

PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFS

While Lyman Ketter, son of Addison Ketter, of Schuylkill Haven, was coasting down the steep mountainside south of that town, the chain on his bicycle broke and he was thrown a distance of thirty feet, fracturing his skull.

When a side car dropped off a motorcycle on the state road near Cedar Springs, Mrs. William G. Smith and Glenn Stiver, of this city, and Miss Helen Graham, of Sewickley, were severely injured. All were unconscious when they were picked up.

The United Slovak Societies of St. George, of Lansford, who have just celebrated their silver jubilee or twenty-fifth anniversary, and who have so nobly responded to the call of their adopted country, both in men and money, during the present world war, adopted a resolution in which they renew their loyalty to America.

Although ninety-one years old, Mrs. Mary Coffman, of Scottsdale, spends a greater portion of her time in an auto which she runs herself. While financially able, she will employ no chauffeur, as she declares all men able to run an auto are able to fight and should do so.

At a hearing before Justice of the Peace Nightingale, Mrs. Howard Leedom, of Edison, was fined \$10 and costs for catching a neighbor's cat, tying it in a bag and dropping it over the bridge at Nesquehoning.

Mary, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Rymsha, of Freeport, died from scalds received when she accidentally fell into a tub of boiling water at the home of her parents.

Residents of Marietta have applied for a charter for the Marietta Silk Manufacturing company and have leased a large building and purchased looms with which to equip it. They will manufacture khaki cloth in addition to silk.

York county farmers have completed the planting of their tobacco and the outlook for a big crop is said to be bright.

While at work on a Pennsylvania railroad train at Everson, Israel Staffer, a brakeman, aged thirty-one, was shot by an unidentified person. The bullet entered the left thigh, but no serious consequences are anticipated. The police are searching the surrounding territory for the miscreant.

George Rumble and Edward Reed, two merchants of Schuylkill Haven, have returned from a hunting trip on which they were attacked by a large mother fox, which sailed into them, when they reached into a hole in the rocks to take her two young ones. They killed her after a fight and brought the baby foxes home.

Coming all the way from the Philippine Islands to serve his country, James J. Jones, of Millersburg, enlisted in the marine corps and has gone to Paris Island, S. C., for training. He was a supervisor of school work in the islands.

Thomas Dunn, eighteen years old of Brownstown, near Wilkes-Barre, was electrocuted in the cellar of his home while turning on an electric switch. The cellar was damp from recent rain. Dunn had removed his shoes, and in his stocking feet went into the cellar. He touched the switch and a heavy charge of electricity shot through his body. He died within a short time.

There appointments of first lieutenants in the reserve militia were announced: Lysle Buttermore, Conneltsville, Company G, and Lester M. Smith, Homestead, Company B, third infantry.

The state draft headquarters has announced places open for voluntary induction of men who are gas plant workers. They are to be sent to Washington for training.

With five alleged murderers in the county jail, at New Castle, Sheriff J. H. Boyd has taken additional precautions to prevent any attempt at jail breaking. A member of the state police has been detailed to guard duty at the jail at night.

Dr. Thomas Kern, of Slatington, an American prisoner in Germany, writes his mother, Mrs. B. W. Kern, that he is well and that he is teaching Russian prisoners to speak English.

Lithuanian residents of the Mount Carmel section, of whom there are hundreds, adopted resolutions at a meeting there pledging their loyalty to the United States and the cause of the allies.

Heads of trolley lines were summoned before the Montgomery county fuel commission and told to use a minimum of coal and eliminate unnecessary cars and stops.

As a result of the confiscation of dangerous firearms on the Fourth of July, the Allentown police have more than half a bushel of pistols and revolvers on their hands.

Miss Eva M. Bolland, of Waukesha, Wis., will teach commercial branches in the Shamokin schools.

Doris I. Carter, a five-year-old Bethlehem child was accidentally pushed into a bonfire while playing with other children and badly burned.

Otto Eisenlohr & Bros., of Windsor, received an order to ship 50,000 cigars at once to the Y. M. C. A. in France. Allentown police arrested William Heft on a charge of maliciously destroying flower beds in neighbors' gardens and he was held for court.

The population of Oil City is now 22,219. This is a gain of 2,202 during the past two years. Franklin's population is 13,000, a gain of 834 in two years.

The State Ice Keepers' association met at the apary of Dr. E. E. Steiner, along the Wrightsville pike.

