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DAUGHERTY AND WARREN.

The narrow circling flight of the buzzards shows the way to the career, as the old saying goes. In the early days of 1921 it was tipped off that the easy-going Harding was to take Harry M. Daugherty into his cabinet as Attorney General, and the President was warned by well-wishers against the hazard of such a step, but protests were unheeded. So the birds of ill-omen gathered about him, as Daugherty began his official duties, after confirmation on the following March 4th. If some kind fate then had intervened to cause President Harding to withdraw the Daugherty nomination from the Senate, how much better it would have been for the reputation of Daugherty and how much it would have saved the Administration of President Harding from the disloyalty and dishonor that later came him from that quarter.

In an open session of the Senate made possible by an unexpected combination of Democrats and insurgent Republicans, 12 in number, Mr. Warren was rejected as a cabinet officer. On Thursday Mr. Warren's name was again placed before the Senate. Mr. Warren himself insisting it should be. Senator Walsh, of Montana, made a notable speech against the confirmation of Mr. Warren as Attorney General, asserting broadly that the Senate shared the responsibility with the President and must assume it. "Three times in the last six years," the Senator continued, "the office of Attorney General has been filled by men who were named, not as a reward for eminent success at the bar, but as a reward for active political service. In two of these instances, at least, the career has not shed any particular lustre on the office or credit on the appointive power. Neither would it be a resort to hyperbole to assert that the result in these two instances has approached disaster where the public was concerned."

Mr. Walsh discussed Warren's trust affiliations exhaustively, concluding with the deliberate opinion that "a confirmation in such circumstances is to extend to every plundering monopoly in this country an invitation to continue its extortion."

The Political Calendar.

Events on the 1925 political calendar start May 4th when register assessors in boroughs and townships commence May registration and party enrollment according to the official election schedule for the year.

May 25—Register assessors in the boroughs and township finish registration and party enrollment.

July 5—Last day to file petitions for appointment of registrars in third class cities.

July 9—First legal date to obtain signatures to nomination petitions for county, city, borough, township and local offices to be filed with the County Commissioners.

July 14 and 15—Register assessors in boroughs and townships sit at the polling places to register and enroll persons not registered or enrolled, and to change party affiliation of persons who voted another party at the previous election.

August 18—Last day to file candidates' petitions with County Commissioners for county, city, borough, township and school district offices.

August 27—First registration day in third class cities.

Sept. 1—Second registration day in third class cities.

Sept. 2—Last day to be assessed to vote at the municipal elections.

Sept. 12—Last registration day in third class cities.

Sept. 15—Primary election.

Nov. 3—Election day.

During the campaign last fall, Mr. Coolidge very loudly proclaimed the virtues of the constitution, but today it is different. He wants Mr. Warren to be Attorney General regardless of the constitutional prerogative of the U. S. Senate to pass on his fitness.

More Liquor Raids.

State police made three successful liquor raids in Centre county over the weekend. Friday night they visited the home of James Lohr, at State College, and confiscated three quarts of whiskey. Lohr is in jail in default of bail.

Saturday night the home of Cleve Packer, at Milesburg, was entered, the officers finding it necessary to break in. Packer put up a fight. A pint of liquor was found on his person and the police say that Mrs. Packer and the children smashed containers in which there had been ten gallons of whiskey. Packer is also in jail.

John Halderman, of Pleasant Gap, was arrested Monday morning, a gallon of whiskey being found at his home. This is his second arrest.

The temporary bridge over Kishacoquillas creek, at Mann's Narrows, near Reedsville, has been completed and is in service.

MORE CONTROL OVER CHILDREN

More Interference With Employing Children—Measure Would Give Employment to Horde of Clerks.

Senator Gelder introduced on February 18th, Senate bill No. 369 to amend Section 1419 of the School Code, so that it shall read as follows:

Section 1419. Every person, firm, association or corporation in this Commonwealth accepting service from or employing a child or children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years shall on or before the first day of July in each year and quarterly thereafter furnish to the superintendent of schools or secretary of the board of school directors of the district in which such child or children reside the name, age, place of residence and name of parent or guardian of every such child in his or its employ or service and each school district shall submit quarterly to the Superintendent of Instruction such data relative to the employment of minors in that district as he may request. Such reports shall be made upon blank to be furnished by the Superintendent of Public Instruction at the expense of the Commonwealth.

