

STATE ROAD PROJECTS IN CENTRE COUNTY

If all the State road projects now contemplated for Centre county by the State Highway Department are carried through during the coming summer they will not only mean a big improvement in the county's network of roads but should furnish work for quite a number of men.

Foremost among the projects will be the completion of the stretch of roadway in Bald Eagle valley, from Milesburg down toward Curtin, and the highway between Milesburg and Bellefonte. Work will also be pushed on the road from State College through the Barrens to Buffalo Run valley. Over the mountain a stretch of 6.94 miles of reinforced concrete pavement will be built on the Lakes-to-Sea highway between Phillipsburg and Sandy Ridge, a large part of it over an entirely new survey.

Another project which will shorten the distance between Bellefonte and Clearfield by seven miles is the building of a new highway between Allport and Bigler at an estimated cost of over \$300,000.

The Department is also advertising for bids for the grading of approximately six miles of roadway in Haines and Penn townships, between Millheim and the Centre-Union county line, and for the grading of over two miles and a half in Potter township, between Potters Mills and Tusseyville.

Highway engineers are also at work completing the survey for the rebuilding of the road over the Seven mountains but there is nothing definite as to when that will be done. All told, however, highway work in this section will entail an expenditure of considerably more than a million dollars.

SMOTHERED TO DEATH IN APARTMENT HOUSE

Rev. William E. Baker, an inactive Baptist minister, was smothered to death in a fire which practically destroyed the duplex apartment home of Prof. H. T. Wright, on Fairmount avenue, State College, at an early hour last Saturday morning.

The minister and his semi-invalid wife occupied one of the apartments in the house. When the fire broke out Rev. Baker assisted his wife to safety then returned to the apartment in an effort to rescue some of her belongings, among which was a diamond ring. Falling to reappear State College firemen made four trips into the burning building before they finally located him lying on the floor near a window in one of the rooms of his apartment. The minister was troubled with a weak heart and whether he died from a heart collapse or was smothered to death will never be definitely known, although the physician who examined him was inclined to the belief that he had smothered to death.

Rev. Baker was 59 years old and with his wife had gone to the College from Arizona several months ago, and was staying there while looking for a permanent charge. He was originally from the New England States and the body was shipped to Vermont, on Monday, for burial.

EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE CLOSED ON MONDAY

Announcement of the appointments, on Monday, ended the work of the annual session of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Evangelical church, held at Williamsport. No changes in assignments were made in Centre county, all former pastors having been returned.

One important change was restricting the conference into three conference districts instead of four as heretofore. Bellefonte, however, remains in the Williamsport district, and Rev. A. Ward Campbell has been returned as pastor. The only change of any consequence in Centre county was the taking of Nitany from the Howard circuit and placing it on the Lock Haven mission circuit, and the transfer of Fublersburg from the State College to the Howard circuit.

Rev. Reed O. Steely, a former pastor in Bellefonte, was reassigned to the Milton church.

One sixth of the girls attending the Pennsylvania State College are paying all or part of their expenses by doing outside work. Housework, caring for children, serving at teas and luncheons, office work and clerking in local stores and restaurants are the usual types of employment, but several individuals have started private lines of business this year. One makes hats, another works as a dressmaker, and a third mends hosiery. One girl is engaged as an assistant in the chemical laboratory, and another is working in a similar position in the bacteriological laboratory.

Zona Gale, noted writer of fiction, will be a visiting lecturer during the coming summer institute in English Education at the Pennsylvania State College.

Encourage others to subscribe or the Watchman.

PATIENTS TREATED AT COUNTY HOSPITAL

Mrs. Justin Hassett, of State College, was admitted on Monday of last week for surgical treatment.

Miss Eleanor Gettig, of Bellefonte, who had been a surgical patient for eleven days, was discharged on Monday.

Mrs. Beulah Herr and infant, wife and daughter of Robert Herr, of State College, was discharged on Monday.

Mrs. Roy Meyers, of State College, was admitted on Tuesday of last week for surgical treatment.

