



CENTRE COUNTY'S 13,179 COWS ARE WORTH \$902,761.50.

Average Price is \$68.50. According to Figures Compiled by Statistician of Dept. of Agriculture.

Centre county has an estimated number of 13,179 milch cows, according to a report by the Statistician of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and were they all offered for sale at an average price per head of \$68.50, their value would be near a million dollars; to be exact, \$902,761.50.

Dairying is the back-bone of the farming industry in Pennsylvania and according to a report of Statistician L. H. Wible 897,626 milch cows were on the job in this state, in 1920, this great herd representing an investment of \$67,886,238.

Lancaster county leads the state in the number of dairy cows maintained on its farms, but the statistics show that the 42,793 cows in Lancaster county had an average value of \$81.75, so that Chester county, with its 41,010 cows valued at \$91.50 each, leads the state in the total value of its dairy cows.

Centre county is twenty-sixth in the list of total value of its herd, Chester county coming first with a figure of \$3,752,415.00.

Remarkable Discovery in X-Ray Photography.

A remarkable discovery in X-ray photography is now announced.

This discovery marks an epoch in medicine, for it enables the X-ray expert to expose to his view and to study the very earliest effect of disease in the brain, lungs, abdomen and bones of the living body.

By this new development in X-ray photography the expert, but only the expert, can locate the smallest lesions in the apex of the lung, can see the beginning of pulmonary tuberculosis long before any other means known to medicine can discover it, at a time, in fact, when the only symptom of the commencing disease may be a slight but stubborn cough.

Any physician will tell you that tuberculosis of the lungs is curable if it is discovered and treated in its earliest stages. But when it is not suspected, or is neglected, consumption, so called, carries off tens of thousands each year.

This new development in X-ray photography literally lays bare the living brain to the eyes of the surgeon or the gaze of the alienist. He detects in the brain a tumor or other growth which may cause obscure symptoms that could be explained only by its presence.

By taking repeated pictures, through months, perhaps, he sees the tumor yield to treatment, watches its gradual absorption, or if it remains stationary or grows, he is convinced that surgical interference may be necessary.

To Make Public Names of All Draft Evaders.

The names of persons who evaded the selective service law will be made public by draft districts as rapidly as the lists for the districts can be compiled, it was announced a few days ago at the war department. Local draft boards were rapidly completing a final check to make sure that the name of no man shall appear as a draft evader who actually served in some branch of the military service in this country or the allies.

As soon as the final check for a complete district has been received at the war department at Washington the compiled lists will be made available to the press, it was announced. It was understood that the first district compilation would be completed within a few days.

No Frills, Says School Board.

There will be no display of elaborate costumes on the part of the sweet girl graduate this year at the commencement of the West Chester High School, the school board having decreed otherwise at a recent meeting, at which the matter was considered. The order has gone forth that the girls must wear cotton dresses made up in a plain manner and with no elaborate frills, while the male members must not wear dress suits or even tuxedos, but only ordinary business suits. No bouquets may be handed graduates on the stage or gifts made at the function.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Adam Weaver's executors to James M. Weaver, tract in Haines Twp.; \$1.
Margaret Weaver to James M. Weaver, tract in Haines Twp.; \$50.
Michael Eby to James M. Weaver, tract in Haines Twp.; \$500.
Mary A. Guisewite's executor to E. P. Guisewite, tract in Haines Twp.; \$1,000.
F. P. Guisewite, et ux, to James W. Guisewite, tract in Haines Twp.; \$800.
Hannah Dubbs to A. N. Corman, tract in Haines Twp.; \$400.
Simon King, et ux, Elmira R. Gramley, tract in Millheim; \$300.
Wm. B. Fiedler, et ux, to Anna L. Bartges, tract in Centre Hall; \$1,500.

Try a small ad. in the Reporter.

EUROPEAN RELIEF AIMS TO FEED 3,500,000 CHILDREN.

Entirely Separate Work from the Armenian and Near East Relief.

Unfortunately there seems to be some misunderstanding throughout Centre county in regard to the European Relief Campaign, and some persons have it confused with the Near East Relief work. The European Relief is headed by Herbert Hoover and its object is to feed 3,500,000 starving children throughout Central Europe, while the Near East Relief is an entirely separate organization for the purpose of furnishing food and clothing to the destitute people in Armenia and sections of the Near East. Both are worthy and commendable works of charity, but each a distinct and separate organization functioning in different areas across the sea.

