



CITY LADS TAKE UP HOE IN WAR AGAINST THE HUN

Tech and Central Boys Enlist For a Summer's Work in Fields TWO SCORE ON FARMS Youths Give Up Better Paying Jobs to Take Up Important Work

The men who marched away in khaki with shouldered guns to "strafe" the Hun in France are not the only patriots from Harrisburg who marched away from their homes to serve their country. Two score young men of high school age, it was announced today, have volunteered their services for duty on the farms during the summer. The young men offered their services in response to a call made early in the summer for boys to turn out and help with the crops while farm labor is so difficult to procure.

When the war has been successfully concluded, the roll of honor will contain more deserving names than those of the farm boys. It is pointed out that they have sacrificed opportunities to make attractive wages in munitions plants and other lines of endeavor to answer their country's call. Too young to be in the draft, the youths are at the same time giving their time and best efforts to answering the call which they considered addressed to them. They receive on an average \$20 a month and board, or \$30 if they are able to do a man's work. The boys signed up for service on the farm during the early spring and were then sent to State College for a ten days' course of training. A contingent of boys from the Technical High School is at State College now. The remainder of the Tech and Central High School volunteers are on the farms, some in Dauphin county, and some in farm camps scattered over the state.

The names of the boys who volunteered for farm work were announced by Dr. Charles B. Fager, Jr., county enrollment representative of the Boys' Working Reserves this morning. They are: William Long, Tech; J. Roy Seidel, Tech; Edward Watson, Tech; Robert Webster, Jr., Tech; William Webster, Tech; Henry Young, Tech; William Keller, Tech; Emerson Beble, Tech; Daniel Kries, Tech; Leon Reisch, Tech; George McCormick, Tech; Paul Schwartz, Tech; Harry Weldman, Tech; Carl Miller, not in school; David Gilbert, Tech; Richard Wilson, Camp Hill High; Richard Hamme, Tech; George Dolby, Cameron; Paul Springer, Tech; Wilbur Nisley, Tech; John Roth, Tech; Paul Shank, Tech; Karl Opperman, Jr., Tech. Besides the farm volunteers, sixteen boys volunteered for industrial work. John S. Bowman, Tech; John L. Bitner, Tech; Foster W. Cocklin, Tech; Fred H. Murray, Tech; Walter Kerstetter, Tech; Paul Huntsberger, Tech; Fredrick Huston, Tech; Ross Reed, Tech; Jack Meek, Tech; Carlton Gardner, Tech; Fred Essiz, Tech; John Derick, Tech; Abram Burtner, Tech; Earl Schwartz, Tech; Charles H. Israel, Jr., Tech; and Franklin Koons, Tech.

It's About Time to Take Both Hands to It



HARRY F. OVES CITY CHAIRMAN ELEVENTH TIME

Charles E. Pass Made Vice-Chairman by Republicans; Ovation For Beidleman

The Republican city committee at a largely attended meeting in the Courthouse last evening unanimously re-elected former City Treasurer Harry F. Oves city chairman. Mr. Oves has been head of the city committee for eleven years and is more thoroughly acquainted with the precinct and ward organizations than any other man in the city. He presided at last evening's meeting and received the vote of every member in attendance. Prothonotary Charles E. Pass, for many years a member of the committee and an indefatigable worker for the Republican party in Harrisburg, was honored with the vice-chairmanship of the committee, also by an unanimous vote. Mr. Pass succeeded by a unanimous vote. Mr. Pass succeeded by a unanimous vote.

N. Y. Central Shops at Jersey Shore Are to Be Improved by McAdoo

Williamsport, Pa., June 18.—An appropriation of over \$300,000 has been made by the Railroad Administration for extensive development and enlargement of the New York Central shops near Jersey Shore, according to an announcement received here today. The development will include new car shops and new machine and smith shops, as well as improved equipment and power plant. Work will be started at once and it is expected to make the shops one of the most extensive in this section of the East.

