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RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

MRS. OTIS G. AKERS.

Martha, wife of Mr. Otis G. Akers, of Everett, Pa., died at the State Sanatorium on the summit of the Allegheny mountain near Cresson Monday afternoon, December 17, 1917, aged about 55 years, in which institution she had been since the 6th of last September for treatment for tuberculosis.

Mrs. Akers was a daughter of the late Morgan and Mary Robinson Winter of Whips Cove, but since her marriage she was a resident of Everett. Besides her husband, she is survived by four step-children, Guy and Webster, somewhere in the West, and Virginia and Archie at home. She leaves two sisters, Hattie, wife of J. V. Williams, Union, Ohio; Ruth, wife of Charles D. Higson, McConnellsburg, Pa., and two brothers, George Winter, residing in Everett and Job Black Valley, near Everett, Pa.

Mrs. Akers was an exemplary Christian woman; and while she was conscious of the fact that she was afflicted with an incurable disease, she bore her sufferings with a patient resignation to the will of her Heavenly Father.

The funeral will be held at the residence of the deceased in Everett at 8 o'clock this morning, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. R. Allen, of the M. E. Church, and interment will be made in the cemetery at Everett's Chapel.

SIMON C. LAYTON.

Simon C. Layton died at the Pennsylvania Hospital, Harrisburg, Pa., Tuesday, December 4, 1917, aged 69 years, 1 month and 25 days. The funeral services, conducted by his pastor Rev. Lewis Duvall, were held Thursday forenoon, and interment was made in the cemetery at Pleasant Grove Christian church.

The deceased was a son of the late James and Barbara Layton, Whips Cove, where he spent most of his life. Mr. Layton was quiet, unobtrusive citizen and an exemplary member of the Christian Church for many years. He was married twice. His first wife was Barbara A. Mellott, daughter of the late Samuel Mellott. To this union were born five children, four of whom are living, namely, Edward F., Allegheny, Pa.; James A., Breezewood, Pa.; George S., Whips Cove, Pa.; and Jennie P. Young, Lakemont, Blair County.

His first wife died February 26, 1877. His second marriage was to Barbara E. Smith, daughter of the late Levi Smith, of Whips Cove. Only one child was born to this union and it died young. She is survived by two brothers, one sister: Aaron and Isaiah Morris, Oliver Morris—all residing in Whips Cove.

C. C. CROUSE.

After an illness of chronic kidney disease, lasting about a year, Charles Calvin Crouse died away at his home in McConnellsburg, Tuesday morning, December 18, 1917, aged 43 years, 10 months, and 25 days.

The funeral services took place the following Thursday morning, conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. Yearick of the Reformed Church and interment was made in Union cemetery.

About twenty years ago he was married to Miss Mazie, daughter of the late John A. and Hege Houpt, and to this union six children were born, of whom are living, namely, C. Ruth E., Eleanor M., Charles A., Parker H.—all at home. The deceased leaves, also two brothers, David, Big Tannery, Cornelius, Webbsville, and Lewis, McConnellsburg, and three sisters, Jennie, and Martin L. Clevenger,

FINE CHANCE FOR MECHANICS.

Men of Manual Ability and Alertness Wanted as Aviation Mechanicians in the U. S. Navy.

Young men with a liking for mechanics are offered an attractive opportunity by the Navy for skilled work that is indispensable now and which will open up untold chances in the future.

It takes many men to make the flight of the aviator perfect, safe and effective. It is this field which Secretary Daniels has just opened up by calling for eight thousand men for the ground personnel of the Navy's Flying Corps. They are not wanted to fly or necessarily to become men of the ships. Their training and the development of their skill will all be directed to making them men of a new calling—mechanics of the birds. Most of the men will be trained at the Naval Air Station, Bay Shore, Long Island. This is of comparatively short duration. Good work will bring desired ratings in the service. Promotion will be as quick as it is deserved.

