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BIG MIDDLETOWN GOVERNMENT JOB ORDERED CLOSED

Water Department, Sewers, Etc., Laid For \$12,500,000 Plant; \$1,500,000 Spent MAY BE MORE LATER ON Suggestion That Bigger Army Will Necessitate Larger Warehouse Facilities

After preparing for a veritable city—with twelve and sixteen-inch water mains, the construction of a great draining system with a septic plant for the treatment of sewage, the erection of a hospital, dining halls and barracks accommodations for 1,500 soldiers, the War Department has suddenly decided to stop all work at Middletown with the completion of the two immense ordnance warehouses now nearing completion on that site.

The original plan, as outlined in the blueprints given the contractors, embraced a group of sixteen buildings, two of them six-story structures for mechanical work, involving an expenditure of not less than \$12,500,000. Only \$1,250,000 of this sum has been expended and the contractors have been ordered to close their work and call the plant complete.

Why? Everybody concerned is asking why? It is pointed out that for a plant of the size contemplated the preparations are in proper proportions, but that the expenditures ordered by Washington for water pipes, sewers, grading and barracks are extravagantly large and very wasteful if the development is to be confined to the two warehouses now in progress.

It is believed that the work is to be halted merely for the present. It is pointed out that while curtailment may have been necessary under existing conditions, the enlargement of the Army from a 2,080,000 to a 5,000,000 basis will have the effect of compelling the enlargement of storage facilities for ordnance, particularly since the artillery is going to play an ever-growing part in the war, and that the next few weeks will bring orders to resume work.

Nearing Completion Major Gray, officer in charge, is completing his work rapidly. The first equipment for the big warehouses has arrived and in a few days

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Warrants charging two boys with disorderliness on city playgrounds were issued today by Alderman Landis. Playground Supervisor J. K. Staples brought prosecutions against Augustus Bria, alleging that he refused to stay off the Harris playground which is now used only for girls and boys under 12 years of age. Instructors at the playground said that Bria defied the Harris playground rules and refused to leave when ordered to do so. The other defendant is Leroy McIntyre, who has been held on similar charges on other occasions, according to Mr. Staples. McIntyre is charged with profane language while on the Rely playground after he had been ordered to stay away from the place. Hearings will probably be held tomorrow afternoon.

The fourth week of the playground camp at McCormick's Island opened today with a number of girls remaining. Those who will camp until next Thursday are: Mabel Elieker, Mildred Petteroff, Grace Culp, Wilma Roberts, Doris Paul, Grace Kuhn, Violet Baumgardner, Mary Starry, Marjorie Schiffman, Katherine Embrick, Gladys Krebs, Caroline Stauffer, Mildred Stauffer, Dorothy Beatty, Edith Spongin, Esther Naugle, Julia Steinhiser.

Winners of camp pennants during the last week were: Seniors, first, Mioria Schiffman, 142; second, Elizabeth Nissley, 119; Juniors, first, Mae Pugh, 148; second, Katherine Emanuel, 118; Henrietta Wohlfarth, 117. Mae Pugh was voted the best "sport" in camp. Next week boys from the Reservoir, Rely and Hamilton playgrounds will be taken to camp.

People Who Bought War Savings Stamps Yesterday Saved 1c Not Much Now, but August Price \$4.19

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and continued light, with lowest temperature about 60 degrees; Friday partly cloudy and warmer; Saturday warmer; diminishing north-west winds.

Look Out, Bill, She's Slippin'



"WHEN A GIRL MARRIES" A NEW ROMANTIC SERIAL DEALING WITH THE ABSORBING PROBLEMS OF A GIRL WIFE

CHAPTER I Copyright, 1918, by King Feature Syndicate, Inc. To-morrow at four I am going to be married! Over my blue satin couch lies a mass of white fluffiness—my wedding dress and veil. To-morrow at three Barbara Anne Lee will palpitante and blush her way into this little white tent of girlhood—and at five Mrs. James Hunter Harrison will tie up her room to change all that soft maiden whiteness for the staid blue serge of a honeymoon bride.