Mrs. Ralph Williams, of State College, was admitted on Tuesday of last week for surgical treatment.

Mrs. Amelia Cadwallader, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Friday as a medical patient.

George Jodon, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Friday for surgical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Leif Olsen, of Bellefonte, are the proud parents of a daughter, born in the hospital on Saturday.

Joseph Kirko, of Clarence, was admitted on Friday as a medical patient.

Miss Gertrude Davis, of Bellefonte, was discharged on Friday after having undergone treatment.

Mrs. Alice Getz, of State College, was discharged on Saturday after having been a medical patient for the past month.

Mrs. Alice Johnstonbaugh, of State College, was discharged on Saturday after spending two months in the hospital as a medical patient.

Mrs. Earl Harter, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Sunday as a surgical patient.

Irvin Graham, of Boalsburg, was admitted on Sunday for surgical treatment.

Clarence, the fourteen-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson, of Orviston, was admitted on Sunday as a medical patient.

Mrs. Calvin Gates, of Bellefonte, was admitted on Monday for surgical treatment.

Conrad Miller, of Bellefonte, underwent an operation on Saturday for the amputation of his foot.

MAUSOLEUM COMPANY BUYS LOSE PROPERTY

The Bellefonte Mausoleum company has purchased the property of Charles Lose, on the south side of the Union cemetery, and it is there the proposed mausoleum will be constructed. The gentlemen who will have charge of the erection of the mausoleum are now in Bellefonte and anticipate making a canvas of the town in the near future for the sale of crypts.

In the sale of the property it was stipulated that Mr. Lose is to remove all the buildings, and this he readily agreed to. He has purchased the Mrs. Richard Lutz property, on Howard street, and has some notion of embarking in the chicken business, and will thus be able to use the old lumber in the erection of suitable chicken houses.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

J. O. Heverly, et ux, to Lloyd Weaver, tract in Curtin Twp.; \$1.

William A. Leach, et al, to D. Sherman Breeden, tract in Harris Twp.; \$3,000.

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Jessie S. Walker, et bar, to Mary E. Swires, et al, tract in Phillipsburg; \$1.

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John W. Keller, et al, to Charles F. Zettle, et ux, tract in College Twp.; \$1.

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George C. Pifer, et ux, to Elsie May Pifer, tract in Milesburg; \$1.

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John S. Lambert to Russell L. Lambert, tract in Bellefonte; \$1.

C. E. Lovejoy, et ux, to G. H. Keller, tract in State College; \$1.

Anna C. Harshberger, et bar, to Rosa Harshberger, tract in Walker Twp.; \$1.

Harry C. Woodring, et al, Adm., to the Borough of Port Matilda, tract in Worth Twp.; \$1.

S. W. Gramley, et ux, to F. V. O. Houseman, tract in Millheim; \$350.

L. A. Schaeffer, et al, to Paul D. Eberhart, tract in Bellefonte; \$325.

FARM NOTES.

Order trees from a thoroughly reliable nursery and inspect each tree or plant before planting in order to see that it is free from disease.

It's time to prune grape vines and shade trees before the sap starts flowing, for if pruned after sap begins flowing the tree is robbed of nutrition and growth is apt to be affected.

It isn't too early to band trees and thus prevent insects from despoiling them.

The American raspberry beetle is seldom severe for any great number of successive years. It appears sporadically from time to time in different sections.

Dormant sprays for fruit trees may also be applied now. "Dormant" refers to the tree before sap has begun flowing. This prevention helps control fungous diseases of trees.

Seed potatoes cannot be stored satisfactorily in a cellar containing a furnace. Even where there are heated rooms over the cellar it will be too warm for best results.

Potatoes properly pitted in the fall will keep dormant until late spring with the minimum of sprouting, shriveling, and loss of vitality. Such potatoes have yielded 60 bushels an acre more than the same seed stored in the average house cellar.

