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FEBRUARY

Calendar for February 1915 showing days of the week and dates from Sun. to Sat.

MOON'S PHASES

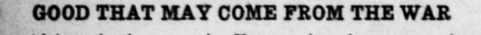
Last Quarter, 7th; New Moon, 13th; First Quarter, 21st.

WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to night and Friday. Not much change in temperature. Lowest temperature to night about 25 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to night and Friday. Strong north winds.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG Highest, 39; lowest, 33; 8 a. m., 33; 8 p. m., 34.



GOOD THAT MAY COME FROM THE WAR

Although the war in Europe has been arousing racial hatred and has been having a thousand and one other harmful effects, any optimist can see without great difficulty that it cannot but have a few beneficial results as well.

That the war is bringing the Scandinavian nations, Norway, Sweden and Denmark, closer together from day to day, is evidenced by the united action they are repeatedly taking on important questions brought up by the belligerents.

A revived kingdom of Poland seems certain to be established after the smoke has cleared away, or even before, and oppression of the Poles would then come to an end.

Not the least consideration is that to which attention has been called by the German ambassador to America, Count von Bernstorff, concerning the changed relations of Jews in his country, which the war is bringing about.

The German Ambassador says, incidentally, that his people will become far more democratic after the war than they have hitherto been, a condition which will probably be common to the people of all the nations which will have passed through the ordeal, and which will be a not unimportant result of the conflict.

WAR POEMS SELECTED BY PROF. WERT

The series of "Classic War Poems," selected by Professor J. Howard Wert and being printed now in intervals in the Star-Independent, constitutes a collection of rare educational and historical value to readers of this newspaper.

past than by getting the wonderfully expressed viewpoints of these master writers. Professor Wert's series is made especially valuable by the fact that he accompanies each poem with a prose narrative, prepared by himself and based on historic facts, explaining in full the relation of the poems to the history of the wars they describe.

ANOTHER COUNTERFEITER CAUGHT

The counterfeiting business is not one which recommends itself to clever engravers and printers as a means of earning a daily living in safety and happiness. Uncle Sam has demonstrated time and again that he has no idea of giving inducements to proficient counterfeiters by allowing them to dispose of the products of their labors without interference.

In discouraging competition in the money printing business, Uncle Sam not only has put a stop to the operation of presses turning out work similar to his own, but has repeatedly taken charge of the operators and placed them in institutions where they can no longer pursue their industry.

During the last month counterfeit postal money orders were passed in different parts of the country and a nation-wide search for the producer ended yesterday in the arrest in New Orleans of a Baltimore printer who confessed to the crime.

When a man passes counterfeits of United States stamps, money, money orders or other government mediums of exchange, he is an offender against the entire nation and the whole country is after him. It must be a very clever rascal who can evade the government's organization of sleuths, with their facilities for tracing him from one end of the country to another and for giving the widest publicity to his methods.

The evidence against the Baltimore man, who was yesterday made a prisoner, is said to be sufficient under the Federal law to send him to prison for as many as forty years. Uncle Sam, far from feeling sincerely flattered when his printed shop products are imitated, is apt to feel decidedly displeased, and the consequences of being out of favor with him in this respect are not pleasant ones to contemplate.

A one-legged Sarah Bernhardt isn't to be imagined.

Seems as if the Threshermen are going to do some threshing in the legislative grain fields.

This seems to be German week on land and sea, as per non-censored dispatches from Berlin.

A few outlying cities are discovering that Harrisburg, in addition to being the capital, is on the commercial map.

Other Pennsylvania cities are finding "Harrisburg the center of distribution" of some pretty good fellow-citizens.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

TYPICAL CRITIC

"I suppose you know just how the Government should be run?" "Oh, I don't go that far," replied Mr. Growcher. "All I say is that nobody who is trying to run any part of it knows how."—Washington Star.

NOT THAT KIND OF A LICENSE

"Now, remember, you are only allowed one deer," said the license clerk. "That's queer talk for a man about to be married." "Oh! Did you wish a marriage license? I was issuing you a license to hunt."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

FAVORITISM?

"Teacher, teacher! Willie and Benny is fighting like anything!" "Stop that, you boys! You're a good little girl, Lena, to tell me." "Yes, teacher. But I wouldn't tell you only Benny was gettin' licked."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

COSTLY ERROR

"Why was the new maid freed?" "Oh, in a thoughtless moment she forgot to bathe the madam's poodle and bathed the baby instead."—Florida Times-Union.

THOUGHTFUL OF HIS PURSE

"She's a sensible girl," said the first traveling man. "You bet she is," said the second. "Last night when I took her to dinner before ordering she asked me if I was going to pay the check myself or work it into the expense account."—Detroit Free Press.

WHY SHE PLUNGED

"She hesitated a long while. I wonder how she finally came to decide to take the matrimonial plunge?" "I think her younger sisters pushed her off the dock, so to speak."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A MATTER OF FIGURES

Jake—"See that girl there on the beach? She gets \$1,000 a year posing for artists." Rake—"That's some figure."—Dartmouth Jack o' Lanterns.

APPROPRIATE

"Did you ever hear of such a thing as an appropriate affliction?" "Certainly, I can show you a case now. There goes a grass widow with hay fever."—Exchange.

THE ONLY WAY

"How is your flat headed?" "By tipping the janitor."—Chicago News.

RHEUMATISM GOES IF HOOD'S IS USED

The genuine old reliable Hood's Sarsaparilla corrects the acid condition of the blood and builds up the whole system. It drives out rheumatism because it cleanses the blood thoroughly. It has been successfully used for forty years.

Tongue-End Topics

Mr. Schock Active in Politics Among the attorneys in attendance on the Board of Pardons this week was Hiram Schock, for years a resident of Harrisburg and later a resident of Pittsburgh, where he is now successfully practicing law.

