



"PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF CENTRE HALL RATE AMONG THE BETTER SCHOOLS OF THE STATE"

—WM. S. HOFFMAN, Penn State Registrar.

The public schools of Centre Hall rate among the better schools of the State if they are compared on the basis of the high schools, William S. Hoffman, registrar of the Pennsylvania State College said a few days ago. During the past five years, he said, graduates from Centre Hall High school who have come to Penn State have made a record placing their High school in the upper half of the High schools of the State.

Virtually every High school in the State sends students to Penn State, therefor said, and in this five-year study it has been found that the rating attained by a school has changed very little from year to year. Students admitted from Centre Hall High school have ranked consistently above the average, and on this basis the college will admit on certificate students from Centre Hall who were graduated in the upper two fifths of their class. Penn State will begin granting general admission to the freshman class on July 1, Hoffman said.

"In encouraging graduates of Centre Hall High school who finished in the upper two fifths of their class to continue their education, the Pennsylvania State College believes that it is extending State money in the most economical manner," Registrar Hoffman said. "Students of this grade from Centre Hall have proved themselves to be of college calibre. From our past experience we believe that they are capable of pursuing a college course with credit to themselves, and with profit to the Commonwealth."

In obtaining the rating for Centre Hall High school those who entered

Penn State from the first fifth of the class are compared with all of the other fifths in the freshman class, the second fifths are compared only with other second fifths, and so on for each division of the High school class. Centre Hall High school is, essentially, compared with every other High school in the State, and it comes out with a rating of 11-48500. Obtained in the same manner, the median rating for last year's freshman class was 1233-47889.

This index number for the freshman class shows that there were 1259 students who completed the year. The 4 in the five-place figure following the dash indicates that the average college scholastic grade of those who entered Penn State from the first fifth of their High school classes placed them in the fourth tenth of the freshman class. The 7 shows that the second fifths averaged in the seventh tenth. The 8's show that the third and fourth fifths both averaged in the eighth tenth of the college class, and the 9 shows that those from the fifth fifth in High school stood in the ninth tenth at college. A similar interpretation of the index number for Centre Hall High school will show the scholastic record made by its graduates at Penn State.

"While the seventh tenth of the freshman class, the tenth in which the second fifths averaged, may look low, it actually is not," Hoffman said. "The explanation is that 80 per cent, or eight tenths of the freshman class was composed of students who were graduated in the first and second fifths of their High school classes, and consequently they fill that much of the freshman class in the rating."

SHERIFF'S SALARY BILL NOT A MONEY SAVER

After January 1, Mifflin county's sheriff will be paid a salary of \$3000 instead of being paid by fees, the county being of the seventh class, the same as Centre, and affected by the recently enacted O'Leary bill. The change seems to have little effect as to the desirability of the office for there are in the neighborhood of thirty candidates seeking the nominations in the Republican and Democratic tickets which will be made at the primary election in September.

Mifflin county commissioners do not agree with a recent statement by Dr. B. L. Scott of the bureau of restoration of the Department of Welfare, that the new law will save the counties affected money in maintaining the county jail and sheriff's office. Those officials doubt whether there will be any saving and it seems to be the opinion of those seeking the office that they will be as well off with \$3000 clear as with the profit from the fees for feeding the prisoners and for other duties of the office.

FIRST PRISONER "LEAKS" FROM WATER-TIGHT PRISON

The Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, thought to be water-tight, sprung a leak on Friday when Anthony Beales, 34, made a successful break for freedom, leaving no clue.

The Centre Reporter, \$1.50 a year.

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS CAMPS — NOT MILITARY

The fact that there are located in the Seven Mountains six Civilian Conservation Corps Camps between Bear Meadows and the Centre-Union county line, it will answer the queries of many of the readers of the Reporter if they are informed about the organization and operation of these camps. In a later article an attempt will be made to describe the "working" features of the camps, and the class of work that is being done.

There are usually three Army officers on duty with each company of the Civilian Conservation Corps, at least two of whom are in most cases officers in the Regular Service, the other being a Reserve officer on active duty for a period of six months. In addition one surgeon, either from the Regular Army, the Reserve Medical Corps, the Regular Navy, on duty at each camp or where camps are near each other, one such Medical officer may care for two or three adjacent companies. In some cases, contract surgeons, local doctors residing in the community, have been employed to look after the medical needs of the camp.

