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## FARMERS AND THE DRAFT.

92 Per Cent Left at Work, Washington Answers in Reply to Cressy's Objection to Heavy Call.

Objections of "Farmer" W. T. Cressy, Grange Master John A. McSparan and other representatives of the agricultural interests that more agricultural workers have been selected for service in the United States army have been answered by state draft authorities with the assertion that there are more farmers registered than any other class of workers. Mr. Cressy and others appeared in Harrisburg some time ago to suggest that draft boards be not so hard on agricultural registrants.

Figures secured from Provost Marshal General Crowder at Washington show that the total registration of agricultural workers in the first draft was 2,439,246. The nearest approach to that figure was the registration under the head "general labor", totaling 1,277,213. Registrants employed in the building industries totalled 700,790.

A total of 576,772 agricultural registrants was called for examination and of this number 23.65 per cent was discharged.

After the formation of the first army, General Crowder's figures show 91.57 per cent of the agricultural registrants of the country were available for farm work. The farmers according to Washington, are merely bearing their proportionate percentage of the country's burden.

## Planning State Farm Products Show.

The third annual State Farm Products Show will be held at Harrisburg on January 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1919, under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the allied State Agricultural Associations.

For the past two years the State farm show has been rapidly growing in size and from present indications the show next January will far eclipse all former efforts, both as to the amount of agricultural products shown and in the display of farm and orchard supplies and machinery.

Notices have gone forth to all the local and county fair associations asking that all prizes winning exhibits of corn, potatoes, fruit and wool be saved for competition at the State show and unusual interest has been added to the county and local fair exhibits as there is a possibility of a fair winners class in the big State display.

Already many requests have been received from commercial exhibitors for space at the State show and it is expected that the finest display ever arranged in the State will be the result. Labor saving farm machinery will form a big portion of the exhibits and will include many different lines of farm tractors and tractor machinery.

During the week all of the State Agricultural Societies will hold their annual meetings in Harrisburg and thousands of visitors are expected to be present. Secretary of Agriculture Charles E. Patton is chairman of the Show Committee; E. K. Hibban, of State college, Secretary, and H. E. Klugh, of Harrisburg, treasurer.

## Now, All Together.

Let's get rid of the bad habit of saying "after the war is over". That means nothing.

Let's make it a rule invariably to say "after we win the war". That means something.

The very change in mental viewpoint, from careless to definite, from casual to positive, is sufficient to win the war.

More than that, its effect on business can be nothing less than conspicuously helpful.

## Watch For Rabies Outbreaks.

Numerous outbreaks of rabies have been reported to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture during the past few weeks from many sections of the State and the Livestock Sanitary Board is issuing a special warning to borough and township officials and to the public to guard against the danger during August.

Strict enforcement of the dog law is urged in all communities and close watch on suspected animals by all owners for any symptoms. Whenever there is any indication of an animal showing traces of rabies some local veterinarian should at once be notified and a strict quarantine put into effect.

## Peaches, Peaches.

The Buffalo Valley Fruit Farms, Millinburg, who have an orchard of 15,000 peach and apple trees, report that they have from five to seven thousand bushels of peaches. Elberta's yellow free stone peach will be ready for market September 1st. The Buffalo Valley Fruit Farms take great pride in their careful grading and packing. The peaches will be packed in sixteen-quart and bushel baskets. Bell telephone, Millinburg 62114. adv. if.

## Cash Road Tax Bonus.

The second class townships throughout the State which have complied with the law providing for a cash road tax bonus will soon receive their checks for same from the State. Twenty-three out of twenty-five townships in Centre county will share in the distribution, Ferguson and Snow Shoe townships failing to qualify. The amount that will be given Centre county is \$13,645.25, divided among the townships as follows:

Benner Township	\$ 975.11
Boggs Township	732.13
Burnside Township	132.55
College Township	686.71
Curtin Township	408.72
Gregg Township	1124.64
Haines Township	774.90
Halfmoon Township	474.98
Harris Township	546.83
Howard Township	391.69
Liberty Township	652.76
Huston Township	257.20
Marion Township	488.47
Miles Township	685.62
Patton Township	297.93
Penn Township	411.74
Potter Township	1143.22
Rush Township	1001.23
Spring Township	606.24
Taylor Township	291.78
Union Township	324.73
Walker Township	690.72
Worth Township	474.45
Total	\$13,645.25

## Telephone Company Meets.

The Patrons Rural Telephone Company held a very interesting meeting Thursday of last week. The company was largely represented, all the branch companies, except three, having their legal representatives on hand. The companies not represented by directors were given representation through stockholders present.