The intent of this bill seems to be to give more control of school children to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Supervisor, Principal, Secretary of school boards by compelling every person who might employ children between 14 and 16 for any purpose after school hours to make detailed reports in every case these reports to be submitted quarterly to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with data as he may request.

It is evidently a reaching out of the School authorities for more control, causing more details and more records, and possibly preventing the employment of these children after school hours by making it more difficult for employers. Presumably the details must be carried out if the bill is passed—else why pass the bill?

Seemingly the serious part of the bill lies in the words "As he may request," which allows data to be gathered of any and every kind as the Superintendent of Public Instruction or his assistants may think of.

Manufacturers, business men, stockholders, grocers, meat markets, newspapers, periodicals, golf clubs will all be affected by the bill.

First Sale of Road Bonds.

The first \$20,000,000 worth of the \$50,000,000 road bond issue, approved in 1922, will be sold March 25 at noon at the office of the Governor. The board, consisting of Governor Pinchot, Auditor General Lewis and State Treasurer Snyder, fixed 4 per cent as the interest, payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1. The first interest, however, will be for eight months, as the issue will be dated April 1, 1925. The bids for the bonds will be advertised for at once, and it is expected there will be considerable competition.

The bonds will mature in \$2,000,000 lots the first on April 1, 1930, and thereafter on April 1 of 1932, 1935, 1937, 1940, 1942, 1945, 1947, 1950 and 1952.

Under the law \$20,000,000 worth more of the bonds will be issued August 1, 1925, and \$10,000,000 worth May 1, 1926.

SPRING MILLS

Mrs. George Weaver visited friends at Harrisburg last week.

Rufus Finkle, of Millinburg, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Anna Finkle, who is confined to bed.

The Reformed Sunday school held a social at the William Bressler home on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. George Rachau and children, of Sunbury, spent a few days at the George Wolfe home.

Harry Mensch and family, of Millersburg, were Sunday visitors at the Louis Rossmann home.

Mumps among the school children is playing havoc with school attendance.

Rev. Haney of the Evangelical church, has been returned by conference to this charge.

Guy Corman and mother attended the funeral of Mrs. Emma Brungart, at Hebersburg, on Monday.

Miss Orpha Gramley is visiting her brother, Bruce Gramley, in New York City.

Miss Mary Siegal, a nurse in Altoona, was a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Siegal, last week.

William Haney had sale of his farm stock, which brought good prices. He will move to town and occupy the C. F. Long house.

Mrs. (Dr.) H. S. Braucht, Mrs. H. F. Rossmann, Mrs. C. P. Long, Mrs. Homer Fetters and Miss Sara, Condo attended an Eastern Star meeting at Bellefonte on Monday evening.

Charles Ripka moved to the Shunk property; Oliver Zettle moved from that home to the B. F. Kennelly house; Ralph Shook will move to his property, vacated by Mr. Ripka; Mr. Elmer, of Centre Hill, will move to the farm vacated by Shook, which the limestone company bought from Mr. Shook.

Only one day more of the winter season. Spring begins Saturday.

AGAIN THE EVER PRESENT RAILROAD PROBLEM

Indications Point to Coming of the Long Sought for Traffic Line to State College—May Mean a Continuance of the Road to Connect With the L. & T.

Once again the prospect of another railroad coming to State College looks up, and this time has some resemblance to becoming a reality.

For some time past workmen have been engaged in replacing the light rails on the road between Tyrone and Fairbrook with heavier ones, the work now being almost completed. Contracts have also been let for two modern concrete bridges between these points. There seems no reason why the company should go to this expense on a road that is surely at the present time a losing proposition, unless some extension was anticipated.

This in itself would point to the fact that there's something doing, for everyone knows that the old roadbed was capable of taking care of all the traffic along the present line. However, here's an added rumor: Men have been promised employment cutting brush and grade eastward from Fairbrook, and that they are to report for work April 1st. The rumor further states that the road is to be equipped with large motor cars of the combination type.

Years ago, when the survey was made for the Lewisburg and Tyrone Railroad, the line was to have connected these two points, passing State College to the south. The road was built in sections, the one from Tyrone extending east to Fairbrook; that from the east was built as far as Millinburg, then extended to Glen Iron and later to Spring Mills and Centre Hall, but when the road was continued westward in place of connecting the two sections, the difficult grades to be overcome and strong Bellefonte interests were sufficient to cause its deflection to Bellefonte, and the connection has never been made. What would be more logical than that the railroad company, realizing the importance of State College, and the growing necessity for better railroad facilities for this booming town, should at last have decided to connect these two sections and give the college town an outlet both east and west?

