

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A son recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lingie, at Spring Mills, has been named Dean Calvin.

During the middle of last week farmers in some sections were plowing sod in old fields.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McCormick, of Sunbury, were guests of the W. F. Colyer family over Sunday.

Miss Helen Brant, of Altoona, during last week was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Sallie Rubie, in Centre Hall.

S. M. Campbell, Millheim furniture dealer, is offering furniture, etc., at 20 per cent. discount in his February Sale. See ad elsewhere.

Farmers have been marketing their wheat during the past week at \$1.35 per bushel, a rise of ten cents over the market price for some time past.

The freight train west on Saturday evening was delayed near the Oak Hall water tank on account of a car leaving the rails. No particular damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sharer take this means of extending heartfelt thanks to neighbors and friends who gave kindly assistance during the illness of their loved one, and again at the time of its death and funeral.

John H. Runkle advertises farm stock and implements for sale March 10, at his home east of Old Fort. Mr. Runkle is at the Centre Hall hotel at present taking care of things in general and may remain there.

Robert S. Boid who has been employed by the Pennsylvania in Altoona, is home. Work is slack in the railroad city and many men find themselves in the same situation as he—working only one and two days a week.

William H. Haney, the local grammar grade teacher, is offering his home in Spring Mills for sale. The property is desirably located, modern in construction and in every way suited to one looking for a good home property.

The roof on the Clinton county court house was discovered to be on fire at 5:00 o'clock on Monday morning by the janitor. Quick response of the fire companies averted a disastrous fire. A defective flue was responsible for the fire.

Several parties desiring to locate in Centre Hall would buy homes if they knew which of the homes here are really on the market. It is a mistake from a financial viewpoint to sell privately. Advertise and pick your best buyer.

A large motorbus running between Philipsburg and Winburne took fire while on an early morning run from the former place and was damaged to the extent of over \$2000. The fire department was called on to extinguish the flames.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skeen, of 48 W. 4th Street, Williamsport, drove to Centre Hall on Monday and were entertained by the parents of Mrs. Skeen, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Funk. Mr. Skeen is an electrician and is engaged in that line of work at present.

Plummer Hoar, the blacksmith at Old Fort, was badly burned about the hands and face in an effort to remove his car from private garage in the vicinity of Millroy that was on fire. One of the cars in the garage took fire from crossed wires which spread to the other cars stored there and also burned the building.

Rev. Joshua Brundie, of Wyoming, this state, is a guest of R. H. Beaumont, in this place, and will remain until the close of the week. Rev. Brundie is serving a Methodist charge in Wyoming. His brother, John Brundie, of Roches Point, Toronto, Canada, was also at the Beaumont home during the past two weeks, but planned to return to his Canadian home today (Thursday).

The Ancient Scottish Rite Williamsport Consistory is in session in its twenty-eighth anniversary. Williamsport this week and is being attended by M. A. Burkholder, John F. Treaster, I. M. Arney, W. A. Odenkirk, G. W. Ralston, J. Shannon Boozer, Centre Hall; Irvin Stover, Yeagertown; Rev. C. E. Hazen, Spring Mills; Hugh Crumlish, Dr. Thomas J. Barrett, C. K. Stitzer, Pleasant Gap, all members of the local Blue Lodge.

We had a touch of real winter weather last week, when mercury dropped from what might be called a crazy height in January to 8 above zero. A strong wind during Thursday, Friday and Saturday pushed the cold air into every crevice. Friday a bit of snow was brought in by the wind, but not in sufficient quantity to cover the ground. Saturday and Sunday were rough, and Monday and Tuesday delightful. Tuesday evening snow and rain and wind set in, leaving the roads with a thin coat of ice on Wednesday morning.

Rev. Chester Siminton, a Lutheran minister serving a fruitful charge, is one of the guests in a double wedding which took place Tuesday noon in Emanuel's Evangelical church, Altoona. The other groom is Clloyd Henderson, of Syracuse, New York, a cousin of Rev. Siminton. The brides are the Misses Beach, of Altoona. The grooms are cousins of Mrs. E. V. Godhart, of this place. Rev. Siminton has been elected pastor of a Lutheran church in Chicago, but will not enter upon his duties there until in the fall.

Congregations at the afternoon and evening Lutheran church services, on Sunday, were treated to some delightful singing. In the afternoon the Millheim male quartette, comprising Messrs. Frank, Musser, Stover and Duck, rendered two selections which were far above the average in their rendition. The young men's voices blended in well high perfect harmony. There was no small part in the afternoon's service. In the evening Arthur L. Thoman, of Altoona, who was visiting for a day or two at the H. G. Strommer home, captivated his audience with his solo, "Asleep in the Deep," sung in German, his native tongue. The composition was prepared in memory of the crew of the ill-fated U. S. submarine S-4, which sank off Provincetown, Mass., December 17, with a loss of some forty lives. The young man on former occasions sang in the local Lutheran church. It is regretted that his coming here is invariably unannounced, otherwise the church would doubtless be filled to capacity.

