

LOCALS.

For pumps and repairs see Rowe. Frank D. Lee, of near Bellefonte, favored the Reporter with a call on Friday.

Here's the way the optimist sums up January weather: It was a very healthful month.

Miss Gladys Jones, of the Reporter typofore, was off duty beginning of the week on account of illness.

Miss Mary Flahborn, of Sunbury spent the past week with her cousins, Misses Verna and Ethel Rowe.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Harter, in the Red Mill district, the latter part of last week.

Drifted roads and a severe cold kept Rev. D. S. Kurtz from filling his appointments on Sunday, except in the afternoon at Centre Hall.

Patriotic Concert, in Grange hall, Thursday evening, February 7th. Admission, adults, 25 cents; children, 15 cents; reserved seats, 30 cents.

Among the young men from Pennsylvania who are preparing for War service is Samuel J. McMullen, who is taking the ordnance course at Penn State.

Miss Sarah Heckman, daughter of J. P. Heckman, in upper Brush Valley, is employed at State College at present. She visited her parents beginning of this week.

Uncle Samuel's culinary department must be onto its job for every man back from the ranks—and it matters not why—carries with him abundant evidence of good keeping.

Roy Garbrick, farmer in the Pine Stump district, did his bit toward opening the roads through the drifted snow by hitching four horses to a sled and driving to Centre Hall.

Rev. W. H. Williams will conduct the quarterly communion service in the Methodist church at Centre Hall, on Sunday evening, February 3rd. This is a change from the regular schedule.

Mr. and Mrs. George O. Benner, on their return from Pittsburgh, last week, were agreeably surprised to find that their hot water heating plant was not so badly used up by freezing as the reports circulated made it.

Allison Muser, son of Mitchell Muser, of South Dakota, is in the east among friends, and while in Centre Hall was entertained by Mrs. Ralph Dinger, a cousin. He is employed on the farm with his father and is just out to see the east.

Beginning of this week Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Shaffer went to Philadelphia where Mrs. Shaffer is submitting to experts with the hope of recovering her health. Prior to going to a hospital they will stop with Miss Geiss, at 1702 Green street.

William H. Homar, who for the past four weeks visited relatives in Penna Valley, including his brother-in-law, C. S. Muser, below Centre Hall, and Mrs. Joseph Lutz, in this place, returned to his home in Scotland, South Dakota, on Tuesday morning.

"The Sewing Bee," comprised of a number of ladies in Centre Hall, and one of the several sewing organizations to spring into life within the past two years, voted to contribute the funds in their treasury to the Armenian-Syrian relief fund and accordingly did so.

William Bailey was among the lot of Centre county boys who during the past week failed to pass the very rigid physical test at Camp Hancock, Augusta, Georgia, and accordingly was given an honorable discharge from the U. S. army service. Just what Uncle Sam demands physically of his soldier boys may be learned when it is stated that only fifty-three per cent of the drafted men in Pennsylvania have come up to physical requirements.

After having enjoyed a ten-day furlough at his home near Farmers Mills, Earl E. Vonoda, son of David J. Vonoda, returned to Newport, Rhode Island, to report to the U. S. School-Ship Naval Training Station. Mr. Vonoda is the picture of health, having gained twenty-odd pounds since entering the service. He is training on the ship Constellation and speaks highly of the service and the food and care received. He returned a day earlier than necessary according to his official leave of absence which paper was presented to the local postmaster for comparison with papers in his possession. The young blue-jacket is all right and will fill the blue assigned to him.

Mrs. H. F. Bitner met with an accident last Thursday morning, the result of which was the sustaining of bruises about the body. Mrs. Bitner arose early that morning to prepare her baking and then started to return to her bedroom, using the back stairway. It was still dark, and Mrs. Bitner was using no light because she thought she knew the stairs. Upon reaching the head of the stairway she made a misstep and fell, not coming to a stop until she landed on the floor of the hallway. Her husband hastened to her side and tenderly lifting her, carried her to her bed. It was feared she had sustained serious injuries. A physician discovered that outside of a number of bruises, no bones had been broken. After a day's rest in bed Mrs. Bitner was about her duties as usual.

LOCALS

Rowe is at home; have your pump put in working order.

