



FEDERAL AID AND GOOD ROADS.

Effort Will be Made to Have National Government Pay a Subsidy for Roads Built and Maintained by States and Counties Used as Mail Routes.

Announcement is made from Washington that twenty-nine Democratic members of the house have formed a combination pledge to obtain at this session an appropriation to promote the building of good roads in various states. This combination is headed by Representative Shackelford, of Missouri, who is author of a bill which is approved by other members of the combine and which includes the leading features of many bills introduced this session having the same object in view.

The Shackelford measure provides that the federal government shall pay a sort of subsidy to the various states or counties for the use of improved roads built and maintained by them and used as United States mail routes. It divides the roads into three classes, according to their character, and provides that for the use of the first class the federal government shall pay \$10 per mile per annum; for the second class, \$20 per mile per annum, and for the third class \$30 per mile per annum. The estimated cost of carrying out the provisions of this bill for the next fiscal year varies all the way from \$20,000,000 to \$40,000,000. House leaders are naturally opposed to it because if it went into effect it would make certain that the existing deficit in the revenues of the treasury would be heavily increased unless new taxes were imposed whereby additional revenue would be assured.

To satisfy the clamor of the good roads advocates for action calculated to promote their cause, the rules committee reported a resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee of the house and senate to investigate the whole question of the advisability of extending federal aid in the building of improved roads, and the best means of giving such aid were it found expedient for the government to enter on the scheme.

An Abnormal Egotist.

Notwithstanding the capture by Roosevelt of Jackpot Lorimer's State as well as Pennsylvania the colonel is far—very far—from having even a respectable minority of delegates in his favor, while the nomination of President Taft is practically assured. The colonel assumes in a spirit of kindly self-appreciation that all Roosevelt delegates have been elected by an intelligent, unbiased expression of the popular will, while all Taft delegates have been chosen by secret and corrupt practices of pot-house politicians in the employment of big business, special privilege and loathsome capitalism.

Roosevelt is—according to Roosevelt—the greatest man in all the world. T. R. is not only responsible for all the good laws that have been enacted since 1900, he is the author of the sunshine and the rain. He caused the wheat to grow. But for him we would have had no pure food or drugs and all the big families are due to his strenuous opposition to race suicide. From the Mediterranean to the Baltic he has advised kings and emperors. He has swayed the mysterious harmony of the spheres and made the earth affluent in fatness by his counsel. Taft, on the contrary, is, according to the Rooseveltian press, a measly, low-down Ohio tumble rigging politician, who always did wrong from impulse and never did anything that was right if he could help it.

The Philadelphia Record is doing its usual shouting to help the Guffey forces out of their dilemma. During the campaign previous to the primaries the Record was dumb as a clam, and now is advising Reorganizing delegates what to do. Had the Guffey forces won, this same paper would have hailed the victory as a great achievement. The Record is not a safe guide to Democrats in Pennsylvania, it is too much daubed with the Guffey-Hall-Garman star-stick. During the last gubernatorial campaign the Record was on all sides within six weeks, but it did its greatest work for Tener. A newspaper of the importance the Record is, in many respects, ought to have political convictions instead of being a confirmed straddler.

The voters decided at the primary election that they had no use whatever for the leadership of Guffey-Hall-Garman, etc., and at the same time expressed themselves as willing to follow and by voting for Reorganizing candidates did follow the leaders of the Reorganizing movement. It is silly for Ritter to say that Guffey under no circumstances, would accept his old post, for he was swamped with votes against him. The Guffey element has been so thoroughly routed that the Reorganizers cannot afford to consider them in the new deal in state politics.

Our General Taylor.

The Harrisburg Telegraph of recent date says: General John P. Taylor, the valiant commander of the famous First Pennsylvania Cavalry, which went through almost seventy battles in the civil war and was noted for the number of splendid soldiers it furnished to the Union, was at the Capitol yesterday. The General is 86 this year, but the years sit lightly upon him, his mind being as keen as ever and his fund of anecdotes of the war mighty interesting. Six feet in height, the General is a striking personality with his patriarchal beard and attracted considerable attention at the State House. He lives in the Klehacoullas Valley, honored and respected by all.

The Granting of a Franchise.

Since expressing his personal opinion on the electric light question as presented to the Centre Hall borough council, the writer obtained information from outside sources supporting the view taken on all points. First, no perpetual franchise should be given to any corporation for any purpose; second, the franchise should earn a revenue; third, no franchise should be granted without fixing the maximum price individuals should pay.

