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THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 2, 1917.



**BE CAREFUL.**

As this heat wave continues the deaths attributed to its effect mount in numbers rapidly. That is one of the things about a visitation of hot weather that the wise man and woman begins to take into consideration after, say, the second day. If one is in normal health a day or so of hot weather does not make any appreciable difference, but the accumulated effect of a hot wave will get the best if they are not careful.

Keep out of the sun as much as possible. Walk on the shady side of the street. Carry an umbrella whenever you are in the direct rays of the sun. Do not hurry. Keep your temper. Get as much rest as you possibly can. Go to bed early even if you think you cannot sleep. Be careful of what you eat and do not drink too much ice water or other cool drinks.

In iron mills and other places where it really is hot men drink water that is merely chilled and which contains a sprinkle of oatmeal. That prevents the frequent draughts of water from turning the stomach.

**LINEN "MADE IN AMERICA."**

There is to be established at Portland, Oregon, the Pacific Coast Linen Mills, capitalized at \$250,000 for the purpose of manufacturing twines suitable for fish nets, etc., linen crash and toweling. It is expected that the company will turn out 5,000 to 6,000 yards of crash and toweling daily during its first year of operation. The entrepreneur is the president and general manager of the Flaxen Fibre Down Co., of North Tonawanda, N. Y., who has recently had a request for an immediate option upon the entire output of his New York plant covering a period at least two years in advance.

That indicates one of the opportunities which the war is affording. Just at present it is impossible for the supply of linen goods to keep up with the demand, so that manufacturers are sure of good profits during the period of the war, at least, and perhaps for a little while afterward while readjustment is in progress. Then will come the period now familiarly styled "the war after the war," when every country in Europe and Japan and China will be playing the old tricks and many new ones to command foreign markets. Then is the time that the Pacific Coast Linen Mills, and every other linen manufactory will demand a return to the Republican policy of protection to American industries. And the farmers of Oregon who sell the mills their flax straw will be no less interested in the welfare of their purchasers.

The linen goods industry received a bad walloping from the Democrats when the tariff law of 1913 was framed.

**RUFF STUFF**

The fine physical condition of the first fifty also looks good to the fellow farther down the list.

It used to be considered quite witty to advise people who fight to join the army.

Some one ought to explain that joke in Grant Town.

The High school lassies who did not turn up for the canning school probably will plead the hot weather as an excuse.

But mother never lays off on account of the heat during the canning season.

If she did the family might have to go on short rations during the low gas pressure season.

The guy who rans the water all night in winter to keep it from freezing and all day during the summer to keep it from getting hot probably will put the family on a small allowance of it when Ira gets the meters

Every article in the schedule was reduced in duty, and the whole schedule was handed with blacksmith's tools. For instance, every textile man knows that the finer the yarn or number entering into the yarn of which an article is fabricated, the more work is required in its composition. Flagging netting, nets, etc., under the Republican law, not finer than 5 lea or number, paid a duty of 10 cents a pound and 20 per cent; finer than 5 lea or number, 12 1/2 cents a pound and 20 per cent, and for each additional lea or number 3/4 cents per pound. This was too much for the framers of the present law to grasp, so they slapped a general ad valorem rate of 25 per cent on the ten or a dozen degrees fineness. The twelve months following the passage of that bill, October 3, 1913, to September 30, 1914, the percentage increase in pounds of goods imported under this group was 1,750.

Part of the output of the Pacific Coast Linen Mills, comes under this group today. It is a pretty safe bet that that company knows which party will look after its interests, and it is not the free-trade Democracy, or the tariff-revenue-only Democracy, but the Republican party which stands for "America First."

**COMFORTING THOUGHT.**

The Pittsburgh Post, which is uncompromisingly Democratic in politics, is cheered even in this killing heat by the thought that before the next Congress of the United States takes up the war burdens laid down by the present one numerous opportunities for change in the personnel of the body will be afforded.

