



RED CROSS AIDS 15,000 TOWNS

Vast Number of American Communities Assisted.

MANY ACTIVITIES INAUGURATED

Thirty-five States, Pennsylvania Among Them, Officially Working With Red Cross.

The activities of the American Red Cross for the fiscal year ending June 30 last fulfilling the peace-time obligations of its congressional charter by "mitigating suffering caused by disaster and pestilence, and in devising and carrying on measures for preventing the same," touched, in some form, more than 15,000 American communities.

During the year a Red Cross Department of Health Service has been organized; its Nursing Service has been extended to meet a growing demand for public health nursing until over 26,000 nurses are now on its rolls; its First Aid to Injured courses have been widely taught, 6,000 persons having been awarded First Aid Certificates during the year; and the American Red Cross has been the chief factor in the formation of the League of Red Cross Societies with headquarters in Geneva.

The Department of Health Service was established December 1, 1919. On June 30, 1920, there were in active operation 123 Health Centers, from which radiate innumerable activities designed to improve the health of the community and prevent the spread of disease, while 435 Red Cross Chapters were actively engaged in disease-preventive work.

The Bureau of First Aid to the Injured has issued 6,000 certificates to those who have taken regular courses and awarded 465 medals. Ten First Aid contests have taken place in various states, 1500 medals have been distributed and 775 junior members have been awarded emblems.

The Life Saving, or Water First Aid service has been extended during the past year by the addition of twenty-nine Red Cross Life Saving corps and the enrollment of 1500 new members, of whom 503 are women. There is now a complete woman's corps in this branch of the service.

The Health Department also includes a Bureau of Medical Social Service, which had under its supervision June 30, 1920, 312 Red Cross employees, serving 52 Public Health Hospitals. Of this number 125 are hospital social workers, and during the year 30,422 patients have received from this bureau some form of Red Cross service.

In the Department of Nursing the fiscal year was one of transition from military to civil activities. Of the 694 nurses attached to the various American Red Cross commissions in Europe when the armistice was signed, all but 116 had returned to the United States by June 30, 1920. Of these 63 were in Poland, 46 in the Balkans, two in France and two in Bohemia. Six scholarships have been established at King's College.

Nursing Enrollment. Enrollment in the Red Cross nursing service increased during the year from 35,423 to 36,705. On June 30 there were in active service 594 in the army, 321 in the navy and 475 in the Public Health corps.

In order to increase the number of qualified public health nurses, for which there is urgent demand, 288 scholarships have been established and 67 loans have been made from National Fund of public health nursing. In addition, approximately 250 scholarships have been awarded by the various chapters. Funds have also been given to the University of Minnesota, Peabody College, Tulane University, University of Louisville, and University of California.

Development in class instruction in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick has increased three-fold during the fiscal year, the number having increased from 34,033 to 93,093. During June, 1920, 2000 nurse instructors were conducting classes.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE AT SPRING MILLS.

To Be Held at the Vocational School, Friday November 26th, Afternoon and Evening.

A teachers' district institute will be held at the Spring Mills Vocational School to-morrow (Friday), afternoon and evening. An exceptionally splendid program has been prepared which will be as follows:

- AFTERNOON SESSION 3:15 O'CLOCK. Chairman, Professor D. O. Ethers, County Superintendent. 1 Singing. 2 Reading in the Lower Grades—Thomas A. Auman. General Discussion. Miss Carrie Bartges and Miss Maud R. Stover. 3 Improvement of Teachers in Service—Prof. H. G. Parkinson, Department of Rural Life, State College. 4 Round Table Discussion: (a) Written Excuses, (b) Absences, Necessary and Otherwise.

Discussion to be led by Prof. C. L. Gramley. 5 Singing. 6 Address—Lindley H. Dennis, Director of the Bureau of the Vocational Education, Harrisburg.

SUPPER 5:45 TO 7:00 The members of the Institute are guests of Gregg Township; the supper will be served by the Home Making Department of the Vocational School.

EVENING SESSION, 7:15 O'CLOCK. Chairman, William V. Dennis, Director of Vocational School.

- 1 Singing. 2 Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers. 3 Singing. 4 Vocational Education in Centre County—J. B. Payne, County Vocational Supervisor. 5 Address—Lindley H. Dennis, Harrisburg. 6 Singing.

