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## 250 OIL AND GAS LEASES SECURED IN LYCOMING CO.

### Over Dozen Well Known Companies Get Privileges for Drilling Operations in Cogan House, Jackson, McHenry and Pine Townships.

Robert H. Guise, index clerk in the office of the registrar and recorder, in Williamsport, has accepted a total of about 250 oil and gas leases taken by various companies on land in Lycoming county.

Records at the court house show that these leases have been taken on Lycoming county property beginning in the early part of October, 1929, and have followed along up to the present time.

The leases are taken on the oil and gas rights in Cogan House, Jackson, McHenry, Brown and Pine townships by a dozen well known corporations. The leases call for the privilege of taking or commercializing the gas and oil on farms varying in size from a few acres to several hundred acres.

The contracts run for a period of from 10 to 20 years and contain many provisions, including one which says that the lessor shall receive his gas for heat and light free of charge and that \$200 shall be paid for each well or each year that it produces gas.

According to the leases filed it is evident that the lessor received from 25 to 50 cents an acre to bind the agreements contained in the leases.

Drilling for gas in Tioga county, which borders on some of the townships in Lycoming county in which the gas leases are being sought, caused the unusual activity among the big gas and oil companies in Lycoming county.

## SCOTT—A REAL SENATOR.

State Senator Harry B. Scott is becoming a senator in more than name. He already has had the courage to vote twice against the express wishes of Governor Pinchot. First he voted against the governor's hand-picked man for president pro tem of the senate and again on the resolution calling for an investigation of Public Service Commission and Public Utilities. The governor's complaint is largely a political move which he hopes will further his chances to obtain prestige among the delegates to the national convention when it is called to nominate a Republican candidate for president.

A governor who only received approximately a twentieth of the normal majority of his party when elected has no mandate to dominate both the house and senate in all its actions. There is some hope to escape a lot of freak legislation if more of the senators display the independence of Senator Scott.

## Cashier Gould Resigns.

After a service of five years as cashier of the Peoples National Bank of State College, C. H. Gould, due to continued ill health, has found it necessary to resign as cashier of that institution. For the past six months or more his physical condition has been such that a complete cessation of business cares was advisable. He will be succeeded by G. S. Butler, who has been elected acting cashier.

Mr. Gould, who went to State College from Spring Mills, where he had been cashier of the First National Bank, has had a long experience in business. During his service with the Peoples National Bank, the business of that institution has made consistent growth, and during his tenure deposits at the bank have risen from approximately \$250,000 to an excess of \$450,000.

## Named Mercantile Appraisers.

Auditor General Charles Waters last week appointed Charles F. Harrison, of Bellefonte, mercantile appraiser for Centre county for 1931. Mr. Harrison will succeed Paul Eckley, of Valley View, who has held the post the past two years. The appointment was made along with others throughout Pennsylvania. Those in nearby counties are noted below:

Huntingdon—Clinton A. Dell, Mapleton.  
Clearfield—C. W. Wallace, Dubois.  
Clinton—Philip A. Zindel, Lock Haven.  
Mifflin—Herman Elder, Lewistown.  
Snyder—W. A. McGlaughlin, McClure.  
Union—A. Paul Kilm, Lewisburg.

During this period of Hoover prosperity, Centre Hall has but one person receiving financial aid from the borough, and this is one in a State institution where he has been for fifteen or more years. So the present depression has not hit anyone here hard enough to make a demand for aid, and what is more, no such demand is likely to be made on the part of any resident.

Remember, folks this is not a "panic." This is only a "business depression." "Panics" occur only in Democratic times. The Republican slogan of 1928 was "Hoover and prosperity. In 1932 it will be just "Hoover."

The Republicans, great and small, will likely fall in line for the Pinchot election code. The smell of a pie counter is irresistible to them, and the new code will create a multitude of appointments at salaries from \$10,000 down.

The Senate has asked Postmaster General Brown not to raise postal rates until it has passed on them. Brown has in mind a raise that would cost the people seven million dollars on parcel post alone.

## 2971 FAMILIES ON WAITING LIST OF MOTHERS' AID FUND

### Recommended Increase of Appropriation for Mothers' Assistance Fund Not Enough to Take Care of Waiting List.

Governor Pinchot recommends an increase of \$1,000,000 for the Mothers' Assistance Fund, which will bring the total up to \$3,750,000. This, however, will not take care of the entire waiting list of 2,497 compiled as early as May, 1930.

