

WEATHER FORECAST.

Generally fair and colder to-day and to-morrow; strong northwest winds. Highest temperature yesterday, 38; lowest, 31. Detailed weather reports will be found on Editorial page.

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MANY COAL TRAINS SPEED TO NEW YORK TO EASE SHORTAGE

Fuel Cars Get Right of Way and Some Relief Is Promised To-day.

SUBSTITUTES SCARCE

Conditions Expected to Be Much Better at End of Week.

STRAUS ATTACKS WOODIN

State Senator in Reply Is Invited to Help Out Fuel Administration.

Clear track on all railroads was given to coal trains speeding toward the New York district last night from the anthracite fields bearing the first full flow of new coal which has been released to the seaboard by virtual cessation of great lakes coal movements Thursday.

New York city will accordingly feel to-day the first real benefit of this additional supply, both William H. Woodin, Fuel Administrator, and George J. Elitz, Deputy Fuel Administrator for Manhattan, asserted last night.

By the end of the week they expected the coal supply to reach sufficient flood to relieve distress in so far as relief was possible when three months' work was being compressed into a day and there were only three of the usual five bucketfuls of available fuel.

"This week will bring relief all along the line," Mr. Woodin promised. "We count on quite a flood of coal to-day," Mr. Elitz put it, "and expect to get a lot of good news this week."

As other factors Mr. Elitz cited the regular Sunday freight "clean-up," by which carriers make up the week's arrears and, despite the blizzard, the excellent condition of the roads for handling emergency traffic. These would all go to swell to-day's receipts to a point to absorb the surplus of those second choice coals in answer to appeals of the State Fuel Administrator, he said.

Such coal dealers as had stocks on hand ignored yesterday as a day of rest, Mr. Elitz reported, and had their trains out all day making deliveries. Railroads were also at work unloading all cars until late in the night.

"Failure of the State Fuel Administration to function" was charged by Senator Straus, Jr., State Senator, in an open letter to Gov. Miller. He took Administrator Woodin to task because he had not begun the rationing of coal by "every one has a fair share," and because he had not taken advantage of the \$10,000,000 fund whereby he could put the State into the coal business as a dealer selling.

"In the City of New York," wrote Senator Straus in part, "there can be no question about the serious situation which exists in the City of New York due to the failure of the State Fuel Administration to function. There has been no systematic effort to ascertain the needs of the people and to ration coal so that every one has a fair share. No use has been made of the large funds granted to the fuel administration for the purchase and sale of coal directly or indirectly from the mines. We are facing a coal crisis in the city to-day."

Immediate exercise of those powers was demanded of Mr. Woodin by the Senator as a measure of relief. "Unless we are given the authority to ration coal," he said, "it is necessary that the citizens organize to protect themselves."

Woodin Replies to Straus. Mr. Woodin, in a letter replying to Senator Straus, said: "Through the courtesy of the press I have read your letter to-day. I am glad to see you giving publicity to denouncing the New York State Fuel Administration."

"There is a shortage of approximately 20 per cent of domestic coal in anthracite which cannot be made up this winter. The reluctance of the public to order substitutes during the fall has so complicated the situation that the dealers were unable to cope instantly with the situation when the push began."

"The Mayor's Committee of Women, under Mrs. Hearst and Mrs. Henry, have struggled with the problem of the poor with considerable success. I think there came the clear and unmistakable judgment that the coal shortage was spreading as quickly as possible the proportion of coal allotted to this State from the national supply. The present plan for relief during the next ten days are bright."

"But we are still open to assistance, and if you are really in earnest I urge that you come to my office at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning if possible, prepared to accept appointment as one of our members, where I can assure you that there is opportunity for great public service, and where you will find a cordial reception."

"I would ask you to begin with us to-morrow, but duty takes me to Pennsylvania for the day."

EXCITED OVER SANTA; KILLED

Child in Institution Falls as She Puts Doll on Shelf.

Rose Lattin, aged 5, an inmate of the Mount Lorette institution at Pleasant Plains, Staten Island, became excited when discussing the prospective visit of Santa Claus as she stood on a chair to place her doll on the shelf of the playroom.

