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NEW PENSION RATES PROPOSED

Washingteon, April 18-No member of Congress has more liberal views regarding the treatment of our old soldiers than Representative George P. Darrow of Pennsylvania. On the opening day of the special session Mr Darrow introduced a bill providing pensions for persons disabled in the military or naval service of the United States, ranging from \$65 per month for the loss of ahand or a foot to \$150 per month for the loss of both arms or both legs. The bill was referred to the Committee on Pensions, and Mr. Darrow will do his utmost to secure favorable action on it. That his effarts in behalf of the veterans meet with the approval of his constituents is evidenced by the fact that Mr. Darrow was re-elected to the present Congress by a majority of over 30,-000, more than twice the vote of his

A WISE LAND LAW

According to Congressman Moses P. Kinkaind of Nebraska, its author no other public land law has attained greater popularity in the region which it affected than the Act of greater April 28, 1904, enlarging the arid land homestead in western Nebraska to 640 acres. Previous to its enactment the population of that re gion was gradually diminishing, and the effect if that law was to immediately change that condition to a rapidly increasing population. In the small towns the lumber yards and hotels, which had been closed, again opened; the number of schools was increased, and the high standard of Nebraska public schools, which, Mr. Kinkaid asserts, is second to none in the Union, was extended to the western part of the State. "An abundant harvest is being reaped", says Representative Kinkaid, "from the operation of the law our Congress was wise enough to pass thirteen

WANTS WATER POWER LEGISLATION.

Congressman William L. La Follette, of Washington, was greatly disappointed that the last Congress failed to pass the Federal water power bill, and hopes that he will get an opportunity to support a similar measure during the present session. His State is credited by the Department of the Interior with having over ten million horse power in its water falls awaiting developement, or a bout one-fourth the power in the whole country. While Mr. LaFollette has not convinced himself that the attempted legislation would have proved an entire success, he nevertheless is strongly in favor of giving it a trial.

A Close Shave.

A commercial traveler recently en route through the south relates this of a darkey's purchase of cheese from

"Boss, how much is er nickel's worth of dat er cheese?" "Can't sell a nickel's worth, Sam,

"All right. gi'me a dime's worth,

captain.

The storekeeper cut a thin slice, and Sambo remarked: "Oh, oh! You-all perty near missed it, didn't you, captain?"—Everybody's.

"Germans Retreat in Belgium, daily on Saturday morning. Well if they retreat when one Gen. and staff arrives on allies territory, what will they do when a few divisions of U. S. soldiers begin landing

SALISBURY **SIFTINGS**

Miss Grace Brown spent Monday Mrs. E. E. Haselbarth spent Mon-

day in Cumberland. Mr. Otto Petry spent several days of last week at Baltimore.

Prof. Beam of Connellsville spent the week end with his family

Misses Mary Fike and Estelle Beam spent Sunday in Meyersdale. Mrs. B. F. Waltz left for Hagers town on Sunday to visit her parents. Miss Olive Maust who had been attending school at Blue Ridge returned home.

Mrs. W. McMurdo spent several days of last week with her husband at Davis, W. Va.

Miss Savana Folk of Sand Flat is spending a few days at the home of Prof. J. C. Beam. Mr. Barney Smith, of Meyersdale,

spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Rumiser. Mrs. William Petry entertained Miss Lorena Williams, of Akron, O., Saturday evening at dinner.

Mr. Clarence Kann and two sisters of Braddock, Pa., are visiting relatives and friends in Elk Lick.

Rev. B. F. Waltz is attending th annual meeting of the church of the Brethren at Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. Joseph Reitz and daughte Pearl, of Berlin, spent Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Reitz. Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hanna went to Confluence to attend the funeral of

the former's brother, James Hanna Mr. Charles Chandler, of Giffin, Ga is visiting at the home of his son-ir law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Harding.

Mr. and Mrs. Weimer and little son of Connellsville, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beechey of West Salisbury.

Mr. C. K. Rumiser, Robert Maust, Misses Florence Yoder and Marguer ite Glodfelty are attending the Sunday School Convention at Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill have returned to their home in Johnstown after spending a week with Mrs parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Easton.

Miss Lorena Williams and Miss Dessie Dehaven who were visiting the formers aunt, Mrs. Lorena Reitz returned to their home in Akron, O., on Sunday.

