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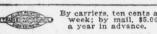
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The case are the product for the new bodies of shadows of the product of the prod pal policemen are not exempt, have placed the State policemen in the same list and when they have been accepted have ordered them to mobilization camps.

Right here it would seem that there was a chance for the boards organized under the conscription law to exercise that discretion which Major C. B. Warren said in the conterned at the Capital must govern them in deciding what men should be taken for national defense. Penn-sylvania has made its State police force known throughout the country for efficiency and fearlessness. It has invested millions of dollars in examining, training and equipping men and it has established a system to which people in many districts are accustomed and on which, especially in rural communities, they rely for protection. The National Guard is about to leave the State of the whole who have a powerful and invincible people, whose ability to take care of two years or so, and money and which certainly has a clear and well defined field at this time.

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Steps are being taken through many organizations to safeguard the morals of the citizen soldiers who are making up the population of the various camps now being establishsupport and of the best thought of of unproductive property, the bane

SOMETHING TO SHOW

THE visit being paid to the State Highway Department offices and the inspection of the highways under way by State road officials from Maryland and Virginia this week calls to mind that it is not so many years ago, one might almost say months, that officials of other Commonwealths were urging the people of the Keystone State to visit them to see some real roads. We recall some playful jibes from New York editors about the edification awaiting Pennsylvanians when they struck the network of highways for McAdoo says Congress must provide which the sons of Father Knicker- for before it takes any adjournment, bocker were bonding themselves so We assume that the Secretary of the Aberally and we distinctly remember Treasury will remain firm in his opthe way we were twitted by Jerseymen about the preference expressed tee of Congress clothed with by Philadelphians for roads leading right to know what is being dor from Camden to Atlantic City over with all this money.

those in their own fair neighborhood. Folks coming from Ohlo and sister Commonwealths in the Middle West used to tell at Saratoga and at the New England resorts how they hated to even cross Erie county to get from the Buckeye State to New York. The roads in Pennsylvania were so terrible, you know.

And now, just now, without a cent of debt, the erstwhile derided Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has established a State road system of over 1,000 miles, rebuilt many miles of it and maintained all of it in a maner that attracts the attention of the men from the other States who used o go to New York and Massachu-setts to learn about making roads and keeping them up. We have just appropriated in the midst of war over \$10,000,000 for road purposes, Staet government in which roads are let anything interfere with our plans. test that will be memorable.

G. A. R. heroes are standing so firmly behind the President and all associated with him in author- for mayor. There will be two men ity in this crisis. During the great nominated as no one can get enencampment of the old soldiers of ough votes to be sole nominee. E. V. the republic at Boston this week Babcock, W. A. Magee and Dr. J. P there was much enthusiasm over the Kerr are the three leaders. M. J. part which has been taken by this nation to safeguard the liberties of affairs, is also one of the octet. In-the world. Each reference to the

the Ohio city, or demand that our form that will be permanent and local government be organized on which will assure to those who come such a basis as will provide for after us the opportunities and blesspersonal supervision of the city's ings for which our forefathers gave

RICHES FROM BARREN LAND

THE discovery that ganister rock has an important place in brick production has turned the mountainside barrens of certain interior counties from worthless pieces who are devoting their ener- of farmers and lumbermen, into wor derfully profitable land.

Just the other day 15,000 acres these rock deposits were leased and operations started that will continue for fifty years at least, or so long as the deposits hold out. It used to be that cleaning land of rocks was difficult and expensive. Now, if it is ganister, the farmer not only gets his land cleaned, but receives pay for

BUT NO COMMITTEE

A new bond issues to the tune of nine billions more. These are the inconsequential sums which Mr. position to having any joint commit-

## Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

As Philadelphia seems to be prett well tamed down because of the vigo with which Mayor Thomas B. Smith took hold of the situation and enforced an agreement upon candidates many Republicans are now looking toward Pittsburgh to see what effect its factional fight, which has grown out of the nonpartisan election law's operation, will have on State politics Pittsburgh seems to be due for on of those old-time primary battles and notwithstanding flare-ups in the before Philadelphia started to have internal troubles. It is believed that at least nominally involved, we mean Scranton and other cities will not to place Pennsylvania right at the Lave as flerce rows as expected be-top when highways are considered. We have the money, the men and mony at Philadelphia, but at Pitts the brains and we are not going to burgh there is every sign of a con

VETERANS AT BOSTON
is inspiring to know that the

Pittsburgh has eight candidates

grounds," they propose to be untrue to America.

