

# The Centre Reporter

VOL. CVIII.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1934.

NO. 39

## COLUMBIA COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMISSIONER DE-CLARES FOR EARLE FOR GOV.

Support of George H. Earle, Democratic nominee for Governor, by a Republican leader of Columbia county was announced by David L. Lawrence, Democratic State chairman.

The latest prominent Republican to bolt the Republican ticket and declare for Earle is Clyde K. Croft, of Berwick, now serving his fourth term as Republican member of the Board of Commissioners of Columbia county.

Croft announced his decision to support Earle for Governor in the following statement:

"There are more than 1000 reasons why Columbia countians should support George H. Earle for Governor of Pennsylvania. These reasons are the separate parcels of real estate returned to the county treasurer for non-payment of tax for the year 1933. The same applies to every county in the State.

"The Republican platform deprecates the burden of tax upon real estate but does not say when and how it shall be lifted. It is the voice of Jacob and the hands of Esau. Is there anyone so guileless as not to know that this tax burden under Mr. Schnader will be shifted when and how Mr. Mellon and Mr. Grundy say?"

"The Democratic platform provides for a reasonable income tax to be used exclusively for school purposes. Mr. Earle promises a reduction of 50 per cent on real estate taxation, which is easily possible in Pennsylvania just as it has been possible in other States of the Union, some of which have been dubbed 'backward' by Mr. Grundy.

"The theory of taxation is that one should pay in comparison to the ability to pay. If this theory is wrong, then Mr. Earle is wrong.

"Mr. Schnader is too busy, describing Mr. Earle as a 'ghost' candidate to definitely state his position upon real estate taxation. When in the name of Heaven has Pennsylvania had a Governor—save Pinchot—who has not been the 'ghost' for the interests which are dominating the State, and will continue to dominate it in the event of a Schnader victory?"

"I can see nothing in the Republican platform nor in the Republican ticket in Pennsylvania which offers any hope to any citizen save those selfish interests which are so strongly entrenched behind the activities of Republican leadership."

Senator David A. Reed, Republican candidate for re-election, who referred to the World War veterans as "gold-brickers and loafers," in a speech in the U. S. Senate when he fought compensation to disabled veterans, resorted to shameless lying in a talk at Lancaster in reference to George H. Earle, Democratic candidate for Governor.

The Senator in his Lancaster speech said Candidate Earle's father, the late George H. Earle, Philadelphia philanthropist and civic leader, created a spendthrift trust for his son. The truth is that he left his entire estate to his widow and all of his five children until the youngest living grandchild became twenty-one years of age, and named his son, now the Democratic candidate for governor, as one of his executors. The will is on file in the office of the register of wills in Harrisburg, where anyone can verify these statements. Reed is extremely reckless when making political addresses and is gaining notoriety for weaving absolute falsehoods in his political attacks.

Mr. Taxpayer, how would you like to be relieved of the greater part of your burden of school tax—in case you are a property owner (and for that reason it has been assumed that you must be in position to pay a heavy tax)? With George H. Earle's plan of deriving money for school purposes from income, your property will not be assessed heavily for school purposes. The Republicans have no such plan. If this appeals to you, you must vote for Earle and Guffey, "Jack" Thompson and John W. Decker.

President Roosevelt's "fireside" talk to his radio audience, Sunday night, was more than an answer, we believe, to his critics who deplore the "tampering" with the Constitution. These alarmists who are concerned only about their personal interests would create the "general impression" that the Constitution is but a barrier to progress instead of the broad highway, through which alone true progress may be enjoyed." The quotation are the words uttered by the late Chief Justice White which is answer to critics of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, Republican, who like the present Roosevelt attempted to correct abuses in our national life.

"It is my intention to reduce the burden of taxation on the homes and the farms by slashing the school tax. That will be made possible by levying of an income tax exclusively for school purposes."—George H. Earle, Democratic candidate for Governor.

McSparan, like Pinchot, flirted with the Democrats with the hope of furthering his political fortunes, but like Pinchot again, when the Democrats failed in extending a sop, turns in for Schnader. Both of them are office seekers and will accept office in any party.

