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COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1919.

THE "HOME PAPER" OF THE MIDDLE SECTION OF PROSPEROUS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

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#### ABOUT TOWN NOTES.

Miss P. Hoerig, of Philadelphia, was the Sunday guest of Miss M. C. Baals.

Mr. Thomas Hallman has returned home after spending some time in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Price spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. David Reiner.

Mrs. D. W. Walt spent Monday in Norristown.

Mr. Ralph Miller spent the week end in Philadelphia with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ludwig spent Sunday in Kulpaville.

Miss Laura Cassel, Mr. Wm. Lynch and Mr. and Mrs. Bard, of Mont Clare, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bard.

Mrs. Ella Peart spent several days of the past week in Trappe.

Miss Florence Walt spent several days of the past week at Garrett Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Umstead spent Monday in Norristown.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Bartman and family spent Monday in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hayes, Miss Edith Hayes and Mrs. Joseph Meehan, of Philadelphia, were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Schwager.

Miss May Kratz and Mr. John Kratz and son, of Norristown, were the Sunday guests of Miss Elizabeth Kratz.

Master Jack Freed spent the week end in Phoenixville.

Mrs. J. K. Harley, of Trappe, spent Wednesday with Miss Elizabeth Kratz.

Mrs. Josiah Brunner, of Ironbridge, was the Friday guest of Miss Ella Grubb.

Miss Bernice Wagner, of Reading, was the week end guest of Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Yost.

Mrs. Emma Prizer, of Phoenixville, spent the week end at home.

Mrs. Bertha Kratz and daughters, Blanche and Sarah, spent the week end in Pittman, N. J.

Mrs. Ella Smith spent the week end in Cedar.

Mr. C. W. Schreun spent Monday in Philadelphia.

Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Cornish and family, Mrs. William McAllister and daughters, Gertrude and Elizabeth, spent Sunday at Willow Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Backmire had as their week end guests: Mr. and Mrs. A. Davis and daughter, Georgeanna, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Free, of Reading.

Misses Caroline Free and Bertha Davis spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Backmire.

#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

##### RECEPTION.

An informal reception will be given by members of the Collegeville High School Alumni Association in the auditorium next Saturday evening, July 19. An effort will be made to fully revive the Association. Therefore all former graduates, without exception, of the Collegeville High School, are most earnestly urged to be present, whether they have received invitations, or not. All will be welcomed.

##### Class Picnic.

The class of 1918 of the Collegeville High School motored to Spring Mount last Saturday where they spent a very enjoyable day. In the morning an interesting ball game was played with Ullman and Hunsicker as Captains and ended with a score of 14 to 1 in favor of the latter. After they all participated in "cats" the afternoon was spent in swimming and canoeing. A light supper preceded a motor trip and the singing of old school songs.

##### New Garage in Collegeville.

Paul R. Grepps, of Reading, is about to establish an automobile garage at Benning's hotel. He will be ready for business next Monday. All makes of cars will be repaired.

##### Successful Festival.

The O. of I. A. festival for the benefit of the baseball club, at Evansburg, last Saturday evening, was very much of a success. The boys wish to thank all who contributed their patronage and assistance.

##### Baseball.

The Oaks team was defeated by the O. of I. A. nine of Evansburg, Saturday afternoon. Score: 6 to 1. On Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the O. of I. A. team will play Lincoln on the Henry K. Boyer school grounds. On Tuesday evening at 6.30 they will play Roversford Foundry and Machine Co. at the same place.

##### Vigorous at 84.

Aaron Shellenberger, of Fruitville, is 84 years old. Last week he "pitched on" six one-horse loads of hay and "pitched off" five loads. Quite a day's work for one so far advanced in years.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1919.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally, and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

#### THE DEATH ROLL.

Anna M., widow of the late Jacob Epprecht, of Port Providence, died on Wednesday afternoon of last week, aged 79 years. One son and four daughters survive. Funeral was held on Saturday at 3 o'clock. Interment at Morris cemetery, Phoenixville; undertaker, J. L. Bechtel.

#### AMERICAN LEGION POST IN COLLEGEVILLE.

A post of the American Legion was organized Friday evening in Firemen's hall, Collegeville, with twenty-eight ex-service men signed up as members, and good prospects of eventually having a membership of seventy-five or more. A State Organizer was present and explained the purposes and aims of this new organization and, without a dissenting voice, each man eagerly signed the application for a charter and the American Legion. The following ex-service men were elected temporary officers to serve until after the National Convention, which will be held at Minneapolis, Minn., November 10-11 and 12: Post Chairman, Merrill W. Yost; Post Vice Chairman, Henry W. Mathieu; Post Secretary, Oliver S. Brown; Post Chaplain, Mark G. Messinger; Post Employment Officer, Ernest G. Lechner; and Post War Risk Insurance and Allotment Officer, Clarence W. Schreun.

#### POLITICAL.

Charles I. Baker, former member of the Legislature and one of the old Democratic war horses of Montgomery county, announces his candidacy for nomination to the office of County Commissioner, subject to the rules of the Democratic party. Mr. Baker has many friends throughout the county and is a probable winner.

Aaron S. Swartz, Jr. announces his candidacy for the Republican nomination for District Attorney. He was admitted to the Bar in 1911, and his qualifications for the office to which he aspires are beyond dispute. He will no doubt make a strong run.

#### Congratulations to Ironbridge Baseball Team.

Dr. William Barnes Lower, pastor of Holy Trinity Presbyterian church, North Twelfth street, Philadelphia, and who is in charge of Camp Logan on Mr. Fuhrman's meadow, near Collegeville, is a lover of boys and baseball. His group of lads played the Ironbridge nine on the camp field, Saturday afternoon, and won 9 to 8. After witnessing the game Dr. Lower contributed the following to the Independent: "I want to pass my compliments to the Ironbridge team for being as clean a bunch of fellows as I ever met. They know how to play ball and they know how to be true gentlemen which is far better. They will play the Logan Boys' Camp team Friday afternoon and it will be a pleasure to again associate with them. My congratulations to the Ironbridge team."

#### Personal.

Lieutenant William H. Perkins, of the U. S. Medical Corps, who has been on duty for the past several months at Tours, France, in the Base Hospital No. 120, has just returned on the transport Marica of date July 9. Lieutenant Perkins has been ordered for a short term of duty to Camp Dodge at Des Moines, Iowa, after which he will return via Camp Merritt to Collegeville to enjoy a leave of absence. Mrs. Perkins has been staying for the past several months at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Bond on South Hill, Collegeville.

#### BATHER DROWNED.

Just having arrived from New York for a brief vacation period and over-anxious for a swim, 19-year-old James Fries, a guest at the home of Mr. Frers, on the Ridge Road, near Green lane, went to the Swamp Creek Sunday afternoon and was seized with cramps and drowned.

Without conscious of his physical state by reason of his transitory condition during the day he plunged into the cold stream and was almost immediately seized with cramps. Before the several youths who chanced to be in the neighborhood could bring any assistance from Camp Belmont, the victim had sunk. Divers and swimmers from the camp started to search for the body, but it was not until an hour later that it was finally recovered. Word was sent to the family of the unfortunate young man and Coroner Neville was notified.

