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THE LEGISLATURE.

Bills Introduced that are of Interest to Reporter Readers.

Compulsory Bible reading in the public schools is the subject of a bill introduced by Ward, of Delaware county. The measure provides that at least ten verses of the scripture shall be read without comment at the opening of every school on every school day.

Outdoor advertising is apparently troubling the aesthetic senses of several legislators. Fahey, of Philadelphia, already has a bill before committees taxing bill boards on the per foot plan. North, of Jefferson county, introduced a bill providing that when a building has added value by reason of its advantages as a bill board, that the advertising value of the structure be taken into consideration when the assessment is made.

Representative Fahey introduced a coldstorage bill, placing a time limit of nine months on the storage of perishable foods. He says he intends to press it to passage.

C. Victor Johnson, of Crawford county, proposes punishment for "Jack the Peeper." He introduced a bill providing a penalty for all those who "in the night time" loiter around and peep in windows. Prison for two years is the maximum penalty fixed for the peeper.

Pure paint is the demand of George E. Alter, who has launched a bill in the house providing penalty for those who adulterate "paint, putty, turpentine or linseed oil."

Dunn, Cambria—Providing for payment to those who fought the forest fires during the year 1909, there being no funds available to pay the claims presented by the fire fighters.

Kelsey, Clinton—To enable tax collectors to collect taxes for payment of which they are personally liable, but which remain uncollected, their warrants having expired or their terms having ended, and extending the time for the collection by two years.

Hibsham, Lancaster—Compelling the destruction of orchard pests and providing for a more thorough inspection of nurseries.

Hilton, Mercer—Cutting of duplicate fees by providing that no commission shall be allowed to county treasurers for receiving and distributing moneys returned to the county by the commonwealth which were collected by the county for the use of the commonwealth, and upon which the treasurer has already received a commission.

Walton, Luzerne—Giving boroughs the power to regulate activities on Sunday and greater latitude in the matter of prohibiting gambling.

Mr. Holland, Washington (read in place)—Empowering the state highway commissioner to draw up the rules for highway maintenance and repair and providing that the roads constructed by the State or freed from tolls shall be maintained by the State Highway Department. Counties, townships and boroughs are charged with the duty of maintaining roads which they have rebuilt.

Berkey H. Boyd, Westmoreland—A local option measure, and provides for holding of elections for regulations of liquor traffic in townships, boroughs and ward cities. The bill is similar to the Fair bill of 1909 and was submitted to the committee on law and order.

Grange Meetings.

Grange meetings were held throughout the northern section of Centre county last week, and this week meetings are being conducted in the southern portion of the county. The principal speaker, last week, was John McSparran, and this week State Master William T. Cressy has the floor. A meeting will be held at Spring Mills, this (Thursday) evening, at Madisonburg on Friday evening, and at Centre Hall on Saturday evening. These meetings will be open to all, and a most cordial invitation is extended to the general public. Mr. Cressy will have information of great interest to impart to all interested in agriculture, in fact, to all who live in rural communities.

Moyer's Music School.

\$38 00 will pay for board and tuition for a six weeks' course of music in voice and all instruments. The director has had many years of experience as head of musical departments in several eastern colleges. Pupils well cared for. Spring terms begin March 6, and May 1, 1911.

For particulars, address MISS ANNA J. MOYER, Director, Freeburg, Pa.

If troubled with indigestion, constipation, no appetite or feel bilious, give Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets a trial and you will be pleased with the result. These tablets invigorate the stomach and liver and strengthen the digestion. Sold by Murray & Bitner.

TO EXTEND TERMS OF OFFICE.

New Bill to Settle Length of Terms of Officeholders.

It is estimated that the terms of 25,000 or more public officers throughout the state will be affected by a bill that has been prepared by the State Department, acting in conjunction with Attorney General Bell. It is to be introduced this week. The purpose of the measure is to correct conditions resulting from the recently enacted amendments to the constitution, which in many instances failed to provide for the continuous filling of such offices as judges, justices of the peace, county, city, borough, township and district offices.

One of the sections of the bill provides that "All judges of the courts of the several judicial districts, associate judges and county officers holding office at the date of the approval of said amendments, whose commissions expire on the first Monday of January in an odd numbered year, shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January in the following even numbered year."

The constitutional amendments extended for one year the terms of these officers heretofore elected for an odd number of years, but failed to carry these officers over from April or May or June, as the case may be, until the first Monday in January, except in the case of those holding office at the date of the approval of the amendments whose terms were to expire in 1911.

