



### BORAH TURNS STATE'S EVIDENCE

Senator Says Primary Task for Party Is to Rid Government of Malfeasance and Corruption and Thus Corroborates Democratic Platform.

The Democratic platform last year arraigned the Republican party for tolerating, or encouraging, official corruption. In his speech, official corruption was treated as a serious matter as negligible. He declared that official honesty could not be a party issue, because no party advocated corruption. There might possibly be two or three bad men in the Republican party, but the party would punish them at some time or other if enough fuss were made. There has been no undue haste or energy in this attempt and it had not been for the industry of some Democratic senators Mr. Daugherty and Mr. Denby would still be in the Cabinet and Fat would be enjoying in quiet what he got out of the Interior Department. The New York Times notes that "it is nearly a year since the oil scandals in Washington burst upon the country. What has been done to bring the guilty to justice?"

From the point of view of the President and the Republican party, two or three members of the party may have made mistakes, but that was nothing to make a political fuss about. Most of the Republicans were honest, and there are a few black sheep in every flock.

But now comes Senator Borah in his article in Scribner's magazine, saying:

"The primary task of the Republican party is to rid the Government of malfeasance and corruption. We have passed through a prolonged era of disregard for the simplest and most fundamental principles of public service."

That is exactly what the Democratic party said in its platform, and the President said, in the language of Mr. Toots, "It's of no consequence." The Republican party had had time to "rid the Government of malfeasance and corruption," and it had taken no step to that end. The worst malfeasance and corruption occurred in the Harding period, and it was not stopped until Democrats uncovered the scandals. The Democratic party appealed to the country to rid the Government of malfeasance and corruption, and the country agreed with Mr. Coolidge that one or two scandals did not matter. Two members of the Cabinet were dropped tardily and reluctantly, and Mr. Daugherty was dispensed with on a minor issue.

Well, the country refused to rid the Government of malfeasance and corruption, and gave the Administration a new lease of power. But Mr. Borah admits the malfeasance and corruption, and says it is the primary duty of the Republican party to get rid of it. He corroborates the Democratic platform.

### Rossmann-Miller.

At the Reformed parsonage, in Centre Hall, by Rev. D. R. Keener, on January 3rd, C. Russell Rossmann and Miss Tammie E. Miller, both of Millheim, were united in marriage.

### Two Mills Tax Increase.

The board of Centre County Commissioners was forced to increase the county tax from 5 to 8 mills, owing to demand by the State Highway Department that the county build four new bridges in Bald Eagle Valley and the prospective of taking over of the toll roads out of Millheim. These items of expense would entail an expenditure of approximately \$75,000.

### Progress Grange Officers.

At a recent meeting of Progress Grange, D. K. Keller, Master of County Grange, assisted by Lady Assistant Steward Mrs. Jacob Sharer, installed the following officers:

Master, G. W. Ralston; overseer, V. A. Auman; lecturer, Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick; steward, H. E. Shreckengast; asst. steward, Curtis Reiber; chaplain, W. O. Heckman; treasurer, Jacob Sharer; gate keeper, A. H. Spayd; pomona, Mrs. V. A. Auman; flora, Mrs. W. S. Slick; cerea, Mrs. G. W. Ralston; lady asst. steward, Frances Brooks; pianist, Mrs. Della Reiber.

### Surprise Party for 21st Birthday.

A very pleasant surprise party was sprung upon Chester Decker, at his home in Georges Valley, in honor of his 21st birthday. The evening was spent in playing games, music and dancing until the wee small hours of the morning. All departed wishing him many more happy birthdays.

