

### 7,354,000 MEN WERE KILLED IN BATTLE.

#### Russia Heaviest Loser With 1,700,000 Battle Deaths.—Germany Was Second and France Third.

Seven million three hundred and fifty-four thousand men died in battle during the great world war according to official figures given out by Chief of Staff March on the first of the month.

Russia was the heaviest sufferer with 1,700,000 battle deaths, Germany was second, France third and the U. S. last among the great powers.

Battle deaths are those occurring in action or from wounds received in action. The total battle deaths aside from Russia are: Germany, 1,600,000; France, 1,385,300; Austria Hungary, 800,000; Great Britain, 706,800; Italy, 460,000; Turkey, 250,000; Belgium, 102,000; Bulgaria, 100,000; Serbia and Montenegro, 100,000; and the United States of America, 50,000.

Chief of Staff March also announced that demobilization to date numbers 27,322 officers and 1,284,524 men.

#### Rhone—Dunlap.

On Tuesday morning of last week, at 10:30 o'clock, Miss May V. Rhone, of Centre Hall, and Rev. W. C. Dunlap, D. D., of Louisville, Kentucky, were united in holy marriage at Newport, Kentucky.

The past fifteen years the bride has held a responsible position in the Pennsylvania Dairy and Food department at Harrisburg, and last week Commissioner James Foust and the ladies and gentlemen of the department presented the then Miss Rhone with a handsome silver dinner set. Mr. Foust in making the presentation stated: "In view of your efficient service and the friendly relations that have always existed, it is a pleasure to present you with a small token of regard and appreciation."

The bride who is a native of Centre county, is a daughter of the late Hon. Leonard Rhone, for eighteen years Worthy Master of the Pennsylvania State Grange and who represented Centre county in the General Assembly several terms. She is a highly cultured lady and well fitted to fill her new sphere in life. The groom, Rev. Wilton Clyde Dunlap D. D., is also a native of Centre county, in fact he and his bride were schoolmates and it is known their marriage is the realization of a youthful dream of both. He is a man of sterling character and is pastor of the First Lutheran church, of Louisville, Kentucky, one of the largest in that well known southern city.

The Reporter joins their large circle of relatives and friends in wishing them a life full of joy and happiness.

#### Orphans' Home Receives Bequest.

The Tressler Orphans' Home of the Lutheran Church at Loysville, will receive \$2000 by the will of Reuben Brubaker, of Carlisle.

#### State Agricultural Notes.

Schuykill county leads in the ten year average for buckwheat with 22.6 bushels to the acre.

The highest average yield in the past few years for buckwheat was made in Northampton county with 26 bushels in 1915.

Pennsylvania woolen manufacturers used the second largest amount of wool in the United States during 1918.

An increase in the number of flocks of sheep in the State over last year is reported to the Department of Agriculture.

#### CLIP YOUR COUPONS

The Saturday Evening Post gives the following advice:

It seems that many holders of Liberty Bonds are not collecting the interest when it falls due. If it is a small bond the half-yearly interest is a small sum. Perhaps it does not seem to the holder worth bothering with. Perhaps he does not know how to do it.

Every six months an interest coupon, attached to the bond, falls due. It is as good as money at any respectable bank. Cut it off and hand it in at the bank. Then put the amount into War Savings Stamps or into another Liberty Bond subscription.

We have found bondholders who failed to clip coupons with the idea that by letting the government keep the interest money they were helping on with the war. But that is not the way to do it. When interest falls due the Treasurer must hold in readiness a sum sufficient to pay it all. By collecting the interest and investing the proceeds in stamps you take it off the Treasurer's hands and clean up the books.

Take your Liberty Bond investment seriously. Clip the coupons when they fall due.

A Reporter ad. brings results.

