

NEW SYSTEM FOR MILITIA ASSURED

Brumbaugh Signs the Bill to Put National Guard on Basis of Regular Army

OFFICERS NO LONGER ELECTED

They Hereafter Will Be Appointed by the Governor—Provisions of the New Law Will Become Effective on June 1, 1915

The State militia of Pennsylvania, otherwise known as the National Guard, will now be reorganized along the lines of the formation of the regular army, Governor Brumbaugh having, as his last official act last night, approved the bill "providing for the organization, discipline, maintenance and regulation of the militia of the Commonwealth," as the title of the bill expresses it.

This reorganization bill does not make such radical changes in the present makeup of the National Guard as generally supposed. The division, brigade, regimental and company formations remain the same, and the same number of men are carried as at present. There will be no work begun along reorganization lines until June 1, 1915, as the bill provides.

The most radical change in the Guard is that the regimental and line officers hereafter will be appointed by the Governor, as Commander-in-Chief, instead of being elected by the regimental officers or the companies as a whole. It is argued that the new system will prevent the playing of politics by those who wish to be elected to wear shoulder-straps in the companies. It is held that the bill will also lead to better discipline, as it is held officers who are not elected by the men under them are not so apt to enforce strict discipline for fear that when the time comes for re-election they may not again be chosen.

Adjutant General Stewart is in Washington to-day conferring with the national authorities.

ELKS TO HOLD BANQUET

Lieutenant Governor McClain to Be One of Speakers Tuesday Night

The annual installation banquet of Harrisburg Lodge No. 12, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will be held at Chestnut street hall next Tuesday evening. Quite an array of prominent members of the order from sister lodges will be present, and it is expected that at least 300 Elks will sit around the banquet board.

The speakers will be Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain, of Lancaster lodge, an "Pennsylvania Elks"; John F. Reilly, of Hammond, Indiana, lodge, on "The Big Brother Movement"; Myer Kubachnik, of Scranton lodge, on "The Friendly Elks"; and George J. F. Falkenstein, of McKeesport lodge, on "Reminiscences." The toastmaster for the occasion will be William K. Meyers, past exalted ruler of Harrisburg Lodge. Clarence H. Slinger will be the song leader. Lesser's orchestra will furnish the music.

CABINET MEMBERS IN DEMAND

Democrats Unable to Get One to Speak Here on "Jefferson Day"

The Central Democratic Club has not yet selected a date on which to hold the "Jefferson" banquet, but it is possible that April 27 may be the date. All efforts to obtain a speaker of national prominence have thus far failed.

Members of the committee of arrangements who went to Washington were confronted with the information that all of the prominent Democratic Senators either have gone home or are serving on committees doing special service during the recess and cannot be obtained.

The matter of getting a Cabinet officer has almost been abandoned, as the members of President Wilson's Cabinet, as well as himself, cannot leave Washington at this important period for even a day, and they are all very much engrossed with pressing national matters. The committee, however, is still on the hunt for a man of national fame to grace the dinner.

VISITING CANDIDATES

School Board Committee Will Go on Another Tour Tuesday

After touring Pittsburgh, Wilkesburg, Butler and Titusville to visit candidates for the position as principal of the Central School Board, the committee returned home this morning. They were on the road since 1 o'clock Tuesday morning. Scores of candidates were interviewed.

On Tuesday the committee will start on another trip to include Passaic, Long Branch, West Chester and a few other Eastern cities finishing the trip in New York cities, where candidates from other places will be met. The committee includes Superintendent Downes, President Boyer, Secretary Hammelbaugh and Directors Bretz and Houtz. Their report will likely be made to the board on April 16.

Young Man Fractures Foot

Duncan, April 10.—A peculiar coincidence happened here yesterday when Roy Culp, aged 19 years, slipped in a furrow and fractured his right foot, the same thing occurring to his father at the same place several years ago.

