

Paragraphs of News Taken from the Files of the Reporter of 1884.

January 16, 1884.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Keller, of this place, last week started on a trip to Iowa.

William Keller has raised a large class in vocal music in this place.
The Evangelical congregation of Millheim are engaged preparing material for the erection of a new church during the coming summer. The structure is to be of brick.

Married.—On Dec. 20th, in the Zion church, near Tusseyville, by Rev. Benjamin Hengst, John W. Lose, of Millheim, and Miss Mary E. Strohm, of Tusseyville.

To Write War History.

The Pennsylvania War History Commission was organized in Philadelphia on Saturday. The object of this commission is to preserve the military and naval record of every man in Pennsylvania who is today, or will be, in the service of his country. In other words, it is proposed to compile in brief the history of every one of the 300,000 soldiers and sailors now wearing their country's uniform, and of the other thousands who will in the future be called during this war.

There will be an organization in every one of the 67 counties of Pennsylvania whose duty it will be to gather the data concerning all the soldiers and sailors in their respective counties.

In addition to the records of the men who are in the actual military service this commission will gather now while all the facts are available all the records of what Pennsylvania is doing in other ways to help win this war. It will show what Pennsylvania is doing in the industrial field, in a financial way, in manufacturing, in the production and conservation of food. It will also enumerate the labors of Pennsylvania's large number of war work associations or committees. In brief, it will gather together the complete facts about Pennsylvania's part in this war from every standpoint.

Centre Has Largest Forest Fires.

With her war industries buying wood from almost every timbered State in the Union, Pennsylvania last spring had almost a quarter of a million acres of forest land burned over within her own boundaries. This is the outstanding fact in the report of the Chief Forest Fire Warden for the spring fire season just passed.

From February first to June first 1,355 forest fires burned over 202,338 acres, destroyed timber valued at \$360,000, and cost \$26,000 to extinguish. Indirect damage difficult to estimate, such as injury to watersheds, will make the total loss for over a million dollars. Fifty fires or more than a thousand acres each burned over half the total area. About 175 fires burned less than one acre each, 806 burned from one to one hundred acres each, and 325 burned from 100 to 1,000 acres each.

The causes of the fires were:—Railroads, 458; brush burning on dry days, 113; incendiary, 94; campers, 25; careless lumbering, 43; lightning, 5; miscellaneous causes, 138; cause unknown, 476. It is interesting to note that the Nation's railroads caused more than one-third of the State's timber loss.

The largest single fire burned 8,400 acres in Rush township, Centre county. The total area burned in Centre county was 22,827 acres. Clinton is next with 17,413 acres burned. The area burned on the State Forests was only 15,900 acres, or about one and one-half per cent. of their total area.

AARONSBURG.

A number of relatives attended the funeral of Lloyd Brown, at Linden Hall. Fred Boyer, of Illinois, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boyer.

The schools are closed on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza.

Mrs. Marion Eisenhauer, of Millmont, is visiting her mother in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foster and Miss Barber, of Millinburg, are guests of J. W. Foster.

Mrs. Eva Boeling and children, of Pittsburgh, are guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mowery.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mingle received a letter this week from their son, who is stationed at Puget Sound, Washington.

Bright Orwig and John Winkleblech are suffering with influenza, but both are on a fair way to full recovery.

Mr. Willard, brother Elmer and their mother, Mrs. L. F. Wilk, of Franklin, and Robert Brown, of Bellevue, Ohio, attended the Lloyd Brown funeral, at Linden Hall, and spent a day with relatives there.

Rev. and Mrs. Cameron and son, of Hartleton, spent a short time as guests of Rev. Weaver and family at the Lutheran parsonage.

An interesting letter has been received from Private George Blaine Bitner, by his aunt, which was written on board a transport. The young soldier was expecting to reach land in a few days.

Will Sell Carload of "Feeders".

A. M. Riegel, the Salona stock buyer, unloaded a carload of western cattle—all steers and in prime condition—at Centre Hall on Wednesday, and will sell them at public sale at the hotel barn on Monday, October 14th, at one o'clock. See posters.

FOOD CONTROL SAVES PUBLIC IMMENSE SUMS

Two Hundred Million Dollars is Pennsylvania's Share.

"CORNERS" WERE PREVENTED

Food in Plenty Supplied the People by Restriction and Regulation in Supplies and Prices, Mr. Heinz Reports.

The food Administration has saved vast sums for the people of the State as well as insuring them an adequate supply of food. This fact is made clear in the annual report of Howard Heinz, Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, just published. Left to the normal law of supply and demand, prices would have soared far above the level which they have reached, with the natural result that the wealthy would have had a surplus of food and the poor would have been able to buy only the barest necessities.

The Food Administration has prevented this by its "fair price list" system; and although they have not been able to keep prices as low as they would have liked, still "corners" have been prevented.

Some Astonishing Figures.

In wheat flour there is a normal consumption of about 9,000,000 barrels in Pennsylvania and the Food Administration has by regulation effected a saving in prices of from \$10 to \$12 per barrel. Left to the law of supply and demand flour would have reached a price of \$25 a barrel. This on flour alone, means a saving of at least ninety million dollars to Pennsylvanians.

In sugar the figures are even greater. Uncontrolled the price would have soared to at least 25 cents a pound, as was the case in the Bermudas, and with a normal consumption of seven hundred and twenty million pounds in the State there is shown roughly, a saving of about one hundred million dollars. In these two items alone, the Food Administration saved the people of the State almost two hundred million dollars in actual money.

