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### MOON'S PHASES

Last Quarter, 6th; New Moon, 13th;  
First Quarter, 21st; Full Moon, 28th.

### WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and warmer to-night. Wednesday unsettled, possibly showers, and warmer.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night, warmer in north and west portions. Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warmer. Gentle to moderate east to southeast winds.

### YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG

Highest, 57; lowest, 52; 8 a.m., 56; 8 p.m., 56.

### TO-MORROW IS GOOD ROADS DAY!

All Pennsylvania citizens are personally interested in good roads and profit by their improvement and maintenance, said Governor Brumbaugh in his proclamation fixing May 26th, to-morrow, as Good Roads Day for this state—a day on which everybody is expected to do something to better the road system.

"Every able-bodied citizen," quoth the Governor, "having a patriotic regard for our Commonwealth and its good name shall so arrange his personal affairs as to give one entire day to the improvement of our highways, or contribute in current coin to the proper local authorities a sum equivalent to the wages of a laborer upon the highways."

This means everybody. It means you who read this; it means your next-door neighbor; it means the man around the corner; it means any citizen who desires to see the roads of Pennsylvania placed in a condition commensurate with her standing as a state.

It is a fact that the road system of Pennsylvania has been one of the worst of any state in the Union. Money and labor have been wasted on the roads, even though given lavishly, for the reason that there has not been proper guidance in the construction and repair, to say nothing of the up-keep after the roads have been made.

In some of the western states there have been observances of Good Roads Day that have been fraught with the most beneficial results, and there is reason to believe that the results of the work to-morrow will aid Pennsylvania in getting out of the bad road rut, and taking her road system from the joke column.

Governor Brumbaugh is going to set the example. He is not the man to call upon his people to do something and not himself lend a hand. With him, to suggest is to do, and his fellow citizens should follow his example.

The roads of Pennsylvania, if even a tithe of her citizens get out and help to put them in good condition, will be permanently benefited, and Governor Brumbaugh knows this for he has seen the effect of a similar action on the part of the people in western states, and knows that it is a good thing.

Get your shovel and get out on the roads to-morrow! It will do you and your neighbor and your state good.

### REMARKABLE INVENTIONS OF THE DAY

Marconi, the inventor of the wireless, before leaving New York several days ago to return to his native country at the personal request of his sovereign, Victor Emmanuel, told of having nearly perfected an apparatus by means of which one may see through a solid wall. This invention, when placed against a wall or floor, makes wood or metal transparent to the user of the device, revealing to him persons and objects in the other room. The dictaphone has already made possible the hearing of words uttered in other rooms, no matter how securely the doors are locked. Marconi's invention now promises to permit the seeing of actions as well, regardless of how effectively the key holes are closed.

There is not likely to be much security shortly within walls. When words and actions can no longer be concealed from persons in adjoining rooms, secrecy behind closed doors will no longer be possible. Crime prevention and detection will of course be made easier and more certain with every new invention such as Marconi's, and for these purposes the revealing devices are primarily intended.

Science has at times been of assistance to crooks, in giving them formulas for safe-blowing compounds, and the like, but it has also come to the aid of their detectors, and is making crime more and more difficult of accomplishment and more and more liable when accomplished, to discovery.

Marconi has also reported progress is being made on the perfecting of the visible telephone, by means of which persons talking over the wire may see each other's features. Users of the telephone are sometimes at disadvantages because the expressions on the faces of the persons to whom they are speaking are not visible to them, and because they may therefore put the wrong construction on the spoken words which reach their ears. Within the visible telephones, when finally in use, it will doubtless be possible to carry on conversations as intelligently over the wire as ordinarily.

At this time also the announcement comes from Thomas A. Edison that he has perfected an invention by means of which telephone conversations may be recorded automatically on wax cylinders which may then be run off like ordinary phonograph records. This "telescribe," as it has been named, makes possible the recording by a typist of a telephone conversation from a cylinder on which it has been received, just as though dictation had been taken direct from the speaker. The wax cylinder itself may be preserved in case it is desired to keep a record of the speaker's voice as evidence, and thus to bind that speaker to any statements he may have made.