A home for the school principal is beginning to look as though the borough school district will be obliged to build a residence for the supervising principal of schools, Homes in Centre Hall that are for rent are growing scarcer with the succeeding years and the demand is not keeping pace with the demand.

A supervising principal of the borough schools should be given at least as much consideration as a pastor of a church congregation, who in every instance is provided with a parsonage. A live-wire principal of the schools will bring about the greatest school efficiency, and the most casual observer will agree that such an individual should not be forever facing the prospect of having to move his family hither and yon even to the extent of being forced out of the town altogether.

The local school board feels that in Mr. Heckman it has a first-class school man, one whom it desires to keep at the head of the borough schools, if at all possible.

A home for the principal might be an innovation with Pennsylvania school districts, but other states whose school systems are recognized as being superior to that of Pennsylvania, have such conditions, and they are declared ideal.

Let us remember that nothing is too good for the public schools, and be a booster for any project that has in view the bettering of local school conditions.

On Friday evening Col. Henry W. Shoemaker spoke at State College under the auspices of the Penn State Outing Club. He dwelt on various phases of the natural history of Centre county. Mr. Shoemaker is a native of Centre Pennsylvania, his early home being at McElhattan, in Clinton County. He is owner of the Altoona "Tribune" and has always been intensely interested in the history, particularly the legendary and folk-lore history, of Central Pennsylvania. Since 1912 he has written a score of volumes and extended articles, among the most popular of which are "In the Seven Mountains," "The Indian Steps," "Pennsylvania Mountain Stories," "Tales of the Bald Eagle Mountains," and "Black Forest Souvenirs."

Wheat fields through Nittany Valley, between Bellefonte and Salona, at present have the appearance of being able to produce a good crop. The stalks are short, of course, but there are few brown spots visible anywhere.

Mrs. Lucy Henney leaves today (Thursday) for Philadelphia for the purpose of purchasing her spring millinery stock. The goods will be on display on the opening days, April 2 and 3, and thereafter. Mrs. Henney has had large experience in selecting styles suited to her trade and never fails to have in her line just the head dress becoming to the customer, whether young, middle aged, or elderly. Children are also provided for.

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS PLAY TO A CROWDED HOUSE.

Two Performances Give Gross Receipts of \$125.00—To Be Applied On School Piano.

There is no trace of superstition in the junior class of the Centre Hall High school, for they selected "Friday, the 13th," as the date for presenting their dramatic entertainment, "Engaged by Wednesday," in Grange Arcadia, and to show that the "unlucky" day proved no jinx it need only be said that never were folks more eager to attend an entertainment than was the case Friday evening. Close to 200 reserved seats were sold in advance, and when the doors were thrown open to general admission at 7 o'clock, the "S. R. O." sign was hung out fifteen minutes later. Seats were jammed, making the work of the ushers a hardship. Just before the rise of the curtain Prof. Heckman stated that because of the lack of accommodations to many present, the play would be repeated the following evening, free admittance being granted those who present on Friday evening under poor accommodations wished to see the play again. More than \$90.00 was taken in the first evening on 15, 25 and 35-cent admission prices. On Saturday evening the treasury was further swelled to the extent of some twenty dollars.

From all sides came expressions of approval on the entire entertainment. The class is to be commended for its taste in stage setting. The scene represented a lawn, and showed skill in its make-up. The amateur actors took their parts well, and the cast was selected with an apparent knowledge of individual fitness. The young people exhibited an easy and graceful stage manner, spoke clearly, and needed no prompting, carrying their performance to a pleasing and successful conclusion. Those in the cast were: George Cooney, George Lutz, Hoy Neff, Rodney McClellan, Marcellus Royer, Ruth Grove, Margaret Alexander, Sara Sweeney, Vivian Packer, Miriam Moore, Frances Brooks, Helen Neff, Mary Weber, Mildred Bitts and Mary Dutrow.

Worthy of special mention was the singing of the boys' double quartette, between the several acts. Originality of composition was a salient feature, and was due to the talent of one of the high school assistant teachers. The boys injected a dash of pep into their efforts and kept the house in glee for a time. The singers were: Curtis Reiser, Rossmann Wert, George Lutz, Rodney McClellan, Franklin McClellan, Frank Gross, Wilbur McClellan and Elwood Smith.

