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## 1920 SAVINGS PLAN LAUNCHED.

**\$5 Stamps, and \$100 and \$1000 Certificates Popular.—Latter Payable at Sight.**

Stamps of the 1918 and 1919 Issues May Be Exchanged For the More Convenient Treasury Certificates.

### ATTRACTIVE FEATURES OF 1920 GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

1. They mature January 1st, 1925.
2. They bear 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly.
3. They are tax free except from inheritance, surtax, and excess profit taxes.
4. They may be cashed at the option of the holder, any time before maturity date, for purchase price plus accrued interest to date.
5. They can be registered to prevent loss by fire or theft.
6. Savings Stamps can be bought at postoffices, banks or authorized agencies.
7. Treasury Savings Certificates may be obtained at banks.
8. Savings Stamps may be converted into a Treasury Savings Certificate of \$100 and \$1000 denominations.
9. \$100 Certificates increase 20 cents a month in price and the \$1000 Certificates, \$2.00.
10. They cannot depreciate in value, but increase monthly, guaranteed by the United States Government.

To promote popular peacetime savings in a practical way the United States Treasury Department will carry on its plan for the sale of Thrift and Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates indefinitely. Secretary of the Treasury Glass announces the gratifying increase in sales of the government securities in the latter months of 1919. The movement for thrift, saving and safe investment is gaining in popularity and bids fair for this year.

Since the beginning of the movement, which was adopted as a national war measure, but is now a permanent peacetime program of the government, Thrift and Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates to the amount of \$1,225,000,000 have been purchased by American people up to December 15th, 1919. Of this amount more than \$82,000,000 in stamps is held in this district. Within the last four months, especially, the volume of savings placed in these securities has been growing by leaps and bounds and the increasing demand for them indicates that January will be one of the largest investment months.

The twenty-five cent Thrift Stamps remain the same as in previous years. They bear no interest and they are used in making small savings to apply in exchange for a \$5.00 Savings Stamp. The \$5.00 War Savings Stamp bears 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly and costs \$4.12 in January, increasing 1 cent per month in cost until next December when the cost will be \$4.23. The stamp is carnine in color, bears the head of George Washington and is a trifle larger in size than the 1919 stamp. It can be redeemed on ten days' notice, at any money order postoffice where Savings Stamps are sold. If it is registered it must be redeemed at the postoffice where it was registered.

Other securities are the \$100 and the \$1000 Treasury Savings Certificates. The \$100 Certificate, \$82.40 in January, increases 20 cents per month until December. The \$1000 Certificate cost \$824.00 in January and increases at the rate of \$2.00 per month. The ownership limitation is still \$1000 (maturity value). This does not include holdings of the 1918 and 1919 issue. These securities, as well as stamps, are obtainable from postoffices, incorporated trusts, bank companies and other specially authorized agencies. A very desirable and convenient exchange feature has been arranged whereby War Savings Certificates of the 1920 issue bearing a full number of twenty Savings Stamps may be exchanged for registered Treasury Savings Certificates, series 1620 of the \$100 denomination. The latter are registered at the Treasury and can be redeemed directly through it.

A new feature of the 1920 Treasury Savings Certificates makes them redeemable on demand, two months after purchase, without the customary ten days' notice. It may be of interest to holders of 1918 and 1919 issues of Savings Certificates to know these may be exchanged for Treasury Savings Certificates of the corresponding series, but the latter are not offered for cash sale. Holders of War Savings Certificates of 1918 or 1919 issues which are incomplete, but which aggregate \$100 or some multiple of it—\$200, \$300, \$400, etc.—may exchange these for Treasury Savings Certificates of their corresponding series.

Leading economists of the country agree that there is little hope of lowering prices unless the people in general stop buying the unnecessary things and practice economy in their households. To create a will and to form a habit of regular and systematic savings they unequivocally endorse the plan of the U. S. Treasury Department advocating the purchase of Thrift and Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates.

The primary room of the State College public schools have been closed for a few days on account of scarlet fever.

## CENTRE COUNTY GRANGE.

**County Organization Meets With Spring Mills Grange, a Live Subordinate Organization.**

The Centre County Pomona Grange met on Thursday of last week with the Spring Mills Grange, which is one of the most wide-awake subordinate Granges in the county. It is active in all lines of Grange work. It owns its own hall and water system; sports electric lights. The lower portion of the building is equipped for a town hall. The second floor is the meeting place of the Grange and the P. O. S. of A. There are ample accommodations for banquets, in a compartment set apart for that purpose. The members of this Grange are not only good Grangers, but they are also good farmers and good business men. There are bank presidents, school men, men in various lines of business, as well as farmers belong to this particular Grange, and they are apparently working together for the common good of not only the Spring Mills Grange but for Spring Mills and community. Spring Mills today extends out several miles in all directions.

