CROSSING POLICEMEN UNDER CIVIL SERVICE

Mr. Macfarland Favors a Test of Qualifications.

MANY APPLICATIONS ON FILE

Present Members of Railroad Force to Escape Examination—An Eligible List Will Be Kept by District.

At the instance of Commissioner H. B. F. Macfarland, the District Board has determined that hereafter the railroad crossing policemen shall be appointed after a special civil service examination, to test their qualifications for the position.

Since the death of Commissioner Ross, Mr. Macfarland has had supervision over the Police Department, and he has reached the conclusion that the terms of the appointment of the crossing policemen should be the same as those of the Metropolitan Police Force, of which they form a part.

Must Pass Examination.

With a view to this end Commissioner Macfarland offered a motion to the Board that hereafter applicants for appointment as railway crossing policemen shall pass the examination conducted by the United States Civil Service Commission for members of the Metropolitan Police Force, receiving an average of not less than 70 per cent, after having met the physical requirements of the board of surgeons.

The physical standard under this order will be the same as for members of the regular force. The applicants will be required to be at least five feet eight inches in height, and of appropriate weight, in full physical health and vigor, and between the ages of twenty-three and thirty-five. The requirements as to moral character and personal courtesy will remain as at present.

The railway crossing policemen now on duty will not be required to pass the examination. But there are some 1,200 applicants whose applications are on file, and any of them who desire to be considered for appointment hereafter will, if the order be made, be required to pass the examination prescribed. An eligible list will be kept.

Policeman Found Guilty.

Private Samuel L. Browne, of the police force, has been found guilty by the trial board of conduct unbecoming an officer, and on the recommendation of Major Sylvester, the offender will be severely reprimanded. The policeman procured from the Disbursing Officer of the District blank forms of pay vouchers and indorsed them in full payment of the amount which would be due him as salary for the month of July, and then conveyed one of the vouchers to E. Heidenheimer.

When the vouchers became due they were not paid and could not be collected, for the reason that Private Browne had given a duplicate order for said payment to his father, who procured the money from the lieutenant of the Eighth police precinct.

Another paper reached the Commissioners yesterday from the police trial board, and on it Major Sylvester recommended that the finding of guilty in the case of Private W. J. Trussell, charged with gross neglect of duty, be approved, and that the officer be removed from the police force. This the Commissioners approved.

The specifications held that Trussell failed to patrol his beat on the night of September 9.

$1.25 to Baltimore and Return Via B. & O. R. R. Saturday and Sunday,

September 27 and 28. Tickets valid returning until midnight train Sunday night. All trains both ways both days except Royal Limited.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair today and tomorrow; light variable winds.

TEMPERATURE.

Highest temperature, 4 p. m..... 70
Lowest temperature, 6 a. m..... 66

SAME DATE LAST YEAR.

Maximum 68
Minimum 43

THE SUN AND THE MOON.

Sun rises...5:53 a.m. | Sun sets.5:51 p.m.
Moon rises..1:30 a.m. | Moon sets.....

TIDE TABLE.

Low tide.....3:25 a.m. and 4:24 p.m.
High tide.....10:33 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

STREET LIGHTING.

Lamps lit today.....6:27 p.m.
Lamps out tomorrow.....5:01 a.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

National Theater—"The Defender," afternoon and evening.

Columbia Theater—"Liberty Belles," afternoon and evening.

Lafayette Opera House—"Zaza," afternoon and evening.

Chase's Theater—Polite Vaudeville, afternoon and evening.

Academy of Music—"The Cattle King," afternoon and evening.

Empire Theater—Musical comedy, afternoon and evening.

Kernan's—Burlesque, afternoon and evening.

EXCURSIONS.

Norfolk and Washington line for Fort Monroe and Norfolk at 6:30 p. m.

Chesapeake Beach—See schedule under "Railroads and Steamboats" for time.

Trains leave Pennsylvania Avenue and Thirteen-and-a-half Street for Alexandria and Arlington every half hour; Mount Vernon hourly, 10 a. m. to 3 p. m.

TEMPERATURES IN OTHER CITIES.

	Max.	Min.	8 p.m.	Rainfall.
Asheville, N. C.	78	60	66	.20
Atlantic City	70	66	66	.76
Atlanta, Ga.	82	68	72	T.
Bismarck, N. D.	56	48	52	...
Boston, Mass.	60	52	60	T.
Chicago	64	58	64	...
Cincinnati	70	66	68	...
Cheyenne, Wyo.	66	38	46	T.
Davenport, Iowa	74	56	68	...
Denver, Col.	74	44	54	.08
Des Moines, Iowa	80	58	76	...
Galveston, Tex.	86	80	82	T.
Helena, Mon.	60	36	58	...
Indianapolis, Ind.	68	62	66	...
Jacksonville, Fla.	86	70	76	T.
Kansas City, Mo.	86	58	74	.01
Little Rock, Ark.	86	62	80	...
Marquette, Mich.	64	54	60	...
Memphis, Tenn.	82	64	76	...
New Orleans, La.	88	72	82	.10
New York	68	56	66	.54
Omaha, Neb.	78	58	58	...
Pittsburg, Pa.	76	62	70	.40
Salt Lake City	58	40	54	...
St. Louis, Mo.	80	64	74	...
St. Paul, Minn.	64	56	62	.04
Springfield, Ill.	76	58	68	...
Vicksburg, Miss.	88	66	82	...

