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The city of Chester has been paying the penalty of Republican machine government for the past two weeks and the penalty is justly severe.

The Crown Prince ought to turn his attention to politics and let military matters alone. The only enemy he has licked thus far is Holweg.

"The last shall be first," according to the proverb, and there is even-handed justice in putting the slackers in the first line of conscripts.

Compromising with Germany would be like condoning assassination.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

With "Business as Usual," State Will Reopen September 12.

Classes in ordnance stores, mechanics of aeroplanes, signal service and field hospital work will be added to the curriculum of The Pennsylvania State College this fall to meet the demands of education in war-time.

Military drill for men in all departments will be continued under regular army officers, just as has been practiced for the last fifty years.

With every prospect of a full freshman enrollment, the college has adopted the slogan "Business as Usual," and has nailed this motto on the gateway of the main entrance to the campus.

President Sparks has said that through this method he seeks to strengthen public sentiment throughout the State with regards to the war.

The plan to push educational forces vigorously at the State College at this time is in line with the resolution adopted by the conference of prominent schoolmen held there recently.

Official notification of the date of opening, September 12, is being mailed to all undergraduates although many of them being in various kinds of military service will be unable to respond.

In addition to the regular session, a special session will begin August 23 for those who left early to engage in patriotic service.

The Chautauqua is Over.

The Bellefonte Chautauqua for 1917 is now a thing of the past, having come to a close on Tuesday evening and the big tent shipped away on Wednesday morning.

The attendance during the week was about on a par with last year but the pleasure was marred somewhat by the extremely hot weather.

As evidence that those who did attend appreciated the programs is the fact that when Dr. Edward Miller, the superintendent in charge, left Bellefonte on Tuesday afternoon he carried with him a signed contract for the return of the Chautauqua next year, a list of over fifty guarantors having been recorded.

The one feature missed at this year's Chautauqua was the customary band concerts. It was an attraction in past years that always drew a large crowd and naturally was missed this year.

Otherwise the program was about as evenly balanced as in former years, and those who attended regularly were well satisfied that they got their money's worth.

Governor Approves Appropriations.

Among the appropriation bills approved by Governor Brumbaugh last Friday was that of the Bellefonte hospital for \$15,000, the full amount passed by the Legislature, and which is \$3,000 more than the hospital got two years ago.

The Governor also approved appropriations for The Pennsylvania State College totalling \$1,275,000, as against \$995,000 two years ago, and \$955,553 for the western penitentiary against \$660,500 granted two years ago.

While the State College appropriation was cut a quarter of a million dollars by the Governor and the western penitentiary one hundred thousand dollars, both institutions will still receive a very decided increase over two years ago.

The result will probably mean considerable activity at both places during the ensuing year, at least.

The Cottage State hospital at Philipsburg was given \$45,000, the Altoona hospital \$60,000, Clearfield hospital \$17,500 and the Lock Haven hospital \$33,000.

The Morrison Movement.

Alexander Morrison Jr., of Philipsburg, is in Bellefonte looking over the situation in order to advance the conditions of the colored people of America.

He claims that they are in need of factories where employment can be secured by men and women of his race.

VAN TRIES.—Dr. Thomas C. VanTries, for years a well known resident of Bellefonte, died in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, on Wednesday morning.

The doctor had not been in good health for the past year or so and about two months ago went out to Pittsburgh for treatment. His condition grew worse, however, instead of better, and several days ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis which resulted in his death.

Thomas Campbell VanTries was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel VanTries, early settlers in Pennsylvania, and was born at Potter's Mills over seventy-seven years ago. His early education was received in the public schools after which he attended college at Ann Arbor, Mich. Later he took a course in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and after his graduation located at Baileyville for the practice of his profession.

He lived there until coming to Bellefonte almost thirty years ago. His life since had been spent here with the exception of a year or two which he spent in Blairsville as principal of the Blairsville Academy. A number of years ago he gave up the practice of medicine and had lived a retired life.

Dr. VanTries was a great reader and student, and on a number of occasions appeared on the lecture platform in different cities and towns in Pennsylvania delivering his lectures, "Great Men and Women Whom I Have Seen and Heard," and "Matters Matrimonial." He was a member of the Presbyterian church all his life and a staunch prohibitionist.

