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Calendar table for May 1915 showing days of the week and dates.

MOON'S PHASES— Last Quarter, 6th; New Moon, 13th; First Quarter, 21st; Full Moon, 28th.

WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally fair to-night. Thursday unsettled, probably showers. Continued cool.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night, frost in north portion. Thursday unsettled, probably showers. Moderate northwest to northeast winds.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG Highest, 55; lowest, 43; 8 a. m., 49; 8 p. m., 52.

POOR MEXICO!

And now the Yaqui Indians have declared war against Mexico. A dispatch from El Paso, published to-day, conveys this information which would be more startling, perhaps, if it were not that pretty nearly everybody but Uncle Sam is declaring war on somebody these days.

The entire Yaqui nation of Indians has declared itself at war against Mexico. The Yaqui troops have constituted the best fighters in the Maytorena Villa array in Sonora, but after the recent attack of Yaquis upon Americans in Sonora and the dispatch of Mexican troops by Governor Maytorena against them the Yaquis in war council have decided to drop all connection with Mexican factions and renewed their old war declaration against Mexico.

This interesting information naturally raises the question: What is the Mexican government against which war has been declared by the Yaquis?

Where among the various revolutionary parties on Mexican soil to-day is any real government against which any person or group of persons can declare anything? A little more enlightenment is required for the benefit of an inquiring public.

PEANUT-GROWING IN THE HOME

Why waste time growing morning glories at the side of your house when you might be getting the benefits of a peanut vine instead? Furthermore, why worry with a rubber plant when you might have in its place an orange tree bearing delicious fruit? The Woman's National Agricultural and Horticultural Association wants to know.

Much advice was given at a recent meeting of that organization in New York City, calculated to entice persons who are now contented and happy to engage in the cultivation of dwarf fruit trees and nut vines instead of the growing of conventional pansies and other pretty but inedible things. The listeners, prospective converts to the peanut-growing plan, were told how perfectly lovely it would be if they could get from their own peanut vines specimens of the nuts whenever desired, no less than if they could go to their buffets and casually pluck fresh fruit from potted orange trees to satisfy their every mouth-watering.

Nothing was said, at least so far as the reports extended, about tedious care of the growing peanut vines and orange trees. It would be interesting to know how much labor, during the period of cultivation, would be required before a grower might be privileged to enter into the enjoyment of eating one resultant peanut or one harvested orange.

It is to be noted that a woman's organization is responsible for this suggestion that fruit bearing trees be given the attention of amateur dabblers in the soil instead of flower stalks. Women, who have always been thought to be attracted to the finer things in life, would try to have us believe that peanuts are more to be desired than pansies.

If the choice is to lie between peanuts and pansies, give us pansies. What joy can there be in digging a raw, dirty little peanut out of the earth compared with that of plucking a pretty pansy from its stalk? There is more happiness to be had from looking at a pansy than from eating a peanut, and it is much better for the digestion. Anyhow you can buy a whole pocketful of peanuts for a jifney.

SCHOOL BOOKS THE BEST OF BOOKS

School text books are different from other sorts of books, not only in contents but in construction. Their bindings must be firm and their covers durable to withstand none too gentle treatment by the

students. It is therefore of some consequence for this country to have the reputation of producing better school text books than any other.

Improvements in text books in the United States have been as great as improvements in the schools of the country, the former demanded perhaps by the latter. Engravings and halftones on the pages of the books have taken the place of the curious, unattractive and the not very instructive woodcuts of bygone days, and the contents of the volumes are arranged for the greater convenience and enlightenment of both teachers and pupils.

Parents who take time to glance over the geographies, for instance, that are to-day supplied to their children by the school districts, will find that the books from cover to cover, inclusive, are entirely different from the crude volumes which their parents bought for them in their own school days. Actual photographs of scenes in foreign lands are presented for the instruction of the youth of America, any one of which is far better than pages of written description. The maps, too, are engraved by the latest methods, and especially the relief maps are of value in the teaching of the subject. So in other branches, modern methods of engraving and printing have come to the aid of the school children of this country, making their lessons easier to learn and less difficult to retain when learned.

American school text books, it has recently been pointed out, have an extensive sale in foreign countries. They are said to be not only the best text books produced in the world, but also the lowest in price. Inasmuch as school books are used daily by pupils in many succeeding classes and must therefore be made more durable than any other class of books, it is especially remarkable that they should be sold at much lower prices than volumes of other sorts. The large quantities produced to meet the steady and increasing demands, of course, reduce the cost, and it appears that the foreigners have been helping to make these demands.