The county Grange sessions were largely devoted to routine business and the installation of officers, which latter ceremony was gone through at a special session held in the evening. The report of the Centre County Fire Insurance company was read by the secretary, Howard M. Miles, of Flemington, which indicated that the company, during the past year, increased its business. Various features of the insurance business of the company were discussed at considerable length.

## \$5 PER MONTH FEEDS ORPHAN

**Cleveland H. Dodge Shows What Near East Relief Can Do in Efficient Purchasing.**

Buying in wholesale lots and under the most favorable market conditions, Near East Relief of 1 Madison avenue, New York city, with representatives in every state of the Union, has been able to battle the high cost of living so far as relief supplies for the suffering millions of the Near East are concerned.

Cleveland H. Dodge, treasurer, in a statement shows that the committee is able to provide food for the suffering people of the Near East at prices much lower than the average charge here.

A donation of \$5 per month will provide food for one orphan, \$10 per month provides not only food, but also clothes and shelter for one orphan and for \$15 per month attendance at school is assured to each orphan in addition to food, clothing and shelter.

In the appeal for funds to save the starving remnants of the Armenians and other western Asia peoples, Near East Relief is inviting the American public to "adopt" an orphan at the rates given here. Over 250,000 homeless children are in need of help in the Near East. Women's organizations, lodges, churches and social clubs are responding to the appeal by adopting quotas of orphans for support over a definite period.

## WOMEN ADOPT 10,000 ORPHANS

**Connecticut to Provide Foster Mothers for Little Victims of Turks.**

Ten thousand little victims of Turkish brutality are to be foster-mothered by the big hearted women of Connecticut as the result of appeals by Near East Relief, the former Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief of 1 Madison avenue, New York city. The women at a meeting voted to "adopt" that number as their share of the 250,000 homeless and starving boys and girls orphaned in the massacres and deportations.

Three hundred representatives of women's organizations attended the meeting at Hartford, at which Governor Marcus H. Holcomb presided and pleaded the cause of the stricken people. Another speaker was Henry Morgenstau, former U. S. Ambassador to Turkey.

Assurances that the example of these noble hearted Connecticut women will be followed by similar organizations in all the other states have been received at the headquarters of the Near East Relief, 1 Madison avenue, New York city.

The Lewistown bus, going from Lewistown to Bellefonte via Centre Hall, has again resumed running after a discontinuance owing to bad roads.

## DR. WILLIAMS' LECTURE.

**Great Civic Reformer Will Talk on "Everybody's Business" at Centre Hall and Spring Mills.**

The people of Centre Hall and vicinity will be offered a rare treat when Doctor Elmer Lynn Williams appears in the Grange hall on Friday evening, February 6th, at 8 o'clock. Doctor Williams will lecture on "Everybody's Business". He is one of America's greatest civic reformers. When he went to Chicago as the pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal church he found the moral life of the community abominably corrupt. For eight years he fought the great battle against evil. He is not only a great reformer who advocates reform, but he goes out and does the thing he advocates. He is more than a reformer, he is a great lecturer. He appears among the standard attractions on Chautauqua courses. He grips and holds the human interest, and delivers his lecture with the force and eloquence of a master orator.

Dr. Williams is well known here and his many friends will be glad to meet and hear him. He will "take off the lid." The same lecture will be given in Spring Mills on Saturday evening, February 7th, in Grange Hall, at 8 o'clock. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

### Took Carbohc Acid by Mistake.

The Reporter's Pine Grove Mills correspondent has this item of news: Mrs. Mary Lykens, of Fairbrook, last Saturday morning, not feeling well, went to the cupboard for Jamaica ginger. She mistook the bottle and got the carbohc acid, of which she drank a large dose. Dr. G. H. Woods was hastily summoned and at last report she was out of danger, but a very sick lady.

### Memorial Assured.

A memorial to the participants in the World War from Centre Hall boro and Potter township is assured. The meeting called in the interest of this project held last Friday night was attended by every member from the township and all but one or two appointed from Centre Hall. There was unanimity of opinion seldom found when such questions as came before them were discussed. The committee was organized by electing as permanent chairman, Prof. N. L. Barges; secretary, Floyd Jordan. The committee was enlarged by the addition of several citizens in Centre Hall and Potter township, whose names the Reporter has not learned. This enlarged committee will hold a meeting in the council room Monday evening to further formulate plans.