The present waiting list includes about 2971 families.

The proposed increase of \$1,000,000 would care for about 1822 of the waiting list families, but would leave approximately 1149 eligible mothers still unprovided for. The waiting period is now as high as two years in some counties. If the Legislature will grant the appropriation of \$4,115,938, clearing up the entire waiting list as of May 31, the waiting period will be reduced to about two or three months in most counties, which is a period that can be tolerated even in most instances without serious hardship.

Officials of the Mothers' Assistance Fund know of many instances in which mothers on the waiting list have broken down from overwork; have been obliged to place children in institutions, or have left children at home without care while they went out to work.

There are many mothers who frequently come back or write to appeal for help in situations that have become desperate and the pictures they present are desperate in the extreme. They tell a story of hopeless wandering about in search of aid, with undernourishment and suffering for their helpless children. These mothers are entitled to aid quite as much as the ones receiving assistance. Their only fault is that they applied after the funds were exhausted.

## COLEMAN M. WINGARD P. M. AT SPRING MILLS

Coleman Wingard was appointed postmaster of Spring Mills, succeeding Harry Allison, who was appointed postmaster by President Harding more than eight years ago. The Spring Mills post office is one of the third class, having reached that class about twelve years ago. Mr. Wingard is a son-in-law of Frank A. Carson, a Potter township justice of the peace, living at Pottery Mills. He is a son of the late Frank Wingard, who was killed on a circular saw when working on the mill while located on the Allison tract near Pottery Mills. Mr. Wingard now lives at Spring Mills, to which place he moved several years ago.

## Plant Emergency Crop.

Planting of emergency hay crops is necessary throughout this section on farms to relieve the situation created by the seven months of dry weather. Much of the grass and clover in stubble fields was killed by the dry weather and a shortage of the hay crop is likely. This shortage can be supplied by sowing emergency crops.

## Anniversary Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Slack, on Sunday, gave an anniversary dinner and around the board sat Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Slack and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Slack and children; also Richard Slack, son of the late George Slack, a grandson and their son, Russell Slack. The occasion was the birthday anniversary of both J. Fred and John S. Slack, as well as the thirteenth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Slack.

## Target Match.

The Spring Mills Rod and Gun Club will hold a target match at Spring Mills, Saturday, February 21, at 2 P. M. All sportsmen interested in breaking the clay disc should attend.

## Pinchot's Calendar Has 12 Holidays

Governor Pinchot announced twelve holidays to be observed by all departments under his jurisdiction without any further notice. Holidays falling on Sundays will be observed on Mondays, he said, and if any time the holiday period is to be extended longer than one day notice will be given.

The twelve holidays are: New Years Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Election Day, Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

## SERIES OF BABY CLINICS TO BE CONDUCTED IN COUNTY

A series of baby clinics will be held beginning next Friday, February 20th, in the W. C. T. U. room, Bellefonte, from 3 to 4 p. m., and continuing every Friday thereafter at the same hour. These clinics are being sponsored by the Mother's Club of Bellefonte. The examining physician will be Dr. Richards H. Hoffman, who will be assisted by Miss Keckline and Miss Noll, the school and State nurses. The clinic will offer free service to the mothers of small children, and it is expected that a large number of women who have been looking forward to a baby clinic for a long time, will avail themselves of this opportunity to have their children up to 3 years of age weighed, measured and given physical examinations.

T. B. Jodon announces his first horse sale of the 1931 season in an ad appearing in this issue. A carload of South Dakota horses will be offered on Monday afternoon of next week.

## BELLEFONTE MAN A SUICIDE.

### Horton S. Ray, Following Long Period of Ill Health, Shoots Himself Through Head With Revolver.

Horton S. Ray, aged 58 years, was found dead in the bedroom of his home at Bellefonte, Friday afternoon at 12:15 o'clock, by his daughter, Betty. He had shot himself through the head with a revolver, and is believed to have been dead about two hours.

He had talked with his children, Betty and Edmund, before they left the home in the morning after which he was alone. At that time he appeared in usual spirits. He had been in ill health for a long time. The corner, Dr. W. R. Heaton, of Philadelphia, investigated, but no inquest will be held, as it was a plain case of suicide.

