REVIEW OF "GERMAN

WAR PRACTICES."

Book Issued by U. S. Government Reveals Bloody Horrors,-May be Had for the Asking.

pair of the future of the human race," Office by the Committee on Public Iutor, and other scholars.

The dumbfounding evidence which this book presents to the jury of manand American sources, and includes after the war is over. official proclamations and utterances of the responsible heads of the Imperial German Government, letters and diaries of German soldiers, quotamaterial drawn from the archives of the State Department which lay bare atrocities.

The purpose of the book is to show less system.

port which was the first official survey trolled and better livestock produced. of the path of horror, ruin, and death left by the German army on the lands of innecent and defenseless people. The book is supplemental also to the official reports by the Belgian Com- the Red Cross emblem in the winmission and the French Minister of dows of their homes. The plan also Foreign Affairs, and it reveals more of provides to indicate how many memthe damning German war philosophy as expressed in the German White extenuating r volting crimes on the grounds of expediency and the ad-German soldiers was so torn by the paper in the center. system of brutality that they cried out no human beings any more, but only by three inches long.

beasts." The illuminating reports of Brand Whitlock, Minister to Belgium, tell of miseries is ficted upon the Belgian local post office-William F. Keller ing the last twelve months. people, Mr. Whitlock saying: "One is and Jasper Wagner-found the roads so overwhelmed with the horror of the blocked with snow on Monday morn- all sources during the last 12 months, in their places. Considerable delay thing itself, that it has been, and even ing and were compelled to return whether in cash or in any other thing was experienced by reason of the bliznow is, difficult to write camly and home. justly about it. "

Herbert Hoover, writing for this book of his exeriences in Belgium, says: "The sight of the destroyed homes and cities, and widowed and fatherless, the destitute, the physical misery of the people but partially nourished at best, the deportation of men by tens of thousands to slavery in German mines and factories, the execution of men and women for paltry effusions of their loyalty to their country, the slacking of every resource through financial robbery, the fattening of armies on the slender produce of the country, the denudation of the country of cattle, horses, and textiles : all these things we had to witness, dumb to help other than by protest and sympathy, during this long and terrible time, and still these are not the events of battle heat, but the effects of a grinding h el of a race demanding the mastership of the world. All these things are known to the world-but what can never be known is the dumb agony of the people, the expressionless faces of millions whose souls have passed the whole gamut of emotions. And why? Because these, a free and democratic people, dared plunge their bodies before the march | witz, Governor of Brussels. of autocracy."

The book gives excerpts from the diaries of German soldiers of which these are sp-cimens: " In the night of August 18-19 the village of Saint-Maurice was punished for having fired on German soldiers by being burnt to the ground by the German troops. The village was surrounded, men posted about a yard from each other, so that no one could get out. Then the Unlans set fire to it house by house; neither mar, woman, or child could escape; only the greater part of the live stock we carried off, as that could be used. Any one who ventured to come out was shot down. All the in-

burnt with the houses." "A horrible bath of blood, The whole village burnt, the French thrown into the biszing houses, civillan , with the rest, "

That the reign of frightfulness was

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TAKE BETTER CARE OF STOCK.

Animal Diseases Rob Army of 8 Months' Rations.

"One of the greatest problems before the American farmer today is not only Some of the blackest pages in all to supply the animal products deeded history, comprising a documentary by the United States but also to supare found in a book named "German Dr. I. D. Wilson, veterinarian at the War Practices," which has just been Pennsylvania State College. Conser-France alone show a decrease of 8,000, formation for free distribution. It is 000 head of cattle, 7,000,000 hoge and edited by Prof. D. C. Monro, of Prince- 17,500,000 sheep in these countries since the beginning of the war. The kind is drawn mainly from German so ward off possible animal bankruptcy

> It is estimated that the annual loss eases is \$212,000,000. This amount of results from infectious diseases which by proper management.

During the past fifteen years the that the system of frightfulness, itself population of the United States has the greatest atrocity, is the definite been increased by 15,000,000 people. vidual acts of wanton cruelty and bar- ber of hogs has increased only 11,000, baric destruction are cited only to ill- 000. It is thus very evident that the netrate the operation of the remorse- livestock industry cannot continue to decrease in the future as it has in the The book supplements the Bryce re- past. Infectious diseases must be con-

Displaying the Red Cross.

