



CHURCH TENETS MUST BE ACCEPTED BY CANDIDATES

General Assembly Adopts Without Debate Warning Report by Committee

DISPOSES OF N. Y. CASE After Verbal Battle Over Merger of Boards, It Is Ratified

Atlantic City, N. J., May 24.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to-day adopted without debate a report from the committee on bills and overtures warning the New York and all other Presbyteries that the tenets of the church must be accepted by candidates for the ministry before they should be ordained.

This action, it is believed, ends further discussion in the present assembly of the alleged heresy question in which the New York Presbytery and Union Theological Seminary are involved.

The committee had before it more than two dozen overtures from Presbyteries from many parts of the country dealing with the heresy controversy. The one which attracted the most attention and to which serious consideration was given by the committee was that from the Cincinnati Presbytery which proposed that the New York Presbytery be expelled because it treated three young men who are alleged to hold views at variance with the doctrines of the church.

Give Butter Money to Missions Warning against the growth of Mormonism was sounded before the assembly during the discussion of the report on home missions by the Rev. John F. Shepperd, of Twin Falls, Idaho. A plea was made for better many of home missionaries, and the members of the church were asked to give up the use of butter for one month and devote the money saved to a home mission fund. Action on the report was deferred.

Upholds Merger For three hours yesterday a verbal battle raged over the merger of the Board of Education and the College Board. Decided favorably by the General Assembly at Rochester a year ago, the whole question was reopened by a substitute resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Robert Watson, of New York, this substitute deeming the

Mayor Meals in Hospital Reported Slightly Improved

Mayor E. S. Meals, who was seized with a sudden attack of cardiac asthma shortly after midnight and was rushed to the Harrisburg hospital, was slightly improved to-day, according to the attending physicians, Drs. George B. Kunkel and Park E. Decker, although his condition is still serious.

Mayor Meals has been in bad health for some time and three weeks ago suffered a slight attack of heart trouble. His physicians had to-day declared that he must have rest and cannot be disturbed. Only immediate members of the family were admitted to the bedside during the day.

Shortly after 4 o'clock this morning he fell asleep and rested fairly well for some time. His respiration and temperature are about normal, according to the doctors, and his pulse quieted down during the day.

Mayor Meals had planned to go to Atlantic City shortly for a rest and had spent the early part of the day enjoying an automobile ride. Later when he became seriously ill the physicians, after a consultation, sent the executive to the hospital, where he was admitted to a private room.

W. L. Gorgas Takes Over Duties of Mayor Meals

W. L. Gorgas, superintendent of finance of the city government, who becomes Mayor under the law when the Mayor is incapacitated, said this morning that he had given directions to those in charge of headquarters to proceed with their work as usual pending the illness of Mayor Meals.

General Conditions The center of the disturbance that was over Manhattan Tuesday morning, has moved to the St. Lawrence valley, while the southern depression is moving off the Carolina coast. The Western storm is intensifying and now covers most of the western half of the country, with its center over Ohio.

There has been a general rise of 2 to 20 degrees in temperature over the greater part of the country, except in California, Arizona, along the South Atlantic coast and at a few other widely separated localities.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 58. Sun: Rises, 4:42 a. m.; sets, 7:21 p. m. Moon: New moon, May 31, 2:57 a. m. River Stage: 5.1 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 60. Lowest temperature, 51. Mean temperature, 56. Normal temperature, 64.

GERMANS TAKE PART OF TRENCH EAST OF VERDUN

Continuing Desperate Attacks on Fort Douaumont; Enter Village of Cumieres

FRENCH STILL HOLD Claim Gains Are Not Important; Teutons Fear Simultaneous Drive by Allies

The Germans are continuing desperate attacks on Fort Douaumont and the lines to the east and west and have succeeded in capturing a part of a trench east of the fort, northeast of Verdun. The French claim still to be in possession of nearly all of the fort itself.

West of the Meuse the Germans attacked in force east of Dead Man Hill and by hard fighting made their way into a portion of the village of Cumieres.

According to a semi-official Italian view the purpose of the Germans is continuing their Verdun campaign and the Austrians in pressing an offensive against the Italians is to prevent an entente allies on all fronts.

Italians Are Driven Back Through "Dante's Inferno"

London, May 24.—The Italians have fallen back ten miles before the Austrian offensive, but are reforming their lines with heavy reinforcements. The operations in the center are in the area about twenty miles square merger "inadvisable, owing to legal doubts and difficulties," and the report of the Executive Commission, which presented a plan of merger.

