

WOULD ABANDON O. R. C. CHAPLAINS.

Federal Council Hears Motion to Demilitarize Ministers in the Army— "Involves Church in War."

A resolution instructing the Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains "to discontinue its activity and responsibility in the appointment of chaplains in the Officers' Reserve Corps" was referred by the Federal Council of Churches to its Committee on Business in session in Atlanta, Georgia.

The resolution, offered by Dr. C. C. Morrison, Chicago, condemned war and branded "the institution of chaplaincy" as implicating the "Church officially in the war system."

After asking the committee to discontinue its work in connection with the appointment of chaplains, the resolution said:

"Resolved, That the committee... by conference with the proper Government, military and naval authorities, be instructed to study the question of taking such steps as may be necessary and effective to place the men of both army and navy upon a nonmilitary basis."

The committee would be instructed to present its findings to the next meeting of the council's Executive Committee next year.

The report also asked for enlarged emphasis on direct evangelism, for more adequate and better-equipped relief work by the churches to meet human emergencies and for the setting forth of his Christian view on such questions of social, racial, economic and international relations as demands consideration by Protestant churches.

The growth of secret organizations confessing Christian purposes and seeking to effect them by un-Christian methods and so defeating the very purpose they seek is a menace upon the free churches of America for their failure to work together, Dr. Rockwell H. Potter, of Hartford, Conn., told the delegates.

"Faust" Appears at Opera House Tonight

The production of Goethe's masterpiece, "Faust," in which Walter O. Lindsey, presents Porter J. White and Edward Elmer and their high-class company to be seen at the Moose Temple Theatre, Bellefonte, for one performance only, to-night (Wednesday, Dec. 10), is a spectacular version of the world-famous classic, in dramatic form. However, its realistic beauty is greatly enhanced by the introduction of incidental music, both vocal and instrumental. The operatic versions by Gounod, Ballo and Rossini have been drawn upon largely, and some of the most popular passages including "Glorious Chorus" (The Soldier's Chorus); "The Golden Call" (Mephistopheles' cynical estimate of human folly); "The Hour is Late" (Duet for Faust and Marguerite); "Angels Pure, Angels Radiant" (Marguerite's sublime prayer-song), and many others, are interwoven in the dramatic story and rendered by the company in a manner that brings applause from the lovers of great music everywhere.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

"Jack" Smith, the popular young auctioneer, already has a number of spring sales booked.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Potter are now housekeeping in their new bungalow, one of the prettiest homes on West Church street.

Charles Stump returned to Finneywood, Virginia, on Saturday. He left with the Washington excursionists, and "did" the Washington capital before going home.

Earl Lutz was the purchaser of the Ritter home, although the property was knocked off to C. D. Bartholomew. Mr. Lutz will continue his employment with C. N. Hickman, who is enlarging his baby chick production plant.

A new Christmas exercise for Sunday schools issued by Dr. Alfred Bentley, Chicago, bears the title of "Festive Christmas Tides." The exercise is made up of a number of Christmas songs, with real Christmas ring in them, and recitations.

Frank Ishler, station agent at Linden Hall, was in town last week seeking a remedy for lumbago from which he was suffering. The idea of having a brother with the affliction during the hunting season is what he most dreaded. Mr. Ishler, who had been confined to bed on account of sickness, is able to be about again, and is recovering slowly.

Collins Findley and Joe Allison, of Manor, Westmoreland county, stopped for a week at the Edward Loughner home, near Pottery Mills, and put in the time hunting in company with Mr. Loughner and the Noll brothers, the latter of Centre Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Allison were accompanied by their wives who had an enjoyable time at the Loughner home. Mr. Findley and Mrs. Loughner are brother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Grayson, Miss Nancy Grayson and Miss Catharine Sherley, all of Shippensburg, drove to Centre Hall where they were entertained at the Lutheran parsonage by Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Greenhow. On their return home, Sunday a week, at a point near Vicksburg, the car skidded and turned over. Mrs. Grayson was pretty badly bruised and all were thoroughly shaken up. The car was damaged to considerable extent, and while it was being put into running order the party were guests of Mrs. Laird Irvin, of near Lewisburg. Shippensburg was reached Monday.

