CONSOLIDATING LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSES

Not a New Idea-Originator Was Hor- Treasurer Dies Suddenly After Read- Case May Link Up With Rebersburg race Mann, in 1838, In Massachu-

ized two or more school districts to heart attack. establish a "union school." The con- Mr. Horton, who was seventy years tralized school.

Montague township in Massachusetts county a large number of district schools in and one daughter.

solidating the schools, a member of nual election of officers, attendance for the transported chil- R. L. Scroyer, of Selinsgrove, was The man whose home is said to be well-equipped school house. The bounds of the organization, schools are graded; everybody is con- The following were ordained: Lewis verted to the plan. I see no way of V. Lesher, John Derr, Andrew Beaver,

400 Such Schools in Pennsylvania From Massachusetts the consolida- hundred men attended. tion movement spread into Ohio and Indiana and finally all over the coun- Ohio, the executive secretary of the try. While the abandonment of one National Brotherhood organizations teacher schools was brought about in outlined the activities of the brotherapproximately equal proportions in all hoods and stated that the United Lusections, yet in the States of Iowa, theran church in America has recom-Kentucky. and Pennsylvania the mended the establishment of brothermovement has been carried on to a hoods throughout the Church. The disgreater extent than in any of the trict synods have also recommended other States. Today there are more that each church be affiliated with the than 400 consolidated schools with an national brotherhood organization. enrollment of 50,000 in the State of The plan for the coming pension Pennsylvania. The U.S. Bureau of fund campaign for \$4,000,000 which is Education has estimated that there are to be inauguarted on reformation day, more than 25,000 such schools with November 10, was presented by Dr. an enrolment of 2,050.000 in the United E. Grimm Miller, of Philadelphia, sec-

now legislation which gives the voters laymen will have in this campaign. of the school district the right to centralize their schools and transport the pupils at public expense. Some States bear part of the cost of consolidation, such as transportation, supervision, cost of building, etc. Here in Pennsylvania the provisions of the law are

May Get State Ald.

Any school closed because of an av erage term attendance of ten or less than ten shall furnish transportation for its pupils to some other school or schools if the children reside one and one-half miles from such schools, and the State will pay one-half of the cost of such transportation, the State's share not to exceed \$1 per day per pupil.

Consolidated schools, joint consolidated schools, and schools that have transported pupils to another for the purpose of better gradation-when approved by the State council of education-shall receive annually from the State one-half the sum spent for transportation during the previous bake sale in the room vacated by D. C. year, not including costs of repair and Mitterling, in the Odd Fellows' buildpurchase of vehicles. No district shall ing, on Saturday afternoon and evenreceive more than \$3,000 from the ing. May 21, consisting of home-made State for this purpose in any one bread, pies, cakes and cookies. Ice year. The State also appropriates \$200 for each one-teacher school closed to effect the consolidated district.

Down in Montgomery county sixty one-teacher schools were consolidated centers prior to 1923. Practically all of the districts there use motor busses which in a majority of cases are Bill Providing for \$500 Boost for Memowned by the district. School transportation has emphasized the need for good roads in Union county and today when roads are improved, their relation to school transportation is always considered.

Pupils Get Better Attention.

ject in the consolidated school. school and the second for the one- creased their postage allowances.

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pupils may take more subjects while manual skill may be developed in the by \$116,500 next session. The law does the new bridge is being built by the made upon the college service by peotraining of children who make slow not change the postage allowance, academic progress.

(2). Better social development because of large numbers of children of ed for a special session. the same age and mental development associating together. (3). Opportunity for mass athletics

and organized play.

