

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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McSPARREN HEADS STATE GRANGE.

Succeeds "Farmer" Creasy at Election Held at State Meeting at Meadville, Last Week.

The meetings of the State Grange came to a close Friday, at Meadville, after one of the most interesting conventions ever held by the Grange body.

The treasurer, Frank P. Willets, of Delaware county, reported receipts for the year to be nearly \$50,000, and that the organization was stronger financially than it has ever been.

James G. McSparran of Lancaster county, who went to Europe at the expense of the State Grange, after Governor Tener refused to grant the request to send a farmer abroad, talked on the question of rural credits based upon the result of his travels and observation.

Mr. McSparran thought it well that the recent congress did not pass a bill on this subject, as enough study has not been given to the matter. "We want no special system for the farmer," Mr. McSparran said, "which will give them opportunities not afforded to other classes. Without special laws the farmers have accumulated unincumbered holdings worth \$34,000,000,000 in the United States and now only ask to be classed with other business men and given credit to be able to run their business.

"Farmer" Creasy scored the methods of keeping up the state highways and the existing road laws. "The state has taken over nearly 9000 miles of roads without any system of caring for them, and building new roads at such an enormous expense that would eventually bankrupt the state if these prolific ways could be continued. Our present state highway law needs to be remodeled and put on a business basis. The Jones township road law of 1913 should be repealed, because it takes away the local authorities and places in the highway department the control of local road affairs."

A resolution pledging all delegates present not to take or allow in their homes any paper or periodical which carried liquor advertisements was presented by F. N. Moore, of Bradford county, and passed by a unanimous vote.

Installation of officers marked the close of the forty-second annual session of the State Grange. The officers are:

Worthy master, John A. McSparran, Lancaster county; overseer, F. N. Moore, Bradford county; lecturer, Thomas M. Piollet, Bradford county; steward, Theodore Kline, Wayne county; assistant steward, R. E. Green, Warren county; chaplain, the Rev. H. G. Tesgard, Jefferson county; treasurer, F. P. Willets, Delaware county; secretary, Mrs. Nettie E. Ailman, Juniata county; gate keeper, Arthur Chase, Bradford county; Ceres, Dr. Hannah McK. Lyons, Chester county; Pomona, Mrs. Hannah Bush, Tioga county; Flora, Mrs. Carolyn Dale, Centre county; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Addie Miller, Erie county; finance committee, W. B. Ross, Lackawanna county; executive committee, R. S. Rankin, Washington county; director Keystone Exchange, Harry Shalinine.

The election of McSparran was brought about by the withdrawal from the contest of William T. Creasy, the retiring State Master, and James G. McSparran, father of the new master. James G. McSparran, who received the nomination, withdrew when it became apparent that his son would win the contest over the retiring State Overseer, E. B. Dorsett, of Tioga county, the only other candidate.

Creasy gave "personal business" as his excuse for withdrawing. He served as master three terms, extending over six years.

The annual report of the Keystone Grange Exchange was made by the manager, E. B. Dorsett. He reported that nearly \$200,000 worth of business had been done last year and that the small deficit of a year ago had been turned into a credit balance. A large exhibit of the machinery which the exchange handles was at the convention and general satisfaction was expressed regarding it.

Invitations for next year's meeting were presented by State College and also Washington county. These will be considered by the executive committee and decided upon by them.

A Rummy Movement.

The Blairsville (Indiana county) Courier announces in red ink that it nominates Penrose for President in 1916. Its chief reason for doing so is because Penrose at the last election had for his followers all the rumpdums in the Republican party, all the rumpdums in the Democratic party and all the dumdums in all the parties.

Emmet Brooks killed a large grey fox at the base of Nittany Mountain one day last week.

COBURN.

John Elmer from Ohio came home to visit his parents for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Confer from Indiana are visiting Mr. Confer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Confer.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stover from Whetham are visiting Mrs. Stover's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kaler, for a few days.

