

NEWS OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA AND CITY'S SUBURBS

MILLERSTOWN FARM INSTITUTE

Excellent Addresses and Special Features at Two Days' Meeting of Agriculturists

Millerstown, Pa., Dec. 19.—The first sessions of the Millerstown Farmers' Institute were held in Ush's store-room here. Sessions were held in the afternoon and evening.

The prayer at the opening session was made by the Rev. C. A. Waltman and the address of welcome by L. E. Donnelly, former member of the Legislature from Perry county.

Callum, of Perry county, responded. He later gave an address on "Facts and Fertilities," and H. L. Breidenbaugh, of Boyertown, spoke on "Pruning and Thinning."

At the evening session Prof. Edwin Morrow, principal of the Millerstown school, spoke on "The Young America."

Several recitations were given. Mrs. Eugenia G. Benn, of Williamsport, spoke on "Women and the War" and H. L. Breidenbaugh on "In the Home Trenches."

A session opened this morning at 9.30 o'clock. The Rev. V. T. Nearhoff offered prayer. G. G. Weaver spoke on "Growing of Potatoes." H. L. Breidenbaugh on "Potato Growing" and M. H. McCullum on "Essentials For Success With Potatoes."

This afternoon's session was scheduled to open at 2 o'clock, with the address by the Rev. C. A. Waltman. The remainder of the program was: Address, "Alfalfa," M. H. McCullum; recitation, "The Troutman;" address, "Mourning Cloak," Mrs. Eugenia G. Benn; adjournment.

The sessions of this institute will close this evening. The program for the final session is: Address, "Birds and Insects," H. L. Breidenbaugh; recitation, "Miss Mima Kramer;" address, "The Relation of Production," M. H. McCullum; recitation, "Mrs. E. T. Troutman;" address, "Home Sanitation," Mrs. Eugenia G. Benn.

Dr. A. L. Holman was chairman of the committee in charge of the arrangements for this institute. The committee members were: George G. Weaver, L. E. Donnelly, E. T. Troutman, John A. Holman and Porter Kerr.

Another two-day institute will open in the Landisbush Town Hall tomorrow and continue on Saturday.

NEW BARN RAISED. Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Twenty-two days after the barn was destroyed by fire, William G. Durbin, of Barlow, had the frame-work up, the rafters on, and everything in readiness for weatherboarding.

The barn raising was held on Wednesday and about one hundred people were present to help. The new barn will be forty-six by seventy-five feet and will be thoroughly equipped.

TRUCKS FOR MAIL ROUTE. Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Three trucks used by the United States Army were here on Sunday, to be assigned by Postmaster Duncan to different parts of the mail route between here and Pittsburg. One will make the run between here and McConnellsburg, and another between McConnellsburg and Stoyestown and the other between Stoyestown and Pittsburg.

AUTO STRUCK BY TRAIN. Sunbury, Pa., Dec. 19.—Struck by a freight train at a grade crossing here today Samuel Weinberg, aged 46, of Scranton, a traveling man, suffered internal injuries and a broken arm. His automobile was carried thirty feet and badly damaged. He was taken to the Mary A. Packer Hospital here. No watchman is employed at this point.

QUICK DRILL OF PUPILS. Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—A fire drill was held at the High Street school yesterday, the building which houses the pupils from the first to the sixth grades, and the 262 pupils present, with their teachers, were out of the building in perfect order and far enough away that it would be considered safe in the event of a fire in the quick time of one minute and twenty seconds.

"ROASTING EARS" FOR XMAS. Sunbury, Pa., Dec. 19.—J. Hudson, of Sunbury, says he will have roasting ears right off the stalks for his Christmas dinner. He asserts that he planted sweet corn late, and before the frosts came bent the ears so the points faced the ground, and not bent corn so treated, he says, and they will be as good as ever.

MISS CARRIE WATTS BURIED. Duncannon, Pa., Dec. 19.—Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon from her late home for Miss Carrie Watts, 22 years old, of Covalden, who died on Sunday morning. Burial was in Evergreen cemetery.

