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## Farm Prices Read Like "1832 List"

Farm prices in some States are so low "as to read like a price list for 1832 instead of 1932," the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, at Washington, states.

Farm prices of eggs ranges from an average of 7 cents per dozen in Texas to 22.8 cents in Massachusetts, with a nation-wide average of 10.2 cents, while butter ranges from 17 cents in Tennessee to 28 cents in Maine, with an average of 21.9 cents. Chickens can be bought for 9 cents a pound in North Dakota.

## CUT IN P. O. FUNDS WOULD MEAN DISMISSAL OF 2,909 POSTAL EMPLOYEES IN STATE

The realization of the recent decision of the senate to cut 10 per cent from the appropriation for the Postoffice Department for the next fiscal year would mean the dismissal of 2,909 employees in Pennsylvania in addition to a measurable curtailment of service, according to the Postoffice Department.

It was pointed out that the decrease in funds would bring about or force the dismissal of 121 assistant postmasters in the State, 728 clerks, 354 city carriers, 106 village carriers, 170 railway postal clerks, 2 vehicle employees, and 388 rural carriers in Pennsylvania.

In addition there would be 338 rural routes consolidated, and 437 rural routes in the State reduced to tri-weekly service.

The Department points out that each consolidation of two rural routes means that one carrier must be dismissed and in a larger number of instances rural service would necessarily be curtailed from daily to three-times-a-week.

In the large cities the department advises that carrier service in the business sections would be reduced from four to two deliveries daily; in the residential district a 10 per cent cut in appropriation would reduce deliveries from two to one each day. In many small villages carrier delivery would be forced to the old custom of getting their mail at the post office.

## HOSPITAL REPORT FOR APRIL

At the monthly meeting of the board of trustees of the Centre County Hospital, Tuesday, the following report was submitted and approved:

Number patients in hospital Apr. 1	36
Number admitted during month	84
Number births during month	18
Total	138
Number private and semi-private patients, 69; no. patient days	724
Number ward patients, 69; number patient days	690
Total patient days	1414
Number patients discharged during month	80
Number deaths during month	2
Number remaining under treatment May 1st	58
Greatest number patients and day in hospital	63
Least number patients any day in hospital	30
Total number patient days	1414
Av. number patients per day	47
Av. number days per patient	19
Cash Receipts—	
Woman's Club, State College, upkeep of room	\$ 50.00
Receipts from patients	2558.88
Total receipts	\$2608.88
Respectfully submitted,	
WM. H. BROWN, Manager.	

## "GANG" GOOD ENOUGH FOR PINCHOT IN 1922-23

The Clearfield Republican in its last edition editorially said:

Talk about political routes. The one suffered by the Pinchots in Pennsylvania last week was about the most complete ever. There was only one sad feature connected with the fiasco—painless debarring of the goat, General Smedley Darlington Butler. General Butler was hoodwinked and fell for the Pinchot game on all fours. He ran true to form and every time he opened his mouth emphatically demonstrated that he was about the last man the great State of Pennsylvania should offer for a seat in the United States Senate. He did earn some votes in counties here and there and where the voters have been inflamed against the alleged "Philadelphia Gang," never stopping to remember that Gifford Pinchot sought and accepted everything the aforesaid "Philadelphia Gang" could produce when he was up against adverse public sentiment in the campaign of 1922 and during the session of the Legislature of 1923.

## SENATOR DAIX DEAD.

Political circles on Thursday mourned the death of Senator Augustus F. Daix, Jr., former president pro tem of the Pennsylvania State Senate and last surviving member of the Penrose-McNichol faction.

It was Daix that Governor Pinchot asked senators to defeat for president pro tem of the senate, although to do so would have been dishonour to themselves. Of course, the majority of the senators refused the governor's demand.