The pit should be located where there is good surface and soil drainage. Pits close to buildings are more likely to be invaded by mice and rats. Small quantities of seed, 40 bushels or less, may be stored in round pits. Larger quantities may be handled much more easily in pits about four feet wide and as long as necessary.

In preparing the pit, the surface soil to a depth of 6 to 10 inches is plowed out or thrown out for the entire length and width of the pit. The bottom is smoothed and a layer of straw put in. The straw should be thickest at the sides as frost is likely to work in at the ground line.

The potatoes should have had time to dry off thoroughly before pitting. The potatoes should be piled up as high as they stand without rolling out of the pit. Eight inches or more of straw is then put over the pile. Some farmers first cover the pile with a single thickness of burlap to keep the straw out of the potatoes. The straw thrown out is then put two feet above the depth of about three inches and packed with the back of the shovel.

After the weather gets quite cool and all sweating and heating are over, but before the ground is frozen too hard to get more soil, another 8 or 12 inch layer of straw is put on and covered with six inches of soil carefully packed with the back of the shovel.

Ventilation is sometimes provided by an open-end box made of 4 to 5 inch boards, extended 4 feet into the potatoes and one foot into the top of the completed pile, inserted in each round pit and every six feet in the long pits. Ventilators should be covered so that rain will not enter and they should be stopped in extremely cold weather. Where the pit is not over four feet wide, and the potatoes are in good dry condition, no ventilation may be needed if the first layer of straw is liberal and are frequent causes of rot.

A board laid along the ridge of the last layer of dirt may help prevent washing down and soil not only prevent freezing but hold the coldness in the spring. Covering with corn fodder in late winter will help hold this desirable temperature and keep the potatoes dormant, but this invites trouble from mice and rats.

A low chick mortality of 9.3 per cent was reported by Pennsylvania poultrymen who raised their chicks in complete confinement last year. These reports were obtained for a total of 12,300 chicks brooded under the "closed door" plan outlined by the poultry extension department of the Pennsylvania State College. A low chick mortality and freedom from intestinal parasites are two advantages of the plan outlined by the specialists.

The breed which probably ranks third in number in the United States as a whole is the Chinese. There are two varieties of this breed: White Chinese and Brown Chinese. This breed is rather small, the ganders weighing ten to twelve pounds. Their popularity is largely due to the fact that they are the most prolific breed of geese. Under good management they may be expected to produce 60 to 100 eggs in a laying season. Like other geese, their main feed is grass.

Some breeders dub their male birds like game cocks to avoid freezing of the comb and wattles. The practice appears cruel but probably produces much less suffering than a badly frozen comb which takes weeks to heal. Usually it is only possible to dub birds for the home flock as it injures their appearance and their breeders will not like to buy them. With warmer poultry houses, many male birds are going through the winter without a frosted point.

In planning the year's operations on the farm it is a good idea to consider the opportunities for marketing high quality products. Gaining a reputation for producing the best brings established customers who will be loath to change to an uncertain supply.

Give the breeding birds free range during pleasant weather. The addition of one pint of cod liver oil to each one hundred pounds of mash will increase fertility and hatchability.

SO MUCH DEPENDS ON THE APPROACH.

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ninety yards short of the green. As they walked along another messenger came hurrying to John Wilder. He took the slip; stared at it; tore it, as he had all the others. Then he looked at Steve, and laughed aloud.

"Oh!" said Joan sharply. "I—" John Wilder glanced at her; then walked on to the clubhouse.

"Steve," said Joan, "that must mean—Oh, Steve, I'm sorry!" "It's all right," he said. "Come on; we want to win this match! He can't take that away from us, anyway."

But it looked as if he had done just that. Joan's third was a wasted stroke; her fourth found a shallow trap short of the green. Crozier was on the edge of the green with his third; Betty, lying four, was hole high.

Steve, playing three, hesitated. The back of the eighteenth at Renclair is a vast pit, to catch an over-enthusiastic approach; from Steve's lie safety called for a short approach. But safety wasn't in the play of this hole—as Joan lay.