7 Address—Lee L. Driver, State Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg. Please bring with you the song books used at the County Institute.

Be sure to register before the beginning of the afternoon session. Registration Committee—C. E. Royer and Miss Mabel Vonada.

Use of Farm Tractors Show Great Increase.

The shortage of labor on the farms of Pennsylvania during the past year has brought about a greatly increased use of the farm tractor, according to statistics secured by the Bureau of Statistics, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The figures show that during 1920 the number of tractors on the farms of State has increased fifty per cent.

In 1916 there were approximately 4-315 tractors on the farms of Pennsylvania. At the present time there are approximately 6,523 tractors in use on farms. These figures are based on reports from 705 townships in the State.

The reports do not indicate that horses are being generally discarded on the farms, but that the tractors are used as auxiliary power, requiring less manual power to operate than the use of horses.

State Policemen Found Guilty.

A jury in the United States district court at Pittsburgh, on Wednesday of last week, returned a verdict of guilty in the case against Robert S. Schell, formerly of Philadelphia, and Ira C. Stevenson, members of the state constabulary who had been stationed at Holidaysburg and who were charged with aiding one Myer Moore in transporting whiskey into Altoona.

The case against the officers was tried before Judge Orr and they were represented at the trial by Attorney Frank H. Fay, of Holidaysburg, and Attorney Ralph Tannahill, of Pittsburgh. Immediately after announcing the verdict, the attorneys for the former officers filed a motion in arrest of judgment pending the disposition of a motion made at the same time for a new trial. This motion will be argued before Judge Orr in January.

Moore entered a plea of guilty to a charge of transporting liquor in the same court and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$500.

Lock Haven Mill Closed.

The Lock Haven plant of the Madison Textile company, silk manufacturers, has shut down indefinitely, making 100 persons idle. The Lock Haven Silk Mill is running with a greatly reduced force. The Seltzman and Knight mill has been idle since August.

been instituted under the direction of the State Public Health officer.

The part which the American Red Cross took in the organization of the League of Red Cross Societies was purely educational; but in this way it blazed the trail for the League, which aims to extend the distress preventive and constructive brotherhood throughout the world.

All Ready for the Deer Season.

Next Wednesday opens the deer season and the numerous camping parties are getting ready to spend two weeks in the mountains in search of the male of the species. The law regarding the killing of bucks only has proved to be one of the best pieces of legislation ever enacted in the interest of sportsmen. Regardless of the ever increasing number of hunting parties with their force of twelve to twenty men to a camp, presenting a veritable army as they scour the mountains, the report comes each succeeding season, "deer are more plentiful than ever." Of course, it is the does that are increasing at an almost incredible rate, nevertheless few hunting parties fail to have the opportunity to kill the limit of six bucks, their success depending a great deal upon the skill of their marksmen.

Soccer Football by High School Students.

Friendly rivalry has been developed among the various High schools in Penns Valley this fall in the matter of athletics, and on last Friday afternoon the Centre Hall High school met the Boalsburg High school on the latter's grounds in a game of soccer football. Considering the fact that the game is new to all the students, the score was close, the game ending in a draw—1 to 1. Centre Hall scored a point during the first quarter of the game and Boalsburg just escaped defeat by getting the ball between the goal posts during the last two minutes of play.

This (Thursday) afternoon the Gregg Township Vocational School will meet the locals on the home school grounds. The admission price is 25 cents.

84 Visited Kerlin's Poultry Farm.

Last Friday morning a crowd of eighty-four students from the Pennsylvania State College, department of Poultry Husbandry, made a visit to the Kerlin poultry farm in Centre Hall, where they took a keen interest in the various departments of the poultry plant. Included in the number of students was one girl.

Mingle Home Sold for \$4700.

The Mingle home in Centre Hall was sold beginning of the week through the Bartholomew agency to George E. Heckman for \$4700.

Appointed Captain in Air Service.

Captain Pierre D. Boal of Boalsburg, commander of the Machine-Gun Troop of the First Cavalry, was appointed captain in the air service of the Pennsylvania National Guard, a few days ago. This is the first appointment to be made in the state air service under the national defense act and the details will be worked out later. The war department will supply the airplanes.

Farm Calendar.

