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CITY PASSES ITS GOAL IN RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

Workers Turn in \$137,406.22 For Harrisburg's Share of Nation's Fund

WOMEN TAKE HONORS

Contributions Are Given by Persons in All Walks of Life

Ordinarily Harrisburg hits the bulleye. But when it comes to a campaign for funds for meritorious purposes Harrisburg shoots over the target. For example in the Red Cross campaign:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Harrisburg's assessment (\$100,000), actual amount raised (\$137,406.22), and various division contributions.

Previously reported... \$30,182 97

Total for Harrisburg... \$126,922 12

Auxiliary towns to-day, 10,484 10

\$137,406 22

Collections By Teams To-day

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Lists various individuals and their contributions.

Auxiliary Town Totals

Table with 2 columns: Town Name and Amount. Lists various towns and their contributions to the Red Cross campaign.

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SHOWERS NEXT WEEK

Washington, June 23.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Sunday, issued by the weather bureau to-day follow: Middle Atlantic States: War weather first half and lower temperature second half of week, occasional local showers and thunder storms probable.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled weather, probably showers and thunderstorms to-night and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Probably showers and thunderstorms to-night and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

The main river will rise except the upper part when the tributaries will probably fall, except the lower part when a result of heavy showers; a stage of about 3.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

General Conditions: Scattered showers, mostly light, fell in the upper Ohio Valley, in New York and Central Pennsylvania, and in the western Canadian provinces; no decided changes have occurred in the temperature since last report.

It is somewhat cooler over a part of the lake region, the southern Rocky Mountain region and in western Canada; over the greater part of the remainder of the country slightly higher temperatures are generally reported.

Temperature, 6 a. m., 72 degrees. Six, rises 4.25 a. local showers. Moon, full, July 4. River stage, 5.2 feet.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 87. Lowest temperature, 67. Mean temperature, 74. Normal temperature, 72.

PERSHING PUTS ALL SUPPLIES UP TO RED CROSS

U. S. Commander Orders Amalgamation of Vast Depots

EXPERTS ARE IN CHARGE

Necessity of Sending American Army to France Recognized

Paris, June 23.—The amalgamation of the American Clearing House, one of the chief institutions for handling the vast supplies contributed by America, with the American Red Cross has been decided upon by General Pershing. The transfer has already begun and the organization of the Clearing House and all its assets will be in the hands of the Red Cross by September 1. The Clearing House has been the intermediary between 5,000 societies and contributing individuals in the United States and has handled 55,000,000 francs worth of food and clothing and 11,000,000 francs in cash. All its administration has been by American volunteers under the presidency of H. Herman Harjas and the business management of H. O. Beatty, who becomes director general of the merged bodies.

Seven Divisions

The new organization with which the Clearing House combines is the American Red Cross Clearing House, Belgium, which recently arrived with Major Grayson Murphy, a member of the war council, as chief commander and James H. Perkins as assistant. The work of the Red Cross has now been divided under the following heads:

Military affairs, engineering, social conditions, civil affairs, transportation, finance, information, with experts heading each branch. The amalgamation is but one portion of the combined work which General Pershing has been busy himself since his arrival. As one of his first steps, he found it necessary to combine, centralize and subordinate to one authority the numerous missions of the military character that have arrived at one time or another.

Need U. S. Troops

This has been going on for a full week and the French ministry of war has been reported to be very restless in the close confinement under which he was held by the Italian authorities. He declared that he was ill with fever and asked to be sent to a hospital. The prison doctor could find no symptoms of sickness and his just was refused.

Thousand Casualties Result of Munitions Blast in Austria

Amsterdam, June 23.—More than 1,000 persons were killed or injured or are missing in consequence of an explosion in munitions factories at Eloeewes, according to an announcement made in the lower house of the Austrian Parliament by the minister of defense, as forwarded in a dispatch from Vienna.

State Department Is Requested to Spare No Effort to Secure Cocchi

New York, June 23.—While expressing gratification at Alfredo Cocchi's confession as clearing up the Cruger girl's murder, Police Commissioner Woods indicated that there were important other reasons for pushing the effort to bring the fugitive back to this country, in addition to seeking punishment for the crime.

Police Block Attempt of Women to Unfurl Banners at White House

Washington, D. C., June 23.—The police quickly blocked another attempt to-day by suffragists to display a banner in front of the White House gates.

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COCCI ADMITS HE MURDERED RUTH CRUGER

Italian Fugitive Breaks Down Under Searching Questioning

TELLS HOW HE KILLED

Efforts Redoubled to Bring Fiend Back to New York For Trial

Bologna, June 23.—Alfredo Cocchi, the fugitive New York motorcycle dealer, abandoned to-day his pretense of innocence of the murder of Ruth Cruger and confessed his guilt. Jealousy was his motive. He was unable, he declared, to win her love and became furious when she rebuffed his persistent attentions.

His Nerve Breaks

Under Judge Zucconi's searching questions to-day, however, Cocchi finally burst into tears. He became so agitated that his confession fell haltingly from his lips that the persons surrounding him believed he was about to have an epileptic fit. He was granted time to recover and then resumed the story of how the eighteen-year-old Wadleigh High school graduate met death at his hands in the building where her body was recently unearthed from the cellar.

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WOMAN WHO FOUND RUTH CRUGER'S BODY



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NATION BEGINS GREAT DRIVE FOR VOLUNTEERS

President Calls For Unmarried Men to Join Colors For War Service

Washington, D. C., June 23.—A nation-wide drive of one week to recruit 70,000 men to bring the regular army up to its authorized strength of 300,000 men began to-day in accordance with President Wilson's proclamation calling for volunteers.

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WORK ON CAPITOL PARK EXTENSION MOVING RAPIDLY

Heads of Departments Occupying Temporary Quarters Must Vacate

TO START REGRADING

Underground Conduits Will Be Placed; All Buildings Down August 1

Things are moving rapidly in the final steps for the permanent treatment of underground conduits and service pipes of every sort. Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings Shreiner to-day notified the heads of the various departments occupying temporary quarters in the few buildings still remaining on the cleared area east of the Capitol that they must immediately vacate, the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings having determined to proceed without delay in the regrading of the extension section and the installation of underground conduits and service pipes of every sort.

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GERMAN ARMY ASSAULTS IN FULL FORCE

Crown Prince Fails to Gain Any Substantial Success in Terrible Assault on French Positions Along the Aisne; Tide of Battle Turns in Favor of Defenders Whose Artillery Makes Great Inroads Into Infantry

Heavy attacks by the Germans are continuing along the Aisne front with the fighting at times assuming almost the proportions of a general engagement.

No substantial successes have attended the Crown Prince's efforts. The latest bulletins from the front, indeed, indicate the fighting to be turning even more favorably for the French, whose artillery is proving that it has lost none of its effectiveness in breaking up attacks.

The crown prince's primary purpose apparently is to forestall the renewal of the French offensive movement which was expected in this important sector, southwest and south of the fortress of Laon, the German key position, which would be seriously menaced by any further French advance. So far as appears, General Petain has lost none of his commanding positions, while the Germans have sacrificed heavily for such small gains as they have been able to effect.

The plan of the Germans seems to be to launch heavy forces on comparatively narrow fronts in the area under attack. They penetrated a salient in the French line yesterday on the Chemin des Dames, in the neighborhood of Epine de Chevigny in one such attack. Last night they tried to debouch from the ground thus gained but found all their efforts broken up by the French fire. Other attacks in the region of Vauxaillon, to the west, and near Chateau and other points to the east, were likewise futile.

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