

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

August 13, 1884.

Potters Mills has lost two physicians by death in fifteen months—Dr. Weaver, who died in May 1883, and Dr. Kline. Both were young men and just fairly starting in the battle of life.

Dr. G. W. Kline died at his residence, Potters Mills, Thursday, August 7, aged twenty-six years. The deceased had been suffering for nearly three weeks with typhoid fever. He was a graduate of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, class of 1881; practiced his profession one year at Stormstown and then removed to Pot Mills. He was buried at Centre Hall on Saturday, August 9th. Only eight months ago he was married to Miss Sallie E. Boal, daughter of Jas. C. Boal, Esq., of this place, who survives.

August 20.—Emanuel Musser, in College township, threshed forty bushels of wheat to the acre. Mr. McGirk, on the Humes farm in the same township, also threshed forty bushels of wheat to the acre.

Rev. John Harpster, of Trenton, N. J., a native of Centre Hall, is visiting relatives here. Brother Harpster spent several years as a missionary in India, and has a desire to return to that country again.

Mrs. Witmer, widow of Henry Witmer, of this place, died on Monday, from cancer of the throat.

AARONSBURG.

Mrs. Eva Korman is entertaining friends from Youngstown, Ohio.

F. D. Stover, the mail man, visited his parents at Woodward.

Helen Adams, of Huntingdon, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hall.

Allen Kreamer returned from a week's visit to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harry Call, at State College.

Miss Sadie Walter and sister, Mrs. Dosch, of Woodward, spent a few days with relatives in this place.

Miss Edna Wolfe, of Woodward, is still caring for her aunt, Mrs. Willie Wolfe, who remains confined to bed on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guisewite and family, of Fiedler, spent a short time at the home of the lady's sister, Mrs. John Grenoble.

Miss Ardenna Harman, who has held a good position for the past five years in New York City, was called home last week on account of the illness of her grandfather, George M. Stover.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Mingle and two daughters, Miss Helen and Roxie, of Bellefonte, took Sunday dinner with the former's brother, E. G. Mingle, and wife.

WOODWARD.

William Smith, from Fiedler, spent Sunday at the J. M. Orndorf home.

Mrs. Effie Motz, from Bellefonte, is spending a few weeks with friends in town.

The Evangelical Association Sunday-school will hold an Easter service on Easter-Day, in the evening.

Miss Lottie Hosterman, from Coburn, will spend the summer at the Paul Stover home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Weaver and daughter Miss Maude and Roy Bowersox autoed to Bellefonte on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Steward Orndorf and Mrs. Paul Stover spent a day last week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Motz.

Private Robert Barner, who was wounded in France, now in a hospital in Pittsburgh, spent a few days last week at the home of his mother.

Mrs. Thomas Smith and daughter Miss Naomi, after spending the winter at Kenmore, Ohio, returned to their home last week.

GEORGES VALLEY.

Miss Edna Lingle is employed at the D. W. Decker home.

Oliver Ackerman returned to his home in Johnstown, after spending several weeks with his uncle, F. M. Ackerman.

W. F. McClellan and family spent Sunday afternoon at the home of his mother, Mrs. James Foust.

David Reaick sold his timberland to J. H. Hollis, who will put in a saw-mill and saw it out this summer.

Albert Lingle has taken the milk route since Maynard Barger moved away, and will haul the milk in his big truck.

COLYER.

Report of Colyer school for fifth month, ending April third: Number in attendance, 14. Per cent. attendance during month, 92. Those not missing a day are Ruth Royer, Martha Bubb, Marcellus Royer, Lloyd Peese, and David Swabb. Those missing one day are Paul Venerick, and Eugene Swabb.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Anna Belle Whiteman et al to Domes S. Ishler, tract of land in Centre Hall; \$1,000.

James Houser et ux to James Immel, tract of land in Gregg Twp.; \$2000.

Oscar J. Wolfe et ux to James Daniels, tract of land in Penn Twp.; \$100.

Sydney Poorman et ux to C. R. Stitzer, tract of land in Spring Twp.; \$100.

PLANS TO KEEP WORKERS BUSY

Secretary Baker Explains War Contract Adjustments.

(Plans for an adjustment of the industrial situation which will complete the shift from war-time to peace-time requirements with the least possible inconvenience to manufacturers or wage-earners are here discussed by Secretary of War Baker. Mr. Baker's explanations are most reassuring and indicate why there need be no hesitancy on the part of employer or employee in giving the utmost support to the Victory Loan. Here is the outlook from Mr. Baker's viewpoint.)

By NEWTON D. BAKER, Secretary of War.

When the armistice was signed on the 11th of November there were outstanding some seven billions of dollars of contracts in the War Department. The signing of the armistice made it, of course, obvious that a very large part of the war material thus under contract would not be needed, and the first question which the war department had to face was that of the cancellation of those contracts.

It was clear that if we simply took a knife and cut off all the manufacturing facilities that were engaged in work for the War Department, sharply on the 11th day of November, we would close factories in every state and city of the Union, which would throw thousands of workmen out of employment; and, therefore, that it was imperative that a reasonable time be provided for those industries to reorganize themselves on a peace basis.