The question up for discussion was whether an effort should be made to collect four hundred dollars, representing cash loaned by two treasurers—Messrs. D. M. Campbell and John S. Dale—to the Farmer's Co-operating Creamery Company, now defunct.

A resolution was presented and passed exonerating all parties from payment. It was contended by some that the proposition was rather excessive in liberality, considering the actual facts in the case.

## Back in Class 4 Again.

Some time ago, local registration boards were notified to place all married men without dependents, who were in class 4, in class 1A and have them undergo the usual physical examination. This was done, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday were the days set for the men's appearance for examination. On Wednesday previous to this, the boards received a new order, which again places all these men in their old class—4. The examinations, however, were gone through with as originally scheduled.

It appears local boards have been given at least limited discretionary power in dealing with this class, and it appears men whose wives are able to care for themselves may be called from that class into service.

## LOCALS

Many oats fields were badly damaged by Sunday night's rain storm.

The Grange Encampment and Fair advertisement appears in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kreamer spent several days last week with the S. S. Kreamer family, in Lewistown.

The State Highway between Milesburg and Mill Hall, passing through Bald Eagle Valley, is being repaired to considerable extent.

Rev. James A. Shultz, pastor of the local United Evangelical church, opened services at a large camp near Mexico, Juniata county, on Sunday.

Misses Marjorie Rebert, Frances Steinmiller and Catharine Krause, all of Bethlehem, were entertained by Miss Isabel Rowe for a few days last week. The young ladies are school teachers and are employed at Bethlehem. To further prepare for their work they are attending the summer school for teachers at Penn State.

Croquet playing is being indulged in by a number of young people and some a shade older on the grounds built up by Frank M. Fisher. Several of those who frequent the grounds regularly are becoming quite expert. Mr. Fisher has long been counted a good player, and D. A. Booser is getting back to the manner he went over the grounds some thirty or more years ago.

Included in the latest casualty list coming from General Pershing, in France, is the name of Captain Henry Worthington, of Lancaster, a cousin of Mrs. Sumner V. Hosterman. The young man visited at the home of Dr. G. W. Hosterman, in this place, a number of years ago. He enlisted in the regular army before the outbreak of the war, and rapidly advanced to the rank of a captain.

## YOUTHFUL MARINES.

Thirty Per Cent of Marine Enlistments Under Twenty-One Years.

That Centre Hall produces the average young men with the average tendencies is proven by the fact that a number of them volunteered for Marine Corps service. That the Marine Corps makes a strong appeal to the youth of America is shown by the official statement that nearly one-third of the recruits obtained by the Marines since the United States entered the war are under twenty-one years of age. The statement issued by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, declares that the large number of enlistments of boys between the ages of 18 and twenty-one years was a surprise even to Marine officers themselves. The total of those under twenty-one enlisting since April, 1917, is 13,829, representing approximately thirty per cent. of the Marine enlistments in that period. "The policy of the Marine Corps", says Secretary Daniels, "in admitting boys of eighteen years and over into the ranks is more than justified by the heroic fighting by the Marines at Chateau-Thierry and Belleau Wood, the showing they have made in their sector of the Marne line since that time, and the youthfulness of many of the Marines who have been decorated and cited in France."

The Marine Corps, however, is not the only branch of the service that is getting large numbers of recruits under twenty-one. What has been true in the case of the Marines, is also true in other branches of the service—the boys of eighteen to twenty-one are among the most heroic of our troops and fight like veterans.

