

JOHNSON WANTS TO GET OUT OF PRISON

Negro Whom Captain Lumb Fired at Will Ask Court Tomorrow For Writ of Habeas Corpus

An effort to obtain his release from jail will be made tomorrow morning...

Other matters that will occupy Judge Henry's attention will be the continued hearing of the Kershner Israel mandamus proceeding...

City Pays More Than \$6,000.—City Treasurer O. M. Copelin to-day paid the city policemen and the city garbage collection bill...

Lebo in Altoona.—D. Frank Lebo, clerk in the county commissioners' office, is in Altoona attending the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Ira L. Walcott.

County Controller Gough Returns From Erie.—County Controller Henry W. Gough returned to his desk to-day after a week's absence at Erie where he attended the annual convention of the State Association of Elks...

Realty Transfers.—H. C. Claster to Catherine Shaner, Middletown, \$1; G. C. Fessler to James Kipp, Swatara township, \$1; J. K. Kipp to G. C. Fessler, 1540-42 North Sixth street, \$1; G. C. Fessler to William S. Harris, 1101-03 North Sixth street, \$1; James M. Reubick to John A. Coffman, 1921 Brookwood, \$1,700; A. Robert's executors to A. H. Roberts, 302 South Second street, \$91.15 East street, \$1; A. Roberts to Harrisburg Trust Company, 1522-24 Maple, 2245-47 Jefferson, \$1; A. Roberts to Geo. Roberts, 805-12 Roberts to George Roberts, 805-12 Emerald, \$1; M. M. and John S. McCartney to B. Shipp, 1393 Wallace street, \$1.

Pay Stucker Brothers \$5,000.—Stucker Brothers Construction Company, contractors on the River Wall, got a check for \$5,000 from the city Saturday on account of the construction work on the big job.

Want Charter For Robinson and Co.—Attorney Charles Stroh will ask the State September 17 for a charter for the I. E. Robinson and Company, a new clothing store.

Hear Grade-Crossing Application.—September 8 has been fixed by the Public Service Commission for hearing the application of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad for permission to build a crossing at Broad and Tenth street just south of Market in accordance with councilmanic provision.

Building Permits For Month Below Average

Building permits for the month of August issued by City Building Inspector James H. Grove, are far below those issued during August, 1914. Last year 41 permits were issued during the month for the erection of buildings with an estimated valuation of \$101,275. To date this month only 14 permits have been issued for buildings with a total valuation of \$35,575. None of the permits have been taken out for large structures, the highest value given on a permit being \$6,000.

MAJESTIC VAUDEVILLE

MEDICAL OFFICERS PASS EXAMINATIONS

Thirty-Nine Graduate in Special Military Course Prescribed For N. G. P.

Thirty-nine of the medical officers of the National Guard have been reported to Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart as passing the medical examination under the course prescribed by Major Louis T. Hess, United States Army, who was in charge of inspection and instruction of the medical officers of the Guard. Ten officers failed to complete the basic course by not taking the rating examination and seven did not take the basic course. One medical officer was excused, two were on leave and nine were commissioned too late to take the basic course.

This course was the first to be given and the second will be opened in November, when those who did not take it will have another opportunity.

The ratings above 90 given were: Majors—William E. Keller, Scranton; Benedict S. Balston, Pittsburgh; J. Markwood Peters, Harrisburg; Charles S. Turnbull, Henry H. Doan, Bristol; William C. Hogan, Bradford; Frederick O. Wages, Philadelphia, and Robert S. McKee, Connelville. Captains—Edward M. Iland, Coraopolis. First Lieutenants—E. D. S. Mullison, Phoenixville; Joseph A. Wagner, Scranton; Fred B. Shaffer, Somerset; Scott M. Huff, Bellefonte; Raymond A. Thompson, Butler; Laurence M. Thompson, Dorrance; John L. Miller, Alliquippa; Charles H. Furnce, Kittanning; William C. LeCompte, Bristol; Edward W. Bixby, Wilkes-Barre. Lieutenant Bixby led with 96.67, with Major Ralston leading the majors with 96.58.

Washington Reports Frost in Many Parts of U. S.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Abnormally low temperatures prevailed to-day over the upper Mississippi and lower Missouri river valleys and the upper Lake region. In some places, the Weather Bureau reported to-day, the thermometer showed temperatures which made records for the month of August, respectively. In some places, heavy and caused considerable damage to crops. Over almost all of the regions mentioned temperatures were from 10 to 25 degrees below the seasonal average. The cold came down from the Canadian Northwest and will spread to-night northward, reaching the Atlantic States to-morrow. Frost was predicted as probable to-night in Michigan and Northern and Central Indiana and Ohio.

