

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

An election of officers for Progress Grange will be held at a regular meeting on Saturday evening.

Miss Laura Runkle attended the funeral of her uncle, Sheriff John W. Runkle, at Middleburg, on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, a patient in the Clearfield hospital, is much improved, and sat up for the first time on Tuesday.

The passenger train going west on Monday morning struck a deer and killed it in the mountains below Co-burn.

A two-ton Graham truck was sold last week by the Hagan Garage agency, of this place, to Mayer Bros., feed and grain merchants at Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Spayd and daughter, Mrs. Roy Dutrow, on Wednesday of this week drove to Lutzville, Bedford county, to visit Rev. R. R. Jones and family.

Mrs. Derstine, wife of Rev. S. M. Derstine, of Williamsport, received a light paralytic stroke Tuesday of last week. Her condition is not regarded as serious.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gross Mingle, of Riverton, New Jersey, have been guests during the past week of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Meyer, at Reidsville. They also were visitors among relatives in town.

If you drive an auto, your attention is called to the advertisement appearing in this issue of the Reporter of the Progress Manufacturing Company, of Centre Hall, who guarantee to do a perfect job of vulcanizing of auto tires.

John Miller, one of Lewistown's wealthiest citizens, died in a Philadelphia hospital. He owned and operated several sand banks in Mifflin county, owned the Coleman House and was largely interested in coal mines.

The official count of ballots in Clinton county changed the result of the unofficial count and elected Robert H. Lauth, Lock Haven, city treasurer, the present incumbent, by seventeen votes. The first count gave a majority of thirty-seven to Charles Schadt.

Dr. G. S. Frank, president of the Farmers National Bank and Trust Co., and one of Millheim's physicians, is ill at his home. He is said to have been giving only part time to his practice for the past three weeks, and several days ago was obliged to take his bed.

W. E. Bartges, one of the owners of the Bartges farm above Old Fort, and living on the place, is planning to discontinue farming next spring and will locate in Millheim. Clarence Blazier, tenant on the J. H. Detweiler farm, east of Old Fort, will occupy the Bartges farm.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Geary, of town, entertained the following guests at various times during the past week: Mrs. D. L. Geary, Mrs. Anna Auman, Millheim; Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Brown, New Haven, Conn.; Harry Reeder, Miss Sue Reeder, Miss Amy Grisenthwaite, Mrs. Fred Schell, Newberry.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bailey and little son, Kenneth, of Harrisburg, motored to Centre Hall on Saturday, for a few days' visit among relatives. On Sunday they accompanied W. W. Kerlin and the Edw. E. Bailey family to Clearfield to visit Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, a patient in the Clearfield hospital.

James and Lester Steininger, brothers of Mrs. Charles L. Cripples, came from their home in Lewistown on Monday and with Mr. Cripples spent the day looking for small game. They captured a ring-neck pheasant and three rabbits. The Monday morning previous the party got ten rabbits.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ashley, of Havre de Grace, Maryland, were at the home of Mrs. Ashley's brother, D. C. Mitterling, in Centre Hall for a few days. Mr. Ashley is a foreman of construction at the Copowingo, Maryland, dam being built by the Philadelphia Electric company. The driveway over the basement of the dam will be open to traffic this week.

M. L. Royer, who made sale of his farm stock on Saturday, is highly pleased with the result. The cows, some of which were not milking, especially sold well, as the following figures representing the prices of individual cows indicate: \$150, \$180, \$190, \$180, \$70, \$170, and \$150. The \$190 cow produced a calf which was sold prior to the sale for over \$20.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brufford and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bradford and little daughter, on Sunday, drove to State College to visit Mrs. Mollie Gregg, who a month or more ago underwent an operation at the Clearfield hospital for the removal of an inward splinter. They found Mrs. Gregg in fine spirits and in better health than for a number of years.

