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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Reformed—No preaching service. Presbyterian—Centre Hall, morning. Lutheran—Union, morning; Georges Valley, afternoon; Centre Hall, evening.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

JURY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce the name of A. C. Ripka, of Centre Hall borough, as a candidate for the nomination of Jury Commissioner on the Democratic ticket, at the Primaries, September 18, 1917.

Highway Commissioner Resigns. State Highway Commissioner Frank B. Black resigned his office on Saturday, effective August 15, bringing a climax to a wrangle which Governor Brumbaugh began six weeks ago.

Black tells Brumbaugh that the governor apparently desires the highway department run along political lines and that "I do not care to be associated in any way, shape or form with work handled along these lines."

A split between Black and Brumbaugh started when Black insisted on the "fifty-fifty" method of distributing state appropriations to counties, based on the mileage.

Your criticism of this method of procedure is not well taken, as you touch it in too small a way. It is a proposition that affects the entire state and the people are certainly entitled to know what disposition is being made of the money," Black wrote.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

The apple crop will show a slight decrease over the production last year. The number of young turkeys raised on the farms this spring is considerably below the average.

The peach crop in Adams and Franklin counties, the principal fruit belt of the State, is one of the largest in recent years.

There is every indication of a bumper corn crop and increased acreage and improved growing conditions indicating a record production.

Through nursery inspection in some of the large eastern nurseries is leading to the discovery of infestations that were unsuspected until recently.

The oats crop continues to improve and early season estimates promise to show large increases when the final production figures are received.

The wheat harvest in many of the central counties is three weeks late and the general harvest throughout the State will be later than for many recent years.

Fake tree inspectors, sprayers and doctors have made their appearance in the eastern part of the State and several have been arrested by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

The new law regulating the packing and labeling of apple packages sold commercially will go into effect on September 1 and every orchardist should

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Earl E. Vonada, Farmers Mills Pearl A. Heckman, Farmers Mills George P. Aston, State College Pearl Hoj, State College John Smith, Jr., Morrisdale Grace Hendershot, Phillipsburg

Teach your children to fulfill their financial obligations, no matter how small.

Many Ask Exemption in Centre Co.

Out of the 142 men examined by Centre county's board in the draft examination up until Wednesday noon only eight did not claim exemption. Thirty-two of this number were found physically deficient and were discharged. This shows a high average from a physical standpoint, and just how many men have valid claims for exemption and will be excused remains for the board to decide.

Owing to the fact that Centre county's quota has been raised from 62 to 116, the board will call more men for examination and will mail notices to-day (Thursday).

The result of the examinations on the various days was as follows: Wednesday, 22 examined, 8 discharged for physical reasons; all asked exemption but one.

Saturday, 27 examined, 5 discharged; all claimed exemption. Monday, 29 examined, 4 discharged; all claimed exemption.

Tuesday, 38 examined, 6 discharged; 6 did not claim exemption. Wednesday morning, 26 examined, 9 discharged; only 1 failed to claim exemption.

Won \$5.00 in Prizes in Water Contests.

S. V. Hosterman, Esq., of Lancaster, arranged a series of interesting aquatic contests for the boys of the town in Booser's ice pond on Tuesday afternoon. There were three events, the cash prizes aggregating \$5.00, which Mr. Hosterman donated, showing his interest in the welfare of the boys, Mr. Hosterman being a lover of athletics and the great outdoor life.

The first contest was fast swimming, and was engaged in by Lynn Bitner, Fred Lucas and Ralph Emerick. The Emerick boy captured the \$2.50 prize.

The second event was the fancy swimming contest. Fred Lucas, Lynn Bitner and Harold Keller participated. The judges decided that the \$1.50 prize should be divided between the first two boys.

The third event was for the benefit of the novices in the swimming. Howard Emery captured the \$1.00 prize, the others engaged being Paul Ketterolf, John Meyer and Robert Smith.

Testing Lumber Qualities of Shingles.

The department of Forestry at The Pennsylvania State College is conducting an experiment to determine the relative lasting qualities of various woods for shingles and the value of creosote as a wood preservative. Shingles of Redwood, Red Cedar and Chestnut and creosoted shingles of Chestnut, Southern Yellow Pine and Pitch Pine laid on one of the College buildings nine years ago show no difference in lasting qualities up to date.

