



WHAT WILL HARDING SAY?

Will the President Defend the Congress That Is Termed Stupid, Or the Tariff Bill Termed a Disgrace to the Party?

When President Harding takes the stump this summer in his campaign for re-nomination what will he talk about?

Will he undertake to defend the late unlamented Sixty-seventh Congress in which his party had a majority of 169 in the House and 24 in the Senate?

If so, what reply will he make to the statement of his own Secretary of War, Mr. Weeks, that "the legislative branch of our national government was never at a lower ebb than it is today," or the statement of Will R. Wood, Chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, that "the people of this country employed in every vocation and in every character of business are giving this Congress hell." How will he answer the charge of the staunch Republican Eastern Transcript that it was the "worst Congress in twenty years," or the Ohio State Journal (Rep.) which denounced it as "a cowardly and inept Congress," or the distinguished Republican economist and publicist, Prof. J. Laurence Laughlin, who said, "is it doubtful if he ever had a Congress more stupid, denser, untrained in economic analysis, and unfit for his job," and many like references from members of his own party?

Will he undertake to defend the Fordney-McCumber Profiteers' Tariff act?

If so, what will he say in reply to the New York Herald (Rep.) which called the wool schedule "a national scandal," or to the St. Paul Pioneer Press (Rep.) which said in effect that it was a futile attempt to fool the farmer, or to the Boston Transcript (Rep.) which called the tariff bill "a disgrace to the party in power and a menace to the nation," or to the Fair Tariff League composed mostly of Republicans, whose spokesman said of this tariff act that "it lowers the standards of public morals; weakens the foundations of governments, and blights our prospects of world leadership," or to the Republican Chicago Tribune, owned by the family of Senator McCormick, (Chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, which said of the duty on aluminum (a monopoly controlled by the Mellons, one of whom is Mr. Harding's Secretary of the Treasury), that "such a duty does not protect; it exploits;" or to the Republican Philadelphia Ledger which said that the tariff bill was framed by "the reactionary mind closed to new ideas and new conditions," and to the hundreds of other leading Republican newspapers which denounced the present profiteer's tariff?

The Threshing Bugaboo.

It is apparently a useless fear farmers are entertaining that the present legislature will pass laws making it impossible to move threshing machines on the public highways. The Reporter has no such fear. Farmers should keep in mind that conditions are changing continually. The character and construction of the motive power of today is not necessarily that which will be in use tomorrow. The heavy tractors in use in the past will be supplanted by more modern power driven tractors less destructive to modern roads. We in Centre Hall know exactly what harm a heavy tractor can do to a well-built oiled road. We have had the experience as to the destruction and the laying down of the funds to repair.

The Reporter expects to be criticised for these remarks, but at the same time it asks the farmers not to permit themselves to become a party to hindering progress in road building at the instance of interests entirely selfish. The legislature has no thought whatever of interfering with farmers threshing their crops; the thing they desire and the thing farmers themselves should urge is restrictions looking toward the preservation of roads they made possible by the payment of taxes.

Swine Breeders to Raise \$25,000 for College Dormitory.

Swine breeders of Pennsylvania have contributed more than \$20,000 to a fund for the erection of a student dormitory unit at the Pennsylvania State College, and there is every indication that it will be increased to \$25,000 before long. This amount would represent one-fourth of the entire cost of the building completely furnished. Men engaged in all branches of the livestock industry in the state are combining to provide for the building.

Mrs. Catharine Gephart, of Millheim, recently passed her 93rd birthday. She is the oldest person in that section of the county. She has been blind for several years, prior to which time she was exceedingly active.

SELF-INFLICTED WOUNDS CAUSE WOMAN'S DEATH.

Mrs. David Young, While Despondent, Cuts Gashes in Arm and Tongue.

Mrs. David Young, of near Colyer, in Potter township, died on Thursday of last week from self-inflicted wounds made twelve hours before. She cut a gash in her right arm, severing the radial and ulnar arteries below the elbow bend, and also cut a gash in the under part of her tongue. The wounds were made with a razor, which instrument was carefully placed in its receptacle and laid away. The wounds were inflicted Wednesday afternoon of last week at about three o'clock. Death came at three o'clock Thursday morning.

Mr. Young had gone to a neighbor's home and was absent for a short time. When he returned he found the doors locked, but having a key he gained entrance. His wife for much of the day lay on a sofa on the first floor, and not finding her there Mr. Young at once went upstairs and there he found her lying on the floor. When he picked up the woman she said she had cut off her tongue. Blood flowing from the wound also revealed the cutting of the arm. Dr. Woods, of Pottsville, was summoned and dressed the wounds. It was thought she would recover, but at the time stated death came.