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY APPLICANTS FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE

Beginners Not Capable of Fully Comprehending Question No. 30—Must Learn by Experience.

Thirty questions relating to state motor laws, automobile operation and rules of the road, ten of which will be asked of each applicant for an automobile driver's license in Pennsylvania, were made public by the State Highway department. The tests are conducted by the highway motor patrolmen who in examining any applicant may select any ten from the list of questions which follows:

1. Under what conditions is it unlawful to pass a trolley car?
2. State two violations of the motor law that will result in the suspension or revocation of your license to operate.
3. What is the speed limit for passenger motor vehicles and trucks on the open highway? Are there other speed limits?
4. Under what conditions is it unlawful to cross railroad tracks at grade?
5. When two other vehicles arrive at the intersection of two streets or cross roads at the same time which vehicle has the right of way?
6. What would you do if one of your license tags was lost or defaced?
7. What does the law require you to do after injuring the person or property of another user of the highways?
8. State the number and character of rights required on motor vehicles. What are the requirements for headlights? For tail lights? When were your headlights focused?
9. What does the pointed line on the center of the highway indicate to you?
10. When in motion, what is the proper position of a motor vehicle with respect to the center of the highway?
11. What is the penalty for a misstatement of facts in an application for learner's permit or operator's license?
12. Why does the Department of Highways require your signature on learner's permit, operator's certificate and automobile license certificates?
13. What are the conditions under which it is not only dangerous but illegal to pass another motor vehicle traveling in the same direction at a legal rate of speed?
14. What rulings has the department of highways made concerning the parking of motor vehicles on the highways?
15. When is it permissible to use muffler cut-outs on the public highways?
16. How many systems of brakes does the law require on your motor vehicle?
17. What is the law as to the parking of motor vehicles in the vicinity of fires?
18. What is the law as to having in your possession a motor vehicle which is defaced, altered or removed engine or manufacturer's number?
19. What should you do before passing a motor vehicle traveling in the same direction and at a legal rate of speed?
20. When is it necessary to equip a motor vehicle with a mirror?
21. When is it necessary to sound horn or other signal device?
22. What is the penalty for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any narcotic drug?
23. What is the penalty for operating a motor vehicle under license tags other than those issued for it?
24. What is the penalty for transporting intoxicating liquor in a motor vehicle?
25. Before you can get Pennsylvania registration plates, what proof of ownership of the motor vehicle must be furnished?
26. If you dispose of your motor vehicle what should you do with your license tags?
27. If you are granted an operator's license, when will it expire?
28. In descending a steep grade what precautions, other than the use of service and emergency brakes, would you take to insure safety?
29. Where and how should license plates be attached to a motor vehicle?
30. What is your definition of a "road hog"?

New Bridge Opened.

The seven-arch concrete bridge spanning the Juniata river between Lewistown and Lewistown Junction is now complete and the structure thrown open to traffic, at an approximate cost of \$250,000. It is built of reinforced concrete, is 344 feet long and has a clearance width of 45 feet between the rails. The floor accommodates two walks for pedestrians on either side, two driveways for one way travel, and in the center the tracks of the Lewistown and Reedsville Electric Railway, this space being usable at all times also except when occupied by a street car. The bridge is lighted with sixteen 400-candle power electric bridge series lights.

The bridge has five bronze plates, one bearing the names of the county commissioners at the time of the building of the bridge, and the other four comprising a memorial to the soldiers, sailors and marines of the Spanish-American and World wars.

Oysters and Fish.

Will have a fresh supply of oysters and fish by the latter part of the week, at my stand on Church street. Quality the best.—Walter Bland.

A gasoline gauge that blows the horn of an automobile when the supply of gas is low, has been invented.

