

The Fulton County News.

VOL. XX. NO. 9.

McCONNELLSBURG, PA., NOVEMBER 21, 1918.

\$1.50 A YEAR.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

PVT. C. Y. CROUSE.

From the Lanark (111.) Gazette of November 6th, we learn of the death of Charles Yeakle Crouse, which occurred at Camp Travis, near San Antonio, Tex., on the 28th of October. The deceased was a son of Jeremiah Washington Crouse, or more familiarly known to his Ayr township friends as Wash Crouse, and his mother was Catherine Yeakle, a sister of Jacob Yeakle of Thompson township, and of Mrs. Clayton J. Brewer, of Ayr township. The parents now reside at Lanark, Ill.

Charles was born at Winslow, Ill., April 3, 1893. On the 25th of last May, he was inducted into the service of the United States, sent to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and from there transferred to the cavalry at Camp Stanley. Later he was transferred to the 54th Field Artillery at Camp Travis. Private Crouse was the first soldier of Lanark and vicinity to be stricken by death. He is survived by his parents, four brothers and five sisters.

MRS. AHIMAAZ TRUAX.

Annie E. Mellott Truax, widow of Ahimaz Truax, died at the residence of her daughter Mrs. Amon N. Sipes 1 1/2 mile south of Saluvia on Tuesday, November 12, 1918 of a complication of diseases, aged 69 years, 7 months, and 1 day. The deceased was a daughter of Jesse and Mahala Mellott, near Siloam M. E. church, and she was the only surviving member of a family of five children. She had been quite feeble for a year or more, growing more and more weakly until the end came.

Mrs. Truax was identified with the M. E. Church from early girlhood. For a number of years, she and her husband belonged to the Ebenezer M. E. church. Two daughters survive: Nettie, wife of Amon Sipes, in whose home she died, and Alice, wife of Hiram Shives, near Big Cove Tannery.

The funeral services conducted by her pastor Rev. E. J. Croft, assisted by Rev. Lewis Wible of Blaine, Pa., took place Wednesday afternoon, and interment was made at Ebenezer.

MRS. ORVILLE TAYLOR.

Mrs. Murnie Mock Taylor, wife of Orville Taylor, was born May 16, 1883 and died at her home at Saitillo, Pa., Wednesday, November 13, 1918, aged 22 years, 5 months and 13 days. She is survived by her husband and by one child Olive three years old. Also by her aged mother, Mrs. Daniel Mock, of Knobsville, and by five sisters: Eliza, wife of H. O. Wible, Huntingdon; Alice, wife of Curtis Kelso, Altoona; Maye, wife of Jacob Glunt, Burnt Cabins; Maude, wife of James Sipes, Harrisonville and Mary, wife of C. S. Keebaugh, Altoona. Also, by three brothers: Harry, Scott and Charles—all of Altoona. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frownfelter, of the M. E. Church, and interment was made at Saitillo.

MRS. AMBROSE BROWN.

Clara, wife of Ambrose Brown, died at their home near Clear Ridge on Friday night, November 15, 1918, after a short illness of Spanish influenza, aged about 37 years. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon and interment was made at Clear Ridge. The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, and besides her husband, she is survived by eight children—all at home.

The annual Farmers Institutes will be held this year on the 18th and 19th of December at Hustontown, and on the 20th and 21st at Cedar Grove. The program and more definite information will be given later.

Major Sappington to Return.

The Hancock Star is authority for the statement that Major William F. Sappington, who has charge of a base hospital in France containing a thousand patients, is soon to return home on a leave of absence. He has not been in good health since he inhaled a little too much German gas about six months ago. Major Sappington is none other than the genial Dr. Sappington who practiced medicine at Webster Mills, several years ago, and he was among the first to offer his services to the Government and go to the front.

He went to the front. This reminds us of a little story Elsie Greathead sends from Missouri. A lady riding in a limousine, espied by the roadside a young farmer milking a cow. At her command the chauffeur stopped the car, and in a stern voice she said, "Young man, why are you not at the front?"

Before the somewhat bewildered milker could make a reply, she repeated in a still more imperious voice, "Young man, I say, why are you not at the front?" "Because," said the half-frightened young man, "the milk is at this end."

Hollenshead-Smith Nuptials.

A very pretty church wedding occurred at Pleasant Grove, Sunday, November 3, 1918, when Mr. David Hollenshead of Sipes Mills, Pa., and Miss Blanche Smith of Warfordsburg were united in marriage by the bride's pastor, Rev. A. R. Garland of Bell Grove, Md.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hollenshead and he has been in the mercantile business for sometime. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen B. Smith, and a well known, successful teacher of the County.

A sumptuous supper was served at the bride's home on November 16, to a number of relatives and friends, after which the dalthumpian band appeared and contributed their finest music and best wishes.

