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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

### MRS. J. K. RHOADES.

Lydia Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Kendall, was born November 1, 1879. Early in life she made a public confession of faith in Christ and led a sincere Christian life from that time onward.

On the first day of June, 1910, she was married to John K. Rhoades and to them were born a son and a daughter both of whom preceded their mother to the better world who was laid to rest by their side in the beautiful cemetery at Mercersburg, Pa., on Saturday afternoon, May 25, 1918. Those who will miss her most are her husband, father and mother and six sisters, namely, Edith, wife of Rev. A. M. Malcolm, Albia, Iowa; Katherine, wife of T. E. Shepherd, New Concord, O.; Minerva, wife of Lieut. R. W. McKibbin, Waynesboro, Pa.; Jesse, wife of Howard, Atchison, Albia, Iowa; Miss Ella (twin sister of the deceased) and Miss Ethel, at home.

During the past two years, Mrs. Rhoades had been a patient sufferer, and she passed to her reward, Thursday, May 23, 1918. The funeral was held at her late home at Mercersburg, on Saturday afternoon. Revs. Wilson V. Grove and J. L. Grove spoke words of great comfort to the bereaved ones.

### WILLIAM F. WELLER.

William F. Weller, aged 48 years, 7 months, 4 days, died at his home in Thompson township on Monday, May 13, 1918. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. J. C. Garland assisted by Rev. John Mellott, took place at the Brethren church near Stone Bridge on the following Wednesday, and interment was made in the cemetery at that place.

The deceased was a son of Barnabas and Catharine Yonker Weller. He is survived by an aged mother who is entirely helpless, by one brother Albert in Thompson township, and by two sisters Mrs. Edward Spiker and Mrs. George Myers.

William served in the Spanish-American war, and since that time cared for his parents. About a year ago his father died and a week later his brother Anson.

### MARY CATHARINE FORE.

Mary Catharine, aged 1 year, 5 months and 26 days, daughter of Boyd and Janet Gobin Fore, died at her home at Knobsville on Sunday, May 23, 1918, of convulsions. The funeral services conducted by Rev. Edward Jackson of McConnellsburg took place Tuesday afternoon and interment was made in the cemetery at the Knobsville M. E. church. The bereaved parents have the sincere sympathy of their many friends.

### Gone to France.

Sergeant G. Hayes Markley, of Camp Dix, New Jersey, with 27 other officers, all of whom speak French, left from an Atlantic port a few days ago for France. These officers comprise the billeting detachment which will make everything ready for the division that will go over later. Sergeant Markley, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Markley, Warfordsburg, and Sergeant Major Kingdom Gould are the two selected from their regiment. —Hancock News.

### Good Beginning.

Mrs. Harry Peck and Mrs. Sam Hess entertained jointly at the former's home for the benefit of the Red Cross War Fund last Thursday evening and realized the sum of \$15.50. This is the opening of the ladies' entertainment chain in Belfast township, and others will soon be heard from.

## Commissioner on Crutches.

Last Saturday morning Charlie Weller, who is doing some repairing, needed a load of lumber from Mellott's mill. Charlie has a good neighbor in the person of Commissioner Albert Nesbit, and he hitched a horse in a team with Albert making up a four-horse rig. The rest, the horses had been getting during the rainy weather, made them feel like having exercise, and they made a dash up the hill from Weller's mill toward the Cove road at a 2:30 gait.

Albert did not trust his wind to chase them on foot, but mounted a horse and galloped after them. When the team reached the big road at Charlie Nesbit's they turned toward McConnellsburg. Thurman Nesbit seeing the situation jumped into his Reo. When Albert came up on horseback, Albert left his horse and got into the Reo with Thurman, and at a 30-mile clip they succeeded in passing the runaways just at the top of the hill south of James H. Kendall's. Without waiting for Thurman to stop his car, Albert sprang out with the intention of grabbing the leader by the bridle and bringing the team to a standstill. But Albert had not calculated the speed of the moving car and when his feet struck the ground he set up a series of acrobatic stunts that would have made an ordinary circusman green with envy. Albert didn't catch the team. When he pulled himself together he found he needed a couple yards of court plaster, a half gallon of arnica, a bottle of Sloan's liniment and a pair of crutches.

