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ONE CENT.

FIX SUMMER COAL PRICES

Dealers Assert That the Past Year Has Been Disastrous To Them

ASSOCIATION NAMED SCHEDULE LAST NIGHT

The Wilmington Coal Association met in the Board of Trade rooms last night to consider the summer price schedule. The price was finally fixed at \$6.25 a ton for prepared sizes and \$4.75 a ton for pea coal.

This is the cash price, and coal will be billed at this time at 87c for prepared sizes and \$5.25 for pea coal, with fifty cents discount if paid within ten days.

A uniform charge of twenty-five cents will be made for carrying in coal into places not accessible to chute wagons. On these prices there will be an advance of seven and one-half cents on June 1 and another advance of twenty-five cents on August 1, thus covering the advance of ten cents a month made by the coal companies, and beginning May 1 and ending September 1.

It is also the announced intention of the dealers to make a further advance before the severe weather sets in, probably October 1, of twenty-five cents a ton, thereby making the winter price \$7 a ton.

The dealers assert that with the prices named they are doing business on the smallest possible margin and any less price means loss to them and final ruin.

The past year the dealers claim, has been a disastrous one. Rivalry and cutting among some of the dealers caused a low price to be made last spring which in some instances, despite the summer advance of ten cents a month, was carried over until yesterday.

All the members of the Association this year will insist on the fifty-cent cash discount which was in force before the disruption of the former exchange and to some extent at least fell into disuse during the confusion of the past year.

The prices fixed for Wilmington are the same as those scheduled in Philadelphia, and the dealers in that city have the advantage of freight rates that are 15 cents less a ton than to Wilmington.

WILSON CHOSEN COUNTY ENGINEER

James Wilson was elected county engineer for New Castle county for a term of four years by the Levy Court this morning. He is a Republican, and received the votes of the Republican and Democratic members alike.

"I will endeavor to carry out the wishes of the court and give no occasion for you to think you have made a mistake," said Mr. Wilson in accepting the office.

Mr. Wilson also is city engineer for Wilmington, but will resign that office to-morrow. He assumes the position of county engineer immediately.

The office of county engineer does not affect in any way that of State Highway Commissioner for New Castle county, now held by Francis A. Price, whose duties continue as heretofore.

It is expected that the Republican members of Council will caucus to-morrow night for city engineer. Highway Commissioner Francis A. Price, or Assistant City Engineer Howard Griffith probably will be elected city engineer.

Marvin Hart Beats Peter Maher. HOT SPRINGS, Ark., April 2.—Peter Maher, once aspirant for the world's heavyweight championship, was knocked out in the second round by Marvin Hart, of Louisville, last night.

Age and youth were pitted against each other, and Father Time gave up the battle. Hart was the aggressor and Maher was unable to block the blows sent in by the Kentuckian.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—BREAD—STUFFS—Winter, extras, \$2.70@2.90; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$2.96@3.15; Pennsylvania roller, straight, \$3.20@3.40; Western winter, clear, \$3.00@3.25.
RYE FLOUR was quiet and steady. We quote at \$3.40 per barrel in wood, for choice Pennsylvania, and at \$3.65@3.90 per barrel for Western, the latter for fancy patent in sacks.
FEED was quiet and unchanged with small but ample supplies. We quote: On spot winter bran, in bulk, and spring, in sacks, \$2.50@2.74 per ton.
BALED HAY AND STRAW.—Timothy Hay—No. 1, large bales, \$2.50@2.75; No. 1, small bales, \$2.50@2.75; No. 2, \$1.90@2.10; No. 2, no grade, \$1.50@1.75. Clover Mixed Hay—No. 1, \$1.80@2.00; No. 2, \$1.50@1.75. Clover Hay—No. 1, \$1.80@2.00; No. 2, \$1.50@1.75.
BUTTER—Western creamery extra, 31c; Western creamery, firsts, 28c; nearby prints, extra, 3c; jobbing sales of prints, 24c@25c.
EGGS—Nearby, firsts, in free cases, 16c; nearby current receipts, in returnable crates, 16c; nearby, seconds, in free cases, 15c.
LIVE POULTRY—Young, 14c@15c; old roosters, 14c@15c; young chickens, soft-mated, 14c@15c; young chickens, stagsy, 14c@15c; winter chickens, weighing, 15c@16c; ducks, 22c@25c; geese, 16c@17c; pigeons, old, per pair, 25c@30c; young, per pair, 25c@30c.
DRESSED POULTRY—Fresh killed fowls, choice, small and medium, 14c; fowls, fair to prime, 13c@14c; old roosters, dry-pick, 10c.

