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Among the Plainfield boys who have been reported as arriving in France during the past week are Private Edward J. Coffey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Coffey, of the Second street, and Private G. Russell Hess, son of Mrs. I. Van Amstel, of Essex street, and Private Edwin Windham, brother of Mrs. Jesse A. Dayton, of Lyman place.

"Jack" Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Rogers, of Washington street, is home on a brief furlough for the first time in four months. He is attached to the naval hospital corps and has been doing trans-Atlantic duty on transports.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Winifred Post Titus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pittwood Titus, of 900 Madison avenue, this city, to Eugene Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Jones, of Elizabeth. Mr. Jones was formerly a member of the Essex Troop, but is now on special duty in the States.

John T. Donnelly, of 660 West Fourth street, who was inducted into the National Guard at the outbreak of the war, left for overseas duty during the past week. Previous to entering the army he was employed as fireman on a New Jersey Central "pusher" running between Dunellen and Graceland Hill.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry N. Maxson, of West Seventh street, left this city for the summer. Their departure at this time is due to the fact that Dr. Maxson's health has been somewhat impaired and he has been granted a long leave of absence by the Board of Education.

John J. McCarthy, Jr., of East Fifth street, who recently enlisted at the local army recruiting office in the postoffice, and was sent to Fort Slocum, has been transferred to Camp Humphrey, Va., as a member of Company M, 3rd Engineers, Tr. Regiment.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin and family, of Martins avenue, have gone to Utica, N. Y., to spend some time at the home of Mrs. Martin's mother.

James Voehl and daughter, Mrs. Eliza J. Carney, of 39 Grove street, the borough, who left last week for California, have arrived safely at Van Nuys, that State. They will remain at the latter place for several months as the guests of Mrs. Carney's sister and daughter, Mrs. Arthur Austin. On the way to the coast the Plainfielders stopped at Los Angeles for a short time.

Private Ellen McClellan, who was called to Plainfield by the death of his mother, Mrs. A. Alford, of Pond place, left Wednesday to rejoin his division of the aviation signal corps at Kelly Field, Texas.

Among the Plainfielders who have returned from Anston, Ala., because of the movement of troops from that section, are Mrs. Charles A. Peterson, wife of Captain Peterson; Mrs. James Conkling, wife of Edward Conkling; and Mrs. Chas. Baumann, wife of Sergeant Charles Baumann. All have been in the South since last fall.

David Rogers, treasurer of the Plainfield Theatre, will enjoy his annual vacation during the month of July. With Mrs. Rogers, he will spend the time at Lake Hopatcong enjoying his favorite diversion of fishing. Michael L. Shannon, manager of the Plainfield Theatre, also spent a short time at the lake the latter part of July.

Draft Classes To Be Revised

A general revision of classifications under the selective service act was started this week by Provost Marshal-General Crowder, when he telegraphed to the governors of all states ordering investigations to determine the reason for the small number of registrants in Class 1 in some localities.

The lists of some boards show an average far below the national average of 28.7 per cent. registrants in Class 1. Some boards have fallen even as low as 10 per cent. "Thousands of men now in Class 4 should be put in Class 1 and 2, the Provost-marshal said.

The instructions also ordered investigation to determine if any men have been erroneously put in the upper classes when they should have been placed in those lower down. General Crowder announced also that the class of 1918 registrants will not be allowed to enlist in the navy or marine corps, and that no voluntary inductions will be granted until order and serial numbers have been assigned. After assignment registrants may enlist if they obtain certificates from their local boards stating they are not within the board's current quota.

It is expected that the rearrangement will bring into class one more than 500,000 men.

Cases where registrants were married after passage of the draft act will be carefully considered and, if evidence warrants classification in class one, boards will proceed to re-classify them. Married men whose wives have sustaining incomes probably will be reclassified.

"This office has reached the conclusion," said the provost marshal general, "that corrective procedure can be made most effective by review by the local boards with the hearty and active assistance of government appeals agents and members of local advisory boards."

"You will therefore issue

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Genevieve Smalley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Smalley, of Codington avenue, North Plainfield, to Frederick H. Giddes and Charles M. Lewis, also of North Plainfield. The ceremony was performed last Saturday night at the First Baptist parsonage by Rev. Dr. P. B. Strong.

M. and Mrs. Albert Wilson, of 948 Prospect avenue, are the parents of a daughter, born to them a few days ago. Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of Judge and Mrs. V. W. Nash.

Miss Alice A. Nelson, of Westfield, and Private John M. Ulmer, Jr., of Dunbarton, this city, were married in the Episcopal church at Anston, Ala., Friday night.

The ceremony was performed by the rector of the Episcopal church, and was witnessed by a small gathering of friends. Private Ulmer is a member of Battery F, 112th Field Artillery, and was engaged in the insurance business in New York. His bride was graduated from Muhlenberg Hospital training school in the fall of 1915.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Clifton, at 522 Kenyon avenue, will be the scene of a wedding next Monday. The bride is Miss Anna Barckle, of Philadelphia, who will be made the wife of Edson C. Martin, of Albert street, this city.

The wedding will be witnessed by a small gathering of relatives and friends, and will be followed by a reception. Later the couple will start on a motor trip to the Adirondacks.

Where Mr. Martin has a cottage where they will spend the summer. Mr. Martin was a member of the former 108th Central Postal Directory, and during his tour of duty in France has taken care of interests in Elizabeth and New York.

John B. Martin, of Park avenue, and Leo Wilson, son of former Councilman and Mrs. William W. Wilson, of West Third street, left Wednesday for Paris Island, S. C., to which place they were assigned after enlistment in the United States Marine Corps.

Miss Alicia Vivian Dunn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Dunn, of Somerville, formerly of this city, and Fred T. Dickinson, Jr., of East Second street, are the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Dickinson, of East Second street, the father being private secretary to W. G. Basler, president of the New Jersey Central. Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, parents of the young couple, were among those witnessing the ceremony.

Private Albert Martin, of 1198 West Third street, returned to his company at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C. Tuesday, after a seven days' furlough at home. He was given a farewell party by a number of friends on the eve of his departure.

Instructions that they shall immediately proceed to a careful examination of all the questionnaires and records in the classes of cases herein indicated, and make such recommendations to the local boards as they may deem necessary.

"Local boards, government appeal agents, and members of local advisory boards should give special attention to the following classes of cases:

"Class 2B and B, Class 3A, B, and C, and Class 4A.—Thousands of registrants are now in Class 4 who should be in Class 2 or Class 1. Government appeal agents . . . should insist on a careful examination of cases where the reclassification is not convincingly correct.

"The activities of local boards, appeal agents, and members of local advisory boards are not limited to the classes of cases above indicated, but the same corrective measures should be applied to all other cases of deferred classification when the same appears necessary.

"Local boards should set aside a special board in June to be called each class one week, to conduct examinations of doubtful cases. Classifications should be scientifically adjusted now so as to avoid the necessity of proceeding to the deferred class. The remedy is yours to apply.

