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## MEASURES APPROVED BY GOVERNOR.

The Governor vetoed the Yeto Ax with Vigor, but also Approves Many Bills—Laws of Local Interest.

The school code was vetoed because the Governor saw the bill had been juggled with after it had passed the Legislature. In section 203 the word "city" was crossed out and in red ink "city" was written above it.

The Governor also stated in his veto that "the bill drafted by the Pennsylvania State Educational Commission and submitted to the Legislature was so changed by amendments during its passage through the Legislature, many of the best features of the original draft being eliminated and numerous amendments made which destroyed the harmony of the bill by introducing many contradictory provisions, that it is more than doubtful whether my approval of the bill would be of any benefit to the cause of education in the State."

Vetoing that measure near and dear to his heart, known as the Cross-State Road bill, which he had advocated for the past year, the Governor says:

"As I have been compelled to make large reductions in the appropriations made by the Legislature for the reason that they are in excess of the revenues of the State, I have concluded, after serious consideration, that in order not to interfere with the appropriations for the maintenance of the public schools, the indigent insane, the charities of the Commonwealth and the compulsory poor, and as it has been necessary for me to withhold my approval from other meritorious appropriation bills, this bill is not approved."

Lack of funds also resulted in the vetoing of the Capitol Park Extension bill, which carried \$2,000,000.

The Governor also vetoes the Sisson bill, providing for the payment of expenses of County Commissioners in attending the meetings of the State Association of County Commissioners. "I do not believe there is any public necessity for the act," says he.

The Thomson-Eyre bill, authorizing the State to buy bridges over 1000 feet in length, is vetoed because it is in conflict with the law prohibiting the expenditure of public moneys except by specific appropriation of the Legislature.

## BILLS APPROVED.

The Murphy Pure Food bill, which met with so many ups and downs during its passage through the Legislature, and which was surreptitiously amended in the Senate so as to permit the adulteration of foods with benzoate of sodium in the proportion of one-tenth of one per cent., became a law through the approval of Governor Stuart, and those who profess to know think it will stand the test of the courts.

Making the salaries of the Auditor General and Secretary of Internal Affairs \$8000 per annum after the first Tuesday of May, 1910. These officials are now paid \$4000, half of which is received by the State Treasurer, who is, like them, an elective officer.

Amending act, requiring publication of county auditor's report, so that it shall be published in June instead of February.

Making it a misdemeanor for any State officer to authorize, or for the State Treasurer to pay, any bill against the Commonwealth which is not specifically authorized by act of Assembly. This is carrying into effect the rule adopted at the beginning of the Administration of Governor Stuart, prohibiting the expenditure of unappropriated balances of State money for any purpose whatever. Had this law been in force during the building of the State Capitol that structure could not have been "trimmed" to the extent of \$9,000,000. The stable door is locked after the horse is stolen.

Prohibiting spitting on sidewalks and the floors of buildings to which the public has access, in railroad cars, under penalty of \$1 fine or one to five days in jail, and requiring owners of public buildings to equip them with proper spitting receptacles.

Repealing the acts of 1905 and 1907 making constables ex-officio fire wardens.

## From Illinois.

From Bethany, Illinois, comes a message written by Mrs. Mary A. Neff, which is appended:

The seven years I have lived in Illinois have brought me to a stage of liking the state, but I think this section of country is not as healthy as Pennsylvania, and the reason, I believe, is the changeable weather. There are good prospects for fine crops here.

Next week I expect to start for Nebraska to visit my brother, and I think I will remain a month or more.

## Auction Again.

So well pleased was George R. Meiss with the auction held Saturday evening that he proposes to continue the same Saturday evening of this week at his Colyer store. All are invited.

## From Illinois.

Col. S. L. Stiver, founder and superintendent of the Bunker Hill Military Academy, Bunker Hill, Illinois, in a letter to the Reporter, on a bit of business, made these references:

This year has been a bad one financially for every one in this region, myself among the number but we think things will be better soon.

Personally I have nothing to communicate except that I am on the program of one of the largest Chautauques of this region this summer for an address on "We German Americans," and have prospects for several other engagements.

We have had plenty of rain and crops are looking well.

This county mines more bituminous coal than any equal area in the world and we have now found gas in paying quantities about twenty miles from Bunker Hill, at Carlinville, the county seat. This is to be piped to St. Louis, it is said. This county is 24 by 36 miles, has six cities of over 5000 population, has over thirty large coal mines with the most modern and improved machinery, is crossed by five great railroads and some smaller ones, is one of the richest agricultural and fruit counties in the state, has the largest and most expensive county court house in the state outside the large cities, and is sometimes called the "State of Macoupin". Macoupin is an Indian word which means "white potato."