There are many things in the production of which the United States leads the world, and not of least importance are the books on which educations are built.

Evidently the Kaiser is not going to act with precipitate haste on the American note.

Arbitrating, in the case of the City of Harrisburg, appears to have been more costly than fighting it out would have been.

Some of the Harrisburg policemen feel a little more secure in their jobs than if the civil service bill had not been defeated.

A good deal of road-repairing ought to be accomplished with the \$6,000,000 that is to be available for that purpose in the next two years.

Perhaps the reason the legislators set to-morrow for final adjournment is that they want to get home and rest up to be in shape to respond to Governor Brumbaugh's plea for every person to shed his coat on May 26 and go to road-building.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

DEGENERATION Smuggs—"Say, Juggs. Who are those three gentlemen standing at the conservatory entrance?"

Juggs—"Why, they represent three generations. The ruddy old man with the fine head of hair, Juggs—the thin-haired one next to him is his son, and the dissipated fellow with the bald head, is the grandson."—National Monthly.

A REAL ACTOR

A lady was walking through the park recently when two little boys, who were playing near by, stopped her.

"Say, lady," called out the elder of the two, "me kid brudder does fine imitatin' stunts. Give me a dime an' he will imitate a chicken for youse?"

"What will he do—crow?" queried the lady.

"Naw," replied the boy, "no cheap imitation like dat, ma'am. He'll eat a worm!"—National Monthly.

HOW SHE MANAGED IT

She had tried in vain to get the telephone, but the other parties were using the line. The last time she heard one woman say:

"I have just put on a pan of beans for dinner."

She tried later but the women were still talking. Exasperated, she broke in crisply:

"Madam, I smell your beans burning."

A horrified scream greeted this remark and then she was able to put in her call.—National Monthly.

ADVERTISING VS. PRAYING

The small daughter of a Little Rock family had been praying each evening at bedtime for a baby sister. The other morning her mother, reading the paper, exclaimed:

"I see Mrs. Smith has a little daughter."

"How do you know that?" asked the child.

"I read it in the paper," answered the mother.

"Read it to me," said the daughter.

The mother read:

"Born—on March—to Mr. and Mrs. — Smith, a daughter."

The child thought a moment, then said:

"I know what I am going to do. I am going to quit praying and begin advertising."—National Monthly.

NO DIFFERENCE

A darkey running a ferry across a Southern river was accosted by a poor white stranger who wanted to cross, but hadn't the wherewithal. Pete scratched his woolly poll, perplexedly, then queried:

"Doan' yo' got no money at all?"

"No," was the dejected reply.

"But it woa'n' cost yo' but three cents ter cross," insisted Pete.

"I know, but I ain't got three cents."

After a final inward thing, Pete remarked:

"I done tell yo' what; a man what ain't got three cents am jes' as well off on dis side ob de ribber as on de odder!"—National Monthly.

SLIGHTLY PREVIOUS

A colored man who had contracted a debt some years ago with one of our merchants, came to town the other day and called on his old creditor.

"Didn't yo' explain to me dat if I settled up dat account you would give me a 'lowance'?" said the darkey to the merchant.

"Yes, I did say so, Sam," replied the merchant. "If you are ready to settle your bill now I will make a good allowance," and the merchant waited for the colored individual to pull out his pocket-book.

"Well, sir, I hasn't got de money jus' now, but I thought I'd come in and get de 'lowance; my wife wants to get herself a shawl!"—National Monthly.

RASH ON SCALP ITCHED AND BURNED

Scratched and Irritated. Lost Much Sleep. Dandruff Scaled Off So Could Be Seen Plainly. Hair Fell Out. Lost Half. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Healed.

1509 S. 5th St., Philadelphia, Pa.—"About eighteen months ago I began to notice the falling out of my hair and scales covering my clothes. A few months later there appeared a form of rash on my scalp. It became worse and worse until it itched and burned so much that I scratched and irritated it. The itch became unbearable and at times I lost much sleep. The dandruff scaled off so it could be seen plainly and my hair fell so fast that I had to do something. I had lost half of it."

"I used treatments for about three months without any relief. Then I was recommended by a friend to use Cuticura Soap and Ointment and after using them only one week I noticed a wonderful change. In about seven weeks my ailment was entirely gone. Cuticura healed me." (Signed) David Labov, August 5, 1914.

Sample Each Free by Mail With 32-p. Skin Book on request. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston." Sold throughout the world.