The representatives present at the Friday evening meeting were: Prof. N. L. Barges, John H. Puff, F. P. Geary, R. M. Smith, J. Frank Bible, Edgar W. Miller, and Floyd Jordan.

### Boy Scouts' Play.

The local Boy Scouts, on Saturday evening, in Grange Arcadia, gave a remarkably pleasing play, entitled "A Country Boy Scout." The door receipts were near eighty dollars, which is an index to the temper of the population respecting the Boy Scout movement. The audience was made up to a large extent by out of town people, mostly young—in the "cooling" stage—all of whom had a most delightful time, before, after and during the play.

A number of the boys showed real skill in the rendition of the play. Their make-ups were ideal, and each character varied with the other in bringing out his part. All this is to the credit of Scout Master Shultz, who is justly proud of his Scout Boys.

### Threshermen to Meet.

The annual meeting of Centre County Threshermen and Farmers Protective Association will be held in Bellefonte, Saturday, February 7th, 10 a. m. Important business will be considered at this meeting, requiring a full attendance. Officers for the year will be elected, delegates to the state convention at Harrisburg, to be held February 25th, 26th and 27th, will be chosen, and a final drive made to put the Farmers and Threshermen's Mutual Casualty Insurance Association over.

We want a report from every thresherman and saw mill man upon last year's business, especially a report of all accidents and casualties the past year in Centre and adjoining counties.

We will also have a fire insurance proposition upon threshing machinery and saw mills to submit.—Isaac Underwood, Secretary.

### STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

About 43 per cent. of the sheep in Pennsylvania are in Washington and Green counties.

In density of population, Pennsylvania in 1910 had 171 persons to the square mile, and ranked sixth in this respect. Urban and Rural population of Pennsylvania compared:

	Urban	Rural
1910	. . . 60 per cent.	40 per cent.
1900	. . . 55 "	45 "
1800	. . . 50 "	50 "

## THE DEATH RECORD.

**REIBER.**—Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Decker) Reiber passed away at her home near Colyer on Wednesday afternoon of last week, of pneumonia, developing from a severe cold contracted a few weeks ago.

Deceased was a daughter of Conrad and Leah Decker and was born in Potter township, August 15, 1855, hence was aged sixty-four years, five months and thirteen days. Her marriage to William Reiber took place Jan. 4, 1881. To this union was born one son and two daughters: Albert Reiber, of Johnstown; Mrs. Clara Treaster, and Mrs. Blanch Fye, of Potter township. The husband and three children mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother. Mrs. Reiber for a great many years suffered with rheumatism and was practically helpless. Her affliction she bore with true Christian fortitude, never complaining of her suffering. In early life she united with the Evangelical church but for the past year she was a member of the Apostolic Holiness church, near Colyer.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning and burial was made in the cemetery connected with the Apostolic Holiness church, Rev. H. A. Saneholtz, of Reading, officiated.

**LOMBERGER.**—Mary Ann Lomberger, widow of Washington Lomberger, died at the home of her son, Oscar M. Lomberger, on Nittany mountain, Friday evening at seven o'clock. Her age was eighty years, one month and two days. Bronchial pneumonia of a few days' duration, was the cause of her death. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, and burial made at Centre Hall, Rev. M. C. Piper, of the Methodist church, of Milesburg, officiating.

**HOLLOWAY.**—On Monday evening of last week, H. E. Crouse, of Aaronsburg, received a telegram conveying the sad news of the death of his cousin, Durbin Holloway, of Akron, Ohio. Acute indigestion was the cause of his death which occurred on Monday. Just one week previous to his death he had a similar attack. Mr. Holloway was born in Aaronsburg about sixty-three years ago. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Holloway, passed into the beyond many years ago and are buried in the Lutheran cemetery at Aaronsburg. Mr. Holloway is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter and one brother, all of Akron. Funeral services were held Thursday at his late home.

### 55 Tractors on Centre County Farms.

There are now 1,265 automobiles, fifty motor trucks and fifty-five tractors on the farms of Centre county, according to figures just given out by the State Secretary of Agriculture.

### Capture Escaped Convicts.

Of the five prisoners who a month ago escaped from the Northumberland county jail, four have been recaptured, a pair of the "birds" being taken at Johnstown last week.

### Jersey Shore Has Big Fire.

A disastrous fire entailing a loss estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000 swept a row of Main street business establishments in Jersey Shore Wednesday night of last week, totally destroying four stores. Firemen battled for two hours before they had the flames under control.