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With Brotherhood Meeting. That this idea of consolidating little | Just after he sat down on the front

ing Report-Officers Elected-Close

CLOSES ITS SESSIONS

LUTHERAN SYNOD

solidation movement in Massachusetts of age, was registrar of Susquehanna of Union county, who with the Sun- 13-16. the state of its birth, received, a great University, and for the past thirty bury detail of State Police, headed by impetus in 1869 when a law was pass- years had been treasurer of the synod, Sergt. E. C. Kauffman, are making ed which authorized school directors. The body was taken to Selinggrove the probe, it has been learned through to pay out of school funds for the and the funeral was held Friday morn- authoratative sources that the foreigntransportation of children to the cen- ing in the chapel of Susquehanna Uni- er was killed in a fight with another

In .1893, eighteen years after con- ton, was re-elected president at the an- thought, before it was discovered the school board of that district wrote: | Rev. W. M. Rearick, D. D., of Mif. and with valuable information expect "For 18 years we have had the best flinburg, was renamed secretary, and to make an arrest shortly.

dren; no more sickness among them elected treasurer of the synod to suc- in Brooklyn, N. Y., was buried at Lewand no more accidents. The children ceed Wm. T. Horton. The synod aplike the plan exceedingly. We have propriated \$6,500 annually from the A thorough examination of his body saved the township at least \$600 a treasury for Susquehanna university was impossible because of its decomyear. All the children now attend a the only church college within the posed condition.

bringing the country schools up but Russell Knoebel and Wilson Keyner. to consolidate them, making them George Martin and Harold Fegue, secworth seeing; then the people will be ond-year men in the seminary, were morelikely to do their duty by visit- licensed for a period of a year. The Monday, Rev. W. S. Gerhard, pastor. sessions concluded with a brotherhood banquet, at which more than eight day evening.

Dr. Jacob W. Kopp, of Cincinnati,

retary of the national pension board. In practically all States there is Dr. Miller showed the important part F. M. Crawford, of Beliefonte, was them being Lewisburg Beformed conelected a vice president for the northern section of the synod.

held in St. Paul's church, Williams-

FRIDAY IS PATRONS DAY AT .

school. dially invited to attend.

girl's baseball game between Hublers- boiling point. ourg and Centre Hall; boys' baseball game between Boalsburg and Centre Charles Moore, and Mr. Johnson were Hall; dodge ball, elephant races, etc.

Bake Sale. The Women's Bible Class of Trinity Reformed Sunday school will hold a ream and home-made candies will also be on sale. Everybody is invited to pital, where he died. ome and buy .- By order of Comm.

SALARY INCREASE SIGNED.

bers of Legislature Receives Fish. er's Signature, Despite Apparent Indication It Would Be Vetoed.

Salary boosts of \$500 a biennium for members of the general assembly are provided for in the bill of Represen-Students in the consolidated schools tative Howe, of Allegheny, which was of Montgomery county have a great approved by Governor Fisher. The advantage over those who attend the bill also gives them substantial inlittle red school house when the time creases in their mileage allowances devoted to each subject each week is from the State, permitting them to considered. In the following table the collect five cents a mile a round trip number of minutes devoted each week for each week they attend sessions. to several subjects is compared as be- This is the second salary boost for tween the consolidated school and the the legislature since 1919. Prior to the one teacher school. Note how much session of 1921 they received \$1500 a more attention is given to each sub- biennium and mileage for one round trip a session at the rate of 10 cents The figures in the columns opposite a mile. The 1919 legislature raised the subjects represent the number of their salaries to \$2500, increased the minutes spent on the subjects. The mileage allowance to 30 cents a mile first column is for the consolidated for one round trip a session and in-

The new law makes the salaries \$3 .-000. Starting with session of 1931, when all members of the senate and house will receive the increase, the State's bill for salaries of the members will be increased \$129,000 a blennium. and for a session as long as the 1927 one, which was one of the shortest on record, the total mileage allowance will

run to \$60,666, instead of \$26,000. Hold over senators who served their first term this year will not receive the increase in 1929, but the new salaries of the house members and new senators will increase the State's bill which is left at \$150 a session nor does it change the \$500 salaries allow-

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agriculture for boys. (4). Contact with the practical arts (5). Development of art appreciation as home-making for girls and tion through the employment of supervisors of music, drawing and penmanship.

BELIEVE SLAIN FOREIGNER WAS FIGHT VICTIM

Fight .- Think Body Was Carried 30 Miles .- Look for Early Arrest.