EXPERT SAYS THAW IS CRAZY

Testimony Before the Lunacy Commission This Morning

TOMBS DOCTOR SAW NOTHING IRRATIONAL

By Our Own Wire, Publishers' Press.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The Thaw lunacy commission lost no time in getting down to business when it met at 10:40 o'clock this morning. All the actors in the trial were on hand early. Evelyn Thaw appeared in a dark brown tailored suit, trimmed with leather. The same white collar and bow tie of brown were worn, a black straw sailor hat and a black veil completed her costume. Joseph Thaw was in a seat beside her. In the court room were Dr. Charles F. Bingham, one of the Thaw family physicians, of Pittsburg, on whose statements Jerome largely based his opinion that Thaw is insane, and Frederick W. Longfellow, Drs. Evans, J. E. Moore and Gregory, the Thaw alienists, were on hand, and so was Dr. Alan McLane Hamilton. Thaw came in looking well and calm and took a seat with his attorneys.

Dr. Frank McGuire, the tombs physician was the first witness. He said he had seen Thaw two or three times a week since his imprisonment. "Did you ever see anything in his actions that seemed unusual to you?" "No, sir."

Dr. McGuire explained that by this he meant since the trial began, Jerome cross-examined Dr. McGuire, briefly bringing out the fact that he had never examined the defendant with a view of determining his sanity. Michael D. Dehanty, the Tombs attendant, testified, as have the Tombs witnesses, that he never noticed anything irrational in Thaw. Jerome on cross-examination showed that he asked this commission to question Thaw about Stanford White and the den where it is alleged Evelyn was wringed by the architect.

Dehanty never talked to Thaw about Stanford White.

Dr. Hamilton swore before the commission he did not think Thaw is capable of advising his attorneys. Dr. Hamilton said Thaw is suffering from chronic delusional insanity, known as paranoia.

MRS. EDDY GIVES UP PROPERTY

By Our Own Wire, Publishers' Press.

CONCORD, N. H., April 2.—Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, founder of the Christian Science Sect, has given her millions into the charge of three men prominent in the church, who will act as trustees as long as she lives. The transfer, made on March 6, became known this afternoon when her attorneys in Superior Court made return to the suit in equity to compel the leaders of the Christian Science Church to answer to charges of misappropriating Mrs. Eddy's property. By virtue of the assignment the three trustees moved this afternoon for leave to intervene and be substituted as plaintiffs in place of the so-called "next friends"—George W. Baker and Mary Baker Glover, Mrs. Eddy's relatives. This is the surprise mentioned by the defence, and it created a great sensation when the papers were filed. The transfer of the property, both real and personal, was for the consideration of one dollar and certain reservations.

His Hand Badly Cut. Clyde Griffith, of 808 Harrison street, is suffering with a severely cut hand, which he sustained while cutting meat yesterday afternoon.

Thrown From Delivery Wagon. John R. Maxwell, who resides on B street, in South Wilmington, was thrown from a delivery wagon owned by Joseph Waltz, butcher, and sustained several painful injuries on his head and shoulders.

RETTEW GIVES \$10,000 BAIL

Collector Will Have a Hearing Before Squire Hollis On April 16

Horace G. Rettew, collector of delinquent taxes, this morning furnished \$10,000 bail for a hearing before Magistrate George H. Hollis on April 16 at 10 o'clock, on a charge of appropriating to his own use \$5000 collected as taxes.

