

A. BARTEL APPEARS BEFORE THE BOARD

Complains that Sewers Were Inadequate, Causing Big Loss During Storm.

"The city cannot control the elements," declared Mayor Zimmerman at the meeting of the board of public works this morning during the discussion as to whether the city could be held liable for the damage done by Saturday's storm.

Adam H. Bartel, president of the firm which bears his name, appeared before the board of works and stated that he probably was the heaviest loser as the result of the storm and the extent of the loss and that the contended that the inadequacy of the sewers had a great deal to do with the extent of the loss and that the condition of North E street east of Tenth which is to be paved, tended to augment the loss. He said that the sewers at Eleventh street were choked with bricks and other debris and that the water could not be carried off, and that it ran in his cellar and his entire stock of merchandise in the basement was absolutely destroyed.

Mr. Bartel has taken no legal steps in the matter as yet and stated that he believed some satisfactory arrangement could be made between the city and the company. He said that he had not considered suing the city for damage. Mayor Zimmerman declared the city could not be held responsible for damage resulting from the storm.

A Record Rainfall

According to Walter Vossler, of the local weather station, the rain fall during one hour Saturday was 2.88-100 inches. This was the largest rainfall which Richmond has experienced for many years.

"What is your sewer at Eleventh and E streets for?" asked Mr. Bartel. "Why to carry off the water," answered the city's executive.

"Well if they are not in condition to carry water they do no good," replied Bartel. Mr. Bartel asked the board to consider the matter and it will be taken up later.

In attempting to cross the Yanktown ford, two miles below Abingdon on Saturday afternoon, Don Burcham, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Burcham of this city, was rescued from drowning by Bright Winter, a farmer living nearby. A span of mules hitched to a heavy wagon sank in the quicksand and was drowned, the loss being close to \$700, as the animals were large and very valuable.

Although there was little rain in the vicinity of Abingdon, the creek was swollen greatly from the heavy rain which fell here. The treacherous quicksand was washed to and deposited at the ford, which hitherto had been considered a very good one and not regarded as dangerous. When young Burcham, who is a former student of the Richmond high school, had gotten about half way across, the mules began to sink, and though they bucked attempted to kick and struggled with all their strength, they only succeeded in making their condition more serious.

In attempting to cut the animals loose, Burcham too was caught in the quicksand and had it not been for the prompt assistance rendered by Mr. Winters, a farmer living near the ford, who saw his danger, Burcham would undoubtedly have been drowned.

City Statistics

PERSONATE—The funeral of James Personate was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 253 Chestnut street. The Rev. Arthur Cates had charge of the services. Burial was in the Earhart cemetery.

POSTHER—The funeral of Henry Posther will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 727 South Eighth street. The Rev. Conrad Huber will conduct the services and burial will be in the Lutheran cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

FRANCIS—The body of Mrs. Bell Francis, wife of William Francis, who died Saturday at her home, 320 North Fourth street was taken to the Springfield, O., yesterday afternoon. The funeral services and burial took place today.

STOLLE—Mary E. Stolle, aged thirtynine years died Sunday morning at her home, 712 South Fifth street. The funeral will be held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at the St. Andrew's church and burial will be at the St. Andrew's cemetery. Friends may call at any time.

LEFTWICH—The funeral of Oliver Leftwich who died at Denver, Col., Thursday morning was held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, 310 North Sixteenth street. The Rev. S. R. Lyons conducted the funeral services. Burial was in the New Paris cemetery.

MILLER—Mrs. Emma Miller, widow of Nigrod Miller, died Saturday afternoon at her home, 119 North Fourteenth street. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at the home, under the charge of the Rev. T. Kenworthy. The burial will be at Elkhorn cemetery. Friends may call at any time. Mrs. Miller was a member of the East Main Street Friends church.

Telephoning in China. In China when the subscriber rings up exchange the operator may be expected to ask:

"What number does the honorable son of the moon and stars desire?"

"Hohi, two-three."

