-Pumpkin pies are beginning to loom up on the herizon.

-Maybe Mr. Bryan is keeping under cover in order that he can prove an alibi when people are expressing themselves about Senators Gore and

-Of course it is a little early to talk about it but the early buyer gets the good Christmas things and that great event is only one hundred and thirty-seven days off.

-Of course traction engines tear highways, but are we to stop threshbread merely to save the highways?

Russia's new premier is the fact that great, free, self-governing Democra- gun proceedings to compel the Aud- ject. Under treaty obligations these his name can be rolled about the un- cy." In this optimism his colleagues itor General to pay salaries of persons

thirty-one in this country who don't want to go to war. Thus far about ly because "nobody else knows my

-Days were when there were so many politicians running into and out of Bellefonte that the Pennsylvania railroad company actually took a train off the Bald Eagle valley because nearly everybody who rode on it had a pass. Where are the good old days when Bellefonte politicians were as thick as the locusts in Egypt and where are the passes? They have passed but we still have the Big Spring.

-Isn't it about time to knock the tax off oleomargarine when some Centre county farmers boast that they buy and use it at twenty-two cents a pound in order to have more of their own butter to seil at forty. Oleo was designed as a substitute butter for the poor man, but no sooner did it come on the market than the farmers and dairymer demanded that it be taxed so that it would not cause a drop in the price of their butter. If the tax were taken off now the poor man could buy it and the price of real butter would

of many travelers on the state high- Belgium and brought the beginning of ment. Governor Brumbaugh deter- this necessary home work. Meantime, way between this place and Lock Ha- the end into view. As it is, however, mined to make the appointments in however, welcome aliens who are fit ven compels us to sound a warning to the consummation is only delayed and several owners of cars in the latter possibly not for a long period. place who seem to have little respect for the rights of others on the road. They race along at high speed and picketing the White House grounds constitution quoted above is worthless, when meeting another machine rarely would give the time thus wasted to low from going into the ditch. It is about to go abroad they would make interested in legislation than in peace work required to get the training unsportsmanlike and very dangerous and should an accident occur will give them no defense in a suit for damages.

-The Germans have become deeply ing and she didn't profane the catheue with a thought that she was violating the rights of "small neutrals." est in this matter.

-Two fatal accidents on the state ish all motor car drivers of the dan- during the Civil war. That was ger in speeding, but they won't. The a poor man's draft and necesfine for the first infraction and a revocation of the car's license for the second. Put the car in danger of bebe more careful about who drives it might have been. But the draft now and how it is driven. Under the present system any boy, over the age of sixteen, no matter how reckless he may be or how little judgment he may possess can get a driver's license and the penalty of having it revoked is nothing to him but if the car he is permitted to drive were in danger of being rendered useless by his reckless driving he would soon find it impossible to get employment at work that he is in no wise competent to do. And Bellefonte has several such boys.

-Those who have responded to the "Watchman's" latest call to finish up the sweaters for the soldier boys before they leave are Mrs. W. T. Twitmire, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Frank Wetzler, of Milesburg; Mr. Frank Wetzler, Munitions must be provided and transof Milesburg; Miss Grace Smith, of Centre Hall, who is furnishing four; of those who are called under the con-Mrs. John I. Olewine, of Bellefonte, who has furnished two; Mrs. M. A. Geisinger and Mrs. J. Linn Harris, of Bellefonte. These, with what have been previously reported, make about one-third of all the sweaters provided for Troop L. They have come directly at the request of the "Watchman" and we take this opportunity of earn- be cured if LaFollette were excluded estly thanking those who have responded to the appeal for we know is mistaken. There are Gore and that their gifts are highly prized by the boys and when cool nights come in the service of their country the snug little garments will warm many thoughts of the donors.

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racy and autocracy.

Such statements from such sources faction.

before and since the revolution there appointments. would now be little hope for autocracy even in Berlin. The failure of the Russian people have vastly strengthable, because of these things, to withdraw from the eastern front immense forces to resist the French and British troops on the west. But for that the movement begun by General

more friends for their cause.

Answer to Conscription Call.