The Civilian Conservation Corps camps are in no respect military camps, but WORK camps, the Army's part in each being to operate, supply and administer them under the President's program of reforestation and flood control. For this purpose, in addition to the officers referred to in the previous paragraph, there are four enlisted men with each C. C. C. company—one to act as first sergeant in handling details, another as mess sergeant to handle the mess, one supply sergeant to handle supplies, requisitions, etc., and one experienced cook.

The rank held by officers in the work camps is either that of lieutenant or captain. In so far as personnel was available captains have been sent out in charge of companies with lieutenants as assistants. In many

cases however, lieutenants are in charge.

About 169 Medical officers of the Navy have been furloughed by the President and turned over to the War Department for duty with the Civilian Conservation Corps.

By the end of June there will be established in this Corps Area (Third) comprising Pennsylvania, Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Virginia, a total of 150 work camps in which approximately 28,000 young men from these political subdivisions are employed. Nearly 500 Regular Army officers, and more than 100 Reserve officers, not including Medical Corps personnel, will be on full-time duty there with. In addition 2,875 veterans are to be enrolled, starting June 25, from the same area, and will be sent into work camps soon after July 1. The physical examinations are thorough but rejections are based only upon mental or physical defects which would render the applicant incapacitated for the performance of ordinary labor or would constitute a menace to the health and welfare of the organization.

The War Department authorized the issue of the following articles to each applicant: 1 waist belt; 2 drawers; 1 denim hat; 2 jumpers; 1 shirt; 1 blanket, o. d.; 1 pair service shoes; 1 slicker; 6 pairs of socks; 1 work trousers; 3 undershirts; 1 pair trousers, o. d. woolen and where climatic conditions require, other additional items as follows: 1 coat, o. d. woolen, 1 pair gloves and 1 overcoat, o. d. woolen.

Each corps consists of approximately 200 men. For disciplinary control, provision is made that post commanders may discharge any member of the Corps for cause but offenses committed by individuals will be referred to civil authorities for action.

The camps are located near Bear Meadows, head of Stone Creek, Treasurer Kettle, Poe Valley, Hairy Johns and Treasurer Valley.

KURTZ, KILLER OF STEPSON, EXECUTED MONDAY MORNING

John Kurtz, 47, who killed his 15-year-old stepson when he found the boy at play instead of working on the farm, died in the electric chair at Rockview Monday morning.

He was brought to the Rockview death house Saturday from Northampton county.

The boy, Joseph Posch, was slain October 22, 1932. Kurtz was convicted December 17. After a motion for a new trial was refused, the case was appealed to the Supreme Court, but it sustained the lower court.

No appeal was made to the Board of Pardons.

Maintaining the morose calm that characterized him since he arrived at the deathhouse, Kurtz walked unassisted to the chair. He was strapped in place at 7:02 a. m., and was pronounced dead four minutes later.

The only request he made was that the "very little" insurance he left be used to bury him.

SECOND FISHING TRIP NETS 250 CROAKERS

Another group of eight fishermen from Centre Hall and nearby captured 250 croakers in Chesapeake Bay, Thursday night. The party left here in two cars at 10 o'clock Wednesday night and returned home Friday morning. Those who experienced the joy of reeling in the croakers were Messrs. T. A. Hosterman, C. P. Ramer, J. S. Boozer, H. L. Ebright, Earl Frazier, R. S. Jamison, J. P. Wetzel and Bruce Meyer.

RECEIVES HIGH MOOSE HONORS.

Hugh M. Ralston, formerly of this place, secretary of the Mifflinburg Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, received word of his appointment as Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose. The appointment came from the Supreme Council at Mooseheart, Ind., James J. Davy, Director General.

Mr. Ralston has also been recommended to receive the Fellowship Degree, the second highest in the fraternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralston left Saturday for Mooseheart to attend the annual convention of the Supreme Lodge of the World. They will also spend one day at the Century of Progress Exposition Chicago. Mr. Ralston goes as a delegate from the Mifflinburg lodge.

UNDERWOOD CAMP LOOTED.

The Underwood camp, located in the Seven Mountains not far from Potters Mills, was robbed of valuable chairs, dishes and other articles, one night recently. State police are working the case.

F. T. ISHLER SUFFERS FROM ECONOMY MOVE AT L. H.

Beginning Saturday night the ticket office of the Penn. R. R. at Lock Haven is to be closed between the hours of 10:30 at night and 6 o'clock in the morning as a measure of economy. Two west bound trains will stop at the station during the early morning hours but fare for these will have to be paid on the train and no baggage will be checked at the time of their departure.

This move results in Frank T. Ishler of Centre Hall losing his position with the P. R. R. He is the ticket agent serving during the time the office will be closed after Saturday.

