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WHAT DID YOU MAKE IN 1920?

Uncle Sam Begins Collection of Federal Income Tax for Last Year.—Revenue Officers to Visit Every County.

Work has begun on the collection of the income tax for the year 1920. Uncle Sam, through the Bureau of Internal Revenue, is addressing to every person in the United States the question, "What was your net income for 1920?" The answer permits of no guesswork. Every single person whose net income for 1920 was \$1,000 or more and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or more is required to file a return under oath with the collector of internal revenue for the district in which he lives on or before March 15, 1921.

The penalty for failure is a fine of not more than \$1,000 and an additional assessment of 25 per cent of the amount of tax due. For willful refusal to make a return the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000 or not exceeding one year's imprisonment, or both together with the cost of prosecution. A similar penalty is provided for making a false or fraudulent return, together with an additional assessment of 50 per cent of the amount of tax evaded.

WOMEN MUST PAY TAX.

The income tax applies to women as well as men. Husband and wife must consider the income of both plus that of minor dependent children, and if the total equals or exceeds \$2,000 a return must be filed. A minor who has a net income in his own right of \$1,000 or more must file a separate return. To be allowed the \$2,000 exemption a married person must be living with husband or wife on the last day of the taxable year, December 31, 1920. Divorces, persons separated by mutual agreement, widows and widowers, unless they are the sole support of others living in the same household, in which case they are allowed the \$2,000 exemption granted the head of a family, are entitled only to \$1,000 exemption.

TAX RATES FOR 1920.

The normal tax rate for 1920 is the same as for 1919—4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income above the exemption and 8 per cent on the remaining net income. This applies to every citizen and resident of the United States. In addition to the normal tax surtax is imposed upon net income in excess of \$5,000.

INSTRUCTIONS ON FORM.

Full instructions for making out returns are contained on the forms, copies of which may be obtained from collectors of internal revenue. Persons whose net income for 1920 was \$5,000 or less should use Form 1040A. Those with incomes in excess of \$5,000 should use Form 1040.

Revenue officers will visit every county in the United States to assist taxpayers in making out their returns. The date of their arrival and the location of their offices will be announced by the press or may be ascertained upon inquiry at the offices of collectors. This advisory service is without cost to taxpayers.

Automobile Show for Centre Co.

Centre county will keep step with her progressive neighbors—Mifflin and Lycoming counties—and have an automobile show all her own, some time next month.

Major Eugene H. Lederer, of State College, is responsible for the undertaking and already his plans have worked out so well that this preliminary announcement is made.

The show will be held probably in the armory in Bellefonte, some time in February, the exact date to be announced later.

Most of the agencies in Centre county will make exhibits which assure the latest models of practically every standard motor vehicle, truck and tractor.

Those who have taken space up to this time are the Guick agency, Phillipsburg; John Confer, Snow Shoe; Boozer and Smith, Centre Hall; Decker Bros., Spring Mills; C. H. Breon, Millheim; Snyder, Hubler Bros., Decker and Harper and Meyers, State College; Beezer, Beatty Motor Co., Wion, Kraler Motor Co., and Poorman, Bellefonte.

Odd Fellows' Anniversary.

Thursday evening, January 13th, the I. O. O. F. and the Rebekah lodges of Centre Hall will observe their anniversary in their customary way. Odd Fellows and their families, as well as Rebekahs, will assemble in the Grange Hall for their annual banquet, which will be preceded by an interesting literary program. All members are urged to be present.

Bellefonte Hotel Men Arrested.

Four Bellefonte hotel men, charged with having liquor in their possession, were held for Court at Harrisburg, after a hearing before Commissioner N. S. Engle at Sunbury, on Friday. They are Harry Kline, Bruce Glize, Walter Krier and Barney Bilger. Rev. R. E. Johnson, of Philadelphia, was the prosecutor.

Received Into the Church.