Nothing could be more unwise than solicitous about the rights of "small for men called for examination under neutrals" since our government plac- the conscription act to refuse to obey ed an embargo on the shipment of the call. It was bad enough to neglect food-stuffs to those of them who have to register as it is reported some did. been passing the surplus on to Ger- But the other offense is infinitely many. Of course Germany only vio- worse because it is desertion, and the lated Belgium's neutrality for "stra- penalty is correspondingly severe. A tegical purposes." She didn't sink the considerable number of those who are peaceful boats carrying food to the called will be exempt for one reason women and children who were stary- or another if they respond. But if ing because she had deported the men they fail, neglect or refuse to respond who could have supplied them with they are marked as deserters and subfood, she didn't murder nurses who ject to the full penalty of desertion. were ministering to wounded and dy- As Adjutant General Crowder says "desertion in time of war is a capital drals and carry off everything of val- offense." And they will all be apprehended. The authorities are in earn-

> There may have been some reason for resisting the drafts made sarily unfair. A rich man drafthis reasons for remaining at home richest man in the community is on an exact level with the poorest. One man has precisely the same rights as the other in camp and in the trenches. Privileges are not for sale on the firing line and discrimination is a crime against military regulations.

Every able-bodied man owes the country his services in war. The government protects him in person and property in peace and the only recompense for that service in peace is to give the service required in war. But presence on the firing line or in the trenches is not the only service required. The industries of the country must be kept in motion, the soil must be tilled and the harvest gathered. portation facilities maintained. Many scription may be assigned to such work and thus escape the hazard of battle. But all must answer the call to get the assignments and those who refuse or neglect are deserters.

-The esteemed Houston Post imagines that the swearing habit might from the public mind. But the Post Reed.

-The Kaiser will not abdicate, that is certain, but he will get anotha soldier heart and bring grateful er job if he lives four years more or

To Appoint in Spite of the Senate.

Senator Root and his colleagues on The question as to the right of the the mission to Russia have returned Governor to continue in office a man might have been concerning the exup the smooth surfaces of the state full of confidence in the future of that whose previous nomination was not country. "I have abiding faith," Mr. consented to by the Senate, will be juing our crops and deny the public Root declared on arriving at a Pacific dicially determined within a brief peread merely to save the highways?

—Probably one of the reasons that through trial and tribulation, will ency intervenes to prevent the test in the communication which Adjutant General ency intervenes to prevent the test in through trial and tribulation, will ency intervenes to prevent the test in the communication which Adjutant General ency intervenes to prevent the test in the communication which are communication which and the communication which are com so many people admire and talk about work out, create and perpetuate a court. The Attorney General has becordially concurred. Mr. Russell, So- so appointed after the adjournment of emption from service. But thousands ly than that of most Russians of note. cialist, and Mr. Duncan, vice president the recent session of the Legislature. of them are not inclined to do so and -From the number of those who of the American Federation of Labor, Auditor General Snyder holds that the as General Crowder declalares "it are filing claims for exemption, under paid high tribute to the Russian peothe conscription act, it is quite appa- ple and General Scott spoke in the executive action, that the appoint- service is heartily welcomed, and they between the ages of twenty-one and of victory in the fight between democ- are vacant. Attorney General Brown summons they fail to claim their right takes the opposite view of the subject. of exemption.

Section 8 of Article IV of the conunder such circumstances are encour- stitution of Pennsylvania provides have filed claims for exemption most- aging though a severe tax on creduli- that the Governor "shall nominate cause of the misconception on this ty. The new government of Russia and, by and with the consent of twohas certainly been disappointing to thirds of all the members of the Senobservers at long range. The Social- ate, appoint a Secretary of the Comists have demanded too much and demonwealth and an Attorney General layed if they have not defeated the during pleasure, a Superintendent of the country in return for the favor purposes of the revolution. Mr. Root | Public Instruction for four years, and remirds us that after 140 years of en- such other officers of the Commondeavor we have not rolved all the wealth as he is or may be authorized foreign lands with which we have problems of self-government and in by the constitution or by law to apview of that fact have little reason to point; he shall have power to fill all and property and owe the obligation criticise the progress of Russia. But vacancies that may happen, in offices of obedience to the laws of the lands selves and just to each other. At Val- missions which shall expire at the end eign army and foreign citizens can't be ley Forge there was no mutiny though there was great reason for dissatis-If Russia had fulfilled expectations upon the executive in the matter of

In the case in point, the Governor, during a recess of the Senate, and humanity by enlisting in our ar-Russian army and the folly of the granted commissions to certain gen- my for service in the war pending in tlemen to exercise the duties of cer- Europe have the right to do so and ened the arm of the Kaiser. He was tain offices. During the subsequent their sincerity in coming here is provsession of the Serate the nominations ed by their action. But the best servwere submitted to that body as pro- ice is not always expressed in enlistvided by the fundamental law. But ing in the army. Enough force must less than the number required by the remain at home to maintain the indusconstitution voted in favor of advising trial, commercial and agricultural life Haig and General Petain a few weeks and consenting to the nomination, of the country and aliens who are not honest wear and tear and waste as ago would have driven German troops thus defeating the purpose of the Govsuch matters in print but the safety out of France and probably out of ernor with respect to their appoint- may do a useful bit by engaging in thief. We waste our time, our money, spite of the Senate, however, and the to the army. decision of the ccurt will be both interesting and important. If he is jus-If the suffragettes who are tified by the court the provision of the lay in getting troops into training for

> Of course the President is more more appropriate.