Those present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Gobbie, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Sweetwood, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zettle, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gobbie, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sweetwood, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob McCool, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bressler, Mr. and Mrs. Nestor Heckman, Mrs. Verna Lingle, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Decker, Herbert Gobbie, Walter Gobbie, Cordelia Gobbie, Mary Gobbie, A. L. Ripka, Inez Hazel and Richard Zettle, Catherine and Irene Evans, James Evans, Fred Zettle, James, Edward and John Zettle, Ethel Reish, Agnes and Lucia Zettle, Rosella and Eugene Heckman, Carrie and Rena Heckman, Aleida Bradford Grace and Hazel Lingle, Gwendie Decker, Eugene and Billy Bressler, Stella and Lucile Fiedler, Carrie Grove Florence and Geraldine Smith, Guy Breon, Carol Mowery, Chester Decker, Byron Decker, Anna Bariges, Lloyd Boob, Clyde Lingle, Blanche Mulling, Charles Bariges, Verna, Jacob, Ruth, Cora, Alvin and Clarence McCool, Ida Decker, Harry Brown, Robert Hanna, Bliss Ripka, Ethel Gentzell, Alice Detwiler, Laurence Fiedler, Tracy Smith, John Heckman, P. A. Auman.

### SALARY INCREASE FOR 586 HIGHWAY DEPT. EMPLOYEES

Result of Reclassification and Promotions—Net Increase Totals \$64,792 With Total Pay Roll of \$3,610,000 Year.

Salary increases for 586 state highway department employees, as a result of reclassification and promotions, were announced at the capitol. The average increase was given as \$125 a year.

Approximately half of the increases are in the automobile division with others in the accounting section and the field force, those in the former division being due to reclassification and those in the field staff to promotions. Fifteen promotions were in the class of employees receiving more than \$3,000 a year; 149 among those between \$1,500 and \$3,000; fifty-seven in the \$1,200 to \$1,500 class and the remainder, 355, in the \$1,200 and under class.

The net increase in salaries was said to total \$64,792, with a total pay roll of \$3,610,000 a year.

### Nittany Mt. Road Improvement.

Information has been obtained from the most reliable source that a portion of the road over Nittany Mountain, at Centre Hall, is to be improved. The custom of the State Highway Department is to make estimates of needed materials for the various sections of road to be built throughout the state, and among the estimates submitted for the year 1925 is one for a road at Centre Hall. The materials designated are stone, sand, cement and brick, and are as follows:

Stone, tons	4,500
Sand, tons	2,800
Cement, barrels	7,500
Bricks	400,000

No statement is made designating the portion of the road to be built, but from conversation of officials one is led to believe that the section for which this statement of material is meant is from the foot of Nittany Mountain, at a point within the borough limits, to the top of Old Nittany. This is just a mile, and so is the quantity of material given for about a mile of road.

To make certain that the road will be bricked to the point named within the borough limits, the town authorities will at once get into communication with the Highway Department with a view of getting the road extended, so that it will embrace the hill within the borough.

With the south slope of Old Nittany mountain road bricked, we may look forward to a good road of some sort being constructed within a reasonable time between the "top" and the new brick section through the "gap."

### Mountain As Memorial.

Arrangements have been made to name a mountain in Pennsylvania after Catharine Smith, who made gun barrels at the mouth of White Deer creek for the Continental army, members of the State Geologic board announced. She is the first woman to be honored by having a mountain named for her. Many of the gun barrels manufactured by her were used in General Washington's army. Col. Henry W. Shoemaker, J. Herbert Walker and Thomas W. Lloyd have been named a committee to select a mountain.

### "Green and White Revue."

"The Green and White Revue," given entirely by Bellefonte ladies, is a minstrel show with eighteen events—by eighty-five pretty girls; peppy songs and dancing.

Time—Wednesday and Thursday evenings, January 14 and 15. Tickets, \$1.00, at Blair's, Mott's and Zeller's stores. No extra charge for reserved seats. Chart opens Tuesday at 9 A. M., Mott's Drug store. Place—Moose Temple theatre. Tickets may be had from Mrs. F. O. Balfout and F. P. Geary, Centre Hall. Proceeds for the community nurse fund. The show is being staged and directed by Mrs. Russell Blair, of Bellefonte.