HUNTING CAMP A HOLLYWOOD.

All "Star" Cast Bring In Bear and Buck and "Hang" It at Slack Camp.

Hollywood for a brief time was transferred to the head of Stone Creek, Seven Mountains, at the Slack hunting camp, Thursday of last week, at which time an all "star" cast played the bringing in of buck deer and a 300-pound black bear and stringing them up. The game had been killed a few days previous, and when Seth Gordon, Secretary of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, got wind of it, he informed Charles Sutton, who is interested in the educational features of wild life, and the two came on to view the kill. They took with them Thomas A. Mosier, county game warden and Forester William F. McKinney, who is interested in any transaction that takes place in the Seven Mountain Forest District No. 6.

The camera man was favorably located along a prescribed path over which the young buck and the great bruin were brought in in style true to the local methods of performing that feat. On arriving at the camp, there was the usual excitement and bustle among the mighty nimrods who had waited for just such a return, and then the carcasses were examined. The stringing up of game was made a showy affair, and like in most try-outs there was the slip—the buck went to the ground just when the star performer (Spysker) should have had him securely fastened. The second rehearsal was a success.

After the moti picture was completed, a group picture was taken of the hunters belonging to the camp.

Mr. Gordon and his companions were much pleased with the results of the performance, and they were also delighted with the manner in which the hunting camps in the district were equipped and the manner of the hunters themselves.

Wingard Beats Hunting Record.

The county's "high score" for an individual hunter goes to Coleman A. Wingard, of Coburn, who last week killed both a bear and a deer. Mr. Wingard is the youngest member of Penns Creek Rod and Gun club, located near the second tunnel, Paddy Mountain, and is a son of the late Frank W. Wingard, who was also a noted hunter.

It was during the first bear drive that the opportunity presented itself and with one well-aimed shot Coleman laid low the snarling bruin. The shot penetrating the lungs, it turned out to be a fine specimen that weighed nearly four hundred pounds, and proved to be the last killed in that vicinity for some time. Coleman also had the luck of killing the first deer, a four-point, in camp.

Naturally Mr. Wingard is just a little proud of the fact and his friends likewise are complimenting him on his skill as a hunter.

Evangelistic Services.

Evangelistic services will begin at the Centre Hall Presbyterian church Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, December 10th. The services will be held every evening except Saturday and Sunday evenings, until Friday, December 19th. The Rev. J. C. McConnell of the Westminster Presbyterian church, of Millintown, will preach for us every evening of the second week, 15th to 19th, inclusive. He is one of the strongest preachers of Central Pennsylvania.

We Presbyterians extend an invitation to all people of our community to come out and enjoy the services. Special music will be given by the choir and our friends of town.—J. M. Kirkpatrick.

Christmas Mail.

The Christmas rush of mail has already started in the local postoffice. For the past few weeks the mail has been steadily increasing but the sending of Christmas packages has barely started.

The delivery of parcels from local stores to customers, by parcel post, is generous.

A warning has been issued by the superintendent of mails that it will be necessary to mail Christmas greetings and gifts early, or they may not be delivered before Christmas. Orders have been received at all post offices to cease all delivery of mail at 11 o'clock on Christmas morning. This means that many of the city carriers will not be able to complete their routes on that day if the mail continues heavy up to the last.

There will be no delivery on the R. F. D. routes on Christmas day.

Slight Hunting Accident.

While J. W. Benner and Mark Fetterli, both of Madisonburg, were trailing a deer in the mountains, a gun carried by the latter was accidentally discharged by striking underbrush, the ball entering the sole of Mr. Benner's foot coming out on the upper part of the foot, near the toes. He was taken to the Bellefonte hospital where the wound was dressed.

"The Covered Wagon" Coming.

Do not fail to see "The Covered Wagon" all-star cast, in the opera house, Bellefonte, Friday and Saturday evenings, December 12 and 13, at popular prices.

Reports that he would quit as manager of the State Grange were without authority, said John A. McSparran, master of the grange, at his home at Furness.

