



CITY IS PROMISED MORE THAN HALF OF UNACQUIRED PARKS

Commissioner Taylor Points That 894 of 1,544 Feet of Frontage Is Assured

QUESTIONS BOWMAN FIGURES

Says Land of F. J. Hand Has Been Turned Over—Letter to Property Owners

Of the 1,544 feet of park frontage yet to be acquired by the city, 894 feet has been promised us. We have not yet heard from the owners of the remainder.

Some of the owners who have announced their intention of turning their park fronts over to the city will do so unconditionally—just as soon, in fact, as they have definite assurance that proposed improvement behind the wall is to be made.

Others have agreed to do so upon condition that the same arrangement as to costs of paving liens be followed there as will apply above Maclay street when the pending actions are decided. In other words, if the city wins, then the owners will turn over their frontage without further action; if the city loses they will expect to be reimbursed for their share of the cost of the paving.

In brief this is the status of the River Front and park frontage situation, according to Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, Superintendent of Parks and Public Property, to-day.

Commissioner Taylor mentioned these facts in discussing the announced intention of Commissioner Harry F. Bowman, Superintendent of Public Safety, to hold up Tuesday's session of Council Taylor's plan for providing 20,000 cubic yards of earth for the second-street subway for purposes north of the city.

Mr. Bowman is wrong. Commissioner Bowman is mistaken in some of the figures he gave out to the newspapers relative to the unacquired property. In his statement, Taylor said his fellow-commissioner mentioned the name of Francis Jordan Hall as having failed to date to give up his park frontage to the city.

Mr. Taylor said that Mr. and Mrs. Hall turned over their park land to the city way back in 1908 and that the park board records show this. Mr. Hall, who is a member of the City Planning Commission, was one of Mr. Taylor's early callers on the phone relative to this matter.

City Engineer M. B. Cowden, when asked as to whether he did not know definitely but believed that the planning commissioner had evidently believed he was dealing to the city his frontage whereas he really was giving over the property opposite the street intersection.

In talking of Mr. Bowman's declaration that he meant to have the city purchase the unacquired land, Mr. Taylor hinted that the whole move was a "come-back" by Mr. Bowman because of his (the Park Superintendent's) opposition to laying the water mains in the park instead of the street.

Mr. Bowman, I see by the papers, said the Park Superintendent, "has collected data on the subject."

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PROGRESSIVES LEAVE PARTY TO VOTE FOR REPUBLICAN TICKET

More Than 100 Prominent Men in Indiana Decide Against Bull Moosers

SESSION IS BIG SURPRISE

Statement May Be Issued in Which All Progressives Will Be Asked to Join G. O. P.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 30.—More than 100 men who voted the Progressive ticket in 1912 held an important political conference here to-day, which was attended by Chairman Will H. Hays and Secretary L. W. Henry, of the Republican State committee.

Every congressional district in the State was represented in the conference and many who attended were members of the party. It was said that those present would vote the Republican ticket this year and that probably an appeal would be made to all Progressives in the State to return to the Republican party.

Among those at the conference were J. F. Wilde, of Indianapolis, treasurer of Indiana Progressive committee in 1912; Mayor Thomas Bauer, of Lafayette; Mayor J. O. Batchelor, of Marion; Mayor J. Leeb Walkins, of New Castle, and L. H. Wright, of Columbus, president of the Indiana State Grange.

The announcement that the conference was being held here to-day came as a great surprise and it was said a statement would be issued when the conference adjourned late to-day.

MECOMBS IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Ill., July 30.—William F. McCombs, of New York, chairman of the Democratic national committee, spent the day here in conference with State political leaders. Mr. McCombs is making a tour of the middle-West to study conditions.

WOOL PRICES DROP

Sydney, Australia, July 30.—Competition was greatly restricted at the wool sales here to-day as a consequence of the European crisis. The better descriptions were quoted ten per cent lower while the inferior qualities showed an even greater decline. The bulk of the wool offered was withdrawn.