Mrs. Young had been in delicate health for a period of four years, during which time she suffered much from various afflictions.

Interment was made at Zion Hill, Saturday afternoon, Rev. J. F. Blingman officiating. Age of the deceased was fifty-three years.

Beside the father, there survive four sons of the deceased, namely: Ammon, Reedsville; Earl, Reedsville; Fred, Zion; Lowell, at home.

Odd Fellows Install Officers.

The semi-annual installation ceremonies of the local Odd Fellows were held on Saturday evening in the lodge room of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, District Deputy Grand Master Charles Meyer, of Pine Grove Mills, was the installing officer. The following are the officers installed:

- Noble Grand, Ralph E. Dingess.
- Vice-Grand, Wm. E. Montgomery.
- Warden, Edward Homan.
- Conductor, William Bradford.
- Inside Guard, Harvey Mark.
- Outside Guard, J. F. Lutz.
- R. S. to N. G., Victor A. Auman.
- L. S. to N. G., Charles T. Crust.
- R. S. to V. G., Jonas Boal.
- L. S. to V. G., Bruce Runkle.
- Chaplain, M. L. Emerick.
- R. S. S., Clyde Dutrow.
- L. S. S., George Shaver.
- Representative to Orphans' Home at Sunbury, D. Milton Bradford.
- Representative to Grand Lodge at Allentown, Charles T. Crust.

Members of the order were present from Penna Valley lodge, Pine Grove Mills, and from Spring Mills lodge.

After lodge meeting light refreshments were served.

The local lodge expects to occupy its remodeled quarters about May 1st, at which time several new members will be admitted.

BOROUGH SCHOOL REPORT.

Intermediate grade report for 7th month: Percentage of attendance, boys 98, girls 98. The following were present every day during the month: Catharine Martz, Thelma Brunhart, Frances Weaver, Myla Spjaker, Sarah Smith, Margaret Delaney, Mary Heiber, Helen Odenkirk, Margaret McClennahan, Hazel Potter, Glile Gleikner, Genevieve Ruble, Evelyn Colyer, Adeline Langes, Lois Packer, Miriam Gross, Helen Rines, Marian Smith, Fay Hees, Alfred Grove, Harold Bradford, Paul Martz, Frank Rines, Myrnatid Coldren, John Ritter, George Ritter, Fred Luse, Philip McClennahan, James Lutz, Bruce Smith, Richard Bailey, William Weaver, James Weaver, Merrill Meyer, William Spjaker.

The following made 100 per cent. in spelling test: Madeline Emerick, Fay Rees, Adeline Dingess, Evelyn Colyer, Lois Packer, Helen Rines, Miriam Gross, Alfred Grove, William Weaver, Richard Bailey, Genevieve Ruble.

Better Walk a Bit.

Persons who wear flannels, either drab or of the inflated variety, cannot be too careful about taying them away in camphor balls too early in the season, for you never can tell what's going to happen next in this acrobatic climate.

One day you think that spring surely is here and the next day something else in the way of weather is here. Better walk awhile, you folk who are in an awful hurry to change your lingerie, until you are sure the weather has settled down for an honest-to-goodness spell of ethereal conditions that are warranted to last over night, and into the midst of the summer solstice.

TEETH OF LOCAL SCHOOL CHILDREN RECEIVING TREATMENT.

Dental Inspection and Prophylactic Treatment of Grade School Pupils This Week.

The local Tuberculosis and Red Cross committees are now conducting a dental hygiene clinic for the grade school children of Centre Hall through the cooperation of the State Health Department.

So many ills have been traced to decaying teeth that the importance of keeping them in healthy and serviceable condition is now generally recognized by physicians of the modern school of medicine. It is therefore obvious that any movement which has as its object the training of the young in giving proper care to the natural teeth that they may be preserved in a sound and healthy condition and thus eliminate a source of scores of ailments is a worthy one.

The work is under the care of Miss Cora Mitchell, a graduate of the Forsyth-Tufts Training School for Dental Hygienists, of Boston, and the clinic is located in the council room in the Penna Valley bank building.

Miss Mitchell carefully cleans and inspects the teeth of the children, making recommendations that they visit the dentist if further work is necessary. She does no filling or extracting. Talks on the care of the teeth are also given in the school rooms; also individual talks to patients treated, the object being to induce the children to brush and care for their teeth daily in order to prevent decay.