#### FULL CELLARS MAY BE INVADED.

A man's right to keep liquor in his own home, which stood the test before the House Judiciary Committee at Washington, must take its chances now in the House. Notice was served Tuesday on the committee by one of its members that when the House resumes consideration of the prohibition enforcement measure an amendment would be offered to make it unlawful for a person to retain possession of liquor stored prior to July 1. The committee, in framing the general enforcement measure, eliminated the section which would have made home storage illegal, but the big majority polled Tuesday by prohibitionists was accepted in some quarters to mean that the bill in certain respects will be made still more drastic.

#### Dance at Fairview Village.

There will be a dance at Fairview Village on Saturday evening, July 26, for the benefit of the Girl Scouts. Good music and refreshments.

To be doing good for someone else is the lot of most women. They are exuberant of kindness, as it were, and must impart it to someone.—Thackeray.

"Is the honeymoon over?" "I guess so. He's taken up golf again and she's begun to take an interest in politics."—Detroit Free Press.

#### CHILDREN'S SERVICES AT THE COLLEGEVILLE ASSEMBLY.

The Collegeville Summer Assembly which meets August 4-10, has set apart one hour at four o'clock each afternoon for a children's service and has secured a distinguished preacher to children, the Rev. George McPherson Hunter, of New York, to have charge of this work. Doctor Hunter is a Scotchman, having been born at Glasgow where he spent his early years. He spent five years at sea, sailed under three flags and visited every port, then became a student and was graduated from the University of Glasgow. He pursued a theological course at the Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J. and until last year was Secretary of the American Seaman's Friend Society. He is the author of numerous books and magazine articles, many of which are for children. His most recent book, a collection of sermons to children, under the title "Morning Faces," appeared in the present year. Doctor Hunter is also announced to speak at the platform meeting on Tuesday evening, August 5.

Children are welcomed at the Assembly and the management invites special correspondence for the accommodation of families.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

On Sunday evening at the Lower Providence Presbyterian church, there was a community service of the members of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches together with the members of the Lower Providence Red Cross Auxiliary No. 215. Dr. Heysham, of Norristown, presided as the presiding officer. The officers of the Red Cross presented comprehensive reports of the activities and accomplishments of the Red Cross since its organization. The first year of its existence, 469 articles of clothing were made and \$150 in money donated. All the reports ended a splendid record of achievement. This branch of the Red Cross. The hearty co-operation of the community with members of the Red Cross is a praiseworthy fact. Then Dr. Omwake, president of Ursinus College, delivered a fine address. His deep thought was impressed upon the audience by his forceful and logical speaking. During the program the combined choirs of the two churches rendered several anthems.

#### RECEPTION FOR SOLDIER BOYS.

At Fairview Village, Thursday evening, the Red Cross in conjunction with the Fairview Village assembly gave a rousing reception to the boys who have returned from the service of the United States army. The dedication of the flag pole, erected in front of the U. S. Field Artillery, age 22, killed October 3, 1918, battle of Argonne Forest. Flag pole erected July 10, 1919.

#### DELINQUENT HUSBANDS UNDER NEW LAW.

Governor Sprout has approved the act of the Legislature—he was one of its sponsors—whereby the entire status is changed with regards to neglecting husbands and the requirements for wives and children. The Courts are now empowered to impose a penalty of imprisonment at hard labor, not exceeding a year and a fine not exceeding \$100, or either. Furthermore, whatever may be the earning of the delinquent husband, while employed in a penal institution, is to be given to the neglected wife or children, as the case may be. A conviction of the husband or father does not, under the new act, affect his obligation respecting any order of the Court for the support of the wife or children, but the same order remains in force through the time of the imprisonment (if such is had) and beyond.

The new act also removes the barrier which has prevented a wife from testifying against her husband in all such cases and declares the wife or any person having care or custody of children a competent witness.

The act makes the non-support of a wife and children a misdemeanor and changes the entire aspect of such cases if they come into court.

M. E. Church, Evansburg.

The special services at the M. E. Church, Evansburg, last Sunday were of a local character and much interest was created when the home note was sounded against the making of our sacred Sunday a mere holiday.

The Wesley City Society was augmented by representatives from the Lutheran, Reformed, Methodist, and Evangelical churches, the topic being—"Our Denominations." The history of each church were set forth.

Sunday next, 7.30 p. m., a special local sermon will be delivered on the subject, "God's Call to the Collegeville Churches." Come and hear the Divine call to our beloved town. Special singing by choir. Wesleyan City Society at 6.45 p. m., sharp. D. F.

Not in the heavens, not in the midst of the sea, not if thou hidest thyself away in the clefts of the mountains, wilt thou find a place where thou canst escape the fruits of thy evil actions.—Buddha.

"I imagine, from what Mrs. Robinson says about her husband, that he is having trouble in supporting her." "What does she say?" "She is continually referring to him as a man with such a brilliant mind."—Judge.

#### PRESIDENT WILSON SUSTAINS DAYLIGHT SAVING.

President Wilson, on Saturday, vetoed the Agriculture Appropriation bill because it included a rider repealing the Daylight Saving law. An attempt by Congress to override the veto of the bill, minus the rider, will no doubt be passed by Congress and signed by the President. In support of his veto the President observed: "The act to 'save daylight' resulted not only from a careful study of industrial conditions by competent men, familiar with the business operations of the country but also from observation of the happy and beneficial consequences of similar legislation in other countries where legislation of this character has been for some time in operation and where it has resulted, as the act of March 19, 1918, has resulted in the United States, in substantial economies. That act was intended to place the chief business activities of the country as nearly as might be within the limits of daylight throughout the year. It resulted in very great economies of fuel and in substantial economies of energy, because of the very different effect of work done by artificial light. It, moreover, served the daily convenience of the many communities of the country in a way which gave all but universal satisfaction, and the overwhelming testimony of its value which has come to me convinces me that I should not be justified in acquiescing in its repeal."

#### CHANGES IN GAME LAW.

Changes are made in the new bird and game laws, passed by the last legislative session and approved by Governor Sprout.

It is made lawful to kill black birds from August 1 to November 30 instead of September 1, because of damage done by the birds to crops. The protection is taken off red squirrels entirely; the woodcock season is made from October 1 to November 30; bear season from October 15 to December 15; the gambel quail is given the same protection as the Virginia partridge; penalty for bear killed out of season made \$50; woodcock limit 6; rabbit limit 40, and bear 1. The new law takes the size limit off brook and brown trout and limits the bag to 25 one day. The size limit and season are taken off yellow perch, and they may be taken by devices prescribed by the code.

Provision is also made for issuance of special permits by the Commissioner of Fisheries for devices other than seines for catching of food fish for certain parties.

The Governor also signed the Non-Resident Hunter's License bill. It provides a fee of \$5 for such licenses.

#### 100,000 DESTITUTE PEASANT FAMILIES.

One hundred thousand peasant families in the Aisne district of France, the region allotted for the relief work of the American Committee for the Reconstruction of Europe, are dependent upon the American people for help. John Kendrick Bangs, the author, reported Tuesday upon his arrival in New York city on the French steamer Espagnole. Mr. Bangs, who has been helping a two months' study of relief work for the committee, declared that the majority of the peasants are homeless, while most of the others are without money and with only a scanty food supply to tide them over the winter. He said that 169 women volunteers of the committee are serving in France without pay.