BISHOP DUBS LOVED HIS 5 SONS EQUALLY, SAYS WILL

Document Probed to-day Proves That They Shall Share Alike in His Estate—All the Property, Including Big Farm, Goes to Family

Under the will of the late Bishop Rudolph Dubs, which was probed by Register of Wills Roy C. Danner this morning, the entire estate is left to the family. The will makes no reference to the value of the estate. It is placed in the hands of Irvin P. Bowman, an attorney, and Mrs. Amanda Dubs, the widow, as executors, and they are not required to file a bond. It also is provided that no formal appraisal of the real estate and personal property need be made. Bishop Dubs left five sons and no daughters, and the will says: "All sons shall inherit alike, because I love them all."

The same furnishings are given outright to the widow and it is provided that she also shall receive the income from the personal property so long as she lives or so long as she does not remarry. Should she remarry, then the will provides that "no longer shall officiate as one of the executors of the estate; that a son, Rudolph Summer Dubs, shall be substituted as the "sole executor and that thereafter the widow shall receive only the income from \$1,000.

The widow also is given the right to select from the Bishop's valuable library any books which she may desire. The sons then are to be permitted to make selections from the library. Following the death of the widow a fund of \$1,000 which it is provided shall be invested for her benefit in the event of her remarriage is to be equally divided among the children.

The Bishop's real estate and lots, with the exception of an 80-acre tract in Benton county, Iowa, is to be equally divided among the five sons, but not until five years subsequent to the Bishop's death. The Iowa farm is not to be sold unless consent to that sale be given by the widow, and should that be given, the income and interest money derived therefrom is to go to the widow, "as a part of her maintenance during her lifetime and widowhood."

Mrs. Dubs is designated as guardian for the minor son, Martin Carothers Dubs. Another section provides that in the event of the death of both Bishop and Mrs. Dubs before their son attains his majority, then the minor is to be educated out of a fund to which \$500 a year, or so much of that amount as may be necessary, is to be appropriated until he reaches the age of 21.

The income from the three-story apartment at 3918 Jansen avenue, Chicago, Ill., is to be paid to the widow for her maintenance, and after her death, or in the event of her remarriage, the house is to be sold and the proceeds divided among the children. Should any of the sons contest any or all the provisions of the will, then it is provided that they only shall receive \$100. The executors are to receive \$100 each.

MERCURY STILL CLIMBING

Temperature May Not Go Below 55 To-night

The mercury, which touched a minimum of fifty degrees last night is still on the increase and will likely not go lower than fifty-five to-night, according to the local weather forecaster.

The high temperature, which is the result of a low pressure area central over Manitoba and the western lake region, will be accompanied by cloudy and probably showers to-night and to-morrow. The temperature will continue high to-morrow.

THE COLONEL DENOUNCES WOMEN'S PEACE DOCTRINES

Leaders of Society Stirred by Attitude of Ex-President Roosevelt in Letter to Mrs. William I. Thomas, Secretary of Organization

Chicago, April 10.—Publication of the fact that Colonel Theodore Roosevelt had written a letter denouncing the woman's peace propaganda caused a sharp discussion among leaders here today. The letter reposed in the custody of Mrs. William I. Thomas, secretary of the Woman's Peace Party, and she refused to allow its publication.

"Miss Jane Addams said she sees no reason for secrecy about the letter," Mrs. Thomas was told.

"She may have thought that when she spoke, but now she agrees with me that there were sentences in the letter that it would be unwise to make public," retorted Mrs. Thomas. "Although Colonel Roosevelt has said he would be delighted to have the letter published, I think it unwise to make it public."

The missive which aroused the discussion was sent to Mrs. George Rublee, of Washington. One report had it that the Colonel said that pacifists in general constituted a "menace to the future welfare of the United States."

"Of course every one knows," Colonel Roosevelt's views on militarism and peace and it is not wonderful that he may have expressed himself strongly in opposition to peace propaganda," said Miss Addams, who is to head the Chicago delegation of 12 to the Woman's Peace Conference at The Hague.

"Personally I had no objection to giving out the letter, but it appears that the letter sent here, which I supposed to have been a copy, was really the original."