Many auxilaries of the Red Cross society are arranging to have displayed bers of the society are in the home. The general plan of constructing

vancement of that "Kultur" which long, paste two strips of red paper four now meets its own name throughout inches wide by twelve inches long up- corps. the civilized world. The humanity of on the card, crossing the strips of Red

To indicate the number of the mem-

Rural Mall service : topped for a Day.

Both rural mail carriers from the

(Continued from previous column.) collection of documents and utterances of German officialdom. Herewith are excerpts from documentary proof furthe truth beyond question :

"As soon as you come to blows with the enemy he will be beaten. No mercy will be show! No prisoners will be tagen! As the Hune, under King Attila, made a name for themselves, which is still mighty in traditions and legends today, may the ents? (Answerfully.) name of German be so fixed in China by your deeds, that no Chinese shall ever again dare to look at a German sekance. Open the way for Kultur once for all."-From the Kaiser's speech to the soldiers on the eve of

their departure for China in 1900. "Whenever a national war breaks out, terrorism becomes a necessary why you cannot be easily replaced by military principal."-General Von

Hartmann. "The city of Brussels, exclusive of its suburbs, has been punished by an edditional fine of 5,000,000 francs on account of the attack made upon a German soldler by Ryckere, one of its police official."-Baron Von Luett-

" I am thirsty; bring me some beer, have you shot immediately."-These sentences are taken from a phrasabook supplied to German soldiers, according to Minister Brand Whitlock.

" One cannot make war in a sentimental fashion. The more pitiless the conduct of the war, the more humane it is in reality, for it will run its course all the sooner. "-General Von Bern- days. bardi.

"The innocent must suffer with the guilty. All this must not in our eyes weigh as much as the life of a single one of our brave soldiers—the right- all previous seasons. This is a perticeous accomplishment of duty is the ularly imperative reason why those habitants left in the villiage were emanation of a high Kultur, and in who desire recipients to get their that the population of the enemy countries can learn a lesson from our armies, "-General Von Bissing.

If you want to secure a copy of this book, absolutely free, write to the Committee on Public Information, the definite policy of the German Gov. 10 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C., make excellent Christmas gifts. Mill, represents Centre county on the ernment is testified to by an amezing and request one copy of "German They will increase in value every West Chester State Normal school War Practices."

THE NEW DRAFT SYSTEM.

All Necessary Materials and Supplies to Put New Pian Into Effect Received By Local Board.

There will be no delay nor semblance of a hitch in puting the new classification draft system into effect ing fire in the history of the town earrecord of "deeds that make one des- ply the ever increasing demand for Saturday, December 15, all necessary ly Sunday morning, when all the these products by our allies," asserted materials and supplies for the purpose buildings exceping two churches and kinds. having been received by the the local their parsonages, in two large blocks, board in Bellefonte. Questionaire issued at the Government Printing vative estimates taken in England and pamphlets to the number of over 3,000, at nearly \$550,000. forms, blanks and other material came from Washington.

Beginning Saturday, the 15th, ques- clothes. All escaped ir jury. tionaires will be mailed in daily al-American farmer must not only com- lotments of five per cant, to the coun- clock. It is believed to have been pensate for this great loss but must al- ty total of registered men until all ex- coused by a defective flue in a large decept those actually in the service have partment store owned by Robert Mcbeen supplied. The questionaire is Cullough, president of the Jersey made up in booklet form having 16 Shore Trust Company. The McCulin the United States due to animal dis- pages and contains in all a list of 148 lough store was located in the centre questions in 12 separate series. It is of a block on Main street, between money is approximately sufficient to not necessary that each and every que- Smith and Wilson streets. The tions from German newspapers, and furnish the meat ration for 2,000,000 ry be answered but the minimum flames spread rapidly to buildings on soldiers for 8 months. Most of this loss number to which answers are required both sides of the store. Three or four s about 86. Space is provided in the structures were on fire when the the story of inconceivable German can be controlled in a large measure questionaire booklet for the filling out fi mes were discovered. of affidavits in support of claims for The fire spread north and south on deferred classification. These affidavits Main street. Moving southward, the may be made out before a Justice of firmes quickly burned the Willard the Peace or other public official duly block, a three-story structure, containpolicy of the German Government, so During this same time there has been authorized to administer oaths, or any ing living apartments. The occupants sinister that German soldiers have a decrease of 6,000,000 head of beef ani- member of the local draft board. were forced from their homes in scanthemselves at times revolted. Indi- mals and 11,000,000 sheep. The num- Draft Board officials may not exact ty clothing. The march of fire conany fee for the service.

