



MILLERS BOOST STANDARDIZATION OF WHEAT GROWING

Pennsylvania Wheat Best Grown, Yet Standard Must Be Raised or Crop Will Die Out.

The following report of Susquehanna Millers' Association which met recently in Muncy is of interest to every wheat grower in the state and should be carefully read by every farmer subscriber to the Reporter.

There were one hundred and five persons present, of whom twenty-nine were women. Thirty-four mills were represented.

State reports show that while the annual crop of wheat in Pennsylvania is twenty-five million bushels, the consumption is fifty million bushels. Of this amount thirty-six and a half millions are shipped into the state in the form of western flour.

H. D. Musser, of State College extension department, was introduced, and gave a highly interesting talk on wheat. He said that the college is interested in wheat, and called for the co-operation of the farmers, millers and bakers in making Pennsylvania wheat better and standardizing it.

My son-in-law has charge of the lumber yard at Antler (25 miles north west of Maxbass) and since he likes his work very much we expect to move up there by fall.

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Since I came home we have taken several auto drives out through the country and it is very evident that a cyclone went through this part of the country a year ago. In this town most of the buildings have either been repaired or rebuilt except the M. E. church; that looks rather bad, but they have been working on it but it will take lots more work and some more money before it is complete.

George Stewart of the Bureau of Markets was the next speaker. He has been making an extensive investigation of the milling industry, and told of his findings. The farmer, he said, claims there is no profit in wheat. He explained this in this way: Of all the wheat grown in Pennsylvania, three-tenths of one per cent. is grade one, seven and eight-tenths per cent. is grade two and thirteen and five-tenths per cent. is grade three.

Mr. Stewart explained the standard by which wheat is graded. Grade one is so scarce that it is almost non-existent. Grade two is the standard for all grading. Grade two weighs fifty-eight pounds to the bushel and may contain one per cent. of chaff and one per cent. of other foreign material.

Another factor in lowering the value of Pennsylvania wheat is the fact that a large amount is garlicky. This can be eradicated by the selection of seeds and rotation of crops. Most of the farmers this year sowed garlicky wheat, as was proved by taking samples from the drills of farmers all over the state, the speaker asserted.

Mr. Stewart says that if the Pennsylvania wheat is not raised to a higher standard, the crop will die out in the state, as buyers will not buy it. He advised co-operative elevators as a remedy. The government will bond these elevators and permit them to issue warehouse receipts, which will be negotiable. They should have driers.

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LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Letter from North Dakota.

Maxbass, N. D., July 2, 1923.

Enclosed find check for another year's subscription to the Reporter as I don't want a number of your paper; it has always brought me the news from home and since I was East on a visit I look for it more than ever, as there have been so many friendships renewed, and looking over the paper recalls so many kindnesses shown me while on my visit.

I left Centre Hall on January 16 and came to Freeport, Ill.; stayed there for a while and then went to Princeton, and from there to Henry where I stayed almost two months; then came back to Freeport and was "water-stayed" for a few weeks, as the river was very high at that time and part of the city was quite badly flooded.

It is possible to increase the present supply of water at a minimum cost. Within a few feet of the borough reservoir a well approximately 130 feet deep was dug some years ago. Ninety feet of water appeared. A pump and an electric motor were installed, and when a drought threatens the current is turned on, the pump throwing a nice stream. For weeks this pump has been at work without in the least lowering the level of the water, indicating that there is available a much larger supply of water than the pump is able to handle.

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Borough Council Meets.

At the last session of the borough council various matters were discussed. The question of the construction of a house in which to store the fire equipment was again gone over, instructions having been previously given to build it.

The main topic talked over, one of vital interest, was the erection of a reservoir on the land purchased a few years ago from the defunct Centre Hall Water company. From a point of service whatever money is spent on this plant would be almost, if not entirely, wasted. When rain fall is normal the original borough plant furnishes an ample supply of water. It is only when there is a very real drought that there is a scarcity of water.

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Touring Notes from Mr. and Mrs. George E. Meyer.

Toledo, Washington, July 5th, 1923.

Since last writing we have had a very pleasant time. The roads have been good, the weather pleasant and the scenery very interesting. Saturday after dinner we got to Spokane, Washington, came into the auto camp and found hot water and wash tubs and good hot sun, so did the week's washing and ironing before sunset.

Sunday morning we went into the city to Sunday-school and preaching and enjoyed the services and hospitality of the pastor and people. After dinner we drove around the nicest part of the city and back to camp.

In the evening a car from the city stopped and the party began to talk, seeing the Pennsylvania license on our car, and soon we found the lady to be Miss Gladys Meyer, of Salem Reformed church, east of Penn Hall, before marriage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Meyer, a distant relative. She is now Mrs. Clark Hallman. They keep the Touraine Hotel; we were invited to their home so spent Monday and Monday night there. On Monday afternoon President Harding came to Spokane and we saw him in the parade around the city. Mrs. Meyer said the president and his wife waved to her (probably because she is a Republican).