## LUTHERAN MISS. CONFERENCE MEETS ON NITTANY CHARGE

Fully 100 delegates and guests attended the 27th annual meeting of the Northern Conference of the Susquehanna Synod of the United Lutheran Church which was held in three sessions in the St. Paul's church on the Nittany charge. In the absence of the president of the conference, because of illness, Mrs. Paul Keller, of Nittany, presided at all the sessions. Mrs. Curvin H. Stein, of Lock Haven, conducted devotions at the morning session, taking for her theme, "Opportunities for Personal Consecration." Mrs. J. R. Miller, of Millheim, conducted the devotions at the afternoon session, taking for her theme "Opportunities With Our Children," and Rev. Paul Keller, pastor of the conference church, conducted the devotions at the evening session, taking the theme "Opportunities With Others" for his subject.

Every one of the 15 parishes in the conference, which includes the counties of Clinton, Centre and Union, was represented. The annual election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. Paul Keller, Nittany, president; Mrs. M. W. Lisse, State College vice president; Mrs. J. N. Hubler, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Donahue, Lock Haven, recording secretary; Mrs. Olive Hoover, Millersburg, statistical secretary.

The speakers included Mrs. J. D. Curran, Lutheran mission worker on furlough from Liberia, Africa, who expects to carry on educational work among women, boys and girls at Zogor, 250 miles in the interior of Africa, on her return to that country in June. Mrs. Curran talked of woman's position in Africa, especially in Liberia where her work has been, and explained the work of the Lutheran mission there.

Mrs. C. J. Lippard, general secretary of the Light Brigade work of the General Missionary society of the United Lutheran church, addressed both the afternoon and evening sessions, talking on Lutheran Mission work in Japan.

The conference next May will be held in the St. John's Lutheran church on New Buffalo Parish, near West Milton. During the day Mrs. Lisse explained the plan of the Woman's Missionary societies of the United Lutheran church to raise \$50,000 to endow a chair at Grace College, to be known as the Katherine Scherer Cronk chair. The college is a synodical project of the church and will be located at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. C. A. Kniss, of Millersburg, explained the Minary memorial, which the missionary societies of the Susquehanna synod are planning in memory of Mrs. T. S. Minary, of Lock Haven, who was an active worker in missionary work. The memorial fund is to support several students at college. The amount contributed so far is \$109.90.

Dr. C. H. Stein, pastor of the St. John's Lutheran church, Lock Haven, synodical chairman of Boys' Work committee of the Susquehanna synod, talked on the boys' camp which is conducted annually at Susquehanna university, Selinsgrove, and which will be held this summer from June 9 to 17.

Delegates from the Centre Hall society were the following: Mrs. John Rudy, Mrs. Mary Stahl, Mrs. H. L. Ehrlich, Mrs. Kryder Frank, Mrs. Allie Bitner, Mrs. S. W. Smith, of the Woman's society; Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Mrs. Paul Fetterolf, Mrs. Harold Durst, Mrs. Ernest Frank, Miss Betty Ehrlich, Miss Laura Breon, Mrs. Warren Roman, of the Young People's society. The members of the Woman's Society were conveyed to the convention by John Rudy.

## CLAYTON MCKINNEY NAMED ASSISTANT FORESTER AT \$1500

Dismissal of thirty-four State employees and appointment of thirty-three new employees was revealed at the State Capitol on Monday.

This is the first shift in the State personnel made public since the recent primary election.

Among the appointments in the Department of Forests and Waters is that of Clayton A. McKinney, made an assistant forester. The young man is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McKinney, at the State House, Seven Mountains. The elder McKinney is a forest ranger.

The appointee is a graduate of Mont Alto and Penn State Schools of Forestry. He has already entered on the duties of his appointment in the Forbes forestry district, near Ligonier, Westmoreland county.

The Centre County hospital gave free service of \$645 hospital days to patients during the past year, at a cost of \$32,103.03 to the hospital. To cover this expense there was consumed more than the total returns from the membership drive (\$7,847.60) and the allotment for that purpose (\$14,875.00) from the appropriation by the State and county.

Dr. John W. McCracken, of Washington, D. C., director of the American Council on Education, will be the commencement speaker at the Pennsylvania State College, June 6th.

## Cemetery Notice.

The trustees of the Evangelical Association at Tusseyville have set Saturday, May 21st, as the day for cleaning the cemetery, and would appreciate the assistance of those having friends and relatives buried there.