There are but few Pennsylvanians in this county and none from the central part of the state but myself.

I delivered an address recently before the County Institute here, at which the State and County Superintendents were present, on "Grammatical Axioms in Relation to Grammatical Heresies," which was published by request. It reviewed and strongly criticized a new book on grammar adopted in this county, written by a professor in the leading State Normal of this state. It was conceded that a Pennsylvanian can know something about grammar which some other people do not usually know.

## From Millinburg.

Millinburg is not fretting over the panic nor feeling the effects of it, according to a note from O. F. Mader, who is employed in the moulding rooms of the Albright Manufacturing Company. He says:

"Business is booming in our little town. All the carriage works are crowded with orders, and working full time. Albright & Sons shipped two hundred and seventy-five double-row corn planters, and twenty-five orders remain unfilled. Now we are working on cultivators.

"Buffalo Valley is now looking fine, with its fruit trees laden with blossoms, and the wheat fields looking most promising."

## From California.

"Everything remains about the same out here," writes Charles P. Swint, an employee of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, Los Angeles, California. Continuing, Mr. Swint says: "Our rainy season is over. Just think, no thunder showers to interfere with picnics! In fact, it never thunders in this part of the state."

"Two Japanese cruisers, one of which was captured by the Russians, recently visited this port, and I am glad to say they do not compare in many ways to those of our own fleet."

## Nieman Block Sold.

The Millheim Banking Company has purchased the D. J. Nieman lot on the northwest corner of the diamond in Millheim and will erect on the same a fine two-story solid brick building. The lower story will contain a store room on the corner and a banking room; the second story will be built into a flat for residences. Architect Cole, of Bellefonte, will make a plan of the new building and the work will begin as soon as possible so that the bank can take possession of its new quarters early in the fall.

## 30 Days More to Pay Taxes.

Beginning with 1910 there will be ninety days instead of sixty to pay taxes and get five per cent. reduction. The ninety days will be from August 1 to November 1, instead of October 1. It will be a relief to farmers, inasmuch as many who had to borrow can now dispose of their crops and use their own money.

## From Manhattan, Illinois.

From Manhattan, Illinois, Mrs. Amanda Bitner writes, under date of 11th inst., that they are having very nice weather in that part of Illinois, where she has lived for thirty years. The oats and pasture fields look very fine, and the farmers are busy planting corn. Of this paper Mrs. Bitner says: "We enjoy reading the Centre Reporter very much, and it is a most welcome guest—one we would not want to do without."

## DEATHS.

### JOHN W. MERRINGER.

After an illness extending over a period of several months, John W. Merringer died at his home near Tusseyville, Tuesday of last week. Interment was made Friday, at Tusseyville, Rev. B. F. Bieber officiating. Mr. Merringer was aged seventy-four years.

The deceased was one of the older citizens in the community in which he lived, and was a resident there for many years. His wife, nee Caroline Decker, died about two years ago, but four children survive, namely, John H., Bow Bella, North Dakota; P. Edward, Centre Hill; Mrs. Alfred Ossman, Altoona; Mrs. William Hess, of near Pittsburg.

Mr. Merringer lived a quiet, unassuming life, but he was highly thought of by his neighbors and acquaintances. One brother, who went west many years ago, and whose address is not known, may survive.

### MISS MARY RAE SMITH.

After suffering for a year or more from tuberculosis, Mary Rae Smith died at Potters Mills, Saturday afternoon at about four o'clock. Her age was twenty-three years. Interment took place at Tusseyville Wednesday morning, Rev. B. F. Bieber officiating.

The deceased was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Smith, of Potters Mills, at whose home she died. She was a member of the Lutheran church, and a patient sufferer. For some months she knew there was no hope for her to regain her health, and she consequently prepared for the inevitable. She made all the arrangements for her funeral, even to the selecting of the hymns.

Besides the parents, two brothers and a sister survive, namely, Earl, Nona and Boyd.

### ARTEMUS C. BOWER.

Artemus C. Bower died at his mother's home in Penn township Wednesday morning of last week, after a short illness of pneumonia, aged twenty-seven years. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Bower, who survive, together with his wife and infant child, six brothers and four sisters. Funeral services were conducted Sunday morning in the United Evangelical church, Millheim, by Rev. C. F. Garrett. Interment in Fairview cemetery.

