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## WANTS HARVEY RECALLED.

### Republican Congressman Offers Resolution for Probe of Statements.

A resolution designed to bring about the recall from England of Ambassador Harvey was introduced last week in Congress by Representative Ryan, Republican, New York. The measure proposes a Congressional investigation of statements made by the Ambassador abroad, with a view to having him detached from his post in London.

Mr. Ryan quoted extracts from press reports of Mr. Harvey's address at the dinner recently given in London in honor of A. J. Balfour, one of the British delegates to the Arms Conference, and also referred to remarks made by the Ambassador soon after his arrival in England, in reference to the motives which prompted the United States to enter the war.

Contending that various statements of Mr. Harvey "reflect discredit upon the aims and ideals of the spirit that actuates the citizens of the United States," and constitute "an attempt to cast aspersions upon the patriotism and ideals of American citizens," Mr. Ryan asserted that the "attitude" of the American Ambassador has "at all times shown him to be a proponent of England's aims and ambitions rather than those of the country he is supposed to represent."

## INCOME TAX FACTS.

Former soldiers and sailors, in filing an income tax return for 1921, should not include as gross income any amount received under the provisions of the war risk insurance and vocational rehabilitation acts and as pensions from the United States for military or naval service during the war.

The special exemption of \$3,500 formerly allowed soldiers and sailors in active service is not continued by the revenue act of 1921. "Persons in active military or naval service of the United States" are allowed only the exemptions granted other individuals—\$1,000 if single (or if married and not living with husband or wife); \$2,500 if married and the combined net income of husband and wife was \$5,000 or less; and \$2,000 if married and the combined net income of husband and wife was more than \$5,000.

An unmarried soldier, sailor, marine or ex-service man must file a return if his net income from all sources for 1921 was \$1,000 or more or if his gross income was \$5,000 or more. If married and living with his wife on December 31, 1921, he must file a return if the net income of himself and wife and dependent minor children was \$2,000 or more, or if the combined gross income was \$5,000 or more.

Some school districts in Centre county are planning to cut the school term because of the shortage of funds. Before doing so school boards should fully acquaint themselves with the law. It would appear to the writer that districts not laying a tax up to the maximum permitted under the school code will have no complaint to make to the state that will be needed. It must be remembered that the moneys received from the state are a refunding. There is no intention here to excuse the rotten management of the school finances, but to caution districts to take action with reference to closing schools only after having made thorough investigation of the consequences.

Armstrong county Republicans are pushing to the front Hon. John S. Fisher for governor with the slogan, "Fisher for governor, economy and efficiency." These are the same old promises brought out from the relic department by the Republicans every time a state campaign is on. If the promises made during the Sprout campaign had been fulfilled, Pennsylvania would not now be bankrupt. It matters not what Republican is nominated for governor, it will be a repetition of the Sprout performance. It will require a Democrat in the executive chair to lift Pennsylvania out of the mire.

## Child Loses Arm.

Esther Peachy, 13 years of age and only daughter of Mrs. Isaac Peachy, residing near Allensville, Mifflin county, met with an accident resulting in partial loss of her right forearm.

While her brothers were shredding corn fodder and were about finished, Esther came from the house to the barn and observing that the fodder was blocking the machine decided to try and remove same; she put her hand too near the rollers and her arm was drawn into the machine and was lacerated almost to the elbow.

It was thought that the hand was ground to pieces, but an hour after the accident the hand was found among the fodder. Drs. Hazlett and Getter amputated the arm a few inches below the elbow.

## HOG VALUES

### Are Undergoing Gradual, Positive Change, Says W. F. Rishel.

(By W. F. RISHTEL, Centre Hall.)  
The method of establishing hog values is undergoing a gradual but positive change. For many years the weight of the animal has been the major factor in determining a hog's value. Today the big packers are buying their droves with an eye to the quality of the various cuts which can be taken from the carcass. Hitherto, it had been the practice of hog buyers to figure pork production on the basis of the percentage of carcass yield. Now the packing house wants to know what the hog carcass will yield on the cutting table and the relative quality of hams, bellies, shoulders and loins is the principal item in gauging the worth of the pork animal. The packer cannot put quality into the meat that he buys. That must be done by the breeder and feeder.

