



COMMITTEE TO AID LOCAL OPTION MEET

Churchmen of Every Denomination Supporting Big Campaign For Bill's Passage

GOVERNOR IS CONFIDENT

Great Rally May Have to Be Held on the Island; Halls Too Small

A committee of fifteen prominent residents of Harrisburg, men who have been identified with various movements, has been named to have charge of the local arrangements for the big local option demonstration in support of Governor Brumbaugh and the local option bill next Tuesday.

The support of churchmen of every denomination in Harrisburg has been enlisted in the big campaign and at the midweek prayer services the attention of everyone will be called to next Tuesday's demonstration.

Governor Brumbaugh has been given the support of committees in every county in the state and his mail is laden with responses to his invitations to men to come here on Tuesday. The Governor expressed himself as confident of local option this morning.

"I am getting promises of support from manufacturers, business men, professional men, men in every walk of life, and I expect that the gathering here next Tuesday will be one to show how strongly the people of our state feel on local option," he said today.

The plan is to have the first mass meeting at 10 o'clock in the morning. Thousands of Philadelphians are coming by special train and will arrive between 11 and 12. If Chestnut Street Auditorium is not big enough, the people may go over on the island, according to one suggestion made today. In the afternoon the public hearing will be held in the hall of the House. At night the Governor will speak at a great rally.

It will be one of the greatest days known in legislative history in many years.

Odenwald's Scheme to Leave Harbor Detected

New York, March 29.—How the German steamer Odenwald tried to slip out of San Juan harbor March 21 without clearance papers and how she was stopped by American guns at a harbor fort, were told in detail today by officers of the steamer Brazos, which reached here today from San Juan.

The Odenwald, they said, had been taking on coal and provisions for several days. As she sank deeper in the water, men in boats alongside painted the water line higher on her hull. When she tried to get out the fort fired two shots from a rapid firing gun. These were disregarded.

A seven-inch gun threw a projectile so close to the Odenwald's bow that the spray it kicked up splashed on the steamer's deck. The attempt and the Odenwald returned to her anchorage.

German agents of the Odenwald, the Brazos officers were informed, had asked the customs house for clearance papers but they had been refused.

General Von Kluck Hurt by Shrapnel Explosion

By Associated Press. Berlin, March 29, by wireless to Sayville.—The report of the progress of the fighting issued from headquarters today relates among other things that General Von Kluck, the German commander who led the famous German rush into France in the early days of the war, has been slightly wounded by shrapnel fire while inspecting advance positions of his army. The condition of the general is described as satisfactory.

DUKE NOT ALLOWED TO FIGHT

By Associated Press. Paris, March 29, 5:15 A. M.—The French government has refused the request of the Duke of Orleans that he be granted permission to enlist in the foreign legion under an assumed name, says the Francaise in an article which deals at length with his efforts to obtain service in the flag of his country. Early in the war he sought to have amended the law passed in 1886 forbidding him to enter France or serve in the army. He agreed to resume his exile, but his efforts were fruitless.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and colder to-night, with lowest temperature about 18 degrees; Tuesday fair, continued cold. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night, colder in south portion; Tuesday fair; moderate northwest winds.