After a stirring debate in which the Rev. Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, chairman of the Executive Commission and Dr. John Willis Baer, president of Occidental College, led the defenders of the status quo, the resolution was defeated by a large majority, and the commission's plan of merger for

W. M. Donaldson Elected Knights Templar Treasurer

Ceranton, Pa., May 24.—The annual convocation of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania this morning selected Pittsburgh for the Grand Convocation, and on May 19, 1915, and elected the following officers: Andrew G. Williams, of Butler, grand commander; Herbert R. Laird, of Williamsport, deputy grand commander; Charles M. Clements, of Sunbury, grand generalissimo; Frederick B. Black, of Franklin, grand captain general; Thomas R. Patton, of Philadelphia, grand senior warden; Alfred E. Lester, of Scranton, general junior warden; the Rev. Robert O'Boyle, of Philadelphia, grand prelate; William M. Donaldson, of Harrisburg, grand treasurer; William W. Allen, of Philadelphia, grand recorder.

Death and Divorce Court Lose to D. Cupid Again

Widowed a few days less than two years ago, Mrs. Emma Singer, and more than a year to-day got a marriage license to wed again. And when the Wedding-Singer marital knot is tied to-night the ceremony will be the fourth in which the newlyweds will be figured. Both live in this city.

JAIL CAPTAIN WHITE

London, May 24.—Captain James P. White, formerly of the First Gordon Highlanders, and a son of the late Field Marshal Sir George White, the defender of Ladysmith, was sentenced to-day to three months' imprisonment at Aberdare, Wales. He was convicted under the Defense of the Realm Act of having attempted to induce coal miners to strike in order to compel the government to show leniency toward leaders of the rebellion in Ireland.

PUTTING NOTE IN CODE

Washington, May 24.—The note to Great Britain, renewing protests against interference with American mail by the British, was being put in the State Department, and was expected to be put on the cable before night. It will be given out for publication next Saturday. The communication has not been altered since it was sent back to the department by President Wilson, who "ut it in final form."

TWINS RUN IN THIS FAMILY

Mahanoy City, Pa., May 24.—Herself one of twins, both girls, Mrs. Oscar Skeath, of this city, to-day gave birth to two healthy baby girls. The new twins' father is also one of a pair of brothers, born at the same time.

FOUR DIE IN MINE

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL HONOR STUDENTS



Honor students of the Senior class at Central High School announced at the chapel exercises at noon yesterday are shown above. Vernon Widder, first honor man is shown in the large picture. The other students in the picture reading from the top, left to right, are: Miss Marguerite Yoder, Miss Florence Rinkenbach, Miss Marjorie Hause, Miss Margaret Campbell, Horace Krummacker, Miss Catherine Lewis, James Minnugh, Miss Elizabeth Sykes, Miss Ethel Buffington, Miss Katherine Brooke, Miss Marion Bretz, Miss Helen Kelley.

ROOSEVELT WILL "STAY HITCHED"

Pacifist Nominee Alone Can Lead to Bolt; Now an Active Candidate

Washington, D. C., May 24.—Colonel Roosevelt will not bolt the Republican convention unless a pacifist candidate is nominated for President and a pacifist plank is written into the platform.

German Woman Beheaded With Ax For Triple Murder

Berlin, May 23, via London, May 24.—Henricette Holstein, the wife of a Koenigsberg farmer, was executed here to-day for the triple murder of her husband, daughter and step-son by arsenic.

HARDSCRABBLE BRIEFS DELAYED

Counsel For Complainants Fail to File With Court in Reasonable Time

There is much complaint in the Hardscrabble district over alleged delay of counsel for the complainants in filing their briefs with the court. It was understood at the hearing before the court some weeks ago that the lawyers for the objectors to the condemnation proceedings would promptly file their briefs, but it appears that this has not yet been done and stories are afloat to the effect that these briefs are being held back for the purpose of delaying the decision of the court.

Workman Killed, Three Hurt in Reading Theater Accident

Reading, Pa., May 24.—By the collapse this forenoon of a metal ceiling at the Palace Theater, which is undergoing changes and improvements, David W. Zaring, aged 58, of Shamokin, a workman, was killed, and three others, James Schweizart, Frank Yarnell and George Shoop, were injured.

9,000 MILES WIRELESS RECORD

Sydney, N. S. W., May 24.—The American steamship Ventura, which has just arrived here from San Francisco reports that she picked up a wireless message from the station at Tuckerton, N. J., when 9,000 miles distant from that point. This is said to be a world's record.

WEATHERMAN ASKED TO ASSIST

Good Roads Day Needs Only a Clear Day to Make It a Notable Occasion

The United States weather officials were to-day formally invoked to lend their assistance in making State-wide Good Roads Day a success in Pennsylvania to-morrow. The State Highway Department, which has received word from every county of preparations to make the day notable and that thousands of men are going to labor on the

COMING HERE ON PEACE MISSION?