C. V. NEWS

ONE OFFICER IN OLD COMPANY G

Lieutenant Rippey T. Shearer Writes Carlisle Folks About the Closing Battles

Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 19.—Wounded Cumberland county men are beginning to come home. The first to reach Carlisle was Robert Hippensteel, of Company G, One Hundred and Twelfth Regiment, a member of the old Pennsylvania National Guard, now at a New Jersey Hospital.

He was badly wounded in the arm and leg and was at Fismes and the second Marine. Corporal Harry R. Walter, of Doiling Springs, a member of the same unit, is also back from France, landed at Newport, Rhode Island. He was injured in August. Mrs. W. L. Galbraith, of Hunsdale, has received word of the wounding on November 6. He arrived this country on Monday and expects to be mustered out soon.

George W. Sanno, Mount Holly Springs, 22 years old, died of influenza in France. Writing under date of November 15, one week after the fighting ended, Lieutenant Rippey T. Shearer, Carlisle, ranking officer of old company G, tells of his experiences. He was in a number of fights and was the only one of five officers of Company G, One Hundred and Twelfth, left unhurt. For the three closing days of the war he was with a platoon at an abandoned farmhouse in No Man's Land.

173 Members of Student Corps Gain Ton in Weight. Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 19.—An interesting argument in favor of military training at colleges is shown in the report of the examining officers of the Dickinson College S. A. T. C. There were 250 men in the corps and of these 198 were weighed when entering as well as when discharged.

These figures showed that six showed no change, ten reported a loss and 173 a gain. The average gain was 9.1 pounds or something over one ton for the number. In spite of the epidemic the percentage of illness was remarkably low.

MRS. DANIEL CROWD DIES. Mechanicsburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—After a lingering illness, Mrs. Daniel Crowd died yesterday morning at her home, 232 West Locust street. She was 58 years old and moved here from Shepherdstown, where she was a member of the United Brethren Church. Surviving are her husband and the following children: Harry, of Altoona, Samuel, of Lancaster county; Mrs. John Hollinger, of Lebanon; Mrs. Walter Look and Mrs. Bruce Fishel, of Mechanicsburg, and Roy Crowd, in France. Funeral services will be held on Saturday morning at 10.30 o'clock at the house and later in the Church of the Brethren. Burial will be made in the Mechanicsburg Cemetery.

KILLS TWENTY-SEVEN DEER. Waynesboro, Pa., Dec. 19.—Abram L. Staley, near Chambersburg, one of the oldest and best deer hunters in the South Mountain, and who has been following the hunt for the past forty years, has succeeded in killing his twenty-seventh deer. He killed his buck on the opening day of the season on Oak Hill, near Mont Alto. It was one of the finest specimens killed in these mountains in many years. The animal had sixteen prongs and weighed 220 pounds.

EVERYBODY HAS INFLUENZA. Waynesboro, Pa., Dec. 19.—Horse Valley, which comprises a population of little more than one hundred, has been hard hit by influenza—one hundred cases are now reported.

WORKING FOR RED CROSS. New Bloomfield, Pa., Dec. 19.—Gratifying progress is being reported by local canvassers for Red Cross memberships. Those doing the work are Mrs. James S. Magee, Mrs. James L. Jiven, Miss Emma Morrow, Miss Mary Rice, Mrs. William S. Seibert, Mrs. Mary C. Barnett, Mrs. J. H. McPherson, Mrs. John Motter, Miss Laura Wolfe, Miss Florence Shat-o and Miss Mabel McKeenan.

KILLED WHILE PRISONER. Northumberland, Pa., Dec. 19.—Reported missing by the War Department since October 15, Private John Fletcher, of Company K, Sixtieth Infantry, was killed while being taken to a Hun prison camp, according to word received today. The message does not say how death occurred, but it is presumed that he was struck by an exploding shell. He was 27 years old.

COUNCILMEN GET SURPRISE

Ask For Names of Delinquent Taxpayers and Some Find Their Own on Books

Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Harry E. Bambaugh, borough tax collector is in for a hard time of it and life will no doubt be miserable for him for awhile. Another special meeting of the town council was held last evening, at which the tax collector was present, and it was discovered that while the indebtedness of the borough amounts to \$10,740, the outstanding taxes on the books amount to \$12,750.