Tuesday morning we left for Seattle and got as far as Ellensburg that day and finished Wednesday; we were in the auto camp till Thursday morning, then took in the business part of the city; passed the highest building (forty-two stories) and to-night are in Toledo, a small town. There has been rain today so we are at a private home over night. Tomorrow we expect to get into Oregon and take a trip up the Columbia Highway along the Columbia river. This evening we ate our fill of ox-heart cherries, off the tree. Are well as usual.

GEORGE E. MEYER.

Noll Makes Successful Flight.

Henry T. Noll, of Pleasant Gap, made a most successful flight in his plane over Penns Valley on Saturday morning. The plane came across the mountain at about the "top," a circle was made over the town and then westward to near Gregg station where he landed on the Garbriek field. After a brief chat with G. Garbriek brothers, flying being the topic, he again took the air, flying down the valley and across the mountain to his home. The machine behaved splendidly during the entire trip.

Reunion of Lumbermen.

Thirty-five and more years ago Bear Meadows was an important lumber center, the shipping point being Linden Hall station. The lumber operations were conducted by Bear Meadows and Laurel Run Lumber companies. The idea was conceived by H. W. Lomberger of State College and others who were employed with these companies, that all the lumbermen-operators and employes should meet in reunion in the Meadows, July 15, 20 and 21, and arrangements to that effect have been made. Two hundred fifty invitations have been mailed out. Boalsburg is to be the center at which the lumbermen will congregate before going to the Meadows, and the \$2.00 asked is to cover transportation and food during the period of the reunion.

Fiedler Farms Sold.

The executors of the estate of Michael S. Fiedler, late of Millheim, sold the two farms, one in Hafnes and the other in Penn township. The Hafnes township farm and 35 acres of timberland were purchased by Lester P. Fiedler, the present tenant, for \$21,000. The Penn township farm was bought by J. W. Winkleblech for \$13,500.

Summer Burd sold his farm, north of Wolfe Chapel, to Emanuel Vonada, tenant on the Fischer farm at Penn Hall. Mr. Burd will make sale in the spring and move to Aaronsburg.

Clearfield Girl Awarded a Prize. Miss Margaret Gilliland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Gilliland, of Clearfield, has received a letter from Secretary McGirr of the national organization of the Sons of Veterans of the United States, informing her that she had won the first prize in the contest of essays on Abraham Lincoln. The affair was limited to the public school children of the eighth grade. She will receive a handsome gold medal.

Bake Sale. The Bible class of the Reformed Sunday-school will hold a bake sale, Saturday, July 21st, in the L. L. Smith show room. Ice cream will also be served. Your patronage is solicited.—Committee.

In falling from a load of hay, John Bailey, a farmer living near Pine Grove Mills, fractured several ribs.

WIN FROM BELLEFONTE.

Locals Play Two Superior Games During Week But Only One Results in Victory.

Centre Hall, 7; Bellefonte, 4.

The local baseball team defeated the league leaders on the home grounds on Saturday afternoon by superior all-round playing. The drove Long from the box in the sixth inning and Mensch who succeeded Long held the locals to one run, although he was found easy to hit. Gross pitched another strong game, the only visitors to solve his delivery being Lose and Long. The latter hit for a home run in the eighth and had a two-bagger earlier in the game. Lose hit two 3-baggers, and the locals got into the extra-base hit class by reason of Gross' home run and N. Crawford's three-bagger.

Following is the box score:

Table with columns: R, H, O, A, E. Rows for Centre Hall players: C McClintic, Klinger, W Bradford, Ross, Gross, N Crawford, H Emery, Frank, Kellar. Totals: 7, 9, 27, 7, 1.

BELLEFONTE

Table with columns: R, H, O, A, E. Rows for Bellefonte players: Fisher, Gordon, Lose, Long, Torsel, DeTrick, Weber, Thompson, Robb, Mensch. Totals: 4, 8, 24, 12, 2.

Struck out by Gross, 9; by Long, 1.

State College, 6; Centre Hall, 5.

In the 7-inning twilight game at State College, last Thursday, Centre Hall opened up as though they intended to make a farce of the game. They did everything which tends to win ball games, while State committed everything tending to lose the game, with the result that Centre Hall scored five runs and counted strong on taking home the bacon. But State then closed up like a clam and kept the visitors from the plate and proceeded to overcome the five-run lead—and did it—in the face of masterful pitching on the part of Harry Gross, against whom State could do little, most of their hits being rank flukes. A few costly errors gave State the victory, the winning run coming over in the seventh when a State runner scored on a bad throw after having gained a "life" on first base when instead he should have been easily retired.