Naturally, the hog raiser is anxious to know what type of animal will possess the quality in greatest proportion that the packers most desire. It will be the marketing of that type of animal that will bring the greatest returns to the producer. The history that was written for swine men by the recent International Live Stock exposition should serve to answer that question to a large extent.

The description of the grand champion carcass which, incidentally, was a Berkshire as given by the Breeder's Gazette of December 7, is worthy of studious attention. Describing the grand champion Berkshire barrow as "fitted to the minute, perfect in top and bottom lines, thickly and smoothly covered throughout," the Gazette goes on to say, "In the 200 to 300 pound class the Berkshire shown by The Waluts, Tallula, Ill., won first on a carcass which showed a much higher proportion of lean to fat than any other entry in the contest." The judge pronounced it the best carcass that he had seen during his four years' experience as the hog judge. This would indicate that the very best type of hog is less desirable and that the animal which will most easily develop 200 to 300 pounds live weight from which will come high grade cuts that are in greatest demand by the trade, is the ideal animal to breed.

Certainly, the feeder cannot put quality into a hog unless it is there to begin with. There are four factors on which quality is dependent. They are firmness of flesh, texture, intermingling of fat and lean. The packer may have something to do with the flavor. The feeder can affect the firmness of flesh, but the texture of lean and fat and the degree to which they intermingle must depend absolutely upon the heritage that the hog has to start with. The breed of hog that is exemplified by the Berkshires is given those qualities of heritage in a generous degree. The ability of Berkshires to produce nicely interlarded cuts, rich in lean, is well known, and there is always a demand for their products. Recently Armour & Co. issued a trade letter in which the statement was made that their pork business was being handicapped by a deficiency in the hams and picnic shoulders of the weight and quality that was needed to produce the best pork product—the type of ham and shoulder, by the way, which the Berkshire more uniformly produces.

The belly that is in greatest demand should average about one and one-half inches thick, eight to ten inches wide. The best weight is in the neighborhood of six to eight pounds, though there is some special trade that demands weight as low as four to six pounds, and some trade in the east which prefers her eight to ten pound size. The best bellies should show no trace of wrinkles. They are not heavy in hide and show the firm white fat of the finished hog properly intermingled with meaty streaks of lean. The eight to ten to twelve pound grades of hams of smooth, meaty and firm texture are in greatest demand. The plump little ham is most desired without about one inch of fat at the center of the ham.

Picnic shoulders should conform to ham standards and should weigh from four to ten pounds. The loin is the principal product from the animal that is sold fresh, and it should weigh from eight to ten pounds. The modern consuming family insists on obtaining from four to five chops to the pound. The eye of this meat should be thick, round and bulging so as to give an attractive shape. That is brought about in varying degree, according to the squareness of the top and the arch of the rib in the live hog.

From now on the demand of the consuming public—the men and women who eat the product that the farmer raises—is going to exact more and more attention from the farmer because the packer is going to have to meet that demand and he is going to buy, most readily, the live animal that will enable

## DEMOCRATS GETTING TOGETHER.

### Meeting at Harrisburg Last Week Largely Attended.—Committee of 72 Appointed to Recommend Candidates.

The get-together effort by the Democrats throughout Pennsylvania appears to have been very successful. Three hundred or more representative Democrats assembled at Harrisburg on Thursday and Friday for the purpose of formulating a plan whereby a candidate for Governor agreeable to all shades and factions in the party, may be named. A committee of twelve was named who later selected a committee of seventy-two—one man and one woman from each of the thirty-six congressional districts in the state—to recommend candidates, who, of course, must be nominated in the regular way provided by the primary law, and provided the selection recommended is acceptable.

The one thing that was plainly in evidence was that the Democrats were willing to get together and as a united party it was confidently expected to win the fight at the fall election. Hon. William H. Berry and John A. McSparran, Master Pennsylvania State Grange, were in the limelight, and predictions were made that one of them might be selected by the committee of seventy-two as the Democratic standard bearer. Former Attorney General Palmer and National Chairman Guffey were on the ground and used their influence to attain a united party, as did also Vance McCormick, Webster Grimm and many other well known Democrats to the readers of local papers.

The committee will meet in Harrisburg, this week and will make known its set of candidates not later than March 10th.

McSparran, in an address, declared that the farmers and the laboring people of the State were eagerly looking to the Democratic party to provide the medium for restoring the Government to the hands of the citizens. "At the present time," he said, "labor is looking around to see whether they will find it necessary to put a ticket of their own in the field or whether the Democratic party will rise to its opportunity and solve the problem."