That the body of the foreigner found red school houses into the centralized seat in the Lutheran church, follow- slain in the Seven-Mile narrows near graded schools is not particularly new ing the giving of his report at the an- Hairy John's Park, Sunday, May 1, or untried is proved by the fact that nual convention of the Susquehanna and as yet unidentified, was the victim in 1838, Horace Mann succeeded in Lutheran Synod in session in the of a stabbing fray which followed a having a law passed by the legisla- Trinity church, Milton, W. T. Horton card game at Rebersburg, is the latest port and mobile accident about one mile west of Harry Moyer, on the Goodling farm, Port Matilda, on the Baid Eagle trail.

Elbert was delving towards Lock investigation.

versity. Burial in Believille, Mifflin of his own nationality and then taken more than thirty miles in an automo was a real pioneer in consolidating Mr. Horton is survived by his wife bile and thrown over the embankment at the secluded spot where the body Rev. John Wagner, D. D., of Hazel- lay for more than a month, it is State Police were working on the case

Reformed Classis,

The 71st annual session of West Susquehanna Classis of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church of the the Gregg township schools. United States opened at Freeburg on The closing session was held Wednes-

Speakers from outside the classis tary of the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. J. Frank Bucher, Shenchowfu, held. Hunan, China, and Dr. George W. Richards, president Eastern Theological Seminary, Lancaster.

This classis contains twenty-one eharges, with a total of sixty-three congregations, and last year reported a membership of 6527 persons. It has and parsonages valued at \$119,000. The territory comprises that part of Pennsylvania west of the Susquehanna River, north of the Juniata River. and east of the main ridge of the Allegheny mountains. It is mostly a ru- 5 per cent. of inferior grade. ral classis, but it has a number of strong town congregations, amongst gregation with a membership of 452. The 1928 meeting of Synod will be building, and a commodious parsonage and possessing a fine up-to-date church with all conveniences, and no debts.

Horrible Fare of Mill Hand,

John Wesley Caskey, aged 33 years. LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL a pipe fitter at the New York and Patrons' Day will be observed Fri Pennsylvania paper company plant in ay afternoon of this week from I to Lock Haven died in the Lock Haven 4 o'clock, at the Centre Hall High hospital Thursday of last week, from burns received the night previous The sewing and nature clubs will when he fell into a wash pit of scaldhave work on exhibition. All are cor- ing liquor at the paper mill. The accident occurred in the pulp room. The Athletic contests will consist of a liquor into which he fell was at the

Mr. Caskey with David Kunkle, installing a water pipe and he was pulp and an alkaline liquid. He threw at the hospital it was revealed that J. W. Weibly, Lemont. his one hand out and caught at the his leg had been badly cut and conedge of the pit thereby keeping his tused. face and arms from being burned. The helpers got him from the pit and STATE COLLEGE WILL immediately, rushed him to the hos-

Surviving him are his wife, his parents, three brothers and three sisters Mrs. Frank Fredericks, Butler, Jr., vania State College, including \$1,000. Clyde and Miss Azelia Caskey, all of 000 for new buildings and their equip-

W. C. T. U. Group Institute. a box luncheon.

The evening session will be held in dent, will be the speaker.

Faculty and Class Entertained. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Zerby gave a dinner to the faculty and senior class of the Gregg Township Vocational School, Wednesday evening of last week. The following members were present: Prof. C. M. Watts. Miss Mary Lobb, Miss Mae Morrow, Mrs. W. J. ment of the State building fund will Keown, Prof. J. W. Decker, Prof. J. B. Park, Irene Zerby, Ella Albright. Luella Rearick. Florence Rearick. Florence Smith, Naomi Neese, Bernadine Wagner, Gladys Ziegier, Dorothy tions of pleasure from all-parts of the Lee, Sara Vonada, Rosella Heckman, Philip Vonada, Stanford Hettinger, Martin Shreckengast, William Walker, James Hosterman, Stewart Confer, Charles Hering, and Melvin Grove.

Concrete Road In Mann's Narrows. Bids will be opened on Friday of next week for 3150 feet of concrete the new appropriation is the largest fond, 18 feet wide, through Mann's ever received, college authorities will Narrows, covering the section where find it impossible to fill all demands the new bridge is being built by the trolley company, railroad company. State Highway Department and two townships. The road will begin at Rosemont, the first turn south of the new bridge, where the road will cut through a private yard enclosed with a stone fence, and extend over the bridge to the porth for a distance of from \$2,181,000 requested to \$2,100,000; the agricultural extension amount from \$2,50,000 to \$630,000, and the agricultural extension amount bridge to the north for a distance of about one thousand feet. During the next summer it is pretty certain that a concrete road will be built from the Burnham borough line through to Reedsville.

