

SPEED CONSTABLE STRUCK BY AUTO; DAYTONIANS HURT

DAYTON, Ohio, Jan. 2.—Everett Purvis, 36, R. R. 14, rural constable in a critical condition in Miami Valley hospital from injuries received when he was struck by an automobile on the new Troy pike near stop 3, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Purvis, together with H. Stafford, another constable, was engaged in stopping speeders when hurt.

At the hospital, it is said, he is suffering with a fractured skull and probable internal injuries. Little hope is held for his recovery.

Both Purvis and Stafford are constables in the court of Reuben L. Jones, Harrison township justice of the peace.

Purvis stopped George Sucher, immediately before the accident and while he was driving slowly in traffic. Sucher said another car which was trailing him, turned out to pass him when he stopped, and struck Purvis as the policeman stepped into the road to the side of the Sucher car.

Daytonians Hurt

Winfield C. Elkenberry was severely injured and Miss Elsie C. Schneider was hurt slightly when an automobile in which they were riding crashed into a Dayton and Cincinnati interurban car in Middletown at 7 o'clock last night.

Elkenberry is in the Middletown hospital with internal injuries and is not expected to recover. Miss Schneider also was taken to the hospital with severe cuts and bruises, although it is believed she will recover.

The automobile in which they were riding was demolished.

Current Costs Reduced

Officials of the Dayton Power and Light company yesterday announced that consumers of electric current in the city will be benefited by the sweeping reduction in the cost of commercial power and lighting and that the new rates will become effective January 20.

Under the new rates the 25 per cent surcharge will be reduced to 15 per cent and in addition the company has filed new schedules with the public utilities, the result of which will be the reduction of the present cost of commercial lighting by approximately 10 per cent.

RULES FOR CASHING U. S. TRADING STAMPS

For the information of owners of war savings stamps of the 1918 series, due Jan. 1, the local postmaster has announced the manner in which the stamps may be cashed. Following are the things to be borne in mind:

Registered stamps can only be cashed at the postoffice where they are registered.

Cash on demand will only be given to stamp owners who have \$25 worth or less.

Holders of registered stamps in amounts of \$30 or more will be given a receipt by the postoffice when the stamps are presented. The stamps will then be sent by the postoffice to the Indianapolis depositary from which point the stamp owner will be sent a check covering the amount of the stamps cashed. Applications of this kind will be received at the postoffice at any time, preferably as soon as possible.

Unregistered stamps are being cashed by some of the local banks.

Must Go In Person

Whether application for payment is made by stamp owner at the postoffice or bank, the original owner whose name appears on the card to which the stamps are attached must go in person for the transaction. This ruling includes children old enough to sign their names.

In cases of infirmity, decease of owners or where stamps are registered in postoffices other than Richmond, application for redemption of stamps can be made on proper forms at the local postoffice.

Owners are cautioned not to sign, date, erase or mark a stamp certificate in any manner before presenting it at the postoffice or bank.

While it is hoped all persons owning stamps of the 1918 series will promptly have them cashed or exchanged for other securities, it is announced that cashing of the stamps is not absolutely necessary by any given time.

Fines and Sentence Given Operators of Big Still

Stanley Harrison was fined \$100 and costs in police court Tuesday and sentenced to serve 60 days at the penal farm for owning and operating a still on a farm four miles south of Pennville. Lloyd Farthing, arrested on the same charge, was fined \$100 and costs and given a suspended sentence of 60 days to the penal farm, pending good behavior. The two men were arrested last Saturday afternoon and their still, which had a capacity of 50 gallons was confiscated by local police. The still had been carefully protected with a brick retaining wall.

The first law pensioning Civil war veterans for disability, was enacted July 14, 1862.

KIDNEY TROUBLE

CAUSES LAMENESS

"A lameness followed me for some time, and I felt that it was caused from kidney trouble. Once I took Williams' Kidney Pills and had the desired effect," writes H. B. Arbutke, South Barre, Vermont. Backache, rheumatism, dull headache, toothache, neuralgia, and many other symptoms of Kidney and Bladder trouble. Disordered kidneys require prompt treatment. Neglect only leads to serious complications. Many Kidney Pills give quick relief. A. G. Lukens Drug Co., 626-628 Main St.—Advertisement.