Sores on the Chestnut "Blight"

Senator Sones, of Lycoming, is one of the men interested in lumber operations who looks upon this "Chestnut blight" scare in this State of a few years ago as a big farce. The State spent about \$300,000 in its efforts to get rid of the "blight," but according to the Senator the crop of chestnuts has been greatest where the "blight" is said to have ruined the trees.

Young Pleads for Murderer

Seidman a State official, other than those of the Board of Pardons, appears at the meeting of that body, but this week there was an exception. State Treasurer Young appeared to plead for the commutation of the death sentence of a young murderer who had killed a girl with whom the slayer was madly in love.

Army Burns Solidified Alcohol

The commissary department of the French army has lately distributed to men on guard in the advanced trenches solidified alcohol which is early lighted by a match, and, burning without a visible flame, gives out sufficient heat to warm up soldiers. From the chemist's standpoint solidified alcohol is still existent, all efforts to arrive at this result at ordinary temperatures having failed.

War Ruins French Roads

Rain and war together have completed the destruction of the admirable high roads in the north, of which France was once proud. The continual passage of heavy artillery and of the thundering motor trucks have worn deep ruts in them, now filled with mud that sticks like glue. Within range of the semiautomatic battle line, the ruts are nothing compared to the multitude of funnel-shaped holes where the big German shells have ripped out the macadam and gouged sometimes three feet deep into the roadway.

DULL, SPLITTING, SICK HEADACHE

Dr. James' Headache Powders Relieve At Once—10 Cents a Package

You take a Dr. James' Headache Powder and in just a few moments your head clears and all neuralgia and pain fades away. It's the quickest and surest relief for headache, whether dull, throbbing, splitting or nerve-racking.

HAS HIGH EFFICIENCY RECORD DURING YEAR 1914

More Than 99.9 Per Cent. of Pennsylvania Employees Shows Loyalty to Company Rules—Many Tests Were Made

Out of 3,861,962 efficiency tests and observations made on the Pennsylvania Railroad last year, more than 99.9 per cent. showed perfect obedience to the train safety rules. To be exact, the safety regulations were followed to the letter 1,494 times in every 1,495 cases observed.

Exactly 24,798 tests were made of the observance of stop signals, and in only 34 cases did the employees fail to live up to the strict letter of the rules—in other words the employees were 99.86 per cent. perfect in their observance of stop signals.

In 113,747 instances observed, there were only 314 in which the rules governing the handling of explosives and inflammables were not followed exactly. There were only four failures in 129,773 tests for observance of the rule against trains leaving or arriving out of time. In all some nine out of 16,251 cases, the regulations requiring trainmen to be stationed at all unprotected grade crossings, during the shifting of cars, were obeyed.

34 MORE PERSONS HIT TRAIL

Interest Unabated as Evangelist Miller's Stay at Mechanicsburg Is Nearing End

Mechanicsburg, Feb. 18.—Five weeks ago Evangelist E. C. Miller and his party came to Mechanicsburg as strangers. When they leave, a few days hence, they will go to dear friends of a large majority of our people. As the campaign is in the last days, expressions, verbal and material, of appreciation of their work for Mechanicsburg multiply.

By request of a number of the personal workers at Mechanicsburg, Mr. Miller repeated the sermon on "Excuses," which he delivered several weeks ago, based on Ps. 39:7. "And now, Lord, what wait I for? My hope is in thee, and the experience of blind Bartimeus. He took up, one by one, the excuses most frequently offered for not accepting Christ, and showed the futility of all of them and said: 'If you can understand the new birth, you don't need to understand it. You see the evidences of it all around you. Don't wait because you don't feel like it. Christian feeling is the fruit of the spirit, and you don't have the spirit of Christ until you let Christ come into your heart. Bartimeus had the opportunity once to meet and accept Christ. You have the opportunity now.'

Elephants' Ears

The African elephant is equipped with enormous ears, while his brother in India has only small ears. Both animals have small, inadequate eyes and are forced to trust to scent rather than vision in the battle of existence. The Indian elephant lives in the jungles, where odors are pungent and easily discernible, but the African elephant is a native of the plains, where the air is dry and hot and barely circulates. The heat dries the moisture out of the tiny hairs in the nostrils which connect the sensory nerves, and it is only through flapping his enormous ears that he can create the currents of air which enable him to discern any odor at all.

Know the Exact Amount

De Faque—If I could get some one to invest \$1,000 in that scheme of mine I could make some money. Dawson—How much could you make? De Faque—Why, \$1,000.—Baltimore Sun.

THE GLOBE Interesting Specials For Friday and Saturday In Our February Final Clearaway. Scan this conveniently arranged list of special values in Men's and Boys' apparel and furnishings—the savings are worth while.

G. A. R. MEMORIAL SERVICES

To Be Held by Seneca G. Simmons Post in Honor of Dead Comrades. Memorial services by Colonel Seneca G. Simmons Post, No. 116, G. A. R., will be held in the Post Hall Saturday evening, February 20, for the following comrades who died since February 21, 1914:

Y. M. C. A. STAR COURSE

Great Magician to Appear in Fahnstock Hall To-morrow Evening. Ambrose Jeffries, of New York, a noted magician, will give one of his best programs in Fahnstock hall to-morrow evening at 8:15 o'clock.

True Devotion

Little Katharine had a big dog which she loved dearly. One cold night she asked if the dog could come into the house for awhile. Her mother said: "Yes, but as soon as he begins to scratch you must put him right out."

Watch Your Children

Often children do not let parents know they are constipated. They fear something distasteful. They will like Beal's Ointment—a mild laxative that tastes like sugar. Sold only by us, 10 cents. George A. Gorgas.

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