

OPINION AGAINST MODIFIED PLANS

Commissioners Oppose New Railroad Track Scheme.

SAY CITIZENS ARE WRONG

Rearrangement in Maryland and Virginia Avenues of Little Practical Value.

It required only twenty-four hours for the District officials to decide that the modified plan for the arrangement of tracks on Maryland and Virginia avenues southwest, submitted by the South Washington Citizens Association, possessed no merits whatsoever.

Respectfully forwarded to the Commissioners, inviting attention to the within report, and with the further statement that the proposed change would affect somewhat seriously the use of the freight stations, as authorized by the acts of Congress, which the railroad companies have probably taken steps to procure, and have prepared, to a certain extent, for their use.

Legislation Needed. "Further it is necessary that there should be further legislation to authorize such a change which legislation cannot be recommended, certainly until after a consultation with the railroad company as to the practicability of the plan.

"These changes were considered at the time of the passage of the bill, and the course adopted at that time was considered the most practicable. There is no reason, however, why this communication should not be forwarded to the railroad company with a request for its views thereon at an early date, and I move this be done."

Engineer Hunt's report said in part: "The proposed treatment at Tenth street is more advantageous than the adopted plan, while the proposed treatment at Four-and-a-half street is to an almost equal degree less advantageous; the combined advantages or disadvantages of the treatment of the two streets under either plan being so small as to be not determinative or of considerable weight.

"At Seventh street instead of crossing a valley of 6.5 feet the proposal is to climb a hill of 5 feet.

"The rates of grade along the street would be substantially the same, and the advantages of the proposed plan over the adopted one would not be appreciable.

"On the other hand, under the proposed plan, the District would have to maintain the bridge over the railroad, a material consideration which is also applicable to the proposed treatment of Sixth and Ninth streets.

Wouldn't Save Money. "This office is convinced that, instead of saving money to the taxpayers, the proposed plan will be far more costly than the one adopted.

"It does not attach great weight to the objectionable features of an overhead bridge at Seventh street rather than that the street should go under the tracks. The whole trend of modern practice in the elimination of grade crossings is, other things being equal, to carry the street under the tracks, as in the approved plan.

"The advantageous treatment of Ninth street in the proposed plan is gained by creating a far more objectionable treatment of Sixth street, and the objections to the adopted plan are thought to be overstated. It is felt that the possibilities of final treatment of reservation 113 in proposed plan are essentially superior to those in the one adopted."

HORSE THIEVES TRY TO MURDER A MAN

Shots Fired at Henry Everett When He Foils Attempts to Steal Property of Major Armes.

Two men who visited Major Armes' residence on Connecticut avenue, near Grant road, about 11 o'clock several nights ago and attempted to get possession of his horse by means of a substitute are badly wanted by the police.

It is said when the men realized their attempt to get the horse and buggy had been foiled by Henry Everett, in charge of the premises, they opened fire on him with a revolver, and he barely escaped injury.

Everett was alone on the premises when the men called. One of them was about thirty-five years old, five feet six inches tall, dark hair and mustache, and wore black clothes. The other was about the same age, wore a dark suit, gray fedora hat, and is believed to have been the shooter. They knocked on the back door, and informed Everett that Major Armes had instructed them to call at his residence and get the horse and buggy.

Everett had never seen the men before, and refused to turn the animal and vehicle over to them. They left the premises, so Everett thought, and he took a lantern to go to the stable to see if the horse and buggy were safe.

As he neared the stable door two shots were fired at him from a revolver, and he ran back to the house. The men then made their escape. They had attempted to force the stable door open.

ARRESTED IN VIRGINIA; WANTED IN WASHINGTON

Information was received at Police Headquarters last night by Captain Boardman of the arrest at King George Court House, Va., of Joseph Pearce, a negro, said to be wanted by the local authorities for assaulting his wife Henrietta.

A FRIEND TO MOTORMEN



WILLIAM BARLOW. Circulated a Petition Urging the Adoption of Vestibules on All Street Railway Lines in the District.

VESTIBULE CRUSADE NEARING SUCCESS

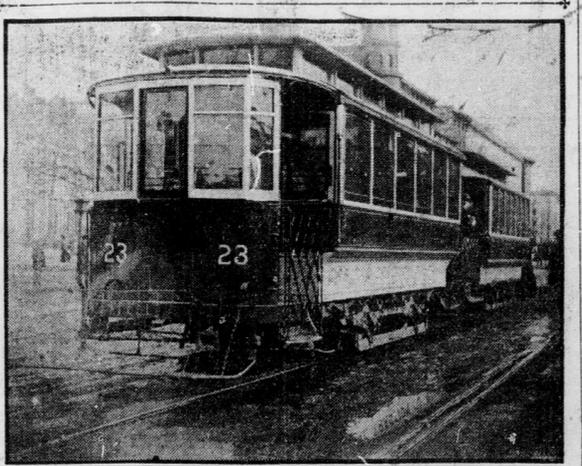
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have announced themselves as advocates for better treatment of the motormen: To the Editor of The Washington Times: We, the undersigned, heartily endorse your recent editorial urging that vestibules cars be provided for the motormen.