## Scrapping a Railroad.

Various committees have been appointed to work for the retention of the Central Railroad of Pennsylvania, but it is generally believed that the movement to scrap the road will not be stopped. The abandonment of this railroad will work to the disadvantage of a lot of enterprises and will also be greatly missed by the residents of the valley through which it passes. The only thing left to insure future operation of the road is to purchase it, but since it will require something like \$300,000 to do so, this is not likely to be done. The earnings of the road last year was only \$4,000 or \$5,000, which indicates the investment of \$300,000 in such a proposition would be a bad one.

The inner circles lay the blame for the scrapping of the road to the introduction of the motor bus, and support given it by the citizens of Nittany Valley when the question of franchise was before the state commerce commission. Since the goose that laid the golden egg has been slaughtered, there is regret, but that regret gets no \$300,000, consequently the scrapping of the road.

## The Over-Zealous Repentant.

Throughout this section of the state a movement is on foot to have all men rejected from the army return the sweaters and comfort kits they received from the local chapters of the Red Cross to the organization. Difficultly is being experienced in meeting all demands for supplies and it is generally believed that the spirit of patriotism will prompt the young men who are not accepted for active service to return the comforts that are sorely needed for the men who are soon to be sent to France.

It is the over-zealous spirit of the local auxiliaries of the Red Cross that obliges the appearance of this notice. The Red Cross regulations, if complied with by all auxiliaries, would obviate the begging from rejected men presents given them.

## The Wolf Farm Sold.

The John Wolf farm, west of Rebersburg, was sold last week by Mrs. Rishel for \$17,185 to Frank Stover, of near Coburn, who bought it for a home. The farm contains about one hundred and eighty acres and is tenanted at present by Arthur G. Cummings.

This farm was sold about six years ago by the J. K. Moyer heirs to Mrs. Rishel for \$10,025, which indicates an increase in the market value of almost sixty per cent.

## Operation for Appendicitis.

Saturday forenoon Dr. J. M. Locke and Dr. H. E. Longwell operated on Miss Mary Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Geiss Wagner, for appendicitis. The patient has since been getting along very nicely. The operation was performed at the Wagner home, in Centre Hall.

Commissioner D. A. Grove is considering the acceptance of a position offered by the U. S. Government to assemble horses for army use. His large experience in dealing in horses and good judgment of their value and quality fits him splendidly for the place.

## TWO AGED BELLEFONTE

CITIZENS DEAD.

Abraham Baum and Louis Doll Expire Only Day or Two Apart.

One by one the older citizens of Bellefonte are passing over the border line and familiar faces which to the younger generation seem landmarks of the town silently disappear from their daily haunts. Two of the oldest residents died in the last few days. One was Abraham Baum, the other Louis Doll. They were old cronies and in recent years particularly spent much of their time together. The two deaths came but a day or so apart. Mr. Baum expired rather suddenly from heart failure. Mr. Doll passed at his home just a block or more distance on the same street, the result of a stroke.

Louis Doll, Sr., was born in Germany and had lived until the 25th of the present month would have become 72 years old. He came to America when a boy of about 8 years. For the last 49 years he had resided in Bellefonte. He was of the old school of boot and shoemaker and was highly skilled in that line. Surviving are his widow and these children: William, George, Mrs. John Pearl and Frank, all of Bellefonte; Louie, of Renovo, and Edward, of Altoona.

Abraham Baum was eighty-four years old and was born in Germany. Fifty-four years ago he married Mary Anspach, who preceded him to the grave some years ago. For many years the family resided in Bellefonte and enjoyed a wide acquaintance throughout the county.

## DEATHS.

Death claimed Miss Mary Catherine Foreman at her home in Centre Hall, Sunday morning at three o'clock, death being due to heart trouble and complications. Miss Foreman had been in ill health for the past three years, and last winter suffered a severe illness, improving, however, in the spring. On Thursday preceding her death she took her bed. She was aged sixty-three years and was born in Gregg township, being a daughter of John and Sarah Foreman, deceased. Surviving her are the following brothers and sisters: F. A., of State College; D. R., of Bellefonte; R. D., of Centre Hall; J. W., of Farmers Mills; E. F., of Youngstown, Ohio; Mrs. L. L. Smith, and Miss Jane Foreman, of Centre Hall.