The Food Administration began in March, 1917, as the Department of Food Supply of the Committee of Public Safety, and Mr. Howard Heinz, of Pittsburgh, was appointed director by the Governor in May of the same year. Mr. Heinz first assembled an Advisory Committee composed of Mr. Lewis S. Sadler, of Carlisle; J. S. Crutchfield, E. Y. Babcock, Judge Joseph Buffington, W. L. Clause, A. W. Mellon, all of Pittsburgh; M. E. Bushong, of Quarryville; C. B. Ewing, of Mt. Union; M. C. Kennedy, of Chambersburg; M. S. McDowell, of State College; Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain, of Lancaster; John McK. Sparron, of Furness; E. L. Tustin, H. D. Irwin, J. Russell Smith, and Mrs. Charles M. Lea, all of Philadelphia.

This organization did most excellent work and continued in existence until in August when the United States Food Administration was created by Congress and Herbert Hoover was made United States Food Administrator.

The Federal Administration, President Wilson, through Mr. Hoover, appointed Mr. Heinz Federal Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, and to avoid duplication of effort, it became necessary to form one general organization. Mr. Heinz immediately organized this department to meet the increased duties which accrued from his Federal appointment and the Food Administration in Pennsylvania is now organized in twenty-one divisions, each under a chief of division, who serves without salary.

One of the first works of the Administration was to insure the complete harvesting of the Pennsylvania crops and this was successfully accomplished through school boy labor and other means. The Division of Distribution and Markets successfully established curb markets in the larger cities, and the number of them was increased during the past year.

Conserving State's Food. In conservation of food a State-wide campaign was begun and the schools, churches, the women of the State, fraternal organizations and every other means of spreading this knowledge was utilized. A Food Demonstration Railroad Train was also operated in the autumn of 1917 during the summer of the present year. It has been attended by remarkable success.

The Division of Enforcement or Legal Department investigates all violations of the food regulations, correcting those which are due to ignorance, and penalizing only the most willful offenders. The work of the division has been vastly supplemented by a corps of field agents or inspectors, recently organized, which has the entire State under surveillance.

The hotels and restaurants have strongly supported the Food Administration and more than eight thousand pledge cards which bind their signers to observe the Food Administration regulations are on file. It is estimated that the saving in wheat alone from November, 1917, to May, 1918, was 9,000,000 pounds and of meat more than 8,000,000 pounds. From February to May, 1918, the hotels and restaurants saved about 3,300,000 pounds of sugar.



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Forward!

The same sharp challenge to battle is sounding for us. We must answer in the same proud way—the way of our fighting men—the American way. We must lend the way they fight.

We must show the war-maddened Hun a united American people moving forward shoulder to shoulder, irresistibly, to Victory.

Our task is to supply the money, the ships, the guns, the shells that we must have to win. It is a tremendous task. We must do it as our fighting men do theirs—with the indomitable spirit of Victory.

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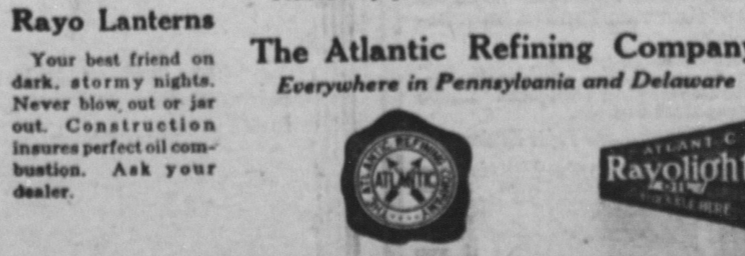
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A Glimpse of Industrial Russia.
Miss Clara I. Taylor, Y. W. C. A. secretary in Moscow, was beginning an inspection of economic and social conditions in factories in Russia when the following letter was written to her father, Mr. John W. Taylor, of Taylorville, Ill. Miss Taylor specialized in economics and sociology at the University of Wisconsin and has done industrial work for the National Board Y. W. C. A.

Moscow, June 6.
I began visiting factories this week and am having a most interesting time. Supposedly a committee of working men and women control affairs, and in many respects they do, but the former management has kept the business end in many cases. I have been in textile factories mostly, seeing the weaving of fine voiles, as well as other fine and course materials making of laces, nets, fine prints and the making of buttons out of cocoanuts, and wooden buttons from near tree wood. The cocoanuts are imported from Africa.

On the whole the factory buildings are big, fire proof brick and cement buildings, well lighted and ventilated. The machinery comes largely from England and Germany. Over half of the employees live in big houses owned by the factory. A family to a room with a community kitchen. They paid an allowance of nine rubles a month formerly, now seven rubles a day for food. The firm paying for fuel, light and in some cases give a certain number of clothes twice a year. Also each factory has its own hospital, defraying most of the expenses, burying the dead, and operating any schools.

The girls and men are stolid and rather patient looking pieces of humanity. In most cases the women are married to soldiers and are now refusing to give up their places in the factory. In most cases since the Bolsheviks took the government, unions have been organized, and the women are paid as much as the men for the same piece of work.

The factories are unionized now but not quite the same as ours. There is one big union for all the textile industries, each factory having representatives according to the number of employees, and the union decided all matters of wages, hours (which is now eight hours all over Russia), hospital management and all such questions. Membership is compulsory and from one to two per cent. of wages is paid monthly as dues. The employees must pay 10 per cent. of the whole wage for hospital and sick benefit, 4 per cent. for general unemployment. This union is going to allow their firms 12 per cent. profit. This week I hope to finish the silk textile, rubber and candy factories inside the city; many of the big factories are outside the city from one to ten vorsts.

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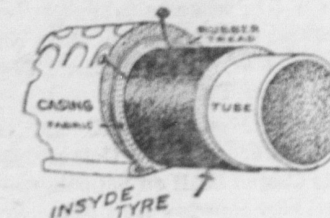
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