

# THE FARMERS' COLUMN

Some Practical Suggestions Well Worth Knowing From the Department of Agriculture.

## FACTS FOR DAILY USE HOW TO BUILD A SILO.

Now is a very good time to decide on the silo construction you were thinking about for several years. If you are a dairyman, a beef producer, or wish to successfully grow a lot of young stock, you need a silo. Experts of the State Department of Agriculture say that a silo will save from twenty to thirty per cent of the cost of handling the corn crop intended for stock feeding.

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L. W. Lighty, dairying expert of the Department of Agriculture, in speaking of silo building says.

"We may purchase the stave silo, the tile block silo or the iron silo. All of them have proven satisfactory when properly constructed and intelligently used. Then we can and often do build our own silo of convenient material. In many sections there is an abundance of building stone and we find many silos built of stone proving entirely satisfactory. In other places where sharp sand and gravel abound, the concrete silo is cheaply built and there is none better. The wooden hoop silo, the brick silo, the lathed and plastered silo and others are giving good satisfaction.

"It is very important to locate the silo conveniently for filling and getting the feed from the silo to the stock to be fed. The foundation must be carefully laid and the structure properly reinforced as the weight is great and lateral pressure considerable. The proportionate diameter of the silo is of the utmost importance and many thousands of dollars have been lost and silos condemned because the silo was improperly proportioned to the number of stock to be fed.

"If you feel for the need of assistance in the location, planning, constructing, proportioning and otherwise becoming possessed economically of a satisfactory silo, write to the Department of Agriculture at Harrisburg and your special problem will be considered and full information furnished. If necessary a representative will be sent to your farm free of cost to assist you to economically get the best results at the lowest cost." This is only one of the many services that the Department of Agriculture is rendering for the farmers of the state.

## WARNING AGAINST FAKE VETERINARIANS

Farmers throughout the State are warned by the Department of Agriculture against persons who have been representing themselves as versed in veterinary medicine and surgery and against all other schemes connected with the livestock industry.

Recently the State Livestock Sanitary Board received notice that a man was fined \$100 for practicing veterinary surgery in an eastern county where he was filling horse's teeth. Another man collected thousands of dollars from Pennsylvania farmers as the representative of a "cattleman's protective organization." He has been prosecuted by some of the farmers from whom he collected money and is awaiting court trial on a charge of false pretense.

The Department of Agriculture urges farmers not to enter into any associations until they have been fully investigated. The new veterinary medical examination law prohibits anyone in performing the functions of a registered veterinarian. The licensed veterinarian carries a state registration card which farmers should always be shown before they allow any treatment to their cattle.

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## KEYSTONE PARAGRAPHS

Dr. W. A. McHugh, twenty-eight, a physician of Uniontown, shot and killed his brother, Leo McHugh, twenty-one. The men were examining an automatic revolver and the weapon was discharged. The bullet entered the breast of the younger man. No arrests were made.

The dinosaurs which is being paraded over the country by the ultra pacifists as an example of the fate awaiting heavily armed nations, will be followed in a parade in Pittsburgh by a replica of a hornet's nest, which commands respect for obvious reasons.

Almost two acres of coal are mined daily at the Vesta No. 4 and No. 5 mines of the Vesta Coal company near California. Approximately 6,000 tons are being removed daily from No. 4 mine, while the record output at No. 5 mine has been 5,423 tons in a day.

The body of John F. Mueller, forty, of Point Marion, was found under a railroad bridge crossing Cheat river there. The man had either been struck by a train while walking across the bridge or else had jumped from the bridge to avoid being struck.

Miss Marie Lytle of Washington has been awarded the valedictory in the graduating class of Westminster college. She had the highest grades of the four-year course. F. Randolph Moore will be salutatorian at the commencement in June.

A sub-station, costing \$150,000, to take care of all electrical requirements of the New Castle district, such as light, power and railway, will be erected in that city immediately by the Mohoning and Shenango Railway and Light company.

Claims aggregating \$25,000, one of the largest adjustments under the workman's compensation act in central Pennsylvania, were settled upon the widows of eight miners killed by the explosion at Robindale, Somerset county.

Scuffling with fellow workmen at the plant of a coal mine near Masontown, Jasper Hughes, seventeen, crashed through the frail covering of a fan which forced air into the mine and was chopped to pieces by the blades.

