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## THE GOVERNMENT'S DEMAND OF COUNTRY WEEKLIES.

Must Save 15 Per Cent. in Paper and Have All Subscriptions Paid Within Three Months.

The War Industries Board authorizes the following: Bernard M. Baruch, chairman of the War Industries Board, announces that the plan for conservation of news-print paper has been extended to include country weeklies. The plan as formulated by the war committee of the country weekly publishers and accepted by the War Industries Board through Thomas E. Donnelly, chief of the Pulp and Paper Section, contemplates a saving of 15 per cent. in the industry as a whole.

Prominent features of the plan include: Discontinuance of papers to subscribers three months after the date of expiration of their subscriptions, unless the subscriptions are renewed and paid for; stopping the publication of extra copies for advertising stimulation; stopping returns of unsold copies from news dealers; stopping the use of free copies in exchange for other publications except those published within the same county or within a 40-mile radius; and a reduction of 25 per cent. on all publication space in excess of eight pages.

Following is the official announcement.

### TO PUBLISHERS OF COUNTY WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS:

The Priorities Board of the War Industries Board has listed paper mills as an industry, and has rated them in fourth class for priority for coal on the distinct understanding that the greatest possible economy in the use of paper be exercised and that the reduction in the use of paper by newspapers shall be 15 per cent.

Paper mills will be put upon the priority list for coal, conditional upon their signing a pledge that they will furnish no paper to customers who will not also sign a pledge in duplicate that he will exercise the greatest economy in the use of paper, and will observe all rules and regulations of the conservation division and of the pulp and paper section of the War Industries Board. These pledges are now being prepared and will be furnished shortly.

The War committee of weekly newspaper publishers feel that the necessary saving of 15 per cent. should come out of the industry as a whole and in order to accomplish this purpose made the following suggestions, which were accepted by the pulp and paper section of the War Industries Board and are to be effective September 1, 1918.

Each publisher shall eliminate the following wasteful practices. If for any reason a publisher desires to continue any of these practices, he must adopt some other method to accomplish at least 15 per cent. reduction in paper used. If by November 1, 1918, a saving of 15 per cent. has not been made in the industry as a whole, the matter will be reviewed by the pulp and paper section and further curtailments will be necessary.

1. No publisher of a weekly, semi-weekly, or triweekly newspaper shall use in its production any paper except newsprint and of a weight on the basis of not heavier than 30 1-2x44-50 pound (basis—24 by 36-32 pounds). All stocks now on hand may be used whether newsprint, machine-finished or sized and supercalendered and regardless of weight.

2. NO PUBLISHER MAY CONTINUE SUBSCRIPTION AFTER THREE MONTHS AFTER DATE OF EXPIRATION UNLESS SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE RENEWED AND PAID FOR.

3. No publisher may give free copies of his paper, except for actual service rendered; except to camp libraries and huts or canteens of organizations recognized by the Government, such as the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. or K. of C.; except to the Library of Congress and other libraries which will agree to bind for permanent keeping; except to Government department libraries which use said publication in their work; and except for similar reasons.

4. No publisher shall give free copies to advertisers, except not more than one copy each for checking purposes.

5. No publisher shall accept the return of unsold copies from newsdealers.

6. No publisher shall print extra copies for stimulating advertising other than those specified in these regulations except not to exceed 1 per cent. of his circulation with a minimum of two copies.

7. No publisher shall send free copies in exchange for other publications, except to such other publications as are printed within the county, or within a radius of 40 miles from his point of publication.

8. No publisher shall sell his publication at an exceedingly low or normal subscription price.

9. No publisher shall sell his publication to anyone below the published subscription price.

10. No publisher shall offer premiums with his publication unless a price is put upon the premium for sale separately and the combined price is at

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## 45th ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT AND EXHIBITION NOTES

### BONNIWELL TO BE AT ENCAMPMENT AND FAIR.

#### Democratic Candidate for Governor Will Speak at Park on Wednesday.—The Fair Program.

Everything is in readiness for the opening of the Grange Encampment and Fair on Saturday, September 14th. Two hundred tents have been erected and practically all tent holders will move in on Friday and Saturday for a full week of pleasure. Every effort has been made to make the camp pleasant and to provide amusement and instruction for both old and young. There will be something interesting for everybody every day.

