

Cloudy and warmer tonight, Sunday probably snow in west portion.

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PRICE TWO CENTS

MILIONS OF DOLLARS USED TO ESTABLISH VICE HOUSES

VANCE WILL BEGIN DUTIES TOMORROW

Tomorrow Morning as Local Postmaster, Succeeding S. C. Denham as Such.

J. Carl Vance, recently appointed postmaster of Clarksburg, received commission for the office Saturday morning from Washington with instructions to assume charge of it Monday.

LABOR UNIONS

And the Like Will Probably Be Exempted from the Anti-Trust Provisions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Labor unions, farmers cooperative organizations and combinations of small retail dealers and manufacturers which do not engage in price raising probably will be exempted from the provisions of the anti-trust laws being framed by the House judiciary committee.

LIFE SENTENCE

Is Imposed on a Boy Who Confesses Murder of An Aged Recluse.

WELLSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 28.—Daniel Lee, a nineteen year old boy of Stevensville, O., today confessed guilty in court here of having killed George Moore, last summer. He was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Moundsville penitentiary.

PEEPER SHOT

By Cornell College Students and the Bullet Proves Fatal to Him.

MT. VERNON, Ia., Feb. 28.—Howard Manning, aged 25, died here today of a bullet wound in his body. He was shot last night after a chase by students of Cornell College who claimed he had been peeping through the windows in the girls' dormitory. The coroner started an investigation.

TWO BATTLESHIPS

Are Provided for in the Naval Appropriation Bill Reported to the House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The naval appropriation bill, carrying \$139,964,338 for two battleships, six torpedo boat destroyers and other small craft, was reported today to the House. The two battleships are to cost \$15,000,000 and will be built at private yards by contract.

ROBBER

Holds Up Paymaster and Hits Him with Pine But Does Not Get His Money.

PARKERSBURG, Feb. 28.—C. L. Morton, bookkeeper and paymaster for the Standard Oil Company here, was held up near the company refinery shortly before noon today by a robber, who struck him over the head with a pine log.

ATHLETIC

Association, Which Will Have Baseball Team, is Organized at Grafton.

GRAFTON, W. Va., February 28.—At a meeting of a number of the employees of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad of this city an athletic club was formed under the name of the B. & O. Athletic Association.

REFUSAL TO WORK

Is One of the Chief Reasons for Chicago's Army of Unemployed Persons.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—One of the chief reasons for the "army of unemployed" here is the refusal of the men to work according to Charles Smith, superintendent of the municipal employment bureau.

CASH STOLEN

From a Postoffice Van at Station in Paris amounts to More Than \$200,000.

PARIS, Feb. 28.—More than \$200,000 in cash was stolen today from a postoffice van at one of the railroad stations here. As today is the last day of the month large sums were being transmitted to various salaried and accounts.

BUSH ELECTED

Superintendent of the Public Schools at Erie to Succeed Missimer.

ERIE, Pa., Feb. 28.—Dr. I. B. Bush, superintendent of the public schools of Parkersburg, W. Va., was today elected superintendent of the public schools of Erie to succeed H. C. Missimer, who resigned several months ago.

SHARP ATTACK IS MADE ON BUREAUS

Of Employment by a Speaker at Session of National Employment Conference.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A sharp attack on government employment bureaus many of which have been established throughout the country in an effort to solve the problem of the unemployed was made today by William M. Lieserson at the second day's session of the National Conference on Employment.

There are, according to Mrs. Lieserson, public employment offices in eighteen states and sixty cities.

Dr. H. T. McClelland, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has returned from Washington, Pa., where

Evil is Susceptible of Successful Attack and Treatment Says the Report.

GIRLS OF FEEBLE MIND

At an Early Age are the Principal Factors in Places of Bad Repute.

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—"The financial profit of the business of prostitution is the principal reason for its existence. No other form of criminal offense so flagrant and open and so harmful to the community would be tolerated for a day in this state."

The report emphasizes the danger of unregulated lodging houses, public dance halls and recreation parks. The commission has found "widespread evidence of a strong public sentiment against the continuance of the conditions it has found to exist."

The fact that one-half of the women examined were actually feeble minded, the report says, clears the way for successful treatment for a portion of this class.

While the officials in no city in the state have openly adopted the policy of segregation and toleration, the report continues, "yet it is a fact that in certain cities there are streets where the business is conducted in much the same way as if segregation had been accepted official policy."

In the larger cities the most flagrant expression of commercialized prostitution is in connection with certain cafes and saloons. These places are enormously profitable. The police take the position that they have no right to interfere if the letter of the law is observed, but it is difficult to understand why those immoral cafes and saloons are tolerated.