Corner an alien of that stripe. Ask him why he cam.e The first answer is usually "I didn't want to serve in the army." Remarks on the "land of opportunity" follow. There are additional remarks on "the land of freedom." Mere footnotes, these. The ruling motive was his desire to shirk military service. The fellow wants to nab all the benefits a country bestows and not pay for them, as Major Chiperfield told one of them Monday. No matter where you put him, he has the same determination; he had it at home, he has it here. him, he has the same determination; he had it at home, he has it here. He is an international slacker. One explanation of the superb fighting spirit displayed by European armies is that many a European shirker had left his country for his country good and emigrated to América, not

live an international stacker the ery dose he flees from country to country to country to dodge. Draft him. Drill ilm. Make him serve. In that way you will pound into him the first rudiments of manhood. — Chicago

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After all, the ordinary citizen knows more than his self-appointed advisers. Immediately after the United States went into war, a number of people took it upon themselves to urge everybody, everywhere, to economize. Then within a month other people started a movement for "business as usual." In the meantime the common citizen went about his business, neither making a specialty of economizing nor trying to do "business as usual." but adjusting himself to the unusual conditions and economizing in a reason. litions and economizing in a reason-ble manner where changed circum-tances required. The "composite itizen" is a pretty level-headed in-

# ONE OF THE JOYS OF GOLF IS GETTING OUT IN THE OPEN

HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH



### EDITORIAL COMMENT

A Providence, R. I., man married to escape the draft and enlisted to escape his wife.-Franklin Even-

In Belgium's Name

Our last visitors of state from an allied country, the Belgian commissioners, make the fitting climax. In sioners, make the fitting climax. In their restrained but poignant message on behalf of their devastated country they sum up for Americans the whole meaning of the war. Their fate pictures more forcibly than any words that peril to civilization which we have joined hands with our allies to destroy.

good and emigrated to America, not to become an American and assume American responsibilities, but to escape paying the price of loyal citizenship.

Talk all you like about the "melting pot." International slackerdon won't melt. No gentle treatment affects it. You can reason or wheedle or sentimentalize until the cows come home, but only harsh measures avail. Give an international slacker the very dose he flees from country to swift decision to die on the battle-

# COMMANDING OFFICER MUST BE A GOOD HOUSEKEEPER

wheat deficit in the United States and Canada of 400,000,000 bushels in the amount required for the alide nations and neutrals of Europe.

There is an indicated surplus of corn of 470,000,000 bushels and of cats of 304,000,000 bushels in this country. What is asked of the consumer is not to reduce his allow ance of cereals but to save wheat by substituting twenty per cent. of other of carrains.

To do this ought not to involve much self-denial. Not to do it may mean distress or starvation for our allies. This and similar official reduce worth speaking to. With an expression, the present vice-President and Speaker of the National House of Representatives (when they have leisure) among the chautauqua any leisure) among the chautauqua any longer with the circus. These papers will have to cease remiling the great educational movement which, starting a generation ago on Chautauqua Lake, has spread to ver six thousand communities.

The ex-President Taft, who is make frommer President Taft, who is make the feature of Europe.

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The Mennonites

The Mennonites are named for Menno Simons, of Friesland (1492-1559).

There are about 60,000 in this country, most of them in Eastern Pennsylvania. They are divided into

Menh it obstactes that a way to get the stary the conting to the protection to the rational ideals, by her swift decision to die on the battlefield rather than sell herself into slavery. Belgium earned the right to stary, Belgium earned the right to the rank with the great nations of all time. Her fame stands secure. We of America are proud to do her honor. We are thankful that at last we have the right to great her as an ally and that in tendering our sympathy we are making ready to back our emotion with the sterner stuff of deeds.

