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## WHAT THE BOYS ARE DOING IN FRANCE.

Frank R. Smith Tells What a Big Job Uncle Sam Has Tackled and Other Interesting Things.

Somewhere in France, June 2nd. My dear:

Have not heard from you for a week, and time certainly hangs heavy when we do not receive mail. We think this is due to the fact that the trucks are too busy to bring the mail in. Now, in answer to some of your questions, no I am not working at my trade, I am doing the same kind of work as the Titan Metal Co., and we are twice as far away from the firing line as the nearest college would be to your home town.

I have seen quite a number of French villages, and it is awful to see how they have been destroyed. We are in a beautiful place. Imagine, if you can, little white plastered houses, with roofs covered with green vines, the majority of the streets narrow and a stream of spring water running through them. The children are particularly interesting, little fat youngsters with red cheeks. There is one very interesting little fellow at the house where I get my washing done. I have taught him to say "gun" and he calls me "Smitty." We were all very much disappointed on Decoration day. We got warning of an air raid but the Huns did not show up. Musser is here clipping a fellow's hair, and I wish you could see him.

Miss Laurie and her companion have had a house built, and we have been invited up to call and see it. I am glad, for she is certainly a wonderful woman. She is working very hard and is somewhat thinner than when she was at home, and no one knows what she means to do in Bellefonte boys. Have had a letter from Ed. Shields. He is going to come and see me. He is some Ed. Will have to close now and will write you again in a day or two. Give my regards to all my inquiring friends.

I am as ever,  
FRANK R. SMITH.

Somewhere in France, June 6th. My dear:

Well, here is the 6th of June and still no mail from the States. It is now almost two weeks since we have had mail. I did receive your movie magazine and also some papers, and we all enjoyed the books very much, we even read all the ads. We are having fine weather, only a little too windy. Had intended going fishing but it is too windy.

I have never felt better in my life, and am still gaining, as you will see from the pictures I am enclosing. We have received papers with accounts of the ships being blown up in our own waters; that is surely bringing the war near home. We took the papers up to Miss Laurie and she was very glad to get them. For some reason or other she does not receive the papers sent her; her companion, Miss Watts, receives her regularly. I see by the papers they are sending a big bunch of fellows over. That is what we need, men, and the sooner they get them over the sooner this war will be over.

It is really surprising at the number of things that have to be done. You people at home do not realize what the United States is doing. There are not hundreds, but thousands of things to look after, and it is only when you are in the service that you can realize and appreciate it. They have built quite an addition to the Y. M. C. A. and it is fine. They use the old part for entertainments and the new part for reading and writing. Miss Laurie is located in the new part, and is still working as hard as ever. I gave her your messages and she was very glad to receive them, and sends her regards to all her inquiring friends. She is surely appreciated over here, not only by our town boys, but by all who are fortunate enough to be near her. She is mother, sister, sweetheart and everything to us.

Sam Rhinesmith had a birthday on June 4th. Whitey and I gave him a box of "La Preferencia" cigars for a birthday present. Poor Sam was so fussed. Well, will have to close; will be able to write more when we receive mail.

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—Subscribe for the "Watchman."

**BARR.**—Cyrus Barr, a well known resident of Boalsburg, passed away last Friday after suffering for more than a year with creeping paralysis. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barr and was born at McAlevy's Fort, sixty-four years ago. When a lad the family moved to Centre county and most of his life was spent at Gatesburg. Two years ago he moved to Boalsburg where he was employed by Capt. Theodore Davis Boal. He is survived by his wife, one son, Alfred K., in the west, and a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Young, of Boalsburg. He also leaves a brother and sister, Homer Barr, of Boalsburg, and Mrs. Blair Gates, of Gatesburg. He was a member of the Lutheran church for many years and Rev. L. N. Fleck had charge of the funeral services which were held at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon, the remains being taken to Gatesburg for burial.

