



GAIN OF 15,000 REPORTED BY STATE C. E. OFFICERS; JUNIOR CONVENTION OPENS

Annual Reports Submitted at Session in Chestnut Street Hall, Show All Departments Growing Steadily; Delegates Meet in Various Churches For Discussion of Various Phases of Work

SECTIONAL MEETING DURING MORNING

Leaders of Many Lines of Christian Thought and Activity Address Workers; Registration Now Close to 4,000

Christian Endeavor in Pennsylvania has had a steady and remarkable growth the last two years, according to the report of H. B. Macropy, of Pittsburgh, state secretary of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union, made at the morning session of the State convention in Chestnut Street Auditorium this morning. Reviewing the work of the State union since 1914, the secretary says: "In spite of the faithful effort of our officers we lost ground during the period we were without an active field worker and we have learned that to hold our own and make progress it can only be by efficient field work. We now carry on our books upward of 2,650 young people's societies, with probably 2,300 actually working and dependable. The junior and intermediate departments will be reported by their superintendents. "Progress has been made during the term just closed. Many new unions and societies have been organized and the field is one of almost unlimited possibilities. "Since the Uniontown convention eight county unions have been organized or reorganized where no work had been done for a considerable time. They are Somerset, York, Lackawanna, Juniata, Lawrence, Fulton, Clearfield and Bedford counties. Also nineteen local unions, viz: Tyrone and Bellwood, Blair county; Fourth and Seventh districts, Butler county; Nanticoke and Hazleton, Luzerne county; Ashland and Pine Grove, Schuylkill county; Greensburg and New Kensington, Westmoreland county; North Cambria, Cambria county; Chambersburg, Franklin county; Greenville, Mercer county; Burnham, Mifflin county; East Sullivan, Sullivan county; Ten Mile, Washington county; Oil City, Venango county; West Greene, Greene county; North Sharpsburg, Allegheny county. "Four hundred and eight new or reorganized societies have been reported—242 young peoples', 48 intermediate and 18 junior. No unions have been lost during the period of this report, and only a few societies disbanded. Cards have been removed of societies which have been carried but which were inactive for years. The increase of membership through new societies would probably reach 15,000 and fully 10,000 more have come into our ranks to fill the vacancies made by large numbers who have entered other departments of the church and those who have gone out for other causes. It has been found that 20 per cent of our members go out each year and are replaced by new material. It would appear, then, by a very conservative estimate, we have not less than 25,000 new comrades in the ranks since our last convention. Few realize the task of training such an army of recruits. "Secretary Macropy reported that 20 denominations are now represented in the State union, the Presbyterians leading with 75 societies and the Lutherans second with 315. The other denominations are: United Evan-

ENDEAVORERS PROMINENT IN TODAY'S SESSION



H. K. BRAGDON

Chairman State Finance Committee of Pittsburgh



MISS GRACE D. REIMER

State Missionary Superintendent, Easton



L. WALTER LUTZ

State Vice-President, former U. S. Pastor of West Fairview, now of Chambersburg



REV. STANLEY B. VANDERSALL

General Secretary Ohio State Union of Columbus, Ohio

DRAG RIVER FOR 2 DROWNED MEN

John H. Paine and E. J. Fuhrman, Railroad Men, Victims of Upset

Rivermen continued to drag the Susquehanna to-day along the dam near the West Shore where two men were drowned shortly before noon yesterday. Until a late hour this afternoon the bodies were not recovered. The two men are believed to be John H. Paine, engineer on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway, of 1843 Park street, and E. J. Fuhrman, his fireman, rooming at 1255 Mulberry street, who went fishing yesterday morning. At a late hour to-day they had not returned. Mr. Paine is about 40 years old. Last night he was called but had not returned to go out on his run. His family includes his wife and four children.

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WIFE MURDERER EXPECTED TO DIE

John O. Christley Puts Bullet in Own Brain After Slaying Woman

John O. Christley, aged 44, a railway postal clerk, 353 South Thirteenth street, who shot and killed his wife, Annie, aged 35, yesterday afternoon, and then sent a bullet into his own head, is in the Harrisburg Hospital in a critical condition, according to the physicians, who have small hopes for his recovery. City and county authorities will not act until Christley recovers or dies. Coroner Eckinger to-day stated that should Christley recover, an inquest will be held and action taken following the finding of the jury. In case of Christley's death an inquest will be necessary, he said. The shooting occurred at 5:15

