



Harding's Veto.

President Harding, in his veto of the Soldiers' Adjusted Compensation bill, called attention to the axiom that "nations can only survive where the public treasury is locked against class legislation, but ever open to public necessity and prepared to meet all essential obligations."

If the bill is "class legislation" today, it was when, on the platform as a candidate, he promised, unequivocally to support it. If to provide the funds to meet it is going to jeopardize a situation "where taxation is restrained from the limits of oppression" was he sincere or otherwise in a previous paragraph in the same veto in saying:

"When the bill was under consideration in the House, I expressed the conviction that any grant of bonus ought to provide the means of paying it, and I was unable to suggest any plan other than that of a 'sales tax.' Such a plan was acceptable to Congress and the bill has been enacted without even a suggested means for the immediate future, or in the ultimate settlement."

The only reasonable inference from the above is that if Congress had carried out his own recommendation of the sales tax he would have approved the bill, yet in the same veto message he points to the peril of nations "where taxation is not restrained from the limits of oppression," where the Treasury is not locked against class legislation.

The patrons of the public schools who receive the little political pamphlet put out by the Public Education and Child Labor association of Pennsylvania, with headquarters in Philadelphia, know more about the workings of the Fineganized school system in the rural sections than this wise association that offers to teach them. The rural citizen is in full sympathy with Candidate McSparran's aim which is that he desires to give back to the rural people the control of their schools. Anything short of that is an imposition.

Only a few weeks ago the borough council published a notice calling attention to speeding within the borough limits. And yet some there who give the authorities the merry ha! ha! and step on the gas all the more. And what's worse, the speeding is done on "School street" where small children must scurry to cover when the speed maniac's roaring bug is heard in the distance. Why wait until some child is struck and carried lifeless to the parental home?

One of the chief hindrances to the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment is the attitude of the leading dailies toward it. While these newspapers are making pretenses, their editorial comments are of a character to belittle enforcement officers and encourage every bootlegger and still operator. It is a shame that the American press should lend its influence to annul the provisions of the constitution of this fair land.

Our Republican friends seem to find some pleasure in gloating over the fact that the United States has no part in putting a stop to the massacre of Christians in the Near East, but the Reporter can see no reason for it. It is altogether likely that had the League of Nations been accepted by the States, the butcheries we read of by the Turks would never have taken place. There is such a thing as prevention, you know.

The auto driver will appreciate the effort of Phillipsburg authorities to properly post signs giving directions to all important nearby towns. This is a practice that should be followed by all towns of the importance of Phillipsburg and less. The posting of a town or cross road indicates that residents there have thought for the convenience of others.

The Republican newspapers opposed to the League of Nations are doing their bit to hinder it from accomplishing good. You see if the League functioned for good it would be adverse to Republican party success. The peace of the world is nothing compared to party success to the Lodge type of Republicans.

Tearing down the work of others is the only conception some people have of making improvements. This class, when not held in check, are dangerous. They are devoid of the initiative and consequently have nothing but destruction in mind.

United States Attorney General Daugherty will not have his hearing in the Keller impeachment charge until December. Samuel Untermyer will represent Congressman Keller.

JEROME AUMAN KILLED.

Struck at His Home, Near Birdsboro, by P. R. R. Express—Instantly Killed—Tragedy Witnessed by Wife and Daughter.

While crossing the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad, near Birdsboro, in the vicinity of Reading, on Saturday, Jerome H. Auman, formerly of Centre Hall, was instantly killed by being hit by an express train. Before Mr. Auman moved onto his farm, the farm house was burned, necessitating the tenants to move into a house a considerable distance from the barn. Between the two buildings lay the Pennsylvania railroad and this was crossed on a grade crossing every time a trip was made to or from the barn. Mr. Auman usually used his car to go from the house to the barn, owing to the distance, and it was on one of these trips on Saturday, at noon, that his car was hit. His body was thrown fifty feet, death being instantaneous. Mrs. Auman and one of her daughters witnessed the tragedy from their home, but, of course, were helpless to give aid to avert it.