"It is important also that corrective procedure should be applied where necessary in case of boards showing unusually high percentages of Class 1. Where there are no apparent explanations for such high percentages you should make inquiry of the proper boards with a view to ascertaining whether the boards have correctly applied the regulations.

"Also instruct all local boards to re-examine under the new standards of physical examination now being issued all doubtful cases which have been placed in Group C, or Group D, with the particular purpose of finding men physically fit for general military service, who may have been placed in one of the lower classes because of their moving to Group C as qualified for special and limited military service such men as may heretofore have been totally rejected or placed in the deferred re-examination group."

No Change Here Because Of Big Express Merger

Additional information concerning the consolidation of the leading express companies into one company which will be known as the American Express Company, has been received by Frank W. Wenzel, manager of the American Express Company of this city.

It is stated that the consolidation of the express companies into one company will be no material change because of only one company being in Plainfield.

The new consolidation will be headed by George C. Taylor, former president of the American Express Company, in a recent statement he said:

"The new move will bring into one organization over 160,000 men now trained in express services. It will be the policy of the company to maintain a broad gauge attitude toward its employees, many of whom have spent their lives in the service and thousands of whom have made great personal sacrifices in carrying out the immense burden of the last three and a half years."

"In the past the express companies have been vital factors in the preservation of merchandise and foodstuffs. They have eliminated distance and the time element between the manufacturer and his market. The new move is designed to improve the distribution of commerce and agriculture and the business of the country may look upon it with confidence and interest."

"The non-transportation activities of the separate companies, such as travel department, foreign exchange and banking, and their respective foreign organizations which are not under the consolidation, but will be conducted by the individual companies as in the past, the company is setting up agents for the old companies in the handling of the above mentioned features."

Garfield Warns Against Another Coal Shortage

Coal dealers and fuel administration officials received today mixed feelings the statement made yesterday by United States Fuel Administrator Garfield that conservation must account for 50,000,000 tons of coal this year if the country was not to be faced with another serious fuel shortage next winter.

Average conditions throughout the State are such, it is claimed that not more than one-half of the so-called "first-one-third deliveries" of coal can be made on orders already in hand by retail dealers. There are localities, however, where the entire one-third has been delivered by some dealers and work has been started on the second one-third deliveries.

Reasons assigned range from car and motive power shortage, through transportation congestion, to lack of necessary production at the mines.

Some of the retail coal dealers in Plainfield stated that not more than one-half of their first one-third coal orders has so far been delivered, due primarily to the fact that coal is not being produced in sufficient quantities to increase their deliveries. Many dealers have bettered this average, some of them now being able to start on their second one-third deliveries. Men in touch with conditions throughout the State gave as their opinion today that one-half of the first one-third would represent the average distribution to date in New Jersey.

Neither State Fuel Administrator Johnston nor his secretary, E. Morgan Barradale, would make any official statement today as to New Jersey distribution. It was pointed out, however, that the figures had been furnished recently by the administrative committee of the fuel administration, together with the fact that dealers' reports are slow in coming in. It would be approximately the first or middle of August before definite distribution figures could be announced as applying to the entire State. The only thing known for a fact is that large numbers of dealers are complaining that they cannot get enough coal to anywhere near all the orders on hand.

A striking instance of the problem confronting Plainfield coal dealers is reported from the office of the Bolen-Ryan Company. This concern is receiving only about 500 tons of coal per month and yet it has orders for 5,000 tons of the first one-third allotment. At this rate, it will be time for the second one-third long before the customers have had a chance to receive their first allotment and the situation later will become more complicated than it is now. This same condition applies to practically every dealer in the city in proportionate amounts.

Declares Dealers Must Accept All Coal Orders

In order to know all angles relating to coal needs of the State for the present coal year, State Fuel Administrator Johnston has advised all county administrators that retail dealers must accept orders, even though the supply is not equal to meeting the demands. It has been brought to his attention, he says, that retail coal dealers in a number of instances are refusing to accept orders from domestic consumers. In this connection Mr. Johnston said:

This probably arises from the fact that the coal dealer feels that he cannot reasonably expect to fill to 100 per cent, any more orders than he now has on his books. This conclusion may be well founded at the present time, but we are charged with the equitable distribution of coal and this means that everyone is entitled to a fair share of the coal and we cannot perform this duty if we permit the agencies of delivery to determine whether they will or will not accept orders. Orders must be accepted from all and upon this information I can alone base whatever directions we will make as to the distribution of coal. If the supply is not sufficient to meet 100 per cent of the deliveries, the amount that we will be evenly split to all consumers and we cannot permit a situation arising which would enable a certain class of domestic consumers to be preferred and receive 100 per cent, and others to receive little or nothing, principally because they cannot get any one to accept their orders.

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As an example, it is pointed out that women should refuse to buy cosmetic coal warts, which have no value except to excite the admiration of one observing the delicacy. Its costs would buy two ordinary shirt waives which combine would be four times as long and release that much money for the war.

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At that time it was deemed best to wait a sufficient time to learn how the arrangement worked with the additional traffic placed upon the tubes by the Baltimore and Ohio. Then it was stated that trains were going through the tubes at the rate of one every minute. Some time ago the director general inquired the traffic on the tubes had lessened, and it so to such an extent as to permit the Lackawanna and Lehigh to use them. The report in answer to this

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tion at a rapid rate and informed of the cuts they must make. Officials are striving to make the burden as light as possible by distributing it over a long period.

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inquiry will decide whether the Lackawanna and Lehigh will be authorized to use the tubes.

No More Whistling As Troop Trains Pass By

Complying with the desire of military authorities that all possible secrecy shall attend the movement of troop trains, railroads operating through this section of New Jersey have issued orders to train crew, engineers and other employees that no locomotive or railroad shop whistle shall be blown hereafter when such trains are observed to be passing, except for the giving of proper and necessary signals.

Railroads which are observing this rule are the Pennsylvania, Lackawanna, Central of New Jersey, Erie and Lehigh Valley. Military authorities believe that undue prominence is given to the passage of troop trains by congratulatory whistle signals. So far as the railroads are concerned the embargo is now effective. There remain, however, hundreds of factories to which the suggestion applies with equal force. It is contended, and it is felt that if factory owners would voluntarily issue orders for their own plants practically all of their undesirable publicity would be done away with.

Hot Food For Soldiers
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British Draft Bill Is Signed in London

Hot food for the American soldiers in the trenches, even though the Germans do block the lines of communication with shell fire for several days at a time, is expected to result through a new "cooker" just adopted by the army.

The nature of the device has not been made public, but the war minister's department has experiment-

The treaty under which Great Britain may draft Americans in Great Britain and the United States may draft British subjects here, was signed in London on June 10. State Department announced today. Before the treaty becomes operative, it must be ratified by Congress and by British parliament.

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THE TAX INVESTIGATION AND PERSONAL ASSESSMENTS.

