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Young 'Check Kiter Caught.
A young check forger, Clarence Gross of State College, was arrested on Sunday of last week at midnight by Police Officer Elmer Yerger, who noticed the man standing on the corner of the Bellefonte "Diamond". He was lodged in jail and the authorities at Tyrone notified, the later taking him to a Blair county jail in Holidayburg on Monday afternoon. He was wanted for forging checks on a State College bank. He first took a check to Fromm's clothing store at State College and used same in payment for a pair of trousers he purchased and was also given \$2.50 in change. Going to Bellefonte he passed a check on Montgomery and company, clothing, in payment for a suit of clothes and some change. Then he journeyed to Tyrone, drew a check for \$48 on the bank account of W. A. Hoy, popular drayman of State College and succeeded in cashing it. Going back to Bellefonte on the train he engaged in conversation with Moses Hurwitz, of Lock Haven, bought an overcoat and paid for it with a forged check, also getting some change. Just what disposition will be made of the case is not known at this writing. Gross is not a bad looking sort of fellow and easily won the confidence of strangers, hence found it no trouble in passing the checks. He is only eighteen years of age and has already served a term in the Pennsylvania industrial reformatory at Huntingdon for having been a partner in robbing a store at State College three or four years ago.

Turbotville Will Get Community Hall.
Turbotville will get a community hall. The voters of the borough at last week's election voted by a large majority in favor of a bond issue of \$5,000 to complete the fund necessary to erect the building, work on which will be started as soon as possible.
The plot of ground has been donated for the purpose and nothing now stands in the way of an early start on the new building.
NORTHUMBERLAND'S COMMUNITY HALL.
The Northumberland borough council has granted a plot of ground upon which the citizens of that town will erect a community building as a memorial to the soldiers and sailors of the late war—if present plans materialize. In the community building will be bowling alleys, pool tables, equipment for a gymnasium and many other things.
Dear reader, if you are a resident of Centre Hall, please read the above paragraphs again. Does it dawn on you?

Improving Town Properties.
The property purchased by A. P. Krape from C. D. Bartholomew, located on Allison street, near the station, is being remodeled throughout the interior and exterior together with the addition of a porch extending on two sides of the building.
John Durst, just beyond the station, built an addition to his dwelling, roofed the whole with asbestos shingles. The improvement is decided and when completed will be one of the handsome residences in that section.
The George E. Ishler, property almost opposite of the Durst property, is being repainted, the body color being fawn with darker trimmings. The porch to the front of the house is also being extended to the entire length of the dwelling.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.
Next Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. There will be no school that day in the borough schools.
Mrs. William H. Stiver, after visiting in Hublersburg for several weeks, returned to her home in Centre Hall last week.
The Journal states that the soldiers memorial being erected in Millheim is almost completed, but that no date for its unveiling has been set.
Charles E. Flink announces public sale for Monday, November 24, following which he and his family will become residents of Centre Hall.
Messrs. R. L. and R. M. Smith, at Centre Hill, have decided to make sale of their surplus farm stock next spring and announce a date of sale under the sale register.
The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture gave out figures last week on the number of farms in Centre county in 1910 as compared with 1900. The figures are 2608 as to 2339, a gain of 269 farms in ten years.
If you want the top price for your real estate, advertise it in the Reporter. Of course, you may be able to dispose of it without advertising, but when you advertise others than those looking for bargains will know you have something to sell.
The cold snap Thursday night of last week was somewhat detrimental to potatoes remaining in the field underground. Dealers are paying about \$1.30 per bushel for the tubers and this makes one feel that the crop is needed and that the loss to the grower is regretted.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.
Stand by the laws of your country if you wish their protection.
W. E. Tate, a veteran of the Civil war was confined to his home for a few days last week suffering from a severe cold.
E. E. Zettle and son Reuben, who are employed on building operation at State College, were at their home in Centre Hall on Sunday.
Before it winters up, see that your walks are in proper shape. Repairs can be made more conveniently and cheaply now than in zero weather.
John N. Boal, of near Huntingdon, well known on the south side of Penns Valley, was appointed assessor in Smithfield township, Huntingdon county, to fill a vacancy.
Wanted—An experienced fraternity cook and maid to cook for 25 men; very easy work and big wages for right party. Answer by mail to box 23, Centre Reporter, Centre Hall, Pa. adv.
Mr. and Mrs. Ward S. Gramley, of Millheim, and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Gramley, of Spring Mills, were in town on Sunday. The trip was made in the former's handsome Nash car.
Since the first of January mints have averaged a monthly output of 45,000,000 pennies to meet the tremendous demand for one-cent pieces in the payment of federal taxes on amusement, soft drinks, etc.
About fourteen car loads of potatoes were shipped to market by the Centre Hall Evaporating company, all except two cars having been shipped from this point. The price paid was \$1.20 to \$1.30 per bushel.
Five Pennsylvania counties voted in favor of bond issues for good roads at the recent general election, as follows: Bradford, \$1,000,000; Indiana, \$1,000,000; Lawrence, \$1,000,000; Venango, \$1,000,000 and Lycoming, \$500,000.
Strohmeier, the marble man, came up to the requirements of a good citizen when he agreed to sell a vacant lot on their vacant lots, so long Centre Hall will be hampered in the way of building.