FAT BOY GETS EATS FREE; LENORA TAKES PULSE

In a recent issue of the Philadelphia Inquirer, a picture of the "fat boy," the lady who furnished the "mess," and Miss Lenora Foust, R. N., a former school girl here, taking "Salmay's" pulse, appeared, together with the following comment:

Imagine the plight of poor Joe Raggo, of Philadelphia: With 550 pounds to support he was jobless and a member of a depression-touched family. People once brought him food to eat just for the fun of watching him consume it. They stopped doing that, however, and Joe was in a sorry fix until the fat folks walking marathon got under way in Philadelphia. One of the rights entitles him to eat as he desires. Joe is shown losing no time pitching in on a mere eight pounds of frankfurters. Nurse Lenora Foust is taking his pulse.

SEE THE WORLD'S FAIR ON \$5.50!

Believe it or not, it is possible to go from Centre Hall to the Chicago World's Fair, spend three days on the fair grounds, and return to Centre Hall, all within one week, at a cash outlay of only \$5.50. This was achieved by W. K. Snyder, of Centre Hall, who returned Friday; last, after a week's travel. A few "lifts" and he was in Chicago, and on the return one lucky haul landed him in Tyrone. With no cost for transportation, the meager cash supply was made stretch to provide for admission to the fair grounds and for none too substantial meals.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK.

No paper will be issued from this office next week, in accordance with a custom of long standing which gives those connected with the editorial and mechanical duties a brief respite during the week of July Fourth. The office will be open, however, for receiving (and we hope we receive) money on subscription and taking orders for printing and advertising.

Lower Premiums to Be Paid at Encampment and Fair.

In accordance with the trend of the times the committee in charge of the Grange Encampment and Centre County Fair for 1933 will no doubt inaugurate some changes in the regulations governing the coming fair. A reduction in some of the rates has been under discussion at recent meetings and action has already been taken in regard to automobile admissions which have been cut in half—now 25 cents good for the week. Premiums which have been high for a fair of moderate size will be on a slightly lower level but still in these times well worth the effort of the producer. And Centre county products are the equal of any section of Pennsylvania.

RAIN DAMPENS ORDER OF CENTRE-PHILADA. RESIDENTS

The Centre County Association of Philadelphia held its 1933 annual basket picnic on Saturday, June 17th, at Fairmount Park.

Due to the heavy rain on Friday night the showers Saturday morning, only 49 loyal Centre-countians gathered around the "Woodbury" tables, which were abundantly filled with good "feats," together with an over supply of the world renowned Philadelphia ice cream.

A motion to elect the same officers for another year was made by Ira D. Garman (a former C. C. A. President) so the following officers were re-elected:

President, Warner Underwood, of Woodbury, N. J.; first vice-president, Wm. S. Furst, Esq., of Philadelphia; second vice-president, G. W. Ardell, of Philadelphia; secretary, Dr. John C. Beale, Philadelphia; treasurer, Paul G. Mattern, Philadelphia.

ZINN—LOVELAND.

A wedding of social prominence was that of Miss Ruth Loveland, of Hershey, to Prof. Chas. E. Zinn, of Huntingdon, which took place Tuesday in the Abbey Reformed Church of Huntingdon, and was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Thos. L. Moore, where their daughter, Miss Miriam, was maid of honor.

The organist of the church gave a short recital preceding the ceremony, and Miss Moore sang "O perfect love," and "I love you truly." The bridal chorus from Lohengrin was used as a professional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March as a recessional. The bride was charmingly gowned in white satin with veil of embroidered tulle and carried a shower bouquet, while the maid of honor and bridesmaids wore pastel shades of silk organdy with picture hats and carried bouquets of mixed flowers. Following the ceremony a luncheon was served at the Penn. Koffee Shoppe, after which the couple left on an extended trip.

Mrs. Zinn was Art Supervisor in the Hershey schools, also organist of the Presbyterian church. She is known here, having visited frequently in the Moore home, and is a young woman of accomplishment and charming personality. Mr. Zinn is superintendent of the Printing department in the Allentown schools.

NEIDIGH—WISE.

Robert J. Neidigh, of Mechanicsburg, and Miss Miriam L. Wise, of Wildwood, N. J., were united in marriage at the Lutheran parsonage, Centre Hall, Saturday of last week by Rev. S. F. Greenhoe.

BASEBALL CLUB'S FESTIVAL SATURDAY NIGHT, A SUCCESS

The festival held by the local baseball club, Saturday night, on the school athletic field, was counted a success financially. The gross receipts were \$195.00, and the net \$78.04.