Tongue-End Topics

Collecting Metal in Vienna

A house to house collection is being made in Vienna for old metal for war purposes. The collection work is being done by school children. The military authorities and the munition manufacturers are running short of copper, brass, tin, nickel and other metals and the public is appealed to for all kinds of wornout and broken household wares of these materials. The Patriotic War Metals Collecting Fund has established store rooms with show windows in which are displayed specimens of articles desired, such as brass candlesticks, bronze figures, copper moulds, saucepans and metal plates and dishes. Some 300,000 pounds of stuff are being brought in daily.

Some Sad Contributions

Emperor Francis Joseph has directed that about eight tons of old metal, articles of the most miscellaneous character, should be sent from the Hofburg and the palace at Schoenbrunn, and an archaeologist is sending a large quantity of Roman lead, excavated at the historic camp of Carnuntum, near Pressburg, just across the Hungarian frontier. A Vienna bank has given old brass gas candelabra and petroleum lamps weighing nearly a ton, and a rubber manufactory at Bruenn, Moravia, has sent half a ton of brass sheets which can be used directly for making cartridge cases.

2,000,000 Cigarettes Given

In another recent canvas of the city 473 big wagon loads of miscellaneous effects, valued at \$260,000, have been gathered in for the troops in the field and for various charitable war organizations. The wagons went through every street, rich and poor districts alike, on thirty-five collecting days between the middle of December and the end of March. The public responded most generously with an extraordinary variety of gifts. Among the principal items were over two million cigarettes and a vast store of other smoking supplies, 45,000 pounds of chocolate cakes, biscuits, butter, flour and other edibles, 8,000 pounds of candles and soaps, 4,700 bottles of wine, 6,000 jars of preserved fruits, 2,000 boxes of canned meats and 1,200 bottles of mineral water.

Much Warm Clothing

There were immense quantities of warm clothing including 119,000 woolen garments, 190,000 pieces of underwear, 18,000 articles of clothing, 13,000 pairs of shoes and 3,400 hats and caps. The whole work has been carried out by a special organization composed largely of women of Vienna. The actual collecting work was done by Boy Scouts.

Effects of War on Hamburg

The effect of the war on transportation and passage out of Germany through Hamburg is indicated in figures just compiled, showing that during the entire year of 1914 but 72,958 persons went abroad from Hamburg, as against 192,733 in 1913. Practically all of the 72,000 odd left the city before August 1. The war similarly has seriously affected the number of visitors in Hamburg. Thus there were accommodated during 1914 but 22,299 transients, as against 51,364 in 1913. The total number of persons going to Hamburg stopping temporarily and then leaving, either for abroad or for other parts of Germany, fell from 244,097 in 1913, to 95,257 in 1914.

Killed in Testing Trench Gases

Two soldiers are reported dead in the military camp at Colchester, a few miles from London, as a result of inhaling poisonous gases while engaged in mimic trench warfare. It is said that experiments were being conducted for the purpose of developing means to counteract the gases alleged to have been used by the German troops in Flanders. A sapper who had gone into a gas-filled trench was overcome and several others who went in search of him also succumbed. The sapper, a private named Williams, and the commander of the squad, Lieutenant Darton, died before fresh men succeeded in getting the party into the open air.

OPEN TILL SIX

The Globe's Surprise Sale

Results--Show For Themselves

WHY—Is this Big Progressive Store always busy?

WHY—Are we compelled to work our alteration force at nights, when other stores are complaining of dull business?

WHY—Is our delivery service taxed to its utmost?

Three Questions With One Answer—

VALUES

This Great Surprise Sale of Adler-Rochester Clothes has opened the eyes of every purchaser to REAL CLOTHING VALUES—and we are free to confess that we have even had our own eyes opened. We consider this EXTRA-ORDINARY MERCHANDISING.

Adler-Rochester Suits That Sold at \$20 and Better, \$14.75. Adler-Rochester Suits That Sold at \$25 and Better, \$19.75.

Superior Value Manhattan Shirts at \$1.50. A Straw Hat to Please Every Man at \$2 and \$3. THE Manhattan makers have outdone themselves this season on their \$1.50 shirts—the values are greater—the patterns the most beautiful we've ever seen. The soft turn-back cuffs are preferred for summer wear.

THE GLOBE "The Friendly Store"

NINETEEN GET DIPLOMAS AT MIDDLETOWN THIS YEAR

Thirty-ninth Annual Commencement Exercises to Be Held May 27—Dr. J. George Becht Chosen as Principal Speaker of Evening

(Special to the Star-Independent.) Middletown, May 19.—Nineteen members of the Senior class of the Middletown High school will receive diplomas this year, when the thirty-ninth annual commencement exercises will be held in the Realty Theatre, Thursday evening, May 27. The number graduating is considered the annual average although it is a few more than has been for the past few years.