When the discovery was made some of the councilmen inquired as to what kind of business methods were being used, when they would go on with their work, even though it meant increasing the debt, and what they should do to make them square to remain uncollected.

A reading of the names of the delinquents was asked for and as this progressed it was found that some of the councilmen themselves were on the list, which complicated matters a little more. Council decided that the tax collector should collect the outstanding money as rapidly as possible and turn it into the treasury, and in all cases where he could not do so by explaining to people the situation he was to levy on personal property and enter names against real estate. But get the money he must, etc.

MASONS CHOOSE NEW OFFICERS. Northumberland, Pa., Dec. 19.—Gardner Lodge, No. 44, Free and Accepted Masons, at its annual meeting elected the following officers for this year: John C. Hillbish, worshipful master; the Rev. F. W. Leidy, senior warden; Chester E. Herman, junior warden; S. Homer Derk, secretary; Harry Steele, treasurer; G. Leslie Vanalen, representative to the Grand Lodge; Adam Seid, Richard McNally and T. E. Freuburn, trustees.

SOLDIER DIES OF PNEUMONIA. Duncannon, Pa., Dec. 19.—George Russell Zeigler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zeigler, of Wheatfield township, died in France of broncho-pneumonia on September 19, a telegram just received from War Department officials, tells his parents. Zeigler, who was 27 years old, was drafted May 25, 1918, and went to France several weeks later. Another brother is with the United States forces in France.

FOUND IN GERMAN PRISON. New Bloomfield, Pa., Dec. 19.—First reported dead in action, Harry Thebes, of Center township, is now reported to have been found among the Americans who were taken prisoner by the Huns. A telegram to this effect has just been received by Perry county draft board from War Department officials. He is a son of Robert Thebes, of Center township.

THREE OLD MEN DIE. Wrightsville, Pa., Dec. 19.—Within the past week there have been deaths of three old Wrightsville residents, whose aggregate age was 259 years. They were: Rudolph Kinard, 79 years and 4 months; Levi Dorn, 79 years and 4 months; and William A. Plury, an ex-Chief Burgess, 79 years and 3 months old. Burgess Plury's funeral was held yesterday.

CHILD'S FINGER CUT OFF. Mount Wolf, Pa., Dec. 19.—Dorothy Auenbaugh, the 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Auenbaugh, is minus a portion of one of the fingers of the left hand as a result of an accident which occurred yesterday afternoon. The little girl was closing a door, when a gust of wind slammed it shut, catching her hand. The finger was entirely severed.

RECEIVES GERMAN HELMET. Mount Wolf, Pa., Dec. 19.—A German helmet has been received by Mount Wolf by R. B. Stock, head bookkeeper at the Mount Wolf Furniture Company's plant, from F. C. Stock, of Hanover, a brother, who has seen service in France since last July. Young Stock is a member of the Three Hundred and Fourteenth Infantry.

TESTIMONIAL TO TEACHER. Newport, Pa., Dec. 19.—The Sun-shine Bible class of St. Paul's Lutheran Church presented a beautiful program and a bouquet of chrysanthemums to its teacher, E. E. Snyder, Mr. Snyder, who has taught this class for 19 years, will remove to Hammond, Ind.

PASTOR INCREASES WORK. New Bloomfield, Pa., Dec. 19.—The Rev. I. Potter Hayes, for the past sixteen years pastor of the New Bloomfield Presbyterian Church, has accepted a call, his congregation assenting, to preach on alternate Sunday mornings in the Center Presbyterian Church.

Grateful Students Give Present to Faithful Nurse

Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Just as the students of the college were ready to depart for the Christmas vacation a voluntary act on their part showed their appreciation of the services rendered by Mrs. Miller, the trained nurse, who has been in attendance upon them during the outbreak of the influenza. A large number of cases were treated in the infirmary, where Mrs. Miller had charge. Her death is mourned by the students, who contributed a fund of \$204, which they presented to her.