Creosoted shingles of Pitch Pine, a most perishable wood, have lasted as well as those of the most durable woods. The creosote treatment costs about fifty cents a bundle.

Chestnut posts were creosoted and set ten years ago with check posts. Examination shows that those treated with creosote are in good condition while the check posts are badly rotted.

Information concerning the details of treating posts or shingles may be had upon request to the department of forestry, State College, Pa.

Three Prisoners Caught.

Three of the four prisoners who recently escaped from the new penitentiary at Rockview have been captured. One was taken a day after his leaving and two others were apprehended near Tyrone on Saturday morning. The court sentenced them to the Pittsburgh institution on Saturday afternoon.

Pleasant Gap.

Miss Martha Robb, of Altoona, is visiting her cousin, Mary McClellay. Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Rimmey spent Sunday at Lewistown.

Mrs. Chandle, of Julian, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Houser. Roy Coldron and wife, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday at this place.

Samuel Noll left Sunday on a motorcycle trip to Niagara Falls and from there to Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. Jack Showers, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting with her father, J. C. Mullinger.

Mrs. Anthony Garver left Monday for Hazelton where she is visiting her daughter, Mrs. O. M. Zong. Jay Crust and Merrill Moyer left for Niagara Falls where they expect to find employment.

Lee Brooks lost three valuable cows last Monday afternoon. All were struck by lightning.

Mrs. Geo. Hazel, of Greensburg, spent a few days last week among relatives in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Haupt, of Milesburg, spent a day last week with their daughter, Mrs. George Showers.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keller and little daughter, of Altoona, spent the weekend with friends and relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bender and daughter, of Lancaster, are visiting among friends and relatives in this place.

BOALSBURO.

Miss Daisy Grover, of Altoona, is visiting her friend, Miss Anna Sweezy.

Mrs. G. L. Courtney returned to her home on Monday after spending two weeks at New Berlin.

Mrs. William Kuhn, of Williamsport, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Houtz.

John K. Stover, of Philadelphia, spent his vacation with his parents, Rev. S. C. Stover.

Miss Elizabeth Livingston, of Tyrone, spent several days last week at the Dr. L. E. Kidder home.

Mrs. Russell, of Lewistown, and Miss Ida Johnson, of Huntingdon, were guests of Mrs. Emma Stuart from Thursday until Tuesday.

After spending several months with friends at Mt. Union, Miss Hester Lonberger returned to her home here on Sunday.

D. W. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Yarnell, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Slagel, Mrs. Susie Shutt and Wayne Keller spent Sunday with relatives at Altoona.

Pine Grove Mills.

The hum of the thresher is heard on all sides. J. W. Miller has invested in a new Peerless outfit and is having a big run.

W. K. Corl is stirring up the soil with a six-gang steam plow.

J. Hale Ross, of Linden Hall, was a business visitor in town Friday.

Next Saturday is picnic day at Baileyville. Harry Hoy and Earl Switzer are driving new Fords.

Mrs. Catherine Bailey, past eighty years, is critically ill with sciatic rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Goss and two sons, of Reading, are visiting relatives in Centre and Blair counties.

Merchant W. H. Ward spent last week at the Allentown camp with his son who is in training there.

N. O. Dreilbeis, who has registered as a candidate for school director, refuses to be a candidate.

A community flag raising will take place at Pine Hill on Saturday evening, when a 12x18 flag will be unfurled. President Sparks will speak.

Mr. and Mrs. John Osman, with Mr. Clark as chauffeur, motored to Hollidaysburg on Saturday, and, oh! tire trouble salore.

The Centre County Veterans Club will hold a basket picnic at Pine Grove Mills on Saturday, September 22, beginning at 10:30 a. m. prominent speakers will be present.

John C. Dunlap, of Twin Rocks, came over to spend a few days with his brother Ralph before leaving for the seat of war.

Mrs. Mary Hessermer, who underwent a serious operation in the German hospital, Philadelphia, for the removal of a "voiter of the throat," is home, and is fully restored.