### YOUR INCOME TAX.

Married Couples May Deduct \$2,500 for Living Expenses—Other Changes to Benefit of Taxpayer.

Your income tax for the year 1924 is less, in proportion to your income, than the tax for 1923. A rate reduction, however, is not the only benefit afforded by the revenue act of 1924. Increase in the exemption for married persons a 25 per cent. reduction on "earned incomes," and other changes in revenue legislation are of immediate interest to every taxpayer.

The revenue act of 1924 requires that returns be filed by every single person whose net income for 1924 was \$1,000 or more, or whose gross income was \$5,000 or more, and by every married couple whose aggregate net income was \$2,500 or more, or whose aggregate gross income was \$5,000 or more. Last year returns were required of married couples whose aggregate net income was \$2,000 or more. Husband and wife, living together, may include the income of each in a single joint return, or each may file a separate return showing the income of each. Net income is gross income less certain specified reductions for business expenses, losses, bad debts, contributions, etc.

The period for filing returns is from January 1st to March 15th, 1925. The return, accompanied by at least one-fourth of the amount of tax due, must be filed with the collector of internal revenue for the district in which the taxpayer has his legal residence or has his principal place of business.

### DEATH

Mrs. Susanna Spangler, in 97th Year, and Mrs. Rachael Condo, in 93rd Year, Pass On—Other Deaths.

Mrs. Susanna Spangler died at her home in Centre Hall, Monday morning. She had been in very frail health for some months owing to her advanced age. She was a remarkable woman in many respects, and retained a clear mind throughout her entire life. During her latter years, her eyesight failed her, and her physical strength grew weak, but her mind remained strong.

The body was interred Wednesday morning, after services were conducted at the home by Rev. F. S. Greenhoe, pastor of the Lutheran church, of which denomination the deceased was long a member.

Mrs. Spangler, whose maiden name was Susanna Berger, a daughter of Abraham and Susanna (Boyer) Berger, was born in Middle Creek township, Union (now Snyder) county, August 22, 1828, making her age 96 years 4 months, 20 days. Her marriage to John Spangler, deceased, took place at her home in 1847, and a year later the couple moved to Adamsburg, and March 28, 1867, she and Mr. Spangler located at Centre Hill, where the husband engaged in blacksmithing. March 25, 1883, the Centre Hall hotel was leased by them, and later purchased. Since then the family lived in Centre Hall, except for three years, beginning January 1, 1879, when Mr. Spangler was sheriff of Centre county.

The surviving children of the deceased are Col. J. L. Spangler, Bellefonte; Howard Spangler, who lived with the mother, and Reuben B. Spangler, Bellefonte. A daughter, Mrs. Annie Van Pelt, died some years ago. There also survive the deceased thirteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

CONDO.—At the advanced age of 92 years, 8 months and 2 days, Mrs. Rachael Condo died on Saturday morning at the home of her son, Samuel L. Condo, at Spring Mills, where she had her home for eighteen years. Interment was made on Wednesday in the Heckman cemetery, near Penn Hill, services having previously been held in the Lutheran church, Spring Mills, by Rev. F. S. Greenhoe, pastor of the church.

Mrs. Condo's maiden name was Miss Rachael Lutz, and she was born in Haines township, in the vicinity of Aaronsburg. The Condo family for many years lived about Spring Mills, where the head of the home died about eighteen years ago. There survive the deceased the following children: Mrs. Jane Bower, Maple Grove, Ill.; Mrs. Emma Young, Boalsburg; Mrs. Sarah Lamey, Lock Haven; Daniel Condo, Lock Haven, and S. L. Condo, Spring Mills.

FLEISHER.—Mrs. Thomas F. Fleisher died at her home in Potters Mills, Monday afternoon, after an illness of five weeks from an affection of the heart. Interment will be made this (Thursday) morning at 9:30 o'clock in the Zion Hill cemetery. Rev. J. F. Bingham, of the Evangelical church, and Rev. H. H. Sherman of the Methodist church, officiating.