These new devices for use in connection with the telephone promise to be of immeasurable value to business men in particular, in expediting transaction among them and making even more thorough the methods of modern offices.

### COURT ROOMS AS THEATRES

A squad of Chicago policemen yesterday raided the city hall and took two hundred prisoners. They made their arrests, oddly enough, in the very halls of justice. The two hundred persons were idle spectators in the Morals Court, and all of them who could not give satisfactory reasons for being in the courtroom were charged with vagrancy and are to be given hearings at which they will no doubt be fittingly fined and advised to look for their amusement elsewhere.

That the Chicago Morals Court no longer is to be a theatre is the decision of the presiding judge, who planned the raid which came upon yesterday's audience so unexpectedly. As a consequence of this wise decision the chances are that the attendance will not be large at future matinees.

The assertion has recently been made by a prominent jurist that the New York night courts have become principally places where wealthy members of slumming parties are provided with spectacles by unfortunate persons of the lower strata of society. There would no doubt be great confusion if some of the distinguished visitors at such night courts were to be arrested as vagrants, yet if all of them who could give no other reason for their presence than curiosity or desire for diversion, were to be fined good round numbers of dollars and advised to withdraw their patronage, the boxes and parquets in the courtrooms would not be likely to have so many distinguished occupants in the future.

Too much curiosity has been excited concerning courtroom trials, especially trials such as those in the morals courts. The public hears of things being said at such trials that do not bear repetition in polite society, and that would not even be permitted on the stage, and accordingly the courtrooms have great attractions for the public during hearings of certain kinds of cases. The curiosity itself is only natural, but the unrestricted satisfying of it need not be tolerated by presiding judges to the extent of allowing their courts to become popular places of amusement.

Italy and Austria are losing no time in mixing it up. Let the highway knockers put aside their hammers and get out their shovels to-morrow!

When we can see through telephone the good housewife will no longer dare to rush to the receiver with her hair done up in curl-papers.

### TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

#### UP TO SISTER

Wife, to her husband who is in the bedroom dressing—"Have you locked the door? My sister may come in." Husband—"Well, I am not the one to worry."—Ginger.

#### OVERHEARD

Sunday School Teacher—"Now, Harold, what is the lesson about to-day?"

Harold—"All about Adam's fall and Eavesdropping."—Ginger.

#### AN INADEQUATE POSTOFFICE

Sidney Hocks became intoxicated Saturday evening and tried to drive his yoke of steers into the postoffice, but failed on account of the door being too narrow. There have been many other complaints recently on account of the narrowness of the door at the postoffice.—Hamburg (Pa.) Item.

#### INJUSTICE

"You are charged with selling adulterated milk," mused the judge.

"Your honor, I plead not guilty."

"But the testimony shows that it is twenty-five per cent. water."

"Then it must be high-grade milk," returned the plaintiff; "if your honor will look up the word 'milk' in your dictionary you will find that it contains from eighty to ninety per cent. water. I bought sold it for cream!"—Ginger.

#### IN OL' LUNNON

Jenkins had ceased to complain, but one evening his troubles as a strap hanger in the tram got so bad that he felt bound to expostulate.

"Excuse me, sir," he said to the man sitting by him, "but would you mind moving your portmanteau from the gangway? I really can hardly find room to stand."

"Move my portmanteau!" gasped the stranger. "Those, sir, are my feet!"

"Is that so?" said Jenkins. "Then, perhaps you would pile them one above the other."—Ginger.

### HAVE GOOD HEALTH

Take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the Old Reliable Spring Tonic

Don't let the idea that you may feel better in a day or two prevent you from getting a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla to-day from any drug store and starting at once on the road to health and strength.

When your blood is impure and impoverished it lacks vitality, your digestion is imperfect, your appetite is poor, and all the functions of your body are impaired.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is a wonderful blood tonic. It will build you up quicker than any other medicine. It gives strength to do and power to endure.

It is the old standard tried and true all-the-year-round blood purifier and enlivener, tonic and appetizer.

Nothing else acts like it, for nothing else has the same form or ingredients.

Be sure to ask for Hood's; insist on having it.—Adv.