Silence. Then the exchange resumes:

"Will the honorable person graciously forgive the inadequacy of the insignificant service and permit this humbled slave of the wire to inform him that the never-to-be-sufficiently-censured line is busy?"—Cleveland Pigot.

Schwab and Chinese Delegation



LOVE LETTERS TELL OF AUSTRIAN SPY

Count of Prague Said to Be Enlisted as Private in American Army.

(National News Association) INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 7.—Captain James Watson, in charge of the United States army recruiting office here, has asked for a warrant for the arrest of Private Geo. Peters of the 135th Coast Artillery, said to be stationed at Ft. Totten, N. Y., on the ground that he is an Austrian spy, commissioned to get the plans of American coast defenses.

The alleged exposure of Peters came through his sweetheart, Miss Clara Anita Dyer of Philpot, Ky., who attempted to obtain Peters release from the Artillery corps and get him out of the perilous position. She showed letters to Captain Watson, which he says are sufficient to convict the man if they are bona fide.

The girl says Peters is Count Windisch-Araet of Prague.

FT. TOTTEN, WILLETS POINT, N. Y.—Col. Strong, commander of Ft. Totten, stated today that there was a private of the 135th United States Coast Artillery in his command named George Peters but that he knew nothing of the charge that the man is an Austrian spy. However, he said, news of this character would go to Washington and be threshed out there through official channels. Peters has a good record, he said, but he knows nothing of his antecedents.

HOUSE PLAYS BALL

No Reciprocity Between the Teams Playing Today.

(National News Association) WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Eighteen members of the House, nine Democrats and nine Republicans, practically forgot that they ever knew about politics today while they discussed the squeeze play and the advantages of the split ball. They were the men selected to represent the two parties in the baseball game on Georgetown University grounds this afternoon.

The star attractions are Representative Longworth, playing second base, and J. Thomas Heflin in a cream-colored suit, officially rooting for the Democrats.

The proceeds will go to charity and players were warned that any one mentioning "tariff" or "reciprocity" during the game would be banished.

WATER WORKS BID TO BE DISCUSSED

After the regular council meeting tonight, the discussion of the proposal of the Richmond City Water Works will be taken up. Council meeting will be called promptly at 7:30 o'clock and the routine business will be rushed through, after which the remainder of the proposal will be read.

Palladium Want Ads Pay.

Was Murdered by Her Husband



MRS. HENRY C. BEATTIE, RICHMOND, VA.

DEMAND INDEMNITY

U. S. Seeks Redress for Murders of Americans.

(National News Association)

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 7.—The Mexican federal soldiers who shot to death three Americans in Alamo, Mexico, on June 11 are accused of wantonly murdering the men in a report just made to President Taft by Frederick Simpech, U. S. counsel at Ensenada, Mex.

As a result of the report it is probable that the United States government will demand a large indemnity from Mexico. The men killed were Dr. A. L. of Fster, a practicing physician; Patrick Glenn and John Carroll, two merchants and Constance Dubois, a Frenchman.

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EASTERN DIVISION

Trains leave Richmond for Indianapolis and intermediate stations at 6:00 a. m.; 7:25; 8:00; *9:25; 10:00; 11:00; 12:00; 1:00; *2:25; 3:00; 4:00; *5:25; 6:00; 7:30; *8:25; 9:00; 10:00; 11:10.

Limited Trains.

Last Car to Indianapolis, 8:25 p. m. Last Car to New Castle, 10:00 p. m. Trains connect at Indianapolis for Lafayette, Frankfort, Crawfordsville, Terre Haute, Clinton, Sullivan, Martinsville, Lebanon and Paris, Ill. Tickets sold through.

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POST CARD COUPON

Clip this coupon and bring it to one of the Quigley Drug Stores, with 10 cents and receive one set of 25 colored view Post Cards of Richmond. By mail 3c extra for postage.

Court Fools.

The custom of having court fools survived longest in Russia, where Peter the Great often had them.