



### RESULT OF WHEAT TARIFF.

**Fordney-McCumber Profiteers' Tariff**  
When Passed Was Heralded As Great Boon to Farmers—Now Government Sees No Remedy to Check Loss.

With most of this year's crop of wheat out of the hands of the farmers, no device that President Coolidge's experts may recommend will give relief to the thousands of these agricultural producers who have grown their grain at less than the cost of production and now face their creditors with nothing in their pockets with which to pay their debts.

The Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript, a Republican journal which is supporting President Coolidge with loyalty and enthusiasm, has been investigating the possibilities of finding a remedy for the distress that has visited almost every farm in the West.

"The opinion is growing here (in Washington) that the government can do next to nothing for the farmers; indeed, that the situation will gradually take care of itself," says this correspondent of a Republican newspaper. "It is pointed out," he continues, "that much of the wheat crop has been sold for this year, a lot of it, unfortunately, at a loss."

This admission of the truth is in painful contrast to the tales the farmer was told only a year ago—a few weeks after the enactment of the Fordney-McCumber profiteers' tariff. Officials of the administration were then cheering the farmer to plant a larger acreage of wheat by loud praise of the tariff of 30 cents a bushel—enough, it was declared, to make the grower prosperous and happy—and Republican.

Time reveals more truth than all the Republican propagandists ever knew.

If the Hon. Harry B. Scott pays back the Republicans that laughed up his sleeve when he was defeated for state senator, the Democratic majority in the county will be a bit larger, Mr. Scott is human.

As a last resort, E. M. Huyett, president of the Centre Hall borough council, stopped his paper because his official acts were criticized in its columns. Fortunately Mr. Huyett is not able to stop the publication of the Reporter.

Since H. Hoy, when a young man, qualified to teach public school, and although he has since spent his time on the farm he has always kept abreast in educational matters and never permitted farm work to interfere with his advancement educationally. He is now a candidate for recorder and there lacks nothing in him to fill the position to perfection. Vote for Hoy.

There are war records and war records. The war record of Dick Taylor is on a front page. He actually fought, not a little but a great deal. He saw real blood shed. His is the kind of war record one can be proud of. His services in the war were known before he was a candidate for sheriff. Don't you think that since he is the only overseas man on either of the tickets you can afford to vote for him because of his war record?

There is no questioning the ability of the several Democratic candidates aspiring to office in Centre county, neither is there a question of the affability of either of them. They will carry with them into office, if elected, the geniality displayed as candidates. That is a real asset in a public officer. Too often the hand, ready for extension during a campaign becomes paralyzed after success at the polls; and, too, the mouth turns down at the corners when their office is entered, except a fee is visible. Vote for Taylor, for Herr, for Smith, for Ocker, for Hoy, for Speary, for Swabb, for Dale, for Condo, for Stover, for Jones, for Shattuck.

There are many taxes we are paying that can not be reduced in a life time, but the tax for county purposes can be materially lessened by judiciously applying county funds. Extravagant men are extravagant in the conduct of business; the man economically inclined is the character of man who should have charge of the county affairs if we are to look for a reduction in county taxes. Messrs. Swabb and Speary belong to the latter class and if elected it will be most natural for them to give you an economical administration, and that is what we want.

The Agricultural Department is devoting considerable effort to inform the general public that neither it nor the weather bureau pretends to forecast weather conditions for any considerable periods ahead, and further says that almanac predictions should not be taken seriously.

### RED CROSS ROLL CALL TO START NOVEMBER 11

**Aim This Year to Be 100 Per Cent.**  
Contribution—Personal Service Returned for Moneys Contributed.

The annual roll call of the American Red Cross is to open on Sunday, November 11, and the State College Chapter is now making the preliminary arrangements for the local drive. Professor W. G. Edwards is in charge of the local organization.

No definite quota has been set as yet for the State College district, which includes Centre Hall, Oak Hill, Lemont, Boalsburg, down to Millheim and over into the Buffalo Run district. The aim of this year's roll call will be a 100 per cent. contribution, with every family having a share in support of the local and national work of the Red Cross.