Dr. VanTries was twice married, his first wife being Miss Jennie Milliken, of Perry county, by whom he leaves one son, Rev. William Potter VanTries, of Parkersburg, Chester county. After the death of his first wife he married Miss Sarah Ellen Oliver, of Graysville, who also died a number of years ago. In addition to his son he is also survived by a sister and a brother, Mrs. Louisa Harris, of this place, and George L. VanTries, of Pittsburgh.

The remains were brought to Bellefonte yesterday afternoon on the Pennsylvania-Lehigh express and taken to the home of his sister on Allegheny street, where funeral services will be held at 4 o'clock this (Friday) afternoon, burial to be made in the Union cemetery.

SHIRES.—Peter Henderson Shires, a well known resident of Millheim, died at one o'clock on Tuesday morning as the result of a stroke of paralysis, caused no doubt by hardening of the arteries with which he had been afflicted for some months.

Deceased was a son of John and Elizabeth Shires and was born at Pottery Mills on March 12th, 1854, hence at his death was 63 years, 4 months and 19 days old. He was a laborer by occupation and a conscientious, upright citizen in every way.

He had been a member of the Methodist church the past twenty-five years and was a member of the Millheim Camp No. 353 Knights of the Golden Eagle.

In March, 1889, he was united in marriage to Miss Ellen Walizer who survives with one son, Harry F. Shires, of Pittsburgh. He also leaves three brothers and a sister, namely: James Shires, of Johnstown; Emery, of Roaring Springs; Michael, of Scranton, and Mrs. Regina Bollinger, of Altoona.

Funeral services will be held at his late home at 10 o'clock this (Friday) morning by Rev. W. H. Williams, after which burial will be made in the Millheim cemetery.

LEITZEL.—Following an illness of some weeks with an ailment of the kidneys William Leitzel, a well known resident of Buffalo Run, passed away on Monday evening at the advanced age of seventy-two years.

Mr. Leitzel was a laborer by occupation and was well and favorably known throughout the valley. His wife died twelve years ago but surviving him are three children, John Leitzel, of Tyrone; Mrs. Edna Carson, of Buffalo Run, and Mrs. George Kelley, of Pine Grove Mills. He also leaves one brother and a sister, B. F. Leitzel, of Punxsutawney, and Mrs. Sallie Matern, of Buffalo Run. The funeral was held at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Halfmoon cemetery.

FYE.—Mrs. Edna Jane Fye, wife of S. S. Fye, died at her home in Lock Haven on Sunday morning after a several week's illness. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chapman and was born at Marsh Creek forty years ago.

Most of her married life, however, had been spent in Lock Haven. In addition to her husband she is survived by five children, namely: Mrs. John Wenrick, of north Bend; Russel, Pearl, Violet and Benjamin, at home. She also leaves her father and these brothers and sisters: Elmer, of Johnstown; Benjamin and Charles, of Howard; and Mrs. Charles Fye, of Elbon. Burial was made in the Schenck cemetery, near Howard, on Tuesday afternoon.

A brief item in last week's "Watchman" told of the severe thunder storm which passed over Centre county last Thursday afternoon, and in addition to the two houses mentioned as being struck by lightning, the Gamble mill was also struck and a hole knocked in the roof. The Claude Thompson house in Beaver row, one of those mentioned as being struck, was not seriously damaged by the fire, which was confined to the attic, but was considerably damaged by the water used to extinguish the fire. Mr. Thompson, however, carried insurance to cover his loss.

ALMOST READY FOR THE CALL. Sheriff Yarnell Will Send Notices to Men Within a Few Days.

Sheriff George H. Yarnell on Wednesday received the master list of numbers in the selective conscription draft and within the next few days will send out formal notices to the one hundred and fifty-two men who are first on the list to appear before the exemption board for examination to make up Centre county's quota of sixty-two men.