During the past week many have responded to the letters sent out from headquarters and have very kindly and patriotically remitted their contributions, which splendid spirit of response seems to indicate that old Centre county will again go victoriously "over the top." However, some have not replied to the appeal sent to them, and Chairman W. Harrison Walker is anxious that all stamped envelopes be returned by the end of this week with remittance or with some explanation. If any persons have already sent their contribution through some other source, then kindly inform Chairman Walker so that Centre county will get proper credit.

Churches and Sunday Schools are urged to take up special offerings on Sunday in behalf of this great work of charity, in which three and one half million hungry children are to be cared for until next harvest.

Please do not confuse the European Relief campaign with the Near East, Armenian or Chinese charities.

Building Boom for State College.

Ten modern dwelling houses are about to be erected in State College, work on their construction to begin within the next few weeks. This announcement is made by the State College Chamber of Commerce, which after weeks of investigation of the housing situation in the college town, has come to a final decision with regard to the immediate need of more houses.

The State College Times, in its issue of last week, says: This project has been under way ever since the housing committee made its survey of the living conditions in State College last fall, and its conclusions at that time that the most pressing need for relief in this congested community was a number of small-family dwellings.

Building will proceed through the generosity of a number of prominent citizens who have offered their credit to finance the project, arrangements being made whereby the houses will be sold without a cent of gain to those men who have banded themselves together as the State College Community Housing Association. So insistent has been the demand for these proposed houses that it is possible that the association will erect twice as many houses, or even more than that, so as to relieve the biggest problem with which State College is confronted at the present time. The association has formed itself directly out of the Chamber of Commerce and its housing committee and in its generosity to enter the deal without personal gain, is to be very highly commended.

The houses will not be rented, but will be sold immediately for sums not exceeding their actual cost of construction. It is thought that the price will be between \$5,000 and \$6,000 each. They should be ready for occupancy about September 1st.

Bids for construction will be asked immediately, and it is hoped that actual building will be started within a few weeks. The plan of exterior architecture and inside lay-out has not yet been finally agreed upon. Indications favor the "cottage" effect, more or less on the bungalow type. Ideas are being taken from the suburban community settlement plans, and the houses will be modern and up-to-date in every respect, with every possible convenience.

The demand seems to indicate a choice for houses of five and six rooms each, to accommodate small families. The rooms will be large, and as homes the houses will be the most attractive in town. The houses will be built separately on lots 40x175 feet in size. The location of the group of lots on Gill street is within 100 feet of the borough sewer on Beaver avenue, and the houses will be connected directly to it, doing away with the building of cess pools.

Find Secret Charter; Contents Sensational.

Sensational provisions, said to have been found in a secret charter of the Shenandoah lodge of the I. W. W., were seized by the State Police at Pottsville last week. The contents of the document are being kept secret. Existence of the I. W. W. in the anthracite coal regions was discovered by state officials only a few days ago. A thorough investigation is being made.

'THE PINE STUMP SCHOOL DISTRICT'

Who Knows How the Old School Got Its Name? Pupil of 66 Years Ago Narrates the Destruction of the Old Pine Stump and the Disastrous Results to the Offending Pupils.

Is there a person now living in the Pine Stump school district who knows from what source it derived its name? The old or original building was erected some seventy-five years ago. Major Neff, who lived on the public road a short distance west of the school house, always declared that at the time it was built it was nearer the centre of Potter township and the State of Pennsylvania than any other similar building. How well this claim was founded I am unable to say, but as I look back through the haze and mist of time I am inclined to believe that the claim was approximately correct.

I began my school going career at Pine Stump about sixty-six years ago. There is not now living in the district the head of a family whose children were my school mates at that time. Nor is there any persons living in the district now who was my school mate at that time unless it be one of the Ginterich or Sprow families.

The building stood in the North-east corner of what we call the Neff field, right in the angle formed by the Linden Hall and Centre Hall road and the road running south to a junction with the Boalsburg and the Old Ford road. The fence was set back in a sort of a semi-circle form in order to give place for the school house and play ground.

When the winter supply of wood was piled on the ground, there was little room left and the children played in the public road unless the ground was frozen in the adjacent fields where we were allowed to play. The school house was built of rock and had very heavy walls. There were two windows on the south and two on the north, with the door in the east. The ceiling was low and the principles of sanitation were neglected. The school house would not today draw a prize for architectural beauty. On the north side of the school house within about four feet of the wall stood a pine stump, possibly ten feet high. Evidently when the workmen completed the walls of the school house they cut down the pine tree which was about two and one-half feet in diameter, leaving the stump. This stump stood sentinel over the school house which obtained its name from it for many years; however, it stood so close to the wall that it interfered with the boys when playing "corner" ball or "Tickey Over." The boys frequently discussed the annoyance the stump gave in playing these games.