His bondsmen are John C. Saunders, William H. Saunders and Ida B. Springer, brothers and sister of Mrs. Rettew.

The warrant against Rettew was sworn out before Magistrate Hollis yesterday by Robert McFarlin, as president of the Levy Court. It accuses Mr. Rettew of appropriating to his own use the sum of \$5000, collected as public taxes, on January 1, 1907.

Rettew is seriously ill at his home, suffering with heart trouble. Constable L. C. Jones took the warrant out to his house last evening, but finding Rettew was unable to leave the constable returned there this morning.

Magistrate Hollis fixed bail at \$10,000, but it was not furnished during the night. The bondsmen were ready this morning, however, and Magistrate Hollis went to the Rettew residence, where the bail bond was drawn and signed.

There are \$36,000 of outstanding taxes charged against the books of Rettew as delinquent tax collector, but how much of the amount has been collected and not turned over to County Treasurer Burns has not been ascertained in the investigation being made by Sylvester D. Townsend as attorney and David Hillegas as auditor for the Levy Court.

It was intimated this morning that Rettew will make a full and complete settlement with the county for all taxes collected during the past two years, as soon as he recovers his health.

West End Social Club Ball Team.

The West End Social Club has organized a ball club for the coming season with Joseph Dougherty manager. The team will be composed of the following players: Bischoff, catcher; Walling, pitcher; McCracken, short stop; J. Dougherty, first base; Sartell, second base; Long, third base; Kelly, left field; T. Dougherty, center field, and Wilson, right field. The team is open for challenges.

Members Preparing for Convention.

Preparations are being made by the members of the Legion of the Red Cross for the annual convention of the supreme order which is to meet in Atlantic City early in June.

Entertained His Friends.

Louis Rodman, of 608 Clayton street, South Wilmington, entertained a number of his friends at his home last evening at a sociable Easter party. A feature of the evening was an Easter egg hunt.

Will Run duPont Elevator.

James Burris, of No. 400 East Tenth street, has secured a position running an elevator in the new duPont Building.

Pilot Commissioner Named.

The vacancy in the Board of Pilot Commissioners, caused by the death of Lewis T. Evans, of Lewes, has been filled by Franklin W. Poynter, at a special meeting of the commission held yesterday morning.

Too Cold for Ball Game.

Special Dispatch The Evening Journal. PORTSMOUTH, Va., April 2.—It was too cold to-day for ball playing, and the game between Portsmouth and Wilmington was declared off.

LEVY COURT HAS BUSY DAY

Thirty Road Commissioners Turn in Their Receipts For Taxes

By far the largest attendance at a session of the Levy Court in many years was that this morning when in response to formal summons, thirty road commissioners of rural New Castle county appeared before that body and turned in their receipts from road taxes, and a list of all tools and implements in their custody to the Levy Court.

This action was taken under the law enacted by the recent Legislature. The office of road commissioner is abolished and the road commissioners hereafter are to be known as supervisors of roads, working under the direction of the new county engineer of roads. They are to hold office until April 1, 1911.

Levy Courtman Hopkins suggested that some competent person be engaged to make up a set of books for and audit the accounts of each road supervisor. This was referred to the finance committee.

President McFarlin advised harmonious action between the supervisors, county engineer and Levy Court.

The pay of road supervisors was fixed at \$2.50 for each actual day's work. Labor on roads will be paid weekly. Engineer Wilson will confer with the supervisors this afternoon.

NINE NEW DWELLINGS

Permits for nine dwellings were issued in the building inspector's office to-day. Three of them will be erected by Edward Johnson, at Nos. 1500, 1503 and 1504 Broome street, at a cost of \$18,000. Two will cost \$5000 each, and the third \$6000.

Will Burn Ballots.