**LEWIS.**—Mrs. Felicia Lewis, widow of Marshall H. Lewis, a Civil war veteran, died at her home near Winburne, Clearfield county, on Tuesday of last week. She was a daughter of George and Kate Dillon and was born within a mile of where she died almost sixty-eight years ago. Her surviving children are Mrs. Ora Shober, of Julian; Mrs. E. P. Mingle, of Altoona; Mrs. R. E. Cole, of Clearfield; Ralph Lewis, of Niagara Falls; Mrs. I. E. Lucas, of Winburne; Mrs. E. C. Nording, of Marthas Furnace; Edward, at home, and Mrs. H. B. Bennett, of Port Matilda. Burial was made at Winburne last Thursday.

**JOHNSTON.**—According to the Altoona papers Miss Annabelle Johnston died in the Blair county hospital, that city, on Saturday afternoon, following an illness of some weeks with a complication of diseases. She was born in Bellefonte fifty years ago but the most of her life had been spent in Altoona. She is survived by one brother, George Johnston, of Bellefonte. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, burial being made in the Fairview cemetery, Altoona.

**OWEN.**—George W. Owen, a prominent business man of Mechanicsburg, died quite suddenly on Monday afternoon of heart trouble. He was fifty-five years old and was married only about three months ago. He was prominent in the good roads movement and well up in fraternal circles. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Maude O. Stamm, of Harrisburg, formerly Mrs. Bullock, of this place. Mr. Owen frequently visited in Bellefonte when his sister resided here.

**BRANDMAN.**—Solomon Brandman died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brandman on Thursday of last week of edema of the lungs. He was born in Austria and was fifty-eight years old. The remains were taken to Lock Haven on Saturday and shipped to Philadelphia for burial.

## Work of the Exemption Board.

The local exemption board on Wednesday completed their work of sending out the questionnaires to the 311 young men who registered on June 5th under the selective service act, and the same must be filled out and returned to the board within seven days.

The board this week received notice to send five men for special service on July first to Delaware College, Newark, N. J., and also received notice that the next general call for men would be for the week beginning July 22nd, the quota to be 117. Centre county has furnished so many men up to date that there will be less than two hundred left in Class A1 after the contingent of 158 are sent away today.

Of the twenty men called for special service training at State College, the list of which was published two weeks ago, four were excused, namely: Harry L. Hawkes, of Fleming; Edward L. Rhoads, Earle V. Stavelly and Eugene J. Sullivan, State College. The two men selected to make up the quota were:

JOHNSON, PAUL M., Bellefonte.  
WILLARD, ROGER E., Bellefonte.

## Escaped Prisoner Still at Large.

William Hall, the desperado who escaped from the western penitentiary two weeks ago and who created considerable excitement on Monday morning of last week when he shot at guard Harry Whitman and again effected an escape after that gentleman had captured him, is still at large.

About nine o'clock on Sunday evening a man answering the description of the prisoner visited the home of J. C. Nason, of Julian, and asked for something to eat. Whether he got it or not is not known, but later the tower man at that place claims to have seen him jump a freight westbound. At three o'clock Monday morning a policeman in Altoona noticed a man acting suspiciously on the street and when he attempted to arrest him he shot the officer in the shoulder then made his escape. The policeman gave it as his opinion that the man was the convict Hall, but so far he has not been rounded up.

Luther Eckley, a boy less than three years old, was brought to the Bellefonte hospital on Wednesday afternoon suffering with a badly fractured jaw, which he received in a peculiar manner. The lad was in the barn watching the men unload hay when the rope used in pulling up the hay fork broke. One end of the rope caught the child on the jaw, fracturing it badly.

E. I. Gillen, of Milesburg, who suffered a stroke of paralysis several weeks ago and has been undergoing treatment in the Bellefonte hospital, is somewhat improved.

## The Bellefonte Chautauqua Rapidly Approacheth.

Only about three weeks now until the Bellefonte Chautauqua. The dates for the big event are Thursday, July 18, to Thursday, July 25. The motto adopted for the Chautauqua is the great English war phrase, "Carry On."

The Chautauqua program this year is ample and varied, the best yet offered to local audiences. Among the men of more than national fame are Judge Marcus Kavanagh, of Chicago, whose lecture will be "Traitors to Justice," and George H. Turner, known throughout the country as a veteran of the Chautauqua movement, who will give a great war lecture, "Humanity's Last Reserves." A lecture by a British war hero ought to draw every patriot in the country to Bellefonte for that evening. The musical engagements, always deservedly popular, will attract by their charm of war, this year, as never before. A musical feature well worth many times the price of one admission, the sort for which you would willingly pay the price of a course ticket, will be one of Gilbert and Sullivan's most attractive operas.

