

CORRESPONDENTS' DEPARTMENT

REBERSBURG.

Miss Mary Frank, of Pittsburg, is at the Gephart home for a short vacation. Miss Frank is one of the girls from this place who has made good. She has been stenographer for the same corporation for ten years.

Ralph Gramley, principal of the Williamsgrove High school, is at the home of his father, Clement Gramley.

Wesley Haekenbery and wife drove to Reading to spend Easter with their daughter, Mrs. Russel Zaccarias.

Emma Carlin, who had been in Ohio with her sister, Mrs. Snyder Miller, for the winter, returned to this place and will be at the Emma Shull home.

Preston Zeigler, principal of the Junior High school at McAllisterville, and Jessie Moyer, who is employed in the Viscoe office at Le-wis-ton, drove home on Saturday afternoon to be at their respective homes over Easter.

Catherine Bright left for Washington, D. C., on Thursday, and will live there with a family by name of Skidmore.

Clarence Diehl and family, of Pittsburg, are here to assist their parents, Robert Diehl, to move from town to their home in Rockville. Jacob Kerstetter, who had occupied the Diehl home for a number of years, moved to Honey Grove, near Mifflin.

Eldon Igen and family, who lived in the Howard Krape home, will move to Lock Haven. Mr. Igen is a carpenter employed in that city.

John Ocker and family, from Bellefonte, were at the Wm. Bierly home on Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Zeigler, who had two surgical operations in the Geisinger Hospital in the last two weeks, is getting along nicely and her numerous friends hope to see her at home soon, fully recovered.

Mrs. John Moyer returned to her home on Saturday after being at Bloomsburg for six weeks. Mr. Moyer is an instructor in the Northumberland schools and Mrs. Moyer spends part of the time with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Marsteller, in Bloomsburg.

Mrs. Calvin Weaver, Jr., is ill, suffering from an attack of pleuro neuralgia.

POTTERS MILLS.

Those who visited Sunday at the H. E. Foust home were Mr. Bryan and family from Mill Hall, and D. S. West and family, from Aaronsburg.

Wm. Foust, wife and son, Jonas Paul and wife, visited over the week-end at Pottstown at the home of Charles Foust.

Harry From and wife, Robert Harris, of Youngstown, Ohio, Emmerson Finist, wife and two children, of Yagertown, visited over Easter at the home of Mrs. W. H. Blouiser.

Miss Bubb, of Reedsville, visited over the week-end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella Wilkinson.

Those who took dinner Sunday at the G. H. McCormick home were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mingle and two sons, of Akron, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mingle and two children, of Coburn; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle, of Aaronsburg.

Miss Phyllis Sweeney, who has been housed up for three weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, is improving slowly. She is able to sit up, but not to walk.

Roy Smith, wife and two children visited over the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Smith.

Charles Ripka moved on Monday from Milroy into the Mrs. Clayton Wagner home.

Rumor has it that Boyd Smith has bought the Hessel place from Mrs. Don Bower and will occupy it this spring.

Miss Violet Palmer, from State College, visited over the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Palmer.

A farewell party was held at the Russell Brungart home on Friday evening, at which about 75 were present.

FARM CALENDAR.

Timely Reminders from The Pennsylvania State College.

USE WAX IN GRAFTING—In grafting apple trees all cut surfaces must be completely covered with wax to prevent drying out. Two kinds of wax can be used: melted and soft.

FIGHT CHERRY BRIGHTS—Spray cherry plants with a 4-4-50 Bordeaux mixture to save them from bacterial and fungus blights. Apply with 300 pounds pressure at intervals of 7 to 10 days.

USE CLEAN LITTER—Plaster shavings give satisfactory results when used for litter in poultry houses. Cut alfalfa, cut clover or cut straw also give good results when used as litter.

SPRAY APPLE APHIS—Use lime-sulphur and nicotine-sulphate to control the apple aphid. Spray when the buds are in the delayed dormant condition, say Penn State entomologists.