Automobile travel to Bellefonte has been reduced very materially on account of the bad condition of the detour. It now requires a really worthwhile reason to induce one to make the trip to Bellefonte from the south side of Centre county.
The Lewisburg High school boys went on strike for a half holiday on Armistice day. They based their argument as to the justice of the cause on the statement of Governor Sproul "that the people of the state should celebrate armistice day in their own way."
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Huyett, last week motored to Selvingrove, where their daughter, Miss Miriam, is a student in Susquehanna University, and from there went to Muncy where a day was spent with Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Bieber. The return home was made via Williamsport.
The workmen's compensation board recently decided that when an employee is injured in the course of his employment it is the duty of the employer to furnish him with such labor as he is able to perform. The decision was given in Bates vs. Moser Company, a Lycoming county case.

Missionary Service.
The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lutheran church, at Tusseyville, will hold their annual Thank offering service on Saturday evening of this week. All are invited to attend.
Dispute Altoona Mayor's Re Election.
Alleging that many ballots marked for him were thrown out and irregularities practiced in the count, Dan S. Brumbaugh, Democratic candidate for Mayor of Altoona, defeated by Mayor Charles E. Rhodes on a Labor Party ticket by ninety votes, on Monday petitioned the court for a recount of the ballots.
Interest in Ross Farm Sold.
Some time ago the Ross farm, near Farmers Mills, was offered at public sale but the high bid was not attractive to the owners, Mrs. Sarah Bushman, Mrs. Lettie Goodhart and J. Frank Ross, heirs of Mrs. Mollie Ross. Recently Mrs. Bushman sold her interest to her sister, Mrs. Goodhart, who it is reported will move onto the place and conduct the farming operations.
Securing Pure Bred Cows.
A car load of pure bred Holstein cows were shipped from Howell, Michigan, to Lewisport, the same having been purchased by Milfill county farmers. All expenses incident to the trip and the transportation of the cows to Lewisport from Michigan is being borne by the Milfill County National Bank which is standing sponsor for the better cattle idea in Milfill county. Prof. Welsh, of State, will try to locate another carload for the farmers of the Kishacoquillas valley.

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GREAT SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING TO BE HELD IN SPRUCETOWN M. E. CHURCH.

Two Sessions to be Held Friday, November 21st.—Many Prominent Speakers Assure a Helpful and Interesting Convention.—The Program.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2.00 O'CLOCK
Song Service and Devotions - Rev. I. C. Bailey
"Our Challenge" - Ives L. Harvey
President Centre Co. Sabbath School Assoc.
"Sabbath Observance" - Rev. J. J. Weaver
"We Must Have Trained Teachers" - A. C. Thompson
Teacher Training Supt. Centre Co. S. S. Assoc.
Song
"The District Standard" - W. D. Reel, Field Worker, State Sabbath School Assoc.
"Christian Stewardship" - C. C. Shuey
Treas. Centre Co. Sabbath School Assoc.
"Our Sunday School Reports" - Darius Waite
Secy. Centre Co. Sabbath School Assoc.
"Our Missionary Program" - Rev. C. P. Catherman
Missionary Supt. Centre Co. S. S. Assoc.

