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GRANGE OPPOSES BOND ISSUE.

Legislative Committee Urges Public to Vote Against Fifty Million Dollar Bond Issue for Roads.

A campaign against the proposed constitution amendment to authorize the issue of \$50,000,000 for road building was instituted recently by the State Grange. The legislative committee of the Grange went on record as opposed to the issue, for the reason it is unnecessary and against the best policy of the state.

Former Representative William T. Creasy, Master of the Grange, and chairman of the committee, in giving out an "address to the public," said:

"We do not realize the need for such a loan and we are opposed to giving any more power or money to the State Highway Department. The farmers are aroused and they mean business. They do not mean to let the Republican organization get away with any such gigantic graft if it can be helped. There is a whole lot of things going to be told about the Highway Department which will surprise the people."

The statement is signed by Creasy, Allen D. Miller, Susquehanna; F. N. Moore, Rome; W. F. Throop, Esopus; John A. McParlan, Furness; and J. T. Allman, Thompsonstown, secretary of the State Grange.

Among the reasons given why the farmers of Pennsylvania are opposed to the bond issue it is stated in the address that "there is no such thing as a permanent road."

Lewis R. Speare, president of the American Automobile Association is quoted as saying: "Water bound macadam roads which for practically a century have been adequate for traffic, have now, under new conditions, become obsolete and their further construction a serious waste of public funds." The committee believes it is a disastrous policy to spend large amounts on experimental operations.

The Highway Department, it is recalled has not issued a report since 1909, and the committee finds fault with the present State administration for not specifying how the money will be spent.

"This is not business," continues the report, "if it is not actually dishonest. All of the money that can be legitimately used for road purposes can be obtained in the ordinary methods of taxation. New York is cited as using bonds for building roads, but Ohio has built twice as many miles of improved roads as New York and has not issued bonds."

Pennsylvania will have to expend \$3,000,000 a year to float \$50,000,000 continues the address, while one mill on personal and corporate property for roads would yield about \$7,000,000 annually. The committee thinks that striking from the original Sproul bill of the provision for a proportionate distribution of funds among the counties means the building of boulevards and not roads in connection with the whole system.

Dirt roads, if properly cared for the grangers say, will be better than the present type of roads. The present system, they add, provides poor roads and robs the farmers of farm labor at a season when it is most needed.

A general denial is made that the money for roads will come from the corporations. Such an argument, says the address, "is an ingenious misrepresentation." The present tax laws are inequitable, and the grangers call attention to the anthracite coal tax as an example of how corporations shift the burden to the consumers. In conclusion the address calls upon the people to discuss the question earnestly and not vote to go into debt when the ordinary funds of the State could be utilized for road building.

The committee also opposed the repeal of that section of the parcel post law which gives to the Postmaster General the right to make whatever administrative rules he sees fit. Letters were sent to President Wilson and Postmaster General Burleson, declaring the Grange's opposition to the proposed plan.

Election Officer's Pay.

Legal lights are endeavoring to untangle the question of how much pay election officers will get at the primaries in September and the general election in November. A law was passed by the recent legislature increasing the salary of those officers and clerks to \$5.00 per day, but the constitution provides that an officer's salary cannot be decreased or increased during his term. It is therefore held by many that election officers—the judges and inspectors—will receive only the salary allowed under the old law, which is \$1.75 for the primary and \$3.50 for the general election in November. Because clerks are appointed at each election by the inspectors, it is held that they will be entitled to the salary named in the new law, which is \$5.00 per day for all elections.

A FLOW OF WEALTH.

A MILLION DOLLARS A DAY IS RECEIVED DAILY IN THE FORM OF REVENUE BY THE U. S.

During the past fiscal year the United States treasury received almost a million dollars a day from internal revenue taxes. It is expected that for the present year it will exceed that sum. A million dollars a day is a substantial sum, and means much in meeting the necessities of the Government. The source of this revenue is disclosed in a report by the commissioner of internal revenue to the secretary of the treasury. He points out that the total collections were \$344,424,453. Of this grand total \$157,542,000 was derived from the sale of 143,220,000 gallons of spirituous liquors; \$65,248,000 represents an equal number of barrels of beer, ale and porter; cigars produced \$1,754,600; cigars, \$23,097,000, and other forms of tobacco, \$32,349,000; as an incidental playing cards netted \$655,283.

It is proper that the Government should tax these things that the people demand and must have. The goods on which these taxes are levied are not necessities of life. Those who persist in using them cannot complain, for, as a rule, they insist that revenue should be raised by taxing luxuries, and that those articles that are necessary to comfort and sustenance go free.

