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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

### DAVID L. PECK.

David Limber Peck passed away at his home in Greenville, O., on Friday morning, February 2, 1918, and the funeral took place the following Monday.

The deceased was a son of Jonathan and Catharine Limber Peck, and he was born in Ayr township, this county, November 14, 1836; hence, at the time of his death he was aged 81 years 2 months, and 18 days.

David was a veteran of the Civil War, having been mustered into service November 4, 1862 and was mustered out with his regiment on the 12th of August, 1863. From a private in Company I, 158th Regiment, Pa. Inf., he was promoted to the rank of Corporal and attached to Company K of the same Regiment, on the 1st day of February 1863—just 55 years before his death.

On the 25th of February, 1868 he was united in marriage with Miss Minerva Rudy of Darke county, O., and to this union were born three children, Cora Fray, Algy Ray, and Adna Limber—all of whom, and their mother—are living.

For many years after he was married, he was in the mercantile business in Versailles, O., and later, in Muncie, Indiana, retiring from business and moving to Greenville, O., only a few years ago.

### NATHAN C. DESHONG.

Nathan C. Deshong, an aged citizen of Licking Creek township, died Friday, February 1, 1918, aged 73 years, 4 months and 12 days. Although he had been a sufferer from stomach trouble for many years, the immediate cause of his death is said to have been pneumonia. Mr. Deshong will long be remembered as miller in his father's mill, now the Hurley Mill, where he served for fully fifty years. He was a son of John F. and Rebecca Deshong both deceased. He was twice married. His first wife was Ellen Sipes. To this union were the following children: Baltzer Arioeh Deshong, near Harrisville; Berte Deshong at Wells Tanner; Elsie, wife of Wm. H. Deshong, near Harrisonville; Effi, wife of Carl Fore, Woodbury, Pa. His second wife was Mary, widow of Samuel Deshong, who survives. The following are brothers and sister: Postmaster Baltzer F., Pleasant Ridge; veteran Sol B., near Pleasant Ridge; Mrs. H. King Mellott, Mill No. 2, Scalp Level.

Funeral services conducted by E. J. Croft, were held at Asbury M. E. church last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and interment was made in the cemetery at that church where his first wife is buried.

John H. Wilt, of Waynesboro, is probably the only survivor of Company K, among those from this community.

### DANIEL PEPPER.

Daniel Pepper, one of Tod township's best citizens died suddenly Monday. Sometime during the forenoon, he went to the home of Samuel Divens, who lives on one of Daniel's farms. Going into the house at Mr. Divens' and taking a seat, a remark was made about the weather, and Daniel said if he had known it was so cold he would not have allowed the girls to go to school. Just then he collapsed, and soon life was extinct. Mr. Pepper had been in failing health for several months.

The deceased was a son of Frederick and Elizabeth Ott Pepper, and was aged about 63 years. He was married to Caroline Gress, a daughter of the late Adam Gress, who survives, together with two daughters, Pearl and Alice—both at home. He is al-

## INTERESTING MEETING.

Creditable Display of Knitting Goods in the Auditorium, Coupled with Patriotic Exercises.

Quite a large audience gathered in the auditorium last Thursday evening to see the knitted goods which were spread on four tables on the stage. The display proved that enthusiasm in Fulton County is "sky high;" for we now have shipped a total of 95 sweaters, 77 pairs socks, 48 pairs wristlets, 16 helmets and 6 mufflers. Satisfaction was very marked on all faces that the garments are so well made.

But even then, the ever present "fly was in the ointment" which made the hearts of the knitting committee heavy to realize that money enough is not yet available to begin to supply the demand for yarn. A telegram received last week said "keep on knitting, as the demand is yet great."

About 8 o'clock, Hon. Jno. P. Sipes, president of the chapter, took his place on the platform and in a most pleasing way recalled the last day of the Battle of Waterloo and Napoleon's committing into the hands of Ney the final struggle for victory for France. Then, Miss Ruth Kendall completed the talk by delivering "The Last Charge of Ney."