Mr. Auman was a son of Phillip A. and Alice J. (Hartle) Auman, and was born September 23, 1880, making his age exactly forty-two years. His wife before marriage was Miss Anna Bradford, daughter of George W. (deceased) and Nancy Bradford. There survive five children, the first four mentioned being married and living in the vicinity of Phoenixville and the latter single and at home: Bertha, Jennie, Ida, Dorothy and Mildred. The deceased is also survived by his father, named above, and two brothers, Victor A., Centre Hall; Charles, Spring Mills; and one sister, Gertrude, wife of R. E. Sweetwood, Spring Mills.

Interment was made at Birdsboro, on Tuesday.

Those from Centre Hall who attended the funeral were the father, P. A. Auman, who started for the scene as soon as he was notified of the accident, and the following who left here Monday morning: Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Auman, Mr. and Mrs. D. Milton Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Martz, Mrs. Nancy Bradford, Paul Bradford; from Spring Mills: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Auman, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sweetwood.

More Economical Potato Production.

Are you interested in more economical potato production? If so, be sure to attend the potato raising at the farm of A. C. Keplar, 2 miles west of Pine Grove Mills, on Saturday of this week, at 9:30 a. m. One of the most important single factors in economical potato production is good seed. Mr. Keplar has co-operated with the Farm Bureau in conducting seed source tests on both early and late potatoes. Irish Cobblers from four different sources gave as much as 17 bushels per acre difference between the poorest and the best. The four sources of Russets will be raised and yields per acre estimated on Saturday, 30th. We cannot depend upon one year's results but we expect to find some very interesting comparisons between seed of the same variety from different sources that is from different parts of Pennsylvania and other states.

A check on the efficiency of spraying has also been kept and the comparison of sprayed and unsprayed potatoes will be of interest to many who have not yet practiced spraying as one of the essentials in most economical potato production.

Mr. Keplar's field is one of the best potato fields in Centre county and has attracted much favorable comment throughout the summer. We shall be interested in seeing how they roll out and in getting the yields per acre.

On this same trip there will be an opportunity to inspect one of the best small orchards in the county and see here first hand what spraying has done to eliminate disease and produce more and better fruit.

Nixon will be the speaker for the occasion. Better come.

—Centre County Farm Bureau.

Skull Crushed by Falling Bell.

Miss Jennie Beary, of Eastville, in Sugar valley, Clinton county, is in a critical condition at the Jersey Shore hospital, suffering from a fracture of the skull sustained in an unusual accident.

Miss Beary, whose home is on a farm, went outside to ring the supper bell, which was suspended from a pole twenty-five feet high. As she pulled the rope the bell fell, striking her on the forehead.

The blow crushed her skull and cut a gash four inches long. Dr. Campbell, of Eastville, brought her to the Jersey Shore hospital, where Dr. R. B. Hayes performed a delicate operation, removing a piece of bone which was pressing on the brain.

MORE TAX FOR MOTOR CARS.

Commissioners Also Want Repeal of Law Prohibiting Arrest of Women for Non-Payment of Tax.

Proposed legislation, to be sponsored by the Pennsylvania State association of county commissioners, was discussed at a session of the annual convention held in Altoona.

Motor vehicles would be subject to taxation for city and county purposes, the money to be used for road improvements or for the payment of interest on road bonds, under a bill to be introduced at the next session of the legislature. Other proposals include:

The return of the dog license funds to counties, less expenses; repeal of that section of the act of 1834 which prohibits the arrest or imprisonment for non-payment of any tax by a woman; authorizing county commissioners or supervisors to limit to 15,000 pounds the capacity of any or all bridges.

Local Bank's First Statement.

The Banking Department of the U. S. Government made its first request for a public statement by the First National Bank of Centre Hall, showing the condition of the bank on September 15th. Similar statements must be made by all National Banks. These statements show the actual financial condition of the various banking institutions and convey to the public about all the information as to the bank's standing one could gain were he permitted access to vault and books. It is this publicity of a National Bank's standing as to its finances that makes it one of safety for its customers and its stockholders. In addition to this public statement, a rigid examination is made by bank examiners who go over every paper of credit and item of debit on the books to verify the statement published. A National Bank can get no credit in the resource column for spurious stocks and bonds or notes not having an endorser, or notes long time overdue. All securities must be clean.