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WILDWOOD LAKE TO HAVE RIVAL

Old Ice Dam at Paxtang to Be Extended For Boating, Skating and Swimming

Wildwood lake is due to have a rival as a city boating, skating, fishing and possibly swimming pond, if the park department's plans for the future of the old Paxtang ice dam along the new parkway drive can be materialized. The dam which skirts the recently opened drive north of Derry street had been used for years and years as an ice dam by Moyer brothers. Many a swimmer, young and not so young, took a chance in its cooling waters of a summer's day; scores of folks have skated there. And now the park officials plan to raise the height of the breast of the obstruction in such a way as to push the water several hundred feet further up the tiny valley, so that the low swampy ground may be covered. The scheme is similar to what had been tried successfully in Wildwood lake and if the park department can find the funds this summer, the job may be completed before Fall. At present to the north of the lake the ground is marshy and is an excellent breeding place for cat-o-nine-tails and mosquitoes. By raising the breast of the dam the park authorities expect to kill several birds with the same stone as it were—cover the low, marshy stretch of ground, and at the same time provide additional boating and skating facilities—within nickel carfare of the city.

SCHWAB TO SPEND \$15,000,000 HERE

Charles M. Schwab Following Inspection Trip Tells of Expansion

Following an inspection of the recently acquired plant of the Pennsylvania Steel Company at Steelton, yesterday, Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the board of directors of the Bethlehem Steel Company announced at Harrisburg last evening that expenditures for improvements at Steelton would amount to about \$15,000,000

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TO RAISE REGIMENT OF FIERY RED-HEADED MEN

Uniontown, Pa., July 12.—Announcement was made last night by Chauncey D. Harader, of Uniontown, and Harold H. Baer, of Brownville, that they have taken steps toward the formation of a volunteer regiment of soldiers in the Twenty-third Congressional district to be composed exclusively of red-headed men. Both Harader and Baer are "red heads" and they have sent word to every town in the district that persons desiring to recruit in the regiment must be able to pass the United States Army regulations and possess good heads of red hair. The two men have written to the War Department at Washington asking for official sanction for their novel scheme.

GERMANS ENT BRITISH LINES IN HARD DRIVES

Gain Foothold at Mametz and Trones Woods With Aid of Strong Reinforcements

TAKE VERDUN BATTERY OTHER LINER COMING Shell-Riddled Damloup Captured; Austrians Are Pushed Back by Italians

German resistance to the British offensive along the Somme front took the form last night of strong counter attacks which at two points made dents in the new lines established by General Sir Douglas Haig's army. Heavily reinforced the Germans made a determined drive at the British front. According to the British official account of the fighting all the attacks were futile except those directed at Mametz and Trones woods in the Montauban sector of the British right when some ground was gained by the German columns.

Capture Verdun Battery There has been notable activity developed in the Verdun sector. The Crown Prince's troops after their success yesterday in Fumin Wood and at the Damloup battery, where they gained a footing struck at the French in the vicinity of eDad Man Hill, west of the Meuse. The attacks there were repulsed.

Austrians Pushed Back The Italian offensive has been pushed recently not only in the Trentino where the Austrians have been driven back long distances from their furthest points of advance, but also in the Isonzo where Gorizia is the objective. In the face of this latter movement the Austrians, according to an unconfirmed report through Paris, are said to have evacuated Tolmino and twenty miles north of Gorizia.

Berlin announces a raid by two German aeroplanes on the English channel port of Calais Monday night.

Elks Partake of Crab Feast After Electing

Baltimore, Md., July 12.—An excursion to Love Point, on Chesapeake Bay, to partake of a crab feast there was the big event on the program of entertainment for the visiting Elks and their friends at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the order. Five steamboats were chartered to accompany the Elks and their friends to the piers early in the morning. The Grand Lodge delegates continued their business session until 11 o'clock to clear up the day's schedule in time to take the last boat for the scene of the festivity.

Officers Elected Edward O. Richter, of New Orleans, was yesterday elected Grand Master of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks over Lloyd Maxwell, of Philadelphia. The contest was declared by old-timers among the delegates to have been the hottest in the history of the organization. Boston was selected for next year's convention. The other officers elected follow: Esteemed leading knight, Morris O'Dell, Camden, N. J. Esteemed loyal knight, E. R. Ingersoll, New York. Esteemed lecturing knight, James M. Stanley, Oakland, Cal. Secretary, Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Ia. Grand treasurer, Charles A. White, Chicago. Grand tyler, Oliver Black, Oklahoma City. Grand trustee, George Locke, Rogers, Ark.