In this connection it is of interest to note that of every local subscription, fifty cents goes to the national organization to provide for maintenance of organization and to enable the Red Cross to meet emergency requests for assistance. In the recent Japanese disaster, the Red Cross was already rushing assistance to the stricken nation before the funds for Japanese relief were raised, and it was only because of the emergency funds on hand that they were able to do this.

However, it should be pointed out that where members of a family subscribe jointly in one subscription, only fifty cents goes to the national headquarters, whereas if they subscribe individually, fifty cents from each subscription must be passed along.

Aside from the generous work of mercy which the national Red Cross carries on and which is supported partially by the local subscriptions, the people of this district get a very personal return in service for the money they contribute. This is largely through the Red Cross nurse, whose ever-increasing scope of service indicates how badly she is needed in the community.

In addition to the work already reported as having been done by Mrs. Jones, the Red Cross nurse, she has been active in other lines. During the past year she assisted the local Board of Health with Scarlet Fever cases and made 132 visits to contact cases. She arranged for the sending of a patient to Altoona for radium treatment and in another case for surgical treatment. She assisted doctors with sixteen operations when no other nurse was available and she accompanied nine patients to hospitals. With the assistance of the Bellefonte nurse she conducted a first aid tent at the Centre Hall Grange Encampment, where forty minor cases were treated. She attended and assisted with the health program at Community Day in the Vocational School at Spring Mills and she arranged to have a dental hygienist in the grade school for two months.

During the year Mrs. Jones gave thirty-seven health talks, she gave tests to the Boy Scouts for merit badges, and at Christmas time she sent out four Christmas baskets. Such a report from the local nurse is certainly deserving of commendation.

**Meeting of the Ministerium.**  
The ministerium met on Monday, October 8, at 1:30 P. M., at the Lutheran parsonage, Centre Hall, with Revs. Catherman, Bligman, Drumm, Haney, Keener, Kirkpatrick and Picken present. It was decided that the annual union Thanksgiving Day services at Spring Mills be held on Thanksgiving Day at 10:30 A. M. in the Methodist church. Rev. Drumm to preach the sermon.

Rev. Picken was chosen to preach the annual union Thanksgiving Day sermon at Centre Hall, the time and place to be announced later on.

The next meeting of the ministerium is scheduled for November 5th, 1:30 P. M., at the Methodist parsonage, Spring Mills.

Mrs. Drumm served the ministerium a delightful repast in which the clergymen were joined by Mrs. Drumm, Mrs. Keener, Mrs. Kirkpatrick and son, and Mrs. Picken.

The ministerium was favored with a splendid paper entitled "The Transcendent Christ," by Rev. Picken—Sec'y.

**Penn State's Judges Win.**  
The dairy products judging team of State College captured first honors in the national dairy products judging contest at the National Dairy Show at Syracuse, with Ohio State, last year's winner, second and Connecticut ranking third. One member of the team, William Borst, of Media, was awarded a gold medal for being the best judge of the entire contest.

The Democratic candidates for the various county offices are not asking to be elected forever—a four year term is now before them. This perpetual stuff is bad, contrary to Democratic principles.

The Centre Reporter, \$1.50 a year.

### WHY YOUR TAXES ARE HIGH.

**There Has Been a Constant Increase in the Expenditures of the Present Republican Board of County Commissioners.**

(From Centre Democrat, Oct. 18).

On Tuesday, November 6th, the taxpayers of Centre county will choose a Board of County Commissioners who will administer the affairs of Centre county for the next year. There are four candidates named to fill the three positions. The Democrats have nominated John Speary of Benner Township and James W. Swabb of Harris Township, both of whom have been successful farmers. The Republicans have nominated the present members: former sheriff George H. Yarnell of Walker Twp., and Harry P. Austin of Millersburg, who are the majority members of the present board, and who have practically dominated the affairs of that office for almost four years past. When they were chosen four years ago they received many complimentary votes. They were new men for that office and had no official records or approval.