P. R. R. Operators Win in Exposition Contest

R. C. Bartley and G. W. Smith, Jr., telegraph operators of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, are the winners, respectively, in the sending and receiving contest in the championship tournament at San Francisco, held under the auspices of the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

TEUTONS ENVELOPING RUSSIANS FROM SOUTH

Constantinople, heavy fighting is under way. Grundlo Now Objective Grodno, last of the great fortresses in Poland held by the Russians now seems to be the objective of a German drive. Berlin to-day reports the capture by storm of the town of Lipsk, about 20 miles to the west of the fortress, the Russians being compelled to surrender.

Record Increase Made in American Shipping

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—The American flag now floats over more ships in the foreign trade than at any other time since 1863 and the United States is leading the world in shipping and Norway as a maritime nation. Figures made public to-day by the Department of Commerce show a record increase in American shipping for the year ended June 30. On that date there were registered in the foreign trade 2,768 ships, totaling 1,813,775 gross tons, an increase of 363 ships and 137,925 tons for the year.

HAVEN'T CLAIMED BODY

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS

BIGRADES GIVES CREDIT TO VETERANS

Says Theirs Is the Glory For Penny's Success; Talks About War

Claiming that "we are looking too eagerly for the almighty dollar through business now derived from the war" and that "our duty is to be brave and peaceful until the murderous struggle abroad is ended, then to join in one big brotherhood in an effort to help those who have suffered from the war, administer to their wants, heal their wounds and prove that we are a Christian nation," A. E. Buchanan, president of the Philadelphia Division Veterans' Association, Saturday night.

"Knowing that it was because you were faithful in your duties as employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad that the great system has become a power, I desire to refer to other duties, and I am glad to see you seeking pardon for his digression from the line of thought followed by the other honor guests. "Some of you have won your reward. Others are still doing duty forward to the time when you will join the honor roll. It is but right that you give attention to duties as good citizens."

Speaking at the annual meeting which concluded the eleventh annual meeting were Superintendent William B. McCabe, president of the association, Mayor John K. Royal, Washington M. Hambricht of Lancaster; J. W. Duke, secretary of the Baltimore Division Veterans' Association and A. B. Baldwin.

The reunion of Philadelphia division veterans in Harrisburg, was a record success. The committee will meet in the near future to plan details and make a final report. It is understood that the committee to prepare for next year will be announced early, in order to give the workers plenty of time to plan a big program for the basket picnic at Mt. Gretna.

Officials Deny Reports That Men Are Needed

Middle division Pennsylvania officials, including Road Foreman of Engines L. C. Clemson and an official of the freight trainmaster's office who were in Harrisburg Saturday said reports of a shortage of men being re-employed on the division and in the yards, indicating a big increase in the freight business, were much exaggerated.

Orders have been issued for the employment of sixteen firemen in the Altoona yards, men previously furloughed being taken back. No engine men or firemen, however, are being taken back on the road crews, and the taking back of the sixteen in the yard is partly due to a slight increase in traffic and largely due to the fact that, with the hunting season coming on, many of the regular men want their vacations and men have to be provided to fill their places while they are off.

Among the trainmen on the Middle division, five men have been re-employed at Altoona and five at Harrisburg, the latter being the only increases. The sixteen firemen re-employed in the yards are out of a total of 135 laid off during the depression.

RAILROAD NOTES

All furloughed men are back at work at the P. R. R. shops at Altoona. The next big railroad reunion in Harrisburg will be June 1916. The Middle division veterans will hold their annual reunion here. The construction of a new railroad line in Switzerland, six and a half miles in length, cost \$2,000,000. The Pennsylvania Company is considering the issuance of six-year four and a half per cent. notes to provide funds to take up \$4,000,000 of bonds which were sold in France, and issued in francs to the amount of 250,000,000 or \$48,000,000.

Standing of the Crews

BIDS FOR PAVING

Recommendations Will Be Made by Commissioner Lynch at Next Council Session

Bids for paving and curbing half a dozen or more sections of city streets with sheet asphalt and for paving several streets in Bellevue Park with bituminous concrete were opened at noon to-day by City Commissioner W. H. Lynch, superintendent of streets and public improvements. Commissioner Lynch said he would be unable to make recommendations to Council for awarding the contract until next Tuesday's session.

