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TWO PEOPLE DIE OF PTOMAININE POISON

Five-Year-Old Greensboro Boy and His Uncle Die as Result of Eating Canned Fruit.

OTHERS ARE MADE SICK FROM THE SAME CAUSE

It is Believed That the Others Will Recover as They Are Now Much Improved.

(By Associated Press.)

Greensboro, May 13.—Walter Wray, aged five years, and his uncle, Julius Wray, aged 45 years, are dead here as a result of ptomainine poisoning, supposed to have been caused by eating canned fruit Friday. The boy died this morning after several hours of intense suffering. Julius Wray died late yesterday afternoon.

A man named Vaughan, who also ate some of the fruit, is ill but will recover, according to attending physicians.

Eugene Wray, a fourth person who ate of the fruit and whose condition was regarded as serious for a time, is reported to be out of danger.

POISONED FROM CAN GOODS AND DIED SOON AFTER.

Guilford Men Died from the Effect of Eating Canned Tomatoes and Peaches.

The Greensboro News of this morning has the following:

Walter, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wray, of Magnolia street and Julius Wray, a brother of H. B. Wray, are dead, and Eugene Wray, another brother, and P. W. Vaughan, of 1107 Magnolia street, are lying at the point of death as a result of eating a quantity of canned tomatoes and peaches at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wray, late Thursday afternoon. There were several others present at the dinner, and all ate more or less of the contents of the two cans, but aside from the four mentioned none has shown any ill-effects. The young son, who was adopted several months ago by Mr. and Mrs. Wray, died yesterday morning shortly before 1 o'clock, and the old man only after intense suffering for more than an hour. Ptomainine poisoning was the cause of death in this case as in the other.

Julius and Eugene Wray started to their home, about four miles from the city, and near the Guilford Battleground, a short while after partaking of the canned peaches and tomatoes and both were taken ill before arriving home. Help was summoned and the two men were carried to their home and a physician quickly summoned. He did all in his power to relieve the intense suffering of the men but with little success. Julius Wray died yesterday morning about 2:30 o'clock and a short while later it was deemed wisest to carry Eugene Wray to St. Leo's hospital, where more careful attention might be paid him. Late last night he was reported to be lingering between life and death with hope about gone.

Mr. Vaughan was stricken at a late hour than either of the others, and for a while it appeared as though he was not to suffer from the effects of ptomainine poisoning to even the slightest degree. Early yesterday morning, however, he was seized with the pains that are ascribed as accompanying an attack of the poisoning and a short while later he was at the point of death. He rallied for a few hours, but late last night was said to be at the point of death.

It was stated yesterday afternoon that shortly after the Wray brothers were seized with the attack a telephone message was sent their brother here in Greensboro to inform him of their illness, whereupon he informed the sender of the message that his adopted son had died a short while before. It is also said that every member of the dinner party who was stricken had eaten both tomatoes and peaches, but, to make the case more peculiar, so had the three or four other persons present who had experienced no ill-effects.

H. B. Wray, Julius Wray and Eugene Wray are brothers of Patrolman Will Wray, a member of the Greensboro police force. Julius and Eugene are among the most highly respected residents of the Battleground community and the illness of one and death of the other was the source of much comment yesterday afternoon. Chief of Police Isley stated to a representative of the Daily News last night that H. B. Wray, who conducts a grocery on Magnolia street, had told him that the tomatoes and peaches served during the dinner were taken from the shelves of his store and that his stock had originally been purchased from a wholesale grocery concern of this city. It was added, however, that the labels on the cans showed that they were prepared in another state.

A double funeral over the remains of the five-year-old child and the elder Wray will be conducted from Mount Pisgah church this afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Milloway. Interment will follow in the church burying ground.

Gentlemen, Look Upon Lady Rookies



Here are some of the women who believe that the United States should be ready for war. They are rookies at the Chevy Chase training camp for women. Every one of them who has a son is raising him to be a soldier—if that becomes necessary.

145,000 MARCH FOR PREPAREDNESS

New Yorkers Turn Out in Great Numbers to Express Themselves on This Question.

ONE MILLION PEOPLE VIEW THE DEMONSTRATION

So Great Was the Rush for Applications for Places That 60,000 Were Rejected.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 13.—New York's belief that the nation should prepare for war was expressed today by nearly 145,000 men and women marching in one of the greatest processions ever assembled for the promotion of an idea.