Up to this date, has any member of the council made an effort to obtain information on this question.

Shannon Boal Property Sold.

The J. Shannon Boal property, in Centre Hall, owned by Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, of Philadelphia, was sold by W. B. Mingle, Esq., to Mrs. Carlisle Geary, of Coburn, for \$1500. Mrs. Geary will occupy the home within a week.

Wilson Leads Democratic Candidates.

With Oregon's ten delegates added to his string as a result of last week's primaries in that State, Governor Woodrow Wilson now has in sight 160 votes in the Baltimore convention, 39 more than any other candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, according to claims from the Wilson headquarters.

The encouragement to the supporters of Governor Wilson from this substantial lead is increased by the prospect that in Michigan, Iowa, Georgia, and Florida the New Jersey candidate will have the delegations, as all advice coming to headquarters indicate Wilson is the popular choice of Democrats in these States.

William J. Bryan will deliver a series of speeches in Governor Wilson's interest in Florida, Jacksonville, Tampa and probably Pensacola.

Does \$4 a vote represent Mr. Roosevelt's system of "pure democracy"?

It cost \$59,125.75 to conduct the Roosevelt primary campaign in New York city, where the Colonel got 15,000 votes.

Mr. Roosevelt was fortunate in having rich backers. George W. Perkins, formerly of J. P. Morgan & Co., organizer of the Harvester Trust, and director of the Steel Trust; Frank A. Munsey, the associate of Mr. Perkins in the Steel Trust pool, and Alexander S. Cochran, director of the Northern Pacific Railway and trustee of the Union Trust Company, each contributed \$15,000 to the Roosevelt campaign fund. Between them they furnished three of the four dollars that every Roosevelt vote cost at the recent primaries.

And Mr. Roosevelt would have you believe that he is opposed to trusts and to all big business.

Woodward.

Quite a number of children are ill with measles.

George Miller is visiting friends in Laureton and Lewisburg this week.

A. C. Slifer, accompanied by Robert Barnes, went to Danville on Monday.

Miss Bertha Hosterman is spending sometime with her brother Wesley in Johnstown.

Carl Lambert, of Altoona, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith.

Miss Mabelle Boob is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. William Wolfe in Aaronsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Hasten Long and family spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Loug's parents, J. L. Grenoble.

Mrs. William Wolfe, of Aaronsburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Boob.

A. M. Kreamer and son Ralph, of Spring Mills, spent a few days last week with the former's parents, J. L. Kreamer.

Arthur Herman and J. N. Kepner, of Tamaqua, are spending a few days at the Woodward House, and will here intend to fish for trout.

Mrs. William Wise and son Elwood Orndorf, and Mrs. Isaiah Boob and son William attended the funeral of Mrs. Musser, at Millinburg last Friday.

The week began with showers on Monday forenoon.

THE CENTRE HALL LECTURE COURSE.

Five Attractions Selected from the Central Lyceum Bureau—Return Date for Governor Glenn.

Wednesday evening the Centre Hall Lecture Course committee met Hon. John S. Arnold, manager of the Central Lyceum Bureau, of Harrisburg, and contracted for five attractions for the 1912-1913 course. The committee believes it has selected a stronger course than it had last year, and that was entirely satisfactory to the course ticket holders and general public as well.

THE ATTRACTIONS.

The attractions and the order in which they will appear are as follows: Governor Robert B. Glenn, The Boston Male Quartette, Guy Carleton Lee, Ph. D., LL. D., Trier Concert and Opera Quartette, Harry Bower.

Governor Robert B. Glenn, of North Carolina, needs no introduction. He will give his favorite lecture, "Our Country, Its Dangers and Possibilities."

The Boston Male Quartette are quoted as presenting the variety of a circus with the skill of a grand opera. This quartette is recommended above the Commonwealth quartette which so greatly pleased last season. Besides the vocal music they will perform on these instruments: Saxophone, piano, mandolin, bells, drums.

Guy Carleton Lee, Ph. D., LL. D., is a high class lecturer. Two quotations from leading Philadelphia newspapers express the standing of Dr. Lee in this way: "The Press: 'No more significant work founded upon original research has emanated from an American University.' The Record: 'Sound scholarship is evidenced in all points.'"

Trier Concert and Opera Quartette is composed of five sisters—really, truly sisters—two pairs of twins and with but thirty-five months between the oldest and youngest. However, their success does not lie in the fact that they are related, but in their merits, collectively and individually. Several of their numbers this season will be from light operas and given in costume, several scenes having been arranged for them. They are all charming ladies and most pleasing singers and are now in their eighth season.

