



WANT WAR SERVICE RECORD OF PENNSYLVANIA SOLDIERS.

The Public is Requested to Cooperate in Making State's Official Honor Roll Complete.

The service record of every Pennsylvania soldier and sailor is desired by the War History Commission of the Pennsylvania Council of National Defense for permanent preservation in the State archives.

Through the generous cooperation of the press of the State, a war service record blank will be printed in all newspapers. This blank is prepared so that the answers to questions thereon stated will furnish a complete brief history of each sailor's or soldier's record in the war.

It is determined there will be no repetition of the incomplete recording of war service which resulted at the time of the Civil War, because no adequate steps were then taken to obtain the facts.

When the war service record blank appears in the newspapers, relatives or friends of every man who entered the service are urged to clip it out, fill in the information, and forward it to the War History Commission.

Concerning Teachers' Wages During Time Lost By the Epidemic.

In many localities school boards and teachers have clashed over the matter of payment of teachers' wages for the time lost by schools being closed owing to the influenza epidemic.

More Boys Home With Honorable Discharges.

Christmas was made a more enjoyable occasion in several homes in and about Centre Hall by reason of the return of a soldier son from the cantonments.

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Roy Dutrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dutrow, has also been discharged from Camp Lee.

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"Suwanee River Quartette."

There's something good a comin' for the Centre Hall Lecture Course patrons on Saturday evening, January 4th.

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The annual meeting of the Centre County Threshermen and Farmers' Protective Association will meet in the grand jury room, in the Court House, on Saturday, January 4th, 1919, at 10 a. m.

Compensation Insurance and other important business will be considered and a full attendance is desired.

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CENTRE COUNTY GAINS GOAL IN SALE OF W. S. STAMPS.

Its Quota of \$876,200, and More Reached in Closing Days of the Year.—One of the Few "Banner Counties" of Penn.

Bellefonte, Pa., January 1, 1919. To the District Chairmen, Limit Holders, Postmasters, and those personally interested in the War Saving Campaign in Centre County:

As County Chairman of the National War Savings Committee, permit me, at this time, to express to you my sincere thanks for the part you have taken in this patriotic work during the past year.

Your services have been in a degree as needful and as patriotic as the sacrificial deeds of our fine young men in Belgium, in Northern France and elsewhere, during the World War.

Let me again thank you for your great work, your determined efforts and your patriotic service in behalf of the War Savings Campaign in Centre County.

With personal regards, Very truly yours, W. HARRISON WALKER, Chairman War Savings Committee for Centre County.

The Airman Was With Us.

For a brief period Saturday afternoon preceding Christmas, a hundred or more residents of Centre Hall enjoyed a "close-up" view of an airman and his machine.

The machine was one used on the Wilson air-mail route and the pilot in trying to locate Bellefonte, one of the stopping points on the route from New York to Chicago, lost his bearings and was forced to land.

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Leister Farm Not Sold.

The Leister farm, east of Potters Mills was bid up to \$72.50 per acre, making a total of \$7395, but the owner, A. P. Leister, concluded the offer not sufficient.

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WEEK OF PRAYER, 1919.

Union Meetings of the Churches of Centre Hall Begin Next Sunday Evening.

PROGRAM

Sunday, January 5th Sermon, "The Need of the Church Today"—REV. J. A. SHULTZ. Lutheran Church. Monday, January 6th Subject: Thanksgiving and Humiliation.—REV. W. H. WILLIAMS. Presbyterian Church. Tuesday, January 7th Subject: Church Unity Throughout the World.—REV. R. R. JONES. Methodist Church. Wednesday, January 8th Subject: Nations and Their Rulers.—REV. D. S. KURTZ. Methodist Church. Thursday, January 9th Subject: Missions and Missionaries.—REV. J. A. SHULTZ. Methodist Church. Friday, January 10th Subject: Families, Schools, Colleges, and Youth.—REV. W. H. WILLIAMS. Evangelical Church. Saturday, January 11th Subject: Home Missions and Social Regeneration.—REV. R. R. JONES. Evangelical Church. Sunday, January 12th Sermon: "Jesus' Standard of Measuring Human Life"—REV. D. S. KURTZ. Reformed Church.

Sunday evening services at 7 o'clock. Week evening services at 7:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend these services. Music by a union choir. Book used, Great Revival Hymns, No. 2. Pray daily for the success of the meeting and for God's blessing upon the community.

AIRPLANE MAILS TO STAY.

Government to Extend Service, Aero Club is Told.

Charles N. Kight, a special representative of the aerial mail service of the Post Office Department, in addressing the Aero Club of Pennsylvania at a recent meeting in Philadelphia, described the set-backs and failures that usually precede success, even when the Government is back of the job.

When we started the special delivery system it dragged. The department was wondering why the people did not take hold. Now ask them to abandon it and see what they'll say.

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William Bailey Writes from France.

Nantes, France, December 1, 1918. Dear folks: I am stationed at the U. S. A. base hospital, No. 11. Many of the patients are going back to the States, and are moving very rapidly.