The only financial help that the refugees can expect from the French Government, he said, was the 25 per cent payment of their claims, based on values of 1914, to be allotted them when Germany makes her first payment of reparation to France.

Mr. Bangs asserted that the committee was helping the farmers of the region by distributing to them a loan of farm tractors to till their soil and the distribution of chickens, goats and rabbits, which are being appropriated according to the number of children in each family.

#### EFFORT TO LEGALIZE BEER DEFEATED.

Prohibition forces took full control in the House at Washington, Monday, and refused to permit a vote on a straight-out motion to repeal the war-time act, defeated overwhelmingly on amendment providing for the sale of 2 per cent, beer and stood solidly against all attacks on the general enforcement measure.

Just as fast as one "liberal" amendment was offered by opponents of prohibition, it was voted down without ceremony, always by a triple vote, for the minority, fighting every inch of ground, demanded a division after the ayes and nays were called, and then asked for tellers. Before the House got through with the first section of the first part of the three-part act, there was more disorder on the floor than at any time this session.

#### PROVED ABILITY TO REASON.

A Louisiana planter who owns a pet monkey which answers to the name of Jocko, tells an anecdote about him which proves that such animals can and do reason.

The children of the house and Jocko are boon companions, and on a summer afternoon enjoy a frolic together upon the lawn. One day someone threw a match down and the grass ignited, making a little blaze.

Jocko saw it and stopped and looked then glanced all around, and seeing a piece of plank not far off, ran for it, crept cautiously to the fire, all the time holding the plank as a shield between himself and the flame, then pressed it down and extinguished it. What child could have reasoned better and done more?

Although, perhaps, no danger could have come from the fire still no one knows what the result might have been, and the monkey evidently believed that prudence is the better part of valor.

#### GREAT MARVEL OF SPEED.

The arrival of the British dirigible R-34 at Pullman, about 85 miles northeast of London, at 6.56 o'clock Sunday morning marked the completion of the first round-trip voyage of a lighter-than-air craft across the Atlantic Ocean from the old world to the new. The return trip was made in 74 hours and 56 minutes.

The R-34 took the air on her return voyage 86 hours after her arrival at Roosevelt Field, Mineola, N. Y., starting officially at midnight Wednesday. She headed for New York, and after circling over the city, enveloped in the glare of searchlights, the dirigible passed over the aviation field at Mineola at 1.30 a. m., on her way out to sea.

Starting the Transatlantic journey at East Fortune at 1.48 (Greenwich time) the morning of July 2 [9.48 p. m., July 1, New York time], the airship completed the trip at Roosevelt field at 10 a. m., Sunday, July 6—a distance of approximately 3200 miles in 108 hours, 24 minutes.

The R-34 was delayed on her flight from West Fortune to America, owing to a fourth day of heavy weather.

The R-34, in returning to England from the United States in approximately 75 hours made the voyage 22 times as fast as the first sailing vessel to cross the Atlantic. Christopher Columbus in sailing from Palos, Spain, to San Salvador, in 1492, in the Santa Maria took 70 days.

The American steamship Savannah, the first of her kind to cross the Atlantic, consumed 25 days between Savannah and Liverpool. She arrived at Liverpool on July 15, 1819, one hundred years except two days before the safe return of the R-34 to her homeland.

#### THREE FLIERS KILLED.

Three naval aviators were pinned to the bottom of the Delaware and drowned, a fourth was badly injured and a civilian observer was slightly injured when a large five-passenger naval seaplane went down out of control and plunged into the river, 200 yards off its hangar near the naval aircraft factory at League island on Monday afternoon. All the small craft at the Navy Yard were engaged Monday night in dragging the river for the bodies of the three men.

The seaplane, of what is technically known as the "F-5-L" type, similar in construction, but smaller than the transatlantic N. C. fliers, was making a small boat run out to the pier. It was practically unobserved by the thousands of naval and civilian employees working in the yard, and had been in the air for some time when it was seen to descend at a sharp, swooping angle.

When about 200 yards above the surface it Professor Benjamin Franklin Shappelle in the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity house, 219 South 36th street, Philadelphia, early Monday morning.

Professor Shappelle is head of the department of languages of the summer school of the University of Pennsylvania.

The burglar who was about 28 years old and who has not been identified by the police, was shot after he threatened death to Professor Shappelle and others living in the fraternity building.

Reaching a bullet below the heart, the burglar leaped from a second story window to the yard. The fall broke his left ankle and right arm. Despite the triple injuries the man reeled across the street collapsing at the base of a lamp post on the sidewalk in front of No. 202 South 36th street.

#### MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE MEASURE SIGNED.

The Mothers' assistance bill, as amended, carrying an appropriation of \$600,000 instead of \$1,000,000, has been signed by Governor Sprout.

Under the terms of the new law mothers who have resided two years in the State and one year in a county are eligible. Hereafter the requirement has been reduced to three years in the county. Another change is an increase of the family allowance from \$12 to \$20. Counties that do not accept the act will lose appropriations which will be divided.

The appropriation bill of \$600,000 was also signed so as to make the money available for a new system of distribution of the funds among counties. Philadelphia getting 18 per cent; Allegheny 12, and others according to population.

"I'm a very busy man, sir. What is your proposition?" "I want to make you rich." "Just so. Leave your recipe with me and I'll look it over later. Just now I'm engaged in closing up a little deal by which I expect to make \$3.50 in real money."—Brooklyn Citizen.

Without a companion, there is no satisfaction in any good.—Seneca.

#### WASHINGTON CHAT

Were the trial of the Kaiser to be held in Washington, instead of in London, as has been announced, it would likely take place at the famous War College located within a mile of the Capitol Building on a point of land which projects into the Potomac River, and where, at one time, the statue of Frederick the Great, which was presented by the Kaiser to the United States during the Roosevelt administration of the White House, stood before its removal was ordered by the Government shortly after the United States entered the war. Intense interest is being manifested in Washington as to the ordeal that they will soon have to face. Many Senators have announced that they will give special attention to this particular part of the peace treaty when it is taken up by the Senate, and they expect that the President will have something to tell them on the subject that has been discussed by him during their meetings in France. It is pointed out that if Holland refuses to give up the Kaiser for trial, upon the request of the Allied Powers largely because the trial would be held in Europe, that the Dutch Government would change its views if the trial would be held in the United States. No official mention has been made of the Chief Justice White will sit at the trial court, if it is held abroad, and nothing definite as to justices or accusers can be announced until after the peace treaty is placed before the Senate.

Cabinet members will not have such full sway hereafter in the running of their respective departments, if the Senate and House adopt a bill introduced by Senator McLean. It would require Cabinet officers to sit in the Senate and House for two days a week during sessions of Congress, and at which time they would be questioned from the floor as to the conduct of their departments. It is thought that if a Cabinet member knew he would be called upon to explain his actions before open sessions of the Senate and House, advocates of the proposed plan hold, he would be certain to go slow in approving any activity for which he did not have specific authority, and that Congress would learn from first hands at all times as to the whys and wherefores that vast sums are needed and for what purposes they are to be spent, so that the greatest economy could be put on government making up the huge appropriation bills that must be voted by many sessions yet to come.