A total of thirty-five men and women—mostly of the younger set—were received into the Lutheran church on the Penns Valley charge within the past two weeks. The following shows the additions in the various congregations: At Centre Hall.—By letter, 2; by transfer, 1; by confirmation, 10; by adult baptism, 2; total, 15.

At Spring Mills.—By transfer, 2; by re-confession of faith, 1; by confirmation, 8; by adult baptism, 1; total, 12.

At Georges Valley.—By confirmation, 6; by adult baptism 2; total 8.

Finkle-Steward.

Eben B. Finkle, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Margurite Steward, of the same city, were united in marriage on Dec. 16th, in Cleveland, Ohio. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Finkle, of Spring Mills, and is a young man of sterling qualities. He is employed by the Austin Construction Co., of Cleveland. For the present they will be located in Cleveland. Their many friends extend congratulations.

Final Red Cross Membership.

The Earlstown school, Alfred Crawford, teacher, is 100 per cent strong for the Red Cross, 1921. The members are: Margaret Alexander, Mary Schreckengast, Grace Snyder, Evelyn Moyer, Celia Delaney, Edith Delaney, Alice Burkholder, Katherine Russler, Ray Bright, Victor Bright, Chas. Bright, Stellard Bechtel, Eugene Burkholder, Woodrow Bartges, Earl Delaney, William Snyder, George Stover, William Yearick, Helen Neff, Harry Bright.

Centre Hall Grammar school, Miss Mary Hess, teacher: Elizabeth Bartholomew, Edith Moltz, Byres Ripka, Paul Smith, Charlotte Keller, Mary Weber, Ruth Bingman, John Osman.

Tussey's school (continued) Miss Mary Harter, teacher: Luther Wert, Cyrus Wert, Catherine Wert.

Cold Spring school, Harvey Flink, teacher: Anna Gingerich, Mildred Swab, David Swab, Eugene Swab.

Adult Members—Miss Mollie Hofer.

Boalsburg High School Report.

The following students passed all their subjects for the month of December, that is, made an average of seventy per cent or more in each subject:

Senior Class—Frank Hosterman, Maranda Bohn, Paul Durner, Rebecca Meyers, Harold Fisher.

Junior Class—Russel Bohn, Richard Goheen, Ruth Royer, Philip Musser, William Smith, Hester Lonberger, Mildred Gingrich.

Freshman Class—Kattileene Stephens, Margaret Kossman, Faye Bohn, Anna Houser, Helen Glasgow, Verda, Judy, Harold Ishler, Kenneth Ishler, Paul Roberts, Sara Klinefelter, Roy Smith, George Miller, Joseph Shutt, John Mothersbaugh.

Eighth Grade—Elwood Smith, Fred Ross, Gladys Lucas, Katharine Gingrich, Velma Johnsonbaugh, Rosman Wert.

T. A. Williamme, Principal

THE WAVE OF CRIME.

Between the first day of October and Thanksgiving morning forty-one murders were committed in the city of New York—almost one a day. Many of them were incidental to premeditated highway robbery by professional criminals. Men have been assaulted, robbed and killed on the street within a few hundred feet of a policeman—and the murderers have escaped.

In Chicago the condition of lawlessness and violence became so bad that the police "rounded up" all the criminals of whose existence they were informed, kept the suspects under restraint during examination and then dismissed with a warning those who could not lawfully be held.

In almost every city in the country crimes of violence are increasing. Every year one person out of 10,000 living in our larger cities is murdered. Twenty years ago it was only 20,000 and our murder record was even then shamefully bad.

There can be no doubt that the serious outbreak of crime with which our cities are contending is one of the bad results that follow a period of war. Murder and robbery are far more common in European cities than they were in the days before the war, though nowhere, unless it is in Russia, is the death list so shocking as it is in the United States. Murder occurs most frequently in the cities that have a large negro or an unassimilated foreign population; which is only saying that it thrives among the less educated and less firmly settled element of our population. It is owing in many cases to causes of friction that do not exist in the more homogeneous cities of England, France or Germany. But in some instances it attends on incapacity or worse in the city government. There are cities in the United States where thugs and robbers and gunmen are tolerated and, wherever possible, left unmolested, because they have influential protectors—usually paid protectors—on the police force or in the city government.

