UTILITIES POST MAY GO TO BROWNLOW

Commissioners Must Elect Successor to Colonel Harding as Board's Head.

If appointed on the Board of District Commissioners, Louis Brownlow may succeed Col. Chester Harding, Engineer Commissioner, as chairman of the Public Utilities Commission.

The choice does not necessarily fall on the Engineer Commissioner. Colonel Harding's term would have expired January 1, 1915, the law providing that on the first Monday in January on each odd-numbered year, the Commissioners shall meet and elect a chairman who shall serve two years or until his successor is elected.

The departure of Colonel Harding will necessitate the election of a successor to fill his unexpired term and the holding of another election in January. The matter is one to be determined by the new board.

Commissioner Newman, president of the Board of District Commissioners, it is believed, would not care to assume the additional responsibilities of chairman of the Utilities Commission.

Mr. Brownlow is thoroughly versed on the subject of public utilities.

Colonel Harding, it is understood, will succeed Colonel Goethals upon the expiration of the latter's term as governor of the Canal Zone. Major Charles W. Kutz, the new Engineer Commissioner, will enter upon his duties October 31.

Plans are being made by officials and employes of the District Building for a luncheon in honor of Colonel Harding and Commissioner Siddons, who has been appointed to the bench of the District Supreme Court. October 29 probably will be the date selected. The committee of arrangements consists of Ben T. Prince, Daniel E. Garges, Thomas H. Duffey, F. L. Lee, and Amos A. Steele.

British Alarmed Over Secret Zeppelin Bases

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Passengers arriving here today on the steamer Adriatic report that England is greatly alarmed over the discovery that the Germans have secret bases for their aircraft in Scotland.

They say that posters are displayed in all of the Scotch towns which offer a reward of 100 pounds ($500) to anyone who gives information leading to the discovery of any place in Scotland which is being used by the Germans as a store of oil and petrol.

It was said by these passengers that the government is in possession of authentic information showing that the Germans, long before the war was ever dreamed of, laid out operating bases for their aircraft in certain sections of Scotland, but that it has so far been impossible to locate these with any degree of certainty.

2 Hit by Motor Trucks, One Crushed by Cars

Suffering from internal injuries, Nicholas Panella, nine, 212 Arthur place northwest, is in Casualty Hospital. The boy was struck last night by an automobile truck of the Adams Express Company, driven by Albert J. Lowrey, at Second and C streets northwest. His condition is serious, but hospital physicians say his recovery is expected.

Frank Driscoll, 1352 Parkwood place northwest, while riding a bicycle at Fourteenth and Harvard streets northwest, was struck by an automobile truck. The bicycle was damaged, but Driscoll escaped injury.

R. Black, fifty years old, 906 I street northwest, was knocked down by an automobile at Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest and bruised about the head. He was taken to his home.

QUITS MANY POSTS

FRANK A. VANDERLIP,
President of the National City Bank of New York, who has decided to retire as director in twenty-six corporations in which he is interested, in response to public demand for abolition of interlocking directorates.

Largest Dairy Show Of Year On in Chicago

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—The largest dairy show to be held in the world in 1914 has opened at the stock yards and will continue for ten days. The Chicago show takes foremost place this year because the big exhibitions at London, Copenhagen, Berlin, and Paris were abandoned on account of the war.

For the first time in its history, South America displayed interest in the national dairy show here this year. Through the United States consular service, South American countries made frequent inquiries, and several South American exhibits were sent to the show.

The market congress, to be held in connection with the dairy show, is to be one of the features of the ten-day exhibit. Charles J. Brand, chief of the United States office of markets, is supervising the congress, one of the objects of which is to interest the farmer in marketing his products by a more direct route.

Substantial Sum Raised For Hebrew Home Here

A substantial sum for the maintenance of the new Hebrew Home for the Aged was raised through the bazaar which was recently conducted in conjunction with the opuening of the institution. A large crowd was present at the closing of the bazaar Tuesday night, when addresses were made by Rabbi G. Silverston, S. Atlas, H. Cohen, and the president of the home, Bernard Danzarsky.