The maiden name of the deceased was Susan Amelia Lukenbaugh, a daughter of Aaron and Lucinda Lukenbaugh. She was born and reared about Tusseyville and lived in Potter township all through her life. Her age was 73 years, 11 months, 22 days. Mrs. Fleisher is survived by her husband and these children: Mrs. Carrie Horner, Youngsville; Harry, Lewis town; Mrs. Nora Gettig, Pittsburgh; Martha, wife of H. A. McClellan, Tusseyville; William, Buffalo, N. Y.; Myrtle, wife of Henry Fouat, Potters Mills; Mrs. Daniel Pofringer, Tusseyville; Mrs. Sparr Wert, Aaronsburg; Miss Orpha, at home. Two daughters, Mrs. James Wagner and Mrs. Lillian Gettig, preceded their mother in death.

WAGNER.—John D. Wagner, one of Georges Valley's best known and most highly respected citizens, passed away on Friday at the age of 71 years, 4 months and 25 days. Interment took place Tuesday morning in the cemetery at Holy Cross Lutheran church. Rev. F. S. Greenhoe officiating.

Mr. Wagner was born and reared in Millheim county, but came to Georges township early in life where he settled on a farm and has since lived. He was a son of Eli and Catharine (Snook) Wagner. Mr. Wagner was prominently connected with the Lutheran church and was a member of the council and active in all church lines for many years. He was also a member of the I. O. O. F. and the Encampment lodge.

The deceased is survived by his wife, who before marriage was Miss Rebecca Ann Auman. Two children were born to this union, a daughter at the age of nine years having died, leaving Jasper A. Wagner an only son; also, two grandchildren. A sister, Mrs. Deborah Walter, of Michigan, and two brothers, Levi Wagner, Athens, Mich., and Amos Wagner, Burr Oak, Mich., also survive the deceased.

SWARTZ.—The following death notice appeared in the Orangeville (Illinois) Courier:

George C. Swartz, a former resident of Orangeville, died at a Freeport hospital. He had been ill about a week and had submitted to an operation. The funeral was held at the Walker home at Freeport, and the burial took place in the Orangeville cemetery. Rev. Scott officiated.

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### FARM BARN BURNED.

Barn on A. B. Lee Farm, Along Sinking Creek, Destroyed Saturday Night—Heavy Loss to Both Owner and Tenant, John Condo—Light Insurance.

The large barn on the farm owned by former Sheriff Arthur B. Lee, on Sinking Creek, tenanted by John Condo, was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday night. With the barn was consumed all of the live stock, grain, hay, straw, implements and tools of the tenant, as well as an automobile and various implements belonging to neighbors.

The origin of the fire is wholly unknown, and appears to have originated in the upper part of the barn. The first man on the scene was George Wilson, tenant on the Grove farm, now owned by a limestone company. When he reached the barn it was all aflame and nothing could be saved from it. In a shed stood a tractor and a wagon, and these were removed.

Mr. Condo's live stock consisted of eighteen head of cattle, three horses and one mule. All of these were in the barn and were burned to death, their release being impossible when the neighbors who arrived first reached the burning structure. In addition to the property lost by Mr. Condo, various implements belonging to neighbors were in the barn. Earl Frazier had a grain drill, potato digger and harrow destroyed. These were implements borrowed by Mr. Condo and left stored there. Herbert Barger, also a neighbor, had a corn planter in the barn, and George Wilson likewise a corn planter. Andy Long, of near Spring Mills, father-in-law of Mr. Condo, had a Ford car stored in the barn.

Mr. Condo held \$1,000 insurance in the Lykens Valley company, and Mr. Lee had \$12,000 insurance on the barn in the Farmers Mutual company.

The farm is what has long been known as the Michael Duck place, the barn on which was evidently built by the Barbers, who owned the place previous to Mr. Duck. The structure was 50x95 feet, and was in good condition. The timbers in it were all white pine of the choicest kind.