### Skull Fractured By Fall of Heavy Sledge.

Roger Boyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. M. Boyer, was seriously injured last week in one of the most unusual accidents that has occurred at the plant of the American Car and Foundry Company, at Milton, in years.

The youth is employed in the tank department, and it is his duty to cut off the rivets. While working with a crew on a tank a hot spark fell on Boyer, causing him to give a quick jump. In doing this he lost his footing and fell directly in the path of one of the big sledge hammers that was driving the rivet home. The steel hammer struck him squarely on the head above the temple, fracturing his skull and rendering him unconscious.

The victim of the accident was hurried to the company's private hospital where the injury was dressed and was then removed to his home. Barring complications his physician is confident of recovery.

In telling of the accident, the fellow employee who wielded the hammer said that Boyer fell in the path of the sledge after it was on the downward journey and he was powerless to check its speed. He said it was the last "shot" he intended to give the rivet, and it was an easy one. If it had been one of the first blows, when terrible force is put behind the hammer the youth's head would have been crushed, the workman said.

Rev. J. T. Scott was recently installed pastor of the Presbyterian church at Philipsburg.

## FREE TREE SEEDLINGS.

**Can You Use Forest Tree Seedlings This Spring? They Are Free.**

The Pennsylvania Department of Forestry has for free distribution to the people of this state during the coming spring 3,000,000 pine and spruce seedlings. These seedlings are two, three and four years old and are exceptionally good for planting on the farms in Centre county. The days of cheap wood are gone forever in our state. Why not plant that waste land of yours with forest tree seedlings and make it produce.

There are no strings to this offer. It is made because our law makers realize that every acre should produce something and they have directed the Forestry Department to furnish trees for you to plant. With every acre producing, future prosperity is assured.

If you are interested write the Commissioner of Forestry at Harrisburg or the Forester at Boalsburg for application blanks.

### Stole "Wet Goods" from Cellar.

From the Millheim Journal. Sneak thieves on Tuesday night entered the cellar at the home of Squire Wm. S. Shelton and stole a quantity of "wet goods" which Mr. Shelton was congratulating himself on having in stock when the prohibition law became effective. Mr. Shelton says he will pay a reward of \$50 to the person who will furnish information that will convict the culprit.

### Lock Haven Surgeon Stricken.

Dr. Franklin P. Hall, head surgeon of the Lock Haven hospital and one of the best known surgeons in this section of the State, dropped dead in Williamsport Saturday night from heart disease. He was called to Williamsport to consult a patient, Irvin T. Gleason, and while in the performance of his duty was stricken.

### Michigan Deer Liberated in Mifflin County.

J. J. Slaughterback, game inspector for Mifflin county, last week liberated six handsome specimens of Michigan deer in the Licking Creek region. All of the six deer were bucks and inspector Slaughterback reports that they appear to be perfectly at home and well contented in their new home.

### Fire Drill Proves Good for Tyrone Public School.

The inestimable value of fire drills in public schools was emphatically demonstrated to the 750 pupils of the Logan Avenue school building in Tyrone as well as to every parent in the town, one morning last week, when the students responded to an alarm sounded by the school gong, marched out in an orderly manner in one minute and forty seconds, and when outside discovered the building to be on fire.

### Bellefonte to Have Silk Mill.

Bellefonte wants to be on par with Centre Hall, Spring Mills and Millheim and is stirring itself to secure a silk mill that is to cost \$300,000. They can secure the plant through J. H. and C. K. Eagle, Inc., on condition that \$75,000 of the bonds are floated in and near Bellefonte. The plant according to present plans, is to be located on the south end of the P. B. Crider lumber yards, and is to have a value of \$275,000 when fully equipped.

### Living On \$44.00 A Year.

On one day at least of every week, the business streets of thousands of small rural towns of America are crowded with the vehicles of farmers from surrounding territory. Formerly they came in horsedrawn equippages, but now the prevailing method of travel is the make of automobile. The merchants of the town are kept on the jump supplying their needs and cash to the state of hundreds of thousands of dollars changes hands.

What a different story the farmer of the subject races in the Turkish empire has to tell. The average farmer there handles in a year, only the amount of money which is equivalent to \$44.00 a year in American money. No automobile can be kept by him. These farmers are satisfied if they produce 80 bushels of wheat and an equal value of other products. It is this condition of affairs that Near East Relief is trying to alleviate by introducing modern methods so that in another year there will not be 800,000 of the inhabitants who face death by starvation as there is this winter.

