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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

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

**MRS. S. B. WOOLLET.**  
Elizabeth J., wife of Sylvester B. Woollet, passed away at their home "The Washington House" in McConnellsburg, on Tuesday evening, April 2, 1918, aged 78 years, 1 month, 21 days. While, during the past three years, Mrs. Woollet did not possess the vigor of former years, she was up and about the house doing light work until the 5th. of January, when she became suddenly indisposed, took her bed and was confined thereto until the end came. The funeral services conducted by Rev. W. V. Grove of the U. P. Church and Rev. Edward Jackson of the M. E. Church will take place Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, after which interment will be made in Union cemetery.  
Mrs. Woollet was a daughter of Andrew and Catherine Ready Fisher, and was the last surviving member of a family of eight children. She was married to Putnam Richardson during the early part of the Civil War, who died soon thereafter. On the 9th day of October, 1866 she was married to Sylvester B. Woollet, who purchased the Washington House and they moved into it in the spring of 1880 where they resided, until some three years ago, when they retired from hotel keeping. The Washington House was known far and near as a real home hotel, and Mrs. Woollet was an ideal landlady, whose death will bring a pang of sorrow to thousands of persons who have enjoyed the hospitality of her home.  
Mrs. Woollet was a member of the Presbyterian church and while health permitted, took an active part in all its activities.

**100,000 Smiths In The Army.**  
Washington, March 31—The army has more than 100,000 "Smiths," 1500 William Smiths, 1000 John Smiths and 200 John A. Smiths. It has 15,000 Millers, 5,000 Wilsons and 262 John J. Bryens, of whom 50 have wives named Mary. There are 1000 John Browns, 1200 John Johnsons and 1040 George Millers. These figures on identical names were cited today by the bureau of war risk insurance as a reason why applicants for government soldiers' insurance, or for allotment and allowance payments should sign their full name rather than initials only.

**Gold In Old Well.**  
An iron pot containing \$115,000 in gold coin, was unearthed a few days ago on the Isaac Shaffer farm in Lawrence county, as the result of a blast by a limestone company.  
In 1888, Isaac Shaffer, a rich cattle buyer, died. Stricken by apoplexy he managed to mumble "Gold, motioned toward his farm and fell dead. During the past thirty years his heirs have explored the farm many times hoping to find the treasure. The gold has been deposited in a New Castle bank. Heirs of Shaffer have claimed the treasure.

**Up In Massachusetts.**  
Corpal James D. Hoop, who went to Camp Lee last summer with the first installment of Fulton County boys, has recently been detailed to Camp Devens, Mass. to help drill the new men for the 602nd. Eng. It may be remembered that Jim had three years in the Regular Army before going to Camp Lee, and the experience gained while there, makes him useful now as a trainer. The snow and ice up in Massachusetts, was not an agreeable change after having spent the winter in Virginia.

Mrs. C. B. Stevens spent a few days in Harrisburg visiting relatives last week.

## Will Take Care of Themselves.

In thanking the Pennsylvania Committee of Public Safety for services rendered to war truck convoys passing through the State, the War Department has made it plain that further services from the Committee will be required only in case of emergency. Convoys will hereafter travel under service conditions, which means that they will take care of their own commissary and other arrangements. The thanks of the War Department were extended through Colonel C. B. Drake, of the Quartermaster's Corps, who has written as follows:  
"This Department desires to express its sincere appreciation of the good and loyal work done by the Committee of Public Safety of Pennsylvania, and the various chapters of the Red Cross, as well as the public generally, for the entertainment and assistance rendered the motor truck convoys passing through the State of Pennsylvania.  
"Now that weather conditions are becoming settled, instructions have been issued that all motor convoys travel under service conditions, and for them not to call on State Councils of Defense or Red Cross Committees except in case of emergency."

**Ramsey—Gladfelter.**  
At the home of the bride at Clear Ridge, this county, Ralph Ramsey and Miss Minnie Gladfelter were united in marriage by Rev. G. B. Reidell pastor of the M. E. Church, Hustontown. Both of the contracting parties are well known among the younger set of their community, and both are excellent young people. Following the bounteous wedding supper which was served to the following guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Gladfelter son Norman and daughter Grace; Emmanuel Sipes, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Bowman of Harrisburg, Rev. and Mrs. G. B. M. Reidell, son George, Jr; and daughter Margaret Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. James McElheny daughter Leona and son Grant; Mrs. Ramsey and daughter who were immediate friends of the parties—the guests returned to their respective homes wishing the happy couple many years of wedded life.