WILL OPERATE ALL WINTER. Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—The plant of the Auburn Shale Brick Company has made all plans and preparations to operate its plant throughout the winter. It is said that all indications point to building boom in the spring and many men will be employed if they can be obtained and if this is not successful they will run with as many as they can get.

FATAL FALL FROM ROOF. Milton, Pa., Dec. 19.—Falling from the roof of a factory building here yesterday, William A. Deck, aged 35 years, was killed. He lived at Shamokin.

Suburban Notes. YORK HAVEN. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Glosser, of Harrisburg, who recently conducted the Commercial Hotel here, visited friends at York Haven this week.

Mrs. Oscar Shepp and son are spending some time with relatives at Huntingdon. Miss Dora Kunkel has returned to York after spending some time here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Switzer.

The condition of Private Stephen Davin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Davin, who has been seriously ill from influenza, is reported to be improved. Mrs. Clara Kunkel and her mother, Mrs. Daniel Gerber, are confined to bed suffering from influenza. The condition of the latter is grave.

Miss Rose Lentz, who has been confined to her home ever since the county teachers institute, at York, three weeks ago, suffering from influenza, is slowly convalescing. Dr. J. Murphy was a visitor to York this week. George Wike returned from Columbia where he visited his parents.

Mrs. J. C. Green and family returned to Harrisburg after spending a week in York Haven visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Green. ANNVILLE. Master Alfred Shenk spent a short time at Bachmansville with his grandparents.

Mrs. S. Elizabeth Henry spent Tuesday at Lebanon. Miss Arabella Kelchner is returning from Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., where she is a student, to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kelchner.

Miss Nancy Kreider, a student at Wellesley College, will spend the holidays with her parents, Congressman and Mrs. A. S. Kreider. Miss Elizabeth Fencil is ill with influenza.

Mrs. J. E. Gilman and son, David, were recent visitors at Lebanon. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Florence and daughter, Margaret, spent a day at Lebanon. Miss Elizabeth Kreider, of Walnut Lane school, Germantown, is spending the holidays here, the guest of her parents, Congressman and Mrs. A. S. Kreider.

Lieutenant Calvin Fencil, of the University of Pittsburgh, will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Fencil. Frank S. Attinger, of Port Trevorton, who was awarded the French Croix De Guerre for his bravery in France, was at the time of his enlistment a student in the junior class at Lebanon Valley College.

HALIFAX. John H. Prenzel, who has been in military training at Camp Lee, Va., for several months, returned to his home here Wednesday, having been discharged. C. C. Bender visited at Sunbury on Tuesday. Halifax Fire Company No. 1 has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. C. Miller; vice-president, W. J. Jury; secretary, L. E. Eby; financial secretary, F. G. Pottiger; treasurer, Harry S. Noblet; chief, L. E. Eby; foreman, F. B. Pottiger; trustee, H. E. Matter.

The Methodist Episcopal Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment on Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock. A good program has been prepared. The following have been nominated by the local P. O. S. of A. as officers: Past president, I. B. Zimmerman; president, Ross Zimmerman; vice-president, John H. Chubb; master of forms, Myles Matter; conductor, Joseph Landis; inspector, Leroy Enders; guard, Milton Spahr; recording secretary, H. L. Potter; financial secretary, P. C. Fox; treasurer, W. D. Straw, and Ross E. Zimmerman; trustee, H. S. Potter. The lodge will initiate a large class of candidates on Tuesday evening, January 7.

The H. A. C. Club was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. A. H. Prenzel, in Third street.

LIVERPOOL. Mrs. James Holman is visiting relatives at Harrisburg. Norman Shearberger, of McAllisterville, was a recent visitor here with Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Shaeffer. Roscoe Snyder was a recent visitor at Harrisburg.

Mrs. Walton Romig and daughter, of Harrisburg, are visiting at Postmaster Thorp's. William Klinger, Mrs. Mae Miller and Glenn Klinger, of Harrisburg, were recent visitors here with Mrs. G. W. Kepner.