No marriage licenses were issued by Register Sasserman within the past week.

Merchant C. M. Smith is on a visit to Sunbury, combining business and pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer left for Columbia, South Carolina, on Wednesday morning.

The poet who writes about the "Snow, the beautiful snow" has good opportunities just now.

Bradford and Son are expecting a load of chestnut coal and have decided to parcel it out in half ton lots.

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. James K. Hosterman, Crystal City, Missouri. That is No. 2, and ranks second son.

Miss Blanche McClellan, of near Centre Hall, returned home Saturday after spending two weeks with her aunt in Lewistown.

The various churches at Coburn contributed largely toward the Armenian-Syrian relief fund. Their contributions were exceedingly liberal.

A little child died in the Lewistown district last week because not one of eight physicians summoned could get to the home because of weather conditions.

Earl W. Motz, stationed at Douglas, Arizona, in the U. S. Army service, came east last week to attend the funeral of his brother, Dewey Motz, at Woodward.

Baker's story of the accomplishments of the War Department ought to convince every good citizen that United States Senators like Chamberlain ought to quit "functioning."

Messrs. D. A. Booser and W. Frank Bradford on Wednesday morning went to Williamsport where the degree of Scottish Rites, a higher degree in Masonry, will be conferred upon them.

A number of the school house coal bins in Potter township are being scraped for fuel. It may be that the school-house axe and chopping block may again make its appearance where there are male teachers.

Two sled loads of young people from Centre Hall were entertained at the Jodon home, near Zion, on Friday evening. During the hours of their merrymaking the blower was turned on the loo e snow with the result that the sleds did not reach Centre Hall until eight o'clock the following morning, a number of upsets occurring on the way.

Mrs. Sara Fetterolf, an aged lady residing at her residence at Loganston, Clinton county, had a peculiar and terrifying experience one afternoon recently, when she fell into a large kitchen woodbox while in the act of getting wood for the room stove and could not get out. Finally a neighbor heard her cry for help and came to her assistance.

The shutting down of industries on Monday of each week for a time offers opportunity to many to cut cordwood for fuel. Many farmers have woodlots from which they are glad to sell the sound dead trees, standing or down, those diseased and insect attacked, and those broken or defective. A cord of such wood standing can usually be purchased at a price of \$1 to 1.50. The average man should be able to saw and chop a cord of wood in a day. It will cost from forty cents to sixty cents a cord mile for delivery. Since a cord of wood is about equivalent in heat value to a ton of coal, this will be getting fuel at a low price. Wood is a war time fuel. Cut it and use it as such, urges a State College forestry authority.

THE SMILEAGE BOOKS

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Two Tents seating 1,000 each been erected in each National Guard Camp. Q. How much money does the Military Entertainment Council hope to raise from the sale of "Smilage Books?"

A. The goal for the drive of the week of January 25th has been set at 1,000,000 "Smilage Books", but if a million dollars worth of smiles are good for our soldier boys why won't two million dollars worth be much better?

Q. How can I get these "Smilage Books" to the soldiers?

A. Send them by mail. Let the next letter you send to any camp contain a \$5 or \$1 book; think of the laughter in those coupons. And of course, if you have a boy, son, brother, sweetheart or husband of your own, in camp, you will see that he gets one. Q. Is there any "red tape" in getting "Smilage Books" to soldiers?

A. No. Books can be bought from members of Local Military Entertainment Council, or at clubs, stores and other places where notices appear as follows: "Smilage Books On Sale Here". There is nothing you can send that requires as little time and labor. No wrapping, no weighing. Five \$1 or two \$5 Books can be mailed first class for three cents.

FOR SALE—The Geiss property, located 3 1/2 miles west of Centre Hall, near the Reporter office.—B. W. Smith, Centre Hall

BOALSBURG.

The schools of Boalsburg are Red Cross school.

Miss Anna Thompson, of Centre Furnace, was an over Sunday visitor with her aunt, Miss Saner.

Mrs. Ellen Young and daughter, Mrs. Fernon Russell, were Bellefonte visitors from Friday until Saturday.

The Lecture on Saturday night and the sacred concert on Sunday night given by the Boys were a decided success. They were thoroughly enjoyed by all who heard them.