While in the act of removing a pan containing roof paint from a gas stove, the paint spilled and ignited the mass threatening the destruction of the Picken dwelling house, recently sold to H. G. Strohmeyer, and located opposite the grade school building. The paint was being heated by Mr. Strohmeyer and was near the building, the flames igniting the floor of a rear porch. Mrs. Lanson Burris, next door neighbor, was taking a pan of ashes to the dump, and observing what had taken place, threw the ashes on the burning paint, almost extinguishing the flames before water could be secured. The hose cart came in quick order, but too late to render service. The fire took place Monday evening at about 4:15.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL.

Between now and the 24th inst. High school girls will make a house to house canvass for Red Cross members. The canvassers and districts assigned are as follows:

- Church street—Mildred Smith and Sarah Runkle. Evangelical church to mountain—Margaret Luse and Algie Emery. Evangelical church to Grange Park entrance—Fay Bradford and Theina Brungart. Park entrance to Old Fort—Myla Spyster and Kathryn Goodhart.

HUNTING NOTES.

Last week under "Hunting Notes" it was reported that nine turkeys had been killed by hunters in this region. This week's successes by local hunters are noted below:

George Long, of near Penna Cave, killed a gobbler that drew the scales to 22 pounds.

Larue Decker captured a turkey hen weighing nine pounds. He is a son of James L. Decker, of near town. Last week one of his brothers came home with a fine bird.

While hunting turkeys on Nittany Mountain, east of town, F. M. Fisher found a dead wild turkey and the skin of a deer. The turkey evidently got away from the hunter who had wounded it, but the deer, it may be taken for granted, went to the pot-hunter's pot.

George L. Horner, who owns a farm on Nittany Mountain, was a Reporter caller last week and said that a bear or two have been doing considerable damage to his corn in the field. Since the season for Bruin opened Wednesday of this week, it is likely Mr. Horner and his sons will be on the lookout for him with some heavy lead.

During a hunting trip on Thursday of last week, Frank Phillips, the Peters Mills garage man, got the limit for pheasants.

H. E. Shreckenbach has already killed a nice lot of game. Besides a number of grey squirrels and one black squirrel and a turkey, he has his credit four raccoons, the pelts of which were exhibited on Tuesday.

W. S. Williams, the contractor, killed an unusually large coon on Nittany Mountain.

The big black mother bear and her cubs, frequently seen on Nittany Mountain at a point about three miles west of here, will need to use all their bear instinct to avoid an army of hunters that have vowed to make big Bruin's skin a trophy.

The seven bears seen in the mountains west of Sugar Valley will also need to use precaution. On Wednesday, the first day of the bear season, that region was thoroughly picketed by hunters.

SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT ALTOONA

Jolly Fellow With Reindeer and Band to Spend November 25 and 26 in Altoona Getting Acquainted.

Friday and Saturday, Nov. 25 and 26, are going to be great days in Altoona. It is hardly believable but old Santa Claus is going to spend those two days visiting the Altoona Booster association, touring the city with his reindeer team and making a general inspection of the stores to see if they are properly supplied with gifts, toys and everything that goes together to make Christmas the most joyous day of the entire year.

Fred G. Pearce, president of the Altoona Booster association, and H. King MacFarlane, the association manager, were in high glee when they received a telegram from the Land of Snow on "Top O' the World." It was from Santa Claus, and he asked them, with the aid of The Centre Reporter, to announce his acceptance of an invitation to spend a couple of days in the city before the joyous holiday. He set the time of the visitation as Friday and Saturday, Nov. 25 and 26. They were as much elated over the good news as many a boy and girl will be Christmas morning.

Santa Claus sends advance information that he is extremely busy at this time getting ready for Christmas. He paid a visit to his faithful helper and keeper of his reindeer, Lot-A-Lock, and ascertained that the reindeer, Prancer, Dancer, Blitzen, Vixen and all the others were in fit condition and ready for hard traveling. They are fine and ready for the visitation to Altoona. The team of eight will be there and under the care of faithful Eskimo attendants.

Oh! Santa is going to be accompanied by a band, all his own, and it will of course be regulated in the regular Santa Claus uniforms. It is reported that they just play everything joyous and lively to stir things up and to make people happy and think of the coming holiday season with good cheer and happiness will prevail.