The report made by the local National Bank, which at the time the report was made was in existence just two and one-half months, is one of great credit. If you will go to the trouble to refer to it, in another column of this issue, you will find there a complete statement of facts. The founders of this institution had in mind, first, stability; second, service. If it keeps working along this line it will always be an institution worthy of patronage by citizens in its district. A bank that is conducted primarily for gain is a dangerous institution.

The Big Milton Fair.

The Milton Fair Association will again present the public with one of the finest midways of all fairs, regardless of size. Shows of all kinds and the best of rides for the kiddies as well as the grown people. Pollock's large carnival will be there with ten big shows and five rides. Shows of merit, shows that will entertain the ladies and children. Colored minstrel show, midge show, dog and pony show, wild animal show, freak show, having freaks from all parts of the world.

The Milton Fair has in the past several years attained a very high standard as to their harness races. Some of the fastest horses of the east have raced on the Milton track and will be there again. And those runners!

The newly organized Elks' band will entertain with the best of music. The Jazz orchestra will be on the grandstand again this year.

There will also be plenty of free attractions. Highwire acting, novelty riding, balancing acts, feature acts. The free acts are worth the price of admission.

The main building will be filled with exhibits of all kinds. Don't overlook the fancy work department, the apples, pears, preserves, vegetables, poultry, sheep, hogs and the cattle. The herd of registered Holsteins, belonging to ex-Judge Savidge, will be on exhibition, displaying some of their own breed heifers, which are the pride of the herd. Don't overlook seeing the largest hog in Union and Northumberland counties.

October 14 will be the automobile races, managed by Walter Hemptle, of the Eastern Auto Racing Corporation. Cars of different types and the best of experienced drivers.

Remember, five big days—October 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Day and night. The midway will be illuminated and give you opportunity for a big week.

A number of residents of Penn township recently petitioned the state board of public instruction to allow the Penn township school board to open and maintain the Elk creek school, but the request was refused.

COMBINED CONFERENCE HELD AT CENTRE HALL.

Bellefonte and State College Groups Held Important Sessions in Methodist Church on Saturday.

The Bellefonte and State College Groups of the Methodist Episcopal Church held an important conference in Centre Hall, Saturday of last week.

The afternoon session consisted of Quarterly Conference proper. Dr. E. A. Pyles, of the Williamsport district, presided and called the session at 1 p. m. The reports of the Bellefonte group were heard. Rev. M. S. Q. Melloy, of Howard, read his report, followed by Rev. John Stevens, of Snow Shoe; Rev. E. E. McKeivey, of Bellefonte; Rev. J. Fred Andrea, of Milesburg; and Rev. Walter Upham, of Port Matilda. Rev. J. E. A. Bucke, D. D., of the Sunbury district, took the chair and reports were heard from the following charges: Penns Valley, Rev. C. F. Catherman; State College, Rev. R. C. Peters and Rev. F. H. Babcock; Rev. W. M. Kepler did not arrive on account of the trouble.

Instructive and inspiring addresses were made by representatives of the various activities of the church program. Rev. O. B. Poulson, of Altoona, the conference Evangelist, presented the Evangelistic program for the fall campaign, beginning October 15th. Rev. E. C. Keboch, of Harrisburg, director of Religious Education of the conference, spoke on the educational phase of the work, particularly emphasizing the Church Training Night and the Phillipsburg school. Rev. C. C. Wilkins, of Topeka, Kansas, eminently qualified by the state where he said every duck had its "bill" and every frog had its "green back" and you couldn't open a window but what a "draft" blew in, came to represent the Dickinson Endowment Campaign. Rev. J. B. Stein, D. D., of Harrisburg, of the Board of Philanthropies, presented the needs and plans of the Homes. Rev. Frank Rines, associate secretary of the Washington Area, spoke on the Centenary.

EVENING SESSION

The evening session broke up into two conferences, Rev. E. C. Keboch presiding at the Young People's Conference in the Methodist church. Seventy young people gathered from the various charges. Twenty-three were from Penns Valley. Rev. Keboch flung out the challenge accepted by the young people. These objectives were unanimously adopted:

Sunday School objectives—
1. Every class organized to: 1st. Secure 10 per cent. increase in enrollment; 2nd. Secure 75 per cent. average attendance; 3rd. Secure 100 per cent. for Christ and the Church.
2. Every Teen Ager a High school graduate, and if possible a college education.
3. Establish family worship in all the homes of the young people.

