

The Bridgeport Times

WEATHER

New Haven, July 18.—For New Haven and vicinity: Fair tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy.

While On Your Vacations Keep in Touch With Doings at Home By READING THE TIMES HAVE IT MAILED TO YOU

VOL. 57—NO. 170—EST. 1790

Entered as second class matter at the post office at Bridgeport, Conn., under the act of 1879

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., TUESDAY, JULY 19, 1921

Subscription rates by mail: Daily \$6.00 per year, One month, Daily 50 cents, 179 Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport

PRICE TWO CENTS

Believe Japan To Unqualifiedly Accept Invitation

No More Inquiries to Be Addressed to Washington—Weight of Public Opinion in Japan May Force Premier Hara to Attend Conference—Question of Bearing Expense of Parley Agitating Officials.

Tokio, July 19.—That Japan will unqualifiedly accept President Harding's invitation to the Washington conference and that no further inquiries will be addressed to Washington prior to such acceptance, seemed apparent today, following a meeting of the Cabinet.

The Asahi and other Japanese newspapers agreed with the statement carried by the Nippon Dempon News Agency Union which said:

"Japan is satisfied with the American attitude and is willing to settle all matters that may come up at the conference."

Although weight of public opinion may force Hara to head the Japanese delegation to the conference, the fact that he does not speak English would make his choice "unfortunate" according to an opinion expressed by a member of the cabinet in the interview.

Washington, July 19.—That Japan may clearly understand the attitude of the United States with regard to the forthcoming disarmament conference, the whole matter has been thoroughly discussed by Secretary of State Hughes in informal conversations with Ambassador Shidehara, it was learned officially today.

In addition to the exchange of communications with regard to the scope of the proposed conference, which has been carried on through the American Embassy at Tokio.

Along with other problems connected with the proposed disarmament conference President Harding and his cabinet today had for consideration the question of bearing the burden of expense of the parley.

Officially today forecasting that the conference expenses would be borne by the individual powers, pointed out that all of the Hague conferences have been paid for by the participating nations, foremen in factories, and in A. B. C. conference and other international parleys, including the Paris peace conference.

Round Table Big Feature Of Local Club One of the Times staff discovered today that there is in existence in Bridgeport a Round Table club which gather daily, not knights such as made that of King Arthur famous, but engineers, chemists, lawyers, musicians, foremen in factories, and in wet men and boys from all walks of life, who develop comradeship and swap yarns.

Late Telegraph News

BELA KUN ARRESTED Copenhagen, July 19.—Bela Kun, former Hungarian communist leader was arrested in Lemberg on his arrival there from the Moscow communist congress, according to a Lemberg despatch to the Berlingske Tidende today. The charge against him was that he was carrying plans for a communist rising in Galacia.

KORFANTY IN PARIS Paris, July 19.—Adelbert Korfanty, Polish patriot and insurgent leader, arrived here Monday for a visit of several days, the purpose of which he did not reveal. In an interview he discussed the Polish situation and asserted the supreme council of the League of Nations is the only agency through which an equitable and lasting settlement of the Upper Silesian problem can be effected.

FARMERS WIN ELECTIONS Winnipeg, Man., July 19.—Farmers swept Alberta in the legislative elections yesterday, according to returns today. Candidates sponsored by the non-partisan league, obtained 37 out of 61 seats in the house.

GEN. MARCH AT COBLENZ Coblenz, July 19.—General Payton C. March, former chief of staff of the United States army arrived here Monday.

Not Real Rupture As Yet America's Greatest Golf Championship Match Starts With Big Field

Think Ulster Delegation Will Be Recalled to London Next Week—Feel De Valera Is Visionary.

Belfast, July 19.—(By the A. P.)—The return to Belfast of Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, and the members of his cabinet who have been with the London negotiations with the Irish peace move must not be taken as a rupture of the negotiations, was declared today by Colonel Spender, the Ulster secretary of the delegation on its arrival here.

May Bring Suit To Get License Refund Because of uneasiness and impatience expressed by a number of Bridgeport ex-liquor dealers due to the failure to receive refunds on licenses paid in at the time the prohibition law went into effect on July 1, 1919, the matter of effect of possible suits against the county have brought the opinion from some sources that such actions brought against the Fairfield County commissioners might be successful to the extent of a court order, telling the commissioners to pay the fund.

Washington, July 19.—America's greatest golf championship round evened today when one half of the field of 260 experts went away in the testing 18 holes qualifying round. The other players will qualify tomorrow.