Mrs. Lydia H. Jones, a native of Centre county, died at her home in Charter Oak, Iowa, of paralysis. Her name was Miss Lydia Wieland and she was born in Penna Valley eighty-two years ago. In 1844 she was married to Miller E. Jones and thirty years ago they moved to Iowa where they have since resided. Her husband is dead, but surviving her are four children and three sisters, two of the latter living at Altoona and one at Warriors-mark.

Georges P. Files, of Philipsburg, died Wednesday of last week of peritonitis. He had been ill only a few days. Mr. Files was born at Grand Springs, Va., and was a little over forty-nine years of age. For a number of years past he has been employed at the Philipsburg fire brick works. His wife survives as well as two sons, Harry J. and Claude G., both at home; also his father, three brothers and one sister.

Wilbur W. Davis died at the home of his brother-in-law, L. L. Miller, in Rush township, of Bright's disease. He was a son of the late E. A. Davis, of Philipsburg, and was born in that town a little over thirty-seven years ago. He was a jeweler. In 1893 he married Miss Clara Southard, of Philipsburg, who survives with one daughter, Lucile. He also leaves his mother and two brothers.

Mrs. Mary Auman, wife of O. J. Auman, of Penn township, died Tuesday morning of last week of a complication of diseases. She was about forty years old, and a member of the Evangelical church. In addition to her husband she is survived by the following children: Alfred, of Coburn; Harry and Walter, of Dauphin, and Annie, of Pittsburg.

Those in the habit of furnishing liquor to men of intemperate habits, will, without doubt, receive a warning during the coming session of court, when the two young men—Blair Yarnell, of Bald Eagle Valley, and Boyd Reed, of Bellefonte,—now in jail, will be obliged to face such a charge. If they are guilty of the offense, they should be severely punished. It appears the inebriates have no trouble whatever in securing liquor, but if an example is made of one or two such scamps the result will be beneficial to all.

## LOCALS.

A new roof has been put on the United Evangelical parsonage.

Farmer James C. Goodhart has a bunch of fine fat cattle that are ready for the block.

A pension was granted May 14, to Mrs. Annie Lape, of Johnstown, through the agency of W. A. Krise.

James Lingle, son of Solomon Lingle, who went to Virginia some time ago to work on a lumber job, is located at Potts Creek, that state.

The Pittsburg Gazette-Times mentions the marriage of Miss Ruth C. Hackman and Thomas D. Adams, both of Miles township. The bride is the daughter of William Hackman, of Rebersburg.

Memorial Day services will be observed at Centre Hall, Saturday evening; at Spring Mills, Monday evening; at Farmers Mills, Monday morning, 9 o'clock; at Sprucetown, Saturday, 2 o'clock.

The Vacuum Cleaner is a novel and effective machine with which to do house cleaning. It is not a plaything, but does the work, and may be seen at any time at D. A. Boozer's saddle shop, Mr. Boozer having taken the agency for the sale of them.

Samuel Stump, east of Centre Hall, is experiencing a general break-down of his health. About a year ago he was thrown from a wagon, which appears to have been the beginning of a series of incidents that have very materially reduced his vitality.

For the purpose of paying a short visit to her sister, Mrs. Henry Homan, east of Centre Hall, Mrs. F. S. Armstrong came from Williamsburg Thursday of last week. She was accompanied by her two daughters and one son. The children would have enjoyed a longer stay in the country, but they all returned home on Monday.

Although the opportunities offered young men are not as plentiful now as they had been a year or more ago, Bruce S. Gramley, of Spring Mills, located himself in the testing department of the General Electric Company, at Schenectady, New York. Mr. Gramley is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College, and consequently has had special training along the line of work in which he has engaged.

Much oats was sown this season at the time when, under ordinary circumstances, corn would have been planted. There was much oat and barley put into the ground after the teeth. Corn planting, the earliest reported in this immediate neighborhood, was on the 12th and 13th, by Frank Moyer, west of Centre Hall. He is always among the very earliest, and usually has good luck in getting a crop.

While playing the other day, Bruce Weaver, who is a member of the family of Henry Moyer, near Tusseyville, sustained serious injuries. The boy is aged fourteen or fifteen years, and was swinging on the cross beam of a hog-gallows when the post broke and in falling struck him on the side. No bones were broken, but internal injuries were inflicted, causing great suffering for several days after the accident. Dr. H. S. Alexander is attending the lad.