Prince Von Buelow Reported to Be on Way to Washington; Officials Skeptical

London, May 24.—The Exchange Telegraph Company says it learns from diplomatic circles that Prince von Buelow, former German chancellor, is proceeding to Washington, D. C., by way of London, on a special mission.

One Killed, Six Hurt in 600-Foot Drop From Ladder

Washington, N. J., May 24.—A coroner's investigation was begun here to-day on an accident last night at the Empire Steel and Iron Company's ore mine, when the breaking of a ladder hook in a wintry shaft killed one man and seriously injured five others.

GOVERNOR ENTERS CHAIRMAN FIGHT

Telegraphs to Sixty-three Delegates Asking Their Support

Governor Brumbaugh to-day entered into a contest for the chairmanship of the Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican national convention, sending telegrams to sixty-three of the seventy-six men on the list of delegates-at-large and district delegates asking for their support for himself as chairman.

FOREIGN SOCIAL CENTER NEEDED

Meeting Place For Boys and Girls in Crowded District Urged

By ANNA H. WOOD It is in the thickly populated foreign settlement of North Seventh street and its adjacent blocks that the need of a community center chiefly for the protection of the young people is most keenly felt. Some who understand the situation feel that it should partake of the nature of a settlement house and not be located in the school buildings. However, this is a question which must work out its own answer. Boys and girls of the higher grades, pitifully hungry for pleasure, seek it wherever most easily found usually upon the streets. The school is their workshop to which many have little desire to return at the end of the day's duties unless an usual attraction may be offered. One young girl freely acknowledged that she spends nearly every evening in the movie houses.

SEEK MOTIVE FOR WAITE CRIME

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REPORT BRANDEIS FAVORABLY FOR SUPREME COURT

Senate Committee Votes Ten to Eight For His Nomination to Be Associate Justice

STRICT PARTY BALLOT FEW LEFT FOR WORK

Senator Shields Arrives Just in Time to Cast Deciding Ticket

Senator Cummings, of Iowa, was the only member of the committee voted 10 to 8 to-day to report favorably to the Senate the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis to be associate justice of the Supreme Court. It was a strict party vote.

No plan as to when the nomination will be taken up in the Senate has yet been formulated.

The action of the committee remained in doubt up to the time the vote was taken. Senator Shields, Democrat, of Tennessee, arrived in the capital to-day just in time to cast the deciding vote. He conferred with Senator Smith, of Georgia, before going to the committee room, but would not state his decision before casting his vote.

Senators voting for confirmation were Messrs. Culberson, Overman, Chilton, O'Gorman, Fletcher, Reed, Ashurst, Shields, Walsh and Smith, of Georgia.

Senators voting against confirmation were Messrs. Clark, of Wyoming, Nelson, of Oregon, and Clegg, of New Mexico.

GUSHER AT COLEVILLE

New Oil Well Spouting at Rate of Forty Barrels Daily

Smithport, Pa., May 24.—There is great excitement in this section to-day over the striking of a great oil well at Coleville, near this place. The well, which is owned by the Hodzhogh Oil Company, was struck at a depth of 2,700 feet and is flowing at a rate of forty barrels a day.

NAVAL BUREAU REPORT

Washington, D. C., May 24.—The trade has made New York within the last year the world's busiest port. The American city has exceeded by \$200,000,000 London's annual import and export business. New York's combined 1915 export and import figures prepared at the Department of Commerce, show a total of \$2,125,000,000. Exports were put at \$1,194,000,000 and imports were larger, at \$1,232,000,000, but exports amounted to only \$596,000,000.

'HELP US TEACH LOVE OF FLAG,' PLEADS G. A. R.

Ask Citizens to Assist in Work They Began Forty Years or More

Point Out That Time Is Close When All Shall Have Gone Away

E. B. Hoffman, patriotic instructor of Post 58, Grand Army of the Republic, and a past commander of the post, has made an appeal to the citizens of the city to aid in the commemorative observance of the dead soldiers of the Civil War by helping the veterans to teach the younger generations to follow this ceremony. A call is made to the people to lay aside all business and work for one hour on Friday afternoon and help with the ceremonies in the public schools, when the old soldiers will speak to the boys and girls.

Instructor Hoffman's appeal is as follows: "For forty years or more we have been making visits to the public schools Friday prior to Memorial Day, for the purpose of teaching the rising generation to love and respect the old flag, your flag, my flag and our flag. We are now all hovering around threescore and ten; it is not reason."

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NEW GERMAN WAR LOAN

Government to Propose Bill Calling for \$2,500,000,000

Copenhagen, May 24.—The German government, according to the Berlin Vossische Zeitung, early in June will propose a bill for a new war loan of 10,000,000,000 marks (\$2,500,000,000).

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

James Edward Garrett and Bessie Lee Binlock, city. Henry Wehling and Emma Singer, city.