The requirements for enrollment will be the same as those for the regular service of the United States Navy. Carpenters' mates will train for approximately six weeks. On completion of the training, the provisional landsmen, after examination, will be rated first or second class petty officers, carpenters, woodworkers, machinists, copper-smiths, blacksmiths, fabric workers, riggers, acetylene welders, gas engine repair-men and instrument makers are included in the trades covered by these ratings.

Fayetteville, Pa.; Ella, wife of C. Murry Ray, McConnellsburg, and Rebecca, wife of Ralph Glenn, Ayr township.

Cal, as he was familiarly known to his many friends, was a splendid citizen, and he enjoyed the esteem of everybody. He was a consistent member of the Reformed Church, a faithful husband, and devoted father.

MRS. ELLIOTT.

A postal card was received a few days ago by Mrs. Josephine A. Sloan announcing the death of Mrs. Elliott, widow of Rev. Geo. Elliott, at her home in Bellefonte, Pa., after a very short illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Elliott's husband was pastor of the Presbyterian church, McConnellsburg during the early eighties, and the family are well remembered by the older residents of the town.

For several years she and her two maiden sisters constituted a home in Bellefonte. One of Mrs. Elliott's sisters was the wife of War Governor Andrew G. Curtin.

MRS. AGNES THOMAS.

Agnes Darks Thomas, colored, died at her home near Cito, Wednesday, December 12, 1917, aged about 74 years. The cause of her death was pneumonia.

She is survived by her husband Albert Thomas and one son, Thomas Wolf of Waynesboro.

Mrs. Thomas was a faithful member of the A. M. E. church of Cito and was much respected by all who knew her.

Interment was made in Union cemetery, Friday afternoon, the services having been conducted at the home at 2 o'clock.

ISAAC WATSON.

Isaac Watson, for many years a resident of McConnellsburg, where he conducted a barber shop died in the Franklin County Home last Saturday after a short illness. Mr. Watson was born in Mercersburg, and his remains were taken to the cemetery in that town for burial.

But one member of his family now remains—Miss Nora Watson a graduate of the McConnellsburg High School and a very successful teacher in Delaware.

Red Cross Work.

Is there a Red Cross service card in the window of your home? As you pass along the streets, or highways of the country, you may notice one in a window of very many homes. It may be that you have not become interested—have not yet been made to realize what the work of the Red Cross means.

If you are a member of the Red Cross, you are a unit in one of the greatest organizations in the world for the relief of suffering.

Just in thirty seconds—a half a minute—down in Halifax a few days ago, the lives of four thousand men women and children were snuffed out and thousands of others were left wounded and homeless when a ship lying in the harbor laden with powerful munitions for our armies "over there" exploded. To add to the horror and dreadful suffering the catastrophe, happened in the midst of a fierce blizzard of piercing wind and blinding snow—a taste of which we have had during the past ten days.

The people of the unfortunate city were in no way responsible for the dreadful calamity that befel them, just as San Francisco was not responsible for the terrible earthquake that came upon it; Johnstown, for the flood, nor Chicago Boston, or Baltimore for the fires—but the intense suffering that came to the tens of thousands of people in almost the twinkling of an eye, placed them beyond the pale of local assistance.

It is in just such cases that the Red Cross is powerful enough to handle the situation at once. In an incredibly short time after the news of the Halifax disaster had been flashed over the wires, Red Cross relief trains were speeding toward the stricken city.

The special train which left New York at 1 o'clock on the 7th, flying the Red Cross flag and marked "Relief for Halifax," consisted of four baggage cars and coach. There was one carload of food, two and one-half carloads of clothing and one-half carload of surgical supplies. Among the specific relief supplies being rushed to the scene of the disaster are 10,000 blankets, 500 cots, 100 cases of clothing, 20 cases of bandages, 10,000 sweaters, 5,000 socks, warm clothes for children, coffee, canned soup, condensed milk, flour, 60 cases of surgical supplies and 20 cases of disinfectant. Doctors and nurses accompanied the train from New York. The train was in charge of Captain Boyd, U. S. Army, specially detailed by order of Secretary of War Baker.