Banking Commissioner Lafean issued a call for statements of state banks and trust companies as of June 29.

The state health department has approved the application of the Wyoming Valley Water Supply company for the construction of a large reservoir at Tomhicken.

Dr. E. B. Cooper, for more than fifteen years one of Sunbury's leading physicians, has been recommended for a commission in the medical officers' reserve corps.

Pictures of World Events for News Readers

In This Department Our Readers in Fulton County and Elsewhere May Journey Around the World With the Camera on the Trail of History Making Happenings.

FRENCH TROOPS ADVANCING TO FORWARD LINE



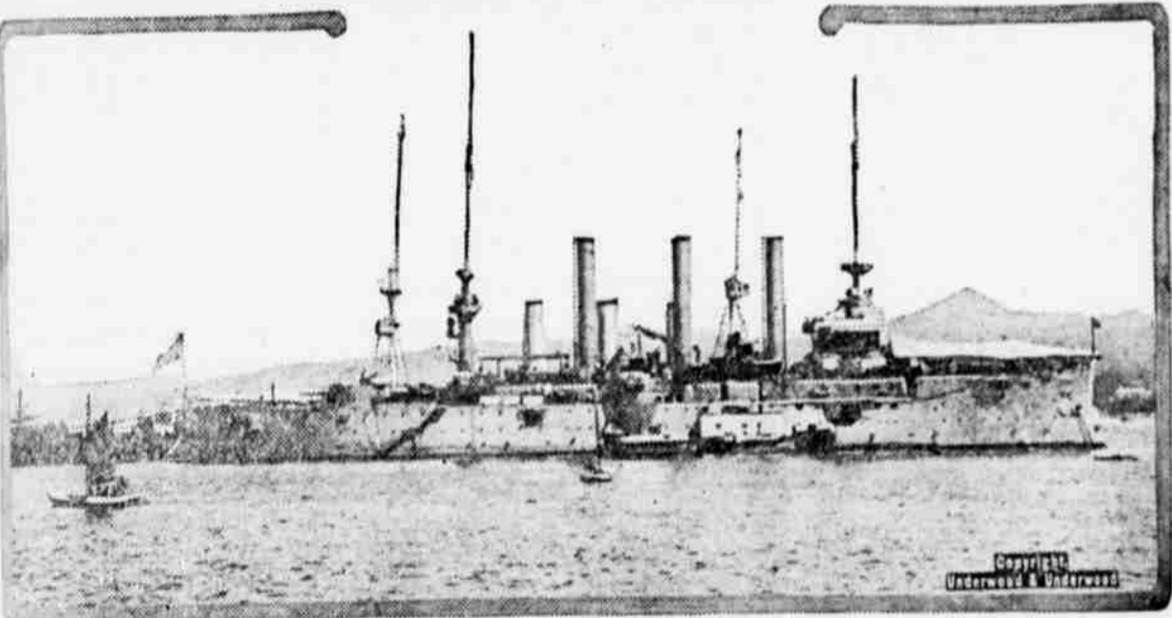
French troops on the road moving up; British Tommies also ready to advance watch them pass.

COOKING UP A SAVORY MESS FOR THE FIGHTERS



British and French "cookies" preparing a tempting repast for hungry comrades. The woods screen their fire from detection, but they can't bottle up the savory odors that make the hungry fellows' mouths water.

