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FIND 100 INDICTMENTS IN HERRIN DISORDERS

Fifty-five Counts Against Glenn Young Dry Worker on Ku Klux Payroll.

One hundred indictments were returned by a Grand Jury which has been investigating conditions in Herrin, Illinois. The jury's report made recommendations to bring about conditions that would avoid recurrence of riots in Williamson county.

Return of indictments follows a nine-day session of the special Grand Jury investigating and killing of Constable Caesar Cagle and the shooting of Deputy Sheriff John Layman, on the night of February 8.

Fifty-five counts were brought against S. Glenn Young, dry worker and paid leader of the Ku Klux Klan and of recent liquor raids conducted in the county which, it is said, led to the clash between Klan and anti-Klan factions.

The indictments include a charge of murder in the killing of Cagle, shooting with intent to kill in the case of Sheriff Layman and various charges in connection with the firing of the Herrin Hospital.

The shootings followed a clash between members of the Ku Klux Klan and anti-Klan men, which resulted in State troops being sent there to aid in maintaining order.

Among the charges against Young are assault with intent to murder, conspiracy, kidnaping and false imprisonment.

The Grand Jury report charged that "S. Glenn Young, who is not a citizen of Williamson county, assumed to take over the government of the city of Herrin, by unlawfully deposing and imprisoning the Mayor and other officials."

Others indicted are Sam Stearns, exalted cyclops of the Ku Klux Klan at Marion; Carl Nelson, exalted cyclops of the Klan at Herrin, and John Ford, chief of police of Herrin.

"Jackie" Will Work for Near East Children.

Jackie Coogan will forsake the movies for ten weeks this summer in order to lead a modern "Children's Crusade" throughout the United States in an appeal to the children of America for a million dollar shipment of foodstuffs for the destitute orphan children of the Near East and then will sail in person to deliver the gifts to the Near East orphans in Greece, Palestine and Syria, it became known when Charles V. Vickrey, General Secretary of the Near East Relief, made public a letter from John H. (Jack) Coogan, Jackie's father, giving his consent to the trip.

Churches, Sunday Schools, public schools, moving pictures, theatres, clubs and fraternal societies together with children's organizations generally, throughout the nation will co-operate in the conducting of the campaign to secure the million dollar ship cargo of foodstuffs.

The objective of the campaign is 100 carloads of foodstuffs. Overseas shipment will be made in the late summer from New York, it was said.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Coogan are to accompany Jackie on his trip to the Near East and all expenses will be paid by them.

During the past week the rural mail carriers were unable to make their thirty mile trips on account of the very bad conditions of the roads due to the heavy fall of snow on the 9th and 10th of this month. Most of the mail on these routes, however, was located near enough to the patrons on the routes so that it was of easy access to them.

The Brush Valley road, east and west of town, is reported to have been in a worse state for travel than for some years past.

Station Agent W. Frank Bradford saved a man and the coupe he was driving from being smashed on Monday morning as the regular passenger train was putting into Centre Hall station from the east. Mr. Bradford had just come out of the station and seeing the coupe approaching the crossing from the north, rushed in front of it waving his arms in a manner that could not be misunderstood. The car was stopped within its length of the railroad track, but soon enough that the driver's friends were not called on to say it with flowers.

A doe deer was supposed to have been struck by one of the trains on the local branch below Old Fort cut, on Saturday. Joe Hartley, on returning from work on Saturday evening, first noticed the carcass of the little animal lying along the track. From appearances the doe ran eastward ahead of the train and was sid-swiped. After being hit circled about in the snow and finally weakened from loss of blood lay down and died.

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SIX FINED \$147.50 FOR GAME.

State Agents Seize Grouse, Woodcock and Venison in Storage at Jersey Shore Creamery and Owners of It Make Settlement for Each Article Illegally Held.

Charged with having game in their possession illegally five Jersey Shore men and a resident of Brookside paid fines aggregating \$1,417.50, on Friday.

The game seized was in storage at the Jersey Shore Creamery company plant and was taken in custody by Charles H. Snyder, of Montoursville, county protector; W. B. McClarin, of Salladburg, deputy protector, and A. L. Budd, of Troy, traveling game protector.

The seizure was made a few days previous but the cases were not finally settled until Friday afternoon, when the fines were paid.

The men fined and the amounts paid by each with the game belonging to them follow:

Dr. W. P. Angle, Jersey Shore, 34 grouse, at \$12.50 each, and 19 woodcock at \$12.50 each; total fine, \$662.50.