YOUNG LADY SUCCUMBS TO HER INJURIES.

Miss Miriam Lee, Auto Accident Victim, Passes Away in Bellefonte Hospital on Friday.

Miss Miriam Lee, aged twenty-one years, a most charming young lady of Hubbersburg, and teacher of the public school at Hecla Park, died in the Bellefonte hospital about noon on Friday as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile wreck in Bellefonte the Sunday previous.

On that day, at about 2 o'clock, Ray Rachau, Huston Knarr and Freemond Strunk, of Lamar, and a young man by the name of Vanslyce, of State College, started from Lamar in a five-passenger Reo car for Bellefonte. When they reached Hubbersburg, near the home of L. E. Swartz, they saw Misses Miriam and Emma Lee, Marion and Helen Hoy of Hubbersburg, and Mildred Beck of Snydertown, taking pictures with a camera. They stopped and invited the young ladies to take a ride. The invitation was accepted and they drove to Bellefonte and from there to Pleasant Gap. It was while returning that the unfortunate accident happened. When they reached the Hughes' athletic field on east Bishop street, Miss Lee, who was in the rear seat, changed her position and while doing so she touched the hat of Freemond Strunk who was driving and tilted it over his eyes, which caused him to leave go of the wheel with his right hand to push it back. In doing so the machine swerved to the left and struck a telephone pole, tearing off the top and breaking the windshield. It then struck the bank and Miss Miriam Lee was thrown out and Mr. Knarr had his arm broken in two places between the elbow and wrist. The injured were carried into the home of Harry Kossman where the ambulance was summoned and they were taken to the hospital.

An ex-ray examination revealed that Miss Lee's injuries were of a serious nature. Her nose and thigh bone were broken and her pelvis fractured in three places. She was also injured internally and it was seen at once that her chances for recovery were indeed not bright. She suffered greatly for several days and then death came.

The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee, and was regarded with affection by a wide circle of friends whose sorrow is intense as a result of this most distressing accident. Her funeral was held on Monday morning from her home.

Home-Coming Party.

A home coming party, given in honor of Howard Callahan and Hayes Ralston, last Thursday evening at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Callahan, near Linden Hall, proved a most delightful affair to the seventy-five or more young people who were present.

About three months ago these two young men left for Kansas City, Missouri, where they took a complete course in automobile repairing, in one of the best schools in the country. Their return home at this time was greeted with joy by their many friends, who after enjoying the evening in a delightful social way, were treated to elegant refreshments, prepared by the Callahan family.

Managers of I. O. O. F. Orphanage Will Resign.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Chubbuck, who have held the position of superintendent and matron respectively, at the I. O. O. F. orphanage near Sunbury for many years, have informed the trustees and directors of the institution of their intention of resigning next July. Mr. and Mrs. Chubbuck have been very efficient in their management of the institution and are favorably known to many local Odd Fellows. They will return to their farm in Bradford county and engage in community farming.

At the meeting of the trustees it was reported that there are now 184 children in the home, with six admissions in the last six months. There is no contagion and no deaths have occurred in six months. The sum of \$22,000 has been expended on the new building, with \$31,000 in the fund. Work will be continued in the spring.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Margart J. Lingle to Solomon Lingle, tract in Gregg Twp.; \$2,000.

Chas. C. Smull, et ux to Verna Hackenberg, tract in Miles Twp.; \$1,000.

Lloyd C. Miller, et ux to Ellen Uhl, tract in Gregg Twp.; \$495.

Trustees Evangelical Congregation to Howard F. Weaver, tract in Gregg Twp.; \$125.

Sarah McClenahan to Musser E. Coldren, tract in Centre Hall; \$1,050.

