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## \$1,000,000 FOR ROAD REPAIR.

This Amount of Money, Gathered from Automobile Taxation, to be Used in Repairing State Road.

The State Highway Department is preparing to begin repair work at once on the State highways of the Commonwealth. The decision of the Dauphin county court handed down last week releases for this purpose the sum of \$1,028,662, which is the accumulated money derived from the taxation of automobiles and licensing of drivers during the current year. Unless further delay is caused by an appeal taken from this decision the "good roads" cause will receive an uplift in Pennsylvania.

Now that the right of the State Highway Department to this sum of money has been judicially approved, interest centers in the uses to which this million dollar fund will be applied. State Highway Commissioner Bigelow, who naturally is gratified at the decision of the court, says that the money will be used for the purpose of putting in first class condition all of the State highways of the Commonwealth.

A point of interest in connection with the decision is the source from which the \$1,028,662 was derived. This sum was the amount on hand at close of business on June 8, the day on which the court's decision was handed down. At the close of business on that day the Automobile Division of the State Highway Department showed the following data:

Pneumatic tired vehicles licensed.....	\$4,240
Solid tired vehicles licensed.....	5,280
Tractors.....	402
Tra. lics.....	132
Motorcycles.....	11,430
Drivers.....	22,620
Dealers.....	3,170
Operators.....	15,833
Transfers.....	2,330
Total.....	\$145,434

Compared with the same time last year the records show that the number of licenses issued this year is 41,852 greater.

The amount of money turned over to the State Treasury on June 7, 1913, from the Automobile Division of the State Highway Department was \$696,478.37 as compared with \$1,028,665 on June 8, 1914.

## That \$33,000 Campaign

There is just this about Mr. McCormick's campaign expenses—

First, it was his own money that he expended.

Second, he made a correct accounting.

Third, the money was lawfully expended.

Perhaps had some of the other candidates accounted for all the money expended in their behalf, the \$33,000 campaign fund would look like thirty cents.

## Fine for Illegally Importing Cattle.

Oscar Devore a cattle dealer of near Egbly-four, Washington county, appeared before the county court at Washington, on June 11th, and pleaded guilty to a charge of illegally importing cattle from West Virginia into Pennsylvania. He was sentenced to pay a fine and the costs of prosecution. The prosecution was brought by agents of the Pennsylvania State Livestock Sanitary Board who discovered that Mr. Devore had imported a number of cattle without being accompanied by a certificate of health as required by an act of assembly. State agents have been patrolling the Pennsylvania-Ohio-West Virginia border line and a number of other prosecutions are pending.

## National Aid to State Farmers.

This year Pennsylvania will get \$10,000 from the national government, the amount to be devoted to the extension of farm work under the supervision of State College. This is in accordance with the provisions of the Lever bill, the purpose of which is to be instrumental in making the general government useful in an increasing manner to the farmers and gardeners of the country. Next year the state is to get a larger appropriation and so on continuously until the sum appropriated by the nation amounts to \$50,000. After that the state must do its share in this laudable work. Dr. Sparks of State College is very enthusiastic over this plan and expects to make State College increasingly useful to the farmers.

## A Peculiar Accident.

A very unusual accident happened to an eight months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Horn of DuBois, Tuesday morning, when a cartridge exploded by the sun's rays, the bullet striking the child in the leg, inflicting an ugly wound and breaking that member. The child's father had dropped the cartridge on the floor in the direct rays of the sun, coming through the window, which caused the powder to explode. A physician was summoned and an examination disclosed the fact that the baby's leg was broken. The bullet was extracted and the little one's leg reset.

## A SHAKUP IN FACULTY.

Penn State Instructors to Leave For New Fields of Labor and Study, Whilst Others Will Tour Europe, Combining Pleasure With Research Work.

There will be a general scattering of the faculty during the summer. Dr. E. S. Moore will go to Australia where he will pursue geological work. Messrs. E. R. Shroyer and L. J. Youngs will enter the wilds of northern Wisconsin as geological surveyors. Dr. Stecker, Prof. Crockett, Dr. Runkle, Prof. Fehr, Bucher and Jones will tour Europe, some of them studying in Germany. The party will meet the Givens, who have been abroad since September, and will return home together.

C. R. Orton will study at Purdue; T. S. Sligh at Chicago; Dr. J. B. Hill at Harvard; and Messrs. Knauss and J. E. Davis at Wisconsin. Prof. John H. Frizzell will take up post graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania; R. H. Bell will locate in Williamsport, where he will superintend the Locomotive farm bureau; and P. O. Ray takes up work in New England.