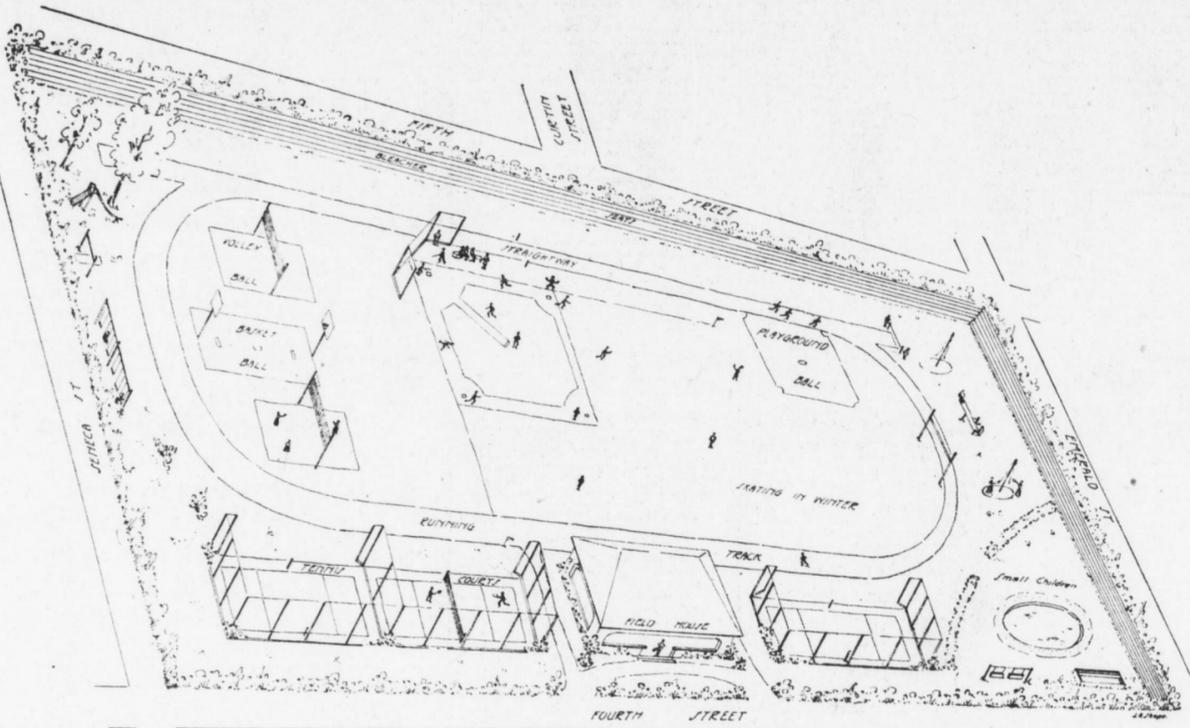
River. No material changes will occur in river conditions for several days. A stage of about 10 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Tuesday morning.

General Conditions. A disturbance of moderate energy, now central over the Upper St. Lawrence Valley moving northward, has caused light snow over the greater part of the northern half of the country east of the Mississippi river in the last twenty-four hours. It is 10 to 25 degrees warmer than on Saturday morning along the Atlantic coast, from North Carolina to Maine.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 32. Sun: Full, 5:55 a. m.; sets, 6:25 a. m. Moon: Rises, March 31, 12:35 a. m. River Stage: 4.5 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather. Highest temperature, 49. Lowest temperature, 26. Mean temperature, 39. Normal temperature, 43.

New West End Playground Which Commissioner Taylor Proposes to Buy For City, and How Plot Will Be Arranged For Children



If City Council approves Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor's plan to purchase the Fifth and Emerald street plot for a West End playground, the park superintendent expects to lay out the tract and install such equipment as will provide one of the most modern recreation places for children in this section of the State. The accompanying sketch prepared by J. A. Shope of the park department shows just what the commissioner has planned for the grounds. It is 405 feet long, covering the stretch from Emerald street beyond Curtin street and almost to Seneca. There will be ample room for running track, field house, tennis courts, etc., baseball diamond, etc. The field house will hardly be built this year, but it is intended to place a 6-lap running track, with 120-yard straight-away, at least three tennis courts, a baseball diamond, volleyball playground and basketball courts, and all the other equipment that go to make up a modern playground. Around the sides bleachers will be erected. In the winter time the low ground will be flooded to provide for skating.

J.M. LAMBERTON DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Was One of City's Foremost Citizens; Active in All Civic Matters

James M. Lambertson, one of the best known of Harrisburg's native citizens, who had been in failing health for some time, died last night at 8:30 o'clock at his home, 111 North Front street, in his fifty-ninth year. Mr. Lambertson was active in many phases of Harrisburg's life, a prominent member of the Dauphin county "recessitory," strongly interested in civic matters and municipal improvements, and well-known throughout the country, especially among Yale men. He was a fellow classmate of William H. Taft, former president, in the law school at Yale.

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WILDWOOD PARK THIS SUMMER TO HAVE "MAN ON HORSEBACK"

Commissioner Taylor Will Provide Mounted Cop With State Constabulary Sized "Billy" For Duty in Big Recreation Stretch

Wildwood Park is to be provided this summer with a mounted policeman, who will carry a long-handled regulation size State constabulary "billy."

Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, superintendent of parks and public property, made that announcement yesterday and added that the horse and equipment will be obtained in time to have the new "long horseman" of Wildwood ready to do business uniform and all by the time the park season opens.

The mounted cop is considered advisable not only from a point of economy but because it will provide better protection. During the past season three officers patrolled the park, by the new arrangement only two will be necessary, one mounted and the other a-foot. The officer who will do duty by horseback can cover the entire length of Wildwood much more rapidly and more frequently than his less fortunate brother a-foot.