Drilling under the direction of officers of Troop F, N. G. P., has been started by the Independent Military club, recently organized at New Castle, made up almost entirely of business and professional men.

Edward Malone, seventy-two, was killed by a Baltimore and Ohio train at a crossing in Pittsburgh. Mr. Malone had been a glassworker until fifteen years ago and until two years ago was a watchman.

Evangelist Luther K. Peacock and party have concluded a series of evangelistic meetings at Jeannette. During the course of the meetings, which had been in progress for some time, 2,700 "hit the trail."

Rev. Joseph C. Hamilton, for ten years pastor of the First United Presbyterian church at Washington, left for Long Beach, Cal., where he will assume the pastorate of the Presbyterian church.

R. G. Hixon, aged sixty-nine, of Scottdale, was married to Mrs. James Stahl, aged sixty-one, of Scottdale, by Rev. F. E. Staugh in the home of a brother of the groom, Noah Stahl, in that city.

Fire partly destroyed the tipple and fan house of the Prospect Coal and Coke company at Dearth. The damage was \$4,000. It is thought the tipple was set on fire by dissatisfied employees.

Miss Bridget Feeney, aged sixty-nine, of Pittsburgh, was burned seriously on her legs, arms and body when her clothing caught fire from a gas stove near which she was ironing clothes.

A movement to save the "Bob" Jones tabernacle to Connellsville failed when it was found that fire regulations would not permit the structure to stand.

New Castle police officers will not wear straw hats this summer, as has been the custom. Mayor A. D. Newell has issued orders for the officers to secure caps.

The smallpox epidemic in Paint township, Somerset county, where there are sixteen cases, has spread into Adams township, Cambria county.

While coasting over the curb on his roller skates Donald Shaw of Pittsburgh, seven years old, was run down and killed by an automobile.

The championship for fat sheep is claimed by W. E. Miller of near Washington. He has sold a flock of wethers that averaged 121 pounds.

John Miller, aged forty, was instantly killed when he fell down a flight of steps at his home in Ambridge. His skull was fractured.

## BAFF'S SLAYER CONVICTED

Murder Grew Out of Fight For Control of New York Poultry Market. Giuseppe Archiello, who got \$100 for shooting Barnett Baff in West Washington market, New York, in 1914, was convicted of murder in the first degree before Justice Shearn in the supreme court, criminal term.

## OPOSSES GOVERNMENT MUNITION PLANT BILL



Photo by American Press Association.  
**CHARLES M. SCHWAB.**

## A GENERAL SURVEY OF THE WAR

The hardest fighting of the war, with appalling losses on both sides, is now, according to telegraphic reports, taking place before the French citadel of Verdun, where for fifty days the Germans have been bailed in the attempt to take the fortress. With the evacuation by the French of the village of Bethincourt, on Saturday night, the Germans began an offensive which for ferocity is unequalled in the history of warfare, ancient or modern. The French reports declare that these assaults have been repulsed with terrific losses to the attacking forces, while Berlin claims slight gains.

Submarine activity in the last few days has entered upon a stage heretofore unknown, from four to eight vessels being reported sunk daily, belligerent and neutral sailing alike in the campaign. Norway, Denmark, Holland and Spain have lost vessels, and the Dutch, at least, have made a show of resentment, the whole army of the Netherlands being mobilized. Holland is credited with having an available force, fully equipped, of 400,000 men, and her entry into the war at this stage, so near as is the country, might easily spell victory for the side whose cause the plucky little nation should espouse. For, be it remembered, Holland controls the mouth of the Scheeldt river, thus nullifying the military value of the German conquest of Antwerp.

The systematic bombardment of the city of Rheims was resumed three weeks ago and continues with increasing intensity.

Shots were exchanged by French and German cavalry detachments along the Macedonian front, says a Nava dispatch from Salonika.

German field pieces fired on French trenches along the front without effect, according to the correspondent, who says that the cannonading recently reported has diminished in intensity in most sectors, but that minor engagements are taking place all along the front from Gjevsej to Dolbar. Railway communication between Bulgaria and Greece, he adds, has been suspended because of a movement of Bulgarian troops.

A successful attack by four German seaplanes on a Russian aviation station on Orel island, at the entrance to the Gulf of Riga, is announced in an official Russian statement.