On Wednesday Governor Brumbaugh substituted Dr. L. E. Kidder, of Boalsburg, for Dr. M. J. Locke, an examining physician for the board, so that the board will now be composed of Sheriff George H. Yarnell, County Commissioner D. A. Grove and Dr. L. E. Kidder. The Governor also appointed Drs. M. W. Reed and John Sebring Jr., of Bellefonte, and Dr. Walter J. Kurtz, of Howard, as additional examining physicians who can be called into service at any time, at the option of the board.

The sheriff also received a letter of general instructions from the United States provost marshal, Gen. E. H. Crowder, but the facts it contained have all been published and re-published in this and every other newspaper in the country that it is unnecessary to give it in full. The prime facts in the selective conscription are that persons who are notified to appear must do so at the time and place designated in the notice. Physical defects or any other reason will be no excuse for staying away. If a man is physically unfit to be a soldier the board will find that out upon examination and he will be given exemption papers. If a man has any just claim for exemption or discharge he will be given affidavits to execute to prove his claim and if it comes within the jurisdiction of the local board they will act on it according to what they believe right and just. If the local board has no jurisdiction they will refer the man to the district board.

The main thing is for the men summoned to make their appearance promptly and in order that all may know who the 152 men are who will be first summoned the "Watchman" again publishes the list as furnished by Sheriff Yarnell, as follows:

- Serial Order No. No. 1 Meyer, Frederick E., Bellefonte, Pa. 2522 2 Shires, George D., Osceola Mills, Pa., F. R. D. No. 2. 458 3 Snyder, Chas. E., Philipsburg, Pa. 1436 4 Spruill, Clarence E., Warfordsburg, Pa. 2624 5 Korbichik, Andy, Clarence, Pa. 854 6 Given, Guy C., State College, Pa. 1894 7 Ober, Alfred L., Monument, Pa. 1878 8 Winslow, Melvin, Blanchard, Pa. 1095 9 Weaver, John H., Bellefonte, Pa. 2022 10 Hartsock, Paul C., Port Matilda, Pa. 1455 11 Luke, Benjamin H., Warfordsburg, Pa. 783 12 Shaw, Neil, Snow Shoe, Pa. 1813 13 Beatty, Robert S., Blanchard, Pa. 2787 14 Miller, Peter, Bellefonte, Pa. 1858 15 Miller, Elmer M., Howard, Pa., F. R. D. No. 2. 2389 16 Pielick, Paul, Powelton, Pa. 1752 17 Schenk, Richard W., Howard, Pa. 2494 18 Nyman, Chas. E., Osceola Mills, Pa. 3082 19 Whitman, Lewis C., Hublersburg, Pa. 1117 20 Curtin, Harry H., Curtin, Pa. 1572 21 Arney, Chas. F., Aaronsburg, Pa. 2762 22 Yardes, Milford, Moshannon, Pa. 1748 23 Holter, William H., Howard, Pa. 2195 24 Blazosky, John, Philipsburg, Pa. 837 25 Ellis, John, State College, Pa. 2036 26 Stine, Wm T., Benore, Pa. 337 27 Schenk, Vinton R., Howard, Pa. 676 28 Pluebell, Joseph B., Philipsburg, Pa. 275 29 Whiteman, John, Centre Hall, Pa. 509 30 Fleming, Henry F., Philipsburg, Pa. 1185 31 Walker, Lloyd C., Runville, Pa. 564 32 Nelson, Alton P., Philipsburg, Pa. 2166 33 Brown, James F., Centre Hall, Pa. 945 34 Parks, Lytle R., State College, Pa. 1913 35 Decker, Jas. W., Nittany, Pa. 596 36 Bledsoe, G. P., Philipsburg, Pa. 3067 37 Detrich, David A., Hublersburg, Pa. 2620 38 Klapek, Michael J., Kato, Pa. 2936 39 Justice, Homer E., Bellefonte, Pa. 1267 40 Reish, Frank E., Oak Hall, Pa. 2148 41 Kifer, Clarence W., Spring Mills, Pa. 536 42 Jacobs, Bruce K., Clearfield, Pa., 904 Dorey (or Dorsey) St. 1495 43 Whiteman, Elmer H., Spring Mills, Pa. 2453 44 Gates, Paul, Osceola Mills, Pa. 548 45 Lytle, Robert, Philipsburg, Pa. 3070 46 Bowen, Wm. J., Bellefonte, Pa. 1679 47 Detrich, Leslie, J., Hublersburg, Pa. 1237 48 Johnstonbaugh, Alvin W., Linden Hall, Pa. 784 49 Stouffer, Elwood T., Snow Shoe, Pa. 1732 50 Bland, John, Howard, Pa. 755 52 Kelley, Leo H., Snow Shoe, Pa. 1546 54 Immel, George, Spring Mills, Pa. 1563 55 Schaeffer, Thos. E., Spring Mills, Pa. 2099 56 Weyard, Allen R., Coburn, Pa. 1369 57 Crader, Lewis A., State College, Pa., F. R. D. 1. 2691 58 Seprish, Martin, Clarence, Pa. 616 59 Hasenplug, John L., Philipsburg, Pa. 373 60 Korman, Chas. E., Milesburg, Pa. 1676 61 Dowd, Henry L., Boalsburg, Pa. 1266 62 Ratcliff, Earl A., Bellefonte, Pa., F. R. D. 4. 1891 63 Miller, Paul, Monument, Pa. 775 64 Shaw, John, Snow Shoe, Pa. 2684 65 Rodgers, Jas., Clarence, Pa. 3159 66 Thompson, Harold A., Port Matilda. 486 67 Cowpher, Harry E., Philipsburg, Pa., 125 Second St. 692 68 Todd, F. L., Philipsburg, Pa. 600 69 Ziff, Simon, Philipsburg, Pa. 1986 70 Weber, Clarence R., Bebersburg, Pa. 810 71 Benner, Edwin W., State College, Pa. 1539 72 Hasenplug, Willard C., Spring Mills, Pa.

