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P. GRAY MEEK, Editor

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Bellefonte Soldier Tells of Barbed Wire Five Miles Deep.

The following letter was recently received by friends of Private Harry E. Sager, a member of Battery B, 109th field artillery, now on detached service with the 91st division, transferred from the 28th division in October.

Proven, Belgium, Dec. 23, 1918. You will notice that we are still at the same place. I received a letter from mother the other day. We have been getting quite a bit of mail of late.

The first time we went on the line was on the Vesle river. We left Camp Demuon August 8th, and loaded on the train at Vannes about eight miles from Demuon.

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LIEUT. PHILIP C. SHOEMAKER BELLEFONTE

Wounded in the Battle of the Marne in France.

Lieut. Shoemaker is the eldest son of the late Thomas A. and Mrs. Shoemaker and was born in Bellefonte twenty-two years ago.

When the reorganization of the Pennsylvania troops took place at Camp Hancock the Boal troop became Company A, 107th machine gun battalion, with Shoemaker as second lieutenant.

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Former Ferguson Township Boy Had Narrow Escape.

Every day brings to light some narrow, well-nigh miraculous, escape of a soldier in the great European war and among the number that has every reason to thank his lucky stars is Cook Edward Thomas, of Company B, 136th machine gun battalion, formerly Company L, of Canton, Ohio.

"I have several big holes in my coat. On my right shoulder is a big hole where the shrapnel cut, but I never got a mark. One went through my overcoat at the right side pocket and through my pants pocket. It cut my cigarette case and holder in two and took a big piece out of a French knife I had in my pocket, but never hurt me. One also went through my Bible. I have them all to show you when I get home."

Former Bellefonte Boy Killed in France.

Among the young men who fell in action in France while fighting for a world democracy was private John J. Barry, of Philadelphia, a member of Company A, Sixth engineers, who was killed in action on July 15th.

The Pennsylvania State College has 3,136 stars in her service flag, and forty-six of them are gold. The alumni association office, which has gathered statistics of the Penn State men in service reported that there are 620 commissioned officers, 180 non-commissioned officers and 2,336 privates, including the enlisted personnel of the students' army training corps.

Forty-Six State College Men Killed in World War.

Dr. Grover C. Glenn, Lieut. M. R. C. U. S. A., has just been honorably discharged from the army and will return in a few days to his former home and practice at State College.

Threshermen Take Out Mutual Compensation Insurance.

At a special meeting of the Centre county Threshermen's and Farmers' Protective association, held in the grand jury room in the court house last Thursday morning, compensation insurance was the principal subject considered.

Dr. Grover C. Glenn Mustered Out.

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Record Features.

"The Rough Road," by William J. Locke, which began in last Sunday's "Philadelphia Record," is one of the best war romances we have ever seen. It is entirely different from the usual type of war story and is written in Locke's best style.

Another fine story, "The Enchanted Barn" will begin in "The Record" next Sunday, February 2. The heroine, Shirley Hollister, is as original and charming as she is courageous and adventurous. To follow her on her adventurous way and learn the secret of the "Enchanted Barn" will give one fresh courage to seek his own pot of gold—and lot of happiness—at the foot of the rainbow.

BOWERSOX.—Harvey Bowersox, a well known retired farmer, died at his home in State College on Thursday of last week following two weeks' illness with pneumonia, though he had been a sufferer with Bright's disease the past three years.

He was the eldest son of Franklin and Catharine Bowersox and was born in Snyder county on September 8th, 1859, making his age 59 years, 4 months and 15 days. When a boy his parents moved to Centre county and engaged in farming and when he grew to manhood he also became a tiller of the soil and followed that occupation until impaired health compelled his retirement.

On September 14th, 1884, he and Miss Sarah Dreibleis drove to Boalsburg where they were married at the Reformed parsonage by the late Rev. W. H. Groh. From there they went to the Grange picnic near Centre Hall where they received the congratulations of their friends. Mr. Bowersox was a lifelong member of the Reformed church and a splendid citizen in every way.

