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JANUARY

Calendar for January 1915 showing days of the week and moon phases.

MOON'S PHASES

Full Moon, 1st, 30th; Last Quarter, 8th; New Moon, 15th; First Quarter, 23d.

WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Snow to-night and Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Lowest temperature to-night about 29 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Snow to-night and Saturday. Moderate to fresh north to northeast winds.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG: Highest, 33; lowest, 26; 8 a. m., 27; 8 p. m., 26.

RIVER FRONT COMPLAINT JUSTIFIED

When the attention of a City Commissioner was called to-day to the fact that Front street lawns, in the neighborhood of Pepper and Muench streets, are being littered with thousands of old newspapers carried there by the wind from the river's edge where the Pennsylvania Reduction Company, with the sanction of the City Commission, is dumping ashes and refuse gathered from the homes of Harrisburg residents, he pleaded for patience on the part of the residents.

All the Commissioner need do, since he is incredulous, is to take a walk up Front street and see for himself. If he had done so yesterday afternoon he could not only have seen the lawns for a stretch of several blocks almost covered in many instances with waste paper, but, over the river bank where the dump has been established, he could have seen rotten and rotting pumpkins, lemon and grape fruit rinds, decaying potatoes and every once in a while he could have obtained a whiff of noxious odors that would have made him hold his nose.

While we believe the residents along the river front, as well as those living in any other part of Harrisburg, are willing to put up with personal inconveniences to permit the City to escape a great burden of expense in making the river bank fill, they cannot be expected to submit to conditions as they are now in the place described. It may be all right enough to utilize ashes to save money for the City in making the needed fill, but it is not all right to use decaying vegetable matter, to permit paper to obliterate lawns or to allow great clouds of dust to sift into the homes of river front residents every time a cart is dumped.

Since, as the Commissioner said in his statement, the City has hired men to prevent just these annoyances, it is up to the City to see that these men do their work properly. They haven't done it properly as yet.

HOME TALENT TO THE FORE

The fact that a hundred and twenty-five persons of this city are to appear on the Majestic stage next Monday and Tuesday in an elaborate operetta, again brings home talent into prominence, and points toward an affair which will be an enjoyable one.

A production of this sort by a local cast, although it may be lacking in some of the qualities which can only be expected of professional players, always has certain charms about it which can only be expected of the amateurs of a community. When players behind the footlights are persons widely known in a community, their efforts are always a source of much enjoyment to their friends and relatives on the other side of the lights, and there is a closer understanding between persons on the

stage and persons in the audience than under other conditions.

It is well for the talent of a city like Harrisburg to be brought together at times to take part in a production such as next week's operetta. An opportunity is offered to capable amateurs to give expression to their accomplishments before large audiences, and the audiences are likewise given a chance to see what the city is producing in the way of talent, particularly musical talent. It is a question, in connection with a good home talent production, whether the cast gets more entertainment out of it or the audience. Both get a great deal.

The proceeds of next week's operetta go to the Harrisburg Polyclinic Hospital, an institution which has been doing a great amount of charitable work and is now dependent largely upon these proceeds to acquire much needed additional equipment. The affair therefore appeals for patronage not only because of its local cast but also by reason of its philanthropic object.

IMMIGRATION AFTER THE WAR

Despite contentions that barriers should be raised to prevent a flood of foreigners from overwhelming this country at the close of the war, the likelihood is rather that during the year following the close of the conflict the immigration gains in this country will be the smallest in several decades. Not only has the war called aliens living in the United States back to their native countries, and cut off the inflow to this country, but it will also be the means of keeping foreigners at home after the war is over, that they may repair the property, revive the industry and restore the prosperity which the war will partly or wholly have destroyed.

In the countries which are now at war there will be plenty of opportunities for employment offered to the surviving natives at the close of the conflict, and inducements for them to stay at home ought to be greater than any that America could hold forth. Neglected soil will have to be tilled in the devastated countries and abandoned shops and factories reoccupied, and all this with great numbers of the former workers in soldiers' graves.

Even in the European countries which are so fortunate as to keep out of the war, the opportunities for natives at home will be greater than they have been for some time, since these countries will get a large share of the benefit of rehabilitated European trade.

There may be disheartening conditions after the war in sections of Europe which are hard hit, with perhaps little more than ashes upon which to re-establish industry, but repairs and readjustments will have to be made and the natives will hardly rush to this country or to any other at such a time, fleeing from the tasks which will confront them. Although we in the United States should under all circumstances exclude vicious and highly undesirable aliens, we might do better at present in preparation for the handling of the big share of the world's trade that we will get at the close of the war, to encourage rather than to discourage immigration from Europe.

When the members of the old councilmanic bodies, that have passed out of existence, meet to form a permanent social organization, one thing that is certain is that there will be no 3-to-2 vote.

Is there a hidden purpose behind the plan of the members of the old councilmanic bodies to reorganize? Perhaps they believe they can give even the new City Commission some pointers on how to run the City.

Despite the fact that wheat reached a new high record price yesterday, little of it was offered for sale. Perhaps the farmers,—or the speculators,—are holding out for a still better figure.

