

PERSHING AWARDS ORDER THAT 79TH COME HOME SOON

Division Containing Many Central Pennsylvanians Soon to Sail For U. S.

Washington, April 21.—All organizations of the 79th division (Pennsylvania, Maryland and District of Columbia), have been assigned to early convoys, General Pershing has ordered the War Department to get to-day, also assigned, the message said, are headquarters and headquarters troop of the Second Field Army and the Sixth Army Corps.

Hundreds of Central Pennsylvania soldiers are in the 79th, the division perhaps containing more Keystone State boys than any other outfit.

American-Rumanian Chamber of Commerce Formed in New York

To assist American business interests in the development of important opportunities in connection with the reconstruction of Rumania.

This new organization will have for its purpose, the stimulating and fostering of direct commercial and friendly relationships between Rumania and the United States.

Mr. C. Porter will act as Executive Secretary of the American-Rumanian Chamber of Commerce.

Rare Wild Flowers Are Found in Park Hike

A number of rare wild flowers were found by the Harrisburg Natural History Society of Wildwood Park on Saturday afternoon during a park hike.

Trained Men Leaving State to Find Better Places

Philadelphia, April 21.—Philadelphia is losing its skilled mechanics because the city has not awakened to reconstruction problems, according to former Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain.

Began Services Early

Special Easter services in Epworth Methodist Church yesterday were started with a service of prayer and praise service, after which the usual morning services were held.

Hit by Auto

James Dietz, front and Mohr streets, Steelton, was treated at the Harrisburg Hospital yesterday for injuries suffered when struck by an automobile near the back of his street.

Invitations to Dance For Miss Ruth Payne

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Payne, front and Mohr streets, have issued invitations for a dance in the Penn Harris on Thursday evening, May 1, for their daughter, Miss Ruth Payne.

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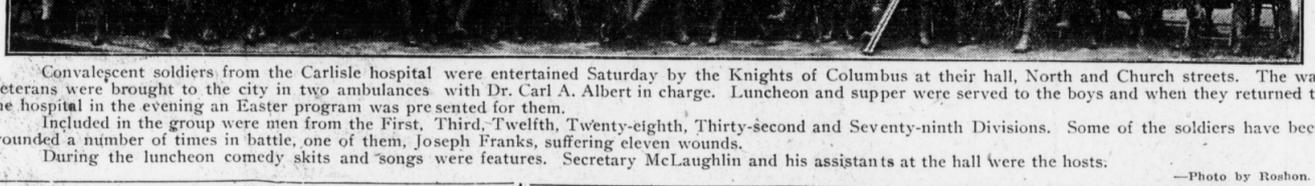
York Haven, Pa., April 21.—Annie K. Ort and William H. Ritter, both of York Haven, were married recently by the Rev. J. H. Schmitt at the United Brethren parsonage.

Wounded Yanks Entertained Rivalry by Knights of Columbus

Convalescent soldiers from the Carlisle hospital were entertained Saturday by the Knights of Columbus at their hall, North and Church streets.

Included in the group were men from the First, Third, Twelfth, Twenty-eighth, Thirty-second and Seventy-ninth Divisions.

During the luncheon comedy skits and songs were featured. Secretary McLaughlin and his assistants at the hall were the hosts.



ITALIAN ISSUE OVER ADRIATIC BECOMES ACUTE

Council of Four Holds Sunday Session to Discuss Subject

Paris, April 21.—The Italian issue over the Adriatic has reached an acute stage, where a decision one way or the other cannot longer be deferred, and a decision either way is fraught with serious consequences.

How Chinamen Harness Oysters to Produce Pearls

Chicago.—Scarcity of pearls and the increasing demand for these delicately beautiful gems have revived an ancient Chinese industry.

Penrose Flays U. S. Control of Telegraph Lines

Government control of telegraphs and telephones, now that the war emergency is over, was raised by Senator Eugene Penrose here to-day in a remark upon the effort of the United States authorities to prevent the State from enforcing the decision of the President Judge George Kunkel, of the Dauphin county court, in the suit instituted by Attorney General W. I. Schaffer at the instance of the Governor.

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CIVIC CLUB IN ANNUAL SESSION

Organization Closes One of the Busiest Years in Its History

The annual meeting of the Civic Club is being held at the Clubhouse this afternoon. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected later this afternoon and Dr. J. George Becht is scheduled to speak on "Americanization."

The colorful story of how the Civic Club of Harrisburg threw open its doors to soldiers, sailors and marines during the past year, turning the empty structure into a Hostess House; how the members were instrumental in cheering their soldier guests, and how the club has aided materially in civic and welfare work in Harrisburg during the past year, is narrated in the report of Mrs. William Henderson, president, which has just been made public.

The report is a seven-page typewritten digest of the activities during the past year. In opening, Mrs. Henderson says:

"The report of 1918-1919 means the work of two distinct activities—the usual work of the Civic Club and the special work of the Civic Club's Hostess House."

