

SOCIAL NEWS OF INTEREST TO EVERYONE

Story Telling Hour Held This Morning

The fourth meeting in a series of story hours was held this morning at 10 o'clock in the gymnasium of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Dogwood Troop No. 2 Returns After Hike

Dogwood Troop, No. 2, Girl Scouts, who were in charge of Miss Julia Stamm, scout captain, on a two-day hike to Williams Grove, returned yesterday.

Harrisburg Boy Writes of His War Experiences

Soldiers Want the Lighter Magazines For Relaxation; Tells of Intense Hatred of the Huns

A Harrisburg lad in active service at the front writes the following interesting letter home:

"Over Here, July 2, 1918. 'I haven't anything new to tell you but just thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know everything is going well.

"It seems very peculiar not to tell you of every move we make, but it is quite simple, however. Since I last wrote and have viewed much new scenery, it is also a little more lively on this sector than on the one we recently left.

"I haven't received any mail for almost a month, but we have heard news in some of our base and it ought to be here in a couple of days. I am receiving the Posts and believe they are a godsend. Reading is as scarce as hen's teeth and though there is generally some at the Y. M. C. A.'s it consists of Outlook, Literary Digests and professional magazines.

"I am afraid I will take another year to do the trick, though I hope it will be sooner. I dread winter here. The very first night it went up the line when I got my baptism of fire, it was a cold and blizzard night and the snow was blowing about, it was the kind of night one likes to spend about the fire at home with a good book or a nice girl and hear the wind whistle around the house. I'll never forget that night.

"I was very nervous at first, but I'm getting used to it now. I don't think I could have done it without the machine gunners. They are such a relief and every couple of minutes the roar of a big gun or see the flash when a shell bursts and hear the shrill whistles and the wind whistling in the air.

"The ground was covered with snow and the wind blowing it at times and we were crawling out past the support line trench in little groups of four or five with our guns slung back and feeling blue. Then Fritz would 'strafe' awhile with his artillery and we would lie in shell holes and look out into the dark when the whole thing was over and pray that we could go home. And then we went back towards our dug-out after a few hours' work and stopped in a new place called 'Soul Kitchen.' It was a dugout in the ruins of an old house. In there were two men who cooked boilers full of soup and had big boxes full of cigars and some biscuits. One of our allies' guides took us in. Men sat around on boxes, ate and smoked and fiddled with their rifles in the corner and had hot soup, biscuits and cigars and chatted with our ally hosts and decided that the war wasn't so bad after all. We sat there for an hour by the light of one candle, muddy and gruesome figures in the wall or squating on the board floor, some silent, some silent, and some talking and laughing in a low, indistinct buzz. After that we used to look

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At the Seashore Mrs. Ross Matter, Mrs. Elmer Eichelberger, Miss Violet Eichelberger and Mrs. W. J. Shebley are spending the week at Atlantic City.

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Does Our Country Need a New Name?

One Writer Calls It 'A Country Without a Name'—Reasons Why the Name 'America' Is Sufficient as Well as Appropriate.

BY GARRETT P. SEVINS Professor Ellen Hayes, of Wellesley, writing in 'Science' under the title 'A Country Without a Name,' avers that 'that particular federation of American States which begins with Asia and ends with Washington needs a name more than it needs a national flower.' This is based upon the idea that it is unjustifiable derogation to employ the single word 'America' to designate the nation which occupies the entire continent of North America.

Now, it is custom that establishes these things and there can be no doubt that the adjective 'American' is universally recognized abroad as well as at home to designate a citizen of the United States of America. The noun 'America' applied exclusively to the United States has not been so universally used, but the tendency of late years has been to employ 'Americans' in distinction from the other inhabitants of North and South America.

It is always desirable, as Professor Hayes indicates, that a country should have a name consisting of a single word, from which a corresponding adjective can be formed. But we by no means present a solitary example of an official national name consisting of several words and what we do when we call ourselves 'Americans' is precisely what inhabitants of the United Kingdom and of Great Britain and Ireland do when they call themselves 'British,' only substituting 'Americans' for 'British' and 'United States' for 'Great Britain and Ireland.'

There remains of course, an inconvenience, and to some extent a source of confusion, especially for the historical writers of the future, in the double application of the name 'America,' to designate, first, a continent, and second, particularly in the case of that continent, but the names of the old continents were often employed in the same way, and that without producing any very serious misunderstanding. When, in subsequent centuries, the names of continents ceased, 'Asia' meant for the Greeks, and 'Asia' and 'Asia' meant for the great eastern continent generally and the region centering around Ephesus in particular.