The Koenigsche and Frankfurter Zeitung publish apparently communicated articles condemning what is termed the folly of the allies in not regarding as serious the peace terms submitted last Wednesday by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg in his reichstag speech. The article adds: "All hopes of the allies are now shattered. Germany alone can make her own terms."

One engineer and eight Lascars of the crew of the steamer Chantala were killed when the vessel was sunk by a submarine. Ninety-two survivors were rescued and landed at Malta. They declare they had no warning.

## ELK FREED IN PARK

Fifty Animals From Yellowstone Have New Home In Adirondack Forest. Fifty elk from the Yellowstone park have been liberated in the Adirondack forest preserve in accordance with a campaign instituted by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elk of the state and the state conservation commission for the protection and increase of elk in the Adirondacks. The elk were received by express from Gardner, Mont.

Fifteen years ago sixty-seven elk were liberated in the Adirondacks and some of their descendants are still in the mountains.

## VILLA IS LOCATED AT LA BOQUILLA

U. S. Cavalry Close on Trail of Fleeing Bandit

## TROOPS LIVE OFF COUNTRY

Americans Miles From Supply Base, Spreading American Money—Relations With Carranzistas Amicable.

Francisco Villa has been definitely located at La Boquilla in a code message received from Torreón, Mexico. La Boquilla is fifty-five miles southeast of Satevo and about an equal distance north of Parral.

The information came from General Luis Gutierrez, commanding the Carranza troops in Chihuahua, and reported that his forces on April 4 had engaged Villa's read guard at Cieneguillas, a small place just across the San Pedro river from Satevo, and that two of the prisoners captured by the Carranzistas reported that Villa's personal command, reduced to 200 men, was less than a day ahead. Villa had left fifty men behind at Cieneguillas to protect his retreat. The Carranzistas killed ten of these and took two others prisoners. The other thirty-eight scattered to the hills in small bands.

Advices from General Gutierrez and also from American army sources report the American army south of Satevo and pushing further south on the trail of Villa. The Americans have long ago cut loose from their supply base in the hard ride and have little to eat but fresh meat, except when they encounter American mining camps able to supply meat, flour and bacon from their commissaries.

The advance guard of the American forces is still in command of Colonel Dodd, closely followed by the command of Colonel Brown, Tenth cavalry, who last week met and almost annihilated a Villa band in San Antonio canyon near Ojo Calientes. Colonel Brown fought these Villistas near Bachiniava, but had to fall back to Cusi because of the exhaustion of his supplies, it is explained. He was reinforced there by other cavalry escorting a provision train and again took the field, riding south after the Dodd command.

The country into which Villa has passed is extremely rough but well watered, and Americans acquainted with the region assert that there should be considerable pasture for horses at this time of the year. Many of the horses of the different commands have succumbed to the hardships of the grueling rides after the bandits, but the large number still serviceable is the subject of much comment from cavalrymen and frontiersmen alike.

Carranza troops, concentrated at and near the city of Chihuahua when it was feared that Villa might attempt to strike at the state capital, are now being sent southwest into the mountains after Villa, co-operating with the American forces, according to the advices to Consul Garcia.

So far as can be learned there is apparently no more friction today between the American and Carranza forces than the day the Americans entered Mexico, and, while the American column has penetrated over 400 miles into Mexico, the Carranza officials apparently are evidencing no alarm at the length of the stay of the Americans. The Carranza forces generally accept as settled that the Americans are after Villa and nothing more and that they will retire when the object is accomplished.

Reports of this character are brought by Americans from Chihuahua City and by those returning from the American column who have met and talked with Carranza officers. While all Mexican developments have come as suddenly as the unexpected raid of Villa upon Columbus, and there is nobody who can say when a clash may occur between the American and Carranza forces, or when the Carranzistas may begin insisting upon the retirement of the Americans, there is at present no surface indication of anything but friendliness between the Americans and the Carranzistas.

## OHIO HAS POISON PEN CASE

Anna Gemmill Arrested at Salem, Accused of Mailing Objectionable Letters. A sensational climax to a "poison pen" case, which has rocked the very foundations of Salem, O., involving a dozen of the most prominent families there and causing a split in the congregation of the First Christian church, came with the arrest of Anna Gemmill, a Salem stenographer, on an indictment returned by the federal grand jury.

