By Briggs

Ebening Chat

State educational authorities have

been asked by officials and director

of a number of the smaller school districts of the State for suggestions

which will relieve their financial condition because of the approval of

the law providing for a new mini-mum salary for teachers. In some of the cases which have been brought

to the attention of State authorities

the districts have not only levied

their taxes, but have accumulated

so many debts that they cannot bor-

row any more money because of the

so many debts that they cannot borrow any more money because of the legal limit. Under the State law districts must pay the minimum salary fixed by the act of 1917, but will not be reimbursed for their payments during the coming winter until next summer. The State authorities have also been asked to help obtain teachers for a number of districts where the boards have not yet been able to secure instructors for the schoöls which will open next month because of teachers entering industries and other fields where salarles are more attractive. In a number of districts the officials have written to the Capitol for advice as to what to do when teachers are drafted.

B. M. Nead, the well-known lawyer and historian, started to visit his son, B. Frank Nead, who is summering at Pine Grove Furnace, last Thursday and suddenly remembered that he had promised to take with him two pounds of butter. He tried the nearest grocery store; nothing doing, nobody home, the grocers were having a picnic. He tried another, and another. All the time the hour of the train's departure was drawing nearer, and there is only one train a day to Pine Grove Furnace. Finally a friend provided the needed butter and Mr. Nead left with it on the car seat beside him, happy in the knowledge of duty well performed. He changed cars at Laurel and was met at the station at Pine Grove by Mr. Nead, Jr. "Where is the butter, father?" he asked and it was not until that moment that Mr. Nead recalled that the butter was still on the Reading train he had left, bound for the Southern part of the State.

"It's a great life," said Lleutenant Harry Souders. formerly of the

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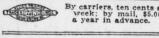
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WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUG. 18

In peace will I both lay me down

For Thou, Jehovah, alone makest me dwell in safety.

-Ps. 4:8.

PENNSYLVANIA TO THE FORE

HILE Pennsylvanians who Guard and who are interested in the organized militia of the Key-stone State will regret that the Pennsylvania organizations will not have the chance in this war to emuthe glorious deeds of the Pennsyl-Pennsylvania militia of 1812 and the this organization, and the Mexican War and the splendid Pennsylvania volunteers of the war of the Rebellion, they will have the satisfaction of knowing that sons of this State are in every branch of done. Pennsylvania's service. youth has enlisted and its young men entered officers' training camps to an extent far beyond what the national authorities asked; its sons are rallying under the draft and its munity than the bringing to Harris

The announcement of the formation of the "Rainbow" division yesend of the National Guards of the various States. Units will be deinto new organizations of specialized service. Infantry battalions will alry troops made into machine gun organizations. Pennsylvanians will serve in the same organizations with Texans and the grandsons of "Bucktails" will be regimental comrades of the descendants of "Louisana Tigers." But they will be Pennsylanians still. It may suit the purpose of the War Department to sink the identity of the Pennsylvania National Guard in the federal army, but we will know the numbers of the organizations and will take as much pride in the 148th machine gun battalion and its companion units from

this State as in the Eighth infantry. For in every time of trial Penn-sylvania will be to the front as in

THE POPE'S PROPOSALS

doubt the sincerity of the Pope's peace proposals or to view them as other than beneficial to the allied cause than there was when they first came to the attention of the public yesterday, alarmists to the contrary notwithstanding.

The result will be that Germany either must define her terms of peace or admit that she is bent upon world submit her case to the judgment of the public, and the allies can lose nothing by that.

On the other hand, the entente and America, too, must make known their demands, and if the allies are understood, and none doubts that directly affect the city in its admin-they are, they cannot be injured by honest in their aims as popularly joining in a basis of settlement to which America in a broad way could easily subscribe.

some writers profess to believe will develop as a result of the promulgation of peace terms, will not arise if the allies are sincere. But if there is anything behind the scenes, as Germany has intimated, then the sooner it is brought before the spotlight the better.

There has been much talk of pre and more prosperous Harrisburg. mature peace, but the only kind of that would be premature would be a peace leaving Germany free to repeat the outrage of which she has been guilty, and there will be no cessation of the war until that has been made impossible.

WHAT EXCUSE NOW

T used to be when a policeman was taken to task for failure to report or arrest traffic law viola would whisper mysteriously that he dared not. Powerful inter Anyway, influences would work to country. get the offender off without a fine

and the officer would be lucky if he was not reprimanded. So, what was

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Whether or not there was any ground for such excuses the TELE-GRAPH does not pretend to know. That they were made everybody in-terested in traffic regulations will

testify. But if there ever was a time when policemen need fear political or other influences that time is now past. Policemen are under the protection of civil service law. Nobody is powerful enough to "break" an officer under these regulations. He cannot be dismissed without public hearing to come. before Council.

