

ANDOVER NEWS

FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 8, 1917.

THE STATE MILITARY CENSUS

Beginning Next Monday Morning the State Military Census Will Begin all Over New York and Last Until the 25th.

State Military Census and enrollment is to be held in every election district in the State of New York from June 11th to 25th inclusive, and all persons between the ages of 16 and 50 inclusive are required by law and under the proclamation of the governor to enroll.

Allegany County the census enrollment will be taken at enrollment depots which will be held in every election district that purpose on each day during this period between the hours of 9 a. m. and 9 p. m. Each enrollment depot will be in charge of census agents who will ask the questions required on each individual between these hours and record his or her name upon the enrollment blanks furnished for that purpose.

The work is to be done entirely by volunteers and if you can give a part of your time to actual taking of the census, you can have a part in the work being that each member of your family enroll as soon as possible after the opening of the enrollment depot in the election district where they reside.

All persons are asked to instruct themselves in the taking of enrollment and see that their neighbors and friends enroll at the earliest possible moment.

Remember that those who are actually doing the work of taking the census receive nothing for their services but are volunteers of what they can do to help their country, and state in the course of need and all citizens should endeavor to make their service as easy as possible without having to be sent for.

Furthermore, if any person is one of any new citizens in your neighborhood who they do not know their names and addresses furnished to those in charge of the enrollment depot nearest where they live.

Allegany County is required by State authorities to furnish census and enrollment within the time above specified, June 11th to 25th inclusive, therefore make our census and enrollment the banner one of the State.

TOGETHER NOW, ST. DON'T KNOCK.

ALLEN-SMITH
C. Allen, of Whitesville, and Alfred Smith of Alfred Station were united in marriage Sunday evening, June 3rd, at Horby by the Rev. Asa Sprague, Rector of the Episcopal church.

Mrs. Allen are very popular in this vicinity. Mr. Allen is assistant clerk of the Board of Supervisors in Allegany County, and Mrs. Allen is postmistress at Alfred Station where they will reside.

The News extends congratulations.

BUS LINE, HORWELL TO OLEAN, PLANNED

Direct Service Between Two Cities May Supplant Trains to be Taken Off by the Erie

Cuba, June 4.—Arrangements are under way for a direct bus-line service from Olean to Hornell, when the change in the timetable on the Allegany becomes effective next Sunday, which will leave us without a morning train traveling in either direction.

Grant Ingalls, who operates the bus-line between Olean and Cuba, will place another bus in operation in the morning about 8 o'clock between Cuba and Belmont, from which town Lynn Whipple of Wellsville operates the bus-line service to Scio and Wellsville. Mr. Ingalls and Mr. Whipple are perfecting a schedule, while the latter is taking the matter of connecting the bus-line from Wellsville to Hornell thru Andover, up with the operators there.

Only one run will be made from Cuba following the arrival of the Pennsylvania train at 7:15 in the morning, while passengers traveling eastward via fast train No. 5, will stop at Wellsville and connect with the Wellsville, Scio and Belmont bus-line service and the Ingalls bus-line of Cuba. The above automobile system will satisfy the needs of the local business men and traveling salesmen. However, passengers from Olean for eastern points will be inconvenienced by the many changes of the bus-line service. It is not yet fully decided when this thru service will be begun.

SMASHED INTO IRON LAMP POST

A new Buick roadster, owned by William M. Rogers, proprietor of the Delevan Hotel, was badly wrecked yesterday afternoon in a collision with a lamp post in front of the Shattuck-Opera House.

The machine was being driven by Emmett Stergiote and what caused him to lose control and crash into the post is unknown. The force of the impact broke the car into pieces, although it was a heavy iron case, and punctured the radiator of the automobile. — Hornell Tribune.

WILSON KARR

Died at his home in Andover, Wednesday, June 6th, 1917, after an illness of about two weeks Wilson Karr, husband of Mary, son of the late Samuel and Katherine Karr of Almond, father of Irving L., of Shirley, West Va., Mrs. William Gordon, of Lackawanna, Mrs. J. P. Dayern, of Brantford, Canada, and the late Lavern Karr, age seventy-two years, three months and fifteen days, immediate cause of his death being heart disease.