The consumer pays almost a million dollars a day to the United States treasury, and there is but one way by which the taxation can be avoided. That is by stopping the use of the articles that are taxed. But there is no likelihood that this remedy will ever be applied. The people will continue to pay, and they can find no excuse for grumbling.

The Lecture Course.

Notices have been mailed to former course ticket holders for the Centre Hall Lecture Course that by the payment of one dollar prior to six o'clock p. m. of Thursday, 28th instant, the same seats may be retained. After the expiration of that time former course ticket holders will be given no special privileges, and no requests for seats will be honored under any circumstances unless the cash accompanies it.

On Saturday, August 30, at 7:30 o'clock, the chart will be open to the public. Attention is called to the fact that a number of choice seats have been vacated, owing to the removal of former course ticket holders from this locality and other reasons. Two rows of seats have been added on the north side of the hall, from stage to rear, and all these are open to the public.

Parties requesting tickets to be mailed, must forward two cent stamps. The attractions for the course are of a high order, and the committee believes they are the best yet selected.

LOCAL.

Daniel Shlegel finished plastering the Bartholomew house beginning of this week.

The fifth annual reunion of the Aaronburg Reformed church will be held in Elias Zorby's woods at Coburn, Saturday.

The Bell Telephone Company, at Bellefonte, now use a Kirt auto delivery truck in its repair and construction work.

The fifth annual reunion of the Treasler family will be held at the fair grounds, just below Bellefonte, on Saturday.

Miss Laura Mitterling, a typo in this office, is taking a vacation. Her place is being filled by Otto Bailey who came here from New York City to visit his brothers and sister.

Mr. Mowery, tenant in the John A. Slack house in Centre Hall, is erecting a new porch to the front of the house, which will greatly improve the property.

Miss Mary Delinda Potter, a graduate of Bucknell University, will teach a public school at Richfield, New York. The term will begin September 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mueser of Millheim in the near future will move to Oberlin, Ohio, in which city their daughter, Miss Margaret, is attending the Oberlin Conservatory of music.

Miss Jodie Reaick, a graduate of the Central State Normal School at Lock Haven, and daughter of Rev. J. M. Reaick of Williamsburg, will teach a public school in Sioux City, Iowa. Miss Susan Reaick, a sister, also a graduate of the same institution, will teach in Tyrone.

Architect Cole, of Bellefonte, has prepared new plans for the theater and combination store and apartment building for Robert M. Foster, which is now under way at State College. The theater will have a seating capacity of four hundred and can be utilized for either motion pictures or vaudeville.

CENTRE HALL LOSES AT MILLHEIM.

Score, 6 to 5, in a Game Full of Excitement for Players and Spectators.—Millheim Player "Roughs" It.

The chief sporting event on the program of the Millheim town picnic Thursday of last week was the baseball game scheduled with Centre Hall. That it was replete with excitement from start to finish the large crowd present can better testify than it is possible to pen.

A 6 to 5 score means that the winners had only the smallest margin by which they might lay claim to the victory. Well, Millheim had that margin.

Outfit 8 to 6, Millheim won chiefly on overthrows to bases by the Centre Hall team. Incidentally it may be said that improvised baseball diamonds have proved the undoing of the local club on several occasions. Playing at home on a well laid out and short-grass field, they have not learned the art of separating wheat stubbles and second crop clover from a baseball when the latter is batted toward a fielder. Consequently bad throws are the natural result.

The sixth inning was the most interesting of the entire game. Football tactics on the base lines by a Millheim player brought the game to an abrupt but only temporary end, and for a time it appeared as though pugilism would be added to the other two sports which were already occupying the spectator's attention. The player in question is of powerful physique, and a guard on a college football team. He evidently forgot, when he got on the bases, that the baseball season was still in its prime and that all "centre rushes" and interference with the fielders in handling thrown balls were, beside being uncalculated for, better adapted to the gridiron than the baseball field. Three infielders felt his mighty shoulders in his attack, all of which was pulled off in one inning and which was the cause of an uprising from the visiting club. An amicable understanding was finally reached through the efforts of the umpires and captains of both nines and play resumed when the offending player was sent back to the initial sack after being admonished by the umpire that further playing of his sort would mean eviction from the game.