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THE DEATH RECORD.

VONADA—Mrs. Pearl Vonada, daughter of A. P. Heckman, died at her parental home near Penns Cave, on Saturday evening, of pneumonia, following a week's illness with influenza.

GETTIG—Mrs. Lillian Gettig, wife of J. A. Gettig, passed away at her home in Braddock on Friday, December 20th, of bronchial pneumonia, developing from influenza.

NEIDIGH—Mrs. Mary Belle Neidigh, wife of N. C. Neidigh, died at her home near State College, on Monday of last week, of pneumonia, following influenza.

BRUNGART—Mrs. William Brungart died at her home near Rebersburg on Thursday morning, December 19th, after an illness lasting only since Saturday previous.

CORMAN—Mrs. Carrie (Musser) Corman, wife of Jeremiah Corman, passed away at her home at Coburn, on Tuesday, 24th ultimo, of pneumonia, following influenza.

KREPS—Mrs. Amelia Kreps died at her home in Pleasant Gap on the 23rd of December. Her illness began with influenza, meningitis developing and causing her death.

GRIEB—S. S. Grieb, a prominent resident of State College, passed away Sunday, the 14th ult, of heart trouble, aged sixty-one years.

A Beautiful Calendar. One of the largest and most artistic calendars to be presented during the holiday season was that given by the Beatty Motor Company, of Bellefonte.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

We now write it with two "ones" and two "nines"—thus, 1919. The average gain in weight of the American soldier since entering the service is twelve pounds per man.

The auditors' statement of the receipts and expenditures of Potter township for the year 1918 appears in this issue. A meeting of the local Y. W. C. A. will be held at the home of Miss Lena Emerick to-morrow (Friday) evening.

Saturday evening, January 4th—Suwanee River Quartette, negro male singers—in Grange hall. Open to Lecture Course patrons. Messrs. J. W. Garbrick and C. W. Smeltzer, of near Bellefonte, were callers at this office on Monday, the former enrolling as a Reporter subscriber.

Miss Florence Love, of Bellefonte, visited friends in Centre Hall last week, during her vacation from her labors in the Watchman printing office. The influenza scourge continues its sweep over the world. It has now reached Japan where many persons are reported to be dying in the epidemic.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Buck, of Wellston, Ohio, spent a few days last week with the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Geary. Wilbur Lucas bought up over a thousand dollars' worth of dressed pork from the Tusseyville farmers last week, and delivered the same by truck to Lock Haven.

Harry W. Potter, of Edmonds, Washington, son of J. T. Potter, of Centre Hall, is enjoying a four weeks' vacation on a trip through California. He hoped to reach San Diego.

Week of Prayer services commence on Sunday evening in the Lutheran church, sermon by Rev. J. A. Shultz. The complete program for the week will be found in another column.

Squire T. B. Jamison, of Spring Mills, for forty years agent for the Lykens Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was in Centre Hall on Monday distributing calendars among the company's patrons.

When John Venrick, of Colyer, went to his barn on Christmas morning he found one of his mules dead in the stall. The animal got one of its hind legs fastened in the halter, causing death by strangulation.

George Michael, of McClure, was in Centre Hall on Monday. He has been unable to do any work since October, owing to rheumatism. He expects to spend several weeks with relatives at Woodward and elsewhere.

Public roads generally are in miserable condition. The December rains turned fairly good roads into mud lanes, which the following cold weather caused to freeze up while in their plastic state, with the result that many roads were never so rough.

Hiram Lee, of Oaks, Montgomery county, visited his brothers in Centre county, a week or more ago, and then left for Altoona to visit his brother-in-law, J. B. Royer, following which he started for the west. In Kansas he will visit his sister, Mrs. S. P. Ruble, and then Mr. Lee thinks he will go on out to California.

The State Health Department has sent to undertakers of the State a long list of questions to answer, relative to the prices charged for embalming, caskets, cabs hire, cemetery lots and other services rendered during the recent influenza epidemic. It is alleged that there was "funeral profiteering" in some parts of Pennsylvania, while the flu was causing many deaths.

Winter set in the day following Christmas, with a fall of twenty degrees in temperature, accompanied by a light snowfall. From the first of December until Christmas day the weather was mild, and instead of the customary December snows there were six days of rain, totaling nearly one and three-quarter inches. The "oldest citizens" searched their memory for a December in the long ago that compared with the December of 1918 for mildness.

Trained specialists will be produced at the Pennsylvania State College to aid in the rehabilitation and development of Russia. The college proposes to select representative students from the upper-classes in the technical courses for special instruction, with a view to their participation in the reconstruction of that country.

It is planned to have sixty-five students in the group every year, devoting about one-third of his time to the study of the Russian language, Russian economic history, industrial history, trade routes, and resources of the nation. The course contemplates experts in the following branches: agricultural, 20; forestry, 3; animal husbandry, 5; electrical engineering, 8; mining engineering, 5; railway engineering, 3; commerce and finance experts 6, and specialists in education, 5.