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PINCHOT AFTER MORE APPOINTIVE POWER

"Short Ballot" Defeated—Taxing Relations of State Wards, and Attempt to Add Salary for Extra Session Also Halted.

Foes of the administration claimed a victory in the defeat of the Moore resolution to permit the electorate to pass on a constitutional amendment to make possible a "short ballot" in connection with the adoption of voting machines. The design was to make minor officials on the ballot appointive, Representative Sowers, Philadelphia, opposed the bill as a blow at home rule. The vote was 83 yeas and 73 nays.

An eloquent plea by Representative Staendemeier, of Schuylkill, in opposition to two bills to empower the State to assess against the property of relatives the cost of maintaining feeble-minded persons in State institutions moved the House to applause, and their sponsor, Representative Mathay, Philadelphia, to move that they be placed upon the proposed calendar. Representative Mathay explained that he had introduced the bills by request.

Representative Staendemeier pictured poor families having the roof taken over their heads by the State to maintain an unfortunate, relative, and caustically criticized the State for such an attempt "to evade its inherent duty."

Rumors of a possible extra session of the Legislature had a reaction in the House when the Green bill to increase the pay of members for such sessions from \$500 to \$1500 came up on final passage. Representative Mummolo, Allegheny, urged that the increase should be higher, so as to make the cost of extra sessions prohibitive and thus confine the business of the Legislature to regular sessions. The vote was 70 in favor and 54 against, but the majority was less than the constitutional requirement and the bill fell.

ASTOR-EMERICK ESTATE AS VIEWED BY GIRARD

In a recent issue of the Philadelphia Inquirer, Girard gives his view as gained from records of the Astor-Emmerick partnership, in a reply to a reader who asked: "Did John Jacob Astor have a partner named Emmerick? Has the Emmerick estate ever been settled?"

Girard says: "Emmerick estate claimants hold that John Nicholas Emmerick was a partner of John Jacob Astor's in the fur trading business and that upon his death his estate was held in trust for ninety-nine years and should have been divided among the heirs. John Emmerick was supposed to have been born in Gross-Umstadt in Germany in 1739 and emigrated to the United States about 1760. Rumor has repeatedly had it that he died in Philadelphia.

"As Arthur D. Howden Smith states in his biography of John Jacob Astor, the firm of John Jacob Astor, Fur Trader, gave place to The American Fur Company, incorporated, in New York, April 6, 1808. The capital of \$1,000,000 was entirely subscribed by himself. For workers he sought Canadians, and he doesn't seem to have made any endeavor to interest other American capital or individuals in his enterprise.

"On June 3, 1810, he organized the Pacific Fur Company, the first subsidiary of the American Company, with a capital of \$200,000, divided into 100 shares. Of these he retained fifty shares for himself; five Canadian partners whom he had lured to his service from the Northwest Company (Donald McKenzie, Alexander McKay, Duncan McDougall, David Stuart and Stuart's nephew, Robert) received four shares each, and five shares went to Wilson Price Hunt, his cousin, a citizen and a native of New Jersey. The remainder of the shares went to clerks.

"Later Hunt promoted Joseph Miller to partnership, but at no time do we find any mention of an Emmerick as a partner in the Astor fur trade interests.

"Tradition of the Emmerick family has it that John Nicholas Emmerick or Emmerich, died in Philadelphia December 18, 1816. According to one version of the Emmerick legend, he died at the home of a cousin, Baltus Emmerick, who lived, first, at 234 High street, and later, at 72 South Eighth street. If so, it seems likely that he would have been buried in St. John's church, the church of Baltus Emmerick, but here is no record of his burial in that graveyard.

"The Emmerick estate claims have not been settled."

Mr. Gretna Abandoned.

Mount Gretna, long a training place for the National Guard, is about to be abandoned for a reservation of 5000 acres in Dauphin county, of which 5000 will be devoted to a military range, as compared to the 2900 acres at Mount Gren.

Efforts will be made to have the new reservation ready for the 1932 National Guard encampment.

The new reservation will be located in an isolated timberland and mountain section 12 miles northwest of Lebanon and 23 miles northeast of Harrisburg. It is sparsely populated and will make an ideal spot for combat firing and artillery practice.

Streams afford an ample water supply for troops and horses and for bathing purposes.