## SPECIAL TERM OF COURT HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

On hearing further evidence in the case, Judge Fleming at a special term of court held Saturday morning, approved the proposition of the receiver, J. R. Miller, to sell the Millheim Spinning Mill, the operation of which under the management of the receiver failed to produce a profit. The liabilities of the company are listed at \$55,000, of which \$21,000 is bonded indebtedness.

Two paroles were granted—one to Louisa Parsons from the Allegheny Workhouse, and another to Donald Kanour, Phillipsburg, from the county jail. Parsons is a resident of Georges Valley.

Cecil Rice, recaptured after escaping from Rockview, was given the usual sentence.

Bertram Peters, of Woodland, and Steve Franchock, charged with driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor, upon pleading guilty, were each sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail for ten and fourteen days respectively and fined \$25.00.

Two others were given sentences for similar offenses. Bessie Coble, 25, 90 days and thirteen days in jail, and Andrew Mellow, of State College, \$50.00 fine and twenty days in jail. When Mellow appeared in court he claimed he was sick, but the Court judged him drunk, and accordingly doubled his sentence.

Charles Rudy, held on a statutory charge, failed to secure a bond and was committed to the Allegheny county Workhouse for an undetermined period.

The Court set October 20 as the date of hearing testimony supporting a petition asking that the beer license issued to Gladys Simmons, Phillipsburg, be revoked. One of the complainants is that the woman's husband, Robert Simmons has been a first offender for illegal sale of liquor. This is the first petition filed in the county asking for the revocation of a beer license.

## ROBERT HORNER BREAKS LEG IN SOCCER BALL PRACTICE

While practicing for a soccer game on the High school athletic grounds, Robert Horner, class of '35 Centre Hall High school, had the misfortune to break both bones in the right leg midway between the knee and the ankle. After having received temporary aid the young man was rushed to the Centre County hospital where the fractures were reduced at once.

The accident was caused when Robert and Philip Smith collided. It appears that the latter's knee and the former's leg came together with much force. The bones were heard to snap by the boys on the field nearby.

Robert is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Horner, now living on the Grossman farm, near Tusseyville. He is attending the local High school for the second year, having previously gone to the Altoona schools. He is sixteen.

## 23 OF 74 BLIND IN CENTRE GRANTED MONTHLY PENSIONS

Centre county's appropriation from State funds for the blind was \$6,008.24 of which \$5,647.75 will be used for pension payments, which permits pensions aggregating \$470.64 per month—no individual pension to exceed \$30 per month.

There were 74 applicants for Blind Pensions in the county. Forty-five applicants qualified from the standpoint of both blindness and need. Twenty-three pensions have been granted, leaving an eligible waiting list of twenty-two applicants, with the eligibility of nine applicants to be determined when their ophthalmic test blanks are returned from Harrisburg.

The Mothers' Assistance Board of Centre county will administer Old Age assistance as well as the Blind pensions for this county. The Board is composed of the following trustees, serving without remuneration, appointed by the Governor: Mrs. Chas. McGirk and Mrs. George Raines, of Phillipsburg; Mrs. Arthur Dale, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Edna Haasinger, of Millheim; Mrs. Scott Crain, of Port Matilda; Mrs. Frank Gardner and Mrs. Wm. R. Young, of State College.—any one of whom may receive applications from persons wishing grants from these various State and county funds.

"As soon as I am elected Governor I will call a Constitutional convention to substitute a modern Constitution for the present 60-year-old antiquated State Constitution. We must have this to make possible Old Age Pensions, and equitable income tax for school purposes to be borne largely by persons and corporations with high incomes who now contribute but little to the cost of State Government."—George H. Earle, Democratic candidate for Governor.

## "The Pathfinder" Is Usually Right.

Hark ye to what the Pathfinder says:

"Maine voted 'aye' on the New Deal, and there is no reason to suppose that the reigning sentiment in the other states is very different. The individualism and sectionalism which have had such a strong influence on politics in the past have been pretty well wiped out by the New Deal methods."