The principal address of the evening will be made by Dr. J. George Becht, secretary of the State Board of Education. The program for the evening follows:

March, Elizabeth I. Seltzer, '15; invocation, the Rev. Fuller Bergstresser; salutatory oration, "Benefits of the European War Upon the United States," Harold L. Kauffman; chorus, "Joys of Spring," Gebbie; essay, "Taxation Without Representation," Sara R. Deimler; "The Dog's Sentence," Byron; Chief Senator, John A. Keiper; Dege, H. Maxwell Brandt; Hatz Oratorical Prize Declaration, "Consecrated Patriotism," Sprague, Eva J. Blecher; "Motto and Flower," M. Romaine Kennard; octet, "Morning Invitation," Veazie, Misses Eitel, Lutz, Foltz, Sheaffer, Messrs. Kain, Hess, Beard, Brandt; reading, "The Hero of St. Michael's," Mary H. Long; oration, "The New South," Grad; John C. Lingle; presentation of picture to the school, Clarence H. Phillips, president class '15; acceptance, Principal H. B. Garver; "Visions," Edna M. Sheaffer; "The Bitter Bitten," Ruth Y. McNair; piano duet, "Semiramide" (Overture), Rossini, Elizabeth I. Seltzer and Amy K. Koop; valedictory oration, "Life," Clarence H. Phillips; presentation of diplomas, Dr. H. W. George, president of School Board; address, Dr. J. George Becht, secretary of State Board of Education; class song, "Happy Days are Gliding;" benediction.

The class colors are maroon and steel, the class flower a daisy. The motto, "Not the End, but the Beginning." The class roll follows: Harry C. Beard, Eva J. Blecher, H. Maxwell Brandt, Sara R. Deimler, Mary B. Eitel, Mary B. Foltz, Harold G. Hess, Adam J. Kain, Harold L. Kauffman, John A. Keiper, M. Romaine Kennard, John C. Lingle, Mary H. Long, Oma S. Lutz, Ruth Y. McNair, Clarence H. Phillips, Amy K. Koop, Elizabeth I. Seltzer and Edna M. Sheaffer.

The faculty are: H. B. Garver, principal; P. K. Gotwalt, Latin and German; Lydia C. Peters, English and History; M. Marguerite Potter, music and drawing.

The official directory is composed of H. W. George, M. D., president; N. C. Fuhrman, vice president; J. P. Ackerman, secretary; C. F. Beard, treasurer; M. H. Gingrich, H. E. Force, W. S. Sides and H. J. Wickey, superintendent.

THREE HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Car Plunges Over Twenty-foot Embankment at Helfenstein

Mahanoy City, Pa., May 19.—A seven-passenger touring car owned by William Shumber, a real estate dealer of Fraekville, plunged over a twenty-foot embankment at Helfenstein yesterday, severely injuring Shumber and James Severly and James Pennessy, other occupants of the car. The auto was wrecked.

John Collins and party of friends, of Delano, plunged into a ravine at Maple Hill, wrecking the machine, but the occupants escaped with slight injuries.

Volt Meters Are Working

In a letter to the City Commissioners read at the meeting yesterday afternoon City Electrician Clarke E. Diehl pointed out that the four volt meters which have been hooked on the lines of the Harrisburg Light and Power Company are working satisfactorily. Mr. Diehl pointed out that while the volt meters do not reduce the cost of electricity, they assure a steady and perfect light and the consumer will get the full worth for his money.

Reformed Class Elects Officers

Lebanon, May 19.—Between 30 and 40 delegates are in attendance at the sessions of Lebanon Classis of the Reformed church which is meeting at Jonestown this week. These officers were elected for the year: President, the Rev. David Scheier, of St. John's church, Jonestown; vice president, County Superintendent of Public Schools, John W. Snokes; corresponding secretary, the Rev. John F. Prantz, of Palmyra; stated clerk, the Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, of Tulpehocken, Myerstown.

Charged With Stealing Money

At a hearing before Mayor Royal yesterday Augustus Flickinger was held under \$100 bail for court charged with stealing \$15 in money from John Wertz, 1923 North Fifth street. Flickinger was arrested by Detective Bach. Mr. Wertz says he had the money concealed in a hole in the cellar and when the prisoner left after through white-washing, the money was missing.

