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EDITORIAL

There is nothing much wrong with a national motto which says: 'Work, farm, serve or fight.'

If anybody had the idea that politics had been adjourned for the duration, it's time for another idea.

State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner's report of unemployment compensation paid during the period ending May 7, shows Bellefonte without a single claim. Apparently everybody is busy in our town.

Tokyo Broadcast in English: 'Don't forget, America—make sure that every flyer that comes here has a special pass to Hell, and rest assured it's strictly a one-way ticket.'

SOLDIERS GET LOTS OF MAIL

United States soldiers overseas receive over 20,000,000 pieces of mail a week, or an average of fourteen pieces per soldier. This is four times as much as the A. E. F. got at the peak of the World War.

DON'T BE CARELESS

A careless smoker in a forest area should be made to 'walk a plank'—at least at the moment. He is a charred plank, well burned through.

In the forest the careless smoker 'forgets' to crush out his cigarette or cigar; he casually taps burning pipe embers from his pipe; he fails to break his match stick or make sure it is not still smoldering before throwing it away, and he fails to drown his campfire and bury it before leaving the site.

The careless smoker thinks nothing of you or your forests, but you will be the wiser to think constantly of him.

TOBACCO CAN BE SENT TO PRISONERS

U. S. war prisoners and civilian internees held by Germany and Italy can receive cigarettes, cigars, smoking tobacco, or chewing tobacco sent by relatives and friends under a program worked out by several Government agencies and the American Red Cross.

RELIEVING FARM LABOR

Pennsylvania has just received one of the first consignments of conscientious objector dairy hands to be allotted in this country. Forty of these workers originally from mid-west farming areas have been placed on dairy farms in York and Susquehanna counties by the U. S. Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission.

The men were escorted from government work camps to the local county U. S. Employment offices by Reverend John H. Moseman of Akron, Ohio, assistant general director of the program.

Only twenty-five counties in the United States at present receive the services of these workers, with allotment to date to three counties in Pennsylvania, the other being Allegheny.

Compensation of the C. O.'s is paid at the rate of \$50 a month, but only \$15 a month may be retained by the worker. The remaining \$35 is turned over by the farmer-employer to Washington where it is held in escrow for the duration.

Some slight degree of brightening of general farm labor conditions in the state was reported from a state headquarters of the U. S. Employment Service in Harrisburg. This is partially attributed to the recent changes in Selective Service regulations which are beginning to make themselves felt.

A call to farmers throughout the state to register both general and harvest labor needs with their local employment offices was made by state headquarters.

LOUISA'S LETTER

Two letters from North Carolina are in the mail today. One is from a woman of 58, who says she has worked hard and helped her husband rear five children.

Well, I must say she is in a tough spot. A woman of that age should be able to settle down in peace and contentment to enjoy her old age.

I don't think any woman is called upon to endure what you are going through with and I see no reason why you shouldn't take a defense job if you will be happier doing so.

I don't advise women to leave these small children all day in order to do war work. Of course if they have no one to make a living for them, there is no choice, but at least they can find some responsible relative or friend to look after them while they are away from home.

The second letter is from a girl who has met a soldier who has asked her to marry him. I have written in this column before my ideas about marrying people you have known only a short time.

To Lonesome:

I do think it is alright for a sixteen-year-old girl to have a date once a week, provided your date is not too much older than you—that he is a nice fellow, that you know how to behave yourself, that you do not go to any questionable places, and that you come home at a reasonable hour.

\$25,487 PAID TO THE NEEDY DURING MONTH OF APRIL

In the twenty counties of North-eastern Pennsylvania comprising Region No. 4 of the State Treasury, Scranton, \$777,645.80 in Special Assistance was disbursed to persons receiving Aged and Blind Pensions and for Aid to Dependent Children during the month of April, according to G. Harold Wagner, State Treasurer.

During the week just closed direct relief payments in Centre county aggregated \$521.10. Payments for the previous week totalled \$468.30, according to Mr. Wagner.

