

BEIDLEMAN AND BALDWIN ELECTED AS 122D GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENS

Both Branches Will Adjourn, After Hearing Governor's Message, For Two Weeks' Recess
GREAT CROWDS THROUGH CAPITOL CORRIDORS
Desks of Senators and Members Gay With Flowers; Galleries Well Filled

GOVERNOR MAKES STRONG PLEA FOR PARK EXTENSION

Message Replete With Recommendations That Will Meet Popular Approval
URGES LOCAL OPTION LAW
\$9,000,000 a Year For Schools; Housing Code Is Outlined;

PRESIDING OFFICERS OF SENATE AND HOUSE ELECTED BY LEGISLATURE



SENATOR E. E. BEIDLEMAN, Re-elected President Pro Tempore of Senate For Coming Session. RICHARD J. BALDWIN, Chosen Speaker of the House For Coming Session.

VON MACKENSEN BATTERING WHOLE RUMANIAN LINE

Teutons Swing Smashing Blows Along Curving Front From Danube to Moldavia
In none of the important fighting fronts except the Rumanian are there more than perfunctory activities by any of the belligerents.

SEE YOU ALL IN HEAVEN SAYS MAN DOOMED TO CHAIR

Cornelius Shepherd Waves Smiling Farewell to Spectators in Courtroom
Sentenced this morning to die in the electric chair, Cornelius Shepherd waved a smiling farewell to the hundreds or more curiously quiet spectators in the Dauphin county courtroom.

\$150,000 LOSS WHEN HOISERY MILL IS BURNED

Romberger Manufacturing Co. Plant at Middletown Set Afire Is Belief
FIGHT FLAMES 4 HOURS
Large Stock of Yarn Valued at \$40,000 Destroyed; 200 Out of Employment

GREATEST CRIME WAVE IN HISTORY OF CITY IN 1916

3,837 Arrests During Year, Nearly Thousand More Than in 1915; Nearly Every Man and Woman Arrested "Drunk or Drinking" Docket Shows

MUCH LAWLESSNESS DUE TO COLORED ELEMENT DECLARES DETECTIVE HEAD

Introduction of Southern Negro Into Life of Community Reason For Much Disorderly Practice, Felonious Assaults and Murders Says Windsor

Police records made public to-day show that the greatest crime wave in Harrisburg's history swept the city during 1916. The total number of arrests for the year was 3,837, nearly a thousand more than during 1915.

Flowers Adorn Desks of Dauphin Counties as House Convenes

When Chief Clerk Thomas H. Garvin called the House of Representatives to order at the stroke of 12 o'clock desks were covered by bouquets. The desks of the Philadelphia members were especially decorated.

Man, Rewriting Bible, Disappears From Home

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 2. — Albert Gunderman, 60, night watchman at a Washington, D. C., office, disappeared from his home in East Scranton.

MOTORIZATION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE COMPLETED

Commissioner Gross Will Buy Remainder of Auto-Fire Fighting Equipment
Bids will be opened at noon Thursday, January 18, by City Commissioner E. Z. Gross for the purchase of four tractor combination chemicals.

MAN AND WOMAN ARE WATCHED IN MURDER MYSTERY

Philadelphia, Jan. 2. — The police are working on many clues in an effort to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of Miss Maudie Colbert.

DEMOCRATS WANT HOUSE TO GO INTO PENROSE CHARGES

Echo of Bitter Fight Over Speakership Heard in Resolution That Is Laid Over
Democratic members of the House of Representatives opened an attack upon the Republicans to-day by presenting, through Wilson G. Sariz, Berks, their candidate for Speaker.

"LEAK" GAINS OFFICIAL NOTICE

Washington, Jan. 2. — Charges of advance information on President Wilson's peace note involving other charges that somebody made profits on it in the stock market gained further official attention to-day when Senator Stone, Democrat, spoke in the Senate and Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, conferred with Chairman Henry, of the House Rules Committee, about a proposed congressional investigation.

LABOR LEADER DEAD

Philadelphia, Jan. 2. — Dennis A. Hayes, for 21 years president of the Glass Bottle Blowers' Union of the United States and Canada, and third vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, died in this city to-day. He was 58 years old and unmarried.

NOMINATES POSTMASTER FOR NEWPORT

Washington, Jan. 2. — President Wilson to-day sent to the Senate the name of Miles E. Ritter, as postmaster for Newport.

PENROSE WILL BE GLAD TO HELP

Senator Boies Penrose, this afternoon issued a statement relating to the resolution introduced by the Democrats to probe the charge made by Penrose against irregularities of the Brumbaugh administration as follows: "I adhere absolutely to what I have already stated. I have only made the beginning of the disclosures that are likely to be made in this connection. I will be glad to help in any investigation."

LEGISLATURE QUILTS UNTIL JANUARY 22

Harrisburg. — After hearing the Governor's message and completing the routine of organization, both branches of the Legislature adjourned until January 22, at 9 P. M.