BATTLESHIPS TRANSFERRED

Newport News, Va., July 30.—Minister Schlemann and attaches of the Greek legation at Washington were here to-day for final ceremonies marking the transfer of the former American battleship Mississippi to the Hellenic government. The feature of the program of dedication was the raising of the Greek flag.

BEGIN WORK ON BIG HARVESTER CO. HOME AT 10TH AND MARKET

Big Building Will Be Completed by Next Spring; Bring Employees Here

Work has begun to-day on the construction of a \$96,000 office and warehouse for the Emerson Frantingham Company, dealers in harvesting and farm machinery by English Brothers, a contracting firm of Champaign, Ill. A representative of the contracting firm arrived here yesterday and took out a permit to build.

The building will occupy the corner of Market and Tenth streets, with easy access of all the railroad lines entering the city. Its construction will be of brick and it will be three stories in height. Modern appliances.

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Late News Bulletins

London, July 30.—Several sections of the British special defense force were called to duty to-day on the east and south coasts to relieve the regulars in guarding bridges and railroad sidings and manning the coast defenses.

Hankow, China, July 30.—It is understood that the British admiralty is dismantling all the small British gunboats in Chinese waters, sending their crews to Hong Kong and Wei-Hai-Wei in order to defend these important possessions.

London, July 30.—The special army reservists called to the colors to-day comprise electricians, and mine layers. The British admiralty also requested the big Welsh coal owners to retain their stocks of fuel.

The Hague, Holland, July 30.—Holland to-day called all the army reserves, frontier guards and coast guards to their colors.

Paris, July 30.—The Bank of France to-day raised its discount rate from 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 per cent, and its rate for loans from 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 per cent.

Tschi, Austria July 30.—Emperor Francis Joseph left here to-day amid scenes of the wildest enthusiasm for Vienna. A great crowd gathered at the station and cheered the aged monarch again and again.

Philadelphia, July 30.—A. J. Freitz of Ferndale, Pa., who was injured last night in an automobile accident at a grade crossing near Southampton, Bucks county, died in a hospital here to-day. Samuel Barlow, who was also injured in the accident is in a critical condition.

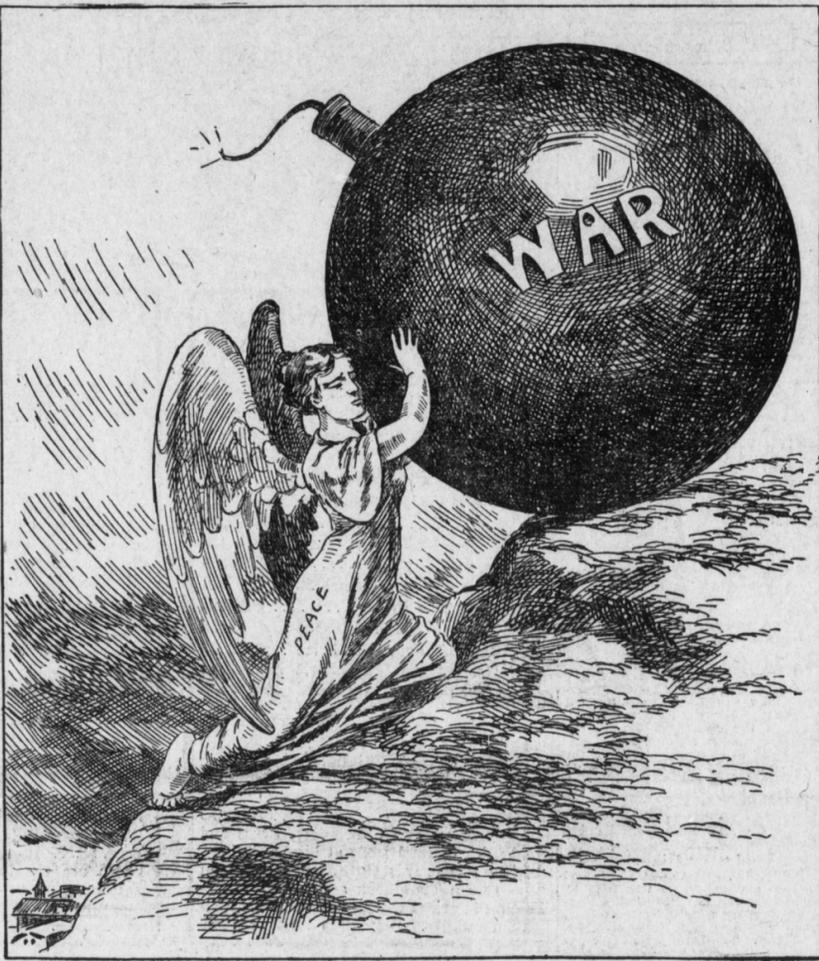
Wernersville, Pa., July 30.—Judge Henry K. Weand, for 27 years a judge of the Montgomery county court, died in a sanatorium here to-day after a long illness. During the administration of Governor Hartranft he was judge advocate of the National Guard with the rank of brigadier general. He was appointed to the Montgomery county bench in 1887 by Governor Beaver, and was elected to a full term in 1888 and re-elected in 1895.

