



WHO ARE THE TAXPAYERS?

Secretary Mellon Would Reduce the Taxes of Millionaires While the Great Majority Continue to Bear the Burden.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, it is announced, will renew his recommendation for a reduction of the surtaxes to 25 per cent., despite the defeat this recommendation suffered in the last Congress through the combined efforts of Democrats and progressive Republicans.

In this connection the following statistics will enable the reader to judge for himself whether the taxpayers of very large incomes stand in need of reduction or whether the smaller taxpayers made up of the average citizens should have their taxes reduced.

Statistics for 1921 show that taxable incomes amounted to nearly \$20,000,000,000. Of this amount only \$463,003,377 were reported by persons with net incomes of \$100,000 or over, while \$15,928,000,000 were reported by persons who had taxable incomes of \$5,000 or less.

Mr. Mellon's theory is that a reduction of the higher surtaxes would result in the multi-millionaires withdrawing.

Attention is called to the increase in naval estimates and the \$300,000,000 Pork Barrel Building bill only because claims of Republican economy persist. A fact is all that is needed to offset a false claim.

Former Attorney General Married.

A. Mitchell Palmer, attorney general and alien property custodian in the Wilson administration, and Mrs. Margaret Fallon Burrall, of Waterbury, Conn., were married Wednesday afternoon at the bride's summer home at New London, Conn., according to an announcement made by Mr. Palmer's law partner.

The bride was the widow of John Booth Burrall, a manufacturer who died at Palm Beach, Fla., four years ago. Mr. Palmer's wife died two years ago.

A short trip to the New England states, accompanied by Mr. Palmer's daughter, Mary Dixon Palmer, was planned with an extended automobile tour of Europe, leaving New York on the Olympic on September 8.

Lycorning County's Sheriff Dead.

Thomas M. Gray, sheriff of Lycorning county, died while returning home from the funeral of an aunt. On leaving the cemetery, Mr. Gray entered the car of a friend and after being seated raised his hand to his forehead and fell back dead.

Mr. Gray, entered upon the duties of his office on January 1st, 1920. He had previously served seven years as deputy sheriff.

The funeral was held at the jail on Friday.

Union County Fair, Sept. 4-7.

Extensive preparations have been made for the great Union county fair, the 70th anniversary and the largest fair in the history of this organization. The Union county fair has never "busted" and has always paid its obligations and kept faith with the people.

A fine race program of nine races with purses of \$500 to \$700 will be raced on the finest one-half mile track in the state. All races are on the three-beat plan, which means that every heat is a race and they are paid for what they do in each heat.

The traffic cop, on Tuesday, gave orders under instructions to individual citizens to park their cars according to the rules. These individuals are not in grace with those who happen to be in a position to give orders. Other individuals, presumably catering to the private and official wishes of the same officers, were permitted on the same day to violate the same rule to a much greater extent than those who received official notice to park properly. So far as the writer is concerned, he has no intention of toying for favors. It is due to the traffic officer to say he was courteous and performed his mission as a servant.

DECKER BROS. ANNOUNCE DROP IN CHEVROLET PRICES.

Effective September 1, the following prices will prevail on Chevrolet cars: Superior Roadster, \$490. Superior Touring, \$495. Superior Utility Coupe, \$640. Superior Sedan, \$795. Superior Commercial Chassis, \$395. Superior Light Delivery, \$495. Utility Express Truck Chassis, \$550. All prices f. o. b. Flint, Mich. Watch for our big ad. next week.

DECKER BROTHERS, Bellefonte, State College and Spring Mills.

Even the danger sign is more welcome than that awful detour arrow.

PILGRIMAGE TO BUFFALO CROSS ROADS CHURCH

Presbyterians from All Over the State Flock to Site of Old Church, in Union County, the First of Its Denomination to Be Built North of Harrisburg.

The fifth annual pilgrimage to the abandoned Buffalo Cross Roads Presbyterian church in Union county, took place on Thursday of last week. Hundreds of Presbyterians and people interested in local history attended. This church is the oldest of that denomination north of Harrisburg, and was organized in 1773, during the time when settlers were compelled to carry firearms to church as a protection against the Indians. The church has become famous because of the many interesting historical events which cluster around it. Here, in 1801, Colonel John Kelley killed the last native buffalo in Pennsylvania, and from this the place takes its name. Colonel Kelly was a noted Revolutionary soldier, partly through whose efforts the battle of Trenton was won by the American forces. It was also near this church that a man named Chamberlain first discovered the art of canning.