### Item Welcomed By Many Men

This will prove a welcome bit of information for all those who are overwrought, giddy, debilitated, nervous and have trembling limbs, heart palpitation, dizziness, cold extremities, insomnia, fear without cause, difficulty in breathing, and general inability to act naturally and rationally as others do, because the treatment can be obtained at a nominal cost without the knowledge of anyone. If the reader has any of the symptoms, and decides to try it just go to any large, well-stocked drug store and ask for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Take two tablets and then take according to the directions which accompany each sealed tube. The tonic-invigorating power is soon felt and the joy of a healthy body is experienced. These tablets, originally dispensed by prominent physicians and pharmacists, now are packed with full directions for self-administration, the same, wholly unnecessary to pay a physician for prescribing them.

### FARMER DIES FROM FALL

Cyrus Heilman Drops From Hayloft to Barn Floor

Lebanon, May 25.—Cyrus Heilman, who conducts a farm near Sporting Hill, between Lebanon and Annville, met a sudden death by accident yesterday. He was at work in his big barn during the morning and just before noon he fell from the hayloft to the barn floor. Dr. Rank, of Annville, was sent for, but found that no bones were broken. Intense injuries of a serious nature resulted in his death about two hours later. He was a member of the prominent Heilman family and was widely known. He was a son of Daniel Heilman, of Heilandale, this county, and was a direct descendant of John Peter Heilman, one of the pioneers of the family in this part of the State and who came to this country from Germany in 1732. He is survived by 13 children.

### MUD RIVER IS COOLING

Investigation Shows Great Damage Done by Eruption of Lassen Peak

Redding, Cal., May 25.—Greater ruin was wrought by Saturday's eruption of Lassen peak than first believed, according to stories brought here to-day by returning investigating parties, who traveled over almost impassable roads and through a raging storm to reach the edge of the danger zone. Widespread damage to standing timber was the most evident of the newly-discovered destruction done by the mountain's eruption. The mud torrents and the showers of superheated rocks and boulders are reported to have ruined a million feet of timber. Trees were snapped off at their trunks and the hail of heavy stones swept through large areas of forest like a gigantic scythe. Tangles of timber caught fire from the hot lava, but rain soon quenched the flames.

The mud stream in Hat creek valley was still moving to-day, but it has cooled and flows sluggishly.

### JOHN M. REYNOLDS' RUN OF LUCK

John M. Reynolds, of Bedford, had a strange run of luck last week. His handsome home in Bedford caught fire and the neighbors rallied in such numbers to fight the flames that comparatively little damage was done. After the fire was over his married daughter presented him with a brand new grandson, the first in the family. Later in the week he came to Harrisburg, and while in the Senate chamber shaking hands with those with whom he had served as their President for two sessions, he was stood up and presented with a set of silver dining table decorations, including beautiful candleabra and casseroles, as an evidence of the high esteem in which he is held by those who know and love him for his many estimable qualities. Mr. Reynolds got back to Bedford before anything else happened to him.

#### Seeing Pennsylvania

Next fall, when Pennsylvania is loveliest in nature's colors, it is the intention of Governor Brumbaugh to advocate the organization of parties of tourists to "see Pennsylvania." The Governor believes, and his belief is shared by almost every Pennsylvanian who has traveled through the State, that there is little scenery in the world to surpass that of Pennsylvania, and that people should go out of the beaten paths of travel to see and enjoy it. Mountains, valleys, lakes, rivers—every kind of beautiful natural views—may be seen in this State, and it is a small thing for any Pennsylvanian to boast that he has seen European scenery when he has to confess at the same time that he has not familiarized himself with what is infinitely more beautiful in his native State.

#### The Governor's Slogan

New England's scenery has been touted, according to the Governor, because its people have provided many summer resorts, made out routes for travelers, provided hotel accommodations and in every way encouraged travel in that direction. With the improved system of roads in Pennsylvania, especially the county and township roads which it is proposed to fix up on Good Roads Day, those who wish to travel in Pennsylvania and to delight in its scenery, can go everywhere without inconvenience.

"See Pennsylvania First," should be the slogan of every Pennsylvanian. That is the Governor's idea.

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