One day they held a counsel of destruction and it was decided to cut down the stump. While the teacher was gone to dinner, the boys got out the school house ax and without paying heed to the advice to the woodman to spare that

tree or the higher injunction not to destroy the ancient land marks, the work of cutting down the stump was commenced. The boys worked in relays and finally this grand old sentinel tumbled to the ground falling eastward. Just about that time the teacher returned from dinner and when he saw the destruction that had been wrought, he was the maddest man in Potter Township. When school was convened, he began an investigation and when it was concluded, he had six criminals standing on the floor, I being the youngest member of the gang. At first he threatened to whip each one of us but finally changed his mind. He said that not one of the criminals should enjoy the privileges of recess until the stump was reduced to kindling wood. When recess came, he marched the criminals out and stood them up against the school house, then one was given the ax and was made to use it for several minutes and it was transferred until each one had used it. This process continued day after day, but we made very slow progress. One evening after school, we held a counsel and it was agreed that each boy who could get an ax from home should bring it the next morning and in that way we would soon get rid of our job. When recess came, the boys took their axes and went out and began their work on the stump. When the teacher came out and saw what was going on he made the boys quit chopping except with the school house ax. Had the boys at that time known of cyclones we would have ordered one strong enough to pick up that stump and deposit it on top of Nittany Mountain. Finally we succeeded in reducing the stump to kindling wood which we were made to pile on the south side of the school house. I wonder whether any of the boys who helped to destroy the stump that gave the school house its name are still living.

As I write this article, my mind is flooded with the memories of the long ago. Many of the boys and girls who were my playmates at Pine Stump more than three score years ago have gone down into dreamless dust, while others, like myself, are standing on the brink waiting for the rise of the tide to carry them by the lighthouse of faith into the beautiful harbor of hope. These lines come to my mind:

"Over the River they beckon to me,
Loved ones, who have crossed to the farther side;
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March 23rd an Important Day for Shoppers.

Wednesday of next week, March 23rd, is designated as "Altoona's Suburban Day Centennial," for on that day it will be one hundred weeks since the famous "Suburban Day" was born in Altoona—a day which has proven a boon to out-of-town shoppers. "Suburban Day" has saved many thousands of dollars to people in Altoona's surrounding territory, and even to folks in this part of Centre county who have taken advantage of the splendid bargain offerings of this day by the merchants of Altoona displaying the "A. B. A." sign in their windows.

"Suburban Day" is beyond any doubt assured of a permanent place in the business life of these Altoona merchants. It has brought its thousands of shoppers each Wednesday who look forward to this big day of each week with keen enjoyment, not alone for the dollars which are to be saved, but also because of the social enjoyment of the day. Friends meet who otherwise would not save for the opportunity afforded by "Suburban Day." This day affords one big round of pleasure, making shopping both easy and enjoyable.

The Altoona Booster merchants are not selfish by any means. They say to you, "Buy of your home merchant, but if he does not have it, then come to Altoona." Who could show a better spirit?

Bishop Swengel Dead.

Bishop U. F. Swengel died at his home at Harrisburg on last Tuesday night at the age of 75. He was one of the founders of the United Evangelical Publishing company and contributed largely to the church publications. He was closely allied with the Anti-Saloon league movement, being a director in the state organization. He was appointed bishop in the United Evangelical church at Canton, Ohio, in 1910, and after serving two terms retired in 1918. He served an enlistment in the Civil war.

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Farm Calendar.

Timely Reminders from The Pennsylvania State College

GRAPE PRUNING—Grape pruning should be done without delay. Remember that the fruit is borne on new wood, growing from the buds now present on last year's wood. Most people owning a few vines do not prune grapes heavily enough. A strong vine should be pruned to carry not more than twenty to fifty buds, and weaker vines will do best on even less buds. Too many buds will form too much inferior fruit, sapping the vitality of the vine. Eight canes with about six buds each is a good proportion for a strong vine.

Write to the Pennsylvania State College school of agriculture, State College, Pa., for Extension Circular No. 31, "Grape Culture in Pennsylvania," which contains full information on pruning.