PARKING IN BELLEFONTE TO BE REGULATED SOON

Persons trading or going to Bellefonte by auto for any purpose during the past ten years or more have experienced the minimum of annoyance by "rules and regulations" passed by a council. The result has been that during all of that time, covering a period of great business activity and throughout the Hoover depression, the streets, alleys, and private parking places have been crowded with cars all times every night of the week. At times it required considerable maneuvering and engineering to locate a car nearer the place you wanted to go than from your home, but no one complained. It was just considered hard luck. But now—now—newspaper reports it appears, hour parking is being thought of as a remedy. In other words, the autoist who goes to Bellefonte is to experience his first real annoyance, and that will be at the expense of the business man in that town, assuming the regulation, if passed, will be enforced.

This is the writer's experience with an hour parking ordinance in Lewisburg: He drove to a curb to the front of a prominent business stand. The proprietor of it was asked how about this new parking rule a week old? The business man replied: "To 'I' with the hour parking; leave your car at the curb as long as you like; everyone else is doing the same thing."

The business men of that town refused to stand for chasing people from one parking place to the other who came to it to trade, or simply spend the evening.

LOCAL CHORAL CLUB DISBANDED UNTIL SEPTEMBER

The Choral club of Centre Hall met last Friday and, inasmuch as the services of the director, Mrs. Alberta M. Krader, will not be available during the month of July, and the attendance not large enough to warrant meeting during the very hot weather, decided to disband until the first week in September. Following the policy of former years, Mrs. Krader has planned two projects for the season, for the club. When the meetings start in September it is her purpose to have the chorus concentrate for six weeks on some choral numbers of real worth and quality, and supplement this with small special groups and solos for the program to be presented third week

in October—a program of such classic worth and beauty that it will long be remembered in the community. The proceeds of this performance will go toward the purchase of scores for the musical play selected as the club's second project, to be given some time during the Winter. Those who have attended the three meetings to date are beginning to recognize the real beauty and value of the numbers studied so far—two of them done in A Cappello style—one of singing is finding such favor all over the country that it is but fitting this club of select voices should render some of this type of choral work. Not only is A Cappello singing conducive to line, artistic tone production and good blending, but it stimulates an intelligent emotional response to the interpretations demanded by the director of this group. The officials of the organization hope the members will respond with enthusiasm the first of September for the first of six rehearsals planned preparatory to the musicale to be given in October. Those supporting the musicale will naturally receive preference in the distribution of roles in the annual play, selected as the second vehicle for the furtherance of talent, in the club, as it has always been the policy of the director to place dependability, cooperation, loyalty and enthusiasm far ahead of innate talent. It is hoped the coming season will be the best ever, for the director will during her stay in Chicago and New York, make contacts with the finest musically and bring the latest dance routines and other details that will enhance the anticipated play.

STATE COLLEGE GUERNSEY MAKES NEW OFFICIAL RECORD

A cow in the herd of the Pennsylvania State College has just finished a new official record for production which entitles her to entry in the Advanced Register of the American Guernsey Cattle Club. This animal is seven year old Elaine the Fair of Blannockside 17591 with a production of 14154.5 pounds of milk and 643.2 pounds of fat in class A.

POTTERS MILLS WINS OFF NAGINEY, 9-6

Friday evening a highly interesting ball game was played on the Potters Mills diamond by the Potters Mills and Naginey teams, resulting in a victory for the home team by a score of 9-6. The pitchers for the visitors were McClenahan and Kurtz, and the battery for the locals, Durst and Rimmer. The game was witnessed by a large number of enthusiastic fans from Potters Mills and nearby points.

HUNGRY YOUTH FOUND UNCONSCIOUS ON ROAD

A youth who states that he had been two days without food or sleep, was found unconscious on Route 229 near Huhlersburg, Sunday night, and taken to the Lock Haven hospital, where it was found he is suffering from a bad case of malnutrition. He gave his age as 22, and his name as Michael Girola, of Sugar Loaf, Luzerne county.

BELLEFONTE TO HAVE SERIES BAND AND VOCAL CONCERTS

Bellefonte's natural outdoor theatre, the terraced commons in the rear of the High school building, will become a Mecca for music lovers of Centre county during the summer months, according to an announcement made a few days ago at the office of Attorney W. Harrison Walker, where a committee met to complete final details for a series of community band and vocal concerts.

The concerts are to be free to the public, there will be no offerings lifted, they will be non-political and non-sectarian in character, and no money will be asked for or paid by the committee in charge. It is purely a community project, and its aim is to provide beneficial entertainment, free of charge to all, during the summer.