Ellen M. Stuart, et al to John Grove, tract in State College; \$1,350.

Don't fail to get a Sunday paper on Jan. 16th. A big feature of that day's edition will be the annual automobile section. It's worth while.—Clymer McClenahan, agent.

Hospital Needs.

The Centre Hall room in the Bellefonte hospital is badly in need of linens. This room in the hospital has been provided for by the people of this community since the opening of the institution through the hospital aid society efforts, the contributions, of course, not all coming from members of that society. Just now the room is not wanting except for linens, provisions having been made for other items and improvements by persons locally interested in the cause. The linens needed are noted below:

Two dozen sheet, 63 or 72x90.
Two dozen pillow cases, regular size
One dozen dresser scarfs.
Two bed spreads.

Our readers may wonder why such a large number of pieces of linens are needed, and this is answered from the records showing that in some cases it has been necessary to change sheets as often as eleven times on a single bed in a half day.

The Reporter feels that our citizens will respond to this call. These items may be sent direct to the hospital or brought to this office from where they will be forwarded without expense to the donor.

New P. O. S. of A. Officers.

Last Thursday evening the recently elected officers of Washington Camp No. 889, Centre Hall, were duly installed. They are:

Past President—Hugh M. Ralston.
President—Harold Keller.
Vice President—Thomas A. Hosterman.

Master of Forms—R. D. Foreman.
Recording Secretary—T. L. Smith.
Assistant Recording Secretary—N. L. Bartges.

Financial Secretary—E. S. Ripka.
Treasurer—D. W. Bradford.
Chaplain—Rev. M. C. Drumm.
Conductor—Paul Ripka.

Inspector—Norman Walker.
Guard—Lewis A. Beightol.
Right Sentinel—Miles Snyder.
Left Sentinel—Clyde Walker.

Barr-Young.

On January first, Alfred K. Barr, of Woodlawn, and Miss Bessie Young, of Boalsburg, were united in marriage by Rev. S. C. Stover, at the residence of the bride's parents. Immediately after the ceremony they were taken to Bellefonte where they took the train en-route to their new home at Woodlawn. We extend our congratulations.

Letter from South Dakota.

Madison S. Dakota, Jan. 1, 1921.

Editor Reporter: This is the day for many self-conscious sinners to recount the past year and then in the way of amends form many thoughtless resolutions which are willingly broken ere the day has passed.

New Year's day always recalls a humorous cartoon I saw years ago in the wit part of a newspaper. This cartoon represented a typical good-natured German, who while enjoying his pipe soliloquized on follies of the day and gave expression to his feelings as follows: "Ya, dat ish alright for dem young fellows to make blenny New Year's resolutions out, but wat dem young chaps should do ish to make yone great big resolution to keep yone half of dem resolutions."

In accordance with my feelings, my great, big resolution shall be a good financial showing with the Reporter for 1921 and 1922. Inclosed find one of Uncle Sam's blue requests that you put the proper color address labels on the Reporter forwarded to me.

YONTS,
D. J. MITTERLING.

Writes from North Dakota.

William Zerby, a Potter township native, writes the Reporter from his home in Lisbon, North Dakota, under date of January 3, as follows: "Wheat is down to \$1.50 a bushel; oats, 40c; hay, \$11 per ton. We had a terrible snow storm on Christmas day, followed by bitter cold weather, but it is now nice and warm again, bleighing is good. Well, Mr. Editor, I grow old very slowly. On the 7th of August I will be 83, and I can run and jump about as well as ever, and eat a good meal. Oh, how I wish I could again see my native state, but I am too far away. How often I think of the hills where I played in my childhood."

41 Hunters Were Killed in State.

Forty-one hunters were killed in Pennsylvania during the fall hunting season which ended a few weeks ago, according to the report submitted by Seth E. Gordan, secretary of the State Game commission, at the annual meet of the commission held in Harrisburg last week. In the same period seventy-five persons were wounded.