The bride was the recipient of a number of pretty and useful gifts.

The happy couple, expect to move to their home in Needmore soon.

Notice to Registrants.

The President directs that Registrants who on September 12, 1918, had attained their thirty-seventh birthday, and who have received questionnaires, but who have not returned such questionnaires, but they are immediately to return such documents to their local boards. No charge of delinquency will be entered against any such registrant for his failure heretofore to fill out and return his questionnaire even though the time set for such return is now past and all charges of delinquency heretofore entered against such registrants of such ages who have failed to return their questionnaire within the time limit set therefore will be cancelled and made of no effect.

LOCAL BOARD OF FULTON CO.

Sad Home Coming.

Herman Hamm, of Saxton, a soldier who a couple months ago was reported dead in the casualty list arrived at Huntingdon last week. The circumstances are of unusual sadness, as he arrived at the home of his sister, at Huntingdon, just in time to see her husband, Charles DeForrest die of influenza. The next morning he and his sister received the sad news that their father, Henry Hamm, had died of influenza at Saxton. The young soldier had been wounded in battle, bearing the mark of bullets in four places and had been sent to the military hospital at Staten Island.

Subscribe for the News

Let Us Be Thankful.

The terrible war is surely over, and the news coming from the scene of the latest action, informs us that the American Soldiers surely turned the tide of the war. All honor to General Pershing, and the various ranking officers under his command. All honor to the mighty government at Washington for bringing the peace that was conceived in the White House and State Department. All honor to Congress for its loyal support of our government and military forces. All honor to those who were unable to take up the activities of war and who aided our government and soldiers by complying with requests to save food and make sacrifices at home. All honor to the United War work associations that helped so nobly at home and abroad. But greatest honor of all, to the women of this country who sent husbands, sons, brothers, fathers and lovers to the fiery test of the battlefield, and worked day and night for their comfort, and never let anyone know how they suffered.

To those who sent these loved ones to a battlefield three thousand miles away—realizing that it might be never to return—but knowing he would do a man's part, under God, in making this a better world to live in—a safe home for Mother and all women.

They had faith that he would make victory sure, and they followed him with their cares and prayers.

Mothers, wives, sisters, sweethearts, the suffering through which a new world of Peace has been born, is over. Your loved ones have helped to save the whole world from darkness, despair and the welter of blood—your hero. But the greater suffering and heroism has been yours. Peace and Thanksgiving and gladness for you. When whole armies of men give themselves a willing sacrifice for the ideals greater than their love of their own lives, and the mothers, wives, daughters and sweethearts back them up with self sacrifices and arduous labor at home, no defense can be raised that will stand against them, and victory was sure. The NEWS most sincerely and reverently joins the vast army of self sacrificing women, in this period in returning thanks to Almighty God for the victory they helped to win and bringing Peace On Earth—Good Will To Men.

Pleasing Coincidence.

The Orbisiana Dispatch says that Mrs. W. S. Madden of Rockhill, Huntingdon County knit a sweater which was turned into the Red Cross work rooms in the ordinary way, and eventually shipped to our boys in France. In the distribution of the sweaters it just happened that Mrs. Madden's son Wayne received the identical sweater knit by his mother, and on which she had placed her name.

Soldier Xmas Labels.

The nearest relative of any member of the American Expeditionary Force in Europe not receiving a Xmas label by Nov. 21, 1918, or in case such label is lost, may obtain a Xmas parcel label for sending such a parcel by applying to Miss Minnie Reiser. Parcels to which such labels are affixed will be accepted by postmaster up to and including Nov. 30, 1918.—CHAIRMAN OF INSPECTING COMMITTEE.

A device, invented by an American genius, allowed Anti-submarine vessels to trail U-boats and thus played a very important part in bringing that menace under control. This device registered sound and direction, and many a German U-boat was located and destroyed through this agency.

Crop Conditions, October 1.

From a report just issued by L. H. Wible, statistician in the State Department of Agriculture at Harrisburg it is stated, that the average yield of wheat per acre is estimated at 18 3/4 bushels and the total production 26,023,674 bushels. The average yield last year was 19.1 bushels and the total production 26,386,796. The increase in acreage accounting for the difference. The weather last fall was adverse to the proper germination and growth of the grain and at the breaking up of winter the condition of the wheat was poor, but from the time of the heavy snow April 10 the weather was propitious and developed the plant and grain splendidly. This, together with the favorable weather during harvest and while the grain was in shock, accounts for the good quality of the grain. The yield is slightly better than an average one but even at that it is an agreeable surprise. Lancaster county ranks first as usual, York second, and Berks takes the third place from Franklin this year.