Firemen on Ladders Fight to Quell Panic

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Firemen on the top of extension ladders today fought with panic-stricken men and women to prevent them from crowding each other off from fire escapes in a tenement house blaze at Laight and Vestry streets.

The firemen finally managed to get all of the persons off the fire escapes safely. The fire caused $1,000 damage.

OVEROCEAN PHONE HALTED BY THE WAR

Marconi Aide Perfects Wireless Instrument to Carry Voice Across Atlantic.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—But for the war the human voice would have been thrown across the Atlantic Ocean by wireless this month, according to a statement made by H. J. Round, one of William Marconi's lieutenants, who has perfected a wireless telephone instrument which has just been adopted for use in the Italian navy. This apparatus, Mr. Round says, is guaranteed to carry forty miles, and under favorable conditions should make voice audible at sixty miles.

The British admiralty has displayed great interest in the invention, and it is being tested aboard English ships. It makes possible the transmission of all orders from the admiral to the captains in fleet by word of mouth, and, should a misunderstanding arise, even during a battle it could be cleared away simply by ringing up the flagship and talking the matter over.

Could Talk Across Atlantic.

"By multiplying the power and costliness of the materials," Mr. Round remarked, "the same device could easily make words spoken in New York audible here, and that is what we had planned to demonstrate this month. It would have been wholly a scientific demonstration without present commercial value, owing to its excessive cost. But the restrictions governing wireless communication are so numerous under war-time conditions that experiments of that kind are out of the question."

Mr. Round's apparatus is simple and no more expensive that amateur wireless telegraphy outfits. In order to get connection with any particular point a selective scheme has been devised by which an aerial wave of certain strength sets a pendulum, attuned to like strength, swinging sufficiently to ring a bell at the receiving point. Thus the caller can ring any one of about twenty different receivers without the remaining nineteen hearing the call. Once the connection is established conversation across forty miles of air is easier even than by wire except when there is lightning in the atmosphere, which has the effect of slightly blurring the sounds.

"I completed my experimenting several weeks ago in Italy, and the Duke of the Abruzzi, who attended many demonstrations, had little difficulty in persuading the Italian government to purchase the device for the navy," said Mr. Round. "It is interesting to know that the King of Italy was present the first time the instrument was demonstrated by Marconi himself and talked from the ministry of marine to a point twenty kilometers distant. So far as I know his majesty is the first ruler to hear the human voice over the wireless."

Funerals

John W. Hicks.

Funeral services for John W. Hicks, who died Wednesday at his home, 1341 A street southeast, were held this morning from his late home.

Bernard R. Green.

The funeral of Bernard R. Green, who died at his residence, 1738 N street yesterday, will be held from his late home tomorrow at 4 p. m.

Gen. Brayton Ives, Civil War Soldier, Is Dead

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Brayton Ives, veteran of the civil war, and for many years a prominent figure in the financial district, is dead at his country home in Ossining, N. Y. He was a former member of the stock exchange, former president of the Metropolitan Trust Company, and a director in several manufacturing corporations, and noted as a book collector.

He was born in Farmington, Conn., seventy-four years ago.

To Address Club on "Interior Decorating"

"Interior Decorating" will be the subject of an address by Max Phillips, of New York, at a meeting of the Architectural Club of the George Washington University at 8 o'clock tonight in the Arts and Sciences building, 2023 G street northwest.

Officers of the club for the ensuing year have been elected as follows: R. K. Galbraith, president; R. W. Craton, vice president; B. H. Harris, secretary, and M. W. Offutt, jr., treasurer.

Mr. Offutt has been awarded a prize in gold for executing the best cover design for the Architectural Annual, a year book for 1914, which just has been published by the club.

Proposes to President's Daughter; Sent to Asylum

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—David A. Wilson, who says he is a lawyer and farmer, was taken to the Chicago State hospital last night after a hearing in the insanity court before Judge Owens. He was arrested by a secret service operator, after Capt. Thomas I. Porter learned that Wilson had written to Miss Margaret, the only unmarried daughter of the President, at Washington, proposing marriage. Drautzburg presented the letter to Judge Owens.

