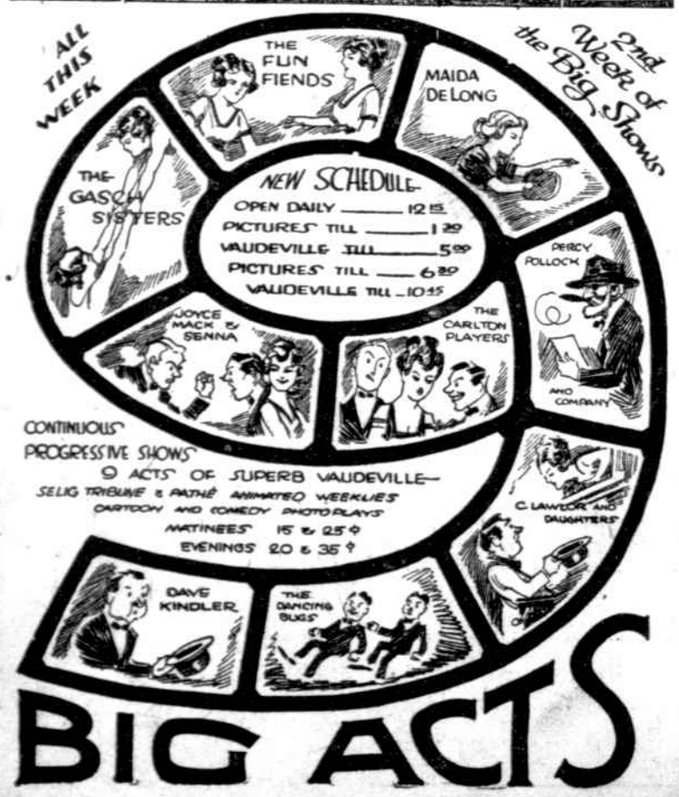

BIG ACTS

10 A. M. 6 P. M. 10c — **GARDEN** — 6 P. M. to 11 P. M. 15c

STAR: HELEN HOLMES — DATES: TODAY AND FRI. — PLAY: "DIAMOND RUNNERS"

EXTRA TODAY—BILLIE BURKE in "HER VOW FULFILLED"

10 A. M. 6 P. M. 10c — **STRAND** — 6 P. M. to 11 P. M. 15c

STAR: VIOLA DANA — DATES: TODAY, AND FRI. — PLAY: "LIGHT OF HAPPINESS"

No. 2—ROSEMARY THEBY in "THE CHALK LINE"