Mr. Condo and family left their home about 6:30 to attend services at Spring Mills. The fire was observed at a distance about 8:00 o'clock, but it was 8:30 or 9:00 before the scene of the fire was reached. Mr. Condo had lived on the place two years.

### SPRING MILLS

The union services in the different churches are well attended, and are very interesting.

Two deaths in the community last week—that of Mrs. Rachael Condo and John Wagner. Both will be missed in their homes, the community and the church.

The last number of the Lecture Course will appear on Friday evening, Jan. 16th. Freeman Hammond is the attraction.

Dan Braucht of Condit, spent Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Braucht.

Dr. H. S. Braucht returned from a Philadelphia hospital much benefited by the treatment received there.

Word was received by relatives of Robert Maybin of his having been severely injured in the stone quarries at Narginy. The last word was to the effect that one limb was amputated and perhaps the other would be lost also.

### Bob-Sled Joy Ride.

The Orangeville (Illinois) Courier makes this reference to a social affair, the principals in which are well known here:

New Year's afternoon Miss Ellen Goodhart entertained a number of her girl friends with a bob-sled ride. Her father, G. Bruce Goodhart, was chauffeur, and he had four of his best white spotted horses in the traces. The bunch of happy girls had a long ride. On arriving at the Goodhart home refreshments consisting of chicken sandwiches, cocoa, pickles, olives, cake and macaroni were served. The girls all had a splendid time. A bob-sled ride is sort of a novelty now since autos have become so popular. Those in the party were Misses Flossie Prewe, Margaret Farley, Thea Runkle, Laura Dietmeyer, Elma Runkle, Alice and Mary Ebel, Romona Hartwig, Dorothy Hartzel, Coyla Frautzwitz, Ulth Moore and Evelyn Howe.

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Mr. Swartz was born the 12th day of May, 1860, and was the son of Daniel M. and Rebecca Condo Swartz, at Millheim, Pa. He left Pennsylvania in the spring of 1878 for Yanver, Ohio, where he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Sproul. He came with his wife to Illinois in 1886, and settled near Orangeville, later moving to Freeport, where he made his home for the past several years. His wife passed away April, 1914.

He is survived by one brother, D. E. Swartz, residing in Chicago, and two sons, Guy, of Freeport, and Clark, of Peabody, Kansas.

PETERSON.—The venerable A. S. Peterson, a highly respected citizen and well known farmer of Spruce Creek, died at his home near Grayville at the age of 73 years. A week previous he contracted a bad cold which developed into typhoid pneumonia. He was a native of Huntington county, but 28 years ago purchased the Dent Ingram farm, where he engaged as a tiller of the soil and was quite successful. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church and the kind of citizen any county can ill afford to lose. Interment was made at Grayville, Rev. H. O. Fleming officiating.

### 116,000 PERSONS DIED IN PENNSYLVANIA IN 1924

Deaths From Tuberculosis and Infant Mortality Cut in Two During Last Eighteen Years.

Pennsylvania's death rate for 1924 was one of the lowest in the history of the state. Statistics compiled show that the 1924 death rate 12.5 per thousand of population. In 1923, the rate was 13.3 per thousand.

During the year, a total of 116,000 persons died in Pennsylvania. That figure is approximately 7,000 less than in 1923. The death rates from tuberculosis and diseases of infancy were the lowest in the history of the state in the past year.

Seventy-one persons in each hundred thousand unit of population died from tuberculosis of the lungs in 1924, as contrasted with 75 in 1923. The 1924 infant mortality rate was 80 per thousand births. In 1923, the rate was 83 so that 2,900 less babies died from diseases of infancy in 1924 than in the preceding year. Both the infant mortality and the tuberculosis rates have been cut in half in the last eighteen years. In 1906, the tuberculosis rate was 130 while the infant mortality rate was 167.