Think of it! 800,000 Christian people in Armenia facing death from hunger and cold. The Near East Relief Campaign for the help of these starved and suffering peoples will be held February 1st to 2nd, and then you are asked to give to this worthy movement. "Every citizen give something."

Lewistown is in for a big home-building boom, stock to the amount of \$330,000 having been sold in a short intensive campaign by the Lewistown Housing and Developing Company.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

**HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS**

Friday night mercury dropped below the 0 line, one degree.

Mrs. Esther Gordon, of Bellefonte, has been a visitor at the G. O. Benner home for a week.

E. O. Brown will leave Millheim and locate in Akron, Ohio, where his son-in-law, Russell Wolf, is located.

Ira Shultz was successful in trailing a bobcat to a ledge of rocks on Brush mountain, recently, where he shot it, says the Millheim Journal.

A few cases of influenza have been reported in and about Philipsburg, and preparations are underway to prevent the malady from becoming epidemic.

January had four days of below-zero weather, one day at zero, and eight days with mercury under ten degrees. It was a cold month throughout.

Tomorrow evening (Friday) Prof. Nathan M. Keener, reader and entertainer, will be in Bellefonte Opera House under the auspices of the Lutheran Brotherhood.

At license court, held Wednesday of last week, licenses were granted to all applicants in Centre county with the exception of Perry Detwiler, at Spring Mills.

The Woodward-Coburn mail route was re-let a short time ago and Harry Acker, of Aaronsburg, was the successful bidder, and started on his new duties Monday morning of last week.

Dr. D. K. Musser, the dentist, has moved his quarters from the Dr. Hosterman house to the home of John M. Luse where, beginning today, he will be ready to do all work in the dental line. adv.

An effort is being made in Bellefonte to establish a milk collecting station at that point. The purpose in view is to gather the raw milk, cool it sufficiently so that it will stand shipping to Baltimore.

It is said that February this year in addition to having two holidays, is distinguished for having five Sundays, a thing which has not happened before for seven hundred years and which will not occur again for a like period of time. The first day and the 29th, or last day of the month, are both Sundays.

Cleveland S. Brungart and family moved from near Tusseyville to Centre Hall, on Saturday, and now occupy a portion of the Herclacher house at the upper end of Main Street, vacated by Albert Meyers, who moved into the Hubler house, owned by J. C. Rossman. Mr. Brungart will be employed in L. L. Smith's garage.

Lock Haven is to have a three million dollar paper mill in addition to the mill it already has. The new mill is to furnish all the paper for the Curtis publishing company, which company publish the Ladies Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post and Country Gentleman, all high-class publications using a high grade of print paper.

Harry Burns, of Bellefonte, having entered a plea of guilty to a statutory charge was recently sentenced by Judge Quigley to pay a fine of \$100, costs, and undergo imprisonment for one year in the county jail. The court dismissed a proceeding brought against Michael Sunday, of Bellefonte, brought by his wife who some time ago entered into an agreement with him whereby he was to pay \$25 monthly for her support. The proceeding was brought to have this amount increased to \$40 per month.

Thirty-four per cent. of the total number of competitive state scholarships provided by an act of the last Pennsylvania legislature, were won by Freshman at Penn State College. An examination was held last October at colleges and various school districts throughout the state to determine the winners of these \$100 a year scholarships. One scholarship has been awarded in each county and in those counties where there exists more than one senatorial district, one scholarship is awarded in each district. In Centre county, William W. Sieg, of Bellefonte was the winner.

The degree team of the Bellefonte lodge, Ladies of the Golden Eagle, upon invitation of the Centre Hall lodge, conferred the degree upon seven new members in the local ladies' order, Tuesday night of last week. Following the business session, choice refreshments were served. The members of the Bellefonte degree team present were: Mrs. Nevin Cole, Mrs. Joseph Thal, Mrs. Fulmer, Mrs. Irvin Tate, Mrs. Downing, Mrs. Markie, Mrs. Bottorf, Mrs. Calvin Gates, Mrs. Joseph Garbrick, Mrs. Fore, Mrs. Seneca Walker, Mrs. Edward Young. From the Spring Mills lodge the following ladies were present: Mrs. (Dr.) H. S. Braucht, Mrs. Heims, Mrs. Jacob McCool, Mrs. Mae Gramley, Mrs. Clayton Stover, Mrs. W. O. Gramley, Mrs. Calvin Ring, Mrs. James McCool, Mrs. Anna Smith, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, Mrs. Hattie Duck, Mrs. Maggie Seitzinger, Mrs. Zerby.