The Democratic party, said McSparran, provides the one hope of meeting the emergency. "And if the party falls," he warned, "a fusion movement probably will be started."

The Grange head reviewed the work of the Democratic national administration, and asserted "President Wilson was stabbed in the back by men who today are in control of the reins of government."

Turning to Capitol Hill and the misrule of the Republican bosses, McSparran decried the centralization of affairs in the hands of a few men, and referred to Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, the imported Superintendent of Public Instruction, as "that mushroom thing."

"The time is coming," he concluded, "when the people of the State will rise up in revolt and take the Government out of the hands of the men now in control. And if the Democrats fail to forget their factional differences and go forward shoulder to shoulder, they will find themselves a poor third in a three-cornered fight."

## Sale Recalled.

The public sale advertised by me to take place March 21 is recalled for the reason that the stock and implements, etc., has been sold in bulk to Harry Wolf.—D. W. BARTGES.

Potatoes in Lewistown stores are retailing at from \$2.00 to \$2.40 per bushel. Farmers from Penns Valley have been able to effect a sale in Milroy, for Lewistown consumption, at \$1.60 per bushel. Wheat is stalking about at \$1.25, and hogs at ten cents. The markets really look a few shades better from the farmer's point of view.

## Evangelical Conference.

The twenty-eighth Annual Session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical church meets in Lewisburg today (Thursday) and continues until next Tuesday. An unusual occasion is being prepared for, and doors will be hospitably thrown open to the visitors.

There will be in attendance 160 ministers and almost the same number of lay delegates.

This conference district covers Pennsylvania, Maryland, District of Columbia, and Virginia, making it the largest of the church, with a communicant membership of 27,727 and a Sunday school enrollment of 42,924.

Each session promises something helpful and entertaining.

Everybody welcome. Come early and enjoy a rare treat. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

## LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

### D. C. Mitterling Writes From Arkansas.

Eureka Springs, Arkansas, February 16, 1922.

Dear Friend and Editor:—

We are always glad to get the Reporter for the home news. We are living in the heart of the city, half way up the mountain, on the finest street; it is almost level, but has many turns. The weather has been fine for the last two weeks, with the thermometer registering from 50 to 75 degrees, people having doors and windows open.

Farmers are plowing and others are digging garden; they say that they plant their potatoes this month. Saw flowers blooming and the birds are here. Forest fires have been burning just outside the city for the last ten days.

The schools have a record here of not having missed a day for over twenty years on account of any contagious diseases. This speaks volumes for the healthfulness of the community.

These hills—or farms, as they call them—sell for from five to twenty dollars an acre. They are drilling for oil a few miles out from here, and it is the first well ever attempted in this section of the state. They claim prospects to be good and if they strike oil then land will take a jump.

They have a gold scare here just now, as they are digging right in the city and have good prospects. This is a very good fruit state, having the largest peach orchard in the world under one management—four thousand, one hundred and twenty-five acres.

Horse-back riding is a great sport here. You can see a group of them go nearly every day. A bunch of Crescent College girls—about fifteen in number—just passed the house. I was out with a party of eight last Saturday and rode fourteen miles through the mountains; the scenery was beautiful. Am again invited to go this week. We joined the tourists' club. They give splendid entertainments every week for the tourists.

Rents are from eight dollars up for a furnished cottage or rooms. Wood piles are numerous on the front porches here. Everybody burns wood. There is a market place where the teams gather around the court house to sell their wood. You can see as many as twenty teams gathered; some wait all day, and if they do not get rid of their load they unload and go home empty, as they come in as far as ten miles and all they get for a load split or sawed short is two dollars and fifty cents.

I have been feeling fine except for a few days since I am here. The rest of the family are well. Respectfully yours, D. C. MITTERLING, No. 1 Howell Avenue.

## Cattle Starving in North Dakota.

Editor Centre Reporter:—

Conditions about Lisbon are very bad for farmers. Feed is very scarce, and many horses and cattle are perishing from starvation. A neighbor lost seven horses from lack of feed. Poor people are little better off in some of the sections hereabouts. There is much plundering being done.

A movement is on foot to send feed for cattle into the southwestern portion of the state. The railroads have agreed to cut the freight in half, provided county and state officials see that the benefit goes to the consumer.