Peace Talk is Treason.

Congress can find no more effective way of making mischief than that of terms of peace. Two of these were introduced on Saturday last, one by London, Socialist, of New York, and the other by Stephens, of Mississippi. They will be discussed, of course, but as the House is only marking time, that will make little difference, The harm comes in another way, however. Such actions create the impression that the country is not in sympathy with the policies of the President, which encourages the enemy and disheartens our allies. As a matter of fact the country has never been so entirely united on any subject as it is now in support of the President.

The people of the United States are peace-loving but will not accept peace world before the people of the United States will consent to treat for peace and premature movements in the direction are dangerous and damaging.

In the course of time and possibly within a year there will be established a peace as enduring as time and as certain as eternity. But the boneheads in and out of Congress who are delaying necessary legislation and demanding overtures for peace are neither promoting nor hastening that happy conclusion. The wickedly absurd notion that one man or a small group of men who imagine themselves divinely ordained may plunge a nation into war and sacrifice millions of lives to promote selfish ambitions must be given up completely before there can be peace and when that great purpose of civilization is accomplished we will that time talk of peace is treasen.

-There are grafters in Great Britain also and the fellow who worked the flying machine operations for \$240,000 must be a dandy.

-And Kerensky grows in popular estimation "while you wait."

Aliens Welcome in the Army.

Whatever misunderstanding there clusion of friendly aliens from service in the army under the conscription law has been removed by the commu-

the conscription act, it is quite appared the conscription act, it is quite appared the conscription act, it is quite appared to the conscription act, it is

The feeling that was developed in various sections of the country becircumstances. Aliens who exercise the privileges and enjoy the benefits thus bestowed upon them, just as citizens of this country sojourning in ion was to give the Senate a check ty in the ruling or favoritism in the action.

But aliens in this country who desire to serve the cause of Democracy

-The public in general are speculating daily on what they consider dewill require 40,000 carloads of material. There are also sixteen cantonments for the training of the national army and to build these will require thing, anyway. We can talk about it, 64,000 carloads of material. moving of this vast amount of ma- and make up our minds now to fight considering resolutions proposing terial without interfering with regular it in every possible way. traffic is a stupendous undertaking but so well have the big railroad heads prepared for the emergency that within thirty days from the date the first order was placed 12,000 carloads had been delivered. One instance of how the work is being expedited can be cited at Louisville, Ky. trees were cut on a Saturday, kiln dried on Sunday, loaded on Monday, delivered on the ground on Wednesday and the buildings ready for occupancy on Saturday, just one week for the entire operation.

-Select councilman Ira D. Garthat is tainted with dishonor. For man, of Philadelphia, who is spendjust and ample reasons we are under ing the summer at Edgefonte, the obligations to our allies to perform Garman summer place at Axe Mann, man in order to shine. The point is our part in the prosecution of the war is looming up in Philadelphia politicuntil an honorable peace is procured. al circles. On Wednesday the non-That cannot be achieved until autoc- partisan municipal committee, of that is insincere. racy as an instrument of government city, pledged its support for him for has been absolutely eliminated. The both the Republican and Democratic principle upon which the government nominations for receiver of taxes, one of the United States was established, of the most lucrative posts in the city that "governments derive all their government. If Philadelphia really just power from the consent of the wants a strong and clean administragoverned," must be expressed in the tion of a very important office Mr. policies of every government in the Garman's nomination and election would give it.

-Wednesday afternoon and night's good rain came at an oppor- How About "Peace Without Victory." tune time for the corn and all kinds of garden truck that has not yet matured. In fact the corn is now so well advanced that Wednesday's rain will go a long ways toward maturing it, if we should not get another shower.

-The Pennsylvania railroad company has cancelled its order for a seathough it is preparing to move our troops away on or before that date.

-If President Wilson had not interfered in the last Senatorial election in Oklahoma he wouldn't have a demagogue like Gore nagging him in mark the end of the last war. Before these times of trouble and tribulation.

-The new King of Greece is learning in the school of experience that "uneasy lies the head that wears a crown." But he is doing fairly well for a man convinced against his will.