What might have been a very serious accident occurred in the Glades last Sunday evening when the cars of Miss Nannie McWilliams and a Mr. Kelley collided in the road. The latter's car having but one light confused Miss McWilliams and resulted in the accident. Both cars were badly twisted. Several of the McWilliams party were thrown out but no one was seriously injured. There was an interchange of heated arguments and finally the parties agreed to quit even.

Aaronsburg.

Henry Gilbert enjoyed a trip to Middleburg and Selingsgrove last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Musser spent a day with their daughter, Mrs. John Treasler, in Bellefonte.

Mrs. Roy Musser and son, of Akron, Ohio, were guests of the Misses Cora and Amanda Haines, last week.

Little Annie Taylor, of State College, is the guest of her uncle, Z. A. Thomas.

James Weaver, the wagonmaker, suffered a light apoplectic stroke last Friday morning, but has since improved.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harter and daughter, Miss Lydia, spent the week with their son, Forest, at Snydertown.

Mrs. Homer Zerby and little daughter, of Youngstown, Ohio, are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Stover.

Charles O'wig, cattle buyer of Hartletor, attended the Mrs. Luther Stover sale on Saturday, where cows sold for as high as \$105. Four pigs brought \$90.00.

SHIPS' MASCOTS LOSE NERVE

Pet Animals on British Vessels Show the White Feather When Shells Begin Exploding.

There are some incidents about the mascots in the big naval battle of Jutland which are worth repeating. The mascot on the Tiger was a bulldog, a fine fellow. When getting into the battle the crew were a bit concerned as to how their favorite would take the crashing of high explosives on the ship, so they plugged his ears with cotton wool, wrapped his head around as if he had a heavy dose of toothache, and a couple of men took the bulldog, much to his annoyance, to a room that was thought to be as quiet as the ship could provide. The dog didn't quite fancy being treated as an invalid and resented the coddling, but when the shots began he took it pretty badly and was mighty glad he had a pal sitting on either side holding him by the paws.

Another boat had a fine, big black cat. He was overlooked when they got into action, and the first shell that came aboard this fellow got loose and took a flying dive overhead. As the boat was going about 27 knots, even the most tender-hearted Jack Tar could hardly risk going after Tommy.

On another ship they had a little bantam, which strutted about more proudly than the dinkiest middleman and with as big a show of courage as the hardest of old seadogs. The tars were proud of the "swank" their pet could assume before strangers. When the first German shell crashed on board the bantam lost all his fine show and flew down one of the ventilators. When he was rescued and photographed after the fight he presented a bedraggled appearance.—London Post.

MUSIC NEED OF FIGHTING MEN

Blare of Band Instruments Brings Cheer to Troops and is Just as Necessary as Ammunition.

"The blare of the trombone, the shrill note of the piccolo and the drums blending with other band instruments in a military organization give cheer to the men with the guns and is just as necessary as ammunition," says Charles H. Parsons of New York. "During the Spanish-American war the tunes happily accepted were those of the vaudeville stage, when 'There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight' was said to have led troops to the capture of San Juan hill. The old Civil war melodies having the swing of march cadence were first of all, 'Dixie,' probably used, at least hummantly, by the soldiers of the North, as those who followed the 'Stars and Bars.' And it is worth while to recall that 'Dixie' was the most popular of all the melodies strummed in camp and sung in action of all the old-time songs during the war of 1861.

"Canned music will give to the boys at the front much of their entertainment evenings to come," added Mr. Parsons. "The phonographic records will cheer many groups. And they will have programs provided by the stars of the operatic world and other entertainers who may not give to them their cheer first hand."

Would Use Water for Fuel.

Recently an inventor attracted considerable attention by claiming to have isolated a certain green chemical the addition of which to water would make the water a substitute for gasoline in initial-combustion engines. Now comes another inventor with a process for utilizing water as an automobile fuel. He points to the well-known fact that water is decomposed into its elements, hydrogen and oxygen, when a current of electricity passes through it. Hydrogen mixed with air is more explosive than gasoline vapor. In his patented device the inventor would convert part of the power generated by the automobile engine into electrical energy, which he would use to decompose water. The hydrogen of the decomposed water he proposes to use to run the engine, securing enough surplus power in the cycle to drive the car.

Knows When to Quit.