type and character of the leading ques- flames. tions which must be answered by registrants. The full name, age, address dist Church is the next utiding and and occupation and also the name of the church a joins the parsonage. employer are first required. A table The fire was easily checked here althoof occupations occupies page five and the Brown home, ten feet away, was a the registrant is obliged to designate total loss; neither the parsonage nor the trades or profes lops in which he the church was damaged, is experienced aside from the work he may actually be engaged in at the South street. They quickly consumed time. Opportunity is also afforded the the line of buildings to that thorofare, individual to specify which branch of including the home of Philip Barrow, army service he would prefer to serve the home and undertaking establish-Book and various official utterances, the Red Cross "flag" is printed below: in if selected. The divisions named ment of J. W. Klechner, Carter's shoe Take a white card fourteen inches are: srtilltery, aviation, engineer store and the home of M. A. Keyser. wide and not less than fourteen inches corps, infantry, medical department, The Lock Haven fire department ord nance department, quarter master responded with two motortrucks to

Among others the following are of in- When the chains on the trucks were in letters to Ambassador Gerard, one bers of the society in the family a corterest: Have you a wife or child, or ground to pieces, one of the crew expressing his protest against the responding number of small crosses aged, infirm or invalid parents or walked a mile to a farmhouse to obslaughter of the Russians in the Masu- are to be posted in the white spaces of grandparents or brother under 16 or tain log chains before the journey inches of snow fel'. In the evening methods of supplying farmers with adrian lakes and swamps by saying, the corners of the large cross. The sister under 18 years of age, or a help- could be resumed. William "There is no God, there is no moral- small crosses may be made by crossing less brother or sister of whatever age, ity, and no ethics any more; there are two red strips of paper one inch wide mainly dependent upon your physical snow drifts five miles out of the city or mental labor for support ?

State both the approximate totol and the average monthly amount of your support of your wife and children dur-

of value? How much of this was the zard over Sunday, and trains not getfruit of your labor, mental or physicing in on time. Motions and peticai? Give a full statement of all tions were heard as presented by sevproperty owned by or held in trust eral members of the bar. for you whether income producing or not and net income from same during any person named as dependent.

State amount per month you consider nece sary for the support of all your dependents. Has your wife ever been employed? It so in what cailing? Do you or your wife live with her par-

Do you own the house you live in? Does any of your family or dependents and absentees noted. own it? Do you reat your house ; if so state the monthly rent and the name and address of landlord.

Under the series of questions pertainthe query is put : State the reasons another person.

MAIL GIFTS EARLY.

Postal Authorith s Begin Early Admonition to thristmas Shoppers.

To help lighten the burdens of Unco-operated duties for Santa Claus, logir, rum." "If you lie to me I will cal post office authorities have erected cards containing admonitions about early shopping and mailing of gifts. "Wrap Becurely-Address Plainly -Mail Early " in big type is posted in well regulated post offices. The influx of holiday mail has slready been started and the post office attacthes will be kept busy during the next (wenty

Because of freight congestion, the over-taxing of the express companies and other means of delivery, mails for the holiday period will likely surpass remembrances promptly and safely, should comply with postal authorities suggestions. Packages may be marked ' Don't open until Christmas."

JERSEY SHORE'S BIG FIRE,

Business Houses and Residences Burn is Early Sunday Morning Blaze .- Loss Balf

The business section of Jersey Shore was visited by the most damaga ere destroyed. The loss is estimated

One hundred persons were driven from their homes, many in their night

The fire was discovered at 4:30 c'-

tinued to the large home of Alexander Interest naturally centers in the Brown, which quickly fell prey to the

The pa.sonage of the First Metho-

To the north the flames spread to

the call for help. Snow drifts made Questions to the number of 31 are the trip of twelve miles from Lock grouped under the dependency series. Haven to Jersey Shore dangerous, paratus which responded stuck in and had to return.

Court in Serston.

Court convened on Monday morn- day. ing with the Honorable Henry C. What was your total income from Quigley on the bench, and the officers

The grand jury was called and sworp, and W. A. Sickle, druggist of nished by German records establishing the last 12 months. State value of all Snow snoe borough, selected as foreproperty owned by or held in trust for mar, and after being duly charged by the grand jury room to pass on the before them by the district attorney. The constables of the several boros, wards and townships made their quadrenial report to the court.