AMERICAN CRUISER BROOKLYN IN VLADIVOSTOK HARBOR



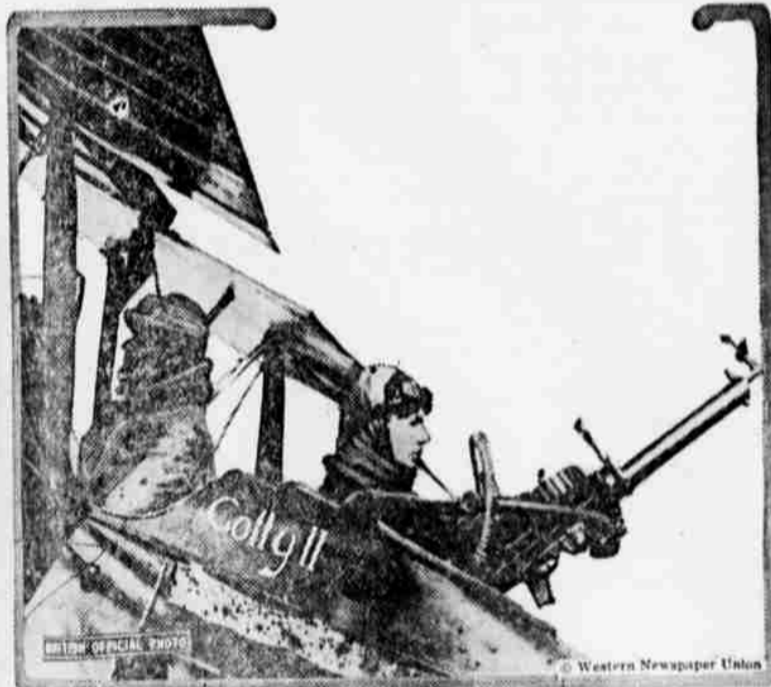
The United States cruiser Brooklyn in the harbor of Vladivostok helping to protect valuable stores and maintain order. Back of it is the British cruiser Suffolk.

MME. PADEREWSKI AND HER POLISH NURSES



Group of Polish nurses, members of the Polish White Cross, who were recruited through the efforts of the president of the Polish White Cross, Mme. Helena Paderewski. These 37 women form the first unit of Polish nurses to go overseas.

GOING AFTER PHOTOGRAPHS OF ENEMY



Photographic machine of the British Royal air force about to start on a photographing trip, the gunner being ready to protect it.

MRS. MATTIE A. ROBERTSON



Mrs. Mattie A. Robertson has been appointed policewoman in the state, war and navy building in Washington, where nearly 600 policemen and guards are on duty. The women employees in the building are her charges.

Militaristic Youngster.
I met a rather forlorn youngster on the street, with his head high, but his lips quivering, and asked what he wanted, without appearing to notice his emotion. He said he could not find his father. He was just around the corner from home, so I took him. A man in khaki came out to meet him. He stooped down to pick the child up and as he did so the boy said: "Daddy, I lost my quarters and I don't like this post."—Chicago Tribune.

Real Thing in Muzzles.
"I'd like to look at some dog muzzles," said the man entering the store. "Yes, sir," replied the clerk with the impudent mustache. "There's a very good muzzle, sir."
"And can a dog chew with this muzzle on?"
"Oh, yes, sir."
"But can't bite?"
"Oh, yes, he can bite, but he can't bite off more than he can chew, sir."

Hen Makes Nest in Tree.
J. A. Daniels of Silver Lake, Conn., boasts of a hen which lays eggs in a nest in a willow tree, ten feet from the ground. An employee of Mr. Daniels saw the hen cackling on a branch of the tree recently and discovered an egg in her lofty nest. Since then she has been laying regularly in this unusual place.

KATHLEEN X. PHILLIPS

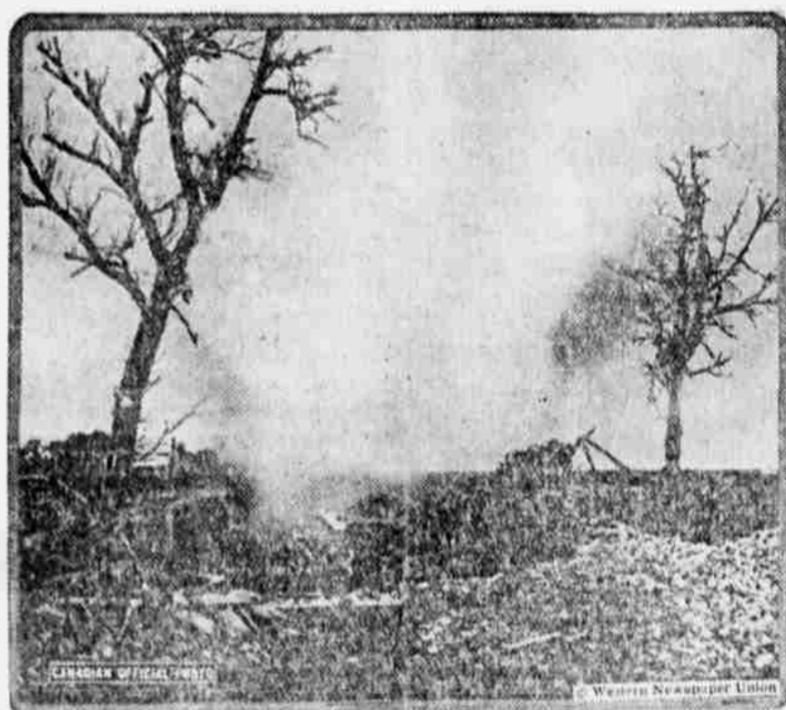


Miss Kathleen X. Phillips, British Red Cross nurse recently arrived in San Francisco on furlough after three years on the front in France. She relates stories of German atrocities she personally witnessed in Belgium and France. She wears the regulation brown serge off-duty uniform of the British Red Cross nurse.