For example the terms of the mayor, city and borough councilmen and other municipal officers end the first Monday in April. The terms of their successors are to begin on the first Monday of December. Terms of the justices of the peace, except the ones elected in February, 1910, end on the first Monday in May. School directors' terms end in June, while these officers who were elected for an uneven number of years have their terms extended a year, the amendments leave a period unprovided for, from the first Monday of April, May or June until January. The proposed bill takes care of this by lengthening the terms until January.

LOCALS.

A daughter was born to Hon. J. W. and Mrs. Kepler, at Pine Grove Mills, a short time ago.

Unclaimed letters in Centre Hall postoffice February 1st, 1911: Mrs. Mano McCool, Mr. Andrew Barret, L. F. White.

W. R. Young, of Penn township, made an investment in real estate in Millheim borough, having purchased a house and lot from Miss Annie E. Swartz.

Miss Francis Brumbaugh was awarded \$1,850 damages by a jury in the Blair county court in her suit against George C. Kelchner, of Altoon, for breach of promise to marry.

The opera house at Tyrone, which was erected at a cost of \$20,000, has been sold to John Beam, a contractor, who will remodel the building into flats. This is the only theatre in the place.

Cloyd H. Duck, who for two years lived in a tenant house on the J. Q. A. Kennedy farm, west of Centre Hall, will next spring move to near Roopersburg, and will be employed on the D. Harry Shively farm.

After living on the Brockerhoff farm, on the hill beyond the Old Fort, for a number of years, Solomon Lingle will, next spring, move to the Duck farm, along Sinking Creek, now owned by Lumberman C. J. Finkle, of Spring Mills.

Messrs. J. F. Bible and J. W. Armstrong were callers at the Reporter office last week. Mr. Bible will begin farming next spring on the W. H. Meyer farm, at Centre Hill, and will move there as soon as Mr. Hosterman the present tenant vacates.

Stephen Smith was up from Philadelphia last week to arrange for the sale of the farm stock and implements of his mother, Mrs. Elmira Smith, which will be held Monday, March 13th. Mr. Smith is in the mail service, being on a mail train between New York and Washington, D. C., where his home is the password.

An acetylene gas plant is being installed in the Methodist church, at Axe Mann, by William E. Crust, who lives just this side the Loggs Grange Hall, formerly the property of William Dale. Mr. Crust is also paying the bills out of his own pocket, and that is the part of the program, no doubt, many of the brethren in the church like best.

Your order for valentine post cards should come early. The present supply cannot be duplicated. We were obliged to return considerable money during the holiday season for Christmas and New Year cards, and it looks very much as though the same thing would happen again just before Valentine day, which comes on the 14th. Send in your orders now.

OFFICE CANADIAN RECIPROCIITY

The National Grange Legislative Committee Believes the Measure Unfair Toward the Farmer.

Assuming to speak for the National Grange, N. J. Bachelder, of Concord, N. H., the worthy master of the organization; Aaron Jones, of Indiana, and T. C. Atkeson, of Morgantown, West Virginia, hurried to New York for the purpose of launching a grange campaign designed to defeat the ratification by congress of the Canadian reciprocity treaty. The committee will ask every member of the grange to urge his representative to vote against the bill, and its members will also go to Washington to work against the bill. A statement was issued giving these reasons for the opposition:

"The undersigned, representing the principal organization of farmers in the United States, earnestly protest against the enactment of the Canadian reciprocity bill, now pending in congress for the following reasons:

"The bill provides for the admission free of duty of all Canadian farm products. Since Canada is the only country from which any considerable quantity of these products can be imported, this would result in practically free trade in everything the farmer produces.

"While putting farm products on the free list the reciprocity bill makes no material reduction in the high tariff rates on all the manufactured articles the farmer buys, and, therefore, gives no relief from the heavy burden of taxation imposed by those duties.

"The theory on which our protective policy has always been defended is that all classes and interests are equally entitled to protection. The farmers, however, receive much less protection than the manufacturers, for while farm products are taxed on the average about twenty-five per cent, manufactured articles are taxed on an average of about forty-five per cent.

DISCRIMINATION IS CHARGED.

"The enactment of the Canadian reciprocity bill would still further discriminate against the farmers, by abolishing the comparatively slight protection now given them, while leaving the high protective duties on manufactures practically untouched.