The following box score gives the details of the game:

CENTRE HALL		R	H	O	A	E
Bayley, 2b	.....	0	1	1	0	0
P. Bradford, 3b	.....	0	0	2	2	1
Alison, c	.....	2	0	8	4	1
W. Bradford, lf	.....	2	2	1	1	1
Kear, ss	.....	0	1	0	1	0
Smith, cf	.....	0	2	0	0	0
Royce, 1b	.....	1	2	12	0	0
Smurick, rf	.....	0	0	0	0	0
Hartwick, p	.....	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	.....	5	8	24	9	3

MILLHEIM		R	H	O	A	E
Loose, lf	.....	2	1	0	0	0
Kessler, ss	.....	2	1	1	2	0
B. Mueser, 3b	.....	0	1	1	1	1
Miller, c	.....	1	1	1	1	4
Auman, 2b	.....	0	0	2	4	0
C. Mueser, cf	.....	0	0	0	0	1
McMullen, lf	.....	0	1	0	0	0
Kidder, 1b	.....	1	1	1	1	0
R. Mueser, p	.....	0	0	1	2	0
Totals	.....	6	8	27	14	2

THE SCORE BY INNINGS.
Centre Hall—0 1 0 0 2 0 1 1—5
Millheim—0 1 0 1 2 0 2 0 x—6

Two-base hits, Smith, Bradford, B. Mueser. Struck out by Hartwick, 3, by Mueser, 5. Umpires, Mitterling and Komenarsky.

Qualified Petitioners.

Persons filing petitions to have their names printed on the primary ballot, must keep in mind that all petitioners must belong to the same political party designated on the petition. For instance, the signatures of Republicans on a Democratic petition will not be recognized.

Another feature to be kept in mind is that a voter can sign legally only as many petitions as there are candidates to be voted for. For instance, a petitioner can sign but one petition for tax collector, because there is but one tax collector to be elected in each district; he may sign for one, two, three or four school directors, provided there are that many directors to be elected.

Teacher Training Class.

The Madisonburg Teacher Training Class, organized last September, is about to complete the course of study for the initial diploma. This class, composed of members of the Reformed and United Evangelical churches has done excellent work and deserves the hearty commendation of those interested in Sunday Schools.

The members of the class are: Mrs. Annie Kern, Mrs. Mollie Kern, Mrs. Teresta Wise, Mrs. Bertha Royer, Mrs. Mary D. Hazel, Miss Alma Dietrich, Miss Mable Vonada, Miss Mary Hazel, Miss Rebecca Hazel, Miss Mable Fiedler, Miss Mary Ziegler, W. H. Limbert, Boyd Hazel, Robert M. Ziegler.

An interesting program is being prepared for the graduating exercises in which the members of the class will take leading parts. W. H. Limbert is the teacher of the class.

HUNTINGDON NOW WET.

Petty Judges Hold Liquor License Court and Grant Licenses to Seven Applicants.

The danger of the petty judges in judicial districts made up of more than one county is again forcibly brought before the public by the action of the Huntingdon county associate judges, who held court and granted liquor licenses to seven applicants.

To fill a vacancy, Governor Tener appointed Andrew L. Couch an associate judge in Huntingdon county, and as soon as he was inducted into office arrangements were made to reopen the liquor license question. At a session of court held by the new petty judge and Associate Judge Richardson the Huntingdon county license situation was reversed and six applications granted, those of the Leister House, Brunswick Hotel, National House, Standing Stone Hotel, Washington House, Martin L. Grube, distiller and wholesaler, and H. D. Reinert, to bottle and wholesale.

There was a three hours debate between the attorneys for the wets and dries. The former were represented by W. W. Chisolm and S. L. Epycher, Esq., and the latter by R. A. Orblison, Esq.

Judge Woods was not present at the court at any time. He holds that the whole procedure is illegal, and he is supported by the best legal talent in Huntingdon county. The case will be appealed to the higher courts.

As the climax to a drunken spree, John H. Langer, a local shoemaker, became violently insane at his home, and, but for the timely intervention of the police, would probably have murdered his aged mother. As it was she was badly choked, and when a physician arrived at the Langer home blood was streaming from her nose and ears. She is suffering terribly from the shock, while her assailant is in the county jail.

Hunter's License.

Justices of the peace may represent the county treasurer, in the matter of granting a hunter's license, if that official sees fit to give any justice of the peace such authority. The justice must make report and return all stubs and unused license blanks to the treasurer, who is responsible to the commonwealth. The justices will receive a fee of fifteen cents for issuing the permit, making record of same, and reporting to the county treasurer. The applicant is required to pay his fee of fifteen cents in addition to the \$1 license, unless he secures the same from the county treasurer, when the charge will be limited to one dollar. The game commission gives assurance that the license blanks will be in the hands of all county treasurers in the state by September 1st.