B. J. Grasso, Jersey Shore, formerly of English Center, 29 grouse at \$12.50 each; total fine, \$362.50.

George L. Nevins, druggist, Jersey Shore, 7 grouse at \$12.50 each; quarter venison, \$50, and package, of venison, \$50; total fine, \$187.50.

S. W. Neff, Jersey Shore, 7 grouse at \$12.50 each; one package of venison; total fine, \$137.50.

E. S. Mohn, Jersey Shore, 1 grouse, \$12.50; one rabbit, \$5; total fine, \$17.50.

Charles Guillemae, of Brookside, 1 deer, \$50 fine.

In addition to this game seized, 37 trout were taken and turned over to the state fish commission which will act in the case.

Received 22-Cal. Bullet in Shoulder

Miss Lulu Zerby is suffering from a bullet wound in the left shoulder due to the accidental discharge of a .22-calibre rifle in the hands of George Zerby, her father, at his home, in Penn Hall. The bullet entered the shoulder from the back, and at the time of this writing, Monday evening, had not been located exactly. The young woman, who is between twenty and twenty-five years of age, suffered much pain from the wound.

It appears Mr. Zerby had sent the gun to a repair shop and it had been delivered by a friend. On Saturday morning when Mr. Zerby picked up the gun to examine it, he thought it was empty and operated the mechanism that would discharge it. To his horror there was a sharp report from the gun and a cry of pain from his daughter who was nearby mopping up the floor.

Slogan Contest in Schools of Centre Co.

The Bellefonte Hospital will conduct a campaign for \$100,000 from April 4th to 14th. The children of the schools are invited to suggest a slogan for this campaign.

The slogan must be of not more than four words.

It should, if possible, convey the idea of the campaign for the Hospital. Children may ask the co-operation of their teachers and parents.

Competitors may send in as many different slogans as they can suggest. A \$10.00 prize will be given by Judge Quigley to the person whose slogan is adopted.

The contest will close at 4 P. M. Saturday, March 22nd. Mail or bring your slogan to Campaign Headquarters, Court House, Bellefonte.

You may use the word "Centre" in your slogan as the name of the Hospital is going to be changed to "Centre County Hospital."

The following is a suggested slogan: "A Call to All."

Drive for \$100,000.

Judge Henry C. Quigley, who has been chosen Chairman of the campaign is busy making plans to carry through a county-wide campaign, which will give every individual and business concern an opportunity to contribute to the much needed fund of \$100,000 for the Centre County Hospital. This fund will be used for building a new wing to the present hospital, improving the present building by making many needed changes, and providing current expenses for two years or until these building operations are completed.

A committee will be organized in every center in the county. Each committee will be held responsible for canvassing the people in its territory. The intensive part of the campaign will be from April 4th to 14th. A dinner opening the campaign will be held Friday evening, April 4th, in Bellefonte.

Caring for State Roads.

Various care-takers of State roads in this section have been appointed as follows:

From terminus of brick road on Nittany Mountain to Bellefonte—William F. Flory.

From brick road on Nittany Mountain to near Spring Mills—Samuel Ginter.

From Centre Hall east to Brush Valley—Samuel Stump.

From Mills-Centre county line, in Seven Mountains, to Old Fort—Frank P. Palmer.

From Potters Mills to Boalsburg—Edward Sweetwood.

From near Spring Mills to Millheim—Ira Bartley.

DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE ELECTED BY METHODISTS.

Ministers and Laymen Named by Central State Body.

The Rev. J. E. Skillington, of Altoona, was elected one of the ministerial delegates to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, which meets in Springfield, Mass., next May, at a session of the fifty-sixth annual meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Conference in Williamsport.

On succeeding ballots four more pastors were elected by the Conference as follows: Rev. A. L. Miller, of Lewisburg; Rev. H. L. Jacobs, of Clearfield; Rev. S. B. Evans, of Newberry, and Rev. John H. Daugherty, of Williamsport.

The conference, in executive session, accepted the plan of unification as presented by the commission on unification calling for the union of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

The recommendations limiting the term of a district superintendent was adopted to read that such an officer shall not serve more than six out of 12 years.

No action was taken on the resolution to limit a bishop's term, nor to limit the term of a superintendent in General Conference as has been expected.

The Laymen's Association of the Conference, also in session in Williamsport, elected the following six lay delegates to the General Conference: M. E. Rich, H. B. Crowell and H. T. Ames, Williamsport district; J. S. Williams and James W. Lowther, Altoona district, and Waf Tyler, Sunbury district.

High School Students to Give Play.