### HORSES AVERAGE \$250.00.

#### Sale of Ohio Horses at Centre Hall on Monday Well Attended by Farmers.

Ohio horses sold at good figures at the public sale held by C. E. Shively, of Millinburg, at Centre Hall on Monday afternoon. The day was a perfect one and there was a big turnout of farmers, nine out of every ten coming to town in their own automobiles.

As the list published herewith shows, the buyers in the main were Millinburg parties. There was spirited bidding for the animals and with the exception of two, the horses were sold in teams. Sixteen animals sold at an average of nearly \$250.00, the highest team selling for \$520.00.

The list of purchasers and prices paid, follows:

J. C. Hackenberg, Millinburg, \$550.00  
A. W. Witmer, Bellefonte, - - 215.00  
Floyd Wetzel, Millinburg, - - 502.50  
B. C. Kleckner, Millinburg, - - 542.50  
Hoyd Walter, Millinburg, - - 395.00  
Joseph Oister, Millinburg, - - 520.00  
S. W. Ripka, Pleasant Gap, - - 204.00  
E. H. Ziegler, Madisonburg, - 504.00  
J. H. Burkholder, Potters Mills, 552.00

#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Sunday was a beautiful day, with mercury standing at 50.

Mrs. H. J. Lambert is preparing to build a garage on her property on Church street.

Miss Emma McCoy, after spending two months with relatives in the eastern part of the state, returned to her home here on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Getchell and son Wendell, of Greensburg, are here on a short visit at the home of Mrs. Getchell's parents, "Squire and Mrs. Cyrus Brungart."

Edward and Fred Horner, sons of Mr. George Horner, of Linden Hall, have rented the big farm of James I. Thompson, near State College, and will begin operations April 1st.

George W. Bradford, of near Milroy, is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John A. Marts, in this place. An attack of illness prevented his returning home when he contemplated.

Robert E. Harter, of Bridgewater, South Dakota, was an arrival in Millheim, his old home, on Monday afternoon of last week. Mr. Harter moved to South Dakota seventeen years ago, and it is eight years since he last visited in this valley.

April 1st—moving day—is fast approaching, and there are several families in Centre Hall who have no place to go. While the housing situation in Centre Hall is so serious, conditions in the town right across the mountain—Pleasant Gap—are of the other extreme: plenty of houses and no tenants.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Boozer and two interesting little children—Mary Ellen and David—of Wilmette, Illinois, were arrivals in Centre Hall on Saturday, at the home of Mr. Boozer's father, D. A. Boozer. Owing to the pressure of business, Mr. Boozer was forced to return to Chicago on Monday, but his family will enjoy a month's visit in Centre Hall.

#### Fire Cleans Up Cash and Liberty Bonds.

An Italian shanty in Burnham was totally destroyed by fire Saturday morning. Cash and Liberty Bonds amounting to \$2,000 stored in a trunk in the home were burned. Mr. and Mrs. Ignace Fernez and three children occupied the four room one story frame building owned by William C. Musser, of Burnham.

It is stated that Mr. Fernez is a prosperous naturalized Italian. In his effort to save his children from being burned to death he forgot about the large sum of money he had placed in the trunk, and when he returned to the burning dwelling to get his savings he found his way blocked by flames.

#### War Savings.

Americans in 1918 invested \$1,105,067,471.80 in Thrift and War Savings Stamps, according to the report issued today by the Savings Division Treasury Department. The total represents a per capita investment of \$9.64 according to the latest census figures.

To Nebraska goes the credit for having attained the highest total with net sales of \$27,450,189.95 and a per capita sale of \$21.18. Ohio came second with a total of \$86,244,733.20 and a per capita of \$16.39 and South Dakota third with \$9,911,807.81 and a per capita of \$16.37. The District of Columbia, which has organized as a separate unit for the sale of Thrift and War Savings Stamps, was fourth with a per capita of \$16.93, sales being \$5,882,850.40. The gross sales for Ohio were the largest of any state. December sales alone aggregated \$83,728,119.43. Connecticut leading with \$5,568,370.70, a per capita sale of \$2.67. Vermont with a per capita sale of \$2.03 was second and Iowa third with a per capita of \$1.71.