After many long years of bitter recriminations and battle between city and county taxing officials, it looks as if the decade-old discussion as to equality of valuations for tax purposes as between city and suburban property was about to be settled. At least the issues have been brought into the open in a clear, business-like manner, and all that remains now is for the people at large to demand that the present investigation into rural tax valuations shall not languish, slow down and finally die of inertia, but that the matter shall be pursued until definite findings are had.

The county taxing board will meet within a few days and canvass the probable cost of the rigid investigation into county tax valuation which has been demanded by Elizabeth taxpayers and officials who feel Elizabeth in the past has borne more than its just share of taxation. The expense of such investigation need not be exorbitant—but whatever its cost within reason the county freeholders should willingly appropriate the needed money. In fact if they do not, it is highly probable that the matter will be taken out of the county jurisdiction and laid before the State taxing board, so definitely are a number of city taxpayers of the opinion that county values have not been up to the standard or which the city of Elizabeth has been taxed.

It should, however, not require such a threat to convince the freeholders and all county taxing officials that a fair and square open and legitimate investigation of tax values in their districts is the wisest move at the present time. If the charges of undervaluation, which have been freely made for many years, are untrue, the way to show this and end the discussion once and for all is to have such an investigation and give publicity to its findings. If, as charged, the valuations have been disproportionately low in the suburban sections of the county, there is no better time than right now to rectify this unfairness and let experts determine a system of valuation which shall apply to all like property in county as well as city.

Let's not delay the investigation. Let's have it started just as soon as possible. And when we're through let's feel we've done the job fairly and well.

While the investigation matter is being discussed it might not also be amiss to once more take up the eternal problem of personal property assessment. Not only in Plainfield but everywhere in the county this source of revenue has always been a thorn in the side of the tax-payers. The argument is advanced continually that the working man, the value of whose household furnishings can be easily told by a mere glance, is assessed to even more than what his odds and ends of furniture would cost new, while his rich neighbor, revelling in the possession of costly rugs, paintings and bric-a-brac worth many thousands, escapes with only a nominal assessment. The rich man makes no attempt at giving a full valuation and as the assessor knows more about pianos, partial payment dining room suites and couches than he does about works of art, the poor man is bound to get the worst end of the deal.

There always will be an argument over these personal property questions but one proposition has been advanced which may help to equalize matters. This is the engaging of an expert to take care of the more complex furnishings of the exclusive home. Then and only then will something like real value be arrived at. Elizabeth and other places in the county have advocated such a move and Plainfield is heartily in accord with the idea. The cost of hiring an expert

will be off-set many times by the true valuations he will present and the poor man who has been bearing too much of the personal tax will at last be given a square deal.

It is not to be implied that the wealthy citizen deliberately misrepresents values. In many instances some possession that has cost him a lot of money can be designated only as a hobby and hobbies, the courts have ruled, cannot be assessed at full valuation. They are worth only what they would command if put up at a forced sale and what is worth a whole lot to one individual is valueless to another. Because of this the rich man is often accused of shirking his responsibilities but as a matter of fact he is not and the expert will set him right with the public at the same time he places the personal assessment where it belongs.

There has been very little building in Plainfield during the past season, outside of factory work, which is in a class by itself, consequently, the increased cost of meeting the municipal expenses must be met in another way and what better source can there be than a fair and equitable personal assessment.

MR. TUTTLE'S LINE OF THOUGHT.

We note in a speech by ex-Congressman Tuttle delivered at Morristown that he is following out the line of thought of Dr. W. L. Saunders and Speaker Clark, when he says:

"It is absurd on its face to back up President Wilson with a Republican—the people know who are friendly to the President and who are not."

For ourselves we think this is entirely a wrong idea; we prefer the views on the type of candidates for Congress which have been promulgated by two non-partisan societies.

The National Security League gives this as the requirements:

"The conduct of the war and the future of America are dependent, not only upon the election of a war congress that will enact necessary laws, but upon the presence in the National Legislature of men of vision, ability and broad experience, who are the best qualified of our citizenship to solve correctly the great internal and international questions which will come before the next Congress."

Or this from the League for National Unity:

"The voters in their respective districts will doubtless see to it that in addition to being loyal, the candidates are also capable of representing their views on other great issues with which the next Congress will doubtless be called upon to deal. These issues, let us hope, will include the great social and industrial problems following the demobilization of our army after the war as well as the maintenance of the economic standards of our people during the peace."

We do not believe that there is a man in either party in the district who more thoroughly meets in all these respects the standard which has thus been set up than our fellow-citizen, Ernest R. Ackerman, since his support of the American war and his loyalty is beyond all question.

A CONUNDRUM FOR OUR READERS.

We are not opposed to Woman Suffrage when it comes by the will of the people in State or Nation but we confess to getting a good deal of amusement out of some of the arguments advanced by the advocates. For example, Mrs. Feickert says regarding Senator Baird's opposition to the Federal amendment: "Since the late Senator Hughes was a suffragist and strongly in favor of the amendment, suffragists think that Senator Baird should feel in honor bound to vote as his predecessor, who was elected and not appointed, would have done."

Senator Hughes was not elected on a suffrage platform for New Jersey's only vote on the question was anti-suffrage, therefore there is no question of honor involved. To assert that when the senatorial cloak of Elijah falls on Eliza that it makes an echo of the heir is rather far fetched. We elect or appoint men to office, not dummies or rubber stamps. If the late Senator Hughes had been so misguidedly as to have been an "anti," would Mrs. Feickert not have used all the powerful arguments at her command to induce Senator Baird to reverse that position and would she think him dishonorable if he changed?

We pass this conundrum on to our readers.

WHAT'S BECOME OF THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

When phonograph records were megaphoned through a big brass horn hitched to a cumbersome

supporter?

When juvenile admirers presented their lady-loves with candy motives?

When people used to talk about Jules Verne's foolish ideas?

When "Nick" Kelley was the busiest cop on the Plainfield police force?

When the whole town turned out to see a troop train go by and the soldier boys gave away all their hard-earned for souvenirs?

When the passenger coaches were lighted by long rows of kerosene lamps and had a stove at either end to temper winter's chilly blasts?

When Charles MacGeech poured "hot shot" into Plainfield's officials circles through the editorial columns of the Dunellen Rock, and which he continued to edit from his cell after being lodged in the Middlesex county jail for pertinent remarks?

INK-STINGS SUGGESTED BY A ROCKING-CHAIR BRAVE.

The Public Service platform men who left all North Jersey without trolleys last week have engaged Attorney Carless (of Newark, to represent them in the arbitration proceedings. Wonder if his name got him the job?

Two things are suggested by this giving up of the seashore excursions. How are some of us to get our annual bath and what are the foot-gear merchants to do with their accumulation of shoe boxes?

Not so quick, not so quick. It hasn't hurt you yet so we have arranged for another tag day. This time it will be to meet the expense of fixing the sidewalk on the north side of Front street from Grove street to the Columbus Club property.