List of traverse jurors was called

The civil list of cases was then called over and the following disposed of. Burdine Butler ve. the Pennsylvania Railroad Company ; trespass, coning claims for deferred classification tinued at the costs of the defendent, did sum they have due them the State Insurance Company of Trenton, N. J.; assumpsit. Settled.

J. B. Colt company, a corporation. vs. A. C. Kopler; assumpait. Continued, pending settlement.

Court re-convened on Monday afternoon at two o'clock, tut litigants not being ready and many witnesses be-Tue-day morning at ten o'clock.

Drive For New Red Gross Mambers mas drive to secure ten million new days. The time specially set apart Lockport, Mifflin county. for this purpose is from December 15 to December 22, inclusive, Centre

Hall has responded nobly to the cause of the Red Cross; the town has been well canvassed and has subscribed liberally. The country around the town seventy-one years. has done well too in some districts, but in others it has not been canvassed. The few in the town who have two years. not yet joined should do so so now, and those living in the neighborhoods that have not been canvassed will be efforded an opportunity to join be-

Miss Jennie H. Bartger, of Spring

tween this and Christmas.

Over One Hundred Members in the Reighboring Auxidary

Red Cross work is progressing nicely in Penns Valley, where the various suxiliaries to the State College Chapter are constantly adding new members as well as doing work of various

Attached is a complete list of the members of the auxiliary with headquarters at Spring Mills.

W. H. Willia ms J. C Lee Jacob Lee M. T. Zubler T. M. Gramley May Gramley Samuel Ulrich Mary Lyles, John Eckel Ellen Burrell C. G. King H. I. Brian R. D. Musser H. F. Rossman W. R. Hosterman H. S. Braucht H. M. Allison W. H. Smith J. H. Hartman W. H. Sinkabine A L. Kreamer C. F. Carter H. B. Herring D. W. Corman S. M. Brown Calvin Meyer S. P. Hennigh Austin Long J. M. Heckman A. J. Shook. Irma Shultz W. H. Hettinger

C. G. Decker J. Russel Condo Misses-Gertrude Muser Ruth Musser Maggie Scitzenger Cora McCormick Mabel Brown Margaret Zettle Beatrice Lee Lottie Evans Helen Finkle Martha Smith Ethel Gentzel Ethel Hettinger Kate Frederick Catherine Sinkabin Alta Sinkabine Sara Condo Emma Hosterman Madeline Walker Jennie Huss Lydia Zeigler Ruth Smith Lucy Musser Carrie Neese Nancy Hunter Sara Sweeney Mabel Allison

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G. S. Weaver M. W. Johnson Dr. H. S. Braucht Donald Allison A. Allison W. H. Sinkabine C F. Albright E, Roy Corman Walter Wolfe B. P. Hennigh R. G. Kennelley

M. Weagley

Guy Corman

Earl Vonada

Harold Meyer

Roy Kramrine

J. Russel Condo

John W. Corman

gale of sixty-mile velocity, piled the loose snow in huge drifts, shutting off travel for the time being. The tempersture dropped to 0 on Saturday night and intense cold and storm pre- er parents are becoming real proud not vailed throughout Bunday and Mon-

Big Loss By Fire.

Brief mention was made in these farm of the late Mills Alexander, near stated that Runkie Frazier would Julian. Besides the barn, six large succeed Charles Poorman as tenant on tle, 400 bushels of wheat, 300 bushels of creek. Mr. Poorman contemplates oats, 45 bushels of buck wheat, 60 tons going to the works at Burnham to try of hay, 30 tons of straw, together with his hand. farm implements, wagons, tuggies, Eugen Weik, the progressive printhe court as to its duty, they retired to etc., were totally destroyed. The fire cipal of the Bellefonte High chool, is was a mystery, and incurred a loss of thinking seriously of joining the aviaseveral bills of indictment to be placed about \$10,000, with only \$1800 insurtion corps and may leave some time ance. The farm was occupied by next week, according to a statement Carol Alexander. A threshing outfit, in the Bellefonte Republican. The valued at \$1,000, belonging to Jacob paper further says: He is doing ex-Mitchell, was also destroyed.

Rush Twp's. Big Boad Fund,

It is worthy of note that the Rush township road supervisors at the present time have over \$4,000 in the treasury. In addition to this splen-John C. Confer vs. Standard Fire bonus for the years 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917, amounting to about \$5,000. doubt surpassing any other township Nick William will get you if you in the county and unequalled by few don't watch out. others in the state.