This time they come before the voters and taxpayers of Centre county and must stand upon their past stewardship in that most important office where your taxes are expended. Have they been efficient, careful and economical—that is the sole issue—and it is up to each taxpayer to indicate whether they want Messrs. Yarnell and Austin returned for the next four years. For that reason we believe it is proper at this time to invite attention to some very important facts taken from the various Auditors Reports of Centre county that merit thoughtful, impartial consideration.

Herewith we will submit data from these published reports for the last three years under the present Republican board, and will compare them with the same expenditures made by the former Democratic Board consisting of Messrs. Daniel C. Grove and William H. Noll. If you have preserved these annual Auditors' Statements from year to year you can verify the amounts given below:

Amounts Paid to Assessors:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917—\$ 5,580.61	1920—\$ 5,884.25
1918— 4,615.64	1921— 7,714.18
1919— 7,008.13	1922— 10,024.21
\$17,204.38	\$21,622.64
	REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$7,018.26

Amounts Paid Commissioners' Clerks:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917—\$ 1,862.00	1920—\$ 2,415.27
1918— 2,942.50	1921— 4,040.00
1919— 2,355.23	1922— 2,573.75
\$6,259.73	\$11,029.02
	REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$5,769.29

Amounts Paid to Janitors:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917—\$ 1,281.81	1920—\$ 2,055.42
1918— 1,462.75	1921— 2,102.00
1919— 1,668.10	1922— 1,757.47
\$4,412.66	\$5,915.89
	REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$1,503.23

Amounts Paid to Commissioners for Delivering Ballots, Etc.:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917—\$ 110.50	1920—\$ 185.52
1918— 99.77	1921— 173.52
1919— 100.00	1922— 201.51
\$310.27	\$560.55
	REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$ 250.28

Amounts Paid to County Solicitors:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917, 18 and 19—\$1,200.00	1920, 21 and 22—\$1,380.00
	REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$ 600.00

**TOTAL REPUBLICAN INCREASE— \$15,241.06**

Loan Account Notes Outstanding:	
Democratic Board—	Republican Board—
1917—at 4 Mills—None	1920—at 6 Mills—\$ 7,161.68
1918—at 4 Mills—None	1921—at 6 Mills—49,400.00
1919—at 4 Mills—None	1922—at 6 Mills—63,600.00

Total Valuation of County and Income:	
Valuation	Income
1922—\$16,373,740.00 at 6 mills yielded.....	\$98,242.40
1919—\$14,597,990.00 at 4 mills yielded.....	\$58,391.99

**INCREASED TAXES COLLECTED—\$39,850.41**

Total Receipts from All Sources:	
1917—\$69,389.23	1920—\$146,403.19
1918— 75,899.12	1921— 125,035.43
1919— 80,225.28	1922— 139,156.03
\$225,513.63	\$410,594.65

**Total increase of moneys collected by the Republican board for three years..... \$184,981.02**

In the face of this great increase in gross receipts the past three years the last statement showed a note issue (borrowed money, a debt which must be paid) of \$63,600.

In the above we have taken only a few items for comparison to show the enormous increase of expenditures under Commissioners Yarnell and Austin. When the Democratic Board were in office from 1917-1919 they were right at the peak of prices at the close of the war and naturally one would expect to pay more for labor and supplies. Costs naturally were higher yet in this three year period the Democratic board received or collected from taxpayers and other sources \$184,981.02 LESS than the Republican board and did not have a \$63,600 note issue in addition.

This difference in the cost of conducting the affairs of Centre county is staggering, to say the least.

### S. S. Workers Meet.

An executive meeting of the officers of the Centre County Sunday-school Association and officers of the twelve districts in the county was held Sunday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Bellefonte. The principal business before the body was a discussion of plans looking forward to putting the county association on a better financial footing. At this time the treasury is in an exceedingly badly crippled condition. There is wanting 60 per cent. of last year's pledge to the State Association; all of this year's pledge, and about forty per cent. of the pledge for the Tri-county camp, of a total of about \$2,250, as follows: For Tri-county camp, \$1500; unpaid portion of pledge to State for past year, \$200; pledge to State for present year, \$550.