FATALLY BURNED

Perhaps is Mrs. Price, President of Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

MORGANTOWN, Feb. 28.—Mrs. A. Price, president of the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was painfully and perhaps fatally burned this morning when her clothing became ignited when she was walking past an open fire in her backyard.

BABY KILLED

And Its Mother is Fatally Injured When She Jumps in Front of Train.

NORTH ATTLEBORO, Mass., Feb. 28.—Holding her five months old baby in her arms, Mrs. Ralph Dinsmore jumped from an overhead bridge in the path of a passenger train today. The child was fatally injured and the woman was fatally injured. She was 23 years old and the wife of a young mechanic.

RATE CHANGES

Of An Ordinary Kind Are Permitted by Interstate Commerce Commission.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—An order was issued today by the Interstate Commerce Commission permitting common carriers to make ordinary changes in rates pending action upon the applications for relief from the operation of the long and short haul provision of the law. Specific regulations for the making of such changes are prescribed by the commission and they must be made with an understanding that the commission does not give necessarily its approval to them.

RECOVERS FROM GRIP.

C. L. McCracken, machine operator, ill for a week at his home on North Sixth street, has recovered



Member of the state supreme court, who will address the Brotherhood in the First Methodist Episcopal church here at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. He is a brilliant speaker. There will be music by the Brotherhood chorus of fifty voices, a special quartet and a solo by Prof. A. W. Martin. All men will be welcome.

WARNING IS GIVEN AS TO INCOME TAX

Heavy Penalties for Those Who Fail to Make Proper Returns.

A telegram has been received from the commissioner of Internal Revenue by S. A. Hays, internal revenue collector of this district, directing the latter to extend a public warning to all persons in the district who are liable to pay an income tax, to the effect that if they do not make their returns within the specified limit, they will be liable to a penalty of from \$20 to \$1,000.

The time limit is March 2. It would have been March 1, but as that date this year is on Sunday, the effect that if they do not make their returns on or before the collector's hands on or before the close of business Monday.

This warning does not apply to those who may have secured an extension of time, under the provision of the law which says that anyone unable by reason of sickness, the absence of some person whose presence is necessary to the business, or any other proper reason, may have their time extended for as much as thirty days by application to the collector.

But, either the returns must be made or an extension secured, on or before March 2, or the result is penalization.

SPORTING PAGE

Along American Lines is Now a Feature of Italian Newspapers in Rome.

ROME, Feb. 28.—The sporting page along American lines has lately become a feature of Italian newspapers. Most of the journals are giving up a whole page or more every day to sport. While devoid of baseball or football gossip the pages deal extensively with aviation, automobilism, bicycle racing, and rowing and swimming.

A subject of current discussion is a proposed trip to the new Italian colony in Africa, members of the Italian touring club planning to join with members of the Agricultural Society and the Venetian Association of the Studies of the Antiquities in an expedition whose aim will combine pleasure, science and art.

EARTHQUAKE

Shocks 2,700 Miles from Washington Are Recorded at Georgetown University.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Seismographs at Georgetown University recorded pronounced earthquake shocks for nearly forty-five minutes early today. At 12:14 a. m. the first tremors were recorded reaching the maximum at 12:15 and then subsiding.

POTTERY CONCERN IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO LOCATE IN CITY

FLOOD

Is a Possibility as a Result of the Snow and Frozen Rivers Bureau Says.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 28.—The state water supply commission has received reports in the last few days from its observers in the state flood warning service showing that the snow in Pennsylvania varies two to forty-eight inches on the level and that the streams are in many instances found with from six to twelve inches of ice, the lower part of the Allegheny, the Monongahela and the Ohio being the only large rivers not frozen.

The condition presents a potential flood possibility which may result seriously and cause tremendous loss," says the statement issued to the commission. "Similar conditions prevailed the winters of 1902 and 1904 when the greatest floods since 1889 occurred in Pennsylvania. The report of the commission states the depth of the snow on the ground at the end of February is unusual.

INVESTIGATION

Of the Killing of Vergara is Promised by Federal Mexican Government.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Charge O'Shaughnessy reported today from Mexico City that he had made representations concerning Clemente Vergara's death and that the Huerta government had promised a detailed investigation of the killing.

The charge did not refer to any dispatches to the memorandum published yesterday asking the United States to revoke permission to the Constitutionalists to buy arms in the United States. So far there is no official knowledge of any attempt by the Huerta government of diplomatic exchanges with Washington.

JOHN PARKS DEAD

Prominent Banker of Bellaire, O., Well Known Here, is Suddenly Taken.

John Parks, president of the Buckeye Savings and Loan Association at Bellaire, O., well known in Clarksburg, where he visited numerous times on business for the association, died suddenly of heart disease Friday night at his home at Bellaire.

