BIG CROWDS ATTEND ENCAMPMENT AND FAIR WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

500 Automobiles Parked on Grounds on Thursday, --- Exhibits Up to Standard of Former Years,---Good Speakers,---A List of the Exhibitors.

of people, especially on Wednesday voted practically all its time and rowly escaped death Saturday mornand Thursday, characterized the 1916 money to showing the farmer how to ing when the local freight train, east-Grange Encampment and Fair. Be- increase his yields. The present is the bound, struck the old fashioned buggy youd a doubt more automobiles were first administration that has made a in which he was riding as he attemptperked on the grounds on Thursday determined effort to show the farmer ed to cross the tracks at the Centre than in any of the recent years that how to get satisfactory prices for those Hall station. The freight had slowed this mode of travel has made inroads yields. Former administrations have down for the stop and was going at a on railroad transportation. A con- shown the farmer how to fight the very slow rate of speed when Immel. servative estimate places the automo- boll weevil, the chinch bug, the army apparently unobserved by anyone, running races, three-fourth mile dash, biles on the park Thursday aftern oon worm and other insect pests. But and blind to danger because of his in-

flesh admired the Percheron stock produce of the farmer's toil. stabled by John E. Rishel. The farmer had much to interest him in the dis- enactments in the interest of the legs. The buggy was slightly dammakes under canvas.

SPEAKING INTERESTS FARMERS. All the speakers scheduled to appear on the various days were present and spoke to big audiences of farmers.

A speaker who is well acquainted in Centre county was Hop. W. T. Creasy, who so faithfully and conscientiously served the farmers as master of the State Grange, as well as in both branches of the state legislature. In his remarks relating to the local accomplishments of the Grange, Mr. Creasy stated that the first business venture of the Centre County Pomona Grange was the establishment of a mutual fire insurance company, back in 1875, forty-one years ago. The company has a pledged capital stock of \$100,000, and carries insurance to the amount of \$2,000,000. The company has been most successbeing among the lowest of all the com-

The Grange Encampment and Fair, under whose auspices the speaker appeared, had its origin forty-three gives him longer time credit; and stantly see so much good in the years ago in a one-day gathering. Later on an additional day was added, then three days and finally a full week. In 1891 the present site of twenty-sight acres was purchased, and improvements begun. The inture of about \$17,000, the tents alone minor details of administrative being worth \$2000.

In 1906 there was not a single rural telephone line in Centre county. It was then the Grange leaders discussed the feasibility of organizing a telephone company, with rules and regulations especially adapted to the needs of those in the rural district. Although strongly opposed a mutual telephone company, now known as the Patrons Rural Telephone Company was formed without a dollar with a capital stock of \$10,000, and now has a paid up stock of \$7500; three hundred and fifty telephones on several hundred miles of wire, leading out from the Bell Telephone centers in Penns, Brush, Nittany and Bald Eagle Valleys. The undertaking has proved most successful from all view points.

The Patrons Co-operative Creamery Company is the latest creation of the Grange in Centre county. The plant is located at Centre Hall, and is being conducted in a business like manner, showing a net profit. The chief aim in this movement is to pay to the farmers the greatest price possible for their cream, and this is being done.

The speaker also referred to Grange Arcadis, a monument to the local Grange. This eplendid hall, now a center of social and intellectual affaire, was erected at a cost of \$6000, in 1898, and is now unincumbered.

"PUTTING THE FARMER ON THE MAP" Carl Vrooman, assistant secretary of the United States Department of Agr .culture, was one of the prominent Mrs. John Coldron, Mrs. D. W. Bradford, Cather speakers Thursday afternoon. In his

Map," Mr. Vrooman said:

the farmer during the past three Ciyde Smith, Wisham Sweetwood, E. W. Bloom years? It has passed the Smith-Lever bill, which will put a deputy Mrs. T. C. Bartges, H. B. Frankenberger, George Secretary of Agriculture, commonly Bryan, H. W. Frantz, Margaret Goodhart, Mrs. E. called a County Agent, in every county in the United States, to show individual farmers how to make the science of agriculture boost the business of farming.