Professionals regard this as the most exciting qualifying round ever held in a championship as no player can afford to go bad on more than two holes and hope to be among the 72 players and all tied for 72nd place, who will qualify for the championship proper.

Jock Hutchison, winner of the British Open, Abe Mitchell, long hitting English professional, and Joe Kirkwood, the Australian open champion, are the favorites, but with such a fast field, many considered the affair a lottery, with any one of 250 players a possible winner.

The low scores in practice made it seem certain that nothing worse than a 73 would qualify. Wagers were made at even money that this figure would be required and that 68 would be bettered before the championship ends.

Walter Hagan, Kirkwood and Mitchell were the most prominent players to participate in today's qualifying rounds.

Weather conditions were good when the first pair got away. Joe Kirkwood, the Australian open champion, and a gallery of 300 trailed behind.

Jock Hutchison and Abe Mitchell were paired and were followed by 56.

The Professional Golfers' association has voted a formal protest against an 18 hole qualifying round and requesting that in the future, it be extended to 36 holes.

Senae Committee Makes Charges Of Most Serious Nature

Washington, July 19.—Serious charges of the most revolting nature in connection with vice investigations at the Naval Training Station at Newport, R. I., were aired today by the report of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee which conducted an investigation of the charges.

Co-operative Distribution Is Remedied New York, July 19.—"Farmers' failure have been the farmers' fault," Joseph Shapiro, the brilliant young California economist, sent 100 county agents of the Farm Bureau Federation of New York back to their constituents on the farms today, with this message ringing in their ears.

President Appoints Chamber Meets To Discuss Bill Harry W. Mackenzie of Bethel is the new federal director of prohibition in Connecticut. He was appointed yesterday by President Harding through Commissioner of Internal Revenue David H. Blair.

Knew Nothing Of Plan To Kill Husband Northport, N. Y., July 19.—Denial of reports that the new or "washed" Harry G. Hemming, of a plan of Frank Eberhardt, her duck island caretaker, to kill Hemming, was made by Mrs. Helen G. Hemming today in her first public statement since Eberhardt shot Hemming and committed suicide last Friday.

Spent Nine Billion Less Washington, July 19.—The total government expenditures during the fiscal year just ended dropped off by nine billion dollars as compared with last year representing a decrease of \$7,000,000 in ordinary disbursements and a reduction of \$7,846,000 in payments on the public debt, according to the annual statement issued today by the Treasury.

Girl's Death Accidental

That six-year-old Helen Alteri, of 317 Herral avenue, who fell from a tree in the yard of Peter Fenelli, of 303 Herral avenue, July 6, and who died in St. Vincent's hospital last Friday, came to her death by knocking her from the tree.

Several small children, none of whom were over seven years of age, accused Fenelli of throwing a stone or knife at her, and several women in the court room, but none of the older people were eye witnesses to the mishap, and their testimony was not accepted.

Fenelli, who was arrested last Saturday in connection with the affair, has been released from custody.

Burning Oil And Asphalt Pour Down In Tidal Wave Upon Millions Of Dollars Worth Of Shipping Piers

New York, July 19.—Fire, which swept in flaming billows of oil across New Jersey pasture land and over Staten Island Sound, caused more than \$1,000,000 damage and threatened the home and property of thousands, before it was finally under control early today.

Starting with the explosion of a still in the Warner-Quinnan Asphalt plant at Linden, N. J., the flames, fed by oil from neighboring tanks spread and raged throughout the entire night.

Rushing against wind and tide, the burning oil reached a point within fifty feet of Staten Island shore, it receded. Many inhabitants of the island fled and all others kept an all-night vigil.

The \$1,000,000 loss includes the destruction of the Warner-Quinnan plant, with thirty-four tanks and 300,000 barrels of crude oil. Twenty of the tanks destroyed contained asphalt, which burning gave off almost poisonous fumes.

Retail Cost of Food Has Taken Drop Unusual Domestic Agreement Signed

Washington, July 19.—The retail cost of food to the average family declined three tenths of one per cent, according to statements today by the Department of Labor. Declines were noted in retail prices of sugar, plate beef, cheese, butter, rib roast, bacon, canned salmon fresh milk bread, macaroni baked beans, canned tomatoes, coffee and grapes.

Among articles which increased in retail prices were potatoes, flour and ham. Wholesale fuel prices dropped equally while declines in the wholesale prices of clothing and miscellaneous commodities were less than one per cent.

