INTERESTING DESCRIPTIVE LETTER FROM FRANCE.

Forester Lieut. Montgomery Describes Beauties of France and Italy.

(Former Forester W. E. Montgomery writes the following to William F. Mc-Kinney, at Potters Mills.)

109th F. A. A. E. F., France, March 4, 1919.

Dear Billy :

On my return from my leave, I tound your letter of January 12th awaiting me. Apparently, from the number of deer killed, the season must have been quite a successful one. Am sorry that I could not be " among those present."

I believe that I wrote to you while I was in Marseilles. From there I went to Nice, France's most popular winter resort. Nice is a city of about 200,000 (that is the actual population not including transients) and is quite beautiful. The buildings are of the type usually found in a large resort and many are surrounded by large gardens and parks. hours. The latter have roses and other flowers in full bloom, and these together with force feed drill or spread out and allow the palms and various semi-tropical to dry thoroughly otherwise. plants combine to make a scene of considerable beauty (and one especially appreciated at this time of year.)

Made one especially interesting trip during my sojourn at Nice. We left Nice early in the morning by auto, Expects to Return from Overseas by bound for the Italian border, taking a road which followed the coast-line very closely. We passed a great number of beautiful villas, many of them owned by to the following communication received the most prominent personages in Europe (Albert of Belgium being among them.) Also passed an old Saracen Dear friend: town built high on a mountain peak and dating, I believe, from about the 9th

We entered the Principality of Mon-Afterwards, several of us returned and get home by July or August. the attendants held the doors open for a few minutes, thus giving us an opportunity of seeing the place in action. We had dinner at Menton, the last French town, and then crossed over into Italy

for an hour or so. Our return journey to Nice was made leading from Nice to the Italian frontier. We climbed up along the mountain sides until we reached the town of La Turbie, at an elevation of 1600 feet. Above the town is the " Tour d'Auguste, " erected by the Roman Emperor Augustus to commemorate his victories over the Alpine tribes.

The mountains in this vicinity are nearly precipitous, but are under cultivation to a large extent. This is done by means of terraces. I had thought that the inhabitants of the vineyard country between Bordeaux and Cette had gone to considerable trouble in their efforts to utilize all available space on the hill-sides; that, however, was nothaccount of the steepness of the moun wide and have to be held in place by latter often being six or seven feet high. monials and the burning of enormous At one place, I tried to count the num- fires. ber of terraces and got as high as 140, but the mountain.

We saw above us on the mountain fortresses; one of them, Mont Agel, is join in the celebration. said to be the finest natural stronghold in the world.

All along this road, superb views can pe obtained-the most wonderful, both

ever seen, or expect to see. At one place, looking to the south, we Monte Carlo, the white streets and the red tile roofing showing beautifully in the sunlight; the two lower highways winding among the hills, one close to the coast, the other possibly five hundred and villas scattered here and there, some right beside the sea, and others high on the mountain sides; and near at hand the tiers of terraces and the little huts of their owners. Then turning around to the north one can see the hugh mountains (beside which old "Thickhead" would look like a very small hill!) often pons-and buy W. S. S. with fortifications on their crests; the in depth; and beyond in the distance, Frontier Alps and the French Maritime

anything could be more magnificent! to Verdun. What a contrast with what train for Rheims. I have just described! The city itself is Well, I suppose that by this time you in ruins, as are all the surrounding vil- are tired of trying to decipher the hierlages and towns. I visited the main oglyphics composing this lenghty fortress and went through the hugh epistle, so I will close for this time. underground citadel, with dormitories, With very best regards to yourself and messhalls, assembly rooms, hospitals, family, etc., capable in case of necessity (I was (Continued on next column)

FARMERS-

Treat Oats For Smut, Says County Agent.

Thousands of bushels of oats are lost every year in Centre county due to the smut. Last year over 150 farmers treated their seed and the average saving was anywhere from \$2.00 to \$8.00 per acre or a total saving of over \$10,000.00 for those who treated their oats.

The cost of treatment is about two and one-half cents per acre and no farmer can afford not to treat. The following method is very simple and does away with the old method of soaking the oats. 1. Mix 1 pint of Formaldehyde with 1 pint of water. This will treat 50 bushels.

