

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A recent birth of local interest was that of a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. John S. Slack at Coburn.

The writer returns thanks for a portion of venison, a part of the six deer killed by the Bradford hunting party.

Starting Saturday, December 13th, banks in Centre Hall will be open in the afternoon and close in the evening.

Hugh Smith, Daniel Daup and Jefferson Slick went to Altoona on Tuesday to look for work. Albert Smith expects to go next.

Austin B. Meyer, of Millheim, formerly assistant cashier of the Millheim Banking company, is lying critically ill at the Geisinger Memorial Hospital, Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slack, of near Centre Hall, will attend the funeral of Alfred Osman, in Altoona, this (Thursday) afternoon. The deceased was an uncle of Mrs. Slack.

Mrs. Jefferson Brown and Mrs. Elsie Reish, of Lewisport, and Warren S. Krise, Esq., and son Benjamin, of Johnstown, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Slick in Centre Hall.

If mention has not been made of the friends you entertained, ask yourself whether you made any effort to get the information to this office. Do not hesitate to send news of all kinds to us; we want it.

D. C. Mitterling shipped a car load of milk cows to the eastern market on Monday, the first shipment for some time due to the low prices obtained in comparison with the cash demands made for cows here.

The date for the rendition of the Christmas cantata by the junior choir of the Reformed church has been changed from the evening of the 24th of December to the evening of the 22nd of December. The change was made to avoid a conflict of dates with another Christmas service.

A Ford car belonging to Joe Parker, of Bellefonte, was stolen recently from Water street, Bellefonte. The car had been drained of water, and when Zion was reached the engine became overheated. The car was run into a ditch and a second car was stolen from a nearby garage.

Mrs. M. E. Coldren was taken to the Geisinger Memorial Hospital, on Monday, for treatment of her arm. Several years ago the right shoulder became dislocated and perhaps broken, and in time, when nature seemed to have performed its work, Mrs. Coldren did not have the free use of the arm. Several previous attempts had been made to correct the trouble, but each was unsuccessful. At the Geisinger hospital the arm was again manipulated, on Tuesday, and better results are anticipated.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Weaver on Sunday night.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. S. W. Smith, Saturday evening.

George W. Rowe made his annual trip here from Boalsburg to be head butcher at the home of his brother, J. S. Rowe, the latter part of last week. Snow is to be kept clear of the State Highway between Bellefonte and Lewisport and between Old Fort and Lewisburg, according to a statement in the city dailies.

About twelve per cent. of the farms in Centre county have silos as a part of the equipment on them, there being 275 silos in the county. In the state there are 55,143.

Middletown, this state, is to become the general supply station for the military air service, if Congress can be induced to appropriate \$800,000 to transfer the depot at Wright field, Dayton, Ohio, to Middletown.

C. W. Haney and family, of Queens Run, J. R. Haney and family, of Millburg, W. H. Haney and B. M. Stover families, of near Millheim, assisted at the butchering at the Evangelical parsonage, Spring Mills, on Saturday. Four hogs weighed 1400 lbs.

The Pennsylvania State Grange in session at Reading is being attended by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sharer, Centre Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Sankey, of Middleburg, all of whom will be entertained by Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Dunlap, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cori, of State College.

G. W. Ralston, farmer west of Centre Hall, on Tuesday sold a team of young horses to a party near Millheim for near or altogether \$300. Mr. Ralston is successful in raising horses, and while the price is not up to the top now, every sale made on the farm helps to make the grand total for the year greater.

John H. Horner, tenant on the Spicher farm, west of Old Fort, last week purchased the Bliner property, consisting of dwelling house and several acres of land, located nearby Boalsburg. He will make sale of his farm stock and implements, March 3rd, and move to his new residence, and expects to be employed at State College at his trade of stone mason.

Among the juniors who are sick is Donald Coldren. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Coldren, left for the Geisinger hospital Tuesday morning, and before leaving called their little son and told him to go to the Coldren restaurant for his breakfast and then to school. The lad failed to appear at the restaurant for breakfast or dinner, and this led to an investigation which revealed that the boy was sick and in bed. A physician was at once consulted.