During the season a total of 3,300 deer were killed in the state. Of this number sixty-six were male deer illegally killed and 193 were does.

Howard M. Miles received the appointment of mercantile appraiser for Centre county for 1921. The appointment was made by Auditor General Snyder.

WONDERS OF THE UNIVERSE.

(By Dr. ALFRED BEIRLY, Chicago.)

After Reading This Article Take a Look Into the Heavens; Some Clear Night to Behold a Few of the Works of the Creator.

Editor Reporter:

Your casual correspondent, among other things, has been engaged for some ten years in the pleasant pursuit of gaining more advanced knowledge in the world's foremost science—Astronomy.

To observe the many wonderful mysterious lights in the firmament has long been a fascination to me, which fact finally led to a course of study and investigation.

Careful reading revealed the fact that what the Ancients called "stars" was not a correct term, since all lights in the firmament are either suns, planets, moons, asteroids, comets, meteors, uranuliths and star dust. Our solar world is composed of one Sun, eight major planets, over eight hundred minor planets, twenty-eight moons, hundreds of comets, billions of meteors, etc.

MAJOR PLANETS.

The eight major planets in their order from the Sun outward are Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune, the latter being nearly three billion miles from the sun. Such is the organization of our tiny solar world, six billion miles in diameter and eighteen billion miles in circumference. Our Sun is 875,000 miles in diameter and ninety-three million miles distant. He travels in a straight line thru space at the speed of eleven miles per second, dragging the whole solar world with him.

Further study revealed the potential facts that the visible universe contains many nebula quadrillions of miles in dimensions, over one hundred great sun constellations, the largest being Hercules, containing 14,000 magnificent shining orbs.

THE NEAREST "STAR."

The nearest of these suns (stars), Alpha Centarus, is twenty-five trillion miles distant (25,000,000,000,000), requiring four whole years for its light to reach the earth, light traveling at the speed of 186,000 miles per second. The next nearest sun is forty-six trillion miles away. The next one, Sirius, the great dog star, is fifty-eight trillion miles distant and is the most brilliant "star" in our section of the universe, for he is nearly fifty times the size of our Sun. And (now take firm hold of your equilibrium) the visible universe, through the telescope, reveals seventeen hundred million suns, (1,700,000,000) about as many as there are people on earth. How magnificent is the Creator!

Contemplate now, if you will, what wonders on wonders lie beyond our vision throughout the whole infinite space that is absolutely without end.

A RECENT DISCOVERY.

Prof. Michelson (pronounced "Mich" as in Michigan), a scientist in our Chicago University, the World's foremost astronomer, has lately invented a telescopic attachment which reveals a mighty Sun in the constellation of Orion, the latter now visible every clear night a little south of the meridian, the size of which is as large as twenty-seven million ordinary suns.

The newly discovered Sun in the "Orion" constellation measures three hundred million miles in diameter, (300,000,000).

THE FIRST TELESCOPE.

The World's first telescope invented by the great Italian, Galileo Galilee about 300 years ago, was a puny affair only 15 inches long, with lenses one and one-half inches in diameter. Yet with that he discovered Moons on the planet Jupiter. That planet is 88,000 miles in diameter, while ours is only 8,000 miles.

The World's largest telescope recently erected in Pasadena, Cal., contains lenses 100 inches in diameter—eight and one half feet; looking at our Moon through it the beholder can almost see the June bugs crawling about on her surface.

Reason and science affirm—That space is universal; time is everlasting; that all matter is indestructible; that evolution and Creation are perpetual; that all things whatsoever are the handiwork of the Omnipotent Creator, Jehovah.

Punch Boards Go.

Upon the complaint of members of the Bellefonte Civic Committee, Burges W. Harrison Walker has closed up the punch boards in his town, threatening punishment to business men who will permit this form of gambling hereafter.

Centre Hall needs a W. Harrison Walker to clean house along the same line.

Deaths of Centre Countians.