"The Canadian farmers by reason of their lower general tariff, and their preferential trade arrangements, can buy manufactured goods at lower prices than those prevailing in this country. The prices of farm lands in Canada are also much lower than in the United States. These conditions give the Canadian farmers an advantage over us, and the free admission of their products will set us to unfair competition.

"We hold that the farmers should receive exactly the same measure of protection as is given the manufacturer, and that there must be no reduction of duties on farm products either by reciprocity or tariff revision, unless the duties on all manufactured articles are at the same time correspondingly reduced.

"To show that this reciprocity measure is not an honest effort to reduce the cost of living in the interest of the consumer, it is sufficient to point that while wheat is on the free list, flour is taxed 50 cents per barrel, and that while cattle, sheep and hogs are free, meats, both fresh and cured, are taxed one and one-fourth cents per pound for the benefit of the meat trust."

Farmers Institute.

A farmers' institute will be held at Pleasant Gap, Monday and Tuesday, February 20th and 21st. The program follows:

Monday Afternoon—"Farming vs. Other Occupations," Mr. Van Noy, "Methods of Raising Hay," Prof. Menges.

Monday Evening—"Starting an Orchard," Mr. Watts, "Making Butter on the Farm," Mr. Van Noy, "Methods of Wheat Raising," Prof. Menges.

Tuesday morning—"Benefits of Corn Breeding," by Prof. Menges, "The Silo," Mr. Van Noy, "Building Up a Dairy Herd for Profit," Mr. Watts.

Tuesday Afternoon—"Alfalfa in Pennsylvania," Mr. Watts, "Lime and Its Uses," Prof. McDowell, "Maintenance of Soil Fertility," Prof. Menges.

Tuesday Evening—"Methods and Management in the Apple Orchard," Mr. Watts, "Present Day Needs of the Housekeeper," Miss Loveloy.

A few minutes delay in treating some cases of croup, even the length of time it takes to go for a doctor often prove dangerous. The safest way is to keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house, and at first indication of croup give the child a dose. Pleasant to take and always cures. Sold by Murray & Bitner.

Read the Reporter.

PRaise FOR CENTRE CO. TEACHER.

School Publication in Leading Editorial Eighty eulogizes Prof. W. F. Ziegler.

Last week brief mention was made of the resignation of Prof. William F. Ziegler, as principal of the Cheltenham High School. The Centre Reporter is pleased here to reprint the leading editorial in the January number of Cheltenham School News, published at Elkins Park, Montgomery county, because it pays a just and high tribute to one of Centre county's sons and teachers. The News says:

"After a term of service extending over a period of more than sixteen years, Mr. Ziegler presented his resignation as principal of the Cheltenham High School, in order to devote his time to the management and extension of his business interests. The Board, at a meeting held Friday evening, December 16, accepted the resignation with regret and adopted suitable resolutions expressing their appreciation of his long and faithful services to the community, and their best wishes for his success in the fields of endeavor which will engage him in the future.

"The experience of Mr. Ziegler during his connection with the Cheltenham High School has been such as falls to the lot of but few teachers.

"He came to Cheltenham when the High School numbered barely thirty pupils and occupied one room in the Ashbourne building. He has seen it grow into an institution of 160 pupils, housed in a fine building devoted to High School purposes only. When he became connected with the school it had a two years course of study, and the principal taught practically all subjects. Trained as Mr. Ziegler was, before elective courses and specialization had become common in colleges, he was well qualified to meet this requirement. Under his guidance and largely shaped by him the course of study was extended first to three and then to four years, and the faculty increased until it now numbers six regular and five special teachers.

"To say that Mr. Ziegler was successful as a teacher is merely to state what was daily observed by the hundreds that came in contact with him and with the school. His studious habits, natural energy, painstaking attention to details, and interest in his work and in the boys and girls could not fail to bring him the rewards of success. He leaves hosts of friends and of him it can truly be said that those who learned to know him best regarded him most highly. And it is safe to say that during his long service in a public capacity he experienced less of the annoyance and personal dislike which seem to be inseparable from such work than is the usual lot.

"To estimate the value of service of this character is difficult. Figures give no real index here because it is not material things that are being dealt with. The influence on the boys and girls, on the shaping of their future careers and their attitude toward all social and civic problems, and thus on the community at large, is a vital one, and is realized fully only by those directly interested. To exert such an influence is one of the chief functions and the source of the highest gratification of the teacher.

Postmaster Dismissed.