Sixth Goes in Swimming as in Garden of Eden

Sharon, Pa., July 12.—Stoneboro, a summer resort located on Sandy Lake, was afflicted with blindness for an hour yesterday. The Sixth Regiment passed through Stoneboro en route to the southern border. The train was due for an hour's layover. Advance word was that the soldiers loved their abutions, but lacked the bathing suits. The town authorities were called upon. They couldn't find enough "one-pieces," so they rang the fire bell, and when the natives and summer boarders assembled explained that the soldiers wanted to bathe.

It was thereupon decreed that for the time the soldiers were in town all the fair sex should secret themselves—and there was to be no peeping. "O, my love, won't you please pull down the curtains," sang the soldiers as they detoured. Not a blind opened. The boys made for the sandy beach and were disporting themselves in the water.

CLAIM GREEN TRUST FUND

Baltimore, Md., July 12.—A part of Mrs. Hetty Green's fortune may be distributed among twenty-five persons in this city if a claim they are preparing to make can be established. It is alleged that \$1,500,000 was left in trust to Mrs. Green many years ago by her aunt, Sylvia Ann Howland. The heirs were to be used by Mrs. Green during her lifetime and at her death the original fund was to revert to the heirs of the children of Gideon Howland, a New England capitalist, who was born in Dartmouth, Mass., in 1734, and who died in 1825. The local heirs represent the sixth generation removed from Gideon Howland, although some are of a generation closer than the sixth. They include Mrs. Virginia Valiant, Miss Annie Culmer, Mrs. Naomi Piddicord, Mrs. James Spring, a temporary resident of Norfolk, Va., and the Rev. L. A. Thirkield.

U-BOAT ENTITLED TO ALL PRIVILEGES OF MERCHANTMEN

Deutschland Preparing to Return With Cargo of Nickel and Rubber

Will Bring Chemicals and Medicines Here; Take Essential Foodstuffs Back

Baltimore, Md., July 12.—Feeling secure in their belief that the State Department at Washington will sustain the findings of the Treasury and Navy officials that the Deutschland is a merchant ship and therefore entitled to all the privileges due to a belligerent-owned freighter, under international law, the agents of the super-submersible to-day went ahead with their plans for disposing of the vessel's cargo and preparations for the return voyage.

It is known that the Deutschland will take aboard a cargo of rubber and nickel, and her captain, in his declaration to the local customs officers said he expected to sail "within ten days." Already there is discussion concerning the return cargoes, for other underwater liners which are expected to follow the Deutschland to American

First Penna. Cavalry Arrives at El Paso

El Paso, Texas, July 12.—Pennsylvania's crack First Cavalry Regiment, composed of wealthy Philadelphians and the famous Governor's Troop, of Harrisburg, arrived here late yesterday.

SECOND SECTION OF TRAIN CARRYING TROOPERS ARRIVES

Philadelphia, July 12.—An interesting telegram received by Major John C. Grovum, head of the State Police, yesterday from Captain J. Franklin McCadden, commanding the second section of the cavalry regimental train taking the Philadelphia to El Paso, would indicate that they are now in El Paso. The telegram follows: Liberal, Kan., July 10, 1916. Arrived here 4 p. m. Monday troops exceedingly comfortable. Weather pleasant, nights cool. Railroad officials doing all they can. No complaints of any kind. Two stops for exercise to-day. Due El Paso Tuesday morning.

THREE WARSHIPS AT VERA CRUZ

Vera Cruz, July 12.—The United States warships Nebraska, Chester and Salem, with the transport Hancock and the collier Vulcan, were lying outside the harbor of Vera Cruz last night. The Hancock is expected to leave here soon for the United States with refugees.

Street Rules For Bathing May Be Much Modified

Atlantic City, N. J., July 12.—No more will there be one code of ethics for the outside of the Boardwalk and another for the inside. The famous mackintosh law, compelling bathers to wear outer garments to and from the beach, is to be repealed.

September Morn Bath Leads to Reformatory

Uniontown, Pa., July 12.—Miss Leona Franks, of Masontown, was brought into court before Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen yesterday. "She is charged with open lewdness, your Honor," said District Attorney Morrow. "What have you to say?" asked the judge.

ENTERTAIN CAVALRY OFFICERS

Colonel John P. Wood and the officers of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry, United States National Guard, including Captain George C. Jack, Lieutenant Edwin A. Nicodemus and Lieutenant George W. H. Roberts, of the Governor's Troop, now Troop C, First Cavalry, were royally entertained by Moberly Lodge of Elks, No. 936, at Moberly, Mo. All members of the troop are reported in excellent health and have had a pleasant journey.