Dr. E. S. Moore, who has been granted a year's leave of absence, will sail from San Francisco on the steamer Sterro June 23. He will spend two weeks in the Hawaiian island studying geological formations and a month in Australia attending the meetings of the British association for the advancement of science, which will be held in Melbourne, Adelaide, Sydney and Brisbane. At the Sydney meeting he will read a paper on the "Structural features of the coal fields of Pennsylvania; their influence on the origin of anthracite coal." From then until January 1, 1915, he will tour New Zealand, India and Egypt. After the new year he will attend the lectures given by Prof. Krusch at the University of Berlin.

## Cupid Busy Among Penn State Faculty.

According to reports circulated on the campus at least nine Penn State men have fallen victims to Cupid, the God of Love. They are: R. C. Harlow, graduate coach, who will marry Miss Nevada Gilpin on June 30th; P. I. Pierson, who will marry Miss Verna Allison of Nittany; E. L. Anthony, who will marry Miss Goldie Swift of Phillipsburg. Others have announced their engagements whose names this paper is not authorized to publish.

## Deaths of Centre Countians.

Miss Catherine Barlett, born at Bellefonte, died at Tyrone. Burial was made at Bellefonte.

Mrs. Josephine Gates, wife of Albert Gates, in Warriors Mark Valley, aged sixty-seven years.

J. Howard North, manager of the Lauderbach-Barber Company's wholesale store, Bellefonte. He underwent a serious operation at the Bellefonte hospital recently. He was aged twenty-nine years.

Mrs. Rhoda Dillon, born in Centre county 1874, died in Pittsburgh.

## Borough School Teachers Elected.

The Centre Hall school board at its last meeting re-elected the former teachers, namely, Prof. H. A. Dodson, principal; D. Ross Bushman, grammar; T. L. Moore, secondary; Miss Helen Bartholomew, primary.

## Lewisburg Had Big Blaze.

The biggest blaze Lewisburg has had for some time, wiped out seven stables and some smaller buildings Sunday morning. The failure of the fire alarm system caused the firemen to be late.

## Transfers of Real Estate.

Joseph D. Buck et al to Daniel Buck, tracts of land in Unionville and Union twp. \$1500.

O. H. Bathgate to F. P. Weaver, tract of land in State College. \$950.

Eimer E. Custard et ux to I. O. Campbell, tract of land in College twp. \$1300.

Harry N. Easton et ux to C. E. Myers, tract of land in College twp. \$575.

J. A. Fries to R. S. Fridy, tract of land in State College. \$800.

J. M. Keibilline Trustee to William J. Muser, tract of land in Bellefonte. \$300.

Orlin Bogner et ux to Gustave Keller, tract of land in Phillipsburg. \$1200.

Emanuel Harter et ux to Alice Bechtel et al, tract of land in Miles twp. \$240.

Four residents of Greenburr—William Kahl, Adam N. Kahl, F. A. Wirth and Clair Kahl—have located in Kaneville, Illinois. The first two are planters by trade and are engaged at that occupation.

For \$2500 the farm formerly owned by the Jacob Frantz estate, in Sugar Valley, was sold by Harry E. Boob to Russell Tyson.

## NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY.

Good Reading for the General Public Can be Had Freely at Grange Library—A List of Authors and Titles.

The Pennsylvania Free Library Commission, Harrisburg, has placed fifty books in the Grange library at Centre Hall for the use of the general public.

Many persons are under the impression that the books are for the use of members of the Grange only, and consequently not as many books are read as should be. The library is free to everyone, and covers all the topics in which the average reader is interested. The farmer may learn more about fertilizers by reading Voorhees, or information on other farm topics from the list. There are books of instruction along other lines, and also the kind desired by those who care for romance and light reading.

The library will be open for all every Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. The list of authors and titles of the books is appended:

- Altbeker: Riflemen of the Ohio
- Barbour: Behind the lines
- Bain: Life and adventures of Santa Claus
- Beard: American boy's handy book
- Belcher: Clean milk
- Best: Olive fairy tales
- Bosher: Mary Cary
- Bullen: Log of a sea wall
- Bush: Prairie flowers
- Carey: Not like other girls
- Chambers: Cardigan
- Coffin: Building the nation
- Couch: Roll call of honor
- Crawford: Mr. Isaacs
- Deane: Women in the alcove
- Deland: Iron woman
- Duchallin: Wild life under the equator
- Dudley: Great year
- Eggleston: Our first century
- Gale: Friendship village
- Jackson: Romance of a plain man
- Golden goose book
- Gordy: American leaders and heroes
- Green: Woman in the alcove
- Griffell: Down north on the Labrador
- Grey: Light of western stars
- Greenwood: Whispering Smith
- Hawthorne: Wonder book for girls and boys
- Hustand: Year in a coal-mine
- Jackson: Cat stories
- Jackson: Ramona
- Knapf: But still a man
- Leak: Life fairy book
- Lowke: Simon the jester
- McIntyre: Ashton-Kirk secret agent
- McIntyre: Whirling Dutch cousin
- Merrivether: Tramp trip
- Norton: Soldier of the legion
- Parkman: Oregon trail
- Pinecot: Training of a forester
- Ray: Nathalie's chum
- Raymond: Boys and girls of Brantham
- Reld: Joey and the chip-munk
- Roberts: Watchers of the trails
- Sperrin: Whispering Smith
- Stoddard: Crowded out of Crofted
- Thompson: Liv's of the hunted
- Voorhees: Fertilizer
- Wilkins: Portion of labor
- Wise: Swiss family Robinson

## Family Gathering at Birthday Anniversary.

The children and grandchildren of Mrs. Isaac Smith gathered at the Smith home in Centre Hall on Tuesday to celebrate her eighty-second birthday anniversary. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. H. Witter Smith and son Russell, and Clyde Smith, Bellefonte; James Smith, Williamsport; Miss Grace Smith, Mrs. Clyde Smith, and Clyde Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Witter Smith, at home.

Mrs. Smith has retained her faculties in her advancing years to a wonderful degree, and has been in excellent health for a long time, doing her share of the house work and giving a helping hand wherever necessary.

## LOCALS.

Ralph E. Bitner, who graduated from Pennsylvania State College last week, is at his home in Centre Hall.

Rev. B. F. Bieher of West Milton conducted the services at the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Arnold Tressler, Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Royston Powell and little daughter Geraldine of Laurelton spent a few days at the home of Mrs. Powell's sister, Mrs. Milford Luss.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Mitterling went to Williamsport Friday afternoon to consult an eye specialist in the interest of Mr. Mitterling's eyes.

Last week, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Finkle of Spring Mills entertained Mrs. Q. A. Jamieson and son Ray of near Millburg.

On an inside page of this issue is printed the Democratic state platform. It will bear reading by everyone who is interested in better government for Pennsylvania.

Without making a bit of ado, Miss Mary Grove purchased a Ford touring car from the Breen & Company, Millheim, agency, the latter part of last week. She already handles the car skillfully.

Harry Reish has a colt that is developing two horns. He is nursing the growths, and thinks if he can grow them a foot long, shape them well, he will be able to find a purchaser that will be quite willing to pay handsomely for the freak.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brooks, west of Centre Hall, are giving more time to pleasure since they own an automobile. But who is better entitled to "time off" occasionally than the farmer, who for years has had a hard time of it to keep on the level.

At the meeting of the Millheim borough school board these teachers were elected for the coming school term: Principal, Prof. D. P. Stapleton; grammar, Jacob Fox of Mill Hall; Miss Eva Moyer, intermediate, and Miss Clara Condo, primary.

## NEWS OF 1880.

Notes Taken From Files of The Centre Reporter of Thirty-four Years Ago.

February 12th—Last week two energetic members of the Lutheran church in the Loop made their pastor glad by throwing a sweet load of hay on his mow. This was gathered from the members of his church. "Toby" was happy and is happy still.—Pastor, W. E. Fischer.

Mike Condo has a contract for chopping 1000 cords of wood for J. Henry Keller, at 40 cents a cord.

Married—By Rev. W. E. Fischer, James Spangler and Miss Effenia Fortney, both of Tusseyville.

Monday morning, February 9, Jacob Dinges died at his home in Centre Hall, aged forty-four years and five months. Several months ago Mr. Dinges had his left arm amputated on account of cancer of the bone. The wound soon healed, but the disease germs had poisoned his system and attacked his lungs, and he fast declined, suffering much, though with true Christian fortitude, until death ended his misery.

February 10th—A fine chance for a fine property at Centre Hall, especially for a tailor. Read ad. of Jas. A. Keller.

The talk of getting the Bellefonte glass works in blast again, has gone to six. Sorry, what helps Bellefonte always adds to our local market.

Assurances re: the completion of our railroad next summer, from a good quarter. We only trust these assurances are sure.

Millheim has become quite literary of a sudden. Some time ago she gave a literary musical entertainment in English and next month a similar entertainment will be given in the German language.

February 26th—Dr. Calder, president of State College, having resigned, intends making his home at Harrisburg.

Rev. J. G. Shoemaker, of Kansas, will preach in the Reformed church in this town Friday evening.