From the Elizabeth Journal we learn that that city has a Democratic candidate for the nomination for Congress in the Fifth district in the person of Richard E. Clement, superintendent of schools at the county seat. The gentleman is evidently hoping that history may repeat itself and that as a president of a New Jersey college became first a governor, then the president of the United States, that he can become a congressman from Superintendent of schools. The question is, is a Clement a Wilson? Probably his candidacy may not be pleasing to the politicians of his own party but as the election is not likely to be won by a Democrat in this strongly Republican district, they may let him have the empty honor without a contest.

To provide for the alleged widow who might turn up after his death, a Plainfield man willled her \$3—declaring in the instrument that he's a bachelor at the time of his death but he has an eye open for possible widow-claimants. Which might be dubbed super-fore-sight.

It is said some of the swivel chair-soldiers of Washington do not regard their working surroundings as suitable for their military rank, and they are right about it. The surroundings that would fit most of them would be found in the trenches over in France.

Speaking of retribution, what would you call the mysterious something which threw John Goodwin off a ladder with such force that he had to be placed under the tender care of the white-capped angels of mercy at Muhlenberg Hospital within twenty-four hours after he had been charged in the borough police court with saying that "All Red Cross nurses should be killed because they have no business in going over to the other side?"

Have to hand the laurel to the Italians just now. Daring feats their navy is performing on the Austrian dreadnaughts. And they seem to manage to bring home the bacon. Now, if England would use some of her navy to as practical a purpose on the German dreadnaughts, we'd begin to feel that things were moving in a naval way as well as on land.

Maybe there'll be a whole day this week without a drop of rain, and with it the June atmosphere on which in years past Jersey worked up a reputation.

Somebody got an awful soldering in the Courier-News office the other day. Weeks and weeks after the paper published letters from Albert Bryniarski in which he described his experiences at the French front one of the reporters this week slipped across the startling item that the North Plainfield man had arrived in France. Deal kindly with the culprit, Millie, for these be the days when everybody and everything is at a high tension.

Now comes that "colossal combination of mastodontic marvels, linking the gorgeousness of the Orient with the genius of the Occident and representing an exhaustive enterprise of energy and extravagance." In other words, the Circus.

Should your cheriah an ardent desire to visit the show for the expressed purpose of getting an eye full of bespangled femininity on horse back, don't offer the sleazy old excuse about "not caring for it yourself, but taking it in just because it is a treat for the children." Speak right out, tell the whole world that you are going to plank down your money because you understand the side show has the greatest of all modern freaks, an American citizen who has no kick about the way the Government is running the war.

Home From Convention, Fire Chief Jennings Enthuses Over His First Western Junket

Declaring that he had enjoyed every minute of the time that he spent at the annual convention of the International Association of Fire Chiefs at Chicago, Fire Chief Jennings returned to duty Sunday night, after a week's absence from all parts of the world. The chief, the first this length of time man in which every part of since assuming an official position in the service.

The chief's westward journey was principally for the purpose of attending the annual convention of the International Association of Fire Chiefs at Chicago. It was held in the Sherman House, which was headquarters for the 400 fire department heads from all parts of the United States and Canada, who attended the three day session. Much important business was transacted and numerous new phases of fire fighting were discussed. Chief Jennings profited by the talks and demonstration of apparatus as only experts were given places on the speakers' list. Later on he will submit a full report of his observations to the fire board. Official Chicago did not "warm up" to the convention as has been done in previous years, but there were plenty of citizens due to a diversion of interest because of the war. The visiting chiefs did not lack for entertainment, however, as there were plenty of citizens to do the honors for the firemen from every part of the country and they were escorted to numerous points of interest.

On the way back East, the Plainfield executive was a member of a party of fifteen chiefs who stopped off at Detroit. In that city they were the special guests of the Detroit Wheel Company, which manufactures wheels for fire apparatus. The heads of the company took the chiefs for a thirty-five mile automobile tour through the Michigan city and afterward entertained them at the Michigan Athletic Club, which is a building four times as large as the Plainfield Elks Club and completely equipped. The next stop was at Buffalo and from there the party journeyed out to Niagara Falls. It was Chief Jennings' first view of the great cataract and he was delighted beyond any expression of words.

"It was really my first trip out of New Jersey," the Chief remarks yesterday, "and really I never knew there was so much land or water in the world."

Plainfield Man's Will Make Many Queer Provisions Monthly Report Of Charity Organization

At the regular monthly meeting of the board of trustees of the Charity Organization Society held Tuesday evening at the rooms of the Society at the Babcock Hotel, reports were given for the month ending May 31st were presented.

The chairman of the different committees reported a busy month and in comparing the figures with April there were found to be only three fewer cases under care in May than in the previous month. The total against 152. Of these there were 32 needing material relief, and for them \$519 was spent. In spite of the fact that there is more than enough work for everyone, if they could be made to do it, 21 of these families were in the class, "Head of the family non-supporting."

The report of the treasurer was not encouraging. Drury Housekeeper knows that the dollar of today is worth very much less in the terms of groceries and food than a few years ago or even last year. An illustration was at hand in the comparison of the figures of May 1917, when it cost \$125 to take care of 16 families, as against \$519 the corresponding month this year for 53 families. In the campaign for the Second War Fund of the Red Cross which has just been brought to such a gratifying and successful close, we have all had the keenest interest and eager desire to participate. Red Cross work abroad must be supplied, but not by withdrawing support from the needs of our city at home. The resources of our home charities must not be diminished. It is more essential now than ever before to maintain them to their full efficiency. We know that this means larger contributions of service and money. But Plainfield has always shown that she is ready to make whatever sacrifice necessary to the care of her own. The board of trustees are therefore confident that the citizens of Plainfield will not allow the Charity Organization Society and the people who are entrusted to its care, to suffer. They are also confident that they will make it possible by their gifts to carry on the work successfully.

The next three months are written down in the books as "lean" from the point of view of "receipts." There are many who regret this who are now planning for a summer vacation. Will you not go away with a greater feeling of satisfaction and rest if you leave, leaving with the treasurer of the Society a donation which will help contribute to the health, happiness and comfort of those less fortunate? It's an experiment worth trying!

Mrs. William Fairbanks, of West Fourth street, has recovered after a severe illness of several weeks.

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Citizens' Committee Still In Need Of Funds For Farewells

Last week Mary Calkins made an appeal for contributions to the fund which, under the direction of the Citizens' Committee, of which J. J. Varley is the efficient chairman, is being put out of the farewells entertained given to each group of drafted men going out from Plainfield to fight for liberty. The "send-off" consists of a simple dinner, with short talks to the boys by the Mayor and well known citizens, and a parade to the depot, escorted by the Home Defense League and the Liberty Band, when the boys entrain the next morning.

"It costs less than two dollars to send each boy off to the war with feeling in his heart that Plainfield cares. Think what these boys are doing! They are saying goodbye to their loved ones and not only are they abundant funds to finance these farewells without asking for help each time a group of boys is sent off. Mary Calkins asks everybody to give something. Don't forget that a dollar or less will help. Send the money to William R. Townsend, secretary, Citizens' Committee, 143 North Avenue."