### STATE ASKS FOR BIDS ON CENTRE COUNTY ROADS.

#### Six Miles of Brick and Concrete Construction Road in Spring Twp., and Short Stretch of Brick for Phillipsburg.

The State Highway Department has called for bids for the construction of fifty and one-twelfth miles of permanent road in various sections of the State. This mileage is in addition to the fifty-three miles for which bids were asked early last week. Each section for which bids are asked is part of one of the primary highways included in Gov. Sprout's "primary" system.

Seventeen sections of highway are included in the announcement of this week. In fourteen instances the roads to be built are to be eighteen feet in width and will replace the old one of six, ten feet, followed for many years by the department.

In Centre county the Highway Department has asked for bids on the following construction:

In Spring township, 32,000 feet; route No. 27; brick and concrete construction. In Phillipsburg borough, 676 feet of brick construction.

Clinton county comes in for 13,740 feet of concrete construction.

Within the next few weeks bids will be asked on the construction of several hundred additional miles of highway.

#### School Report—Fifth Month.

Report of primary school: Number enrolled, males 18, females 20, total 38. Average attendance, males 17, females 18, total 35. Per cent. attendance, males 93, females 87, total 90. Those present every day during month are Myrtydith Coldron, Eugene Colyer, Bruce Knarr, Paul Marts, Frank Rine, George Riter, John Riter, Bruce Smith, Luther Wagner, Dorothy Emerick, Ethyl McClenahan, Margaret McClenahan, Helen Odenkirk, Estella Ruble, Genevieve Ruble and Sara Runkle. Those not missing a day during term are Myrtydith Coldron, Ethyl McClenahan, Margaret McClenahan and Genevieve Ruble.—Helen Bartholomew, teacher.

Grammar school. Per cent of attendance: boys 87, girls 93, average 90. Those present every day during the month are: Ethel Frank, Agnes Geary, Charlotte Keller, Vianna Zettle, Florence Zettle, Theodor Breon, Albert Emery, Howard Emery, Paul Fetteroff, Paul Smith, Albert Smith, Daniel Smith.—Isabel Rowe teacher.

#### Wounded in Battle of Verdun.

A grand welcome was accorded Private Andrew Swartzell when he arrived at his home in Milroy last Thursday, after having been honorably discharged from the service. He was a member of the 26th Division of the U. S. Army in France, and in the Verdun engagement he was struck by an enemy machine gun bullet which passed through his breast near his heart, punctured his left lung and broke his fifth rib, after taking a downward course. Some books which he had in his pocket deflected the course of the bullet, probably saving his life. At the same time his left thumb was shot off at the first joint and a bullet pierced his right arm between the shoulder and elbow. The young hero was also in the drive against St. Mihiel which his division captured in seventy-two hours, after the French armies were unable to make the capture after two years unsuccessful fighting against the Huns strongly fortified there. The 26th Division held the strategic St. Mihiel position for five days and was then relieved by another fresh division.

One of his brothers is Private Earl B. Swartzell who landed at Newport News last February 22. He was with the 28th Division, Co. A, 107th Machine Gun Corps, and took part in the heavy Marne River battles. He was a volunteer, enlisting at Boalsburg.

A third brother, Private Charles Bartley Swartzell, is a member of the 56th Pioneer Infantry which is now with the American Army of Occupation at Coblenz, Germany. He spent last Christmas Day on German soil.

#### THE VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN.

The Victory Liberty Loan campaign will begin not later than April 21st. The requirements of the Treasury are imperative and cannot be financed without such a campaign. The form and terms of the securities to be issued remain to be determined. Whether they be bonds or notes, it is absolutely essential that the widest possible measure of distribution be realized. This will necessitate a campaign of the same character as that conducted in the past through the existing Liberty Loan organizations. They have pledged again their united support in order that the Victory Liberty Loan bonds or notes may be distributed as widely as possible among the American people.