The boys and girls of Bellefonte and vicinity will be interested in the plans for the Junior Chautauqua. It will be a patriotic year for the Juniors. There will be lots of fine stories, songs, games and all of them patriotic ones, too! The play this year will be a thoroughly patriotic one, "Liberty's Torch." No boy or girl will want to miss a single session.

This year as never before it should be a Bellefonte Chautauqua. It is a town undertaking, and though there may be some here and there who do not care for the idea and for the class of attractions, yet there are many more who do, people of all classes. It is a great thing for children, it is a great thing for those who cannot get away in the summer, a great thing for those who appreciate the things of the mind, who understand and value music; a great thing for those who are glad of the opportunity of a "get-together" with their friends and neighbors, and who desire to "carry on" with an undertaking which will benefit large sections of the community.

Prices of tickets have not advanced, nor must the Chautauqua pay the war tax, so that there are few who cannot prepare for the solid week of enjoyment and improvement ahead of us. Realized as a Bellefonte institution, we can make people of the county proud of the leadership of their county town, which will throw open its gates to an institution so uniquely American from which the whole neighborhood can profit so extensively.

## Merchants Will Furnish Help in Harvesting.

Bellefonte merchants have hearkened to the cry of the shortage of farm labor during harvest time and will do their part toward releasing their clerks for a day or two's work in the harvest field.

In order to get their position right before the public the Merchants' association held a meeting on Monday evening and went over the whole situation. John L. Holmes, of State College, who is at the head of the farm labor movement in the county, was present and told the merchants that while it is true that some farmers will probably need a little assistance during their wheat harvest, the farm labor situation is not nearly as acute as might be supposed. The early hay has mostly been cut and the majority of farmers have self-harvesters with which to cut their wheat. Hence if men can be furnished for a few days to help haul in the wheat the harvesting can be done very nicely.

The merchants unanimously agreed to release what help they could whenever it is needed. They then selected six captains who will have charge of securing the men and placing them where needed. The captains and the day in the week on which they will serve are as follows:

Monday—William W. Bottorf.  
Tuesday—Edward F. Gehret.  
Wednesday—Adolph Fauble.  
Thursday—Thomas Hazel.  
Friday—A. C. Mingle and Oscar Miles, of Milesburg.

No help will be given on Saturday as the merchants will need their clerks that day themselves.

The captains held a meeting on Tuesday evening and decided that the wages of the men who go out to work on the farm shall be \$2.00 a day and board, which will include dinner and supper. Help will be furnished to farmers within a radius of six miles of Bellefonte and if the farmer has an automobile he will be required to bring him home in the evening. If he has no machine, the captain will see that the man is taken to the farm but the farmer will have to bring him home.

Any farmers in need of help can either communicate with John L. Holmes, State College, or any of the captains named above.

A firm in Johnstown is now manufacturing a new beer called "Jay-Bee." Just what it is made out of has not been divulged but the manufacturers claim that in the process of its manufacture the by-product is turned into vinegar at the rate of 1000 barrels weekly. The only admitted beer sold in Bellefonte so far is Merle Brew but from all accounts the most of it nowadays is only near beer, and the Johnstown one concocted Jay-Bee has at least adopted a name that sounds a little suspicious.

—For high class Job Work come to the "Watchman" Office.

**Snyder—Deitrick.**—A very quiet wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Deitrick, on east Bishop street, at five o'clock on Sunday evening when their daughter, Miss Bertha May Deitrick, was united in marriage to Charles F. Snyder, of Sunbury. Only the immediate members of the family witnessed the ceremony which was performed by Rev. Dr. Ambrose M. Schmidt, of the Reformed church.

The bridal party stood before a large American flag, surrounded by palms and other plants and flowers. Mr. Carl F. Deitrick, a brother of the bride, was best man; and Miss Lola Ulrich, of Centre Hall, was maid of honor. The wedding march was played by Miss Mildred Deitrick. The ring ceremony was used. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served.