Thurman soon had the horses under control, the team had its frolic, and everything was just as good as ever—but Albert, who soon will be.

## Letter of Thanks.

Russell H. Runyan writing to Mrs. C. B. Stevens under date of May 24th says:

DEAR MRS. STEVENS:—I want to thank you and the McConnellsburg Chapter of the Red Cross so much for the nice kit which you gave to my mother to send to me. I had asked mother to make me one, but I suppose there will be many times when the Red Cross will have to fill the place of a mother. It helps so much when you think how the good people at home are helping to "back us up." The Y. M. C. A. huts in camp are the greatest places we have to go in the evenings. The Red Triangle is all that it stands for—Body, Mind and Soul of the fellows here in Camp. I hope the home Red Cross society has had a successful week, this week. Thanking you all for this little need of mine, I am, yours truly, RUSSELL H. RUNYAN.

## Farmers, Market Your Wheat!

The United States Food Administration is calling on the Farmers to market immediately all the wheat they have on hand over their own requirements till harvest time. The County Food Administrator is receiving daily appeals from the authorities to see that all the available wheat in this county is marketed at once. The Government has said that if the farmers did not market their wheat within a reasonable time it would be requisitioned. I hope that there is not a farmer in Fulton County that will hold his wheat till the Government is forced to take drastic action to get it. I appeal to all farmers in this county that have wheat, to market it, and save your county and yourself the disgrace of being compelled to do your plain duty.

JOHN R. JACKSON,  
County Food Administrator.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Houston Johnston, of Pittsburgh, are spending a few days in the home of the former's brother Editor F. McNaughton Johnston at the farm south of town.

## MRS. FEIGHT'S BODY FOUND.

Was in Water from Tuesday Evening Until Friday Afternoon. Hundreds Searched the Creek.

The NEWS last week told of the drowning of Mrs. Elsie Feight in Licking Creek, but at the time of going to press her body had not been found. The story of the said affair is about as follows: Mrs. Feight, who was a daughter of the late William T. and Mary Lake now Mary Swope Clevenger, lived near the fording at Lake's Mill in Belfast township. On Tuesday of last week, she drove over to Walker Mellott's with a horse and buggy to attend to a little business at the store, and started to return home in the evening. It had been raining and when she reached the fording opposite her home the creek was much swollen, but as it was about half past eight or nine o'clock, the probability is that she misjudged the condition of the stream, and when she reached the strong current, the buggy was upset and she and the horse and buggy carried down.

She has a tenant farmer living in her house, and when she did not return in the evening, he just thought she had decided to spend the night with some neighbor. Next morning he went to the fording and saw that a buggy had entered the stream, but there were no tracks to show that it had come out. A little later the horse, with the shafts attached, was found about half a mile below the Lake fording, and afterward the buggy, lap, robe, etc. It was then apparent that the body of the unfortunate woman was somewhere in the stream. Soon the word was spread throughout the neighborhood and scores of men and women turned out and the search was kept up diligently until Friday afternoon, when her body was discovered in some alders fringing a little island in the Creek a half mile or so below the fording at Amos Gordon's (the old Lynch fording). Her clothing was not torn, and her body had but few bruises. It is said that she carried a considerable sum of money in a hand-bag, but the hand-bag has not been found.

Her body was removed to the home of her mother Mrs. Mary Swope, where short funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon.

Her remains were then conveyed to the Ebenezer church where the funeral services were conducted by her pastor Rev. E. J. Croft, assisted by Rev. Will Truax, John Mellott, Isaiah Mellott, and Rev. J. C. Garland, after which interment was made in the cemetery at that church. The funeral was attended by the largest number of persons ever seen at a similar occasion in that neighborhood.

Mrs. Feight is the widow of the late Andrew Feight. She is survived by her aged mother, two sisters—Ditha Hann and Jennie Truax, and two half brothers, Will and Andrew Swope.