Public sales in this section within the next week, are: To-day (Thursday), J. R. Irwin, near Linden Hall; Friday, March 7, Morris Long, on the Adam Heckman farm near Potters Mills.

#### Fire at Spring Mills.

The stable of J. D. Long, near the railroad station, at Spring Mills, was totally destroyed by fire early Saturday evening. The stable joined the Huss property and with plenty of assistance those buildings were saved. A public sale was held on the Huss premises in the afternoon.

The origin of the fire is unknown. There was no insurance.

#### Ross Bushman Landed Safely.

On Monday, Mrs. Sadie Bushman received a telegram from her son, D. Ross Bushman, apprising her of his safe arrival at New York, after six and one-half months service in France as a member of Co E, 29th Engineers. He left Centre Hall on the 28th of June of last year.

#### Grange Encampment and Fair, September 6 to 12.

The forty-sixth annual Encampment and Fair, on Grange Park, Centre Hall, will be held this year from September 6th to 12th.

#### Farmers' Week Attended by Many.

The thirteenth annual Farmers' Week activities which came to a close at noon Friday, were perhaps better attended than any of those previously held. The session opened with an evening meeting Monday.

It is estimated that over one thousand farmers and their families were present to attend the annual lectures and demonstrations.

#### Will Sell Bread as Usual.

Miss Emma McCoy is again at her home in Centre Hall and wishes to state that she will sell bread as usual, soliciting the patronage of the public. adv.

#### Millinery Opening, March 15th.

I wish to announce that I have recently returned from the eastern cities with a splendid selection of Spring and Summer millinery, and that on Saturday, March 15th, these goods will be ready for your inspection and purchase.

The styles are especially handsome and there is something to please everybody, those of fastidious taste as well as those of the more conservative class.

Remember the opening date—March 15th.

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#### Bonus Checks Ready for Discharged Soldiers.

It is announced by the war department at Washington that arrangements have been completed for the payment to discharged officers and enlisted men of the army of the \$50 bonus provided in the revenue law. A statement issued by the war departments says:

"Those who have been discharged and have received their final pay without the \$50 bonus should write to the Zone Finance Officers, Lemon building, Washington, stating their services since April 6, 1917, the date of last discharges and their present addresses to which they desire their bonus checks sent and inclosing with this letter their discharge certificates or military order for discharge, or both, if both were issued.

"It is estimated that at least 1,250,000 persons have been discharged who are entitled to the benefits of this act, and while payments will be made as expeditiously as practicable, it will manifestly take considerable time to write and mail this many checks."

#### CENTRE MILLS.

Mr. Wolf, of Spring Bank, will move to Wolf's Store, Thursday.

Miles Breen moved from Sunbury to his mother's home last Thursday.

Mr. Henry, one of Milroy's prosperous merchants, and Mrs. Henry, visited Miss Minnie Kline on Monday.

Joseph Beckenbaugh will make sale of his farm stock and implements and move to Smullin into the house he purchased from Mrs. Harry.

George Bechtel moved his parents from the Jno. A. Kline house to his home last Friday. His father's helpless condition necessitated George's help in caring for him.

The sale held by Mrs. Levi Stump last Saturday was well attended and household furniture brought fair prices, but the home was not sold as the highest bid was only \$500, and it was considered worth more than twice that sum.

Adam Reish and Mrs. Paul Hackman visited relatives in Nittany Valley over Sunday; they were accompanied home by Mrs. Reish and daughter Dorothea, who visited there last week.

Willis Best, who sailed for France in October, returned home Sunday. Many of his friends and neighbors called on him that day. He was ready to march to the front and fight the Hun when the armistice was signed. He brought some war relics with him and it was interesting to hear him relate his experience on land and sea. Willis is a bright boy and every inch a soldier.