Therefore, a plan was devised by which, as the first step, we cut off overtime employment so as to reduce production without producing disorganization. The next step was to visit his vast mass of contracts in an effort to find out how far the military necessities of the country would permit them to be reduced and how rapidly they might be reduced.

We have so far suspended operation upon contracts which would have cost five billion eight hundred and twenty-nine millions of dollars to complete; so that in the matter of saving, the War Department has suspended operations under contracts or has determined to cancel contracts which, in net effect, covered production to the extent of \$5,800,000,000 of war materials.

That does not mean, of course, that that entire sum will be saved. It is involved in something over 19,000 separate contracts, and of those contracts we have already settled 4600, effecting a saving to the Government on the 4000 already settled of \$151,000,000, while paying to the contractors, who still had some equity in the matter of new facilities created or materials in process of manufacture, the sum of \$29,000,000.

The hope of the War Department is that, without disorganizing industry, without turning workers into the street, without congesting the labor market, and thereby disorganizing the industrial situation, we will be able to save a very large part of this total of nearly \$6,000,000,000 involved in contracts for the production of war materials.

Obviously, with 19,000 contracts to readjust or cancel, either in whole or in part, it would have taken more than a lifetime, if we had undertaken by some central bureau here in Washington to review each contract separately and make a special determination about it.

So, instead of that, district boards have been established all through the country in the various bureaus of the War Department dealing with war supplies, so that a manufacturer in any city, whether of ordinance or quartermaster material does not have to come to Washington for adjustment of his contract. He goes to the local district board.

If he and the district board can agree upon the terms of the cancellation or modification of the contract, that agreement is written in the form of a recommendation and sent down to Washington for the Board of Claims, and is here passed upon by the Board of Claims of the bureau or division of Ordnance, Quartermaster, Signal Corps, or whatever it may be.

Now, if they cannot agree there is another agency set up in Washington, known as the Board of Contract Adjustment, composed of three eminent men. So the contractor does not have to take the judgment of the local district board, but he can lay his matters before a disinterested tribunal here in Washington. Of course, he does not have to accept the decision of the Board of Contract Adjustment, if he prefers he can go to the Court of Claims and start litigation which is, however, always unfortunate, because of the length of time it takes; but that remedy is not closed to him.

We have had this thought in mind from the beginning, that the most important thing the War Department could do, so far as industry and commerce are concerned, is to bring about a speedy adjustment of these claims, in order that the people of this country who are engaged in industry and commerce may know exactly what they can expect in the way of payment from the Government, just how much they can rely upon in opening up their new business or reorganized business, and to speedily set about doing it.

A Reporter ad, brings results.

TEN DISTRICTS HAVE HONOR NAMES AND SPONSORS FOR LIBERTY SHIPS

These Pennsylvania Women Will Christen Four New Merchant Vessels.



Upper Left—Mrs. Norton Downs, Jr., Ardmore. Upper Right—Mrs. Archibald Johnston, Bethlehem. Lower Left—Mrs. Philip Lipkin, Coatesville. Lower Right—Miss Charlotte Kist Skinner, Lewisport.

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

Of the Receipts and Expenditures of CENTRE HALL BOROUGH, for the year ending December 31st, 1918.

Financial statement table with columns for account names and amounts. Includes sections for PENS VALLEY BANKING CO., STREET ACCOUNT, BOROUGH FUND, INTEREST FUND, POOR FUND, SPECIAL WATER, BOROUGH INDEBTEDNESS BONDS, WATER ACCOUNT, LIGHT ACCOUNT, POOR ACCOUNT, and INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Recapitulation table showing cash in hands of Treasurer, special water for 1918, special water for 1917, born, tires, and poor for 1917, and recapitulation of 1918.

Advertisement for W. Atlee Burpee's Garden Seeds, Builders' and Farmers' Supplies, Modern Glenwood Ranges, and H. P. Schaeffer Hardware.

Advertisement for 'The Joy of Saving' featuring a circular logo with 'BUY W.S.S.' and text about saving for the future.

Text advertisement for 'The Joy of Saving' discussing the philosophy of optimism and the benefits of saving.

Advertisement for Cyrus Brungart, Justice of the Peace, Centre Hall, Pa.

WANTED: Men or women to take orders among friends and neighbors for the genuine guaranteed hosiery, full line for men, women and children.

Advertisement for James W. Swabb, Justice of the Peace, Linden Hall, Centre Co., Pa.

Advertisement for eye examinations: 'HAVE YOUR EYES EXAMINED Every Two Years'.

Advertisement for Mrs. Eva B. Roan, O. D., 522 E. College Ave., State College, Pa.

Advertisement for 'NEW SPRING & SUMMER GOODS' including dress goods, silk, and various fabrics.

Advertisement for 'Fromm's Economy Store' in State College, Pa., selling men's and women's clothing.

Advertisement for H. E. Shreckengast, Auctioneer, Centre Hall, Pa.

Advertisement for 'Insurance and Real Estate' by Chas. D. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, Pa.

Large advertisement for Hubbard Brands Fertilizer, featuring an image of a fertilizer machine and text about agricultural products.