If you are a reader of the Pathfinder, you know it is not given to making rash statements.

## CAMP DIRECTOR GORDON SPEAKS OF TRANSIENT CAMP

It was a rare treat for those who listened to Spencer R. Gordon, director of Treaster Camp for Men, on Tuesday evening. The director is in love with his work and in full sympathy with his men.

Following are noted some of the salient points in the address made in the High school assembly room:

### Who Are the Transients?

In May 1933 a study was made in Pennsylvania by Mr. Morris Lewis of the National Committee on Transients and Homeless. He called attention that Pennsylvania, with its 11,155 miles of railway and 90,867 miles of highways has three per cent, and 4.48 per cent, respectively of the entire nation's railway and motoring facilities. Besides this, Pennsylvania is one of the greatest industrial States in the Union, hence hundreds of thousands of people come to Pennsylvania annually and in 1933, of those people who during the course of the year stopped at least one night in Pennsylvania, approximately 600,000 of them found it necessary to ask for food and lodging for which they could not pay. These, added to the resident homeless, called for study, and planning on a scale never before attempted. There was, of course, over the entire world, a complete dislocation of economic security and in 1933, about two million people made up a migratory army never before contemplated in this country. There was little hope that this aimless wandering would end in anything but tremendous loss in human values, broken homes, moral and physical deterioration and there was a danger of developing a chronic transiency. Indeed, during the months of January and February, 1933, 324 boys under twenty-one were received in the Transient Bureau in Pittsburgh.

The problem with our resident homeless represents the single man and widower who were boarding when the job was cut off. In order to handle and plan for this problem, Transient Bureaus or Intake Centers were established in the cities.

How the Transient Camps Get Their Men

When an applicant applies to a Bureau for shelter, his history is taken and a physical examination of him is made by a physician. He is allowed to stay in the Bureau for a short period of time for general observation, and if his conduct and condition is such as to warrant it, the Bureau explains the Camp Program to the client, as the Transient is now called. He is told that he may be assigned to a Transient Camp if he is willing to return to his board and keep thirty hours of labor at work projects undertaken in connection with the Department of Forests and Waters. He is told that he will receive, after he has been in camp one week, a gratuity allowance of one dollar per week, with which to buy necessities such as combs, buttons, thread, candy, tobacco, and the like. If the client is willing, he is then sent to camp, provided he is physically fit.

### Who Are the Men in Camp?

Among the men in the camps, 14.5 per cent, are college graduates; 27.8 are high school graduates; 29.8 are eighth grade graduates; 6.2 are seventh grade graduates; 6.4 are sixth grade graduates; 3.5 are fifth grade graduates; and the balance have less than fifth grade education. Among the men are civil engineers, mechanical engineers, lawyers, accountants and the like; plumbers, marine and stationary engineers, electricians, structural steel workers, lumbermen, and men who have followed road construction, railroad and bridge-building operations, as well as miners and quarrymen.

Ninety per cent of the men in the camps are self-respecting, honest, conscientious individuals, who, through no fault of their own, are unable to connect with a job.

What Can the Community Do to Help with This Problem?

Donations of books and magazines help pass the time. Jig-saw picture puzzles and playing cards are especially appreciated. We would love to have visitors and the camp is open to visitors.

We especially beg that the community will not judge Treaster Kettle Camp by the untoward acts of a few. Naturally, with men so short, an ill over the country on so short, an obligation period, the misfit creeps, and the whole camp is sorry for his misdeeds.

We who live with the men and have come to love them, know how anxious they are about the camp's reputation and how keenly they feel when some untoward event happens.

Please come and see us and lighten the load of adversity which hangs heavy on the shoulders of our citizens who have no home.

## LINGLE-AUKERMAN.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Evangelical church in Lewistown on September 15th, when Miss Melvina Aukerman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Aukerman, of Spring Mills, became the bride of Miles Lingle, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lingle, of Spring Mills.

The ring ceremony was used, the Rev. E. J. Bayne officiating.