66 FAIRS THIS YEAR.

State Department of Agriculture Announces Dates for All.-August William Eboch, of Lock Haven Passed 27-September 2 at Centre Hall.

The State Department of Agriculture ssued a schedule of dates for sixtysix fairs to be held in Pennsylvania this year. Following are those to be Haven, suffered injuries on Friday evening, in the High school building. held in this part of the State:

According to Sheriff Harry S. Frock cultural society, Clearfield, September

Huntingdon - Huntingdon County Agricultural association, Huntingdon,

August 23-26. Juniata-Juniata County Agricultur-I society, Port Royal, September 13-16. Lycoming-Lycoming County Fair ssociation, Hughesville, Oct. 11-14. Mifflin-Mifflin County Agricultural and Horticultural association, Lewisown, Sept. 16-20.

Perry-Perry County Agricultural ssociation, Newport, Sept. 20-23. Union-Union County Fair associaion, Lewisburg, September 27-30.

Teacher Elected for 7th & 8th Grades. At a special meeting of the local school board, Monday afternoon, William H. Haney, of Spring Mills, was elected to teach the 7th and 8th grades in the borough schools, for the 1927-28 term. Mr. Haney has had considerable experience as a teacher in

County Grange to Meet.

Centre County Pomona Grange will work of four years in the High school go into effect Thursday. 26th inst.

Plans for Marketing Wool.

The Centre County Wool Growers' et their wool co-operatively again this church properties valued at \$631,600, year. The plan of selling wool has ers are taking advantage of the association each year and the amount of rejections have been decreased un- then the next day.

communities. Shearing is under way in the county and special care should daughter goes to a State Normal next tablished a reputation in that line be taken by the growers not to get fall where menial services will not be while a resident of Gregg township. their wool dirty or wet and tied in good shape, as there is usually a difference of from five to seven cents a pound between rejections and No. 1 wool.

Freight Rider Back to Hospital.

in a car-load of rails on the Pennsyl- twenty years and over. vania railroad at Port Matilda.

REBUILD "OLD MAIN"

In signing the Legislature appropri--Charles L., Mrs. Charles Chatham, ation bill of \$4,090,000 for the Pennsylment, Governor Fisher requested that the first building item to be given at-

tenion by the college trustees be the Friday of this week a group insti- reconstruction of "Old Main." the five tute of the W. C. T. U. will be held in story structure erected between 1858 Petrikin Hall. The first session is at and 1864. The top floor and attic of 2:30 P. M., during which session ad- this building have not been used for dresses will be made by Mrs. Frank about five years and the tower has P. Knoll, Mrs. V. C. Ridge, Mrs. R. M. been closed as unsafe for a longer pe-Beach Mrs. L. H. Leitzell followed by riod. The building now houses the have a seating capacity of about 600. general administrative offices and a large number of classrooms. The out- Messrs, Richelleu and Thompson, ownthe Methodist church, Bellefonte, and er walls will be left standing as they Mrs. Ella M. George, the State presi- are, the interior to be rebuilt entirely, according to present plans.

Other building needs will be given careful consideration by the executive committee of the trustees and by the board at its annual meeting during Commencement week in early June. Each of the six undergraduate schools is in great need of added classroom and laboratory space, and apportionannouncement has been made as yet concerning a building program. College officials are receiving indica-

State in the granting of the largest State appropriation ever received at one time by the State's own institution of higher learning. The State College request for \$4.234,500 was declared by trustees to be the absolute minimum with which the college could continue its present work without ne-

DIES FROM INJURIES

Away in Centre County Hospital Saturday Night.

William Eboch, aged 46 years, a night which proved fatal, in an auto-

Eboch was driving towards Lock week, Clearfield-Clearfield County Agri- Haven from Tyrone, when another utomobile, driven by John Snyder, of tempted to pass Snyder's car on the agency. that he was seriously injured and he large number there now. was taken to the Centre County hospital, where he died Saturday night. alssing, portions of bone being found pital Wednesday of last week. serious injuries about the head.