A program equally as interesting as in previous years was executed. A very instructive historical paper was read by Mrs. Frances Ruhl, of Millburg, who is librarian of the Union County Historical society. Addresses were made by prominent divines of the Presbytery, including the Rev. Samuel Barber and Dr. W. T. Linn Kieffer. The morning services closed with the unveiling of two memorial tablets. The dedicatory address was delivered by the Rev. W. K. Forster, a former pastor of this church, and a native of Centre Hall where he was also pastor of the Presbyterian church. The afternoon service included addresses by Miss Esther Shields, a missionary to Korea, the Rev. Dr. E. C. Armstrong, of Williamsport, and Dr. G. E. Hayes, of Harrisburg, moderator of the Synod of Pennsylvania.

As in former years a basket luncheon was held in the grove.

Marker and Memorial Hut Erected.

There was recently erected on the west side of Paddy mountain tunnel, along Penns creek, a large native sand stone monument to mark the spot where Lt. Byron F. Krumrine, of Altoona, was drowned while bathing two years ago. The monument has placed on its face a white marble tablet, on which the following inscription is cut: "Lieut. World War, Penn. State, '19, Byron Faust Krumrine, died at sea while swimming in the waters of Karondhina, 259 yards from this spot. In memoriam. Erected Sept. 4th, 1923, by Lillian Sheffer."

It will be remembered that Miss Sheffer was the only witness to the drowning of Lieut. Krumrine and made ineffectual efforts to save him. Near the site of the monument a memorial hut has been built by the Pennsylvania Alpine club and dedicatory exercises were held there on September 4th.

Jury Favors Corporal Punishment.

York county jurors do not believe in sparing the rod at the risk of spoiling the child. They demonstrated their stand in Judge Nevin M. Wanner's Court by rendering a verdict of not guilty in the case of Ira Shearer, a school teacher of Warrington township, accused of assault and battery as the result of his having whipped the son of M. E. Shillito Warrington township, who was a pupil in his school. The jury directed that the father of the boy disciplined, being the prosecutor, pay the costs of prosecution.

Middleburg School Board in Trouble.

Prison cells loomed as a possibility for members of the Middleburg School Board when a rule was asked by counsel for taxpayers to show cause why the entire board should not be jailed for contempt of Court.

It is said that they went ahead and advertised for bids and got a contract for the erection of a new school building contrary to Court order. The board includes one woman, Mrs. Laura Barnes, and the following other members: James G. Thompson, John F. Stetler, Prof. A. D. Gaugler and Joseph Oberle. First the citizens defeated a proposed bond issue for a new high school. Then the board started to remodel the old building. A Court restraining order was secured, but they went ahead anyhow. It is alleged.

Penn Twp. Real Estate Sold.

The Henry T. Zerby farm, east of Aaronsburg, was sold at public sale to M. M. Bower for \$6,100. At the same time W. C. Warntz sold his farm along the Pine Creek road, to Charles Arney for \$2,000.

Held Music Recital at Centre Hall.

One section of Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick's music pupils of Centre Hall and vicinity held a recital, completing the summer music lessons, in the Presbyterian church, Centre Hall, on last Wednesday evening.

"No Surrender" opened the program and was well rendered in a duet by Florence and Louella Rearick. Later Florence Rearick played the Music Box by Leybach, and Louella Rearick displayed art in handling Tarentelle by Piezonka. Mary Reiber showed talent and ability in handling "The Frolic of the Elves," by Morrison, while the Mendel, by Paderewski, held the audience at a spell-bound attention in its beautiful trills and runs by Dorothy Odenkirk.

Kathryn Goodhart and Dorothy Odenkirk rendered the "Marche Militaire" by Schubert, which was well applauded. A vocal quartette, "Rockin' in de Win" was sung by Mesdames McWilliams, Kirkpatrick, Benner and Goodhart, and much appreciated by all there.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick played the "Fourth Mazurka" by Godard, showing her ability for technique as a teacher.

The "Marche Militaire" trio, by Chopin, was played by Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Miss Louder and Miss Radle.

Lucille Peters rendered "Fouilles Nouvelles" by Lang, with much credit to herself and teacher.

Eleanor Radle showed hard work and practice on "Marche Grottesque" by Sinding.