2. Spray solution on the grain as it is being shoveled over, taking care that the mist is well distributed. A small hand sprayer, the atomizer or shoo-fly type holding a quart does very nicely.

3. When all the grain is treated shovel into a pile and cover carefully for five

4. Oats may be sown at once with a 5. Disinfect sacks, bins and drill with same solution.

> R. H. OLMSTEAD, County Agent.

July or August.

Lieut. W. "Ned" Keller expects to get home by July or August according at this office on Monday

Toul, March 18, 1919.

Was ordered to report up here to Second Army Headquarters to officiate at he boxing and wrestling bouts to decide the 2nd Army championship. Will aco, and visited the Casino at Monte be here for two days and will then go to lowed to gamble there, but as the play- baths, and from there to Metz. Will be in ing had not yet started, we were permitted to go through the building. mier-Le-Sec for two months and hope to

Regards,

The Pink Label. That is the same as your receipt. If which by the way, works to perfection you find an error notify this office at and is operated easily and speedily.

If, however, your label is not up to

Boy Scouts to Start Bonfires to Signal Signing of Peace.

In every city and town of the United States bonfires will be lighted on the

night the treaty of peace is signed. The 367,093 members of the Boy ing compared to what I saw here. On plan which is the suggestion of Gen. Sir Robert Raden-Powell, head of the Britcarefully constructed stone walls, the celebrate the signing of peace by cere-

Fire will be taken before hand from had not yet reached the top of them, nor the Statue of Liberty and the flame will had I been able to see to the bottom of be carried as far as possible in starting in full Scout dress, during which they the Liberty beacons.

It is planned that every one of the 16,tops, a number of French and Italian 529 troops of Boy Scouts in America will

Middleburg Wants Ford Plant.

Middleburg is after industries and is willing to strike for something big. for variety and for beauty, that I have Learning that Henry Ford wants to establish fifteen automobile plants in different parts of the United States, a site could see the blue Mediterranean, 1500 for one of the big plants is offered at feet below us; to the right the town of Middleburg. Mr. Ford has as yet not signified his acceptance of the offer.

The interest on those two \$100 4th Liberty Loan Bonds plus 13 cents, will feet above to sea-level; the little villages Stamps pay 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly.

> Clip your Fourth Liberty Loan coupon on April 15th and buy W. S. S.

Watch for April 15th.-Clip your cou-

steep narrow gorges, 2000 feet or more told) of accommodating 30,000 soldiers. I had expected to go out to Pt. Donathe high snow clad peaks of the Italian mont, which had been captured and Moyer, Samuel Horner, Luke and Greeheld for a number of months by the ly Jordan. Alps. I was unable to imagine how Germans. The weather, however, was so miserable that I decided to change From Nice, I went to Nancy and then my plans, and accordingly took the next

MONTY.

GERMAN HELMETS AS LOAN PRIZES



These Full Dress Headpieces Were Intended For the Adornment of the Hun Army That Captured Paris, But They Got There by Freight.

Eighty-five thousand German helmets, captured by Allied troops in Coblenz, are to be awarded as prizes by Federal district committees in the Victory Liberty Loan Campaign.

In the picture shown above, taken on the Treasury steps in Washington, may be seen a number of the helmets just unpacked from the cases in which they arrived from Germany. Frank R. Wilson, director of Loan publicity, created a panic in the helmet market by buying the entire 85,000 allotment from the War Department for \$1. It cost the German government more than that amount to manufacture each one of the

These helmets were a special supply held in reserve for a triumphal entry into Paris. Eventually they arrived there by freight.

Some Fine Cows.

Dairying through Penns and Brush Valleys is increasing rapidly, and this, Carlo. No soldiers in uniform are al- Nancy to take in the noted thermal taking the place of the dual cows many of us were acquainted with some years ago. A few days ago the writer passed the barn of Prof. Wm. P. Hosterman, at Penn Hall, and having heard of the former school teacher's thoroughbred Gurnseys, he could not resist stopping to get first hand proof of the long established reputation of the Hoster-The use of the PINK label on your man barn housing high class milch paper this week means that credits on cows. Mr. Hosterman now has a herd the stable during the time in which he subscription are shown for the first time. of seven cows, all registered but one, by the celebrated upper Corniche road, the highest of the three main highlands or the class of recent payand an exceedingly fine lot they are and an exceedingly fine lot they are and an exceedingly fine lot they are and are shown and are shown are the class of recent payers, see whether we have given you produce as well as make a showy approper credit on the little pink tab. pearance. He uses a milking machine,