The State College will have an exhibit and short addresses will be given every day by members of the faculty of the School of Agriculture.

The County Committee on War Savings Stamps will have a tent on the ground and be ready to sell stamps at all times. Short addresses will be delivered on this and other patriotic subjects every day.

The agricultural and horticultural exhibit will be larger and better than in former years and will be arranged in an interesting and instructive manner. An expert attendant will be ready to explain and answer questions as to exhibits.

The exhibit of horses, cattle and sheep promises to be larger than ever before.

The exhibit of farm implements will be large and varied.

A good band will furnish music during the week.

#### PROGRAM.

SAURDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Opening picture show in the auditorium.

SUNDAY, HARVEST HOME SERVICES 2:30 P. M.

Rev. John Harkins, of the Grace Lutheran church of State College, will deliver the anniversary address.

MONDAY, PLACING OF EXHIBITS.

7:30 p. m. Moving pictures in the auditorium.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 17TH.

2 p. m. Patriotic exercises in auditorium.

7 p. m. Moving pictures.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18TH.

1 p. m. Address by Senator Colby, representative of the U. S. Food Administration.

2 p. m. Address by Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, Democratic Candidate for Governor.

7 p. m. Moving pictures.

THURSDAY SEPT. 19TH.

1:30 p. m. Address by John A. McSparran, Master of the State Grange, and Hon. Charles E. Patton, Secretary of Agriculture.

Other prominent men will also deliver addresses at convenient times during the week.

7 p. m. The last and best moving pictures.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20TH.

Sales day and closing of camp. Special trains will be run Wednesday and Thursday.

#### Officials Scout Suicide Theory.

John S. Rine, one of the most wealthy citizens of Snyder county, was found dead under mysterious circumstances in his large store at McKees Half Falls Friday morning. His skull was gashed by a hatchet and his throat was cut from his chin to his ear when his daughter found his body in a pool of blood on the second floor of the store. State police investigated the case and agree that Rine's wounds of the skull were inflicted in the cellar of the store but that the throat cutting took place on the second floor.

Coroner Herman's jury did not render a verdict that night but District Attorney Coryell scouts a suicide theory because he does not believe injuries to skull were self-inflicted. An opened knife identified as the property of the dead man was found beside his lifeless body. Both hatchet and knife will be tested as to finger prints. Investigations found no other trace. The cash in the store and the post office funds and stock appeared to be intact.

Rine had gone to the store alone before daylight to make up an out going mail. The dead man was post-master of the village, a director of the Dalmatia State Bank, and owner of the hotel, store and also of the pretty home in the town besides all the farm property surrounding the hamlet.

#### Deaths of Centre Countians.

Mrs. Jane W. Tate, Bellefonte's oldest resident, died at the age of almost ninety-one years. She was born at Pleasant Gap.

Z. T. Harshberger, at his home in Milesburg, aged seventy-three years.

## FACTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT THE NEW DRAFT.

To-day, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, is registration day.

Hours of registration are between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m.

Draft includes all males between the ages of 18 and 45, inclusive, except such as are specially exempted in the proclamation.

Total registration of 12,778,758 is expected, of which Pennsylvania is estimated to furnish, 1,078,692.

Absentees may register by mail, but his registration card must reach the local board on or before the day of registration.

Persons who have no permanent place of residence must register with the board within whose jurisdiction they may be on the date of registration.

The place for registering in this district is the Old Fort hotel. The registrars are C. D. Bartholomew, R. D. Foreman, and C. W. Slack.

#### Cooney-Murray.

On Tuesday morning of last week, at 10 o'clock, Miss Edna H. Murray, of Centre Hall, and Cleveland Cooney, of McKees Rocks, were united in wedlock in Erie, by a Presbyterian minister. That same evening they arrived in Chicago, Ill., and visited the bride's brother, Paul D. Murray, and family.

The groom is a railroad conductor between Pittsburgh and Youngstown, O. He is a former Potter township boy, but has been located near Pittsburgh for a number of years. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. Rebecca Murray, of Centre Hall. For the past eighteen years, and up to almost the time of her marriage, the bride was the chief operator in the local Bell telephone exchange. Her uniform good service, her courteous manner and desire to please the Bell patrons, made her one of the most valuable operators in the employ of the Bell Telephone Company. Her many friends in Centre Hall join the Reporter in extending hearty congratulations and best wishes.