Another item discussed was the conference at Howard, Monday and Tuesday, and the proposed conference of teachers of young people's classes and workers to be held in the Methodist church, Bellefonte, Sunday, November 19, three sessions. Esther I. Williams will be the leader.

### For Causes Wreck.

Jasper Wolf, of Roto, and his sixteen year old son had a narrow escape from drowning when the car in which they were riding got too near the edge of the bridge over Fishing Creek near Mackeyville. The car dropped ten feet into the water and the man was pinned back of the steering wheel, with only his head above the water. He was held in that position for half an hour before attracting attention to his plight. The boy was able to swim ashore.

The accident was due to the heavy fog that overhung the spot.

Mrs. Hulda Meyer, of Millersburg, is visiting among friends in Centre Hall, her former home.

### Domestic Difficulties Alred.

The special term of court held on Friday by Judge H. C. Quigley was largely devoted to airing domestic difficulties and, with the exception of two or three cases, the interested parties were young people, several couples not having been married as much as a year. In every case, where the charge was non-support, the Court directed payment to be made to the wife or wife and child, as the case happened to be, in sums proportionate to the earnings of the husband. The ability to earn and the actual earnings of most of the husbands was invariably brought out by the Court in a heart-to-heart talk with the defendant.

While many expressions by the principals in the controversies and their witnesses were highly amusing, one could not help but feel distressed over the lack of conjugal bliss developed, and it is because of this that no attempt is made in these columns to broadcast these differences by reciting testimony or naming the prosecutors and defendants.

It is gratifying to state here that the Court's attitude toward these unfortunate cases was such that adjustments will be made easier. In most cases decisions were made only after both parties were given an opportunity to express their desire, and where no reconciliation was manifest the way was left open for favorable action on their part in the future.

The court house was well filled with spectators and no attorneys were missing. The large attendance was probably due to the expectation of the disposition of a number of booze cases carried to court from 'Squire Woodring's court of first resort.' Just before adjourning Judge Quigley announced that these cases would have to go before the grand jury at December court.

### Killed Going to State-Navy Game.

Dr. Thomas E. Brennan, Shenandoah, was killed, and Felix O'Hare and A. Lawlor and Thomas Sallin and Carl Wirt were injured when their auto skidded and overturned near Vicksburg. They were enroute to State College to attend the Navy football game. The injured were taken to their homes. The wet road is believed to have been the cause.

At State College the thousands of automobiles were handled with but two very slight accidents. The parking arrangements were also worked out to perfection.

A constant stream of cars passed through Centre Hall for several hours after the game. The Nittany Mountain road from the valley had the appearance of a great electrically lighted boulevard, and from the mountain top the highway to the Seven Mountains presented a like appearance. The traffic through town, although some drivers were hurrying somewhat, in a general way was sane.

### Ruth Jean and Sarah Jane.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Zubler, west of Spring Mills, on the 10th instant, was gladdened by the arrival of twin daughters, who have been named Ruth Jean and Sarah Jane. The family previously consisted of two boys and one girl, and with the new arrivals the girls are now in the majority by one. Mr. and Mrs. Zubler are engaged in farming. Mr. Zubler having resigned as postmaster at Spring Mills to take up the tilling of the soil.

### Wheat Acreage Back to Normal.

Pennsylvania's wheat acreage this year indicates that the state as a whole has receded well beyond its pre-war status in regard to the acres of land devoted to this one farm crop. According to data compiled by the Bureau of Statistics of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, the estimated acreage of wheat in most counties in 1923 is back to the 1913-1914 level.

A comparison of the acreage by counties over a period of years reveals some interesting facts. Among other things, the county figures before and after the war period show to what extent Pennsylvania farmers responded to the cry for "More Wheat" by increasing their acreage and production of this important crop.

The wheat acreage in Centre county for the years 1909, 1915, 1922 and 1923 follow: 20,751; 33,250; 33,334; 32,911; 31,371.