IMPROVE GARDEN SOIL—If your home garden is composed of a heavy stiff soil that has a tendency to become hard and form a crust after rains it can be improved by turning under manure or any other vegetable matter. Coal ashes also are good but they add no fertility. Ten pounds of lime per square rod will improve the soil physically and aid in producing better crops.

SAVE OATS FROM SMUT—An expenditure of 2 or 3 cents for formaldehyde and about three minutes of time will prevent oat loss from smut attacks. The average loss in untreated oat is two bushels per acre.

RED CROSS CHAPTERS STRENGTHEN FORCES FOR DISASTER RELIEF

Launch National Campaign to Perfect Preparedness Plans in Every Community.

A nation-wide campaign to strengthen plans for preparedness against disaster and for emergency relief has been launched by the American Red Cross through its Chapters. The program is intended to perfect disaster preparedness committees in the ten thousand communities reached by Red Cross Chapters and their branches.

When carried out, through committees of men and women in the communities, it will insure that should a disaster come, an organization for emergency relief, including every modern method science has perfected—such as the radio, the airplane, the motor car and watercraft—can be mobilized to bring assistance, with the promptitude applied by the Red Cross in recent major disasters, such as the West Indies hurricane and the Mississippi Valley flood.

These enlarged and strengthened plans for disaster relief are set forth in the revised Red Cross manual, "When Disaster Strikes," which has been placed in the hands of every Red Cross chairman throughout the nation. The plan to encourage adoption of these added disaster preparedness methods was begun at this time because Red Cross records—covering 43 years of disaster relief—show that the period of the greatest number of disasters, large and small, ranges from the early Spring through the early Fall.

The Record of 43 Years

A historical summary of Red Cross disaster relief since 1882, shows that the society was active in giving relief in 938 domestic disasters and its expenditures in those relief operations were \$49,594,000. The three groups of calamities appearing most frequently were: cyclones, tornadoes, hurricanes and other storms, 231; fires, 121; floods, 126.

During this period, the Red Cross also has given assistance to distressed peoples of other countries in 153 disasters. Total expenditures for relief at home and throughout the world, in 43 years, amount to \$77,354,000.

In the four most recent major disasters, among the greatest which have ever visited the American continent, Red Cross expenditures for relief totalled \$29,188,908. Only in the event of large disasters such as the Florida hurricane of 1926, the Mississippi Valley flood of 1927, the New England flood of the same Fall, and the West Indies hurricane of 1928, does the Red Cross seek contributions from the general public for relief work; and frequently these are not ample, as in the four disasters listed, the Red Cross donated \$1,338,201 from its own treasury to aid in the work. In the event of smaller disasters, the cost of the relief is met largely from Red Cross resources.

No Community Immune

No community is immune to great disasters of one type or another, the manual shows. One preparedness measure that can be adopted is a survey of the surrounding country, with the assistance of engineers and other experts to determine the type of disaster to which the section is subject. Hazards resulting from the presence of rivers and lakes, subject to overflow, of mines, munition factories, and other industries wherein dangers from explosion and fires may exist, are singled out for consideration.

Extension of existing disaster organizations in communities, and organization of men and women, trained in public health and community service, will result in the saving of lives and the prevention of extensive suffering, through privation, epidemic and other misfortune, should emergency arise through disaster. These organization plans, outlined in the manual, are similar to those now existing in most Red Cross Chapters, only strengthened in some particulars. They contemplate disaster preparedness and relief committees, under which function sub-committees on food, clothing, shelter, medical aid, registration of disaster sufferers and information service, transportation and communication and finance.

Co-ordination of all of the societies, organized groups and institutions in the locality is urged, so that all effort for emergency relief will be directed without conflict. Trained in advance, these committees can swing into action, and provide an orderly and systematic relief organization.

The following are expenditures made by the American National Red Cross for relief in the four most recent major disasters:

Florida hurricane, 1926	\$4,477,170.07
Mississippi Valley flood, 1927	17,498,902.16
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West Indies hurricane, 1928	5,913,062.47
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