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LARGE CROPS IN STATE.

Farmers Harvested 'Heaviest Crops' in Many Years.

Following an extended trip throughout the commonwealth and the receipt of information from every section of the state, H. V. White, of Bloomsburg, president of the State Millers' Association, secretary of State College, and a man closely in touch with the agricultural situation, makes the statement that the crops this year are among the largest, if not the largest, ever harvested in Pennsylvania.

The oat crop is unquestionably, he says, the largest on record, although a recent storm did considerable damage in some sections. The crop had been harvested in the southern part of the state, and that escaped the storm.

The early potato crop was good, and the Information White has received from all parts of the state is that the late potato crop never looked so well. From the Wayne county section, down through York and Lancaster counties and throughout the western part of the state, the same word comes, and Mr. White gives it as his opinion that a wonderfully large crop of potatoes will be harvested.

More than twenty per cent. greater than in any year during the last ten years will be the average yield of wheat per acre. The Hessian fly has done some damage in a few sections, but this condition is not general. Then, too, the rye crop is the largest and best Pennsylvania has ever had. Locally speaking, the fruit yield is the only small one, with the apple crop very small.

Harry Bibighaus Blind.

The Millburg Telegraph makes this statement: "Mrs. Harry Bibighaus went to Philadelphia on Thursday of last week to visit her husband, who is totally blind and beyond hope of restoring his eyesight. Truly a lamentable and pitiable position to be in, and for him the greatest sympathy is expressed by his many friends."

Mr. Bibighaus is well known in Penns Valley and all over Centre county, having traveled through this section as a representative of a Philadelphia hardware firm for many years. He has a large number of old friends here who will be extremely sorry to learn that this misfortune has befallen him.

LOCALS.

One month of the vacation period is past.

Potatoes are not in it this year. The prospects for a large crop are good, but the price will undoubtedly be correspondingly low.

J. W. Whiteman has the new porch to the front of his house completed, which greatly adds to the appearance of his heretofore neat home.

Saturday is the time set for the telephone picnic at Rhonemede, and Wednesday following comes the Lutheran Sunday-school picnic, in Wilson's grove.

The dwelling house of Mrs. Rebecca Cummings, west of Old Fort, was struck by lightning during a recent electrical storm. The path of the electricity could be traced through the house the next morning, but little damage was done.

The Loysville band is made up of twenty-five or thirty boys, none of whom are over sixteen years of age. They are said to be capable of producing very elegant music. This is the band that will furnish the music for the Lutheran Sunday-school picnic to be held in Wilson's grove, Wednesday of next week.

Bellefonte had its first serious accident caused by an automobile, when a little daughter of John Miller, a carpenter, was run over, the result being three broken ribs and a crushed lower limb. The child, four years old, was playing on the street with several other children at the bridge, when an automobile driven by Max Gamble struck her.

During the hard thunder storm one afternoon recently, a herd of eleven cattle took refuge under a walnut tree on the Ewing farm, near Pennsylvania Furnace, and which is tenanted by George W. McWilliams. Lightning struck the tree and seven milk cows and one bull were killed. The animals were blooded stock and the loss to Mr. McWilliams is quite a heavy one.

Mrs. G. H. Widder, of Harrisburg, had been in Centre Hall during last week, and Saturday went to Boalsburg to visit her sister, Mrs. Homer O. Barr, and also to see her son, George, and sister, Miss Lizzie, who went there from Harrisburg. Beginning of this week the three came to Centre Hall to visit friends here. Mrs. Widder stated that her sister, Mrs. J. Wilson Moore, and her youngest brother, Claude Harper, of Missoula, Montana, expect to come east between now and fall.

Penny R. E. Agents Changed.

The railroad station agents on the Lewisburg and Tyrone branch of the Pennsylvania system received notice a few days ago of a number of changes of location for its men. Five points will be effected, and one clerk will be advanced to that of station agent. The changes are these:

George W. Radel has been ordered to Lykens. Mr. Radel has long been wishing for this change. Lykens was the home of his wife, who died a few weeks ago, and it was his desire to be stationed there for her pleasure. The appointment came at last, but, while it was too late to relieve Mrs. Radel, her family will profit.

William L. Campbell, the present agent at Spring Mills, will succeed Mr. Radel at Coburn.