CENTRAL PENNA. METHODISTS BUY FINE CAMP GROUND.

Will Provide Place for Holding Summer Institutes, Camp Meetings and for Much Recreational Work—To Open July 1st.

The acquisition of a thirty-four acre camp ground, at Newton Hamilton, near Mt. Union, Mifflin county, by the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, was announced this week by Rev. Edwin C. Keboch, of Harrisburg, conference director of religious education.

The camp grounds will be taken over January 1 by the Conference Board of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues. The purchase price is \$19,000. The grounds were purchased by the present owners in 1920 for \$8,000 and they have expended \$14,000 on them, making one of the most desirable camp grounds in the state.

With the purchase of the Newton Hamilton grounds, the summer activities of the Methodist Sunday schools and Epworth League will be transferred from Eagles Mere. There are 27 cottages on the new camp site and an improved hotel. It is planned to erect more cottages and a mess hall to take care of the people entertained at the camp meetings next summer.

The object of the purchase is to provide better facilities for continuing young people's work during the summer. The Newton Hamilton site will be the scene of the summer meetings of the Epworth League, of the training school for Boy Scout leaders and of the Bible conference.

A boys' and girls' camp will also be held there next summer and the annual camp meetings of the Methodist church in Central Pennsylvania will take place there.

The camp will be known as the Methodist Training camp. It will be incorporated and shares will be sold among Epworth League members, Sunday school members and individuals. A board of managers has been elected and will have charge of the camp grounds, although it is announced that young people will have much to do with the management of the camp.

It is planned to open the grounds late next June. Bishop William J. McDowell, of Washington, is expected to be present at the dedicatory exercises. Plans are already being made to handle the thousands of visitors expected at the camp on the opening day. The summer sessions of the various activities will begin on July 1, and continue until Labor Day. There are 604 churches in the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church, and more than 118,000 children numbered in the families of the members of these churches.

On the board of managers for the new camp are the following from the Williamsport district: District Superintendent Rev. Edwin A. Eyles, Dr. B. A. Satter, of Renovo, and Charles Adams, of Montoursville.

CHRISTMAS SEALS

The 1924 sale of Christmas Seals begins November 28th for the 17th season since the Seal was first distributed.

Christmas Seals sell for one penny each.

Health Bonds sell for \$5.00 and upwards, and are provided for persons who want to help more generously and cannot use many Seals.

The proceeds are used by citizen tuberculosis organizations in preventive efforts against tuberculosis.

At least 80 per cent of the funds remain in the county and the balance is used in the state and national campaign against the White Plague, which knows no boundaries.

Christmas Seals not only provide a beautiful decoration for letters and packages during the holiday season, but will give health to many and save lives.

Christmas Seals provide health insurance for you and your family.

TUBERCULOSIS DAYS

Sunday, November 30, is tuberculosis day in the churches, and Friday, December 5, tuberculosis day in the schools, in connection with the seventeenth annual Christmas Seal sale in furtherance of the fight against the White Plague.

Dr. John M. Thomas, State Seal Chairman, pointed out that church and educational workers are interested in the physical, as well as in the intellectual, moral and spiritual well being of the people and that this is a fine opportunity to further a great public health project.

Governor Pinchot said:

"The close relationship of churches and schools to the everyday life and activities of every citizen, give these agencies a more than ordinary interest in the health of our citizens. It is especially appropriate, therefore, that in fighting our greatest plague that churches and schools especially emphasize on one day the dangers of tuberculosis and how to fight them."

Former Governor Brumbaugh was made president of Juniata College, Huntingdon county.

THE HAPPIEST TREE.

How the Fir Tree Became the Christmas Tree, and Why Mr. Berry Is Wrong.

There's an old legend about a little tree which did not like the dress which Mother Nature had given it, but envied the apparel of its neighbor.

This tree one day saw some gold and was attracted by its brightness, so it asked for and was given leaves of gold. But a greedy peddler came along and stole its leaves.

