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First Quarter, 22nd; Full Moon, 29th.



Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Thursday. Fresh northeast and east

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG Highest, 85: lowest, 62: 8 a. m., 65: 8 p. m., 64.

## WHAT HIGHER AUTO FEES WOULD MEAN

It is well for the legislators, who will be called ipon to vote for or against the pending House Bill No. 1471 which proposes greatly to increase the registration fees on motor vehicles in the state, to onsider well the wisdom of favoring such a measire. According to a statement of the Pennsylvania Motor Federation, which is making a vigorous fight against this bill, its passage would amount practically to doubling the fees notwithstanding the fact that last year they totaled a good deal more than a million dollars and that there is every indication that they will total very much more in the aggregate by the end of the current year even at the present rate.

The law-makers, it is admitted, are up against a erious proposition in the matter of raising sufficient revenue to meet the State's expenses, not the least of which is the maintenance of roads to which the auto fees now are devoted. It is a snown fact that the revenues from existing sources this year will fall short by many millions of what they have been in years gone by and that it is necessary to meet the shortage through one of two plans or through a combination of both. One way s to find new sources of revenue and the other is o cut down appropriations through effecting econmies wherever possible.

Governor Brumbaugh, we believe, fully recogizes the necessity of doing both these things. While he is honestly trying to reduce salaries and ther appropriations he recognizes that with all is efforts in that direction it will be necessary to ind some new revenue from some new source.

While fair-minded taxpayers share the belief of he Governor and the law-makers that there must new sources of revenue, they, at the same time, emand that the money be taken from places where t will hurt least. There was a time, perhaps, when wnership of a motor vehicle was looked upon as a uxury and might justly be taxed as such, but that loes not apply now. A very small percentage of he motor vehicles owned in this state to-day are used solely for purposes of pleasure. The great najority of them are used almost entirely for comnercial and business purposes, and an increased tax n them would be an increased tax on business and ndustry.

Take for instance the type of motor vehicle that as so largely replaced the horse-drawn delivery vagon. - Tens of thousands of these machines are use in the state of Pennsylvania. Their use has evolutionized delivery service of the stores, big nd little, and has saved time and dollars for merhants and customers. The delivery auto, in fact, as become an absolute necessity in the commercial world. Moreover, the use of the runabout or the ouring car, on the farm or in the city, has in hese days come to be chiefly a business proposion, with the pleasure it affords being merely a condary consideration.

It is therefore easy to understand that an ineased tax on autos is not an increased tax on exury but an increased tax on business and inustry,-a fact that should be borne in mind by ne members of the Legislature when they vote nally on House Bill No. 1471.

## CHESS COMING INTO ITS OWN

Scenes at the Chess Masters' tournament in the Ianhattan Chess Club are to be shown in the regar news service of the movies. They will prode a decided novelty, and may serve to give the eneral public a better understanding than it now

has of the venerable and respectable game of chess. It is surely gratifying to chess players throughout the country to have their favorite recreation thus recognized by the film makers as the important game that it is. Men of letters have used the language of chess in poetry and prose since the days of Chaucer. Thomas Middleton, in fact, composed a comedy, "A Game at Chess," in which the char-acters represented chessmen. It is about time now that the game should get into the movies and have its importance further emphasized-

The contest on the checkered board, where opposing armies of chessmen make their movements guided by the alert intellects of skilful players, is not to be compared with any game of chance or any competition of physical powers. The advantages it offers to combatants in the way of wholesome recreation and thorough mental discipline are not afforded by any other sort of a match. No Gorge peculiar deftness of hand is required of the players as in most other games of skill, but instead an unusual quickness of perception which will enable them properly to place their men in the alternate

Chess has been gaining rapidly in popularity in this country since the colonial days. The philo- ers of England out of some 1,800 in sophic game was fittingly introduced into the new hemisphere by the philosophic Franklin, who wrote ized for the express purpose of bringan essay on it for the benefit of posterity. In his ing this class of professional athletes "Autobiography" he makes mention of it, too, to the colors and of breaking up a telling how it aided him in learning the Italian lan-guage. He and another student of the Romance effect on the recruiting campaign. guage. He and another student of the Romance tongue played successive games, and after each als and their following has amounted checkmate the victor imposed a task in Italian almost to a public scandal," says Cologrammar on the vanquished. It was a novel way nel C. F. Grantham, commanding the to mingle play with study, and is worthy to be imitated.

A contest of chessmen, according to a player who poetically contrasts it with a conflict of armed, join, but have done their best by their warriors, is "no bloody battle, with woe and horror fraught," but a joust "of a gentler kind, a measuring of mind with mind, a tournament of thought."

Even the most provokingly careful motion picture censors will be, able to find nothing objectionable in the films of the Chess Masters' games, for to all outward appearances they will surely be the most peaceful of contests.