The box score follows:

Table with columns: R, H, O, A, E. Rows for Centre Hall players: E McClintic, Klinger, M McClintic, W Bradford, N Crawford, Frank, H Emery, A Crawford, Ross. Totals: 5, 6, 20, 3, 2.

\*Two out when winning run scored.

STATE COLLEGE

Table with columns: R, H, O, A, E. Rows for State College players: Spicer, Kellerman, Harkins, Gilland, H Williams, Krumrine, Hollibaugh, Spicer, Williams. Totals: 6, 7, 21, 8, 3.

Struck out by Gross 8; by Spicer, 6. Umpires, Lomberger and Auman.

Millheim was defeated by Bellefonte last Thursday evening and in a double header on Saturday at Millheim won and lost, Windom Gramley pitching his team to victory over "State" in the first game of the twin bill. The scores were: Millheim, 3; State College, 1. State College, 7; Millheim, 4.

The league standing to date is as follows:

Table with columns: Won, Lost, P.C. Rows for Bellefonte, State College, Centre Hall, Millheim.

B. B. Schedule for Week.

Thursday, twilight—Millheim at Bellefonte, Centre Hall and State College, 9 p.m.

Saturday, afternoon—Bellefonte at Millheim. State College at Centre Hall.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Community picnic—Saturday, August 4, at Centre Hall.

Mrs. Harry Weaver and children spent a few days the past week with relatives in Altoona.

The annual picnic of the Business Men's Association of Bellefonte will be held at Hecla Park, Thursday, August 16th.

Mrs. Roger T. Bayard, of Tyrone, was a guest at the Mrs. Margaret Smith home in Centre Hall for several days last week.

Four fine milk cows were killed on the farm of John Reish, south of Bellefonte, when struck by lightning during a recent storm.

The dwelling house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCool and the Brunk family is being repainted by Magnus Duck, of Spring Mills.

Figures of the Department of Highways, show for the first six months ending June 30, that \$54,833 automobile licenses were issued, compared with \$60,262 for 1922.

A large amount of farm work was disposed of during the past week. The weather was ideal for haymaking and harvesting, two leading numbers on the program of the farmer.

Misses Ida Frazier and Stella Hosterman, of Centre Hall, on Saturday went to Lock Haven where they were guests of Miss Harriet Frazier, a student at the Central State Normal School.

Centre Hall dwellings are getting a real brushing up. We have always been proud of the fact that our homes are kept thoroughly painted, and that is one of the things that makes the old town look so good to strangers.

Mrs. Lucy Henney and son, Wilbur Henney, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shoop, of Centre Hall, on Saturday went by auto to New Bloomfield where they were guests over Sunday of Mrs. Henney's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Stewart.

The road to Boalsburg by the way of Tusseyville is now in very fair shape. The Earlstown road from the Old Fort to the turn leading to Tusseyville is also in better condition than heretofore. The use of a road drag after each rain would make it more acceptable.

Farmers in this section began cutting wheat the latter part of last week, which was about ten days later than the normal season for harvesting this crop. There are but very few fields of wheat up to the standard, many less than 75 per cent. and plenty 50 per cent. and less.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company has been sued for \$30,000 damages by Mrs. Gertrude Frederick, whose husband, Franklin S. Frederick, was killed on a railroad crossing in Millburg. Suit is brought on the grounds of contributory negligence on the part of the railroad company by maintaining a dangerous crossing.

Farmer William Stoner, near Centre Hall station, lost a horse by death which was due to an attack of distemper. Mr. Stoner's horses all contracted this disease, it is thought, by coming in contact with horses shipped here from the west and sold. The sickness among the horses has greatly interfered with his farm work.

In a show window in the A. J. Karel store, in Boalsburg, is a lemon tree, strong and thrifty. The tree is two years old and is now bearing a lemon that is more than of ordinary size and a short time ago brought to maturity a lemon weighing one pound. There are now several small lemons and a cluster of blossoms on the tree.

A sport model Maxwell touring car was recently purchased by Alfred Durst and will be driven by Wm. F. Keller, his son-in-law, who with Mrs. Keller make up the Durst family. The car was purchased from the Kruder Motor company through the sub-agent, C. P. Rainer, at Tusseyville. The Chalmers touring car owned by Mr. Durst for several years was dealt in.

A birthday party in honor of Alveta Weaver, on her fifteenth anniversary, last Friday, was given by her mother, Mrs. Harry Weaver. Delicious refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, ice cream, cake, popcorn, candy and lemonade, were served. The following were present: Mrs. John Kreamer, Alveta Weaver, Algie Emery, Alma Lutz, Esther Martz, Elizabeth Bartholomew, Elizabeth Bradford, Edith Moltz, Dorothy Packer, Dorothy Odenkirk, Grace McClennahan, Charlotte Keller, Vivian Packer, Margaret Rudy, Doris Moltz, and brothers and sisters of the one in whose honor the party was given.