The following contributors are to be added to the honor roll since it was published last week:

- Charles R. Banks
- George L. Babcock
- W. B. Cory
- George M. Clark
- W. J. M. Charles
- Miss S. C. Clay
- Miss A. A. Carr
- Camp No. 38, Sons of America
- L. M. Daniels
- Charles A. Edwards
- Frederickson
- Mr. Frederickson
- C. F. French
- Franklin Council, No. 41, Jr. O. U.
- Mrs. Frederickson
- E. F. Felckert
- W. P. Frost
- H. P. Greenwood
- M. Garrison
- H. W. Herman
- Mrs. Mary Hoffman
- W. H. Jones
- DeWitt C. Habbell
- J. J. Jewett
- Mrs. Clara Gordon Johnson
- William Kline
- Ben J. Kline
- Mr. Knapp
- C. W. Leonard
- Charlotte C. Lyon
- Mrs. C. B. Lawrence
- Mr. Laidlaw
- Thomas Mulr

H. L. Moody
Dr. George T. Moore
George McGraw
P. H. Mearns
C. W. McCutchen
Old Glory Council, No. 62, Sons and Daughters of Liberty
H. H. Paine
Percy F. Phillips
Mrs. Percy F. Phillips
Royce T. Phillips
H. H. Paine
Kenneth Rayson
Owen Roff
Charles A. Reed
L. E. Reynolds
J. H. Stewart
O. W. Schmitt
William Sanford
W. W. Sanford
H. H. Paine
Homer Council, No. 194, Jr. O. U.
A. M.
H. W. Stockton
P. H. Smith
N. D. Small
David L. Thompson
Mrs. Wolf
P. W. Yates

Theda Bara Appears In Play She Wrote

Theda Bara, the eminent William Fox star and portrayer of vampyric roles, has entered the field of the photo playwriting. Her maiden effort, "The Soul of Buddha," a thriller story of the Japanese tales, is being presented at the Theatre today and tomorrow in connection with a combination of photo-play and vaudeville. This newest William Fox Theda Bara production was directed by J. Gordon Edwards, who has surrounded the star with a competent staff and some marvellous scenic sets.

The story as written and portrayed by Miss Bara tells of the adventures of a pretty half caste Japanese whose mother consecrates her to the God Buddha, as a sacred dancing girl. The High Priest secretly loves the girl who has vowed to devote her life to the worship of her God. Tiring of her existence in the Temple she elopes with an English Army officer, who marries her and takes her to Paris. The High Priest follows her and tells of his presence by the Buddhist death sign marked on the woman's door. The heroine, tiring of her life, becomes a dancer and is hailed as the sensation of the day. On the opening performance of her Sacred Dance, the High Priest, after marking the "Sign of Death" on her dressing room door, comes to life as a Buddhist idol and kills the dancer who discarded her veil.

Beside the "Soul of Buddha," which was seen yesterday for the first time and created a marked impression on the large audiences, the theatre program offers these vaudeville numbers: Emmett and Levey, in a comedy skit; Leo and Nelson, comedienne, and Alma Sara and Company, in a novelty skit. A new Pathé Weekly will also be shown this afternoon and tonight.

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New Process For Apointing Election Boards

Under the terms of the Election Reform law, passed at the last session, the election board is practically a new process in the selection of the more than 7,000 election officers in New Jersey will be tried out in this year. The law provides that on or before the 1st of next July the different Supreme Court Justices who provide for the different county Circuit Courts throughout the State must appoint and certify to the Governor the names of four persons to comprise the new county boards of elections. These appointments are to be made by the Supreme Court Justices, together with the judges of the Court of Common Pleas.

The terms of these appointments will begin on September 1st, and on the same day the terms of the members of the present county boards of election will expire. Governor Edge has already received appointments from the Justices of the Supreme Court, and he is expected to probably announce them within a few days. It is understood that they are practically all reappointments. In the past the Justices have made selections of Justice Swaine and county judges of Hudson for the new board in that county. It is understood that the new board will not be made up of reappointments, however.

Before July 20, under this new election law, the Executive may reject the names of the Justices appointed to him by the judges. On or before August 1st he is required to commission the persons whose names have been rejected. The members of the new county boards of election. If the judges failed to certify satisfactory appointments on or before August 1st the Governor is authorized to make selections himself. In every instance where a board is appointed more than two members shall be of the district board of election. The first Tuesday in August, which falls on the sixth this year, or within the first ten days of August, these county board members are to meet in their respective courthouses and organize. It will be the duty of these boards to make up lists of members of the district board of election throughout the State who handle the election machinery. The election act provides that in the making of these local boards the county boards may have the privilege of appointing school teachers, men or women, where such procedure is deemed advisable.

The election law also carries a provision which would permit the district board of election to make recommendations to the Governor in the selection of the new county boards of election. The law provides that the district board of election may have the privilege of appointing school teachers, men or women, where such procedure is deemed advisable.

Both a United States Senator and twelve congressmen are to be elected in New Jersey this fall, and the Election Act provides that on or before August 26 petitions nominating candidates for Congress in districts comprising more than one county shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

Nominating petitions for candidates for United States Senator must be filed on or before the same date with the Secretary of State.

THE FIRST RED, WHITE AND BLUE.

Twos on the fourteenth day of June, Seventeen seventy-seven.

That the first Star-Spangled Banner Matched its stars with those of heaven.

It was then ordained by congress And recognized right then and there.

And then as a loving token To protect it, has been our share. It has been in many battles Floating high through the bitter fray.

And never has it touched the ground For we have watched it day by day. Now Betty Ross might well feel proud For her life she has lived in its ray.

It was in her humble cottage She used to sit and sew and sew. So to make this starry Banner, And then from her attic window.

To place afloat his thirteen stars An emblem of awe and liberty. It went to prove that we were right.

But many years have now gone by. We are put to another test. To protect our starry banner And the land we love the best.

We seek no land or glory. But we fight for democracy. That each and every foreign land May be independent and free. Three cheers for our starry emblem. And three cheers for our U. S. A.

Three more for our fighting Sam-...
For success in their bitter fray.

—By Cass P. Frelsh.
Dedicated to F. P. O. No. 838, on behalf of the first presentation to the City of Plainfield, June 14th, 1918.

Netherwood Residents' Association Will Hold Another Home Garden Competition

No great was the success attained by the Netherwood Residents' Association in its Home Garden competition, last year, that preparations have been made on a larger scale for similar contest this season.

The primary reason for stimulating interest in "back yard" farming is to encourage the residents of the Netherwood section to take part in the competition, raising garden truck on patches of ground that otherwise would be neglected. The association has provided fresh vegetables for the family table but also kept the interest of the gardeners centered on helpful work.