The tableau, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" was sung by Miss McWilliams and pantomimed by Kathryn Goodhart, whose slender and graceful body resembled that of an angel.

A silver offering was taken at the door, proceeds for the church's new piano.

Centre Hall and vicinity should be proud of its musical talent, and Mrs. Kirkpatrick should be proud of pupils who have taken so few lessons and yet handle such high-class music, with regards to time and expression and their art.—By one who was in attendance.

McClintic-Ripka.

Roy C. McClintic, of Linden Hall, and Miss Ruth E. Ripka, of near Centre Hall, were united in marriage at the Evangelical parsonage, Centre Hall on Sunday evening by Rev. J. F. Bingham. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. McClintic, of Linden Hall, and for some time has been employed at State College. He is one of the trio of McClintic brothers in the baseball league, playing with the Centre Hall club, and is popular with his companions. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce W. Ripka, a graduate of the Centre Hall High school and later taught public school. Like her husband, during the past year or more she had been living at State College for the greater part of the time. The young couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a happy, prosperous journey through life.

Local Ministerium Meets.

The Ministerium of Centre Hall and Spring Mills met at the home of Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, Monday evening. The Ministerium opened its session with prayer by Rev. Bingham. Some timely remarks were made by the president, Rev. Drumm. The president appointed Keener and Kirkpatrick as a committee to see the Grange, if it could not be arranged for a mid-week evening prayer and song service at next year's picnic season. In the election of officers the Rev. Mr. Drumm was re-elected president and Rev. Keener was chosen as secretary and treasurer. There is an effort being put forth to unite the Ministeriums of Penns Valley.

This is the first meeting of the Ministerium that has had the pleasure of having the new Reformed brother present. Rev. Drumm made the welcome address and Rev. Keener responded in a short clear-cut way. The Ministerium is pleased to have the Reformed people represented by a man like Rev. Keener.

The Centre Hall ministers accepted the invitation of the Millheim ministers to have a picnic supper on the top of the mountain above Centre Hall in the near future.

The yearly report of the financial standing of the Ministerium was read by the secretary and accepted.

The Ministerium will meet at the home of Rev. Drumm on Monday evening, October 1st.—Secretary.

Candidates for county offices are plentiful on Grange Park, this week, where they will be able to hail voters while the latter are at leisure. The campaign to date has been very quiet, although it appears that some of the candidates in both parties have been doing a considerable of canvassing. It is individual work that counts.

Snake-Catcher in Town.

William Herman, of Altoona, is attending the Grange Encampment and Fair, as he has been doing for some years, and frequently comes here to visit relatives and friends at other seasons. What the Reporter wishes to say about the young man is that he devotes a considerable portion of his time to catching snakes—reptiles of all descriptions—in the mountains about Altoona. He gave time sufficient this summer to hook up with six hundred and seventy-five reptiles. Mr. Herman has been a devotee to natural history, especially birds, and in that way got a line on snakes. The copperhead and rattlesnakes, which he considers the only dangerous reptiles in this section, are captured by the use of an iron prong fastened to a bamboo stick. Other varieties of snakes are taken into captivity with the hands or any other means.

The natural question to arise in the mind of the reader is, what is done with them after the biological division of the State and National Governments and others to the reptile pits in zoos for food for the larger snakes. A request came in a short time ago for seventy ribbon snakes, a striped snake of slim body and from twenty-four to thirty inches in length, and before the time elapsed for shipment, Mr. Herman had collected thirty-one of the seventy. Not disturbed, the snake-catcher says, snakes are harmless. "Believe me," he said further, "you must hunt them."

Crushed Arm Amputated.

Recently while helping to thresh at the home of Herbert Gobble, near Spring Mills, Russel Rossmann, of Millheim, had his right arm mangled in the flywheel of the traction engine. He had attempted to oil while the engine was running and slipped and fell, his arm being caught between the clutch and spokes of the flywheel. Dr. G. S. Frank was summoned and he conveyed him to the Bellefonte hospital, where it was found that the best that could be done on account of the bone being crushed, was to amputate the arm at the elbow, which was done that evening. Only three months ago the young man had his arm fractured while repairing his automobile. On account of his arm not yet being of full strength he was employed as fireman by the threshing company, of which the young man's father is a partner.

Sheriff's Widow Succeeds in Office.

Mrs. Mabel Virginia Gray, wife of the late Sheriff Thomas M. Gray, whose death is noted elsewhere in this issue, was named by Governor Pinchot to succeed her husband as sheriff of Clinton county.