Jacob C. Lee, who has been located at Linden Hall for several years, goes to Spring Mills, and Frank P. Ishler will be transferred from Oak Hall Station to Linden Hall. There is a peculiar condition at these two points. Oak Hall Station is termed a very difficult point to manage from the station agent's point of view. The shipments made from there by Edward Sellers are quite large in number, and cover points in all states in the Union. While there is a telegraph instrument in the office, the agent is not paid for this service. At Linden Hall the agent is also a telegraph operator, and while the shipments are also extensive considering it a small outpost, most of the freight is sent out in car-load lots. These conditions go to make Linden Hall preferable to Oak Hall Station.

William F. Roseman, clerk at Millburg, has been advanced to a station agent, and when the change takes place, will be found presiding over the Oak Hall station. He has had considerable experience as a clerk, and will be abundantly able to figure out innumerable rates on shipments from his point.

These changes were made to the advantage of the agents interested, each one profiting in a financial way. Philip C. Bradford, agent at Lemont, was also offered a station returning a better salary, but on considering all sides of the proposition, he declined and will remain for the present where he now is.

Transfers of Real Estate.

H. J. Patterson, exr., et al to Blanche W. Battenborn, July 1, 1910, tract of land in State College. \$5000.

H. J. Patterson, et al to Adaline M. Patterson, December 31, 1909, tract of land in State College. \$1.

J. C. Nason, et ux to Philip Straw, July 14, 1909, tract of land Houston twp. \$30.

Elizabeth F. Tate to Snyder Tate, July 3, 1906, tract of land in Spring twp. \$1.

J. O. W. Merryman to Sarah Powell, November 16, 1909, tract of land in Rush twp. \$400.

V. L. Logo, et al to W. H. McIntire, June 30, 1910, tract of land in College twp. \$1.

V. L. Logo, et al to R. L. Watts, July 1, 1910, tract of land in College twp. \$1575.

E. W. Smith, et ux to C. Lucas, May 13, 1910, lot in Howard. \$1800.

J. Hamill, et ux to V. L. Logo, et al, June 28, 1910, lot in State College. \$2000.

S. J. Shirk, et ux to A. J. Herbster, April 25, 1910, tract of land in Harris twp. \$10.

C. M. Garman, et ux to A. S. Garman, et al July 2, 1910, tract of land in Bellefonte. \$2155.05.

H. M. Miles, et al to A. B. Williams, May 9, 1910, tract of land in Worth twp. \$1.

D. Leyden et ux to D. Z. Kline, November 1, 1899, lot in Bellefonte. \$5000.

W. H. Sleppen to Cora E. Bariges, July 9, 1910, tract of land in Haines twp. \$1.

H. E. Weaver, et ux to W. E. Gray, trustee, April 7, 1879, lot in Bellefonte. \$1.

When the digestion is all right, the action of the bowels regular, there is a natural craving and relish for food. When this is lacking you may know that you need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They strengthen the digestive organs, improve the appetite and regulate the bowels. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

One can judge to some extent the immensity of the peach crop growing in the orchard of Col. W. F. Reynolds when it is known that he recently received three car loads of peach baskets in which to put the crop.

Be sure to take a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with you when starting on your trip this summer. It cannot be obtained on board the trains or steamers. Changes of water and climate often cause sudden attacks of diarrhoea, and it is best to be prepared. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

PROPOSED NEW SCHOOL CODE.

Printed copies of the proposed school code have been sent to all of the school superintendents and many of the prominent educators of the state by the men connected with the educational commission, so that everyone may be informed as to its provisions and the subject may be widely debated.

The copies are reprints from the Pennsylvania School Journal and give in detail the sections. It is intended to have them discussed at meetings to be held during the fall in the hope that they may be taken up and threshed out before the election.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

The code provides that in districts of the fourth class, to which Centre Hall belongs, there shall be five school directors elected at large, at the municipal election held in November, 1911, two for two years, two for four years and one for six years and thereafter at each of the first two municipal elections two directors shall be elected, at the third municipal election one, and thereafter two shall be elected at each of the two succeeding and one at each third municipal election; all to be elected at large for terms of six years. Their terms of office to begin on the first Monday of December following their election.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD.