She fell backward, striking her head and suffering a fractured skull, from which she died two hours later.

Declares 90 Per Cent. Are Honest on Income Tax

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. Albany, Dec. 17.

JAMES S. Y. IVINS, Deputy State Tax Commissioner in charge of the personal income tax bureau, to-day emphatically denied reports that he was of the opinion that a large percentage of the people of the State were tax dodgers.

"I declared that 90 per cent. of the people who file State income tax returns make an honest effort to be square with the State. It is impossible, he said, to estimate the percentage of those who do not file any returns, although subject to the law, but he believes that even in their case misunderstanding or ignorance of the law is the cause rather than a deliberate intention to evade it."

'NIGGER MIKE' BURIED WITH DIMMED GLORY

Irving Berlin, Composer, Only One of Old Chinatown Friends to Appear.

It was just such a day as yesterday that Nigger Mike Salter was a pall-bearer at Big Hearted Johnny Gallagher's funeral twenty years ago. Mr. Gallagher had come to an untimely end in front of the Pelham Cafe, 12 Pell street, Nigger Mike's place, a vengeful bullet taking him squarely between the eyes.

When Nigger Mike presented himself at the Gallagher home that raw morning to pay his last respects to Big Hearted Johnny he slipped a pint of rye and a one hundred dollar bill into the lap of the bereaved widow sitting at the head of the coffin. Leading over Mr. Gallagher's remains and grasping both sides of the coffin, Mike began to speak in husky tones.

"Well, said Mike, 'Yes, he's gone, poor old run pot's gone. Yes, he's gone. I knowed him when he had a liver. I knowed him when he lost the stable. I knowed him when he started a lively rye stable and started a saloon. I knowed him when he lost the saloon. Yes, the old run pot's gone. The poor old run pot. Well, you poor old run pot, you're gone, hey?'"

Chief spoke the voice of Nigger Mike Salter. A wall from the bereaved widow arose and Mike drew another pint from a hip pocket. Laying the second pint in the lady's lap, Mike roared:

"Lady, send the undertaker's bill to me. The poor old run pot's gone and while I don't know who cooked him the funeral on me."

The lamented Mr. Gallagher's brother, Jesse, attended Nigger Mike Salter's funeral yesterday coming all the way from Philadelphia to do it. He came to find Nigger Mike lying in a plain pine box—not even varnished. Mr. Jesse Gallagher tried to make financial sacrifices to attend the funeral yesterday, so he wasn't able to do for Mrs. Salter what Nigger Mike had done for Mrs. Gallagher.

Irving Berlin Present. "But it certainly knocks me stiff," said Mr. Jesse Gallagher. "When the venerable Mike Salter buried my father yesterday with half million he planted with his family fat. Not a cent of insurance. Not a cent for next month's rent. But he certainly did my brother proud."

Nigger Mike Salter was buried yesterday in Washington Cemetery after a great deal of furor. But all the glory that once was Mike had departed. Just two of the legion of notes who once friendship and familiarity with his notorious dive—the Pelham—appeared at the funeral. In fact there was but one Irving Berlin, the song composer.

Who's that? In America was that waiter in the Pelham. Berlin used to sing as he swung beer and they knew him as the Singing Waiter.

"But he was coming the other way the American customs officers inspecting the baggage car of his train inadvertently snook his trunk. From that time there came the clear and unmistakable judgment, gurgie, gurgie of bottled liquid. The customs men went to get from our hero the keys to the trunk, but a porter notified the trunk's owner that he was about to be called upon to explain to the United States Government. Stopped for a small station. He alighted and left Berlin to his fate.

"And that," he was saying to the cafe proprietor, "is what I call hard luck. Twenty-four bottles of real whiskey costing me \$144 at legitimate rates and

GOVERNORS LIKELY TO DISCUSS LIQUOR LAW MODIFICATION

White House Conference To-day to Outline Enforcement Plan.

SEEK A LATER PARLEY

President Will Make No Suggestion, Merely Outlining Facts.

