



## PRaise FOR MEASURES PASSED BY DEMOCRATS.

### Republican Congressmen Commend Federal Reserve and Farm Loan Acts.

That the Federal Farm Loan act "has enabled vast regions of farming lands to be utilized to their highest capacity," thus aiding production both in war and peace, was recently asserted in the House by Representative A. P. Nelson, Republican, of Wisconsin, during debate on the bill to extend the benefits of that act to the farmers of Porto Rico. Representative Nelson, though a Republican, praised two achievements of the Democratic administration—passage of the Federal Reserve act and the Federal Farm Loan act.

Mr. Nelson is a banker and business man and has been a regent of the University of Wisconsin for thirteen years. He is a student of legislation, and his remarks covering the benefit of these two pieces of legislation were of special interest to the House.

Advocating the Porto Rico bill, which was passed, Representative Nelson made this observation:

"One of the real constructive pieces of legislation that our American people demand from Congress today is legislation along the line provided in this bill, and I am ready to support this bill because it is along the line of a constructive policy. I say further, that the two outstanding legislative enactments of the past to help increased production are the Federal Reserve act, which has given to our commercial life the possibility of extension of credits enabling us to meet the tremendous strain of the past four or five years, and the enactment of the Federal Farm Loan act, which we are attempting to amend by this bill.

"The Federal Farm Loan act has enabled vast regions of farming lands in America to be utilized to their highest capacity and to reduce rates to a minimum. It has done away with the extreme rates charged by greedy loan sharks and by unscrupulous capitalistic combinations, and has stabilized the rates of interest on all farm loans throughout the entire nation.

### Interesting Letter from Subscriber.

China Grove, N. C.  
April 26, 1920.

Dear Editor and Friends:

Enclosed find check of \$1.50 for my renewal to your valuable paper. I certainly enjoy its weekly visits.

During the last few weeks we have been boosting the Forward Movement of our church, as State organizer; also attending a number of public school commencements.

We just received word that our new million dollar cotton mill will be erected on a part of my farm. We have 90 goats employed to clear up a new ground of 30 acres, and they are doing a fine job.

No corn or cotton planted yet; clover, oats, and wheat look fine.

Our two new churches will be dedicated the last Sunday in May,—to which you are all invited.

Best wishes and kindest regards to all my friends.

Yours truly,

(Rev.) J. H. KELLER.

### State Agricultural Notes.

Restrain the dog and save the sheep. Horses have advanced very materially in price during the last three months.

Pennsylvania has 1,556 townships varying from five in Cameron to fifty-seven in Chester.

Protect cabbage, tomato and similar plants from cutworms with a 3 or 4 inch collar of stiff wrapping paper or cheap roofing paper.

Heavy losses from apple scab can be prevented by timely spraying with diluted lime sulphur, about one part to forty of water.

Cockroaches and ants can be eliminated by dusting infested rooms, especially around baseboards and sinks, with sodium fluoride.

Cutworms can be killed by placing poisoned bran mash on infested land. For the methods of preparation write to the Bureau of Plant Industry, Harrisburg.

Red bug injury to apples can be forestalled by spraying with tobacco extract or nicotine solutions before and after the trees bloom; also kills aphids.

In 1919 Pennsylvania ranked first in the production of buckwheat, fifth in potatoes, sixth in hay, eighth in tobacco, ninth in rye, thirteenth in wheat, fourteenth in corn and fifteenth in oats.

Maggot injury to radishes and cabbages can be prevented by a poisoned bait coarsely sprinkled about the plants. Ask the Bureau of Plant Industry, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

The value of the 1919 wheat crop in Pennsylvania was estimated at \$62,878,987.00, while estimates show that the farmers of this State expended approximately \$62,928,575.00 for male farm help during the last year. It appears that it took the value of the crop of wheat to pay for farm help.

### Kerr-Bible.

The marriage of William Bernard Kerr and Miss Joyce Kathryn Bible, a couple well known in Centre Hall and vicinity, was solemnized in the Arch Street Methodist church, Philadelphia, on Wednesday of last week, by the Rev. V. E. Rorer, D. D.