The students of the Porter township high school of Clintonville will present "Little Miss Jack," a comedy-drama in four acts by Lillian Mortimer, in the Grand Arcade, Centre Hall, on Saturday evening, March 22, at 8 o'clock.

Following is the cast of characters and a synopsis of the play:

Maggie Lillian Salling
Jimmie Harold Gummo
Julia Trevors Ruth Waltz
Little Miss Jack Fay Grieb
Dr. Carlyle George Ferrer
Paul Sanborn Ronald Harris
Nena Marjorie Rossman
Aunt Kathie Gladys Lockard
Rider Glenn Park
Drake Luther Piper
Jones Jesse Rossman

ACT I. The tenement home of Julia Trevors in the Bowery of New York City, evening.

ACT II. The library in Dr. Carlyle's home in the fashionable quarter of the city. An hour later.

ACT III. Same scene as Act II. Evening, four months later.

ACT IV. A hotel in an East side tenement. That night.

Out of the darkness of poverty and suffering a strange whim of circumstances brought Little Miss Jack into her rightful inheritance. But the shadow of grim tragedy lurked always behind the bright curtain of romance. How many girls would have faced their enemies with the courage of Little Miss Jack?

Mrs. Shoop Nostalg at 82.

The following is from the Tyrone Herald of March 10, and refers to one who long lived in Centre Hall:

Now and then the Lord permits a good woman to walk on earth many years longer than the allotted time and for a purpose, one that is pleasing to her large circle of friends. Mrs. Mary Shoop, better known as Auntie Shoop, a Guest at the Methodist Home for the Aged, has been favored. On Saturday she reached her 82nd milestone along the journey of life and to celebrate the occasion the Home department of the Methodist Sunday school gave a party Saturday evening at the Home in this splendid woman's honor. The occasion was a beautiful testimony to a beautiful soul, one that lingers long in the hearts and minds of all who were privileged to be present. Mrs. Shoop is a most excellent Christian woman. She is gracious and pleasant to all with whom she comes in contact, quiet and unassuming in speech and manner. That she may live to enjoy many happy returns of the day is the wish of her host of friends.

Weaver-Mowery.

A very pretty wedding took place in Altoona, on March 8th when Miss Leora May Mowery became the bride of James E. Weaver, of State College. After spending a short honeymoon in Pittsburgh the couple returned to State College where they will take up housekeeping. Mr. Weaver being employed at that place.

Their many friends extend their best wishes.

Daylight saving will go into effect in Philadelphia April 1st without the contention experienced last year. The City Hall clock, the court house clock and other official clocks will run on time but nearly all the factories, stores, etc., will begin work and quit work on fast time.

Grange Encampment and Fair News.

The committee of the Grange Encampment and Fair met at Centre Hall on March 11th. Important action was taken toward many improvements on Grange Park. A new fence will be built around the entire property. A large number of trees will be planted. Mr. Cowell, landscape architect of Penn State College, will have entire charge of this feature. He has also drawn a plan for a better Grange Park, which has been accepted by the committee.

More tents will be bought, since the demand for them seems ever on the increase.

The entertainment plan will be full of interest to everyone and promises well for the success of the Encampment.

The Auto Show.

Fifteen direct dealers and seven associate dealers were represented in the auto show in Bellefonte on Wednesday to Saturday of last week. The show was sponsored by the Centre county automobile dealers association, with G. C. Payne, manager.

Under the title, "1923 Auto Facts and Figures," in the booklet put out by the association there is the information that the production of cars in 1923 was 4,914,000; trucks, 370,000; total wholesale value of both, \$2,510,885,000; wholesale value of tires, \$760,000,000; wholesale value of parts and accessories exclusive of tires, \$1,310,000,000; average retail price of car in 1923, \$811; number of persons employed in the automobile industry, 2,750,000.

Boosting I. O. O. F. Orphanage.

The Board of Governors of the Odd Fellows orphanage at Sunbury have recommended the raising of \$30,000 to liquidate a debt and provide money for a gymnasium for the home. The orphanage is now caring for 142 orphan children, the largest number ever registered at the home. Local lodges of Odd Fellows will be asked to contribute toward the fund to be raised.

Kansas Hard to Beat.

George Drake, of Hayesville county, Kansas, who made a trip east some few years ago, and stopped in Centre Hall with friends, sent to this office a copy of the Free Press, published in his home town, and the following item was marked for attention:

Walter Windschaffel was here from Smith county, Kansas last week, and reports a mare belonging to him, on February 24, 1924, giving birth to five mule colts, two jacks and three jennets and a sister of his mare, belonging to his cousin in the same neighborhood, giving birth to three mule colts and one horse colt at one birth. Can you beat it?