- 73 Bosock, John, Clarence, Pa. 1682 74 Keller, Wilfred N., Linden Hall, Pa. 507 75 Finberg, Samuel, Philipsburg, Pa. 309 76 Bechdel, Harry L., Howard, Pa. 437 77 Kanour, Harry H., Philipsburg, Pa. 2967 78 Tomalia, Sam, Bellefonte, Pa. 1324 79 Russell, John E., Orviston, Pa. 604 80 Askey, Guy C., Philipsburg, Pa. 43 81 Johnson, Thos. W., Bellefonte, Pa. 2181 82 Stover, Wm. R., Centre Hall, Pa., F. R. D. 1. 1763 83 Wentzell, Chas. R., Howard Mills, Pa. 1548 84 Langie, John C., Spring Mills, Pa. 1264 85 Musser, Wm. E., Lemont, Pa. 1066 86 Spicer, Malcolm L., Bellefonte, Pa. 924 87 Martz, Eric, State College, Pa. 2455 88 Gakuboski, Frank, Osceola Mills, Pa., F. R. D. 2. 2501 89 Fawcett, Leo, Osceola Mills, Pa. 420 90 Dayon, James N., Philipsburg, Pa. 1014 91 Lucas, Boyd L., Fleming, Pa. 1178 92 Samuel, L., Milesburg, Pa. 514 93 Gilbert, Daniel B., Philipsburg, Pa. 2374 94 Powell, John, Powelton, Pa. 433 95 Hess, Frank T., Philipsburg, Pa. 1329 96 Slaven, Jas., Orviston, Pa. 2345 97 Fern W., Bellefonte, Pa. 10 98 Casper, Howard L., Bellefonte, Pa. 2725 99 Geo. Orlando, Moshannon, Pa. 2783 100 Lyons, Edward O., Bellefonte, Pa. 2756 101 Watson, Clayton J., Moshannon, Pa. 2993 102 Walk, Sylvester R., Port Matilda. 1045 103 Holderman, Harry A., Bellefonte, Pa. 1031 104 Benzie, John, Bellefonte, Pa. 1705 105 Reitz, Fred D., Boalsburg, Pa. 3149 106 Shaver, Geo. F., Martha, Pa. 1321 107 Stranava, Mike, Orviston, Pa. 1685 108 Ralston, Budd, Centre Hall, Pa. 487 109 Cadwallader, Frank H., Philipsburg, Pa. 1282 110 Spicer, Otto E., State College, Pa. 3090 111 Eby, Wm. C., Zion, Pa. 1323 112 Rayson, Harry, Orviston, Pa. 1847 113 Holt, Victor N., Howard, Pa., F. R. D. 1. 797 114 Allman, Jerome McC., State College, Pa. 140 115 Corman, Otto F., Bellefonte, Pa. 2599 116 Heyman, Stanley L., Clarence, Pa. 1536 117 Goodhart, Herbert R., Spring Mills, Pa. 1922 118 Grove, Wm. R., Bellefonte, Pa. 2952 119 Rosi, Peter, Bellefonte, Pa. 1723 120 Young, Roland C., Boalsburg, Pa. 2908 121 Grollos, Douglas L., Pleasant Gap, Pa. 1779 122 Geyer, Wm. D., Julian, Pa. 1236 123 Harlow, Richard C., State College, Pa. 2247 124 Miller, Frank J., Philipsburg, Pa. 2011 125 Purr, Carl M., Port Matilda, Pa. 432 126 Hess, Ralph F., Philipsburg, Pa. 2719 127 Yatchick, Geo., Clarence, Pa. 3053 128 McClure, Kiner C., Nittany, Pa. 2942 129 Sager, Geo., Bellefonte, Pa. 18 130 Dale, Arthur C., Bellefonte, Pa. 652 131 McCune, Thos. H., Philipsburg, Pa. 927 132 Metzgar, LeRoy K., State College, Pa. 2568 133 Rumberger, J. Paul, Bellefonte, Pa. 1484 134 Yonada, J. Lee, Centre Hall, Pa. 739 135 Burns, John R., Snow Shoe, Pa. 1751 136 Kelley, John H., Howard, Pa. 601 137 Ziff, Victor, Philipsburg, Pa. 3024 138 Kechner, Harry L., Fleming, Pa. 1322 139 Pomm, Frank D., Orviston, Pa. 1146 140 Emehizer, Chas. E., Milesburg, Pa. 1103 141 Kessler, Harry F., Yarnell, Pa. 2319 142 Joswick, Emil, Munson, Pa. 1395 143 Kirk, Eljsha T., State College, Pa. 2479 144 Lauvich, Effrin, Osceola Mills, Pa., F. R. D. 606 145 Bratton, Conrad E., Philipsburg, Pa. 182 146 Mott, Basil J. F., Bellefonte, Pa. 1771 147 Craig, Robert L., Julian, Pa. 513 148 Gallatin, Nicholas J., Philipsburg, Pa. 46 149 Kane, Bernard, Bellefonte, Pa. 1020 150 Rowan, John T., Fleming, Pa. 1651 151 Gates, Wm. B., Warriors Mark, Pa. 1099 152 Confer, Claud, Howard, Pa.