Two Farms Sold.

The Journal makes mention of these real estate deals in which Penn township farmers were the principals:

W. W. Vonada of Sober last Saturday purchased the Miller farm, containing 107 acres, three miles north of Millburg; consideration, \$5700. The land is said to be very productive, and the buildings are all in good repair. Mr. Vonada for many years tilled the soil on the Eby farm, where he now resides.

On Monday evening a deal was consummated by which Harry G. Gilmore became the owner of the farm, in Penn township, which he has tenanted for several years. The farm contains 109 acres, and the price Dr. G. S. Frank realized for the same, including all of this year's crops, was \$7,000. Mr. Gilmore got possession of the premises on Tuesday.

Transfer of Real Estate.

Elizabeth M. Mingle to Philip A. Leister, a tract of land in Centre Hall, \$1400.

Thos. King et al, to Laura B. King tract of land in State College, \$400.

Jane W. Tate to Lloyd Samsel, tract of land in Spring twp, \$150.

S. F. Isler, admr., to Daniel W. Myers et al, a tract of land in Harris twp, \$500.

Wm. H. Thompson et ux, to Jno. Mitchell, tract of land in College twp, \$2,000.

Williams Grove Picnic.

The 40th year of the Great Grangers' Picnic Exhibition, Williams Grove, August 25-30, promises to exceed any of these great meetings. 130 carloads of Farm Implements will be on display. The Stock Exhibit and Automobile Show will be unusually large. Prominent Grangers, Agriculturists and Politicians will talk in the Auditorium. Afternoon, Concerts by the Colonial Band. Evening, Travelogues by Frank R. Roberson, the most traveled lecturer on the American platform. Everything first-class and high grade. Reduced rates on all railroads. Consult your station agent. See daily papers for further announcements.

FROM JOHNSTOWN.

Prof. Kite; Tells of Improvements and Modern Churches in That City.

To describe the many, many changes and improvements that have taken place since my visit here two years ago would require too much of your space, but I shall mention a few.

The postoffice building which Uncle Sam is erecting for Johnstown is nearing completion. It is only one story high, and H. H. Strauss, the new Democratic postmaster, will soon take possession of it.

I visited the new First Presbyterian church which was dedicated last May. This structure, which cost nearly a quarter million dollars, is one of the finest in the city. The audience room has a large gallery in rear, and a rotunda in the center, surrounded with beautiful windows that shed a mellow light. The rear portion of the building is three stories high, and contains a Sunday-school room, class rooms, reading room, and several other apartments. The basement contains a kitchen and dining room. On the third story is a nursery, where mothers leave their children too young to either leave at home or to be taken into the audience room. The nursery is supplied with hobbyhorses, Teddy bears, and many other playthings, and a nurse is in charge. There is also a ladies' and gentlemen's parlor, and when banquets are held smoking is allowed in the latter. The organist sits at the big \$7500 pipe organ in the choir loft and manipulates the keys and stops, but not a sound is heard from there, but from back of the gallery comes the clear, sweet tones. They call this an echo.

The members of the Second Presbyterian congregation are building a very costly church. There are several other Presbyterian churches but none of them can compare in style with the two mentioned.

The First Methodist church cost \$80,000 when built forty years ago. A three-story addition was built to this edifice last year, which addition contains about the same conveniences as the other churches described. They first planned to have a skating rink on the roof, but this was objected to by some, and then the idea was abandoned, and instead the roof was arranged for a place of outdoor preaching on summer evenings.

The P. R. R., which passes through five miles of the city, is raising its tracks so that street traffic will pass under them. The city had a big fight to bring the railroad to time, but finally won.

The Carnegie Steel Company built a large wire mill that would reach in length from Church street to Ridge street in Centre Hall. This is a big boom for the city.

I had the pleasure of meeting Dr. H. S. Isenberg, who last Sunday preached in the First Presbyterian church.

W. A. KRISKE.
Johnstown, August 15, 1913.

Mining Experiment Station.

A bill was passed by the legislature and signed by Governor Tener for the establishment of a mining experiment station at Pittsburg. The bill carries with it an initial appropriation of \$25,000.

The work of the experiment station is to be under the supervision of three commissioners, Dr. W. Crane, dean of the school of mines of the Pennsylvania State College, chief of the department of mines of Pennsylvania, and a practical miner.

The object of the mining experiment station is to conduct investigations and make tests looking toward the safeguarding of the lives of miners and to bring about a greater degree of efficiency in the mining industry.