EVENING SESSION—7.00 O'CLOCK.
Song Service and Devotions - Rev. R. R. Jones
The Organized Class at Work [A Demonstration] - George MacMillen
Young People's Div. Supt. Centre Co. S. S. Assoc.
"Rural Work" - Prof. W. W. Reitz
Reports of Committees - Dr. W. K. McKinney
Address - Centre County Sabbath School Assoc.
Address - W. D. Reel
Adjourn

OFFICERS—C. E. Royer, President; Clayton Wagner, Vice President; Mrs. S. W. Smith, Secretary; W. H. Sinkabine, Treasurer.
DEPARTMENTAL SUPERINTENDENTS—Miss Helen Bartholomew, Home Department; Miss Orpha Gramley, Elementary; M. Tibben Zubler, Teacher Training; Thomas S. Swartz, Temperance; Prof. W. W. Reitz, Rural Work; T. M. Gramley, O. A. B. C.; Rev. C. F. Catherman, Young People's Division; Rev. I. C. Bailey, Mission Supt.

HANGAR AND PLANES BURNED.

Five Airplanes and the Large Hangar at Bellefonte Burned Saturday Evening—Planes Carry Mail Monday.
Fire on Saturday night wiped out the hangar, the office buildings, four DeHaviland and one Curtis airplane at the Bellefonte Aviation Field, the first station on the New York-Cleveland air route.
Only the gasoline tank was saved. The origin of the fire is unknown. After its discovery little could be done to extinguish the flames and the buildings were soon a charred mass.
The entire loss is estimated at \$200,000.
The destruction by fire of all the equipment, did not put a stop to the mail service. The entire force at the aviation field worked all day Sunday and greeted temporary buildings. Two planes were sent there Sunday evening for Monday morning's trip east and west.
The field was visited on Sunday by hundreds of persons. For a time during the afternoon autos were lined up on both sides of the road for half a mile along the aviation field, and finally the centre of the road became jammed with cars. It required considerable ingenuity on the part of the local traffic cops to clear the road for through travel.
Do You Want Forest Trees.
If you want to plant forest trees next spring you should at once get into communication with the Department of Forestry, Harrisburg. It is estimated there will be a call for four million trees. Last spring over three million forest trees were planted by private parties.
Belgium Turns on Drink.
The Belgium Parliament has passed a law prohibiting the sale of spirits in public houses, and even prohibiting the owners from keeping liquors for his own personal consumption. For the time being the sale of beer and wine will be permitted.
Bull and Overland Collide.
A two year old Holstein bull and the Overland car driven by Harry A. McClellan collided, west of David Stoner's farm buildings above Tusseyville, a few days ago. The bull was hit broadside and knocked ten feet, the car hitting him a second time before the wind up. The damage done was a bone in one of the bull's legs dislocated and a number of flesh wounds.
Seventy-five head of cattle have recently been purchased on the Chicago market by the Department of Animal Husbandry, Pennsylvania State College for experimental purposes during the winter.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weiser and Norman Sharer, south of Centre Hall, recently made an auto trip to Altoona and from there through Huntingdon and Bedford counties, where they visited relatives of Mrs. Weiser's.

Rebrushing Forest Roads.
The work of rebrushing the roads, trails and firelines on the Bear Meadows and Seven Mountain State Forests has just been completed at a total cost of \$865 13. This includes that part of the Seven mountains in southern Centre county from Rock Springs on the west to Spring Mills on the east, a distance of 25 miles. This work is done during the fall of each year to make the forest accessible and in case of a forest fire these roads and trails will serve as base lines from which back-firing can be done. Hunters appreciate the effort the Forest Department has made to keep the mountain roads open as it makes travel much easier and the inexperienced hunter will not easily get lost from the other members of his party.