4. Graded lessons and Bible study.
5. Cooperate with the Epworth League in the "win my chum" and other League activities.
6. Develop a four-fold life (physically, mentally, religiously and socially).

Epworth League objectives—

1. 100 per cent of members 24-hour day Leaguers.
2. Win my chum campaign in every chapter.
3. Mission and stewardship classes in every League.
4. Complete a League Constituency Roll.
5. Adequate literary and social program.
6. A Junior League in every church, using standardized course of study.

In the Lutheran church Rev. J. E. A. Bucke presided over the adult conference. He outlined the district program and aroused the enthusiasm and intensified the responsibility of all present with regard to the work of the Kingdom. Prof. C. E. Ely, of the Department of Rural Work in Dickinson College, gave some very salient facts about rural life. Her great point was the need of seeing life, not in material terms but in human values. The stereopticon views on Stewardship and the lecture accompanying by Dr. Rines was very highly appreciated and carried with it a deepening conviction of the ministry of substance. At the conclusion of the lecture the young people joined this body and the class from State College, under direction of Miss Candy, gave a drama of the Bible story of Esther. The young folk acquitted themselves well. The young people's classes should be inspired to this kind of work.

The Rev. J. E. A. Bucke extended the appreciation of thanks of the conference for the gracious courtesy of our Lutheran friends in granting the service of their beautiful church, and a material expression of \$4.00 was turned over to the pastor, Rev. M. C. Drumm.

PLANS MAKING FOR BIG LEWISBURG FAIR.

Midway, Races and Free Attractions to Exceed Anything Ever Attempted.

Elaborate exhibits and extensive sports are being arranged for the Union County Fair on October 17, 18, 19 and 20. The association is planning what they consider will be the biggest and best exhibition ever held at Lewisburg in every department.

The list of free attractions is large and the racing program is considered superior to any yet arranged for the exhibition. In view of the fact that the association offers \$350.00, \$400.00 and \$500.00 in purses, every class will be well filled. Already entries are being received and lovers of good racing can rest assured that there will be plenty of it every day during the fair.

A special premium of \$50.00 is offered by the association for a draft match before the grandstand which will probably take place on Wednesday of the fair. The conditions will be that three teams are necessary to enter this contest and each will be required to draw a loaded wagon. The money divisions will be as follows: \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00.

Almost a full mile of avenues will be occupied by the midway and the association insists that this shall be morally clean and attractive throughout. E. S. Corey, of the Corey Greater Shows, will furnish all shows, rides and attractions for the midway, there being about five riding devices, fifteen shows and many other attractions which will furnish amusement for all ages. The attractions on the midway will be in operation both day and night.

Great preparations are being made for the comfort of the large crowds and good bands will be secured to furnish music on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the fair. Mountain water, electricity and improved toilet facilities will add to the comfort of the people.

The association is planning to secure a large field adjoining the fair ground to be used for parking automobiles. Through an improved system of parking, the fair people will be able to take care of 1,000 more cars than were admitted to the grounds on former years.

Post yourself on the dates of the fair and the improvements that are being made to make this 1922 Union county fair one of the largest and best ever held in this section—October 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Boalsburg Lecture Course.

Boalsburg lecture course patrons are looking forward to another season of instruction and high-class entertainment through the medium of the Lyceum. Offerings and dates for the coming season have just been announced and are as follows:

Liberty Bells, Thursday, October 26.
The Princes Nadonis Indians, Monday, November 27.
Dr. Andrew Johnson, Thursday, December 7.
The Harrod Jubilee Singers, Wednesday, March 14, 1923.
Mae Shumway Enderly, Tuesday, April 10, 1923.

Box Luncheon Picnic at Camp Boal.

The Centre County League of Women Voters will hold a box-luncheon picnic at Camp Boal, Boalsburg, Friday, September 29th.

Men and women voters are cordially invited.

There will be after-dinner talks by officers and members of the League, and candidates of the coming November election, of both parties have been invited to speak, and a number have accepted who will address the voters of the county.

Not a Cheap Blessing.