Twenty abreast, filling the streets from curb to curb, and keeping step to 200 bands, the parade started early today to continue twelve hours or longer. Many business houses were closed, while the city gave itself up to the celebration of "Prepareness Day," and it is estimated that at least one million people saw the demonstration.

The demand for places in the parade so greatly exceeded time and space that the promoters were compelled to reject 60,000 applications.

SATISFIED WITH BRANDEIS' WORK.

Commissioner Harlan of I. C. Commission on Stand at Senate Judiciary Rehearing of Case.

Washington, May 12.—Commissioner Harlan, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, testifying before the Senate Judiciary sub-committee at the re-opened hearing of the fitness of Louis E. Brandeis for the Supreme Court, declared that Brandeis' work for the Interstate Commission in the five per cent advance rate cases was satisfactory.

Harlan said he was sure he was violating the sentiments of the other commissioners also. The subcommittee, which once reported in favor of confirming Brandeis; reports again as soon as the present testimony is concluded.

You can seldom judge people by their garments—unless you see the family wash out on the line.

DESPERATE FIGHTING NEAR DOUAUMONT

This Section is Again the Stage for Terrible Struggle in Verdun Drive.

INCREASING ARTILLERY IN VOLHYNIAN VICINITY

Dr. Clemens Delbrueck, German Vice-Chancellor, Resigns—Ill Health Reason Given.

(By Associated Press.)

The Douaumont region on the Verdun front where the Germans for more than two months past have held fairly close to the line originally advanced in the February drive is again the scene of desperate fighting. A best bombardment of the French positions in that sector were followed by strong attacks in which, according to Paris, the Germans suffered heavy loss and failed to gain ground.

Across the Meuse, northwest of Verdun there has been no infantry engagements reported but the artillery is being kept busy, the firing on both sides being virtually without cessation.

Vienna reports continued increasing activity in the vicinity of Volhynian fortress triangle on the Russian front. The moves of the opposing commanders, however, have not recalled in a decisive result for either side nor important shifts in the line along the Austro-Italian front.

The resignation of Dr. Clemens Delbrueck, the German vice-chancellor and minister of the interior, is announced from Berlin. Ill health is assigned as the reason for quitting official life.

Dissatisfaction has been widely expressed in Germany recently with regard to the ministerial handling of the food situation as an outgrowth of which riots were reported and the resignation of Delbrueck was imminent.

CAVALRY DASHES ACROSS BORDER TO SAVE DEEMER

Marathon, Tex., May 12.—Reports reaching here tonight indicate that Maj. George T. Langhorne and A and B troops of the 8th cavalry again have crossed the Rio Grande from Boquillas in an effort to surprise the bandits holding Jesse Deemer a prisoner.

R. R. Hasbrouck, an assayer, employed by a Boquillas mining concern and no war government scout, arrived here today with messages for Captain John S. Chambers at Marathon. He is said to have told friends that Colonel Sibley, in command of the Big Bend expeditionary force, would order Major Langhorne to reinvade Mexico as it was believed negotiations for an exchange of prisoners between Langhorne and the bandits had fallen through.

No news of the reported long-range parley between Major Langhorne and the Mexican bandits for the release of Deemer in exchange for the three Mexican bandits captured recently, were available tonight.

Army men here are of the opinion that if the stories of the conference between Langhorne and the bandits are true, it may result in failure. Deemer, if alive, must be rescued by force, which must be called for a sudden dash toward the place where the bandits are said to have their rendezvous.

NEW KNITTING MILL ASSURED CONCORD

Concord Men Announce That They Will Build a Knitting Mill and Are Asking for a Charter—Will Build Right Away.

(Special to the Post.) Concord, May 13.—Announcement was made today of a new manufacturing plant to be erected for Concord right away. Messrs. A. Jones Yorke, J. F. Goodman and A. K. Hoover announced that they are subscribing stock and asking for charter for a knitting mill to be located here.

The men behind the movement are sufficient guarantee that the project will go through.

REGULAR ARMY OF OVER 200,000 MEN

This Will Be the Peace Strength as Agreed on By House and Senate Conferees.

