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CANDIDATES FOR CITY OFFICES HODGING FIRE

Number May Depend Upon Legislature's Desire to Lengthen Terms

ROYAL DENIES A RUMOR Says He Has Not Joined Banks of Men Seeking to Be Mayor

Political leaders in the city are remarking about the lack of early candidates for City Council, as usually in the spring before a municipal election there are at least a dozen who are circulating cards to announce themselves.

According to a city official who has been in contact with councilmanic affairs the action of the Legislature on an amendment to the Clark act lengthening the terms of councilmen to four years will end the delay of the candidates.

Many of them, it is said, are not willing to make any statement until they know whether the terms of the City Commissioners will be made four years instead of two. In case the term is not increased it is said that the number of candidates will not be large.

Four in Field Four candidates have already been mentioned in the Mayorial fight. Two of them have announced themselves, Mayor D. L. Keister and Commissioner E. Z. Gross. It is said that Alderman George A. Hoover may enter the field, also, and that if he does decide to do so, many men prominent in the Republican party will support him. Alderman John H. Shaner also has been mentioned as a likely candidate.

Ex-Mayor John K. Royal to-day denied the report that he had announced himself as a candidate for the office again. "I don't know who started the rumor," he told some of his friends. "Every day I am stopped on the street about half a dozen times and asked about it. I haven't considered the fall campaign at all."

Friends of the former mayor, however, declared that they will endeavor to get him on the ticket and that leaders of the Democratic party will support him. They said they may request him to become a candidate for the office.

It is expected that Commissioners S. F. Hasler, W. H. Leitch and C. W. Burnett, the three other members of council, will be candidates for reelection. In former councilmanic contests there have been at least twenty on the ticket for nomination at the primary election. Whether there will be as many this year if the term is not lengthened is doubtful but the four-year terms leaders said they believe a larger number than in former years will enter the field.

Fruit Damage Caused by Cold Wave Probably Small, Says Farm Agent

That the temperature did not drop low enough to harm the fruit trees of Dauphin and surrounding counties, is the opinion expressed to-day by H. G. Niesley, Dauphin county farm agent. High winds, he said, lessened the effect of the drop in the mercury and no damage is believed to have resulted during the cold snap.

Blossoms are dropping from peach and some other trees and the small fruits have formed. So, unless the fruit turns black it is impossible at this time to tell if any damage has resulted to the cells of the young fruit, Mr. Niesley explained.

The lowest point registered to-day was 33 degrees, reached this morning between 5 and 6 o'clock. This is five degrees warmer than was expected, while the wind was moving on an average of about eight miles faster than had been forecast.

These influences did much to prevent any great damage. Buds that have survived thus far are not expected to be harmed any more during this cold snap. The mercury had started on its upward climb and the lowest temperature expected is 35 degrees. The winds will be fairly high and will prevent any damage.

Reports received at the Capitol from the Southern Pennsylvania fruit belt indicate that the cold snap has not done much damage to the trees, but that early vegetables have been hard hit while many flowers and similar plants just set out have probably been killed. The loss of young tomato and similar plants will be extensive all over the State.

State Zoologist Sanders said to-day that it would not be safe to set the more tender vegetable plants until May 10.

BATTLESHIP IN FOR REPAIRS

Philadelphia, April 26.—The battleship Michigan anchored in the Delaware off the Philadelphia navy yard to-day and will dock on Monday. The ship left Great Britain, and comes here for minor repairs.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cold to-night; probably heavy frost, with lowest temperature about 35 degrees Sunday fair and slightly warmer.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night; freezing temperature in north portion, heavy frost in south portion Sunday fair, not quite so cold; moderate west winds.

River The Susquehanna river and all its branches will flow slowly or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 5.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

Choosing Her Own Company



SHE MAY ELOPE IF SHE LIKES—



BUT SHE MUSTN'T EXPECT US TO INTERFERE IN HER FAMILY ROWS.

ROBBED OF \$80 HE FLASHED IN LUNCH WAGON

Two Negroes Are Arrested, Charged With Holdup on Street Corner

Displaying his money prominently while paying a bill for food in a lunch wagon located in Blackberry street between Third and Dewberry streets early this morning, James Dorker, 230 Chestnut street, was held up and robbed of \$80 a short time afterward.

Charles Henry, alias Jasper Brown, and Reynold Smith are being held by the police, charged with the robbery. They were taken within a short time after the robbery and will be given a hearing in police court during the afternoon.

The holdup and robbery occurred at the intersection of Dewberry and Blackberry streets about 3.20 o'clock this morning. After eating his lunch, Dorker was hurrying toward his home, when he was accosted by two men, both of whom grappled with him, knocked him down and went through his pockets.