LAW ABOLISHING LIVESTOCK FROM TAX HELD LEGAL

Bradford County Judge Upholds Constitutionality of New Measure Prohibiting Assessment of Farm Animals—First Ruling Handed Down In State.

In a ruling handed down on Tuesday in the Bradford county court by Judge Charles M. Culver, the act passed by the last legislature prohibiting the assessment of taxes of "horses, mares, geldings, mules and neat cattle over the age of four years," was declared constitutional.

The ruling was the first in the State on the act and had been awaited with interest by owners of livestock.

The county commissioners who had contended the constitutionality of the law, had gone ahead with their taxing of animals as in other years, causing Frank M. Moore, owner of five horses an eighteen head of cattle to bring suit for the return of \$495 of which \$225 was assessed on his horses.

The law, making animals amenable to tax, was passed in 1824, and for 103 years had withstood legislative action. The last session of the legislature passed an amendment April 28, 1927, relieving livestock owners of the levy.

In another ruling handed down a few days ago by the same judge, it was declared illegal for householders to manufacture, for beverage purposes, any wine or cider of more than one-half of one per cent. alcoholic content. The test was brought by Peter Alexander, following a seizure on his premises.

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Mrs. Peter B. Jordan, at Colyer, who has been ill for some weeks, is not improving and continues to be confined to bed.

But four horses were sold at the horse sale held here last week, and four or five additional ones were sold later at private sale. Two of the lot not sold contracted pneumonia and were sold to Max Herr and Reuben Treasurer for \$10.00. Later Max bought out Treasurer's interest for \$5.00, and now by the aid of Veterinary Nisley, of Bellefonte, is endeavoring to make his bargain a real one.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Knarr, on Monday evening, gave a card party to a number of their friends at their home here. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Mitterling and daughter Miciam, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Brungart and daughters Thelma and Loraine, Mr. and Mrs. John Coldron, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. MacMoran, John Meeker, D. W. Bradford, Miss Margaret Jacobs, Miss Margaret Weldler, Edward Durst.

Hon. J. Mitchell Chase, of Clearfield, who represents in Congress the Twenty-third Pennsylvania District, composed of Clearfield, Centre, McKean, and Cameron counties, has officially announced his candidacy for re-nomination at the Republican primary, April 24. Representative Chase succeeded William L. Swope, when he retired from Congress in 1927.

"Williams" and "Marys" Lead.

One in every 23 American men and boys is named William, and one among each of the country's feminine population answers to Mary.

There are 2,599,000 Williams in the United States and 2,000,000 Marys, George H. Stewart, of the University of California, concludes from a survey the results of which are related in the magazine Children.

But the Marys are fewer than they were twenty years ago, while Elizabeths, Dorothys and Maries are growing more numerous.

There are also fewer Annas, Graces, Emilys, Alices, Carolines and Mabels. Men's names are more stable in their popularity from generation to generation. William and John, leaders today, led 40 years ago.

Tyrone Post Master Resigns.

Harry A. Thompson, post master at Tyrone since August, 1923, succeeding A. S. Garman, forwarded his resignation to the Postmaster General. The office is of the first class. The Tyrone Times makes this reference to Mr. Thompson:

During his term of office, the business at Tyrone has had a wonderful increase and required many additions to accommodate the patrons, and the service has been greatly improved. Mr. Thompson has been a good official and has given the people of Tyrone an excellent administration, which they will be loathe to give up.

ADVERTISEMENTS

SALESMAN for Lubricating Oils and Paints, two lines combined. Salary or commission.—The Royce Refining Co., or the Royce Paint Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

LOST—On road between Centre Hall and my home, auto license plate No. 855-138. Finder please return to Harry L. Burris, Centre Hall.

HOME FOR SALE.—Home property, nicely located in Spring Mills, newly stuccoed, painted and papered; electric light; about an acre of ground.—Wm. H. Haney, Spring Mills, Pa.

COWS.—Four cows for sale.—Wallace White, Linden Hall. 2t

FOR SALE.—Ford coupe, 1923 model, new tires and a lot of extras. Is in excellent, running condition. Will sell cheap. Call 5112, Centre Hall.

Advertisement for Hammermill Bond paper with a circular logo and text: "We use it when PRINTING GOOD JOBS Give Us Yours"

Dutch Frows Not All "Stay-at-Home Bodies"

Though the crullers and cheese-cakes of the Dutch housewife of Nieu Amsterdam are far famed, it is not generally known that the Dutch women had other capabilities than those of a housewifely character. For they were very successful in trade.