Curtis Reiser sang a solo, while Misses Agnes Geary and Dorothy Odenkirk presided at the piano.

The net proceeds from the entertainment will be applied to a debt against the piano in the High school.

50th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wert, at their home in Aaronsburg recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Their four children—Mrs. D. C. Bohn, of Boalsburg; J. B. and C. E., of Tusseyville, and D. S., of Aaronsburg, together with twenty-three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, were gathered at the elderly couple's home to help celebrate the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Wert were married by Rev. Frederick Aurand, on the 9th of March, 1875, each having in that year attained the age of 21 years. They are now past seventy and in good health, with a host of friends wishing them many more happy wedding anniversaries.

The couple have lived in Aaronsburg for the past sixteen years, prior to that time having been residents of Tusseyville.

New Opera House Maybe

Recently the deal was closed by which Walter Cohen sold to Charles H. Richelleu, of the Richelleu Theatre, of Blairsville, a sixty-foot frontage on High street, Bellefonte.

The property transferred is a portion of the Wilson property and begins at the corner of the Elks property running west on High a distance of 60 feet. This includes the brick residence but leaves a lot of 30 feet frontage abutting on the William S. Katz home, which Mr. Cohen retains. The consideration is said to have been \$21,000.

When there Mr. Richelleu is reported having said that he intends building a \$250,000 theatre and business building on the site and is already in search of a home so that he can be on the ground to supervise, personally, the work of construction.

All of Mr. Cohen's tenants in the building to be demolished have been notified to move, and it is expected will be gone by April 15th, when building operations are supposed to begin.

INCONSISTENCY.

If You Would Prevent Swearing Don't Lay Provoaction in the Way—Be Consistent.

Some people are so inconsistent. In a certain town a religious organization put up a sign in a conspicuous place.

The sign bore in bold letters this good advice: "Teach Your Children Not to Swear."

The admonition was meant to do some good.

But right across the street somebody had dumped a lot of ashes on a good coating slide.

Poor judgment, to say the least. How in the world are you going to teach the children not to swear if they are going to be tempted in this outrageous manner?

If you are going to teach the growing youth of the land not to make use of lurid language, you must eliminate the provocation.

To effect the radical cure of an ill, you must first remove the cause. This is a well-established rule.

Did you ever in your younger days pull your sled out to the top of your favorite hill to coast, only to find that some mean citizen had been there before you and had liberally scattered ashes all over the glaring surface? And didn't it make you mad? Why, of course it did. Such things sometimes are almost enough to make a saint break the Ten Commandments.

If you would teach the children not to swear, don't give them cause—don't lay provocation in their way. Don't swear yourself—at least not within their hearing. If you must relieve your own feelings, go off somewhere in the deep woods ten miles from any human habitation and then when you are sure no one is listening, in a subdued stage manner say—"Damn!" And cover up your tracks all the way back home.

Installation of Pastor.

On Sunday afternoon, at 2:30, Rev. S. P. Grenhoe will be installed pastor of the Penns Valley Lutheran church. The services will be held in the local Lutheran church. The charge to the pastor will be delivered by Rev. Dr. John Wagner, of Hazelton, president of Susquehanna Synod of Central Pennsylvania, and the charge to the congregation by Rev. H. F. Bleber, a former pastor of the charge.

New Line of Service.

The motor driver is being offered a new line of service made possible by a corporation known as the Highway Emergency Service. Incorporated, The corporation contracts with garages in all sections along the improved highways to perform particular services free, and give a discount on accessories, etc., including gas, oils and tires.

A telephone service is also connected with it. A telephone box is erected at distances of one mile. Members are given a key and this puts the motorist within a half mile or less of their service station.

This service alone is valuable to the auto traveler, as it places him at all times within easy communication of his home or any business place.

W. A. Homan, proprietor of the Homan Garage, is the distributor for this region, and will be glad to give motorists any information desired.

West Susquehanna Classis.

Fifteen ministers of the Reformed denomination of West Susquehanna Classis met on Thursday at the University Club, State College, for conference and dinner. The following were present: Revs. R. I. Gass, of New Berlin; F. A. Ruple, of Lewisburg; A. M. Schmidt, Bellefonte; H. H. Rupp, Lewisburg; W. I. Moyer, of Boalsburg; W. S. Girard, Freeburg; M. A. Kiefer, Millinburg; E. H. Zechman, Beaver Springs; W. Reifsnyder, Middleburg; W. S. Rittenhouse, Williamsport; W. E. Harr, Lock Haven; D. R. Keener, Centre Hall; R. D. Dotterer and E. H. Romig, State College.