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The Mistakes of the Kaiser

By RENE VIVIANI

Premier of France When the War Broke Out

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XVIII—THE ULTIMATUM

When there was complete certainty that the sea separated M. Poincaré and myself from Russia, and after all the murderous and maddened incitement already noted, the ultimatum was placed in the hands of the Serbian government. It is necessary to recall here its outrageous terms, written in blood not ink, which dishonor for all time both the German accomplices and the Austrian principal actors who had a part in this heinous crime against humanity. A cry of anger on the day after the murder; an unthinking popular manifestation; arrests, even unjustified ones; measures, even brutal in character—all these might have been understood, provided that, when the truth came out, self-control returned.

But, in this case, twenty-five days were allowed to elapse! Were they, at least, utilized for making an investigation? Yes, what were its results? It becomes evident that there was no question of finding the guilty parties themselves; what was desired was to clear up the political situation and to learn whether the Serbian government was responsible, even though only mainly, for the crime committed. Austria had sent one of her agents. She trusted him. Here is the answer given by that agent on July 13 ten days before the ultimatum:

"Sarajevo, July 13, 1914.

"Herr Von Weisner, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vienna:

"There is no proof of connivance

on the part of the Serbian government,

of its participation in the crime or in

preparation. There is even no reason

for suspecting it. On the contrary,

there are indications which cause the

setting aside of such suppositions."

But what mattered the investigation from the moment that it did not lead to the shame of the Serbian government? The only reason for which the investigation had been ordered was to show that government's responsibility. From the moment that this end could not be attained war was necessary.

Austria is thoroughly convinced of the historical lie upon which she is staking her honor. But, the trembling hand of her old emperor is gripped by the firmer hand of the German emperor.

The poisoned document destined to bring woe to the whole world is drawn up.

Demands In Ultimatum

Is it necessary to recall the clauses of that document? Here is a summary of it:

The Serbian government was to publish in its Official Gazette of July 26 and proclaim in an order of the day addressed by the king to the army a condemnation of Serbian propaganda in Austria-Hungary, and inform the entire population of the country that, from that moment, the severest possible measures would be taken against persons guilty of similar acts. In addition, the Serbian government was to:

1. Suppress all publications inciting contempt or dismemberment of Austria-Hungary.

2. Disband all associations devoted to anti-Austrian propaganda.

3. Discharge from teaching positions all those fomenting such propaganda, and deprive them of means for giving instruction.

4. Dismiss all officers and officials guilty of such propaganda, the names of these to be supplied by Austria to the Serbian government.

5. Arrest and imprisonment on Serbian soil of Austrian government officials in the surveillance of conspiracy against the integrity of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy.

6. Accept co-operation of Austrian government officials in the proceedings instituted against those implicated in the plot of June 28—etc., etc.

It was with good reason that Sir Edward Grey said: "This is the most outrageous document ever circulated in history."

What followed is well known: The Serbian government accepted everything except the co-operation of Austrian officials in the administrative investigation and in the judicial investigation—and it was shown later on that it eventually acquiesced even on that point. It accepted everything that was not incompatible with honor, everything that did not destroy the historical structure built up by its heroes, everything that was not equivalent to staining its banners with undying shame, which is far worse than the often immortal epitaph inscribed on the tombs of nations!

On the evening of the day when the answer of Serbia was given a variety of expressions appeared on the faces of men, according to differences in geography and in the various foreign offices. Neutral diplomats have recorded that, at Berlin, men well known in diplomacy and politics went about with wrathful countenances—for what had happened meant peace! But wherever there was a man living, a mind capable of reasoning, an atom of civilization and justice, there was a sigh of relief—for there was to be no war!

But what then?

"How is it possible that newspapers

can be allowed at such a moment to publish false news?" The Austrian minister at Belgrade left his post two hours after receiving this conciliatory

message.

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