Mrs. Walter Heim of Dornsife is spending a few days with her parents at this place.

Mrs. Jacob Breen of Jersey Shore is visiting her brothers, Boyd and George Stover, at this place; also spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stover, at Madisonburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Campbell spent a few days at Williamsport last week.

W. E. Montgomery of Potters Mills spent a day with his friend, Chas. Meek.

Wm. Gentzel visited friends in Bellefonte a few days last week. He also was a juror at court.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kaler of Lindale visited among friends over Sunday.

The snow and ice we have had for the past week has been very hard on the fruit and other trees.

Mamie Treaster and sister Blanche from Bellefonte were welcome visitors with their father, James Treaster, a few days last week.

David A. Boczer from Centre Hall packed the dried apples at the evaporator and got them ready for shipment.

Mr. Weaver from Lock Haven shipped a carload of apples from this place last week, and expects to ship another car in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hosterman spent a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Bigler Shafter, near Smulton.

George Moyer is able to be up and around at this writing.

Wm. Eisenhuth of West Virginia is visiting his brother, Reuben, at this place, also his father, Henry Eisenhuth, in High Valley.

Pleasant Gap.

Kline Grenoble was taken to the Bellefonte hospital for treatment.

E. K. Keller, as representative from the local Grange, attended the meetings of the State Grange, at Meadville.

J. T. Noll is adding a bathroom and pantry to his home. Messrs. Lucas and Runkle of Centre Hall have the carpenter work in charge.

Miss Mayme Wien, one of the "hello" girls in the Bell exchange in Bellefonte, visited at the J. T. Noll home over the week end.

Miss Helen Colyer of Millheim visited for a short time in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Lyde Love of Bellefonte visited at her home at the toll gate, on Thursday.

Miss Kathryn Wien of Bellefonte has been sewing for Mrs. John Noll the past week.

Wm. Bilger is improving his property in this place, by the addition of new windows and paint.

In the absence of Postmaster Coble, who is on a short visit, his place is being very ably filled by Leslie E. Miller.

Mrs. Jane Weaver is recovering slowly from her operation at the Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia. She was operated on for blocked salivary glands.

Mrs. Kathryn Hunter has been visiting at the L. A. Miller home for several weeks. Mrs. Hunter was formerly Kathryn Furey, and is quite well known to most of the older people of Pleasant Gap. Her home is in Pittsburg.

The Leathers Bros., land agents, were in our town negotiating for the purchase of the Harry Keller farm, better known as the old Swaney place.

Grant Dunkleberger's handsome residence is nearing completion and when done will be an addition to the upper end of Main street.

The body of Mrs. Huston Hartscock of Altoona was brought to the Lutheran cemetery for burial on Tuesday afternoon. Two sons—Jesse and Harry—of Altoona survive to mourn her loss; also a foster daughter, Mrs. Kline, of Bellefonte. The Hartssocks, after the death of Mr. Hartscock, moved from the farm now owned by Frank Lee, to Altoona where they have since resided.

Aaronsburg.

Mrs. Emma Hess is in Lock Haven where she will spend a few days with friends.

Calvin Moyer of Freeburg came to spend some time with his sister, Mrs. Catharine Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCormick and children of Potters Mills visited Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle, on Sunday.

E. R. Wolf of Wolfe Store, teacher of the intermediate school, had quite an experience wading snow on Monday morning from his home to Rebersburg.

Mrs. Clyde Burkholder, nee Miss Annie Bower, of Juniata, and her brother, Harold, of Madisonburg, and James Breen of Jersey Shore were at the home of Mrs. Effie Weaver on Sunday.

Ready-made percale dresses.—C. P. Long & Co.

INSUFFICIENT STAMPS.

WILL AFFECT TITLES.

Warning Issued Concerning the Transfer of Realty—Stamps Must show Purchase Value.

The internal revenue collectors are sending out a warning that unless the proper amount of war tax stamps are attached to papers in real estate transactions there would be flaws in titles.