Funeral service will be held at Almond, Saturday morning, June 9th, at ten o'clock. Burial in Almond cemetery.

BLOSS-WILSON

Miss Ruth Bloss, of Andover, and Mark Wilson, of Whitesville, were united in marriage Sunday evening, June 3rd, at Whitesville, where Mr. Wilson is in business and they will reside.

FIRST GLIMPSE IN OUR NEW POSSESSIONS

A Midnight Reverie Under a Tropic Moon. A Splendid Land-Looked Harbor, Once of Supreme Importance.

Letter No. 4.

There are two ways to the Virgin Islands from Porto Rico. One is via the Bull line direct from San Juan. The other is via Fojardo, the eastern port and the gas launch "Carmen." We elected to take the latter inasmuch as it gave us a fine ride across country from San Juan to Fojardo. Arrived at the latter place we found an excellent hotel, where we remained over night embarking next day for St. Thomas. The good ship Carmen is about thirty feet long, rather tubby in shape and given to all the motions of an Oriental dancer. The captain proved to be an excellent sailor, and accomplished his duties with credit to himself. He filled the post of pilot, navigator, first and second officer down to quartermaster. The rest of the work fell on the crew, a slim barefooted lath-like scrap of humanity who traveled over and under the boat, hoisting or slacking sail, running the engine and looking after the passengers.

An Island Studded Pathway

From Fojardo to St. Thomas is a little over forty miles. The entire route is studded by little islands, but unlike the song of our school days they are not green islands. This neck of the world is not always visited by rain. Some of the islands rise from water as bare and bald as a Belgian cathedral and just as habitable. Others show some signs of vegetation. One of the islands, Culobra, has a fine harbor, and it is useful to us at this time, not so much that we want it, but because the other fellow wants it worse. This fringe of little islands perform their service. They are not of much value in themselves but together they form a barrier to the Caribbean which must be navigated with care.

Following this course of island studded waters we come to "sail rock" off St. Thomas, a peculiar formation of trap rock which from a distance looks like a sail, and many a look-out in the crow's nest has sung out, "sail ho," only to be chaffed later by his mates who had waited for this to happen. Of all the islands and reefs, both charted and uncharted this "sail rock" stands out prominently as one of the natural curiosities of these waters. We arrived at St. Thomas too late to enter the harbor, which during these times is closed at sunset. We drifted into a beautiful cove and dropped anchor.

Beautiful Moonlight Scene

Your correspondent looked at his watch which under the light of a full moon could be read as easily as in daylight. It was 11:30. The stars overhead glinted thru the velvet darkness like diamond dust, and while able to recognize many familiar constellations they never seem the same. They are like glowing sisters of their paler brothers up north. Of to the south the southern cross marked the beginning of new and unexplored latitudes. The purple and blue shore line of the little cove marked the rise of land from the unrippled surface of the water with a sharp contrast and the eye away to the entrance where a headland stood out against the moonlight ocean like a cameo in blues and purples. The whole scene seemed so unreal and mystic that we sat for some time enjoying the novelty of our surroundings while the captain and crew calmly folded themselves in a stack of the canvas sails and went to sleep.

The Lore of the Tropics

Some scenes of light and shadow on the sea.

CLAY E. JORDAN.

back time after time to these mysterious islands! Some four hundred and fourteen years ago Columbus discovered this island. Possibly he, too, dropped anchor in this harbor. Then, as now, the same tropic moon might have silvered the waters, the same brooding mystery hovered over the silent harbor, the same flitting shadows cast their mantle over the distant lands. What is the fascination? Why did Columbus fight disease, and mutiny and unkind men to make voyage after voyage to this land, which finally received his bones, only to give them up again, to be later jiggled about until now there are three authentic resting places for the great restless admiral? Why do men return again and again to the tropics when they know that danger lies in wait? Why did Jack London go back again and again, when in his heart he knew that the tropics were not for him? What is the charm, the almost irresistible fascination? It is a little question to ask, but a big one to answer. Too big for a little correspondent, so we rolled up another corner of the captain's sail cloth and exchanged a hard problem for a hard deck.