U-Boats Bring Sailors Bonus of 25 Per Cent.

Washington, June 18.—Because of German submarine activity off the American coast, the Shipping Board yesterday ordered a bonus of twenty-five per cent of their monthly wages paid to all seamen employed on American merchant vessels in the coastwise, West Indian and South and Central American trade. The new bonus, which is one-half of that paid for service in the war zone, is applicable only to ships operating from Atlantic and Gulf ports, and does not include vessels sailing exclusively in harbors, bays, rivers and sounds. Officers serving on ships under control of the Railroad Administration are not affected.

PIAVE BRIDGES UNDER FIRE London, June 18.—The Austrians, according to the Evening Standard, now occupy the west bank of the Piave from the Conegliano Railway to the Zenson bend, a distance of one mile and a half. They have thrown fourteen bridges across the river. These, however, are under the Italian fire.

TWO MINUTES FOR VICTORY PRAYER IS GAINING IN FAVOR

Ministers Endorse Telegraph's Suggestion For Observing Religious Side of Independence Day Celebration

With growing favor and hearty approval, the plan of the Harrisburg Telegraph for two minutes of prayer as part of the Independence Day observance has been received throughout Harrisburg. Everywhere the idea that a period of two minutes of that day be set aside for prayer during which the whole city shall pause in its celebration, is being well received. The plan strikes a responsive chord which may well be kept vibrating, and leaders of every denomination in Harrisburg are pledging their earnest endeavors to further the plan to a successful execution. The new spirit of patriotism prevailing throughout the United States today is doing much for the favorably received of the prayer suggestion. Frivolity is finding little place in the thoughts of those planning for the Independence Day celebrations in the several communities. With almost a million of men across the seas, including hundreds of Harrisburgers, greater seriousness is found.

GROSS TO ASK FOR MUNICIPAL SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Civic Club Protests That the City Soon Will Be Bare if Duty Is Neglected

Asking City Council to appoint a shade tree commission and warning the officials that unless the trees of the city are given proper care and attention Harrisburg may become treeless, the board of directors of the Civic Club in a communication to the city commissioners requests immediate action. Commissioner E. Z. Gross, after the letter was read, announced that he intended in a week or two to introduce an ordinance creating a shade tree commission and establishing regulations in Harrisburg similar to the ones in a recent state shade tree commission law. He also announced funds had been provided.

RECORD CAR MOVEMENT

Philadelphia, June 18.—A new record for any one day's movement of freight on the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington railroad, was made when 3,326 cars passed Edgemoor, Del., the observation point. The former record was 2,719 cars, made June 30, 1916.

GOTHAM BRILLIANT AGAIN

New York, June 18.—An order permitting resumption of normal street and display lighting, which has been curtailed as a precaution against possible enemy air raids since the German submarines became active off the Atlantic coast, was issued by the police department yesterday. As a result the metropolitan "Great White Way" blazed last night with old-time brilliancy.

FRENCH EDITOR BRINGS MESSAGE OF CONFIDENCE

France Ready to Fight to Last Man; Bigger Armies Than Ever Are in the Field

"Union, steadfastness, courage. These must be our watchwords. We will fight to the last life, to the last beating of our hearts, until the clouds disappear and the sun of victory, not your victory, my victory or any nation's victory, but the victory of the ideal for which we are fighting, is shining once again."

DIVORCED, WILL REMARRY

Divorced in the Lancaster county courts, March 3, 1914, Simon Yeager, Jr., 23, and Martha Strickler, 24, both of Mount Joy, have decided to try married life once more, they told the marriage license clerk today when they applied for another license.

ESCAPED SUBMARINE

An Atlantic Port, June 18.—Members of the crew of an American steamship arriving here today reported an engagement with a German submarine off the Virginia Capes yesterday, in which the ship's gunners made a clean hit and either sank the undersea craft or disabled her. The American vessel was not damaged.