Miss Foreman was a member of the Reformed church and lived a truly consistent christian life. Her pastor, Rev. R. R. Jones, had charge of the funeral services which were held at the late home of the deceased on Wednesday morning, burial following at Centre Hall.

Adam H. Vonada died at his home at Madisonburg on Monday morning, aged seventy-eight years.

## \$200,000,000 W. S. E. for July.

The sales of War Savings Stamps throughout the United States during the last week of July was the largest for any one week during the year, the sales having been \$55,055,000, or about equal to that of the whole month of June. This brings up the July sales to \$200,000,000, or nearly four times the highest rate heretofore.

Mark Brown, only son of Mrs. Theodore Brown, of Lewistown, formerly of Millheim, who was killed in action in France, November 18th, 1916, while fighting with the Canadian over-seas forces, made his mother the beneficiary of his \$10,000 life insurance.

## FOLKS WE ALL KNOW



## COUNTY AGENT ADVISES SUPPLEMENTARY DAILY FEED.

Pastures Becoming Short Now, Requiring Feed to Maintain Full Flow of Milk.

During the period from August 1st until winter feeding begins, even the best of pastures usually become short and insufficient to maintain a full flow of milk.

For the cows which freshen in the spring or are still making a good flow of milk it is very important that some supplementary feed be given, in order to maintain the yield of milk into the winter periods, because if the feed, heat and flies cause the yield to shrink a great deal it is impossible to restore the cow to a good profitable production again and she passes the whole winter as a poor producer. The failure to hold the milk flow in the late summer is responsible for a large number of the unprofitable cows in many herds.

It is to be recommended that the supplementary feed be very largely roughage. The very best feed from all standpoints, especially in economy, is corn silage. Green crops, such as corn, clover or alfalfa, are equally palatable and answer very well.

In addition to roughage many high producing cows will require extra grain. The amount must be determined by the cost of the grain and the judgment of the feeder as to the cows yield and shrink. No definite nutritive ratio can be set for the grain mixture to be used in this case because pastures vary so much from season to season and from farm to farm. One definite point to remember is that grass in early spring is rich in protein while in late summer it is low in protein because of ripening and storing starches. This means that the grain should be rich in protein for late feeding and especially so if silage or green corn is also fed.

The following mixture has given good results:

100 lbs. bran, oats or corn distiller's grain.  
150 lbs. cottonseed meal.  
100 lbs. gluten feed.  
50 lbs. linseed meal.

100 lbs. bran.  
100 lbs. corn and oat chop.  
150 lbs. cottonseed meal.  
100 lbs. linseed meal.

It is also highly important that calves and heifers be given a small amount of grain at this time to keep them thrifty and growing. Too many of our undersized cows are produced because of being stunted by insufficient feed, and every man who raises heifers should see to it that they are not allowed to shrink in weight or stop growing at this time. Their growth and development at a young age determines to a great extent their capacity and ability as cows.

R. H. OLMSTED,  
County Agent.

## A Suspended Vine.

A five-leafy vine, quite common ordinarily, has become much viewed and talked of in Centre Hall. This particular vine is growing luxuriantly along the whole front eave of the residence of B. D. Brisbin, the pendents being as much as ten feet in length, and having no ground roots. For many years an ivy climbed the porch and side of the Brisbin home, but two years ago the vines were carefully removed. Shortly thereafter tiny shoots began projecting from under the eave of the house. The growth was so rapid that the long floating vines were pleaded for by Mr. Brisbin's daughters who happened to be home at this time. The hand of destruction was stayed, and today there is not a prettier naturally decorated home in all Pennsylvania than the Brisbin home.

Lewistown Woman Sashes Throat.  
Pollock Gundy, aged sixty years, of Lewistown, committed suicide at her home on Saturday afternoon by slashing her throat with a butcher knife. Neighbors found her in a dying condition lying over a tub in the cellar of her home. She lived alone, her husband having died several years ago.