**Educational Meeting.**  
The seventh Local Institute of Taylor Township was held Friday evening, Mar. 22, at Gracey School. The Literary work did credit to both teacher and pupils. The topics were:—Reviews, Value of, how often given? Civil Government, how taught? The topics were well discussed by teachers and patrons. Teachers present were: H. P. Barton, U. G. Wink, Thad Winegardner, Howard B. Knepper, Olive Clevenger, and Myrtle Alloway, from Taylor. Alice and Jessie Cutchall from Wells, and R. D. Hess from Huntingdon County.—Teacher, Thad Winegardner; president, Howard B. Knepper; and secretary, Myrtle W. Alloway.

**Newspaper Man Dead.**  
Isaac Newton Swope, a well known citizen of Huntingdon County, who founded the Mapleton Item twenty-nine years ago and conducted the same until a few weeks ago, when he sold the paper to Editor Riddle, of the Semi-Weekly-News Huntingdon, died at his home in Huntingdon on Thursday of last week, aged about 58 years. He was a graduate of Dickinson Seminary, editor of the Mount Union Times four years, principal of the Mapleton schools for five years, and six years prothonotary of Huntingdon County.

Mrs. Louise Powell, who has been spending two months in this county partly on a visit among her friends, left for her home in Dixon, Ill. Tuesday morning.

## PLEASANT LIFE IN FRANCE.

### Interesting Letter Written by New Morian to His Sister Miss Joan of McConnellsburg.

While everybody else in the tent is busy with everything from shaving to studying French, I will write a few lines. If there are mistakes, don't blame me, as it will be the fault of the band. I never could do anything but listen, when I hear music.  
The war surely gives the cartoonist lots of material to work on. I received several comedies of Camp Meade a few days ago. They were taken from one of the Harrisburg papers and certainly were funny. It reminded me of one English "Tommy" told me about one of their soldiers who was washing some mud from his clothes in the trenches, when an officer called out, "What the 'bloomin' 'ell do you mean, washin' in the same water we have to sleep in?" and another they tell on a newly arrived "Sammy" who was walking along with his eyes on the road in front of him when he happened to pass a Scotch Highlander with his "Kilties" on, doing guard duty at the side of the road. The Sammy noticing only the skirt, raised his hat to be polite and was about to converse with the "maiden (?)" thereby almost causing international complications.

Work is going fine. It is very interesting to note what changes a few months make. When I think that only a few months ago, one could walk up the road toward our Camp without seeing anything to attract attention but pine forests on both sides of the road except now and then to see a Frenchman pass on his bicycle or a French woman walking along busy with her knitting, glancing around now and then to call Aller! to her ox team which is yoked to a two wheeled cart (about the only style of wagon used) loaded with ferns gathered in the woods and used for litter. Farther on, perhaps, one would pass a peasant patiently watching his herd of cows, busying himself making baskets from rye straw or a kind of meadow grass bound with shreds cut from briars, making a very neat looking job. Undoubtedly, off to one side, one would see a flock of nice white sheep grazing among the pines. The flock is being watched by a dog and a peasant. The shepherd is busy with something and one finds when going closer that he is making yarn from the wool. He has a bunch of wool wound on his arm, and carefully separating it into a narrow string with his fingers, he gives the ball on which he has the yarn wound a little spin, then testing it to see if it is strong, he continues the same process over and thus utilizes his time which, otherwise, would be taken up wholly by his flock of sheep.  
But now there is much more signs of activity than we experienced before while watching the few, but ever busy French peasants. To the side of the same road that before was quiet, there now is a narrow gauge railroad running to the station of the small village not far distant from Camp, and a dinky engine with its string of big cars loaded with lumber, goes screaming by. The buzz of the big motor trucks has even ceased to be a novelty to the little French children. The maritime pine trees so much prized by the French are rapidly being felled and as rapidly taken by log cars to the mills which have been established for the purpose of transporting them into all kinds of available material for war purposes.

There are also others besides our company, in this section and in other sections of France doing the same kind of work; so you can get a slight idea of the im-

## Traffic on the Lincoln Highway.

A few days ago one of the Hagerstown newspapers gave to its readers the astounding information that seven new Reo cars—all in one string—passed through that city over the National pike enroute to some eastern city for distribution. That reads like a paragraph that might have appeared in the News ten years ago with the "Lincoln Highway" substituted for the "National Pike."  
The bulk of traffic on the Lincoln Highway during the past year or more is astonishing to the residents along this great transcontinental thoroughfare, and quite unbelievable to persons in other sections of the country who knew it during the toll-gate days of a quarter of a century ago.