At the organization of the board the directors shall elect from their members a president and vice president, and shall annually on the first Monday of July elect a secretary and a treasurer, each of whom shall serve for one year. Neither the secretary nor the treasurer can be a member of the board. The board is also authorized to appoint a solicitor and such other appointees, clerks or employees as it may deem proper, none of whom shall be members of the board, and shall define and fix their salaries. The compensation of the treasurer shall not exceed two per centum of the amount of funds paid out on school orders.

The act provides that no teacher shall be employed in this commonwealth by any board of school directors who is related to any member of the board as father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, stepson, stepdaughter, grandchild, nephew, niece, first cousin, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, uncle or aunt, unless such teacher receives the affirmative votes of three-fourths of all the members of the board. Every teacher must be at least eighteen years of age and must hold a provisional, professional, or state certificate, which shall set forth the branches which its holder is entitled to teach. The minimum salary remains the same as at present, \$40 per month.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

The question of medical inspection, which has been agitated in the local school board for some time, will be settled by the new code, which requires that the board of directors in school districts of fourth class shall annually provide for a medical inspector who must be legally qualified to practice medicine in this commonwealth. The medical inspector shall at least once a year inspect and carefully test and examine each pupil in the public schools of the district, giving special attention to defective sight, hearing or other disabilities and defects. He shall give careful written directions to the teacher in charge concerning the care and treatment while in school, and shall promptly report in writing to parents or guardians concerning all children found to need medical or surgical attention.

Any board of school directors may employ one or more school nurses who shall be graduates of reputable training schools for nurses.

No person having tuberculosis of the lungs, shall be a pupil, teacher, janitor or other employe in any public school, unless it be a special school carried on under the regulations established for such schools by the commissioner of health.

THE SCHOOL AUDIT.

In every school district of the fourth class in this commonwealth the auditors of the school district shall meet annually with the school directors on the first Monday of July, at the time of organization, or within five days thereafter, and carefully adjust the financial accounts of the district for the preceding school year. At the completion of the audit they shall make a careful statement of the finances of the district for the preceding year, setting forth the assets and liabilities and including therein any sums that have been charged against any person, or persons, which annual statement shall be filed by such auditors with the secretary of the board of school directors, and a summary thereof including the assets and liabilities of the district shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation

in the district, once a week for three successive weeks, beginning the first week after filing the same. * * * The auditors shall be allowed for their service two dollars per day for each day necessarily spent by each of them in the performance of duty.

The gentlemen who went to much trouble to prepare a school code for the inspection of the legislature of 1909 have revised the unfortunate measure and are about to invite public inspection and criticism. It will be remembered that the code had very rough sailing in the legislature. So many different interests were hot foot after radical amendments that the thing was a veritable hodge podge when it reached the governor, unrecognizable by friend or foe. The result was that Governor Stuart felt compelled to veto it. Some thought it should have been enacted into law anyhow, but they may have been mistaken; probably they were.

Now that the public-spirited members of the commission have continued this important work at their own expense the code they have prepared is entitled to courteous treatment and careful and impartial inspection. It is a fact that almost any revision would be an improvement upon our present system or rather lack of system. The laws now on the statute books concerning school matters are the result of many years of rather unintelligent legislation. In consequence they are inconsistent, contradictory and urgently in need of revision at the coming session.

LOCALS.

Some oats are being cut this week. The crop is fine.

Altoona residents voted to further bond the city to the extent of \$250,000 for improvements.

This is August. September follows—the month during which the Grange Encampment and Fair is held.

It was circulated everywhere that William Bullock, of Julian, had committed suicide, but almost the whole story was a fabrication. Mr. Bullock is alive and well.

While his mother is at her old home in Centre Hall, William B. Kerr is spending the vacation granted him by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, in Denver, Colorado, and other points in that section.

Mrs. John Hosterman and little son Jack, of Mountora, arrived in Centre Hall, Saturday afternoon, and will remain here for a while. Prof. Hosterman, who is now at Columbia University, New York, is expected here the latter part of August.

This from the Tyrone Times: Roger T. Bayard, city editor of the Tyrone Herald, is taking his annual vacation. His trip this year will include Centre Hall, Scranton and the Great Lakes. The greater part of the trip will be made in company with Allen S. Garman in his automobile.

Mrs. J. Emory Hoy, of Philadelphia, was an arrival in Centre Hall on Wednesday afternoon of last week. She will spend the remainder of the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mingle, in Centre Hall, where her daughter has also been staying during the past month or more. Mr. Hoy will join them here in about a week, but his stay will be short.