Belgium must and shall be free. Belgium must and shall be free. Belgium must and shall be restored. Such is the pledge which this Republic devoutly makes to the greatest of small nations.—New York Tribune.

Safe in Berlin

In spite of alarmist reports that American citizens are being pressed into the German army, the general belief is that, considering how many Germans there are in this country and was expense, later resigned and now fail to respond to their country's need. There has always been an excessive demand for appointments to the Milltary and Naval Academies. Every many who received training at West Courty, most of them in Eastern Pennsylvania. They are divided into the will be about as a safe on the Wilhelman and shall be free.

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But the Mennonites are an inting time, the feels of the mean and for division to Of all the slackers under the Star and Stripes the most censurable are those who received training at Wes

### Too Many Names woman entered a Chicago sav-

ings bank and placed \$50 in front of the teller. He pushed out the book for her signature and said, 'Sign on this line."

"My whole name?" "Yes, ma'am."

"Before I was married?"
"No, just as it is now."

"An' my husband's name, Why, the man has been dead seven years. "You should sign your name Mrs

followed by your husband's name, or Mrs., your Christian name and then your husband's name, or Mrs., your husband's full name, or you might simply sign your Christian name and your husband's surname. Write it as you are in the habit of signing it. "Oh, but I can't write."—Pitts-burgh Chronical Telegraph.

camp poet to the composition of an effort similar to that written by Reginald Wright Kauffman, the author, who spent the spring of this year at Niagara.

The spring of 1917 was cold and wet, and this is the poem which occupies a place of honor in the camp Y. M. C. A.:

Talk not to me of Valley Forge, and frozen heroes there.
Of icicles suspended aglitter in midalr;
Oh, speak not of that water as the dampest ever seen;
I slept at Fort Niag'ra in the May of '17!

The troops of old Napoleon from Moscow to Paree
Had something on the Esquimos, but not a thing on me;
Those Russian snows were warming, those Russian fields were green, Compared with Fort Niag're in the County Manual County has passed through the stage in which Canada is now entering. The end of the war will find our agriculturists and manufacturers pulling together for protection. They Will Pull Together

HISTORY RE-PEATING IT-SELF. ful hands your daughters have." "Yes. They're like mine used to be when I had a mother



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WITH UNCLE. "So it's all up with your engagement."
"Yes."
"What's be-

come of the en-





A STRONG RESEM-BLANCE Little Bird Gee, that fello must be at th head of a !

corporation.

# Evening Chat

Dauphin county is not bothered with race suicide according to the first annual report to be issued by

the United States Bureau of the Cen-sus on birth reports. This is a new enterprise in which Uncle Sam has sus on birth reports. This is a new enterprise in which Uncle Sam has embarked and he is going to gather together the information for cities, big boroughs and rural communities. The first report is for 1915, a little late, but interesting. Harrisburg is given a population or 70,754 and the city has grown some in the population line since that time, so we must be around that 75,000 that F. Herbert Snow demonstrated by means of circles the other evening. Harrisburg's birthrate that year was 14 366 or 10.3 per thousand, and only 137 children under a year in age died. Erie and Wilkes-Barre, which have a few thousand more population than the State capital, each had over 2,100 births, as did Johnstown which had but 66,000 population Reading, with 107,594, had only 2,401 births reported. Lancaster, with 50,269 population, beat its old rival York, which is given 50,543 population, reporting 1,124 infantile partisans of the red rose, while the Yorkists reported but 889 to weas the white rose. McKeesport, Soutt Bethlehem, Shenandoah Newcastle and Chester were all over the thousand mark while Allentown with 61,901 population, shows 1,692 and Altoona with 57,000 population reported 1,466. Steelton reported 411. Now taking the rural parts of the countering t sand mark while Allentown with 61, 301 population, shows 1,692 and Altoona with 57,000 population report ed 1,466. Steelton reported 411. Now taking the rural parts of the counties, Dauphin is credited with 61,510 population, and excluding Harrisburg and Steelton, showed 1,595 births rather a lead on its county seat Cumberland county, exclusive of Carlisle with 189, show 993 births Perry 488, Lebanon city 393 and county outside of the city 929, Yorloutside the city of York showed 2, 283. Mifflin had 707 and Juniats 3266 Chambersburg reported 293 and the rest of Franklin county 1, 215. Adams county reported 793 They say that when there is wat there are more boys born. In Penn sylvania in that year there were 111, 849 new little boys and 106,13 girls. This city had 714 and 652 fo its division of new residents, and Steelton 226 and 185. Lebanon, Sun bury, Shenandoah, Columbia and Bethlehem are among the few tha had more girls born than boys. Ru ral Dauphin reported 835 boys and 760 girls. Cumberland, outside o Carlisle, 515 and 478, and Perry 25. and 253. One of the interesting table is on nativity of parents, it beins shown that two-thirds of the births being of foreign parents. In both rura Dauphin and Cumberland countie the great bulk of the births were onative parentage and Perry report less than haif a dozen born of for eign parents and York show ivery large proportion of fiative bor parents as well.

