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Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., August 8, 1920.

New Orleans in Peril.

Army Engineers Say the Levee System is Unsafe—200,000 People Threatened.

Constant danger of destruction during the time of high water threatens 200,000 residents of New Orleans on account of the poor construction of the levees protecting a part of the Crescent City.

Behind the report of the Mississippi river commission, lies a story of differences between the army engineers who superintend the work of dredging and levee construction.

Major Derby speaks in his report of the vast amount of work done on the river at New Orleans in repairing the banks and protecting them so as to give permanency to the shore line.

"It is, in my judgment, a great mistake to take this risk a year longer than is absolutely necessary, and I would recommend that funds be provided to complete the project for the protection of the banks as promptly as practicable.

English Pronunciation Puzzle.

The perpetual puzzle of English orthography is well set out in these verses:

There is a farmer who is YY Enough to take his EE, And staidly nature with his II. And think of what he CC; He hears the chatter of the JJ As they each other TT And sees that when a tree DKK It makes a home for BB.

—Good cream should contain 22 per cent of butter fat. If it falls below that standard much of the butter fat has not been removed from the milk.

The Cost of Living.

All over the land the housekeepers and heads of families are complaining of the increased cost of living. The "weekly allowance," which formerly met all the demands of the household and satisfied the claims of the butcher, the baker, the grocer and the venders of fruits and vegetables, is now painfully inadequate.

The thirty-second annual report of the Massachusetts bureau of statistics contains interesting and instructive facts relating to the change in the price level since 1897. The figures cover retail prices in the various towns and cities in that ancient commonwealth.

Comparing the purchasing power in 1920, the Massachusetts statisticians find that buyers of household commodities are at a far greater disadvantage now than they were five years ago.

These are only a few instances of the marked decline in the purchasing power of the dollar in the past five years.

This is an era of great industrial activity. Our optimists are fond of asserting and reasserting that the country was never more prosperous than at present.

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Our Pennies.

Over 80,000,000 Turned Out at the Philadelphia Mint.

Pennies are a popular product of the Philadelphia mint since newspapers, slot machines and odd bargain prices created a great demand for the copper piece.

New York state comes first in the list of penny spenders, receiving almost 10,000,000 during the year.

At the mint nickels and cents wear out rapidly, principally because they are constantly passing from hand to hand.

Of silver the value of \$14,679,688.25 was coined into 8,196,800 dollars, 4,370,800 half dollars, 9,693,767 quarters and 18,740,465 dimes.

He Knew.

Teacher (to class in geography)—And who knows what the people in Turkey are called? Class (unanimously) Turks! Teacher—Right. Now, who can tell me what those living in Austria are called? Little Boy—Please, mum, I know. Ostriches!

Great Rail Road War.

The Pennsylvania and Washash Systems in a Struggle for Supremacy. Opposing Forces Are Tremendous, and What Goal of Washash Lacks in Mileage He Makes Up in Financial Power.

July 29.—Preliminary moves in what promises to be the greatest railroad fight in history have been in progress for some weeks and have occupied the attention of the financial world almost to the exclusion of other events.

With Mr. Cassatt are believed to be associated the Vanderbilt interests and probably Morgan & Co.

In general it may be said that there are in the Pennsylvania group about 35,000 miles, including the Vanderbilt lines, but not all of those controlled by Morgan.

What, then, has precipitated a fight that threatens about one-half of the capital in railroads in the country? Simply this; George Gould has defied all precedent by seeking for the Washash and Eastern seaboard outlet.

Plague of Mosquitoes.

Contractors in Milwaukee Obligated to Stop Outdoor Work.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 27.—Mosquitoes are so numerous in Milwaukee that life is almost a burden to man and beast, and parts of the city that have never hitherto been invaded by the pest swarm with them day and night.

Statement of the National Debt.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The monthly statement of the national debt shows that the close of business July 31, 1920, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$973,910,367, which is an increase as compared with July 1, of \$4,453,126.

Reduced Rates to Salt Lake City.

On account of the Grand Lodge, B. & P. O. E., to be held at Salt Lake City, August 12th to 14th, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell excursion tickets to Salt Lake City, from all stations on its lines, at reduced rates.

Reduced Rates to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

On account of the Biennial Meeting Knights of Pythias, at San Francisco, Cal., August 11 to 22nd, 1920, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell excursion tickets to San Francisco or Los Angeles from all stations on its lines, from August 1st to 9th, inclusive, at greatly reduced rates.

Medical.

GENERAL DEBILITY Day in and out there is that feeling of weakness that makes a burden of itself. Food does not strengthen. Sleep does not refresh.

Niagara Falls Excursions.

Low Rate Vacation Trips via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has selected the following dates for its popular ten-day excursions to Niagara Falls from Washington and Baltimore: July 24th, August 7th and 21st, September 4th and 18th, and October 2nd and 16th.

Excursion tickets, good for return passage on any regular train, exclusive of limited express trains, within ten days, will be sold at \$10.00 from Washington and Baltimore; \$9.35 from York; \$10.00 from Littlestown; \$10.00 from Oxford, Pa.; \$9.35 from Columbia; \$8.50 from Harrisburg; \$10.00 from Winchester, Va.; \$7.80 from Altoona; \$7.40 from Tyrone; \$6.45 from Bellefonte; \$5.10 from Ridgway; \$6.90 from Sunbury and Wilkesbarre; \$5.75 from Williamsport; and at proportionate rates from principal points.

Reduced Rates to the Sea Shore.

Annual Low-Rate Excursions to Atlantic City, Etc., via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania railroad has arranged for four low-rate ten-day excursions for the present season from North Bend, Troy, Bellefonte, Williamsport, Mocoanque, Sunbury, Shenandoah, Dauphin, and principal intermediate stations.

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Summer Tour to the North.

The Pennsylvania Railroad personally conducted tour to Northern New York and Canada, leaving August 13th covers many prominent points of interest to the summer tourist—Niagara Falls, Thousand Islands, Rapids of the St. Lawrence, Quebec, The Saguenay, Montreal, Au Sable Chasm, Slides, Champlain and George, and Saratoga.

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