The State College Times, in its last issue, called attention to the fact that the Centre County Traction Company has but a few days in which to begin the construction of the proposed trolley line between that town and Bellefonte, if it wishes to profit by the ordinance passed by the State College council giving the company the right of way on the streets in that town.

Mr. Rhone, chairman of the Grange Encampment Association, is pleased to say that arrangements have been made for attractions for five nights during the time of the Grange Encampment and Fair, in September. These attractions are of such a character that they will be sure to please. Every one who will appear on the stage is a professional in his particular line.

Ten applicants of a large class for admission as students to the State Forest Academy of Mount Alto passed with an average of 89, and were admitted to the institution by State Commissioner of Forestry Robert B. Conklin. Among those ten was Charles D. Zrby, of Uniontown, who is well known to the younger set in Centre Hall. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Zrby, of Uniontown, and a few years ago attended the public school at Centre Hall, at which time he made his home with his grandfather, the late John Spicher. He was always a quiet, studious young man, and no doubt will continue to make the best use of his time, now that he has a golden opportunity before him.

DEATHS.

The subject of our sketch of whom so many of our readers are intimately acquainted with or related to, was born in Potter township, near Centre Hall, March 8, 1832, she being the eldest child of John H. Keller and Anna Maris, his wife, the other children being Henry, Catharine and Annie. She was the last one to be called home, death first taking her youngest sister, M. A. Stam, wife of Dr. J. W. Stam, of Millheim, deceased, then a next older sister, Catharine, wife of D. T. Wieland, of near Linden Hall, deceased, next the brother, Henry, of Kansas City, Missouri, and last the eldest, Mrs. Heilman.

She was married to Samuel Heilman, of Heilmansdale, Lebanon county, May 30, 1860, by Rev. William H. Grob, then pastor of the Reformed church, at Boalsburg. She died at her beautiful country home, "Shady Grove," July 25, 1910, aged seventy-eight years, four months and eighteen days. For more than fifty years she was a resident of Lebanon county.

Mrs. Heilman was a woman of charitable and benevolent spirit, and lived a Christlike life. All her life, after professing the Reformed church faith, she proved a loyal help to the church and its benevolent. She was a liberal contributor to all charitable movements and dealt in a spirit of kindness and generosity in her home community.

Mrs. Heilman gave the sum of \$1000 to the Seminary Library Building at Lancaster, she being one of twenty individuals who contributed a like sum to the same cause.

In her younger days Mrs. Heilman was a beautiful singer and even up to within six months of her death she was able to attract the attention of the music lovers. In 1903, when the Hill Reformed church was built, she took an untiring and unceasing interest in the work and contributed very liberally.

One of the beautiful and noble deeds of her long life was to take the responsibility of rearing her little nephew, Samuel Wieland, who was born near Linden Hall, taking him at the tender age of about four weeks, he being the ninth child and eighth son of a sister, Catharine E., wife of Daniel T. Wieland, Sr. The Heilman family, after the parents relinquished all parental rights, adopted the little child, baptizing him Samuel Wieland Heilman.

Mrs. Heilman leaves a large connection—many nieces and nephews, and a great many friends and acquaintances. The deceased left a sheet pasted in the church hymnal on which were written in her own hand these requests: funeral text and four hymns; also, her pall bearers. However her wish was that her nephews bear her body to its last resting place, and in case there were not enough, the ones mentioned, who were men of her own neighborhood, should do so.

The funeral was largely attended and was held from her late home. Sermon by her pastor, Rev. W. F. DeJong, of Annville, who spoke very highly of her. Interment in Hill cemetery nearby.

After an illness extending over a year, Mrs. James P. Grove died Saturday forenoon, at her home at Spring Mills. Her death was due to an affection of the heart, and although she at no time was thought to be in a dangerous condition, she suffered more or less during all of that time from an ailment that finally destroyed life. Her age was sixty-one years, nine months and four days. Interment was made Tuesday morning, at the Union church cemetery, at Farmers Mills, the officiating minister being her pastor, Rev. Daniel Gress, of the Reformed church.

Mrs. Grove, before marriage, was Rachel Showalter, and was born and raised in the vicinity of Glen Iron, in Union county. After her marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Grove moved to the Grove homestead, east of Centre Hall, then the property of James Grove, the elder. There they lived until a little more than four years ago, when they purchased the Dr. Wolf home, east of Spring Mills, and moved onto it.