IN WAR TIMES IT WILL GO TO 254,000 MEN

Provides That it Can Never Go Below 160,000 and Peace Maximum Strength is 175,000.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 13.—A regular army of 206,000 men at peace strength, capable of expansion to 254,000 men in time of war, was agreed on today by House and Senate conferees on the army re-organization bill. The report will be submitted to Congress for ratification next week.

The agreement on the regular army bill the Senate bill system of organization was retained as a substitute for the House system which would have recruited the maximum army to 140,000 men.

The regular line army, the bill now provides, can never go below 160,000 and its maximum in times of peace will be 175,000 officers and men.

15,000 MEXICANS MOVING NORTH

Great Force of Carranza Troops Headed Toward Big Bend District on North.

MAY BE RENEWED EFFORT TO CAPTURE BANDITS

Report That the Move May Be Hostile One Not Considered Seriously by Washington.

Washington, May 13.—Dispatching of 15,000 Carranza troops northward toward the border in the Big Bend district of Coahuila, reported in border advices today, was regarded by officials as a possible indication that the Mexican government is making renewed efforts to capture the bandits who have been raiding American towns.

The report that the expedition might have a hostile purpose was not regarded seriously by administration authorities.

The intimation was that this action tended to strengthen the belief that American and Mexican military authorities in El Paso had reached an unwritten agreement on co-operation on the border to prevent further bandit raids.

The Mexican situation shows no signs of immediate change here today.

SOCIAL SERVICE REPORT.

General Methodist Conference Eliminates Part of Report of Committee on Social Service.

(By Associated Press.) Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 13.—By a vote of 447 to 280 the Methodist General Conference today eliminated that part of the report of the committee on social service which was devoted to preference being given union labor in all matters affecting employment and which read: "Insofar as its methods are just and insofar as the rights of unorganized men are not infringed upon."

Cashier Locked in Vault; \$4,000 Loot. Peru, Kans., May 12.—Possess today were searching the surrounding country for traces of two robbers who locked Urban Gibbs, cashier of the Peru State Bank, in a vault and escaped with \$4,000 in currency.

The debt a man owes himself is generally paid, even though he may have to borrow to pay it.

After all it is more satisfying to take things as they come than to give them up as they go.

Whatever else you may say of the mermaid, she can never get there with both feet.

When lovely woman stoops to folly does it indicate that she is stupid?

Stolen sweets may be hard to digest.

ENGINE TROUBLE STOPS LONG TRIP

Howard Rinehardt Forced to Descend Near Rowland, North Carolina, at Early Hour.

FLYING FROM AUGUSTA, GA. TO HEMPSTEAD, L. I.

Had Been Making Fifty Miles an Hour and Following Atlantic Coast Line Tracks.

(By Associated Press.)

Rocky Mount, May 13.—Howard Rinehardt, who left Augusta, Ga., early this morning in a biplane in an effort to make a non-stop trip to Hempstead, Long Island, was forced to abandon the trip near Rowland, N. C., two and a half miles north of the South Carolina line, just before 9 o'clock this morning. In descending, because of engine trouble, the landing gear and one plane of the machine was jammed.

Rinehardt was unhurt when the biplane came down and walked to a farm house and reported the accident by telephone.

The biplane was flying low and following the Atlantic Coast Line railroad and telegraph operators of the road along the route were reporting its progress.

At 8:37 o'clock the operator at Hamar, a flag station near Rowland, reported that the machine was then in sight and was apparently in trouble. A few minutes later it descended.

Rinehardt had been flying more than fifty miles an hour ever since he left Augusta.

CHICAGO POLICE FEAR OUTBREAK OF STRIKERS

Chicago, May 12.—With 25,000 workers on strike and trouble brewing in half a dozen sections of the city, Chicago police today were confronted with a serious situation.

The first break between police and strikers came last night when the officers attempted to disperse a crowd of 500 strikers gathered before the International Harvester company's plant. Sticks and bricks were thrown indiscriminately and one officer was wounded. Twelve mounted policemen rode their horses into the crowd and drawn revolvers and clubs a-swing.

The police succeeded in dispersing the strikers after fifteen minutes of general fighting.

MEMORIAL DR. HOLLAND MISSIONARY WORKER

Lutheran Synod at Concord Pays Tribute to Late Secretary of Foreign Mission Board—Reports of Committees Submitted.