The appointment of Mrs. Gray makes her the first woman sheriff in the state.

Mrs. Gray will hold office until January 7, 1924, at which time the term of the late sheriff would have expired.

The appointment of Mrs. Gray makes the second woman office holder in the county to be thus named following the death of her husband.

Mrs. Margaret E. Zuber was appointed register and recorder some time ago when her husband, Adam P. Zuber, who had been serving in that capacity, died while in office.

Will Open Branch Store.

Montgomery & Co., clothing, conducting stores in Bellefonte and State College, will open on September 15th a branch store in Lewisburg to cater to the Bucknell student trade. The partnership in the Lewisburg store will be W. Hassel Montgomery and Francis Musser. Mr. Musser is manager of the State College store and Ralph E. Brough, of Lewisburg, a graduate of Penn State, will manage the Lewisburg store.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Samuel Runkle to Max Herr, tract in Centre Hall; \$1,125. Elizabeth H. Meyers et bar, to A. S. Ellenberger, tract in State College; \$5,042.69. E. E. Ellenberger, et ux, to B. H. Luke, tract in Ferguson twp.; \$1. Gertrude Rowe to Commonwealth of Penna., tract in Haines twp.; \$25.

"THE EYES THAT NEVER CLOSE"

Some One is watching us. He sees our sins. He sees our good deeds, too. Hear this sermon—

SUNDAY NIGHT, 7:30 at THE LUTHERAN CHURCH CENTRE HALL REV. M. C. DRUMM, Pastor

THE DEATH RECORD.

SPANGLER.—Mrs. Sarah Spangler died Sunday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Crawford, in Centre Hall, where she made her home. Due to age she had been in rather delicate health. She passed away quietly and without a struggle.

The funeral was held Wednesday forenoon, Rev. Keener, pastor of the Reformed church, being the officiating minister. Deceased's age was 78 years, 9 months.

Mrs. Spangler was a daughter of John March, and was born at Salona where the father was engaged in the manufacture of bed spreads, the patterns now so much in quest. Her husband, George W. Spangler, died about fifteen years ago when he and Mrs. Spangler lived near Tusseyville, at which place they had lived many years.

The deceased was the last survivor of the March family. Two children—Maggie married to Edward W. Crawford, Centre Hall, and Newton B., an attorney, of Bellefonte, survive her.

SHOOK.—Mrs. Carolina Shook, of Spring Mills, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. John H. Detwiler, on the top of Nittany Mountain, Saturday night from an affection of the liver and other complications. She had been ill for several weeks, but had improved and was visiting her sister when death came.

Mrs. Shook was the widow of Ephraim Shook, late of Spring Mills, and was a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Roush. She was born June 23rd, 1868. There survive her two sons—Ralph and Gross—prominent Gregg township farmers and stock breeders. Also these brothers and sisters: Mrs. Irvin Weaver, Salona; Mrs. John H. Dewler, Centre Hall; Mrs. Scott Mortimer, Lock Haven; Mrs. W. C. Duck, Centre Hall; James Roush, Aaronsburg; John Roush, Bellefonte; Mrs. Emma Breon, of Centre Hall, is a half sister.

The funeral was held Wednesday forenoon, from the Shook home at Spring Mills; interment in the Heckman cemetery. The officiating minister was Rev. Daubenspeck, pastor of the Lutheran church.

RUDY.—Wilbur Rudy, a fireman on an engine in the Burnham yards, in some manner fell from the engine and was injured so seriously that death came to his relief shortly after the accident, which occurred Friday afternoon.

The young man was a son of Franklin and Rebecca Rudy, of McAlvay's Fort, near which place burial was made Monday afternoon. His age was twenty-three years. He was an overseas man, having served in the Forty-second division.

There survive him besides his parents two brothers and two sisters; namely, Herbert, of Burnham; Mrs. John Keller, of Pine Grove Mills; Miss Elsie, at home; and John I., of Centre Hall.

BENNETT.—

Harry R. Bennett died at his home in Tyrone as the result of a complication of diseases, the result of an attack of influenza last October. He was a son of William H. and Margaret Ellen Bennett and was born at State College on January 7th, 1888, hence was in his thirty-fifth year. When a boy his parents moved to Philadelphia but during the past seventeen years he had lived in Tyrone where he was employed by the West Virginia Pulp and Paper company. On December 28th, 1916, he married Miss Nellie C. Kuhn, of Linden Hall, who survives with three children—Mary, William and Roy. He also leaves his mother, two sisters and one brother. Burial was made in the Grandview cemetery, Tyrone.