## A Patriotic School.

The teacher, Miss Barbara Martin, and pupils of the Central Grammar school of Bellwood, gave a social on Thursday afternoon for the benefit of the Junior Red Cross. Games, music and other amusements were enjoyed. A neat little sum was realized from a prize fish pond. Light refreshments were served by Miss Martin. Everybody expressed having had a splendid time.

This was the first school in the building to enroll one hundred percent in the Junior Red Cross. The pupils have knit an ambulance robe, and invested \$637.75 in Thrift Stamps and Liberty bonds. The school closes next Tuesday, May 28, and Miss Martin will spend a part of her vacation in Tyrone. She has been asked to return as teacher of the same school next year.—Tyrone Herald.

## All Must Work or Fight.

Provost Marshal General Crowder has issued an order that after July 1 every man in the draft must be fighting or working at a useful occupation which will have some relation to winning the war. This is a good deal more drastic than certain laws passed by various States, which only provided for work of any kind. So as to make the matter clear, General Crowder has specified various occupations which are not useful.

The list begins with gamblers, race track and bucketshop attendants, and fortune tellers. This will hit only a limited number of persons, and more followers of these "professions" are outside the draft limits. Others are more inclusive. Waiters, bartenders, theatre ushers, elevator operators, servants in clubs and hotels and clerks in stores must get into war-like occupations. It may be said that a good many of these places are already held by women—bartenders omitted—so that in this locality there will not be much of a round-up.

In fact, the demand for high-priced labor is so great that most young men have needed no compulsion to go where the most money awaits them. A few are considered slackers, and if they don't change their jobs they will be put in Class 1, which means immediate army service. This will apply to married men and all with dependents. There is to be no favoritism shown. If you can't or won't do war work, you must fight.

It is the desire of the government to increase the number of men in the shipyards and in the merchant marine as rapidly as possible, and compulsion will be used when necessary. It is a good plan, although it may cause some perturbation in particular instances. Admittedly it is radical and unprecedented, but we are getting used to such things. Men in the draft should understand that they are really in the military service now, and can be made to work as the government pleases, so long as not called to the colors. Perhaps this will have a stimulating effect on some languid souls. In any event the workmen are to be secured.

Nothing is to be omitted to win the war, and just now labor of certain kinds is as necessary as an army in the field.

## Red Cross Chain.

That the Dublin township auxiliary Red Cross Chain has no weak links in it is shown by the fact that the following ladies have entertained, and in this way added nearly 37 dollars to the War Fund.

Mrs. F. C. Bare	\$3.00
Mrs. C. H. Fields	2.00
Mrs. Bertha Bare	2.00
Miss Margaret Cromer	2.00
Miss Florence Cromer	1.00
Mrs. John Baldwin	1.00
Mrs. Thos. Husler	1.00
Mrs. Geo. Sheffield	1.50
Miss Annie Mayne	1.00
Miss Sue Orth	1.00
Miss Alice Fraker	1.00
Miss Annie Luckley	2.00
Miss Frances Fields	1.00
Miss Cora Doran	1.00
Miss Mary Kope	1.00
Mrs. Chas. Cline	1.00
Mrs. D. W. Cromer and daughters	3.90
Mrs. Hunter Fraker	1.50
Mrs. Irwin Wilson	1.00
Mrs. J. B. Fraker	1.00
Miss Esther Welsh	1.00
Mrs. John Martz	1.00
Mrs. Alice Fraker and son	3.00
Mrs. Grant Shoemaker	1.00
Miss Mayme Cromer	1.00
Total	\$36.90
F. C. BARE Sec'y	

Miss Alice Michaels one of Everett's leading business women, is taking a little vacation. After having spent 10 days in the home of her sister Mrs. Geo. W. Hays, she went to Hustontown Tuesday morning to attend the Sunday school convention and see some of her Taylor township friends.

## RED CROSS MEETING.

Attorneys Alexander and Sharpe, of Chambersburg, and Lieut. Rainville Made Interesting Addresses

While the Red Cross meeting in the Auditorium last Saturday evening was not so largely attended as some others, and while most of those present were ladies, the fact that two hundred thirty eight dollars was contributed showed that the meeting was \$100 per cent. effective.