There will be service in the Reformed church Friday evening, February 1, Saturday evening, 2d, and communion services Sunday morning, February 3.

Mrs. Luther Dale and children, Marion and Frederick, of Oak Hall, came to the A. W. Dale home on Saturday. Mrs. Dale and Frederick returned to their home Saturday evening while Marion remained until Sunday evening.

Spring Mills.

Miss Grace Bradford, of Lemont, spent Sunday with friends in town.

H. M. Allison spent Friday in Bellefonte.

Mrs. Daniel Ripka, who has been seriously ill, is improving at this writing.

The Union S. S. will be held in the M. E. church next Sunday morning at 9:15; preaching services at 10:30, by Rev. Williams. Services in the evening at 7:30 by Rev. Soner, presiding elder of the Evangelical church.

The stores were all closed on Monday, complying with the Garfield order. Lloyd McClintic left on Monday for his home in Iowa.

Benjamin Bron, a life-long resident of Gregg township, died on Friday. He leaves a wife and ten children. Burial today (Thursday) at Cross church, in Georges Valley.

Linden Hall

Miss Edith Carper is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Brooks, in Ohio. Reeder Jordan spent the week-end with friends in this place.

Frank Kent, of Brooklyn, spent a few days here last week.

Mrs. Howard Frazier spent Saturday at Oak Hall. Arber Cummings is visiting his brother's family at Aronsburg.

Albert Carper is a student in P. R. R. station here, under station agent Frank Isbler.

Mrs. J. H. Ross left Tuesday morning for Stroudsburg where she will spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Gerhart.

Owing to the scarcity of coal the foundry at Sunbury, which was operated by Edward Sellers, was ordered to close and Mr. Sellers is at his home here for a time.

Frank Homan recently received a letter from his son Boyd, who has enlisted in the aviation service, telling of his arrival in England. Christmas was spent on board the transport in mid-ocean. Another son Merle is on board the battleship Nebraska, having gone there from the Great Lakes naval school.

REBERSBURG

Frank Wate and James Hasbauch left on Monday for Lewisburg where they will be employed in a creamery.

Allen Brungart quite recently lost a valuable horse by death. Quite a loss to Mr. Brungart.

William Zeigler recently bought a valuable tract of timberland, situated south of this place, from Mrs. John Harter.

Sidney Krumrider, who several months ago sold his home at this place to G. B. Winter, quite recently bought the Kate Nees property.

Samuel Hubler, who is teaching school at Tylersville, was unable to school a few days the past week on account of a severe attack of grip.

Mrs. Jacob Waller died at her home on last Saturday. Her remains were brought from Smulton to this place and buried in the Lutheran and Reformed cemetery.

Bruce Weber, who has been tenant on the J. B. Kreamer farm for several years, has rented the Emerick farm at Nitauya Hall and will move there this spring.

Rebersburg has a woman who goes from store to store and buys all the sugar she can get at 10 cents a pound and then takes it to Millheim and sells it at 11 cents a pound. But our merchants have caught onto her tricks.

General Wood Injured in France.

General Pershing cabled the War Department on Monday that Major General Wood had been slightly wounded in the arm by an accidental explosion in France which killed five French soldiers and slightly injured two other American officers, Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Kilbourne and Major Kenyon A. Joyce.

Notice, F. O. S. of A.

All members will please note a change of meeting night from Thursday evening, February 7th, to Wednesday evening, February 6th, on account of the concert in Grange hall on the former night.—R. D. Foreman, president.

Will you go "Over the Top" and send a "Smilage Book" to your soldier friend in camp?

WHEN POISONING WAS ART

None Gained Greater Proficiency Than Marchioness of Brinvilliers in Seventeenth Century.

The sixteenth and seventeenth centuries developed a large number of persons who brought the crime of poisoning to an art. None attained greater perfection in this than the marchioness of Brinvilliers. She was the daughter of Drexel D'Aubray, a high official in the reign of Louis XIV. In 1651 she was married to the marquis of Brinvilliers, heir to an enormous fortune. She herself brought a considerable dowry.