Theodore Royer, of Rebersburg, is now tenant on the A. A. Frank farm at Spring Bank, near Smullton.

BELLEVILLE FARMERS TO BUILD CHEESE PLANT

Refuse to Haul Milk on Sundays.—Contribute Funds for Factory at Belleville.

Some time ago when Amish farmers about Belleville, in Kishacoquillas Valley, were asked to bring their milk to their local milk receiving station seven days a week for shipment, they refused, as it was against their religious beliefs to deliver the milk on Sunday. The milk dealers in the cities to which the milk was shipped demanded daily shipments and since that time the farmers of the Amish sect have been seeking other channels through which to dispose of their milk.

A few months ago they decided to build a cheese factory, which although it would not secure them anything like the price for their milk which they could get by shipping it, would furnish a market which would require delivery only six days a week.

Accordingly they secured the services of experienced cheese manufacturers from Ohio to form a company, which has been named the Big Valley Cheese Company, each of the farmers paying in \$100 toward the finances of the plant. Last week work was started by James D. Stuter and Sons, contractors, on the building which is located on the outskirts of Belleville, Arnold Winkelman, of Winesburg, Ohio, has moved there and will be one of the officials of the new company.

TO PLANT FOREST TREES.

Dr. S. G. Frank, of Millheim, is one of a number of landowners in Penna. Valley who will plant forest trees this spring. His setting will be 12,000 trees. Another to engage in reforestation on a large scale is E. L. Nixon, the potato wizard, who will plant 22,000 trees in Ferguson township. The Grange Encampment committee will add 1000 trees to their plot started a few years ago. Most of these trees will be used to fill in vacant places where the young trees failed to make a growth the first time the plot was set.

The triangle at the foot of Nittany Mountain, west of the borough line and south of the concrete road, has been cleared of rubbish under the supervision of Forest Ranger Richard Brooks, and is now ready to receive approximately 3000 red pine and Norway spruce. The plot is that surrounding the gas tank site.

George Sharer will also enlarge the wooded section on his farm close to the buildings.

Richard Brooks will plant 1000 red pines on his farm west of town. The red pines will be shipped here from Mont Alto.

F. M. Insurance Company Meets.

The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance company held its first quarterly meeting in 1931, in the court house, on Monday. The meeting was attended by nearly every officer and agent. The company's loss for the quarter was but \$2.50, which was at the Birger home on Nittany Mountain. A spark from the chimney had ignited the roof and alarm was given by a passing motorist.

An item of business transacted was to accept the resignation of J. R. Brunhart as agent after serving for many years in that capacity. He retained the posts of director and treasurer.

F. M. Fisher, the secretary, states the company's business is growing handsomely, due to its economical management which results in lower insurance costs.

Y. P. B. Dues Social.

Thirty-four members of the local Y. P. B. of the W. C. T. U. held their annual dues social at Sunset club house, on Monday evening, with the instructor, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, in charge. Six new members were admitted at the meeting. After the formal program had been executed and dues collected, the body went into a social session at which refreshments were served.

Chevrolet Car Sales.

The Homan Motor company here sold the following Chevrolet cars recently: J. Calvin Vonada, Red Mill, coach; Albert Bartzges, State College, sport coupe; Bradford & Co., 1 1/2 ton truck; Mary L. Dale, State College, sport coupe; three used cars were also sold.

On Wednesday the Homan Motor company received a sport coupe, coach, four-passenger coupe and a 1 1/2 ton truck. Another consignment of cars is expected to arrive the latter part of this week.

PINCHOT CAMPAIGN PROMISES

ABANDONED BY GOVERNOR

The Administration proposal for an elective Fair Rate Board has been abandoned.

Before completion of either the Senate and House investigation of the Public Service Commission or the public utilities and before the elective plan received a test vote in the House of Representatives, where it was introduced, the elective features have been stricken from the Administration bill.

Surrender on this major plank of Governor Pinchot's campaign platform came within a few days of indications from Pinchot leaders in the House that the platform plank of reduction in automobile license fees and automobile drivers' fees had also been abandoned.

Mrs. Leah Christie, who spent the winter in Leedsdale, Allegheny county, will be in Millheim during the spring and summer months.

CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH

At the monthly meeting of the board of trustees, held at the hospital, Tuesday evening, the following report was submitted and approved:

Patient Department—
No patients in hospital Mar. 1... 45
Number patients admitted during month... 72
Number births during month... 8

Total number patients... 125
Number private and semi private patients, 41; no patient days, 377
Number ward patients, 84; number patient days... 858

Total number days... 1235
Patients discharged during month 82
Number deaths during month... 6
Number remaining in hospital March 31st, 1931... 37

Greatest number patients any day in hospital... 45
Least number patients any day in hospital... 35
Total number patient days... 1235
Av. number patients per day... 40
Av. number of days per patient... 10

Cash Receipts—
Mrs. Blanche Hayes Hillar (upkeep of room)... \$200.00
Nurses' Fund... 52.40
Receipts from patients... 2749.87
State Appropriation (covering three months)... 2437.50

Total receipts... \$6320.85

Contributions—
St. Johns Episcopal church, Belleville, Easter donation consisting of 4 doz. diapers, 2 doz. white squares, 4 blankets, 27 slips 2 doz. undershirts, 3 1/2 doz. castle soap, 2 doz. safety pins, 15 wash cloths; Mrs. Jacob Hoy, 1 doz. abdominal binders; Mrs. Irving Boerlin, State College, can dextrin maltese Reformed church, Belleville; Broad 1 doz. rolls, jelly, cake, bests, Elks Club, Belleville; Roasted chicken cakes, ice cream, Public schools of Belleville; Peas, tomatoes, peas, corn, beans, pumpkins, corn flakes, shredded wheat, potatoes, eggs sugar, soap, oranges, raisins, macaroni, bests, jellies, bread, Dutch Cleanser, cherries, blackberries, raspberries, cocoa, puff, puffed rice, tea, peaches, apricots, pine apple, cranberries, soup, salmon, rice and peaches.

Training School—
The following students have been admitted on probation in the training school: Miss Daisy Hoy, Pleasant Gap; Miss Emily Larimer, Pleasant Gap; Miss Louise Ryan, Coleville; Miss Rachel Parsons, Penna. Furnace.

SHEFFIELD MILK PAID.

The net cash price to be paid the 14,000 members of the Sheffield Producers Cooperative Association, Inc., for the milk sold by them in the month of March, 1931, is \$1.85 per hundred pounds, for three per cent Grade B milk, in the 201-210 mile zone with the usual freight, grade and butterfat differentials. This is equivalent to \$2.05 per hundred pounds for milk sold on a 3.5% butterfat basis.

Ten Learners Pass Tests at Bellefonte

Ten of the thirteen applicants who appeared in Bellefonte, Wednesday of last week, for the learners' examination to operate a motor vehicle were successful.

Those who received their permits this week are: C. E. Daron, Altoona; M. E. Ghaner, Port Matilda; J. E. Jones, Catherine Bracko, Oliver Bitter, Bellefonte; Reida Bechdel, Howard; R. B. Stanley, Milesburg; W. M. Jackson, State College; Cecil Shank, Clarence; Ray Zahniser, Fleming.

Argument Court.

The regular April argument court opened on Monday. A number of cases were heard, but as the custom is, most of the decisions were withheld for further consideration by Judge Fleming.

Williamsport Commercial College.

Our winter term has been very successful; good positions have been filled: Miss Helen Liddy with attorney; Miss Sylvia Lockspeder, insurance company; Miss Dorothy Witt, insurance company; Miss Susan Swabb, Williamsport Auto Parts company; Miss Louise Richardson, attorney; Miss Alice Elder, manufacturing company; Miss Walberga Lyons, Cadillac Automobile Company; Miss Lilla Zellers, State College; Miss Mary Lush, Dayton Shoe Company; Miss Ethel Bush, chemical company; Miss Gertrude Stahl, finance company; William Motter, finance company; Miss Alice Worm, carpet company; Rex McCloskey, reporter; Miss Elizabeth Chadwick, Power and Light Company.

Spring terms begins April 15. Enter any time convenient to yourself. School open all summer.—F. F. Healey, Prop.

A REAL FREAK OF NATURE.