The robbery was reported at once to the police. Investigation was started and it was learned that both the men in custody had been in the lunch wagon at the time and left it immediately after Dorker. Both were arrested at 1113 North Seventh street.

At the time they were taken by the officers one of them had a \$10 bill on his person. The other threw a \$20 bill behind a stove in the room in which they were found. The remainder of the money has not yet been found and the men deny any connection with the holdup.

City Tax Abatement Allowed Until May 1

It was announced at the office of City Treasurer C. E. Weber to-day that the one per cent abatement is allowed on 1919 city tax until May 1, when the full amount levied becomes due. During May and June no penalty is added, but after July 1 one per cent of the tax is charged monthly to the tax account.

ASKS FOR NEW TRIAL

Counsel for Mrs. Cora Maugan filed a motion for a new trial in the suit against the Valley Railways Company, in which she tried to recover damages because of the death of her daughter in a trolley car and automobile collision at Front and Market streets, January 1, 1915. The jury in the case returned a verdict in favor of the car company.

JUDGE LANDIS RULES AGAINST BURLISON RATES

Chicago, April 26.—Federal Judge Landis to-day ruled that Postmaster General Burleson could not increase intra-state telegraph rates. He said he would dissolve the temporary injunction restraining the Attorney General of Illinois from interfering with the imposition of the higher rates.

ADVANCE GUARD OF 28TH DIVISION AT HOME PORT

Capt. Henry M. Gross Among First to Arrive in New York

Captain Henry M. Gross, of this city, is included among the dozen officers and enlisted men, the advance guard of the Twenty-eighth Division, who arrived in New York yesterday to proceed to Philadelphia where they will assist in making arrangements for the great Welcome Home reception to the returning units of the brave youths of the Keystone Division.

Captain Gross was an aid to the commanding general of the division. In addition to Captain Gross, the vanguard included Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Taylor Pusey, a Philadelphia lawyer, who served as

NOTIFY YOUR UNDERTAKER AND THEN TAKE A RIDE

Uncle Sam Willing to Take You Up in the Air but He Won't Pay Your Burial Expenses

Want to fly Tuesday? If you do you'll have to sign a release. Government pilots will give a "free ride" to the Victory Bond salesman who has sold the most bonds up to noon that day, and to the person who has sold the largest amount.

Before these winners are taken off the ground they must sign a waiver of all damage. This waiver may give them pause. It is as follows: "Harrisburg, Pa. April 29, 1919. In consideration of the courtesy extended to me by officers of the government, I do hereby for myself and my heirs, assigns and assigns of the United States from any and all claims arising out of my injury or death to me by reason of this flight." (Signature) (Address) (Person to notify in an emergency)

INVESTORS ARE ATTRACTED BY VICTORY NOTES

Railroad Men Buying Many Bonds, Headquarters Is Told

As evidence of the fact that the people of the Harrisburg district are going to buy more bonds of the Fifth or Victory Liberty Loan than in the Fourth, or preceding loans, was the statement made this morning by R. H. Derrick, prominent railroad man, who was talking to Flavel L. Wright, at Market street headquarters.

"I can say for the railroad men," said Mr. Derrick, "that they look upon Victory Bonds as a capital investment. Indications are that more of them will buy bonds than in other

Weather Conditions Bad For Races and Field Sports

Philadelphia, April 26.—Weather conditions for the University of Pennsylvania's relay races and field sports were about as bad to-day as yesterday. The sun was obscured by clouds and a strong, raw wind blew over Franklin field. The day's program opened with high school relay races and the events progressed through preparatory schools and minor colleges up to the national championships in which the vanguard included Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Taylor Pusey, a Philadelphia lawyer, who served as

HOSTILE THROUGHS CRY OUT AGAINST YANKEES AND ENGLISH IN STREETS OF ROME AS ORLANDO ARRIVES AT CAPITAL

Spartacans Kill Count

Berlin, April 26.—Count Arco Valley, who assassinated Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian Premier, at Munich, on February 21, and has since been in a hospital there after an attempted lynching by a mob, was recently dragged from the hospital by a Spartacan crowd and killed, according to a political agent who has reached Bamberg from Munich. On witnessing this development, Herr Auer, the former Minister of the Interior, who was wounded during the outbreak in the Bavarian Diet in February and has also been in the hospital, left that institution in fear of death. Former War Minister Rossnaupter has fled from Munich and arrived at Bamberg.