Mr. Parks was a splendid citizen and one of the ablest bankers and business men of his section. He was noted for his benevolence.

STORING COAL

Are Manufacturers Who Fear There Will Be Suspension of Work in Mine Regions.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 28.—Fearing that the failure of the bituminous coal operators and miners to agree on a working scale at the Philadelphia conference will result in a suspension of work in the mines of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania April 1, manufacturing concerns in the Pittsburgh district have commenced to store coal. Thirty carloads, piled in the yards of the Carnegie Steel Company and larger quantities at other mills.

PLANT EQUIPMENT ENLARGED BY DEAL

Lynch-Osborn Undertaking Co. Takes Over the Plant of Another Concern.

The Lynch-Osborn Undertaking Company has closed a deal, whereby it has taken over the full equipment of the Siers-Kearns Undertaking Company, including the rolling stock which consists of the finest type funeral cars. This added to the already large equipment of this progressive concern makes its plant among the best equipped in the state.

LAKE TRADE

To Open about March 15 Will Largely Increase Mine Activity in This Region.

Will Employ Several Hundred Men and Have a Very Big Pay Roll.

PROPOSITION IS MADE

Which Committee Brings Back and Which Board Will Likely Accept.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the board of trade Friday night, G. W. Duddar, secretary, treasurer, made the following report for January and February: Owing to the active consideration of two manufacturing propositions which now look more encouraging than ever, our report for January was not read at that meeting nor was it published. This report, therefore will briefly cover the activities of two months.

Our circle of acquaintances have rapidly widened and we are greatly pleased with the friendly attitude of everyone and the assurance to substantially back this work.

Though many citizens feel that the Baltimore & Ohio should give better train service south and we have urged the reinstatement of trains No. 1 and No. 6, it does not appear probable that this will be done, though we have been assured by the Baltimore & Ohio officials that better arrangements for the transfer of passengers from train to street car at Weston will be made.

The secretary has conferred on several occasions with General Manager Watson of the traction company and other officials and understands that plans are ready for the new interurban station and that actual work of construction will begin shortly. In this connection, Mr. Watson invites suggestions from the Board of Trade with regard to these plans. We have also assurances from the traction company that signs will shortly be placed on both ends of all of the eighty cars operating in this section, illuminated signs to be used at night. The traction company appreciates the fact that Clarksburg is entitled to better service and that frequent shortages of power, especially in bad weather, causes serious inconvenience and loss. In this connection an early conference is to be held between the traction company officials and the board of trade directors.

As authorized, the secretary attended the hearing of the petition of the Central West Virginia Window Glass Association before the I. C. C. in Pittsburgh January 27. The indications are some readjustments will be brought about by the decision of this case, the latter part of March. There also appear to be rates on other commodities not entirely fair to our shipping materially industrial development of this section and the secretary has the authority of the directors to extend the advance of the board in this case, the outcome of which we feel will, to a considerable extent, influence further readjustments. Mr. Harding, president of the Central West Virginia Window Glass Association, met with the directors at our last meeting and these matters were discussed at considerable length.

Our attention has been called to exceedingly poor express service in this district. There is no question that the presence of the competing company would bring about better service, but we can assure you that we have, however, conferred with the officials of the United States Express Company, changes in the management of the local office have been recently made and we already see evidence of improved service and prompt delivery. It has been considered if the board of trade feels it reasonable to so request. Comments or complaints from patrons regarding this service will be appreciated and will assist us in our efforts to bring about desired improvements.

We have recently conferred with prominent business men with regard to improvement of freight service, especially L. C. L. North and car-load business on the Shortline. Shippers are urged to notify your secretary of specific cases of poor service. We have the assurance of the Vice President Thompson and General Manager Galloway that they will be glad to have these specific matters referred to them by the secretary and that every effort will be made to give satisfactory service. While we have heard some general information on specific cases, we have been given telephone service has been made, especially relative to interchange service with country lines and the matter has been taken up with proper authorities. This is of considerable importance to our merchants and wholesalers and retail dealers who are glad to have comments from our patrons and feel sure that those in charge will do all that can be reasonably expected of them to give satisfactory service.

Agricultural. In co-operation with Mr. C. R. Titlow, director of agricultural extension work of the West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va., and Nat T. Frame, state agent of the United States department of agriculture, plans are being worked out for the organization of an agricultural bureau and the employment of a trained agriculturist in Harrison county. A number of articles have appeared in our local papers explaining the nature and benefits of this movement.

Annual Meeting. The annual convention of the Missionary Societies of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, of the Western Virginia conference will be held in Huntington at Emmanuel