Contagious diseases which took a large toll of deaths in former years have now been robbed of much of their terror. Typhoid fever which killed off 4,000 persons in 1906 was responsible for but 340 deaths in 1924. The principal causes of death in 1924 were heart disease, pneumonia and violence. These three causes of death contributed approximately one quarter of all the deaths in Pennsylvania last year. The first two are regarded as more or less inevitable because people live longer now than they did two decades ago.

### Butler in New Role.

Director Butler, of Philadelphia, is playing in a new role these days. Instead of hunting evidence against law violators the director is calling for volunteers to come forward and swear how good the Ritz-Carlton is conducted. Director Butler refuses to accept the evidence of Magistrate Carney, who gobbled some booze from the Ritz-Carlton tables and declared \$1500 worth of booze was consumed there the night he alone raided the place. To make matters worse, Mayor Kendrick and Mrs. Kendrick were innocently sitting at one of the Ritz tables. With Butler too, it appears, it matters much whose bull is gored.

### From North Dakota.

From Taylor, North Dakota, W. L. Royer, a brother of Mrs. H. C. Shirk, of Centre Hall, writes thus:

"Wheat was all No. 1 and is selling now at \$1.55. Flax was a good crop and is selling at \$2.80; barley, 70c; oats, 70c, and rye, \$1.54. I asked a farmer near Taylor how much of a crop he had this year and he told me he had 215 bushels of flax, 2373 bushels of wheat and 3190 bushels of barley. He told me the people could milk all the cows they wanted to, he would raise grain instead of cows and hogs. My son was here from McConnell, in September. We had just started threshing and he said one farmer up there threshed more than his whole neighborhood. Corn was a poor crop. I have old corn from 1922 and 1923 and I am fattening my hogs on corn of 1924. I just returned from Ipswich, South Dakota. Their corn crop is very poor. Last year I way down there and you could see teams coming in all directions with corn. This trip I didn't see any."

### K. G. E. New Officers.

The new officers of the local order of K. G. E. No. 265, are as follows:

Noble Chief, Charles E. Flink.  
Vice Chief, William Hannah.  
High Priest, Earl C. Lutz.  
Sir Herald, W. H. Bland.

### Attention, Income Tax Payers.

Section 227 A of the Revenue act of 1924 does not allow collectors of Internal Revenue to grant extension of thirty days, as has been the practice in the past. Authority to grant such extension now rests entirely with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, at Washington, and application for such extension must be made to the Commissioner, direct.

### TONER A. HUGG.

Dep. Coll. Int. Revenue

From Eagle Rock, Calif.  
Eagle Rock, Calif., Jan. 1, 1925.  
Editor Reporter:

Enclosed find check for \$1.50 for the Reporter for 1925. Please send to my above new address. I was to the tournament of Rose Parade today; it was beautiful. I wished all of my Centre county friends could have had the grand pleasure of seeing it also. I wish you all a Happy New Year.

ELLA JOHNSON.

### New School Building.

The Central Grammar school building, on Nittany avenue, State College, was opened last week. The contract price of the building is \$59,116.00; plumbing, \$4,000.00; heating and ventilating, \$8,350.00; furnishings cost \$2,000.00 to \$4,000.00.

The building is 53 feet 6 inches by 38 feet 6 inches and contains eight school rooms, all unilateral lighting. It also contains three small offices and teacher rooms. A ventilated coat room is attached to each school room.

"Billy" Sunday, the evangelist, will begin a six weeks' campaign in Williamsport about the middle of September.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Horner, at Colyer, on Friday of last week.

Miss Cella Brungart, of Lebersburg, visited her brother, S. C. Brungart, and family, in Centre Hall.

Miss Elsie Reardon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Reardon, of Milroy, recently visited friends in Harrisburg.

From the Pennsylvania department of agriculture it is learned that 1,923 automobiles are in use in Centre county.

Mrs. Sallie Kamp is seriously ill at her home in Lock Haven. She is well known to many of the Reporter readers, having been reared near Potters Mills.