Nevertheless, the traffic violations continue. If anything, they are more

flagrant than ever.

What excuse do the policemen give

THE CHAMBER'S WORK WHEN one reads the condensed report of the activities of the Chamber of Commerce for a single dered by the active spirits of the community co-operating through the central body.

To enumerate all that has been done by the Chamber of Commerce have served in the National In all the important work devolving upon the community as a result of the preparation for the national defense the Chamber of Commerce has late under the Commonwealth's name had a potential part. One campaign vania line of the Revolution, the after another has been directed by character of the work that has been

appreciated by the business com are rallying under the draft and its general officers have been appointed in the army war establishment as of rank equal with men who have given their lives to military activi-Through the co-operation of the terday means the beginning of the Harrisburg organization other com munities have been brought into tached from regiments and formed close touch with our own, encouraging a friendly spirit and emphasiz become trench mortars units; cav- ing what is being done here to pro other infantry companies be converted into engineers and other cavmodern city.

> merce much has been accomplished which at times have been more wisdom of the leaders of our municipal development in obtaining the best advice possible in all matters affecting the wolfare of the entire

THERE is no more reason to-day Chamber to do, and we believe the body of patriotic, self-sacrificing, public-spirited citizens who comprise the organization will meet the issues as they come and solve the problems in the interest of the people as a whole. While the organization as In either event she must such is non-political and should not within the purview of such a body to discuss matters and things which every reason why the members of the Chamber should interest themselves in the selection of proper interest in the making of a better

THE American Socialist, official weekly organ of the National Socialist party, published in Chicago, has been ruled out of the United States mails because the last three issues have been so flagrantly the espionage law.

The American Socialist should have been called the German Socialist, for it was far more German not one whit worse and probably not him if he interfered seriously with so bad as some of the German lan the road-hogs and speed-demons. guage newspapers printed in this

Politics in Pennsylvania

The vacancy on the Public Service Commission created by the resignation of Commissioner William A. Magee last night in order that he might become a candidate for mayor of Pittsburgh will not be filled by Governor Brumbaugh for some time

or Pittsourga will not be mied by Governor Brumbaugh for some time to come. It is even possible that it may be held open until after the November election, although such a course would mean the commission operating with five members, as Commissioner Robert K. Young will not be able to assume his duties for a long time to come because of the accident suffered while fishing. Mr. Young, who is in a Tioga county hospital, has taken the oath of office.

Mr. Magee said last night that he had sent his resignation to the Governor to take effect this evening, when he expects to complete work assigned to him as a member of the commission. He will probably leave for Pittsburghoto-morrow to assume direction of his canvass. The commissioner said that he had nothing to add to his statement that he resigned to become a candidate for mayor. The public service company law provides that no person while serving as a commissioner may be a candidate for office.

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Whether the Governor will hold open the commissionership until after the election and name Mr. Magee if he should happen to be defeated is a matter that is interesting Capitol Hill.

day that Commissioner of Labor and ndustry John Price Jackson would esign in the event that he was called resign in the event that he was called to active service as a major in the United States engineer officers reserve corps. In such event he will be given leave. Stories about Commissioner of Health Dixon and Fire Marshal Port were pronounced ridiculous at the Executive Department.

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the Capitol to-day in the visit which Frank B. Black, whose term as Highway Commissioner ends to-day, will pay here this week. Mr. Black will be here to-night or to-morrow on personal business and whether he will make any further statement is what is keeping the Capitol buzzing. Mr. Black has steadfastly refused to make any further statements, holding that his letter of resignation was enough.

—While there are persistent reports that Chief Engineer W. H. Uhler and others connected with the State Highway Department will resign, there is no sign of anyone doing so until a new commissioner is named, and maybe not then unless asked to step out. The Governor has given no sign as to whom he will select. Insurance Commissioner O'Neil is not a candidate for the place and it is said that Secretary of Agriculture Patton is content to let things take their course and to accept the place if the strong Philadelphia Evening Bulletin closes up an editorial unfavorable to the Governor with this paragraph:

—Newspaper comment upon the Black resignation continues throughout the State. The Wilkes-Barre Record and the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times sharply criticise the Governor and the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin closes up an editorial unfavorable to the Governor with this paragraph:

"And not infrequently the party pays the penalty for the performance of a clique or faction, which has assumed, and has been permitted to assume, the seat and reins of authority. That is the situation in Pennsylvania today, and from this time on it is not Mr. Brumbaugh who will be held to account for the scandals of State administration, but the party and the leaders who falled in their duty when opportunity was offered them to denand answers and explanations, with authority." make any further statements, hold conough. The mandamus will be heard in the monough.