Postmaster Byron A. Weaver, of Montoursville, has been dismissed, after serving for a period of ten years. He made it a business to boost the sale of stamps to increase his salary. Ten years ago the salary amounted to \$1000, but by his stamp sales he increased the salary to \$1700. The stamps were sold to business houses and manufacturing concerns, who sent them to other points. It is not known whether the postmaster will be prosecuted or not, the informants seeming to have secured an agreement with the postoffice inspector that only information on violations prior to 1908 should be used, which would preclude the possibility of criminal charges.

The Fannie Colyer Property Sold.

The Mrs. Fannie Colyer property, at Colyer, containing thirty-four acres, and having erected thereon a house and barn, was recently sold to Howard Lingle by George R. Meese, for the sum of \$2300. Mr. Lingle will occupy the place himself after April 1st. The present tenant is Henry Gettling.

Do you know that croup can be prevented? Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even after the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. It is also a certain cure for croup and has never been known to fail. Sold by Murray & Bitner.

George Harter, who a few months ago began as a student in the Coburn station, is now at Millinburg station.

REV. JOHN H. HARPSTER.

Noted Soldier, Minister and Missionary Dies at Mt. Airy.

Rev. John Henry Harpster, director of missions in India under the General Council of the Lutheran church of America, died of pneumonia Wednesday, of last week, at the residence of Rev. Henry E. Jacobs, a brother-in-law, president of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, in Mt. Airy. He had been ill for less than one week. His widow survives him. Dr. Harpster was born at Centre Hall, April 27, 1843, and served through the civil war, holding the rank of captain and staff officer of the Second Corps, Army of the Potomac, and was wounded twice. After the war he resumed his studies, and was ordained to the Lutheran ministry in 1871, serving from then until 1876, at Guntur, India. Ill health forced him to return to this country. In 1893 he returned to India, and came back on furlough in 1902. In December of the latter year he again took up the work in India, as director of Missions.

Dr. Harpster was well known in Centre Hall, where he grew to manhood, and frequently visited during the life of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Harpster. He was born opposite the Reporter office, in the dwelling house now occupied by B. D. Brislin. He is survived by a sister, Nancy, widow of Joseph Bitner, of Kansas. The deceased brothers and sisters are Jacob, George, Samuel, Mrs. Maggie Harpster, Mrs. William Emerick, Mrs. John S. Shannon.

Interment was made at Gettysburg on Saturday.

Bruce Goodhart Buys Farm.

One of the most desirable places in the vicinity of Orangeville, the William Raymond property just north west of Orangeville, was purchased by G. Bruce Goodhart, states the Orangeville, (Illinois) Courier. The place consists of forty-seven acres and the purchase price was \$6500, a little over \$138 per acre. The place has good buildings and is all farming land but about five acres in timber. Mr. Goodhart will now go into the chicken business on a large scale. He has been very successful in the raising of blooded poultry and now that he has more room he will give more attention to that business. Mr. Goodhart has been in the employ of Meyers Brothers, for a number of years, and gave the best of satisfaction.

The gentleman referred to is a son of G. L. Goodhart, of Centre Hall, and is well known to many of the readers.

Transfers of Real Estate.

N. H. Yearick et ux to McNitt-Huyett Lumber Co., in Marion twp., January 7, 1911, \$1400.

W. F. Bradford et al to T. Frank Royer, May 10, 1910, in Potter twp., \$800.

John D. Bower et ux to Henry G. Bower January 6, 1911, in Aaronsburg, \$1.

W. M. Meyer et ux to Wm. Markle, January 7, 1909, in Harris township, \$605.

Irvin Moyer exr to Simon G. Rote, et al in Penn twp., December 3, 1910, \$3050.

A. P. Luse et ux to John H. Weber, January 10, 1910, in Centre Hall, \$300.

W. H. Bartholomew et al to John H. Weber, et al in Centre Hall August 16, 1909, \$125.

E. M. Huyett et ux to J. H. Weber, et al in Centre Hall, October 10, 1909, \$100.

Lizzie Snyder exrs to J. H. Weber, et al December 4, 1909, in Centre Hall, \$927.

W. G. Runkle to Samuel Markle, January 14, 1911, in Spring twp., \$450.

Russell C. Pearce et ux to Delmer T. Pearce, September 10, 1910, in State College, \$1.

W. L. Foster et al to Cora B. Pierce, December 12, 1910, in State College, \$325.

Adam I. Garbrick et ux to Charles Houser April 1, 1901, in Benner twp., \$175.