As in the past by your vigorous paper you have been able to effect many reforms, we do earnestly urge that you take an active stand in this matter, and bring it before Congress:

- Mrs. K. Murphy, 728 6th st. sw. William Barlow, 507 7th st. sw. John Miller, 517 7th st. sw. Samuel W. Stewart, 616 F st. sw. John West, 701 6th st. sw. B. A. Clarke, 701 6th st. sw. G. E. Crosswell, 431 7th st. sw. J. W. Nash, 608 B st. sw. A. H. Claggett, 505 7th st. sw. W. S. Mugg, 515 7th st. sw. J. M. Alton, 611 A st. se. E. E. Borwick, 447 6th st. sw. John Quinn, 447 7th st. sw. A. Rosenberg, 441 7th st. sw. W. S. Stein, F st. sw. C. E. Harper, 433 7th st. se. M. Greenbaum, 433 7th st. sw. Florence Stewart, 419 F st. nw. E. P. Chambers, 429 7th st. sw. C. Randolph, 429 7th st. sw. David Tolstol, 419 7th st. sw. William S. Clinton, 417 7th st. sw. Randolph Hornback, 415 7th st. sw. J. F. Palmer, 411 7th st. sw. J. H. Holland, 409 7th st. sw. J. W. Barker, 401 7th st. sw. E. D. Golliger, 398 7th st. sw. F. Enoch Cantwell, 425 7th st. sw. Ernest M. Colvin, D. D. S., 449 7th st. sw. Edward Dunn, 449 7th st. sw. Florence Stewart, 419 F st. nw. E. D. Cole, 435 7th st. sw. Clarence J. Gessford, 501 7th st. sw. Walter G. Galt, 415 7th st. sw. F. Sondheimer, 509 7th st. sw. Elias Hutchnis, 521 7th st. sw. Mrs. I. A. W. Clarvoe, 520 7th st. sw. John W. Coleman, 114 8th st. sw. O. McDaniel, 525 7th st. sw. Eugene G. O'Ryhim, 645 I st. sw. Frank P. Wagner, 617 7th st. sw. Walter Lacy, 538 F st. sw. Roger Brown, 629 1st st. sw. C. H. Turner, 641 I st. sw. William P. Campbell, 512 7th st. sw. John Ober, 602 F st. sw. Charles C. Colson, 522 7th st. sw. John T. Shield, 522 7th st. sw. R. E. Norris, 508 7th st. sw. B. S. Donahoe, 235 13th st. sw. James W. Burdine, 319 7th st. sw. F. W. Robertson, 324 11th st. sw. R. R. Williams, 429 10th st. sw. R. H. Johnson, 295 7th st. sw. A. H. Burdine, 4th and Va. ave. sw. John E. Sullivan, 297 7th st. sw. Charles C. Grey, Langdon, D. C. Chas. E. Byrne, Brookland, D. C. Henry Bredenkamp, Washington, D. C. Max Needle, 315 7th st. sw. W. L. Berenter, Washington, D. C. G. Mincarsky, 478 H st. sw. Kershensheim, 321 7th st. sw. Morris Needle, 315 7th st. sw. J. H. Commander, 119 Pa. ave. nw. E. C. Oterback, 4 8th st. se. Joseph A. Carr, 1321 9th st. nw. T. N. Conrad, Jr., 644 F st. nw. John E. Bailey, 477 E st. sw. Lawrence Sondheimer, 509 7th st. sw. R. W. Forsberg, 501 E st. sw. R. A. Fegan, 501 G st. sw. H. J. Lees, 1065 E st. sw. C. D. Galgan, 425 10th st. sw. W. C. Reed, 616 F st. sw. O. Wrenn, 611 4 1/2 st. sw. A. H. Bradley, 443 7th st. sw. Fred C. Hall, 1005 Md. ave. sw. John T. Crawley, 617 H st. sw. L. D. Nugent, 621 8th st. sw. E. J. Pruitt, 448 9th st. sw. E. S. Herbert, 622 6th st. sw. Albert B. Young, 416 8th st. sw. Mrs. W. Barlow, 631 I st. sw. Mrs. I. Cheek, 627 I st. sw. John D. C. Koogle, 7th st. sw. E. W. Pershey, 504 7th st. sw. E. F. Dorsey, 482 H st. sw. Julius E. Albrecht, 915 E st. sw. H. G. Lansdale, 493 H st. sw. M. H. Rattery, 756 7th st. sw. M. C. Clarke, 218 11th st. sw. Lewis A. Erek, 1313 D st. sw. George Powell, 951 D st. sw. M. A. Kelly, 537 D st. sw. Thomas J. Kenny, 427 E st. sw. Murray Wolf, 327 D st. sw. Ferd. Breslau, 464 E st. sw. Berney Breslau, 464 E st. sw. Abe Breslau, 464 E st. sw. Sol Breslau, 464 E st. sw. Henry Breslau, 464 E st. sw. E. A. Wintberger, Wash. I st. sw. M. K. Eppley, 480 G st. sw. D. C. Alford, 617 S. C. ave. se. J. J. Carragher, 514 6th st. sw. C. Orison, 590 E st. sw. L. Greenbaum, 433 7th st. sw. John H. Mugg, 515 7th st. sw. B. C. Cohen, 7th and F st. sw. R. F. Sangster, 716 H st. sw. Miss Geneva McConnell, 818 7th st. sw. S. L. Cohen, 605 7th st. sw. A. A. Quade, 605 7th st. sw. Miss Sigafosse, 607 7th st. sw. Ernest E. Charlton, 605 7th st. sw. Mrs. L. Gutridge, 611 7th st. sw. J. Donovan, 615 7th st. sw. James T. Boyle, 419 7th st. sw. B. Bernard Ferris, 422 G st. sw. John C. Quade, 622 H st. sw. James H. Davis, 910 6th st. sw. James Darlington, 427 Hamilton court. Adam Pesey, 631 F st. sw. John J. Phillips, 623 7th st. sw. Thomas L. Grady, 626 K st. sw. Joseph Baldwin, 621 7th st. sw. Mrs. W. C. Lewis, 713 7th st. sw. Eva Burr, 701 7th st. sw. A. Lusting, 707 7th st. sw. Foraton & Co., 7th and H sts. sw. A. A. Rock, 480 H st. sw. George Smith, 710 8th st. sw. George America, 1311 3d st. sw. G. E. Miller, 710 7th st. sw. H. Keathley, 706 7th st. sw. R. H. Pomeroy, 700 7th st. sw. C. A. Emme, 622 7th st. sw. George T. Adams, 608 7th st. sw.