It appears that the yield of rye is 17.5 bushels per acre which is just an average crop. The total production amounts to 4,676,500 bushels as against 4,573,250 bushels last year. Rye is more hardy than wheat and will do well on thinner ground than wheat. Since this grain cannot be used in the manufacture of alcoholic liquor, and people have been obliged to learn more about its food value during the war, it is probable that more attention will be given to growing this cereal for human consumption in the future.

The oats crop is a large one and is estimated at 39 bushels per acre as against ten-year average of 31.5 bushels. The total crop amounts to 44,105,214 bushels compared with 38,800,769 bushels last year. The quality of the oats is good. Reports indicate that the oats will average much better than the standard 32 pounds to the bushel.

The late rains improved the corn. Present forecast is that the yield of corn will approximate 90 per cent. of an average crop, or 46 bushels per acre. On this basis the total production will be about 59,925,000 bushels as against 55,230,000 last year. This is the most valuable cereal crop in this State. The average is probably the largest ever planted.

The late rains have improved the buckwheat but this has been offset by some damage by early frost in the northern part of the State. Present indications are that the crop will be about 93 per cent. of an average or 18 1/2 bushels per acre. The total crop will likely approximate 6,100,000 bushels compared with 5,570,000 last year.

Chairman's Report.

As chairman of the United War Work campaign in the borough of McConnellsburg, I appointed the following committee of ladies to canvass the town: Miss Mary S. Seylar, Miss Emma McGovern, Miss Annie Reiser, Mrs. C. B. Stevens, Miss Lillian Brewer, Miss Nellie Hays, Miss Lillian Grisinger, Mrs. Lewis Harris. On Saturday evening, the committee reported \$419.75. In addition to this sum, the McConnellsburg public schools reported \$10.75 cash, and \$170.00 pledges, making a total to the credit of McConnellsburg of \$600.50.

As chairman of the Committee, I wish to thank the ladies for their splendid work, and the citizens of the Borough for the very creditable response to the appeal of the Committee.

D. E. LITTLE,
Chairman.

The resignation of Rev. T. B. Thomas, pastor of the second Lutheran Church, Chambersburg was accepted at a meeting of the congregation last Sunday night, to take effect December 1st.

HER SOLDIER BOY.

BY W. S. C.

When you bid him adieu,
Your soldier true,
How you tenderly pressed his hand;
Just a kiss and a smile,
He will be gone for awhile,
His love was for you and his land.

They sent him so fair,
To fight "Over There."
Each evening you missed his embrace;
When to slumber he lay,
At the close of the day,
In his dream he would see your sweet face.

For the boy that you gave
Some country to save
That the weak and oppressed have a chance;
With the red and the white
Its stars just as bright
He fought for them "Somewhere in France."

And now as you go,
Through your homes all aglow
Where the love-fires of country burn bright;
Just whisper a prayer,
For the boys "Over there."
Who went through the midst of the fight.

And now that it's o'er
The last of all war
To the one that has waited alone;
You may weep with joy
As you welcome your boy
Coming back to his dear old home.

More Sugar and White Bread.

Not all Americans were privileged to engage in the actual fighting which has resulted in complete victory for the United States and all of its allies, but practically every man, woman and child in this country has helped in the conservation of those foodstuffs which were necessary for the winning of the war. There will be all the more rejoicing, therefore, in learning that the Food Administration has found it possible at this early date to suspend the regulation requiring householders and others to purchase 20 per cent. of substitutes with each purchase of wheat flour. In other words white bread, which is craved by so many, may now be used in moderation. No limit as to amount is fixed, but Mr. Hoover's department still expects Americans to be conservative in the use of flour. At the same time the allotment of sugar to families and others has been increased from three to four pounds per month for each person.

The announcement calls attention to the patriotic manner—generally speaking—in which the people of the United States responded to the regulations of the Food Administrator. To a very great extent they were placed upon their honor, and the result justifies the methods employed by Mr. Hoover and his associates. It was fully realized that food would "win the war," and the results prove that the slogan was a truthful one. Unity of purpose has proven highly successful, as it always must, and every person who conscientiously performed a part in this great work can now have the satisfaction of knowing that it helped in bringing the struggle to a successful conclusion. It is all very encouraging and makes it plain that the great mass of Americans are willing to endure hardships and inconvenience for the sake of the Nation which ensures them life, liberty and the right to the pursuit of happiness.

November Lightning.

About 11 o'clock last Monday night, an electric storm struck this section of the state. There was considerable vivid lightning and rumbling thunder. It remained one of a summer thunderstorm.

It was more severe farther East, and in the vicinity of Harrisburg much damage was done by the wind that accompanied the storm. Old weather prophets claim this is an indication that winter weather is at hand.

The only complaint we hear is the high price asked and short measure given.

SALVIA SUMMARIZINGS.

Fine rains Saturday and Sunday night. Quite warm temperature for the season, prevailed from the 16th to the 20th of November. Probably our Indian Summer.