KEYSTONE DAIRY HERD IS WORLD'S CHAMPION

A herd that has been among the leaders in the dairy herd improvement association, supervised by the Pennsylvania State College dairy extension service, recently won the world's championship in butterfat production.

Sixteen registered Holsteins are in the honored herd, owned by Lewis A. Zimmerman, of Lehighton.

The per cow average for the official herd test year recently completed is 731.9 pounds of butterfat from 19,983 pounds of milk, made on a three-times-a-day milking schedule. This exceeds by 21 pounds the former record held by the registered Holstein herd at Morning-side Hospital, Portland, Oregon.

Political Announcements

FOR COMMISSIONER To The Republican Voters of Centre County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the commission for the office of Commissioner of Centre County, subject to the rules governing the Republican Party at its Primary Election, September 14, 1943.

O. P. MCCOIRD, Rush Township, Phillipsburg, Pa.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER To The Democratic Voters of Centre County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Treasurer of Centre County, subject to the rules governing the Democratic Party at the Primary election to be held Tuesday, September 14, 1943.

S. H. 'SAM' POORMAN, Bellefonte, Pa.

FOR COUNTY AUDITOR To The Democratic Voters of Centre County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Auditor of Centre County, subject to the rules governing the Democratic Party at the Primary election to be held Tuesday, September 14, 1943.

J. VICTOR BRUNGART, Rebersburg, Pa.

Advertisement for 'We Now Know' featuring illustrations of a woman and a man, and text about food preservation methods like pickling and canning.

Query & Answer Column

B. F. E.—Who were the three brothers who served in Congress the same time? Ans.—They were Cadwallader C. Washburn of Wisconsin, from 1855 to 1861 and from 1867 to 1871; Israel Washburn, Jr., of Maine, from 1851 to 1861; and Elihu Benjamin Washburn of Illinois, from 1853 to 1869.

F. R. S.—What was the nature of the device patented by Sister Kenny? Ans.—Out of her experience in the first World War, Sister Kenny invented and patented a "transport stretcher" and a device to stabilize a wounded body in transport.

H. T. E.—Why is President Roosevelt the 32nd President when only 31 have held this office? Ans.—This is due to the fact that Grover Cleveland was both the 22nd and 24th President. His two terms of office were separated by that of Benjamin Harrison.

T. E.—When does the pay of an enlisted man in the Army commence? Ans.—The War Department says that the pay of an enlisted man in the Army does not begin until he is called to active duty after the expiration of his seven days' furlough.

L. B. F.—Had Adolph Hitler a sense of humor? Ans.—He likes jokes on other people but not on himself. A widely quoted story concerns a new balcony that was built on the side of the chancellery. Some one suggested that its strength be tested, but Hitler replied: "That isn't necessary. Goering was just out there in full uniform with all his medals on."

F. B. Y.—Is the backbone of a camel curved or straight? Ans.—The camel's backbone is not curved upward as is often supposed, but is straight.

B. Q.—When was cheese first made in this country? Ans.—Cheese was first made in the United States by women in the farm homes of the early settlers. The cheese, which was similar to English Cheddar, later became known as "American" cheese. Jesse Williams started the first cheese factory in Oneida County, New York, in 1851.

C. B.—What forms of entertainment are most popular in the United States? Ans.—A recent survey showed that the favorite forms of entertainment of the American people in their order are: listening to the radio; attending movies; reading books, magazines, and newspapers; and attendance at sports events.

H. S.—What was the number of highways which radiated from ancient Rome? Ans.—At the height of Rome's power, no less than 20 great roads entered the city.

P. D. E.—Please give the origin of the expression "hermetically sealed." Ans.—Alchemy was said to be founded by the Egyptian god Hermes, reputed inventor of the arts and sciences. Some time later alchemists called their work the hermetic art, and the seal of Hermes is the origin of the common phrase.