It has created a new bureau called the Office of Markets and Rural Organization, to see to it that wheat, corr, cotton, and hogs have equal mark-ting advantages with fabrics and steel. During its first fifty years

Delightful weather and big crowds the Department of Agriculture de- more often than in a sober state, nar-The big exhibition building was has dared to make common cause with tracks. The horse passed over the visited by thousands of persons, the the farmer against the usurer, the second rail when the pilot of the locoproducts of farm, garden, orchard and transportation shark, the fake middle motive struck the buggy. Immel was vineyard easily being up to the stand. man, and the other human pests who tossed about on the cowcatcher for a ard of former years. Lovers of horse in the past have grown rich on the

play of farm wagons, ensilage ma- farmer are: The Warehouse Bill chinery, etc., to the stately and hand- which enables the farmer to borrow some 1917 model automobiles, of which money on stored grain; a bill approthere were a number of different priating \$75,000,000 for good roads; the Cotton Futures Act, protecting the cotton raiser from the speculator and he started on his journey to the Walter gambler ; provision for the establish- Garrity place in the Seven Mountains ment of official grades for corn and other grains, taking the guess work out of grain grades and stabilizing with Grange affairs and movements profits; the creation and rapid development of the Parcel Post; the extension of the route for Rural Free Delivery 56,000 miles and service room at the court house last Tuesday extended to cover 3,200,000 additional morning with the president, John patrons in rural communities and Hamilton, presiding. Owing to the many other pieces of constructive unsettled condition of the country or legislation, including that financial magna charta of the farmer, commony known as the Rural Credits bill.

This last is the first important piece of financial legislation ever passed by Congress primarily in the interest of It was further agreed that next year's the farmer. Carping partisan critics reunion will be held at Pine Grove Milton. The premiums on these exdoubtless will attempt to find flaws in it. Moreover, as the great Federal ribute ten dollars to the Centre county Reserve Act had to be amended saveral fully conducted, the cost for in urance times soon after its passage, so this panies doing business in the state, of its minor details. But four vitally All losses have been paid promptly, important facts should never be forand the fair dealing on the part of gotten. First, this bill for the first time in our history, writes the principle of rural credits into the law life-long Republican, stated last week of the land; secondly, it provides the that he and his neighbors were for farmer with more capital; thirdly, it President Wilson because they confourthly, it gives him money at a lower rate of interest. These are the vital, financial needs of the farmer, as Having given bim these things now, part, it is as follows: we can safely take cur time about vestment now represents an expendi- experimenting and working out method.

> The projected Tariff Commission framed by experts. This will make cratic parties. the collection of tariff revenues as businesslike as the management of the Post Office.

Believing that wealth should pay its law the Income Tax.

These are not promises to the farmer the foundation of our business and industrial prosperity, by serving the likewise both the legitimate business men and the working men of the failure." cities.

Farmers of Pennsylvania! You have good crops, high prices, the asrate of interest for the future. You Friday, March 16th. have prosperity with progress and peace with honor.

THE EXHIBITORS. 3 Appended is a list of the exhibitors in the various departments:

STOCK DEPARTMENT. Centre Hall-J. E. Rishel, Percheron colt, 14 months old; Percheron mare, 5 years old; Percheron mare and coit.

Madis nburg-B. F. Yearick, horse, Spring Muis-F. S. Musser, 2 pens pigs.

FARM, GARDEN, ORCHARD AND VINEYARD.