Harry Bower. Think of the name and then of the subject of his lecture, which is "The Philosophy of Fun." No other comment is needed.

Rebersburg.

The stork visited the home of Charles Page and left a wee little baby girl.

Mrs. John Weaver, of Coburn, visited relatives in town during the past week.

On last Thursday Lester Bowersox and Harry Hosteman left for Illinois where they will work on farms.

There are quite a number of sick horses in this valley, and the local veterinary surgeon is kept very busy.

Mr. Confer, a student at Franklin and Marshall College, is spending this week in town among old acquaintances.

Frank Jones, who was working on a lumber job north of Lock Haven, is at present staying at the home of George Corman.

Quite a number of improvements are being made at Rebersburg hotel since the new proprietor, C. E. Long, has taken charge of the same. Harry Corman is supervising the job and therefore everything must be first class.

Quite a number of people in this vicinity are spraying their fruit trees this spring with bordeaux mixture to combat the can Jose scale which has taken a deadly grip on many varieties of fruit trees, especially the apple, pear, cherry, and plum.

On last Sunday evening Rev. Haesinger, a Lutheran minister of Greensburg, preached a trial sermon in the Lutheran church at this place. After the sermon was over a vote was cast which resulted in practically a unanimous vote to give him a call as pastor. Ninety-one votes were cast.

This week Harry Royer erected the telephone poles leading from the public road to his farm house. Mr. Royer is a stockholder in the new company which was organized by the citizens in this vicinity. Mr. Royer is now ready to connect with the main line which the new company contemplates building in the near future and which will extend to the extreme eastern part of this valley.

The editor of the Keystone Gazette hears that a game preserve is to be located somewhere in Centre county. The place has not yet been selected.

"My little son had a severe cold I was recommended to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and before a small bottle was finished he was as well as ever," writes Mrs. H. Sikes, 29 Dowling street, Sydney, Australia. This remedy is for sale by all druggists.

Crowell-Ishler.

From Tyrone Herald.

On Wednesday, 10th inst., at nine o'clock, Miss Effie Ishler, of Centre Hall, and Edmund Crowell, of Pittsburg, were united in holy bonds of matrimony at the First Methodist Episcopal church parsonage on Logan avenue. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. W. W. Hartman, in the presence of a few invited friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowell will be guests at the Arlington until Friday, when they will take a wedding tour through the western states, coming back to Pittsburg the latter part of April, where they will make their future home. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ishler and is one of Centre Hall's very best young ladies. She is fully capable of taking care and making a happy home. The groom is a former resident of Birmingham, but the past two or three years has been employed by the Pennsylvania railroad company with headquarters in Pittsburgh. He is a splendid young fellow, with excellent habits and it is almost certain that he will do his share in making the home a happy one. Both bride and groom have a host of friends in Centre Hall and this community who join in with the Herald in extending best wishes and hearty congratulations.

Gratifying Farm Gains.

It is announced that gratifying gains are shown in production of staple farm crops by a comparison of the state department of agriculture's crop reports for the calendar year of 1911 with the report for 1910. The gains, which are pronounced, are seen in the acreage under cultivation, the total production and the total value of the production, while Pennsylvania's position among all the states of the union has been advanced a peg in the production of oats, wheat and corn, three of the most important crops. Another striking comparison is that of the average production per acre, which has increased in a way that shows the Pennsylvania farmer is putting to practical use the advice of the state's experts.

Transfer of Real Estate.

George B. Stover et ux to Mary C. Adams, tract of land in Miles twp. \$1.

Hannah Luse et bar to Irvin Zettle et al, tract of land in Centre Hall. \$1800.

William E. Johnstonbaugh et ux to Charles H. McKee, tract of land in College twp. \$2000.

Harry A. Samspeel to Sarah C. Hunter, tract of land in Spring twp. \$475.

Hester C. Christ et al to G. M. Bloom, tract of land in College twp. \$200.

Phillip Helm to A. W. Zettle, tract of land in Gregg twp. \$200.

T. B. Jamison et ux to A. W. Zettle, tract of land in Spring Mills. \$150.

Wyre W. Kerstetter to Maria M. Showers, tract of land in Pleasant Gap. \$1600.

Max Finberg et ux to Lemuel Jackson, tract of land in Phillipsburg. \$470.