### CAPITOL IS ANCHORED HERE

Senator Farley, of Philadelphia, announces that in due time he will introduce in the Senate a resoin due time he will introduce in the Senate a reso-one to write to him or to send him lution for the creation of a commission to consider presents, but after the pathetic descripplans for the construction of an administration had to be employed to handle and carbuilding in Philadelphia, the idea being to have ry his mail. His letters have now branch building of the state government in that eity. In an endeavor to prove that a state administration building is needed in Philadelphia Sen-than many companies. ator Farley says that a number of state departments now have branch offices there and he contends they should all be housed under one roof.

It is true there are some branch departmental the feasibility of a suggestion for the offices in Philadelphia, but it is doubtful if there establishment of a "hero colony" near are enough to warrant having a separate building the famous old Pforta school in South constructed by the State for their accommodation. they probably will be in Harrisburg as soon as the it is over. The originator of the idea Some are there that should be in Harrisburg and

The Farley plan to have a State building placed in Bad Koesen. He believes that there in Philadelphia reads like the beginning of another will be thousands of noble and patriotcheme, so dear to the Philadelphia heart, to accomplish the ultimate removal of the state capitol to that city, a scheme blocked less than a score of jured and who otherwise would graviyears ago when construction of the new capitol tate into soldiers' homes. To prevent to replace the burned one, was started.

One of the most potent reasons for keeping down soldiers in such a situation soon come agitation for the removal of the capitol to Phila- to feel that they are useless and in delphia is the fact that the new capitol, costing the way, whereas they can continue a millions, has been constructed, but the average useful and happy existence if they Philadelphian never considers a few millions, when have their own homes and wives to the State is spending it, and does not permit a trifle of that character to stand in his way when he of that character to stand in his way when he is a defect that in any way affects future advocating something for his native city.

But the main argument for keeping the capitol here, which Philadelphia never will be able to the high rate will have some of the offset, is the fact that Philadelphia is not centrally increase that is to be necessary after enough located for the convenience of the law- the war. makers-save those from Philadelphia.

Whatever Roosevelt and Barnes once were they are not

If the Senate passes the bill that has been approved by stenography, typewriting, bookkeep the House, stripping the members of the Public Service ing and drawing courses, and a pros-Board of most of their powers, perhaps the Commissioners pective curriculum of would consent to serve for less than \$10,000 a year.

President Wilson announces his slogan is "America First!"

Italy may ultimately end the war either by going into it or by staying out of it. The acquisition of such a powerful ally by either side would go a long way toward making the other side feel like throwing up the sponge, while, on the other hand, convincing proof that Italy is to remain neutral might make either of the contending combinations feel like quitting for lack of her hoped-for assistance.

The libel suit in Syracuse doesn't make the prospects for reunited Republican party in 1916 any the brighter.

## TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

SOLOMON'S SOURCE OF WISDOM

Solomon had no reason to get chesty because he was the visest man. Who wouldn't have been if he had a thousand wives to advise him?-Florida Times-Union.

'Papa, what do you call a man who runs an auto?" "It depends upon how near he comes to hitting me."

## AN UNROMANTIC OPINION

It often turns out in after years that the faint heart the use of soldiers who had lost their which failed to win the fair lady was something of a blessing in disguise .- Birmingham Ledger.

## ALWAYS ON THE JOB

He gazed pityingy on the listless drug store clerk, leaning against the soda counter.

"Haven't you any ambition?" he queried, kindly, and

"No," he replied, with brightening intelligence, "but I have something just as good."-St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

This Corp Cure

## Tongue-End Topics

the league teams have enlisted in the

battalion. "I am aware and have proof that in many cases directors and managers of clubs have not only given no assistance in getting these men to actions to prevent it. I will no longer be a party to shielding the want of patriotism of these men by allowing the public to think they have joined the Football Battalion."

"Lonesomest Soldier's" Mail Rifleman A. C. White, who was de scribed by a sentimental fellow soldier n a letter to a London paper as the 'lonesomest man in the British army,' has become the bane of the British army postal service. White was lying in a hospital near the front, with no passed the 3,000 mark and his parcels every mail White draws a bigger bag

### Plans a "Hero Colony"

Dr. Von Bethmann Hollweg, German imperial chancellor, is considering Prussia of which he is an alumnus. where those maimed and crippled in is Paul Kersten, head of a big factory when peace is restored, will be glad this is one of the principal objects of the proposed plan. Kersten feels that generations. If injured soldiers can the birth rate will have some of the

## School For One-Armed Men

A "School for One-Armed Men," with 35 pupils from the 19th army corps, offering instruction in writing, pective curriculum of vocational courses, has been opened in Heidelberg, at the home of Associate Judge Leser. The latter has placed his home at the disposal of the tion, and has had it fitted out as a hospital. Thirty hours of instruction are given each week, which is to be supplemented by work under the auspices of the local industrial school. Dr. Freiherr von Kuenssberg, of Heidelberg University, is in charge of instruction. The thirty-five pupils represent thirty-one occupations and trades, including eigar makers, railway employes, locksmiths and day laborers. All are eager to embrace the oppor tunity. It has been found that within only a few days the man who has lost his right arm learns to write with his left hand with considerable facility. Because of the large number of ap plications for admission it is planned to enlarge the school very soon.