Early Morning Arrival

Early morning found us sailing into our twenty-five million dollar harbor, under the guns of an American transport. We were greeted by many small boats manned by colored St. Thomains who addressed us in very British English and solicited our transport.

One of them had ingeniously named his boat the "Liberty." "We are free men now, sir! We have gained our freedom." They evidently have faith in our country. May they never have reason to doubt it. They came under the flag practically at the same time we declared war. Not an auspicious beginning. May they live to see a better world, purged in part of selfishness by the blood of those who will have to die for the cause of liberty.

No one can doubt the value of the harbor at St. Thomas. It is really three harbors in one separated by necks of land. It is admirably protected by natural promontories and lies almost land locked.

This harbor was early appreciated by navigators and reached the height of its commercial supremacy in the days of the sailing vessel. Here all ships bound for the West Indies made harbor. It was the first port of call in the new world and the last port of departure for the old.

Flags of All Nations

Many ships discharged cargo here and the immense stores of the city still have their back doors on the docks and the front doors on the main street, a good long block away. You go right thru from street to dock in one long avenue of merchandise. Here came the traders from all the islands and the continent of South America. Here goods were bartered and exchanged, the commodities of the old world absorbed by the new and the ships bound for Europe loaded with the goods from the new. But they are gone now. With the advent of steam navigation the port of St. Thomas lost its supremacy. The big steam vessels put in but they did not unload as of yore. Baffling head winds and still more distressing calms had no terrors for the steamer and they went on their way. It was a new era in navigation and St. Thomas suffered. Then she stood still.

Next week we will look into the history of our new possessions and see something of the people.

LOU D. MacWETHY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against Clay E. Jordan, contracted by Dell Hawkins or others, for work or material furnished on the new cutlery building now under construction, will kindly present the same to Clay E. Jordan before June 22, 1917.

CLAY E. JORDAN.

LOOKING AFTER THE SPUDS

W. V. Carver, Field Agent for the New York State Food Commission, in company with R. Q. Smith of the Farm Bureau Agency, were pleasant callers on the News Tuesday. Mr. Carver is to work this summer for the commission in Wyoming County, and Northern Allegany, with the towns of Almond and Andover, in the interest of potato culture. Farmers are privileged to call upon him for advice or assistance at any time. He will be active in advising farmers of the need of spraying and the culture of spuds on his territory.

SAY FARMERS ARE NOT DOING THEIR 'BIT'

New York, June 4.—Characterizing the farmer of New York State as a "slackie" whose "apathy threatens to tear down the expected surplus" of subscriptions to the Government's war bonds, the Liberty Loan Committee issued a statement here last night declaring that city shop-girls, bookkeepers and clerks "are giving more ample of their means than he."

While it is admitted that the farmer has had a greater drain upon his resources this year than ever before, because of higher prices for seeds, fertilizer, etc., it also is pointed out that "he has had behind him every accommodation of credit that could be afforded by the banks, by state offers and by the federal reserve system."

On a per capita bases, the committee asserts, the farmer has more in the bank now than in any year of the last decade and, with prospect of larger crops at prices more favorable than at any time in the same period, the farmer "is enjoying his greatest prosperity."

"Throughout the state," the committee says, "various means have been employed to stir him up to the necessity for subscribing. He has been bombarded with literature telling him all about the country's peril and his power to assist; his daily and weekly papers have appealed to him; he has been solicited thru the Granges and the Home Defense officers. He has been importuned at his bank, but to all these solicitations he has remained unmoved."

It was announced that committees which have been at work in various cities of the state are going into the country districts this week "with the same energy they have devoted in bringing the need home to their own communities to make the farmer "do his "bit."