J. M. and H. W. Kryder to J. C. Kryder, tract of land in Gregg twp. \$50.

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Josephine N. Jones to George T. Black, tract of land in Phillipsburg. \$650.

James E. Lindsey et ux to Harry S. Horner, tract of land in Potter twp. \$900.

Sally Lingle et al to Harry S. Horner, tract of land in Potter twp. \$1.

Alice J. Deltz et bar to Robert P. Confer, tract of land in Howard twp. \$100.

Hannah Behrer et bar to Annie E. Grove et bar, tract of land in State College. \$2000.

Lavinia Hodesbell to Samuel T. Hoover, tract of land in Burnside twp. \$350.

Margaret Bowersox et al to John D. Dreilbeis, tract of land in Ferguson twp. \$5400.

John Ackley to Salinda Shutt, tract of land in Bellefonte.

Susan R. Reighard to Rebecca Leitzel, tract of land in Millheim. \$1100.

F. B. Bower et ux to C. S. Bower, tract of land in Haines twp. \$1850.

A. J. Shook et ux to H. H. Eisenhuth, tract of land in Gregg twp. \$800.

Winnina W. Evey et bar to Maud Whitehill, tract of land in Lemont. \$165.

John J. Orndorf to Isaac Orndorf, tract of land in Haines twp. \$125.

Miles Wrye et ux et al to Frank Wrye, tract of land in Half Moon twp. \$1500.

This is April 25th, and but little farm work has been done. Many farmers have no plowing done for corn.

DEATHS.

After an illness, due to age, extending over several months, George Durst died at his home immediately east of Centre Hall on Sunday evening, at ten o'clock. Interment was made at Centre Hall, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. R. Raymond Jones, pastor of the Reformed church officiating.

Mr. Durst is the third generation of the Durst family in Centre county. The father was George Durst, Senior, who died in Centre Hall, on March 8th, 1882. Peter Durst was the grandfather, who came to Potter township early in the nineteenth century and located above Earlstown. He lived on the Spayd farm, but owned about one thousand acres to the west, the farms now owned by D. L. Bartges, the Neff brothers, Spicher, and Capt. G. M. Boal. He came to Potter township from Lebanon county. It was on one of these farms, (the Spicher) that Mr. Durst was born, his father, George Durst, Senior, having purchased it from the elder Durst. When sixteen years of age Mr. Durst accompanied his father to a tract of land comprising four hundred acres in Gregg and Potter townships. Upon his marriage he purchased the farm on which he lived for many years (the Henry Homan farm) from his brother, Joseph, the farm being a part of his father's original tract. On this place he erected substantial buildings and kept the soil in a high state of productivity.

His methods of farming, though not always modern, were profitable, and the one thing he aimed to do was to conserve soil fertility. He was succeeded on this farm by his only son. Later Mr. Durst moved to his present home, and gradually acquired land until he now has a farm of seventy acres.

Mr. Durst is the fourth in order of birth in a family of eight children, the others being as follows: Joseph, who died in Union county; Cyrus, of Bualsburg, aged over eighty-four years; Priscilla, married to Henry Dale, deceased; Elizabeth, died in Centre Hall; John H., who died from wounds received in the battle of Gettysburg; Philip, a farmer in Potter township; Hiram, of Gregg township, deceased.

Miss Sabina Shellenbarger, of Juniata county, became the wife of Mr. Durst, February 5, 1859, more than fifty-three years ago. There were born to this union two children, namely, William Howard, who lived with Mr. and Mrs. Durst, at the time of the former's death, and Adda J., wife of Al. P. Krape, of Centre Hall.

Mr. Durst was aged eighty years, three months, seventeen days.

Mrs. Samuel Bruss died at her home west of Centre Hall, Friday morning. Interment was made at Sprucecreek, Monday morning, Rev. J. Max Lantz officiating. She was born January 20, 1844, and was therefore a little over sixty-eight years of age.

Mrs. Bruss before her marriage—which took place in 1886—was Miss Mary Toner, and was the daughter of Thomas Toner. She was born and reared at Potters Mills, her father having settled there on landing in the states from Ireland. She is survived by her husband, and two sisters, namely, Mrs. J. C. Bible, of Centre Hill, and Mrs. John D. Moore, of Centre Hall. She was a member of the Methodist church and was an attendant at all services when physically able to do so.

John Close, of Potters Mills, died at his home in that village Wednesday of last week after an illness of one week of typhoid pneumonia. Interment was made at Egg Hill, Friday morning, Rev. S. A. Snyder, pastor of the United Evangelical church being in charge.