Those in the party to start from here Sunday for The Hague, besides Miss Addams and Mrs. Thomas, are Miss Sophroniska P. Breckenridge, Miss Grace Abbott, Mrs. William B. Lloyd, Miss Florence Holbrook, Dr. Alice Hamilton, Mrs. Julius Loeb, Mrs. Robert Kohlschater, Mrs. Herbert Willott, Miss Emily Napieraki and William P. Tutill.

PURE GOLD WATER AT "HOTEL KEIN"

New Germantown Correspondent Says "The Glass Is Not Upturned" in "Dry" Perry

"LOVELY SPRING IS ON THE WING"

Writer Says Bird's Song Is Not So "Merrily," but the Whistle of the Plowboy Greets the Ear These Mornings

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
New Germantown, April 10.—Mr. Editor: Spring, lovely spring, is now on the wing and scattering the leaden clouds by warmer rays of the sun, yet the bird's song is not so merrily.

The Easter Sabbath was a bright one with cold, northeasterly winds and quietly celebrated here by church service, songs of praise and nice dinners of the best the larders could afford.

It is the merry whistle of the plowboy that greets the ear these mornings and many persons have made early garden.

The main roads are in a fine condition and many are the autos that find their way to our village, and we hope to see many visitors this season, as Hotel Kein serves fine meals and gives good entertainment, and the glass is not upturned and pure water from the springs and fine, fresh air will reward you and repay you for your stay with us.

There were many changes made in this village and community and those who were residents here for a number of years are looking at other scenes and are forming new friends. Those of the twenty-five young people who went West have been situated in nice homes and secured a kindly welcome.

Miller, the agent for autos, was in town last week.

Mrs. Milton Wilson and four children, of this place, spent Easter with the former's father, Harry Welcomes, New Bloomfield.

200 ROOMS FOR NEW HOTEL

Architect's Plan Will Soon Be Put on Exhibition in This City

It was stated to-day by those familiar with the plan for a new hotel to be located at Third and Walnut streets, that the promoters will be here about the middle of this month to have a conference with local people whose advice they have sought.

The architect of the hotel company has been at work on the plans for some time and they will be brought here for exhibition. The plans are said to embrace a hotel with at least two hundred rooms, the great majority with bath. Six store rooms are to be placed along Third street and four on Walnut street, all of large dimensions.

From hints that have been dropped the lobby and first floor of the hotel will be one of the most modern in design and construction.

REYNOLDS OPERATED UPON

Engineer Mysteriously Shot While at Throttle of His Locomotive This Morning

Calvin Reynolds, 1841 Park street, Philadelphia & Reading Railroad engineer, who was mysteriously shot while running his train between Gravel Church and Leeburg early this morning, developed an alarming blood condition at the Harrisburg hospital this morning and surgeons decided to operate late this afternoon. Otherwise his condition was good.

The bullet entered his abdomen on the right side and is now lodged under the skin at the front. It was at first believed that the bullet traveled through the muscles of his abdomen but it is now thought that his intestines were pierced.

Mr. Reynolds felt a stinging pain in his side this morning while at the throttle and believed that he was hit by a stone and paid no attention to it. Later he felt blood running from a wound in his side. At Shippensburg he was examined by a physician, who sent him to Harrisburg hospital early this morning. He cannot explain the mysterious shot in the dark.

DIES FROM AUTO INJURIES

Well-Known Sculptor Run Down on Broadway Last Night

New York, April 10.—Karl Theodore Francis Bitter, chief of the department of sculpture of the Panama-Pacific Exposition and one of the best known sculptors of this country, died in a hospital here to-day of injuries he suffered when he and Mrs. Bitter were run down last night by an automobile on Broadway. Mrs. Bitter's injuries are not serious.

Mr. Bitter was director of sculpture of the Buffalo Exposition and chief of the department of sculpture of the St. Louis Exposition. He was 47 years old, coming here in 1889 from Vienna, where he was born. His home was in this city.

Alaska to Vote on Prohibition

Juneau, Alaska, April 10.—The Alaska Senate yesterday passed a bill submitting territorial prohibition to the voters at the November election in 1916. The bill has already passed the House. If the voters approve prohibition, it will become effective January 1, 1918.