#### The Scouts.

To demonstrate to the public the usefulness of the Boy Scout movement, Scout Master J. A. Shultz invited the parents of the Boy and the Girl Scouts, and the members of the P. O. S. of A., to a meeting held by the Scouts on Monday evening, in the P. O. S. of A. hall. A brief history of the local Scout organization was given, the requirements of a Tenderfoot, and a portion of the work of class two was demonstrated.

Of course, every one of the guests present was in hearty sympathy with the Scout movement before entering the hall, but they were much more enthusiastic after the exercises were over. It became very evident throughout the exercises that the boys were being developed along various useful lines, and that the boy with scout training would be better fitted for the higher citizenship.

Although no expressions were made, the writer is voicing the sentiment of those present, when it is stated that the work of Scout Master Shultz is fully appreciated and that the movement will be given both the moral and financial support of the community to continue its successful career.

#### Rev. Barber's Ten Sermons.

Rev. Louis V. Barber, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Lemont, on Sunday commenced a series of sermons on "The Ten Commandments in Modern Life". Last Sunday his subject on the first commandment was "Other Gods". Next Sunday he will take the second commandment on the subject "Images". He will continue the commandments on successive Sundays, on the following subjects: "Swearing", "Long Life", "Holidays", "Property Rights", "Our Home", "Other Men", "Gossip", "Our Thoughts". The hour for service will be 11 a. m., excepting October 6th and November 3rd, when the hour will be changed to 7:30 p. m.

#### M. L. Smith Offers Property for Sale.

One of the best homes in Centre Hall can be bought by some one who desires a nice home. Residence is in perfect condition, cased brick, eight rooms, reception hall—all in hardwood finish. Electric light, five chandeliers, hot water and vapor heat; none better. Fine fruit, large barn, garage, chicken house and other outbuildings, all as good as new. Reason for selling is our only boy now in France and big business interests demand my attention elsewhere. Call and see this property, or write to M. L. SMITH, box 212, Centre Hall, Pa. adv. 2t.

Mercury dropped to 43 degrees Sunday night—dangerously near the frost line.

## FARMERS OF CENTRE COUNTY.

### Field Day at Snow Shoe Experiment Plots To-morrow (Friday) Afternoon.

The farmers of Centre and Clearfield counties will be given the opportunity to look over and inspect the fertilizer experiments at Snow Shoe which are conducted by the State Experiment Station.

The crops growing on the plots at the present time show very clearly the effect of lime and phosphorus applied to DeKalb soils and a trip to see these results will be time well spent.

A short and interesting program has been arranged beginning at 2:30 when the plots will be inspected and Professor White and Professor Gardner of the Department of Agronomy will explain the various treatments.

Cars passing through Bellefonte may join with the Centre county bunch which will leave from in front of the Court House at 1:00 o'clock, Friday, September 13th.

R. H. OLMSTEAD,  
County Agent.

#### Word from Lieutenant Park.

Brief mention was made in the last issue of the Reporter that Lieut. (Dr.) William E. Park had been wounded, degree unknown, while serving on the western front in France. A letter received by Mrs. Park (formerly Miss Blanch Boal, daughter of Capt. G. M. Boal, of Centre Hall) from her husband states that he had been gassed while working in an emergency hospital, a gas shell having burst a few feet from him. He was badly burned on the face and over the eyes, necessitating blindfolding. The date of the injury was August—, at which time a fierce battle raged. It was several days before the lieutenant could be taken to a base hospital. A very large per cent of the rank and file of the regiment with which he was connected was killed and wounded.

#### Bruce Stump is Safe.

A letter received on Friday morning of last week from Bruce Stump, by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stump, west of Centre Hall, for once and all establishes his complete safety, after official announcement had placed him among the "missing in action". The letter was written August 19th, exactly three weeks after the date of his reported missing. Bruce tells of being well and happy, but fails to mention the little incident on the battlefield which gave him the name of a hero. True soldier that he is, he undoubtedly viewed the affair as having been only a matter of duty and not worthy of any special mention.

#### Sugar to Advance 1 Cent, Likely.

Consumers will pay at least 1 cent a pound more for sugar after the present stocks in the country are exhausted, under the new price of cane sugar at the seaboard announced by the sugar equalization board with the approval of President Wilson.