## CHILD FALLS FROM BRIDGE INTO LAUREL RUN

While a group of a half dozen small children were sitting on the bridge over Laurel Run, opposite Sunset club house, Seven Mountains, one of them, Eleanor, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Potter, of Centre Hall, fell three feet into two feet of water. After the splash the child was sitting upright in the stream, in water up to its neck. The children on the bridge began to scream and in this way attracted occupants of the club house, among whom was the mother. The rescue, however, was made by one of two college students flying by, who sensed the meaning of the screams. The child sitting still, refused to be coaxed to the shore, and was picked up by the student and given into the arms of the frightened mother.

It was Eleanor's birthday—she had attained her third year—and had just completed entertaining the house party before going to the bridge. As a reward for their alertness and unhesitating plunge into the mountain stream, the youths were taken to the club house and given a chicken dinner, and praise as well.

## LUTHERAN SYNOD MET AT LEWISTOWN, TUESDAY

The Susquehanna Synod of the United Lutheran Church met in St. John's church at Lewistown on Tuesday. The territory embraced in the bounds of the synod extends from Wilkes Barre on the east to Lewistown on the west, from Lock Haven on the north to Marysville on the south. There are 105 ministers, 81 pastoral charges, 163 congregations with a confirmed membership of 39,000.

During the year the synod lost five ministers by death: Rev. Charles H. Broshus, of Sunbury; Rev. John Paschold, Ph. D., of Millersburg; Rev. Wm. H. Hiblish, D. D., of McClure; Rev. U. Meyers, D. D., of Catawissa, and Rev. Elmer E. Dietterich, Montgomery.

The young men ordained to the gospel ministry were: Lee S. Deppen and Charles I. Rowe, of Gettysburg Seminary; Russell T. Shilling, of Susquehanna University. Five young men were examined and licensed: Edmund E. Bleber, Edward F. Bollinger and John Boyd Robinson, of Gettysburg Seminary; Park L. Wagenbach and Paul R. Ashby, of Susquehanna University.

Three new modern church school buildings were dedicated during the year, at Lewistown, Epsy and Hazelton.

A leading question discussed was that of a movement to redistrict the synods in the State and reduce the number from six to three.

## CARS SOLD AND RECEIVED BY MILLER MOTOR CO.

The Miller Motor company delivered three Chevrolet coaches on Friday, the purchasers being W. F. Keller and Albert L. Emery, rural mail carriers from Centre Hall post office, and Mrs. Beaver, Lemont.

The day previous the company received three coaches and one coupe, shipment having been made by rail.

## MOTOR FREIGHT SERVICE OPPOSED BY RAILROADS

The New York Central Railroad, the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Bellefonte Central Railroad company protested at a Public Service Commission hearing in Williamsport, the granting of the application of M. A. Clark, of State College, for permission to operate a motor freight service between State College and Williamsport via Pleasant Gap, Centre Hall, Lock Haven, Bellefonte, and Jersey Shore.

The railroad companies argued that inasmuch as Clark had acknowledged flagrant violations of his certificate of public convenience by carrying restricted articles, no testimony in opposition to the application was necessary.

## LUTHERAN SYNOD OPENS SESSIONS

The ninth annual convention of the Susquehanna Synod of the United Lutheran Church in Pennsylvania opened its three-day session in Lewistown on Tuesday.

About 200 clerical and lay delegates representing 163 congregations with a total membership of 39,000, attended. Among the prominent denominational officials present are: Dr. L. B. Wolf, Baltimore; Dr. Charles F. Wiles, Philadelphia; Dr. Foster U. Gift, Baltimore, and Dr. Carl C. Rasmussen, Washington.

Foremost among the matters scheduled for consideration is the plan for reducing the Lutheran Synods of the State from six to three.

Rev. Dr. W. M. Rearick of Millersburg, was elected president. Other officers elected are: Rev. John F. Harkins, State College, secretary; R. L. Schoyer, Selinsgrove, treasurer, and Rev. C. S. Bottiger, of Berwick, statistical secretary.