Dr. A. M. Lichty took Florence Lichty, the little daughter of Charles Lichty, to the Western Maryland hospital on Tuesday where she will undergo an operation for appendicitis

The Prizes, (from first page)

\$50 values you may wish to select instead of the ring offered.

The fourth prize offered and one of the best offered outside of the Overland is a watch. When you have good watch you have a real friend both day and night. The watch offered as the fourth prize in this contest is a full nickel Elgin movement 20 year gold filled case and a first class time keeper. You have your own choice of any watch in the store or at your order, valued at \$20. The selection made was a ladies' wrist watch but this may be changed to any other selection the winner of this valuable prize may make to the value of \$20.

The fifth, sixth and all other prizes following will be cash premiums at the rate of ten per cent of all mone, s collected on subscriptions during this contest. This is the consolation prize will pay anyone well for the time he or she may put in in spare moments in helping their big friend moments in helping their big the Meyersdale Commercial.

No one can lose—you are bound to win. The size of your prize depends Gen. Pershing arrives in London on entirely on yourself. If you expect Way to Trenches." The above appeared in headlines in a prominent pect to work harder than if you only want to draw the 10 per cent com mission. It is up to you which prize you are going to get. Remember you cannot lose. The more you do the more you will be paid. Are you a big winner?

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CHURCH NOTICES

Lutheran—W. H. B. Carney, pastor, Sunday School at 10 A. M. There will be no church services until the first of July.

Reformed-Vacant. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Children's Day Services June 17 at 7 P. M.

Evangelical—Rev. Hetrick, pastor. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Church Services at June 17 at 2 P. M. Brethren—B. F. Waltz, pastor. day School at 10 A. M. Sun Church Services at 11 a. m.

Returned from Trip.
Miss Helen Brant and Wilson Mc-Intyre returned Monday from Washington, D. C., where they had visited from Thursday, last, with the different Somerset county High School rlasses. They enjoyed the trip of "sight seeing" very much; vsiting all the important places. Each of the Somerset county boys and girls were presented with a beautiful silk American flag by Secretary Lansing Mr. Eli Sheetz also entertained them

Merchant W. M. Kistler is wearing an unusually broad smile since Monay—a son was born to them.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Christ-

ner, on Tuesday morning, a son.

Misses Marie and Evelyn Ball of Berlin, spent part of Monday and Tuesday as the guest of Helen Brant. Mrs. Leah Ackerman, of Mance, visited her sister, Mrs. Rena Hoover on Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown returned home from Greensburg Wednes-day where they were visiting friends. Mrs. R. B. Ellis and sister-in-law Ruth, spent Wednesday at Pittsburg. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Miller spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Miller's

mother at Rockwood. Miss Ivadene Bowlby visited at the home of her uncle, Mr. Homer Bowlby, at Somerset last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Shober and daughters spent Sunday in Rockwood at the home of Mrs. Shober's brotherin-law, Mr. P. E. Weimer.

Mrs. W. A. Merrill and Mrs. A. R. Miller attended the Sunday School Convention at Berlin this week. Mr. P. S. Brant of Friedens spent

Sunday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Ida V. Brant. Mr. Harold Merrill returned on

Friday from Lancaster where he was a student at Franklin & Marshall Academy. Harold completed the ourse this year.

Mrs. S. P. Lease and children returned from Akron, Ohio, last Wednesday after having spent several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Fred Godel.

Dr. R. T. Pollard left last Thursday for Wichita, Kansas, to attend the annual general meeting of the Brethren church. After the convention he will go to Arkansas to visit his sister Mrs. Mary Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Speicher and children spent several days of last Lavonsville with Mr. Speicher's sister.

Messrs. R. W. Pollard, J. H. Judy and W. M. Kistler transacted business at Morgantown, W. Va., last week.

Mr. Hugh McIntyre, of Saxton, is Intyre.

Western Maryland Hospital at Cumberland on Sunday.

Mr. C. T. Bittner, of Pittsburg, ent the week end with his father on Walker street.

Five new, seven passenger, Abbot nachines were brought to Garrett last week. The owners are Norman Romesburg, Theo. Romesburg, A. B. Judy, L. W. Pollard, W. B. Walker.

Mrs. Ida V. Brant and daughter Verda, were Cumberland visitors on

Mr. Clyde Bittner spent Monday with friends at Frostburg. Md.