Every city in the state is said to be fully organized, with banks, stores and factories working together to promote the loan beyond the allotment made for each place. Rochester, Buffalo, Elmira, Binghamton and Ithaca are mentioned specially by the committee for their efforts in behalf of the loan.

THOSE JOINING THE RED CROSS

Following are the names of Those Who Had Paid Their Membership Fee to the Red Cross up to Wednesday.

Over four hundred names have been received and three hundred, twenty-five people have paid their membership fee to the Red Cross in Andover since the committee on membership began the work of enrollment but two weeks ago. Members are now voluntarily coming in every day. Next week we will publish the names of those who join this coming week, up to next Wednesday morning.

Great credit is due all the members of the membership committee, and especially to Mrs. Margaret Bettinger and A. R. Brillion, the chairmen of the committee, for the thorough and energetic work they have done. Mrs. Freeland also did splendid work in Elm Valley.

It is possible that in the work of compiling these names some one has been unintentionally omitted. Should that be the case if the party omitted will kindly notify the member of the committee to whom they paid the fee, it will be immediately corrected.

F. W. Burrows, Mrs. Frances Boyd, C. E. Brown, Miss Belle Brundage, Mrs. W. Y. Beeman, Mrs. Margaret Bettinger, Jesse Baker, J. H. Backus, Mrs. J. H. Backus.

J. E. Cannon, Mrs. Millie Calhoun, H. W. Cook, Miss Alice Clarke, Mrs. M. F. Clarke, Mrs. Addie Coleman, Mrs. Cora Clarke.

John M. DeRamer, P. A. Dean, Mrs. P. A. Dean, Mrs. Wm. Dean, John Dean, Mrs. Anna Dunningan, Miss Mira Diffin, Mrs. Wm. Diffin, Wm. Diffin, Nellie Diffin.

Helen Elston, Crayton L. Earley, Mrs. Florence Earley, Chas. Foster, Mrs. Chas. L. Foster, A. C. Friebe, M. P. Flynn, Roy Farr, Mrs. Phoebe Ferrand.

V. G. Graves, Frank Horan, Edward Horan, Mrs. Mary E. Hartrick, Mrs. David Hunt, Mrs. E. H. Howe, Frank Halsey, Mrs. Roxie B. Hann, Carl Hann, B. B. Hann, Elizabeth Hyland.

H. A. Inskip, Mrs. H. A. Inskip, B. L. Joyce, Mina Jones, Mrs. R. Joyce.

Elmer Kaple, John Karcenas, Walter Lanphear, D. L. Langworthy, Augustus Lynch.

D. H. Mulcahy, Mrs. D. J. McGinty, Wm. McDonough, Nora McAndrew, Mrs. A. Monte, A. Monte, Mrs. P. Mulcahy, Mrs. Flora I. Mosher, Thomas McTigue, Miss Maud E. Miller, Bessie Nobles.

W. F. O'Connell, Mrs. W. F. O'Connell, James O'Leary, Lee Pomeroy, Mrs. Clark Rogers, T. J. Rogan.

STATE MILITARY CENSUS AND ENROLLMENT

Notice is hereby given to all persons that a State Military Census and Enrollment is to be held throughout Allegany County from June 11th to 25th, 1917, inclusive. All males and females between 16 and 60 years of age inclusive are required under penalty of law, to appear at the enrollment depot established in their town and enroll.

HOME DEFENSE COMMITTEE

ALLEGANY COUNTY

Don't Wait—Make June 11 the Day

MOLASSES

We offer a very high grade New Orleans Molasses at 60¢ gal. This is cheaper and very much better than can be had in this.

... T E A ...

The proposed tax on tea will make an immediate advance of about 10 cents per pound. People should buy heavily at once. Good Japans at 3 lbs. for \$2.00. They certainly will be higher. Spend a couple of dollars and save about 60¢.

C. W. WILLIAMS

GROCERIES CROCKERY, ETC.