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Pinchot Organization Defeated In Centre County, at Primaries

SCOTT AND ROSSMAN COME THROUGH WITH MAJORITIES OVER BETZ AND WHITE—KURTZ WINS NOMINATION IN DISTRICT FOR CONGRESS.

At the time this issue of the Reporter went to press definite figures on majorities of candidates who gained nominations or elections, as the case may have been, were not obtainable, but the results noted below as to the successful nominees or elections are correct and the majorities approximately so.

On the Democratic side, Roosevelt was the choice of the voters for president, which indicates that the delegates to the National convention pledged to vote for him were elected.

Dr. F. K. White was re-elected member of the State committee without opposition.

John J. Bower was also re-elected chairman for Centre county.

In the Republican party the Pinchot wing was completely routed by the regular organization who elected their candidates for State committeeman and county chairman.

Hon. H. B. Scott will again represent the Republicans in Centre county on the State committee, having defeated Mervin S. Betz, the Pinchot candidate, by a majority of 700.

Harry A. Rossman was named county chairman, having a majority of 500 over Bond C. White, a Pinchot candidate for that honor.

J. Banks Kurtz, of Blair county, is apparently the nominee for congress in this (the 23rd) District. His majority in the district is claimed to be about 2000.

LOCAL MEETING ON "NATIONAL BETTER HOME WEEK"

The week of April 24 has been designated by the Federation of Better Homes and Garden Clubs of America as National Better Home and Garden Week.

Better homes in America have contributed to our national well-being and happiness by stimulating improvements of our homes, construction of new homes, sound standards of design, and beautification by landscaping and gardening. Every home owner or tenant realizes the value of a beautiful home—a home, the grounds of which have been properly planted with trees, shrubs and flowers. Would it not be the proper time to organize a Better Home and Garden Club for Centre Hall and community?

A meeting will be held in the High school building Monday evening, May 2, at 7:45, at which time an attempt will be made to organize a Better Home and Garden Club. If you are interested in your home and grounds you will like the programs a club of this kind can produce. Attend the meeting if you do or do not care to be a member of the garden club. A member of the State College Garden Club will be present to give helpful suggestions and tell of their club's activities. There will also be a member of the Floriculture staff of Penn State College present.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

David Bruce Bellefonte
Julia Elizabeth Hines Bellefonte
Earl F. Shuey Bellefonte
Mabel Tierney Bellefonte
F. P. Eckley Bellefonte
Alverta L. Fetters Bellefonte

THE VOTE IN CENTRE HALL.

REPUBLICAN.

President of the United States—
Hoover, 8; France, 40; McFadden, 1.
U. S. Senator—
Davis, 27; Butler, 50; Adams, 2.
Auditor General—
Thompson, 11; Clemens, 5; Baldwin, 20; Flinn, 41.
Supreme Court—
Linn, 66.
Superior Court—
Parker, 54; Stadfeld, 45; James, 40; Rutherford, 29; McDade, 16; Gawthrop, 22.
Representative in Congress—
Chase, 22; Lederer, 3; Rockel, 2; Kurtz, 52.
General Assembly—
Holmes, 70.
State Committee—
Betz, 47; Scott, 30.
County Chairman—
Rossman, 25; White, 53.

DEMOCRATIC

President of the United States—
Smith, 2; Roosevelt, 76.
U. S. Senator—
Cassidy, 13; Rupp, 61.
Treasurer—
Shannon, 71.
Auditor General—
Sargis, 69.
Supreme Court—
Highbee, 71.
Superior Court—
Henderson, 73; Douglas, 55; McWhorter, 60.
Delegates-at-Large—
Delegates promising to support the choice of party, had from 70 down to 19 votes. Delegates who did not promise to support choice of party had from 27 down to 6 votes.
District Delegates to Nat'l Convention—
Henderson, 63; Clark, 9; Thompson, 70.
Representative in Congress—
Kerr, 48.
General Assembly—
Miller, 55.
State Committee—
Frank K. White, 62.
County Chairman—
Freeman, 12; Bower, 63.

BANK ROBBER GETS FROM 7 TO 14 YEARS

Floyd Hoover, 21 of Newberry, involved in the robbery of the Allenwood bank, February 8, was found guilty on the second count, before the Union county court.

The court sentenced him to pay \$1,000.00 and cost of prosecution and undergo imprisonment in the Eastern Penitentiary from 7 to 14 years in separate and solitary confinement.

