Bellefonte, Pa., April 26, 1929.

GOVERNOR ASKS OBSERVANCE OF CHILD HEALTH DAY MAY 1.

Governor John S. Fisher has issued a statement asking proper consideration of the growing importance of including several national groups, May 1 now designated throughout the United States as Child Health to the college.

The Governor pointed out that each succeeding year witnesses definite meeting place for the National Oil progress in physical betterment of and Gas Power conference which will the people of Pennsylvania but asserted that "We still know far better than we do," urging no cessation in efforts to establish good health rec-

The Governor's statement in full

was as follows: "The approach of the Sixth Annual Celebration of May Day Child Health Day is a signal for again calling the attention of citizens of our Commonwealth to the growing importance of this yearly awakening of interest in and practical work for Health, especially of young children.

"The States of this nation are now united in following the lead of the Congress and of President Hoover; for both have let it be known that all agencies and organizations may fittingly join in arousing all the people to more and more effort for the protection and development of the wellbeing of the nation's children.

"Each year now witnesses definite progress in health matters in this Commonwealth. 1928 saw a still further reduction in deaths from typhoid fever, tuberculosis, respitory diseases, enteric diseases, diphtheria and scarlet fever. Especially should attention be called to a distinct drop in the maternal death rate.

"There were also, in the past year, many more defect corrections in school children than in any previous year. More school nurses are at work giving their invaluable help. Many more of the little army of a million and a half pre-school children were started on the path to better physical condition for entering school.

"There is nothing to be more highly prized than healthy children, and the need for better understanding of their care and protection must be more fully realized. At every danger point the hazards of life must be cut down. Our goal is still far off. Not yet are all general living conditions improving; not yet is all water safe, "We still know far better than we

"Let every agency whether gov-ernmental or private whether educational, social or religious increase its zeal, enlarge its ambitions, and so make May Day better Child Health Day than ever.

MANY CONVENTIONS COMING TO STATE COLLEGE.

More conventions and meetings of prominent organizations and societies will be held on the campus of the Pennsylvania State College this year than ever before, according to E. K. Hibsham, assistant to the president of the colleeg in charge of public relations. Sixteen dates have been set for various meetings of organizations,

which will bring thousands of visitors For the second consecutive time State College has been selected as the

be held there this year from June 24 to 27. The American Society of Refrigeration Engineers will also meet there this year from June 19 to 22. Other meetings scheduled to be held at the college are: the Industrial conference of the School of Engineering, May 16, 17 and 18; Young Club Leaders, June 17 to 22; Young Farmers' Week, June 18 to 20; Farmers' Day, June 20 to 21; Young Peoples Branch of the W. C. T. U., June 24 to 29; State supervising principals, August taker at Furnace Creek ranch. 8 to 10; Grange Lecturers, August 12 to 15.

Mrs. Anna Botsford Comstock, known as the "mother of nature hot. study" is one of a number of prominent naturalists and authors who there one summer, and mostly it have been engaged as special lectur- stays between 120 and 130. ers for the nature camps to be held from June 27 to July 18 and from

Others who have been engaged as special lecturers for the camps are: Earnest Thompson Seton, naturalist, lecturer and author; Dr. W. Elmer Ekblaw, associate professor of geography, Clark University, and editor of Economic Geography, who was geologist and botanist with the Mac-Millan-Crockerland Arctic expedition from 1913 to 1917; Dr. Albert F. Ganier, naturalist and ornithologist who was formerly curator for the Tennessee Ornithological Society and past president of both the Wilson Ornithological Club and the Tennessee Academy of Science; Dr. George M. Sutton, director of education and research and State Game Commissioner of Pennslyvania who was formerly ornithologist for the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh; and Mary Jane Cooper, supervisor of nature study, Johnstown.

PURCHASING QUAIL.

It will be interesting to the sportsmen to learn that while the Game Commission's original order for quail from Mexico could not be supplied due to the heaviest drought in that section for twenly years, 5,000 birds were finally secured from Texas and shipments have already started.

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DEATH VALLEY

A FIERY FURNACE.