M. S.—What is the name of the desert plant that is used to make fences? Ans.—The ocotillo. The stems are often cut and fastened to make a fence and when the rains come they take root and begin to grow.

A. B. S.—What countries have joined the United Nations since the original twenty-six signed the declaration on January 1, 1942? Ans.—Since that time the following nations have signed: Philippine Islands, June 14, 1942; Ethiopia, October 9, 1942; Iraq, January 16, 1943; Brazil, March 3, 1943; Mexico, June 13, 1942.

W. W. H.—Are streamlined trains made of steel? Ans.—Most streamlined trains are made of alloys lighter than steel.

R. J. F.—What kind of beard is an imperial? Ans.—A tuft of hair on the chin with all the rest of the beard and whiskers shaven off is called an imperial because the Emperor Napoleon III set that fashion.

W. R.—What is the "Palmetto" state? Ans.—South Carolina.

P. G.—The first steam locomotive train run made in the United States occurred in 1831. What was the route? Ans.—From Albany to Schenectady, N. Y.

F. M.—Can a divorced wife obtain an allowance from her former husband in uniform, under the Servicemen's Dependents Allowance Act of 1942? Ans.—Yes, provided she has not remarried and a court has decreed her alimony still payable.

S. T.—How old is West Point? Ans.—The military academy was established in 1802.

L. K.—What is an amalgam? Ans.—A combination of mercury with some other metal. Mercury forms the amalgam by mere contact, such as applying a drop to a gold ring.

Painting Shingles Shingles may be either stained or painted. Although ordinary house paints are satisfactory for shingles, lined oil paints should not be applied to cross-grained shingles. An ordinary iron oxide paint, which can be obtained in various dull reds and browns, is both inexpensive and durable.

Politielians are necessary in a country which permits the people to go to the polls.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

WHY QUININE IS ONLY SOLD TO TREAT MALARIA—No. 2 "The Victor News," a publication for physicians, says, "With our men fighting in malaria-infested tropics, anti-malaria supplies are of vital importance. The periodic fever is not only a serious disease, but dangerously affects combat strength."

Next to malaria, jaundice is our most dangerous enemy. The writer lived among the people of Japan for three years, and spoke the language. They consider it an honor to die for their god, the emperor. They can live on next to nothing, and thrive. They are hardy, determined and ruthless.

Madame Chiang-Kai-shek is pleading that we send help to China in order that she may be able to possess Asia and the islands of the Pacific. She will own all the raw materials that she needs, and we will never be safe again.

Remember that in most cases of malaria, twenty grains a day, for five to seven days, is enough to relieve the attack. If the patient should have a relapse, or become re-infected, repeat the treatment. The dosage for children is given according to their age and weight. At the first symptom, begin treatment at once, check the attack and conserve quinine for our boys at the front.

YOUR HEALTH

If anyone serves them—duck the duck eggs. There are two ducky reasons for this advice. In the first place, duck eggs have a flavor that is not attractive.

The unpleasant flavor of duck eggs has a way of remaining with the eater for some time, annoying him exceedingly.

Food laws in Germany now require that duck eggs must never be served as food unless they are baked or boiled at oven temperature for fully 10 minutes.

Such heat kills the germs of enteritis. Exactly how duck eggs become infected is not known.

Ducks' habit of routing about in mud and garbage probably is responsible.

Food poisoning germs sometimes flourish in rats and mice and sometimes in cattle, as well as in ducks. Cook a duck's egg a long time—this will kill the bacillus that causes enteritis.

DO YOU KNOW Prices of opium and heroin are fantastically high in the illicit trade. A seven and one-half ounce can of opium brought \$650 in British Columbia and heroin in one-fourth grain tablets has been selling for \$4 each—giving this drug a value of only a little less than \$7,000 an ounce.

Board in Quandary. The Sellingsgrove school board is unable to find a deed for the Isle of Que school property, which it had planned to sell, and until the record can be "cleared so that a good title can be given, is unable to make a sale.