> once and we will make the proper correc To further improve his herd, Mr. Hosterman joined with others in the community and purchased a high-class date through no fault of ours, we would bull from a farm near Philadelphia. be pleased to have a prompt remittance. Before the animal was shipped, the association was offered, by wire, successive bids that finally would have meant a | month of May. Miss Rhone is sojournprofit of fifty percent had they accepted.

> > Scouts' Entertainment Pleases.

The local Boy Scouts realized some Scouts of America will carry out this en in the Grange hall on Friday evening. Their two-act play, "The making Peace Cyrus Brungart, last Wednesday, of Larry," was well received by the au- Clarence Confer was bound over for tains, the terraces are only 8 to 15 feet ish Boy Scouts, who has suggested that dience. It was strictly a Boy Scouts court on bail fixed at \$500.00, on the the million of Boy Scouts the world over play and exemplified the work of the charge of non-support, preferred by his boys' organization by saving from deg- wife, Florence Lingle Confer, who has radation a young man "Larry," who been making her home at the Centre through some indiscretion had taken Hall hotel for some time. the first step downward. The second act showed the boys enjoying camp life, Attemps Suicide by Hurling Self from rehearsed their sword drill, which was

The program was given greater length by the rendition of several excellent readings by Mrs. (Rev.) J. A. Shultz as well as a number of well-rendered piano duets by Misses Miriam Huyett and Ruth Bartges.

A Surprise Party.

surprise party in honor of her husband's pockets were found papers which would Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martz, Ida would make the man's age 21. and Dora Klinefelter, Orpha Fleisher,

Wance-Stricker.

On Wednesday noon of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stricker, at bed on Sunday morning, March 30th. the total was 44 miles. Aaronsburg, their daughter, Miss Georgia D., became the wife of Lawrence E. Wance, Rev. C. B. Snyder performing the ceremony. The ceremony was witnessed by a number of invited friends of the contracting parties, and the home had been beautifully decorated for the occasion.

A wedding dinner was served.

Lost Household Goods When Stable Burned.

The stable on the William Meyer premises, on the mountain directly above Centre Hall, was completly destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon The small son of John Meyer was playing about the stable with matches, it was said, causing the destruction. A horse and two pigs were taken from the stable none too soon to save them from becoming prey to the flames.

John Meyer, a son of William Meyer, was moving a building from one location to another, and they were all destroyed. Orvis Meyer had just placed a \$2550. ton and a half of hay in the stable.

The loss is complete since no insurance was carried.

To Be Married in May?

Rumor has it that the marriage of Miss Florence S. Rhone and Roger T. Bayard will take place some time in the left Centre Hall several months ago. Mr. Bayard is local editor of the Tyrone

At a hearing before Justice of the has not yet been chosen.

Window of Fast Train.

When train No. 24 was speeding through the Lewistown narrows on of the passenger coach in which he was riding and hurled himself from the passing train.

and without any warning. It is supposed that he was attempting suicide. His On Tuesday evening of last week ticket called for a passage from San Mrs. John Jordan, at Colyer, gave a Francisco to Philadelphia and in his thirty-fifth birthday. He was the recipindicate that he lived at 20 North ave., lion, "Friday, the 28th, was the windserved. Those present were: Mr. and Stamps. His pocket book also contain-

Find Baby Daughter Dead in Bed.

start of the term on account of the flu slightly less. epidemic, set back the schools just that far in the spring.

Horton Company in Full Control of TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS. On the first of the month Irving S

Horton & Co., the Reading firm of contractors and engineers, assumed full control of the local crushed stone and pulverized limestone plant. When Mr. Horton, a short time ago, came to Centre Hall to look over the plant, he took an option on the place, the purchase depending upon the demand there would be for the product in this valley. A few weeks' operations convinced manager Horton that there were bright prospects ahead and resulted in the complete ourchase from the former owner, E. day in Centre Hall. Clayton Wagner.