The disconsolate little tree then noticed some sparkling bits of glass. Glass leaves would be about the finest thing in the world, the little tree thought. It was given glass leaves. Along came a wind storm and all its leaves were broken.

The little tree had to have a new dress and this time it thought that the very finest thing would be to have leaves of a bright green. So it was trimmed with lettuce leaves. Wild goats ate them.

Mother Nature, wiser than the little tree, then gave it back its original dress of small, dark green needles. About that time the snow came. Other trees lost their leaves, but this tree did not, so that when a group of children came to the woods looking for a tree for a particular purpose they chose this little tree in its cheery green dress.

Thus the fir tree became the Christmas tree.

And it was the happiest tree in the world, because it had given happiness to little children.

So runs the old legend, and so today children continue to seek the fir tree or one of its cousins for their Christmas tree. If trees could speak it would still be found that the happiest tree in the world is the Christmas tree.

The story of the fir tree is commended to the attention of H. V. Berry, of Fort Plain, New York, who spoke before the National Conference of Utilization of Forest Products at Washington a short time ago, urging that cutting of Christmas trees be prohibited in order to save the forests.

Mr. Berry's suggestion is not new. It crops up from some source every year. Fortunately the leaders in conservation do not take it seriously. They know that one of the finest uses that a tree can be put to is to use it as a Christmas tree.

Mr. Berry apparently means well, but he has the wrong idea. Instead of abolishing the Christmas tree that we may continue to have forests, we should protect the forests that we may continue to have Christmas trees.

A Charitable Deed, Truly.

Stover G. Snook, who recently took up his residence in Millheim after having lived in Philadelphia for a number of years, is credited with having done a really charitable deed. In Millheim lives Mrs. Orndorf, an aged lady, whose home had resting on it a mortgage of \$1400, and the mortgagee was obliged to foreclose it. This meant a sacrifice of the home by the aged lady, had not Mr. Snook stepped in and purchased the place for \$2400, and informing Mrs. Orndorf that she could live there during the remainder of her life the same as though she owned the property. But this was not all. Mrs. Orndorf gives \$1000, so that what would not stare her in the face during the remainder of the days of her life. The two were scarcely friends before this incident.

A Fair Report.

The report of the soccer game between the Millburg and Centre Hall High, as it appeared in the Millburg Telegraph under the head of "High School News" is altogether fair and is reprinted below.

West Wednesday afternoon at 4:15 P. M. the M. H. soccer team played their last game of the season at Centre Hall. The game was replete with thrills from start to finish. Centre Hall was able to score one goal after a very violent scrimmage at the goal during the first half. It was the only score of the game. During the last half the M. H. S. boys, aided by the wind, bombarded the Centre Hall goal continuously, but the excellent defense kept us from scoring. Score: Centre Hall, 1; M. H. S., 0.

25 Millions for Wild Lands.

The proposed \$25,000,000 bond issue for the purchase of forest lands by the State is gaining favor in many quarters. The plan provides that not more than three millions of dollars will be expended in any one year. It is estimated that the loan will purchase a total of 3,500,000 acres. The measure will come before the people at the general election to be held next fall. It is claimed that by purchasing these forest lands posterity will be assured an ample timber supply. The water supply will be protected, cover furnished for the rapidly increasing wild life, as well as furnish the public permanent recreational lands.

Centre County Criminal Pardoned.

Among the applications for pardon at a recent meeting of the State Pardon Board held in Harrisburg, were three from Centre county, only one of which was granted. The granted was to George Harold Newman, committed for larceny. Newman was formerly a resident of Julian, but at the time he received his sentence was residing at Philipsburg. The application of Leslie W. Jacobs of Centre Hall, was denied, as was that of R. F. Riley, a convict who took "French leave" from Rockview and was sentenced in the local courts for the crime of breaking and escaping.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The Ladies Aid of the local M. E. church are delighted over the results of their recent bazaar, when over \$110 were realized.