The bride is a daughter of J. R. Bible, of Phoenixville, Chester county, and formerly of Potters Mills. She had occupied a position in the office of the Surgeon General, Washington, D. C., and prior to that taught in the Phoenixville schools. The groom is a son of Mrs. Myra Kerr, and formerly lived with his mother in Centre Hall. He laid the foundation of his education in the Centre Hall High school. He was of a studious character and his worth has been recognized by the Union Pacific Railroad System in whose employ he has been for many years. He has won several promotions and at present is traveling accountant, dining car and hotel department, of the Union Pacific System, with headquarters at Ogden, Utah. The couple will reside at 2221 Quincy street, Ogden, Utah.

The Reporter extends heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a happy wedded life.

### Chautauqua for Centre Hall.

Centre Hall's Chautauqua dates have been announced. They are, June 30th to July 2nd, inclusive.

### Phone Protests Reach 102.

One hundred and two formal complaints against the new rates of the Bell Telephone Company have been filed with the Public Service Commission, at Harrisburg.

### Pomona Grange Meets.

A regular quarterly meeting of the Centre County Pomona Grange will be held at Pine Hall, on Saturday, May 15th. There will be two sessions, morning and afternoon.

### Announce Arrival of Son.

A telegram received on Monday afternoon by Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs carried the happy announcement of the arrival of a nine-pound baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Jacobs, at their home in Steubenville, Ohio. The young man will carry his father's name, with "Jr." affixed.

We'll say Guy is the happy man now, with a boy and a girl in the family.

### Many Thanks.

The Reporter desires to thank most sincerely that group of subscribers who responded so nobly to our request for payment on subscription, in the form of a statement. Several advanced their subscription into 1922. Of course, we did not hear from all, but we continue hopeful that the remainder may soon do likewise. We dislike to continually call attention to this matter, but with the tremendous costs of publishing a newspaper facing a publisher, it is necessary, yes, imperative, that all subscriptions be paid up.

If you have not paid up, may we expect a remittance soon, please.—The Publishers.

### Passenger Agent Boyer Is Promoted To Sunbury.

The following article appeared in a recent issue of a Lock Haven paper, and concerns a young man well known in Penns Valley:

C. A. Boyer, passenger agent of the Pennsylvania railroad in this city, has been promoted to the same position at Sunbury, the change to be effective May 1. He will be succeeded by Dr. R. Goodlander, of Williamsport, who has been extra agent on the Williamsport division.

Mr. Royer has made many personal friends and has well served the interests of the company during the three years and three months he has acted as the local agent. His unflinching courtesy was combined with an ability now handsomely recognized by the railroad company. Prior to his becoming ticket agent, he served as chief clerk at the local freight office for seven years.

### Sugar Shortage Tempts Unscrupulous Dealers.

The present shortage in the sugar market has tempted scores of unscrupulous manufacturers throughout the state to substitute saccharin for sweetening soft drinks, ice cream and pastries. As a result, Director James Foust of the Division of Foods, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture has instructed all field agents to be unusually vigilant for this class of offenders.

Saccharin is more than 500 times sweeter than sugar and costs only a fraction as much as sugar. It is without food value, however, and has a decided harmful effect on the human body. During the past month or two, scores of arrests have been ordered by the bureau and half a hundred arrests of dealers scattered throughout the commonwealth are now pending and will be ordered in a few days.

## DISTRICT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT FARMERS MILLS, FRIDAY, MAY 7.

The twenty-eighth semi-annual Sunday-School convention of the eleventh district of Centre county, will be held tomorrow (Friday) in the Union church, Farmers Mills, Rev. R. R. Jones, pastor. The district comprises Centre Hall borough, Potter and Gregg townships.

An interesting program has been arranged, as may be gathered from the subjects assigned the various ministers in the district.

The Hon. Ives L. Harvey will occupy a period in the evening session. The program follows.