Centre Hall-Mrs. J. K. Bitner, P. D. Swabb Mrs. William Brooks, Elmer McCleilan, Mrs. George Heckman, Jacob sprow, Mrs. Emmi ine Bradford, Mrs. H. G. Miller, Mrs. A. P. talk on "Putting the Farmer on the Krape, Mrs. William Keller, S. W. Smith, Mrs. W. F. Fetteroil, Mrs. H. Mowery, Mrs. Fred Carter, H. F. Bitner, Martna Boai, Mrs. Jacob What has the Government done for Sharer, T. L. Moore, Savilla Rearick, F. K. Frank,

> S. Wagner, D. A. Boozer. Bellefonte-Mrs John Spearly, Mrs. Lewis Marshail, Mrs. Willard Daie, Mrs. C. H. Heckman, Mrs. D H. Shivery, Mrs. D. A Grove, Edwin M. Grove, Mrs. S. 1 Poorman

Lemont-Mrs. R. F. Williams, John Grove. Axemann-Mrs Cora Jodon. Oak Hail-Mrs. Mary Whitehill, Mrs. C. B.

Linden Hall-Harry Horner, Spring Mills-Margaretta Tressler. Julian-H K. Mattern, R. H. Merritt.

STRUCK BY FREIGHT TRAIN

samuel Immel Escapes Death at Local R. R. Station .- Too Much Company With "John Barleycorn" Blinds Him to Danger.

Samuel Immel, a man of near seveny years, and baving a reputation for being seen in an intoxicated condition this is the first administration that toxicated condition, started over the few seconds and then deposited to the side of the tracks, unburt save for a Other important recent legislative few minor bruises on the arms and aged. Two "half pinte," filled to the cork, were on Immel's person and escaped unspilled. Immel's bottled stuff was the only medicine necessary for him, and after fixing up the buggy, given this important part of the anwhere the old man makes his home.

Veteran Club Reunion vancelled.

The members of the excutive com mittee of the Centre County Veteran Club held a meeting in the grand jury account of the infantile paralysis epidemic it was unanimously decided to cancel this year's reunion, which was to have been held at Pine Grove Mills on Saturday, September 23rd. Mills. The committee voted to con-Soldiers' Relief association for the benefit of the dependent families of

Henry Ford is For Wilson.

Henry Ford, noted automobile manu scturer and humanitarian and a things he is doing.

An interview with him was published in the San Francisco Bulletin State. every real farmer has long known, and attracted wide attention. In

" Because of the many good things President Wilson has done, I think he should be commended and heartily appreciated. I don't want to draw s parallel between the professions and will give us a non-political tariff the aims of the Republican and Demo-

"Every neighbor you meet will tell you the good things in the administration of President Wilson. I feel as these people do about what he has share of taxes, Congress enacted into done and realize keenly that his great neutrality policy during the European war has had the patent successful but accomplishments for the farmer, result of keeping this country at peace. Moreover, as a successful agriculture is The efforts of his opponents to try and make political capital because of President Wilson's determination not farmer the Government has served to measure swords with poor deluded Maxico have already ended in distinct

J. F. Bible, at Centre Hill, has decided to quit farming and will make surance of more credit and a lower sale of his stock and machinery on

(Continued from previous column.) Rebersburg-Geraldine Hackenburg. Madisonburg-J. E. Miller, Philipsburg-Mrs. Alfred Hagyard. Boalsburg-Mrs. H. S. Harro, Cecil Harro, TOTAL NUMBER OF ARTICLES, 1479.

FANCY WORK AND ANTIQUES. Centre Hall-Mammie Brooks, Mrs. George Heckman, Sara Zettle, Mrs. John Coldron, Emm McCoy, Florence 8. Shone, Grace Smith, Mrs. D W. Bradford, Mrs. William Keller, Grace Miller Mrs. A. P. Krape, Mrs. H. F. Bituer, Essie Boal Mrs. Jacob Sharer, Mrs. W. F. Bradford, Mrs. Clyde Smith, Dr. H. F. Bitner, Elizabeth Sweet wood, Mrs. Musser Coldron, Savilia Rearick Mrs. Margaret Smith, Florence Krape, Mrs. S. V Smith, Mabeile Sharer, Mrs. John Heckman, Delinda Potter, Mrs. C. M. Arney, Mrs. E. 1 Kipks, Fernie Heckman, Auna Grove,

Reedsville-Mrs. J. B. Hooley. Lemont-Mrs. Sara Etters, Mary Whitehill, Mr. F. Willams, Mrs. William Houtz. Bellefonte-Veda Davis, Mrs. Frank Davis Mrs. John Spearty, Mrs. Lewis Marshall, Mrs. H. Shivery, Mrs. Jennie Gummo, Mrs. C. H Heckman, Margaret Davis, Mrs J. F. Garthoff.