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SOVIET ENEMIES TAKE PERM TOWN, YEKATERINBURG STOP EXEMPTIONS TO EMERGENCY FLEET WORKMEN KAISER CHANTS OF VICTORY IN STIRRING ARMY

Bolshevik Press Sounds an Alarm as Czecho-Slovak Danger Increases Amsterdam, Aug. 1.—The town of Yekaterinburg, in the province of Perm, near the Siberian border, has been taken by the Czecho-Slovaks, according to the newspaper Izvestia of Moscow. With the new development of the Bolshevik press is raising cries of alarm. The Pravda declares the Czecho-Slovak danger is growing like an avalanche and that the counter revolutionary movement is extending.

Nothing Quiet Along the Front at Summerdale Where Kiwanis Club Holds Forth Casualties Surprisingly Light at First Annual Outing of Businessmen Who Are Far From Tired; First Attack Levelled at Big Dinner Table On the Kiwanis Front, Somewhere in Summerdale, Aug. 1.—The Kiwanis Army to-day invaded the cottage of Henry C. Claster, Harrisburg jeweler, carrying off everything from the athletic champion-ship of the state. The occasion was the first stag picnic of the Kiwanis Club of Harrisburg. Under the leadership of General Charles L. Schmidt, erstwhile florist of Harris-

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KEYSTONE DIVISION LOSSES ARE HEAVY, BERLIN CLAIMS THROUGH ITS OWN BUREAU

SERINGES FALLS TO YANKEES IN CUNNING BATTLE

Final Capture by Americans Especially Creditable Achievement HUN GUNS KEPT UP FIRE U. S. Fighters Prove Better Shots Than Prussian Guard, Pledged to End Little Credence Is Given in America to Claims of Berlin, Who Puts the Words in the Mouth of a "Captured American" FIRST BATTALION OF 110TH IS MENTIONED According to Semi-Official Mouthpiece of German Government Only Thirty Men Escaped Wounds of Thousand Engaged

Although General Pershing has not mentioned any heavy losses in the American divisions participating in the great drive that has thrown the enemy from the Marne salient and saved Paris from a dangerous threat, Berlin to-day puts forth a claim of having inflicted heavy losses upon the 110th regiment, a unit of the Keystone division.

The 110th contains many men from Harrisburg including officers. When the old Pennsylvania National Guard was reorganized at Camp Hancock many of the men who enlisted in Companies D and I were placed in this regiment although the majority were placed in the 112th.

Berlin's statement is dated in Amsterdam and is sent out by the Wolff Bureau which has gained notoriety for its false and misleading statements bolstering up the German cause and for the dissemination of propaganda designed to bring uneasiness in the rear of the allied lines. The dispatch follows:

Amsterdam, Aug. 1.—The semi-official Wolff Bureau of Berlin is sending out reports of heavy losses inflicted on American troops fighting on the Marne front. A telegram dated Wednesday and received here says: "An American prisoner captured on July 29 said that of the first battalion of the 110th regiment after a German attack east of Chateau Thierry on July 17, only thirty were left and no reinforcements had arrived since that time. The second battalion of the same regiment in going forward to the attack Tuesday (July 20) west of Meuniers wood had one hundred casualties."

Little credence is placed in the number of casualties, (there are about 1,000 men in a battalion) claimed by the Wolff Bureau which necessarily makes its claims high to bolster up the courage of the war-tired German people at home although it is said to be entirely probable that the Keystone division in the course of its fighting has suffered some losses.

General March said yesterday that no attempt will be made to withhold American casualties and that all reports will be made public as soon as they can be verified. The 110th is commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henry W. Coulter, of Greensburg. It is composed principally of members of the famous "Batting Tenth" and the Third Infantry of the old National Guard of Pennsylvania.