He is survived by his wife but no children. He leaves, however, his aged parents living at Pine Grove Mills, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. J. B. Rockey, of State College; Mrs. John Fry, of Carrolltown; Mrs. Thomas D. Gray of Bloomsburg; Mrs. Charles Weaver, of Hartleton; Mrs. G. E. Harper, of Pennsylvania Furnace; Edward, of Altoona; Oscar, of Josephine; Elmer, of Fort Worth, Tex.; A. L., of Pine Grove Mills; John, of Pennsylvania Furnace, and Dr. Frank, of Millheim. One brother and a sister preceded him to the grave.

Funeral services were held at his late home at two o'clock on Monday afternoon by Rev. S. C. Stover, after which burial was made in the Pine Hall cemetery.

REISH.—Isaac Reish, for years a well known resident of Ferguson township, died on Sunday at the home of his son-in-law, Jacob Cramer, at Pine Hall. He had been in feeble health for several years but able to get around. Along about the first of the year while walking in the yard he fell, fracturing his left hip. A stroke of paralysis hastened his death.

Mr. Reish was born in Union county over eighty years ago. When a young man he came to Centre county and engaged in farming, an occupation he followed most all his life. He was a member of the Lutheran church from boyhood and a splendid citizen in every way. He was married to Miss Barbara Royer, who died in 1900. Surviving him, however, are two daughters, Mrs. Collins Grove, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. Jacob Cramer, of Pine Hall. He also leaves one brother and three sisters, namely: Samuel Reish, of Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Kate Shaffer, of Lock Haven; Mrs. Barbara Corl and Mrs. J. C. Struble, of State College.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock on Tuesday afternoon by Rev. L. N. Fleck, after which burial was made in the Pine Hall cemetery.

ULRICH.—Mrs. George Ulrich died at seven o'clock last Wednesday evening at her home in Millheim as the result of a paralytic stroke. She was stricken about two o'clock in the afternoon while in the yard hanging up clothes.

She was a daughter of David and Margaret Stover and was born in Penn township on May 22nd, 1842, hence was 76 years and 8 months old to the day. Forty-two years ago she was married to George Ulrich and he survives with the following children: Francis S., Thomas B., and Miss Maggie, of Millheim, and Charles, of Buffalo, N. Y. She also leaves one brother, Benjamin Stover, of Kokomo, Ind.

She was a life-long member of the Lutheran church and Rev. J. J. Weaver had charge of the funeral services which were held on Saturday morning, burial being made in the Fairview cemetery, Millheim.

NEUBAKER.—Francis Weiss Neubaker, better known in Bellefonte as "Frank," died at the Melba sanatorium, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Monday morning of last week, of pneumonia, the result of an attack of influenza.

He was working in the Brooklyn navy yard when taken ill. Deceased was a son of Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Neubaker, of Danville, where he was born thirty-eight years ago. Along about fifteen years ago he spent several years in Bellefonte working for the Potter-Hoy Hardware company and was a most congenial and companionable gentleman. He was married after leaving Bellefonte and is survived by his wife and a little daughter. He also leaves his parents living at Danville, while Mrs. J. Malcolm Laurie, of Houtzdale, is a surviving sister. The remains were taken to Danville for interment.

DENNISON.—James Dennison died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Dennison, on Tadpole, on Sunday, January 19th, of pleuropneumonia, the result of an attack of the flu. The young man, who was but nineteen years old, was a student at Juniata College, and returned home on January 11th on a visit. He took sick the next day and pneumonia speedily developed causing his death.

He was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Dennison and his death just at the dawn of young manhood is a severe blow to his parents, who have the sympathy of a host of friends. Funeral services were held at the Dennison home at two o'clock on January 22nd by Rev. L. N. Fleck, after which burial was made in the Gatesburg cemetery.

—They are all good enough, but the "Watchman" is always the best.

STEIN.—Mr. Jacob J. Stein closed this life-journey in the Bellefonte hospital on Monday morning at five o'clock. Mr. Stein was born in Bergfelden Wurtemberg, Germany, of the thirtieth day of January, 1850. Had he lived three days longer he would have reached the sixty-ninth milestone in life's journey. At the age of fourteen years he united with the Lutheran church of his home town. At the age of seventeen years he came to this country, and shortly after his arrival located in Zion, where he learned the trade of a blacksmith, with Adam Grimm. After serving his apprenticeship he worked as journeyman several years, but finally located permanently at Zion, where he followed his chosen trade until a few years ago when he rented his shop and good will to James Kane. He spent much of his time the last few years on his farm below Zion.