Fire at State College.

About three o'clock on Tuesday morning fire was discovered in the basement of the grocery store of Snyder & Behr, on east College avenue, State College, and before the flames were extinguished the stock in the store was badly damaged and a barber shop in the building conducted by C. E. Meyer and the A. C. Longee restaurant suffered considerably from water and smoke. The second floor of the building was occupied by the families of C. E. Meyer and Ambrose Lyon, and much of their furniture was ruined, while the lodge rooms on the third floor were occupied by the K. G. E. and Red Men and their furniture and equipment were badly damaged by water. The building and most of the contents were partially insured.

—Shoes for the entire family at prices that are within the reach of every one.—Cohen & Co. 30-1t

—While fishing on Baker's run, near Orviston, recently, Harry S. Farwell, of Beech Creek, found a handsome solid gold watch fob lying along the stream. The fob contained the following inscription: "Presented by the First Presbyterian church of Seneca, N. Y., to Rev. Asher B. Temple, in commemoration of his services as pastor, 1873-1903." Mr. Farwell addressed a letter to Rev. Temple and later got a reply containing the information that he missed the fob while riding on a train near Harrisburg about eight years ago. It is quite evident that the fob had been stolen but because of the inscription on it the thief was afraid to pawn it, and either lost it himself or purposely disposed of it at the place where it was found. Of course the fob was returned to the owner.