The most important piece of business transacted was the arrangement for a Reformed church outing, to be held at Rolling Green Park sometime during the latter part of July, in celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Reformed church in the Susquehanna, East Susquehanna and Wyoming Classes. Rev. E. H. Romig is the chairman of the committee on arrangements.

New Home for Children.

Ground has been broken for the new home for children of the Central Pennsylvania conference, to be erected near Shiremanstown.

For a number of years the children's home has been located at Mechanicsburg, just beyond Shiremanstown, on the Cumberland Valley railroad, and the new location will give much needed larger space for buildings at once on the cottage plan, which will care for about 100 children.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

William H. Brown is now manager of the Garman House, succeeding Jacob Kugler, who is back to Rockview as an overseer.

Frederic Moore is home from Dickinson College for a week's vacation, which is in lieu of the regular Easter vacation.

Mrs. Robert Bjal and two children, of Colyer, were entertained at the James Frohm home, east of Centre Hall, last week.

Owing to failing health, Nevin A. Auman sold his grocery business in Millheim to C. M. Breen, son of C. H. Breen, the garageman.

The State Game Commission is urging that hunters make report on the stub on the license issued them of the number and kind of game killed or trapped.

The Lewis Mensch home in Aaronsburg was recently purchased by Harry H. Mensch, of Sunbury. It is supposed the new owner expects to occupy the place himself.

After undergoing an operation at the Packer hospital, Sunbury, L. W. Stover, cashier of the Millheim First National Bank, is getting along nicely at his home.

Dr. William H. Kohler, of Millroy, who had been ill for several weeks, is recovering. He is the only physician in that thriving town, and when unable to look after his practice the sick feel additional alarm.

Several new cases of scarlet fever have developed in Millheim after it was thought the disease had run its course. Carraden Brown and John Reifsnyder, the latter a son of Joseph Reifsnyder, are now afflicted with the disease.

At a special election held last week, Huntingdon refused to sanction the issuing of bonds for \$200,000 for the erection of a High school building. The vote was 145 to 54. The millage for schools is 16 1/2, the total millage being 23 1/2.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Foss, at their Altoona home, Thursday of last week. The mother was formerly Miss Lillian Emery, of Centre Hall. Mrs. Foss and Mrs. C. F. Emery are carrying the title of Grandpa and Grandma for the first time, and are exceedingly happy.

Among the early movers was that of Dayton Lansberry, who came from Mill Hill to Penns Valley, last week, occupying the Spicher farm, west of Old Port. J. H. Horner, the former tenant, moved to Boalsburg, where he bought the Guy Bittner place, which contains about eight acres of land, and buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Potter attended the reception, banquet and ball held in connection with the incoming ceremonies of the potentate of the A. A. O. N. M. S., at Altoona, last Thursday. They were accompanied to Altoona by Mr. McWilliams, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart and Miss Mary Delinda Potter, who visited relatives in the Mountain City.

Contractor W. S. Williams, now residing at Bellefonte, will erect a brick cased house for Mrs. Anna Grove Harrison, on a site adjoining the present Grove home, just south of the borough line, commencing work within a very short time. The house will have all the modern conveniences, and when completed will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

The Millheim Lutheran church has been placed in readiness for the installation of the pipe organ recently purchased from a Maryland concern. The wall in the rear of the regular choir position and to the right of the pulpit, was taken out and a location of approximately 6 ft. by 11 ft. made for the new instrument. Original arrangements were to have the organ shipped April 1st, but, in view of the fact that all is now in readiness at the church, the shipping date may be advanced.

Lewis Gahagan, 124 West Market Street, Lewisport, had a birthday anniversary last Sunday and it was fittingly celebrated by the immediate family by a birthday dinner. It was the eighty-third milestone in the journey of life for Mr. Gahagan, who is a veteran of the Civil War, also a veteran railroadman, he having retired from the service as a blacksmith late in the fall of 1912, since which time he has been taking the rest so well earned. Those present were his children; Miss Bessie Gahagan, who resides with the father, Mrs. B. F. Seddy, who resides just across the way, Mrs. Charles Holmboe and Mrs. Earl McCoy, with their families. Early in life Mr. Gahagan was employed by Capt. G. M. Baul, on the farm.