THE DEATH RECORD.

The following deaths for twenty-four hours were reported at the Health Department up to noon yesterday:

Elizabeth Small, 65 years.
Thomas S. Barbour, 63 years.
John F. O'Connor, 28 years.
Catherine R. Leo, 26 years.
Oscar M. Ross, 4 months.
Clarence Hemming, 1 month.
Mary Gross, 1 month.
Charles E. Fillins, 1 month.
Gladys R. Murray, 6 days.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Albert Julius Reider and Lillian May White.
Rodney Blair and Ida Carter.
James C. Wells and Velda Anna Baxter.

NEW CHURCH INCORPORATED.

A certificate of the incorporation of the Columbia Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., was placed on file yesterday in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. The incorporators are William H. Wilson, Henry Beech, and George W. Thompson.

"ROBERT EMMET," Brandon Tynan's great historical novel, begins in THE SUNDAY TIMES tomorrow.

WILLIAMS DISMISSES NEW YORK INSPECTOR

Result of Eighteen Charges Filed Against John Lederhilger Announced to Commissioner General Sargent.

The Commissioner General of Immigration, Mr. Frank P. Sargent, yesterday received information from Commissioner of Immigration Williams, at the port of New York, to the effect that he had dismissed from the service Inspector John Lederhilger, chief clerk of the registry division.

Lederhilger was suspended August 9, pending an investigation of charges against his official conduct. There were eighteen charges in all, one of the principal of which was to the effect that official files had been mutilated and many documents abstracted. Lederhilger answered the charges in detail, and claimed that he was not responsible for some of the alleged violations, while he denied the others.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

Eugene Kennerley, who is under indictment for perjury, when arraigned yesterday before Justice Barnard, in the Supreme Court of the District, pleaded not guilty to the charge. Moreitz Affelder, charged with forgery, also pleaded not guilty. George Lanham, indicted for grand larceny, entered a plea of not guilty.

The Lord's Day.

Subject at Tent, corner Nineteenth and F Streets northwest, Sunday, 7:45. Four squares from White House. See church notices. Come early.

$1.25 To Baltimore and Return $1.25

Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, good to return until last train Sunday, 28th. All trains except Congressional Limited.

STREET EXTENSION OUT OF GENERAL FUND

Col. Biddle Replies to Request of Takoma Citizens.

The Takoma Park Citizens' Association recently forwarded to the District Commissioners a list of improvements to streets, which it was requested should be included in the estimates to Congress this year for special appropriation.

These were the opening, grading, and regulating of Umatilla Street, from Brightwood Avenue to Piney Branch Road, for which $24,000 was asked; the opening of Fifth Street extended, beneath the track of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, from Carroll Avenue to Magnolia Avenue, at a cost of $17,000; the grading, regulating, and graveling of Blair Road, from Chestnut Avenue to the District line, to cost $500; to macadamize Oak Avenue, from Carroll Avenue to Magnolia Avenue, for $500; Carroll Avenue from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to the District line, for $1,500, and Magnolia Avenue, from Chestnut Avenue to Oak Avenue, for $1,200.

Colonel Biddle's Reply.

After full consideration of the several items contained in the request, Col. John Biddle, the Engineer Commissioner, has offered the following motion, which has been approved by Commissioner Macfarland:

"I move that the Takoma Park Citizens' Association be informed that the Commissioners cannot recommend the insertion in their estimates to Congress an item for the condemnation of land for the extension of Umatilla Street, as they believe the land should be dedicated to the District; nor for the extension of Fifth Street for the same reason, and also because this street is not in accordance with the street extension plans approved by Congress.

"As to the other items mentioned, the work can be done out of the general fund for repairs to roads when the necessity arises, the amounts involved in each case being small, and special appropriations by Congress are not necessary."

WILL FILED FOR PROBATE.

The will of James Linskey, dated July 14 last, was filed yesterday for probate. He leaves his entire estate to his widow, Mrs. Jane Linskey, during her lifetime. Upon her death the testator directs that the estate shall be divided in equal shares among his children. He also directs that his business at 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue shall be continued by his son, Edward Linskey.

$1.00 to Frederick, Keedysville for Antietam, Hagerstown, Harper's Ferry, Martinsburg, and Winchester Via B. & O. R. R.

Sunday, September 28, by special train, leaving Washington 8:20 a. m. Returning leave Winchester and Hagerstown at 6; Martinsburg, 6:15; Keedysville, 6:20; Harper's Ferry and Frederick, 7 p. m. same day. These are delightful trips, and at a season when the country is beautiful.

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