United States Raises Bulbs.
Among many things the United States has learned to do for itself is the raising of seeds, bulbs and plants formerly imported from Europe. When it became difficult to procure azaleas from Belgium and tulips, hyacinths, narcissi, etc., from Holland, Americans began to experiment with cultivating these bulbs and plants in their own country. And they've succeeded. They'll be able to restock the barren flower gardens of Europe later on. The Pacific coast has proved the most advantageous region for this new industry.

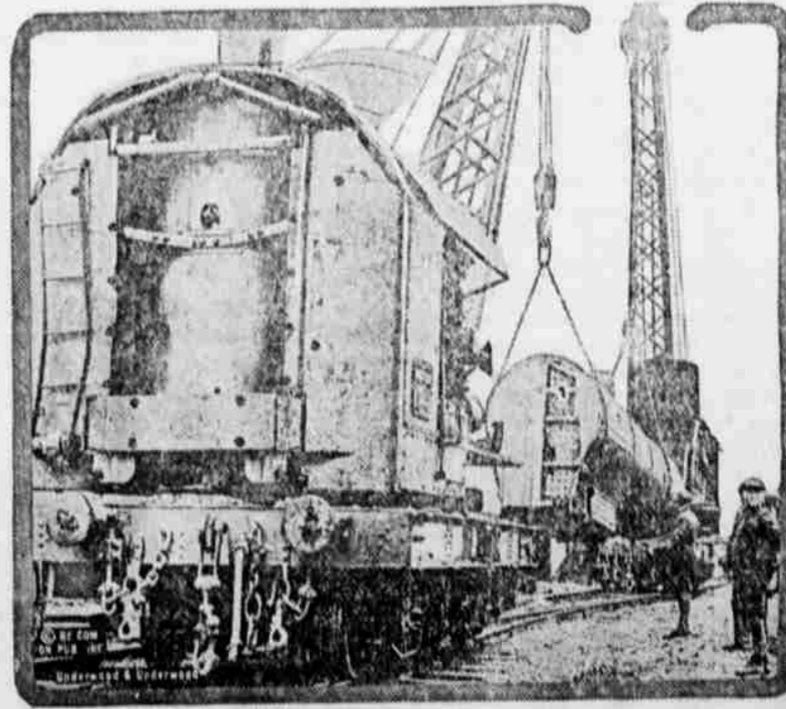
Willing to Pay for His Fun.
"I'm goin' swimmin'," announced a small South side boy the other night. "Oh, no, you're not," replied his mother.
"But why not?"
"Because I'll give you a good spanking when you get back," explained the mother confidently.
"That's fair enough," decided the boy, flying out of the door with his bathing suit under his arm.

SHOOTING UP A GERMAN BATTERY



A Canadian gun firing on a German trench mortar battery.

WITH OUR ENGINEERS IN FRANCE



This photograph shows a 25-ton lift with two American cranes. American engineers are unloading locomotive parts from freight cars in France.

HERE AND THERE

The parsec is a unit of distance made use of by astronomers. It is equal to 20,000,000,000,000 miles and is the distance traveled by light in three and a third years.

A detachable wire handle prevents a new square paper drinking cup collapsing.
Of English invention is a slot machine that prints the fact that postage has been paid on letters instead of affixing stamps.

THE WORLD OVER

The handle of a new pocket knife can be unfolded to form a six-inch rule.
In 28 days from hatching a silk worm increases 4,000 times its original size.
A collection of phonograph records of all forms of speech is being made by a Paris scientist.

Stainless steel cutlery contains about 13 per cent of chromium. The use of this ingredient in the manufacture of steel for this purpose has been temporarily stopped.
According to a geological survey estimate the United States uses about 185,000 ounces of fine platinum annually, of which only about 65,000 ounces are refined in the country, the rest being imported.