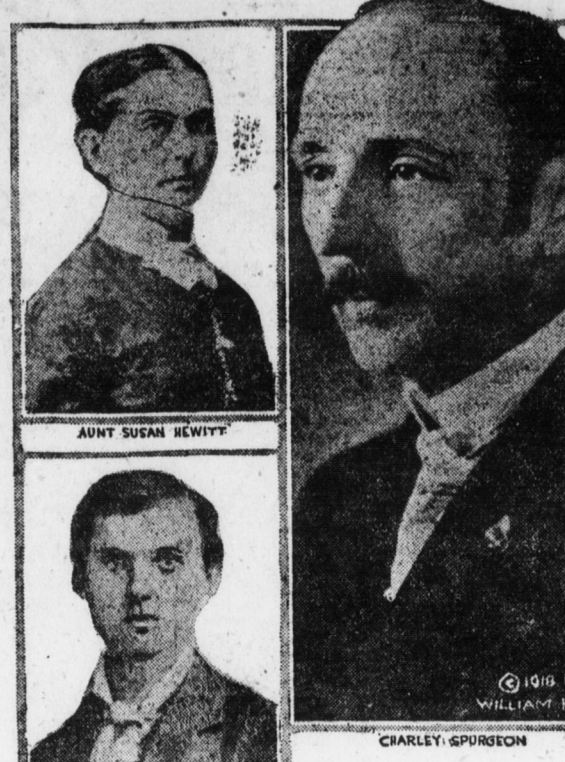
Even if it were desirable, it would be impracticable to give our country a name which would be more suitable than 'America,' and, besides, it is already appropriated. Among the tribal designations of the red men, for none of their tribes or groups occupied a more extensive part of what is now the United States.

Will Send Two Men For Boards in Other States In addition to its quota of eight men, the first city board will send other men to Newport, Warwick, Spangston, Va., to-night at 9:10 o'clock. They are Martin Aronson, 125 Chestnut street, who was registered at a city board in St. Louis; Hugh E. Calvert, 823 North Third street, registered at a board in Akron, Ohio.

Charlotte Keible, 1609 Swatara street, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keible, died at the home of her parents this morning. She was 17 years old. Burial will be made at Chambersburg, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Special Council Session; May Appoint Patrolman City Council will meet in special session to-morrow afternoon to pass finally the ordinance increasing the salaries of a number of water department employees at the filter plant. Pumping station and pipe line. Mayor Keister is expected to recommend the appointment of an additional patrolman and a police matron. No meeting will be held on Tuesday.

Three Missouri Friends of General Pershing



Aunt Susan Hewitt and J. C. Crowder. General John J. Pershing, commander of the American troops in France, the man on whom world depends to beat Germany in her war against civilization, was raised in Laclede, Mo., a small frontier town at that time.

GROCERS' PICNIC DRAWS THOUSANDS

General note of the day's activities for getting trouble and renewing youth. Many contests enjoyed. Other athletic contests of various sorts in the morning combined to make the day an interesting affair for all who were present.

purposes it was necessary to eliminate the service. To accommodate the crowds the Harrisburg Railway Company last night announced that a number of extra cars will be placed on the Hummelstown line.

In addition to this there were hundreds of automobiles which took people to the scene of the festivities. Hundreds of people on the athletic field at Hershey Park saw an exciting baseball game between uptown and Hill grocers at the big grocers' picnic this morning.

Wincroft Gas Ranges

Advertisement for Wincroft Gas Ranges, featuring various styles and sizes, and a photograph of a woman.

STORK NEWS

Captain and Mrs. George P. Drake, of 2218 North Fifth street, announce the birth of a daughter, Edith Georgine Drake, Tuesday, August 6, 1918.

Keeney's Flowers Beautiful Floral Work 10% less than any other place in town.

Palm Beach Suits Cleaned and Renewed Send your Palm Beach Suit along with your shirts and collars or with the family and get it back—cleaned—pressed—and fixed up like new for Sunday.

ELLIS LAUNDRY SERVICE STEELTON, ENOLA AND WORMLESBURG DELIVERIES

STECKLEY'S Special 15 Day Sale Of Distinctive Footwear Unusual Reductions SHOES FOR THE FAMILY People who have patronized this Sale are telling their friends...

WITMER, BAIR AND WITMER WALNUT NEAR SECOND Our Store Is Much Cooler Than the Average Shopping Place August Clearance Sale Dependable merchandise at late season prices. Jersey Dresses, Satin Dresses, Serges and Georgettes; Misses' Suits; Sport Suits, in Mixtures and Oxford; Novelty Top Skirts, in a wide range of Plaids.