O. M. Lonberger, of near Pleasant Gap, was a caller at this office on Monday and announced a clear-up sale for Friday, March 28th, at one o'clock.

### THE DEATH RECORD.

WION.—The remains of Mrs. Mary Jane Wion were laid to rest in the local cemetery Saturday afternoon, her death having taken place Wednesday previous at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Richard Brooks, west of Centre Hall. Her pastor, Rev. D. S. Kurtz, was the officiating minister. Her age was eighty-one years, one month and fifteen days.

Mrs. Wion was born in Juniata county, and with her parents moved to Millinburg county early in her life. About forty-eight years ago, she and her husband, the late Daniel Wion, moved to the Bairfoot farm, west of Centre Hall, where they lived for nine years, when they moved to Valentine farm, near Bellefonte, for a period of over twenty years. From there they moved to Centre Hall, where Mr. Wion died. Shortly after her husband's death, Mrs. Wion made her home with her daughter mentioned above, and during her last sickness which covered a long period, another daughter, Mrs. Margaret Holms, gave her almost continuous attention.

Mrs. Wion was a woman of a retiring disposition, and was greatly devoted to her family, which consisted of these: Frank, Bellefonte; Mrs. Anna Reish, Mrs. Margaret Holmes, Bellefonte; Mrs. Ida Carson, Woodward; Mrs. Sara Brooks. She was the last member of the Swabb family.

PAULEY.—Samuel S. Pauley died at his home in Sterling, Ill., February 16th, aged over seventy-seven years. The deceased was born in Gregg township, but was raised in Potter township and for many years has been a resident of Sterling, Illinois. He was a consistent member of the Lutheran church since boyhood. He leaves to mourn his departure two daughters—Mrs. Charles Best, of Belvidere, Illinois, and Miss Ida, at home. Also two sisters and one brother—John Pauley, of Rockford, Ill., Mrs. Carrie Carver, of Omaha, Nebraska, and Mrs. Maria Wagner, of Tusseyville. His wife, Susan Shoop Pauley, preceded him to the beyond a short time previous—January 4th, 1919.

#### Rev. Beiber's Father Dead.

Elias Beiber, father of Rev. B. F. Beiber, former pastor of the Penns Valley Lutheran church, died at his home near Milton, on the 19th ult., aged eighty-four years, as the result of a paralytic stroke. He is survived by his wife and six children.

#### Deaths of Centre Countians.

J. C. F. Motz, a former resident of Woodward, died at his home at Moneysen, aged forty-seven years. He was at the head of a big lumber industry.

Mrs. Harriet Auman, widow of Jacob Auman, died at Green Briar, aged seventy-eight years. Interment at Paradise.

Dr. W. S. Gilliland, of Kathaus, aged seventy-six years. He was born at Centre Hill.

#### Woman Dies of Burns.

Mrs. E. Lloyd Rogers, wife of the principal of the Bellefonte High school, passed away in the Bellefonte hospital a week ago Saturday as the result of being badly burned at her home in the Aiken block by the explosion of a pan containing turpentine, on Friday morning. In his efforts to extinguish the flames which enveloped his wife Mr. Rogers had his hands terribly burned and it also is a serious condition.

A little child of the Rogers was suffering with a bad cold and the parents were using turpentine as a treatment, heating the liquid over an alcohol lamp. When Mr. Rogers attempted to pour additional turpentine into the container over the lamp there was an explosion, the flames striking Mrs. Rogers and setting fire to her clothing. Mr. Rogers at once carried her to the bathroom and placed her under the water, at the same time being severely burned himself.

The unfortunate woman was taken to the Bellefonte hospital and died a day later.

The baby, aged ten months, escaped without the slightest injury.

#### Mitchell Palmer Named Attorney General.

A. Mitchell Palmer last Thursday was nominated by President Wilson to be attorney general.

Mr. Palmer probably will take office March 4, the date tentatively fixed by Attorney General Gregory for his retirement when he resigned several months ago to return to private practice of law. The resignation of Mr. Palmer as alien property custodian has not been announced, and there has been no intimation as to who may succeed him in that office.