Only three contractors bid, the Central Construction and Supply Company, the Pennsylvania Paving Company and the Union Paving Company of Schenectady, N. Y. On granite curbing the Central bid 90 cents per foot, Walter bid 80 cents and the Union company bid 95 cents. The Union company bid \$1.95 per yard for asphalt paving and \$1.65 for the bituminous concrete on the Bellevue streets. The Central bid \$1.87 for the Bellevue streets and Walter bid \$1.93. No curbing is required for these highways. These streets are Chestnut, Twenty-first to the city line, Twenty-first, Market to Hillside; Hillside road, Twenty-first to Holly; Holly, Hillside to park entrance.

Speakers at the meeting were the Central and Walter bid on both Atlantic Lake and Mexican material per yard, respectively, as follows: Cumberland, \$1.75; Brown, \$1.75; Eighteenth, \$1.95 and \$1.80 Atlas, Woodbine to Emerald, \$1.90 and \$1.75; Saul, Howard to Groninger, \$1.90 and \$1.83; Second, Seneca to Schuylkill, \$1.85 and \$1.70; Zarker, Eighteenth to Nineteenth, \$1.90 and \$1.75; Clover alley, \$1.90 to Groninger, \$1.98 and \$1.82.

Alderman Walter — Cumberland, \$1.80; Nineteenth, \$1.88 and \$1.75; Eighteenth, \$1.88 and \$1.75; Woodbine to Emerald, \$1.68 and \$1.50; Saul, Howard to Groninger, \$1.88 and \$1.50; Second Seneca to Schuylkill, \$1.85 and \$1.50; Eighteenth to Nineteenth, \$1.65 and \$1.50; Clover alley, Howard to Groninger, \$1.68 and \$1.50.

Railway Nonpartisan Political Association Planning Big Meeting

The United Railway Brotherhoods Nonpartisan Political Association has completed arrangements for a "Get-Together" meeting to be held at Board of Trade building, on Monday, September 13. All members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and Order of Railroad Conductors, Brother and Sisterhood of Railway Employees, are invited to attend. The plan of the co-operative movement will be discussed and the grand lodge officers of the several organizations will be present. The meeting is being held to present and efforts are being made to make the meeting as successful as those held in other cities throughout the State during the past month.

Big Gold Shipment Has No Effect on Markets

New York, Aug. 30.—Forty-two tons of gold, worth nearly \$20,000,000, and securities valued closed to \$25,000,000 were in the vaults of the United States sub-treasury to-day to help pay for Great Britain's huge purchases of war munitions. The gold and securities arrived yesterday from London via Halifax, consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co. F. E. Pratt, chief of the British government.

The gold was American gold which has been shipped to England in years of trade deficit, and is being sent to England and the securities to help pay for American issues. This shipment, it is estimated, brings the grand total of gold and collateral sent here up to \$12,000,000 since the beginning of the shipment of gold and securities produced virtually no effect whatever to-day on foreign exchange rates. Pounds sterling were quoted at 4.62, the lowest value ever recorded here.

Francs also were weaker, to-day's quotation of 36 being 1/2 cent lower than Saturday's close.

OPENS CABLE BIDS

Bids for about 16,000 feet of electrical wiring to be placed in conduits as part of the rotary air mail telephone service were opened by Commissioner Bowman this afternoon. The Hazard Manufacturing Company's bid of \$4,524.65 was low and it was awarded the contract. Other bidders were: Western Electric, \$5,009.75; Bishop Gutta Percha, \$5,732; National Indian Rubber Co., \$4,797.95; B. F. Goodrich, \$5,920.24; and Vulcanized Co., \$5,779.40 and \$5,504.44.

SUBMARINE F4 RAISED

BRITISH DECIDE TO GRANT CONCESSIONS

Ambassador Says When Order Causes Undue Hardship, Consideration Will Be Given

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Concessions in the enforcement against American commerce of the British Order in Council were announced to-day as a result of informal negotiations just completed by the Foreign Affairs Advisers of the State Department. The British Ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, assured the trade advisers that their informal representations in cases where the British orders have caused undue hardships to American commerce will receive special consideration.

Before June 15 the British authorities declined to enter into informal negotiations with the trade advisers in any cases. The British note dealing with the detention of the American steamer Neches, however, sent on July 21, stated that the British authorities would be inclined to consider the spirit of consideration for the interest of neutrals.

The Ambassador called at the State Department personally to explain the reasons for the concessions, which are especially intended to meet the growing complaint of American importers that the British orders are being enforced by failure to obtain goods made in Germany and Austria, for which they have contracted.