The bride is quite well known in Bellefonte, and especially in musical circles, being a member of the orchestra of which her father is leader and also a member of the Harmonic club. The bridegroom is a graduate of State College, class of 1917, in the course in chemistry. He is now in the United States service, located at Camp Upton, L. I., where he is engaged in chemical experiments in testing out gas masks.

The young couple left Bellefonte on the 8:10 train Sunday evening to spend Mr. Snyder's ten days' furlough on a wedding trip. Mrs. Snyder will then return home to remain with her parents while Mr. Snyder is in the service.

**Kelley—Rosenhoover.**—Quite a large number of guests were present in the Catholic church at eight o'clock yesterday morning to witness the marriage of George Kelley, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Kelley, of Snow Shoe, and Miss Barbara Magdaline Rosenhoover, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenhoover, of this place. The nuptial mass was said by Father William E. Downes and the attendants were Victor Kelley and Miss Mary Rosenhoover.

Following the ceremony quite an elaborate reception was given the happy young couple at the home of the bride's parents on Spring street. A wedding breakfast was served at 12 o'clock and at 1:28 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Kelley left on a wedding trip east. Returning they will reside in Snow Shoe.

**Broderick—Crisman—Maurice F. Broderick and Miss Helen B. Crisman, both of Bellefonte, were quietly married at the parochial residence of St. John's Catholic church, at 6:30 o'clock on Saturday evening by Rev. Father William E. Downes. The bride is the youngest daughter of Homer W. Crisman, and for a few years past has been one of Bellefonte's most efficient school teachers. The bridegroom is chief electrician at the western penitentiary and has been a resident of Bellefonte the past two years. Mr. and Mrs. Broderick departed on Saturday evening on a brief wedding trip and upon their return will take up their residence at the Crisman home on Thomas street.**

**Johnson—Beck.**—Clarence Jasper Johnson, of River Rouge, Mich., and Miss Mabel Louella Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Beck, of State College, were married at the home of the bride's parents at eleven o'clock last Thursday by Rev. J. W. Long, pastor of the Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Ray Dotterer, of the Reformed church. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Johnson and daughter Mildred, of Bellefonte. The bridegroom is a son of Claude Johnson and formerly lived at State College, but is now located at River Rouge, Mich., where he is employed in the sheet metal department of the Great Lakes Engineering company.

**Tressler—Gibbs.**—Rev. Robert L. Tressler, a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Tressler, of this place, not only attended the commencement exercises at Taylor University, his Alma Mater, at Upland, Ind., last week, but also married one of the fair graduates in the person of Miss Marie Gibbs, of Springfield, Ohio. The wedding took place on Wednesday at the University. Following a brief wedding trip Mrs. Tressler will spend a short time with her parents before joining her husband at Dudley, Pa., where his church pastorate is located.

**Martin—Irwin.**—Harry David Martin, of Wilkensburg, and Miss Sue Blanche Irwin, a former Centre county young lady were married in the Homeview Presbyterian church on Thursday of last week. Both Mr. and Mrs. Martin were former residents of Marion township, this county, the bridegroom being a son of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Martin and the bride a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Irwin. They will reside at Wilkensburg where Mr. Martin is an electrician in the employ of the Westinghouse company.

**Yearick—Pletcher.**—At the Reformed parsonage, Thursday noon, June 20th, Mr. Doyle N. Yearick, son of Mr. John Yearick, of Jacksonsville, and Miss Genevieve M. Pletcher, of Howard, were united in marriage by the Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, D. D., the ring service being used. Both young people are well known throughout their home districts, and a host of friends join in wishing them a very happy married life.

The wedding of Miss Mary Irwin Christ, daughter of the late Dr. Theodore S. Christ, and George Ewing MacMillan, a Senior at Penn State in charge of the poultry feeding experiments on the college farms, will take place in the Presbyterian church at the College at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow, (Saturday) afternoon. The ceremony will be performed by the pastor, Rev. Samuel Martin, and there will be no attendants. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan will leave on a wedding trip in Miss Christ's car. A surprise miscellaneous shower was given Miss Christ last night by her friends at State College and tonight she will be the honor guest at a dinner given by her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James I. Thompson, of Centre Furnace. Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan will occupy Miss Christ's house on College avenue, State College.