Correct Comparison.
Almost as a rule you will find that the people who complain most about the numerous drives for money for the public welfare are like the man who was complaining bitterly of his wife's nagging him for money.
"There's no let up" he explained, "One day she comes to me for ten, another for twenty and then again she wants fifty—money, money all the time."
"But what does she do with it?" asked the sympathetic listener.
"Oh, I don't give it to her," was the answer.
Sold Building Lot.
The building lot adjoining the Miss Mary Fisher home, formerly the Mitterling property, on the south, was sold by Frank M. Fisher to Albert H. Spayd for the sum of \$500. It is an exceptionally desirable building lot and is fronted with a stone walk and maple shade trees. Mr. Spayd will build for himself and wife a modern home.

W. S. S. Campaign.
At a recent meeting of chairmen of War Savings from Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, among whom was W. Harrison Walker, chairman of sixteen central Pennsylvania counties, held in Philadelphia recently, the executives voted to hold a seven-day campaign beginning January 17, which will in no wise partake of the nature of the wartime "drives" but will appeal to business judgement and sense of financial self-preservation of the people of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.
During that week, schools, banks, industrial establishments and fraternal organization will be systematically approached and the idea of regular saving through Savings Societies will be advanced on a purely common-sense basis. Sixty county chairmen, as many vice chairmen, and special city chairmen and workers of every community will constitute the campaign machinery. Special speakers and exposition features embracing concrete examples of the need of thrift will be used as adjuncts to the campaign.
Centre county up to November 8th, held its place as second in her per capita rating among the counties in the state. The county coming first is Union.
LOCAL AND PERSONAL.
Carload of winter wheat bran just unloaded.—Bradford & Son.
Mrs. William A. Sandoe, of Ingram, came to Centre Hall the latter part of last week to visit among friends.
It is reported that corn had been strewn where wild turkeys frequent, north of town, just before the opening of the turkey season.
On account of hog cholera breaking out in various sections in Milfill county, hogs are already being killed for the year's supply of meat on the farm.
The County Pomona Grange meets in session today (Thursday) in the Grange arcadia. The election of officers for the ensuing two years will take place.
Lewistown is being urged to again organize a National Guard and has been promised by the state authorities that an armory will be built there by the state, provided a site is donated.
At a meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution held at Pittsburgh Mrs. Edwin Erie Sparks, of State College, was elected Regent of this association. This is the highest office in the order.
The increase of pay allowed through an act of congress to postmasters, post office employees under civil service rules and rural mail carriers, is temporary only. The increase applies from July 1, 1919, to July 1, 1920.
Mrs. Margaret Swabb, who has been ill at her home in Centre Hall for some weeks suffering from erysipelas and was removed to the home of her sister, Mrs. Gross at State College about ten days ago, is reported as slightly improved.
The following is reprinted from last week's Orangeville, Illinois Courier: The Rote Lumber Co. had a carload of Wisconsin potatoes on the track this week. There were 600 bushels in the load and they sold at \$1.70 per bushel.
In the city of Williamsport during the months of July, August, September and October there were thirty-one arrests for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, whereas during the same period in 1918, there were 232 arrests for the same offenses.
C. B. Shontz, of Chester Hill, a point near Phillipsburg, has just finished husking his corn crop of 201 bushels, raised on a piece of land embracing 1.53 acres. In addition to this he had about 10 or 15 bushels of corn stolen out of the field. This is surely some yield.
H. G. Strohmeier and S. P. Hennigh, the latter of Georges Valley, made a verbal agreement whereby Mr. Hennigh will become the owner of a building lot to the west of Mr. Strohmeier's residence, the same to be improved by the erection of a dwelling house of bungalow style. Very good news.
Thanksgiving Day Services.
Religious services will be held on the morning of Thanksgiving Day, as follows:
Centre Hall, Evangelical church, 10-30 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. C. F. Catherman.
Spring Mills, Lutheran church, 10:00 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. R. R. Jones. Offering will go to the Armenian relief fund.
Tuberculosis Days.