On account of the war tax the familiar phrase, "for \$1 and other valuable consideration" becomes dangerous.

While the special war taxes are being collected, it was said, the best course would be for principals in real estate deals to give exact figures before recording deeds. No matter what sum is involved it is necessary to use one 50-cent stamp for each \$500 of the value of the property transferred, after the deductions for mortgages or other encumbrances are made.

It is not the business of the recorder to question deeds upon which there are war stamps. The recorder is not interested in the considerations mentioned. If the document has stamps affixed it is not his business to learn whether or not the proper number of stamps have been used.

If through ignorance or intentionally the law is evaded there is likely to be trouble in future if the property is offered for sale. To dispose of any cloud in a title it will be necessary to purchase the stamps that ought to have been purchased originally and pay a penalty as well before a conveyance can be made.

It has been found that in 1898 when war stamps were required on all deeds recorded, hitches were caused by failure to make the stamps agree with the true value of the property. There have been recent instances in this state in real estate deals where Spanish war stamps had to be purchased and severe penalties paid for the neglect to provide them at the time parcels of realty changed ownership.

Brings result.—A Reporter ad

What for Christmas?

—FURNITURE, of course.

NOTHING gives so much real, lasting, and genuine satisfaction to the recipient of a Christmas gift as a piece of furniture. You may feel sure that your gift will be really and truly appreciated, and your buying of so sensible an article as a piece of good furniture is a direct compliment to your intelligence in solving the ever perplexing Christmas-Gift problem.

We have something suitable for everyone whom you have down on your "list" for gift-giving—from baby to grandpa—we have the just the thing to gladden the heart on Christmas morning. We mention a few, but our store is loaded from top to bottom with other useful gifts.

Big Line of Beautiful Pictures

In oval and square frames—an endless variety. A sensible gift at a very low cost.

- Library Tables
- Parlor Tables
- Couches
- Davenport
- Music Cabinets
- Rocking Chairs
- Kitchen Cabinets
- Mirrors
- Buffets
- Carpet Sweepers
- Rugs

—but why go on enumerating; we ask that you come in today and see what we have.

GOODHART'S

The Gift-Giving Store CENTRE HALL

OVER-STOCK SALE

The Above Title Tells the True Meaning of This Sale.

We think that the people of this community are all well aware of the disastrous fire which struck our town, through which we were compelled to keep our store closed for about a week. Before this disaster happened I had gone to New York to buy an entire new stock to replenish my line with the newest creations in all wearing apparel for MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN. During the period of time our store was closed we received the new stock of goods just purchased. After we had gotten matters in good condition we noticed that our stock was entirely too large for this time of the year.

WHAT ARE WE TO DO?

After we considered the matter, we decided to place all these goods on sale and cut the price on same to HALF, just to be a benefit to our customers, and we hope they all will take full advantage of it.

Here Is Your Opportunity. This Is the Time You Need the Goods and we Have Anything You Need.

YOUNG LADIES WHO ARE TEACHING

and are preparing to attend institute, or are going to be Christmas brides, we can please them all in getting the most up-to-date outfit for the least money.

WE SURELY CAN DRESS THE MEN.

Whether they are young or old, we can please them all. MEN'S SUITS and OVERCOATS, from \$5.00 to \$28.50—EXACTLY HALF PRICE.

Ladies' COATS and DRESSES, an Innumerable Number of Styles, Priced from \$5.00 to \$20, Now at EXACTLY HALF PRICE.

IT is useless for us to quote prices on our stock. We do not believe in quoting prices on paper, but we guarantee to give you real values for your money. We are selling our own stock, which is new,

clean and fresh, not unsalable goods from other stores. Our wish is to see all our friends and customers here. Just as soon as you see our line you will not be able to resist the temptaiton of purchasing our bargains.

Let us Sell You an Outfit and You'll be Pleased and Come Again.

Grasp the Opportunity to Buy Innumerable Bargains

KESSLERS' Department Store MILLHEIM, PA.