Timely Reminders from The Pennsylvania State College

SOIL DRAINAGE—If you have a field sowed to wheat, do not expect anything but weeds on the wet spots where frost causes "heaving." Tile drain those wet spots.

SELECTING DAIRY COWS—In choosing a good dairy cow, select one of large size, since larger cows are usually more profitable than smaller ones of the same breed. Do not overlook type, for market demands dairy cows in which both good type and high production are combined.

POULTRY—Pullets should now be in their laying quarters to insure the greatest returns. All poorly developed birds should be disposed of. Those pullets that are laying should be marked as a means of identification for next year when the breeders are selected. Early maturity is associated with high production.

SHEEP—Protection should be prepared for sheep against the rains and snows of the winter months. If the sheep shelter needs repairing, it should be done now. Feed the breeding flock enough to insure a strong crop of lambs next spring.

THRASHING should not be delayed longer than is absolutely necessary. If the grain moth is present, it can be fought much better in the bins than in mow.

ORCHARD—Immediate steps should be taken to protect fruit trees from attacks by mice and rabbits during the winter. Common roofing paper tied around the tree trunks with tinned string makes satisfactory protection.

GARDEN—Sashes for use in winter or spring may be repaired at this time. Cracked and poorly fitting glass allows cold air and water to enter the hot bed or cold frame. It is a good time to clean class, also.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY MURDERER SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Will Go to Electric Chair for Killing Neighbor.—New Trial Refused.

Harry Heinz, the Madera blacksmith, who was convicted at the last term of criminal court in Clearfield county, of murder in the first degree for the killing of Alex Walsh, at Madera, must pay the extreme penalty for his crime.

Following his conviction Heinz's attorneys made a motion for a new trial, which was argued some ten days ago. Walter Welsh and W. C. Miller, Esq., made the argument for Heinz, while District Attorney Arnold combated the motion. Judge Bell handed down his decision last Friday morning in which he refused a new trial.

Heinz was then called before the Bar and sentenced by Judge Bell to death in the electric chair. Heinz showed little emotion when the sentence was pronounced and had nothing to say while Sheriff Gorman was returning him to jail, where he will remain until Governor Sprout signs his death warrant and he is ordered to the penitentiary at Rockview to await execution.

Walsh was stabbed to death by Heinz in his own yard following an altercation growing out of trouble between the children of the two families living side by side at Madera.

Crider-Grove.

Miss Hazel Kathryn Crider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Furst Crider, of Lock Haven, and L. Russell Grove, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Gardner Grove, of near Centre Hall, were united in marriage November 1, in the St. Pauls Evangelical Cathedral, Buffalo, N. Y., at 10:30 o'clock, with the Rev. J. H. Haas officiating.

Miss Crider, as well as a graduate of the training school for nurses of the Lock Haven hospital, has also received the degree of registered nurse. Mr. Grove graduated from Spring Mills High school, 1915, and Central State Normal, 1918.

After an extended trip to Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Cleveland, Quebec and various other points in Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Grove will reside in Pittsburgh, where Mr. Grove has been holding a very responsible position with the United States Aluminum Company as a cost accountant for some time.

26 Tons Cabbage to Acre.

Eight years ago plant breeders at the Pennsylvania State College, school of agriculture, in an endeavor, to suit crops to the soil of the college farms, found an unusually large, solid and well shaped head of Danish Ballhead cabbage. It was segregated and made to produce seed. More seed was obtained from successive plantings until during the past season one acre of plants, all descendant from the one selection, yielded nine tons more than the average commercial strain of the same variety. The developed selection has been named "Penn State Ballhead; last season yielded twenty-six tons to the acre, as against seventeen tons produced in adjoining rows from ordinary Danish Ballhead seed.

Tuberculosis Days—Dec. 3 and 5.

In connection with the 1920 Christmas Seal sale, Tuberculosis Day will be observed in Pennsylvania. The dates selected are Friday, December 3, in the schools and Sunday, December 5, in the churches.

In the schools, principals, teachers, physicians and laymen will speak on the nature and treatment of tuberculosis and how to prevent the disease. Health plays will also be given. Many pastors on December 5 will devote all or part of a sermon to the question of health and particularly tuberculosis. In many Sunday Schools some time will likewise be devoted to presenting the subject. In many churches and Sunday Schools laymen and physicians will also talk.