Miss Sue Shumaker, of Harrisburg, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jacob Giest. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Miller, of Millersburg, visited at Landis Ebererts this week.

Mrs. F. K. Brink was called to Duncannon on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. John Deckard. Mrs. H. J. Deckard and son, Ralph, and Edgar Seidle, of Marysville; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Debold, of Felton, Cuba; Mrs. W. J. Fokarty and son, George, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Alen Ritter and son, Paul, of Myersdale, were visitors this week at Miss Ellen Murray's.

SEARCHING FOR JOHN SPANGLER

Dover Man Disappears From His Home After Death of Son on Saturday

Dover, Pa., Dec. 19.—Worried over the death of his son, Wilson H. Spangler, which occurred last Saturday, John Spangler disappeared from his home, since which time he has not been heard from. All efforts to locate the man thus far have proved vain. It is believed he is hiding some place near his home, as he has done on several previous occasions when he had mysteriously absented himself. On one occasion he was gone for fully a month before he was found. During his absence on the last-named occasion he kept himself in seclusion in the woods and barn near his home. He was only discovered when late one night he had come to his home and was about to enter the summer house for a bite to eat. The father had not returned home yesterday for his son's funeral. The search is being continued.

MRS. MARY WEAVER DIES

Dillsburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Mrs. Mary Weaver, aged 76 years, widow of William Weaver, of Franklin township, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Smith, R. F. D. No. 1, yesterday morning. She is survived by four sons and one daughter, Irvin E. Weaver, Robert F. Weaver, Milton L. Weaver and Mrs. Robert L. Smith, of Franklin township, and Charles K. Weaver, of Dillsburg; also by a step-daughter, Hannah Weaver, of Franklin township. The funeral will be held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Smith, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Burial will be made in the Franklin cemetery.

MRS. MARY ZIMMERMAN BURIED. Blain, Pa., Dec. 19.—Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Mary Crist Zimmerman, who died at her home near Andersonburg, with burial in St. Paul's cemetery, the Rev. J. C. Reighard, of Marysville, officiating. Mrs. Zimmerman was born near New Bloomfield sixty-six years ago, and is survived by several sons and daughters.

COUGHED UP TACK. Sunbury, Pa., Dec. 19.—In a fit of coughing to-day Andrei Martz, aged 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Martz, coughed up a tack she had swallowed a year ago. A recent X-ray photograph showed the tack embedded in her right lung. She feels no ill effects of the accident.

DIET OF NAILS KILLS COW

Liverpool, Pa., Dec. 19.—A fine Holstein cow belonging to H. H. Kerchner, which had been pasturing along the river during the summer and until recently was as fine an animal as could be found, died under peculiar circumstances recently. For two weeks the bovine suffered loss of appetite and would not give her usual supply of milk. The animal died, and an autopsy showed that in its stomach were several tenpony nails, two cut nails and a piece of lead which had at one time belonged to a fishing line. The cow, no doubt, swallowed a fishing line, sinkers and all.

COTTAGE PRAYER MEETING. Blain, Pa., Dec. 19.—A cottage prayer meeting was held last evening at the home of Mrs. Eleanor L. Martin in this place, led by the Rev. Edward V. Strabaugh, pastor of the Blain Zion Reformed Church.

MEMORIAL FOR SOLDIER

Littletown, Pa., Dec. 19.—Memorial services were held Sunday evening in St. Paul's Lutheran Church for the late Sergeant John W. Ocker, who gave up his life on the battlefields of France. All the churches of the town and surrounding community were closed in order to give every one an opportunity to pay tribute, and the pastors took part in the services. A gold star has been placed in the service, an ice flag of the church and it was carried in by four Boy Scouts and then placed on the pulpit.

MRS. KITNER BURIED. Blain, Pa., Dec. 19.—Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Wilson Kitner, who died at her home in southwest Madison township, near Clear Run, with burial in the St. Paul's cemetery, the Rev. A. R. Longenecker, Lutheran minister, of Loyseville, officiating. Mrs. Kitner was 55 years old.

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