Miss Verda Brant left for Mc-Keesport and Pittsburg where she will visit with friends for several

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Phennicie and son William. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Phennicie and Anna were Berlin visitors on Tuesday.

Mrs. William Currie spent Monday Tuesday with her parents at Markleton.

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KEYSTONE PARAGRAPHS

Mrs. Elizabeth Heilman, thirty-two, of Uniontown, is dead, and two other women were seriously injured as the result of a panic there when a windstorm caused the main tent at the Barnum and Bailey circus to collapse.
Twenty persons were hurt, at least one of whom may die, in the mad rush which followed the crashing of the poles supporting the huge canvas.
Mrs. Heilman was found dead under the canvas.

General Superintendent J. S. Matson, of the Bessemer and Lake Erie roilroad company in Greensburg, announced that employees who enlisted prior to April 1 will be paid the full differences between the government wage and the railroad pay. Those enlisting since April 1, or who enlist before conscription goes into effect, will receive half of the difference between the two rates of pay.

Word has reached Meadville that fourteen Allegheny college students, together with two alumni who sailed with Base Hospital No. 4 of Cleveland for service in France, and who were the first group of college men to go on such an errand, had reached England. They were presented with the other members of the unit to King George and Queen Mary of England at Buck ingham palace.

Governor Brumbaugh vetoed the Sproul bill, which would have made the state return all foreign fire insur-ance premium tax to the city, borough or township in which it originat This tax amounts to \$400,000. Half of it now goes back to the municipalities and is used for firemen's relief funds. The other \$200,000, under an act of 1915, goes into the state insurance

One man, a foreigner, was shot, when an automobile containing five men was held up by two highwaymen on the Port Vue road about two miles from Port Vue. Two hundred fifty dollars was secured by the high-waymen, who, it is believed, had in-tended holding up guests going to the Youghiogheny Country club, a short distance away.

Frank Hurst, recently sentenced to seventeen and a half years' imprison-ment in jail for setting fire to property worth \$125,000, around Paradise, near Lancaster, made an attempt to escape. While the prisoners were being exercised in the prison yard he climbed inside a chimney. He was captured before he could leave the roof.

Telegrams and letters have been re-Telegrams and letters have been re-ceived by Governor Brumbaugh from practically every county in the state announcing that they are ready for registration on June 5. The work will be to a great extent carried on by the regular election officers, but where there are vacancies many volunteers there are vacancies many volunteers have asked to do the work.

Pittsburgh and Allegheny county Pittsburgh and Allegneny county having been thoroughly organized in the interest of the Liberty loan, the central committee, of which H. C. Mc-Bidowney, president of the Union Trust company, is chairman, has turned its attention to carrying the campaign with vigor into the counties of western Pennsylvania.

W. A. Blakeley, former district attorney of Allegheny county, died suddenly in Pittsburgh. He had been denly in Pittsburgh. He had been ill for some time, but his condition was not regarded as serious until shortly before the end came. Mr. Blakeley was prosecutor during the councilmanic graft cases a few years

Governor Brumbaugh issued a writ declaring a vacancy in congress as a result of the resignation of O. D. Bleakley, who was elected in the Twenty-eighth district. The governor fixed the regular election, Nov. 6, as the date for a special election for congressman.

visiting his father, Mr. James Mcintyre.

Mr. Miles Lohr returned from the drilled for coal on a farm near Hunk-er. Gas, which had accumulated in the hole, exploded.

The senate passed the McKee bill to suspend the full crew act in Penn-sylvania for the period of the war and one month thereafter. The vote was 32 to 13. The measure now goes to

George C. McWilliam, aged fifty, an electrician, was killed instantly when his arm came in contact with a heavily charged electric light wire while re-pairing a switchboard in Pitcourgh.

I. P. Fetterman of Pittsburgh won the 112-mile dealers' automobile race in Uniontown, repeating his performance of two weeks ago when he captured a like event.

Fire, thought to have started in the engine room of the Tremont mine of the Pittsburgh Coal company, two miles north of Fayette City, did \$30,-000 damage.

Thomas Garrett, aged twenty-eight was burned to death by falling into a flue of one of the furnaces of the Edgar Thomson Steel Forks at North Braddock.

David E. Park, aged sixty-eight, one of the most prominent steel manufacturers and business men of Pittsburgh, died at his residence there.

Six persons were injured, one seri ously, when two automobiles collided on the Beaver road near the Sunse Golf club links, Coraopolis.

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