"Certain days stand out prominently in the Civic Club's year and are remembered as they were forgotten, was Tuesday, May 14, 1918, when our clubhouse had the honor of entertaining for a day one hundred and twenty-five French soldiers of France."

"The completion of the work of the tablet committee and the placing of the beautiful memorial tablets on the house are most important events in the annals of the Civic Club. The tablet committee appointed by the president in June, 1918, consisted of: Miss Eleanor Shunk, chairman; Miss Eleanor, Mrs. John W. Reilly, Miss Carson, Mrs. Harvey Smith, Mrs. William Henderson."

"An understanding has been reached," said the announcement, "by which telephone employees will return to work and the service will be restored pending detailed consideration of wage schedules."

"The final settlement," she said, "has been reached and it is the best ever put over for the operators. The morning and service will be restored as soon as possible."

"No formal announcement of the wage scale was made, but it was made, but strike leaders said that the operators would receive \$19 a week after seven years' service and that the award would be retroactive to January 1. The present maximum pay is \$15 and the operators demanded \$22."

"The award to the men workers was said to be fifty cents a day advance for these in the metropolitan district and twenty cents a day for others. The men asked for an increase of \$1.40 per day."

"The Municipal Department, Miss Rachel Pollock, chairman, reports every effort that was possible has been made to bring about an appointment of a police matron this year, but it has not been successful. The Civic Club feels it should have a voice in the selecting of the candidate. The jail has been visited each week by Miss Pollock and patches given to the women to make quilts."

"Complaints were brought to the department that the curfew ordinance was not being enforced. The Mayor's office reported that they were doing all they could."

"Educational Department, Mrs. Alvin I. Miller, chairman, reports: This year the work of the department has been handicapped by the ban closing the schools for six weeks on account of the influenza epidemic. Milk and crackers have been given to the children in the ungraded schools each day. A marked improvement is seen in their physical condition. The activities of these special schools are weaving rugs, caning chairs, wood-working, basketry, brush making, sewing, knitting and gardening. Victrola and records have been sent to the Downey School."

"Outdoor Department, Miss Buehler, chairman, reports: The outdoor department of the Civic Club has very little report for 1918. Owing to the building of the outdoor school, Fifth and Seneca streets, the usual school garden was impossible."

"The Hostess House, At a meeting of the board of directors, August 12, 1918, at the direction of Mrs. Lyman D. Gilbert, the Club House was offered as a hostess house. An advisory board of Sundays of each week for the entertainment of the soldiers. In a short time it was found wise to open it every day in the week, which was done."

"The president and Mrs. Gilbert were authorized to select a committee to have charge of the matter and to get the plan under way as soon as practicable. An advisory board of the hostess house was formed: Mrs. Edward F. Dunlap, chairman, Mrs. William Henderson, treasurer; Mrs. Lyman D. Gilbert, Mrs. William Henderson, Mrs. John W. Reilly, Miss Ann McCormick, Mrs. Francis Hall, Mrs. Mickey Jones, Mrs. Walter Spofford."

It was decided to have a dance every Saturday night and a Sunday night followed by an informal entertainment. We were ready by August 21 and have extended a glad hand and a warm welcome to the soldiers in the hostess house since we have averaged one hundred men a week. The last of the week, when we entertained 270. One hundred and fifty men to dinner on Thanksgiving evening, followed by an entertainment by the hostess house girls. The first of the year was Christmas night, when 100 men had supper with us, the Rotary Club giving a fine entertainment afterward. Many foreign born soldiers were among our Christmas guests.

"The response in money and everything needed for the hostess house has been most spontaneous and generous. The co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce, the Red Cross, the Red Cross fine, is praised for splendid work."

"We especially wish to thank the young girls who so willingly came week after week to dance with the soldiers and help entertain them. To the boys twice every week. To everyone who has helped to make the hostess house the success it certainly has been. Photographs of the outside of the hostess house and various interior views have been sent to Washington to be used in the pictorial record of the war."

"The career of the Civic Club as a hostess house is over the first day of April. There is no longer a necessity for it as the soldiers have been discharged from our nearby camps. We will now turn the club house over to the house committee for repairs."

"Concluding her reports, Mrs. Henderson says: 'Our club we are keenly interested in Pennsylvania child labor laws, in all child welfare. We have heard much on Americanization and are eager to help.'"

"A better housing of our people gives us great concern and with this in view we will co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce in having a Chamber of Commerce Employment Bureau established in Harrisburg. Our part will be a house-to-house survey as to conditions with Mrs. Martin E. Olmsted as chairman of Housing Survey."

"EMPLOYMENT SUNDAY, Harrisburg ministers are urged in their sermons next Sunday to speak in behalf of the employment of the returning soldiers in a proclamation issued by Mayor Daniel L. Keister. The Mayor's proclamation was issued following out the suggestion of the United States Department of Labor, the Federation of Labor, and the Chamber of Commerce."

"CONFEDERATION TO MEET, A meeting of the Pennsylvania Confederation Association will open in the Penn-Harris hotel, Thursday night and continue Friday. Important matters will be discussed."



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