About two inches of snow and sleet fell on Friday afternoon, and these conditions drove many of the hunters out of the mountains.

George S. Shook recently moved from near Spring Mills to his own farm, east of Aaronsburg, purchased from the Henry T. Zerby estate.

The heaviest hog killed in the lower Penns Valley section was recently slaughtered by A. M. Snook, of Millheim. The weight was 630 pounds.

Bond O. Musser, of Bellefonte, has been made manager of the Oriole store in Millheim. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Musser, of Millheim.

At the executor's sale of the Elias Breon property in Miles township, George Day, of Rebersburg, bought the home, west of Smulton, for \$1050.

The Northumberland county grand jury ignored a bill against Edward Drum, Sunbury merchant, charged with setting his store afire several weeks ago.

The manager of the Moose Temple Theatre, Leo J. Toner, has been quite ill during the past ten days. He has been suffering from asthma and a healing in his head.

The tenant on the Mrs. Alice Durst farm, at Earlytown, after April first will be C. H. Andrews of Julian. Harry Burris, the present tenant, will move to the Mrs. P. O. Bairfoot farm, west of Centre Hall.

At the public sale held by A. E. Kern the Kern homestead was bought by Fred H. Stover for \$550, and a tract of timberland was sold to George Wingard. The properties are located in Penn township, west of Coburn.

Rev. Francis Shunk Downs, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Tyrone, has accepted the secretaryship of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian church of the U. S. A. with headquarters in New York city.

Wednesday afternoon of last week, Dr. Longwell, assisted by Miss Ethel Campbell, state health nurse, gave the Schick test for diphtheria in his office in Centre Hall. A large number of children of school age and younger appeared for the test.

Dr. Walter J. Kurtz, of Howard, recently underwent a serious operation in a Philadelphia hospital, resulting in the removal of a tumor at the base of the brain. The physician was threatened with total blindness, the operation being the last resort.

Those who didn't kill one—a buck—almost as happy as those who did. They at least take the greatest pleasure in telling just how the footed little animal came round the circuit and when crossing an open place where only half of its form was exposed, met its doom.

George Goodhart had the good fortune the other day to kill two more wild ducks on Red Mill dam. The dam was pretty well frozen over, and when the number four shot only crippled the birds enough to prevent their flying. There was a lively scramble on the smooth ice with young Goodhart winning.

Detrich and Company, the third number on the local winter lyricum course, on last Friday evening, gave a delightful varied program in Grange hall, consisting of feats of magic, specialty music, readings, and a one-act playlet. A crowded house greeted the entertainers, and the jolly mood the audience expressed indicated complete satisfaction.

Rev. E. Roy Cosman, of Sunbury, "beat the brush" for several days last week in the Poters Mills and Tusseyville mountain districts with a party of day hunters. While he shot no buck, he got a thrill nevertheless in sighting a small black bear which no sooner appeared than it got back into a safety zone in the thickly matted brush of the mountain.

The following is reprinted from the Bellefonte Times: John Bitner, of Pottery Mills, and James Bitner and A. L. Sheffer, of Millroy, in company with the editor, spent part of Thanksgiving day grouse hunting. Two excellent bird dogs were used in the hunt, both dogs being trained by Mr. Bitner at Pottery Mills who is an authority on the handling and training of bird dogs.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Booser contemplate a trip to Chicago within the next ten days. While in that city they will be entertained by their son, Ralph C. Booser, who is connected with a large concern manufacturing and supplying electrical appliances. On their way west they will stop with a daughter, Mrs. Kline, wife of Dr. H. L. Kline in Youngstown, Ohio, where the chief attraction will be a grandson.

Within the recent past five families have been added to Centre Hall's population. Two of the families are made up of newlyweds and are Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Potter and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Nuttycombe; Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Lollich and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Strohecker and Mr. and Mrs. J. Elmer Royer and son, James, and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, make up the other three. Mr. Lollich and Mr. Nuttycombe are employed by the State Highway Department in a surveying corps.