A new member has found its place among the collection of animals in the zoological garden of political parties, according to the prohibition advocates that hold forth at the Nation's Capital. The grand old party has enlisted the Democratic support of their famous donkey, the Independent Republicans adopted the bull as their emblem, and now comes the camel to enter the fold as representing the Prohibition party. It is an animal that will typify what the party represents, as the camel is a desert creature which has no specific authority, and that Congress would learn from first hands at all times as to the whys and wherefores that vast sums are needed and for what purposes they are to be spent, so that the greatest economy could be put on government making up the huge appropriation bills that must be voted by many sessions yet to come.

Now that the fruits of gardening are about to be harvested, an increased demand is being made upon the National War Garden Commission in Washington for its publication on the "Home Storage of Vegetables for Winter Use; Storage Helps to Solve the Food Problem." Canning and drying foods are essential to the nation's food supply, but they do not take the place of storage. To keep vegetables in their natural state is the simplest form of preparation for winter needs. Every detail for home storage of vegetables is simply explained in this helpful book, which is obtainable free of cost by sending name and address to the National War Garden Commission, Washington, D. C.

Repeal of the Government wheat guarantee of \$2.26 per bushel is being so insistently demanded by wheat farmers that Congress may be asked to remove the price limitation. The Senate Agricultural Committee is receiving thousands of letters from farmers, who demand that they be allowed to sell their wheat for whatever they can get. They declare that the market price would prove much higher than the \$2.26 allowed them by the Government. Many claim that the millers, whose profits are not limited, are getting at the rate of \$4 per bushel for the wheat.

#### THE VETO AX.

Governor Sprout has vetoed the Senate bill designating the manner in which suits against the State shall be brought, with the remark that it would waive the sovereignty of the Commonwealth and put it "in a worse position than any individual or private corporation with respect to litigation."

The bill authorizing fourth-class school districts to provide residential facilities for principals, teachers and janitors was vetoed as a dangerous departure from the conservative administration of our public school system.

Other vetoes included the bill relative to conveyances of realty by married women on the ground that it would cause confusion in this subject of the law, and that other provisions would be unconstitutional.

The bill allowing county treasurers to retain 10 cents of each hunter's license was vetoed because "it would be a violation of the constitution, as it would be a taking of property without compensation" and be in opposition to the policy of paying county officials' salaries.

Other bills were vetoed because covered by existing acts as special legislation.

"Play poker with a dentist? No sir." "Why not?" "He's too blasé and expert on drawing and filling."—Boston Transcript.

Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.—Dionysius.

#### NEWS FROM TRAPPE.

Rev. Howells and Herbert Howells, of Philadelphia, visited Harvey Moyer and family on Thursday.

Mr. Robert Longacre, of Roxboro, spent Sunday with Miss Clara Miller.

Mrs. Frank Ruth is on the sick list.

Mrs. Bertha Spencer spent last week in Centra Point.

Mrs. Ella Wisler visited Mr. Wm. U. Moyer and family, of Philadelphia, on Sunday.

Mrs. J. K. Harley and Edith Harley spent Sunday with I. C. Reiff, of Oaks.

Misses Alma and Florence Pegely spent the week with Rev. and Mrs. C. Snyder, of Reading.

Mrs. Dora Peley, Mrs. Kutzschbach, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Jacob Walt and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Johnson, spent Sunday in Willow Grove.

Mr. William C. Rosch, of Philadelphia, visited Mr. Henry W. Mathieu over the week end.

About thirty members of the Pastor's Aid Society, of the Oakmont Union Church visited Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Johnson on Saturday and enjoyed a fine lunch on the lawn.

Mr. Sturges, of Phoenixville, is visiting his son, R. C. Sturges.

Miss Charlotte Gill, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mrs. Elizabeth Austerberry.

Miss Edith Anderson, of Penn Square, visited her sister, Miss Margaret Anderson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Detwiler and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Detwiler and Yerkas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Bucher on Sunday.

Mr. Sylvanus Tyson, Jr., received injuries to his foot while working at Linfield.

Mrs. Howard Rushong is spending some time in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Brunner entertained a number of relatives and friends on Sunday.

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# THE INDEPENDENT

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## REPUBLICANS SHOULD CALL HIM HOME.

If there is a bigger fool and a more reckless liar in public life than Senator J. "Hi" Johnson of California, he has not as yet been recognized. The following is from Johnson's recent speech in the Senate:

"Italy despises us, France distrusts us, England uses us and Japan bluffs us. Alas, how the mighty have fallen! It is the first time in our history that men go about making it a reproach to be an American citizen. Americans in Paris with a stroke of the pen have abrogated the Declaration of Independence."

And the big fool of the Senate aspires to be President! Let him aspire and perspire. The people of the United States have too much sound sense to give serious attention to his aspirations. The Republicans of California should call him home and try to keep him quiet. He is entirely too much of a nuisance in public life.

## GREED AND GRAFT.

Last week the Federal Trade Commission at Washington made public Part I of its report to the President on its investigation of the meat industry, bearing on "Extent and Growth of Power of the Five Packers in Meat and Other Industries." The report includes the following statements:

The history of the packers' growth is interwoven with illegal combinations, rebates and with undisclosed control of corporations.

As to devices for secret control, there does not exist adequate law. In its absence unfair competition may run its course to the goal of monopoly and accomplish the ruin of competitors without the secret ownership being suspected and consequently without complaint to the Commission or investigation of facts. The competitor is in jeopardy so long as he has not the knowledge of true ownership and the public is entitled to such knowledge.

The Big Five packers jointly or separately wield controlling interest in 574 companies, minority interest in 95 others and undetermined interest in 93—a total of 762 companies—and they produce or deal in some 775 commodities, largely food products.

In addition to meat foods, they produce or deal in such diverse commodities as fresh tomatoes and banana strings, leathers and cottonseed oil, breakfast foods, vin fiz, curled hair, pepsin and washing powders. Their branch houses are not only stations for the distribution of meat and poultry, but take on the character of wholesale grocery stores, dealers in various kinds of produce and jobbers to special lines of trade.

It is evident that the Big Five have the meat consumers of the country by the throat, and that their greed and graft know no limit this side of immediate danger to the personal freedom-at-large of those who direct the affairs of the big meat packers. Meat consumers are waiting to see what action the Government will take toward halting the greed of the Big Five.

## WELL REMUNERATED SOCIALISM.

Some time ago the Rand School of Social Science, New York city, was raided by authority of law, because it was charged with imparting false and dangerous instructions at variance with law and order. Without passing upon the justice or injustice of the raid, because detailed information is not at hand, it is of interest to note that Socialism in New York city has been quite remunerative to Prof. Scott Nearing, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania. In alluding to the revelations made by the school check book the counsel for the investigating committee said:

These taken together show apparently that during these 31 days Scott Nearing received through this one of his affiliations approximately \$610. I feel that it is well to call the attention of the committee to the fact that if Mr. Nearing had continued as an associate professor in the University of Pennsylvania he would probably today be earning not more than \$200 a month. I think it is rather an interesting commentary upon the self-sacrifice of those who are agitating for the despoiled and the oppressed of this State.