There is practically a constant stream of motor vehicles, on the road now, composed of new cars of every known make—trucks from the light Ford skeletons to the giant Goodrich of the Akron Boston line with its 10-inch pneumatics. Included in this are the trains of ponderous army Packard trucks that go thundering through the town with a jar that makes the windows rattle.  
A McConnellsburg lady who has kept careful tally, reports that during the three months preceding the first of April, thirty-one army-truck trains passed eastward through McConnellsburg. These trains were conveyed by a company of soldiers averaging about 85 men, and the train was composed of 32 trucks. Thus, during the three months almost a thousand army trucks, and more than twenty-five hundred soldiers, passed over the road on their way to join Pershing.  
A lady in St. Thomas, a town on the Lincoln Highway fifteen miles east of McConnellsburg, kept accurate account of the automobiles passing through that town last Friday, and her report is 1050.

Notwithstanding the unusual snowfall of the past winter, there were very few days that the road was impassible. It is remarkable that with all the traffic, and mountainous condition of this part of the State that there should have been so few accidents. The first accident of any consequence happened to an army truck occupied at Grandview, east of the top of the Allegheny mountain last week, when a driver who had the lower side of the road swung too far to the right to allow a crowding up-the-mountain truck to pass, and he plunged over a 300-ft. embankment. When the driver of the army truck found he was in for it, he quickly turned his steering wheel so as to go straight over the embankment and the heavy truck mowed down all opposing objects and landed up with a smashed wheel and a bent axle. The men on the car escaped without a scratch. The truck passed through McConnellsburg a day later on its own power.

I think I told you in a letter of an earlier date about the amount of material we cut here, etc. If I didn't I'll have to leave it for another letter as it is now time for "taps". If you don't know what that means it wouldn't take long to learn, because after that sounds at 9.30 and all lights aren't out, the guard's clear ringing voice can be heard breaking on the still night air "Hey! I don't want to tell you again". But I might add, they merely have those hard boiled tones for cases of emergency and are perfectly harmless.  
By what I hear you must be having all kinds of "less" days back there but "snowless ones." We are having very nice weather and we are all in the best of health, as you can see by my picture.

## MARCH HONOR ROLL.

### Names of New Subscribers and Others Who Have Paid Subscription During Month of March.

More new subscribers have been added to the FULTON COUNTY NEWS subscription list during the month of March than during any like period in its history, out side of five years ago when the contest was on. This shows that Fulton County people—no matter what other papers they take—want to see the NEWS. The NEWS plays fair. If a subscriber says he wants his paper discontinued when the time is up, off it comes without any back talk. The NEWS never puts the names of people on the list and sends them the paper without permission, and then expect them to pay for it. The NEWS aims to get its papers to its subscribers before it is a week old, and before everybody has heard the happening before they see the paper. If you like the NEWS tell your friends about it—if it's a good thing, pass it along.  
But here we go again. We started out to give the names of those who had become new subscribers or had paid subscription to the NEWS during March; and then get off the subject. Here are the names—you know many of them.