In addition to providing better police protection in Wildwood Commissioner Taylor thinks that the mounted policeman can act as a sort of a fire warden in that he can keep a more watchful eye on fires in the underbrush and trees. The held a dozen or more fires in the woods yesterday suggested the plan. The commissioner put a goodly portion of Palm Sunday fighting some blazes with Fire Chief Kinder. While these did little damage it was only because they were discovered in time. Commissioner Taylor declared today that he believed the fires were due to carelessness of tramp or others, who threw matches in the underbrush or who started bonfires in violation of park regulations.

CITY PLANNERS WILL INSPECT PLAYGROUND

Taylor Will Not Urge Passage of West End Site Measure Until Commission Investigates

Until the City Planning Commission has had a chance to look over the proposed new West End playground site at Fifth and Emerald streets, City Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, superintendent of parks, will not call up the ordinance authorizing the purchase on second reading. The commissioner made this statement, this afternoon following a meeting of the Planning Commission when the drawings were shown the members and the purposes of the park superintendent were explained. Commissioner Taylor had arranged to take his fellow members of council

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120 PERSONS DEAD ON STEAMER FALABA

140 Passengers and Crew of 120 on Board When She Was Torpedoed

London, March 29, 3:46 P. M.—The report of yesterday that the British steamer Falaba had been sunk by a German submarine was confirmed today. The Falaba was sent to the bottom yesterday afternoon off Milford Haven, an inlet on the coast of South Wales. The loss of life probably was heavy.

The Falaba left Liverpool on Saturday for the west coast of Africa with 140 passengers and a crew of 120 men. Her officers stated that when the German submarine appeared it whistled thrice as a signal for the steamer to prepare her lifeboats but that before this could be done a torpedo struck the ship near the engine room. Three of the Falaba's lifeboats were swamped. A fishing boat appeared on the scene and saved 140 of the passengers and crew. Captain Davis, of the liner, was picked up dead.

RAILROADERS WILL PARADE TO FULL CREW HEARING

Arrangements were made late this afternoon by the local committee of conductors and trainmen to have full crew advocates parade to the Capitol tomorrow afternoon. It is the purpose to have the Trainmen's band head the procession. All visiting delegates, trainmen and others interested in the full crew law, will meet on Market Square next later than 2 o'clock.

REMOVING BUILDINGS IN PREPARATION FOR BAKERY

Removal of the old frame buildings in Market street, near Tenth, to make room for the new bakery building, is under way. Two structures will be removed this week. The tenants in other buildings have been ordered to move, and will vacate soon. Plans for the new building are not complete, but are expected in Harrisburg some time this week, at which time a meeting will be held for the organization of the new company.

CONTINUE EFFORTS TO RAISE SUBMARINE F-4

Submerged Vessel Finally Located Outside Harbor Entrance at Honolulu

Honolulu, March 29.—Hope of raising the United States submarine F-4 submerged outside the harbor since Thursday morning was again revived last night when vessels engaged in the rescue work reported they had finally located the missing craft in which 27 persons are believed to have perished.

Heroic attempts of the last 48 hours to bring to the surface from a great depth an object that appeared to be the submarine, resulted in the discovery by two divers Sunday that it was only an old anchor, probably lost by the battleship Oregon. The divers went to a depth of 215 feet, but failed to find any trace of the F-4. Refusing to be disheartened by this discovery, hundreds of rescue workers, although tired by their long work and without sleep for many hours, redoubled their efforts when another boat believed to be the F-4 was located. Portions of a vessel's upper structure have been brought to the surface by the grappling apparatus of the various boats and it is this which makes the rescuers confident they are from the F-4. The dredge California, whose chains are thought to have been securely fixed on the body, will be moored in a position directly above it and tugboats will crisscross it in all directions with their drag chains in an effort to wind them into a net around the hulk. A big naval crane having a lifting capacity of 150 tons dead weight will then attempt a direct lift on the submarine if the chains are made fast to the craft.

NOTE VIRTUALLY COMPLETED

Washington, March 29.—Transmittal of the American note to Great Britain in regard to the British order in council against commerce to and from Germany would, it was believed, today, be awaiting the return of President Wilson from Annapolis to-morrow. The note, however, virtually has been completed.

BATTLESHP READY TO ENFORCE NEUTRALITY

Alabama Sails From Philadelphia En Route to Hampton Roads

Philadelphia, March 29.—The battleship Alabama, which was given hurried orders Saturday night to sail to Hampton Roads to enforce American neutrality, left the Philadelphia navy yard at 9 a. m. today. The battleship is well stocked with provisions and has aboard a large supply of ammunition and coal.

The Alabama was in reserve when the order came and had on board only 100 men.