That indeed is a heartening thought. Congress as it is constituted today is full of sectionalism, greed, blind partisanship, parochialism and just plain ignorance, when it ought to be filled with pure patriotism, enlightened statesmanship and wide sympathies.

If the objectionable qualities are kicked out by the people in order to make room for the good ones the Congress that, in the ordinary course of events, would meet for organization in November, 1919, will contain more new men than any Congress in a generation.

And most of the Democrats who, through seniority and the peculiar ideas of leadership which that party holds, are now prominent in the affairs of the nation will be left at home. If the Democrats in Congress actually were running the government, instead of making matters hard for those who are running it, right now we would not be much better off than Russia is.

Of course there are some Republicans in Congress about whom it is impossible to say a respectful word, but the Democrats are in the majority, and in full charge of every branch of the government, and theirs must be the responsibility.

Last month's increase of 64 in the average daily circulation of The West Virginian was all the more gratifying because of the fact that the usual circulation tendency during the summer months is downward instead of upward. The average daily figure is now above 4,900 and it will not be long before it turns the 5,000 post. And that will be a great achievement for a three cent newspaper published in a county that has a little less than 50,000 population, if the figures upon which the draft for the county was made are to be accepted.

Captain White speaks not only for his fellow members on the exemption board but for the whole city when he says the showing made by the local boys who were summoned for examination yesterday was most gratifying. We all would have been genuinely surprised if it had turned out otherwise.

Secretary Lawson's report that the coal mines in this district had almost a normal number of cars throughout the entire month of July proves that those who contended the railroads could do it if they tried hard enough were right.

A hangman's noose is not the instrument with which to settle labor troubles, but every candid minded man will have to admit that an agitator with a bad record who publicly damns the government and slurs the army uniform at a time like the present electioneers for just about what Frank Little got at Butte. Even at a time of profound peace that is a dangerous thing to do. Irrespective of the merits of his cause, the man who gets into trouble that way is not a martyr; he is a surly fool.

It is a fact of considerable significance that most of the Senators who voted against the prohibition amendment yesterday belong to the Old Guard of their respective parties.

J. Pluvius will have a hard time proving that he has been a neutral throughout this war. He prevented the battle of the Somme, which was going on at this time last year, from being a complete British success and now he is doing his best to save the German situation in Flanders.

Last night there was sent out from Charleston a misleading report upon the water supplied by the municipalities of the state in which it was said that but one city, Bluefield, has pure water. According to the report of the tests made in Fairmont 22 per cent indicated unsafe water, while Parkersburg tests showed 31 and a fraction per cent unsafe. Yet in neither of these two cities have there been any typhoid due to the city water supply. Although all organic matter found in water is not dangerous the state bacteriologists merely counted bacilli and let it go at that. The result of the test is that a totally erroneous impression of the quality of the water that is supplied to West Virginia cities will be spread broadcast. Better us ought to be made of the state laboratories. We should have water tests, but they ought to be complete.

**MONONGAH**

**Order Numbers.**  
A copy of The West Virginian giving the order numbers of all local people and when they are to appear for examination at Mannington has been posted at the police station.

**New Interior.**  
Besides just having a new coat of paint on the outside the local post office has been thoroughly painted on the interior. The work was finished yesterday by Howard Meredith.

**New Equipment.**  
Among the new equipment that has been added to the local play grounds during the last week is a twelve pound hammer, a twelve pound shot put, a vaulting pole, and a digous. Last evening some of the husky lads tried themselves out with the weights.

**Crushed Foot.**  
William Jones has been suffering for several days from a crushed foot, which injury was sustained while working in the mines. Although the injury will keep him away from work for several days his foot is showing much improvement.

**Personals.**  
John Talbot of Middletown was in Monongah yesterday afternoon. George Leiving was among the Monongah social callers in Fairmont yesterday.

Miss L. Riggelman of Fairmont was in Monongah yesterday evening calling on local friends.

Russell Bailey was among the local callers out of town yesterday evening.

Dick Talbot was in Fairmont during the week as a social caller.