In September of last year, an exhibition of vegetables raised by children was given in the parish house of the Church of the Heavenly Rest. The exhibition was a great success and the association has decided to hold a similar exhibition on September 7. In a circular letter issued yesterday, by the Home Garden Committee of the Residents' Association, the following contest is given as follows:

Following up our initial movement of last year in the matter of Home Gardens, the committee having this matter in hand, and the contest is given as follows:

(1) For the first prize winner in Class A—A prize presented by George C. Scott, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(2) For the first prize winner in Class B—A prize presented by George C. Scott, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(3) For the largest and best collection of assorted vegetables raised and presented by one exhibitor in Class A—A prize presented by G. W. Wilmerding, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(4) For the largest and best collection of assorted vegetables raised and presented by one exhibitor in Class B—A prize presented by G. W. Wilmerding, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(5) For the largest and best collection of assorted vegetables raised and presented by one exhibitor in Class C—A prize presented by G. W. Wilmerding, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(6) For the best exhibit of vegetables entered at the show by the Netherwood Residents' Association, presented by H. L. Medbery, and the Association's blue ribbon.

(7) For the largest and best collection of vegetables entered by any resident of Netherwood, presented by H. L. Medbery, and the Association's blue ribbon.

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Dugout Life Described By Dr. Crist

Although many Plainfielders who have been at the front for some time have described life in the trenches, it remains for Dr. Chalmers L. Crist, of Park Avenue, to give a graphic picture of the life in the trenches of a dugout with only a hastily constructed roof to shield the occupants from shot and shell screaming overhead.

In a letter to Thomas M. Muir, of Record staff, Dr. Crist asserts that being in a dugout at the firing line is like standing under a sixth avenue elevated road with the rats and rats of trains keeping up continuously instead of at intervals or words to that effect. In picturesque language the Doctor, who has now been at the front eleven months as a member of the dental division of the Medical Corps, also gives some information about the "cooties," those pestiferous denizens of the trenches who make themselves acquainted with every soldier going up front. Incidentally the Doctor also records the Record is naturally to him and how much he appreciates its news of the folks back home. This is a portion of the letter, which bears the date of May 2:

"Incidentally, I want to tell you how beloved the Record is for me. I am often wonder if Park Avenue is far from Fifth Street is paved or if the City Hall is completed, or if the Council has decided on the number of the different motors for the fire department. You see there are so many things of interest which I can tell you about. I have been told forward to it. I noticed in the last one I received that you mention me as being in base hospital work. I was at base hospital for a little over a week upon my arrival here, but requested field work. I have been with the same regiment ever since—where they have been by it. I like it better; you feel as though you are more in it, and I cannot help but feel that it is worth while in the trenches as can think as medical officers. I wish I could describe my present dugout, but then, I am sure that you would not want to see it. There is a continual tremble of the earth from the heavy guns—

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Trolleyman At Work Perfecting Union Organization

The dispute between the Public Service Railway Company and trolley men will carry on for a month and possibly longer, according to indications. In the meantime the trolley men are continuing the perfecting of their brotherhood organization.

Tuesday, Henry Carles, attorney for the trolley men, filed with Frank J. McGee, general counsel of the Public Service, a copy of the demands he submitted the previous day to the War Labor Board. It will be a month at least and possibly more, before the company files its reply. One of the requests is that all men discharged for legitimate union activities before or during the strike be reinstated.

A short mass meeting of the trolley men was held Tuesday night at the Bay View Wheelmen's hall in Newark for the purpose of choosing the officers of the brotherhood. William Wagner, of Newark, was selected as president; A. Sehn, vice president; J. J. McGee, secretary; and James Porter, of Paterson, financial secretary; William Healy, of Newark, recording secretary; and Arthur McGee, of Newark, treasurer.

The executive committee will consist of three men from each division represented in the brotherhood. It was definitely decided to limit membership in the organization to trolley men. Several platform men from Plainfield were in attendance at the meeting as delegates from this district.

The public must learn to handle its own trucks this summer. A rule was passed by the American Express Company, the company explained that because of the war the help on the wagon has been eliminated and the driver cannot carry the trunk down stairs alone.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Shattell, of Bay View street, are home from a trip to Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES.

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Speculation As To Judge Haight's Visit

Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President, is expected to be in Washington in the near future, and it is believed that he will be accompanied by some of the Democratic leaders in New Jersey on the problem of a candidate for the United States Senate. It is believed that Judge Haight's visit to Washington is a possibility.

The best information obtainable at Washington is that none of the party chieftains has succeeded in efforts to induce Judge Haight to become a candidate. It has been known all along that he was adverse.

Judge Haight has refused to commit himself as to whether he would become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate in the September primaries. He declined to talk about the subject in any way.

Mr. Tumulty admitted that he was in Washington last Thursday night and Friday, but denied that his trip there was in any way political. He said that he was in Washington to see United States Attorney General Gregory on court matters. That was all the judge would say.

AN APPROACHING WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brant, of 238 McDowell street, have announced the wedding of their daughter, Miss Mary Brant, to Joseph DeLoia, of this city. The wedding ceremony will be held in the church on Sunday afternoon, June 30, at 4 o'clock.

A SHIRT WAIST DANCE.

Watching Council, Knights of Columbus, will conduct a shirt waist dance in Columbus Hall, West Front Street, on Thursday evening, June 20, for the benefit of the K. of C. War Fund. The orchestra will furnish music.

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OBITUARY

Personal Mention of Plainfielders and Others Who
Have Heeded the Summons of Death
During the Past Week.

MRS. CHARLES L. FAGAN.

Mrs. Mary Helen Fagan, wife of Charles L. Fagan, died yesterday morning at her home at 947 South avenue, following a four-month illness. She was stricken in February shortly after her marriage, and although she underwent several operations in New York for trouble in the head, she failed to secure any relief. She had been in a critical condition most of the time since the trouble became apparent.

The funeral will be held in St. Mary's church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, when a requiem mass will be offered by Rev. Father Hennessy for the repose of Mrs. Fagan's soul. Burial will be in St. Mary's cemetery. Mrs. Fagan was a native of Flemington, where she was born thirty-three years ago. After her marriage she removed to Plainfield and had been making her home here since that time. Beside her husband, her only surviving relatives are one sister, Mrs. Charles T. Fisher, of East Second street, and two brothers, Thomas Dunn, of New York, and Daniel Dunn, of Flemington.

WILLIAM S. TERRY.

William S. Terry, a well known West End resident and active in the work at Hope chapel for many years, died Monday noon at his home at 44 West Fourth street. He had been ill for nearly six months with a pulmonary trouble but had been able to about the house until about a week before the end at which time he was compelled to take to his bed.

The funeral was held at the late residence Wednesday afternoon and was in charge of Rev. D. W. Skelton, pastor of Hope chapel. Burial was in Hillside cemetery. Mr. Terry was born in Plainfield thirty-five years ago and had always lived here with the exception of a short time at Bound Brook. At the time his illness began was engaged as janitor at the Plainfield Public Library. He united with Hope chapel in 1910 and his last service being a faithful member.

Mr. Horse Remains

Despite Inventions
To Take His Place

Substitutions for the horse have so far failed to diminish its number on farms, where it is mostly bred. Since he was first separately counted in the census of 1850, the number of horses grown from 4,236,719 in 1850, to 18,374,026 in 1900, and to 19,532,116 in 1910, and the recent census of the United States Department of Agriculture for 1913 makes the number 21,843,000.