FLETCHER SOON TO GO TO MEXICO

Washington, Jan. 2. — The sending of Henry P. Fletcher to his post at Mexico City as American ambassador and the subsequent withdrawal of the American expedition are expected on the next developments in the Mexican situation. Official confirmation or comment is being withheld at this time.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Alfonso Hunter Mitchell, Philadelphia, and Cora Anna Barnhart, Lancaster county. Ray Richard Wolf and Sara Viola Miller, Shiremanstown. Mike Knoll and Anna Slavovitch, Harrisburg.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night, with lowest temperature about freezing; Wednesday fair and somewhat warmer. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night; Wednesday fair, with cloudiness and warmer; gentle, variable winds. River The Susquehanna River and all its branches will remain generally icebound and nearly stationary. A stage of about 4.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Wednesday morning. General Conditions Pressure is relatively high over southeastern and southwestern districts. An extensive low pressure system covers the Pinins and Rocky Mountain States and the Western Canadian provinces, with its center over the Canadian Northwest. Generally cloudy weather prevails in the Southern States and rain has occurred in the Gulf States and in the Ohio Valley, Tennessee and Virginia, and it was still raining at 10 a. m. Light, local snows have occurred from the Great Lakes eastward to the Atlantic coast, and rain and snow prevails generally in the Pacific States and in British Columbia. Temperatures have risen in practically all districts since last report, and are now above freezing over nearly all the country south and east of the Great Lakes, except Northern New England. Temperature: 8 a. m., 36. Sun: Rises, 7:30 a. m.; sets, 4:46 p. m. Moon: Full moon, January 8, 2:46 a. m. River Stage: 4.7 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 38. Lowest temperature, 21. Mean temperature, 27. Normal temperature, 30.

Mob Threatens Violence on Negro Who Attacks Girl

The police with difficulty last evening prevented mob violence on James Jones, colored, after he attempted to assault Miss Bessie Hebnier, a white girl, of 223 River street, in the Second street subway.

Arthur D. Bacon to Fill Out Houtz' Term as Director?

That Arthur D. Bacon, prominent in city business circles, member of the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, former president of select council, and a member of the citizen's committee selected by the school board to confer on the million-and-a-quarter high school loan, is to succeed Adam D. Houtz, resigned, as a member of the board, was the rumor circulated to-day in city official circles.

FIFTH WEEK OF PLOT TRIAL

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 2. — The fifth week of the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul general here and six associates on charges of conspiring to violate neutrality by alleged dynamiting of Canadian tunnels and munitions destined for Great Britain and her allies, was begun in the United States District court to-day.

SUBPENA OPERATORS

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 2. — Fifteen coal operators were subpoenaed as witnesses to-day when the Federal investigation into the coal and food price situation was resumed before a grand jury here. Government auditors, who are working on the books of companies, have not yet completed their work. They will be subpoenaed when their reports are ready.

More Post Office Business Done in Nine Months Than in Full Year Heretofore

Due to the fact that the fiscal year at the Harrisburg Post Office closed December 31, three months earlier than heretofore, clerks are working overtime in compiling the annual report. When figures are available it will show more business in nine months than during the last fiscal year ending March 31, said Postmaster Frank C. Sites, to-day.

Two 'Punchboard' Operators Fined Fifty Dollars by Court

Fifty dollars fine and costs were imposed upon both Isaac Mattis and W. W. Watkins, of Millersburg, by the Dauphin county court this morning for conducting gambling devices known as "punchboards."

GUARDSMEN'S TRAIN WRECKED

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 2. — Six cars carrying equipment belonging to the New York National Guard were derailed near Vanora, seven miles from Augusta on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad last night. Two sleeping cars also left the track, but remained upright, and none of the guardsmen was injured. This information was received late last night from Winfield, Kan.

EXPOSITION CLOSES

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 2. — The Panama-California International Exposition closed at midnight last night after having been open to the public continuously for two years. The attendance during the year is estimated by exposition officials to-day in excess of 2,500,000, slightly under the record established in 1915. The main buildings and the landscape effects will be preserved.

Police Had No Right to Suspend Jitney Measure Declares Judge Kunkel

That the city police department nor any other agency had the power or authority to suspend the operation of the jitney license ordinance during the recent trolley strike even though the convenience of the public, was the emphatic opinion of President Judge Kunkel of the Dauphin county court, expressed to-day in sentencing W. N. Hurst, a jitneyer, to pay costs and \$200 fine for crashing into John Yestads' car at Rely and Front streets.

Organization of Delaware Legislature Is Blocked by Factional Differences

Dover, Del., Jan. 2. — Organization of the Delaware Legislature was blocked to-day by factional differences among the Republicans who are in the majority in the State Senate, and the Democrats, who are in the majority in the House.

Retailers Do Not Look For Milk Price Increase

City retail milk dealers to-day said they did not expect the wholesalers to increase their prices, despite the announcement to-day that a meeting of the Dairywomen's League of Dauphin and Cumberland counties will be held to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at Langlitsburg to consider such action.

Mad Dog Outbreak at Marysville Is Reported

Following an outbreak of rabies at Marysville the State Livestock Sanitary Board, assisted by Burgess Enos Fisher and Constable W. T. Witmer, has killed six dogs and one cat and quarantined nine other dogs, suspected of having been infected to the contagion. The first dog affected was owned by John Seidie, which bit another dog owned by Ed. Lookbaugh, and the two are believed to have bitten other dogs and cats. The borough authorities will kill all unlicensed dogs.

REPUUDIATES GUARDIANSHIP

Washington, Jan. 2. — American Ambassador Elkus has forwarded from Constantinople an apparently authentic article from a semi-official newspaper in the Turkish capital giving the text of Turkey's repudiation of the guardianship of the great powers which was created by the treaty of Paris of 1856 and the treaty of Berlin of 1878. No official notification of Turkey's action has reached the State Department. Neither the German nor Austro-Hungarian embassies had any word of their ally's action.