(The Sun, Williamsport.)
Consider the poor motorist. He must pay a tax on his gas. Then if he steps on it he must pay a fine to the town authorities, and now the county commissioners of Pennsylvania in convention session are considering a tax on him to help pay county debts and keep up highways. The automobile may be one of man's greatest blessings, but he's paying a mighty high price for it.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Millheim borough council the following persons were named to constitute the board of health: Dr. J. R. G. Allison, for 5 years; Dr. B. F. Bowser, for 4 years; R. S. Stover, for 3 years; J. R. Miller for 2 years, and H. T. Frank for one year.

Martz & Bradford will hold public sale of farm stock and implements at Old Fort, on Monday, March 19th.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Let us hope for a long Indian summer—anything to beat the coal man.

The farm of John Hoover, deceased, located in Woodward, was sold to Thomas Motz for \$2300.

Miss Elizabeth Royer has entered as a student in the Spring Mills Vocational School. She will go to and from the school by rail.

Friday afternoon of this week, providing present plans hold out, the Centre Hall and Millheim High schools will cross bats on the Millheim grounds.

Miss Ruth Shreckengast is teaching her second term of school in the graded schools of Greensburg. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Shreckengast, of near Centre Hall.

Financiers well informed claim the next allotment of interest on P. R. R. stock to be made in October, will be six per cent, with seventy-five cents extra for each share. This would bring the interest for the year up to six per cent.

Mrs. Charles Kuhn, of Boalsburg, the latter part of last week, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Knarr, where her brother, Charles Knarr, of Oklahoma, is stopping. She also visited other friends and relatives in town.

The M. W. A. and Royal Neighbors camps of Millheim will hold a masquerade in the Woodmen hall on Halloween. On December 8 the Royal Neighbors will hold a fair, and a chicken and waffle supper on the evening of the 9th.

Harry W. Potter, son of J. T. Potter, of Centre Hall, who is manager of an oil company in Manderson, Wyoming, in a short communication to this office states that he is driving by auto to Seattle, Washington, and that he stopped off at Yellowstone Park for two days.

A freak of nature is being exhibited by a horse chestnut tree standing in front of the F. M. Fisher home in Centre Hall. Eight or ten limbs on this tree have each developed a bunch of new leaves and these are centered by the pretty white blossom characteristic of the tree.

The geographical center of Pennsylvania, as declared by the United States geographical survey, is two and one-half miles south-west of Bellefonte. Ever since the writer knew directions, he has thought that Spring Mills was the geographical center of the state, but the announcement must now be accepted.

Dr. F. E. Gulekas, of Millheim, received announcement of the recent marriage of his nephew, Harold Gutelius Morris, of Youngstown, Ohio, to Mary Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton B. Shook, of Columbus, Ohio. The young man will graduate in dentistry at the Ohio university next spring.

Racing an automobile on a road or street where school children are playing daily will only be done by one of inferior mentality. Almost daily the lives of the smaller children attending the local schools are endangered by the speed maniac, and we trust he may fix his eyes on this paragraph and get the idea. Better be careful than sorry.

Windom Krebs tenant on the C. H. Small farm, one-half mile west of Smulton, recently bought a farm in the vicinity of Sellingsgrove. Mr. Krebs will move on his recently acquired farm on April 1st. Fred Esterline, tenant on the Mrs. Volga Walker farm at the east end of the valley, has rented the farm Krebs will vacate.

The Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, through Louisville bankers, purchased for \$3,000,000 various electric companies in and about Williamsport, the Lock Haven electrical properties, also the Montoursville Electric Light and Trolley companies. Other plants in the same region will be taken over later by the same corporation.

Work is about to be commenced on the rebuilding of the dwelling house on the W. H. Stuart farm, east of Boalsburg. The house on this farm, the reader will recall, was totally destroyed by fire as were also all the personal belongings of the Stuart family. The neighbors of Mr. Stuart have been showing an exceedingly generous spirit and have been materially assisting him in securing material for the reconstruction of the home. The lumber, which is about all on the ground, was hauled from the Lonberger saw mill at Stormstown, it requiring the greater part of two days for a team to make a trip. This hauling was largely done by neighbors, whose spirit was really neighborly.