Robert C. Jackson to Jacob Murray, December 16, 1907, in College twp., \$700.

Ethel G. Leitzel et Bar to A. C. Leathers, January 3, 1911, in State College, \$500.

Mary A. Foster to A. C. Leathers, January 4, 1911, in State College, \$1.

Valentine Post Cards.

By the time this issue reaches the readers there will be on sale at this office a large collection of Valentine Post Cards, at ten cents per dozen. Every card is pretty, and sells regularly at the rate of three for five cents. The lot cannot be duplicated, so orders should come early.

Saturday evening Hon. W. T. Cressy, Master of Pennsylvania State Grange, will give a lecture in Grange Arcadia. The door will be open to all who wish to enter. No admission; no collection; but the attendants will hear a mighty good talk.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Ellery O. Brown, of Millheim, expects to move to Akron, Ohio, in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Homan gave a party for the friends of their daughter, Miss Lula, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ada E. Musser, for the second term, lifted her commission as a notary public in Millheim.

Keep these days in mind: Lincoln's birthday is on the 12th; St. Valentine's day on the 14th; Washington's birthday on the 22nd.

Mrs. Solomon Lingle returned last week from a visit of a week's duration at the home of her son, William Lingle, in Seabury.

Prof. C. R. Neff, last Saturday made an effort to disentangle the borough authorities in the dispute of a piece of road, on Nittany Mountain, by running the borough lines.

Capt. George P. Runkle, whose resignation was requested, has been reinstated as captain of the schoolship Adams. Preparations are being made for a trip to Spitzbergen.

There will be a regular meeting of Progress Grange Saturday afternoon. State Master Cressy will be at this meeting as well as at the evening meeting in Grange Arcadia.

This is from the Belleville Times: Dr. H. S. Alexander has purchased the property of John Sankey, the residence where the doctor and family now reside. The consideration is not stipulated.

The marriage of Walter H. McIntire, of State College, and Miss Edna E. Meyer, daughter of Representative J. C. Meyer, of Bellefonte, will take place this (Thursday) evening, in the Presbyterian church, Bellefonte.

The borough of Loganton and a local water company came to terms, and now the borough is the owner of the water plant. The sale was forced, but a compromise was effected without going through the whole of the proceedings.

S. S. Miles, the mercantile appraiser for Centre county, was in Centre Hall last week, attending to business relative to his office. Mr. Miles is a resident of Port Matilda, and an uncle of Mrs. George O. Benner, with whom he stopped when in town.

Messrs. J. H. and S. E. Weber recently purchased a triangular piece of ground containing about one-eighth of an acre to the rear of the property of E. W. Crawford, near the station. The lot joins the railroad right of way. The price paid to the McNitt-Huyett Lumber Company was \$100.

David Yoder, of Belleville, has purchased from Lewis Brown the Brown farm, located near Millroy. The farm of 225 acres is all cleared and fertile soil and was bought for \$15,000. The brick house on the farm was reserved in the sale as a home for Mrs. Brown, the mother of Mr. Brown who sold the property. Mr. Yoder will not take possession until the first of April, 1912.

Measles invaded the home of Abner W. Alexander, at Earlstown, last week, and attacked Mr. Alexander as well as the children, although the former thought he had had the disease when he was a youngster. Either the measles or Mr. Alexander had not reckoned correctly, or else the notion that one attack of the measles makes one immune thereafter is faulty.

George R. Meese, merchant, huckster and farmer, will make sale of his farm stock and implements some time in April. Mr. Meese sold both the William Colyer farm, in the mountains, and the Mrs. Fannie Colyer home, at Colyer, consequently he has no use for his large stock of horses and cattle, or farm implements. The date of sale will be announced as soon as he can secure an auctioneer.

The services conducted at the Union, Spring Mills and Centre Hall appointments on the Centre Hall Reformed church by N. L. Wilson, a seminary student, last Sunday, were largely attended, and the members of the Reformed church were highly pleased with the sermons delivered. Next Sunday another student from the same institution will hold services at various appointments on this charge.

Please sign your communications. The names are not wanted for publication, but we must know who is responsible for the news items sent here. This may seem unnecessary to any one but a newspaper man, but to him it is plain that he cannot publish matter under which the author is not willing to sign his name. This applies to surprise parties and any other news. The omission of names sometimes gets the newspaper man in a peck of trouble, when he has simply followed copy. Sign all communications if you want to see them in print.