The new price is 9 cents f. o. b., seaboard refining points for granulated less 2 per cent to refiners, compared with the existing price of 7 3/4 cents, with the same allowance for refiners.

Officials say the increase of the consumer should be about 1 cent a pound, though freight differentials would make slight differences in the advance in different sections of the country.

#### Nevel-Catherman.

Alfred Nevel, Centre Hall, and Miss Blanch Catherman, of Milmont, were united in marriage at Paoli, August 29, by Rev. Charles D. Cook.

#### Our Bank Savings Safe Unless Germany Wins.

There seems to have been a very insidious propaganda carried on, obviously by secret agents of Germany, to the effect that savings banks deposits are to be confiscated. It is difficult to believe that any person in America would credit such a report for an instant. Secretary McAdoo says that the absurdity of these statements is manifest, but in order to allay the fears of a few who might be alarmed by such reports, he repeats officially that these rumors are wholly baseless.

There is but one thing that will in the least put in danger of confiscation the savings of the American people, whether deposited in savings banks, or other banks or invested in Liberty Bonds or any other investments, and that one thing is a German victory. It is not the American Government that our people should fear, but the German Government, and with the American soldiers fighting as they are in France and the American people supporting their Government as they are in America, the American people, their liberty, their rights, and their savings are safe.

The United States instead of confiscating or endangering the savings and other property of its people is defending them and theirs with all the irresistible might of this invincible Republic.

## STATE COLLEGE OPENING

DELAYED TO SEPT. 25.

### Due to Government Order that Registration Be Done at Home.

Owing to a government order received at The Pennsylvania State College last Wednesday, requiring military registration of all males between the ages of 18 and 45 years to be done at home, the date of the opening of The Pennsylvania State College has been postponed until Wednesday, September 25, with registration days Monday and Tuesday, September 23 and 24. Under ordinary conditions, the college would have opened this Wednesday. The opening assembly in the Auditorium will be held Wednesday morning, September 25, at 10:30, instead of next Wednesday as originally planned.

On or about October first, every physically able male student of draft age will be enlisted in the army and receive board, lodging and \$30 per month. These students will constitute what is to be known as the Students' Reserve Training Corps, and from time to time will furnish men for officers' training camps, non-commissioned officers camps, special technical training, or as privates, according to the ability shown by each particular student. Since board and lodging are to be furnished to the students by the government, the question has arisen in the minds of the townspeople, where the government intends housing and feeding the men. As far as is known now, the students will be quartered in private houses as usual, and boarded in the same manner as in former years. President Sparks, who has been at Washington, is now at the Plattsburg Camp, completing the arrangements which will be in effect the coming school year.

Owing to the exceedingly large number of women students this year, more room must be made for them, and it is probable that the University Club will be taken over for this purpose. It is also rumored that all fraternity houses and large rooming houses will be taken over and made dormitories for the male students.

#### Bodies of Fallen Boys Will Be Brought Home After the War.

Americans who lose their lives in the war abroad will be buried there only temporarily. Where identification is possible the bodies will be placed in marked graves, to be taken up when the war is over and brought home.

This plan of the war department was disclosed a few days ago by the publication of articles of agreement between the army and navy regarding the transportation of the sick and wounded from overseas. A section of the agreement says:

"The remains of all officers, enlisted men and civilian employes who have died or will hereafter die in France shall be buried in France until the end of the war, when the remains shall be brought back to the United States for final interment."

"The remains of all officers, enlisted men and civilian employes who die on ships enroute to or from the United States shall be embalmed and returned to the United States on the ship on which the death occurred."

#### GREAT CROWD SEES AIRMAN LAND AT LOCK HAVEN.

#### Aerial Mail Service Between New York and Chicago Inaugurated Last Thursday.

A crowd of several thousand persons gathered at the golf links of the Clinton Country club, near Lock Haven, last Thursday to see Max Miller, the first aviator to regularly carry mail between New York and Chicago, make a stop. He made a perfect landing about 11 o'clock, and was cheered by the great throng who accorded him a warm reception. The reception committee was headed by Postmaster Paul O. Brosius and was composed of prominent Lock Haven residents, beside city and county officials.