Many of the Dutch frows (women) owned stores in Nieu Amsterdam, Helen Gular writes in the New York Telegram. The wife of a "dominie" (preacher) of that early day owned a store; and, unlike her reverend husband (needless to say), had an income comparable for those days to the income of a present-day prize fighter.

The Dutch women were also unusually successful traders with the Indians. A record has come down to us of a certain "female trader" of 1679 which serves to show both her sagacity and the disfavor with which it was regarded:

"This woman, although not of open godless life, is more wise than devout. She is a truly worldly woman, proud and conceited, and sharp in trading, with wild people as well as tame ones. She has a husband, who is her second one. He remains at home quietly while she travels over the country to carry on the trading. In fine, she is one of the Dutch female traders who understand the business so well. If these be the persons who are to make Christians of the heathen what will the latter be?"

One's Ideal Residence as Viewed in Dreams

It will be a colonial cottage in the Tudor Gothic style, revealing the French chateau influence and embodying the best features of the English manor, California bungalow and Adirondack lodge, says the Kansas City Star. It will be heated by hot air, hot water, steam, electricity and gas; it will have a tile, slate, shingle, terra cotta, asphalt, asbestos and pitched roof and will be painted in soft tones of purple, green, red, yellow and pink. The house will contain many bedrooms to encourage one's relatives, and very few to discourage them. The living-room will be long, high, wide and narrow, treated in the empire, Italian renaissance and late Flemish manner, with straight lines, a broken frieze and a footless pediment.

Your home will be situated on a wind-swept hilltop on low ground in the midst of dense woods, ten miles from the station and within easy walking distance of your office.

Cornish Bull

Two Cornish miners coveted a cow which belonged to a neighbor and laid plans to steal it. On their chosen night it happened that a traveling player with a trained bear had asked for and obtained lodging at the neighbor's house. The owner put the cow in a shed in order to give the bear the run of the barn. The thieves arrived; one went to secure the cow, while the other watched. A clamor of cries and howls came from the barn. The noise waked the night and the lookout cried: "Has gotten 'im, Tam?" The horror of the unknown was in Tam's voice as he replied: "Has gotten 'im? Nay! I es gotten 'im!—Everybody's Magazine."

Mantis' Odd Attitude

What are called in some parts of the world the "Praying Mantids" are insects belonging to the family of Mantidae, somewhat similar to the grasshopper, with large protruding eyes. They are found in many countries and endowed with many supernatural qualities by the credulous. The mantis seizes its prey with its fore feet and to devour pulls the prey in front of it with its fore legs assuming an attitude of prayer. In Japan the mantis are sometimes kept in cages and trained to box, being placed on exhibition for this purpose. They are quite common in the southern states.

"Survived Himself"

In France it is idiomatically stated that Flammarion, the great popular astronomer who died recently, "survived himself." This is the French way of saying that the present generation has quite forgotten him and the older generation which clung to his words and believed with him in his form of astronomy had passed on. Flammarion was scarcely known by sight among the younger generation in the village where he died. Curiously enough, just before he passed away he bequeathed his heart to his native village of Montigny de Rod.

Care of Machinery

Two mornings a month should be set aside for one of the most important household duties. On these mornings overhaul all household machinery. Everything that needs oiling, oil, clean all the parts which gather dust, examine all electric cords to be sure that none is wearing out and likely to cause fire. By this means keep your house equipment in the best of condition, avoiding electricians' bills and prolonging the life of the machinery.

Probably So Ordered

The afternoon bridge club was holding its weekly session. "Ladies, ladies," announced the president, "it has been moved and seconded that there shall be no conversation at the card tables. What shall we do with the motion?" "I suggest," said a sprightly young woman, "that we discuss it while we play."

Advertisement for the Altoona Booster Stores. Text includes: "EVERY WEDNESDAY IS SUBURBAN DAY -IN- Altoona Booster Stores. When your local merchant cannot supply your needs COME TO ALTOONA. And visit Booster places of business where you are assured courteous attention and where goods of known quality and correct style are sold at uniformly low prices. SUBURBAN DAY"

Advertisement for Clearance Sales. Text includes: "Is a good time to shop in Booster Stores, as there are always special underpriced opportunities offered for this weekly event. CLEARANCE SALES. Are in force in Booster Stores this month; odd lots and remainders of wearing apparel and other goods for personal wear, as well as things needed for the home, being offered at Less than Usual Prices. The Entire Family Can Share In These Offerings! GOOD ROADS. Lead to Altoona from all sections of Central Pennsylvania—and they are just as good in winter time as in other seasons of the year! Arrange to spend the entire day in Altoona. Booster Restaurants can serve you palatable food and Booster Theatres can provide first class entertainment! ALTOONA BOOSTER ASSOCIATION. STORE HOURS: 8:30 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. Saturday Until 9."