WETS ARE MUCH CHEERED

Dry's Indorse Meeting, but Their Foes See Possibility of a Victory.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.

Enforcement of the Volstead prohibition law will be the principal topic of discussion to-morrow when President Harding entertains at luncheon the Governors who will come here from White Sulphur Springs, but it seems certain that possible modification of the law also will be informally considered.

President Harding will make no suggestion regarding amendments to the Volstead law, nor propose any definite program for improved enforcement beyond urging on the Governors the necessity of cooperation with the Federal Government if the Eighteenth Amendment is not to become a dead letter.

But out of this conference there may come a plan for another conference of Governors, including those who will take office on January 1. That will be largely up to the Governors themselves and depend on steps which they may desire to take to bring about the cooperation which President Harding desires.

States Meet Help. The President is more thoroughly convinced than ever that without greater help from the States the Eighteenth Amendment will continue to be as ineffective as it is to-day. He will outline the facts to the Governors to-morrow and ask for aid. The nature of that aid must be decided by the Governors and State Legislatures.

But it may be impossible to consider this question without a suggestion being brought forward by some of the Governors that the present law be amended so as to make it less drastic and consequently more easily enforceable. The question whether any amount of cooperation between Federal and State governments can be undertaken of the far reaching provisions of the present statute is bound to come up.

While the dry leaders have indorsed the White House conference because its purpose is more rigid enforcement, it is significant that the wets are especially cheered by it on the theory that it will disclose an impossibility of enforcement and may lead to modification.

See Law's Collapse. CAPT. W. H. STRAYTON, executive head of the Association Against Prohibition, in a statement issued to-night said that he had called on the President to call in the Federal law which has broken down.

Before the Eighteenth Amendment most of the States had their individual prohibition laws which were enforced duly without scandal. The cry of crime and disrespect for law was not known in that time. The evidence of adequate enforcement now, although the facts are of common knowledge, may be found in the comparative crime statistics, to which allusion has been made.

CONSTABULARY ROUTS MOROS

Manila, P. I., Dec. 17.—Two outlaws who were shot and wounded by constabulary officers were taken to the hospital yesterday. The constabulary detachment on Subuan Island in the Sulu group.

Moros were repulsed and the constabulary pursued them into the mountains.

Three Likely to Die. Mrs. Rosie Salomito, aged 41, of North Brooklyn, suffered internal injuries. Her 84-year-old son, Tony, Jr., is internally injured. Walter Vataček, also of North Brooklyn, driver of the automobile which was struck by a car.

What buttons? "What buttons?" replied the cafe proprietor. "You pack the bottles carefully and then drop a couple of quarts of buttons—any kind of buttons—in among the bottles. You just drop 'em in as though you were dropping camphor balls—looselike. Then you can shake the trunk and there is no gurgling sound. The buttons act as silencers or gurgie deadeners. Didn't you ever know that?"

"Never ever heard of it."

British Evacuate Ireland Following Occupation Lasting Over Centuries

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The last British troops in the Free State, totaling 2,000, sailed for England to-day after formally handing all the barracks and posts over to the green-uniformed soldiers. Gen. Sir Nevill Macready, commander of the British forces during the last years of the Anglo-Irish fighting, took a farewell salute from his troops as they marched along the Liffey quays. The departure of the troops marked the end of centuries of English occupation of southern Ireland.

"Thousands of friends and admirers of the 'Tommy' lined the quays, waved Union Jacks and bunting and cheered the outgoing soldiers. Ex-service men acting as honor guard escorted them rather than a military band. The greatest good will was evident on both sides and all seemed to have forgotten the warring days of the past.

Richard Mulcahy, Minister of Defense, attended the ceremonies at general headquarters and the royal barracks. As the last British troops left headquarters a small guard of Irish soldiers presented arms, bugles sounded and the Irish commander in chief hoisted a bright new tricolor.