Deliberately, then, he risked everything. He pitched high and far. The ball struck, bounced high. But the back spin held it; there was another cheer as it came to rest six feet from the cup.

Even so Joan, in her trap, lay four, fifty yards short. Only a miracle could give her even a seven—eleven for them both, if Steve sank his putt. Crozier, a fine putter, had a chance for a four. Betty should get a six.

"Forget the ball," Steve said to Joan. "Eye on the sand just behind it. Put all you've got into it—darling!" "Steve!" she said.

"Darling!" he said, again. "Oh, I know—I know! You said I was a cad—and I was. And I've probably lost every nickel I've got in the world—but I'm mad about you! I have been ever since the first time I saw you! Put that ball on the green—and wrap your putter around my bean after we've won, if you like!"

"You oh—you—you—dumb-bell!" she said, and walked into the trap. The gallery had straggled on, to gather around the green. No one was bothering about poor Joan, lost in her trap. Steve waited, watching her. His was the first voice that cheered as the ball rose and flew, straight and true, to drop on the green and come to rest a scant foot away from the hole.

"That's torn it!" said Tom Crozier. "Golly, what a shot!" Seven for Betty; five for Tom; six for Joan; four for Steve. And Steve and Joan had won, one up. She turned to him, putter in hand. "I—I ought to soak you with it!" she said. "But I can't, and—and—I can't kiss you—not here!" "Joan!" he said.

"You thought—oh, I don't know what you thought! Even when you kissed me—anyone but a moron would have known then! And now I suppose, we'll starve to death!"

Only, as it turned out, there was no danger of that. In his own odd fashion John Wilder had been laughing at himself, not at Steve. For in the last hour the forces Steve had always known must be behind Minchin had poured in such a volume of buying orders that even John Wilder hadn't been able to pound the stock down. It had closed at sixty-two; would open, Jerry Tracy said, at sixty-five, anyway.

John Wilder was sitting on the terrace when Steve drove Joan home—taking an unconsciously long time to cover six miles.

"Father!" said Joan, her eyes shining. "D'you win?" "Yes, but Father!" "Oh, I know! Have to propose to him, did you?" "No!" Steve came to life with a laugh. "I managed to wake up, sir."

"Afraid you would. Reason I fired you. Still something to you, the way you stood the gaff out there. She might do worse, I guess. Make a quarter of a million before you're done. Come in with me next time. Staying to dinner?" "Of course he is!" said Joan.

—Hearst's International Cosmopolitan.

A girl and her bashful lover sat upon the bench. The air was filled with romance. The girl's long hair blew in her lover's face. She rested her head on his shoulder; edging still closer, she asked: "Aren't you going to kiss me?" "I was intending to but I got sand in my mouth," was his answer. "Swallow it boy, swallow it. You need it," was her quick answer.

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The purpose of this organization is to create a spirit of civic pride and enthusiasm for Pennsylvania and to raise \$1,000,000 to be spent in advertising the advantages of the State to her own people and to the world.

Local committees are being organized in every community of the State and it will be their duty to arrange big booster meetings and to sell memberships at \$1 each. Letters are being sent to various Chambers of Commerce and service clubs asking for the appointment of two delegates from each organization preliminary to the calling of a Pennsylvania congress.

This Pennsylvania congress will be somewhat similar in character to the New England council, which was summoned four years ago to discuss ways and means of selling New England and has met annually ever since with growing prestige and usefulness.

The first Pennsylvania congress will have as speakers officers of the New England council, leaders in Californians, Inc., the All-Year club of California and the Ten Thousand Lakes association of Minnesota. Out of the wealth of experience of those who have met with success will be developed a plan suitable for Pennsylvania.

The movement has been endorsed by Chambers of Commerce, automobile clubs, the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' association, the Real Estate association, hotel men, bankers, educators and prominent citizens in all walks of life. Headquarters of Pennsylvanians Associated, Inc., is at Hotel Locomotive, Williamsport. John F. Letton, Williamsport, is president and Dan Weigle, Philadelphia, is vice president and general manager.

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