TOBIAS.—

Lewis Cass Tobias was born in Bloomsburg July 17, 1848, and died at the home of his only son in Cleveland, Ohio, August 30, aged 75 years, 1 month and 13 days. He was the son of the Rev. Daniel Tobias, one of the pioneer ministers of the Reformed church, among whose fields of labor were Bloomsburg and the Rebersburg charges. He was the last survivor of twelve children. He is survived by his widow, one son, George, and one grandson, Robert, of Cleveland.

The family lived in Millheim until about twelve years ago. Mr. Tobias was quite active in church work, having played an important part in the organization of the Reformed congregation of Millheim and in the erection of the church edifice. He was preceded in death about forty years ago by a daughter, Lyda, who was about five years of age.

The funeral services were held from the home of Mrs. Joseph Hardenburg, Millheim, on Tuesday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. John S. Hollenbach.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Be good, kiddies; go to school.

Well, no frost in August, anyway.

Labor day is the day that father works; he works all the time.

The next big event in the life of the local political satellites is September 18.

Don't worry too much. The onion crop in the U. S. is estimated at 12,643,000 bushels. What a lot of tears and odors ahead!

Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Keener are now occupying the Reformed parsonage in Centre Hall, their household effects having been conveyed here by truck on Saturday.

Taking four years ago as a basis, the class and general appearance of the automobiles parked on Grange Park this week has improved not less than forty per cent.

The auto traffic on Sunday was the heaviest Sunday ever experienced in the history of the Grange Encampment and Fair. It was a most delightful day and it brought out cars from all sections.

Prof. William Zeigler, of Philadelphia, and brother, John F. Zeigler, wife and son, of Altoona, were guests of Mrs. C. R. Neff, a sister of the gentleman. They returned to their respective homes beginning of the week.

Once a year, at least, Centre Hall can sport a uniformed policeman. So much for the Grange Encampment and Fair. The policeman during a portion of last week and the first five days of this week was an instrument for safety.

John F. Kramer, the concrete-block manufacturer, advertises concrete chimney blocks for sale. These blocks form a very desirable means of repairing chimneys, and if your chimney is in need of repairs see Mr. Kramer about concrete blocks.

The A. H. Evey home at Lemont was almost totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening of last week, and had it not been for the prompt action of the State College fire company other property, including the Lemont post office, would have been burned.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Goodhart and son Ben, of Johnstown, drove to Centre Hall the latter part of last week, and the beginning of the week took home with them their daughters, Misses Margaret and Grace, who had been guests at the home of their aunt, Mrs. William F. Keller, in Centre Hall.

Charles E. Fisher, of Danville, who has been spending the past few months at his former home, Boalsburg, was a visitor in town on Saturday, and returned to his home in Danville on Monday. Mr. Fisher is one of the really active young men of Danville, and besides being interested in various business enterprises, is also Republican county chairman of Montour county.

The South-side residents of Potter township think their road supervisor, W. A. Jordan, some supervisor, but even he does not have his own way by a long shot since women vote. William knows more about this than the Reporter dare tell, but this will give the inquisitive an opportunity to listen-in and hear of the supervisor's experience along one of the thoroughfares above Colyer.

A news item in various county papers of last week stated that the large tuck conveying the Loyalville Orphan Home band had been wrecked on the bridge over Turtle Creek near Pittsburgh, and that one of the boys had been killed and seventeen other boys injured. This is an error as to the identity of the band. It was a band composed of colored children coming from a southern institution that had the mishap that proved so disastrous.

During a period of forty-five minutes, on Sunday afternoon, three hundred automobiles passed a given point on Pennsylvania avenue, near the diamond. Some traffic for a small town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hockenberry, of West Brownsville, one of the busy centers in Southwestern Pennsylvania, arrived in town the middle of last week and until Thursday afternoon were guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Harper. They had been to Atlantic City and other points before coming here and since Mr. Hockenberry's vacation expired with the close of August, they were obliged to leave Centre Hall before the opening of the Encampment, but did crowd in a day at Spring Mills among friends Mrs. Hockenberry, before marriage, was Miss Carrie Spicher and by that name will be recalled by many of the readers of this paper.

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