- Akers, Hyson 4-1-19
- Atherton, G. P. 3-1-19
- Austin, Ed R. 5-1-19
- Barmont, Daniel 3-20-19
- Bennett, Harvey 2-18-19
- Beatty, W. E. 1-7-19
- Benson, Harry 4-1-19
- Bergstresser, Mrs Annie 10-19-18
- Bergstresser, Ed W. 3-14-19
- Bishop, John 2-20-19
- Bowman, Mrs. I. D. 3-18-19
- Cluck, Mrs. Mervin 9-7-19
- Comer, Miss Elizabeth 8-22-18
- Covalt, J. H. 4-5-19
- Cromer, H. H. 1-1-19
- Crouse, Chas. 4-1-18
- Cutchall, W. F. 1-1-19
- Cutchall, R. J. 10-1-18
- Cutchall, Robt. W. 11-23-18
- Cutchall, C. V. 3-14-19
- Deshong, W. H. 1-1-19
- Dixon, R. C. 12-1-18
- Dohner, Mrs. R. J. 9-1-18
- Doyle, John H. 10-7-19
- Duval, J. N. 7-21-20
- Engle, John S. 4-1-19
- Everts, Mrs. Addie 4-1-19
- Everts, Jacob 1-2-19
- Fields, W. L. 4-1-19
- Fields, G. C. 4-26-18
- Foster, E. G. 12-14-18
- Gillis, Daniel A. 12-25-18
- Glenn, Geo. W. 4-1-19
- Golden, Chas. E. 10-24-18
- Gregory, Roy 2-10-19
- Gutshall, F. W. 3-1-19
- Hann, M. L. 1-1-19
- Hann, W. M. 4-1-18
- Harris, Miss Elizabeth 7-1-19
- Harrier, Mrs. Orin 4-21-19
- Heinbaugh, John C. 4-2-19
- Heefner, Geo. D. 3-26-19
- Heeter, J. W. 4-1-19
- Hendershot, E. W. 3-13-19
- Henderson, Mrs. Emma 12-14-18
- Hess, O. G. 4-1-18
- Hill, Mrs. David 4-1-18
- Hixson, C. E. 4-1-19
- Hoop, J. D. (home) 12-1-18
- Hoop, J. D. (army) 1-8-19
- Huffenshead, J. E. 2-10-19
- Hull, Scott 4-22-18
- Johnston, T. E. 1-1-20
- Jones, Mrs. Nettie 10-12-18
- Keebaugh, J. C. 5-8-19
- Keefe, A. B. 3-2-19
- Kelso, V. E. 5-27-17
- Laidig, John W. 3-20-20
- Lake, Mrs. Maye 1-21-19
- Lake, W. B. 3-21-19
- Largent, W. W. 10-1-18
- Layton, A. S. 5-8-19
- Layton, Wilbert 10-8-18
- Lee, Mrs. F. M. 4-1-19
- Long, Curtis D. 1-1-19
- Lynch, Blanche 3-21-19
- Mathias, N. A. 6-12-18
- Marshall, Mrs. A. C. 11-5-18
- May, Albert 4-4-19
- McKee, James P. 2-1-19
- Mellott, Milton 4-5-19
- Mellott, E. L. 3-1-19
- Mellott, T. S. 5-8-19
- Miller, Robert 5-15-18
- Miller, Grover 4-1-19
- Morgret, Mrs. Lizzie 4-1-19
- Mumma, Mrs. Fannie 5-8-18

## Seed-Corn Problem.

MR. EDITOR:—That there are three great questions or conditions confronting the world today, there can be no doubt. The first is, the settling of the temperance question; the second, the dreadful war, and the third, farming along broad lines. If we are not able to get seed-corn that will germinate, and if the farmers are not on their job in this matter, we are doomed to face the shortest crop ever known in this country.  
If this great war should continue for some time, and we do not have a great crop of wheat—this combined with a short corn crop, we will face such conditions as this country has never seen. Taking the view of conditions as they are before us today, every farmer should be sure that his seed-corn will germinate. Most of the corn in the frost belt will not germinate to the extent of fifty per cent, and some of it will not do anything but rot, while a small percentage may send up a sickly stalk that cannot develop.  
The man who goes to his crib, as usual, in the spring of the year when he is ready to plant, and selects his corn as he has been accustomed in other years, is doomed to failure.  
Any one who has seed-corn that was grown along the mountain side or where it was not injured by frost and was shucked before the severe winter set in, should make it known. If you have not time to plant all you can, test it by the Longenecker plan, which is, to lift the kernel and see if the germ is white; if so, it will grow; but both ends of the germ must be white. If the germ is black, or amber-colored, be assured that it will not grow. I have tried it out and know what I am talking about. I have examined corn from several cribs, and find, generally, that the corn is frozen and, consequently, of no value as seed.  
Try it for yourself and you will see how easy it is to miss your guess. Some of the very finest looking ears—ears that you would think couldn't help but grow—will, when submitted to test, show nothing but a yellow, shriveled-up germ that will not—can not grow.  
Yours, for the welfare of the Country,  
C. J. BREWER.

Ayr township.  
[Mr. Brewer has no seed-corn to sell; in fact, will have to buy some for his own use.]  
Vernon Wink of Camp Lee, Va., passed through McConnellsburg Monday afternoon going out to Hustontown to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Grant Wink.