The train from Boston has on board an entire base hospital with nurses, doctors and full equipment. This base hospital has 500 beds and was located in Boston, where it was able to respond quickly to the order to move to Halifax. The train on which Mr. Moors left last night carried part of a carload of medical supplies and the special train leaving to-day was loaded mostly with equipment and supplies to meet the needs of the surgeons and nurses.

Some people are thinking that the Red Cross is a child of the great war now pending. The truth is, that the work of the Red Cross brought about by the great war is only an incident in the life of the organization—the most stupendous that has ever fallen upon its shoulders.

It is the only organization in the world where the best in every Christian denomination—and in no denomination—Jews and Gentiles, Democrats and Republicans, Suffragettes and Ribboners—everybody—march under the banner of the red cross which means, "I am doing my bit for the relief of human suffering."

Will you see to it that your name is enrolled so that Fulton

THE WHITE HOUSE Washington

To the People of the United States:

Ten million Americans are invited to join the American Red Cross during the week ending with Christmas Eve. The times require that every branch of our great national effort shall be loyally upheld, and it is peculiarly fitting that at the Christmas season the Red Cross should be the branch through which your willingness to help is expressed.

You should join the American Red Cross because it alone can carry the pledges of Christmas goodwill to these who are bearing for us the real burdens of the world war both in our Army and Navy and in the nations upon whose territory the issues of the world are being fought out. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for their heartening and cheer.

You should join the Red Cross because this arm of the National Service is steadily and efficiently maintaining its over-seas relief in every suffering land, administering our millions wisely and well, and awakening the gratitude of every people.

Our conscience will not let us enjoy the Christmas season if this pledge of support to our cause and the world's weal is left unfulfilled. Red Cross membership is the Christmas spirit in terms of action.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON,
President of the American Red Cross.

Finniff--Herr.

Cloyd E. Finniff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas I. Finniff of Chambersburg, and Miss Edna Herr, of Lancaster were united in marriage on Wednesday evening, December 12, 1917 at 6 o'clock by the bride's pastor. Following the ceremony a dinner was served attended by only members of the immediate families.

Cloyd is an employe of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, and he and his wife are now "at home" to their friends in Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. N. I. Finniff and Nicholas Finniff, Jr., attended the wedding.

Cloyd is a former Fulton County boy whose many friends join in extending congratulations.

Short Visit.

Edward Pittman, who with his nephew Edward Comerer, is a prominent farm and ranchman in southern Colorado, brought a carload of cattle to the Kansas City market, and then came on to McConnellsburg to spend the holidays with his mother and other Fulton County relatives. His visit, however, was cut short; for on Saturday evening, he received a telegram that his partner Ed Comerer, had been taken to the hospital for an operation for gall stones, and this made it necessary for Ed Pittman to take the next train for home to help take care of the large number of cattle on their ranch.

Hospital Notes.

From Valley Spirit Dec 15.

Miss Margery Bare of Fort Littleton has returned to her home after undergoing an operation for appendicitis at the Chambersburg hospital.

Mrs. Leslie W. Seylar of McConnellsburg who underwent a serious operation at the Chambersburg hospital a few days ago is getting along well and expects to return to her home in a short time. Mrs. Seylar is a frequent visitor to this place.

Mrs. Belle Hoover of Burnt Cabins was discharged from the hospital to-day. Mrs. Hoover underwent an operation some weeks ago.

County may be able on Christmas evening to telegraph, "We have our apportionment of two thousand." The following are a few of the names who have recently joined: Katie Comerer, Mary Logan Nace, Billy Nace, Sarah Lamberson, Robert Lamberson, Beulah Johnston, Naomi Roettger, Annie Ott, Murry Ray, Mrs. Murry Ray, Charles Ray, Ethel Ray, Baby Ray, Mrs. David M. Kendall, Ralph Reed, A. M. Grissinger, Mrs. A. D. Peightel, Mrs. Geo. B. Mellott.