With Miss Emily Greathart at the piano, Misses Helen Steach, Mildred Hull, Helen Daniels, Helen Bender and Mary Kirk marched into full view of the audience and, while Mrs. Chas. R. Spangler sang "The Star Spangled Banner," the girls slowly and gracefully followed the words with actions suited to the sentiment in each word of the song.

Corporal H. B. Wilson of the Harrisburg Aviation Recruiting Squadron, gave the audience a short review of the war, upholding in highest honor the present administration, giving just censure to critics, and urging utmost speed and efficiency in all work we can do, and urging us to cooperate in all ways and means in making true of our nation that "In union there is strength."

There were present in the audience fourteen young men who had volunteered to work for the U. S. in the Aviation Service. Hon. John P. Sipes told them that even in so good a work as this, clothes would be torn and buttons come off, and instead of sending mothers, sisters, and wives along to do the mending, he gave each a comfort kit filled with all the necessities for doing it themselves.

Then, every one gave the boys a hearty send off and left the auditorium feeling he could "do and dare" and help a little more to win the war.

so survived by four sisters, Lizzie, widow of Rev. Armstrong, Lock Haven, Pa.; Alice, wife of George Wilson, near Fort Littleton; Mary, wife of Rev. E. M. Aller, York, Pa.; and Amanda, wife of a Mr. Boyles, Harrisburg, Pa.

Dan, as he was familiarly known, enjoyed the confidence and esteem of a wide circle of friends. He served his township as assessor for fourteen consecutive years, and his work was always intensely satisfactory to his constituents as well as to the County Commissioners.

### MRS. CATHERINE OTT.

Mrs. Catherine Gordon Ott, widow of Thomas E. Ott, died at the home of her son Philip in Hopewell, Bedford County, on Wednesday, January 30, 1918. Funeral services were held at her home on Saturday morning and the remains taken to the cemetery at the Tonoloway Baptist church for interment.

Mrs. Ott was a daughter of Philip and Mary Gale Gordon, and she was born near Warfordsburg, January 24, 1843, hence at her death she was aged 75 years and 6 days. She was married to Thomas E. Ott of Friends Cove on the 16th of August, 1881. One son, Philip Gordon Ott, survives this union. She was a faithful member of the Primitive Baptist church.

## From Our Subscribers.

W. P. Stern, Youngstown, O., January 28th: "I note that you are having some unusually severe weather in the mountains of Pennsylvania. While we do not have as much snow here as you do, we have some cold weather. The coldest I have heard of here was 18 degrees below zero. The ice on the lake is 22 inches thick, and at Lake Milton, 14 miles west of this city, where we get our water supply, the ice is reported to be 26 inches in thickness. The label on my paper reminds me that I am in arrears, which is also a reminder of the fight of time. I herewith enclose my check for two dollars which please apply to my subscription."

Mrs. J. MacTritle (Bess Simpson) Spirit Lake, Iowa, January 18th. "Please find enclosed \$1.50 to pay the subscription of my father-in-law, Luther F. Tritle, another year, and change the address from Spirit Lake, to Lake Park, Iowa, R. R. 4, where we have bought a farm and will move upon it Tuesday the 22nd. Mr. Tritle makes his home with us."

We had a stock reduction sale the 11th inst. Although the thermometer registered 23 below zero, we had a good sale. Everything brought a good price. Raisers coming 2 years old brought \$74.50 a piece and cows brought around \$100.00 a head.

We are both quite anxious to get settled in our own home. We have a nice quarter-section, lying nice and good buildings. We have had a carpenter (a Pennsylvania boy from Adams county) remodeling the house. We have a nice little grove, and that counts in Iowa when the wind blows 60 miles an hour, with the temperature 40 below zero.

Mr. Editor, you must get after the Thompson scribes. They do not do nearly so well as I did myself when back there. I have contemplated writing to the News ever since I came to Iowa but have never gotten at it until this evening.

We are feeling the war times out here—especially the coal and sugar question. Prices are good now. I sold a little basket of eggs this week that brought me \$5.50. We have sold over \$3,300 worth of hogs this year, and are keeping 19 over. We will soon be nicely settled at "Hillcrest" where we will welcome any of our Fulton County friends who may care to make us a visit. Best regards to all the NEWS family.