CONGRESSMAN BEERS DIES IN WASHINGTON HOSPITAL

Representative Edward M. Beers died in Washington, D. C., on Thursday, following an illness with influenza. He was a candidate for re-election and his name together with that of Benjamin K. Focht was on the ballot. Beers was dry and Focht wet. The drys voted for a candidate by using "stickers" to represent their views.

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DIAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR STATE COLLEGE

Central Office Building, to Be Completed Early in 1933, for that Town.— Dial System Will Displace Local Operators.

The Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania has sent to this office for publication the following important announcement:

Plans are being prepared for a Telephone Central office building to be erected at 224 South Allen Street, State College, by the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania. The building, which is being designed by John T. Windrim, a prominent Philadelphia architect, will have a frontage of approximately thirty-five feet and a depth of sixty feet, and will be one-story high. Tentative plans call for the Georgian style of architecture.

It is scheduled for completion early in 1933 so that it will be possible to install the central office equipment for service the following summer.

It is proposed to discontinue the present central office and replace it with a complete new dial unit so that all local calls may be completed by direct dialing. Operators will, of course, continue to be needed to handle toll calls, information and other special classes of service.

The new building will be of an attractive design, in keeping with the surroundings, and will be capable of expansion to care for the future growth of telephone service in the community. Engineering studies have indicated that the dial type of service will be best adapted to the needs of State College and with the new office there will be adequate provisions for handling the inquiries in its telephone requirements in the most effective and satisfactory manner, according to telephone engineering.

THE FARM PROGRAM.

Although we are enjoying what is known as an early spring, oats and barley sowing and potato planting were done to a very small extent prior to last week. Since the middle of last week and during the present week sowing and planting is general on farms in the valley.

Grass and clover fields are not attracting attention, owing to the fact that the plants are somewhat delayed in making the desired growth. The condition is attributed to lack of warm rains by some, while others believe it to be due to close pasturing last fall which has a tendency to interfere with a strong root system.

The seed beds being prepared now show considerable care by most farmers yet one finds some fields indicating slovenliness.

With rare exceptions wheat fields present a most promising appearance.

BAND CONCERT AND MAY DAY FETE

Two of the special features planned to entertain parents of students at the Pennsylvania State College during the week end of Mothers' Day, May 7, are the May Day fete and one open air band concert. The women students will hold their May fete on the lawn late Saturday afternoon, May 7, while the Penn State Symphonic Band will play on Sunday afternoon.

MISS ELEANOR ZETTLE

H. S. VALEDICTORIAN

It will be gratifying to many of her former school mates in Potter township to learn that Miss Eleanor Zettle, daughter of Mrs. D. N. Dorman, of Yeagertown, is the high honor pupil in the Derry Township High school, at Yeagertown, and consequently will be valedictorian at the commencement exercises on June 2nd. Her rating is a full point above all others in her class.

KIWANIANS OF THREE TOWNS TO STAGE REVUE

The Kiwanis clubs of Phillipsburg, Tyrone and Bellefonte are again united in the annual Kiwanis Revue, which is to be a three-act production, one by each of the clubs. The first show was given at Tyrone, Monday evening; the second at Phillipsburg, and the third will be given this (Thursday) evening in State theatre, Bellefonte. Reports from the two shows already given are such as to guarantee a pleasant evening with the amateurs. The proceeds of the revues will be devoted to charity—for the benefit of crippled and underprivileged children.

POLICE TO INVESTIGATE ALL SUSPICIOUS FIRES

Officials of the Bureau of Fire Protection, Pennsylvania State Police announced a few days ago a vigorous campaign is under way by trained investigators of the department, to ferret out those who are responsible for incendiary fires. During the present year 45 persons have been arrested for arson, and there are now under investigation scores of other cases in which evidence indicates many additional arrests will follow.

Insurance company and fire department officials are co-operating with the bureau in promptly notifying of any unusual or suspicious fire circumstances.

Advertising is the food upon which your most feed business, if you don't want that business to "oop and die."

CENTRE HALL HIGH WINS TWO MORE GAMES

In a comedy of errors, Centre Hall High school baseball team soundly trounced the Boalsburg High school team, at Centre Hall, last Friday afternoon, to the tune of 20 to 7. Sam Ross' boys from Boalsburg were way below par in their fielding, and while it ill behooves the locals to say anything about their opponents on this score, they did outplay their rivals on the offense, hitting the ball with timelessness (once they got started, which they didn't do until the fourth inning). Lynn Breen was the Babe Ruth for the home team, clearing the sacks on two occasions with 3-baggers. Rickert turned the trick once. Boalsburg used three pitchers in an attempt to stem the tide—but to no avail.