Lieut. Rainville a Canadian officer, who had two-and-a-half years experience on the front line in France, made the first address. He told a wonderful story of his experience, and of the great work the Red Cross is doing. On account of having to leave for Chambersburg at 9 o'clock to catch a train to make his next engagement, he had to cut his address short just at a time when his audience were keyed to the highest pitch of interest.

The Lieutenant was followed by Mr. Schaff, Joshua J. G. Sharpe, Esq., and Hon. William Alexander of Chambersburg, who have a State-wide reputation as strong public speakers. On this occasion they all made interesting and inspiring addresses; and, notwithstanding the fact that they had all contributed liberally to the Red Cross fund in their home town, they each contributed generously to our fund, and under their inspiration and enthusiasm, the audience came across with \$238.00. This sum was in addition to the sum contributed to our solicitors during the canvass.

Last Saturday being the last day of the Special Drive week, several of the younger ladies of town took it upon themselves to help out with our quota, and booths were placed—one at Tuscarora Heights, one at Hotel Harris, McConnellsburg, and one at the Thomastown road on the Lincoln Highway, west of town. Mrs. Blanche Patterson and Mrs. Mary Nace had charge of the one on the mountain; Miss Harriet Sloan, Mrs. Irene Lynch and Miss Mildred Hull, the one in town, and Mrs. Cam Patterson and Lois Nace, the one at the Ridge. These ladies were joined in the afternoon by Miss Minnie Reischer, and Mrs. Mabel Sloan. Of course, the scheme in placing booths along the Highway was to give the traveling public—especially automobile tourists—a chance to "do their bit". It meant a day of strenuous effort on the part of those who had charge of the booths, but when evening came, they had one hundred and twenty-four dollars to turn into the General treasury of the Red Cross Fund to the credit of Fulton County.

The ladies had some experiences. Blanche Patterson "held up" a party of four tourists, who each gave her a crisp five-dollar bill. A Packard touring party was chased more than a hundred yards by one of the ladies before it could be brought to a standstill, and when the lady almost out of breath succeeded in telling them what a grand opportunity they had to contribute to so noble a cause, and how much the bleeding country needed assistance at this time, one of the men, whose heart had evidently been touched by her earnest appeal, reached forth and placed a nickel in the outstretched hand saying, "This is for the family." A colored chauffeur, driving a car eastward, gave the ladies at the Ridge a dollar, and when thanked, said, "I'm glad for the opportunity; we're all likely to give a great deal more." That same man, gave the ladies on the mountain seventy-five cents, saying that he had already given a dollar. These, of course, are exceptional cases. Most of the tourists treated the ladies courteously and in most cases gave a dollar or two.

About noon a camping party

## Germany Still Hesitating.

No abatement can be detected in war-time activities, which grow more and more intense as the struggle progresses. At this writing the expected renewal of Germany's great drive has not materialized, says Henry Clews in his last Saturday's address, presumably because of incomplete preparations. Meanwhile the strength and morale of the Allies is steadily rising, largely owing to the rapid influx of American troops into France. This movement is now progressing at a rate of probably 10,000 per day, which is highly satisfactory to American expectations and decidedly threatening to those of Germany. The longer the enemy's offensive is delayed the more complete will be its defeat. Time works more effectively than ever against the Central Powers, which find the pacification of Russia increasingly difficult, the new supply of food and raw materials below expectations, and dissensions in Austria constantly increasing. By contrast, the Allies are working together more harmoniously than at any period of the war; their strength is rising as American preparations approach their maximum, and each day strengthens confidence in ultimate German defeat. The one great hindrance to peace is Germany's blindness of the real Allied situation. Duped as they are by military leaders, whose all is at stake, there seems to be no way out except fighting to the bitter end until we have completely smashed the cruel autocracy which threatens the freedom of the civilized world. It is our determination as a nation to deliver that final blow; and exert particle of strength that we possess should be spent for speeding the war and hastening the decisive moment.