American Cotton Destroyed by Fire

Naples, April 10.—Six thousand bales of American cotton aboard the steamer San Guglielmo were destroyed by fire in the harbor here to-day. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. The San Guglielmo sailed from Galveston March 16.

Big Dock Fire at Liverpool

Liverpool, April 10.—Damage estimated at several hundred thousand dollars was caused last night by a fire in the Stanley warehouse on the Maryport docks, one of the largest storage centers in the world for tobacco in bond.

KILLS GIRL HE LOVES, HER FATHER AND THEN HIMSELF

Doctor Pusey, Native of St. Andros Island, Brings to Tragic End His Suit For Affections of American Young Woman

(Correspondence of Associated Press)
Panama, Friday, April 2.—The little island of St. Andros, off the north coast of Colombia, has just been the scene of a triple tragedy involving an American and his daughter and a native physician who recently graduated from an American medical school in Memphis, Tenn. According to information arriving by schooner Dr. Z. Pusey first killed Miss Robinson then shot her father, Theodore Robinson and later turning his revolver upon himself, blowing out his brains.

For some time the doctor had been a frequent visitor at the home of the Robinsons and had paid Miss Robinson marked attention. His suit, however, was not viewed with favor by the young woman's parents and the physician was given to understand that he must cease his visits.

On the morning of March 23 Miss Robinson, accompanied by friends, started on a horseback ride into the country. A short distance from the town they were met by Dr. Pusey who demanded that Miss Robinson accompany him to his office. This she refused to do. The doctor then fired one shot from his revolver into the back of her head, killing her instantly.

Later the physician met Mr. Robinson, who had already heard of his daughter's death, and killed him instantly. The doctor then went to his office where he committed suicide.

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WILD EXCITEMENT IN STEEL STOCKS

Scenes of the Past Few Days Again Duplicated in Wall Street To-day

U. S. AGAIN BIG FEATURE OF DAY

Opens With Block of 15,000 Shares at 57 1/2 and Soon Advances to 58—Sales in First Hour Exceed Half Million

New York, April 10.—Scenes of wild excitement attended the renewal of operations on the Stock Exchange to-day. The trading floor was crowded with members and the visitors' gallery was lined with spectators, many of them women in gay attire. Over-night buying orders and a further stampede of the short interest lifted prices throughout the list, gains extending from 1 to 3 points in speculative favorites and specialties.

United States Steel, the leader of yesterday's spectacular movement, was again the chief feature, opening with a block of 15,000 shares at 57 1/2 to 57 3/4, and soon advanced to 58. Bethlehem Steel was the only prominent stock to hold back, declining 2 points. Rock Island was the most erratic issue, rising almost 4 points and soon losing all its advance.

Trading during the first half-hour was on the largest scale for that period in the recent history of the exchange. Sales in the first hour exceeded half a million shares, which surpassed all records since 1909, the year of the great speculative boom. Prices continued to react under the weight of increased realizing sales and many gains were wiped out, some of the standard shares selling materially under yesterday's close. Steel was conspicuous in this connection, declining to 55 1/2. Its contribution to the business of the first hour was 117,000 shares.

Prices recovered from lowest levels before the close, but failed to repeat their best quotations of the first hours. Sales for the two hours aggregated 800,000 shares, the largest total for a Saturday in six years.

BABY IS SCALDED TO DEATH

Falls Into Tub of Steaming Water and Dies From His Burns

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Marysville, Pa., April 10.—Donald Campbell, the two-year-old son of G. W. Campbell, of Eschol, Perry county, met with a horrible death yesterday afternoon from scalding.

The little boy was playing in the kitchen and seeing a large tub of scalding hot water standing by the stove he began dabbling a stick in it. While doing so he lost his balance and fell into the water.

His screams brought his mother to his assistance, but before she could get him out of the tub he was horribly scalded. Everything possible was done to save the little fellow's life, but he was too badly scalded to admit of recovery, and died during the afternoon. He was a most interesting little fellow, and the community is saddened by his terrible death.