The bride was attired in a blue silk crepe dress with blue accessories.

The many friends of the young couple wish them prosperity and a happy future.

## MILLHEIM YOUTHS PLEAD GUILTY ROBBERY SLOT MACHINES

Leroy Knarr and John Colledge, half brothers, Sherwood Springer and Frederick Hosterman, all well known young men of Millheim, were arrested by State police, Wednesday afternoon of last week and taken to the barracks at Rockview. They are charged with having robbed the Firemen's club of their home town of four slot machines that are supposed to have contained at least \$100.00 each.

Saturday morning the young men appeared before Judge Fleming at a special term of court and plead guilty to the charge preferred. The court offered advice for future guidance in their actions and then pronounced a sentence on each of them of a fine of one dollar and undergo a period of probation of five years.

## LOCAL ELEVATION ABOVE SEA LEVEL—C. H. 1375 FT.

Two gentlemen from the State Geological Bureau were in town and gave several elevations above sea level that will be worthwhile retaining. The elevation at the Penna Valley bank building was given as 1375 feet; that of the top of Nittany Mountain directly in line with Pennsylvania Avenue looking from the station, 2240 feet, and at Pete's Place, 1369 feet.

## HARRY M. BITNER GENERAL MANAGER FOR HEARST PAPERS

Harry M. Bitner, this week, became general manager of the Hearst newspapers, the strongest newspaper organization in the world.

Mr. Bitner is a son of Dr. H. F. Bitner, formerly of Centre Hall, now of Lewisburg. He is a graduate of F. & M. College, and was a frequent visitor in Centre Hall during his parents' residence here.

He has been associated with the Hearst organization for more than a score of years. His promotion is well merited.

## CORN BORER INCREASES RAPIDLY IN CENTRE CO.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is much concerned over the increase of the corn borer in Centre county, and is fearful that commercial damage will soon result unless farmers change their corn culture methods.

The practice of many farms in Centre county is to husk the corn from the standing stalks, allowing the stalks, or the greater portion of them, to remain in the field over winter. This makes ideal conditions for the corn borer.

Full cooperation among farmers in carrying out our recognized control which involve principally the complete destruction of all corn refuse, has been largely responsible for the freedom from the pest they are now enjoying in the northwestern area.

## STATE SABBATH SCHOOL ASSN MEETS OCT. 10-12, AT INDIANA

Centre County Assigned Quota of 50 to Attend Convention—97 Schools in Centre.

The twenty-second session of the State Sabbath School Association will meet in Indiana, October 10, 11 and 12, a State-wide organization in which fifty-six Protestant denominations are co-operating.

Statistics show 10,311 Sunday schools, with 2,231,415 enrolled, one out of every four population; 200,000 volunteer teachers.

Speakers of prominence who will participate will be Dr. A. W. Beaven, president of Colgate-Rochester Theological Seminary and president of the Federal Council of Churches; Dr. Paul S. Leinbach, editor-in-chief of the Reformed Church publications; Harry C. Munro, of the International Council of Christian Education; Rev. William L. Mudge, of the State Council of Churches; Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, General Secretary of the Allegheny County Sabbath School Association; Dr. Harry E. Paisley, president of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association and president of the Philadelphia County Council of Christian Education; Walter E. Myers, general secretary of the State Sabbath School Association.

We wonder if the people of Centre county know that in the county are ninety-seven Sunday schools with an enrolled membership of 12,924, and of this number, 939 are officers and teachers. Another important factor indicating the real worth of the Sunday school is that during the past year 279 accessions were made through the Sunday school to church membership.

These statistics, along with others, have been furnished by the county association to the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association and have become permanent records of both the State and the International Associations.

Pennsylvania has two and one-quarter million Protestant Sunday school members; more than any other one or several State organizations.

For the State convention Centre county has been assigned a quota of fifty and it is fully expected to overrun this small quota.

Those desiring further information can secure it by writing or calling the county president, Mahlon L. Foreman, Bellefonte, or the corresponding secretary, Miss Ruth Bechdel, Blanchard.