State College-Mrs. C. Musser. Tyrone - Catherine Moore. Altoona-Mrs. B. F. Herman. Howard-Zeims Yearick. Axemann-Mrs. Cora Jodon. Rebersburg-Geraidine Hackenburg. Loysville-Ethei Fatkin, Lutheran school. Present Gap-Jean Fatkin. Spring Milis-Margaretta Tressler, Mrs. Georg

Miliheim-Cora Sechrist. Cleveland, Ohio—Sara Goodhart.
Potters Mills—Elizabeth Sankey, Mrs. Marcells Sankey, Robert Schkey. Tussey ville-Mrs. Ida Miller.

TOTAL NUMBER OF ARTICLES, 1085.

September 26, 27, 28 and 29 are the dates for the big Milton Fair. Racing on the last three days and the best lot contest for the \$3500 in purses.

On Wednesday there will be the 2:10 trot and 2:14 pace, purse \$350 2:26 trot, 2:30 pace, purse \$350 and half mile running races for \$200.

Thursday-2:13 trot, 2:17 pace, \$350 purse; 2:16 trot, 2:20 pace, \$350 purse; 2:22 trot, \$350 purse and two running races \$150 each, one a mile and one a half mile race.

Friday-Free for all, \$350 purse; 2:19 trot, 2:23 pace, \$350 purse, and 2:17 trot, \$350 purse and two grand \$150 purse and a consolation race for the runners back of the money, \$150

An additional \$100 is put up for the first horse beating 2:10 in a race. The track was never in such perfect

condition as it is at this time. New starter and many new horses, will make this feature of the Great Milton Fair the best ever seen on a half mile track.

The exhibits will be better than before; this includes every class and division. More attention has been nual exhibition than in years past, and the result will justify those in charge of this work for their extra his life. efforte.

One of the features of the cattle exhibits will be a herd of Brown Swiss which will be shipped here by C. M. exhibitor of registered Brown Swiss cattle, whose stock farms 'are near reciprocate his love. That the young at Tusseyville by Rev. R. R. Jones. Conneaut Lake, Ps. This will be the first herd of Swiss Brown cattle ever anced mentally through his love affair exhibited at the Milton Fair.

For the first time the Fair Association is making inducements for automobile displays and indications point to an Automobile Show that will excel any that has ever been seen around bibits are regulated according to the price of the car for the automobiles automobile trucks.

Dr. Dixon to Clean Up the State.

ed by the last Legislature we have the giving the girl's name. power, if the town officials refuse to clean up, to enter the place and do the work ourselves. The law authorizes us to send the bill to the town and it

has to be paid. "This law has had a salutary effect twelve months. Within a year's tected from a health point of view of any in the Union. Our efforts, of course, will depend upon necessary appropriations for the work."

Big Freshman Class at " State."

Record breaking enrollment in all departments of the Pennsylvania State Col ege is indicated by the not have selected a spot more suited witness the instituting of a new Order new class. This is an increase of been hunted over time and time again charge of the ceremony. more than 100 over any previous year. in the search for the missing young The attendance of young women is man. It was a piece of bottom land, of near Bellefonte, did not fail to atenlarged by more than eighty this thickly covered with a growth of wild tend the Grange Fair last week. He year in the freehman group. With grass, three feet in height. It was made the trip in his Studebaker car. two days remaining before college easily possible to walk within ten feet and this mode of traveling indicates opens it is expected that the number of the body and not discover it. Here that his business is just as good as of income students will reach 800, it was that Ralph Runkle decided that turning out munitions for the allies. Because of the lack of accommodations death was sweeter than life without The old Runkle homestead at only those who can qualify fully can the one whom he loved. be admitted.