Miss Gemmill, who is aged forty, is charged in the indictment with sending objectionable matter through the mails.

The indictment charges the sending of twenty objectionable letters, post cards and valentines to Salem people, including Mrs. M. J. Grable, wife of the minister of the First Christian church.

Will Give Home For Nurses. Mrs. L. E. Hamsher of Bradford, Pa., has announced her intention of giving the Bradford Hospital association a commodious nurses' home.

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## JURORS FOR MAY TERM

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### Grand Jurors.

- John Kriss, farmer, Conemaugh
- Lawrence Spiegel, farmer, Jenner township.
- S. H. Miller, retired, Windber
- Oliver Seese, clerk, Windber
- Russell G. Lambert, farmer, Shade
- Alfred Knepp, farmer, Larimer.
- Wm. Barndt, carpenter, Meyersdale
- Jeff D. Glessner, farmer Stonycreek
- Daniel Eshrick, farmer, Quemahoning.
- Franklin Walker, farmer, Brothersvalley.
- Chas. F. Baker, laborer, Berlin
- F. L. Ferrill, cashier, Boswell
- Samuel Meyers, baker, Conemaugh
- J. B. Davis, merchant, Ursina
- J. R. Ebaugh, farmer, Summit.
- John Nelson Miner, Garrett
- H. F. Bell, farmer, Jenner Twp.
- H. E. Keim, farmer, Conemaugh
- Jno. Trostle, laborer, Quemahoning
- E. J. Bloughs, merchant Hooversville
- Theo. M. Hook, merchant, Somerset
- Samuel A. Deitz, gent., Windber
- Wm. M. Walker, farmer, Somerset township.

### Petit Jurors.

- Parks, George, laborer, Windber
- Kepp, Leis, farmer, Larimer
- Clouse, J. W., contractor, Confluence
- Shaulis, S. A. farmer, Jefferson
- Beabes, Harvey, salesman, Somerset
- Harned, J. B. farmer, L. Turkeyfoot
- Tannerhill, F. G. farmer, Black
- Sharp, Wm., miner, Windber
- Kimmell, H. E. farmer, Jefferson
- Good, Harry, farmer, Somerset Twp.
- Black, Frank B., farmer, Summit
- Keefe, Herman, farmer, Greenville
- Lohr, Tobias, farmer, Conemaugh
- Cook, Harry, jeweler, Meyersdale
- Bell, Leonard J., farmer, Jenner township
- Grove, R. R. carriage maker, Somerset borough
- Hemminging, Austin, farmer, Conemaugh
- Felix, L. G., farmer, Stonycreek
- Shaffer, Daniel, laborer, Hooversville
- Wagner, Silas A., laborer, Salisbury
- Nitch, Adam, farmer, Conemaugh
- Struck, A. E. grocer, Paint Boro
- Geddes, Paul, laborer, Windber
- Griffith, Burl, carpenter, Jennertown
- Butterbaugh, D., merchant, Windber
- Emerick, John F., farmer, Fairhope
- Hanna, N. B., civil engineer, Salisbury
- Walker, R. E., farmer, Milford
- Miljs, Theodore, plumber, Windber
- Dull, I. P., retired, Hooversville
- Tedrow, John, farmer, Milford
- Blubaugh, Hiram, farmer, L. Turkeyfoot.
- Bitner, S. W., butcher, Meyersdale
- Jeffreys, Charles, farmer, Addison township
- Dickey, E. J., clerk, Meyersdale
- Horner, Ed H., butcher Somerset borough
- Brendle, Charles G., carpenter, Somerset borough
- Younkin, J. C., laborer, Confluence
- Shultz, C. L., merchant, Meyersdale
- Burt, Jackson, engineer, Windber
- Wiley, H. B., druggist, Rockwood
- Maul, Freeman, tailor, Meyersdale
- Sembower, J., operator, Rockwood
- Jackson, John, farmer, Larimer
- Miller, W. H., farmer, Fairhope
- Friedline, J. E., farmer, Jenner township
- Ringer, Samuel J., farmer, Elk Lick
- Smith, J. W. Jr. farmer, Quemahoning
- Snyder, Edwin F., clerk, Rockwood
- Deeter, Z. A., carpenter, Berlin

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