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SALES OF WAR SUPPLIES TO PUBLIC TO CONTINUE.

No Let Up in Sales Until Stocks Have Been Practically Exhausted.

Retail stores through which the War Department has sold many millions worth of commodities to the public at cost, will be continued until stocks have been practically exhausted or until "overhead" charges in any given case exceed 10 per cent of receipts from sales. It is announced by the War Department that most of the items adapted for sale through these stores have been marketed, and the expense of operation is increasing rapidly.

After the stores have been closed, the War Department says, a new method of disposing of the remainder of the Government's surplus stocks will be adopted. Lists of the remaining stocks will be prepared. These will give a description of the material and facts as to the quantity and place of storage. In each instance the minimum quantity on which bids will be received will be fixed as the smallest practical shipping unit, regardless of the total offered for sale.

The total receipts from sales through the more than seventy stores operated by the department were \$25,548,210 up to February 13, 1920. For the week ending on that date, the sales aggregated \$773,474.

Not every Republican who is seen with a hammer in his hand is at work on his party's Presidential platform. They may simply be preparing to "knock" some other fellow's candidate.

With the redemption and cancellation of \$60,000,000 of "loan" certificates, the last of the Government's floating indebtedness has been extinguished. The public debt has been growing smaller since last August and is to undergo a further reduction in the next few months. Even with a lower rate of taxation on small incomes—provision for which decrease was made by a Democratic Congress as soon as the war ended—the Government is meeting its obligations promptly and fully without hint of further borrowings. The financing of the war and the even more difficult task of preventing a crisis during reconstruction are among the most notable if not most spectacular achievements of the present administration.

More than 4,000 farmers were accommodated with loans from the Federal Farm Loan Board's funds during the month of January. Their aggregate borrowings were above \$15,000,000. These loans were for long periods and at interest rates much below those charged by private lenders. Many thousands of farmers have been benefited by this federal loan plan since its inception, and thousands more have reaped an indirect advantage through the reduction in interest rates brought about by this governmental agency. Like the Federal Reserve System, the farm loan act is Democratic legislation and is likely to remain on the books, notwithstanding all the Republican threats to repeal it.

The hundreds of boys of this district who went overseas, as well as the thousands of others who were anxious to be on the front end of the job over there, should be interested in Melville Gillett as a delegate to the Republican National Convention. He started his military career in the New York State National Guard; afterward served through the Spanish war, and was constantly in touch with military affairs until the "big show" started so far as this country was directly concerned in 1917. He was in the aircraft branch of service during the recent upheaval and saw the game at various viewpoints; notably the soldier's viewpoint. Since the war he has taken an active interest in the affairs of the American Legion; is a member of Bucktail Post in his home town of Smethport and has clear ideas as to what sort of a platform and what sort of a man the service men hope to see the Republican party present for the approval of the nation.

2500 Newspapers Quit.

The news print paper situation in the United States is a very grave one, and especially for the small country publications. The big newspapers of the country have been given about 90 per cent. of their total requirements under a contract price of 4 1/2 cents a pound, increasing to 5 cents a pound after April 1st. Then to get the other ten per cent, needed the big newspapers go into the market and bid up the balance of the country's production to ten cents a pound and it may not stop at that.

This forces the little newspapers to pay twice as much for their news print as is paid by the big dailies and for the past 18 months over 2500 newspapers were forced out of business. Enough paper is wasted in useless stuff in the Sunday papers to provide all the country newspapers with all the paper they need. The country newspapers have appealed to Congress, without getting relief.

NEW POTATO QUARANTINE TO COMBAT THE BLIGHT.

Centre, Clearfield and Cambria Counties Added to Area Under Guard.

A new State quarantine for potato blight has been ordered established by the Bureau of Plant Industry of the State Department of Agriculture for Centre, Clearfield, and Cambria counties, along the same line of the quarantine in parts of Luzerne, Schuylkill and Carbon counties. The office and laboratory will be located at Ebensburg and a general inspection of the soil of the three counties, especially where potatoes have been grown, will be made.

Growing of potatoes, except by State permit, will be forbidden in the affected districts, and the growing of seed potatoes immune from the disease will be encouraged. Data regarding conditions in various townships has been gathered and every effort to prevent any spread of the disease into western counties will be made.

R. E. Hartman, in charge of field work in the Freeland district, will have charge of the Ebensburg office, and H. L. Roberts will assist.

Neighbors Spring Surprise Party.