Mr. Snyder escaped injury.

Hazel M. Burkholder, who led the

Tractor Hum No Interference.

meet in regular quarterly session at John H. Burkholder, who lives on a were Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, secre- Lemont, on Saturday, May 28th. Fore- large farm at Centre Hill, about three noon and afternoon sessions will be and one-half miles south of Centre by fire, causing a loss of from \$1500 A good attendance is desired. Hall. The great majority of trips to to \$2,000. A bucket brigade did ef-E. H. Dale, Secretary, and from school were made on foot, fective work in preventing the destrucplayed her part as a milk-maid and was no insurance on the mill. The Centre County Wool Growers' during vacation periods, Miss Burk- State appropriation for the mother's Association are making plans to mark- holder skilfully operated a tractor assistance fund will be \$3,839.17. As hitched to plows harrows or culti-

this not for the novelty, but for busi-

til last year there were approximately Burkholder told Hazel that if she led At the opening of the fall term, Mr. of Centre county. A supply of wool twine has been her class he would have ready a cash purchased by the association and can prize at commencement time. Hazel potatoes were received by W. F. Colyer

Veteran P. R. R. Up Hudson.

Jersey City, and a look over New York front of land owned by Mrs. Williams, Robert Foulkes, aged twenty, was City for their annual outing this year. The post and box had been located ischarged from the Centre County The start will be made Saturday. The there several years and after a protest hospital, after receiving treatment for association is made up of employes against its erection there, Mrs. Willwounds which he received while riding who have been with the company

The eligibles for this trip include missed his footing and fell into the he was removed to the Mary M. Mills; C. E. Eister. Coburn; F. T. Ishwash pit, which was filled with hot Packer hospital. Upon examination ler, Oak Hall Station; Philip Bradford,

Half Day Holiday, Thursdays,

The Emery, Odenkirk, Cupples and Oriole stores will be closed Tuesday evening. Thursday afternoon and evening of each week, beginning next Thursday, May 26th. Stores will not Howard business man, were consumclose Friday evenings as heretofore. MERCHANTS. adv.

A Second Richellen Theatre,

Bellefonte is to have a second Richelieu theatre, the foundation for which is now under construction. The site ular Richelieu. The structure will be of Howard bought a lot for \$485. 30x200 feet, two stories high in front, providing a store room and entrance

The project is being financed by ers of the Richelieu theatre, which guarantees the theatre will be handsomely equipped and conducted to the was here to subpoena witnesses in the advantage of the public who delight two cases of Reiber vs. Campbell, listin facing the silvered mirror.

Rural Dance Halls Regulated.

The Mumford bill signed by the Governor puts all dance halls outside boroughs and cities under police supervision. Yearly permits costing \$10.00 driving a coupe came within an ace be a real task for the trustees. No per year must be obtained from the of hitting the local freight train while county treasurer; dancing must be standing on the crossing on Saturday discontinued at midnight on Saturdays morning. He came in from Old Fort and at I a. m. on all other days. Chil- at a high rate of speed and for some dren under 16 years must leave the place at 9:00 P. M., unless accompanied by adults.

The measure fixing the rate of advertising the mercantile appraisement according to circulation was vetoed because it would increase the cost.

Another measure failing the Governor's approval was one that would fix a penalty of two per cent, on borough taxes not paid within sixty days and an additional one per cent, thereifter for each month.

The bill placing the maintenance of State ald highways upon the departnent of highways was not approved. Mr. Fisher said that this would increase the department's annual maintenance and replacement charges \$1,-191,360.

T. E. Jodon, of Pleasant Gap, will hold a public sale of Ohio cows-Holsteins and Guernseys, all t. b. tested at his barn, on Saturday, May 21st, the fact hat he was nominated a canat one o'clock.