A MOVE IN RIGHT DIRECTION



FIRST VESTIBULE ON FOURTEENTH STREET. Ordinary Car Equipped With a "Homemade" Wind Shield for Protection of Motorman.

- Mrs. S. C. Hunt, 473 G st. sw. Edmund Fitzgerald, 505 G st. sw. Mrs. John Adams, 473 G st. sw. Mrs. C. M. Tracey, 481 G st. sw. Mrs. J. M. Roux, 481 G st. sw. Mitchell Roux, 481 G st. sw. L. J. Cross, 489 G st. sw. Mrs. E. Lacy, 491 G st. sw. Mrs. N. Reagon, 514 G st. sw. Mrs. C. R. Forbert, 485 G st. sw. Miss Nona Groshon, 497 G st. sw. H. D. Neuman, 503 G st. sw. Edmund Fitzgerald, 505 G st. sw. Mrs. Parker, 610 G st. sw. Mrs. W. Richardson, 614 G st. sw. Mrs. H. H. Yorkes, 622 G st. sw. Edward J. Leahy, 630 G st. sw. Mrs. C. W. Bishop, 630 G st. sw. Thomas Lanigan, 636 G st. sw. Mrs. L. De Atley, 637 G st. sw. J. Cantwell, 637 G st. sw. J. J. Potts, 637 G st. sw. H. T. A. Lemon, 629 G st. sw. Louis A. Spies, 627 G st. sw. J. T. Heare, 625 G st. sw. Mrs. M. G. Von Derlehr, 621 G st. sw. Mrs. G. Von Derlehr, 621 G st. sw. J. J. Potts, 615 G st. sw. M. B. F. Anderson, 613 G st. sw. M. O. Spicer, 613 G st. sw. Mrs. E. F. Hawkes, 611 G st. sw.

Talbot O. Pulizzi Adds A Second Big Petition

Talbot O. Pulizzi, brother of the woman who died in getting together the petition published in The Times last Sunday, was not satisfied with that accomplishment, but was hard at work several days last week after office hours getting names to another one.