Barrel making is quite a business in the lower end of the valley. During the apple picking season thousands were turned out by several enterprising cooper shops in Aaronsburg, and at present have orders that will keep them busy for some time to come.

A little row in Bogge township brought a crop of seven prisoners to Spangler's boarding house on Friday. They went out next day on bail.

## Odd Fellows Decorate.

The local order of Odd Fellows sent a committee to the various cemeteries in this community on Saturday to decorate the graves of departed members, and at Centre Hall the members turned out en masse at 6:30 o'clock in the evening, and held very delightful ceremonies in the cemetery. The line of march was formed at their hall, and was headed by children of Odd Fellows, then came the banner bearer—J. W. Whiteman—assisted by four boys, and following were the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs.

At the cemetery E. W. Crawford was master of ceremonies. Rev. Walter Williams offered prayer, and this was followed by a brief historical sketch by Roy Puff and recitations by Misses Ethel Rowe, Helen Luse and Carriell Emerick. The principal address was by Rev. Williams, whose remarks were highly interesting and instructive. There was also music by the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs.

## Spring Mills a Winner.

On Corman's meadow, near Penn Hall, Spring Mills tramped grass for twenty-nine runs against nine for Sinking Creek in the ball game last Saturday afternoon. "Curly" Auman, an Academy alumnus, did the twirling for his mates, and his support must have been as good as a booze candidate's in a dry territory, for how could any team collect nine runs from a stinging single hit and ten men retired on strikes? The chances are "Curly" has it all doped out.

If one hit produced nine runs, it doesn't necessarily stand that Spring Mills got only three hits and a bunt in scoring their twenty-nine runs. Hits were plenty with the academy players and Condo kept up his record as a home run hitter by getting another one Saturday.

Next Saturday, at Spring Mills, the academy team will endeavor to even things with Boalsburg.

## Vandyke Appointed Secretary.

Chairman Roland S. Morris, of the Democratic State Central Committee, announced the appointment of Warren Vandyke as secretary of the State committee.

Mr. Vandyke for more than three years has acted as resident secretary of the State Committee in charge of the central headquarters. His success has not yet been appointed.

## DEATHS.

George Swab, an industrious and highly respected farmer of near Pine Grove Mills, died in the Bellefonte hospital Friday evening at five o'clock, of tuberculosis of the lungs. He was admitted to the hospital about five weeks ago and an operation performed for internal hemorrhage. His condition, however, did not improve and he steadily grew worse until relieved by death.

George Swab was the son of Frank Swab, who farms the Mitchell farm below Pine Grove. His mother has been dead for several years. He was thirty years of age and since his marriage to Myrtle Fishburn had been engaged in farming the Hees farm near Pine Grove. He was a man of unblemished character and had the respect of all who knew him.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran church at Pine Grove Monday afternoon and interment was made in the cemetery at that place. Rev. L. Stoy Spangler officiating. Seventy buggies and ten automobiles comprised the funeral cortege which accompanied the body to its last resting place. It was the largest funeral in that community for a number of years, and spoke for the esteem in which the young man was held. He is survived by his wife, but no children, one child having died in early life. His father and the following sisters and brothers survive: Mrs. Blanche Erb, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Helen Williams, Pine Grove Mills; a sister in Minnesota, and Ruth, Mayme, Grace and Claude at home.

Mrs. Anna Ramsey, wife of Charles Ramsey, died at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. H. E. Ishler, at Pleasant Gap, early Monday morning, from the effects of a paralytic stroke. The day previous she partook of a hearty meal and walked into another room, where she was almost immediately stricken down. She never regained consciousness. Five years ago she suffered a similar stroke, but her health became good again and remained so up until about a month ago when she complained of stomach trouble.

Mrs. Ramsey was the daughter of Philip and Nancy Kemp and was born in Penna Valley June 5, 1845, being at the time of her death sixty-nine years and ten days old. After her marriage to Charles Ramsey they engaged in farming and later moved to Pleasant Gap. In late years they made their home with Mr. and Mrs. Ishler. Besides her husband there survive two brothers, namely, John C. Kemp of Elizabethtown, and Miles A. Kemp of Oklahoma, and a step-daughter, Mrs. Harry E. Ishler, of Pleasant Gap. No children were born to their marriage.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning and interment made at Centre Hill, Rev. W. H. Schuyler, of the Presbyterian church, of which the deceased was a member, officiating.