Sheriff Stafford and Deputy Sheriff Bartlett to-day began the destruction of the ballots cast at the general election in November last. The ballots were removed from the boxes and piled in a heap in the court house basement, and later they will be burned in the furnace.

Sheriff Sells a Property.

Sheriff Stafford this morning sold a three-story dwelling on the north side of Third street between Jefferson and Madison as the property of Walter W. Mitchell, administrator of Edmund Mitchell, to Howell S. England, attorney, for \$1,000.

Directors Will Meet.

The directors of the Sunday Breakfast Mission will hold their monthly meeting this evening at No. 117 Shipley street at 7:45 o'clock. A full attendance of the board is requested.

Slightly Warmer To-day.

If that the weather man says is true there is no hope for warmer winds until to-morrow. At 9 o'clock this morning, Bell's thermometer at Sixth and Market streets registered 35 degrees. At noon it reached 50.

Martin Craig Hurt By Fall.

Martin Craig, of Third and Washington streets, fell on the street at Front and Walnut streets this morning and was removed to his home in the ambulance.

Has Given Up Farming.

Coroner James Calloway has given up farming and has moved from his place near Churchman's Bridge, in New Castle hundred, to Newport.

Runaway Team Caused Commotion.

Becoming frightened at Fourth street and Railroad avenue to-day, a team of horses belonging to the Phillips-Thompson Company, ran away from in front of the office of the concern and caused some commotion before they were captured. No serious damage was done.

Eagles Will Entertain.

An entertainment will be given by St. George's Castle, No. 3, Knights of the Golden Eagle, in the parish house of Old Swedes Church on Friday evening, April 12.

The Black Sheep.



MAYOR TALKS OF DIRECTOR SPARKS

Ever since Mayor Wilson appointed Senator George W. Sparks to be a member of the Street and Sewer Commission there have been reports that the appointment was due to corruption influence. A communication was received by The Evening Journal to-day from a prominent Republican charging that Pennsylvania railroad influences had brought about the appointment of Mr. Sparks.

This was indignantly denied by Mayor Wilson when the matter was brought to his attention at noon by a reporter. The Mayor said:

"The reports you speak of that the appointment of Mr. Sparks to the Street and Sewer Department was influenced by public service corporations are absurd and absolutely untrue. I have no hesitancy in saying that no public service corporation or agent of any such corporation spoke to me in behalf of the appointment of Mr. Sparks to the office."

"I assume full responsibility for the appointment, which was made because of the fitness of Mr. Sparks for the position, as his efficiency and competency cannot be questioned."

"I wish to say, too, that in making this appointment I had no idea or motive for advancing any personal interest or political aspiration, but it was purely for what I deemed the best interests of the city of Wilmington in securing so capable an official."

MAYOR WILSON MARRIED THEM

Nice Looking Couple From Philadelphia Were Wed in This City To-day

Howard N. Cunningham and Miss Mary R. V. Harkins, both of Philadelphia, journeyed to this city to-day and succeeded in their purpose, before leaving. They gave their addresses as No. 2102 Memmouth street and No. 445 Wildey street, respectively, and were accompanied by George F. Beaton and Miss Sue Burns, also of Philadelphia.

The couple, after obtaining a marriage license at the office of Magistrate Robinson, proceeded to the Mayor's office in the City Hall, but failed to find him there. The quartet then went to the offices of the Wilson Line, at the foot of Fourth street, of which concern Mayor Wilson is president, and they found the city's executive official.

The bride and groom each gave their ages as 22 years, and after satisfactory answers to the required questions, the mayor married them.

"The members of the party were well dressed and the bride and groom were a nice looking couple."

PEASANTS STILL PILLAGING ESTATES

RUDAPEST, Roumania, April 2.—Nearly 1,400 soldiers are under guard in Roumania to suppress the uprisings. The situation is quieting down somewhat. The government has forced the soldiers to end their brutality. In some provinces refugees who fled have returned home.

Thousands of peasants are still marching through the country burning estates and attacking landlords.