Here is the petition which Mr. Pulizzi closed yesterday afternoon: To the Editor of The Times:

- Dear Sir: We, the undersigned, cheerfully endorse the petition published in your issue of the 11th inst., asking for the vestibuling of the motor cars on the electric railroads of the Capital City. Charles H. Lambert, Riggs House. M. E. Branson, Riggs House. William J. McClure, Riggs House. Frank Barry, Riggs House. A. H. Staples, M. D., Riggs House. G. J. Stapleton, Riggs House. R. A. Harrison, Jr., Riggs House. John Vessey, Riggs House. H. S. Hill, Rhineland Hotel. M. Tuttle Hitchcock, Park Hotel. J. H. Leavens, Riggs Hotel. H. E. Lord, Riggs Hotel. F. B. Lyon, the Logan. J. Josh Speight, Riggs House. S. Rodey, Riggs House. George A. White, 1429 Pa. ave. Warwick & Loeh, 15th and G sts. nw. M. J. Perkins, Riggs House. J. J. Smoot, 122 H st. nw. F. G. Addison, Riggs House. Charles Rath, Riggs House. M. Sondheimer, Riggs House. E. H. Fitch, Riggs House. J. L. Smithmeyer, city. E. W. Paxton Voorhees, Terre Haute, Ind. C. R. McBlair, city. Joe Johnston, New Orleans. E. E. Cockran, city. C. W. Westcott (also heat), city. George Uhler (also heat), city. Louis Garthe, city. B. W. Layton, city. H. Green, city. E. H. Ferguson, District of Columbia. Frank Mahoney, Riggs House. Edward St. John, Riggs House. Sanders Garth, Riggs House. J. G. Bickley, Riggs House. Cheston L. Calko, Riggs House. E. W. Creery, Riggs House (also gas stove). D. H. McClelland, 1716 Pa. ave. E. P. Hickey, Mr. Adams, 8th st. nw. Robert Gainer, 1323 F st. nw. M. F. Norris, 800 10th st. nw. George W. Lynch, 1124 8th st. nw. Sanders Garland, 1323 6th st. nw. James P. Flynn, 1110 18th st. nw. Knights of Pythias. Dr. D. E. Wilber, 1329 F st. nw. Wells C. Harrell, 1215 Concord st., Brookland, N. C. R. W. Smith, 1428 Howard ave. R. W. Carter, 150 D st. se. Albert Kahler, 352 Md. ave. sw. E. Lodge Hill, 802 F st. nw. Ed Dunn, city. William MacKenzie, 650 G st. ne. Charles A. Young, 1321 Lydecke ave. nw. H. B. Armstrong, 523 11th st. nw. J. B. Conner, 137 5th st. nw. C. H. Woodward, 2021 Cambridge pl. G. G. Wilson, 1232 4th st. nw. Henry J. Gasson, 1807 4th st. nw. William T. Richardson. E. W. Morcock, 310 New Jersey av. nw. Charles W. Handerson, 1096 F st. nw. Charles S. M. Reynolds, Marine Corps. George W. Baumann, 518 11th st. se. Rathbone Sisters, K. of P. Mrs. Mangum, 625 C st. se. Mrs. C. A. Byrum, 106 I st. nw. Mrs. C. H. Woodward, 321 Cambridge pl. Mrs. T. Crown, 1238 Emerson st. ne. Mrs. G. W. Hoyton, 918 1st st. nw. Mrs. E. G. Kahler, 352 B st. sw. Mrs. Leo Rullman, 74 Eye st. nw. Mrs. A. J. David, 1814 North Capitol st. E. W. Pracey, 49 G st. sw. Miss Mary R. Skinner, 710 7th st. ne. Mrs. G. O. Shaffer, 1306 Eye st. nw. Mrs. P. P. Carter, 9th st. and Florida av. nw. Mrs. M. Maddox, 641 O st. nw. Mrs. Annie L. Sullivan, 199 L st. nw. Mrs. Emma Fugel, 3203 O st. Mrs. Clara Quackenbush, Brookland. Mrs. J. E. Kleindienst, 123 9th st. nw. Mrs. Hugh Armstrong, 1911 7th st. nw. Mrs. William M. Hodges, 528 7th st. sw.

ROOSEVELT CHILDREN ENJOY THE MAGICIAN

With President They Visit Kellar at the Lafayette Theater. Miss Ethel's Ring and the Queer Pig.