Mr. Close was a native of Millin county, where a brother, Thomas Close, of Milroy, lives, but for a number of years lived at Potters Mills. He is also survived by a wife, nee Miss Annie Smetzier, but no children. His age was fifty-eight years.

Mrs. Nancy O'Brien was found dead in bed at her home in Bellefonte, on Sunday morning. Death was due to apoplexy. When she retired she was in her usual health. Interment was made Tuesday, Rev. F. W. Barry officiating. She was the mother of Mrs. Thomas Hazel and Mrs. Thomas Smith, both of Bellefonte. Several other daughters also survive.

President Taft has signed the bill to tax white phosphorus matches. It is believed the law will in effect prohibit their manufacture. The matches have been denounced in congressional hearings as harmful to laborers engaged in their manufacture.

An Adams express office has been opened at Waddle station.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Dr. Nissley was in Centre Hall on Sunday, having made the trip in his new Flanders machine.

J. Cloyd Brooks is one of the farmers in this locality who purchased a span of mules to do farm work.

Mrs. Catharine Dale, who had been at State College with her son, Dr. P. H. Dale, for the greater part of the winter is back to Centre Hall.

Miss Garner, of State College, who just graduated from the Methodist hospital, has decided to locate in Bellefonte to practice her profession.

Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Glenn, of Pine Grove Mills, was taken to the Bellefonte hospital and underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Commissioner Daniel Grove sports an auto car, which will be used in making the trips from his home near Lemont to the commissioners' office. He will not, however, lose his interest in high class horses.

Mrs. John A. Grenoble, of Yeagertown, one day last week, fell down a flight of stairs, and while no bones were broken she was pretty badly bruised and shaken up, and has since been confined to her home.

C. I. Grenoble, of Yeagertown, who was at Spring Mills for several weeks doing optical work, came to Centre Hall on Monday to transact a bit of business. On Tuesday he returned to his Millin county place of business.

The marriage of Miss Jessie Eiters, assistant librarian at Pennsylvania State College, and daughter of Superintendent D. O. Eiters, and William Davis, of Wilkes-Barre, is announced to take place during the latter part of summer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer, Wednesday of last week, returned from Columbia, South Carolina, where they spent the winter with their daughter, Mrs. J. W. McCormick. They are both looking fine and feeling the same.

At the last meeting of the Bellefonte borough council the ordinance recently introduced at the request of the Patterson Scootac Power Company, of Lock Haven, was withdrawn at the request of Mr. Patterson. No explanation was advanced.

J. H. Peachy, of Belleville, one of the lecturers at the Farmer's Institute last winter, was nominated by the Republicans in Millin county for assembly. The Democratic candidate is John A. Camp, of Milroy, brother of William A. Camp, formerly a resident of Centre Hall.

William B. Fiedler had a mishap on Friday while working on timber for a straw shed being erected by Emanuel Eungard, near Penns Cave. He was dressing up a heavy stick of timber, when it slipped from its bearing, catching his one limb and bruising it badly at the ankle.

Joseph W. Yoder, of Philadelphia, a representative of the Antrim Entertainment Bureau, spent an hour in the Reporter's sanctum Friday. Mr. Yoder is a native of Millin county, and spends much of his time during the summer months on his farm at Ivyland, on the Reading railroad, which section Mr. Yoder terms the "Pennsylvania prairie."

Tests of seed corn made at Pennsylvania State College indicate that much of the corn has been damaged, and will not germinate. A total of 2550 ears were tested, taking six grains from each ear. This corn was sent to the college by farmers all over the state. The advice given by the Prof. Agee is that all seed should be tested, as the prolonged rains during August and September damaged much of the corn.

A lecture course in Shamokin, last season, the tickets for which sold at \$2.00, had three numbers—Governor Glenn, Commonwealth Quartette and Carolinian Jubilee singers—included in the course at Centre Hall. The other two of the five numbers were Dr. Lee, who is booked in this year's local course, and another lecturer of that grade. This mention is made to demonstrate that we are getting in Centre Hall just what the larger places are paying very much more money for.

Hon. Leonard Rhone returned from Washington, D. C., the latter part of last week, in which city he attended the sessions of an international institute of agriculture, representing the Pennsylvania State Grange. David Lubin, of the International Institute of Rome, met the various representatives of agricultural organizations in the States with a view of interesting them to send a representative to the sessions of the body to be held in Rome in May and June. Mr. Rhone had not been in the National Capital for some years, and expressed surprise at the vast improvements.