Dr. James R. Guffey, of Pittsburgh, assisted by James Mellott killed a fine 20-lb. wild turkey on Monday. Jim says the Doctor made a record wing shot to bring the big bird down.

Some of the schools which had been closed for three weeks on account of their fluera epidemic, were reopened on Monday. It is reported that the teacher of the Daniels school has resigned.

Latest reports justify us in stating that all the families in which there had been illness in this community, are in a fair way to recovery.

Drs. Ralston and Guffey, of Pittsburgh, J. L. Turner and Geo. M. Martin, of Boaverdale, Pa., C. Kurtz, Harvey Kurtz, and Frank Burkett, of Somerset, were among the hunters registered at the Greenhill House last week.

An airplane passed southward over Licking Creek Valley last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Shives were in attendance at the funeral of the latter's mother, Mrs. Ahimaz Truax.

Mrs. Joseph Wyles is among the first to butcher this fall. She slaughtered two fine hogs Monday.

Commissioner and Mrs. Chas. W. Schooley spent the time from Thursday until Sunday of last week visiting their daughter Mrs. Ed Parr Mellott.

Two long letters received recently from their son Dwight with the American Expeditionary Force in France, greatly cheered the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Sipes.

Edward R. Handorshot and Lewis C. Hann are each building finely equipped pig- and hog-pens. We may look for porkers to be more plentiful.

Bond Paper Valuable.

The paper upon which the Liberty bonds are printed is made of the wood of spruce trees grown in the far north. It is, perhaps, the most valuable paper in the world and counterfeiters would risk their lives to get a few sheets of it. It is made by a secret process and is sold only to our government. Every sheet is accounted for from the time made until printed and delivered to the proper officials of the government. For the first issue 6,060,500 bonds were printed, for the second, 17,363,000; for the third, 21,000,000.

Subscribe for the News.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

Harry Reiser and Harry Harmon, of Hagerstown, came to Fulton County last Thursday morning and in the evening returned home with a truck load of potatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barton and daughters Elizabeth, Esther and Ethel, of Malton, N. J., spent several days last week the guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. K. Stevens at McConnellsburg.

Ex-Associate Judge W. B. Stigers and Miss Margaret Stigers of Warfordsburg, spent a few hours in town last Thursday and took dinner in the home of Druggist and Mrs. Leslie W. Seylar.

Austin Lynch, one of Belfast township's hustling young farmers was in town a short time last Friday afternoon. Mr. Lynch is improving his spare moments by hauling stone for a limekiln.

Mrs. Lizzie Morgret, and Alfred, Jesse, and Earl Morgret, all of Whips Cove, motored to McConnellsburg last Thursday, and took dinner with Mrs. Morgret's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Kuhn.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rhodes and their daughter and son Ruth and Robert returned to their home in Mt. Union last Saturday after having spent a week in the home of Robert's father, John Rhodes in Ayr township.

Raymond Cromer and his sister Miss Jennie, accompanied by J. H. Covatt—all of Fort Littleton, spent a few hours in town on Monday. Raymond has been holding down a lucrative clerical position with the Aetna Explosive corporation at Mt. Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lake and two sons, of Piteairn, Pa., motored to this county and spent a few days with Mrs. Lake's sister, J. C. Keebaugh at Fort Littleton. They made the trip over the Lincoln Highway and had a delightful outing.

Rev. William J. Lowe, pastor of the federated Reformed and Presbyterian churches in this place is attending the annual session of the Potomac Synod of the Reformed Church which is being held at Middletown, Md., this week.

Ex-postmaster S. B. Woollett, M. G. Kirk, Mrs. Sadie Fisher, and Mrs. Grace Bender, motored to Chambersburg on Thursday of last week. They were accompanied to Fort Loudon by Mrs. Thomas N. Hamill, who visited friends and returned with the Woollett party in the evening.

W. M. Kendall took his daughters Miss Esther and Miss Martha Kendall to Hancock last Saturday where they boarded a train and went back to Washington County to resume their work in the schools, after an absence of about three weeks on account of the influenza epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Helsel and little daughter Marietta and Mrs. Helsel's mother, Mrs. C. C. Young, accompanied by Mr. Helsel's brother Elmer, and his nephew Elwood Burket—all near Hollidaysburg, motored to Fulton County on Thursday afternoon of last week, spent the night in the home of the editor of the NEWS, and Friday morning the men went hunting and the ladies remained with the editor's family until Sunday, when they returned to their respective homes.

Henry Caution, a highly respected colored man, died at his home in Mercersburg Sunday night aged about 94 years. Mr. Caution was a resident of Ayr township, and lived in the home of Rev. Finley W. McNaughton when the latter owned and resided upon the farm south of town now owned by F. McNaughton Johnston. Mr. Caution was the father of Isaac Watson's wife.