Join the "Give 'em a Lift Club" and Show Yourself a Patriot Have you noticed how many automobiles are already carrying the cards of the "Give 'em a Lift Club"? This organization is bound to become popular. Membership therein is not limited and it costs nothing. All you do is call at the Telegraph business office for a card to be placed on windshield of your car. This card bears on its face these words: "Any man in khaki is welcome to a ride in this car. Hold up your hand and I will stop. And on the inner side, where it can be read by the passenger in the car: "Tell me where you want to go and I will take you as near there as my journey will permit."

The idea is for every automobilist in Harrisburg to give the visiting soldier a ride if they happen to be going in the same direction. It's a little courtesy that costs nothing and makes the soldier feel that he is among friends who appreciate the sacrifice he is making. Call at the Telegraph office and get your card.

TO PRESENT FLAG TOMORROW The postponed ceremonies incident to the presentation of the colors to Company I, Pennsylvania Reserve Militia, will be held on Island Park to-morrow evening. The same program preceded by a parade will be held

UKRAINE PEASANTS ARE IN ARMS AGAINST HUNS London, Aug. 1.—Serious riots are reported from the country districts in the Ukraine, according to a Kiev dispatch to the Fremdenblatt of Hamburg, the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen reports. The peasants now are offering organized resistance to the "German usurpers" as they are characterized.

FRENCH BEGIN A FLANK MOVEMENT WITH U. S. AID Americans Push on Beyond Town of Sergy and Approach Chamey Allies Drive Forward Despite Greatly Increasing Resistance of Huns Paris, Aug. 1.—The Germans this morning attacked the French positions in the region of Bligny, southwest of Rheims. The attack was repulsed, says the official statement to-day from the war office. American and French troops have begun a turning movement that, if successful, will compel a German retirement over a wide sector east of Fere-en-Tardenois at the center of the Soissons-Rheims salient. They have attacked over a front of over three miles on each side of the village of Neales, the apex of the allied wedge north of the Oureq. Their greatest advance was toward the east, where the Americans pushed on some distance from the town of Sergy and approached Chamey. Though the announced purpose of the attack was the straightening out

(Continued on Page 14.) ALLIES' DELIVER NEW STROKE FOUR MILES SOUTH OF SOISSONS London—The allies to-day delivered a new stroke over a ten mile front between Buccancy, about four miles south of Soissons, to Seringes, north of Fere-en-Tardenois. The result was a considerable advance and the wiping out of the elbow in the line at Oulchy-le-Chateau, according to advances to the Evening Standard this afternoon. FEDERAL TOBACCO LICENSES DOUBLED Washington—Federal license taxes on retail dealers in tobacco, cigars and cigarettes were doubled today by the House Ways and Means Committee in framing the war revenue bill. Federal licenses for amusements also were doubled in rates and a new tax was put on shooting galleries. MALONEY IRELAND'S CHIEF JUSTICE London—Lord Justice Thomas Francis Malone, lord justice of appeal in Ireland since 1915, has been appointed lord chief justice of Ireland, according to an official announcement made to-day. WILLIAM J. ROURKE DIES Reading—William J. Rourke, aged 59, a leader of the Berks bar; one of its most eloquent advocates, and formerly city solicitor for nearly 20 years, died here this afternoon. PASSENGER TRAIN LEAVES RAILS Terre Haute, Ind.—Train No. 21 west bound on the Pennsylvania for St. Louis, left the track in the east yards here early this afternoon and one coach was badly smashed. All of the train left the rails. Three coaches turned over. Ambulances are bringing the injured to the Terre Haute hospitals. WILSON SENDS GREETINGS TO REPUBLICS Washington—President Wilson has sent to the president of Switzerland a message of greetings on the occasion of the Swiss national holiday, and to the president of Honduras a message expressing the gratification of the people of the United States that Honduras has joined the war against Germany, "to fight for freedom of mankind."

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