### Bishop--Seinsheimer.

At the First United Brethren parsonage in Chambersburg last Friday afternoon, Corp. John C. Bishop and Miss Mary Margaret Seinsheimer were united in marriage by Rev. Dr. Lutz. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bishop, of Ayr township, and is now a member of Co. C., 112th. Infantry at Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Seinsheimer, of Chambersburg, the former of whom witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop came over to this county and spent a day or two among relatives and friends, when John returned to Camp Hancock, and Mrs. Bishop will remain at home with her parents.

The State Water Supply Commission has issued a warning that conditions which caused big floods in 1904 and other years are "imminent." Owners of river craft and property along streams are urged to make preparations.

Charles E. Gutshall, a farmer of Jackson township, Perry county, killed five hogs several days ago from which two sausages were made, they being sixty-two feet long and fifty feet, neither one having a break.

## NEW FLOUR ORDER.

Can Only Be Sold in Connection with Other Recognized Wheat Substitutes.

County Food Administrator John R. Jackson has received notice of the following ruling which went into effect Monday, February 4th.

"The need for wheat conservation is so serious as to demand instant co-operation on the part of the entire public. It is accordingly ordered that beginning Monday February 4, and continuing until further notice, all dealers in wheat flour, either wholesale or retail, will be permitted to sell it only in combination with other recognized wheat substitutes in the minimum ratio of one pound of wheat substitute to each one pound of wheat flour sold, unless it is first definitely determined that wheat substitutes in equivalent quantities have been previously purchased from another source. For the present a written and signed declaration by flour purchaser within the trade will be considered sufficient evidence on which to base this determination. Cereals to be recognized as wheat substitutes are corn meal, corn starch, corn flour, hominy, corn crits, barley flour, rice flour, oatmeal, rolled oats, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soya bean flour, pterita flours and meals, and no other, except that rye may be used until March 3.

"All County Federal Food Administrators are charged with the duty of seeing that these regulations are strictly observed by the trade, and will promptly report violations to the State Administrator.

## War Savings Fund.

Philadelphia, February 1st. Three Counties in Pennsylvania has sold more than One Dollar's worth of War Savings Stamps up to the close of business on January 26th, according to reports received from post masters at the headquarters of the National War Savings Committee in this city. Union County leads all the rest with sales of \$1.27 for each inhabitant. Cameron is next with \$1.02 and Cumberland runs third with \$1.01 per capita. Not all the counties have sent in reports and those reporting, it was explained at headquarters are in all probability not complete. Thus while it may appear that a County is lagging in its patriotic duty, the fact may be that thousands of war stamps have been sold of which no report has yet been made.

Other counties are very close to the three leaders. Columbia has bought ninety-seven cents worth per capita little Montour ninety cents, Pike seventy-one, Monroe sixty-eight, Elk fifty-five, York fifty-three, Millin sixty-five, Montgomery sixty-four and McKean sixty.

Philadelphia has bought an even fifty cents worth for each of her 1,750,000 population. Northampton, with the Bethlehem Steel Works to draw upon, is credited with only twenty-six cents for each of her population. Clinton's record is forty-six cents; Bradford forty-four and Centre forty-four.

Lancaster, Dauphin, Lehigh, Fulton, Northumberland, Berks, and Carbon are in the thirties. Bucks, Cambria, Chester, Huntingdon, Lebanon, Luzerne, Susquehanna, Schuylkill, and Tioga are in the twenties.

## Notice to Drafted Men.

All drafted men who were called to appear for examination before the local board at McConnellsburg after Friday, February 8th, are hereby notified that they do not need appear until further notice.