The visit, old Santa says, is for the purpose of making an inspection of the city, the stores and to learn from the children that the stores have everything that is appropriate for gifts and most of all to get acquainted. He says he is certain to be back again at Christmas and that then his stay will be just long enough to make a distribution of gifts and then pass on to some other town or city to fulfill the same mission.

Santa sends an invitation to all children and grown-ups in Centre Hall and vicinity, to come to Altoona and see him and his faithful Eskimo helpers, and hear his own Santa Claus band. He will give steele parades as well as visit the stores and sends word that he will be glad to greet personally all of the boys and girls who come to see him during his stay in Altoona.

REBERSBURG.

Prof. Earl Smull and family, from Nesquehoning, spent the week end at C. C. Smull's.

Calvin Weaver, Jr., spent a day last week with his son, Walter, at Le-mont.

Lee Kidder and family were visiting in Lewistown on Sunday.

On November 26, the senior class of the Miles township High school will hold a box social, the proceeds from which will be for the benefit of the senior class.

On Friday the Rebersburg High school soccer team proved victorious in a game played with the Gregg Township Vocational School. The score was 1 to 0. This was the first time that the Gregg Township Vocational School was beaten on their home grounds.

On Saturday evening the Willing Workers of the Reformed church will have a chicken supper, to which everybody is invited.

Nevin Meyers spent the Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Marsteller, of Hoomsburg.

"Tramp" Cows Cost Farmers More Than Billion a Year Huge Drain on Agriculture Can Be Offset By Better Methods, Says Institute Founder

By L. J. BROSEMER

Two groups of farms represent an average business investment of \$23,000 per farm. One group showed a yearly labor income of \$1,423. The other group cleared only \$95 labor income for twelve months' hard work.

What all of us with money invested in land, animals and crops want in goodly measure, year after year, is "labor income," because labor income represents the amount of earnings left for one year's work after all expenses and interest at 5% on our investment have been taken into account. If we can't make money, why farm at all?

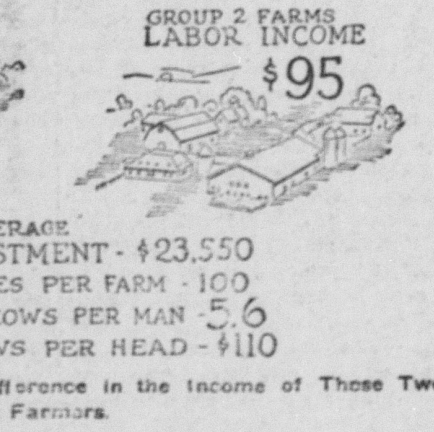
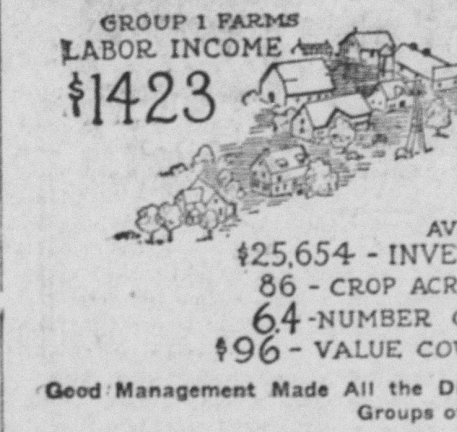
Quite a big difference between \$1,423 and \$95 as the result of a whole year's work! At least that is how it struck me, listening to James E. Larrowe outline the three factors which are keeping down profits in America's greatest industry. These are the waste, not the cost, of feed, the low production per animal, and the waste of time because of poor management.

Or, looking at the same picture from

tables did more to convince me that farm profits depend upon efficient feeding than have any figures I had ever seen in this age of statistics and nation of statisticians. These data are worth a good many hundred dollars to any thinking farmer keen enough to learn the lesson they teach.

In the table are given "pictures in figures" of what resulted from a year's work on two large groups of farms. In the very first line is shown the last thing a farmer finds out—his yearly labor income. The farmers in Group 1 make \$1,423 labor income. That sum is practically 15 times greater than the labor income made by the farmers in Group 2.