Don't dodge around the corner next week when you see the collector for the Home and War Relief Committee coming your way!

Philadelphia's \$5,000,000 municipal bond issue, offered "over the counter," was oversubscribed in less than seven hours. The bonds are four percents and the fact of the ready sale of them seems to prove there are even now investors aplenty who are willing to put their money into safe securities, even at a comparatively low rate of interest.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

HE WAS RATTLED

"So many men marry now for money," she said. "You would not marry me for money, would you, Harry?" "No," said Harry, absently. "I would not marry you for all the money in the world."

And he was amazed when she exclaimed: "Oh, you horrid, horrid wretch!"—Exchange.

HIS KIND

Recruiting Officer (to brawny pitman who has just passed his medical examination):—"What regiment do you wish to join?"

Pitman—"I don't care." Officer—"Sure you have no preference?" Pitman—"Well, put me in one of them that spikes the beggars."—London Opinion.

TRAMP LORE

"Get away from here, or I'll call my husband!" threatened the hard-faced woman who had just refused the tramp some food.

"Oh, no, you won't," replied the tramp, "because he ain't home."

"How do you know?" asked the woman.

"Because," answered the man, as he sidled toward the gate, "a man who marries a woman like you is only home at meal times."—New York World.

JUST LIKE MOTHER'S

"Now, dear," hesitated John, "what about cooking?" "Well, Jack," confessed the two-day-old bride, "when we get back from our honeymoon your mother is going to tell me just how to cook the things you like."

"I say, dearie, you're a sport to let my mother give you a hint or two."

Three weeks later, Jack, hardly so jovial of countenance, superintended the disposal of their evening meal.

"Say," he grumbled, as he glared, knife in hand, at a minute specimen of cookery for two. "What's the matter with the crust of this pie? It doesn't half cover it!"

"Why, dearest," answered the anxious young wife, as she came and gazed at it. "I thought you'd be pleased! Your mother said you always liked the crust rather short!"—Exchange.

Tongue-End Topics

Birth Rate Here and Elsewhere

A comparison of the number of births in 1914 with those of the previous twelve months, said Dr. John M. J. Raunick, Chief of the Bureau of Health and Sanitation, prompted his statement in his annual report that the percentage of birth increases for the last year in Harrisburg gives cause for alarm. The Health officer further says he did not lose sight of the figures which confronted him when he made comparisons of Harrisburg's record that of other cities. The Health Officer says the number of births here has been at the rate of 19.2 per thousand of population, which he declares to be a ratio lower than in any other city of the size in the State. The cities of Erie, York, Lancaster, Reading, Easton and Altoona and the first class cities all have swamped Harrisburg in so far as the birth rate is concerned, according to Dr. Raunick's information. Harrisburg can boast about its reduced death rate, but even that is bettered by some other cities.

Stork Most Active in Ninth Ward

Dr. Raunick insists that the subject of births and deaths cannot be taken too seriously. "Why, just look at that!" he said as he pointed to the Third ward figures, which show that the total number of births in the ward was but 28, an average of only a trifle more than two a month. But he couldn't refrain from smiling as he ran his finger down over the sheet and stopped at the Ninth ward, which showed 227 births. The Ninth ward has the record. The Seventh is second with 196 and the Second is next with 177.

London's Death Rate Lower

Comparing the last year with that of fourteen years ago, the infant death rate in London has declined 29 per cent.; deaths from measles, 32 per cent.; scarlet fever, 64 per cent.; whooping cough, 62 per cent.; diphtheria, 55 per cent.; tuberculosis, 28 per cent.; pneumonia, 17, and bronchitis, 61 per cent. From all causes the percentage of deaths, counting adults, children and infants, has declined 24 per cent. during the period. To increased facilities for the diagnosis of disease by laboratories, the destruction of rodents and care taken against infection is the low death rate mainly attributable.

Soldiers Hunt Hares in Belgium

The officers of the Fourth Dragoon Guards, at the front with the British army, have been diverting themselves by chasing the hares of Belgium. Lieutenant Charles Romer Williams, of this regiment, made a special trip to his home in Northamptonshire for some hunting dogs, and received the loan of a pack from a sympathetic country gentleman. Lieutenant Williams, who was the master of the Eton beagles when a student at Eton, now has the dogs with him at the front.

Put Ban on German Literature

The Portuguese government, according to London advices, has prohibited the admission to the country of German war propaganda in the form of pamphlets, circulars or books. Literature of this description had been scattered broadcast throughout the country recently by German agencies located in Barcelona and other Spanish centers.

AMERICAN GIFTS SAVED LIVES IN WAR YEARS AGO

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surrounded, virtually, by the hostile French troops. When the two big ships' loads of supplies of clothing came to comfort them and make certain at least a warmth of body during the streets of vigorous warfare.

Edward Moeslein, now chairman of the Dauphin County Democratic committee, was that man. For an hour, following a brief descriptive talk of how much the supplies which this city is sending to stricken Europe through the relief committee are appreciated, he answered question after question, until he had given a word-picture of conditions across the ocean in that former war that wrung the tribute of tears from the eyes of many who heard.