Mifflinburg was defeated on the local diamond Monday evening in a very close and exciting game by the score of 9-8. Loose playing on the field by the locals accounted for most of Mifflinburg's runs. George Lohr was pitching and had Mifflinburg's bats silenced with his fireball. He held them to four scattered hits and had seventeen strikeouts during the seven innings. The score was tied at 8-8 when the locals came to bat in the last half of the seventh. Lynn Breen took things in his own hands to win the game by poling out one of his Ruthian hits that was good for a home run. Johnny Spzyker also came through in the fifth with a nice clean triple, while Walker and Lohr each contributed two nice hits.

This Friday the boys will journey to Snow Shoe to attempt to win their third league tilt of the season. At present they are tied for the first place in the league standing.

DRIVERS LICENSES GRANTED TO APPLICANTS

The following were successful in the test given to those applying for drivers' licenses, given in Bellefonte last week: Hugh Curtin, of Curtin; Myrtle Bingham, Charles W. Harris, Laurence Frederick, Frank A. Karnetz, Dorothy Harris, Margaret Mith, M. J. Harrington, Althea Butt, Elizabeth Wilson, Jay Doveny, all of State College; Warren Weaver, Port Matilda; J. J. Wagstaff, Bellefonte, R. D.; Robert Morris, Bellefonte; Grace Whitehead, Daniel Mothersbaugh, Boalsburg; Charlotte Walker, Mrs. Blanche Rice, Elmer Blanchard, all of Bellefonte; Toner Packer, Bellefonte, R. D.; Sara Runkle, Centre Hall; four failed to pass the examination.

Female Teachers to Lose School If They Marry.

A resolution adopted by the Centre Hall school board at a recent meeting automatically terminates the contract of any female teacher who marries during her term of school teaching.

PAY TAXES THIS WEEK.

After Saturday, unpaid taxes on real estate will be collected by the county commissioners, which means that the taxpayer will be obliged to pay an additional fee. The duplicate on real estate, after this week, will be out of the hands of the tax collectors. Do not delay.

REFORMED CHURCH BODIES MAY UNITE FORCES

A proposal for the union of the Reformed Church in the United States and the Evangelical Synod of North America will be discussed at the meetings of the judicatories of these denominations to be held this spring.

The Reformed Church has a membership of 347,698, mostly in the eastern section of the country. The Evangelical Synod has 325,000 members, chiefly in the west and mid-west.

Four years ago a movement was started for a merger of these two bodies, but after several years of discussion the project was laid aside, although hope for eventual union was kept alive. A joint committee representing the two bodies, the Commission on Closer Union composed of leaders of both denominations, has been working to draw up the proposal which will be presented at the forthcoming meetings.

The Reformed Church in the United States, which until 1869 was known as the German Reformed Church, traces its origin chiefly to the German, Swiss and French people who settled in America early in the 18th century. Michael Schlatter, a missionary evangelist, arrived here in 1746, having been commissioned by the Classis of Amsterdam, and a year later a coetus was organized. The first meeting of the synod was held in Lancaster in 1793 and the delegates reported 178 congregations and 15,900 communicants.

The Evangelical Synod of North America was formed by six clergymen representing a union of the Lutheran and Reformed Churches, who met and organized a synod at Gravois Settlement, Missouri, in 1840. Four of these were missionaries, two having been sent from the Missionary Society of Basel and two from the Rhenish Missionary Society. The others were independent workers from Bremen and Strassburg. During subsequent years similar organizations were effected, including the United Evangelical Synod of North America, the German Evangelical Society of Ohio, and the United Evangelical Society of the East. In 1887 these bodies united to form the present organization, known first as the German Evangelical Synod of North America but after some years the term "German" was dropped to form the present name.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS TWO-ACT COMIC OPERETTA

The operetta, "Sunbonnet Girl," was very creditably presented by the students of Centre Hall High school, in Grange Arcadia, Saturday night.

Much credit for the success of the operetta is due Mrs. Malcolm H. Smith, music teacher at the local High school.

The performances of Sarah Odenkirk '34 and Reuben Rickert '34 in the leading roles were excellent. Marvin Ishler '34, as the henpecked husband, and Lynn Breen '32, as the "constable," and Robert Bradford '34, as the local Romeo, furnished the humor, while the entire cast was wholly adequate and well trained.

The attendance was entirely in keeping with the quality of the performance. The proceeds will go to the school athletic association.