Three Hurt In Automobile Crash

New Haven, July 19.—Three passengers in a Dodge automobile were injured and taken to the hospital when a truck collided with the machine on Broad street this forenoon.

Frank Giordano, 16, a passenger in the Dodge car, has possible concussion of the brain and other injuries. Harry Cohen, 20, driver of the car, and Ethel Horowitz, one of two women passengers, were also badly bruised and cut.

Richard M. Stevens, driver of the truck, was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

Said She Paid Officer \$5000 Washington, July 19.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll of Philadelphia, told a House committee investigating the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, her slacker son, that she gave five thousand dollars to Major Bruce Campbell, an army officer at Governor's Island for use "among high officials at Washington" to help obtain his freedom.

MADDEN SUCCEEDS GOOD. Washington, July 19.—Representative Martin E. Madden, Republican, Ill., today was elected chairman of the Committee on Appropriations of the House, succeeding Representative Good of Iowa, who recently resigned from the House.

Jitneys May Run Pending Legal Opinion

No Interference Until Keeler Hands Down His Decision on Application for Injunction—Judge Intimates in Event of Injunction Being Denied, Jitneys Waiting Final Decision Could Not Operate Buses.

New Haven, July 19.—Judge John E. Keeler in the Superior Court will make known his decision in a few days on the application for an injunction to restrain the New Haven police from making arrests for violation of the jitney law.

Before leaving the bench at 12:45 this noon, he said that because of the wording of the jitney act an appeal would not act as a supersedeas, intimating that in the event of the injunctions being denied the jitneys awaiting final decision on an appeal could not operate their busses.

City Attorney Sheridan T. Whitaker said that there would be no prosecution of jitneys in New Haven until the decision of Judge Keeler is handed down, which indicates that there will be no interference from the police until Judge Keeler's decision is received, which is not expected before Friday at the earliest.

The Connecticut company was fully represented at the hearing and received its first attack when Associate Counsel Joseph Berry of Hartford, presented to the court soon after opening an application for an injunction against the New Haven Derby Bus Corporation, which he asked Judge Keeler to hear in connection with the jitneys application. Objections were made by Attorney Robert Woodruff for the jitneys, and Judge Keeler refused to hear the application in connection with the one before him.

Attorney Woodruff attacked the legislature bill giving legislative and judicial powers to the Public Utilities Commission made by Attorney Robert Woodruff for the jitneys, and Judge Keeler refused to hear the application in connection with the one before him.

In his closing remarks, Judge Keeler said that it would be better if both sides could hurry their cases through. He stated that when an arrest were made, and an appeal taken from the City court verdict, if such was not satisfactory, it might expedite matters to a considerable extent. In this way, the question would soon find its way through the Common Pleas court to the Supreme Court. The determination was made in September when the matter would be decided once and for all.

Attorney Woodruff offered a long argument in behalf of the application which seeks to prevent arrests and prosecutions of jitney interests, particularly the Derby-New Haven line, pending the determination of the court of the constitutionality and legality of the statute.

A wave of laughter swept the room when Attorney George D. Walters for the Connecticut Company suggested that the jitney men turn their busses into other uses, suggesting the trucking and taxi business.

The court room was thronged with lawyers, jitney owners and drivers from New Haven, Bridgeport and Waterbury and from several of the surrounding towns.

That six-year-old Helen Alteri, of 317 Herral avenue, who fell from a tree in the yard of Peter Fenelli, of 303 Herral avenue, July 6, and who died in St. Vincent's hospital last Friday, came to her death by knocking her from the tree.

Several small children, none of whom were over seven years of age, accused Fenelli of throwing a stone or knife at her, and several women in the court room, but none of the older people were eye witnesses to the mishap, and their testimony was not accepted.

Fenelli, who was arrested last Saturday in connection with the affair, has been released from custody.

New York, July 19.—Fire, which swept in flaming billows of oil across New Jersey pasture land and over Staten Island Sound, caused more than \$1,000,000 damage and threatened the home and property of thousands, before it was finally under control early today.

Starting with the explosion of a still in the Warner-Quinnan Asphalt plant at Linden, N. J., the flames, fed by oil from neighboring tanks spread and raged throughout the entire night.

Rushing against wind and tide, the burning oil reached a point within fifty feet of Staten Island shore, it receded. Many inhabitants of the island fled and all others kept an all-night vigil.

The \$1,000,000 loss includes the destruction of the Warner-Quinnan plant, with thirty-four tanks and 300,000 barrels of crude oil. Twenty of the tanks destroyed contained asphalt, which burning gave off almost poisonous fumes.