J. L. GARLAND.

## Somewhere in France.

Dec. 24, 1917. My dear Parents. Received your letter December 3, I was certainly glad to hear from you and know everybody is well. I received the pictures you sent. Thanks very much. I think they are fine. Everybody is busy fixing up their tents today. We moved to a new camp site not far from where we were, a much nicer location. I received the box of candy from Joan today, was surely very glad to get it. That is the one thing we all enjoy and I believe the most acceptable thing any one can send. I also got a large box of candy from Miss Dock some time ago. You will remember her as the lady who spoke at our commencement last August, and just lately I received a very generous supply of candy from brother Roy. As it was all Hershey goods I wasn't surprised when one of the fellows asked me if I had shares in Hershey's factory. I received a big box from Silvius and a sweater last week and the people with whom I boarded last summer at Millinburg sent me a big box of candy and cakes, so you see I am being well taken care of, especially, since there are several other boxes I haven't mentioned. Prof. Illick (instructor in Dendrology at Mont Alto) sent me a small book containing first lessons on spoken French. I got the papers you sent.

It snowed for the first time here last week, but it was only three or four inches and that all left soon, but another soon fell of about six inches and that is staying longer. I was at a village not far from here and after the snow stopped the whole town turned out and had a snow ball battle in which, we joined and enjoyed the fun with them.

I suppose the draft army will be coming over soon. Tell Orlean Mock and the other fellows from home who smoke, to bring their supply of tobacco as several Frenchmen told me they could hardly get any here and their allowance has been cut considerably. I would like very much to see the fellows when they come over here, but don't suppose I will.

While I think of it, I wish Joe would send me some poems. I would like to learn quite a number. She will find a book in my trunk with one I would like to learn ("Lasca.") You don't need send any papers as I subscribed for the European edition of the New York Herald and will get that oftener and more quickly than a paper from America. I read part of the book "Over the Top," and if I can get a copy I will send it to Joe. It is very good.

The French people think you are not a man till you have a mustache. They say, "Big boys, smooth faces," and they all ask how old we are. There are some big fellows with the Amex forces and you can imagine how the French look at them when they don't see a beard of some kind. I haven't learned to "parlez"—francais and don't think I ever can. It is at least twenty times harder for me than German was.

If I learn to pronounce the words it won't be till I split my tongue and fill my mouth with hazelnuts, as you have to get the words just right or they ne comprehend pas. Must write some other letters tonight. I sincerely hope you are all well.

Lovingly, Your Son,

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## Doing Their Bit.

Judge and Mrs. Peter Morton are doing their bit to help win the war. They now have three sons enlisted in the service. James Newton, enlisted last July and is now "Somewhere in France." Mac enlisted in the Reserve Officers Training Corps and is stationed at State College, Pa. Pete, Jr., their youngest son, joined the aviation unit and left Friday afternoon for San Antonio, Texas.

## Appropriations to State Highway Dept.

Harrisburg, Jan. 31.—The State Defense Commission today appropriated \$500,000 from the \$2,000,000 set aside for the safety and defense of the State by the Legislature, to the State Highway Department, to aid in keeping open and repairing State highways. This money is to be added to the revenue derived from the automobile licenses, and it developed that the State, owing to the high price in materials and labor, has practically given up any extensive road construction this year, except on equal bases with counties and boroughs. State highways are now being kept open at heavy cost, to facilitate the movement of truck trains to the seaboard, and it was held in the solution making the appropriation that the roads should be kept open on account of the farmers. The meeting was attended by Governor Brumbaugh, Lieutenant Governor McClain, State Treasurer Kephart, Auditor General Berry. The Commission had previously authorized expenditure of \$180,000 by the Public Safety Committee.

Other appropriations today were made to the Public Safety Committee as follows:

\$70,000 for the labor employment agencies to be conducted by the State, nation and Public Safety Committee, which placed over 10,000 persons last month.

\$50,000 for boys farm training camps, to be conducted at \$170 per month per camp, to train boys for work on farms, to relieve the shortage.

\$100,000 for expenses of county and city public safety committees, at \$25,000 per month, until May 31.

\$5000 for the woman's committee, for registration of women, for various kinds of work, and for food conservation.

\$5000 for publicity of the State Public Safety Committee.

\$40,000 for the Food Administration work of the committee.

\$2500 to the Military and Naval Service Bureau.

\$5000 for the division of civilian relief. \$387-21 to meet deficit of the State Midwinter Show of Farm Products, held here.

\$5000 to pay expenses of members of local draft boards in traveling from their homes to meeting-places, which expenses it was reported to the Board the Government has refused to pay.