In addition to the two children at home, he leaves two other sons and another daughter: Philip, a student at State College; George, on the "Annapolis"; and Sarah, in Philadelphia. A brother, F. D. Ray, of Brooklyn, also survives.

Mr. Ray had resided in Bellefonte thirty years. He at one time conducted the Brokerhoff House, but had lived retired for some time because of ill health.

## Boy Scouts Celebrate.

The 21st birthday of the Boy Scouts of America was celebrated Thursday evening of last week at the Centre Hall High school. One hundred and ten persons attended the social. These included the Boy Scouts of Troop B, the Cub Scouts, the parents and brothers and sisters of the boys, the committeemen and their families and members of the old organization formed by the Rev. Jas. A. Shultz, and known as Troop 1. The program featured Boy Scout music: The first which every boy must take in order to become a Tenderfoot scout was given to Lawrence Bender; on passing, he was initiated into the troop as a member of the Bear Patrol. All of the boys, as well as the officials, took part in this impressive investiture ceremony. An additional feature of the program was the accordion music furnished by Joe Mataksi, of Wadell. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, pickles, ice cream, cake, and coffee were served. The special birthday cake, baked by Mrs. Kirkpatrick, was decorated in white and pink. It was carried in by two scouts and the 21 candles were lighted by the scoutmaster.

## "Glad Girls" Give Play.

"The Third Customer," a play which was given by the "Glad Girls" organization, directed by their leader, Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick, was enjoyed by a good audience both Friday and Saturday nights. The girls are glad indeed for the patronage given them by the citizens of Centre Hall. They also appreciate the fact that many returned to see the play the second night. The characters represented in the play were:

Judge Lanier, the richest and meanest man in Elmwood.  
Parker Lanier, the Judge's son, just home from college, was wonderfully acted by Burton Snyder.

James Burkholder played the part of an outcast, falsely accused, and showed a magnanimous spirit of forgiveness.

Stradavarius Crippen, the very efficient clerk in the Lanier store, was just as efficient in the love act with Mollie Minot. This part was played by John Spkyker.

Myra Spkyker, in her clever, independent and forceful way, acted well the part of Tibbie Tantor, and by her shrewdness trapped the unjust Judge in his meanness. She was ever on the alert and always put up a good fight for the right.

Betty Leachler acted well the part of "Edith Leachler," the real sophisticated college girl, and voiced her opinion like an autocrat whether her opinions were right or wrong.

Margaret Bradford surely was the chic French maid; so chic was she that she captured the heart of the clerk. Margaret is a master of the French and the French ways.

Isabel Bradford was the most charming Gypsy fortune teller that this city has ever seen; and she could tell them of the future.

Anna Blake, a grave crippled lady, who showed the real value of Christianity in life, was none other than Margaret Delaney.

While each of the actors brought laughter from the audience, Snyder alone made some weep.

Between the acts there was no impatience caused by waiting for the curtain. The chorus girls, namely, the Burkholder sisters, Ruth Reiber, Laura Belle McCormick, Loraine Brungark, Laura Breen, Florence Brooks and Evelyn Colyer caused much mirth with their songs, musical recitations, and action songs.

The annual Washington's birthday party will be held at the Elks Club this (Thursday) evening. Joe Erbutt's band will furnish the music for the dancing. Each member is permitted to invite a guest.

## Notice to the People of Centre Hall.

On and after March 2nd, 1931, Markle Brothers, Pleasant Gap, will be able to supply the demands for pasteurized milk, cream, and buttermilk, each and every day, between the hours of 8 and 10 A. M., and if we can get sufficient trade, will make deliveries earlier.

Any one wishing to purchase milk on and after that date, please procure tickets from driver, adv. 3t

MARKLE BROS.

## ORANGE SEED REMOVED FROM THROAT OF CHILD

Dr. Jackson, at the Temple University hospital, Philadelphia on Saturday morning removed an orange seed from the esophagus of Lewis, two and one-half years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy, Brooks, west of town. The lad was in great distress for two days or more, during that time having been unable to swallow even water.