### AFTERNOON SESSION—2.00 O'CLOCK.

Mr. C. E. Royer, Presiding

Song Leader, Rev. I. C. Bailey

Devotional . . . . . President, Mr. C. E. Royer  
Greetings  
Appointment of Committees  
"The Expressional Activities of Our Young People" . . . . . Rev. C. F. Catherman  
Music  
"Modern Sunday-School Methods" . . . . . Rev. J. F. Bingman  
Election of Officers  
Adjournment

### EVENING SESSION—7.30

Young People's Praise Service]  
Devotional . . . . . Mr. T. M. Gramley  
Enrollment of Schools  
"The Chief End of Sunday-School Teaching" . . . . . Hon. I. L. Harvey  
First Vice President of State Association  
Music  
"Christian Stewardship" . . . . . Rev. C. C. Shuey  
Offering  
Minutes  
Report of Resolution Committee  
Benediction

Each Sunday-School in the district is earnestly requested to send their contribution to the County finances before district convention. If sent to County Treasurer, Rev. C. C. Shuey, please report to District Treasurer, Mr. Sinkabine.

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.

### Students Make Novel Offer of RR. Service.

If at any time in the future railway transportation facilities become clogged up because of unusual conditions, to such an extent that Pennsylvania cities face discomfort or starvation through lack of supplies, all of the Penn State engineering students stand ready to offer their services in railroads through government officials. At the beginning of the recent strike trouble a rapid survey of engineering students was made by R. I. Sackett dean, of the School of Engineering, and he found that more than 100 have actual experience in railway operations, and could do anything from throwing switches to firing and engineering a big locomotive. Twenty-five of these are enrolled in the course in railway mechanical engineering and have had more practical experience than most of the others. The offer of service to the government in emergencies has been characterized by a high Pennsylvania Railroad official as the most sensible step yet taken by college students in this line. Isolation from railroad centers prevented actual service on the part of these willing students during the recent trouble.

### Lewisburg Woolen Mill Destroyed by Fire.

The big woolen mills of the Lewisburg Mills company were totally destroyed by fire last Thursday morning at a loss estimated at a minimum of \$150,000.

The fire started about 7 o'clock in a room at the rear of the second floor of the plant, and spread so fast that a half dozen men who were working in the mill at the time were unable to control it.

Lack of sufficient water pressure made the firemen almost helpless in the face of the flames. They were unable to throw a stream higher than the second floor and their efforts made no appreciable check on the progress of the flames, which soon had swept through the entire big structure.

The origin of the fire is unknown. It started in a storage room and may have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

The mill was a big structure situated on the banks of the Susquehanna river near the point where the Pennsylvania railroad bridge crosses the stream.

The mill gave employment to one hundred and five skilled operators. The establishment was founded by the Halpenny family and four years ago was taken over by a corporation.

The former mills standing on the same site had been destroyed by fire. The present structure was built forty-two years ago. The new owners had made improvements and were bringing the industry to a highly efficient state. Their product was used for children's clothing and big orders were booked.

Rev. Drumm will preach a Mother's Day sermon in the Lutheran church on Sunday evening. His text will be, "Behold thy mother". The Union and Georges Valley will also hear this sermon.

### Western Horses at High Figures.

A carload of western horses, twenty-two head, averaged \$242.50 at a sale held at Centre Hall on Saturday afternoon. Auctioneer L. F. Mayes disposed of the lot in short order. A large crowd of farmers were on hand and saw the animals sold. The highest price paid for a team was \$630.00. The buyers were:

G. W. Holt, Fleming,	2	\$580
M. M. Bower, Millheim,	1	240
H. A. Meyer, Millheim,	1	230
H. F. Confer, Rebersburg,	1	160
C. M. Bierly, Rebersburg,	1	195
C. H. Bierly, Rebersburg,	1	287
J. M. Kline, Swineford,	2	630
H. R. Confer, Millheim,	1	180
E. C. Zerby, Millheim,	1	201
N. Zimmerman, Lock Haven,	5	1305
G. B. Stover, Millheim,	1	266
G. A. Lohr, Oak Hall,	1	164
M. Barger, Centre Hall,	1	232
W. H. Andrews, Bellefonte,	2	450
A. B. Smith, Centre Hall,	1	215
Total		\$5335

### Wear Their Overalls to Church.

One hundred attendants of St. John's Lutheran Church at Northumberland, on Sunday, wore overalls. The ushers were clad in denim and the collection was taken by men who wore these badges of economy. They declared that this will be their Sunday garb until clothing prices come down.

### SAVE THE BABY CHICKS!

Kerlins' Poultry Farm of this place is giving ABSOLUTELY FREE 2 \$1.00 packages READY RELIEF FOR BABY CHICKS with each order for one \$1.00 package. Mail orders filled. Great for all ailments of chicks.