Many horses and cattle are left to rustle for a living. The grass is so short in the prairie section that when the animals paw away the snow they find nothing to eat. It is estimated that forty per cent of the horses and cattle in the drought-stricken counties in the southwestern part of the state will die before spring. Those remaining will be in poor condition to do the work of putting out crops.

WILLIAM ZERBY, Lisbon, N. D., Feb. 20, 1922.

## Coming.

On Saturday evening, March 4th, Humphrey C. Delbert will give an entertainment in the Grange hall for the benefit of the senior class of the Centre Hall High school.

Mr. Delbert is a reader and impersonator of rare ability. He has appeared with great and equal success before every manner of audience—church, college, Y. M. C. A., lyceum, county institutes—in all portions of the country, from Maine to Alabama. He will give readings and impersonations of James Whitcomb Riley. The program will be interspersed with dark songs, stories, music on chimes, trombone and fife.

Everybody welcome. Come early and enjoy a rare treat. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

Tanlac is the ideal strengthener and body builder for old folks.—Centre Hall Pharmacy.

## Will Discuss Poultry Problems.

Start now to prepare for a good supply of high priced eggs next fall and winter. The number of eggs which your hens will lay next November, December and January will largely depend upon the care which you give your young chicks this spring and summer.

As a part of the poultry program of the Centre County Farm Bureau, County Agent Robinson has arranged to have the services of H. D. Monroe, poultry extension specialist, during the week of March 6th-11th. Meetings will be held for the purpose of discussing the poultry problems in general, and especially the rearing of young chicks. The meetings have been arranged as follows:

Monday, March 6—F. L. Crust, 118 N. 4th street, Phillipsburg, at 2:30 p. m.

Tuesday, March 7—O. P. Smith, Fiedler, at 10:00 a. m.

Tuesday, March 7—Ira Brungart, Rebersburg, at 1:00 p. m.

Tuesday, March 7—George Gingerlick, Madisonburg, at 3:30 p. m.

Wednesday, March 8—J. O. Peters, Stormstown, at 10 a. m.

Wednesday, March 8—Thompson Henry, Martha, at 1:00 p. m.

Wednesday, March 8—A. F. Showers, Unionville, at 3:30 p. m.

Thursday, March 9—J. H. Harvey, Howard, at 10:00 a. m.

Thursday, March 9—Paul Carner, Hubersburg, at 1:00 p. m.

Thursday, March 9—A. D. Smeltzer, Pleasant Gap, at 3:30 p. m.

Friday, March 10—P. H. Luse, Centre Hall, at 10:00 a. m.

Friday, March 10—George Fortngy, Boalsburg, at 1:00 p. m.

Friday, March 10—L. G. Peters, Pa. Furnace, at 3:30 p. m.

If you are interested in poultry attend one of these meetings.

## Stricken With Paralysis.

John L. Runkle, of near Tusseyville, on Friday was stricken with paralysis and since has been in a very critical condition. The paralysis attacked his left side. Mr. Runkle is aged almost seventy years, and grave fears are entertained for his recovery.

## Bryan at Penn State.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan will be at State College, Wednesday evening, March 15th, and will speak on "The Fascinating Game of Politics." Admission, 50 and 75 cents. Mr. Bryan will appear under the auspices of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Tickets can be obtained from Prof. I. L. Foster.

## Centre County on Near East Relief.

The committee for Near East Relief in Centre county is unable to give a definite statement of the amount contributed. Phillipsburg and State College, beginning with their field days—Feb. 12 and 19, respectively—are well on the way to the completion of their quotas. Reports from other communities, including Bellefonte, are coming in more slowly. At least, it can be said that more than one-half of the 146 children "looking to Centre county" are by this time assured the shelter of an orphanage for another year.

Everyone is urged to contribute as generously as possible, either through an organization or individually, to the support of these children.

## Honor System in Jail.

Last week mention was made of a cash sales candy store on the honor system being conducted in the open air by a student at Penn State, and now comes along a story that the prisoners in the Northumberland county prison have organized a "prisoners' welfare court." All the machinery constituting a court—from judge to tipstaff—has been built up. Cases are heard and fines imposed for infractions of rules governing their own behavior.

## Hunter Held for Court.

For the violation of a recent act of Assembly, making it unlawful for one hunter to shoot another in mistake, Walter B. Gray was given a hearing before Justice Kline Woodring, Bellefonte, and was bound over for his appearance at the May term of court, under \$500 bail.