Monday morning broke in with a bout four inches of snow, which began falling before midnight. The State Highway snow plows were rushing over the roads long before most of us were out of bed.

Miss Mildred Brown and Edgar Miller were highly appreciated recent visitors by both the teacher and scholars of the Potters Mills grammar school where both of them had previously taught most successfully.

The Penns Valley Encampment band will give a chicken and waffle supper in the Grange hall, Spring Mills, on Saturday evening, 24th inst. Price, 35c. Supper will be served from 5:30 to 8 o'clock. The patronage of the public is solicited.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Lansberry, at present farming near Mill Hill, will by April 1st, occupy the Speicher farm, west of Old Fort, at present tenanted by J. H. Horner. Mrs. Lansberry is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Smith, of Centre Hall.

County Auditors Robert D. Musser, of Spring Mills; Samuel B. Holt, of Howard; and Herbert Stover, of Smulton, are auditing the accounts of the various officials of the county. Mr. Musser was chosen president and Mr. Holt secretary of the board.

The firm of Hosterman and Stover, in Millheim, long successful hardware merchants, have admitted to the firm W. E. Weaver, of Aaronsburg, and is now doing business under the name of Hosterman & Stover Company. They have added to their business electrical, heating and plumbing work.

Miss Edith W. Schlegel and friend, Austin M. Shaeffer, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. Delas R. Keener, at the Centre Hall Reformed parsonage a short time ago. Miss Schlegel is a sister of Mrs. Keener. Both Miss Schlegel and Mr. Shaeffer are teaching in the Fleetwood, Berks county, public schools.

A special pension bill for \$20 per month was passed by congress and approved by the president for Margaret E. Ulrich, helpless daughter of Geo. Ulrich, of Millheim, deceased. Pension of \$50.00 per month was also granted the widows of John Noll and Augustus H. Cox, of Bellefonte. Mr. Noll and Mr. Cox were Civil war veterans.

Mrs. Ruth Thomas, of Potters Mills, was a caller the latter part of last week. She informed the Reporter that her brother, J. Roy Smith, the noted baseball pitcher, moved from Reedsville to a home he purchased on Main Street, Lewistown. Mr. Smith has been employed by the Viscoe people almost since they began operations in Lewistown.

Through the personal efforts of Mrs. W. P. Smith and the very liberal spirit of Stover & Snook, both of Millheim, the Evangelical church at Millheim came into possession of a lot of ground adjoining the church suited admirably for a parsonage. Mrs. Smith prevailed on her nephew, Mr. Snook, to help the church secure the property and he at once arranged for the transfer of the land.

It would be more pleasant to mention if it were in some other line that the business of funeral director is keeping F. V. Goodhart on the go day and night. At the beginning of the week six bodies were being cared for by him, namely: John D. Wagner, Mrs. Condo, Spring Mills; Mrs. Mary Houser, Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Bilger, Nittany Mountain, and Mrs. Susanna Spangler, Centre Hall, and Mrs. Thomas Fleisher, Potters Mills.

James K. Conley, on his arrival in Centre Hall from the east, brought with him unquestionable evidence that he is living and not the man found dead in the Pittsburgh Union railroad station about three weeks ago. The unfortunate man referred to in Pittsburgh left no identity except that he had in his pocket a lead pencil having the advertisement of a Sioux Falls, South Dakota business firm. This is the town Mr. Conley is from and as the man was further described as a "stuffy man and middle aged," well, the rest was conjecture, of course.

The new Sunday school room recently erected by the Evangelical church of Bellefonte, and about completed, will be dedicated on Sunday, January 25th. The Senior Bishop of the Evangelical church, S. C. Breyfogle, of Reading, will be the officiating minister. Services will be conducted by the Bishop during the forenoon and evening of said day; the program for which will be announced later. The public will be given ample opportunity for the purpose of inspecting a modern Sunday school room, as well as cordially invited to attend the dedicatory services.