About eight months ago the child found a discarded banner fly can in the yard at his home and drank water from it, badly burning his throat. Treatment at the Centre county hospital proved effective, but the scarred tissue finally resulted in a contraction of the throat, and caused the seed to lodge, completely closing the passage. Lewis is being kept at the hospital and will remain until the throat is again dilated to its normal size. This may require a month and perhaps much longer.

The boy was accompanied to the hospital by his father and Cloyd Brooks, with J. S. Boozer as driver of the car. Leaving Centre Hall after three o'clock Friday evening, the city was reached by 8:00 o'clock.

## S. S. Class Has Oyster Supper.

The "Willing Workers" Sunday school class of the Lutheran church, Mrs. Miriam Coldron, teacher, held their annual oyster supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sharer, Wednesday evening of last week. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bloom and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Luse and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Walker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Laird and son, Mr. and Mrs. James Royer and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Grove and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutrow and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Dugrow and family, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dutrow and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sharer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank White and son, Mr. and Mrs. George Petteforf and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Homan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Messer and family, Mrs. Miriam Coldron, Miss Cora Homan, Annie Elizabeth Homan, Warren Homan, Mrs. Jacob Sharer.

## Sheffield Milk Prices.

The net cash price to be paid the members of the Sheffield Producers Cooperative Association, Inc. for the milk sold by them in the month of January is \$2.04 1/2 per hundred pounds for 2 percent grade B milk in the 20-210 mile zone, with the usual freight, grade and butterfat differentials. This is equivalent to \$2.24 1/2 per hundred lbs. for milk sold on a 3-5% butterfat basis. It is a decrease of 13 1/2 cents a hundred pounds from the December price. Prices of milk are too low and are still declining. Farmers say a Sheffield bulletin, have it in their own hands to assist in remedying the bad conditions that now prevail. If all dairymen would cease the use of oleomargarine and other butter substitutes, a large part of the surplus which bears down the blended price, might be disposed of advantageously.

## A Clearfield County Farmer, in Ill Health, Commits Suicide.

Andrew Miller, aged 53 years, well known farmer of Bell township, in Clearfield county, apparently in a fit of despondency occasioned by ill health, took his own life by blowing out his brains with a shot gun. The sad affair took place Tuesday of last week. A 12-gauge double-barreled shot gun was used to commit the deed, the force of the charge nearly decapitating him. Surviving are his grief-stricken wife and one son.

## SENATOR H. B. SCOTT PRESENTS FOUR BILLS

### One Bill is to Provide for Treatment and Care of Sick or Disabled Veterans.

Thus far during the present session of the General Assembly Senator H. B. Scott has introduced several bills of general interest.

On January 26th the Senator presented Senate Bill No. 14, entitled An Act to provide for the treatment and care of sick or disabled veterans in the State of Pennsylvania.

On the same day, the senator introduced Senate Bill No. 15, entitled: An Act to amend section two of the act approved April 27th, 1927, entitled, "An Act empowering the Department of Highways to acquire certain bridges within the commonwealth; providing the procedure therefor; providing for the reimbursement of the Commonwealth from tolls and charges; and making an appropriation." Senator Scott's bill eliminates the proviso which restricts the acquisition of toll bridges until moneys are provided by constitutional amendment. The bill was committed to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

He also presented Senate Bill No. 16, entitled: An Act to amend section 16 of an Act approved May 31st, 1911. This act provided for the establishment of the State Highway Department; naming and prescribing the duties of its officers; providing for taking over certain township roads and county roads; providing for their maintenance, etc. The amendment presented by Senator Scott, provides for the division of damages caused by change of width or location of the highways between the Commonwealth and counties. This bill was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

On Tuesday of last week Senator Scott introduced a bill legalizing the publishing and advertising of bids for public works, supplies and equipment in contractors' and manufacturers' trade journals.