The cast of characters was as follows:

- Mrs. Meadows, president of the local music club Adaline Dinges
- Miranda, Hiram and Mrs. Meadows' daughter Cherry Jodon
- Luella Lupton, a village maiden, Laura Breen
- Hiram Meadows, a farmer Chester Wagner
- Abijah Scroggs, Sunbonnet Girl's Guardian Marvin Ishler
- Mrs. Scroggs, Abijah's better half Mabel Burkholder
- Evaline, Abijah and Mrs. Scroggs' daughter Isabel Bradford
- Sadie Simpkins, another village maiden Gladys Smith
- Ezra McSpavin, the village "constable" Lynn Breen
- Reuben McSpavin, his son Robert Bradford
- Mrs. Coleman, a wealthy patron of music Ruth Reber
- Bob Coleman, her son Reuben Rickert
- Barbara Coleman, her daughter Ruth Hartley
- Jerry Jackson, Bob's chum Bill Spzyker
- Susan Clifton, the Sunbonnet Girl Sarah Odenkirk
- Chorus of Village Boys and Girls—Isabel Jodon '32, Betty Ehrhart '32, Freda Burkholder '35, Hazel Smith '33, Miriam Mitterling '35, Anna Wart '32, Ben Getzler '32, Dean Ripka '32, Ralph Packer '35, Paul Foust '34, Fred Spzyker '35, Vinton McClellan '35, Calico Girl, Margaret Reese '34.

POTTERS MILLS-BOALSBURG ROAD TO BE BUILT

Secretary of Highways Lewis has definitely stated that the road from Potters Mills to State College would this year be built only as far as Boalsburg. The road contemplated is what is known as a Federal-aid road, a road built from funds contributed by the National and State governments.

GREENS VALLEY ROAD BEING IMPROVED

The Greens Valley road from the junction of Route 53 to the State house is being improved. The first half mile to the Horner homestead is township road, and is being improved by the Spring township supervisors. The remainder of the road eastward is through State forest lands and, of course, is being improved under the supervision of the State Forests and Waters Department, represented locally by Richard Brooks, forest ranger.

Fully one hundred tons of stone secured at White Rock quarries, Pleasant Gap, have already been used in the improvement of the section of the road supervised by Mr. Brooks.

LOCAL RAILROAD MAN HAS SERVED COMPANY 43 YEARS

Levi Hartley, of Centre Hall, celebrated his 65th birthday a few days ago. Mr. Hartley has seen forty-three years of service on the Penna. railroad. During this time it was not necessary to pay him any sick benefits. He has now reached the retirement age and will no doubt be retired in the near future.

He began his services June 3, 1889, at Glen Iron, and had two foremen, Wm. Cooney and Cal. Geman, over him. After twenty-six years he was transferred to Spring Mills and promoted to the job of foreman. In two years he was sent to Centre Hall where he has held the position as foreman for the past sixteen years.

Reformed Church Field Foundation Plan.

In the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, May 4th, a district conference on Christian Education will be held in Trinity Reformed church, Centre Hall, under the direction of the Committee of Christian Education of West Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed Church in the United States. In working out the application of the denominational Board of Christian Education's intensive field promotion plan. The district concerned is known as number 5 in the Classis, comprising the following Reformed churches: Lewistown, State College, Boalsburg and Centre Hall. Dr. C. A. Hauser, Rev. F. D. Wentzel, and Mrs. Margaret String, of the staff of the denominational Board of Christian Education, will be present, as well as E. H. Bonnell of the State S. S. Association and Prof. J. H. Eisenhauer, of Bucknell University. All the church school workers and other interested persons in the district are urged to attend both sessions. During the course of the week of May 1st four other similar conferences will be held in various parts of the Classis.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Dodd's horse sale, at Centre Hall, today (Thursday).

The State College borough council will resist, at least for the present, admitting Lytle's Addition to the incorporation.

Here's a date to keep in mind—the annual Farmer-Kiwanis picnic will be held Thursday, June 23, in the Grange park, Centre Hall.

Mrs. Cloyd Fiedler, of near Millheim, was taken to the Geisinger hospital for observation. She has been ill for a considerable length of time.

Be careful of outdoor fires. You may not only destroy your own property but that of others. Outdoor fires are also a menace to children. Again, be careful.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kerlin, of New Columbia, where the former is a store keeper for U. S. war supplies, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hosterman the latter part of last week.

Arthur E. Kline, a Johnstown garage man, and brother of Mrs. Margaret Godshall, of town, suffered loss of automobile accessories, gasoline and oil by thieves breaking into his place of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Smith and two children, of Wilkesburg, motored to Centre Hall the latter part of last week in their new automobile, and spent a few days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Smith.

A limited number of English walnut trees, two and three years old, grown from nuts from a tree in town, are offered gratis to first to appear. These young trees have not been grafted, but many grow a nut worth cultivating.