State-Wide Safety Conference.

Wednesday of next week a state-wide safety conference will open at Harrisburg in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

This conference is called to consider practical methods to reduce accidents in industry. The subject is vital to the industrial welfare of the State and it is hoped that every establishment in the Commonwealth will be represented.

Industrial accidents in 1923 in Pennsylvania caused: Loss of over 2,691,600 days by injured employees; wage loss of \$13,354,000 to employees; compensation cost of \$13,143,393; incalculable loss of material and production; untold sorrow and suffering; 2,412 employees killed; 1,167 employees permanently injured; 104,205 employees less seriously injured; 92,651 employees less seriously injured; 649 eyes lost; 208 hands and 1,468 fingers crushed or severed; 77 arms and 116 legs cut off; 176 feet and 180 toes removed.

Such is a part of the record of industrial accidents last year in Pennsylvania. A little more care would have prevented the greater part of this loss and suffering.

Safety pays everybody.

Old Age Assistance Act Attacked.

The old age assistance act, passed by the 1923 Legislature, was classed as "arbitrary discrimination" and a "jig saw" puzzle by counsel for almost forty plaintiffs who attacked the constitutionality of the measure before the Dauphin county Courts last week. Ira Jewell Williams, Philadelphia, argued the case for the plaintiffs, who are seeking a decree to set aside the law. Williams declared the law included provisions in opposition to the Constitutional prohibition against appropriation to any person or community for charitable, educational or benevolent purposes except for military pensions. Other provisions of the act also were attacked.

Attorney General George W. Woodruff argued the act is not legislation prohibited by the Constitution, and Deputy Attorney General Philip Moyer defended its provisions, holding that if the contentions of the plaintiff should be sustained, other charity work might be affected. Decision was reserved.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Miss Gertrude Spangler Writes from California.

4700 Daisy St., Oakland, Calif., March 8, 1924.

Editor Centre Reporter:

Enclosed find check for renewal of subscription to Centre Reporter, which is always a welcome visitor and brings to me many items of interest from my home-town and other parts of the country.

Our winter here has been one continuous Spring, with very little rain. It is said to be the driest season in 46 years, and will mean a great loss in crops.

During the past few weeks we have had a disease among the cattle called the Mouth and Hoof disease, and I am told that about 14,000 cattle have been killed in three counties. It has seemed almost like some of the plagues mentioned in the Bible, the way it works.

At this writing apricot trees are in full bloom and roses are coming into their bloom. I fear I am spoiled for a cold climate after living in California. With best wishes I am,

Sincerely yours,
GERTRUDE M. SPANGLER.

Chas. A. Mitterling Writes from Chicago

Chicago, Ill., March 11, 1924.

Dear Editor:

Please find enclosed check for renewal of my subscription for the Reporter.

We are having a good old-fashioned winter here ever since the first of the new year. Have had snow on the ground for two months, and now for the last two days it has been snowing; also have had it 15 to 20 degrees below zero for several days in January and February.

Business is going along real good in Chicago, especially in the building line, and the permits for building are very much larger than for last year to date. When the building trades are busy a person can figure on everything else going along good. Prices are very high; carpenters, get \$125 per hour; painters, plumbers steam fitters and bathers, \$125 to \$150; and lumber and brick are very high.

The following is a report taken from one of our trade papers called "The Paint, Oil and Chemical Review":

Crystal Rock Oil Co. Left to Employees.

The business of the Crystal Rock Oil Co., 3456-60 W. 51st St., Chicago, formerly conducted by James E. Duffy, who died suddenly January 27th, has been turned over to his former employee, Mrs. Laura Hadasek and Charles Mitterling, who will continue the business as a partnership under the old name. It was Mr. Duffy's expressed intention to share his business with his employees at his retirement and when death overtook him, his estate turned over to them the stock on hand, equipment and good will. Mrs. Hadasek has been with company for seven years and Mr. Mitterling for fifteen years. The company will continue to handle linseed oil, turpentine, paint oils and solvents as well as miscellaneous products for the paint trade.

The estate turned over to us the storage tank, capacity 125,000 to 130,000 gallons, electric motors and pumps, two 2-ton Sandows trucks, scales and office furniture; also some stock and a very good contract on turpentine and linseed oil for the year 1924.

We are still talking of the grand trip we had last summer to Washington, D. C., and Centre Hall visiting mother, brothers, sisters, and good friends.

Vera and LeRoy are both going to the Lindblom High school and getting along very good.

I remain
Sincerely yours,
CHAS. A. MITTERLING.