New York, July 30.—A fresh wave of liquidation swept over the market around noon, stocks literally falling out from all quarters. Reading lost 8 points, Canadian Pacific, Lehigh Valley and Amalgamated Copper several points and numerous other declines ranged from 3 to 5 points.

Wall Street Closing.—Chesapeake & Ohio, 41 1/4; Lehigh Valley, 121; Northern Pacific, 98; Southern Pacific, 85 1/2; Union Pacific, 112 3/4; U. S. Steel, 21 3/4; C. & M. & St. P., 86 1/4; P. R. R., 103; Reading, 139 1/2; New York Central, 77; Canadian Pacific, 157.

ARMIES OF EUROPE MOBILIZE, ANTICIPATING GENERAL CLASH

A HARD JOB



Germany Gives Russia 24 Hours to Explain Her Position on Mobilization

Belief Now Expressed That There Is Little Hope of Averting General War in Which All Europe Will Participate; Sir Edward Grey Unable to Give Any Cheering News in House of Commons Today; Servians Are Offering Stubborn Resistance to Austrians

BERLIN, JULY 30.—A NOTE DISPATCHED BY THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT TO ST. PETERSBURG THIS MORNING GIVES RUSSIA 24 HOURS TO EXPLAIN HER INTENTION WITH REGARD TO MOBILIZATION. IN DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS HERE IT WAS STATED THAT THE NOTE TO RUSSIA ASKED THREE QUESTIONS—THE OBJECT OF THE MOBILIZATION WHETHER IT WAS DIRECTED AGAINST AUSTRIA-HUNGARY, AND WHETHER RUSSIA WAS WILLING TO ORDER A STOPPAGE OF THE MOBILIZATION. IN THE MEANTIME ALL PREPARATORY ORDERS FOR A MOBILIZATION OF THE GERMAN ARMY WERE ISSUED. ALL THE OFFICERS WERE RECALLED AND NO LEAVE IS TO BE GRANTED. THE RAILROAD BATTALIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN SPECIAL ORDERS.

London, July 30.—The Austro-Hungarian force invading Servia totals 500,000 men, according to a newspaper dispatch from Rome. Of these 150,000 are operating from Semlin, opposite Belgrade, the Servian capital; 100,000 from Svornik, on the River Drina in Bosnia; 150,000 from Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia, and 100,000 from Milanovatz on the Danube in the eastern part of Servia.

Berlin, July 30.—Grand Duke Ernest of Hesse, brother of Empress Feodorovna, of Russia, was sent by Emperor William to St. Petersburg to-day in a last endeavor to arrange peace.

Berlin, July 30.—The reserve officers of the Guards army corps, whose headquarters are in Berlin, to-day received orders to mobilize.

London, July 30.—A telegram received by the Servian legation says the Austrians attempting to cross the Danube 20 miles east of Belgrade, were repulsed by the Servians and that a big artillery engagement is in progress. Another message received by the Servian legation says the Servian troops successfully resisted the Austrian advance at Loanitz, to the west of Belgrade.

The gravity of the international situation was recognized in all European capitals to-day.

British Isles to join in efforts to avert the immeasurable calamity of an extension of hostilities with other countries.