LANE THROWS LIGHT ON CLAIM TO FIUME

Treaty of London Awards Port Not to Italy but to Croatia; Wilson Desires City Assigned There, According to the Terms of Pact; Latins' Desire Purely Personal

Washington, April 26.—The Italian situation in the peace negotiations is "clearing rapidly" according to advices from Paris, received to-day at the White House. It was stated that the action taken by President Wilson was "endorsed everywhere." Just what developments were taking place was not disclosed, but it was evident that as a result of the message the tension which has prevailed in administration quarters for the last three days was considerably relaxed.

Secretary Lane to-day issued a brief statement explaining as he said, "one or two matters connected with the Fiume situation that should not be overlooked. He said: "Awarded to Croatia "Fiume was not to be given to Italy by the secret treaty made on the 24th of April, 1918, called the London Treaty. Under this treaty Fiume was to go to Croatia, which now is a part of Jugo-Slavia. And this is where President Wilson wishes it to go now.

"The question of giving Fiume to Italy thus becomes a question of good judgment and President Wilson and Premiers Lloyd George and Clemenceau unhesitatingly concluded that to give Fiume to Italy would be unjust to the new republics east of the Adriatic, as Fiume is the only port on the eastern side of the Adriatic which can be serviceable as a sea entrance to Jugo-Slavia and adjoining countries.

Italian Desire Upermost "The Italian claims is based on Italian desire, not on any right other than the claim that as its people are Italian they should become a part of Italy as they were a hundred years ago. But to gratify this desire would be manifestly to wrong others and thus maintain a sore spot on the Adriatic which would cause constant irritation. Italy, with Venice and Trieste, can live happily and independently without Fiume, while the young republics on the east of the Adriatic could not have a free life without access directly to the world by water."

COAL CO. GRANTS RIGHT TO INSPECT UPPER END MINES

George F. Lee, Wilkes-Barre, Cited as Possible Purchaser of Lykens Properties

The Susquehanna Collieries Company, it became known to-day, has granted permission to George F. Lee, of Wilkes-Barre, and his associates to send engineers, experts and other investigators to the properties in Dauphin county to make an exhaustive examination of them with a view to accepting the offer of sale of those properties as advertised recently following the sale of the Lykens coal lands by the authorities of Dauphin county.

"Every privilege for inspection and examination will be given these men," said a representative of the coal company to-day. "There are other prospective purchasers who have made inquiries concerning the properties, but who are not yet in position to request the privilege of making a physical examination of them."

Vincent Astor Brings Home Submarine Surrendered by Huns

New York, April 26.—Fulfilling a pledge made on entering the service not to return from overseas unless he brought with him a German submarine, Lieutenant Vincent Astor came home yesterday at the wheel of the U 117, the second surrendered undersea craft to reach this country for exhibition in connection with the Victory Loan drive.

The U 117 soon will go to Philadelphia and thence to Southern ports, when three other surrendered submarines now on their way here arrive. The U B 88, in charge of Lieutenant Commander Nelson, will go to Southern ports, the U C 9 F to the Great Lakes, and the U B 148 to New London.

Striking Painters Offer to Arbitrate Demands For New Wage Scale

"We are ready and willing to meet and arrange for a compromise with the Master Painters' Association at any time," President H. C. Kutz, of the Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers Union, No. 411, said this morning in discussing the strike declared for an increase of from 50 to 62 1/2 cents in the painters' wages. "We have had no communication from the Master Painters. There committee was supposed to be in attendance at our regular meeting last night but no one turned up."

GOV'T ROW OVER STEEL PRICES AT CRITICAL STAGE

Industrial Board Will Resign if Hines Does Not Yield or Satisfactorily Explain

Washington, April 26.—The controversy over the government's price stabilization program apparently reached its final stage to-day. Secretary Redfield telegraphed Director General Hines asking that the representatives of the railroad administration be instructed to confer anew with the Industrial Board of the Department of Commerce, and saying that if they failed to agree to definite results it would be necessary for the members of the board to "resume their personal affairs."

At the same time, Chairman Peck of the Industrial Board, made public a communication he had sent to Mr. Hines calling on him to submit facts and figures to prove that steel prices agreed to by the board were too high, and declining to urge steel manufacturers to reduce prices "merely upon the railroad administration's request."

Members of the board had let it be known that their resignations had been in Secretary Redfield's hands for nearly a month, and that they were prepared to abandon the stabilization program at once unless the railroad administration changed its attitude.

New Week to Start Fair and Cool; Rain Probable Toward Close

Washington, April 26.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the Weather Bureau to-day, are: "North and Middle Atlantic States—Fair first half of week, with low temperatures, rising to normal by middle of the week. Rain probably latter part of week, with nearly normal temperatures.