## DODDS HORSE SALE A SUCCESS; AVERAGE \$170

The twenty-eight western horses offered at public sale, Thursday afternoon of last week, at the Besser barn to the rear of the Reporter office, were all sold from the block at an average price of \$170. The nine teams in round numbers averaged \$257.50, and the single horses \$152. The bidding was active throughout the entire sale, and the buyers, as will be noted below, covered a large area. The sale attendance was unusually large. The new sales barn proved very satisfactory. The purchasers and prices of teams and single horses are noted below:

Teams:  
Wallace Strouse, Greenburr ..... \$402.50  
W. A. Pifer, Mill Hall ..... 385.00  
Roy Johnston, Bellefonte ..... 320.00  
Taylor Bros., Warriors Mark ..... 350.00  
H. L. Grazer, Warriors Mark  
(team) mules ..... 250.00  
S. M. Flowers, Millroy ..... 377.50  
Harry Day, Loganton ..... 340.00  
A. S. Winkloblech, Rebersburg ..... 230.00  
George Gummo, Mill Hall ..... 350.00

Single Horses:  
John Hobbrough, Pleasant Gap ..... 177.50  
F. A. Brooks, Pleasant Gap ..... 137.50  
J. E. Ertel, Rebersburg ..... 177.50  
H. B. Walker, Spring Mills ..... 172.50  
W. C. McCool, Spring Mills ..... 145.00  
M. B. Musser, State College ..... 140.00  
E. J. Eard, Millheim ..... 150.00  
Elmer Kauffman, Bellefonte ..... 150.00  
Ralph Luse, Centre Hall (2 head) ..... 271.00

Mr. Dodds announced a second sale for Wednesday, March 11th, at the same place.

E. M. Smith was the auctioneer and C. D. Bartholomew the clerk for the sale.

## CONTRACT FOR H. S. UNIT IN STATE COLLEGE LET

### Yenter Brothers, Tyrone, Bid of \$75,400 Accepted—Seekinger Gets Plumbing for \$9,730.

The contract for the erection and equipping of the new High School Unit in State College borough was let recently for eighty-one cents less than the amount of the bond issue for that purpose, or \$109,999.19. The original specifications were changed to meet this condition.

The general contractor expects to begin work immediately, and to have the building ready for use at the beginning of the next school year.

The contracts were awarded to the lowest bidders, as required by law and by public interest, as follows:

General Contract—Yenter Brothers, Tyrone, \$75,400.  
Heating and Ventilating—Trout and Tauchitsbaugh, Altoona, \$15,425.  
Plumbing—Wm. Seekinger, State College, \$9,730.04.  
Electrical—Carl Eisenhuth, State College, \$5,433.14.

## 42 H. S. Pupils in Centre County to Each 1000 Population.

Centre county has forty-two High school pupils for every one thousand of its population. There are but eleven counties in the State that have a higher average, the highest being Bedford county with forty-nine, and the lowest, Philadelphia county with twenty.

Almost all of the counties which had the highest relative enrollment are located in strictly rural territory. Based upon the averages High school enrollments decrease relatively as population increases.

## Chevrolet Leads in December.

With 31,699 new Chevrolet sixes titled in the domestic market during the last month in 1930, the company exceeded by 2,000 units the second leading make, Figures so far reported for January indicate that the relative position of Chevrolet in the lead should be maintained for the month of January, particularly since Chevrolet's January production was 70,000 units.

## BOARD OF VIEWERS VACATE MOUNTAIN ROADS

At a recent meeting of the board of road viewers several roads were vacated in Centre county. Two of them lead over mountains.

A road beginning at the foot of the mountain in Miles township, and leading over the mountain to the Haines township line was vacated as a public road and retained as a private road.

A road in Gregg township, from the Walker township line over to what is known as the Farmers Mills road was vacated as a public road and retained as a private road.

Testimony was taken in a petition for damages to the property of George H. Emerick in Potter township, resulting from the building of the new road through that section. Damages from \$3,000 to \$35,000 were asked, but the Board made no decision.

Testimony was also taken on petitions by those residents along the new road between Bellefonte and Milesburg, all of whom seek damages. These persons are: Mrs. John Barnhart and family, Mrs. Carrie Barnhart, John Wilson, John McCoy, Anna McCoy, Mrs. Kate Shugert and William A. Thomas.

The Viewers made no decision on any of the latter cases pending their consideration of the testimony and value of the properties involved.

Members of the Board of Road Viewers of Centre county include J. Kennedy Johnston, chairman; Ivan Walker and Edward J. Thompson, attorneys; H. B. Shattuck, of State College; J. Thompson Henry, of Martha Furnace; P. E. Womelsdorf, of Philadelphia; all engineers; H. H. Hewitt, of Philadelphia; H. E. Holtzworth, Unionville, and J. I. Yarnell, of Hubersburg, all laymen.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Lewistown fair dates for 1931 are September 1-3, covering the days of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical church will convene at Carlisle on Thursday, March 5.