-When the wind blows over the oats stubble fall is just six weeks off. to the "Watchman" office.

Tighten the Embargo.

From the Altoona Tribune (Rep.) British and French soldiers and statesmen are facing the likelihood of Russia's complete elimination from "We cannot any longer," the war. says General Frederick B. Maurice, 'count on any great assistance from Russia." He might say that we may not much longer be able to count on any assistance at all, unless Kerensky proves to be the man of the hour in that country. And in this situation all are looking to the United States to take Russia's place. In meeting this demand—and the American nation will never fail its allies-there are some things that we can do but slowly, but tightest possible application of the embargo. That the embargo is hitting the Germans hard is apparent from what they say about it. Their frame of mind regarding it is simply desperate. The Frankfurter Zeitung says that we are "shamefully oppress-ing the small neutrals," and that we of our government owe something to are "tyrannizing over the sea!" Somebody's ox is certainly being gored, judging from the roar that is emitted. We have struck a good lead in this matter. No obligation rests upon us to feed the Scandinavians, but if humanity suggests that we feed them, let our food be rationed out to them. We cannot feed Germany and fight in emergencies the people of the Unit- to which he may appoint, during the in which they are staying. But our her too. The embargo is one of the ed States have been faithful to them recess of the Senate, by granting comour force to bear as a substitute for the power which Russia might have exercised.

Waste in the Home.

From the Altoona Times We are undoubtedly the most wasteful people in the world. In America frugality is almost a lost art. Countss men and women are actually suffering, both physically and mentally, because they do not know how to stop

waste in their own homes. Waste is a devastating thing. It goes on under our eyes; it goes on while we sleep—it is always going on. There is as much difference between

In a household about 85 per cent. of the heat from the furnace is wasted. Our children take more than they can eat and waste the rest. But before we correct them we should look at our own in France." Dr. George enlisted as an amplates. The amount of gas wasted in a bulance driver in the American Red Cross lay in getting troops into training for single day all over the United States unit of Harvard University, of which he is would, if we could compute it, he a an alumnus, and, upon arriving in France ulating without any idea of the vast staggering indictment of our folly.

propositions now. After a million or camps in readiness. In all there will the principle that it is easier for him so of our troops have had a brush be sixteen camps for the training of to make more money to pay for the with the Germans peace talk will be the National Guard and to build these waste in his home than it is to waste his time trying to stop it. His wife is unconsciously influenced by his ex-

> What can we do about it? Some-The gesticulate about it, think about it

Caught in Own Trap.

From the Johnstown Democraf. The seniority rule in Congress is a Republican institution. If it is to be changed, it should be changed as a result of objections registered by Democrats. It does not lie in the mouth of The administration buildings there Republican statesmen, in office or out, were built of Mississippi pine. The to make honest criticism. At best they are not voicing the views of righteous ness, but simply welching, now that they are caught in their own trap.

It would perhaps be better if less emphasis were placed upon mere age in Congress. It is quite possible for young men to possess great ability. Of course it is quite possible for the right sort of man to make his mark as a member of a committee. It is not necessary to be a committee chairthat the criticism directed against the seniority rule by the "outs" just now

There is not the slightest indication that the Republicans in Congress would change the rule if they had the

Years ago the Democrat contended that the Republicans were making a mistake by working the solid north idea so strenuously. We held the view that some day the tables would be turned, as they have been. Now the squealers are squealing.

From the Detroit Free Press.

We must face the truth of the situation. There is just one peace that is likely to be of the slightest benefit to the United States and her confedera peace made under conditions which rate prices. Investigation followed and ates, a peace enforced on the enemy, will ensure the fulfillment of terms and make the document setting forth shore excursion from this district on those terms something more than a August 19th. This looks to us as scrap of paper, because the enemy will utilized as the above cave is alleged to be. be physically unable to ignore its pledges.

Not All Velvet.

From the Houston Post. Washington says the high prices of farm products "are not all velvet for the farmer." No, indeed; we observe quite a lot of ginghams, calico, jeans and other unpretentious textiles in use among the farm people, and scarcely any of the farm women wear georgette crepe and voile in the fields.

-For high class job work come

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-A miner who lived alone in a shanty at the Heverly mines near Coalport, Clearfield county, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed his shanty Sunday night cr early Monday morning. The matter has been referred to Coroner Pollum for investigation.

-The Cushake Coal Mining company is the name of a new concern formed by E. C. Ake, cashier of the Glenn Campbell National bank. The new company has purchased large tracts from John Dowler and H. P. Dowler, Indiana county, and expect to mine coal on an extensive scale. The company is negotiating for other properties on McCoy Run.