Reds Placed in Critical Position by Capture of Boguslav by Ukrainians

Berne, Switzerland, April 26.—The position of the Russian Bolshevik troops in Odessa has been rendered critical by the capture of Boguslav by the Ukrainians. The Ukrainians also have captured the railway line from Kiev eastward to Konotop, threatening the Bolshevik line of retreat from the Odessa region.

DESTROYER IS LAUNCHED

Philadelphia, April 26.—The destroyer Hovey, named in honor of the memory of Emslie Emerson Hovey, of Portsmouth, N. H., was launched to-day at the Cramp shipyard. The ship was christened by Mrs. Austin Kantz, wife of Captain Kantz, of the Navy, and a sister of Ensign Hovey.

Secretariat of American Legation Says Formal Withdrawal of Latin Delegates Has Not Been Recorded at Board

WILSON TELLS ENVOY IT IS HIS RIGHT TO CONSULT HOME PEOPLE

Paris, April 26.—The Peace Conference has been severely shaken by the Italian crisis, and the extent to which its work will be affected is receiving the anxious attention of the delegates. The American storm has broken and the air has cleared in that quarter, but in other quarters a less optimistic view is taken, the feeling being that an element of confusion has been introduced which will result in more or less delay at the moment the German delegates are arriving.

The conference is watching with intense interest the result of to-day's developments in Rome, where Premier Orlando arrived this morning and where the events of the day are expected to disclose whether the hopes of reconciliation can be accepted.

Hostile Crowds Parade

Reports received here from the American embassy in Rome are somewhat ominous as to the general state of public feeling there, as crowds have been parading the streets crying, "down with the Americans and down with the English" and "Viva Sonnino," the foreign minister who ousted Premier Orlando in pressing the extreme demands made by Italy under the secret treaty of London.

These reports are particularly disturbing, as the American and British delegation to the Peace conference are said to have had reason to believe that Premier Orlando might adopt a course before the Italian parliament which would lead to an amicable adjustment. Premier Lloyd George was particularly hopeful that the result would be brought about by the departure of three of the Italian delegates and announcement of the

It has just developed that the British, American and French admirals in command in Adriatic waters had formulated a plan for giving Italy certain of the Dalmatian islands which would have assured Italy control of the Adriatic such as she desires. This joint plan was presented to the Italian representatives and was rejected as not sufficient.

In French and Italian circles the situation is regarded as serious, and some quarters even represent it as desperate, but this extreme view is not generally held.

Several of the committees met late yesterday with the Italian members present. The secretariat of the American delegation said no notice had been received of the withdrawal of Italian participation. Pending formal action, no break in relations would be assumed, it was added. But the departure of three of the Italian delegates and announcement of the

JUDGE KUNKEL TO PRESIDE

Harrisburg—Judge Kunkel will preside at the Victory Loan meeting in Chestnut street auditorium Monday evening, the committee in charge announced this afternoon.

FREIGHT CAR SLIGHTLY BURNED

Harrisburg—Flames from a rubbish fire set fire to a carload of pumps, the property of Myers Manufacturing Co., Akron, Ohio, sent here for storage on a siding of Montgomery & Co., just above the Mulberry street bridge this afternoon. The car was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars on the outside but the contents were uninjured.

Mexico City—Meager and long-delayed reports from Chilpancingo, capital of the state of Guerrero, tell of an explosion of dynamite in the mouth of a mine near there, which resulted in the death of more than sixty workers, ten of whom were at work in the mouth of the shaft.

TECH WINS RELAY RACE IN PHILADELPHIA PHILADELPHIA — IN THE RELAY RACES HERE TO-DAY HARRISBURG TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL WON THE HIGH SCHOOL RELAY RACE, TIME, 3:41 2-5. EAST ORANGE, N. J., WAS SECOND; DEWITT, CLINTON, N. Y., THIRD; MCKINLEY MANUAL, WASHINGTON, D. C., WAS FOURTH.

FOG TOO THICK; FLYERS WAIT

St. Johns, N. F.—The British airmen, who have been waiting here for two weeks for favorable weather conditions to attempt a flight across the Atlantic, apparently have resigned themselves to a long delay. Observers at Cape Fear and at Signal Hill this morning reported the fog so thick that they could not see the great ice fields which vessels reported extending for miles off the coast. The wind held from the northeast packing the ice in short.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lewis B. Snyder and Helen L. Stone, Harrisburg; Arniele Cassell and Vivian Vich, Hershey; Morris C. Householder, Harrisburg, and Ruth E. Tyson, Dillsburg.