



## Gregg Township Taxpayers Make Drive for Lower Taxes

A large number of home owners and heavy tax payers in Gregg township met Friday evening in the Vocational school building at Spring Mills with a view of inducing township boards—the school and supervisors—to lower the tax millage for the current year. A temporary organization was effected by electing R. P. Campbell, chairman, and Gross Shook, secretary. The questions were thoroughly gone over with the result that there will be a saving to taxpayers in that township on school and road taxes of a trifle over \$4,700 this year. It is proposed to carry the organization over, with a view of keeping citizens thoroughly posted in the future as to the proposed and actual expenditures of the various township officials.

Originally this school millage was 18 mills. Five mills of this has been stricken off, leaving 13 mills the present rate for schools. It was the consensus of opinion that the school board could not consistently cut below that figure at this time.

The board of road supervisors pressed for figures to warrant laying a 10-mill tax for road purposes. It was agreed finally that a reduction of two

mills would be made, but the taxpayers present held an additional two mills should be lopped off the ten mills originally laid for road maintenance. The supervisors agreed to make further calculations, but it is a foregone conclusion that the road tax will not be less than eight mills, a concession readily made.

With five mills stricken off the school tax and two mills from the road, makes a total of seven mills reduction from last year.

The valuation on which taxes are levied in Gregg township is slightly over \$672,000.

The school board is composed of H. E. Limbert, Wallace Igen, Paul Spayd, Ralph Shook and J. W. Zerby, and the board of supervisors is made up of Paul Swabb, William Bressler and Andrew Sheesley.

It appears similar moves will be made in a number of other townships in Centre county to bring about a lowering of taxes, and finally, a drive is planned to materially lower the county tax by going before the proper official and ask two or more appointees removed.

Not until she had spent \$18,000 in a campaign did Cordelia fully realize that the constituents in her congressional district had not changed their minds from two years ago. McFadden won then and again last April.

Governor Pinchot, who admits he is wealthy, gave only \$1000 to the Butler campaign committee. Giff made the char-women, janitors and other "lower bracket" employees of the State help pay therest of the freight.

### ALEXANDER AND WHISKERED ATHLETES AT LEWISTOWN

Old Grover Cleveland Alexander trotted his bewiskered athletes out on the diamond at Dickson Field, Lewistown, on Tuesday evening, providing the fans with their first night baseball game in this region. They met a local semi-pro team.

The fans saw one of the greatest pitchers of all time take the mound, for Alexander pitches a part of every game. This game was played under the only successful portable light plant in the world; the plant is transported on a fleet of trucks, and when the people see the entire caravan of cars and trucks coming to town they think a circus has arrived. The power plant itself is carried on a mammoth inclosed truck, and consists of a 100,000 watt generator and a 250 horse power Sterling gas marine engine, which is cooled by a specially built radiator. This lighting equipment was designed and built by the leading engineers of the country. The large projectors are mounted on 50-foot poles and placed around the entire playing field. The poles are similar in construction to a telescope, or a fire department with its extension ladders. The lights are erected so they will light the ground as well as the sky. The entire playing field is lighted as light as day, and under these lights cavort the long whiskered athletes from the "House of David", one of the most colorful baseball clubs ever brought together.

At Grange Park Auditorium—Saturday, June 4, at 8:00 P. M. \*\*\*

### DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT TUSSEYVILLE

District No. Eleven of the Centre County Sabbath School Association will hold its annual convention in Emmanuel's Lutheran church, Tusseyville, on Friday, June 10th, at 8 o'clock.

The program follows:

Devotional.....Rev. S. F. Greenhoe  
Appointment of committees.  
Music  
Address—"The Home—Its Needs and Its Perils"..... Rev. S. F. Greenhoe  
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### THE LUCKY JADE ENTERTAINS.

The Jade has just returned from a winter in New York. She will serve a feast of frolic; a meal of merriment; a line of laughter; a bowl of beauty; a peck of peaches; a slice of solemnity; a touch of tears; a train of tricks, and many other delightful esthetic edibles too numerous to mention.

Come and feast your fancy for a few farthings—

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### ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Christ Durst, on Friday, killed a large black snake, measuring seven feet, on Nittany mountain, east of town.