average about \$2,000.

measure, the automobile license has of the gun heard, for instead of using years who was taken into the home of become one of the not inconsiderable a ,303 cartridge he used a ,32 calibre farmer Foster W. Frazier, near Penus revenue producers of the State's busi- revolver shell. This was made pos- Cave station, a year ago, suddenly ness. In 1906, the first year, total sible by the use of an auxiliary disappeared one day last week. The receipts were \$42,000. Last year they chamber which is inserted in the boy had taken the cows to the field in reached \$1,600,000. This year they barrel. It is known, too, that Runkle the morning and that was the last probably will run in excess of \$2,300,-900. Total cost of operating the Auto-calibre from a local merchant a few veloped that he had flagged the train mobile Division is about \$100,000 per days previous.

The Bower Memorial United Evan-/ years ago at a cost of \$45,000,

RALPH RUNKLE'S BODY FOUND SUNDAY MORNING IN STATE OF DECOMPOSITION

of horses ever seen on one track will Hidden in High Grass on Bottom Land on Fleisher Farm, a Mile from Home, -Committed Suicide by Firing Bullet in Brain. - Body Lay for More Than Week in Open. - Buzzards Fly Close to Body and Searchers Make Discovery.

> morning searchers-Messrs. William with his finger. Bitner, James Spangler, and David Fortney-were attracted to the spot by the chattering of a half dozen turkey buzzards which were sitting on fence and on the 20th of next month would posts close to the dead man. The body have been twenty-one years of age. was in an advanced stage of decomposi- He was the youngest son of Mr. and tion, having been exposed to the ele- Mrs. John L. Runkle, who farm the ments for a period of eight and one- Swartz farm, and besides his parents half days. The flesh was stripped is survived by three brothers: Morris, from the face and the ba'd skull with of Lamar; Lawrence, of Centre Hall; a bullet bole in the frontal bone direct- Wilbur, at home. ly between the eyer, mutely told of the young man's manner of ending found a grave was dug in the Tossey-

CARRIED OUT HIS THREAT. Thus Ralph Runkle carried out his Ralph Runkle was laid to rest. threat which he had made in a letter man had become temporarily unbalis certain beyond a doubt.

LEFT HOME AT NIGHT.

ago that young Runkle left his home. Reporter not to use her name in con-When his parents retired for the night nection with an account of his death. the father observed his son writing a Although the girl's name was known letter, but thought nothing of it be- at the time of the writing of the brief cause the boy had worked hard on the account of the young man's disappearfarm that day and revealed in his ac- ance, printed in a previous issue, the and according to the capacity for the tions nothing tost might show he was name was not used because it was laboring under great mental strain, thought the young lady was entirely Taking his Savage .303 calibre rifle innocent of any wrong and was in no and bicycle the young man left home; way responsible for his act. The "If I live and hold my present about ten o'clock. The letter was ad- Reporter wisnes to say, however, that position; within a year's time I pro- dressed to the young Brushvalley the name was withheld to conform se to have every small town and maiden who taught school at Tussey- with the general policy of this paper borough in the State of Pennsylvania ville a year ago and with whom in such cases, and not because it did cleaned up. Some of them are already Runkle fell in love, although it is said not have the right to use the name of receiving our serious attention," said that he could never muster up enough the school teacher if it chose to do so. Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Health courage to speak to her. The girl up- A request to withhold her name from Commissioner, Saturday, in speaking on receiving the letter and a photo- an account of the incident would have of certain infected centers in the graph of the young man, immediately been proper, while a command to do turned it over to his parents, for in it so, with news spers of less discretion "At present we are preparing for he said that his body would be found than the Reporter, might be met as a clean-up campaigns in 140 small towns lying in a field. He then closed by banter. and boroughs. Through a law enact- writing "Farewell, ————,"

SEARCHED FOR DAYS.

