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MONDAY EVENING, JULY 26.

Never deliberate about what is clearly wrong, and try to persuade yourself that it is not.—Frederick Temple.

GRADE CROSSINGS

FROM the standpoint of public safety, the determination of the Public Service Commission to first safeguard, and finally abolish all grade crossings in Pennsylvania is the most important step that body has ever taken.

The grade crossing is a constant menace to people who find it necessary to use it. As Chairman Ainey, of the Commission, says, courts and the legislatures have condemned it and the Commission is right in assuming that the law places upon it the duty of riding the State of a peril that in the first place should never have been permitted to come into being.

Secretary Daniels is said to be delaying work on the naval program for the next Congress in the hope that he may secure from belligerent operations in Europe some useful suggestions.

THAT DEFENSE PROGRAM

IT is intimated in Washington that President Wilson has under consideration a national defense program which will call for a navy "on an equality with the most efficient" and an army reserve of "at least 500,000 men and perhaps more."

FACTS ABOUT FLAX

FARMERS' BULLETIN, No. 669, of the United States Department of Agriculture says that "it has been demonstrated beyond all doubt that fiber flax of excellent quality can be grown in various sections of the United States."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AS TO THE JITNEYS
To the Editor of the Telegraph: Correspondent of the Telegraph writes as follows regarding the jitney development in the transportation service:

also is good as far as it goes, but it is too small. It totally lacks a reserve force and most of the time it is insufficiently supplied.

Right here is where the duty of President Wilson and the party in power lies. Public opinion will support them in the complete wiping out of useless navy yards and army posts.

TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE

—Mr. Bryan is harping again on his theory that the editorial should bear the name of the writer. Let's see. As editor of the Commoner that ought to get the ex-secretary into print at least six more times each week.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

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By Wing Dagger
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Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

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SUMMER SCENES IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA



"THE REAL THING."

(Courtesy Eastman Kodak Company.)

IN THE WAR'S VAST ARENA

Moscow, the Most Russian of Russian Cities—Its Kremlin and Its Mighty Bell.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 26.—Deep in the heart of European Russia, more than 700 miles from the German frontier, guarded over the intervening space by lake country, marshes and innumerable riverways, always certain of reinforcement by the bleakest of winter weather, with its heavy, blinding drift of snow, is Moscow, the old capital of Russia.

Irregularly built, the intricate and uncommonly involved plan of this mighty city adds to its charm and acquaintance. Its streets are one of its most trying experiences to the foreigner, mostly badly paved and filled with "trains," as the cab drivers call the sharp projecting stones over which their ancient droshkies lurch.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Ordered to Washington

Lieutenant B. C. Cook, in command of the Fifth Company, Veteran Reserve Corps, has been ordered from this city to Washington.

Soldier Killed

Samuel Bortz, a corporal in Company A, First Pennsylvania Artillery, was almost instantly killed when he walked in his sleep last night and fell from the balcony on the third story of Orsinger's Hotel.

Bank Cashier Commits Suicide

William M. Beeman, cashier of the Carlisle Deposit Bank, committed suicide early this morning by hanging himself in the garret of his home.

Idiotic

Lays evil on woman's dress.—Headline of course, of woman. The evil comes and the blame stays with woman.

General Botha Controls All South Africa



GEN. LOUIS BOTHA

Pretoria, July 26.—General Louis Botha, commander of the British forces in South Africa, is in control of the entire southeastern section, having accepted the surrender of all the German forces. Hostilities have ceased, it was announced.

Evening Chat

Sunday afternoon has become the gala day for canoeists and swimmers on the Susquehanna. Yesterday afternoon and last evening the boat liveries along the river were almost empty and the sunbathers who own the pretty water craft of Indian design were to be seen idling about the pretty islands that dot the stream from the dam to Rely street.

The biggest crowds gather of a Sunday afternoon, perhaps, on Independence Island, where hundreds of men, women and youngsters splash away in the cooling waters. Many a man and woman who are toll-bound throughout the week find Sabbath Day afternoon the one time when they can be kids again and enjoy the pleasure of the old swimming hole de luxe.

With the big yellow moon that is shining in the evening sky, it is probably more popular than any time during the summer, since the water has fallen to a safe depth again. There is really only one annoyance found by the canoeists nowadays—the mesquite.

While the average citizen who goes to Reservoir Park to swim or play prefers to listen from one of the benches close to the bandstand, there are those who believe the slopes and terraces beyond the bandstand building offers a better place; some even trail all the way out to Oak Knob, where, even though it be faint, the music can be easily heard.

The wings of the chute was broken by the recent freshets and water from the pool is rushing cross-wise into it. The dam backs water for several miles above Clark's Ferry and has added much to the attractiveness of Inglenook as a summer resort.

Local canoeists who usually shoot the chutes on their way down the river for the annual regatta and picnic have been warned that it is extremely dangerous, as long spikes and part of the flooring protrude through the water to near the surface.

One particular brand of prize apples, the pride of a nearby fruit grower, will be on the market at the annual meeting of the State Horticultural Society during Fall. These apples have been the subject of much favorable comment for many seasons.

Two weeks ago the owner found two small trees which were the result of insects. The fruit from the trees was never very valuable. The owner told the colored man to cut them down and be careful he did not injure the trunk of the tree near which bore the prize apples.

DO YOU KNOW

That the Elliott-Fisher Type-writer Company was one of the first industries in the country to inaugurate the "efficiency vacation" plan?

FINANCING AMERICAN TRADE

[From the New York Sun.] Our bankers are reaching out in the right direction for realization of the commercial opportunity of the war. In all likelihood the loan just negotiated for the Canadian Government, in which the American money is to start with one and two year notes which may be converted into twenty-year bonds, is but the beginning of extensions of large credits to foreign countries.

CITY WITH A FUTURE FAVORED

[From the St. Louis Republic.] The average man is not ambitious to cast in his lot with a city that is tired and old. He would prefer to live in a city that is growing and young.

CIVIC CLUB

Fly Contest
June 1 to July 31
5 Cents a Pint
Prizes of \$5, \$2.50 and several \$1.00 ones
duplicated by Mr. Ben Strouse