Heinbaugh House Burned.

About 11 o'clock on Sunday night the 9th inst., when Geo. Heinbaugh and his family were in bed at their home two miles northwest of Mercersburg, they were awakened by the smell of smoke, the fire crackling, in the rear of the building, and by the screams of their children.

The house was a large new frame structure, the family moving into it recently. Everything in the house was destroyed. The family was driven into the zero cold with nothing but their bed and night clothes. The father carried his two children, who were overcome with smoke, in his arms to a place of shelter. The one child never regained consciousness until Monday morning.

The alarm was sounded by blowing the whistle on the Byron tannery at Mercersburg and a number of Mercersburg people braved the storm to give assistance to the unfortunate family. By the time they arrived on the scene the home and contents were completely destroyed.

The members of the unfortunate family were taken to the home of George's brother David, not far distant. The two brothers, David and George, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Heinbaugh of Ayr township, bought the old McAfee farm last spring and divided it and George built the new home now destroyed.

Mr. Heinbaugh's loss is about \$4000. He had no insurance but contemplated placing such protection on the house when the barn was completed. In the house were 160 bushels of wheat, 100 bushels of potatoes, 60 bushels of apples, 300 quarts of canned fruit, the meat of one hog and clover seed. Nothing whatever was saved.

Camp Meade Deserter Got Twenty Years

Camp Meade, Md., Dec. 16.—Twenty years at hard labor and dishonorably discharged from the United States army was the finding of the court martial at Camp Meade in the case of Private Lawrence W. Treftenth, of the Tenth company, 154th depot brigade, charged with desertion, announced yesterday. His sentence will be served at Fort Jay, New York.

Private Peter Volsky of Co. E and Private Thomas J. Ford of Co. I, 313th infantry, also were convicted of desertion. Volsky was sentenced to serve five years at hard labor at the New York camp and was dishonorably discharged.

Private Ford pleaded not guilty and proved to the satisfaction of the court that he was guilty only of leaving the camp without permission. He was sentenced to serve six months at hard labor and to forfeit one-half of his pay.

SALVIA SUMMARIZINGS.

Miss Pauline Hann Had Limb Fractured and David Sipes Shot Fingers Off.

Bryan C. Mellott and family who removed to Ohio about a year ago, returned from Deshler to Pleasant Ridge last Friday. They came to Everett, thence by Schetrompf's automobile to Saluvia.

Miss Pauline Hann, daughter of R. R. Hann, met with an accident on Friday of last week by which one of her legs was broken. She was riding a horse from her home to the home of her sister, Mrs. Clem Sipes, when the horse slipped on a piece of icy road and fell, breaking Miss Pauline's right leg between the knee and ankle. She was compelled to creep on her hands and knees about half a mile to get to the home of her sister. Dr. Robinson was called from McConnellsburg and set the broken limb, but we understand she suffers much pain at times.

David Sipes, son of Oliver Sipes, deceased, met with an accident last Friday which cost him the loss of two fingers. He was out hunting, and coming on some game he cocked the gun and was about to shoot, when the game disappeared. He set the gun down on the breech, having his fingers over the muzzle of the gun. The jar caused by setting the gun down, caused it to "go off" with the result that two of his fingers went with the load.

Squire Charles W. Mellott, accompanied by Charles Hess, had an automobile accident on the hill near Breezewood on Friday of last week. On account of the snow, the car skidded from the road plunging into a telegraph pole. The impact threw Charlie Hess through the wind shield, cutting his face severely. Mr. Mellott who was driving the machine and had firm hold of the wheel, escaped with but little injury. The machine was somewhat injured, but after some repairs, it was able to go home on its own power.