GARDEN—Household garbage has been used successfully, when well-rotted in the compost heap, as a substitute for stable manure. If it is dug into the soil in the spring, or kept well mixed with soil in the compost heap, it will not be offensive in any way.

APRIL CHICKS—In order to obtain a high egg production in the late fall and early winter from pullets, it is important that the chicks be hatched in April. This means starting the incubators now.

SPRING PIGS—Spring farrowed pigs should be given every opportunity to make rapid growth. Provide a creep in the hog lot and supply feed as soon as the pigs begin to nibble at the slop fed to the sow.

SPRAYING time will soon be here. It is a good plan to go over the spray machine thoroughly within the next ten days; see that the pump and nozzles are in good condition. A thorough test is advisable.

BORO SCHOOL REPORT.

Statistical Report and Honor Roll for the Sixth Month.

Primary School—Number enrolled, males 10, females 17, total 27. Average attendance, male 9, female 25. Per cent attendance, male 93, female 93, total, 93. Those present every day during month are: Marvin Ishler, Bruce Smith, James Weaver, Evelyn Colyer, Adaline Dinges, Miriam Gross, Dorothy McClenahan, Margaret McClenahan, Hazel Potter, Marian Smith and Sarah Smith. Three of the above, Margaret McClenahan, Hazel Potter and Sara Smith, have not missed a day during the term. Six pupils were tardy during the month; they had thirteen tardy marks.—Helen Bartholomew, teacher.

Intermediate School—Whole number in attendance during month, male 20, female 26, total 46. Average attendance during month, male 20, female 25, total 45. Per cent of attendance during month, male 99, female 97, total 98. The following pupils were present every day during term: Elwood Smith, Romie Smith, Mae Smith, Alverta Weaver, Frances Weaver, Bertha Sharer, Sara Runkle, Ethyl McClenahan, Genevieve Ruble, Beulah Bingman. The following made 100 per cent in spelling test this month: Dorothy Odenkirk, Bond Bible, Ethyl McClenahan, Russel Slack; arithmetic, Sara Runkle.—Thos. L. Moore, teacher.

Grammar School—Number of pupils in attendance, girls 21, boys 16. Percentage of attendance, boys 97, girls 98. Those neither absent nor tardy during month: Theodore Breon, Byers Ripka, William Slack, Wilbur Stover, Paul Smith, Emelyn Brungart, Ruth Grove, Elizabeth Gross, Agnes Geary, Charlotte Keller, Marian McClenahan, Edith Moltz, Miriam Moore, Mary Weber, Mary Weaver, Florence Zettle.—Mary A. Hess, teacher.

Local Physician Mastering Fatigue Treatment for Rupture.

Dr. H. H. Longwell, of Centre Hall, who is in Des Moines, Iowa, taking a course in the treatment of rupture, in writing "the Reporter" under date of March 7, says in part: "Remember me to all who happen to inquire and assure them that I shall be glad to get back home as soon as I thoroughly master this method of treating ruptures." It is truly marvelous to see the poor fellow limp into Dr. DePew's office as though life were scarcely worth living, and in a little while, say twenty minutes to a half hour, see them spruce up and walk out of the office as though nothing had been done to them except to lift a heavy weight from their shoulders, and many of them take the next train home. Some of them come for hundreds, yes, I might say thousands, of miles, as some of our Centre Hall people can vouch for.

"The weather out here is like spring—sun shining brightly and birds singing.—H. H. Longwell, M. D."

New Church for State College.

At the annual meeting of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the United Evangelical church, at Wrightsville, York county, a resolution was adopted that the trustees be authorized to undertake the erection of a new church and parsonage at State College, at a cost of approximately \$120,000, each member of the conference to be assessed ten cents toward helping to defray the expense of the same.

\$50,000 Worth of Booze Seized.

It would seem that Wilkes Barre is the oasis in the desert of prohibition judging from the booze-laden trucks consigned to that city that have been seized by federal officers lately. Again on last Thursday night prohibition agents seized whisky valued at \$50,000 in a raid on "the Acme Products company in that city. Loo Levy, proprietor of the company, was arrested, but later made his escape in an automobile. When the agents gave chase in another car they were shot at twice. The source of the shots has not been learned.

The Rev. R. E. Johnson, under whose direction the raid was conducted, was arrested by a policeman for alleged reckless driving while hastening to the scene by motor car.

Oppose Sunday Fishing.