CARRANZA FORCES ON THE DEFENSIVE

Mazatlan Placed Under Martial Law and Flour Supplies Are Ordered Seized

VILLA'S MEN DENY DEFEAT

Disappointment at Washington Apparent Over General Carranza's Opposition to the Proposed Neutralization of the Mexican Capital

By Associated Press.
On Board U. S. S. Colorado, Mazatlan, April 9 by Radio to San Diego, April 10.—A battle between Carranza forces under General Carranza and Villa followers in command of General Belmar, has been raging for two days at La Murella, Sinaloa, south of Mazatlan. Only meagre reports of hostilities have been received.

Aided by four ninety-millimeter guns, manned by ex-Federal artillery troops, recently brought to Mazatlan by the gunboat Guerrero, the Carranza forces have taken the offensive.

Mazatlan has been placed under martial law by General Dumas as military commandant. The supply of flour is exhausted and a decree has been issued to seize all flour withheld from sale by merchants.

Pursuing Defeated Villa Army
Washington, April 10.—General Oregon, advised by General Carranza's agency here to-day say, is pursuing the defeated Villa army after the victory at Celaya and is advancing toward San Luis Potosi. The same dispatch reports Villa forces evacuating Dolores, in the state of Hidalgo.

Advices to Villa representatives, however, deny that Oregon has gained a victory over their forces and contend there has only been light skirmishing.

No Shots Fall in Brownsville
Washington, April 10.—War Department dispatches to-day made no reference to reported firing on the American flag near Brownsville from the Mexican side of the Rio Grande but Major General Funston reported under date of yesterday that no shots had fallen into Brownsville since March 27. Further inquiries are being made.

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ARREST MAY RESULT FROM EXPLOSION AT MT. HOLLY

Jacob Miller, Occupant of Log Cabin Near Which Dynamite Was Placed, Tells Police His "Enemies" Are Responsible

Mt. Holly, April 10.—A dynamic explosion that last night shook the earth for miles around here, shattered windows in many homes, disturbed the residents from their slumbers and preceded a fire that subsequently destroyed fifty acres of timberland, was the cause here and in Carlisle to-day of a police inquiry that is expected to result in at least one arrest before night.

The explosion and fire occurred within 100 feet of the picturesque log cabin on the farm of Percy Harmon, a local merchant, which for years has been occupied by Jacob Miller, his wife and their four children. Yesterday Miller was served by a constable with a quit notice, the owner, Harmon, having begun legal action to have the cabin vacated. Miller to-day declared, the police say, that the explosion and fire were caused by his "enemies."

On the other hand the police here declared they have a warrant for the arrest of Miller on the charge of threatening the life of Harmon, the land owner. Harmon alleges that Miller, armed with a shotgun, had maliciously pursued him, until the tenant of the cabin feared his home was in danger of being destroyed by the fire that swept through the forest.

The quantity of dynamite exploded near the cabin last night has been variously estimated, some believing that as many as a dozen sticks were discharged. The belief prevailed here that a fire was started in the leaves preliminary to the discharge of the dynamite. The fire spread to the timberland and was not extinguished until it had swept over fifty acres of the forest.

MILEAGE BOOK THIEF IS BUSY AGAIN AT COLUMBIA

Mysterious Station Robber Resumes Operations After Sojourn in Pittsburgh Where He Disposed of His Loot

The mileage book thief who breaks into ticket offices in broad daylight is busy again. His raids on the Cumberland Valley and on lower Dauphin county stations were not his last operations. After a brief sojourn, during which he disposed of seven or more Highpiper mileage books in Pittsburgh, and entered several small stations near that place, he came back to Columbia on Thursday, where he secured a ticket stamper so that he could stamp the books in regular form and thus dispose of them with the least difficulty.

Operating during daylight, usually between the hours of 12 and 2 p. m., he has remained a mystery to the railroad police, who are anxious to lay hands on him.

Since his initial visit in this section he has made away with \$500 worth of mileage books to the consternation of the police. The books are void unless stamped with the stamp of a station and the date of sale. Seven books stolen from the Highpiper station were found in Pittsburgh with stamps of a small Western Pennsylvania town on them. His stealing the ticket stamp at Columbia is believed by the police to indicate that he is going to stamp some Western Pennsylvania books with the Columbia stamp.