The Centre Reporter, \$1.50 a year.

## LOCAL H. S. TEAMS WIN IN SOCCER AND DODGE BALL

The Centre Hall High school soccer team opened its season on the local field last Friday with a 2-1 victory over its ancient rivals from Boalsburg. The game started with the locals appearing to have a push-over as Heckman scored within the first minute of play, from his center half-back position. Boalsburg came back strong and played the locals to a standstill for the remainder of the game, both teams scoring one goal.

The defensive work of Don Coldron and Alfred Reish as fullbacks was outstanding as they broke up many Boalsburg thrusts. On the line "Bill" McClenahan and Ken Frank gave good accounts of their ability when they engineered a corner kick for the winning score. McClenahan made a perfect kick into the goal and Frank made a spectacular play by heading the ball through for a score.

The game this week with Hubbersburg will be played at Centre Hall instead of Hubbersburg as originally scheduled. The game will be called at 3:00 p. m.

### Western Division Standing.

Team	Won	Lost	Pts.
Centre Hall	1	0	2
Hubbersburg	1	0	2
Boalsburg	0	1	0
State College	0	1	0

### Eastern Division.

Team	Won	Lost	Pts.
Rebersburg	1	0	2
Spring Mills	1	0	2
Lomanton	0	1	0
Millheim	0	1	0

The Dodge ball team from C. H. H. S. defeated the Boalsburg team last Friday, 19-14. The game was exciting and fast throughout. The victory was especially gratifying because the local girls for the most part were inexperienced at the game, but played like veterans.

## SOCCER THIS WEEK.

The soccer games to be played by the High school teams in the Western district of the county, on Friday, are Hubbersburg at Centre Hall, and State College at Boalsburg.

## CHECK FORGER FAILS TO FURNISH BAIL—GOES TO JAIL

On Saturday Harve L. Davis of State College, was brought before Squire Charles W. Slack, Centre Hall, on the charge of forging a check on a local party, and upon failure to furnish bail in the sum of \$500.00 was sent to jail to await a hearing at the next term of court. The arrest was made by J. Harris Holmes, deputy constable, on a warrant issued by Justice Slack.

## HOME-COMING SERVICE AT EGG HILL CHURCH

The annual Home-Coming service will be held at the Egg Hill Evangelical church on Sunday, October 14th, at 2:30 p. m. Special program is being prepared and all friends of the church are invited to attend.

## LOCAL MEN ATTEND BROTHERHOOD BANQUET

Rev. J. W. Zang, Daniel Daup, George Sweeney and Hayes Ralston motored to Williamsport last Friday evening to attend the fifth annual banquet of the Albright Brotherhood of the Williamsport District of the Evangelical church. The ladies of the First Evangelical church of Williamsport served a very fine meal. Music was furnished by an orchestra composed of leaders in the music field. The address of the evening was given by Dr. Hoover of the Gettysburg Theological Seminary. Dr. Hoover delivered an inspiring talk on the theme, "The Picture in the Dome."

## CITIZENS' CONFERENCE ON SCHOOL RECOVERY IN PENNA.

A Citizens' Conference on School Recovery in Pennsylvania will be held October 10 and 11, in the forum of the Educational building, Harrisburg. Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—"The State's Responsibility for Public Education," by Governor Pipefoot.

"School Recovery to Meet the Needs of Pennsylvania's Children," James N. Rule, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

"Education and the Nation," Charles H. Judd, University of Chicago.

Thursday's three sessions will be devoted to discussions on a wide range of subjects.

## WHITE HOUSE BEER PARTY DENIED BY WHITE HOUSE SEC.

Stephen T. Early, White House secretary, in a formal statement on Saturday denied a report by the New Jersey Methodist Board that President and Mrs. Roosevelt had given a hilarious beer party at the executive mansion.

"The report is so obviously untrue," Early said, "that it could not be either decently or officially recognized."

At the same time it was indicated that the White House was surprised that an officer of the church would spread such a report and at the same time admit he could not remember the source of his exact quotation.