-Sixty-five cases of whooping cough were reported at Johnstown last week. The epidemic has spread alarmingly, due, the health authorities say, to lack of proper precaution in families where the disease has developed. Fearing quarantine, several families have not called in a physician and allow their children to mingle freely with other tots of the neighborhood.

-With a full realization that his end was near. John Riley, aged 38 years, who when arrested and sent to the county jail, at Uniontown, for a year on the charge of stealing an automobile, said his home was in New York city, requested that he be buried in potters field, rather than disgrace members of his family, whom he declared were high in New York society.

-Reports which have gained much headway throughout the State to the effect that St. Francis' college would not open for the regular school year in September, have been denied by the college authorities. Although many of last year's students have enlisted in different branches of the war service, the college is making plans to admit as many students this fall as formerly.

-An extra dividend of 6 per cent. on the common stock of the Harbison-Walker Refractories company, of record August 15, was declared by directors of the company at a meeting last Friday. The dividend is payable August 25. The regular quarterly dividend of 11/2 per cent. on common stock and the regular quarterly dividend of 11/2 per cent. on preferred stock was declared.

-In view of several workmen G. E. Stewart, aged 50, of Monaca, Beaver county, committed suicide on Tuesday morning by plunging from the south end of the Point bridge in Pittsburgh into the Monongahela river. Workmen who saw the man's preparation for the plunge ran toward him to prevent the act but were too late. Witnesses told the police that the body, after striking the water, did not appear on the The body was recovered three surface. hours later.

-The village of Polk, Venango county, having a population of several hundred, has no physician because its only doctor, Dr. N. S. Reed, has been called into service for the army. He recently volunteered and was summoned to Washington before he could get any person to look after his practice. The villages sick, who are not served by Franklin physicians, will be looked after temporarily by members of

-From college president to stevedore is a long call, but that is what has happened to Rev. D. William Henry George, former president of Geneva college, Beaver Falls, who is doing his "bit" "somewhere in found that there were more ambulance The American business man goes on drivers than ambulances so

work as a stevedore. -Butler county farmers think harves help is in sight. The annual suspension of glass works and other industries in Butler will throw about 1,000 men out of work, and the county farm agent will seek to induce the most of these to go to nearby farms and help get in the crops. It is one of the few instances in western Pennsylvania where the outlook is so promising for farmers, and the only thing that may upset the present plan is that these men will go into other manufacturing plants temporarily.

-Willard Howe, an Oil City real estate dealer, has for advertising purposes a lurid crimson automobile, and occasionally his business takes him into the country. While driving past a farm the other day Howe heard a crash, and turned to see a bull plunging through a fence and starting in his direction. Without waiting to argue the matter, Howe gave his machine the gas, and a race was on. The bull pursued him for a mile, and finally gave up the chase when it saw that overtaking the car was out of question. When Howe last saw the bull it was standing in the middle of the road pawing the dirt and bellowing.

-John Wagoner, colored, aged 43, was shot in the right leg late Saturday night when he attempted to force entrance to the home of Mrs. Fred Barndoller, in Osceola Mills, it is alleged. Mrs. Barndollar went into hysterics, but her daughter, Marietta, aged 19, was brave enough to secure a revolver, and after warning away the intruder, shot twice, both bullets taking effect, one in the knee and the other in the calf of the leg. Miss Barndollar declared she would have killed the negro, who, despite his wounds, was still persisting in his efforts to enter the house when a neighbor named Gates arrived. Wagoner was arrested.

-High cost of living is being dealt a stinging blow by nature. People in Plymouth, Luzerne county, have discovered that a mountain cave contains tons of the purest of ice, and scores of people are getting their supply from that source. The supply is unlimited. The discovery was made after suspicion was attached to the mysterious trips of the owner of an auto truck. The truck had been bringing loads of ice to town daily and was sold at cut the secret of the iceman leaked out. There are also ice caves in Potter and Huntingdon counties but they have not yet been

-Two hundred and forty cooks to serve at the army cantonment to be opened near Annapolis, Md., from August 15 to October 1, are wanted from the State of Pennsylvania by the quartermaster's department. Their pay will be \$125 a month for skilled chefs and \$95 for less skilled men. The cooks are being recruited by J. Miller Frazier, a prominent hotel man of Philadelphia, who was requested to point out to men who understand the culinary art that it will be a patriotic service for them to volunteers for the term of six weeks. Mr. Frazier has divided Pennsylvania into 12 districts for the purposes of the recruitment, with well known hotel men in charge of the work.