Thomas R. Buck, of Berwick, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Geary for a few days over the week-end. He is a brother of Mrs. Geary.

William Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Weaver, is in Altoona where he will remain for several weeks with his uncles, the Harshbarger brothers.

The Centre Hall baseball team owes dairyman Curtis B. Reiber, the team's outfitter, a vote of thanks for supplying the boys with a liberal supply of cold chocolate milk to quench thirsts at the Memorial Day game at Rebersburg.

Roy Puff had his household goods brought here by truck from Jersey City, N. J., the latter part of last week, and he and his family came by train. For the present they will live here. Mr. Puff is employed by the P. R. R. company, but was given work only a few days each month.

Perry Koonsman and his associate in business at Highview Inn, Sand Mountain, had a disagreement recently and before matters were adjusted Perry is said to have resorted to "rough-house" stuff. He, however, so report has it, played the good Samaritan and took his companion, not to an inn, but to a surgeon.

County treasurer Robert F. Hunter is sending out a personal letter to delinquent tax payers pleading that they exhaust every means possible to pay taxes due for 1929, 1930, or both years, before July 11th, and thus avoid expense of advertising property, against which tax is levied, for sale. The closing paragraph in the letter conveys the fact that he (the County Treasurer) is going beyond what the law requires of him in an effort to prevent, if possible, the necessity of selling, and thereby imposing a hardship on any taxpayer. The friendly message, if acted upon, will save costs, trouble, and possibly, the loss of property.

Justice C. W. Slack had his seventh wedding since becoming judge of the minor court, the last ceremony having been performed in the register's office, but he appeared by appointment instead of accident as was the case on a previous occasion.

### SALT, SALT.

Just received a carload of Salt—kiln dried—in all size packages. Quality right; price right.—BRADFORD & CO., at Centre Hall Station.

### NON-RESIDENT PUPILS ADMITTED TO HIGH SCHOOLS

Of a Total of 337 Pupils Examined, 254 Reached the Goal; 83 Failed.

At the examinations held on April 30 for entrance to High schools in the county, by non-resident pupils, 254 were admitted, and 83 of the 337 failed. The whole number recommended for examination was 364, twenty-seven of whom failed to appear to make the try. The pupils came from twenty-one districts—eighteen townships and three boroughs. The examination papers were prepared by County Superintendent F. G. Rogers and the examinations were supervised by one appointed by him to do so.

The following table gives the districts represented, the number of pupils taking the examination, the number who passed and the number who failed:

District	Exam. Taken	Number Passed	Number Failed
Benner Twp.....	6	4	2
Boggs Twp.....	17	15	2
Burnside Twp. . .	4	3	1
College Twp. . . .	23	19	4
Curtin Twp. . . . .	13	7	6
Ferguson Twp. . .	29	27	2
Half Moon Twp. . .	8	6	2
Howard Twp. . . . .	16	10	6
Huston Twp. . . . .	13	11	2
Liberty Twp. . . . .	8	8	0
Marion Twp. . . . .	10	7	3
Milesburg Boro . .	15	14	1
Patton Twp. . . . .	2	2	0
Potter Twp. . . . .	26	15	11
Rush Twp. . . . .	61	47	14
Snow Shoe Twp . .	37	27	10
S. Phillipsburg Boro	4	6	0
Spring Twp. . . . .	9	5	4
Taylor Twp. . . . .	19	6	4
Union Twp. . . . .	19	7	3
Unionville Boro . .	10	10	0
Total . . . . .	337	254	83

Ferguson and Potter townships are the only districts on the south side of the county represented in the list of non-residents applying for High School instruction. The successful applicants in these districts follow:

Potter Township — Alice Glasgow, Philip Smith, Samuel Baumgardner, Jay Baumgardner, Geraldine Bohn, Eugene Weaver, William Mowery, Mildred Smith, Mary Floray, Pauline Horner, Gertrude Meyer, William Stringer, Donald Barger, Gladys Scott, Bernice Frazier.