On Tuesday evening of last week a large number of neighbors and friends invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cummings, near Linden Hall. It was a sort of farewell party for the Cummings family, who are soon to leave the Van Tries farm. An enjoyable evening was spent and refreshments served. The following were present:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cummings, Edna, Alta, Agnes, Tessie Cummings; Lee and Chestie Foust, Mr. and Mrs. John Wieby, William McClintic, Dale and Ross McClintic, Mr. and Mrs. Dean McClintic, Mrs. Clayton Musser, Stella, Philip, Stuart Musser, Mrs. Martin Keller, Margaret, Bethard Keller and wife, Mrs. Daniel Colyer, Ruth and Hazel Colyer, Helen Glasgow, Grace Stump, Mrs. Lloyd Brown, Mrs. George Searson, Roy Searson, Margaret Fogelman, Mrs. "Dick" Krumbine and son John, Floyd Johnstonbaugh, Pearl and Velma Johnstonbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClellan, sons Rodney and Carl, Frank McClintic, Ruth and Roxanna McClintic, Mr. and Mrs. George Ralston, Hayes Ralston, J. W. Tressler, Anna Slack, Irene and Helen Tressler, Glenn Tressler, Kenneth Slack, Mrs. John Whiteman, Ralph, Edna, Frances and Jack Whiteman, Mary Anna Stewart, Wireman, Paul and David Noll, Leora Mowery, Calvin Coble, Mary and Frank Coble, Clinton Eckley, Budd Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tressler, Stanley Tressler, Wilbur Wilkins, Freda and Harry Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Arber Cummings.

Miss Kimport's Millinery Opening.

Friday and Saturday of this week—March 19 and 20—are the days set for Miss Myra Kimport's spring millinery opening at the Cross Roads Hat Shop, at Pleasant Gap. The display of millinery this spring is the prettiest and most elaborate in many seasons and is the result of a careful and select purchasing from the recognized millinery leaders in the larger cities. You will surely be pleased with this season's offerings—both as regards quality and price.

Miss Kimport would especially extend a most cordial invitation to her many friends in Centre Hall and vicinity to visit her hat shop on the opening days.

Needle Penetrated Her Foot Years Ago; Found In Thigh.

Years ago a needle penetrated the left foot of Mrs. William Wynn, of near Philipsburg. Surgeons could not locate it, and from time to time it gave her much trouble. On Sunday at noon the needle came to the skin surface of her thigh and was removed with little or no trouble. The needle had slowly worked its way up through the fleshy part of her lower limb.

State Agricultural Notes.

Eighteen farmers in Union township Berks County, have purchased during the past month, pure bred Berkshires and are organizing a community club.

Reports coming to the Department from different parts of the State say that the rabbits have ruined thousands of young fruit trees.

The greater part of the state has been covered with snow since early December. The grain has been well protected and apparently is in good condition, except in many places a heavy body of ice has formed on the grain fields and many farmers are apprehensive as to just how much damage may result from this source.

Farmers will make no mistake in looking up their seed corn early and make doubly sure that it approaches 100 per cent in germinating quality. Otherwise, you may have a poor stand of corn and a discouraging prospect to begin with. Remember the old maxim: "Well begun is half done."

The Galbraith Brothers.

You were either fortunate or unfortunate on Saturday night. Unfortunately, indeed, if on account of the snow storm you were unable to attend the excellent entertainment given by the Galbraith Brothers in Grange hall.

The Galbraith Brothers were secured upon the solicitation of Prof. N. L. Bartges and his graduating class. Their being the equal of anything offered by the lyceum bureaus, their charge was naturally high, but, clean men that they are, they willingly consented to an arrangement whereby the school suffered no financial loss.

They presented a program of music and readings that left nothing to be desired. The Galbraith Brothers are exponents of good cheer and firm believers in the efficacy of laughter as a panacea for human ills. Their audience had many occasions for outbreaks of laughter. There was something "different" in the humorous productions presented by these two men, which in every instance was as clean as a hound's tooth. Their farcical rendition of grand opera, in which the exact scores of grand opera music were presented in connection with a recital of a fire in a Chicago flat, was one of a number of selections that convulsed their appreciative audience. There was much of the sublime in their program too, and such general satisfaction has seldom been seen on the part of the entertainment-loving public.

We trust that they may come again, and should weather conditions be favorable, a crowded house would surely greet them.

New Feature in Scouts Play.

The local Boy Scouts have set Tuesday evening, April 6th, for the sixth rendition of their play, "A Country Boy Scout," in Grange hall. Between acts second and third there will be a sketch, "Harmony Junction," in which Jones, Sambo and Johnson—all colored—hold sway. Besides this, Pinky Pinfeathers, the coon; Wung Lung Loo, the Chinese; Moe Skinsky, the Jew, will be there with their jokes and songs.