Mr. Mulcahy addressed the Irish troops, speaking first in Gaelic and then in English. He told them that the country just evacuated had for centuries been held by the enemies of the Irish nation, who were now gone. Hereafter, he said, they must make of the Irish army not only a weapon of defense, but a great training institution from which the soldiers would go back to work to rebuild the country and to take their place in industry and among the people as useful citizens.

The rapid evacuation of the troops, the appointment of Timothy Healy as Governor-General and other evidences of England's adherence to the treaty have been increasing public confidence in the Free State Government, and this in turn has minimized the opportunities of the irregulars to spread their propaganda. The peace resolutions of England will cease by the middle of January, as military authorities say the Republican resistance has almost been broken.

Many peace resolutions are being passed by city corporations, but William Cosgrave, President of the Cabinet, is asking the peace proposers to suggest an offer that can be made to the anti-treaty party. The peace resolutions considered indications that persons acquainted with the leading irregulars think they might now be induced to lay down their arms.

FINDS DEAD CHILD IS HER MISSING GIRL

Brooklyn Mother, Reporting Lost One to Police, Identifies Motor Victim.

CAR KILLS A POLICEMAN

Wild Machine Runs Onto Sidewalk and Pins Fallon to Railing.

Five deaths were caused in the last twenty-four hours by motor accidents in New York, while many persons were injured.

Mrs. Ida Rush, of 644 DeKalb avenue, Brooklyn, went to the Gates avenue station in Brooklyn last night to report that her daughter, Helen, aged 8, had disappeared. When she had described the child the lieutenant took her to the back room to view the body of a little girl who had been killed by an automobile half an hour before. It was her daughter.

Frank Miller, of 148 Second street, Brooklyn, told the police he was driving his automobile in DeKalb avenue near Marcy avenue when he felt a pavement by a rear wheel. He started this question without a suggestion being brought forward by some of the Governors that the present law be amended so as to make it less drastic and consequently more easily enforceable.

Patrolman Kurz, part way down the block, saw the rushing taxicab. As he stood watching, he saw the girl step from the car, waving her hand. She struck her. The cab got away, while Kurz ran to the girl and was going so fast that the policeman was unable to get the number or any distinctive description of it. A general alarm was sent out.

Patrolman Edward J. Fallon, aged 28, of 1248 Lexington avenue, was on his way home last night when he saw a taxicab at the East Sixty-seventh street station when a taxicab ran on to the sidewalk in front of the building apartment house at 1248 Lexington avenue. He tried to get out of the way, but the front of the car carried him against an iron railing and crushed him to death.

Patrolman Frank Becker, who had noticed the cab signaling at high speed, tried to get out of the way, but the chauffeur, John T. Francis, aged 27, an automobile in which four men were riding struck a stalled motor truck yesterday on the left side of the road. The taxicab, owned by Edward Fitzgerald, was driven by Edward Fitzgerald, where it was said that the car had struck a man and another who has not been identified. They are not seriously hurt.

The truck was owned by John Hays, 114 of 124 Raymond street, Brooklyn. He told the police that he had moved a piano from Brooklyn to Rockville Center and was on his way home when something went wrong with the car. He got out of the way, but the result of a collision between an automobile and a trolley car last night, at Astoria avenue and Nineteenth avenue, in the Astoria section of Long Island city. Six persons were in the automobile. All were removed to hospital.

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One man was killed and four injured when an automobile driven by William Carow, of 406 Broad street, Bloomingdale, N. Y., crashed into a trolley pole on the Bloomingdale road at Clifton, N. Y., near the Bloomingdale line.

SEIZE GEN. HALLER'S ADHERENTS IN POLISH PRESIDENT'S MURDER

Premier Sikorski Orders Arrests and Takes Steps to Keep Peace.

DEPUTY MAKES CHARGE

Meets General at Scene of the Assassination and Accuses Him of Plot.

PILSUDSKI HEADS ARMY

Murderer, Hurt in Motor Crash Two Years Ago, Sustained Fractured Skull.

WARSAW, Dec. 17 (Associated Press).—Many arrests have been made, particularly among the veterans of Gen. Haller's army, in connection with disorders and suspected plots that have assumed a new seriousness now that President Narutowicz has been assassinated.