The first of the series of concerts will be held at 8 o'clock on Friday evening of this week. Thereafter, during July, August and, probably September, similar concerts will be held at the same hour on the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

The program for the first concert will include the I. O. O. F. band under the direction of Willis Wion, with special features by a local quartette or octette. Popular music will be the order of the day, and during the more familiar numbers a director will be present to lead mass singing.

The committee stresses the fact that the concerts are free for all residents of Centre county. There is ample parking space and plenty of seating facilities for hundreds of persons.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

No paper next week.

The second compulsory inspection of automobiles for the year 1933 begins Saturday, July 1st.

Postmaster Gramley, of Rebersburg, was in town last Thursday afternoon, having accompanied the Rebersburg ball team.

The engagement of Miss Elizabeth N. Baird, of Cumberland, Md., and Paul M. Dubbs, local editor of the Centre Democrat, has been announced.

From six acres, W. J. Pearson, at Jersey Shore, harvested 1400 bushels of strawberries during the season just closed. He is the largest grower in his section.

Stockholders in the closed State Bank of Renovo have been assessed \$50,000, which sum is made payable before July 24. That sum represents the par value of the stock.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Slack, at their farm home near Coburn. This is the third child in the family of two girls and a boy. The little tot is named Frances Mae.

Centre county received \$2000 additional funds for emergency relief. This sum is a part of \$149,400 sent to eighteen counties whose funds for unemployment relief for June had been exhausted.

Of the seventy-five post offices in Pennsylvania to lose their rating, but one is in Centre county, namely, Clarfence. That office after July 1st will be in the fourth class, having dropped from the third class.

Mrs. Thomas G. McQueen and two children, of Millheim, recently went on a vacation trip to Chicago. They will remain in that city until met there by Dr. McQueen who anticipates bringing them back by auto.

The farm buildings on the Frank W. Decker farm, east of town, were painted by Edward Durst and assistant, Larue Decker. Mr. Decker is credited with having the best-appearing farm buildings in all this section.

W. P. Bron of Aaronsburg, was in town on business last Thursday, taking orders for Zanol products, for which he has the agency in this section. He was much pleased with the orders he received, considering the money scarcity.

The Pennsylvania Pine Cone Entertainers broadcast over station WRAZ, Williamsport, last Friday evening. The group is composed of Elwood Wilcox, of Millheim; Kenneth Marks, of Coburn; Charles Barner and Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Bartges of Aaronsburg.

Frederick Dutton, henchman to Badman George Skidmore, youthful gunman who terrorized Centre county in the fall of 1930, pleaded nolle contendere Thursday morning in the Allegheny county courts and rev a suspended sentence upon payment of the costs.

The appointment of Lloyd A. Stover, assessor for Spring township, succeeding Oscar Lomberger, deceased, has been declared null and void, and a decree issued that the appointment is vacated. The right to fill the vacancy belongs to the board of county commissioners.

Among the ninety-two persons licensed pharmacists or assistant pharmacists by the State Board of Pharmacy, from April to June 1st, was Mary Rose Rodgers, daughter of Dr. J. C. Rogers, of Bellefonte, who was given a license for assistant pharmacist.

John McCloskey, son of Mrs. Lida McCloskey, of Millheim, has been selected to be a foreman at a C. C. C. camp in Indiana. He reported at Indianapolis last Monday to receive further instructions. He is the first young man in this section to receive an appointment under the President's conservation program.

A still with a capacity of seventy-five gallons, ten gallons of alleged liquor, quantities of corn and rye mash and 250 lbs. of sugar were seized on one of the farms in Lancaster county owned by John A. McSparran, who heads the list of fifteen candidates for delegate-at-large to the repeal convention. The tenant on the farm disclaimed any knowledge of the still.

The county commissioners have received word of the approval of an act of legislature regarding costs in discharged criminal cases. The law prohibits the payment by counties of costs in criminal cases, discharged after preliminary hearings before magistrates, justices of the peace and aldermen, unless names and addresses of prosecutors, defendants and witnesses appear on the transcript.

The reduction in postage rate on and after July 1st, applies only to letters mailed for local delivery, where the rate is now three cents. For instance, a letter mailed at Centre Hall for a patron on any of the rural delivery routes served from here the present postage rate for first class mail is three cents, under the change it will be two cents. A letter mailed from Centre Hall to Spring Mills, or to any other post office must be decorated with three cents in postage stamps now, and likewise after July 1st. The reduced rate applies to local delivery only. Your postmaster or mail carrier should be consulted if you are in doubts.