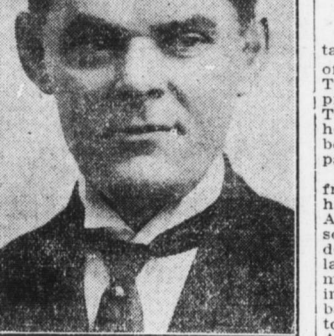
HOTTEST DAY OF YEAR

Hottest day this year! So announced the weather man at 1 o'clock this afternoon after a climb to the top of the Federal building, where the official thermometer registered 91 degrees. The former record was set July 8, when 90 degrees was reached. The warm weather will continue. The record for July is 101 degrees. It was made on July 3, 1893.

KEYSTONE STATE FAIR PROJECT IS FULLY EXPLAINED

Speakers From This and Other States Outline Plans to Chamber of Commerce

Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce officers and other prominent citizens met at luncheon at the Harrisburg Club yesterday officers of the Keystone State Fair and Industrial Exposition Company and a number of distinguished visitors who came to discuss with them the advantages of a State fair for Harrisburg. Much enthusiasm was displayed by the speakers in behalf of the new enterprise, which is now in process of development near Harrisburg, and at its conclusion it was decided that a committee from the Chamber of Commerce should keep in touch with the officers of the company so as to be apprised of the progress of the work. W. J. Stewart, originator



A. P. SANDLES Democratic Candidate for Governor in Ohio and Agricultural Authority-Tells of State Fair Possibilities

HARRISBURG SHRINER PROSTRATED BY HEAT

Buffalo, N. Y., July 12.—Edward Snyder, aged 46, Shriner from Harrisburg, while watching Shriners parade shortly after noon Tuesday was prostrated by excessive heat and was hurried to the Buffalo Emergency Hospital. His condition is not considered serious and he will be able to leave the hospital Thursday unless he suffers a relapse.

TOLMIN EVACUATED

Paris, July 12.—According to a dispatch to the Journal from the Italian front, the Austrians appear to have evacuated Tolmin. The correspondent says that the activity of the Austrians in that region is felt less and less.

SCHWAB ANNOUNCES \$3,000,000 PROGRAM

Baltimore, Md., July 12.—Standing in his shirt sleeves and talking with that entire abandon that has made him one of the most Democratic big men in America, Charles M. Schwab, the steel magnate, announced to-day that the Bethlehem Steel Company is planning to spend between thirty million and forty million dollars in improving the properties of the old Maryland Steel Company, at Sparrow's Point, but which is now known as the Maryland plant of the parent company. Mr. Schwab said, "We are going to spend between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000. It is our purpose to make the Maryland department the largest ship-building plant in the United States. We have already begun work on the tin plate plant. We are also planning to build four more blast furnaces."

MEXICAN REPORT BLAMES BOYD

Dallas, Tex., July 12.—In the Mexican official report of the Carrizal fight, published in El Pueblo, an official organ, Lieutenant Colonel Genovevo Rivas places the blame for the engagement upon Captain Charles T. Boyd.

RAILROAD AIDS FAMILIES

Philadelphia, July 12.—The directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to-day set aside \$100,000 to be used for the relief of the families or other dependents of employees who have enlisted in the army or navy through the National Guard or otherwise and who have been called into active service.

WOULD FEED MEXICANS

Washington, July 12.—A bill to appropriate \$2,000,000 for relief of destitute Mexicans by providing them with food and clothing to be expended by the War Department under the direction of the Secretary of State, was introduced to-day by Representative Randall, of California.

LASSAN PEAK IN ERUPTION

Redding, Cal., July 12.—Lassan Peak is again in eruption. A great column of smoke and powdered ashes is hovering over the mountain at an altitude of ten thousand feet according to reports received to-day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edward Wesley Kennedy and Orange Butler, city. Charles Horting McGowan and Myrtle Gertrude Bonsall, Millerstown.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued warm to-night and Thursday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, continued warm to-night and Thursday; moderate south and southwest winds.

River The Susquehanna river and all its tributaries will probably be in flood stationary. A stage of about 4.2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions A wide front of relatively low pressure extends from Texas and New Mexico northward into the St. Lawrence valley, separating low to areas of high pressure, one central over the South Atlantic States, the other over the Rocky Mountains. It is 4 to 10 degrees cooler generally in the Northern Plains States, the Rocky Mountains and in the Canadian provinces, Alberta and British Columbia.

Temperature: 8 a. m. 76. Moon: Full moon, July 14, 6:33 p. m. River stage: 4.4 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 85. Lowest temperature, 72. Mean temperature, 79. Normal temperature, 74.



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