The entire community about Tue- HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST seyville was in a furore over the young man's disappearance and the thought that some one would come across his on negligent officials. The 140 towns dead body, but in spite of diligent at Rockview, a short time ago, was and boroughs I have mentioned are searching by a party numbering as negotiating with us now, and I expect high as forty persons, no trace of him to have them in good condition within could be found. A trip was made to Burnham where it was thought he annual visit to Centre Hall last week. time, if I live, I expect to see this might have gone to work in the big State one of the cleanest and best pro- steel mills, but to no avail. The abandoned bicycle was found on Satur- Company. day morning following his departure, standing by the roadside not far from Allisterville, were in Centre Hall last his home. A thorough search of the week, guests of Mrs. Catherine Conley. fields close to where the bicycle stood wi h whom Mrs. Haines made her

revealed nothing. SELECTED THE HIGH GRASS. The unfortunate young man could

young man made straightway from Runkie, who for a number of years \$2,225,000 Revenue from Anto Licinses. his home on Friday night to the field occupied the place and who now lives Total receipts from automobile li- where he killed himself. To sub- near Bellefonts, will return to the censes for the current year passed the stantiate this belief there were several homestead, while James Runkle, the two and one quarter million dollar parties living not far distant who present tenant, will live with his mark on Monday. Daily receipts claimed to have heard a shot some time prother, W. Groh Runkle, Esq., in before the midnight hour. The young Beliefonte. Created in 1905 merely as a police man no doubt did not wish the report Thomas Hardy, a youth of eleven

DRESSED IN WORK CLOTHES,

gelical church, at Berwick, was total- work clothes when found. He was an excellent help on the farm and ly destroyed by fire Saturday morn- minus his coat, and wore a blue strip- appeared contented with his home. ing. The edifice was built esveral ped shirt and khaki trousers which Mr. Frazier deplores the loss of the were inserted in a pair of cotton youth,

The search for Ralph Runkle, the stockings. A heavy silver open face young man who left his home at Tus- watch had stopped running at 7:48 o'seyville Friday night, September 8tb, clock. A few coins were the only came to an end Sunday morning at other personal belongings found on ten o'clock when William Bitner him. The rifle was lying with the made a gruesome find of the dead body butt lightly held under the left leg, in the bottom land on the Fleisher while the barrel lay across the right farm, tenanted by John E. Rishel, leg and pointed skywards. The posiabout one and a half miles north of tion of the gun proves that the the young man's home, and only a young man was in a sitting position few hundred yards north of the Pine and held the muzzle close to his head, Grove school building. The Sunday making it possible to pull the trigger

NOT YET 21 YEARS OF AGE.

The unfortunate young man was approaching manhood's estate in life

Immediately after the body was ville cemetery and at 5:30 o'clock Sunday evening all that was mortal of Funeral services were held on Tues-

Robinson, the well known breeder and to a young lady with whom he had day morning at his late home and a become infatuated and who failed to sermon followed in the Union church

> be young lady with whom Ralph Runkle, the suicide, was in correspondence and pleaded for the recipro-It was last Friday night one week cation of his affections, notified the

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

FROM ALL PARTS Fred Herring, the convict who escaped from the western penitentiary captured last week near Unionville.

John Markel, of Tyrone, paid his For eight years he has been with the West Virginia Pulp and Paper

Mr. and Mrs. David Haines, of Mchome for many years prior to her mar-To-night (Thursday), 8 o'clock, will

heavy registration for the freshman for such a desperate deed and one in Centre Hall, when a camp of the P. class. A. H. Espenshade, the regis- which might have been passed unob- O. S. of A., recently organized, will be trar, announced on Tuesday that 770 served than the one which he chose, formally instituted. J. W. Yeissey, a applicants had been admitted to the The fact is that that very field had state worker, will be present and have W. V. Harehbarger, the poultryman

Tusseyville will change tenants some-Consensus of opinion is that the time between fall and spring. ... Hugh

at Penns Cave Station and went to Osceola Mille, to the home of his sister Young Runkle was dressed in his where he now is. The boy had proven