Miller had made one landing before reaching Lock Haven. He was forced to descend at a point just outside of Danville, where he remained for a few minutes making a minor engine repair. From New York to Danville he made an uninterrupted flight. He left Belmont park, New York city at 7:09 o'clock. A second plane on the same route was expected later in the day.

When Miller arrived at Lock Haven he was served a lunch by the reception committee who had made extensive preparations to receive him.

The airman remained only a short time. In less than an hour he had replenished his supply of gasoline and was ready to resume his westward flight. His next scheduled landing was Cleveland.

At Lock Haven a small amount of mail was placed in the plane. It consisted for the most part of greetings from the postmaster and the mayor to the authorities of Chicago and other places where the airman had scheduled landings.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

This is Registration Day. Patriots will register, others MUST.

Fair weather is only needed to make the 45th Encampment and Fair a record breaker.

Fifty more prisoners were added to the Rockview pen population last week. They came from Pittsburgh on Wednesday.

Much grain has been put in the ground within the past week and farmers have now turned their attention to cutting off corn.

There were fewer cars seen on the road through Centre Hall on Sunday than on the first Sunday of the government's request for saving the gas on that day.

The First National Bank of Spring Mills opens for business on Saturday of this week. Part of the hotel property will be the temporary home of the new institution.

Mrs. William Swartz, nee Miss Maude Meeker, was conveyed to the Bellefonte hospital on Saturday and the same day underwent an operation for gall stones. She is improving nicely.

Miss Mae Shultz, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Shultz, on Tuesday entered Albright College, at Myerstown. Miss Shultz was a member of last year's High school class in Centre Hall.

A number of local residents motored to Millburg last week in quest of peaches, but were sorely disappointed. There were none to be had at that time and those coming later will sell for \$4.00 a bushel; and only the rich can afford to buy them.

The Reporter erred in its statement when it said that J. William Bradford, a registrant in Centre Hall borough, had been reclassified and placed in class Two. A member of the county board gave the classification off hand which accounts for the error. The young man's class is 3L, a more deferred class.

Rev. A. H. Smith and son Ned were guests of Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Jones over Friday night. Rev. Smith is at the head of the Hoffman Orphanage in Dauphin county and his trip to Centre county was made for the purpose of entering his son at Pennsylvania State College. However, he had not learned of the delayed opening of the college.

We want you, dear reader, to read in full what the government asks of us as publisher of a weekly newspaper, which we have printed in another column. This is no time for murmuring or complaining, as all such orders must be taken in the spirit of patriotism. While we are effecting the required saving in paper, won't you kindly heed that part of the order which requires that all subscriptions be paid up to within three months? We really need your loyal support in these trying times and no support will help so much as financial support. If you are in arrears please let us have a prompt remittance.

Six families in Millheim have furnished two sons each for the service. They are Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stover, whose sons, Gervis and Charles, are now with the marines in France; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Auman, whose sons, Bruce and Frank, are in France; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Corman, whose sons, Orvis and Robert, are in France; Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Musser, whose sons, P. Byron and Ralph, are in France; Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Brown—Henry in France and Lewis at Camp Lee, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Musser, with their sons, Lee, in France, and Guy who went to Camp Greenleaf, Ga., last Thursday.

Captain G. P. Runkle, a Bellefonte boy who is facing duty perille to do his bit for Uncle Sam, visited his old home friends one day last week. Captain Runkle is in command of a large supply ship that conveys munitions and supplies of all sorts from the United States to the Allies. He has made a number of trips that were attended with narrow escapes from being shelled by German submarines. While crossing the Mediterranean one of these trips Captain Runkle's ship was directly behind another that was hit by a torpedo from a submarine. On another occasion Captain Runkle's ship was so close to the point where a vessel had been torpedoed that he easily picked up the distress signal. In such cases ship commanders are not permitted to go to the assistance of the torpedoed vessel, that work being allotted to a certain class of boats and carrying out instructions Captain Runkle lost no time in changing the course of his ship and racing out of danger. Although he has been on the verge of attack on his ship various times, Captain Runkle remarked thus far he had never got even a glimpse of the periscope of a German submarine. Because his work is considered so hazardous he receives a bonus from the United States government and another from France or Great Britain, according to which country he happens to deliver a cargo of supplies, in addition to his regular salary.