J. W. Bower, one of the oldest citizens of Haines township, died at the home of his son, J. W. Bower, in Aaronsburg, Saturday night at 9:30 o'clock, of mental and physical infirmities due to old age. He was eighty-four years, one month and two days old. For the past six years he has made his home with his son, and his falling health dates back to about two and a half years ago when he suffered a paralytic stroke, from the effects of which he never fully recovered.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran church, Aaronsburg, Wednesday morning, and burial was made at Wolfs Chapel, Rev. M. D. Geesey, officiating. One brother, Cornelius Bower of Aaronsburg, survives, as do the following sons and daughters: E. A. and J. W. Bower, Aaronsburg; Mrs. Alice Stover, Haines township, and Mrs. Perla Bower, Cedar.

Mr. Bower was a farmer all his life and for forty-three years lived about two miles east of Aaronsburg, tilling a farm which he owned. He also owned another farm in Haines township.

Another of Gregg township's citizens was laid to rest on Monday forenoon, when the remains of William W. Neese were interred in the Heckman cemetery, below Penn Hall. Mr. Neese lived all his life in Gregg township, having been born in the vicinity of Locust Grove, in Gorges Valley. He was a farmer by occupation, and followed that vocation until about fifteen years ago, when he moved to Spring Mills, where he died.

Mr. Neese was a member of the Reformed church, and his pastor, Rev. R. R. Jones, assisted by Rev. W. D. Donat, officiated at the burial services. He was a man held in high esteem by his neighbors, and throughout the whole community. His wife, who before marriage was Miss Elizabeth Braucht, and two sons, William and John, both of Spring Mills, survive.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Ground was broken for a Federal building in Huntingdon.

And now for the summer boarders. "Please pass the prunes."

Mrs. Edward Royer has been rather seriously ill for the past week or more. Martin M. K-iller is erecting a large hay shed on his farm near Linden Hall.

Al. Krape has the wall completed for the new barn he will erect this summer.

Two more issues of the Reporter will appear before the mid-summer vacation for the printers.

Laborers seem to be more plentiful this season than last, but when haying and harvesting begins everybody will be busy.

Miss Jennie Stahl, on Monday, left for Selingsgrove where she will enter the Conservatory of Music for a summer term of study.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harschberger of Altoona, after several weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. James Smetzier, returned to their home Friday.

A bright little farmer lad came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lshir, on the Kell farm, one day last week. He is the third child in the family.

Miss Eloise Schuyler is at the home of her father, Dr. W. H. Schuyler, and will remain during the summer vacation. She is a teacher in the Cape May public schools.

G. O. Benner left for Philadelphia on Tuesday and in a day or two will return with his daughter, Miss Victoria E. Benner of Boston, Mass. The lady will spend several weeks at her father's home.

Ammon E. Burkholder of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, arrived in Centre Hall Friday of last week and will spend several weeks with Mrs. Burkholder and their little daughter, who have been here for some time.

The sixth Krite car was sold on Thursday by C. S. Brungart to J. M. Williams in Port Matilda. The car has all the modern conveniences. Mr. Williams is one of P. R. Matilda's leading business men. Mr. Brungart contemplates giving an order for a carload of Krites.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beasor of Harrisburg were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al. P. Krape, last week. They were at State College attending the commencement exercises, having been particularly interested because of the fact that a son was in the graduating class. Mr. Beasor is an engineer on the Penna between Harrisburg and Altoona.

John A. Heckman made his first call on the Reporter since it is located in its new quarters. Mr. Heckman, last spring, moved onto one of the Gregg farms which he purchased, and is endeavoring, and will succeed, in improving the soil. His first step is to use lime, and he is now about to erect a stack which he is having built on one of his fields.

G. B. Brungard, father of William Brungard, the young man who died suddenly at his home in Conemaugh last week and whose remains were buried in Loganston arrived in town too late to attend the funeral of his son, relates the Sugar Valley Journal. On Saturday afternoon the remains of the young man were lifted in order that the father might view the body of his son, whom he had not seen for several years.

Among Odd Fellows there is much talk of building a hall on the meat market site, which has been in possession of the local lodge for a number of years. While such an idea has been in the mind of the order for a number of years the project has gained impetus of late and something definite is looked for in a reasonably short time. Rousor has it that the building will set out flush with the street and on a line with the houses south of the meat market.

Dr. J. R. G. Allison met with an accident in a peculiar manner Saturday morning which resulted in a broken nose and some abrasions of the face. The doctor was jogging along in his buggy and when near the home of J. W. Mitterling his attention was attracted by some children frolicking on the lawn. The road at this place was receiving an application of oil and a barrel was standing in the middle of the street. Still absorbed in the children's merry-making he was unaware of the obstacle and drove close to it with such force as to make a clean upset, precipitating the doctor to the ground with the above noted result. The horse remained quiet and after driving home the doctor made the necessary repairs to his injured proboscis.