The German Emperor conferred at length with the Imperial Chancellor and the Ministers of War and Marine, and later reserve officers received orders to mobilize.

Russia has thrown down the gauntlet. It was announced from St. Petersburg last night that Russia would support Servia and to that end an order to mobilize had been issued.

The Kaiser's War Ministry is massing 1,280,000 men on the Austrian frontier. Sentiment in Russia is all for war.

Russia proceeded with her mobilization of a large number of troops. President Poincare and the French Cabinet decided to meet daily. The French defensive force took extensive precautionary measures.

Austrian invaders and Servian troops came into contact on Servian territory and hundreds of casualties were said to have resulted.

The whereabouts of the main British fleet is unknown since its departure yesterday from Portland under sealed orders. The German battle squadrons are concentrated at Kiel and Wilhelmshagen.

The French fleet has taken steps to prepare for eventualities. Japan is said to have declared its readiness to join its ally, Great Britain.

In outlying British colonies the troops have been prepared for instant service.

A German gunboat hurriedly quit Cape Town to-day and went to sea. The German and British fleets in the Far East have been concentrated at their chief stations.

All the foreign legations were ordered to leave German schools. Stock markets everywhere in Europe have taken measures to preserve their stocks of gold.

London, July 30.—While Austrian invaders and Servian troops were fighting the opening stages of their war on Servian territory to-day, European statesmen and rulers were engaged in what they regarded as the almost hopeless task of trying to avert a general clash of the millions composing the armies of the great European powers.

Sir Edward Grey, a central figure in the controversy owing to his strong efforts to keep the powers of the triple alliance and triple treaty from flying at each other's throats, was not able to give any cheering news when he spoke about the crisis to the members of the House of Commons.

The British foreign secretary said: "I regret that I cannot say the situation is less grave than it was yesterday. The outstanding facts are much the same. Austria-Hungary has begun her war against Servia and Russia has ordered a partial mobilization by the other powers so far as our information goes."

"We continue to pursue our own great object of preserving the European peace and for this purpose we are keeping in close touch with the other powers. In thus keeping in touch we have, I am glad to say had no difficulties so far with the other powers, although it has not been possible for those powers to join in diplomatic action as was proposed on Monday last."

Premier Asquith also spoke for the extreme gravity of the situation. When announcing to the House of Commons, the postponement of the second reading of the bill to amend the Irish Home Rule bill, he said: "Hanging in Balance."

"We meet to-day under conditions of gravity which are almost unparalleled in the experience of any one of us."

"The issues of peace and war are hanging in the balance and with it the risk of a catastrophe of which it is impossible to measure either the dimensions or the effects."

"In these circumstances it is of vital importance in the interests of the whole world that this country which has no interests of its own directly at stake should present a united front and be able to speak and to act with authority as an undivided nation."

"If we were to proceed to-day with the amending bill we should inevitably—unless the debate were conducted in an artificial tone—be involved in acute controversies in regard to domestic finances whose importance to ourselves none is disposed to belittle."

"I need not say more than that such a use of our time at such a moment may have an injurious and lastingly injurious effect on the international situation."

"Mr. Bonar Law, the holder of the opposition, approves to the full the views I have expressed. We therefore propose to postpone for the present the second reading of the amending bill without prejudice to its future in the hope that by the postponement of this discussion the patriotism of all parties will contribute to what lies in our power if not to avert at least to circumscribe the calamity which threatens the whole world."

Mr. Asquith's reference to all parties rallying to the support of the government were heartily cheered by all the members.

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Railroad Men Build Fires to Take Chill Off Their Cabooses

Coolest July Weather in Year s Recorded by Local Bureau; Mercury Falls to 56

A further falling of the mercury marked weather conditions last evening and early this morning the coolest July weather in many years had been reached.

So cold was the weather last night that many railroad men in this region built fires in their cabooses and a number of signal towers also a little fire was found comfortable.

The thermometer this morning reached 56 degrees at 5 o'clock, but as soon as the sun rose it warmed up to 60. It is to be expected that there will be a quantity of hot weather during the next two months, but some indication of the waning summer is found in the fact that eight plumbers' licenses were issued by the Board of Health and Sanitation to-day.