The Unlicensed Dog.

Dogs running at large, in violation of the act of assembly of 1917, cost the various counties of the state \$79,397.13 during 1919, while 6,550 sheep in the state were either killed or injured by dogs. The bureau of statistics, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, has compiled the dog and sheep information from the reports received from the county commissioners of each county.

During 1919 there were 311,972 dogs licensed in the state, while 70,428 dogs were killed by constables and police officers and 1,500 were killed by the state game protectors for running at large without licenses.

Since the dog law of 1917 has been in operation 1,053 dogs have been killed in the state, while during that period the various counties paid out the sum of \$164,172.23 in damages to sheep, poultry and live stock owners, as the result of the depredation of dogs running at large. In almost every instance, the sheep and poultry have been killed by unlicensed dogs. The future of the sheep and wool industry in the state of Pennsylvania, according to Secretary Frederick Rasmussen of the State Department of Agriculture, depends largely upon the various county and city officers charged with the enforcement of the dog act of 1917.

"If the constables, police officers and county commissioners carry out the dog law provisions to the full, insisting that every dog owner secure licenses for his dogs and that the dogs be kept in restraint, the meadows and hills of the state will abound with sheep, for farmers will find it profitable, while the county commissioners will find it unnecessary to pay out thousands of dollars each year in damage claims growing out of dogs attacking the sheep, other live stock and poultry."

Reports from all sections of the state indicate that dog owners are slow in taking out their 1920 licenses, although the time for securing such licenses is now long over-due and the owner of each unlicensed dog is now subject to arrest and a heavy fine and imprisonment. During 1919, the average sum paid in fines and costs by persons arrested in the state for failure to license their dogs or keep them in proper restraint, was \$11.

Items from the Millheim Journal.

Boyd Harter, of Newbury, W. Va., is visiting relatives and friends in Millheim.

The 38 acres of timberland, east of Coburn, sold at public sale last Friday afternoon by C. A. Weaver, was purchased by the Coburn Grain and Creamery company for \$13 50 an acre.

When the Peachy carload of horses arrived at Coburn last week one of the animals was lying dead in the car. According to the rules of the railroad company an animal that dies or is killed in transit must be buried and must not be skinned, but in this case the rule did not hold good. The dead carcass was left lying along the track over night and the next morning the hide was off.

THE DEATH RECORD.

B. E. Spangler Dies in Chicago.

The Reporter is in receipt of a letter from Miss Gertrude Spangler, of Rochester, New York, carrying the sad intelligence of the death of her oldest brother, Bernard E. Spangler, following an operation for appendicitis. Miss Spangler says: "He had not been well for a week and with a temperature of 102 degrees last Sunday morning the attending physician decided that an operation was necessary and he was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital and operated on March 7th, p. m. He rallied somewhat but was quite weak, and finally passed away March 13, 9:30 a. m. He will be interred in Rose Hill cemetery, Chicago, Ill."

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Spangler and was the oldest member of the family, having been born July 22, 1871, hence was in his forty-ninth year. He went from this vicinity to Chicago in 1891, where he has been ever since, holding of late years a responsible position with a cigar-box manufacturing concern. He was married to Mary L. Wistar, of Howard, Centre county, in 1890, who survives with one daughter, Mrs. Roy Burkhardt, of Chicago, and two grandchildren. The remaining brothers and sister are: William E. and Harry B. Spangler, both of Chicago, and Miss Gertrude M., of Rochester, N. Y.

KLINE.—Eva Anna Kline, beloved wife of John Kline, died at her home at Centre Mills, Monday morning, after several weeks of suffering from a complication of diseases. She was the daughter of William and Margaret Meyer, of Boalsburg, and was born seventy-one years ago. She led a christian life, always trying to help others; a good mother; and her death bed was a scene of worshiping her God, asking those around her to sing the old familiar hymns. She was a member of the Smulton M. E. church.

She leaves to mourn her loss her husband and five children: Mrs. Margaret Godshall, of Oxford, Ohio; Mrs. Anna Kahn and Arthur, of Altoona; George, of Jersey Shore, Miss Minnie, at home. She also partly raised four boys, namely, Newton Yarnell, of Middleburg; George Fry, of Blair county; Chas. Rupp, of the West; and Fred Meiss. She also leaves eleven grandchildren and one brother William, of Boalsburg.

Special services will be held at the house on Friday evening at 7 o'clock to which all friends and neighbors are invited. On Saturday morning the remains will be taken to Boalsburg where services will be held in the Reformed church at 10 o'clock.