STATE GRANGE MEETS IN READING IN 52ND SESSION

Annual Convention Opened Tuesday—State Master McSparran Has Signified His Intention of Retiring

Men and women prominent in Grange work from all sections of the state were present at the opening of the Pennsylvania State Grange, at Reading on Tuesday. The sessions will continue until this (Thursday) evening.

John A. McSparran, of Furness, Lancaster county, who has served as master of the state grange for the past ten years, has signified his intention of retiring from the office with the close of the Reading convention. This will mean the election of a new master, something unusual, as in the fifty-two years of the grange's existence there have been but six masters.

Two candidates have been suggested, both of Tioga county, Phillip H. Dewey, at present state lecturer, who will be a strong candidate, as he served as a member of the legislature or several terms. He will not enter the contest however, if Mr. McSparran will consent to serve. E. S. Dorsett, of Tioga county, has also been suggested as a candidate.

The convention opened on Tuesday with an address of welcome by Mayor William E. Sharnan on behalf of the city and by former District Attorney H. Robert Mays, on behalf of the Berks Grangers. State Master McSparran responded to the greetings.

The grange formally opened with the annual address by State Master McSparran in which he presented a report of the work of the State organization for the past year. The appointment of committees was the closing feature of the morning session.

The afternoon session on Tuesday was a business session, which was continued Tuesday evening until 9:30 when a memorial service was held for those whose members have died during the year. Another business session was held Wednesday morning. Wednesday afternoon took place the conferring of degrees on a large class of candidates, and Wednesday evening the annual banquet was attended by 1,500 delegates. The sessions on Thursday morning and afternoon will likewise be business sessions and the convention will close with the installation of the newly elected officers on Thursday evening.

One of the visitors expected at the grange sessions is National Master Louis J. Taber, who has been prominently mentioned as a successor to the late Secretary of Agriculture Henry C. Wallace. If Mr. Taber is named a member of President Coolidge's cabinet it will be the first time the national government has honored the organization in this capacity. The national master is now a member of the committee to investigate the problems of agriculture appointed by the President.

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PROGRAM OF PHOTOPLAYS

At THE SCENIC and the OPERA HOUSE (BELLEFONTE)

—At "The Scenic"—

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11—Wallace Berry in "RICHARD, THE LION HEARTED," a romantic drama of period of King Richard, who takes his court and soldiers to the Holy Land and destroys the Saracens. Also Pathe News and Review.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12—Jack Hoxie in "THE WESTERN WALLOP," a good western melodrama; beautiful outdoor scenery. Also, 9th episode of "THE IRON MAN."

—At The Opera House—

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, DEC. 12 and 13—All-star cast in "THE COVERED WAGON," one of the long run big pictures of the age at POPULAR PRICES.

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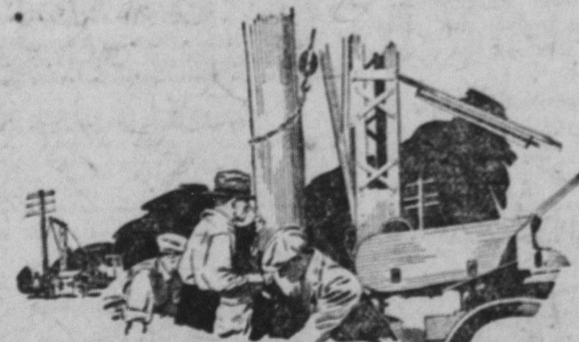
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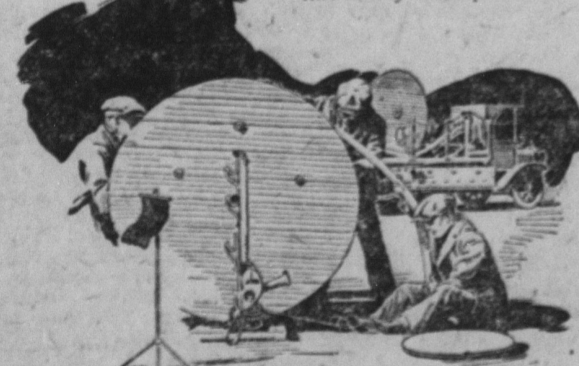
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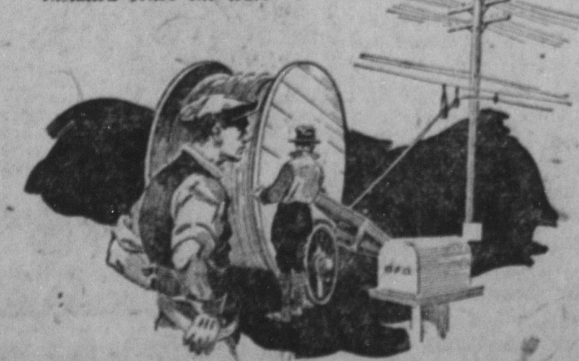
A Catch-up Year