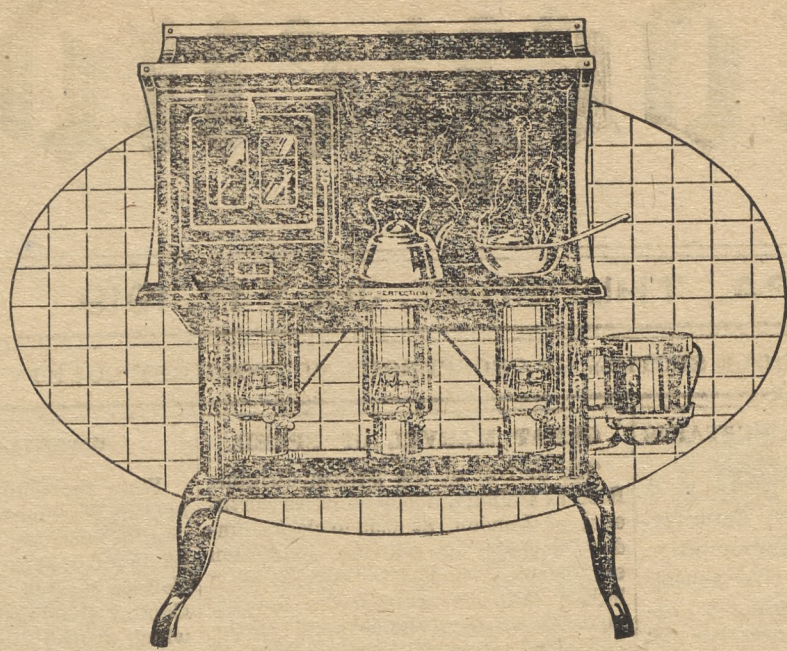
In estimating the expenditure of brain effort on the part of Prof. Nearing, in formulating and delivering his lectures to pupils, it may well be that he came at least within sight of earning the sum he received. Nevertheless, this instance of remunerative Socialism reinforces the common observation that frequently those who pose as advocates of what are classed as humanitarian undertakings are recipients of liberal remuneration for services rendered. But, after all, Nearing is not in Billy Sunday's class.

The Berks County Democrat entered upon volume 63 with its issue of last week. The Democrat was launched by the father of the present proprietor and editor, Charles B. Spatz. Whatever of hereditary influence favorable to journalism was transmitted from father to son, the fact is obvious to all who read the Democrat that Charles B. is a wide-awake and capable representative of the newspaper fraternity, aside from his charming social qualities.

SECRETARY GLASS of the U. S. Treasury, in his estimate submitted to the Congressional Appropriations Committee, places the war cost up to June 30, 1919, at \$30,177,000,000. The contribution of the United States in precious lives and billions of money to the war waged against fiendishness, villainy, and human debauchery, was the contribution that ensured victory. There is every reason to believe that had it not been made Germany would be dominating Europe to-day.

It is believed that a large majority of the people of the United States approve President Wilson's action in refusing to approve the repeal of the daylight saving law. Many of those who did not look with favor upon the law when it was enacted largely as a war measure have come to appreciate the advantages derived from it. In course of time even the farmers, in sections where they now object to it, will so adapt their work as to be gainers rather than losers by its observance. The long evenings are of special advantage not only to those who seek recreation after toil, but also to those who find enjoyment in a change of work. Those who must labor indoors until five or six o'clock are afforded time and light to do considerable work outdoors, including attention to gardening.

FROM the Philadelphia Record: After weighing "Hi" Johnson in the editorial balance and finding him wanting and "utterly unsafe as a national leader" because of his "violence of temper and willingness to stoop to the questionable methods of the veriest pot-house politicians, The Inquirer is driven to the conclusion that "as a matter of fact, the Senate is not as yet developing among any of its leaders Presidential timber of the sane and safe variety. Things may be different later on, but from the present outlook the Republican convention will in all probability have to go outside that body for a satisfactory and acceptable candidate." This is tough on Knox, Borah, Harding and Poindexter, but it must be admitted to be true. There remain as possibilities Chairman Hays, the boy wonder of Indiana, and General Leonard Wood, the gallant soldier to whom the pen is mightier than the sword. A year from now we will know more about the Presidential prospects of the G. O. P.



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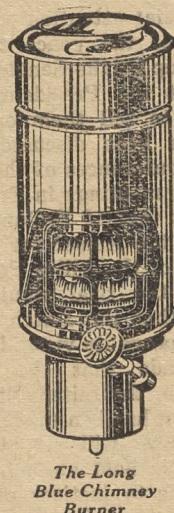
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## MAKING SUCCESS IN HOME GARDEN

Much Depends Upon Interest of Gardener Being Maintained Throughout Season.

## WAGE FIGHT AGAINST PESTS

Man Must Make Continuous Fight From Start, Never Shirking Duty and Keeping Everlastingly on Job—Easy to Kill Weeds.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The ultimate success of a home garden depends largely upon the interest of the gardener being maintained throughout the season. Many persons have gotten the idea that when the garden is planted and cultivated two or three times their work has ended, and as a result the garden soon goes to weeds or is destroyed by insects and diseases. The successful gardener, declares the specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture, is the one who wages a continuous fight against the enemies of the garden from the very start, never shirking his duty and being everlastingly on the job.

A crop of weeds can be destroyed in a few moments by means of a steel rake or a hoe, if it is used when the weeds are just coming through the ground. If allowed to remain, the weeds become firmly rooted and a thorough renovation of the garden is necessary to rid it of them.

Seen Innocent, but They're Not. A few old-fashioned hardshell potato bugs may not appear to do any great harm, but the crop of soft-shelled beetles they produce will eat the leaves from the potato vines almost before you know they are present. A few spores of some mildew or other disease may not do any great amount of damage, but if the weather is favorable for the spread of the disease, it will soon cause the loss of the entire crop.

The old adage of "A stitch in time saves nine" applies with double force to the care of the garden. Keep up interest in the garden and make successive plantings of various crops, so that a continuous supply of vegetables may be provided for the table. There is nothing gained by having the land lie idle, and it is easier to keep it clean if there is a paying crop upon it.

"Seedy" Gardens Show Neglect. Too often gardens with a "seedy" appearance are seen in the middle of the summer. The brush on which the peas were grown or the wire trellis on which they were trained is left with the remains of the crop upon it, and general unsightliness rules the entire plot. It is a little more trouble to keep things neat and attractive, but it pays in the long run; and if you as a gardener want to maintain a reputation



Keep the Garden Growing Through the Summer.

for a good garden, the necessary attention will have to be given to its neatness and general appearance. In sections where the weather becomes extremely hot in summer and it is not possible to keep garden crops growing, the land should be cleaned, replowed and kept stirred from time to time until conditions are suitable for

the planting of fall vegetables. Under ordinary conditions it is best to have some crop growing on the soil, and if the period between the early spring vegetables and the fall vegetables is sufficient, a crop of corn should be grown upon the garden land. This will shade the soil and prevent the sun burning the organic matter out of it, and at the same time will actually add fertility to the soil.

## PARTIAL SHADE FOR BERRIES

This Sometimes Can Be Provided by Planting Between Fruit Trees in Orchard.

Currants and gooseberries commonly do better, especially in the southern limits of their range, if grown where there is partial shade. This sometimes can be provided by planting them between fruit trees. Raspberries and blackberries are sometimes planted between trees; but the practice is not advisable unless the soil is naturally moist and fertile.

## NEVER SAW THE SUWANEE

Writer of Popular Song Used Name Because Rhythmic Sound of It Appealed to Him.