P. S.—Picture of High school enclosed which is one of the finest in the city. It is only four years old and is but four blocks from our house.

Violated Mann Act.

Edward Young Clarke, of Atlanta, former acting imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, pleaded guilty in Federal court to violating the Mann act, and was fined \$5000 by Judge J. C. Hutcheson, Jr. A young woman, involved in the case, was brought to New Orleans by Clarke.

"You have entered a plea of guilty, which shows that you have gone a long way toward making restitution," the judge said. "If you had plead not guilty, and tried to lie your way out of it, I would have sent you to the penitentiary."

The defense attorney in his plea said "Clarke has suffered more in this case than any man I have ever known. He has learned his lesson and is ready to go back to the teachings of his mother, who will be the greatest sufferer if his punishment is severe."

The woman in the case was in court as sentence was passed.

The above is reprinted from the Philadelphia Inquirer of March 11.

Haircut, 30c.

Haircut at the shoe repair shop, Centre Hall, for 20 cents; clippers or shears used.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

"Wait—you may lose."

Mumps broke out among the children in Aaronburg and surrounding sections.

Mrs. Joseph Lutz spent a day, last week, in Boalsburg with her sister, Miss Annie Lohr.

Snyder county commissioners decided to put all prisoners in jail to work on the roads in the future.

Gregg Carper will vacate the Meyer farm near Centre Hill, and move onto the Miss Mary C. Fisher farm at Penn Hall, this spring.

Jacob E. Solt, a former resident of Centre Hall, is yet on the turf and has changed his residence from Frederick, Maryland, to Gettysburg.

Irvin G. Gray, sent to the penitentiary from this county in 1918, has been released. He will take up farming as an occupation.

Mrs. Fred Harvey, of State College, was in town at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Luse, for a short time last week.

Mrs. Carrie Geary, who has her home with Mrs. Alice Durst, in Centre Hall, last week went to Boalsburg to visit among friends for a short period.

Mrs. O. J. Auman, of Aaronburg, who was recently taken to the Geisinger hospital, Danville, for treatment, is reported as improving nicely.

Paul Alters, son of James Alters, of Coburn, who spent about two months in the Bellefonte hospital, returned home last week being fully recovered from an infection in one of his legs.

James Fouet, head mechanic in the Homan garage, moved from Spring Mills to Centre Hall on last Thursday. He and family are occupying the Angeline Weaver property, on Church street.

Haold M. Oberheim, of Lock Haven, has been appointed a bank examiner. He served in the U. S. navy, during the World War, and has served in various capacities of the U-S. revenue department.

The old Dull Ochs Mill near McVeytown is being converted into a pin factory, where wooden pins to be used for the cross arms and glass insulators on telephone and electric light poles will be manufactured.

Former County Agent J. N. Robinson talked farming in Centre county so long that he began to believe farming a desirable and profitable occupation. He will engage in it with a brother on the Robinson homestead.

Mrs. Kate Saunders, who had been staying at the A. P. Krapp home most of the winter, went to Camden, N. J., on Thursday of last week, where she will remain for the present at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Raymond J. Miller.

The farm barn on the extended portion of Valley street, Lewistown, was totally destroyed by fire. The loss was about \$6000, with \$2100 insurance. It was the property of Charles M. Shaw. The fire was of an incendiary origin. An attempt to burn the barn was made six weeks ago, but the fire was extinguished.

Two daughters of Station Agent W. L. Campbell, at Coburn, were recently operated on in a Williamsport hospital. Miss Dorothy, who is a student in Dickinson Seminary, underwent an operation to correct defective hearing, and this was scarcely over when it became necessary to take Miss Janet to the same hospital for the removal of the appendix.

It was due to the almost impassable roads for auto travel that so many traveling salesmen were obliged to stop over night in Centre Hall and other points in Penns Valley. The road through Penns Valley from Old Fort to Millburg has been in very bad condition all winter—snow or no snow—the lower section of the Penns Valley narrows being the worst ever.

Ed. S. Wiser, who has been located at Centre Hall during the past year or so, and who for the past several years has been in the employ of the State Highway department and operated a steam roller on highway work, has been transferred to Glenside, a suburb of Philadelphia. This is the same point to which I. A. Sweetwood will move this month. He is also a state road man.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cloyd Brooks, of near Centre Hall, went to Williamsport on Thursday to attend the Methodist conference which was then in session and closed beginning of this week. Mr. Brooks is a lay delegate representing the local charge of which Rev. Catherman is the pastor. While in the city the couple will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Smith, the former being a cousin of Mrs. Brooks.