The Huntingdon Monitor has this to say: Vote for the Constitutional amendments and you vote for more taxes, more officeholders, and more special privileges. Some one has to pay, and if you own property or a business you are the goat. The thousands of officeholders at Harrisburg pay very few taxes.

With gasoline down to the lowest point reached in 1923, we can all afford to take another spin before we need to fill our radiators with alcohol.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Sarah Runkle, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Runkle, in Centre Hall, is spending this week while school is closed with friends in Aaronsburg.

Mrs. John McMullen, of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. M. J. Long, of McVeytown, spent a few days last week with their sister, Mrs. Samuel Shoop, in Centre Hall.

A new Auburn touring car was recently purchased by Mrs. Della Reiber, in Centre Hall. The Auburn is a comparatively new car in this section and is quite pretty.

A Reo speed wagon was recently purchased by J. C. Goodhart, of Centre Hall. The new truck will supplant the Ford truck used in huckstering to the Lewistown district.

The good weather we have been having through October will all be gone some day and then a few days later most of us will forget all about it. We live very much in the present.

Dr. H. W. Hanson was inaugurated president of Gettysburg College, at Gettysburg, on Friday, Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, former president of Penn State, was the official representative of that college at the ceremonies.

J. William Baird, of Lock Haven, was in Centre county last week visiting among relatives and friends. He was engaged in farming for a number of years but now is a night watchman at the large tannery in Lock Haven.

J. W. Tressler, of Harris township farmer, was among the Reporter's callers last week. He is located on the Curtin farm, owned by Col. Boal, near Linden Hall, and although the farm is not so large he is busy all the while.

The Williamsport Sun points out that the jurors at the last term of Lycoming county court were underpaid by \$1.00 for each of services. They were paid but \$3.00 instead of \$4.00 provided by a Pinchot law which went into effect in July.

Miss Rebecca Kremer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Kremer, of Lewistown, last week was a guest for a few days among friends in Centre Hall. Miss Kremer is cashier in the department store conducted by Dimm & Orr, a position she has held for some time.

Ray A. Orndorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Orndorf, of Woodward, who was a teller in the Southark Title and Trust company, Philadelphia, was recently elevated to the position of assistant treasurer. Earl H. Wert, formerly of Aaronsburg, is the treasurer of the institution.

E. M. Huyett, on Thursday of last week, went to Battle Creek, Michigan, for treatment in a sanitarium. He had been in the same institution earlier in the year. Mrs. Anna Emerick is staying with Mrs. Huyett during Mr. Huyett's absence, which may be for a considerable length of time.

Jay K. Moyer, of Corning, N. Y., is the Democratic candidate for assembly in Steuben county. The county is strongly Republican, but the former Miles township Democrat is in the race to win. Mr. Moyer is a son of the late J. K. Moyer, of Rebersburg, and a brother of Nevin Moyer, also of Rebersburg.

Guy W. Jacobs and little son, Guy, Jr., of Steubenville, Ohio, for a few days were at the home of Mr. Jacobs' mother in this place. Mr. Jacobs attended the State-Navy football game at State College on Saturday and had the pleasure of seeing the team representing his alma mater hand the Mississippi a severe trouncing by a 21-3 score.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Moyer and son, Clyde, motored to Centre Hall from Darragh last week, and are spending two weeks with the former's father, Franklin Moyer, and brother, Archie Moyer. Mr. Moyer holds a good position with the Keystone Coal and Coke company, in the western part of the state, in whose services he has been for the past twenty years.

Miss Lizzie Harpster, of Hazansburg, and sister, Mrs. J. Wilson Moore, of Oakland, California, daughters of the late Jacob Harpster, have been about town during the past week visiting among friends and relatives, making their headquarters at the Arney home west of Centre Hall. It is some thirty years since the family left here for Missoula, Montana, where the elder Harpsters both died. Later Miss Lizzie came east to Harrisburg, but Mrs. Moore remained in Missoula until a few years ago, when she located in Oakland. It is thirteen years since she last visit here, and this causes her to express great surprise at the many changes in many ways found here. She will remain in the east for a year.