**Pertinent Political History.**  
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fighting for and promoting the flag of liberty and honor across the seas I may not be able to get to call upon all the voters to present my claims verbally and personally; therefore I have taken this means thus early to make the above statement of some of the reasons why some voters would assist me if their attention were called to them for thought and discussion. Respectfully submitted for consideration and assistance.  
I am cordially,  
MATT SAVAGE.

**Philipsburgers Arrested for Alleged Illegal Fishing.**

For some weeks past the Bellefonte police have had reasons to believe that somebody who does not have strict regard for the law has been catching the trout out of Spring creek within the forbidden district, doing their fishing in the dead of night. Owing to this fact the policemen have watched the stream pretty closely and at three o'clock on Tuesday morning policeman Elmer Yeager made a good haul when he caught three young men of Philipsburg fishing for trout right opposite the "Watchman" office.

The young men, who gave their names as Fred Nixon, J. C. and J. E. Mark, were promptly arrested and spent the balance of the night in the lockup. At ten o'clock Tuesday forenoon they were taken before justice of the peace S. Kline Woodring and there told quite a story.

They stated that several weeks ago they spent a night at the Bush house while driving three Republic trucks from Harrisburg to Bellefonte. Along about half past eleven o'clock that night, they asserted, they walked out upon Spring creek bridge and saw a man fishing at the very spot where they attempted to fish Tuesday morning. They aver that he was catching trout so fast they could hardly count them, and seeing him fishing there they naturally supposed the stream open to all fishermen and came over to try their luck.

While the story is a good one it don't bear the earmarks of strict veracity. Every fisherman in this locality knows that this section of Spring creek has been posted as closed since the beginning of the season of 1917, and no man hereabouts would venture to fish the stream when he had any idea he would be seen, much less stand still and pull out trout after trout with three people watching him. On the other hand if the Philipsburg fishermen believed the stream open to all fishermen why did they come into the town at that hour in the morning and attempt to catch the trout instead of waiting for daylight?

But why speculate. "Squire Woodring held the three of them in \$1000 bail for a hearing before him at two o'clock this (Friday) afternoon, when a representative of the State Fish Commission will be here to fight the case.

## Patriotic League July 4th Frolic.

The Patriotic League frolic on the evening of July 4th will be held on the High school commons, and the following program will be given:  
Folk Dancing on Commons—6:45.  
Entertainment—High School Auditorium 7:00.

## ENTERTAINMENT AS FOLLOWS:

1. Selection—Harmonic Club.
2. Doll Drill.
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Repetition of performance at 9:00. Please take notice of the change from the Armory to the High school auditorium.

## State College Will Train Enlisted Pennsylvania Men.

Two hundred enlisted young men from various parts of the Keystone State began training in mechanical work at State College June 16th. These men will be given the same sort of instruction received at the college by the 189 Minnesota mechanics who were recently sent by the War Department into the different camps of the country. Since the first of May 147 men from the State of Maryland have been in training at the college. Since the first of April 542 men have been enrolled in these special war classes. The courses include electricity, blacksmithing, carpentry, automobile and other machine repair work.

## THE ANSWER TO "ONLY A VOLUNTEER."

By Edwin M. Groves.

Why didn't you wait to be drafted?  
The answer is simple enough:  
You'd not need a brass band to lead you—  
You're made of the right kind of stuff.  
Your banquet will come when it's over,  
That's when you'll want to be cheered;  
And then you will know you deserve it,  
Because you've volunteered.

Don't get discouraged so quickly,  
From what I've seen I've a hunch  
That out of the millions of soldiers  
Uncle Sam likes you best of the bunch.  
You don't complain of your duties,  
Of hardship you've naught to fear;  
You lick up your meals with a relish,  
Because you're a Volunteer.

You weren't dragged in by a number  
As though you were nothing at all;  
And you didn't go round with a frown on,  
Afraid that your country would call.  
You didn't buy every paper  
And scan the draft column with fear,  
You marched right along with your head  
Up,  
Because you're a Volunteer.

What if the little draft Willies  
Get a little more praise;  
Praise won't get the old Kaiser—  
It's real work we want these days.  
Just keep your eyes on Berlin, boys,  
Never mind about brass bands and cheers;  
The glory will go to the heroes,  
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