## Caring For Blinded Soldiers

There are already fifty blind soldiers including three officers, at the home of Otto Kahn, the American banker, Dunstan's. Mr. Kahn turned his residence over to the Red Cross Society some time ago for eyes. The Kahn estate includes about fifteen acres of grounds, with various small buildings which will be used for training rooms and workshops. There is also a small lake on which the blind men will be allowed to row. The sightless soldiers will receive preliminary instruction in carpentry, boot repairing, mat making, basket weaving, telephone operating, massage,

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poultry farming and market gardening, an effort being made to find for each man the occupation to which he is best adapted. The cost of running the institution will be met by the Red Cross, the National Institute for the Blind and the Order of St. John.

# DOZEN STRUCTURES

Continued From First Page.

E. M. Biddle and adjoining boat house; cottage of H. R. McCartney and cottage of Dr. Hunt, of New

In addition to the several hundred acres of timber land over which the flames swept and the large ice house, the losses include three freight cars which were on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad tracks in the path of

Dynamite, which had been stored a small shed by workmen on the State road, exploded early in the evening and not only caused the fire to spread more rapidly, but added to the confusion and the fear of the Laurel residents who were surrounded by the flames

H. R. McCartney telephoned to this H. R. McCartney telephoned to this place at 6 o'clock last night, telling of the danger which threatened Laurel because of the advancing forest fire, which had started earlier in the afternoon. The wires then went out of could be transmitted.

About a hundred volunteers fought the flames during the night, getting them under control early this morn-

A party of Carlisle men and their guests who had been camping at the McCartney cottage since last Saturday, had great difficulty in making their way through the flames. They are Postmaster Fisk Goodyear, E. S. Kroneberg, M. Blumenthal, Norton Goodyear, Harry McCartney, W. H. Goodyear and George C. Boose, of Philadelphia; and Milton I. Hezberg,

## FIRE AT VALLEY FORGE

Timber Burned Where the Patriot Army

Phoenixville, Pa., April 21.—The forest fire, which has been burning at Valley Forge since Sunday crossed the Valley Creek into the revolutionary camp grounds last evening and is burning at Washington Spring. Efforts were made by the force of guards at the park and residents of the village, to save the

## Hairs Quickly Vanish After This Treatment

(Helps to Beauty)
Science has aided in simplifying the banishing of hairy growths from the face, and according to a beauty specialist, the most effective treatment yet devised consists of applying a delatone paste to the hairy surface for 2 or 3 minutes. The paste is made by mixing some water with a little powdered delatone. When this paste is removed and the skin washed every trace of hair has vanished. Be sure to get real delatone.

—Adv. (Helps to Beauty)

splendid timber on the historic hills, but the efforts of the firefighters failed. At the point where the fire has entered the State park grounds there are no buildings, except a few log huts, replicas of the shelters erected by the revolutionary soldiers during the winter of 1777-1778. None of these have yet been destroyed, The Washington head-quarters with its priceless collection of relies of the famous camp ground is nearly a mile from the woods ablaze, and is still safe from danger.

Yesterday the fire reached tracts of woodland owned by former Secretary of State Knox and General B. F. Fisher. The home of the former Senator was menaced yesterday morning, but the flames shifted with the wind and leaped across the Valley Creek into the park.

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## FRENCH BOMB MAKES MEN **VOMIT. IS GERMAN REPORT**

John Kinter Fertig, 71, Dies (Special to the Star-Independent.)
Dauphin, April 21.—John Kinter Fertig, aged 71 years, died last night at 9.30 o'clock of grip at his nome, Red Hill. He is survived by a brother, Lewis Fertig, of Chicago. Funeral services will be held on Saturday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock at his late home. Interment will be in the Dauphin cemetery.

red progress of hostilities which reads:

'In the western arena a battery of the enemy observed not far from the cathedral of Rheims was taken under our fire. In the Argonne the French employed a bomb, the effect of which was to cause men to vomit. An at tack of the enemy to the north of Four De Paris, resulted in failure.

'Between the Meuse and the Moselle an attack extending over a large front was repulsed at Flirey yesterady with heavy losses to the French the woods of Le Pretra.

The Harrisburg Polyclinic Dispensary will be open daily except Sunday at 3 p. m., at its new location, Front and Harris streets, for the free treatment of the worthy poor.

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