On the 20th of February, 1879, he was united in marriage to Miss Susan Bridge, and to them were born eight children, two of whom died in infancy. Those who remain to mourn the loss of a kind husband and loving father, are his wife, Alma Saylor, and John J., of Lewistown; Mary McEwen, Philadelphia; Nettie Keeler, Bellefonte; Fannie Showers, near Zion, and Nellie, at home. Funeral services were conducted at his late home yesterday morning by Rev. Bowersox, of Lamar, after which he was laid to rest in the family plot in the Zion cemetery.

MILLER.—Mrs. Blanche A. Miller, wife of John H. Miller, died at her home on Ridge street on Saturday night following an illness of two years with tuberculosis of the lungs. Her infant daughter, aged three months and five days, died just three days previous. Mrs. Miller was a daughter of Frank and Ellen McDevitt Gettler and was born on July 5th, 1884, hence was 34 years, 5 months and 25 days old. In addition to her husband she is survived by several young children. Burial was made in the Sunnyside cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

GINGRICH.—Miss Katharine Gingrich, an aged maiden lady, died at the home of her niece, Mrs. Sarah McLanahan, in Tyrone, on Tuesday afternoon of general debility. She was a daughter of Joseph and Sarah Gingrich and was born in Stormstown on September 24th, 1840, hence was in her seventy-ninth year. Her early life was spent at Stormstown and her later years among relatives at Martha and Tyrone. She leaves one brother, David Gingrich, of Winston, Missouri.

MILLER.—While on a trip to Missouri to visit his sister David M. Miller, of Atkinson's Mills, Huntingdon county, died on the train at Desoto, Ind., on January 14th. He was aged 67 years. He was married to Miss Mary E. Carson, of Lemont, who survives with six children. He was one of a family of ten children and among his surviving brothers is Samuel Miller, of Bellefonte. The remains were brought east and burial made at Atkinson's Mills last Thursday.

SNYDER.—James Snyder, a brother of Mrs. Howard C. Yerger, of Patton, died at the Mercy hospital in Altoona on Sunday afternoon of an abscess on the lungs, aged sixty years. He was proprietor of the Austrian hotel in Altoona. Burial was made at Carrolltown on Wednesday.

Interpretation of Signs on Coat Sleeve of Soldiers and Sailors.

At the request of numerous welfare organizations the War Camp Community Service has collected and distributed accurate information regarding the insignia worn by discharged enlisted men from the army, navy and marine corps. It is at present as follows:

Discharged soldiers wear a red chevron, having in the center the Marine corps device, with an outer edge of white enamel bearing the words, "United States Marine Corps—Honorable Discharge," in bronze letters. The Marine corps issues an official discharge paper which is the certain method of identifying a discharged man, the button being optional.

With the American Army of Occupation, Jan. 25.—A blue circular patch with a superimposed red circle containing in white the letter "A" has been adopted as the insignia of the Third American Army, with headquarters in Coblenz.

All officers and enlisted men of the Army of Occupation, as the Third Army is known, are entitled to wear the insignia on the left sleeve.

Men and Horses.

Two men thrown together at a horse show were discussing their adventures with the equine species.

"A horse ran away with me once and I wasn't out for two months," remarked the man with the Tribby hat.

"That's nothing!" replied the man with the bowler, "I ran away with a horse once, and I wasn't out for two years!"

COURT HOUSE NEWS

TRIAL LIST FOR FEBRUARY COURT.

W. G. Runkle, Alfred H. Walker and Viola Walker, vs. John H. Weber. Feigned issue.

Williamsport National Bank vs. H. S. Taylor. Assumpsit.

Martha J. Thomas vs. The P. R. R. Co. Trespass.

A. J. Brandt vs. The Dolly Coal Co., or Finberg Bros. & Co. Appeal.

Hosterman & Stover vs. Sarah E. Homan. Assumpsit.