The song, "Old Folks at Home," made the name of "Swanee River" famous, but few people, except those of Florida and Georgia, connect the name of the song with the Suwannee that flows from the southern swamps of Georgia down through the woodlands of Florida to empty into the Gulf of Mexico.

"Way down upon the Swanee river," suggests vaguely the South of the cedar also grows in its valley, but these have been reduced in recent years, as the wood is in great demand for pencil making.

The Suwannee figured largely in early American history, for it was a favorite haunt of the Indians, and many battles with the red men were fought in its valleys.

The name Suwannee has an Indian sound, but it is said to be a corruption of San Juan—a name given the river by early Spanish explorers.

## Modern Spelling.

Professor Miller of the University of Minnesota asked ninety normal students to spell ten words, and the best record was seven of the ten words, repellent, collectible, picknicking, inoculate, consensus, inferred, sacrilegious, dissipate, bilious, virily.

## Bad Indeed.

First laborer—"Yes, I heard you was in 'th' hospital. Was yer very bad?" Second laborer—"Bad? I should think I was bad! Why, a pal o' mine brings me a bottle o' beer, an' I couldn't so much as look at it!"—London Mail.

## Wanted Masculine Touch.

Bobby was a small boy, but he objected vigorously to a little waist that had a big collar and cuffs with a narrow ruffle around the edge. When asked the reason he said he didn't like the "girl" on it.

## Why Should He?—The World Is His.

An Englishman comes into a drawing room as if he owned it. An American comes into a drawing room as if it didn't care a damn who owned it."—London Sketch.

## Enough Is Plenty.

"Talk an' sunup! I like rain," ruminated Shubone; "a certain 'dout am welcome an' necessary, but doggone a deluge!"

## Industry.

I was industrious; whoever is equally sedulous will be equally successful.—Bach.

## STRONG SENSE OF HONESTY

Of Course It Was That, and No Other Reason, Which Caused Volunteer's Action.

Loon Horton, the milk magnate, was talking about the terrific New York milk strike.

"Oh, well," he said, apropos of an opponent's honesty—"oh, well, we're all honest when it pays to be. We're all more or less like the volunteer."

"The volunteer?" said the reporter. "It's a story," Mr. Horton explained. "A movie actress, the prettiest movie actress in Los Angeles, was conducting a recruiting campaign at a bazaar, and she guaranteed to kiss every young man who would volunteer to fight for Uncle Sam."

"Well, there were lots of volunteers, of course, and the actress permitted each of them to kiss her, and they did so, while the crowd laughed and applauded, in a polite, gentlemanly manner."

"But one volunteer seemed to lose his head. He threw his arms about the lovely actress and kissed her with such abandon that she was almost suffocated, and had to push him away. Yes, she pushed him away, her eyes blazing, but he stalked off to the recruiting office without a word of apology."

"An hour later the fellow dashed into the hall again, seized the actress once more in his arms, and pressed his lips to hers in a kiss more passionate than before. Again she pushed him off."

"You fresh chump," she hissed, "what do you mean? You had your kiss an hour ago!"

"But the recruiting office turned me down," he said; "and so, like an honest man, I had to give it back to you, didn't I?"

## Biblical "Seven Ages."

First age, from the creation to the deluge, 2400 B. C.; second age, to the coming of Abraham into Canaan, 1922 B. C.; third age, to the Exodus from Egypt, 1491 B. C.; fourth age, to the founding of Solomon's temple, 1041 B. C.; fifth age, to the capture of Jerusalem, 586 B. C.; sixth age, to the birth of Christ; seventh age, to the present time.

## Our Foolish Filosity.

Cheer up. Why worry? Most anything you do will make somebody glad. If you get sick somebody who don't like you will be pleased about it. If you get well somebody who likes you will feel mighty happy about it. If you die the undertaker is entitled to congratulate—er—that is to say, we all have our little moments.—Indianapolis Star.

## Violets.

There are many myths and legends connected with the violet, which has been considered the good luck flower by many nationalities. In some places, English rural folk say a handful of the first violets found should be taken into the farmhouse, so good luck will be assured in the hatching of all the baby fowls of the barnyard.

## His Favorite.

Brother was attending a party at which the refreshments served were ice cream and cake. The hostess saw that brother wasn't making much headway with the ice cream, so asked him if he didn't care for it. "Oh, yes," he answered. "Ice cream is all right; but turkey is my favorite."

## Her Appearance.

Mildred had accompanied her father to the nearby village and on her return was telling her mother of a woman she saw there. Her mother asked if it was a certain woman, and Mildred immediately replied: "No, mother, she looked newer than that."

## Stains of Photos After Fixing.

The brown or yellow stains which are sometimes found on photographic prints after being taken out of the fixing bath can be prevented by mixing a tablespoonful of vinegar in the water in which the prints are washed after being developed.

## One's Identity.

There is, in sanest hours, a consciousness, a thought that rises, independent, lifted out of all else, calm, like the stars, shining eternal. This is the thought of identity—yours for you, whoever you are, as mine for me.—Walt Whitman.

## July Clearance Sale

ENDS JULY 26th

Space in this paper does not permit us to advertise all of the fine specials of this sale. A visit to our store will show you many more.

## Blankets at a Big Saving!

It sounds very warm to talk about blankets, but the people who are wise will buy blankets now, while the price is at its lowest. All our blankets that we now have in stock will be sold at these prices during our July Clearance Sale. Blankets of the finest wool come with pink and blue borders, bound with taffeta or silk; some plaids, also.

MEDIUM WEIGHT ALL-WOOL BLANKETS at \$9.50, \$12.00 and \$12.50.

GREAT BIG HEAVY ALL-WOOL BLANKETS—the kind that you will need next winter—priced at \$12.75 and \$14.50.

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## IRONBRIDGE.

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Mrs. Detwiler's Sunday school class of boys will hold an entertainment followed by a festival on next Wednesday evening, July 23. An enjoyable time is promised all who attend.

The baseball team was defeated last Saturday afternoon by the Logan Boys' camp team. They will play another game this Friday afternoon on the home grounds.

## BLACK ROCK AND VICINITY.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wenger, Jr. and sons spent Sunday in Kimbenton with the Wenger families.

Mr. Norman Jones and Miss Mabel Jones spent Sunday with the Milligan family, of Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Funk and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Landes spent Sunday with the family of Clayton Kolb, of Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Griffin, of Mont Clare, spent Sunday with the family of Horace Smith.

There will be Johnson meeting this Sunday in the Mennonite meeting-house, near here. Everybody welcome.

Miss May Freeman, of Philadelphia, is spending the summer at Walnut Farm.

Mr. Jonathan King has improved his house by building a porch.

## OAKS.

The registry assessor was at the Fire House on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Rehr's orchestra has been engaged for the dance to be given by the Oaks Fire Co. on August 9.

The Sunday evening services at St. Paul's were well attended. These services will be held every Sunday evening from 7 to 8 p. m.

The Oaks baseball team was defeated at Evansburg, score—6 to 1, last Saturday. No game this Saturday.

Harry Bare and wife spent their vacation in New York State.

The flag factory is only working five days a week at present.

Charles Meyers has returned from overseas.

The Oaks Auxiliary of the Red Cross held an important meeting last Monday evening at which time it was decided to apportion all money in the general fund among the service men and women.