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in recognizing any of the officials reappointed by the Governor after rejection by the Senate either through payments or official association on boards. In addition to refusing to pay men appointed by Secretary Patton and Superintendent Long since July 9 on the ground that they are illegally holding office and therefore can not appoint anyone to place, he let Banking Commissioner Lafean know again that he would not sit with him on the various finance boards. The meetings of the boards were held while Mr. Lafean was away and when he came back and protested he was told just what would have happened had he attended. To avoid interruption of business for the present nothing will be done.

-Pittsburgh dispatches say that the Magee candidacy may result In Insurance Commissioner O'Neil and William Flinn being found behind Dr. J. P. Kerr at the primaries and Magee be running on his own hook. The Armstrong people will be for E. V. Babcock. The Philadelphia Record says that Magee's candidacy has divided the Brambaugh forces in Pittsburgh. H is believed there will be one of those sudden overnight realignments common to Pittsburgh fer the primaries. In any night realignments common to Pitts-burgh after the primaries. In any event the State administration is banking on Magee being able to cap-ture Pittsburgh so as to have the western city in line, with Philadel-phia under Mayor Smith and the. Vares when the state ticket is to be named. Pittsburgh is in for one of the grandest little fights in years.

-William B. Smith, picked in the cossip of the Capitol and in the talk of the Rialto in Philadelphia for chief of the bureau of statistics and information in the Labor and Industry Department, is said to be still waiting for official notice. The Governor Soffice and the commissioner's office to-day said there was no word.

—Governor Brunabaugh favored the independent element in Chester vounty politics yesterday when he appointed Robert G. Kay as county icontroller to succeed the late Isaac Y. Ash. Kay lives in West Chester and is a lumber dealer with Philadelphia connections. He is a friend of Dr. G. M. Phillips and will probably be a candidate for nomination and election. The Republican orcanization headed by Senator T. L. Eyre, who is anti-Brumbaugh, will back someone ise. The Kay appointment followed very close on the appointment of Mr. Eyre's friend, if Fred McDonald, Chester county chalrman, as Assistant Deputy Auditor General.

—Mayor Swith, of Philadelphia, says he was bossed all day yesterday. It was a daughter's seventh birthday.

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MOVIE OF A BUSY BUSINESS MAN DICTATING A LETTER TO HIS STENOG

RINGS BUZZER

FOR STENOG

Dear Sir: -Your Movie of a Stenog Doing a Big Days Work" is a very unkind cartoon! How would it to to make one entitled "Movie of a Busy Business Man Dictating a Letter to His Stenog." - thus (THE IDEA)

THESE are a few of the woes of a stenog-rapher and you, feourse, being fairminded desire, to present both sides of to present ours very ru the matter-yours very ru Elinor "much Harassed Stenog"

IS INTERRUPTED BY

PHONE SEVERAL TIMES GOLF, DINNER , ETC.



RECALLS STENOGRAPHER FINALLY FINISHES WHO BY THIS TIME HAS WRITTEN LETTER DISMISSES STENOGRAPHER, STATING THAT HE DESIRES TO INSERT PARAGRAPH

RUSSIA WILL ENDURE AS REPUBLIC,

SAYS CHARLES H. BOYNTON

AFTER KEEPING HER WAITING TEN MINUTES STARTS DICTATION THEN LOOKS UP LET" ME-SE GENTLE-MEN - LATER- AGAIN
RECALLS STENOGRAPHER

TO HIM ON THE PHONE, SO - "NEVER MIND ABOUT THAT LETTER!

Labor Notes

Derbyshire (England) Miners Association has recommended its 50,000 members to take but one day's holiday this month, instead of four days as usual.

Bournemouth, England, lends the corporation ratcatcher to all unfortunate residents who have need of his services.

The British Amalgamated Union of Co-operative and Commercial Employes is seeking affiliation with the Labor Party.

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Too many war parades have demoralized New York's boy messengers and a call is going forth for girls to take their places.

We have not yet received our trucks, but we are occupying our time drilling and in taking long practice hikes. If the mothers of my young men want to get an idea of the benefits they are receiving physically from the wholesome outdoor life they are leading they should not be a few forms.

University girls in British Columbia are donning the khaki and taking the place of man-labor on the Gordon Head fruit farms.



OUT. "Did you fix your complex-"No, too many women jammed around the mir-

Who sails to meet the grisly fleet?
He flies the Union Jack!
He some from Nombre Dios Bay
Where they sank him ages back;
And "Ha!" says he, "Will ye help a race
Nor oaths nor treaties hold "
Then tales of murder, arson and l
And the submarine, he told.

The tale of the sunken hospital ships.
Of the Lusitania's drowned,
Deported millions, and starving
hordes,
And salt-sown harvest ground.
Cried Coxon: It raises a seaman's

sprovince.