"Were you ever in the State hospital in Missouri?" asked the judge.

"Yes; I was in the insane asylum for one month and in another hospital for a year," Wilson replied.

Seek Alarm Sender.

Police of the Second precinct are endeavoring today to get some clue to the identity of the person that sounded a false alarm of fire from the box at Fifth and P streets northwest last evening.

44 PAY INCOME TAX ON MILLION OR MORE

Treasury Report Shows Discrepancy Between Estimates and the Returns.

A discrepancy between the estimates of taxable incomes under which the income tax law was passed and the actual number of incomes taxed is developed by reports from the Treasury Department.

Either there is a discrepancy between the estimates and the incomes of 146,828, or there are this many delinquents and tax dodgers. Efforts to check up all delinquents are now being made by internal revenue collectors.

According to returns to the Treasury there are forty-four persons in the United States having an annual income of $1,000,000 or more. Ninety-one returns were made on incomes of from $500,000 to $1,000,000; 222 on incomes between $250,000 and $500,000, and 1,241 on incomes between $10,000 and $250,000. In no instance were the returns near the estimates.

The income tax law will turn in about $28,000,000 for the latter ten months of the present year, as compared with an estimate of $45,000,000.

Freshmen at G. U. Law School Plan Smoker

The first year class of Georgetown Law School will give a smoker next Wednesday evening.

At a meeting held at the law school last evening, Donald E. Long, temporary chairman of the class organization, was selected to head the arrangements committee. With him on the committee are Bernard S. Brady, Frank T. Fuller, Clarence M. Ruffin, and Joseph G. McDonald.

Wholesale Produce Market

EGGS—Nearby, fresh, 29@30c per doz.; Southern, 28@29c per doz.

CHEESE—New York, new, 15½c per lb.; flat, 15½c per lb.

BUTTER—Elgin print, 34c per lb.; tub, 33½c per lb.; process, 26@27c per lb.

LIVE POULTRY—(Quotations furnished by Krey, Price & Co.)—Hens, 15@16c per lb.; roosters, 11c per lb.; turkeys, 13@20c per lb.; ducks, 13@14c per lb.; spring chickens, 16@17c per lb.

LIVE STOCK—Veal calves, best 11½@12c per lb.; heavy, 8@9c per lb.; fat sheep 4@4½c per lb.; spring lambs, 7@8c per lb.

VEGETABLES—(Quotations furnished by Taylor Wade)—Potatoes, new, $2.00 per bbl.; onions, 80c per bushel; $1 per sack; cabbage, $1 per hundred lbs.; lettuce, 50c to 75c per basket; beets, $2.00 per 100 bunches.

There is an increase in supply of poultry today and ordinary grades of chickens are easy. Fat or plump stocks continue to bring figures quoted.

Chestnuts in heavy supply and selling 2@3½c per lb. for best. Wormy stock without value. Veal calves in light supply and with cooler weather are wanted at full quotations.

KREY, PRICE & CO.

Women to Give Luncheon For Red Cross Benefit

The District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs will give a luncheon for the benefit of the Red Cross Society Friday, October 30, at 1 o'clock, at Jardin de Danse, corner Fifteenth and F streets northwest.

The Federation has obtained the exclusive use of the cafe, from 1 to 4 o'clock. Distinguished speakers will give addresses. Miss Mabel Boardman will be the first speaker.

Claims Four Western States for Suffrage

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Success for woman suffrage in Ohio, Nebraska, Montana, and Nevada in the November elections was predicted today by Mrs. Raymond S. Brown, president of the Empire State Suffrage League.

A suffrage constitutional amendment is to be voted on in seven States, but in the Dakotas and Missouri, Mrs. Brown frankly admitted, the outlook was not promising. In the first two she said the provisions of the State constitutions made an amendment almost an impossibility, while the Missourians were apathetic.

The highest hopes of the suffragists are based on Ohio.

Kills Wife, Wounds Self.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—In a quarrel over money matters, George Schwab, real estate operator, fifty-eight years old, shot and instantly killed his wife, Mathilda, fifty-five years old. He then fired a bullet into his temple. Schwab is dying in the German Hospital.