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NOVEMBER

Calendar for November 1914 showing days of the week and dates from 1 to 30.

MOON'S PHASES

Full Moon, 2nd; Last Quarter, 10th; New Moon, 17th; First Quarter, 24th.

WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and decidedly colder to-night with lowest temperature about 18 degrees. Saturday fair and colder.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair and decidedly colder to-night. Saturday fair, clear. Strong northwest winds.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG Highest, 38; lowest, 26; 8 a. m., 28; 5 p. m., 34.

COLLEGE GIRLS' HATS

The sophomore girls in the University of Pennsylvania have been forbidden by the faculty to wear small brown hats, bearing their class numerals, which they had adopted as the official class headgear.

The "co-eds," however, have been obedient and discarded their class hats. It seems, though, from a mere outsider's point of view, that the girls were in the right and that the ban on their harmless little hats was uncalled for.

It appears that a college tradition had something to do with the faculty order. One of Penn's traditional requirements is that students may not wear the numerals of their class on their hats unless they have "won" them through proficiency in some branch of athletics.

The advantage lies in the fact that it promotes a democratic feeling among the girls and removes the temptation for the poor girl to spend more than she can afford for her millinery.

THIS IS "SHELLFISH DAY"

The National Association of Shellfish Commissioners has set aside this as "Shellfish Day," with the idea of emphasizing the value of oysters and kindred seafoods for more general use on the table.

In these times of high prices for foodstuffs, and especially beef, "Shellfish Day" perhaps has added significance as a means of educating the people with regard to the nutritious properties especially of oysters.

Perhaps the placing of emphasis on the value of oysters as a staple food, on a day set aside each year for that purpose, may have the effect of helping the struggling housewife to cut down her marketing bills, and if it does so, it must be agreed that the holding of an annual "Shellfish Day" is not without its practical benefits.

ABOLISHING HOME STUDY

An experiment is being tried in several classes of the Reading high schools with a plan of school work called the "laboratory plan."

The students do no home studying. They learn everything they are supposed to learn during school hours, with no other preparation than that which they are able to make in those hours.

The idea is to have the teachers do more teaching and less listening to recitations prepared with more or less effort by the students in their homes. The plan involves more trouble for the teachers, of course.

Those who would abolish home study presumably know full well under what unfavorable conditions some boys and girls study in their homes. They understand about the difficulties which prevent pupils from getting out their lessons as they perhaps should.

It is too often the case that valuable time is wasted during school hours under the present arrangement of preparation for and recitation of lessons. In most schools a definite plan of study in vacant periods during school hours has not been prescribed for the pupils, nor have classes been arranged with a view of facilitating such studying.

True, some students have abolished home study on their own responsibility. They try to make preparations for their recitations during school hours, if they make any, and their work seldom is satisfactory because the arrangements in the schools are not suited to their particular method or lack of method.

ROBERT J. BURDETTE

Laugh while ye may, for the day will come When laughter dies on lips that are dumb.

There are many in Harrisburg who learn with sincere regret of the death of that earnest Christian gentleman and man of mirth and happiness, the Rev. Robert J. Burdette, which occurred in his home in Pasadena, California, yesterday.

Humor and laughter and Burdette were boon companions. Together they traveled through the land, sharing their best with everybody and giving a rosy tint of happiness to whatever they came in contact with.

How many dollars, in salaries to the auditors, is it costing Dauphin county to learn what became of that 33 cents?

Do we want to annihilate Turkey? Not exactly. We prefer to do it to turkey,—at the dinner table next Thursday.

The odds favor Harvard in to-morrow's football contest in New Haven but it is never well to figure too confidently on a Yale football team being licked in its own back yard.

Don't forget to fill a Thanksgiving Bag for the Harrisburg Hospital! You can get one by telephoning to the hospital, and you can put jellies, canned goods, soap and clean linens in it, or, better still, send money!

Thomas Mott Osborne, a wealthy man with some theories on how to run a penitentiary, is going to tackle the difficult task of being warden at Sing Sing and is taking keen delight in the prospect.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

PROTEST AGAINST MINES

First Fish—"European waters are getting dangerous." Second Fish—"Thank goodness, it doesn't cost us anything to swim to America."—Exchange.

EFFICIENCY OF FATHER

Judge Walter Sanborn, of the United States Circuit Court, smiled the other evening when one of the guests at a dinner told how beautifully he could keep house during the absence of his wife.

"While I was away," continued Mrs. Smith, "my husband looked after the house and insisted on cooking his own meals."