Table comparing Group 1 Farms and Group 2 Farms across various metrics like Labor Income, Capital Investment, and Efficiency of Production.



Good Management Made All the Difference in the Income of These Two Groups of Farmers.

a slightly different angle, it is costing our farmers \$1,200,000,000 a year in feed, labor and overhead expense to keep the 12,000,000 tramp cows that produce less than the U. S. average milk production per cow.

That is the opinion of James E. Larrowe, a successful business man whose clearly defined ideas on farming are the result of facts, proven on his noted Larro Research Farm and coupled with government and state field data covering thousands of eastern and southern farms.

I wanted to get into the data, reports and charts used by the Institute workers, so I started at the beginning with a simple question, "Suppose," I asked, "a farmer is making a living milking cows, producing a few eggs, feeding a few hogs and growing crops to feed his stock. He feels his cows ought to make more profit. What can he do that will increase his profits—increase his profits right away, not next year?"

The answer I received certainly hit the nail on the head.

Answer: "You are depending on cows for a living. Milk at low cost is what you want. Very well. It takes good cows, good hay and a good grain ration to make money. You can't buy better cows, unless you have the money. You can't breed a new generation of better cows from the ones you have. That takes years. But you can, in four cases out of five, improve or change your grain ration, feed each

cow 245 205 Economy and Efficiency of Feeding. Feed per unit livestock \$ 103 \$ 119 Receipts per \$100 fed livestock 178 101 Receipts per \$100 fed dairy cattle 225 118

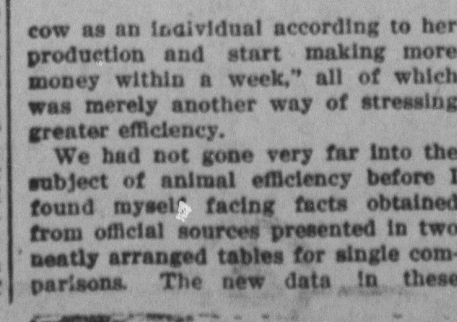
A study of the two columns of figures shows that there was only a small difference in the average capital invested in the two groups of farms. More intensive farming was practiced by the farmers in Group 1—they had more livestock and more cows per farmer, per acre and per man. Their enterprises made possible more hours of productive work per farm.

That brings us to the points of the lesson worth mulling down. These points are as follows: (1) The intelligent, efficient feeding—good roughage plus a milk-making grain ration—practiced on Group 1 farms, returned \$225 for every \$100 worth of feed fed dairy cattle. (2) On the other farms only about half as much, or to be exact, only \$118 was returned out of every \$100 worth of feed. (3) On one group of farms the crops of 81 acres plus purchased concentrates show a yearly labor income of \$1,423—primarily because more intelligent feeding resulted in receipts of \$225 from over \$100 worth of roughage, farm-grown grains and purchased concentrates. (4) The other group cleared only \$95 labor income for 12 months' hard work, and had receipts of only \$118 from every \$100 worth of feed.

Little wonder the Larrowe Institute of Animal Economics was founded to study the economics of efficient production from dairy cows, fowls and hogs for this nation of milk, egg and pork eaters. We farmers need it. We waste land, we waste man-power, we waste hay, fertility and machinery. But our most appalling waste is our wastage of grain through improper feeding and through our failure to use proven, tested, milk-making rations egg-producing mash, and economical pork-making feeds.

Intelligent Feeding Netted Farmers of Group No. 1 a Profit Seven Times Greater Than Group No. 2.

cow as an individual according to her production and start making more money within a week," all of which was merely another way of stressing greater efficiency. We had not gone very far into the subject of animal efficiency before I found myself facing facts obtained from official sources presented in two neatly arranged tables for single comparisons. The new data in these



Special Special Thanksgiving Sale... For 2 DAYS ONLY—Friday and Saturday, November 18 and 19 NIEMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE "WHERE THE DOLLARS GO THE FARTHEST" MILLHEIM

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