TO LAUNCH 63 SHIPS Philadelphia, June 18.—According to reports made to the Emergency Fleet Corporation at least sixty-three ships will be launched on the Fourth of July in response to the appeal made by Charles M. Schwab, director general of the corporation, that such a big splash of ships that it will reach the ears of the German emperor.

ITALIAN LINE HOLDS AUSTRIANS IN CHECK

HUNS DASHING IN VAIN AGAINST IRON DEFENSE

Frightful Losses Suffered by Soldiers in Big Army of Emperor Charles

LITTLE GROUND GAINED Furious Counterattack Wins Back Positions For Allied Troops

Holding their lines intact along virtually all the ninety miles of battle front from the Adriatic to the Asiago plateau, the Italian and allied armies appear to have given the Austrian armies a serious setback. Approximately one million Austrians have been hurled against the Italian front but have gained little except along the Piave river, where their progress is seemingly too slow to be threatening to the allied positions. Losses described as frightful have been inflicted upon the Austrians. In the mountainous country, where the British have been holding their positions solidly, thousands of the enemy have perished, while they have paid heavily for every foot they have gained.

Austrians Gain But Little In the Montello area, on the upper Piave, the Austrians seem to have gained a foothold on the west bank of the river. North of Zenson Loop and at Capo Sile, lower down, they have also moved westward, but their greatest gain does not exceed two or three miles. It seems that, thus far in the battle, the Austrians have gained the most ground at Capo Sile, a village west of the Piave river and surrounded by low, marshy land, which in itself does not lend itself to a rapid advance. The vital mountain sector, along the upper reaches of the Brenta, has not been broken. On the contrary, the British claim to have defeated the foe. As long as this front holds firmly, according to military experts, the stability of the Italian line is assured. A serious breach should be made along the Piave river east of Treviso and Montebelluna.

Italy May Strike Back There are hints of a counter-offensive in reports from Italy. The success of the Italians two weeks ago in the mountainous country west of Lake Garda, and the evident change in the Austrian command over an advance there may indicate that, if the Italians strike back, it may be along this part of the front. Success there would isolate the Austrian forces fighting east of Lake Garda and turn the right flank of the enemy armies. The "hunger offensive," the attempt to break the Austrian camps of Italy has occupied the center of the stage, events of importance may be taking shape in the Seventh battle line. Heavy fighting by the German artillery in the Ancre valley northward to Cere is reported by the British. It is in this part of the front that the Austrian attack has been expected by the allies, and the German bombardment may be the prelude of a resumption of the enemy's offensive in France.

Bitter Fighting Marks Engagements Along Piave on "Hunger Offensive"

Italian Army Headquarters, June 18.—Bitter fighting is in progress along the Piave river. The Austrians are sustaining large losses from the concentrated fire of Italian batteries. Repeated counterattacks are being made by Italian infantry, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. The "hunger offensive," as the Austrian prisoners describe it, is being carried on with the greatest severity on the Piave front, where it is apparent the Austrians have massed large bodies of troops. In the mountain regions to the north the fighting for the present is limited to local attacks and counterattacks. The enemy is making desperate efforts to retain the positions he obtained during the initial stage of the offensive on the western bank of the Piave at the points where he still has a footing on the river. These operations are costing him heavily. Bitter fighting is taking place in the Nervesa zone, where the river emerges from the Alps to the plain, and in the region of Fara, midway between the Alps and the sea. There is no question that the spirit of the Italian troops is excellent. Nevertheless, the general situation is regarded as serious, in view of the fact that the Austrians, so it is stated, have brought into action all their available forces in the hope of breaking through the Italian lines and scoring such a decisive victory as to put Italy out of the war. On Austrian prisoners have been four copies of a speech delivered by Emperor Charles shortly before the offensive was begun. "Before you is the enemy," said the Emperor. "There glory awaits you, and also honor, good food, abundant spoils, final peace. With the help of God, make the supreme sacrifice for your King, for liberty and for your beautiful fatherland."