On account of limited finances the work will be conducted for one week only and in that time as many children as possible will be given attention.

The Tuberculosis Committee and Miss Mitchell cordially invite anyone interested to visit the clinic at any time during school hours.

The work will be conducted in the Spring Mills schools next week.

Superintendent Wills.

Charles A. Wills, for a number of years superintendent of the Loyalville Orphan Home, an institution belonging to the Lutheran church, died at the Home on Tuesday of last week very unexpectedly. Death was due to an attack of acute indigestion. He was aged fifty-five years.

Mr. Wills was well known throughout this section, having come in personal contact with many Lutheran families through the management of the Orphan Home, which annually for some years has been giving service throughout the state. He was a good financier and to him is due to a large extent the rapid growth of the Lutheran Home. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Odd Fellows Orphan Home, at Sunbury.

Interment was made at Loyalville on Friday afternoon.

POTTERS MIA.

George Auman was injured while lifting a heavy plank at the saw mill. Squire P. A. Carson made a trip to Philadelphia this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Alexander, son Lowell and family, stopped for a short time at this place on a motor trip to Spring Mills.

Mr. Ammon Dobb, of Reedsville, and Mrs. Henshall, of State College, spent a few days with their mother, Mrs. John Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, of Spring Mills; Mrs. Geiss Wagner, of Centre Hall, and Rossmann Smith, of Johnstown, spent a short time at the Michael Smith home one day this week.

The sad news reached us on Sunday of the death of Master Leroy Smith, son of John Roy Smith, of Reedsville. Undertaker P. V. Goodhart brought the body to the home of the child's grandparents in this place, from which place burial was made on Wednesday morning.

In the Master's arms Leroy is resting. Lo, he is not dead, but sleeping. Resting in peace.

WILL GRADUATE LARGEST CLASS IN HISTORY OF CENTRE HALL HIGH SCHOOL.

The largest senior class in the history of the Centre Hall High school will graduate on Friday, May 11th, when graduating exercises will be held in the Grange hall. The class is composed of eighteen members—eight girls and ten boys. We give herewith the class roll, including the officers:

- LEWIS EDGAR JODON, President.
- MARTHA KATHRYN YEARICK, Vice President.
- MARY ELLEN BURKHOLDER, Secretary.
- LAURA ELLEN MEEKER, Treasurer.
- ANNA LILAE BROOKS
- RICHARD STANLEY BROOKS
- PAUL M. FETTEROLF
- LAURA MAE WHITEMAN
- ALBERT LINCOLN EMERY
- ALBERT IRVIN SMITH
- MABELLE GERTRUDE SHABER
- EDWARD JAMES FAUST
- GEORGE HARRISON SWEENEY
- VIANNA BLANCHE ZETTEL
- HOWARD EDWARD EMERY
- SARAH OLEVIA SNYDER
- MYLES ELLIOT SNYDER
- JOHN HAROLD DURST

FUNDS FOR BASE BALL.

Local League Movement Spurs Interest in National Game—District Players to be Given Opportunity on Diamond.

The formation of a county base ball league made up of districts with centers at Millheim, Centre Hall, State College and Bellefonte, has aroused interest among local business men and others, some of whom are base ball enthusiasts and others not, to give ball players in this district which is comprised of Centre Hall, Linden Hall, Rossburg and Lemont, an opportunity on the diamond during the coming ball season. The opportunities here for gate receipts are not as good as at other league points, consequently it was necessary to prevail on the community to make liberal contributions in advance, and this was done, although not yet completed. The contributions as made are as follows:

- H. H. Longwell \$10.00
- D. A. Boozer 10.00
- Edward E. Bailey 10.00
- S. W. Smith 10.00
- C. W. Boozer 5.00
- L. O. Packer 10.00
- W. H. Bland 5.00
- F. P. Geary 10.00
- Frank M. Fisher 10.00
- H. Leigh Elright 10.00
- R. M. Smith 5.00
- David K. Keller 10.00
- E. M. Huyell 10.00
- J. I. Fetterolf 5.00
- C. D. Bartholomew 10.00
- W. F. Bradford 10.00
- W. A. Odenkirk 2.00
- W. A. Homan 5.00
- John Whiteman 5.00
- D. C. Mitterling 5.00
- John M. Coldren 5.00
- C. P. Emery 5.00
- Chas. E. Plink 5.00
- T. A. Howerman 2.00
- Edward Durst 5.00
- Cyrus Bengart 5.00
- George H. Emerick 5.00
- Earl Lambert 1.00
- Howard Lambert 2.00
- Danfel Daup 5.00
- George G. Benner 10.00
- V. A. Auman 2.00
- W. W. Kerlin 10.00
- A. E. Kerlin 10.00
- Wm. McClennahan 5.00
- Clyde A. Smith 5.00
- Frank V. Goodhart 10.00
- W. L. Jacobs 5.00
- Chester A. Spjaker 5.00
- D. W. Bradford 5.00
- L. L. Smith 10.00

Kerstetter-Braucht.