Reuben Comley, at Unionville, on last Thursday morning, aged seventy years, of passersby.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

J. H. Ross, of Linden Hall, who has been a sufferer with rheumatism for some time, is again able to be about.

D. E. Snyder, of Boalsburg, publishes letters of administration in the estate of his mother, Mary A. Snyder, late of Harris township, deceased, in this issue.

Dr. Philip Shook, veterinary surgeon, a short time ago left Spring Mills for Franklin, where a good opening appeared for a veterinary, and at which place he is making good.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hosterman, of Milton, took advantage of the excursion to Philadelphia, on New Year's day, to see the great Mummers' parade, and while in that city were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Erven T. Stover.

State policemen began on Monday of this week to look carefully upon automobiles to see that the 1921 licence tags were placed. On that day their instructions were to begin arrests for failing to comply with the requirements.

Miss Nellie Smith, formerly of Centre Hall, a graduate nurse of the University of Pennsylvania, who is now associated with Dr. de Schrometz, the celebrated eye specialist of Philadelphia, is spending her vacation with her father, J. Frank Smith, at Bellefonte.

In order that credit may be given to whom credit is due, the Reporter wishes to correct an error which occurred in the cantata article, appearing last week. It was Miss Lilae Brooks, and not Miss May Royer, who played the part of Jephtha, daughter of the inn-keeper.

Among the Reporter's callers recently was John Hagan the carpenter, of Farmers Mills, who had been in Bellefonte for a considerable length of time. He just completed two houses in that town, on Curtin street, for Frank M. Crawford and J. Labarre. The dwellings are on adjoining lots and are alike in their outward general appearance. Mr. Hagan thinks they are most delightful homes in every particular.

Two golden wedding anniversaries were celebrated at Unionville at the Christmas season. On the 27th Mr. and Mrs. William A. Peters celebrated in an elaborate way, and among the presents received was a purse of gold amounting to \$135.00. On the 25th, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering. On the 31st of the month, as was reported in these columns last week, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Rumberger, of the same place, celebrated their sixty-first wedding anniversary.

Messrs. C. E. Flink and Clymer McClenahan, the managers of Centre Hall's youngest business enterprise, call attention this week in an advertisement to the fact that they can supply you with electric light fixtures at a saving in cost to you. They also have had considerable experience in house wiring and will continue in this line of work. Their new store is located in the I. O. O. F. building, and was formerly the room occupied by Miss Myra Kimpfort, the milliner. They have added a line of cigars, tobacco and candies, and later expect to add other features. Your patronage will be much appreciated.

The Reporter is indebted to Mrs. David B. Kline, of Los Angeles, Cal., for the annual mid-winter number of the Los Angeles Times, which indeed is a mammoth edition of a newspaper in every sense of the word. Seven 32-page sections are devoted to chronicling the advancement of that region during the last decade, and we regard it as a fine piece of community advertising. Some one has said that the growth of California has been due to advertising its chief "selling points" to the outside world, and surely no other medium has done it more effectively than the Los Angeles Times. The delightful climate and the wealth to be derived from its soil have been the lure that has attracted thousands to California.

An electric light system, installed a few months ago on trial in the farm home and various farm buildings of Jacob Sharer, east of town, will remain a permanent fixture. The convenience and beauty of the light and power, during the few months the plant has been in operation at the Sharer home, has like all modern improvements come to be regarded as a necessity and indispensable, so that when D. W. Bradford, through whom the system was sold, went to see Mr. Sharer last week to remove the system if the trial proved unsatisfactory, both Mr. and Mrs. Sharer voiced their entire approval of it and decided that it should remain there. The system represents a cost of over \$700.00, and besides furnishing light for all the buildings, supplies power for the various machinery at house and barn. This latest addition makes the Sharer farm unquestionably the most modernized in all the valley. The fine brick house and immense barn, with the numerous sheds, all in fine repair, are a delight to the eyes of passersby.

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