The children of the deceased are these: B. Gardner Grove, living on the Grove homestead; Blanche, wife of Noah Brungart, of Hebersburg, and Miss Grace, at home.

These brothers and sisters of Mrs. Grove also survive: Samuel Showalter, Mizzeppa; Wesley Showalter, Millmont; Mrs. David Zvaler, Glen Iron.

Sarah Jane Hockman, widow of S. F. Hockman, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Stover, in Millheim, aged sixty-three years, six months and twenty-two days. She leaves to survive one daughter, Mrs. Stover.

[Other Deaths on inside page.]

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The mail from the east failed to reach Centre Hall Saturday morning. Jacob Knisely has purchased the Garbrick restaurant in Bellefonte, who in turn leased it to John Trafford.

Mrs. Mary Miller, of Oak Hall Station, was discharged from the Bellefonte hospital on Monday. She was an appendicitis patient.

The seventh annual reunion of the Quiggle-Montgomery families will be held at Nippeness park, Lycoming county, on Thursday, August 25th.

A marriage license was granted in Lock Haven to Charles H. Auman, a teacher in the Bellefonte High school, and Miss Margaret Strickler, also of that place.

The work on the new court house has advanced to such an extent that it is thought that by the time of the next court the building will be completed and all the rubbish cleaned away.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Heistman, of Mackeyville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reesman, in Centre Hall. The gentlemen are cousins. Mr. Heistman is a trucker, and does a good business.

H. F. Musser, of Centre Hill, is in such fine condition that the hospital authorities think he will be able to leave the institution by the latter part of this week. He underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Mary Ross is having the large porch to the front of her dwelling completed, and is also remodeling the interior of the house. The windows are being cut down, and folding doors will be built, and other changes made.

Rev. W. K. Foster, of Jenkintown, will fill the appointments in Bellefonte for Dr. J. A. Lingo Platts, August 21st, morning and evening. Rev. Foster, a number of years ago, was the pastor of the Sinking Creek Presbyterian church.

D. C. Foringer and family, of Colyer, last week, went to Virginia where the former will be employed on the Kreider lumber operations, at Covington, under Roy Miller, also from Colyer. The family, trunks, etc., were brought to the railroad station by Henry Moyer and Elmer Miller.

The New York and Pennsylvania Paper Company of Lock Haven, has been awarded the contract by the United States government to manufacture all the paper used for postage stamps. For the past sixteen years this great corporation has held the contract for making all paper for revenue stamps.

John Neese, of Memphis, Tennessee, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Emma Honan, in Centre Hall. He and A. B. Honan are the executors of the estate of the late Jacob Neese, and it was business concerning the estate that brought him here. Mr. Neese is a barber, and has been located in various southern points for many years.

As a result of a law passed by the last legislature a change has been made in the method of paying taxes in Pennsylvania. Taxes are now payable at a discount for a period of ninety days after duplicates are issued, instead of sixty days as heretofore. July 31st has formerly been the last day for paying taxes at a discount in most precincts. Hereafter August 31 will be the limit.

These thoughts evidently came into the mind of the editor of the Keystone Gazette as he was passing through Centre Hall in his auto car: The borough of Centre Hall deserves to be commended for the manner in which it has fixed up the old Penns Valley pike from the borough limits, west of town, where the "paid pike" ends, by taking out the gutters and giving the traveler a solid substance, clear of obstructions, clean down into the center of the town. This used to be the worst patch of road between Bellefonte and Penns Valley Narrows, and now is one of the very best.

With a view of seeing the great northwest and South Dakota in particular, John A. Hosterman, of near Centre Hill, boarded the train Monday afternoon for Scotland, in Bonhomms county, that state. About eight years ago William Honan, of Haines township, located in South Dakota, and three years later Newton Hees, Edward Bood and Allen Wetz II, all residents of Haines township, and then neighbors of Mr. Hosterman, followed him. Since this separation the Dakotas have been urging Mr. Hosterman to pay them a visit, and their efforts were so persistent that he could no longer decline. Mr. Hosterman would not say that it was his intention of going with a view of finding a permanent home there, intimating that it would be time to talk of that after he had looked over the territory.