"You don't really mean it!" exclaimed Mrs. Brown, wondering. "How did he make out?"

"He says he did splendidly," answered Mrs. Smith, something akin to a sigh; "but I noticed that during my absence the parrot learned to swear."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

PHILANDER'S MISTAKE

"Philander," said a pretty girl to her bashful beau, "I wish you'd tie this ribbon at my throat. I can't see to do it without a glass."

"Of course; I'll be glad to," he said, and at once grappled with the strings. After an unsuccessful effort of five minutes, during which he got as red as a brick house and perspired like a pitcher of ice water on a July window sill, he stammered:

"I—I—I—don't think I can tie a respectable knot, Miss Mary."

"Suppose, Philander," she whispered, with a pretty little blush, "suppose you can call in a clergyman to assist."

Like the unveiling of a beautiful mystery, the situation unfolded itself to Philander, and he feels better now.—Exchange.

LOCAL COLOR

"You seem to have a large number of picturesque characters about here," said the tourist.

"We have to have 'em," answered the proprietor of a western hotel, "for travelers who come here expecting to find local color." All these Indians and cowboys you see are paid by us to loaf about the premises and keep within easy range of kodaks.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

THE FACTION'S HOPE

No political faction is too small to entertain a hope that in some crisis it will find itself in possession of "the balance of power."—Washington Star.

Tongue-End Topics

Still Need for American Army Mule

The American army mule need have no fear for its laurels because of the great part gasoline motors have played in transportation problems of European armies in the present war. Until American roads generally are brought up to the high standard of the roads of Germany, France, Belgium and other European countries, the army mule will determine through his capacity for hauling, the limitation of operations for American military forces.

Moving the Battery Wagon

A few years ago it was determined to experiment with motor transportation as a means to increase the radius of field artillery. The most available subject for this purpose was the battery wagon, carrying the forges for gun repairs and horse-shoeing and also the saddler's equipment.

Crozier's Motor Wagon a Failure

General Crozier, chief of the army ordnance bureau, designed a motor battery wagon which was tried out in maneuvers. It proved a flat failure for it was so heavy that it broke through bridges, sunk to the hubs in soft roads and generally hampered the battery to which it was attached.

European Gasoline Tractors

In connection with the newest heavy siege pieces designed for the American army it was proposed recently to experiment with European gasoline traction engines. Arrangements were under way for the importation of one of these at the time the European war broke out.

A Different Situation in Europe

In many ways, army officers believe the present war will have little effect on the development of American military transportation equipment. The armies of Germany, France and to some extent England, are equipped to fight in the highly developed territory which is the present theatre of war.

Motorcycles in the Army

The United States employs motorcycles to some extent for orderlies carrying messages. Even this is limited by road conditions, however, and while suggestions for a motorcycle corps have been made, serious attention has not been given to the subject as yet.

Holiday opening and souvenir day

Saturday, November 21. Grand Union Tea Store, 208 North Second street. adv.

CROCKER LAND EXPEDITION

All the Members Reported Well in Letter Dated August 29 By Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 20.—All the members of the Crocker Land Expedition, headed by Dr. Donald B. MacMillan, were well on August 29, according to a letter written on that date by Elmer Ekblaw, geologist of the party.

By a strange freak of luck as Jot Small and I were fleeing before a storm in our little motor we met Knud Rasmussen's boat on its way to Etah with our mail and supplies.



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messages and mail to get back to you. "Evidently," Mr. Hovey explained, "the storm which was raging when Mr. Ekblaw's letter was written and the fact that he was going back to Etah kept Mr. Rasmussen from keeping up his journey to Crockerland party's headquarters."

Citizens Will Meet Next Week to Consider Plan for Electric Lamps At a mass meeting of Lingletown citizens early next week plans will be discussed for lighting the streets with modern electric lamps and it is probable that a scheme similar to that adopted at Riverside will be agreed upon for Lingletown.

Lingletown, because it is not a borough, cannot install electric street lighting as a municipality, but the citizens can get together—just as they did at Riverside—and install the proposed system and divide the cost pro rata among the townspeople.

The new Paxtang ordinance authorizing the lighting of the streets by current supplied by the Harrisburg Light & Power Company will likely be passed finally at next Monday's meeting of Council.

Tennis as a Test Tennis is a sure revealer of character. Three sets with a man suffice to give one a working knowledge of his moral equipment; six, of his chief mental traits, and a dozen, of that most important and usually veiled part of him, his subconscious personality.

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