—Dr. George H. Tibbens, of Beech Creek, on Monday received his commission from the War Department in Washington as a first lieutenant in the medical reserve corps. The commission is dated July 5, 1917, and calls for a five year's term of service. Dr. G. G. Green, of Lock Haven, who was instrumental in raising an ambulance corps, has been commissioned a captain and given command of the unit.

Patriotic Work of National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, that great national organization of patriotic women whose ancestors, both military and civil, helped to found the American Nation have again, as in the Spanish-American war, offered their services to the United States government as auxiliary in time of war, and are now listing their talents and resources.

Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey, president general, has appointed a national committee consisting of Mrs. Matthew Scott, honorary president general, as chairman; Mrs. A. S. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster General, vice-chairman and secretary; Mrs. James B. Grant, vice-president general, Colorado; Mrs. Fred H. H. Calhoun, vice-president general, South Carolina; Mrs. Frank D. Ellison, State Regent, Mass.; Mrs. James Lowry Smith, State Regent, Texas; Mrs. W. H. Wait, State Regent, Mich., in charge of publicity of War Relief Service committee.

The object of the committee is to give every D. A. R. the opportunity to pledge her services to her country. The National society is divided into six districts corresponding in their territorial limits to those established by the War Department in the geographical organization of its own Department, and each district has a district chairman.

Registration blanks have been sent every member of the National society listing her for active service. These blanks cover the following service: Sewing, knitting, mending, nursing, preparation of surgical supplies, general supply room service, packing, shipping, laundry service, cooking, canning, making jellies, fruit juices, drying fruit, storing and canning vegetables, cooking in hospital, kitchen or camp, waiting on table, driving and repairing motor-cars, training in commercial, mercantile, agricultural and professional life, planting of gardens, planting unused ground and parks to plant more wheat and corn, fostering public display of the flag from all buildings, public and private, interpreting, translating, creating sale of War Bonds.

The War Relief Service committee has interviewed a committee from the Council of National Defense and many men in our own Federal Government to learn how the Daughters can give their services wherever most needed.

Other articles of interest to women will appear from time to time in this paper regarding the work of the D. A. R.

Greater Blair Fair, Altoona, Pa.

"On to Altoona," is the slogan of the interested people of the district where is concerned the Greater Blair Fair, the great new agricultural event that is to be staged on the new fair grounds in that city on August 7, 8, 9, 10.

The new institution gives every promise of being the biggest thing of the kind that has ever been known to take place west of Reading. Its scope is tremendous, for it is designed to attract and interest the people of fifteen counties and its existence is being made known to more than three quarters of a million people in the central western district of Pennsylvania.

Modern, in every sense and meaning of the word, are the new fair grounds, for the arrangement is ideal and, with the brand new buildings that are to house the various exhibits, etc., there is presented one of the prettiest pictures imaginable. The grounds have an enormous capacity and can easily accommodate a crowd of 100,000 or more people.

Some of the interesting things that will be seen and heard at the fair are the numerous and fine exhibits of the various state departments, an augmented display of agricultural and industrial exhibits, great stock and poultry shows, a mammoth auto show and one of the finest midway ever seen on any fair grounds.

As for the free attractions that are to be presented there never has been anything like it in this part of the State. There will be a great free vaudeville circus, with seven fine acts that are at once thrilling and funny; splendid racing program daily and music will be furnished by the best bands that are to be found in the district.

Exceptional opportunities are offered for attendance to the fair. Daily excursions by the Pennsylvania Railroad company, at greatly reduced rates, from every point in the district, and weather conditions at this early season should be ideal arguing for the greatest crowds that have ever attended an event of the kind. In addition to the attractions enumerated there will be the advantage that goes to the early fair, that of showing truck garden and berry products that are not at all possible at a later date.

—Over \$929,000 is to be paid to townships of Pennsylvania within the next fortnight by the State Highway Department for the improvement of dirt roads other than state highways. Centre county's share of the above amount is \$15,082.31, and the same will be apportioned among the various townships on the basis of the number of miles of dirt road improved the past year.