Crashed and Burned to Death,

A red hot pressed steel wheel, weigh cle Sam's postal forces in their annual ing unable to get in on account of late- ing over eight hundred pounds, beness of trains, court adjourned until came detached from a crane in the wheel rolling department of Burnham | window in the home of Frank Barker, steel works, and fell upon the head and then leisurely trotted up the mounand shoulders of George F. Hoppie, tain. He selecteded Sunday as his The National Red Cross organiz :- aged twenty-nine years. He was tion have resolved to make a Chris- crushed and literally roasted to death. Every particle of clothing was burned members before the Christmas holi- from his body. He was a resident of moved into his new nouse from Reno-

Deaths of Uentre Countians,

aged eighty-five years. Daniel Hall, of Fleming, aged

William K. Mann, in Marsh Creek,

Samuel E. Campbell, a Civil war seventy-seven years.

James C. Wior, in Philadelphia

Wanted-Turkeys, Geese, and Chickens,-Chas. D. Bartholonew, Centre Hall, Pa.

SPRING MILLS RED CROSS AUXILIABY. TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

The Rusian symphony orchestra will be at State College, Saturday ev. ening, 15th inst.

Wanted-Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens.-Chas. D. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, Pa.

John D. Lucas and family moved to Lewistown Thursday of last week. Several motor trucks conveyed the household goods to their new quar-

D. R. Goodlander, of Williamsport, had charge of the local railroad station during the time Agent W. Frank Bradford was on his annual hunting trip in the Seven Mountains.

Devoting one hour each Friday afternoon to knitting for the soldier boys has become a very popular innovation in the Philipsburg public schools from the sixth grade up.

I need lots of poultry now. Use Leg Bands to mark your Pullete. Sell your cull stock. Any thing in the Poultry line. Both phones.-Chae.

D. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, Pa. It was so cold on Sunday night that the electric street lights in the borough were put out of commission, owing to the oil through which the wires connected with the time clock pass, be-

coming stiff. The State College bakery, owned by T. E. Sauers, was broken into one night last week and eight galions of ce cream and four bundred cakes taken. It is thought that the identity of the thieves is known.

Purchase Thrift Stamp and Savings Certificates with the dimes and nickels in the children's saving banks, and you will get interest at the rate of four per cent. compounded every three months. Bee any postmaster.

The marriage of the Miss Sarah Hestings, daughter of the late Governor Hastings, and Capt. Samuel Fleming, of Harrieburg, will take place in the Presbyterian church, Bellefonte. on the eighth day of January.

The United States department of Agriculture has appointed Robert W.

quate labor during the coming year. The infant son adopted by Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Longwell, of Centre Hall. only of the wee bit of numanity, but f their ability to proper y care for a real baby.

E mer Hettinger was an early visitcolumns last week of the destruction or to Centre Hall on Baturday. by fire of the large bank barn on the Among other things, Mr. Hettinger horses, thirty-six hogs, nine beef cat- the A. B. Lee farm, along Sinking

> cellent work here and there is little doubt but that he will be just as efficient in the air.

An Iowa man proves conclusively that Wilhelm von Hohenzellern has so thoroughly out done the Devil that his Satanic Majesty has resigned in favor of the Kaiser. The German Fiend accepted the position most graciously and is now on the job in This surely is a splendid showing, no every land in the world. And Old

It is evident that deer are interested in the movements of residents in the district over which they roam. As proof of this statement it is mentioned that a buck deer looked into a day to pay this social visit, no doubt knowing that deer were protected by the Sanday hunting law. Barker just vo, and Mr. Buck was auxious to have a view of the newcomer.

Clyde Bradford, a member of the Mrs. Jane Irwin, at Dicks Run, Bradford hunting party, is out a fine buck this year because the mechanism of his Winchester from up just when he had the finest opportunity to land a beauty and bring the total of the of typhoid fever, aged almost twenty- camp's kill up to five deer. Standing on a " wa ch " on Saturday morning a buck and a dos deer came up to veteran, at Shiloh Church, aged within twelve steps of Bradford and stopped. The flying snow had entered the breech of the rifle and put formerly of Bellefonte, aged fifty the workings of the gun out of order, with the result that when Clyde drew a bead on the buck and pulled the Ducks trigger, there was no report save that made by two badly scared deer as they pulled out in another direction.