CORMAN.—Mrs. Emma Jane (Welch) at Corman, wife of Nathan Corman, died her home below Pleasant Gap, on the Zion road, last Thursday at noon, while a public sale was in progress on the premises. She was a sufferer with asthma and neuritis, but was on a splendid way toward recovery when she was suddenly stricken with apoplexy and was found dead by a member of the family who had gone to take her dinner to her.

Deceased was a native of Howard and was aged sixty years. The husband, who was also ill at the time, survives with a family of ten children—four girls and six boys, most of whom are away from home. Several brothers and sisters also survive. The remains were conveyed to Howard for interment on Monday.

RIPKA.—Doyle Edward, six months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Ripka, died at the parental home in Georges Valley, on Tuesday of last week, of enlarged liver. Burial was made in the Holy Cross cemetery on Friday.

RUDY.—Samel G. Rudy, one of the well known practicing attorneys of the Huntingdon county bar, and ex-county superintendent who gave a great deal of his time to public school work, died at his home in Huntingdon, Friday a week ago, after a long illness of pulmonary trouble.

He was a son of Henry and Margaret (Gilliland) Rudy, and was born at Pine Grove Mills, April 9th, 1865. He was graduated from Juniata college in 1882 and in 1890 he was elected County Superintendent of schools and was re-elected in 1893 and 1896. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and of Washington Camp No. 321, P. O. S. of A., Huntingdon.

Lewistown's Increased Population.

The Census Bureau gives out Lewistown's population, according to the 1920 census, as 9,849, an increase of 1,683 over the 1910 census.

Population figures for Huntingdon are 1920 population, 7,051, an increase of 190 persons over the last census or a gain of 2.8.

The robins are here.

Birthday and Farewell Party.

A birthday and farewell party was held in honor of John Shultz at the Evangelical parsonage Wednesday evening of last week. The local troop of Boy Scouts were present as well as the future Scout Master, Rev. J. A. Shultz gave a farewell address to the members of the troop. Ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: John Shultz, Rev. and Mrs. James A. Shultz, John Mertz, Franklin Heckman, Ernest Frank, Harold Keller, Frederick Moore, William Sweetwood, Paul Shreckengast, Newton Crawford, Kryder Miller, Howard Emery, Albert Emery, Franklin Ruble, Joseph Ruble, Paul Fetterolf, Daniel Smith, Albert Smith, Franklin Runkle, Curtis Reiber, Harvey Flink, Miss Helen Brubaker, Grace Brubaker, Mrs. W. H. Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Daup, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Flink.

Brunner-Meyer.

Cole K. Brunner, of North Fairview street, Lock Haven, and Miss Bertha M. Meyer, 249 South Jones street, of the same city, were united in marriage in Pittsburgh, February 25, by Rev. L. E. Davis. After the ceremony a very nice dinner was served them at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Swartz, Braddock, with whom the happy couple spent their honeymoon. On March 15 they took up their residence at 114 West Church street, Lock Haven.

It will be remembered that the bride is a daughter of Mrs. Agnes Meyer, formerly of Linden Hall. The groom recently returned from overseas, having spent two years as Sergeant in the U. S. Army.

New Scout Leader.

Owing to the removal of the local Scout Master, Rev. J. A. Shultz, from the district, the election of a new Scout Master was made necessary and resulted in the choosing of C. E. Flink at a recent meeting of the Boy Scouts. The selection is a good one, and will assure a continuance of the good work begun by Rev. Shultz.

Received High School Appropriation.

The high school appropriation has been paid by the State treasurer to the Centre Hall borough school district, for the year 1920. H. G. Strohmer, treasurer of the school board, received the check last week. The amount was \$280.00.

Labors Verdict on Prohibition.

Five hundred twenty-six labor leaders throughout the United States gave expression to their opinion on prohibition in the Literary Digest, as follows:

Prohibition a benefit to the workingman	354
Prohibition not a benefit to the workingman	134
Doubtful	31
Prohibition has not been given a fair trial	7
Total	526

Asks Minister to Leave Town.

After having been called before the church council and asked to resign and leave the town on account of conduct "unbecoming a minister of the Gospel," Rev. H. C. Rose, pastor of the Lutheran church at Lewisburg for several years, left last week for parts unknown. That the charges against him were of a serious nature as indicated by the summary action taken, is admitted by the members of the church who have failed to divulge the nature.

College "Reds" Assemble at Call of Red Rooster.

Four years ago a half dozen red-headed Penn State Freshmen tugging on the end of the rope in the annual Tug-of-War with the Sophomores, pulled their class to victory in the big scrap. Organized effort pulled the trick, they said, and wanted to form a "Red Head Club" then and there. But they were "only freshmen" and the privileges of the average college plebe are few and definitely numbered.