The President, accompanied by the younger Roosevelt children, attended the matinee performance of Kellar, the magician, at the Lafayette Square Opera House, yesterday afternoon. It is the regular custom of the President to take the children to see Kellar every time he comes to Washington.

Kellar favored the Presidential box with a number of his best tricks, snatching rabbits and guinea pigs from the pockets of the children, and making flowers grow from the box railings and curtains.

Ring Disappears. When the famous magician came to the ring trick he amused the party in the box by playing a special prank on Miss Ethel Roosevelt. He took rings from persons all over the theater and among them one from the President's little daughter. He hammered them to pieces, put the fragments into a pistol and shot them into bouquets and back into their original shape—all but the ring he had taken from the young Ethel Roosevelt. He returned rings to everyone else, but did not come near the President's box.

The little girl looked anxious. Apparently forgetting her, Kellar went on with his next trick, the wine and water trick. From his magic bot-

tle he poured all manner of drinks, from milk punches to Manhattan cocktails. When he had satisfied the spectators that the bottle really contained every beverage known to man, he took a hammer, and, as usual, broke the bottle. There, nestling in the bottom of it was a pretty little guinea pig.

Turns to Rose. Examining the fluffy ball of the animal carefully, Kellar discovered hanging to the narrow ribbon about its neck, little Miss Roosevelt's lost ring. With many apologies for his forgetfulness Kellar returned the ring. Notting the eyes of the little woman fastened on the downy guinea pig, Kellar politely asked her if she would not like to have it for her own. She said she would, and Kellar told her it should be so.

Taking a piece of paper, he wrapped the guinea pig up carefully before her very eyes. Then he handed her the parcel. When she opened it there was no guinea pig within. A large American Beauty rose had taken the place of the little animal.

In honor of his visit to the performance, Kellar presented President Roosevelt with a handsome floral design.

BALLOONISTS LEAVE LONDON IN AIR FOR FRANCE

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The French balloonists Faure and Latham started from the Crystal Palace Saturday evening under the most favorable weather conditions in their balloon. They intend to sail to France.

A large crowd of spectators watched the ascent.

WIFE OF SENATOR BIVINS KILLS INSULTING PEDDLER

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 11.—A dispatch from Charlestown, S. C., says that Mrs. J. D. Bivins, wife of Senator Bivins, killed with a shotgun a peddler named Green who made improper advances at her home today.

HEART DISEASE CLAIMS WRITER

Addison Butler Atkins, Correspondent, Succumbs.

Addison Butler Atkins, lawyer and newspaper correspondent, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at his residence, 1318 Fifteenth street northwest.

The cause of his death was heart trouble, with which Mr. Atkins had been suffering for the past twelve months. For the last two months he had been confined to his house, but his death was not expected by his many friends, none having realized how ill he really was. His ill health began last January, a year ago, with an attack of the grip, which affected his heart.

In order to build up his strength he went to Cuba last spring and made an extended trip to the seashore during the summer. He returned to Washington in the fall, apparently cured, but his old trouble soon reappeared. During the past two months the disease made rapid and fatal progress.

His Work Here. Mr. Atkins was the Washington correspondent for the Brooklyn Eagle for the past fifteen years, and during that time he formed a wide circle of friends who esteemed him for his gentility, integrity, and sterling ability as a newspaper man. Few men had more friends than he at the Capitol and in the Government departments. He was also unusually popular with the members of his profession.

Mr. Atkins was born in Germantown, Pa., September 7, 1856. His father was an Episcopal clergyman, and at one time served as rector of Christ Church, Georgetown. His mother was a member of the famous Lee family of Virginia, and Mr. Atkins was educated at the Episcopal High School, in Fairfax county, Va., and at the Ecole Girard, Paris, in France.

He also was a student at the Columbian University, now the George Washington University, and later graduated from the Columbia College Law School in New York.

After spending a few years in the practice of law, Mr. Atkins' talents led him to enter the field of journalism. He served as a Brooklyn newspaper editor, and followed by his coming to Washington as the representative of the Brooklyn Eagle.

Mr. Atkins is survived by his wife and two sisters.

Advertisement for '77' Cures Colds and Grip. The ad features the number '77' in a large font and describes the product as a cure for colds and grip. It includes a testimonial from a woman named Mrs. W. M. Adams, who states that the product cured her cold and grip. The ad also mentions that the product is available in various sizes and prices.

Advertisement for 'DELICIOUS ICE CREAM, All Flavors, \$1 per Gallon, 25c Quart.' The ad is for 'THE GREATER NEW YORK CONFECTIONERY' located at 712 7th St. & 1022 7th St. N. W. It lists various flavors and prices for different quantities.