Says Christians Care More For Easter Clothes Than For Work of Church

In his Palm Sunday sermon, yesterday morning the Rev. Dr. J. A. Lyter, pastor of Derry Street United Brethren church, declared that most Christians are more interested in new Easter suits than in the work of the church. "If the Christian people of Harrisburg were one-half as enthusiastic about the Saviour's work as they are about their new Easter bonnet, that darling Easter frock or that Easter suit," he told the congregation, "this city would experience such a revival as would make the Stough campaign seem insignificant." Dr. Lyter declared it is conventional to be enthusiastic about sports, politics, business and so on, but quite unconventional to be enthusiastic about Jesus Christ.

Austria Makes Definite Offer to Cede Territory

Paris, March 29, 5:10 A. M.—Austria has made a definite offer to cede Trent as a part of the province of Trent at the close of the war, the Petit Parisien's Rome correspondent says he has been informed. He adds that the proposal was made on Thursday and that the Italian government deferred its reply.

PREMIER'S MOTHER DIES

Halifax, N. S., March 29.—Mrs. Andrew Borden, mother of Sir Robert Borden, premier of Canada, died early today at her home at Grand Pre.

FALLS FROM GIRDER

Harrisburg—Jacob Albert, of Highspire, fell from a steel girder this morning while working at the Pennsylvania Steel Company, sustaining a concussion of the brain. He was brought to the Harrisburg hospital in an unconscious condition. His condition is serious.

2 CHRISTIE; 3 AMERICAN LA FRANCE APPARATUS

Harrisburg—Two Christie and one American La France tractor and two American La France motor chemical combination apparatus will be recommended it is understood by an ordinance to be presented in City Council to-morrow. The entire outfit can be purchased for \$18,000. Other than to admit that he will put in an ordinance relative to purchasing fire apparatus Mr. Taylor this afternoon refused to discuss the subject.

Harrisburg—John L. Good, New Cumberland; Walter George Goodman, of Hummelstown; John O. Crist, Pine Summit, and Samuel W. English, of Landisburg, were chosen as new internes for the Harrisburg Hospital by the Board of Managers, which met this afternoon.

WILSON TO INSPECT MORENO

Annapolis, Md., March 29.—The naval yacht Mayflower with President Wilson and party on board arrived off Annapolis harbor this morning and anchored near the new Argentine battleship Moreno. President Wilson is to be the guest of honor at luncheon given by the Argentine ambassador on board the battleship this afternoon.

FILE BRIEFS IN RAILROAD CASE

Chicago, March 29.—Briefs in the Western Railroad wage case were filed with the Board of Arbitration to-day by James M. Sheehan, attorney for the railroads, and by William S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers. Oral argument was begun and was expected to last two, and possibly three days.

Hazleton, Pa., March 29.—Edwin S. Regan, a sixteen-year-old Freeland boy, student at the Mining and Mechanical Institute of that town, confessed to-day to County Detective McKelvey that he tried last week to burn down the building, and that he also attempted to fire the home of Professor Dennis, one of the instructors because of a grudge.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Earl Mackenson and Charlotte Adams, city.

GERMANS, IN NORTH OF POLAND, PUT TO FLIGHT BY RUSSIANS

Petrograd Dispatches Say Kaiser's Troops Abandoned First Line Trenches

TURKISH FORTS BOMBARDED

Strict Censorship on Military News After March 31 Ordered in Italy

German troops in the north of Poland have returned to the attack, centering their movement in the region of the Skwa river near the Prussian border. An official announcement from Petrograd says that the Germans failed in an assault made with a division of infantry and that the Russians, advancing in turn, compelled their opponents at one point to abandon their first line of trenches. The claim is made also that further to the south on the Pilica river, German forces were put to flight. The Petrograd version of the fighting in the Carpathians represents that victories have been won at several points, giving the Russians access to northern Hungary. So far as is known, however, no considerable movement in this direction has been inaugurated and Vienna insists that the Austrians have gained successes in the mountain fighting.

Some of the Turkish forts at the Dardanelles were bombarded yesterday by indirect fire from the gulf of Saros, but the warships of the allied fleet did not attempt to enter the straits. Two French battleships damaged in previous fighting proved to have suffered so severely that according to a Paris dispatch they are to return to France and be put in dry dock. Italy has decreed a strict censorship on military news, beginning March 31. A Paris newspaper publishes an unverified report that Austria has agreed to cede part of Trent to Italy at the close of the war, in return for Italy's neutrality.

TEDDY SLINGSBY ARRIVES

New York, March 29.—Four-year-old Teddy Slingsby, central figure in a British lawsuit involving property valued at \$500,000, reached here today, a passenger aboard the steamer New York, from Liverpool, with his mother, Mrs. Charles H. P. Slingsby.