The school of mines and the college as a whole are to be congratulated on having the opportunity of participating in a work of such vital interest to the welfare of the state.

Increased Twenty Fold.

W. S. Meyer's twin boys, Dean and Charles aged twelve years, of Lamar, Porter township, last year found in their crop of White mountain potatoes one which they thought unusually large and upon weighing it, it was found to tip the scales at three pounds and nine ounces. This potato the boys preserved throughout the winter and last spring cut it into one eye pieces and planted it. When the crop was raised it was weighed, and tipped the scales to sixty-six pounds.

97 Degrees in the Shade.

Sunday was the hottest day in thirteen years at Centre Hall, when the U. S. Government thermometer registered 97 degrees. This temperature is known as free air temperature, the thermometer being surrounded by a slatted shelter and double roof.

Leelle and Walter Sunday, who are at the Scotland Soldiers' Orphan Home, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bland, in Centre Hall.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Why not an auto line to Bellefonte? Dr. C. A. Rothen of Johnstown is a guest of John Q. A. Kennedy, west of Centre Hall.

W. C. Booser is building a concrete walk to the front of John H. Puff's residence, in Centre Hall.

Dr. McCluney Radcliffe of Philadelphia is spending a week on his farm near Lewistown. He came to the country last week.

Hiram Lee of Chester Springs, and Frank D. Lee of Bellefonte, executors of the late Dr. George L. Lee, publish letters testamentary on his estate.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Finkle and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Finkle of Spring Mills attended the Centre county folks' picnic, near Hartleton.

Robert Foster, a brother of Dr. J. V. Foster of Centre Hall, while engaged in the steel works at Lewistown, had his foot crushed. The doctor visited him one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duck, daughter Kathryn and son Lyrian of Bratton avenue, Lewistown, returned from a five days' visit at the home of Mr. Duck's sister, Miss Flo Duck, in New York City.

Minor improvements are being made at the public school building in Centre Hall. One of the changes made to conform with present day laws was to make the entrance doors swing out.

From information being disseminated by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company it is learned that high heels and hobble skirts are causing more injury to women than banana, orange and watermelon peels combined.

Thomas Hynes of Boalsburg was a caller on Monday morning. He is preparing for a public sale, on September 13th, at which time there will be sold a large variety of personal property, also the Samuel Bell home in Boalsburg.

Dr. J. V. Foster purchased the residence in which he lives from the estate of the late Miss Emily Alexander. The sum paid is not known. The property is well located and is a desirable one. In time Dr. Foster expects to do considerable remodeling in the interior.

The Gregg township High School will have for its principal for the 1913-1914 term, William Jones, son of Rev. R. R. Jones of Centre Hall. The school board was disappointed in its first selection but were fortunate in finding a young man of the ability and snap of Mr. Jones.

Charles D. Bartholomew expects to have the residential section of his new building completed and ready for occupancy by the first week in September, and on vacating the Geiss property, he will be followed as tenant there by Prof. H. A. Dodson, of Orbisonia, the principal elect of the public schools.

Frank R. King, a conductor on the Pennsy, in an empty horse car found a wallet containing over twenty-one thousand dollars. The purse proved to be the property of E. Z. Handy, a Milton horse dealer, who had just unloaded horses at Sanbury. Mr. Handy offered the conductor \$500 as reward but it was refused.

Last week was the only week since the middle of May that we were not favored with one or more rains. This immediate vicinity, up to the present, has had a greater rainfall since April than either the eastern or western portions of the valley, yet there have been no destructive rains. And yet with all these rains in the past, corn to make a good crop, must have at least one shower that will moisten the earth to the depth of several inches.

Archie E. Homan of Cleveland, Ohio, was at the home of his mother, Mrs. Emma Homan, in Centre Hall, from Thursday until Wednesday. Mr. Homan is in the employ of the Perfection Spring Company in the "Sixth City", and since his last visit a year ago has not lost an hour's work. He is a buyer for the concern, which has one of the largest factories in Cleveland, and consequently finds little time for recreation.

The town of Millheim closed shop on Thursday of last week and everybody went to the picnic—an annual affair which evidently is proving a success, judging from the large crowd which was in attendance and the interest taken in all that the program of the day called for. The gathering was held in the woods west of Millheim. Christie Smith's orchestra occupied a platform in the centre of the grove and enlivened the occasion with excellent music. The mode of travel was principally by automobile and it appeared as though all the machines in lower Penns Valley were pressed into service. The once popular spring wagon was very little in evidence.