Rev. Dr. Rearick, who was secretary for the past eight years, succeeds Rev. Dr. John Wagner, of Hazelton.

The fact that the prisoners in Joliet (Illinois) penitentiary contributed \$800 to be used in purchasing a gift for Warden Henry C. Hill indicates that his selection as Warden for the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary was a good one.

## POTTER TOWNSHIP ELECTS SCHOOL TEACHERS

At a meeting of the Potter township school board held on Friday evening, the principal business transacted was to complete the election of school teachers. There were some honest differences of opinion expressed, but after the situations arising were fully discussed the election proceeded in a businesslike manner. The teachers elected for the 1932-1933 school term were as follows:

Potters Mills, Grammar—Bertha M. Haskell.  
Potters Mills, Primary—Hazel Burkholder Zellers.  
Centre Hill—Dorothy Brown.  
Earlstown—Ernest Wagner.  
Plum Grove—Vesta Blausser.  
Pine Stump—Beatrice Brown.  
Tusseyville—Mary Foust.  
Tusseyville—Lillian Brooks.  
Colyer—Edward Wolf.  
Manor Hill—Sarah Sweeney Boob.

The last named teacher was selected on condition that the Manor Hill school is reopened. The board it appears, is considering the advisability of closing that school and transporting the pupils to the Earlstown school.

Another item of business was the election of a treasurer of the board, M. A. Burkholder having been elected to that office, succeeding George H. McCormick. The other officers of the board elected in December, were, president, John W. Delaney; vice president, B. W. Ripka; P. P. Floray, not a member of the board, is secretary. The other director is R. L. Statterbeck.

## COLLINS IN SHADOW OF CHAIR

Next Monday morning, Fred Collins, negro murderer of Betty Hickok, will take his seat in the electric chair at Rockview Penitentiary, and have his life snuffed out in an instant when 22,000 volts of electricity will course through his body. In this way the State hopes to exact payment for his wrong doing.

While capital punishment seems to be an act of barbarism, one needs but to reflect for a moment on what must have seemed a life-time of torture to the murdered girl, to feel that the electric chair is all too good for the black fiend who will soon occupy it.

## WORK PROGRESSING ON EARLSTOWN-BOALSBURG ROAD

Work on the Earlstown-Boalsburg road, on which a considerable number of men are working is progressing nicely. The road carries a very fair width, and with the natural firm road bed, gives an opportunity to construct not only a durable but desirable driveway in other respects.

The stone quarry opened on the Ross farm is a center of activity. The layer of earth has been removed from a considerable area of rock surface, and when the quarry is fully opened it will have a breast of considerable depth and width. The stone are delivered to the crusher on a level with the bottom of the quarry, while the stones from the screen are dropped on trucks standing on the road level.

## SCOTT HEADS STATE SOCIETY FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

State Senator Harry B. Scott, Philadelphia, was re-elected president of the Pennsylvania State Society for Crippled Children at the close of their ninth annual meeting, held in Harrisburg. Other officers chosen included: J. W. Calady, Bellefonte, first vice president; Grant Bell, Scranton, second vice president; Ritchie Lawrie, Jr., Harrisburg, secretary; W. T. Reeder, Beaver Falls, treasurer; and Miss Jane Marshall, Harrisburg, executive secretary.

## DR. WELLBURN DIES IN CRAFTON HOME

Dr. George W. Wellburn, former superintendent of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association, known to Sunday school workers in Centre county, died Wednesday of last week at Crafton, a suburb of Pittsburgh.

He was active in the organization of Sunday schools throughout the State and in the establishment of training schools for Sunday school teachers.

## CENTRE CO. MOTOR CLUB TO HEAR B. G. EYON

The Centre County Motor club is planning a motion picture entertainment for its members and their friends to be held in the Nittany theatre at State College, Monday evening, May 22.

Hon. Harry B. Scott, president of the club, will be present and preside at the meeting and the message he will bring will be of vital interest to every Centre county motorist.

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles Benjamin G. Eynon, of Harrisburg, will be among the speakers and his talk will be well worth hearing and local motorists will want to meet and hear the head of the department.