Speaking of local view postal cards sent out from this office, Mrs. P. Merringer, of Joliet, Illinois, remarks that "every foot of ground in Penna Valley is sacred to me. The views of the hotel and the Lutheran church especially recall pleasant memories, the former being the home and the latter the place of worship of Mr. Merringer during his residence in your town. We are having a great deal of rain and cool weather which has very much delayed farm work."

Dr. and Mrs. McCluney Radcliffe and daughter, Miss Sara, of Philadelphia, came to Centre Hall Saturday and remained until Monday morning, when they went to Millinburg where a short time will be spent at the doctor's dairy farm near Burnham. While in town they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shannon Boal, who are relatives. Dr. Radcliffe is a very busy man. Besides his duties as head operating surgeon at Wills Eye and Ear Hospital, Philadelphia, he has a large private practice.

Rev. W. A. McClellan, pastor of the Reformed church at Pleasant Unity, Westmoreland county, has resigned his charge at that place and has accepted the White Deer charge, West Milton, of West Susquehanna Classis. Rev. McClellan has had a successful pastorate at Pleasant Unity for the past nine years, being his first and only charge up to this time. He is a son of Centre county and was reared in the vicinity of Tusseyville, where his mother and several brothers and sisters still reside. Rev. McClellan drove overland from Pleasant Unity to West Milton a week ago. The Reporter wishes him a pleasant and successful pastorate in the White Deer charge.

## Eagles at Pottsville.

The Grand Castle of the Knights of the Golden Eagle held its annual meeting at Pottsville, as did also the Grand Temple of Ladies of the Golden Eagle. Both orders will hold their meetings next year at Gettysburg.

It was decided that there will be levied a per capita tax of 20 cents, 10 for the Grand Castle and 5 for the committee on the new K. G. E. hall. The former rate was 25 cents, 5 of which went to the Hall Committee. The castle adopted a resolution that all laws of subordinate castles not in accordance with the constitution should be declared null and void after January 1, 1909.

The officers elected are: Grand chief, Charles Denby, Philadelphia; grand vice chief, Wm. Y. Irwin, Chester; grand high priest, Milton P. Schantz, Allentown; grand master of records, Lewis L. Gallagher, Chester; grand keeper of exchequer, John B. Pearce, Philadelphia; grand sir herald, Horace W. Schantz, Allentown; grand first guardsman, Frank J. Burkhart, South Bethlehem; grand second guardsman, Ewald Windsor, Perkasie; grand trustee, Charles A. Shunkwiler, Reedsville; r-representative to Supreme Castle, Harvey J. Lutz, Philadelphia.

## For the Hospital Ambulance.

Great interest is being manifested in the entertainment to be held in the Garman Opera House, Bellefonte, Friday evening, in the interest of raising money to purchase an up-to-date rubber tired ambulance for the Bellefonte hospital.

A new and up-to-date ambulance for the hospital is almost an absolute necessity, and the one it is proposed getting will not only be a credit to the institution but one that will insure as much comfort as possible to patients who have to be taken to the hospital. The price of the ambulance will be a little over four hundred dollars and in order to insure its purchase as soon as possible the people of the town and county must be liberal in their patronage of the coming entertainment. In addition, they can be assured of getting a good evening's amusement in return for their money, as some of the best local talent in Bellefonte and at State College will take part in the same. Prices of admission will be from 25 cents up.

## The Philadelphia Record.

During 1908, The Philadelphia Record printed nearly a million lines of display advertising in excess of that published by any other Philadelphia newspaper. This supremacy is due to the fact that The Record has a larger morning circulation than any other Philadelphia newspaper. The same qualities of "Record" circulation that make the exploitation of merchandise pay, make "The Record" the ideal medium for summer resort advertising. The proprietors of resort hotels and summer boarding-houses seeking patronage from Philadelphia and vicinity, should be represented in its advertising columns.

## Ask the Professor Questions.

Any of the readers of this paper desiring information in regard to the enemies and diseases of fruit trees, or other plants of the garden and farm, should write at once to Prof. H. A. Sarraf, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, who takes pleasure in answering questions on such matters. He is daily in receipt of letters from all over the state, which cover a wide range of subjects, from spraying for the destruction of San Jose scale and oyster shell bark louse to the ridding of cellars of rats and mice. Ask the professor questions.

## J. D. Murray's Success.

J. D. Murray, the enterprising druggist, rather than await the ordinary methods of introduction, urged the Dr. Howard Company to secure a quick sale for their celebrated specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia by offering the regular 50c bottle at half-price.