Governor Sproul suggests that the residents of Pennsylvania join other states in observing tuberculosis day in December in connection with the Christmas seal sale.
The dates named are Friday, December 8th, as tuberculosis day in the schools; Saturday, December 6th, as tuberculosis day in the Synagogues, and Sunday, December 7th, as tuberculosis day in the church.
Oysters Saturday night at Wm. McClenahan's parlors, adv.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS
Sheriff-elect Dukeman resigned as chief of police of Bellefonte.
Impossibilities of today are likely, to be commonplaces of tomorrow.
A daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Walker, west of Centre Hall.
Dr. J. V. Foster has been appointed medical inspector of the public schools for Ferguson township.
Mrs. J. H. Boon, of Hartford, Conn., arrived in Centre Hall on Saturday and will be with her father, B. D. Brisbin, for some time.
Only a little over a month until Christmas will be upon us. For many seasons it is best to begin making your Christmas purchases now.
Plowing stands first on the program of many farmers. It has long been proven that turning of clay soil at this season of the year is beneficial.
Miss Rebecca Derstine, who has been making her home in Bellefonte for the past few years, is at the home of her sister, Mrs. John H. Puff, in Centre Hall, at the present time.
Thursday night of last week was the first real cold snap experienced in this section this fall. The ground was frozen to the depth of several inches where it was not protected.
You can't always judge a feed by its analysis; the only real test is the milk pail test. Larro Dairy Feed will prove efficient in this test. Car just in.—R. D. Foreman, adv.
The Horton stone quarry, at Centre Hall station, is operating again after a close of two or three days. Mr. Horton was on the spot when work was resumed. The familiar whistle was a source of delight when heard again after the brief silence.
The excessive rainfall during the last month has caused splendid growth of wheat, rye and pasture; but has prevented in some instances the sowing of late grain, and injured the corn and delayed husking. Farmers are not as well advanced with their work as last fall.
George W. Potter is preparing to move from near the public school building to the home on Hoffer street recently purchased from Mrs. Lavina Walters. He expects to move some time next week, and will be followed by Charles Flink and family as tenants.
On Saturday night, at 11:14 o'clock, a special train leaves Centre Hall for Washington, D. C.,—a Sunday excursion to the national capital. These excursions are usually well patronized on the local branch, and Sunday's promise to be no exception to the rule.
Mrs. Elizabeth Bartholomew is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bartholomew in Centre Hall. From here she will go to Carwensville to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kuttelberger, and from there to Pittsburgh where she makes her home with her daughter, Gertrude, wife of Harry Smith, a traveling salesman.
Mrs. Margaret Wireback, wife of the late Dr. Wireback, of Pittsburgh, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keller. She is on her way home after having spent the summer at Wildwood and Philadelphia. She is a daughter of the late Dr. Peter Fisher, of Bealsburg, and a sister of Nevin Fisher, head of the Catholic church in Philadelphia.
Miss Helen Brubaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brubaker, of Centre Hall, who entered for training as a nurse in the Municipal hospital, Philadelphia, some time ago, and about four weeks ago was stricken with scarlet fever, is improving nicely and at present is anticipating an early discharge and a return to Centre Hall for a brief period.
The vacant lot lying between the residence owned by George H. Emerick and the Lutheran parsonage, was recently sold to William F. Colyer by Mr. Emerick. Current rumor has it that Mr. Colyer will build a modern garage, but the purchaser tells the Reporter that while this may happen it will not be done at the present time. The site is well suited for a garage.
With a view of preparing for a long cold winter, Dr. H. H. Longwell had made for himself an overcoat, cap and gloves from a horse hide especially tanned for that purpose. The coat is trimmed with calf skin and the same material is used for the elaborate cuffs on the gloves. The coat is covered with broad cloth, making it very dressy and neat in its appearance.
Some of the county papers were in error when they stated that civil service examinations would be held in Bellefonte, State College and Phillipsburg for local enumerators of census. The examinations on the 15th inst. were for clerks in the census department at salaries of from \$900 to \$1000, temporary in character. The examinations for enumerators are not conducted under civil service rules, nor are they competitive; they are simply tests.

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