The pictures to be shown will be of special interest to motorists and will deal with the scenic beauty of Pennsylvania highways and their modern mode of construction.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Phillipsburg council is saving \$100 per month by paring down all salaries of appointees and laborers.

A coupe owned by Mrs. Jennie Vase, of Lock Haven, stolen April 28, was abandoned at Madisonburg.

Bruce D. Rowe, of Bloomfield, N. J., was at the home of his mother, Mrs. J. S. Rowe, over the week-end.

The Junior class of the Centre Hall High school will hold a festival on the school field on the evening of Memorial day.

Lynn Ross, Jr., of Linden Hall, was a guest of Robert and James Gearhart, at the Edward Durst home. The boys are cousins.

Miss Alice Weber and Mrs. Dora Miller, of Huntingdon, were guests on Friday of Mrs. J. H. Weber and Miss Mary Weber, in town.

The grand jury for May court convened Monday morning. The regular May court will open next Monday for a two weeks' session.

William F. Lingle, of Sunbury, was in town over Sunday, and Saturday afternoon attended the ball game where he met many of his former companions here.

James R. Hughes, Headmaster of Bellefonte Academy, has asked the borough council of that town to be exonerated of all water taxation against the Academy to date, a total of \$496.26, owing to the depression.

Today (Thursday) the solicitors for the fifth annual Centre County Hospital Membership Drive, will hold a get-together meeting at the hospital, at 2:00 o'clock. "National Hospital Day" will be celebrated at the same time.

There are prospects for the reorganization and reopening of the Moshannon National Bank in Phillipsburg. A committee of the board of directors went to Washington, D. C., to interview the Comptroller of the Currency.

The clothes line containing their week's wash was cut down in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. John Heckle, at Blanchard, by thieves who removed both line and clothing, but in their haste dropped several silk stockings near Bald Eagle creek bridge.

The State Highway Department last week established a new personnel record for its maintenance forces. The total number of employees reached 32,571. It would be interesting to know how many bosses traveling in State cars were "employed" during the same time.

Harry Foust, of Potters Mills, who had been seriously ill, is improving. The report that one of his younger children, after having been released from quarantine had contracted scarlet fever, is incorrect. The child is not sick, and the father is not a scarlet fever patient.

At a public sale of Holstein cattle held by the Bradford county Holstein association, fifty animals sold at an average of \$112. The highest priced cow was \$230, and \$200 was paid for a yearling. While the prices were not as high as a few years ago, they were satisfactory, and in cash.

Mrs. Chas. F. Stover, of Millheim, experienced an illness in which a hand and foot are affected, says the Journal. A numbness that removes all feeling in the limbs affected has been with her since last Saturday, and it is said, to stagnation of the blood. She is improving under treatment, however.

Two promising lads—Henry Dundke son of Fern Dundke, and John Wimer, son of Claude Wimer, of Harris township, were piloted to the Reporter office on Friday morning by Wm. McClellan. The boys made their first visit to a newspaper office and were much interested in the machinery and the art preservative in general.

A monoplane came down to give its motor a chance to catch up, near the High school grounds, on Friday. When the plane's pulse began beating regularly again, the pilot took off but not without considerable effort and skill on the part of the flier. The plane had scarcely landed until it was surrounded by boys and girls from the various schools, few of whom would have refused being taken for a ride.

Russell Walker, a student in the local High school and a member of the baseball team, was painfully injured during ball practice on the school athletic field, last Thursday afternoon. A wild pitch from one of his comrades eluded the catcher and caught young Walker who was standing nearby, squarely in the neck, knocking him to the ground, unconscious. The services of Dr. Morrow were sought, and the youth was brought around all right in a short time.

Dr. J. L. Seibert, of Bellefonte, county medical director, assured residents of Boalsburg in which vicinity a large number of scarlet fever cases have developed, that it is his belief that the source of the disease has been located and that preventive measures, coupled with prompt treatment of new cases, should sound a death knell to the "epidemic." He stated that there is no reason for alarm and that there is no reason to believe that the community can not be entirely freed of scarlet fever within a short time.