## HOW FEBRUARY WAS NAMED.

February was one of the two months (January being the other) introduced into the Roman calendar by Numa Pompilius, when he extended the year into 12 months. The name arose from the practice of religious expiation and purification which took place among the Romans at the beginning of this month, and comes from februa, to expiate or to purify. Among our Saxon ancestors the month got the name of Sproutkale or the sprouting of cabbage at this ungenial season. The name of Sol-monat was afterward conferred on it in consequence of the return of the sun from the low course in the heavens, which it had been running, starting on the first day of the month.

The following day, or February 2, has from a date unknown in the Christian history been held as a festival of the purification of the Virgin, carrying out the pagan idea of cleansing, according to some writers, but the idea is at least open to doubt, as its popular name, Candlemas, from the practice of carrying lighted candles in procession in memory of Simeon's words at the presentation of the infant Jesus. "To be a light to lighten the Gentiles." The Christmas decorations are taken down on this day in the churches.

## HEADGEAR OF ALL FASHIONS.

In our past wars there were no such things as flying shrapnel, or airplanes that dropped darts of steel on the soldiers below, so American soldiers wore ordinary army hats. But modern warfare has made it necessary that soldiers wear helmets of steel.

In the Revolutionary war our soldiers' hats were of many designs. One of the most common was the "cocked" hat, made of black or brown felt and turned up on the sides to form three corners. The Virginia rifleman wore brown felt hats with one side turned up, and the Maryland rifleman brown fur-trimmed hats.

The hat generally worn by the New York rangers or rifleman was of black felt, cap shaped, turned up in front, with a plume. Sometimes words were marked on the front, such as "Liberty," "Death," etc. Soldiers in the cavalry or "light horse" of Philadelphia wore sportsman's caps, ornamented with buck's tails.

Hats worn by the "First Governor" foot guards of Connecticut were closely modeled after those of the British Grenadiers. They were of black fur, cap shaped, with a piece of yellow felt in front. On the side they were decorated with a red plume. Privates in the Pennsylvania companies wore braided-brown hats. The dragoons wore cap-shaped helmets.

## LUCKY KISS.

A man named Winch, a butcher of Sydney, N. S. W., recently took the liberty of kissing a handsome girl who was one of his customers. She resented the affront, and Winch was prosecuted. He was fined heavily by the board of magistrates, and lengthy notices of the case appeared in the press. The publicity given to the proceedings happened to attract the notice of a firm of solicitors in Sydney who had been appointed trustees of certain property which had been left to Winch by a distant relative some years before, the solicitors up to that time having been unable to find any trace of the missing heir. Winch was communicated with by the firm, and having duly established his identity, became the possessor of a snug little fortune.

## RATS SHOULD BE EXTERMINATED.

Rats are creatures of considerable intelligence. Many curious stories are told of the artifice they employ to obtain desired objects, of the readiness with which they detect the approach of danger and the skill with which they avoid it.

It is said that sewer rats have a good trait, that is, acting as scavengers and devouring animal and vegetable substances, the putrefaction of which is detrimental to public health; however, the rat has been a nuisance and annoyance to the farmers of this country ever since it was brought here from the Old World.

Pennsylvania farmers too seldom consider the loss they suffer from these rodents, says Fred Rasmussen, Secretary of Agriculture. No doubt in many instances enough damage is done annually to pay the farmer's taxes. It is estimated that the destruction in United States amounts to \$2,000,000,000 each year.

Rats are carriers of disease germs, and are more destructive directly or indirectly to human life and property than any wild beast or venomous serpent. He is a forerunner and associate of famine, pestilence and death.

The greatest wheat crop ever produced in Pennsylvania is now being harvested. Grain elevators will soon become veritable treasures which thriving rats and mice will break into if they can. Traps, poison and rat-proof construction will stop their raids.

The arch enemies of stored grain are dampness and rodent pests—rats and mice. An elevator, granary, or corn crib with a leaky roof is only a little worse than an allowing free entry to rats and mice. The present price of all grains makes a telling appeal for rat-proof construction of wheat and other grain containers.

Now is the time to fill rat holes with cement or cover them with sheet iron, and to build new rat and mouse-proof granaries of either concrete or galvanized sheet iron.

Rats and mice are useful purpose in the economic life of the farmer and should be exterminated.

## MENT NOTES.

Bordeaux mixture prevents tomato blight and rotting of the fruit.

Reports say that Snyder county will have the largest crop of hay since 1897.

The modern tendency is to take the burden off the man and put it on the machine.

Dust cabbage with powdered lead arsenate and hydrated lime or gypsum, one to four or five parts. There is no danger of poisoning the inside of the heads because they expand and grow outwardly.

A pound of swine flesh can be produced more cheaply than a pound of flesh in any other farm animal. The hog is built so compactly that there is very little waste in slaughtering, and it will eat many kinds of food that could not be disposed of otherwise.

Harvesting of wheat and rye is now in progress. While reports say that there has been some damage by fly, rust and storm, yet indications point to the largest crop produced in Pennsylvania.

LOST.—Collie dog, female, answers to name "Scottie." Luzerne county tag on collar. Call Signer, Farm #1-3, Centre Point exchange. Reward.

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WANTED.—Operators on shirts and presses in laundry. Clean, well-lighted building; sanitary conditions. A few learners taken; car fare well learning. Apply to THE QUAKER CITY SHIRT MANUFACTURING CO., 7-17-41.

WANTED.—A girl, or middle-aged woman, for general housework. No washing or ironing. Apply to MRS. F. C. POLEY, Limerick, Pa.

FOR SALE.—One Lincoln-Rambouillet Ewe, in fine condition, obtained from the Stock Farm of the More Sheep-Wool Association at Paoli. Inquire C. O. BOND, Collegeville, Pa.

FOR SALE.—An Avery motor (two-horse) cultivator, complete with lugs and spuds. A bargain. Apply to BURD P. EVANS, Trappe, Pa.

FOR SALE.—Ten lambs and five ewes, in good condition. Address, or apply to W. R. LAYNES, Collegeville, Pa.

FOR SALE.—100,000 Celery Plants. White Plume, Easy Blanching, Emperor, Giant Pascal, Winter King and Winter Queen, 8c. per doz. 50c. per 100; \$4.50 per 1000. Late beet and cabbage plants. AT COLLEGEVILLE GREENHOUSES. 7-3-41.

FOR SALE.—An Edison talking machine, with a bunch of 2 and 5-minute records. All for \$12.00. TONY DEANGELES, 6-19.

FOR SALE.—Second-hand boats and canoes for sale at the right prices. Don't miss bargains. Apply to YOST'S GARAGE, 6-5-41.

FOR GREATER PROFIT from your poultry feed the Audus Dry Mash, moist or dry. If unable to get it of your dealers, write or call on us. 1-16 LANDES BROS., Verkes, Pa.

FOR SALE.—Five thoroughbred Chester White pigs from registered stock; also a grade Chester White brood sow and a number of shoats. Also 3 steers ready to go to market. 5-22 BURD P. EVANS, Trappe, Pa.

## FOR SALE—Larro-Feed

The MORE-MILK FEED that's guaranteed. LANDES BROS., 5-15 Verkes, Pa.