The wonderful success of this plan was a great surprise even to Mr. Murray and today there are scores of people here in Centre Hall who are using and praising this remarkable remedy.

So much talk has been caused by this offer, and so many new friends have been made for the specific that the Dr. Howard Company have authorized druggist Murray to continue this special half-price sale for a limited time longer.

In addition to selling a 50c bottle of Dr. Howard's specific for 25c Mr. Murray has so much faith in the remedy that he will refund the money to any one whom it does not cure.

When your head aches, your stomach does not digest food easily and naturally, when there is constipation, specks before the eyes, tired feeling, giddiness, bad taste in the mouth, coated tongue, heart burn, sour stomach, roaring or ringing in the ears, melancholy and liver troubles, Dr. Howard's specific will cure you. If it does not, it will not cost you a cent.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Beautiful weather since the last issue of the Reporter, and every farmer is as busy as a bee.

The local I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges will hold a festival Friday and Saturday evenings, 23th and 29th inst.

Teachers' examination will be held in Centre Hall Saturday of this week. This is a change from the announcement in the teachers' manual.

Fearful of forest fires, someone interested in the Neff Brothers lumber operations in the Seven Mountains is keeping guard over the timber night and day.

In this issue Mrs. John H. Snyder offers for sale her home, east of Centre Hall. It is a very nice home, and there is with it five acres of ground in good condition.

Cleveland Kerstetter, who had been in the state of Washington, returned to Pennsylvania, and for the present will stay with his father, Joel Kerstetter, proprietor of the New Berlin hotel.

William F. Nearhood, of Aurora, Ill., is visiting friends and relatives in Millheim and vicinity. When he returns to his western home he will be accompanied by his grandmother, Mrs. Peter Confer.

At a meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Funeral Director's association in Altoona, Undertaker S. M. Campbell, of Millheim, was elected a delegate to the state convention which will be held in Scranton June 8th to 11th.

Richard Brooks is feeling more like his former self than he has for the past two weeks. About ten days ago he suffered greatly from pains that indicated appendicitis, but careful treatment brought him around all right without an operation.

A committee of the Parsons Rural Telephone Company will meet several Harrisburg officials of the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania to discuss an important question. The conference will be held this (Thursday) morning in Bellefonte.

Henry Gill bought the flouring mill of G. E. Cori at Pine Hall. Linn Woolumer bought the farm, Mr. Cori purchased the Geo. Cronmiller farm and after April 1st, 1910, will give his undivided attention to farming and growing fancy stock. The price paid was \$6,500.

Robert Campbell, one of the proprietors of Penna Cave, is back from Cleveland, Ohio, and is personally looking after the guests who visit that beautiful natural scenery. The accommodations at Penna Cave will be better than ever, and those who have been in the cavern will not regret having made a second, third or fourth trip there.

"A most welcome visitor to our home is the Centre Reporter, and our remittance for subscription is always made cheerfully. Spring has been very backward, being cold and wet until the last few days it is more like summer. Everybody is busy planting corn, the ground being in good condition." These are the words of Joseph S. Houtz, of Kirkland, Illinois.

W. Spear Broom, of Penn township, in company with his brother Charles and wife, of Millheim, and his sister, Mrs. N. S. Weaver, of Philadelphia, started for Penn Hall Sunday a week to visit his brother, Wallace. On the way he was seized with an attack of pleurisy and was taken back to his home where later developments showed that his sickness was typhoid pneumonia. His condition later grew very serious.

In years gone by traveling on railroads was thought to be safe only for those of mature age and experience, but now it is necessary only to be in possession of a railroad ticket, and the railroad company will do the rest. This is illustrated by the fact that Miriam Meyer, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer, was able to make the journey from her home at Reedsville to Columbia, South Carolina, without the least difficulty. While in Columbia she will be the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. W. McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Barber, of Joliet, Illinois, are east on a business and pleasure trip, and while in Centre Hall were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boozer. Mrs. Barber is a daughter of Mrs. Agnes M. Spangler (nee Love) and was born near Tusseyville. Mr. Barber is at present devoting his time to the settlement of his father's estate, who was one of the wealthiest residents of the city of Joliet. One of their missions east is to select a college in which to educate a daughter, Vassar and Bryn Mawr being among the institutions whose merits will be looked into. The Nation's capitol and Niagara Falls will also be visited before returning to their home.