Gen. Haller entered the art gallery immediately after Narutowicz was shot and was accused by a Radical Deputy of being implicated in the shooting. Haller's face turned livid and he immediately left the gallery.

M. Sikorski on taking over the Premiership ordered arrests among Haller's men and the detention of Col. Modelski, formerly Haller's Adjutant. Haller lately has been used by the Nationalist party as a counter-influence in the army to Marshal Joseph Pilsudski, former Provisional President.

Pilsudski Chief of Staff. Marshal Pilsudski has been appointed Chief of Staff of the Polish Army. He replaces Gen. Sikorski, who has assumed the Premiership.

The formation within a few hours of a new Cabinet took the efforts of M. Rataj, who automatically became President when Narutowicz was assassinated, and of Gen. Sikorski, who was called to the Premiership. He intended to encourage a feeling of security. The immediate summoning of Parliament for next Wednesday to elect a new President has strengthened this feeling, and Pilsudski's appointment has given additional assurance that all necessary firmliness will be shown by the heads of the Government in the crisis.

The Cabinet is being rapidly filled around the skeleton group of ministers who took office at the assassination. The ministries that were not filled are being operated at present by the various men now holding portfolios.

Assassin's Skull Injured. Niewodomski, the assassin of President Narutowicz, who is a painter and 23 years old, was born in Warsaw. He was a student at the Academies of Fine Arts in Warsaw and had a long record of delinquency. He was arrested in a delinquency sustained in an automobile accident in 1918, which necessitated two trephining operations. He abandoned his work and became a vagrant for several years ago, but his irresponsibility caused him to be expelled from two political parties.

Narutowicz, who was the art exhibition, was shot and assassinated, against the advice of Premier Nowak, who told him it would be dangerous to expose himself. Narutowicz, however, accepted an invitation from a delegation of artists, with whom he arranged that his visit should be private.

The President was shot while he was conversing with the British Minister, William G. Max-Muller, who had just offered congratulations on the election of Narutowicz to the presidency. "Condolences you should say," replied the President. He had scarcely spoken when three shots came with quick succession. Narutowicz sank to his knees and collapsed on the floor, dead.

Narutowicz was survived by two children, a daughter, 16, and a son, Earl Narutowicz, who is a student in Zurich, Switzerland.

One of the President's last acts was to telegraph Count Zamoyski, the Polish Minister in Paris, and his rival in the final balloting for the presidency, thanking Zamoyski for his cordial congratulations.

Gen. Haller directed the recruiting of Polish soldiers in England early in the war and afterward was in command in France of the Polish volunteers from America and Great Britain. He led the Polish armies on the northern front when the invasion of the Russian Reds was repulsed in 1920. In the great war he was with the famous Iron Brigade of Poland which fought at Amiens.

He succeeded in extracting the remainder and taking them to the Turkish coast despite countless obstacles and the systematic opposition of the Bolsheviks.

Bandits Walk in on Family Game and Walk Out With \$4,000 Loot

Two bandits, each slender and not more than 33 years old, walked into the dining room of the home of Abraham Levy, of 738 East Thirty-second street, Brooklyn, at 10 o'clock last night, interrupted a game of penny ante with a revolver and robbed the players of cash and jewelry valued by the victims at \$4,000.

OPERATION ON PRINCE GEORGE

British King's Youngest Son to Have Appendix Removed.

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Monday).—Prince George, the King's youngest son, will be operated on for appendicitis almost immediately, according to the Daily Mail.

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Princess Mary, the King's only daughter, is 19 years old and is a nurse.

Princess Elizabeth, the King's only daughter, is 17 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Margaret, the King's only daughter, is 15 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Alice, the King's only daughter, is 13 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Victoria, the King's only daughter, is 11 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Alexandra, the King's only daughter, is 9 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Louise, the King's only daughter, is 7 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Mary, the King's only daughter, is 5 years old and is a schoolgirl.

Princess Elizabeth, the King's only daughter, is 3 years old and is a schoolgirl.

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