COUNTY HAS \$29,600

At the meeting of the Levy Court to-day the balance in bank was reported as \$29,634. That is to say the county until the end of the fiscal year, June 30. As Coroner Calloway collected no fees, \$200 will be drawn from unappropriated funds to pay Coroner's Physician Bastion.

An opposition has developed to plans for an overhead bridge over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Grubb's road crossing. Harvey Isation, members of the Levy Court will inspect the site some day this week.

Ready for Practice. The annual artillery practice at Fort duPont will soon take place. Owing to the conditions prevailing the twelve-inch guns are loaded with shells that are fired through a sub-calibre.

Change on Delaware Division. Harry E. King has been made master carpenter of the Delaware division of the Pennsylvania Railroad to succeed Henry Sellers, and George M. Kennedy of this city, succeeds Mr. King.

Placed on Pension List. J. T. Deason, Michael Heiden and N. L. High, watchmen for the Pennsylvania Railroad in this city, have retired and were placed on the pension list.

Letters Testamentary Granted. Letters testamentary were granted this morning by the Register of Wills in the estate of John Drummond to Florence G. and John D. Gill, and in the estate of Josephine Canning to John J. Canning.

ACCUSES THE PRESIDENT

Harriman Says He Raised \$200,000 to Carry New York

SAYS THAT ROOSEVELT APPEALED TO HIM

By Our Own Wire, Publishers' Press.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Not in years has such excitement been created in financial circles as has the publication of the letter of Edward S. Harriman to Sidney Webster, in which he declares that Theodore Roosevelt appealed to him to save the Republican party from defeat in 1904.

Coming with the railroad situation and with the entire nation's eyes focused on Harriman and Roosevelt, the effect of the letter baffles even an intelligent guess. President Roosevelt, who on November 6, 1904, made the declaration that the charge made by Alton B. Parker, that the trusts were furnishing the Republican campaign committee with funds, was "atroaciously false."

Harriman letter states that the President appealed directly to him and that he raised the \$200,000 desired to swing the vote of New York State into the Republican column.

PRESIDENT SAYS HARRIMAN LIED

By Our Own Wire, Publishers' Press. WASHINGTON, April 2.—President Roosevelt this afternoon gave the lie to the assertions made in the alleged Harriman-Webster letter, by making public copies of the letters which the President wrote to Congressman Shurman, of New York, last October. In one of these letters the President said: "I understood you to say that he (Harriman) alleged that I made these promises (referring to Depew as Ambassador to France) at a time when he had come down to see me in Washington, when I requested him to raise \$200,000 for the Republican presidential campaign which was then on. Any such statement is a deliberate and willful untruth—by rights it should be characterized by even a shorter and more ugly word. I never requested Harriman to raise a dollar for the presidential campaign of 1904."

Roosevelt Not Worried. By Our Own Wire, Publishers' Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—It is up to the President. That seems to be the sentiment prevailing to-day in Washington regarding the Harriman-Webster letter.

A copy of the letter and interview with Harriman acknowledging that he was its author, was laid before the President left his office for a trip to his dentist. Before leaving, he intimated to Secretary Loeb that he might authorize a statement to be made later. If the publication of the letter had caused him any worry, he did not show it.

On his return from the dentist the President went with his cabinet for the regular semi-weekly meeting, and it was assumed that the Harriman letter was not the lease subject considered.

Harriman's Letter. NEW YORK, April 2.—The Harriman letter to Webster in part follows: "About a week before the election in the autumn of 1901, when it looked certain that the State ticket would go Democratic, and was doubtful as to Roosevelt himself, he, the President, sent me a request to go to Washington to confer upon the political conditions in New York State. I complied and he, the President, was unwilling to support Depew for re-election as United States Senator; that if he, Depew, could be taken care of in some other way I would help them in raising the necessary funds, as the National Committee, under control of Chairman Cortelyou, had utterly failed of obtaining them, and there was a large amount due from them to the New York State Committee."

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