ICE PLANT TO BE BUILT HERE SOON BY STOCK CONCERN

To Make Product For Restaurants, Ice Cream Dealers and Other Large Users, Report Has It

At a meeting to be held within the next ten days, plans will be completed for the organization of the Merchants' Ice Company, of Harrisburg. The new firm proposes to manufacture ice for restaurants, ice cream dealers and manufacturers and for dealers using large refrigerators.

It has not been definitely decided as to the amount of capital stock, but it is understood it will be between \$300,000 and \$500,000. Other plans will not be announced until after the meeting. Those interested in the new corporation say they do not care to tell their plans for the present. It was admitted to-day that every confectioner in Market street, ten proprietors of restaurants and quick lunch places and a number of merchants throughout the city had signed up for stock.

The plant would be erected by the York Ice Machine Company, of York, it is understood.

TRANSPORT HANCOCK SAILS Norfolk, Va., July 30.—The transport Hancock sailed early to-day for Guantanamo, Cuba, with 400 marines to add to the force mobilized there for possible developments in Haiti.

PRICES BREAK SHARPLY New York, July 30.—At the opening of the stock market here to-day prices again broke sharply on the latest turn in the foreign situation. Losses ranged from 2 to 6 points, the latter in Canadian Pacific, the weakest feature.

WHEAT JUMPS SEVEN CENTS DURING FIRST MINUTE OF TRADING

May Crops Sold at \$1.03 as Against 95 3-8 Cents at Close Yesterday

Chicago, Ill., July 30.—Wheat to-day jumped up 7 cents a bushel in the first minute of trading.

The December option, which closed at 81 cents last night, sold immediately to-day at 88 cents. Prices were 2 cents apart in different sections of the pit at the same moment.

Notwithstanding the tremendous upturn, the volume of business did not correspondingly increase. In fact, transactions suddenly became scanty to an extraordinary degree and in a few minutes business had almost come to a standstill. Only speculators who were prepared to put instantly almost unheard of margins were in a position to trade.

Later prices began a fresh advance and soon touched an extreme of almost 8 cents in the May option. May wheat

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CHAMBERSBURG FULL OF FIREFIGHTERS ON BURNING ANNIVERSARY

Valley Town Was Invaded by Rebel Cavalry Just Fifty Years Ago Today

(By a Staff Correspondent) Chambersburg, Pa., July 30.—Fifty years ago to-day rebel cavalry under General McCausland visited Chambersburg and after being refused their demands for \$100,000 in gold, fired the town and then departed, leaving it in ruins.

Bucket brigades, which formed the first fire company, were ineffective for any attempt to extinguish the great blaze which meant death for the firefighters. To-day, however, Chambersburg has risen from the ruins and is entertaining enough firemen to put a detachment of cavalry, similar to that of fifty years ago, to rout.

To-day is Firemen's Day, the biggest feature of the Old Home Week Celebration and it is safe to prophesy that it is understood.

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Troops in South Africa Are Ordered to Return Cape Town, South Africa, July 30.—The maneuvers of the British Imperial troops in South Africa were cancelled to-day and the soldiers ordered to return to their posts in consequence of the critical situation in Europe. Special precautions have been taken for the protection of the ports and the naval station at Simon's town.

MARRIAGE LICENSES Wild Butler and Yaga Siminavic, Steelton.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cool weather to-night and Friday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Friday; fresh northeast winds. River The main river will remain nearly stationary to-night and Friday. A stage of about 1.6 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning. General Conditions Fair weather has prevailed over the eastern half of the country during the last twenty-four hours except in Northern New England, New York, New Jersey, a few localities in Eastern Pennsylvania and in Florida and the East Gulf region, where showers have fallen. Temperature: 8 a. m., 60. Sun: Rise, 5:01 a. m.; set, 7:22 p. m. Moon: Full moon, August 5, 7:41 p. m. River Stage: 1.6 feet above low water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 74. Lowest temperature, 59. Mean temperature, 66. Normal temperature, 75.