After conducting a profitable baking business in Patton for many years, Curtis M. Cronemiller and wife, have decided to return to Centre county and will make their home in State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goss, of Reading, on their way home from a visit to Mrs. J. H. Ross, at Linden Hall, a sister of Mrs. Goss, stopped with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Durst for a short time. Mr. Goss is engaged in the insurance business.

A number of property owners in town are planting shade and ornamental trees. Ornamental trees and shrubs are being offered buyers at a much lower price than heretofore, making this an opportune time to beautify homes at a lower cost.

Loy D. Shoemaker, Pine Grove Mills, was one of several first prize winners at the recent Little International Live stock Exposition sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club Pennsylvania State College. The young man exhibited in the beef cattle class.

For being able to make practical a method whereby the production per acre of potatoes has been so remarkably increased, Dr. E. L. Nixon professor of pathology at Penn State, was given the award of the society by the Philadelphia, for Promoting Agriculture.

If you don't believe prices on good quality furniture have dropped as far as those on the stock exchange, take a squint at Goodhart's advertisement in this issue. Second hand, hard-worn furniture at public sales this spring sold for more money than Goodhart asks for new.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lambert, after spending the winter at their Lake-worth (Florida) winter home, opened their residence in Centre Hall last week. Mr. Lambert brought to this office a cluster of coconuts taken from one of many trees on his Florida property.

The Rossman farm, west of Millheim, located along the State highway, was purchased at sheriff's sale by Frank Dinges for \$4270. The purchase includes two tracts of mountain land. Mr. Dinges, a resident of Williamsport, expects to occupy the place. He was formerly a R. R. R. employe.

Ferguson township farmers are having unusual experiences with thieves,—thieves who steal the unusual. A tractor plow would appear safe in a field, but not so, for County Detective Boden was hunting the massive plow, stolen from J. S. Miller. A pair of shoats also disappeared from the premises of John G. Miller, in that township, and are believed to have been stolen.

Miss Nellie Smith, superintendent of the High Valley Hospital, Steubenville, Ohio, and Miss Spear, superintendent of the Wilkesburg hospital, drove to Centre county on Saturday and were guests of Miss Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Smith, in Bellefonte, and of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hosterman, in Centre Hall. Mrs. Smith was also at the Hosterman home at the same time.

W. L. Jacobs and sister, Miss Margaret Jacobs, spent the week-end in Steubenville, Ohio with their brother, Guy W. Jacobs, and family. They stopped off at Ingram to pay a visit to Mrs. Helen Fox, nee Miss Helen Sandoe, formerly of Centre Hall; also, at Jennerstown, to see Mrs. (Rev.) Shannon nee Miss Susan Reack, also formerly of this place, and a daughter of Rev. J. M. Reack, who thirty years ago served the local Lutheran pastorate.

County Hospital Bond Issue Offers Safety for Small Investor

Centre county investors now have an opportunity to participate in a local institution by investing in Centre County Hospital seventy thousand dollar twenty-year sinking fund 6% mortgage gold bonds, in denominations of \$100, \$250, and \$500; dated April 1, 1932, due April 1, 1952, free of State tax; interest payable October 1st and April 1st of each year; principal and interest payable at the First National Bank, State College, Trustee.

Bonds are for sale or can be ordered through the following banks: First National Bank, Trust Company, and Farmers National Bank, Bellefonte; First National Bank and Peoples' National Bank, State College; First National Bank, State College; First National Bank, Spring Mills; Farmers' National Bank, Millheim; Rebersburg National Bank; First National Bank, Howard; Community Bank, Port Matilda.

The bonds are first lien against property owned by the hospital, valued at one hundred fifty thousand dollars, and with the addition of a Nurses' Home it will increase the value to one hundred ninety thousand dollars.

The purpose of the issue of bonds: The \$70,000.00 bonds are to liquidate

a \$30,000.00 mortgage against the hospital and to build a Nurses' Home at an approximate cost of \$40,000.

As an investment: The issuing of the bonds has been approved by the Hon. M. Ward Fleming, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and has the endorsement with the promise of whole hearted support of virtually all the bankers of the county.

What will be gained by building at this time:

1. It will give those who have large or small amounts to invest an opportunity to invest in what is considered a safe investment.
2. By building this summer great saving can be made in the cost of construction.
3. In this time of depression, when so many men are out of work, it will give a large number of men employment and help make times better.
4. What will you be doing by buying these bonds?
You will be making a good investment.
You will be helping the unemployed by giving them employment.
You will be helping to build up your institution so that better care can be taken of the sick, without any cost to yourself.