Million of Austria's Best Soldiers Thrown Against Italian Line

Every Available Force of the Dual Monarchy Is Being Used in Supreme Effort to Crush Southern Nation; Thousands of Cannon Are Mashed Back of Infantry INNUMERABLE CORPSES STREW BATTLEFIELD Enemy Is Ordered to Advance at Any Cost and Without Thought of Blood Sacrifice; Objectives Still Far Away Because of Determined Resistance of Italians

Paris, June 18.—Ninety-two Austrian divisions, consisting of eighty divisions of infantry and twelve of cavalry, have been hurled into the greatest battle that Italy has yet fought, according to an official announcement at Rome received here through the Havas Agency. Seventy-one of these divisions have already been identified. The forces engaged comprise three-fourths of the whole Austrian army and the choicest troops under the command of Field Marshal Boroevic. (The number of men in an Austrian division is not exactly known, but the number of divisions engaged would indicate approximately 1,000,000 Austrian soldiers have been thrown into the battle.)

Papers found on officers show that, after forcing the passage of the Piave, the first day's objective was the Treviso-Montebelluna railroads. In two days of fighting the enemy columns had succeeded only in realizing the minimum assigned for the first day, according to the official note issued at Rome. But one single allied aviator has been lost when the Austrians of offensive, while 44 enemy machines have been brought down. "In artillery and airplanes Austria is using all her available resources," says the official note. "Not less than 7,500 cannon of all calibers have been brought into action. Three Austro-Hungarian armies under the command of Field Marshal Boroevic are engaged in fighting desperately with enormous military means. Ordered to advance at any cost without thought of blood sacrifices, the Austro-Hungarian regiments are ready to obey. Thousands of corpses strew the battlefield overlooking the mountainous Italian sector and accumulating along the Piave. But the objectives which the enemy was to reach are yet far away."

Streets to Be Kept Clear For Big Fourth Parade To insure plenty of street space for the gigantic Americanization parade to be held July 4, Mayor Keister said today he will arrange with the traffic officers to have orders issued keeping all automobiles from parking on highways to be traversed by the parade divisions and that he will also have approximately 100 special officers sworn in if necessary to keep order. The mayor and city commissioners who comprise the invitation committee to complete the motorization, Secretary, held a short conference in council this morning to consider further plans for the parade. Mayor Keister announced he had sent invitations to the burgesses of the fifteen boroughs in the county asking them to send delegations to participate and also requesting them to keep in touch with committees on arrangements here. The officials in the boroughs are instructed to appoint their own committees for arrangements. All other societies, fire companies and other organizations in the county are given an invitation also to participate in the parade. In the city the entire fire department will be represented with all apparatus in line. Commissioner Gross said he has had assurances from the builders that the new motorized chemical truck for the Paxton Fire Company will be here and in service by July 4. This will be the last piece of apparatus to be added to the department to complete the motorization. Mayor Keister today added to the parade committee Captain E. Laubenstein, Captain Charles P. Meek and Captain F. H. Mickle.

SCOTT TYPOS PRESIDENT

Indianapolis, June 18.—Marsden G. Scott has been re-elected president of the International Typographical Union, according to an announcement made at the International headquarters here yesterday by the official canvassing board of the order. The canvass of votes has been proceeding for some time. Walter W. Barrett, of Chicago, was chosen first vice-president; J. W. Hays, secretary-treasurer, and Fred Barker, auditor.

Embarrassing!

Washington, June 18.—A dispatch to the State Department today says that the Berliner Tageblatt, in its issue of June 10, quoted a German general as saying that the American military activity was very embarrassing to German military strategy and military writers as it did not coincide with the German program for influencing opinion at home.