Four thousand feet below Ryan, Cal., which clings to a mountainside honeycombed with mines, is Death Valley.

Automobiles and motor busses this month wind down the 15-mile length of Furnace Creek wash, from Ryan to the valley floor, carrying hundreds of tourists from California and the East to explore the vast, mysterious color-filled and aminous sink.

The motor caravans will continue throughout April. On the first day of May all this life and movement, so foreign to Death Valley, will cease. The luxurious hotels there and at furnace Creek, on the valley floor, will close.

The heat will come.

One man, perhaps, will remain at Furnace Creek ranch, which today shows as a solitary patch of green in the great panorama which unfolds below Ryan to the north and west.

The writer talked with the man who held solitary dominion over all Death Valley last summer; the care-

a touch of grave naivete: "It's too

"The thermometer went up to 138

"A man can hardly stand it, you know. When the night wind sets in July 17 to August 7. Mrs. Comstock from either end of the valley, north will spend a week in each camp where she will give two lectures or nature readings each day.

Kilow. When the hight wind sets in kilow. When the hight wind sets in the state of the valley, north or south, it seems like it's going to kill you. Its a great, hot, alkaline blast, and you can't get out of it. The heat and the wind, and the terrible loneliness, is more than I want stomach at once. Acting on BOTH to go through again. I'm leaving this summer.

"Sure, someone will have to stay. There are cows there, and the ranch must be kept up for the folks who will come to Furnace Creek Inn and Ryan again in the fall.

'The cows seem to stand the heat all right. It kills dogs and cats, though, and humans barely survive

The valley at this time of the year is pleasant in the extreme. The atmosphere is bright and clear, the

days warm and nights crisply cool. Only for the past two years has Death Valley really been added to the accessible scenic attractions of the West. Prior to that time, when the Pacific Coast Borax Co. was operating its mines at Ryan, trouble enough was encountered in caring for the miners and furnishing them with food and water without encouraging tourists to wander in, become lost and necessitate weary, desperate rescue parties.

The mines have not been operating this year and last, however, a deposit of borax having been discovered in the Mojave Desert closer to Los Angeles that will care for the world's needs for the next 200 years, with the ore now in sight.

Since then, the State has built automobile roads into and across the valley, the Automobile Club of Southern California has placed hundreds of direction, warning and "water" signs and the versatile borax corporation

has built two fine hotels.

Death Valley itself, at this time of the year, is almost past description. There is, perhaps, nothing in the world quite like it.

From Dante's View, a precipitous cliff in the Funeral Mountains a half dozen miles from Ryan, the highest and lowest points in the western hemisphere are visible.

Death Yalley lies a mile directly below, vague in the heat waves, its floor 310 feet below sea level. To the northwest is Mount Whitney, towering two and a half miles in the

The effect of a great, shallow river sweeping through the valley is particularly vivid from Dante's View. This phantom of water in a seared and terrible land lured hundreds to death in the early days of California. The river in reality, is a white sweep or borax and salt.

The cliffs of the Panamints to the west and the Funeral range on the east are fantastically eroded, and of vivid hues of red, gold and gray.

Water does exist on the valley floor,

but it is salt water; peculiar pools like volcanic eruptions in the rugged, snow-like salt sink. This salt is known to extend to a depth of 1,000 feet, which is as far as it has been tested.

NATIONAL EGG WEEK SET FOR MAY 1 TO 7

National Egg week will be observed May 1 to 7 under the auspices of the National Poultry council, according to an announcement by Professor H. C. Knandel, head of the poultry department at the Pennsylvania State College. This is the fourth year that this national celebration has been staged.

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Poultry farmers, distributors, store-keepers, consumers, scientists, educators, and organization workers will participate in the activities of the week. Plans have been laid by state committees in every State to develop a strong program of benefit to the consuming public. Knandel declared. Attention will be called to the value of eggs through press notices, radio messages, appropriate advertising, posters and stickers, exhibits, parades and menus.

A great many interesting, instruc-tive miscellaneous stunts are being planned in many sections of the country in the nature of demonstrations by home economics workers, and community contests, such as egg hunts and races, in which the chil-

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