Gifford Pinchot, Chairman of the State Committee in charge of the Christmas Seal and Health Bond sale, said: "I should like to see Pennsylvania's schools and churches use these days for emphasizing the fact that the White Plague is still in serious menace. The steady drop in the death rate from tuberculosis in Pennsylvania (from 150.0 per 100,000 population in 1906 to 117 in 1919) appears to bear a direct relation to progress made in bringing to the public the fact that tuberculosis is a preventable disease. The message on the Seal this year—'Merry Christmas' and a 'Healthy New Year'—calls for plenty of time in the fresh air and sunshine of the outdoors, the eating of wholesome food and the taking of plenty of rest. These are simple but effective remedies against tuberculosis. It will mean much for the public health if these simple lessons are brought more forcibly to the attention of everybody on these two days."

Tuberculosis Day will be observed in nearly all states of the Union on these days—December 3 and 5.

Another Shoemaker Book.

The Reporter editors gratefully acknowledge the receipt of another volume from the glib pen of Col. Henry W. Shoemaker. His latest book is entitled "South Mountain Sketches" and is a collection of folk tales and legends gathered in the mountains of Southern Pennsylvania, and only a cursory examination of its contents is sufficient to guarantee it a lasting place among the nine other volumes by the same author which are dear to the hearts of those who love the traditions clustering around our own Seven Mountains as well as all other interesting spots in Central Pennsylvania.

Expressing the soul of the wonderful mountains of Pennsylvania has been the delight of Col. Shoemaker for the past twenty years, and he has well done it in the following ten volumes:

- I. "Pennsylvania Mountain Stories," 1907; II. More Pennsylvania Mountain Stories," 1912; III. "The Indian Steps," 1912; IV. "Tales of the Bald Eagle Mountains," 1912; V. "Susquehanna Legends," 1913; VI. "In the Seven Mountains," 1913; VII. "Black Forest Souvenirs," 1914; VIII. "Juniata Memories," 1916; IX. "North Mountain Memories," and X. "South Mountain Sketches," both published in 1920.

The volume, aside from its literary value, from a typographical standpoint is worthy a place in any library. It is from the press of the Times Tribune Company, Altoona. Mr. Shoemaker's own journal, and reflects the degree to which the art preservative has been developed by that concern.

Get Truck Load Whiskey Worth \$4000.

Following close upon the raid on the Bellefonte hotels a squad of State police last Wednesday night captured a truckload of liquor near Bellefonte valued at \$4000. The three men in charge were taken to Bellefonte and jailed. In the truck were thirty cases and a barrel of whiskey and it is being held under guard preliminary to turning it over to the Federal authorities. The whiskey was in transit from Wilkes Barre to Osceola Mills.

Lecture-Recital by Prof. Keener.

An entertainment combining humor and pathos will be given in Grange hall, Centre Hall, on Friday evening, December 10, by Prof. Nathan N. Keener, of Susquehanna University. The subject of the lecture will be "The Folks We Meet," and Prof. Keener during the course of the evening will give various character sketches and impersonations. He ranks among the best performers and reciters and you should avail yourself of this opportunity to hear him. Admission, 20 and 30 cents, reserved seats, 10 cents extra.

Another Body Shipped Home for Burial.

The body of James A. Auman, who died in a hospital in France on October 31, 1918, shortly after he had arrived overseas, arrived at Coburn one morning last week, accompanied by a soldier escort. The body was conveyed to the home of the young soldier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Auman, near Wolfs Store, from where a military funeral in charge of the local American Legion post was held Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Christmas Cantata.

A Christmas Cantata, entitled "A Christmas Dream," will be rendered in the Lutheran church in this place on Christmas eve (December 24th), to which all are cordially invited.

Bank Cashier Killed While Out Hunting.

Harry McHenry, cashier of the Columbia County National bank, at Benton, was fatally injured by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of his cousin late Friday afternoon.

Mr. McHenry, with his cousin, Carl McHenry, assistant cashier of the bank, went for rabbits after the institution was closed. They had just stepped from their automobile when Carl's gun was discharged, the charge entering Mr. McHenry's right thigh and severing two arteries. He was rushed to the Bloomsburg hospital, but he died in an hour from the loss of blood. He was thirty-seven years of age.

Methodists Free of Debt.