His smooth way of getting into a station has attracted the admiration of the railroad police. He can pick a Yale lock with the ease of one using a key to open it and usually does it at a time when there are persons around. Strange as it may seem he has evaded detection and he remains a mystery.

His profit out of his work comes from disposing of the books to pawn shops who handle mileage books and to ticket brokers. Nine pawn shops were victimized in Pittsburgh. In most instances he has stamped the books in regular order and taken some miles out of the books, together with the extra baggage checks. Books so arranged easily deceived the pawn dealers.

ASKED TO DIM LIGHTS

Motorists Will Aid Officers in Crowded Districts by Not Blinding Them

Requests have been made to the members of the Motor Club of Harrisburg to dim glaring headlights in the congested districts of the city to aid the traffic policemen. Chief of Police Hutchison requested the co-operation of the club, pointing out that the policemen cannot make out the direction the motorists wish to go when blinded by the lights.

The bulletin sent to the members of the club by the secretary, J. Clyde Myton, says: "Accidents can be prevented and the efficiency of the police force increased if drivers will either dim their head lights or switch to the side lights when in the central part of the city."

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ROME, VIA LONDON, APRIL 10, 12.37 A. M.—Official Austria General Staff has asked the good offices of the Holy See to obtain peace proposals is printed in the "Osservatore Romano," the organ of the Vatican.

FRENCH STEAMER IS SUNK BY A GERMAN SUBMARINE

Le Treport, France, April 10, 4.50 A. M.—The French three-masted ship Chateaubriand, from London for New York with a cargo of chalk, was sunk by a German submarine off the Isle of Wight at 11 a. m. Thursday. The crew was saved.

403 MORE BRITISH DEAD IN THE LATEST CASUALTY LIST

London, April 10, 4.15 P. M.—The fourth British casualty list issued by the War Office this week, showing 1,238 additional losses, was given out to-day. Of the total, 403 were killed and the others wounded.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The official war reports of to-day indicate that the fighting in France, which started on Monday with a French attack between the Meuse and the Moselle rivers, has developed into a desperate struggle along a considerable portion of the western front. The statement from the German army headquarters mentions one after another, a series of onslaughts by the allies and says that the battle between the rivers is proceeding with undiminished violence. Although at times the French succeeded in gaining a foothold on German positions, it would appear from the Berlin statement that no ad-

AUSTRIANS TO STAY ON DEFENSIVE

Have Abandoned the Idea of Launching Fresh Movement Against the Serbians

TO SOUND RUSSIA ON PEACE TERMS?

Czar's Forces Make Important Captures of Artillery and War Munitions in Battle in Carpathians—26,000 Austrians Lost, Is Report

Geneva, via Paris, April 10, 4.55 A. M.—Austria has abandoned the idea of launching a fresh offensive movement against Serbia, the "Tribune" says it has learned from an absolutely reliable source, and will remain strictly on the defensive in order to send additional army corps to the Italian frontier. The same authority is quoted as asserting that it was decided at Vienna to sound Russia on the subject of peace terms, but that it is impossible to know what the result has been.

The Russians made important captures of artillery and war munitions in the recent fighting in the Carpathians, according to dispatches to Swiss newspapers. In the county of Swos alone they took two batteries of twelve-inch mortars, four other batteries of different calibers, twenty quick-firers and 7,600 shells for 6-inch guns.

Figures received here purporting to come from the Austrian General Staff place at 26,000 the losses in the battle on the Dukia-Eperu front.

More Austrian Peace Rumors

Milan, April 9, 8.20 P. M., via Paris, April 10, 5.05 A. M.—A special dispatch from Petrograd to the "Secolo" says that the insistent reports heard in the Russian capital of negotiations for a separate peace with Austria are based upon the supposition that Galicia and probably some other territory would be exchanged with Russia for guarantees of the preservation of Austrian integrity in the Transylvanian provinces. Sentiment in favor of a separate peace with Austria is said to be increasing in Russia.

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