A good many dollars in telephone tolls are being spent throughout the State by men who are calling up the State draft headquarters seeking to get exempted from military service or asking favors for friends. These calls are all paid for by the men who call up and the draft headquarters refer all inquiries to local boards after giving information as to procedure. In a number of cases complaints about numbers have been received, the men calling contending that they should have had other numbers. In practically every case, say men at the headquarters, the man could have gotten the information at home.

"Just as their"

"Just as their grandmothers

CROWDED





posted men on agriculaural matters in this section. 'Il have seen some fine oats crops taken in and it looks well for the corn. We will have good, late grass, too."

"We are going to have a bumper corn crop in this section and there is only one thing that may cut it down and that is improbable. It would be a hall storm," said Ex-Sen-

France.

Governor Brumbaugh is playing golf and driving while on his vacation in Maine.

That Harrisburg's train service has been as little interfered with by the war as any place in the country?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG

"Be thrifty," says the President,
"And careful at the table,"
Use meat scraps more to win the war,
And you'll beethashionable.
King George now owns a Murphy
patch—
He cannot pull a trigger;
"I work," says he, "for victory,"

And hoes a row with vigor.
John D. buys war bonds. Ain't he
grand?
Wait! Don't give Jawn the glory
Until you ponder for awhile
The inside of the story—
For gas is up two cents again—
Relief on that autoilers!
The public purse must reimburse
The king of Standard Oilers.
—JAMES L. MARSHALL, in the
Spokane Chronicle,

And make for the Caribbees!"
"It's clear," say they, "there's the
Devil to pay,
When they summon the hosts of
hell!" Now we've started on the job, we mean to put it through;
Ship the kings and kaisers all, and make the world anew;
Clear the way for common folk, for men like me and you—
While we are canning the Kaiser.

Chorus.

Germans do not seek copiously in Asia and Africa the restrictions of Junkerthum and bureaucracy. In the same five years more than 110,-000 Germans came to the United States. The great tide of German emigration ceased years ago. The German avoidance of colonies over which the German flag files is notorious.

high!'

Reef.

Hear the song we're singing on the shining roads of France;
Hear the Tommies cheering, and see the Poilus prance;
Articanders and Kanucks and Scots without their pants—
While we are canning the Kaiser.

Lafitte and Black Beard, too, And e-ve-ry wicked sailor man That ever has worn a queue.'

Bring the guns from Bethlehem, by way of old New York.
Bring the beans from Boston, and don't leave out the pork;
Bring a load of soda-pop, and pull the grape-juice cork—
While we are canning the Kaiser.

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Striatond your sibly some spine.

Without discussing the grounds of German colonial expansion, it is permitted to point out to the well informed diplomat that in the five years 1907-1911 German overpopulation was relieved to the extent of 130 emigrants to Africa. In that time she sent to Asia one emigrant. Come, you men from Dixieland, you lumber-jacks of Maine;
Come, you Texas cowboys, and you farmers of the plain;
From Florida to Oregon, we boast the Yankee strain.
While we are canning the Kaiser.
While we are canning the Kaiser.

Germans do not seek copiously in Asia and Africa the restrictions of It's "Ho, my lads, the waves run And "Sniff the salt sea breeze!" Lay off a point from the Spanish

ous.
Military and naval purposes, de-Military and naval purposes, designs against the territories of her neighbors, have been characteristic of German colonial policy. Not till Germany is "either powerless or free" will New Zealand and Australia, for instance, cease to dread and oppose the restoration of her Pacific colonies.—From the New York

What England Has Done

Some 500,000 British women who never worked before are now engaged in industry; some 800,000 British women are in munition manufacturing. This is a revolutionary change indeed. The gently raised and sheltered middle-class English

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Riggers and Stevedores Union of San Francisco has requested a minimum wage per hour of 65 cents and per hour overtime \$1.

Never before in the history of warfare have women been summoned to replace men as they have been in the war that is now going on.

Women are now employed in the reclaiming shops of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, where they will be obligated to sort scrap iron.

Thirty or more household science teachers of New Brunswick, Can., are giving instructions in canning to the various clubs in the province.

A citizen of Launceston, England

OUR DAILY LAUGH



WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—F. N. Roll, Wilkes-Barre's sealer of weights and measures, is ill in a hospital.

—Robert G. Kay, new Chester county controller, is a lumber dealer.

—W. G. Lemon, of Oil City, has been chosen to head the Johnstown Y. M. C. A.

—The Rev. F. W. Beekman, Bethlehem clergyman, has resigned to take up work among the soldiers in France.

DO YOU KNOW

The first real post office in place was established in 1791. Thrift