She was a woman of prepossessing appearance and great charm. She lived happily with her husband until one day she was introduced to a young man, commonly known as St. Croix, who was introduced to the family. The marquis took a great liking to him, and St. Croix made his home with the aristocratic couple. The marchioness soon fell in love with the adventurer. De Brinvilliers had St. Croix imprisoned in the Bastille. Here the latter met an Italian who was an adept in poisons, and he taught St. Croix his arts. When the latter was released, after a year's confinement, he resumed his acquaintance with the marchioness, but more cautiously. The Italian came out of prison and entered the services of the pair. They at once entered into schemes to poison the woman's father, her two brothers and her sister, so as to get possession of the family fortune.

They succeeded in all cases except that of the sister. Yet they escaped suspicion and would have gone free had it not been for an accident. While mixing poisons the mask worn by St. Croix fell from his face and he was suffocated by the poisons he was preparing for others. Then the whole dark tale was unfolded and all were condemned to death.

HOME OF EMPRESS JOSEPHINE

Fort de France on Island of Martinique Interesting as Birthplace of Napoleon's First Wife.

The little town of Fort de France on the island of Martinique in the French West Indies is of the greatest interest to travelers, because it was the early home of Empress Josephine, the first wife of Napoleon. She was the daughter of a French army officer who lived on a large estate about five miles from the town. Here Josephine was born in 1763 and here she lived until she was married to her first husband, Beauharnaise, when she was sixteen years old.

The future empress seems to have had much education and to have lived the simple life on a West Indian plantation. The site of her birthplace is still known and it is delightfully situated in a grove of trees near the banks of a small river. A certain pool in this stream is still known as the bath of the empress, and here the creole beauty, according to local tradition, always took her morning plunge.

After her separation from Beauharnaise Josephine returned to Martinique and to the quiet life of the little island. Passages from her diary at that time show that she was very fond of her rambles in the woods and of the quaint, easy social life of the place. She passed three years there with her little daughter before returning to France to become the wife of a world conqueror and one of the most famous beauties of Europe.

A statue of the empress has been erected in the square at Fort de France. It conveys a charming impression of the woman who for a time ruled the man of destiny and of whom he said that she was a mistress of the art of pleasing.

Finda Volcano is Hottest at Top.

Notwithstanding what the old textbooks say, it now appears that a volcano is hottest on its surface. This is the conclusion drawn by a scientist who has made extensive investigations in craters in Hawaii and has obtained samples of gases and lava before they reached the air. Laboratory studies of these samples make it appear that much of the heat required to keep an open lava basin in fluid condition is supplied by the chemical action of the gases. From these investigations the scientist concludes that in times of great activity the temperature at the surface of a volcano undoubtedly is higher than that below the surface.

Prehistoric Japanese Canoe.

Workmen engaged in the dry river bed of the Nanzu-gawa, Osaka prefecture, have unearthed a huge canoe made of camphor wood. It has not yet been completely uncovered, but the part so far dug out measures over 40 feet in length, 6 feet in width and 28 inches in depth. There are traces of the canoe having been colored blue. According to archeologists the canoe is about one thousand years old, and though several similar canoes have been discovered in various parts of the country, nothing like the present one in size has been found.—East and West News.

Flagmaker's Art an Exacting One.

The flagmaker's art is an exacting one and many modern descendants of Betsy Ross are employed by the Brooklyn flag-maker. Much skill is required to make such a flag as that of Venezuela, which has a prancing horse upon it. A special machine has been designed for cutting the white stars used in our own flag. These are of eight sizes, and every year many thousands of such stars go into flags made by government employees. These stars vary from two inches to fourteen inches in diameter.

Centre Reporter at \$1.50 per year.

SALE REGISTER

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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LEGAL NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the following accounts will be presented to Court for confirmation on Wednesday, February 27th, 1918, and unless exceptions be filed thereon on or before February 24th, 1918, the same will be confirmed: The first and final account of Cyrus Brungart, assignee for the benefit of creditors of Zetle & Lucas, of Centre Hall. The first and final account of Cyrus Brungart, assignee for the benefit of creditors of John D. Lucas, of Centre Hall. The fifth and final account of L. C. Corrier, committee of Arthur Evans, a weak minded person.

Jan. 26, 1918 Oepd D. E. FOREMAN, Prothonotary.

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