Samuel H. Hockensmith is still quite ill from a complication of diseases. He moved into the home with his son L. J. a few days ago.

C. V. S. N. S. Notes.

The basket ball team played Waynesboro Alpha Club and were defeated 18-10.

The boys who play basket ball from Fulton County are: Messrs Gordon Charlton, Rush, Henry, and Cecil Mellott.

Miss Christabel Lamberson was chairman of a play given in Normal Society Friday night.

Mr. Fred Lamberson a former student of Normal was a recent visitor at C. V. N. Mr. Lamberson is in the service at Camp Lee.

Dr. and Mrs. Lehman motored to McConnellsburg last Thursday. Dr. Lehman made three addresses at Institute. Dr. Philipus of Westchester and Dr. Gordinier of Millersville accompanied Dr. and Mrs. Lehman home Friday evening.

A Y. W. C. A. bazaar was held in the school parlors December 8. A collection of fancy work and other suitable articles for Christmas presents were on display.

The Press Club was held in school Parlors December 6, and Mr. Monroe Gobrecht a member of the Senior class gave an interesting description of camp life at Camp Meade.

Miss Adams is planning to have the chorus sing Christmas carols in different parts of the building next Wednesday evening.

Christmas vacation begins next Thursday, December 20, at which time the students and family will leave for their respective homes.

Allison Brant and Milton Kline of Licking Creek township, were in town Tuesday.

A FOOD ADMINISTRATION.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

Most of our foodstuffs are made up of different constituents. A potato is largely composed of starch, whereas beefsteak is largely composed of nitrogen or protein. Starch represents so many heat-producing units, and beefsteak likewise produces its own quota.

This is so when you consider the matter from a laboratory standpoint, but if you made a test of the same values by feeding these foods to human beings, you would find the values varied greatly because of the variations of the human or organic machinery which handled them. Starch, for instance, in the cases of some individuals, passes through the digestive system without the body assimilating it and obtaining the addition of its heat units. In the cases of other individuals, the same thing would happen with beefsteak.

For this reason, we must remember, when advising food-stuff for a community, that what is one man's meat is another man's poison. Thus it behooves those who have the power to regulate foodstuffs for a community to be liberal enough in drawing up their lists to meet the demands of the different capabilities of the digestive system of the different individuals. In other words, one capable of making a rational selection must have a thorough knowledge of the physiology of foodstuffs.

The people of the State of Pennsylvania eat too much potato. The large proportion of starch in the composition of this vegetable produces a catarrhal condition of the digestive tract, which interferes with digestion and leaves the patient insufficiently nourished, eventually over a long series of years producing starvation.

Meat, as a rule, is also over-eaten by Pennsylvanians. Just now, however, during the tension of war we need more meat than usual.

It should also be kept in mind that meat will be more easily produced during the war than will vegetables, for our trouble will be the want of male help to carry out the continuous demands occasioned by the cultivation of vegetables during all stages from planting to gathering, whereas cattle can in great measure take care of themselves and what human help is required need not be of the highest development, either physical or mental.

Somewhere in France.

Hon. and Mrs. Peter Morton received a letter from their son Newt who is with the Expeditionary force "somewhere" in France, written on the 17th of November. Newt says there are worse things than soldiering in France; that the country is beautiful, many wild flowers still in bloom at the time of his writing and that he weighs more than ever in his life and is in perfect health.

One of Newt's classmates while at the Forestry Academy, Cal Middour, of Waynesboro, is a member of the same Company as Newt, and the boys bunk together in the same tent.

Deshong--Garland.

On Sunday, December 9, 1917 at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. John Mellott of Pleasant Ridge, Mr. W. Emory Deshong and Miss Nellie May Garland were united in marriage. The bride is the eldest daughter of A. M. and Ella Garland, near Pleasant Ridge, and the groom, a son of Christopher and Matilda Bishop Deshong of the same township. The happy couple have the best wishes of their numerous friends for a long and prosperous life.