#### Governor's Salary Increased.

Governor Sprout has signed the bill increasing the salary of the governor from \$10,000, to \$18,000, effective in 1921.

On March 1 reports indicated that the grain and fruit prospects were unusually encouraging throughout the State.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

The fifth month of school ended on Friday.

A sure sign of spring is the empty coal bin.

March came in like a lion, and began his raging long before daylight.

A bill in the State legislature would fix four dollars as pay for school directors attending conventions.

A class of fifty-nine candidates was given the first and second degrees at a recent meeting of the Penn State Grange, P. of H.

A crate of full grown pheasants were shipped from Virginia to the game protector in Millinburg county, last week, for distribution in that territory.

Elk creek is being stocked with trout, and last Tuesday seven cans of fingerlings were brought from the Pleasant Gap hatchery and placed in the creek.

William Garis laid aside his overseas uniform, on Saturday morning, and donned the working man's overalls to labor in the local quarry, at the station.

If there is anything in the old saying that the last Friday in the month rules the next month, then March should be one grand month, for last Friday was surely a beautiful day.

Millinburg is recovering from a typhoid fever epidemic, only four cases being reported in the town at present. The State authorities inspected both the town's water and milk supplies, but found them pure.

Watsonstown lost one of its most prominent citizens in the death of Jacob H. Wagner, connected with big lumber interests and other enterprises. He passed away Monday of last week, aged seventy-six years.

Some of the letters the doughboys wrote home from France exaggerated slightly at times. For instance, a colored soldier wrote to his girl: "I am standing in five feet of blood with dead Germans floating all about me."

Dr. E. E. Sparks, president of The Pennsylvania State College, is suffering from nervous exhaustion and is under the care of a specialist. The Board of Trustees has granted Dr. Sparks a year's leave of absence for recuperation.

Ralph Henney has enrolled as a student in the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, and will put in his leisure time studying books and answering examination questions which will eventually make of him a draughtsman.

The first large public sale in this section was that of the property of the late George Slack, at Potters Mills, last Wednesday. Cows sold for as high as \$125.00; a binder brought \$174; wagon, \$120, and other articles at a correspondingly high figure.

Soldier boys from lower Penns Valley to land in the States recently are: Warren E. Hosterman and Blaine Hosterman, of near Woodward; Charles Campbell, son of station agent W. L. Campbell, of Coburn; Charles S. Burrell, of Millheim. The latter is now at his home.

About thirty-five members of the Lady of the Valley Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Centre Hall, attended a lodge meeting at State College on Thursday evening, at which place the State officers were present and conferred the Past Grand degree upon a number of eligibles.

About ten inches of snow fell during the month of February, the equivalent of about 1.10 inches of rain. There was also 35 of an inch of rain during the month. Altogether February was an "open" month, the lowest temperature being 8 degrees, on the 11th. The highest point reached was 54 degrees, on the 28th.

Bland and Sumner Frankenberger, sons of G. W. Frankenberger, of near Millheim, have purchased the threshing outfit of the Farmers' Threshing Machine company. The sale includes the engine, threshing machine and clover huller, which outfit was operated by the Farmers' company for a number of years.

Capt. Christy Mathewson, the national league baseball star, is home from France, and is a guest at the home of his father-in-law, Frank C. Stoughton, in Lewisburg. Capt. Mathewson probably saw more of the war than a great many other officers who were in the actual fighting as they were confined to one sector while he as a gas officer covered a great amount of territory.

The Milroy correspondent to the Lewistown Sentinel has this item, which is of local interest: Jake Bitner, who has been suffering from the effects of the influenza since last November, is still unable to be about without a crutch, the disease having settled in his legs. He will have sale in March in order to get rid of his surplus stock not being able to look after them himself and has been unable to secure any one to help him.