—The hot wave was broken yesterday noon by a severe thunder and rain storm.

—A festival will be held tomorrow evening at the cross roads on the Jacksonville road for the benefit of the Weaver church.

—Russia may disappoint the expectations of her best friends in the end but it is not yet too late to fulfill her obligations if she sets her head and heart to the task.

—The new fair association at Altoona has expended a vast amount of money for permanent buildings in which to house the various exhibits but, large and roomy though they are, it is believed that they will not accommodate all of the entries that are reported flowing in from every nook and corner of the State. These structures have been so built that they may easily be enlarged in the future to meet the growing needs of the institution.

—The heat record for the summer was broken this week when the mercury sailed to 96 on Monday and 97 on Tuesday. This condition prevailed not only in Bellefonte but throughout Centre county and while no cases of heat prostration were reported men played out in the harvest fields and could not work the day out. Of course the men worked hard while they were at it in order to accomplish as much as possible, and this accounts for them playing out.

—Earl C. Lambert, of Centre Hall, a member of the First Penna. cavalry hospital corps, and Lloyd Sampsel, of Pleasant Gap, figured in an automobile accident near Axe Mann last Friday morning. Lambert was on his way to Bellefonte and Sampsel was going home and in both attempting to pass another car at the same time they came together in a head-on collision. The Oakland car was badly wrecked while the Ford had one wheel knocked off and the fender badly bent.

Draft Brides May Not Find Flowery Path.

Washington, July 31.—Hasty marriages made since July 20, the date of the army drafting drawing, in an effort to escape conscription through the claim of a dependent wife, will not be considered ground for discharge unless the wife is actually dependent on the husband's daily labor.

Prompted by reports from many cities of marriage license bureaus besieged by men included in the first draft call, Provost Marshal General Crowder today ruled that "marriage is not of itself a valid ground for making claim for discharge."

Dependency is a matter of fact, not of law, General Crowder pointed out. "A man whose wife is mainly dependent on his daily labor for support," he said, "may claim exemption on that ground. Only the exemption boards can determine this fact. Where dependency is claimed and circumstances show a marriage hastily consummated since July 20 by a man whose number is high on the available list, the actual fact of dependency must be closely scrutinized."

Moreover, General Crowder declared women who marry men merely to aid them to be slackers are liable to prosecution under the draft act.

In his ruling General Crowder adhered strictly to President Wilson's draft regulations which draw no distinction between a dependent wife acquired before or after the drawing. Secretary Baker, however, advocated refusing exemption to an man married after the drawing, saying the draft should be considered a prior claim, but this course will not be followed.

Fears of some officials that delay in obtaining materials and sufficient labor for national army cantonments would postpone the mobilization long past September 1, were dissipated today by an announcement by Secretary Baker that 87 per cent. of the cantonment materials are now on the ground and that reports indicate everything will be in readiness, or nearly so, in another month.

No definite date for mobilization was ever fixed, but Secretary Baker has indicated that every effort would be made to effect it about September 1st.

National Guard May Be Here Two Weeks Yet.

Washington, August 1.—Appointment of the general officers to command the 160 national guard training camps is the only step remaining to be taken to get more than 300,000 of this force in training for duty in France. It was indicated today the appointments will be made during the week as well as all other general officers for the guard. The nominations must be sent to the Senate.

The War Department made public today a detailed statement on progress being made with the preparation of the 16 camps. The camps at Augusta, Ga.; Demming, N. M.; Montgomery, Ala.; Spartanburg, S. C., and Waco, Texas, were to have been ready today but delays were encountered and it will take another two weeks to prepare them. The troops called into the federal service on July 15, includes the New York and Pennsylvania divisions have been assigned to these camps and will not be sent forward until quarters are ready for them.

Camps for the second guard group, called out July 25, will be ready on August 15, and the quarters for the third or western group will be ready September 1.

Presumably the list of general officers, both for the national guard and the national army, will contain the names of the great majority if not all of the present general officers of the guard. The vacancies in that rank in the guard, however, as well as the full list of general officers for the national army probably will be filled by men now in civil life but who have had wide military experience.

—The "Watchman" has all the news