But now that these same auburn-tressed lads are upperclassmen they have realized their ambition and last week the Penn State "Red Head Club" came into its own. With the proud, strutting Rhode Island red rooster as their adopted insignia, they assemble for regular meetings when the brilliantly red poultry king is placarded on the campus crowing the time and place. The first meeting was held in the "Y" Hut and a critical committee was on guard at the door with power to eject all who could not exhibit a genuine unadulterated firey red "poll". Twenty-odd men passed the test.

The success of the organization was instantaneous. The idea invaded the women's dormitories, and the girls now have their own "Red Head Club"—and are proud of it. Story-telling, hikes, picnics, dances and general social activities are the aims of the club.

To-night (Thursday): The Susquehanna University Concert Five, in Grange hall. Hear them.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Saturday, the 20th, is the first day of Spring, welcome Spring.

D. J. Nieman, the Millheim merchant, is in New York City making a purchase of spring and summer goods.

Where's the money that used to make the mare go? The Standard Oil company is getting a big share of it for gasoline.

Misses Grace Musser and Margaret Kerstetter, of Millheim, were guests of Miss Sara Heckman, in this place, over Sunday.

A fire insurance underwriter looked over the remodeled I. O. O. F. building in Centre Hall, one day last week, and found everything o. k.

Mrs. Thomas Keefer, nee Miss Cora Brungart, whose serious illness was noted in these columns a few weeks ago, is improving nicely.

An examination for postmaster at McAlevys For' will be held in Huntingdon, Saturday of next week. The job paid \$362 for the last fiscal year.

If you loaned Uncle Sam some of your money on the Third Liberty Loan you no doubt received an interest check this week, the same being a half-yearly interest.

Quilting parties have been quite numerous. Last Thursday a number of ladies engaged in a "quilting" at the George E. Heckman home, east of Centre Hall. A big dinner was served the visitors.

Charles F. Stover, west of Millheim, had a big sale on Friday, totalling well over \$5000. Four head of horses sold for more than \$1000. Cattle and implements brought correspondingly high prices.

If you are changing your post office address this spring to not fail to notify this office. Give your name as printed on the label, and be sure to mention the old address as well as the new. This is important.

Mr. and Mrs. Ives L. Harvey returned last Saturday to their home in Bellefonte after a visit of several weeks to Florida. Mr. Harvey went South to recuperate from the effects of his recent illness.

A. M. Reigle, the Sozona cattle buyer, and Cleveland Mitterling, the local buyer, both were held up with a carload of cattle for several days owing to there being no freight from Centre Hall on Saturday.

Are you reading the Bell Telephone Company's advertisements which are appearing weekly in the Reporter? The company is presenting some logical arguments in favor of an increased telephone rate.

Among the new ministers licensed to preach by the United Evangelical Conference, in session at Williamsport last week, was Russell J. Goodhart, of Millheim, an ex-serve man and grandson of Mrs. Mary Goodhart, of Centre Hall.

The Concert Five (four men and one lady) of the Susquehanna University, will give a varied musical program—principally singing—to-night (Thursday) in Grange hall. Proceeds for benefit Loysville Orphans' Home, 15, 25, and 35 cents.

Mary Fetterman, aged 18, tried to struggle through a blinding snow storm from Mount Carmel to her home in Gilberton Saturday night, succumbed to the cold and fell asleep. She was picked up Sunday morning so badly frozen that she will lose both legs.

A student fire company of fifty members has been organized at Penn State College, with A. S. Barnhart, a member of the Junior class, of Greensburg, as chief. The college has been without the services of an organized fire fighting body since the rush to the colors in 1917 forced the old organization to disband.

Mrs. Chester Homan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan, of near Centre Hall, was admitted to the Bellefonte hospital last week for treatment. She suffered an attack of the flu a month or more ago and her recovery has been marked with such slow progress that it was thought best to take her to the hospital for treatment.

As a result of his general breaking down in health, which had its inception about one year ago, Dr. Edwin E. Sparks has resigned as president of the Penna. State College. While thus relieved of active work, he will assume an emeritus position at the college which will afford him opportunity to enjoy a more intimate relationship with the students.

Industrial workers in Centre county suffered two fatalities during February, according to a report issued last week by Clifford B. Connelley, Commissioner of the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry. There were 213 fatal accidents throughout the State during the month. Ninety-six of the accidents occurred to persons employed in industries, forty-five to public service workers and seventy-five to minors.