The NEWS last week told of the appointment of Miss Rose Fisher to a position as stenographer in the War Department at Washington, D. C. While the position carried with it a salary of \$1,100.00 a year, Miss Rose declined it preferring her old position and her connection with the Red Cross work, she being Executive Secretary of the Franklin County Chapter.

consisting of young men and women in a Ford with a New York license tag, stayed about an hour in McConnellsburg where they purchased needed supplies. They saw the Red Cross ladies "holding up" automobile parties and collecting contributions, and they "caught on." Toward evening, tourists traveling eastward informed our workers that they had contributed to an automobile party traveling westward, and when they described the party, our workers "caught on." These New Yorkers had begun to collect Red Cross Funds when they got away from McConnellsburg. Leslie W. Seylar, Merrill W. Nace and J. Campbell Patterson—in Mr. Patterson's Oakland-Six, gave them chase, and apprehended them on top of Sideling Hill mountain. Of course, they were awfully sorry, and did not know that they had to have a commission before they dared to collect war funds, and gladly forked over \$5.50 the sum they said they had succeeded in collecting, which sum was brought to McConnellsburg and turned into our local Red Cross treasury.

The total amount credited to Fulton County in the Red Cross War Relief Fund to date is \$2621.60. A number of townships that did good work, have not reported, and their figures will be given later. It is estimated that Fulton County will reach a total of at least, \$3,700.00. This sum compared with larger and wealthier counties, will carry Fulton "over the top."

## FARM LABOR.

If Fulton County Farmers Need Labor Help, Communicate with John R. Jackson

The Committee of Public Safety for Pennsylvania has appointed the undersigned County Manager for Farm Labor in Fulton County. The duties of the County Manager for Farm Labor will, in brief, be to learn the needs of our farmers for labor, and to apply such labor to them as is available. The first source of labor will be the labor that is available in the county. So far as this labor is concerned the farmers will, to a large extent, secure their own labor as they have always done. But the Committee of Public Safety and the United States Department of Agriculture, and the United States Department of Labor, are conducting a campaign through out the County in the interest of farm labor. Thru these departments men, and boys between the ages of 16 and 21, are being recruited for farm labor. Arrangements have been made with many high schools and colleges whereby young men fitted for agriculture service are enrolled in the Boys Working Reserve and sent to State College for a two weeks' course in practical farming and then sent out on the farms. These boys are under discipline and must perform the work on the farm in a satisfactory way in order to obtain credit on their school course. The Boys Working Reserve and the County Manager for Farm Labor have direct supervision of boys placed on the farm, and see to it that the boy performs his duties as he should and also that the farmer treats the boy properly.

It is the duty of the farmers at this time to grow everything possible in the food line, and if the farmer by taking on additional labor can increase his production it is his patriotic duty to take such labor, as we now have two to feed where we had one before.

While our farmers may not feel that they are in such great need of additional labor as would justify them in taking one of these high school boys between 16 and 21, for present needs, yet the farmers should recognize in this system a source of labor which they will surely be in very great need of before this war continues another two years. It is a known fact by the best authorities that within another two years, if the war continues, there will be such a shortage of farm labor as to effect every farmer in this country; therefore, the farmer should commence to prepare to meet that shortage by helping to train the thousands of high school boys who are willing to undertake farm work because they recognize it as a patriotic duty. Next year when the need for labor is greater, we should have thousands of these young men with, at least, one season's experience on the farm. We will have them and the farmer will get the benefit of their service, if he will cooperate in helping to train these young men.

Communicate with me concerning your farm labor needs that you are not able to supply in your local community. I am here to help you help your government win this war.

JOHN R. JACKSON,  
County Manager for Farm Labor.

## Robbed Turkey Nests.

We have been reliably informed that H. C. McGaughey, Game Protector, of Lamaster, Franklin county, made information a few days ago before W. B. Ranek of Warfordsburg, against three persons in Bethel township for robbing a wild turkey's nest. The parties accused will likely find that the eggs that they were accused of taking will be very expensive ones.—Fulton Democrat.