IN AUTO WRECK TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

A meeting of the Chaptauqua guaringle man, whose home is in Lock antors is called for this (Thursday)

Ralph Homan, farmer east of town, Port Matilda, pulled out onto the road is driving a new Dodge sedan purfrom a gas, station. Mr. Eboch at- chased through the Hagan garage

eft, and when he found that he had Rockview penitentiary now has 761 not room, swerved to the right. His inmates. Two lots of prisoners about fender struck the other car, and his 60 in each, were recently transferred car turned over about three times form the Eastern Penitentiary to the When he was removed it was found Rockview pen, which accounts for the

The Kiwanis Club of Beliefonte has His injuries included a compound set aside \$500 to be devoted to the corfracture of the right leg. in which rection of crippled and deformed chilthere is ahole large enough to admit dren in Centre county. The first clina man's fist. Some of the bone is ic was held at the Centre County hos-

on the windshield of the car. Several | Two dwelling houses in Port Matilribs were also broken, and there were da one owned by Paul Nichols and the other by William Cowher, were recently destroyed by fire. The entire loss is estimated at \$15,000, a small portion of which is covered by insurance.

Local merchants are advertising senior class of sixteen members in the that their stores will be closed Tues Centre Hall High school and is the day evening of each week and instead raledictorian at the coming commence of closing onFriday evening they will ment exercises, had other duties to close on Thursday afternoon and eveperform in connection with her school ning. The new rule as to closing will

A saw mill belonging to Cleveland Vonada, at 'Woodward, was destroyed and both before and after school she tion of lumber piled nearby. There

biddy in the kitchen. On holidays and Centre county's allotment out of the the county must contribute a like amproven very satisfactory. More grow- packer, as the case might be. And ount it will mean \$7.678.34 which the county trustees of the fund will have ness-from morning until night and at their disposal to care for the widowed mothers and fatherless children

About sixty bushels of Irish Cobler be secured by the members and others at the Agricultural Extension office at Pellefonte, also from members of the Board of Directors in the various communities. Shearing is under way

> The grand jury ignored the bill of D. S. Ishler against Mrs. Mary Grove Williams, the charge being ma-The Veteran Employes Association of licious mischief. The case grew out of the Williamsport Division of the P. R. a disagreement resulting from a rural R. will go up the Hudson River from mail box having been placed to the lams cut it down.

The Union county bankers last week sent an experienced cattle man to The young man then, proceeded to W. F. Bradford, Levi Hartley, Jerre Michigan to buy cows and calves for standing on the edge of the wash pit. Sunbury where he was given lodgings Shunk, John A. Martz, of Centre Hall; farmers in that county. The calves He either became overbalanced or at the city hall and from which place J. C. Lee, George Bartiey, of Spring will go to young people who belong to the Union County Calf Club. These cattle are sold at first cost plus expense of buying and shipping. Competitive bidding for them has been liminated, which works greatly to the advantage of the buyer.

Real estate deals aggregating \$8,175 and involving the sale of the properties of thelate Joseph Diehl, prominent ated at Howard. The Joseph Diehl residence was disposed of for \$6100, having been purchased by John S. Ginter of Tyrone. Mr. Ginter also bought another lot for \$410. Another property containing a dwelling house was bought by Diehl's widow, Rena Z. is on the vacant lot next to the pop- Diehl, for \$1180, while R. H. Bennison

George Reiber is one of six out of on first floor and one apartment on from the Pennsylvania State Police class of thirty-seven to graduate the second floor. The theatre will School, at Hershey, on the 26th instant, at which time he will have completed a four months' course at that institution. He has been assigned to Troop'A, Greensburg, Westmoreland county. The prospective trooper ed for trial during the second week of court. The case is the result of a collision of automobiles.

A stranger thought to have been & State road official of some degree, reason failed to observe the train which was standing still until too close to stop. The car was shot over several ditches and landed against a sand bin. The car was not damaged to any extent. With the least possible fuss and scarcely a word the man hurried away but at a more moderate gate.

As was forecast in the issue of this paper of last week, Clay W. Reesman was elected one of the five commissioners of Camden, New Jersey. He polled the third highest vote cast for any of the candidates. The probability is that he will have charge of the Department of Parks and Public Property. The Journal of Commerce publibbed in Philadelphia, in a pro-election issue, devoted more than a balf column of its space to recite to its readers the special fitness of Mr. Reesman for the particular office for which he was a candidate, and stressed didate without effort on his part.