The attitude of the state legislature toward an effort to break into the laws protecting the Sabbath was revealed by the house fisheries committee last week in reporting with a negative recommendation a bill legalizing Sunday fishing. The bill was introduced by a Philadelphia on the grounds that its enactment would provide innocent recreation for thousands. Objection came from various interests including the Lord's Day Alliance whose representatives saw in the measure, although it provided for the least objectionable form of Sabbath day desecration, a tendency to let down the bars to more serious forms. Public opinion in Pennsylvania on this question is so well known that the bill will get little further.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Next Monday is the first day of spring. Bellefonte barbers have reduced the price of shaves and haircuts. Next! Bruce Stahl is spending some time with his brother, Asher C. Stahl, in Altoona.

Dandelion is finding its place on the home table now. It makes a fine dish when well prepared,—just as good as lettuce, and as free as the air.

A Smulton correspondent makes this plea: Wanted—a good evangelist, full of the power of God, to come into this town to straighten things out, before it is too late.

Friends in Centre Hall of Mrs. Edna Murray Cooney, of McKees Rocks, will be interested in knowing that a baby daughter, No. 2, came to the Cooney home quite recently.

G. A. Lohr, of Oak Hall, was a caller at this office on Saturday and enrolled as a Reporter subscriber. Mr. Lohr held a stock sale on the Thursday previous and was much pleased with the result.

The following persons in the lower end of Penns Valley purchased new autos during the past week: Homer Keen, of near Coburn, a Ford truck; Andrew Sheasley, of Penn Hall, a Ford touring car; Dr. G. S. Frank, of Millheim, a Ford sedan, and S. M. Campbell of Millheim, a Reo chassis for his hearse.

Major Theodore Davis Boal, of Boalsburg, purchased the old "grandfather" clock, said to be over a hundred and twenty-five years old, at the Meyer sale at Colyer last Wednesday. The clock brought some seventy dollars. The Major has a fondness for antiques, which he prizes highly, and his palatial Boalsburg residence has a part set aside for his collection of relics.

A three-year exemption of taxes for persons who will build houses during the present year is what the Business Men's Association of Bellefonte favors. The matter has been presented to the borough council. Such an inducement is really necessary if the housing problem is to be solved, not only in Bellefonte, but Centre Hall, and elsewhere, owing to the continued high cost of building.

The State-Centre-Electric Company has filed a new tariff of rates with the Public Service Commission governing electric service in portions of Centre and Clinton counties. The new tariff becomes effective on April 1st, 1921, and amends Rule Mo. 13 covering penalty by adding the following clause: "Failure to receive bill does not relieve consumer of penalty."

Thirty-two millions of dollars is the bill the farmers in Pennsylvania pay each year for the weeds that grow on their farm lands. In Canada where much more attention has been given to the damage caused by weeds than in this country, it has been found that the weeds cost the farmer an average of \$2 per acre, so that Pennsylvania, with its 16,000,000 acres of farm lands, and with conditions no better than Canada, must pay the enormous sum of \$32,000,000 annually for these unwelcome visitors.

The people of Bald Eagle valley will receive with delight the news that L. S. Zimmerman, son of Shuman Zimmerman of Hecla Park, Pa., recently granted a certificate to inaugurate a bus line from Bellefonte to Lock Haven through their valley, and that the regular run of at least two trips a day each way will be made in the start, and more later if the patronage warrants it. Mr. Zimmerman has purchased two buses of large capacity, and is making trial runs during the prevailing bad road conditions so as to enable him to make out his schedule to meet all conditions in all kinds of weather.

The Reporter was favored with a call on Saturday morning by that distinguished gentleman, Col. Henry W. Shoemaker, of McElhattan, who, in company with another good friend of the Reporter, John D. Meyer, had made an early morning run from Altoona in Mr. Meyer's Franklin car, enjoying the beauties of the sunrise of a beautiful spring morning while crossing the mountains. The purpose of their trip was to visit the site of the "lower fort" of Penns Valley, near Aaronsburg, the matter of which was drawn to Col. Shoemaker's attention through an article written by Rev. J. J. Weaver and appearing in the county papers. Col. Shoemaker believes the spot to be as worthy of some historical recognition as our own Old Fort, and will endeavor to see that a suitable marker is erected. The passing of the direct descendants of those early settlers who built the fort as a shelter against the attacks of the Indians, makes it imperative that something be done before time shall have removed the last of them and all authentic information necessary to the proper location of the fort and the history and tradition clustering around it are lost forever.

QUACK!