This month War Savings Stamps cost you \$4.19. See how they are growing in value.

## SUGAR & FLOUR.

Consumers will please remember they are now entitled to but two pounds of sugar for every ninety meals served. They are still entitled to sugar for canning and preserving.

There is no change in the 50-50 flour ruling.

W. FRED REYNOLDS,  
Food Administrator for Centre Co.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Remember, the War Saving Stamps work while you sleep.

The idle acres should be sown to rye or wheat this fall. See the handsome profit coming from the acres sown last fall.

Mrs. J. C. Harper and daughter, Miss Helen, of Bellefonte, are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Emerick.

Several young couples have been making the grove near the home of R. M. Smith, near Centre Hill, a resort at night time. The parties travel in a car.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Black, east of Centre Hall, on Saturday. The mother was formerly Miss Cora Osman. Both are doing nicely.

How about it? Does it sound different since Uncle Sam is boss of the telephone wires? If the dear Old Uncle were to answer you, of course he'd say, "busy".

County Commissioners Grove, Noll and Miller, together with clerk Meyer, this week attended the sessions of the State convention of county commissioners held at Pittsburg.

Oats harvest is on. The crop is a good one throughout Penns Valley. If good weather prevails throughout the cutting and housing, a most valuable crop will have been gathered by the farmers of the valley.

It is Monday evening, August 26th, that the Loyalty Orphan School Band will give a concert on the Lutheran church lawn. Make your arrangements so that you can be present and enjoy the occasion.

Miss Rebecca N. Rhoads, of Bellefonte, is now in France doing Y. M. C. A. work. Miss Rhoads has a wide acquaintance throughout Penns Valley on account of her earnest efforts in behalf of temperance and charity.

Lester E. Baird, who got the foundation for his education in the Centre Hall schools, has been elected to teach agriculture in a Lapeer, Michigan, school. Last winter he taught agriculture in the Shippensburg State Normal School.

Corn in this immediate vicinity is most promising. The rains during the latter part of July came at just the right period to aid in driving ears. The crop can now withstand some drought and yet recover by rains later on, the critical period—the earing stage—having passed.

Col. W. Fred Reynolds, of Bellefonte, the food administrator for Centre county, was in town the latter part of last week on business pertaining to his appointment. He was not after a violator, however, but was here to aid a party who failed to make application for sugar at the proper time.

The War Department order forbidding relatives of soldiers going overseas as Red Cross workers, nurses, etc., has been modified by General March so that now sisters of soldiers may go to France, but under restrictions. They must not try to see their brothers, marry soldiers or officers under penalty of being sent home.

Mrs. W. K. Shultz and daughters, Helen and Ruth, of New Columbia, were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Keller, in Centre Hall, for several days last week. They came here with Rev. James A. Shultz and daughter, Miss May, who with the Shultz family, of New Columbia, had been camping at Central Oak Heights.

The Centre Hall borough council made a trip to Bellefonte, last week, to consult their attorney, N. B. Spangler, Esq., relative to the matter of purchasing the stock or rights of the Centre Hall Water company. The probability is that the water will soon pass into the hands of the borough, all the necessary actions on the part of the council having been previously taken.

The pageant play, representing a scene in the time of Christ, given on the campus at Penn State last week, by school teachers attending the summer school, was attended by Misses Sara Fisher, Flossie McLaughlin, Lola Ulrich, Isabel Rowe, Gladys Jones, Margaret Jacobs, Verna Rowe, Hazel Emery, Ruth Smith, Carribel Emerick and Mrs. Guy Jacobs.

Hon. John A. Montelius and wife, their son Joseph and wife, daughter-in-law, Mrs. George Montelius, and daughter Miss Mary, all of Piper City, Illinois, were guests of Mrs. Isaac Smith for a short time. The family is now at Millinburg at the old Montelius home, where they spend the summers. Their summer home is open each season to many of their friends. When a young man, Mr. Montelius was a dry-goods clerk in Wolf's store. From here he went west and became a millionaire.