The Horton firm consists of men of with allowing the local plan to remain Cross auxiliary of that town. the infant class, but will add machinery from time to time and develop the business to several times its present capacity. Already Mr. Horton has ordered another drill, compressor and crusher appeared. shipped here, and soon the quarry will take on an appearance of importance in the industrial realm.

Much success to the new

Selling of the Geiss Property.

A brief history of the Geiss property as relates to sales may be of interest to the Reporter readers acquainted with the history of Centre Hall fifty or more years ago. April 9, 1856, the lot was sold by Uriah D. Osman to Francis Harpster; consideration \$100.

The house was built a short time hereafter by George Harpster, and April 2, 1870, was sold to Simon S. Wolf, of

Miles township, for the sum of \$2600. Mr. Wolfe, who in the meantime became a resident of Bellefonte, on July 21, 1870, sold the place to Israel J. Grenoble, then recorder of Centre county, popular furnaces in Penns Vally homes.

the purchase price being \$2650. For the third time in 1870, on Septem-K. Geiss for the sum of \$2610.

deed of that date calling for a considera- preciated. tion of \$1000.

Misses Elsie L. and Verna Geiss, the signing of the armistice, was 933, and consideration being a nominal sum— the total number rejected was 28. The

place March 29, 1915, for the considera- the State. ion of \$2200, and a week ago William F. Coryer got possession by payment of

One of the things here demonstrated is that property here is now not selling as high as it did in 1870, but about able the price obtained in 1900.

President H. E. Duck Resigne.

Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Com- day. There were many cars on the ing in Los Angeles, California, having pany of Centre County held at Belle- road. Young people sought the fradent of the company for a number of which pushed forth on the hillsides unforty dollars at their entertainment giv- Arrested by Wife for Non-Support. his resigning the office. His successor Turning the clock ahead an hour had

> Millheim Forms Lyceum Association. Following the close of the last, number in Millheim star course, last week, a Lyceum association was formed with the following officers: President, S. W. Gramley, secretary and treasurer, J. R. Miller; executive committee, Rev.

J. R. G. Allison and W. S. Shelton. A course has already been contracted ton is now being reflected in wages paid Sunday evening at 5:30 o'clock, John J. for, and the first number appears in October. The attractions are: The diers employed at the Logan Iron & Floyds, magicans; Bowman, who is an Steel company having received notice of impersonator; Congressman Finley a 30 per cent wage reduction. The man performed the act quickly House Co., of Cincinnati-seven people, bile show, held April 2 to 5, the Lewis-Gray, of Indiana, lecture; Little Play Apropos of Lewistown's third automo-

A Windy March Day.

March, this year, went out "like a ient of numerous gifts. Refreshments Rockway Park. Wis. He had \$528 in lest day for which the State College consisting of ice cream and cake were cash, Liberty Bonds and War Savings weather observatory has record. The Mrs. Charles Flink, Henry Moyer, Sam- ed a draft registration card showing m. on the 27th, increased to twenty the show. uel Klinefelter, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart that he had registered with local board miles an hour by 9 p. m., and continued Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jordan, Mr. No. 1, of San Francisco, Cal., and that at that rate or higher for the next fifty and Mrs. Emmet Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. he was notified that he was called on hours. The total wind movement on Arthur Slutterbeck, Mr. and Mrs. October 1918. The age shown on the the 28th was 727 miles; on the 29th, George Wiess, Mr. and Mrs. Charles card, with the time that has elapsed, 661 miles. The Friday record was the highest known for this obseratory since At the Lewistown hospital it was its new wind tower was erected in 1914, ed during the battle in the Argonne for-Emily Jordan, Dorotha Martz, Goldie found that he suffered injuries in the that for Saturday, the next highest. est, when a shell exploded and scattered Stover, Ella Miess, Mary Slutterbeck, back and hips, a possible concussion of Feb. 26th, 1918, had a record of 601 the fragments all about him. Fourteen Boyd, Andrew and Floyd Jordan, Ed- the brain, six scalp wounds, a cut on the miles. In 1915, there were records of pieces of the shell struck him and it was gar Miller, John and Sterl Stoner, left arm and cut on the left wrist. His 400 miles or more; in 1916, seven days; Charles Slutterbeck, Irvin Meiss. Cyrus condition is regarded as very serious. in 1917, six days; and in 1918, seven