(From Phillipsburg Journal.)
A most remarkable curiosity was exhibited at the Journal office Friday morning by T. L. Crust, our well-known townsman and chicken fancier. It was an egg laid by one of his Leghorn hens and taken from a nest Thursday evening when he gathered the day's poultry products. The egg is shaped exactly like a snake, curled with head upright, and a measurement taken by means of a string shows that it is one foot in length. The head is flat, body thickest in the middle and the tail tapering to a sharp point. It is surely a remarkable freak of nature and worthy the study of some distinguished scientist. Mr. Crust has placed it in a jar containing salt water for preservation.

OBITUARY.

An obituary notice on Prof. William H. Reish, furnished by Prof. G. T. Thompson, of the Mechanical Engineering Department of Pennsylvania State College, which reached us too late for publication last week, says in part:

After graduating from Penn State in 1919, Prof. Reish spent a year with the New York Central Railroad as a special apprentice, returning to the college as instructor in Mechanical Engineering. He was made Assistant Professor in 1926.

Prof. Reish possessed qualities of mind and heart that were unusual. He was a teacher of exceptional ability and with increased responsibility came greater accomplishments, always maintaining high ideals and high standards of scholarship. He possessed the rare gift of stimulating students to do their best. Possibly this was due, in part, to his personality, absolute dependability and capacity to organize. He was clear and direct in all that he undertook. Professor Reish was equally effective in class room and laboratory. He spent many summers with the Engineering Experiment Station developing the work in heat transmission, in which subject he became a competent investigator. During the past few years he has specialized in steam turbines and refrigeration. His death is a very real loss to the faculty and students of The Pennsylvania State College.

Isn't It True?

The speaker at the chapel services at Penn State College, on Sunday morning, commenting on the speed of the present age, brought a laugh to the student body as well as his radio listeners, when he said: "In the old days a traveler, when he missed the stage coach, was content to put up at the inn for two or three days until the next coach came along. Today, a person throws a fit if he misses the first section of a revolving door."

Christian Educational Conference.

In the Reformed church, on Friday, a Christian Educational Conference will be held, the first session being in the afternoon and the second in the evening. The principal speakers will be Mrs. Margaret String, director of Children's Work, and Prof. Paul M. Lambert, in charge of the department of religion in Franklin and Marshall College. The program in almost complete form appeared in the Reporter of last week.

"Hitch Hiker" Warning.

A general warning to motorists against giving hitch-hikers and pedestrians "lifts" has been voiced by the legal department of the American Motorists' Association.

"The primary argument against such practices" is pointed out by the Association, "is that the motorists in most states assumes a financial responsibility for the safety of the passenger."

NOTICE OF STORES' THURSDAY HALF-HOLIDAY.

Beginning the first Thursday in May, the undersigned stores in Centre Hall will observe their customary Thursday half-holiday. Stores will close at noon Thursdays, closed Thursday afternoon and evening; open Friday evenings. This rule will be in effect until October 1st.

C. F. Emery's Store, T. A. Hosterman (Clover Farm) Store; G. C. Johnson's Store, Shaffer Store.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Dear Editors: It is quite a while since we have written you and we thought you probably would like to hear from us again.

We passed a very pleasant winter including the "depression," which has been felt keenly in Southern California. However, business is a lot better than a month or two ago and we Californians feel sure everything in general will be back to normal in the course of six months; or at least we hope so.

The Valencia orange crop will be quite heavy this season. The packing begins about May 1st, which will give employment to many thousands.

The naval orange and lemon crops were also very good, which packing ended March 1st.

I wish you Eastern folks could see the large packing houses they have here—three at Whittier, three at Anaheim, three at Fullerton, two at Garden Grove and one at Buena Park.

All the southeastern part of California, extending to the mountains consists of orange and lemon groves. The orange tree when in blossom is simply beautiful and the fragrance is delightful. Can you imagine a whole grove of these blossoms?

I wish you could see the wonderful strawberries we have in our garden and have had for a month.

You Centre Hall folks remember W. W. Booth. He is located in Los Angeles about nine years. We were down to the city to see him last week. He has quite a nice business place and is getting along fine.

Must close. Hoping every one back in Pennsylvania is enjoying good health.

Sincerely,
THE FUNKS.

DISTRICT NO. 11 HOLDS S. S. CONVENTION AT FARMERS MILLS

A district Sunday school convention for the district comprising Centre-Hall borough, Potter and Gregg townships, was held in the Union church at Farmers Mills, Friday evening. The attendance was disappointing to the officers of the convention. All the ministers of the district—Revs. Kirkpatrick, Keener, Smith, Greenhoe and Pruyn—were present and took part in the program.