Generally speaking, it is the intention of the British Government to permit the passage through blockade lines of goods for which the American importers have entered into contract with the British Government. Therefore, it has been required that the goods shall have actually been paid for and that the American importer shall have received the title for them and title rests with him. Goods valued at many millions of dollars have accumulated at Rotterdam and await transportation to the United States.

Aviator Who Escaped From Switzerland Is Returned by France

Paris, Aug. 30, 2:35 p. m.—Eugene Gilbert, the French aviator, whose return to Switzerland after his escape from internment in that country, was ordered by the French government, returned to France yesterday, escorted by Captain Dufour of the Swiss army, according to a Paris news agency dispatch to-day from Bern. The aviator whose recent escape was said to have been effected after he had withdrawn his promise not to try to get away, was received by the Swiss staff and informed that he was considered as an officer interned without having given his word of honor. Gilbert arrived this morning at the village of Hospental, where he will be held in custody.

All the Swiss papers, the dispatch states, declare that the most excellent impression has been created in Switzerland by the return of Gilbert.

Boyd Memorial Building Nearing Completion

Work on the John Y. Boyd Memorial building for men and boys, is progressing rapidly and according to the contractors now pushing work on the structure, it will probably be completed by October 15 this year. Immediately after the finishing touches have been completed the equipment will be put in and the building opened for use with proper ceremonies. Further plans have not been made by the committee in charge and it is not known how soon the building will be ready for occupancy.

Shortage of Dyestuffs Will Be Investigated

New York, Aug. 30.—The shortage of dyestuffs in this country, resulting from the blockade on Germany, is being investigated here this week by Thomas H. Norton, the commercial agent appointed by Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. Mr. Norton was expected here to-day with a staff of assistants. Leading manufacturers in lines affected by the shortage of dyestuffs will testify. The results of the investigation will be embodied in a report made to Secretary Redfield, of the Department of Commerce.

Dead Man May Be Son of George W. Arnold

Fearing that the "Harry Arnold, of Harrisburg" who was found dead along the New York City tracks near Conneaut, Ohio, Friday night, was his son, George W. Arnold, 73 North Sixteenth street, to-day advised the coroner, Rutherford yards, where the boy was employed, the last he heard of him. No trace of the young man was found up to a late hour this afternoon by the father and he now believes that it was his body who was found dead.

THIEVES PASS UP PENNIES FOR SILVER

Take \$5 in Change From Home of County Controller, but Don't Disturb Coppers

Thieves who entered and ransacked the home of County Controller Henry W. Gough, 1401 South Cameron street, sometime between Friday morning and last evening, didn't care for mere pennies. Four or five dollars in silver were carefully purloined—and 134 pennies were just as carefully left behind. The controller reached home from his Erie trip, Friday and joined in his wife, daughter, Mary and sons, Bailey and Edwin, on a week-end trip to Atlantic City. They returned last night to find the front door locked as usual, the rear screen door of the kitchen open and the rear kitchen door closed but unlocked. Which led the controller to suspect that the entrance had been made with skeleton key. Bureau drawers and cupboards all over the house had been turned topsy turvey and a Colt's revolver which had been taken from its place in Edwin Gough's room had been carefully taken apart and hidden beneath a rug. Watches and other jewelry were not touched. The burglars confined their attention solely to the savings banks and—the Sunday school collection.

From a small bag belonging to Mrs. Gough, the dimes, nickels, quarters and half dollars were taken—and ninety cents in pennies was left. A dime bag containing \$1.10 in the boys' room was broken and robbed. And when Mr. Gough, who as treasurer of the Calvary Presbyterian Sunday school looked to see what had happened to the \$3.02 of Sunday's collection, he discovered that \$2.00 in nickels, dimes, quarters and other silver had been stolen—and forty-two pennies were left in the envelope.

State Police Believe Boys Responsible For Riverside Robberies

Robbers entered the home of Frank Oenslager, 3217 Riverside drive Saturday or last night, and ransacked it from top to bottom but did not take anything. It was the seventh robbery at Riverside in two weeks. State police were busy to-day searching for a clue. They believe that small boys have been doing the work at Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oenslager returned this afternoon from an automobile trip to Atlantic City and Delaware Water Gap. They found their home all topsy turvey. Desks, sideboards, bureau, drawers and closets were ransacked and the contents scattered over the floors.

The robbers who gained an entrance through a side window, were evidently frightened away before they could collect any booty. When they departed the robbers left lights burning on every floor. An employee of the United Ice and Coal Company noticed them burning yesterday morning and notified E. L. Melhorn, a neighbor. Relatives of Mr. Oenslager were called by telephone and sent a watchman to guard the place until the family returned this afternoon.