The party referred to took place in the White House the Saturday before last New Year's.

The Pennsylvania Greyhound Transit Company is seeking to extend its privileges as to hauling passengers within a radius of fifteen miles from State College.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

You have until October 31st to see the Century of Progress Exposition, the \$20,000,000 World's Fair.

Everything seems to be working out fine for the new proposed State highway from State College to Bellefonte, except one thing: The Federal funds depended on for the construction work.

The State Game Commission's most recent acquisition of land is located in Burnside township, this county, and comprises 2,311 acres and will hereafter be known as State Game Lands No. 199.

It's been improved a lot, but that lightning rod and stem holding the weather vane on the Lutheran church spire continues to "lean a bit towards Winard's," which is a local expression for out of plumb.

Among the 1400 students in the freshman class at Penn State who are exceptionally young to be admitted into college are Robert Bruce Elkin, of Smicksburg, aged 14, and Edward Hall Elliott, of Kennett Square, who is 15.

Hunters in Pennsylvania who secure the "Federal Duck Stamp" may kill only ducks and geese. While the stamps cover brant and swans, the season on brant is closed in Pennsylvania this year, and swans are not permitted to be hunted at any time.

Mrs. T. L. Smith and daughter, Miss Louise Smith, Wednesday morning of last week started on a week's trip to Philadelphia in a new special-six Plymouth sedan purchased that morning from the R. S. Hagans agency, Centre Hall.

While bittersweet is very attractive in the woods and appeals to those seeking material for decorating, it should be left undisturbed in the woods so that birds may feed on it during the winter months. Have a heart—do not rob wild life of its natural food.

G. Alfred Crawford, of Centre Hall, accompanied Sheriff John M. Booth to Wilkes Barre, Friday, where the two ex-service men attended the annual sessions of the boys of the 79th Division who saw service in France. The sessions lasted over Saturday.

"Twila Louise" is the name given to the seventh child born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Burris, living on the Heckman farm west of Centre Hall. The stork visited the home on Sunday morning, 23rd ult., and the gift delivered by the old bird seems perfectly contented with its new surroundings.

Howard was obliged to depend on the Mill Hall fire company for aid when the public school building was on fire. Bellefonte was called, but previous rulings forbade the fire equipment leaving the borough. The Mill Hall company will be awarded at least \$100 and probably more for their services.

Road building operations over Seven Mountains have been greatly hindered by rains. The section lying next to Pottery Mills has been concreted and is now open to the public. The next section to be concreted is that lying between the Centre-Mifflin county line and the foot of Bald Mountain, where the new road shears around Bald and Sand Mountains.

Following a contribution of but a trifle in support of a Lewistown fire company resulted in Frank A. Carson, the South Potter justice of the peace, falling heir to a coupon which drew a Frigidaire refrigerator. The thing that now bothers Mrs. Carson is how to utilize that latest household utility when the nearest electric current is five miles distant.

The largest day's work done by George Searson, a thresherman of many years' experience, was that at the J. Cloyd Brooks barn, on Pothony-mede farm, west of town, during last week, when eighteen hundred bushels of grain were threshed. The day's work consisted of threshing 1706 bushels of oats and the remainder of the 1800 bushels was barley and wheat. The oats yield per acre for the crop was also large—sixty-two bushels.

An additional road sign was placed on the Earlstown road a short distance west of the Delaney barn yard, which has been the point into which a large number of autos crashed during the past few years. The new sign indicates a dead-end, and is the well known "T" lying on its side, placing the top line in a perpendicular position. This may help to check the speed of drivers at this unusually dangerous point, whether he desires to turn to the right or left.

Jack McClenahan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McClenahan, west of town, was taken to the Centre County hospital on Friday noon where he immediately underwent an operation for the removal of the appendix. Dr. Adams performing the operation. The young man became ill while working in a field the day previous, and was obliged to go to bed that afternoon, and the following night he suffered greatly, but on Friday morning the packs applied relieved him. For some hours following the operation he suffered pain, but later improvement began.