The railroad did not verify the common prophecy of the horse's gloomy future nearly a century ago, and many years have elapsed before the heyday of the bicycle arrived with its expected menace to the horse. That machine, however, was sold and diverted attention from the first real antagonist of the horse, the automobile. Street car service could not have been developed by horses to the extent that it has been carried by electricity; yet there was an enormous displacement of horses when they no longer pulled street cars.

It is roughly estimated that 2,000,000 horses would be required to move the street cars now in daily service, and that farmers would need to keep a stock of perhaps 3,000,000 horses to produce this supply. Yet, horses kept on increasing.

Apparently the most effective foe of the horse has appeared in the last few years in the motor vehicle, although its importance in this respect is popularly exaggerated. According to statistics collected by the United States Department of Agriculture, the total registrations of motor cars were 18,000 in 1906, about 500,000 in 1910, over 1,000,000 in 1912, over 2,400,000 in 1915, and 3,512,096 in 1918.

Automobiles do not directly displace horses, but many are used by men in occupations dependent on either horses or automobiles for personal movement, such as real estate agents, builders and some merchants and manufacturers, and there is also the large public automobile passenger service in cities. In fact, the large number of automobiles owned by farmers in place of driving horses. The use of the automobile on farms, however, would not be owing horses as the alternative.

With motor trucks and commercial vehicles the case is different. Here is clearly a complete substitution of fuel power for horse-power. It is the opinion that every motor truck on the average displaces two horses. The State records often merge the registration of motor trucks and commercial vehicles with that of automobiles, but to the extent that the separation is made, it is known that 115,683 of the former were registered in 1916. Probably the displacement of horses by motor trucks and commercial vehicles represents a stock on farms of a few million horses, and to these must be

added the stock eliminated by the automobile. Last of all, the farm tractor has appeared, a self-contained power unit, but as yet with no perceptible displacement of horses in the country at large.

Unusual and large demands for horses for war purposes have been made since the autumn of 1914. During the ten years preceding, from 19,000 to 40,000 horses were exported annually, while the imports were 25,000 to 25,000, so that the net exports were no appreciable draft on domestic production. In the first year of the war 259,310 horses were exported, and the second 357,825, and in the third 278,674 horses, and within less than a year the needs of the army of this country have been called for a large number of horses.

Notwithstanding the various forces that have been working against it, the number of horses on the breeding places, or rather, in common expectation, to reduce their numbers at a strong rate, the fact is that horses are increasing at the present time. The yearly rate of 183,000 since 1900 and more than that since 1910, or 316,000 per year. Per capita of the population, farm horses tended to increase from 0.19 of 1 horse in 1850 to 0.24 in 1880 and 1900, after which the decline has been to 0.20 1/2 in 1915, or still above 1850. At the same time, however, by means of machinery the farm horse has constantly gained as a producer.

Strange though it may seem, the average price of a horse at the farm, all ages and conditions included, is less than it was four years ago, and even eight years ago.

Backing By Navy

Hindenburg Idea

Hindenburg is making a new effort to have the Tenth navy back his land work, according to advice at Washington this week. He is urging that, regardless of the cost, they attempt to cripple the British seapower. Only by this means, according to the argument he is reported to be making, can the Entente be actually crushed.

For with England's navy mistress of the sea land victories are futile and England and the Entente are crushed, it is pointed out. This is similar to the argument he used during the other drives. The Navy Department at Washington was advised then of the struggle Hindenburg was having with Von Capelle. And at that time responsible officials at Washington believed Hindenburg would prevail. They pointed out that he did not care about loss of ships, particularly if there was a chance of a chance of the sea offensive being successful and thus crowning his gory efforts on the land.

That he may prevail eventually was the view of some at Washington today. The statement of Rear Admiral leaves in New York, Sunday night, that Britain had actually been advised a few days ago that the German ships were coming out drew much discussion at Washington early today. That American ships would get a place of honor in warding such a blow as the claimed was believed certain.

New Registrants Now Total 189; Method of Giving Serial Numbers Not Yet Announced By Government

Three more names received by mail during the past week have brought the total number of new registrants in the Plainfield draft district to 189. Chief Clerk Walter E. Freeman has tabulated the list as follows: Native born, 153; naturalized citizens, 4; declarants (those who have recurred their first papers), 3; aliens, 32; total, 189.

A further tabulation shows that 155 of the registrants are white and 34 colored. The aliens and declarants have been classified as follows: Austrian aliens, 2; Italian aliens, 11; Italian declarants, 4; Netherlands aliens, 1; Russian aliens, 1; Irish declarants, 1; Scotch aliens, 1; British West Indies aliens, 3; British West Indies declarants, 1; Turkish declarants, 1; Russian aliens, 2; Russian declarants, 2; South American aliens, 2.

What method will be applied to designate the order of numbers, of the registrants has not yet been made known by the Government. It may be done by drawing, similar to the big draft of last year, and again it may be by designation. A complete list of the new registrants in alphabetical order is as follows:

Advila, Laurens
Aiken, Morris
Allegre, Charles
Allen, William Franklin
Alston, Wesley
Anderson, Henry
Appar, Daniel LeRoy
Ballantine, Clayton Henry
Barbara, Joseph S.
Bradley, Raymond John
Blackford, Harold W.
Bebout, James Sylvester
Becker, Raymond John
Beebe, Joseph William
Bernardine, Emil J.
Bertz, Ludwig A.
Bogucki, Stephen
Bosman, Walter
Boyton, George, Jr.
Bradford, Marcus Clawson
Bunn, Charles Henry
Bunco, John E.
Carrollano, Antonio
Carter, Elwood
Casell, Joseph C.
Clark, John Thomas
Clark, George Fred
Coed, Cyril William
Coleman, Edith
Conover, Elmer V.
Cooke, Robert
Craig, Walter Horace
Crawford, Henry Charles
Davis, Harold G.
De Carlo, Leonardo
De Carlo, Angelo
Dernia, Nicola
Donato, Frank
Dorffner, Ernest M.
Dorffner, David
Dunham, Carlton L.
Eagle, Harry D.
Eggleston, Alexander
Eliades, Marcello
Eskason, John Clemmon
Evans, George W.
Evans, John P.
Fearing, John Russell B.
Flemming, James C.
Flinchak, Wm. Joseph, Jr.
Ford, Thomas Edward
Ford, Anthony
Foshee, Harry Joseph
Frederick, Walter
Freeman, Wilbert
Freeman, Harry Norman
French, David
Gildersleeve, George Madison
Gleason, Thomas Joseph
Gomez, Josias D. C.
Green, Frederick William
Greves, William A.
Grobes, William E.
Groetto, Gabriel
Halliwell, Walter
Halsey, Melvin
Hamilton, Edward
Hammond, Arthur
Harr, Adolph
Hayden, Edward A.
Hick, Walter J.
Hefferan, Joseph John
Heine, William
Henry, Albert
Henson, James Jr.
Herrera, Simon E.
Hietel, Paul
Hill, Joseph J.
Hirsch, Aaron Joseph Herman
Hoch, Emil Joseph
Hoffman, Wilbur A.
Howell, Percy
Hull, Harry Erwin
Hull, Howard Raymond
Jackson, George
Jacks, Leonard
James, Robert
Jester, Norman
Kelly, Thomas
Johnson, Charles Albert
Kingdon, George L.
Kowalski, Walter John
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Kryger, Frank X.
Kuzmanis, Isaac
Kutcha, Walter V.
Lace, Joseph
Lange, Walter C.
Lefkowitz, Arthur Edward
Latham, Alfred Henry
Laurie, Walter C.
Marienscheek, Walter Ernest
Martin, Clarence Thomas
Mason, Albert T.
McCarthy, James M.
McConley, John
McDonough, Howard F.
McEvoy, Joseph A.
Mackay, Roy F.
McKay, Arthur B.
Meyers, Edward
Meyer, August
Miller, Raymond
Miller, Bernard T.
Mitchell, William H.
Montague, Howard Samuel
Morse, Raymond
Moulton, James Louis
Mouton, Joseph Jacob, Jr.
Nolen, John James