"Woman With the Serpent's Tongue" Will Wed

Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the premier of Great Britain, "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," has just announced her engagement to Maurice Bonham Carter, secretary to her father. And it is believed, despite the war, that the wedding will be an important function.

When William Watson wrote his poem "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," six years ago, it did not take persons familiar with London society long to determine he had in mind Mrs. Asquith and her step-daughter, Violet. The poem is a portrait of the physical characteristics of Mrs. Asquith and the mentality of Violet Asquith. The latter is the voice of the family, and rules them as a Violet. The official word is speaking with authority. "The first stanza of the poem is as follows: She is not old, she is not young, The woman with the serpent's tongue, The haggard cheek, the hungry eye, The poisoned words that wildly fly, The famished face, the fevered hand— Who slights the worthiest in the land, Sneers to the just, contemns the brave, And blackens goodness in its grave."

Many explanations of the poet's purpose in writing this have been offered. None were wholly acceptable to those he shocked.

JAP CRUISER NEAR PORT

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 30.—The disabled Japanese cruiser Asama, which went ashore near Turtle Bay, Lower California, early in February, was expected to arrive here to-day. Asama is being conveyed by a Japanese naval repair ship.

VOLUNTEERS TO HELP DEVELOP RIVER BASIN

Farley Gannett Offers Services of His Firm of Consulting Engineers, Gratuitously

Farley Gannett, consulting engineer, and formerly chief engineer of the State Water Supply Commission, has offered his services as a consultant gratuitously to the city in the proposed development of the river basin. Mr. Gannett in a letter to City Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, superintendent of parks and public property, volunteered the assistance and advice of himself and firm because as he explained, he has always been interested in the development and improvement of the city.

Mr. Gannett, while at the head of the State Water Supply Commission, was of invaluable assistance to Warren H. Manning, the park expert, in furnishing data and it was Mr. Gannett's suggestion that boat channels be blasted through the Maclay street riffles to insure better and more convenient boating facilities between the deep water between Independence Island and stretch below Maclay street.

"We shall be glad to accept Mr. Gannett's kind offer," said Mr. Taylor to-day, "and his help will be invaluable in the proposed development of the basin. These are the kind of offers that certainly count and which all Harrisburg will appreciate."

In offering his services Mr. Gannett suggests that he will be glad to act with Mr. Manning, as a citizen of Harrisburg who has always been interested in improvement work, that has been going on here for a number of years and who has been connected with the improvement of the river works," wrote Mr. Gannett to Mr. Taylor. "I should like to offer the services of our firm without charge to you as a citizen of Harrisburg in connection with the river basin improvement."

Testimony Is Taken Behind Closed Doors

Denver, Col., Aug. 30.—To prevent the carrying out of threats of lynching made against Joe Deberry, a negro charged with the murder of Mrs. James Martin, three companies of the state militia, about 400 men, are in camp here to-day, the day set for the opening of the Deberry trial. A mob of several hundred persons who surrounded the Harrisburg, Ill. jail last night and lynched the negro was felled when officials smuggled the negro out of the jail and hurried him here in an automobile under escort of state troops. Deberry is alleged to have confessed to the murder of Mrs. Martin, who was the wife of an attorney. He was a servant in the Martin home. Threats of lynching were made at the time of the murder and feeling was intensified when, several weeks later, Mrs. Martin's husband died of an illness induced by the shock of his wife's death.

Several Hundred Veterans From City and Vicinity to Attend Encampment

Members of the posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, of this city, within a few weeks will complete plans for their trip to Washington to the national encampment of the Grand Army veterans, September 27 to October 3. Several hundred old soldiers from the city and vicinity expect to attend. Post several months ago issued an invitation to the smaller posts in outlying districts asking their members to come with the Post 65 for the trip. This will probably be the last one the veterans will ever hold, and they are planning for a big tour of the fiftieth anniversary parade of the Grand Army division of '65.

DISORDERS IN CAPE HAITIEN

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Small disorders in Cape Haitien last Saturday were reported to-day to Rear Admiral Caperton. His grave details, but said otherwise order prevailed in all places under American control. The gunboat Sacramento will join Admiral Caperton's squadron within a day or two.

CROP BELOW NORMAL

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—The condition of the growing cotton crop on August 25 was \$9.2 per cent. of a normal, was announced to-day by the Department of Agriculture.

Fruits Can't Spoil if You Do This

Parowax

THE READING

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

TAFT WILL GIVE SERIES OF TALKS IN CALIFORNIA

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Sterling Gum