Ferguson Township—Ernest Colpetzer, Elsie Deibler, Howard Gilligan, Stine Walker, Donald Grubb, Paul Grubb, Dorothy Walker, Russell Carl, Ralph Strouse, Ray Smetzer, Mary Rudy, Alma Henninger, Warren Spencer, Robert Homan, Leo Homan, Albert Homan, Claude Homan, Gerald Smith, Pauline Keller, Wayne Kline, Margaret Frank, Louise Bloom, Richard Walte, Maud Gearhart, Russell Bloom, Margery Snyder, John Powley.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Clair O. Biekle.....Warriors Mark  
Helen Smith.....Warriors Mark  
Homer J. Saxton.....Pleasant Gap  
Lula Mary Hastings.....Pleasant Gap  
Henry Arden Kimmel.....Danville  
Eugenia DeBow Gravatt, State College  
Ruel D. Glasgow.....Coburn  
Lorayne M. Confer.....Spring Mills

"Cubs" Win Ball Game.

By a score of 19 to 11, the Centre Hall Boy Scout Cubs defeated a Pottery Mills pick-up team in a seven-inning game, Tuesday. A collection was lifted for the benefit of the "Cubs."

The "Cubs" line-up was: Warren Homan, c; Fred Spzyker, p; Robert Wetzel, 1b; George Martz, 2b; Vinton McClellan, 3b; Ralph Packer, ss; Kenneth Frank, lf; Donald Goodhart, cf; Woodrow Bradford, rf.

FROST HITS STRAWBERRY PLANTS; 50% DAMAGE

A strawberry bed of 5000 plants set out a year ago by Roy R. Zettle, at Penns Cave, was damaged by frosts to the extent of about fifty per cent. Calculating on the returns per plant last year, the loss will mean approximately 5000 quarts of marketable berries to Mr. Zettle.

Children Contribute Flowers for Decorating Veterans' Graves.

The following children contributed flowers on Memorial Day for decorating graves of war veterans in the local cemetery:

Betty Slack, Joyce Bradford, Jean Bartholomew, Charles Bloom, David Booser, Marie Emerick, Patricia Booser, Billy Reese, Lois Reese, Betty Seanson, Dean Runkle, Dean Brungart, Peggy McClenahan, Junior McClenahan.

### DANVILLE BARBER, FORMER PENNS VALLEY RESIDENT, KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Mrs. Bressler Was Daughter of Elias Krumrine, Reared Near Millhelm—Bodies Buried Near Swengle, on Friday.

The following dispatch was sent out from Danville, on Wednesday of last week, and refers to parties well known in Gregg and Potter townships:

Horace Bressler, 52-year-old barber, shot and fatally wounded his wife, Mrs. Emma M. Bressler, aged 42 years in the bedroom of their home early today, and then ended his own life with a pistol bullet through his brain. Following the shooting Mrs. Bressler was taken to the Geisinger hospital, here, where she died at 10:40 this morning, eastern standard time. She suffered wounds on the neck and left ear. Two sons and three daughters, three of the children being at home, survive.

Neighbors told police the couple had been quarreling intermittently for the last two days and that yesterday Bressler was overheard to say he "had a surprise" for his wife.

A son, Paul, 14 years old, was awakened by the shots and ran down his bedroom on the third floor to find his parents lying on the bed partly clothed. D. D. B. McHenry, called from across the street, said Bressler had been killed outright and his wife wounded by bullets from a .32 calibre pistol found nearby.

Police said the evidence clearly indicated Bressler shot his wife and then himself.

Mrs. Bressler, before marriage, was Miss Emma Krumrine, a daughter of the late Elias Krumrine, and a sister of the late Mrs. L. O. Packer. She was born and reared on the Krumrine homestead west of Millhelm. Later the family moved to near Welkert, Mr. Bressler is a native of Union county, having been reared in the vicinity of Laurelton. There survives the couple five children; also, a brother of Mrs. Bressler, John Krumrine, of near Welkert.

The bodies were interred in a cemetery near Swengle on Friday.

CUT WOULD CREATE HAVOC AT PENN STATE COLLEGE

Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the Pennsylvania State College, declared that Attorney General Schnader's opinion that State outlays must be cut 25 per cent. to meet Tabbot act payments would be devastating to work of his institution.

Dr. Hetzel said that computed from press accounts of the Schnader opinion, funds for Penn State would be reduced "in excess of 50 per cent" for the biennium ending June, 1933.