On Wednesday evening at the Reformed parsonage in Aaronsburg, Glen B. Kerstetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kerstetter, of Coburn, was united in marriage with Miss Wida C. Braucht, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Braucht, of near Coburn, by Rev. John S. Hollenbach. The ring ceremony was used. The groom is employed by the Coburn Farm Products company. May joy and prosperity attend them.

SPRING MILLS.

James B. Krape, of Bellefonte, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Calvin King.

Mrs. Mulfinger, of Pleasant Gap, was a Sunday visitor at the Jack Mulfinger home.

Mrs. Helen Rockey, of Altoona, was at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Finkle, helping to care for the sick.

Mrs. Steiffer, of Bellwood, after spending two weeks with relatives returned to her home on Monday.

Death claimed one of our useful citizens on Thursday—Mrs. Amanda Graden, wife of John Graden. She will be missed by her family and many friends; also in the S. S. and church, to which she was loyal.

There is a great deal of sickness—croup, colds, etc. In almost every home there are several sick ones.

The fishermen were all out for trout on Monday morning.

The lumber operations on Pine Hill, near Potters Mills, purchased by A. N. Finkle, of Spring Mills, from the Allisons, have been delayed owing to the illness of Mr. Finkle, who has been in bed for two weeks or more suffering from grip.

Uncle Tom's Cabin, with 30 people, at the Opera House, Bellefonte, Friday night, April 27; also matinee at 3:15.

BURNING RUBBISH EXPENSIVE.

Two Fires in Penna Valley Result from Thoughtless Burning of Brush and Rubbish—House and Stable and 70 Acres Timber Land Burned Over.

Outdoor fires, whether in country or town, are exceedingly hazardous. There are given the experiences of two persons who had no thought but that they could control the flame that was to serve them, yet in one instance a stable and seventy acres of timberland was burned over, and in another a house in fair condition was licked up.

The first fire was started by Edward Zerby, on his premises on Tussey Mountain south of Tusseyville. He was burning brush when the flames got away from under his control. He lives on what is known as the John Taylor home, at the foot of Old Tussey. The stable was burned, and from there the flames led to his timber tract, adjoining. The fire was started about eight o'clock Wednesday morning of last week and burned until four o'clock that afternoon. Neighbors turned out to give aid, but it seemed a hopeless battle until an army truck with Penn State students arrived, and soon a second load, that the fiery elements began to be subdued. The students were rushed to the scene at the instance of Col. Theodore Boals.

The fire burned over the Zerby, M. F. Rossmann, Geiss Wagner, Deitzell, W. G. Runkle and Clayton Wagner tracts.

The second fire was just below Penn Hall on the road to the Heckman cemetery. The place belongs to Mrs. Ella Snyder, of Sunbury, and is not regularly occupied by a tenant. The place however is leased to Harvey Decker, an expert potato grower, who will again plant potatoes on a large scale. It was to clean up for this purpose that a bunch of rubbish was fired to rid the earth of it. Mr. Decker thought the fire was entirely safe to leave alone, and accordingly left the place to take dinner. It is presumed the wind fanned the embers into a flame, the fire spreading to the farm house, and before the fire could be checked it was burned to the ground. The telephone soon brought the people of the neighborhood to the scene, and some of them had the forethought to load on their autos milk cans filled with water. By much conjuring the barn, which is in very fair condition, was saved. To show how close a call the structure had it need only be recalled that an ember landed on the roof, burned a hole through it and as the sparks fell onto the loose hay in the mow, men pitched the burning hay out the door.

Since the property was not occupied by a tenant, neither of the buildings was insured. The owner, Mrs. Snyder, is a sister of F. M. Fisher, of Centre Hall.

Bellefonte Man Escapes Serious Injury.

A touring car owned by Harry Daughenbaugh, superintendent of the American Lime and Stone company plant, was badly damaged on Saturday, as the result of an accident in the Bush Addition, Bellefonte. The car went over a bank. Mr. Daughenbaugh escaped serious injury.

Made Head of Orphanage.