Owen, Lloyd Eben
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fair

(Even as you and I!)

Nation-Wide "Dry"

Law Now Probable

Nation-wide prohibition for the
duration of the war approached rapidly
yesterday.

With a straight prohibition measure
before the Senate, advocates of the
cause were confident today that they
can carry the Senate when the
amendment to the Agricultural Em-
ergency Appropriation bill comes up
for a vote.

Prohibition members of the Senate
believe that the Jones amendment
which prohibits whiskey sales and
usage and the making of beer and
light wine thirty days after the pas-
sage of the act, has set aside the op-
position to the Randall prohibition
bill, President Wilson and Food
Administrator Hoover have voiced.
The executive opposition to the Ran-
dall amendment was based on the
fact that it would stop the manufac-
ture of liquor, but would leave a
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bond to be consumed and this would
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Heavy "Casualties" Listed In Sham Battle Of Home Defenders' Manouvers In Big County Meet

Nearly half the Home Guard of Union county was in the "casualty list" of "killed or wounded" following the "double engagement" of the Blues with the attacking forces of the Whites in the sham battle at Glenade Park, Sunday afternoon. The action, which came as a climax to a day of excellent maneuvering and drilling by most of the county companies, completely fulfilled its purpose by giving practically every member and unit a real taste of the scrap, and the organizers and umpires of the meet were unanimous in their praise of the way in which the men and officers carried through their respective operation in the war game.

The battle was realistic in the extreme. The heavily armed, and dead hits on the steep dusty roads leading up the mountainside, reports rushed in from the advance parties deployed on either side of the road in the woods and underbrush and the hurried consultations of the division commanders, made the advance of the Blues, it was known from which general direction the Whites would attack, but there was the possibility that they might attack in force at one or more points along a three or four-mile road.

The greatest caution was observed, only the muffled tread of the men and the subdued signals of the commanders being audible. Gradually the reserve battalion neared the crest of the mountain where the war was known to be a dangerous clearing at the intersection of two roads. Scouts brought in the information that it was quiet and the advance proceeded and turned the corner into Summit Lane, the road leading along the top of the hill.

The force had advanced hardly a thousand paces when suddenly a heavy fire was opened upon them from the center directly across the road. The Whites concealed on the further side of the clearing on the left hand side of the road not 200 yards distant. At once the company of the officers rang out and the men dropped under the scant cover at the side of the road. Immediately the orders were issued to drive the Whites out of their ambush and the lieutenants passed the word along to their men. Several companies were to rush the center directly across the opening, while one party skirted the edge of the field and another went down the road at double quick time to carry out a flanking action on the left.

The whole thing happened in less than a minute and the Blues were up and over the embankment at the side of the road preparing for a center rush. Instantly a second withering fire broke out from the Whites and the forces exposed felt to prone positions in the tall grass and retired the valley. Short rushes were made along the whole line, the companies forming a continuous irregularly advancing chain. As the distances between the opposing forces were diminished the fire increased, the rushes became longer, and with wild yells the final charge was made across a large patch of plowed and slippery ground, and the Whites were dislodged and driven into the woods. Here the engagement took an even more sanguinary aspect.

pany, fifty-six men, Captain Strouse; Company A, Elizabeth, fifty-eight men, Captain Fallon; Company B, Elizabeth, sixty-seven men, Captain Leonard.

Second Battalion—Westfield Company, forty-eight men, Captain Wright; Roselle Park Company, twenty-five men, Captain Wahl; Hillsdale Company, forty-two men, Captain De Ronde; Company C, Elizabeth, sixty-one men, Captain Milligan.

Third Battalion—Summit Company, forty-one men, Captain Cragi; Plainfield Company, ninety-four men, Captain Baker; Scotch Plains Company, forty men, Captain Lantry.

Before the regimental review, in the afternoon the Rev. E. Viers Stevenson, of Grace Episcopal church, this city, chaplain of the Plainfield company, delivered a brief address. He spoke of the battlefields of Picardy and throughout Europe in this great struggle and emphasized the duty that remains for those at home. He said that the State and the county should be proud of the Union county Home Guard organization, adding that "should imagine that from the showing they made they should certainly be able to take care of any duties and responsibilities which might devolve upon them in case of attack by the Germans." The chaplain then led the men in prayer, the regimental later joining in the singing of "O God Christian Soldiers."

Ringling's Circus Coming Next Week

From the time the companies of big and little elephants, dressed as Red Cross nurses and surgeons, enter the ring until the wonderful riding dog Toque performs his equestrian feats there is scarcely a moment when Ringling Brothers' circus program is not enlivened with one or more remarkable animal acts.

The Fillis horses, including the famous "Ballantine" are the most wonderful performers ever brought to American. There are three groups of seals and sea lions who play at basketball, ride horses, give concerts on fourteen different musical instruments and perform feats of juggling which surpass human attainments. There are five herds of trained elephants, including the famous nursery troupe of pickaninny pygmies. These rousers follows dance the latest steps, give an imitation of minstrel and jazz bands, operate and talk over telephones, play at cards and cards and walk ropes. There are a dozen bands of beautiful trained horses and knowing ponies. These are seen in a progression of dances extending from the quadrille to the modern waltz and "jive waltz." Other troupes, reared upon their hind legs, march to the jive-tat-tat of drums like soldiers, jump through great barriers or, standing in them, are whisked out of the rings. Still others of snow-white coats, pose as silent as marble statues in representations of great paintings.

Added to these are trick mules, pigs, goats, cats, geese and dogs that pose in living pictures or ride horses. There is a troupe of a troupe of every wild and domestic animal known to the trainer's art, and each has its clown.

Ringling Brothers are to exhibit here Tuesday, June 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Altman, of West Third street, have gone to Detroit, Mich., to spend several weeks with relatives.