- Oakman, Mrs. Oliver 7-1-19
- Oliver, Thomas 5-22-19
- Palmer, F. E. 7-25-18
- Palmer, J. W. 3-22-19
- Palmer, Roy O. 12-25-18
- Parks, Isaac 5-8-19
- Powell, Mrs. Louisa 12-1-20
- Powell, Jacob A. 10-1-18
- Price, Mrs. D. B. 2-6-19
- Reily, Mrs. A. E. 8-2-18
- Rupe, Mrs. Wilmer 1-1-19
- Schooley, J. V. 4-9-18
- Seelar, J. J. 4-1-19
- Seville, Frank 10-1-18
- Shadle, Milton 4-1-19
- Shafer, Roy C. 3-1-19
- Sigel, Joab 2-1-19
- Sipes, Frank 2-1-19
- Sipes, Geo. W. (Okla) 3-1-20
- Spriggs, Alonzo 7-15-18
- Staines, Roswell 2-1-19
- Stenger, Cloyd 5-8-18
- Swope, Mrs. Ruth W. 6-12-18
- Thomas, J. Emory 2-14-18
- Truax, Shade 5-10-18
- Truax, Oscar 3-19-18
- Truax, Howard W. 9-21-18
- Unger, H. S. 1-20-19
- Van Cleve, John H. 1-1-19
- Wible, Ed 2-20-19
- Williams, George 10-1-18
- Williams, John 3-20-19
- Wilkinson, A. B. 3-23-18
- Winters, Mrs. Bessie 2-2-19

## WAR SAVINGS STAMPS.

### Fulton County's Per Capita Much Above That of Many Other Counties in the State.

Elk county is starred in last week's report of War Stamp sales in Eastern Pennsylvania. That community's per capita for the week was seventy-four cents. This shows an increase of over 75 per cent, for the month of March.  
The sales during one week in Elk County exceeded those in six of the forty-eight counties in Eastern Pennsylvania for the entire sixteen weeks of the campaign.  
Union county continues to lead the State in stamp sales with an average for each inhabitant of \$5.28 to date. Columbia continues in second place, her per capita being \$3.87. Elk's big drive put that county in third place with an average of \$3.20 per inhabitant.  
For the week the sales in the district totaled \$602,420, an average of ten cents per inhabitant. The district sales to date amount to \$6,819,610.

Counties report sales to date as follows: Adams .83 cents, Bedford \$1.46, Berks \$1.10, Blair .95, Bradford .86, Bucks \$1.53, Cambria .90, Cameron \$2.46, Carbon \$2.56, Centre \$2.00, Chester .64, Clearfield .83, Clinton \$1.49, Cumberland \$2.24, Dauphin \$1.02, Delaware \$1.11, Franklin .60, Fulton \$1.16, Huntingdon \$1.46, Juniata .53, Lackawanna .54, Lancaster \$1.48, Lebanon .71, Lehigh .87, Luzerne \$1.03, Lycoming .96, McKean \$1.84, Mifflin \$1.15, Monroe \$1.89, Montgomery .87, Montour \$2.55, Northampton \$1.12, Northumberland .92, Perry .86, Philadelphia \$1.20, Pike \$1.73, Potter .83, Schuylkill \$1.19, Snyder \$2.26, Susquehanna .67, Tioga \$1.27, Wayne \$1.51, Wyoming \$1.50, York \$1.39.

**Be A Money Lender.**  
The way to accumulate for old age is to be industrious and economical during your younger years. No one is getting poorer that has more money or other property at the end of the year than at the beginning. The man with a small income can save something as well as the man with a larger. Just as soon as possible, put your surplus money at work. At this time, there is no better place to put it, than to lend it to the Government to help meet the expenses of the war. You will be sure to get your principal back, and to get a good rate of interest. And, then, you do not need wait until you get a hundred dollars together, before you make a loan. The Government will borrow any money you have to spare, even if it be only twenty-five cents. Your postmaster will tell you how it's done. Eary.  
The following figures give a definite idea of what fifty or more dollars will do, when invested in a Liberty Bond, and used by the War Department.  
One \$50 bond will buy trench knives for a rifle company, or 23 hand grenades, or 14 rifle grenades, or 37 cases of surgical instruments for enlisted men's belts, or 10 cases of surgical instruments for officers' belts.  
A \$100 bond will clothe a soldier, or feed a soldier for eight months, or purchase 5 rifles or 30 rifle grenades, or 43 hand grenades, or 25 pounds of ether, or 145 hot-water bags, or 2,000 surgical needles.  
A \$100 and a \$50 bond will clothe and equip an infantry soldier for service overseas, or feed a soldier for a year.  
Two \$100 bonds will purchase a horse or mule for Cavalry, Artillery, or other service.  
Three \$100 bonds will clothe a soldier and feed him for one year in France, or buy a motorcycle for a machine-gun company.  
Four \$100 bonds will buy an X-ray outfit.  
One \$500 bond will supply bicycles for the headquarters company of an Infantry regiment.