Officials of the Treasurer Orphans' Home, the largest orphanage of the Lutheran Church, announced the appointment of Rev. G. Robert Helm as superintendent of the institution. He has been assistant superintendent of the home for two years and succeeds Charles A. Wills, who died on Monday of last week after having headed the institution for 33 years.

Nyra Brown as "Eve" at Bellefonte Opera House, Tuesday, April 24.

The talented and beautiful actress, who delighted a packed house at Bellefonte last season in "Listen Irene," will appear at Opera House on Tuesday night, April 24, in "Eve," and Miss Brown will be supported by the well-known comedian Johnny Getz, whose versatility and queer monkey antics gave joy to the crowd last season.

The company included twenty lovely girls, "Adamless Eves," who will not only appear upon the stage in many song hits and gorgeous and fashionable costumes, but will also make use of the runway, which is always a hit, and will entertain the audience from the aisles as well.

The production is being presented by George E. Wintz, one of the best known and most popular of New York City producers. Mr. Wintz is the owner and producer of those two big musical hits, "Listen Irene" and "Shuffle Along," the latter of which appeared in New York for two solid years.

Chips are being distributed along the highway between Old Fort and Spring Mills, which will be used after the road is closed.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Each of the twenty-two guarantors of the Millheim lyceum course were obliged to pay \$2.67, which represented their share of the deficit.

A player piano was purchased by the local Odd Fellows from George E. Meyer, of Boalsburg, the instrument being delivered last Thursday.

Mrs. Mary J. Odenkirk advertises public sale of household goods at her home near the station, in Centre Hall, on Saturday, April 21st, at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Laura Runkle, of Centre Hall, on Tuesday, entered the Gesinger hospital at Danville, where she will submit to an operation for gall stones.

Forty-seven dollars were the gross receipts of the "Old Maids' Club," given by State College players in the Grange hall at this place on Saturday evening.

Rumor has it that John H. Runkle, of Potter township, will announce himself a candidate for the nomination of Register of Centre county, on the Democratic ticket.

L. G. Reardon, of Lock Haven, stopped off in Centre Hall for a short time last Wednesday, having attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Cornelius Hazel, at Pleasant Gap.

Rossmann Smith, son of the late M. L. Smith, of Johnstown, was in town last Friday, having motored here in his large auto. He is manager of Smith's Super Six orchestra, and is meeting with success in the line of music.

It is estimated that two and three-quarter million trees will be shipped from the Clearfield State forest nurseries. The trees are free except the charge of packing and shipping, which is about seventy-five cents per thousand.

Seven counties of the state have gone "over the top" with their quotas in the emergency building fund campaign now being conducted by the Pennsylvania State College. They are Adams, Centre, Cambria, Sullivan, Snyder and Indiana.

The Municipal Building company of Millheim has selected L. E. Bariges to oversee the construction of the new municipal building for Millheim, and A. E. Bariges will be assistant overseer and will also have charge of the purchasing of materials.

William Lauderbaugh, president of the Lauderbaugh-Zerby company, wholesale grocery, with main warehouses at Phillipsburg, died last week on his way east from Hot Springs, Arkansas. R. H. Zerby, secretary of the company, died a few months ago.

A Montgomery Justice of the peace, at the age of 89 years, walked from Montgomery over White Deer mountain, a distance of eleven miles, on his anniversary one day last week. He accomplished this feat for seven successive anniversaries. His name is J. P. Fowler.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Bellefonte on May 5th, 1923, to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of Postmaster at Martha Furnace. The compensation of the Postmaster at this office was \$525 for the last fiscal year.

A forest fire was discovered in High valley, southeast of Coburn, Sunday night a week. Some twenty men from Coburn and Millheim promptly responded to a call for fire-fighters and succeeded in extinguishing the fire after it had burned over an area of about one-half square mile.

Miss Keeler, daughter of A. Keeler, of Millheim, was the only contestant from Penna Valley for honors at the State Conference of Music Study Clubs, held in State College recently. She was one of the eight in the piano contest, and has every reason for encouragement in her work although the prize went to another.

The State Road passing through Penna Valley Narrows, just as you emerge from the mountains on the Union county side, is a State institution now called Laurelton State Village. It was formerly named, Pennsylvania Village, for Feeble Minded Women. The change of name was brought about by an act of the legislature.

The State Highway Department adopted the same plan of oiling but one side of the road at a time, giving the first half time to dry before the second half is oiled. This method will be greatly appreciated by auto drivers and will be no great inconvenience to the department in performing the work. It is also aimed to do the oiling early in the season instead of dragging along all summer and fall.