E. S. Bennett vs. C. W. Korman & Son. Appeal.

Ellis H. Bierly vs. L. H. Musser. Assumpsit.

S. B. Stein vs. The P. R. R. Co. Trespass.

Runk & Dennison vs. Z. I. Woodring. Appeal.

Burdine Butler vs. Leather Bros. Assumpsit.

Lane Coal Co. vs. John C. Dunsmore. Trespass.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J. L. Spangler, et ux, to James A. McClain, tract in Bellefonte; \$1.

James A. McClain, et ux, to J. L. Spangler, tract in Bellefonte; \$200.

Aaron J. Hall, et ux, to Harry Jannett, tract in Union township; \$11.50.

M. F. Rossman, et ux, to George W. Zerby, tract in Potter township; \$100.

Franklin H. Waite, et ux, to Robert O. Diehl, tract in Miles township; \$100.

James Rothrock, et ux, to Thomas Hastings, tract in Bellefonte; \$300.

David Chambers, Treasurer, to Elmer Bond; tract in South Philipsburg; \$932.

Lizzie R. McHose, et bar, to A. S. King, et ux, tract in Haines township; \$800.

Vera M. Zettle, et bar, to John M. Mong, tract in Spring township; \$1,000.

Frank Donovan, et ux, to Anna Bertram, tract in Bellefonte; \$900.

Centre County Commissioners to Anna Bertram, tract in Benner township; \$57.

Cynthia K. Henderson to Charles M. Henderson, tract in Ferguson township; \$500.

John H. Delong, et al, to Charles A. Delong, tract in Miles township; \$1.

Clyde B. Confer, et ux, to Fred Leathers, et ux, tract in Worth township; \$1.

Thomas E. Thomas to M. E. parsonage, tract in Howard borough; \$125.

C. W. Keller, et ux, to D. G. A. Harshberger, tract in Worth township; \$115.

John Laser, et al, to William Mayvski, tract in Rush township; \$1,250.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Milton H. Barger and Emma C. Breton, State College.

Michael J. Walk, Powelton, and Elizabeth Ladenberger, Barnesboro.

Claude A. Bordreau and Edith Whyte, Philipsburg.

George Dudesky and Elizabeth Puhalla, Clarence.

Clarence Johnson and Emma Woodall, Powelton.

Liberty Loan May Wait Till Lent is Past.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Because the Lenten season this year does not end until April 20, the treasury is considering postponing the opening of the next Liberty loan campaign from April 6, as tentatively planned, to April 21. A decision has not been reached.

No attempt has been made as yet by Secretary Glass or his advisers to settle on the interest rate or other terms of the loan, it was stated officially today. Whatever the terms may be, they will accord with the principle of maintaining the market price of preceding issues. Officials declared:

Bankers are urging the treasury to make the interest rate on the next loan 4 1/2 or 5 per cent., but officials are inclined to keep it lower if possible.

A Duty of the "Drys."

Theodore Diller, in The Living Church.

Liquor drinking is intimately associated with recreation and relaxation of men, and if men are to be wholly deprived of it, it behooves those who deprive them to bestir themselves to provide the best possible recreation, the innocent indulgence which would take the place of that which is now associated with liquor drinking. Let our friends who advocate teetotalism remember that drinking has been for many centuries associated with social customs in all portions of the world and in all ages of history.

Hard Digging at That.

A man who drove across the country last summer to a little town in western Kansas met a farmer hauling a wagon load of water.

"Where do you get water?" he asked.

"Up the road about seven miles," the farmer replied.

"And you haul water seven miles for your family and stock?"

"Yep."

"Why in the world don't you dig a well?" asked the traveler excitedly.

"Because, stranger," the farmer said firmly, "it's just as far one way as the other."

All Depends on Description.

Mr. Smith, dissatisfied with his house, put the sale of it in the hands of a real estate agent.

A few days later he saw an advertisement of a house exactly answering his needs. The more he read of its beauty and comfort the more anxious he was to secure it for himself.

"So he called up the agent with: "That's a house advertised in the News by 'A. B. C.' See 'A. B. C.' and buy it from him."

"Sorry," was the laconic reply. "But I'm 'A. B. C.' and the house is your own."