### GEORGES VALLEY.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Yetter spent Sunday at the home of W. Cal. Meyer, at Spring Mills.

E. L. Lingle and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Miles Barger at the Red Mill.

Miss Helen Ripka, of Penn Hall, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ripka.

Mrs. J. C. Barger spent Thursday at the home of her son, Hobert Barger, at Spring Mills.

S. E. Gobble and family spent Sunday in Decker Valley at the home of Mrs. Gobble's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Confer.

Mrs. H. M. Lingle and Mrs. Hanna Confer spent a few days the past week at the J. K. Confer home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lingle spent Sunday evening at Penn Hall with Mrs. Lingle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Emerick. Mr. Emerick has been confined to the house for some time with heart trouble.

James Foust visited his sister, Mrs. Hartman, at Potters Mills, on Sunday.

Mrs. Blanche L. Neff, in remitting on subscription to the Reporter, writes from Antonito, Colorado: "It is the best paper I see for the money, and I would hate to think I was even slow in paying my subscription."

## THE DEATH RECORD.

GFRERER.—Franklin Gfrerer, a life-long resident of Potter township, and respected farmer citizen, passed away at his home, immediately west of Centre Hall borough, late Friday night. He took sick about three weeks ago with pleurisy pneumonia. His condition was considered serious from the start, but Mr. Gfrerer insisted upon being up and directing the work of preparing his home for the installing of electric light, which he had planned to do at that time. His walking about and giving his personal attention to various matters had the effect of further reducing his physical strength and he was finally forced to take his bed, which was but a few days prior to his death. Dropsy developed and hastened the end.

Deceased was born on the old Gfrerer homestead, near Centre Hall, and was a son of the late Xavier and Rebecca Gfrerer. On October 28th, 1919, he attained his fiftieth birthday. He occupied the farm, on which he died, for the past twenty-two years, and was its owner. He was a successful farmer, good neighbor, generous of heart, and he and his good wife always extended a sincere welcome to those who came to their domicile. The Gfrerer farm was noted for its orchards of fruit, especially fine cherries, and many can attest to the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Gfrerer in giving to all who came there as much fruit as they wished, for which they asked nothing in return.

Surviving him are his wife, nee Sarah Royer, a daughter, Anna, at home, and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. James S. Stahl, William Gfrerer, Miss Sarah Ellen Gfrerer, of Centre Hall, and Calvin Gfrerer, of Axemann. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in the Lutheran church, of which Mr. Gfrerer was a faithful member and deacon for a number of years. Rev. B. F. Bieber, of Muncy, a former pastor, officiated. Burial was made at Centre Hall.

CORMAN.—Nathan Corman, of near Pleasant Gap, died in a Philadelphia hospital Thursday morning. He had entered the institution a short time before for treatment. Mr. Corman held public sale, seven weeks to the day, before his death, and at that time his wife passed away. He had gone to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Bond Gummo, below Pleasant Gap. Ten children survive. The funeral was held on Monday and burial made at Howard. Mr. Corman was aged about sixty years.

NOLL.—Miss Susan Noll died Wednesday morning of last week at her late home at Pleasant Gap, at which place she had resided all her life. She was aged seventy-nine years on March 3rd, last. She was a daughter of the late Samuel Noll, and a sister of John Noll, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. Adam Stine, of Crescent City, Okla. Burial was made Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Zion cemetery.

### Free Education in Forestry.

A free education in forestry is offered the young men of Pennsylvania by the State Department of Forestry. Gifford Pinchot, the Chief Forester, on Monday, announced that competitive examinations will be held June 17 and 18, at Harrisburg, for free scholarship to the State Forest Academy at Mont Alto.

Following the examination, the twelve highest men will be appointed to the Forest Academy where they will begin their study of forestry in September.

Young men between 18 and 25 years who have completed a 4 year High school course and who have had experience in farming, lumbering, surveying and other forms of outdoor work, are particularly desired. The scholarships provide free tuition, board, room and laundry. Upon successful completion of the course, which includes thorough and practical training, a degree in forestry will be awarded.

Information about the State Forest Academy, and application blanks for admittance to the examination, may be had by writing to E. A. Ziegler, Director, Pennsylvania State Forest Academy, Mont Alto, Pa.