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The Philadelphia Evening Bulletic contains this interesting paragraph in discussion of some of the earl literary lights of that city: "With the opening of the nineteenth century, a new stimulus was given the literary endeavor in our city by the publication of the Portfolio, edite by Joseph Dennie, the first numbe appearing in the year 1801. Denni was a Bostonian, a Harvard graduate, who had previously followe journalism in Massachusetts, and heame to Philadelphia in 1799 as secretary to Timothy Pickering. A came to Philadelphia in 1799 as secretary to Timothy Pickering. A editor of the Portfolio he showe much prejudice in his literary criticisms. He found German books to be particularly abhorrent, and said The rage for German literature is one of the foolish and uncouth whim of the time and deserves all thacrimony of the lampooner. We arrick, heart sick, of the ramblin bombast, infamous sentiments and distempered sensibility of the Teutonic tribe."

The State Capitol is being prett vell visited by automobile partie hese days and there is hardly a da asses that the guides do not hav The visitors are coming at the rat of a couple of thousands a week an are from all parts of the State. Of one day fifteen States were represented. Unfortunately not all of the visitors take the trouble to registe and complete data about the visitor cannot be obtained.

The Harrisburg Rifle Club, com posed of a number of well-know young men of this city and which i doing a good bit to instruct peopl in the way to handle arms, will tronclusions with the Keystone Rifl Club of the Pennsylvania Railroa Company in a series of three matche which will be well worth watching The announcement of the Harrisburg Rifle Club, issued by Cassiu A. Dunn, the executive officer shows that the first match will be show that the first match will be show that the first match will be shown that club's range on Labo Day and that the applicants for Snot on that the applicants for places on the team must have the scores in hand on or before Thursday, August 30, and that all members should go out and practice "No favorites will be played," add

"No favorites will be played," add Mr. Dunn.

Some amusing incidents are commencing to turn up at the Auditc General's Department where the it heritance tax is commencing to com in under the direct inheritance to act of 1917. In one estate which was worth less than \$500 the execute solemnly figured out exactly how much discount could be allowed. I another case a man found the count would be a matter of centand asked that a warrant be dispatched to him for it. Considerably interest is being shown in the was the reports are coming in, especial from the big counties.

## WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

-A. V. Dively, prominent Altoo

The Rev. J. W. Cochrane, J ell-known Philadelphia clergyma well-known Philadelphia ciergymawill go to Detroit.
—Isaac Sharpless, promines among Quakers, is taking part in the presentation of the Friends' position.

on the war.
—A. Leo Weil, Pittsburgh atto —A. Leo Weil. Pittsburgh atto ney, is taking a prominent part it the Thompson estate settlement.
—Colonel David J. Davis, adjutat of the Pennsylvania division, is cisolicitor of Scranton and has begiven an indefinite leave of absence—J. S. W. Holton, Philadelph maritime and business expert, is uring that Philadelphia be given or of the export agencies of the government.

# DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg has been making steel used for heavy ordnance purposes?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG
The ground about the first arsen
In Capitol Park was used as a dri
Ing place by military companies summer evenings