## Philadelphia Market Report.

Wheat	.....	\$2.24 to \$2.39
Corn	.....	\$2.10 to \$2.14
Oats	.....	82c. to 87c.
Barley	.....	\$43.00 to \$45.00
Baled hay	.....	\$31.00 to \$37.00
Pat cows	.....	\$10.00 to \$12.00
Steers	.....	\$13.00 to \$16.00
Sheep and lamb	.....	\$3.00 to \$17.50
Hogs	.....	23c. to 52c.
Livestock	.....	24c. to 62c.
Butter	.....	44c. to 64c.
Eggs	.....	57c. to 59c.

## PUBLIC SALE OF OHIO COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1919, at Perkinson Bridge hotel, one carload of choice cows selected in Ohio. The lot is made up of fine shapes, heavy weights, and big milk producers—the profitable kind for milk or beef. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by JONAS P. FISHER.

F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer. M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

## PUBLIC SALE OF 25 Virginia Cows!

Will be sold at public sale on FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1919, at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, Pa., 20 head of fresh cows with good calves by their sides. The balance are good and close springers. There will be 5 or 6 fine Holsteins in the lot that have the breeding and milking qualities. Farmers and dairymen, do not miss this sale, as this is an extra fine head of stock and will be sold for the high dollar. Sale at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Conditions by JOHN P. FISHER.

P. H. Peterman, Auctioneer. M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

## EXTRAORDINARY PUBLIC SALE OF Cows, Hogs, Chickens, Machinery!

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1919, at my farm at Port Providence, Montgomery county, Penna.

Intending to turn to Holsteins exclusively and gradually to pedigree stock, I will offer my GRADE COWS and HEIFERS and one fine young HOLSTEIN BULL, about 45 in. in height, 1600 lb. weight, 17 bands, 12 good fresh, springers and milkers; many in calf to my registered Holstein bull. They should be especially attractive to those interested in real cows.

I will also offer about 25 BERKSHIRE HOGS and PIGS from registered sires. About 75 BLACK LEGHORN HENS. A lot of GOOD FARM MACHINERY, wagons, and numerous other articles.

Sale at one o'clock p. m. WM. KOLB, JR., H. E. Miller, Auctioneer. J. E. Miller, Clerk.

## SPECIAL NOTICE TO HORSE BREEDERS.

Stationed at the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business on June 30, 1919.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION

of the Collegeville National Bank, at Collegeville in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business on June 30, 1919.

## RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	.....	\$46,928.82
Overdrafts, unsecured	.....	18.12
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	.....	50,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds 3 1/2 % and 4 1/2 % per cent. unpledged	.....	81,950.00
Securities owned and pledged	.....	14,571.80
Total bonds, securities (all pledged)	.....	140,571.80
Total Federal Reserve bank (50 per cent. of circulation)	.....	2,550.00
Value of banking house, owned and unencumbered	.....	9,000.00
Equity in banking house	.....	5,000.00
Real estate and fixtures	.....	28,907.25
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	.....	49,646.59
Cash in vault and all amounts due from national banks	.....	1,068.56
Net amount due from banks and bankers, and trust companies (not included above)	.....	138.94
Total of items 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100	.....	\$435,090.08

## LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	.....	50,000.00
Surplus fund	.....	35,000.00
Undivided profits	.....	\$1,000.00
Less current expenses, interest and taxes	.....	13,000.00
Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	.....	1,703.13
Circulating notes outstanding (not earned and not included above)	.....	45,700.00
Net amount due to banks, bankers, and trust companies	.....	1,244.08
Cashier's checks outstanding	.....	3.00
Total of items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100	.....	\$143,931.38

W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier. W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier. W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July, 1919.

W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier. W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier. W. D. KENNEDY, Cashier.

My commission expires May 1921.

Notary Public.

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## ESTATE NOTICE.—Estate of Emma Daub, late of Collegeville, Montgomery county, deceased.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay to

WILLIAM H. DAUB, Collegeville, Pa. Or his attorneys, Evans, High, Dettra & Swartz, Norristown, Pa. 7-10

## ESTATE NOTICE.—Estate of Anthony C. Poley, late of the borough of Trappe, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay to

VINCENT POLEY, Royersford, Pa. ELMER S. POLEY, Trappe, Pa. Executors. 7-17

## ESTATE NOTICE.—Estate of Amos Wanner, late of Upper Providence, Montgomery county, deceased.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay to

JOHN WANNER, Administrator. Royersford, R. D. Or his attorney, E. F. Slough, Norristown, Pa. 7-17

## NOTICE.—In the Orphans' Court of Montgomery County, Pa.

Estate of John Tiedorf, late of the township of Lower Merion, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that on June 30th, 1919, B. Witman Dambly, administrator of said estate, presented his petition to the Court praying for a decree of private sale of a certain message and lot of land, containing fifty-nine acres of land, more or less, situate in the township of Lower Merion, Lehigh, to Charles Fries, for the sum of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200), in which is included the sum of Twenty-five hundred dollars being the price of sum of two mortgages to which the property will be sold subject. The Court has fixed Friday, August 7, 1919, at 10 a. m., for hearing said petition. Unless exceptions therefor be filed with the clerk of said court on or before the day fixed for hearing, or with the court at the hearing, a final decree will be entered.

B. WITMAN DAMBLY, Administrator. Henry M. Brownback, Attorney. 7-3

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## POLITICAL.

## FOR REGISTER OF WILLS.

George K. Yeakel OF NORRISTOWN, candidate for the Republican nomination for Register of Wills of Montgomery county. 6-12-19

## FOR COMMISSIONER

Charles I. Baker OF NORRISTOWN, Pa. Subject to Democratic rules and the direct primary election laws. Primary election, September 16, 1919. 7-17

## FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Aaron S. Swartz, Jr. OF NORRISTOWN, Pa. Subject to Republican rules. Primary, September 16, 1919. 7-17

## Notice to Taxpayers

In pursuance of an act of Assembly approved March 10, 1919, and supplementary thereto, the Treasurer of Montgomery county will meet the taxpayers of said county, at the following named places and time for the purpose of receiving the County taxes for the year 1919, assessed in their respective districts, viz:

Pottstown borough, Second ward, at the polling place, Philadelphia Fire Engine House, Friday, July 18, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Third ward, at the public house of Thomas R. Cook, Montgomery county, Friday, July 19, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Sixth and Seventh wards, at the public house of Geo. Mark, Pottstown, Pa., Tuesday, July 22, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Ninth ward, at the public house of Wm. B. Anderson, St. Hotel, Wednesday, July 23, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Fourth ward, at the polling place, Rose Cottage, Thursday, July 24, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Fifth ward, at the public house of Harry E. Wise, Washington House, Friday, July 25, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Pottstown borough, Eighth and ninth wards, at the public house of Elwood Kulp, Jefferson House, Monday, July 29, and Tuesday, July 30, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Taxes will be received at the County Treasurer's Office, Norristown, from June 2 to September 15, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

County Rate, 2 mills.

State and State Taxes are assessed during the months of February and March, and are accompanied with notices for repayment.

Correspondence to receive attention must be accompanied with notice for repayment of each property and number of properties, with the names of the owners, when 5 per cent. will be added.

All delinquent taxes must be paid to the Collectors on or before, December 31, 1919.