> Laura May, the little four-month-old Friday was 39 miles for the hour ending daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wil- 5 p. m. This rate was exceeded for the las, near Reedsville, Monday of last son, of Hawk Run, was found dead in hour ending on Feb. 26th, 1919, when week, some interesting ancient history

> These rates are as measured by the Miss Cunningham, now eighty years & The township schools would have dial of the wind movement register. old, was born and reared in the house completed their term last week under Such instruments read a little too high where the sale was conducted and ordinary circumstances, but the closing for the winds of the velocity here stated. of the schools for several weeks at the The actual movements were, therefore,

> > WM. FREAR. Pa. Agr. Expt. Station.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Tuesday's the day. What day? Ask any trout fisherman.

A letter for Mr. Frank Mitchell is unclaimed in the Centre Hall post office. Farmer A. W. Alexander put up a new garage at his home at Earlystown,

last week. Rev. Josiah Still, of Shenandoah, former local Presbyterian pastor, spent Fri-

The net profits from the Millheim lyceum course amounted to \$71.55, and big affairs and they will not be content the snm was turned over to the Red

> The PINK label appears this week. Look at the figures on your label and compare credit given with subscription you have paid since the last PINK label

> The Busy Bee Club, of Centre Hall, sent a check of \$44 40 to the Armenian Relief headquarters, in New York City. that sum representing the net proceeds derived from the recent social.

Harry Hassinger, of Millheim, who was mustered out of the army before the \$60 bonus law was in effect, on Monday morning received a check from the government for the amount.

Harry Musser, of near Penns Cave, purchased a cabinet Rishell phonograph from F. V. Goodhart, the dealer, one day last week, and hence will brighten

the home with its charming music. R. O. Musser and C. P. Stover have formed a co-partnership for the sales of the " New Idea " pipeless furnace, at Spring Mills. The men are hustlers and will no doubt install many of these

Philipsburg has a woman undertaker in the person of Mrs. Caroline Weber. ber 23, the property was sold to David wife of the Funeral Director Weber, of the same place. She will give her atten-September 5, 1900, Mr. Geiss sold the tion to the bodies of women and chilplace to his son, D. Wagner Geiss, the dren, a service which will be greatly ap-

The total number of men inducted in January 13, 1911, a deed was made to to service in Centre county, prior to the \$1.00. S. W. Smith

The writer became the owner of the the figures for the various counties of

Lieut. (Dr.) W. E. Park, who has completely recovered from his injuries as the result of being burned by gas, while in service in France, commenced work this week in making examination of the returned soldiers upon their debarkation at Brooklyn, New York.

Sunday was a perfect day. Mercury ascended the tube to 73 degrees and the At a regular quarterly meeting of the sun shone with the warmth of a summer fonte on Monday, H. E. Duck, presi-grant arbutus, the first flower of spring, years, handed in his resignation. Mr. der the smiling sun of the past few

> its amusing sides too. At Millheim C. F. Miller set the hands an hour ahead before retiring and when his son came home some time later he, too, advanced the time an hour. The result was that when the family went to church next morning they had a good long wait ahead of them.

Reduction in the price of iron agreed C. B. Snyder; Dr. G. S. Frank, W. L. upon on March 21 at a joint meeting of Campbell, P. H. Musser, R. S. Stover, fifteen of the country's steel barons and the U. S. Industrial board at Washing-

and Liman Johnson Co., -three people. town Sentinel published a twenty-fourpage edition last Wednesday, establishing a new record for that enterprising publication. Two whole sections of eight news, and every car with any appealing features whatever came in for a half column writeup. The edition no doubt was highly prized by the promoters of

Harry Grittner, of Turbotville, Northumberland county, is home from overseas service, carrying with him fourteen wounds received in battle and yet he is hale and hearty. Grittner was woundonly the treatment given him in the first aid dressing station that saved his life.

During the progress of the public sale The greatest hourly movement on of the household goods of Miss Maggie Cunningham at her home at Kishacoquilwas revealed and recalled to memory. where she spent her entire long life, and where she will continue to spend most of ber time. Many rare relics of long ago days were sold, among which was a

melodeon still in excellent condition,