(By Associated Press.) Concord, May 13.—The morning session of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod, now in session here, was devoted to routine business consisting of reports from the executive committee and the committee on appointment and missions.

Following the consideration of these reports a memorial was offered to the late Dr. Robert C. Holland, of Roanoke, Va., secretary and field agent of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Synod.

This afternoon's program includes automobile trip to the Jackson Training school.

High School Club Meeting Sunday Afternoon.

Members of High School are invited to attend the meeting of High School Club Sunday afternoon at 5:30 in Maxwell Chambers school building. The meeting will be in the nature of a review of the year and a forecast of the summer and next year's work. All boys of High School are invited.

Many a leap year girl loses her head in trying to win a young man's heart.

In a small boy's ideal heaven he can always have a second piece of pie.

We all talk too much—because there is so much to talk about.

BASEBALL RECORDS FOR THIS WEEK

Some of the Averages Made By Players in the Two Big Leagues for Week Ending Wed.

SMITH OF CLEVELAND IS LEADING THE BATTERS

Thirteen American Players Make Records as Good at 300 or More During Past Week.

(By Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 13.—Only thirteen American league players, who may be classed as leaders, are batting 300 or better according to averages published today, including Wednesday's games.

Smith, of Cleveland, is the leading batter, among players who have played in half the games their team has been in, with a percentage of .388.

Fournier, of Chicago, is ahead in home runs with 3. Graney, of Cleveland, in total bases with 48 and Spaker of Cleveland, and Felch, of Chicago, set the pace in runs scored having 17.

Judge, of Washington, leads in stolen bases with 8. Leading batters and their averages are:

- Smith, of Cleveland.388
- Burns, of Detroit.377
- Spaker, of Cleveland.365
- Strunk, of Philadelphia.347
- Milan, of Washington.338

Leading pitchers, who played in three or more games, rank according to earned runs are: Leonard, of Boston; Cumba of Cleveland; Penneck, of Boston; Pfeffer, of Cleveland and Markle of New York.

Robertson, of New York, leads the National league batters, of whom twelve are hitting above .300. Williams of Chicago leads the home runs with 4. Zimmerman, of Chicago, leads the total bases with 44. Groh, of Cincinnati, leads in runs scored with 17 and Carey, of Pittsburgh, in stolen bases with 9.

Leading hitters were as follows:

- Robertson.437
- Burns.375
- Hinchman.371
- Zimmerman.344

Leading pitchers for the Nationals were: Ames, of St. Louis, Bell, of Brooklyn; Kantler, of Pittsburgh; Pfeffer of Brooklyn and McConnell, of Chicago.

SIX WARSHIPS ARE PLACED IN RESERVE.

Battleships in Atlantic Fleet Will Undergo Repairs.

Washington May, 12.—Six battleships of the Atlantic fleet were ordered placed in reserve by the Navy Department today. The New Jersey, Rhode Island, Virginia and Nebraska have been ordered placed in reserve at the navy yard in Boston, the Connecticut at the navy yard in Philadelphia and the Louisiana at the navy yard in Norfolk. The Nashville, which will have new boilers installed, has been ordered placed in ordinary at the naval station at New Orleans.

All the vessels named in these orders will undergo repairs of some character. Skeleton crews will be kept on board. The remainder of the crews will be assigned to other Atlantic fleet vessels. The New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts, which have not been with the fleet, have been ordered to rejoin the Atlantic fleet. They will form a new division in connection with the Pennsylvania, Arizona and Nevada.

Yeggmen Rob U. S., But "No Poor Man."

Lancaster, Pa., May 12.—After first holding up the watchman, Clarence Kreider, outside the building, and while one of their number guarded him, three yeggmen robbed the Lititz postoffice early today and obtained several hundred dollars' worth of stamps and money and some mail matter.

The watchman was then compelled to accompany the robbers a mile out of town, where his revolver, empty, and his money and watch were returned to him.

"We are not robbing a poor man, but Uncle Sam," the robbers told him.

Railroad Strike Called Off.

Madrid, Spain, May 12.—The general strike on all Spanish railroads, set for May 20, has been called off. Points under dispute have been settled through concession by the employes.