Fifteen thousand miles of Bell pole lines are used for telephone service in this state. A thousand miles are added annually to expand the service into newly developed areas.



Today there is nearly three and one half million miles of wire used in Pennsylvania's Bell Telephone service. About 2,000,000 miles of it have been installed since the war.



600,000 miles of new wire is being added to the Bell System in Pennsylvania this year, some underground, some aerial and most of it in cables.

As has been said before, the war-time demand for telephone service, particularly in the cities of size, came very close to swamping this company. It failed to, but it came close!

In less than a year our reserves of plant were exhausted, and it became a scramble to keep pace with a rush demand that seemed endless. It was an unfavorable time for expansion, but it had to be done.

1924 has been a catch-up year, and fine progress has been made.

December 31 will see 61,500 more telephones in service than at the beginning of the year; wire mileage will have increased from 2,800,000 to 3,400,000 miles, and switchboard positions from 4,600 to 6,000.

The year will have seen 13 new buildings and 10 major building additions completed. 6 new and additional structures will have progressed toward the completion point, and 2 more will have been started.

We have one foot out of the woods, and the rest seems to be a certainty for 1925. There are a few points where facilities are "tight"—where major construction has not yet progressed to the stage where all of the varied demand can be met.

But it has been a very satisfactory year in this respect, to us and to our patrons.

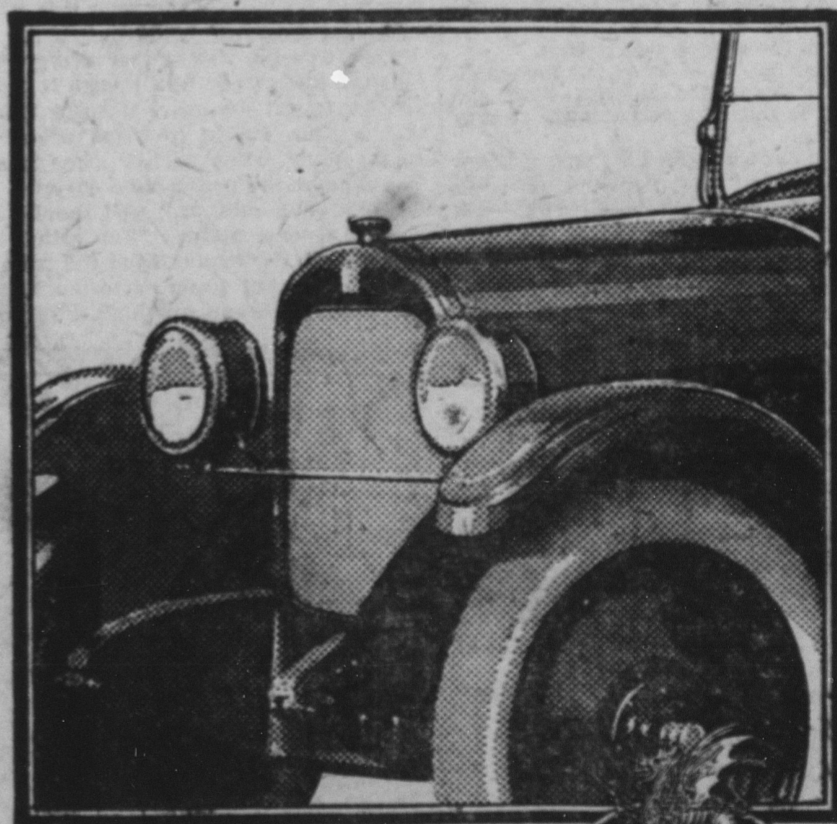
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