Rich Red Blood. If your system is lacking in blood-building material, and if you feel run down, below par, from nutritional anemia, take Luebber's Iron Tonic Tablets.

Private Harvey Horton learns first-hand where that good Army chow comes from. As a guest of the N. C. Stiles farm family, he eats a bountiful dinner, and praises the patriotic spirit of American Farmers—forgers of that fall-important War Weapon—FOOD.

Advertisement for 'The Office Cat' featuring an illustration of a cat and the text 'A Little Nonsense Now and Then. Is Relished by the Wisest Men.'

Here and Gone I signed a note for an old time pal For friendship is dear to me Now here I am and here is the note, But where in the hell is he?

Lost Labor She was on her way home from a first aid course when she saw a man lying prone in the middle of the sidewalk. His face was cradled in one arm; the other arm was twisted under him in a peculiar position. Without a moment's hesitation she got down on her knees and went to work.

Lady said the victim after a few moments, "I don't know what you're doing, but I wish you'd quit tickling me. I'm trying to hold a lantern for this fellow down in the manhole."

Heavy Ballast Ratus, on board the transport, has just been issued his first pair of hobnails. "One thing sure," he ruminated, "if Ah falls ovanboard, Ah suttinly goes down at 'Tenshun'."

Surprised Patron—"Two mistakes here, waiter, one in your favor, one in mine." Waiter—"In YOUR favor, sir. Where?"

Couldn't Be Done Sam—"Who was dat lady I seen you wit last night?" Moose—"Boy, you never seen me, nor nobody, outwit dat gal."

Clever Strategy Little Joe—"Tell me, Sarge, what does dey mean by a strategick withdrawal?" Big Six—"In dis heah army, rookle a strategick withdrawal is pullin' out of a crap game when you's wannah."

Something Like That "Is the prince incognito?" asked the reporter, referring to one of the swank hotel's titled guests. "Well, I don't know as I'd say that," replied the elevator man, "but he certainly has had a few."

Bluff Called "I want to die with my boots on," boasted the gent. And the redhead purred, "Well, put 'em on. Here comes my husband."

Honorary Degree Although never officially married, a Negro woman in Mobile, Alabama, was the proud mother of five children and a staunch supporter of her church. When finally she lay on her deathbed, church members felt called upon to show some special recognition of her many years of service.

So That's It Customer—"My goodness, eggs are high." Grocer—"Sure, part of the war program." Customer—"How?" Grocer—"All the hens are making shells."

Wrong Meaning The Preacher—"I had a very enjoyable trip to the Adirondacks. The first day I shot two ducks." Sport—(absently)—"Win anything, parson?"

How Thrilling A young ensign in town for a brief spree was taken by a devoted aunt to a luncheon at a tea shoppe which includes palmistry with the 75 cent special. The gypsy lady took the aunt first, and foresaw the conventional dark man and journey across water. Then she seized the reluctant ensign's hand and peered into his future.

Enough Trouble "Hey you, where are you going? Pull over to the curb," said a traffic officer to a timid driver who, obeying directions from the back seat, had entered the wrong end of a one-way street. Immediately a woman in the rear seat chimed in: "That's right, officer. He's been speeding all day, and I knew he'd be arrested. It just serves him right."

No Fooling Sentry—"Who goes there?" Major—"Major Jones." Sentry—"I can't let you proceed without the password, sir." Major—"Drat it, man. I've forgotten it. You know me well enough." Sentry—"Must have the password." Voice from the Guardhouse—"Don't stand there arguing all night; shoot 'im."

So She Can What can a woman do that a chicken cannot? Answer: Lay an egg on a hot stove without burning her feet.

That's all, folks. Every heel needs a sock. —SCAT—

Advertisement for 'Here's Why We Have the "Best-Fed" Army' featuring an illustration of soldiers and text about the importance of food and Luebber's Iron Tonic Tablets.