Pennsylvania has sent 205 men to the electric chair at Rockview in the 16 years that this method of execution for murder has been in effect.

Mrs. Paul Rishel, who suffered from blood poisoning on her hand, has very much improved. The sore at first was no more than a pimple, which demonstrates that every open sore is dangerous.

The township road leading from Blanchard north and then west, connecting with the State Highway No. 53, between Runville and Gum Stump, has been taken over by the State Highway Department.

Markle Bros., milk distributors of Pleasant Gap, advertise in this week's issue of the Reporter that they will begin the delivery of milk, cream, etc., in the borough of Centre Hall, beginning March 2nd.

George W. Harter and Gardner Long are advertising a stock sale for March 13, at the residence of the former at Stone Mill. They will sell a lot of well bred Holstein cows, young bulls and heifers; also a lot of hogs. Posters will appear shortly.

Curtis Reiber, the local dairyman, has taken on the sale of buttermilk, cream and cottage cheese in connection with the fresh whole milk served every morning. Friday morning a sample bottle of buttermilk was presented each of his customers.

Mrs. H. A. Pruyn, wife of Rev. Pruyn, of Spring Mills, and baby Mary Elaine Pruyn, were guests of the Bartholomew family on Thursday. Of course, baby Pruyn was the center of attraction of a large number of callers. The little Miss was born on Christmas day and is as sweet as any baby can possibly be.

Superintendent Sips, of the Mifflin county schools, in a notice through the newspapers of that county, warns teachers against permitting agents to occupy class periods in conference, and also states that he will not recommend the wares or projects to be used in making sales to teachers or directors except direct to the teachers.

The ninth annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Adult Bible Class Federation will be held in Harrisburg, Tuesday, March 3rd, in the Grace Methodist Episcopal church. This convention is for all Adult Bible classes in Pennsylvania of both men and women. There is no limitation to attendance and no registration fee.

Captain and Mrs. Pierre Boal and their young daughter, Mathilde Boal, of Alexandria, Va., returned last week on the Leviathan from Europe, where Captain Boal was attending the disarmament conference. He was diplomatic adviser for the State Department, and is the son of Colonel and Mrs. Theodore D. Boal, of Boalsburg, and well known here.

Elmer Breen, of Bellefonte, formally announces himself for the nomination of sheriff of Centre county, on the Democratic ticket in this week's issue of the Reporter. This is Mr. Breen's third venture. Twice before he received the Democratic nomination for sheriff and was defeated. He came up smiling both times, the setbacks having done nothing to defeat his spirit.

Charles S. Messmer, of Linden Hall, was one of Harris township's farmers attracted to Centre Hall by the Dodds horse sale, Thursday of last week. Mr. Messmer owns and farms the well-known Wieland farm at Linden Hall, and although not a product of the farm has made that vocation most profitable. He produces milk, hogs and poultry. Mr. Messmer had planned to make sale this spring, but changed his mind owing to conditions over which he had no control.

Last week's issue of the Mifflin Journal contained this news item: Due to the death of the chief baker of Stultz field, Altoona's airport, Chief Pilot J. Russel Hosterman, and student Charles Gilmore, both of town, are temporarily idle. In the event that the field is continued as before it is likely that both will be back at the old stand. Mr. Gilmore is just at the place where he is able to make short flights alone and is enthusiastic about the manner in which Mr. Hosterman gave him instruction. Charley says he tore the tip of a wing off on his first solo landing, but he hasn't crashed so far.

Six young men from State College joined in the service in the Lutheran church in Centre Hall, Sunday evening. A quartet was composed of R. F. Giesler, 2nd bass; W. L. Shetler, 1st bass; Earl Brubaker, 2d tenor; Eugene Eschelman, 1st tenor. G. W. Griffith and T. S. Irwin were pianists. The quartet sang several well known compositions, displaying a decidedly pleasing harmony, much to the enjoyment of the large audience. Quite unfortunately, through some misunderstanding, their program was concluded far short of its prepared schedule, but it is hoped the musicians will be asked to come again. The gentleman who arranges the engagements for these singers is O. W. Routh, the well known State College contractor. He accompanied the young men Sunday evening.