### Lewistown Mail Carrier Accused.

Brawston VanZandt, regular rural letter carrier on route No. 2 from Lewistown post office, was arrested on Saturday on information furnished by a post office inspector. The charge against the young man is that he received money from patrons on his route to purchase money orders and did not buy orders for the full amounts of money given him.

It is probable that his case will come before the U. S. Court in June. VanZandt is about 22 years of age and has been the regular carrier on route No. 2 leading from Lewistown to Mattawana since last September.

The accused resides on Valley street and is married and has two children.

Be a Reporter reader.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Sunday is Mother's Day.

William Shoop, of Bellefonte, visited his father, Samuel Shoop, on Sunday.

Miss Laura Frank was the only graduate of the Millheim High school this year.

Mrs. John Knarr spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ebon Bower, at Bellefonte.

W. H. Kuhn, of Centre Hall, transacted business in Jersey Shore the latter part of last week.

If the old saying holds good that the last Friday in the month rules the following month, then look out for a wet May.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Lingle moved from State College, last week, to Centre Hall, and occupied the Presbyterian manse.

A dwelling house, the home of an Austrian, was completely destroyed by fire last Thursday, on the outskirts of Bellefonte.

The Lewistown Gazette is now \$2.00 a year, the increase in price being forced by the unprecedented high cost of print paper.

Mrs. W. B. Mingle, who spent the winter with relatives in Philadelphia, returned to Centre Hall on Saturday and opened her home.

Miss Anna Mary Harter, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Harter, is a student at the Lock Haven State Normal, for the spring term.

State College merchants have decided to observe a six o'clock closing hour every evening during the week excepting Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

Floyd Walker, who about six weeks ago lost a leg in a quarry accident at Oak Hall, left the Bellefonte hospital last week for his home at Linden Hall, Centre Hall.

Miss Beulah Shyder, a trained nurse from Lock Haven, was called to the home of the late Frank Gfrerer, last Friday. Mr. Gfrerer's condition, however, proved to be beyond all hope.

Rev. C. T. Aikens, D. D., of Selmsgrove University, filled the pulpits in the Lutheran churches at Spring Mills, Centre Hall and Tusseyville, on Sunday, and administered the Holy Communion.

The three McClintic boys, whose good luck at trout fishing was commented upon by the Reporter last week, are sons of Frank McClintic, and not William McClintic, as was erroneously stated in the article.

A "Woodlot Day" should be established for general observation by Pennsylvania farmers. It could be a day in the spring as soon as conditions permit, when small trees can be planted in the woodlot, or tree seeds sown, according to Professor J. A. Ferguson, of the forestry department at the Pennsylvania State College.

Penn State is making great preparations for its coming commencement which begins Saturday, June 12th. There will be a greater schedule of athletic events than ever before in the history of the college, chief of which are two baseball games with the University of Pittsburgh, on June 12th and 14th, and one with the fast University of California team on Tuesday, June 15th.

Sylvia P. Woodal, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Woodal, of Burnham, was run down by an automobile driven by Bruce Gross, of Lewistown, on Thursday evening, and was fatally injured, her death occurring the following morning at the Lewistown hospital. The little girl was running across the road to pick up a toy balloon which had blown from her hands, when she was hit by the car.

A committee meeting on the Bell telephone rate protest was held at Spring Mills last Thursday evening, and T. M. Gramley was elected to go with Attorney James Furst to Harrisburg to appear before the Public Service Commission. It appears that the protest made by the lower Penns and Brush Valley patrons was the first listed by the Commission and consequently the first to be heard before that body. The hearing was held Wednesday of this week.

A decision was handed down by the Superior court last week reversing the judgement of the Centre county court and granting a new trial in the case of William Blauser vs. Frank A. Carson. The case hinges on a controversy as to whether Mr. Carson, whose property is located near the property of Mr. Blauser, at Potters Mills, has legal right to use a certain alley in traveling between his property and the main road which passes the Blauser property. The case has been in the Centre county court for years and a decision was recently given in favor of Mr. Blauser, giving him damages in the sum of about \$6. Mr. Carson was dissatisfied with this decision as it would infer he has no right to use the roadway in question, which roadway had been used for many years and is a short cut that means considerable to the owner, and he appealed from the decision of the Centre county court.