F. Loss was in Fairmont this morning attending to business.

**EAST SIDE NEWS**

**Home for Vacation.**  
Allen Rager of Detroit, Mich., a graduate from the machinists school in connection with the automobile factory in that city is spending his vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rager in Diamond street.

**From Webster Springs.**  
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hutchinson and children Doris and Robert have returned from a ten days stay at Webster Springs.

**Returned From Ellenboro.**  
McClaskey for burial last week, Re from Ellenboro where he conveyed the remains of his wife, Mrs. Ida McClaskey for burial last week. He was accompanied home by his sister, Mrs. Daisy Rogers of Columbus O., who will remain a week with him.

**Aged Man Very Ill.**  
George Adams, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed residents of the East Side is still very ill at his home in State street. His daughter, Mrs. Ida Newman of Jacksonville, Fla., and grand-daughter, Mrs. Beattie McDonough of Hazlewood, Pa., are here having been called here by his serious illness.

**Personals.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rich have returned from Morgantown where they visited relatives for several days. Clayton Morgan, son of Henry Morgan, of Market street, who has been in bad health for some time is worse the past few days.

Mrs. Herbert Fletcher, of the South Side spent the day yesterday with Mrs. Eliza Morris in Jacobs street. Nellie and John, children of John Brant of Market street have typhoid fever.

Men's, women's and children's footwear at greatly reduced prices at Shurtleff & Welton's.—Adv.

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**Now Comes Our Greatest Mid-Summer Clearaway of Footwear**

And, in the spirit of the times, we call it our "War Economy" Sale. For these days call for the wisest economy in every direction. And that does not mean stinting, hoarding but careful buying, taking advantage of opportunities.

Considered as a means of wise "War Economy", the reductions offered in this great sale are so radical, so sweeping, so important—that crowds will surely be here early tomorrow right at the start.

Every pair of summer shoes, oxfords, and pumps for men, women and children are included in this sale and will be sold at

**Reductions of 20% to 50% off Regular Prices**

**Sale Begins Friday, Aug. 3 and Continues for 10 Days Only!**

Here are some of the many bargains—footwear for the entire family.

**MEN'S FOOTWEAR**

Oxfords, your choice of every pair in the store, all leathers, also white canvas and buck. Walk-Overs, Nettletons, now 20 per cent off the regular prices.

**At \$2.40**  
Broken lines of oxfords and shoes—a big assortment, all sizes \$3 to \$4.50 grade now \$2.40.

**At \$3.40**  
Shoes and oxfords in all styles and leathers. Hundreds of pairs, all sizes \$4 to \$6 grade now \$3.40.

Odd lots of Hanan shoes and oxfords—styles we will discontinue—a good run of sizes—while they last

**\$8.50 to \$10.50 Grade Now \$5.20**

**WOMEN'S FOOTWEAR**

Our entire stock of oxfords and pumps in all leathers and sizes, also all white footwear high and low cut.

**Now 20% off Regular Prices**

**At \$1.90**  
A wide range of styles and sizes, shoes and oxfords, all leathers \$2.50 to \$4.50 grade now \$1.90

**At \$2.40**  
Shoes, oxfords, pumps and strap effects, the season's best styles—broken lines \$8.50 to \$9 grade, now \$2.40.

Some of our best styles in fancy and black footwear, both pumps and boots will be closed out during this sale.

**\$5 to \$7.50 Grade Now \$3.90**

**Boys' and Girls' Footwear**

All oxfords, strap pumps, barefoot sandals and white footwear, all styles, all sizes.

**Now 20% off Regular Prices**

We have taken every pair of odd shoes and oxfords in the store and placed them in one lot. Not every size in every style, but every size in the lot from children's to growing girls,

**\$1.75 to \$3.50 Grades Now \$1.30**

This sale will continue for only 10 days and we advise an early visit. Supply your footwear needs at once as the several lots will be closed out quickly at these very low prices.

**SALE BEGINS FRIDAY AUG 3**

**Shurtleff & Welton's** Walk Over Boot Shop