\$5000 which was voted at the request of the Governor, to have a census taken of the food and other supplies in the State which can be obtained in case of emergency. The latter sum will not be used for any purchases, but to locate supplies and prepare for extended relief in any calamity. The Governor will direct the taking of this census.

The meeting lasted three hours, and arrangements were made for accounting for all expenditures through the Auditor General's office.

## Monday Closing Order Ruling.

While the Monday Closing Order of the Federal Fuel Administrator is in effect, all stores in Fulton County engaged in selling food and fuel, will be allowed to remain open for the sale of food and fuel only till 2 o'clock in the afternoon. At this hour all stores will close and reduce the heat to the lowest possible degree, retaining only such heat as is necessary to prevent loss. All persons affected by the closing order are expected to strictly observe the rule laid down; and any violations of the closing order, or the limitation placed on sales, will be dealt with by the Government according to law. Nothing but food and fuel may be sold on Monday, and that only until 2 o'clock, so long as this order is in effect.

JOHN R. JACKSON,  
Federal Food Administrator for  
Fulton County.

## SALUVIA.

Woolly Worm Prognostications Indicate an Unusually Long Hard Winter.

Among our neighbors and friends who have been suffering for the past few days, and have had to call for physicians, are Reuben Mellott, John Hollinshead, George S. Mellott, Joseph Wyles and wife, Mrs. Wm. H. Fegley, two grand-children of George S. Mellott, Mrs. John Schooley and John S. Sipes.

L. R. Swartz, who has been a sufferer from kidney trouble, has, we are informed, gone to a hospital in Cumberland, Md., for a surgical operation.

At this writing there is apparently no change in the condition of little Thelma Deshong, and, she may be some weaker. It is the most remarkable and peculiar case that was ever known in this community. It all developed from that dreadful and enervating disease—scarlet fever—which seems to have settled in her head, neck, and whole system.

Little George Swartz went to live with R. Y. Schooley when the lad's father went to the hospital.

Mrs. Berte Hann left last Monday to join her husband and daughter Marie, near Desler, O.

Mrs. John Hann returned last Wednesday from an extended visit among friends in Boston and New York.

We note occasionally a call from a correspondent for the "woolly-worm prognosticator." The writer, although a careful researcher was made of the places where woolly worms were seen in former years, failed to see any last fall. But a reliable neighbor did see some, and kindly reported a few days ago. He claimed that there were seven distinct black rings from the head to the tail, with narrow white rings intervening—remarkable, unusual markings. The readings would indicate a very severe, prolonged winter, with cold waves, blizzard winds, with drifting, followed by a mild day or two, then a snowfall—thus alternating between the two extremes until the seven markings are completed; that is, until seven eras are completed. It is best for us not to know the dreadful, disheartening happenings of this life, else we would worry ourselves to death.

## Truck Trains and Snow Drifts.

The 180 War trucks accompanied by more than 500 men, which are making their way to the Atlantic Seaboard over the Lincoln Highway from western factories, are getting real experience. The convoy is divided into six trains and each train into three sections. Each train is in charge of a Lieutenant, and each section, in charge of a Corporal. The trains are supposed to travel about a day apart, but the weather has interfered with the program as originally planned, and they are now doing the best they can. The first train passed through McConnellsburg last Friday afternoon, having staid in Bedford Thursday night, and they made Chambersburg Friday night. Trains Nos. 2, 3 and 4 passed through McConnellsburg on Saturday, Sunday and Monday respectively. Trains Nos. 5 and 6 are held up by the blockade in the roads caused by the blizzard of Monday. A big Akron truck with a ten-ton load tore out a differential on the grade a mile east of town on Monday. As it was in the middle of the road and a big snow drift on either side, it had the right of way and traffic was held up until a road could be shoveled around it.

McConnellsburg was practically shut in. There were no outgoing nor incoming mails from Saturday until Wednesday afternoon. In that, we were not so much worse-off than our neighbors, for the South Penn railroad was entirely out of business during the same time, with the consequence that we got no mail, express, freight, nor passenger service,—a condition that has not existed in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.