He said State College is willing and anxious to participate in any fair readjustment involved in necessary and sound public economy, but the effect of the ruling would be "unnecessarily destructive of values it has taken years to build up."

Dr. Hetzel asserted that many important research activities will have to be discontinued in spite of the fact that major industrial interests are looking to them for assistance through this critical period. Residence and extension instructional programs will also be seriously affected.

CLASS OF '16 GRADUATE FROM CENTRE HALL H. S.

The class of 1932 of Centre Hall High school staged a very successful commencement program in Grange Auditorium, Friday evening.

The salutatorian for the occasion was Miss Madeline Emerick, the class was Miss Madeline Dinges, and the valedictorian, Miss Evelyn Colyer.

The musical numbers were efficiently rendered by under-classesmen. The solo for the occasion, "Spring Is Like a Lady" was sung by Sara J. Odenkirk '34, in a most pleasing manner.

Dr. J. H. Frizel, head of the Department of Elocution, Pennsylvania State College, the commencement speaker, spoke on the subject, "With your faces in the Light." He stated many facts and principles of interest to both graduates and older folks, which if applied will serve greatly our present needs.

The sixteen members of the class were presented diplomas by C. A. Spzyker, president of the school board.

Our congratulations are extended to these young folks as they enter the arena of active life and service.

GLASGOW—CONFER.

Ruel D. Glasgow, son of Mrs. James Glasgow, of Coburn, and Miss Lorayn M. Confer, daughter of Mrs. Harry Confer, of Spring Mills, were united in marriage in the register's office, Bellefonte, by Justice C. W. Slack, of Centre Hall, on Wednesday of last week. Both young people are employed in the silk mill in Millhelm.

CLANS TO MEET IN REUNIONS AT WOODWARD CAFE

Snavey and Bartiges reunion, Saturday, June 11th.

Ninth annual Brungart reunion, Saturday, August 20th.

60,160 MARRIAGES IN PENNSYLVANIA IN 1931

There were 60,160 marriages performed in Pennsylvania during the year 1931, as compared with 64,770 in 1930, representing a decrease of 4,610 or 7.1 per cent. In 1922, there were 70,289 marriages performed.

During the year 1931 there were 7,241 divorces granted in the State, as compared with 8,021 in 1930, representing a decrease of 780 or 9.7 per cent. In 1922, there were 6,893 divorces granted.

In Centre county in 1931 there were 243 marriages and 21 divorces, and in 1930, there were 273 marriages and 19 divorces.

Centre Hall school board at a meeting Tuesday evening, reduced the millage for school tax purposes from 15 to 14 mills for the next year.

### "A-HINA"

Class of '32 Plays Original Production in Park Auditorium to Full House.

The Class Night play of Centre Hall High school, "A-Hina," was written by the members of the class of '32.

The title, "A-Hina," is a word in the Seminole Indian dialect and means "On the Trail." This title was selected because it described the story of the play. The play was cast in two episodes.

The plot of the play was suggested by Alice Burkholder who also wrote the epilogue and prologue.

All principals participating wrote their own speeches.

Four committees of the class wrote the Presentation, Prophecy, Will and dialogue parts, as follows:

Commi on Prophecy—Wm. Spzyker and Philip McClenahan; committee on Presentation, Adaline Dinges and Wm. Dashem; committee on Class Will, Sara Ennist and Madaline Emerick; committee on dialogue parts, Alice Burkholder, Cherry Jodon, and Chester Wagner. The three R's, companions of the cardinal principle, "Command of Fundamental Processes" were ably performed by Joyce Bradford, Reading, Elaine Snder, Writing, and Mar that Spzyker, Arithmetic.

Isabel Bradford '33, in a most charming manner performed her part as the Indian maiden, as did also her companion warrior, Burdon Snyder '33, with his band of warriors—Robert Bradford '34, Kenneth Snyder '34, Reuben Rickert '34 and Russell Walker '33.

The pageant depicted the class of '32 four years ago, lost in a forest. The Spirit of Education appears to the group and offers to act as guide on the four-year journey out of the forests. Education brings his attendants, the Seven Cardinal Principles, who describe the journey and encourage the youths to follow the Spirit of Education—Chester Wagner.