Advertisement for Strand Theatre. Text includes: "STRAND THEATRE Altoona, Pa. One Week Commencing—SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th:—RICHARD DIX, in—'THE GAY DEFENDER' Paramount Comedy. 'Nifty Nags' Paramount Cartoon. 'For Crime's Sake.' PARAMOUNT NEWS. 10 Piece Orchestra ALTOONA'S FAVORITE THEATRE"

Advertisement for The Richeieu Theatre. Text includes: "THE RICHELIEU THEATRE BELLEFONTE'S LARGEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THEATRE Adults, 25c. Children, 10c. TODAY (WEDNESDAY) 'THE BLOODSHIP'—It will thrill all Centre county as it did all New York at the World's greatest theatre, THE ROXY. Also, Harold Lloyd in his greatest 2-reel Comedy, 'Haunted Spooks.' 35c; Children, 15c."

Advertisement for The Ritz. Text includes: "Showing at 'The Ritz' WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY SANDOW THE GREAT DOG STAR in 'AVENGING FANGS'—A stirring mystery play of the West. See Sandow trail and trap the gang of crooks.—7-8 P.M. With All Programs at the RITZ will be shown, in addition to the feature picture, First Run News, Comedies and Short Subjects. 10 and 25c"

Advertisement about admissions. Text includes: "ABOUT ADMISSIONS. We could run cheap pictures at as low as 5c and 10c, but we feel that the public (in fact we know it) do not want such pictures. Therefore we are going to give you first-run pictures at a price of 10 and 25c. GOOD PICTURES cannot be run for Less!

Advertisement for a safety razor. Text includes: "The Reporter is GIVING this Safety Razor Outfit WITH A NEW Subscription to The Centre Reporter. Do your friends a favor by telling them about it."

Large advertisement for Nieman's Department Store. Text includes: "THE OPPORTUNITY to Save is still here. Nieman's CLEARANCE SALE is still on. In order to properly clean up the past year's business we will continue OUR CLEARANCE SALE THIS ENTIRE WEEK. This is your LAST chance to share in these tremendous Clearance Values. Nieman's Department Store Where the Dollars Go the Farthest MILLHEIM"

Advertisement for the National Radio Audition. Text includes: "HUNDREDS OF YOUNG SINGERS FOUND IN HUNT FOR TALENT. Are young American singers—presumably the best in the country—will face the microphone at Station WEAF in New York City early in December to sing for fame and fortune. They will be the finalists in the National Radio Audition of the Atwater Kent Foundation of Philadelphia. This nation-wide quest for radio voices has already revealed hundreds of young singers of promise, who have entered the contests eagerly because the auditions offer them recognition at home and a chance to compete for prizes aggregating \$17,500. Distinctive figures are sponsoring the undertaking as a National Audition Committee. They are Madam Louise Homer, the Metropolitan Opera star; Mrs. Edgar Stillman Kelley, president of the National Federation of Music Clubs; Edward W. Bok, former editor of the Ladies' Home Journal, and Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, wife of the world-famous New York banker and music patron. Winners of state auditions—one boy and one girl—receive silver medals and are taken to their district auditions at the expense of the Foundation to compete with young singers from their neighboring states. Winners of each of the five district auditions—one young man and one young woman in each—receive gold medals and are taken to New York by the Atwater Kent Foundation for the finals, which will be broadcast over a national network of stations. The awards for these will be as follows: Winners of first place—one young man and one young woman—will each receive \$5,000 cash and two years' tuition for a musical conservatory. Winners of second place will each receive \$2,000 cash and one year's tuition. Winners of third place will each receive \$1,000 and one year's tuition. Winners of fourth place will receive \$500."



Advertisement for To Excavate Roman Stadium. Text includes: "To Excavate Roman Stadium It is planned to excavate the Circus Maximus at Rome which was the greatest stadium ever built. It seated 350,000 people and would make some of the modern stadiums such as the Yale Bowl and the Yankee stadium look like county fair amphitheatres. The Circus Maximus was three times as large as the famous Colosseum at Rome. It was first built in the time of the early Roman kings, was used during the republic and had its best days during the empire. Here Julius Caesar entertained the Roman populace on a magnificent scale. Indeed the scale was so large that he had to sell one of his private villas to pay for the games and chariot races. In this great stadium the gladiators fought in mortal combat with wild beasts imported from Africa and Asia. merely a few dougus pushed into the ground and bent at the top, over which old sacks and rags are thrown. Cooking is a simple matter. Meat is roasted over an open fire and meale cakes are baked on hot stones."

Advertisement for Land of Thirst. Text includes: "Land of Thirst The Bechuanaland protectorate of South Africa lies principally in the Kalahari desert—the 'Great Thirst Land.' Very little of this huge area has been explored, although the railway from Kimberley to Rhodesia skirts its eastern edge. There is no 'housing question' in Bechuanaland. The native hut is often"