The case is the result of an accident in which Willis D. Woodring, of Port Matilda, was the victim. According to the information made by Thomas Mosler, county game protector, Walter B. Gray, on November 3rd, 1921, in Halfmoon township, shot Willis D. Woodring while hunting and wounded him, but not fatally, contrary to the act of Assembly approved May 22, 1921. According to the provisions of this act, Gray, if found guilty, may lose his hunting privilege for five years, pay a penalty of several hundred dollars and could be imprisoned.

The natural, refreshing sleep of a healthy body is enjoyed by those who take Tanlac.—Centre Hall Pharmacy.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Miss Ethel Rowe, clerk in the Farmers National Bank at Millheim, spent Sunday at her home in Centre Hall.

Miss Elizabeth Sweetwood, who is attending an art school in Trenton, New Jersey, spent last week at her parental home in Centre Hall.

J. W. Raymond, of near Centre Hall, one of the Reporter's prompt-paying subscribers, was a business caller at this office last Thursday.

Messrs. Robert I. Smith and John A. Martz, railroad employees on the local section, were off duty several days last week owing to illness with grip.

The new postmaster at Millheim—W. L. Swarm—yesterday (Wednesday) assumed charge of the office. The office will remain in its present location.

Messrs. Charles S. Smith, Roy Smith and Paul Bradford engaged in a fox hunt in the Seven Mountains, one day last week, and succeeded in bagging a fine red fox.

Luther L. Weaver had a successful sale at Woodward and is now located at Millheim, where he built for himself a bungalow just outside the borough limits.

Tanlac corrects stomach disorders, strengthens the nerves and restores health through its effect on the appetite and nutrition of the body.—Centre Hall Pharmacy.

A goodly number of Greer county (Ohio) Republicans are boosting Dan B. Gutelius, a resident of Warren, for the office of sheriff. Mr. Gutelius is a native of Millheim and is a brother of Dentist Gutelius of that town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Sheesley of Scotland, South Dakota, are at their old home—Woodward. It appears conditions in South Dakota are not inviting to Mr. Sheesley and that he is considering the advisability of remaining in the east.

Among the Gregg township young farmers who called at the Reporter office last week was Ray J. Sharer, who now lives in Georges Valley, but who next spring will move to the farm owned by Edward Durst at Earlstown, succeeding George Fetterolf.

Among the contemplated improvements to dwellings in Millheim is that to be undertaken by L. E. Stover who will remodel a double house now occupied by A. H. Stover and W. J. Mc Mullen. The house will be greatly improved in its outward appearance and baths and furnaces installed.

T. B. Motz, of Millheim, sold his 280 acre tract of mountain land in the Seven-Mile Narrows, to Mrs. C. D. Motz, of Woodward, who bought the land for her two sons, Earl and Bruce. Part of the tract is now covered with a good growth of young timber, and the denuded portion if the tract will be reforested with seedlings to be gotten from the state forestry department.

The Reporter was pleased to have a call from Austin Dale, of Boalsburg, who always has a good word for his home town. Mr. Dale is pretty well on in years, but he is in fine physical condition, which he attributes to the fact that he takes plenty of exercise. He also refrains almost entirely from eating all kinds of meats, but this with him is only an incident.

The automobiles owned by C. A. Krape, of Spring Mills, and B. D. Brisbin, of Centre Hall, have a "scraped" acquaintance since the middle of last week. Mr. Brisbin was following Mr. Krape while driving through town, when Mr. Krape pulled off to the right to turn without giving the usual signal. Mr. Brisbin following close by put on speed thinking the road was clear. The Krape car hit the rear wheel cap on the Brisbin car, knocking it off. Both cars were but slightly damaged.

Former Commissioner D. A. Grove and Mrs. Grove and daughter were in Centre Hall on Thursday of last week, and while in town Mr. Grove called here to have his public sale advertised for March 17. Mr. Grove just completed a cattle feeding experience. Last fall he purchased eight steers in Lancaster at 6¢ cents per pound, and sold them to Mr. Peachy, who will ship them back to Lancaster, for one-half cent less per pound than he paid. The transaction stands Mr. Grove a loss of about \$75.00. The cattle made very fair improvement, but of course could not make enough to overcome the drop in the market.