Bishop W. F. McDowell of the Washington area of the Methodist Episcopal church was at Osceola Mills for the evening service on Sunday. In the morning he preached to a large congregation. The occasion of his coming was the celebration of the raising of a subscription of \$10,569 to cancel the entire indebtedness on the church property.

Hog Prices Lowest in Four Years.

Hog prices broke to the lowest level for four years on Saturday at the stock yards at Pittsburgh when the best medium weight sold at \$12.50 per hundred weight. A year ago last August it sold at \$25, the world's record.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

The season for killing small game, except rabbits, closes next Tuesday. Rabbits may be hunted until the 15th of December.

With elaborate ceremonies the people of Philipsburg celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Old Union church, located on Presqueisle St.

Ephriam W. Rowles, of Clearfield, father of Postmaster Roy Rowles, of Philipsburg, died a few days ago at the age of sixty-six years.

Williamsport is at work in a campaign to raise \$450,000 to build an adequate home for the Y. M. C. A. in Williamsport. The committee is determined to carry through their purpose.

Dr. Elmer Lynn Williams, the "Fighting Parson" of Chicago, and who addressed an audience in Centre Hall last year, lectured in Philipsburg on Sunday on "Public Morals and Reconstruction."

Messrs. C. E. Flink and Clymer McCleahan are planning to rent the room in the I. O. O. F. building, formerly used by Miss Kimport as a millinery shop, and stock up with a line of electrical supplies.

Arthur M. Riegel, the stock buyer of Salona, circulated among the farmers in this section again last week, fully recovered from his recent injury in a fall from an apple tree. All are glad to see him about.

The teachers of the Centre Hall schools have been invited to take supper to-morrow (Friday) at the district institute, given in the Home Making department of the Gregg Township Vocational School at Spring Mills.

Wild turkeys were killed in the eastern end of the county last week by Ira Gramley, of Millheim; Thomas Hubler and Lee Kidder, of Rebersburg; William Gilbert and Lester Bowersox, of Wolfs Store; and E. L. Stover, of Aaronsburg.

Mr. Shrack, of Chester county, accompanied by Cleveland Mitterling, brought up a carload of milk cows in Penns Valley last week, making shipment to Chester county on Monday. The cows were purchased at \$10 to \$25 a head lower than those in previous shipments.

Thank-offering services, with appropriate exercises, were held by the Lutheran church people at Tusseyville on Saturday evening and Centre Hall on Sunday evening. More than \$200 were received through the little boxes at the two places. The money is for the cause of missions.

Planning to depart for his new home at Pittsburgh, the venerable William J. Dale last Tuesday disposed of his household goods at Pine Grove Mills, intending to spend the night with his brother in State College, but at the last moment decided to remain one more night in the old home. During the night he suffered a paralytic stroke and is still in a serious condition.

The Susquehanna Silk Mills corporation, with main offices in New York, has announced a 15 per cent reduction in pay, through the discontinuance of a 10 per cent bonus for regular attendance at work and a five per cent "dividend." Approximately 3,000 employees are affected. The company operates mills in Sunbury, Milton, Northumberland, Jersey Shore, Lewistown, Huntingdon, and Marion, O.

Charles Bilger, of Pleasant Gap, while hunting on the mountain west of that place, saw sneaking through the brush a gray animal which he at once recognized as a wild-cat, and he promptly turned his shot-gun loose on it, killing it on the spot. The animal was a full grown specimen, measuring four feet from tip of nose to claws of hind feet. He sent his kill to Lewistown with Charles A. Pelter, the bus driver, to have it mounted.

A grand banquet was served at State College on Tuesday evening at which the various heads and assistants of the Centre County Conservation Committee were present. F. M. Fisher, of Centre Hall, director for Potter, Harris and Gregg townships, with his corps of chairmen of the various departments, were present. The idea was to form a closer relationship between all those having an interest in the conservation of Centre county's forests and natural resources.

The erection of a new town hall in Millheim was urged by committeemen from the Business Men's association and the Legion Post, of Millheim, before the town council one night last week. The proposition was discussed at length by the councilmen and finally a committee was appointed to draft plans for a new building and have plans ready for the next meeting when the committees above mentioned together with a committee to represent the interests of the Ladies' Civic club will meet with council and give their views to the requirements to be embodied in the contemplated new building.