Handled intelligently, a mule is a most willing worker; but there are a few unwritten laws that cannot be transgressed with impunity. A mule will seldom make more than two attempts to move a load. On the first strain he will throw his whole force into the collar, and a mule can pull 50 per cent more in relation to his weight than a horse. Science is again dumb at the question whence comes that latent force which neither horse nor ass possesses. After a short rest the mule will make a second attempt, but this is seldom as sustained as the first. If the load still refuses to move the team might as well be unhitched. At times the mules will not even exert enough force on a third attempt to move an empty wagon.

Yielding to Necessity.

There is, as Glines pointed out, such a thing as a "noble yielding to necessity," which is accounted divine. A man must, of course, be convinced that what he yields to is in truth necessity. But when that is clear there should be no repining, and no fear of what "others may say." Until it is clear there should be no yielding. The poet, who was sad because he could not paint a picture, and the painter who mourned because he could not write a poem, were surely most unreasonable. They clearly knew nothing of the doctrine of diversity of gifts. The doctrine is not only true but in the highest degree, consoling and cheering.—Exchange.

HAS MESSAGE FOR ALL BOYS

Young Man Draws Lesson From Strange Experience Which Fell to His Lot.

"I wish I could send a message to every boy in the world of a sad and strange coincidence that happened to me when I was a boy," exclaimed a young man the other day.

"One hot, sultry July afternoon—the hottest day we had that summer—I had just turned our street corner when I met my father.

"I wish you would deliver this package for me, Joe," he said rather weakly, as I remembered afterward. Now I was only thirteen years old and had been out playing in the hot sun all morning and was all in when I met my father after playing a ten-inning game with our side the losers. My first impulse was to refuse, but one glance at his kind, gentle face stopped me. "Surely I will go, father," I said pleasantly.

"Thank you, son," was the answer. "I was going myself, but I don't feel very well today and I thought you would not refuse, as you have always been a good boy to me, Joe."

"I walked away thinking father did not care much about his only son, or he would not send me on this jaunt (about one mile and a half), on such a hot day. But somehow the words, 'I thought you would not refuse,' and 'You have always been a good boy to me, Joe,' seemed to ring in my ears and before I reached the end of my journey I was whistling a merry tune.

"Returning home, I saw our doctor's auto and a crowd of people at our door. One of my aunts hurried to meet me with tears rolling down her cheeks. 'Your father fell dead just as he reached the stoop,' she said.

"I found out later the last words my father spoke were, 'You have always been a good boy to me, Joe.'"

LAWNS NOW POTATO FIELDS

Velvety Parks of the Show Places of France Transformed to Meet Economic Crisis.

The rare American tourists who visit the chateau of Touraine in France may find the velvety parks of the most interesting show places transformed into potato patches.

Aristocracy has taken up the "tuber campaign" and, beginning with the Countess of Noailles and the Duchess d'Uzes, chateaux all over the country have promised to dig up their lawns and plant vegetables. Flower gardens, also, will be consecrated to the solution of the economic crisis.

The rose, the vine and the orchard are not to be touched, but all annual flowers and all green swards must give way to the democratic potato, in the interest of the national defense.

Since there is not enough labor for the farm lands already under cultivation, the temporary release from the army of a greater number of farmers and the importation of more Indo-Chinese and North African labor is expected to count more effectively in solving the agricultural problem than the efforts to transform the chateau parks into vegetable gardens.

New Talking "Movies."

Application has been made for a patent on a very elaborate device which would produce a combination of the cinematograph and the phonograph to give us moving pictures wherein the characters not only move but speak.

MONTHLY MILK REPORT

Of the Continental Condensed Milk Company, of Spring Mills, Pa.

Patrons Receiving the Largest Checks for Month of June.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Post Office, Weight, Amount. Lists names like William Breon, W. P. Colyer, Harris Stover, etc.

Advertisement for The Farmers National Bank. Includes text 'As the Sunflower Turns to the Sun just as naturally do the business men of Penns and Brush Valleys turn to the Farmers National Bank in times of financial stress for the aid that is sure to be forthcoming. All we ask is good security for the protection of our depositors, and many men have been saved from failure and have tided over difficulties by the aid of this bank.' and 'The Farmers National Bank Millheim, Pa.'