The class agrees to follow at the close of episode I, and episode II finds them about to leave the forest and weary of the journey, yet sad at the thought of departing from their many friends among the people of the forest. An Indian maid sings for them and they leave with her their legacy for their friends of the forest. She presents the wanderers with gifts—remembrances from the Indians. An Indian brave reads their futures in bubbles and a group of warriors dance and sing for their entertainment.

The class makes its departure from the trail after singing "The Fealty Song."

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Judge Fleming held court in Philadelphia the beginning of this week.

Prices reduced! Chicken and Waffle Dinners, with all extras, for 75c.—D. J. Benner, Woodward, Pa. 2c

From a number of sections in the valley come reports of damage to young garden plants from the freezing temperature of Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Auman, Mr. Arbaugh, of Steubenville, Ohio, and the latter's friend, Miss Church, of Wheeling, W. Va., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Auman, parents of the former, in Centre Hall.

A daughter was born on Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Luse, at the home of the mother's father, I. M. Smith, in town. The little Miss has been named Donna Rosella.

Dedicatory services of the Faith Reformed church at State College were begun Sunday morning, and are being continued until Friday evening. Dr. Charles E. Schaeffer, secretary of the Board of Home Missions, delivered the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harshbarger, of Altoona, became guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford, this latter part of last week. On Saturday the Bradford family and their guests went to the Bradford camp, in Seven Mountains, where they remained over Sunday.

Elmer Miller, a railway mail clerk between Pittsburgh and New York, is retaining his home in Potter township. He is driving a late model Chrysler coach he thinks not second in appearance or speed or durability to anything he meets on the road.

Perry Alters and brother, Harry Alters, of Bellefonte, were in town for a short time Friday afternoon. They are both former Centre Hall boys. The former is employed in the Bellefonte post office, having a record of five years' service, and the latter is a clothing salesman.

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Goodhart and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Potter were hosts on Monday to Mr. and Mrs. John McWilliams, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Musser and family, of Pennsylvania Furnace, at Sunset Club house. Mr. McWilliams is a brother and Mrs. Musser is a sister of the hostesses. Mrs. Musser is engaged with the Sun Oil Co., in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Clara Meeker has been very seriously ill at the home of her son, Robert Meeker, Centre Hall, R. D., during the past week. She was visited by her daughters, Mrs. Edward Franke and Mrs. Harry Hipple, her sons, Lawrence Meeker, Baltimore, Md. and Bruce Meeker, Johnstown, within the recent past.

Messrs. J. H. Kleckner, Montandon, and Kelley Kleckner, of Vicksburg, were callers at this office Tuesday in the interest of the estate of Mrs. Lizzie Rangler, and are advertising in this issue a farm, a tract of timberland, at Buffalo Cross Roads, and a home in Lewisburg, for sale on June 17th and 18th.

The gross receipts at the festival on the school ground held on the evening of Memorial Day by the Junior class of the Centre Hall High school were almost \$200. The cool evening cut down the demand for ice cream, but hot dog—hot dogs, sizzling hot, were in constant demand. The Lemont band furnished music throughout the evening.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Dunlap and Mr. and Mrs. Roger T. Bayard, of Tyrone, drove to Centre Hall Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith and Miss Grace Smith. From here they went to Rhonemede, the former home of the ladies, for the night.

Constable P. C. Frank, of Pottery Mills was crashed into by a new Pontiac car coming over the hill at the borough line as he was making a turn at the front of the Johnson store, at the station, Saturday forenoon. Both cars were more or less damaged. A patrolman was called, but made the affair a draw—the constable was wrong in using the highway at that point for a turn-table and the Pontiac driver did the wrong thing when he pulled to the left to avoid hitting the car in his way.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Goodhart, accompanied by W. F. Keller, the latter part of last week went to Johnstown, the former home of Mr. and Mrs. Goodhart, where, on Friday night they witnessed the graduation of Miss Grace Goodhart, a sister of the former, from the Johnstown High school. Before returning home Mr. Keller went on to Wilkensburg, where he visited his nephew and niece, Rev. and Mrs. Roy H. Corman; also, to Homestead, where he was entertained by Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Wolfe, brother-in-law and sister-in-law. Friends in Pittsburgh were also paid a friendly visit before he returned home on Tuesday.