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### Letter From Joseph K. Williams to the Editors of the Pennsylvania Dutchman, April 28, 1954

Joseph K. Williams

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April 28. 54.

The Pennsylvania Dutchman.

Along with my check for the new Dutchman, I'm sending a little write up about the death of a very fine Penna. Dutchman, F. Sands Brunner the artist.

The Reading Eagle and Boyertown Democrat, both have published very nice accounts and I trust that you will see fit to do the same in the Dutchman, and if so, feel free to enlarge upon it as you may care to

Yours very truly

Joe H. Williams

925 S. 54<sup>th</sup> St.

## Famed Pennsylvania Dutch Artist Dies

F. Sands Brunner, Philadelphia commercial artist and portrait painter died April 21<sup>st</sup> aged 67.

Born in Boyertown, Berks Co. Pa., he was the nephew of the late Dr. Frank Brunner, excerpts of whose writings have appeared in ~~these~~ pages of the Dutchman on numerous occasions.

At a very early age it was discovered that Fred had phenomenal artistic talent. He attended the Philadelphia School of Industrial Art, and after graduation, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

For many years he was associated with the art department of the Curtis Publishing Co. where his work in the Saturday Evening Post, Ladies Home Journal Etc. soon won national acclaim. For about thirty years he had operated his own studio and had greatly enlarged his scope, his cover work having appeared on many leading magazines.

Perhaps his most noted portrait was that of Gen. Carl Spaatz former head of the U.S. Army Airforces, his boyhood friend and neighbor, while his display adds for

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the Coca Cola, Ginguale and other companies  
have been seen the world over.

From its very beginning Mr Brunner was  
an enthusiastic reader of Dutchman, and had  
often said "Boys! that magazine is wonderful  
good." He had given serious thought as to  
making some pictures of P. D. motif as his  
contribution to its publication. He took great  
interest in early Pennsylvania history.

He will be greatly missed by a host of  
friends and admirers.

A truly grand Pennsylvania Dutchman.

Joe. H. Williams