Rev. Kirkpatrick spoke on "The Teacher's Problems," Rev. Keener's topic was "Equipment," while Rev. Pruyn spoke on "The Young People's Problems." Each speaker presented helpful suggestions for the advancement of the Sunday school and for the building of character in the young people of the Sunday school. Rev. Keener, in his talk on "Equipment," took cognizance of the fact that the many desirable features necessary for the ideal Sunday school were not possible of attainment at once, but that a conscientious effort should be made by the officers and teachers to show some growth from year to year instead of being satisfied to continue under the present-day handicap.

A male quartette from Centre Hall rendered several selections and Rev. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick sang a beautiful duet.

T. M. Zubler is the retiring president of the district association. The newly elected officers are: President, J. P. Wetzel; vice-president, W. P. Rishel; secretary, Mrs. R. S. Hagan; treasurer, H. E. Hennigh.

The Jodon Horse Sale.

Twenty-two horses and a span of mules were sold Thursday at the Jodon sales barn, Pleasant Gap, by T. E. Jodon. The animals sold readily. Following are the names of the purchasers, number purchased and price: Reuben Lucas, Phillipsburg, 2, \$540.00; A. Levinsky, Altoona, 5, 582.50; J. A. Spicer, State College, 2, 350.00; Clinton Thompson, Salona, mules 345.00; Roy Gummo, State College, 2, 500.00; L. R. Bickle, Bellefonte, 1, 150.00; Sam Shank, Bellefonte, 1, 120.00; Jim Andrews, Julian, 2, 310.00; Sheriff Taylor, Bellefonte, 2, 300.00; Ben Aikie, Bellefonte, 2, 270.00; Wm. Lowry, Nittany, 1, 112.50; L. J. Butterbaugh, Tyrone, 1, 160.00.

Boy Scouts to Give Entertainment, Friday Evening.

Two one-act plays will be given in Grange hall by the Boy Scouts of Troop 2, on Friday evening, April 17, at 8 o'clock. The first one "Saved by Sallee," is a side-splitting comedy built around the trials of a "movie" director. This play, which represents the actual filming of a motion picture, will be presented with the following cast:

Cohen, the director—Paul Faust.
Swank, the cameraman—Bob Wetzel.
Miss Montrose, the leading lady—Woodrow Bradford.
Judson, her father—Geo. Heckman.
Mr. Van Quirk, the villain—William Confer.

David Bronson, the leading man—Chris. Morrow.
Sallee, the heroine—Donald Goodhart.

The second play is a one-act farce introducing ludicrous situations in Dr. Lyson's electrical treatment room. The characters are as follows:

Dr. Hecan Lyson, he puts it on or takes it off—Vinton McClellan.
Tim Ryan, his new assistant—Fred Spiker.

Slimbean, in search of additional avoirdupois—Warren Homan.
Jake Schnitzel, Mit a case of vot- it—Ralph Packer.

Morris Morvone, who is after information—Jay Runkle.

Wideout, who has some avoirdupois to spare—Kenneth Frank.

A more serious feature of the entertainment will be the illustrated lecture on Scouting. This consists of fifty colored slides, showing the various scout activities. The accompanying talk will be delivered by Assistant Scoutmaster Ernest A. Frank. In addition there will be a comical shadow pantomime, "In Days of Old," a march, and Boy Scout songs. The music is under the direction of Mrs. Kirkpatrick. The admission is 15c and 25c, and the proceeds will go towards the summer camping trip.

Altoona Bank Closes Door After Run.

The Second National Bank in Altoona failed to open its doors on Friday. Directors turned assets and accounts over to the Comptroller of the Currency. The bank is the third to close in Altoona in two months.

A notice on the door said: "Due to loss of public confidence this bank has had heavy withdrawals and it is believed the best interests of the creditors and stockholders can be served by suspending business."

George A. Kleisus was named acting president of the institution two weeks ago, succeeding V. A. Oswald. Representative J. Banks Kurtz is a director. The last financial statement, issued March 25, listed resources at \$3,852,936. The bank reported demands deposits of \$934,618 and time deposits of \$1,290,999. United States deposits were \$8901.

Harpster-Confer.