REPORT SINKING OF U-BOAT BY A U. S. SUBMARINE

Officers of American Steamer Say Story Was Told Them by the Yankee Crew

An Atlantic Port, June 18.—A report that a German U-boat and its entire crew were destroyed by an American submarine off the Virginia coast several days ago was brought here today by passengers of an American steamer. Officers of the vessel claimed to have been told the story of the submarine combat by members of the American undersea boat's crew.

13 YANKEES IN FIGHT WITH 40 HUNS GET BACK

Run Into Hun Patrol in Picardy and Slash Way Through Enemy AMERICANS GET WOUNDS

Washington, June 18.—A story of a fierce fight between thirteen Americans and a German ambush patrol of forty, in which most of the Americans fought their way back to their own lines, is told in a dispatch today from General Pershing, continuing yesterday's communication. Details also are given of the destruction of two enemy airplanes on June 13, reported on June 14. Following is the communication: "Cuts Through Enemy "Section B.—On the night of June 13 to June 14, an American patrol of thirteen men operating on the [Continued on Page 2.] HUNS LOST 80,000 IN DRIVE

BONNIWELL IN CONTROL HERE Harrisburg—The Dauphin County Democratic Committee, made up of Bonniwell men largely, at a meeting this afternoon, passed resolutions calling on John K. Royal and G. A. Geisel, State committeemen controlled by Vance C. McCormick, to vote in the state committee so that Judge Bonniwell may select his own campaign manager and draft his platform. Charles D. Stucker was re-elected chairman, J. D. M. Royal, secretary and Fred L. Morgenthaler treasurer. Bonniwell, it appeared, had ousted McCormick completely in his own home county.

THIRD CAVEIN VICTIM DIES

Lykens—Thomas J. Davis, of Wisconsin, who was injured in yesterday's cavein of the Summit Branch Colliery of the Susquehanna Coal Company at Williamstown, died this morning, the third man to die from injuries suffered in this cavein. Davis is survived by his wife and five children.

EXAMINED MIDDLETOWN COMPANY'S BOOKS

Harrisburg—A dispatch from Washington today said that one of the Middletown concerns, whose books were examined yesterday by government authorities in the bookkeeping scandal was the Wincroft Stove Company. Officials of the company, however, denied this story. The general manager said the company had bid on contracts but had received no awards by the government. There is no reflection on the Middletown company.

PROBING STEEL WORKERS' COMPLAINTS

Bethlehem—Representatives of the National War Labor Board today started a hearing in this city to take testimony in the recent labor troubles at the Bethlehem Steel Company's plant here. The complaints of the men were taken up first.

GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE DRAFT BOARDS

Philadelphia—A special grand jury to probe allegations of irregularities in the draft was today ordered by Federal Judge Dickinson. The jury will begin its investigations on July 1.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Simon Yeager, Jr., and Martha Strickler, Mount Joy; Charles J. Reed, Harrisburg, and Mary E. Orris, Leckeburg; Christopher A. Rischel, Harrisburg, and Rosa C. Wright, Silverdale; Albert J. Barnes and Cora S. Kri. Waynesboro.

R. BOONE ABBOTT Says War Stamps HELP MOVE WHEELS to back up our FIGHTING MEN. Are you giving your quarters?

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night and Wednesday; slightly cooler to-night, with lowest temperature about 60 degrees. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Wednesday; slightly cooler to-night; light north winds.

River The Susquehanna River and all its branches will fall slowly to its stage of about 43 feet in Indian River. The Harrisburg Wednesday morning. General Conditions Light, scattered showers have occurred in the Susquehanna, Upper Ohio, Upper Mississippi and Upper Missouri valleys, and the Northern Rocky Mountains and over the plateau region. The high pressure area over the Lake Region has caused the temperature to fall from 2 to 20 degrees. Temperature: 8 a. m., 65. Sun: Rises: 5:25. Sets: 8:25. P. m. Moon: Full moon, June 24. River stage: 43 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 84. Lowest temperature, 66. Mean temperature, 74. Normal temperature, 71.