"While we lay before Orleans we felt the most bitter sting of the unfought part of war," said the veteran, answering the question, "What does it mean to the soldier, this American relief?"

"We had captured the place October 11," said Mr. Moeslein, "then were forced to give it up. December 2, 3 and 4, by fierce fighting, we retook it. It was on December 2, after a terrible fight in falling sleet and rain, that the bugles blew 'Stand where you are.' It was 11 o'clock at night. We stopped. We were about out of ammunition, had no food and were wearing clothing we had hurriedly put on when we left home in July. For nine weeks we had had no change of apparel.

"Moeslein's Hearing Impaired "We stuck our bayonets in the ground with the fun attached, leaning in toward a point. Across these guns we laid the bodies of three dead Frenchmen. They froze stiff, and behind them we knelt all that night. We had been on the march and fighting twenty miles a day for two months or more and I feel asleep, kneeling. When I awoke my left cheek was against the body of one of the Frenchmen."

"Did you suffer permanent injury from that night of exposure?" asked one of the committeemen.

"Well, I haven't heard out of my left ear since," Mr. Moeslein answered, and then, bit by bit, answering ques-

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PHIL DESORMMERE, Schaffer, Mich., writes: "Last winter I could not sleep at night on account of a bad cough. It did not bother me during the day, but started up at bedtime and kept me from sleeping. I was very weak and in bad shape. I started using FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR and was greatly pleased to find that the cough left me entirely, my appetite improved, and I slept soundly at night."

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Geo. A. Gargas, 16 North Third Street and P. R. R. Station.

tions, the whole story came out. He had not noticed his condition much at first, as Prince Karl had come to the rescue, and, by means of artillery, driven away the threatening French who had surrounded the Germans. Ten days later the terrific ordeal of fighting, as they marched 20 miles a day, wore too heavily even on the splendid physique of the big German, and he collapsed.

Then followed the story of his splendid treatment while ill by an old French gentleman, who had six wounded Frenchmen, a German lieutenant and Mr. Moeslein to care for, but who had ministered to their wants until all were well. For four days the frozen-faced man lay with his face packed in ice, while nature slowly restored the injured tissues, though failing to restore his hearing.

His clothing was so filthy that the old French gentleman baked it to destroy the vermin. The old gentleman's clothes were too small for Mr. Moeslein, so he wore a blanket while his clothing was baked. It was after he had rejoined his regiment, under command of Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm, that the American relief ships, bearing clothing and Red Cross supplies, landed at Havre, and later issued the much-needed clothing to the encamped army.

How American Gifts Helped "Naturally I am friendly to the Germans," continued Mr. Moeslein, "but in this matter I am for relief to them all, particularly Red Cross supplies for the women and children. When a man is sick or wounded in the enemies' hands he is no enemy. This great charity you are aiding helps first the needy here; then it saves the lives of wounded men, and, more noble still, cares for those whom war strikes without bullet or bayonet, but whom it strikes and kills, just the same.

"All over Europe, I am sure, hearts are blessing the American people for their noble work. Germans of this city have sent \$3,100 to Germany, and they are sending to the other needy ones, too.

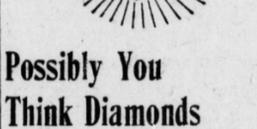
"I got one shirt, a pair of socks and some underclothing out of those American ships, but, greater than all that, I got the brotherhood of man message from warm-hearted America, and it kindled a feeling of love and regard for you people within me that I never forgot. And what I suffered and felt was the experience of thousands others.

"To-day it is the same. All nations will appreciate the kindly spirit and motives which prompt those needed and humane gifts of supplies, especially for the Red Cross.

"We had money, as have those countries now at war, but there was nothing to buy, as there is nothing there to buy now. It was what America sent then that we appreciated more than all else. It will be the same now, for the misery is so much greater now than then. We fought with the tens of thousands; they fight to-day with millions. Let America give."

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VOGEL TEST SHOWS NO POISON

Analysis Ends Rumor After Sudden Death of Siegel's Partner New York, Jan. 22.—A report of the chemical analysis of the contents of the stomach of Frank E. Vogel, who at the time of his death at the Baltimore hotel was under fourteen indictments with Henry Siegel, shows there was no trace of cyanide. The report was made by the Ferguson laboratories, 121 West Forty-second street, to District Attorney Perkins.

BIG RAIL ORDER

Southern Pacific Said to Have Bought 30,000 Tons New York, Jan. 22.—The Southern Pacific railroad is reported to have ordered 30,000 tons of steel rails from the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company.

This means an expenditure of about \$840,000. The Norfolk and Western railway has placed additional orders for 5,000 tons of rails with Pittsburgh mills.

Constable Is Jailed

York, Jan. 22.—William Hermon, who disappeared about two weeks ago while under \$1,000 bail awaiting sentence on two charges of extortion while a constable at York, and surrendered to the Washington police Wednesday, was sentenced yesterday to one year in jail and to pay a fine of \$100.

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