Elmer Carl Harpster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harpster, of Pine Grove Mills and Miss Mattie Ellen Confer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Confer, of Salona, were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Salona Lutheran church by the Rev. W. O. Bach. They will reside at Pine Grove Mills where the bridegroom is employed.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Miss Bertha Sharer, clerk for some time in the Shaffer store here, on Monday went to Altoona.

Miss Bettie Ebright, a local High school student is taking treatments for sinus trouble at Dr. J. V. Foster's office at State College.

Miss Charlotte Keller has been re-elected one of the teachers in the Reedsville High school. She has already taught two terms there.

F. D. Smith, a workman on the State highways, who became ill while doing duty, is able to be about but has not recovered sufficiently to fill his place on the road.

Rev. J. S. Butt, pastor of the West Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church at Belleville, on Easter morning, surprised his congregation by reading his resignation to take effect the last of September.

John Reish, the Rawleigh man in Rebersburg, recently purchased the Clara Meyer home in Rebersburg offered at public sale, for \$2450. Mr. Reish had previously sold his home in that town to W. J. Walker, for \$1950.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hosterman, with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Feiler as auto guests, on Sunday drove to the Evangelical home near Lewisburg, where they spent a short time with Miss Annie Sprenger, a home guest, formerly of this place.

Miss Dorothy Emerick is filling a position in an insurance office in Williamsport. She is a graduate of the local High school and also of the Potts Shortland College, Williamsport. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Emerick, of town.

R. L. Cupples, poor director in Mifflin county, also an implement salesman, was in the valley on business as an official last week, and appeared to be in the pink of condition. He stated his son, Charles L. Cupples, former merchant here, was a Chevrolet salesman.

Blain Cratzer flew from Jacksonville to Lewisport, in twelve hours flying. His first stop was made at Charleston, South Carolina, for gas. He had been in Florida during the winter months and expects to return next fall. His plane is a Challenger, powered with an X66 motor.

The April meeting of the Mifflin County Dental Society, held at Lewisport, was attended by Dr. H. R. White, of Centre Hall, Dr. J. J. Kilpatrick and Dr. R. L. Stevens, of Bellefonte. The main feature of the gathering was a clinic conducted by Dr. H. D. MacDonald, of Chicago.

J. O. Heverly, has opened a real estate and loan office in the basement room under the Haines shoe store in the Heverly block, Bellefonte, where he will be located for the present. In addition to buying and selling real estate he will loan money on chattel mortgage in sums ranging from ten to three hundred dollars.

Mrs. W. C. Snyder, of Shintown, Clinton county, recently received a check from a man to whom, although comparatively a stranger, she had lent a sum of money to enable him to get to a place where he could secure work and medical attention. The check covered the amount of the loan and considerably more.

J. W. Raymond, of near Centre Hall, was a caller at this office on Friday. Mr. Raymond, who has been an active farmer all his life, is disturbed because a rheumatic ailment makes his right arm practically helpless. Mr. Raymond is in his 76th year, and aside from the trouble noted above, is feeling fine and looks ten years younger than his actual age.

Miss Caroline Bilger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bilger, on Nittany mountain, will finish a course in Potts Shortland College, Williamsport, in the near future, and as soon as she graduates will accept a position in the Lock Haven silk mill. Miss Bilger acquired some of her foundation schooling in the Centre Hall High school, from where she entered the Williamsport institution.

E. S. Ripka, salesman for the Staley Food Products Corporation, Baltimore, was a Reporter caller on Saturday. Mr. Ripka is a salesman of long experience, and while he finds it takes greater effort than ever before to show satisfactory sales results, he declares business unmistakably to be on the up-grade, and that something resembling normal conditions will develop in another year.

Large number of ornamental and forest trees are being shipped to various State institutions from the State nursery in Seven Mountains, cared for by W. F. McKinney, forest ranger. The trees are all packed in wooden boxes a bit larger than egg crates, and are shipped by express. They will be used most exclusively to ornament the grounds of the institutions to which they are being shipped.

Wheat fields through Nittany Valley are promising in appearance. Most of them are all any one could wish for. The plants are a dark shade of green, the leaves broad and hardy. From Lock Haven to Williamsport the prospects for a heavy crop are even better than through our neighboring valley. There are many fields that are faultless in appearance and none of them that would not score eighty or more per cent. perfection.