



School Group Voices Opposition to Proposed School Legislation

At a meeting at the Bellefonte Court House last Saturday afternoon, a committee composed of representative schoolmen and laymen met with County Superintendent of Schools, F. G. Rogers, and discussed proposed State legislation of an educational nature.

Definitely opposed to the reorganization of school districts on a compulsory basis and to the placing of teachers under the civil service system the committee plans to contact State legislators to voice public sentiment in this direction.

The committee favors a "full restoration of the conditions of the Edmund's Act" and recommends a deficiency appropriation of \$5,000,000 for Pennsylvania schools for the 1933-35 biennium, and also a similar appropriation to improve educational opportunity in poor school districts during the 1935-37 biennium.

This Executive Committee is a county development of the Pennsylvania State Education Association. Its members include: County Superintendent Rogers, George McCormick, Potter township director; O. F. Smith, president of the Centre County School Directors' Association; Sawyer Clark, president of the Centre County Taxpayers' League; R. S. Jamison, Centre Hall teacher; Curtis Watts, Supervising Principal of Gregg Township Vocational School; E. K. Stock, Supervising Principal of Bellefonte schools; Jo Hayes, Supervising Principal State College schools, and S. Ward Gramley, Millheim business man.

The next regular meeting of the committee will be held Saturday, March 3, at 2 p. m. in the Court House.

FIVE STATE EMPLOYEES IN COUNTY DISMISSED

Two employees of the Western State Penitentiary at Rockview and three employees of the highway department will be dismissed March 1, according to an announcement sent the five men a week ago. The dismissals are the result of the move for economy in the Earl's administration.

The dismissed men are:

Marvin J. Rothrock, prison labor accountant at Rockview; Richard Snyder, Supervisor of Welfare, Rockview; Clarence Ziegler, assistant highway garage clerk; Mrs. Edmund Blanchard, highway typist, and Aaron L. Leitzell, assistant maintenance superintendent.

Rothrock will accept a position at the Titan Metal Co., while Snyder, who recently elected president of the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club, stated that he and Mrs. Snyder would leave Bellefonte on March 1.

In addition to these dismissals, Robert L. Johnson, executive director of the State Emergency Relief Board, issued an order suspending white collar and shirtwaist workers on projects not directly connected with the handling of State relief.

This order suspends twenty or more men and women engaged in making a record of the unseated lands in Centre county.

GLORIA BROOKS CELEBRATES 7TH BIRTHDAY, SATURDAY EVE

The seventh anniversary of the birth of Gloria Brooks, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brooks, was celebrated at the parental home on Saturday from three to six o'clock p. m. Including Gloria and her elder sister, Miriam, there were eighteen children who joined in the festivities carried on during the three-hour period, not a minute of which was dull. The entertainment in which the children participated was directed by Miss Helen White, primary grade teacher in the public schools, to one or the other of which classes most of the children belong.

In addition to those already mentioned there were present: Betty Schaeffer, Tiny Hess, Janet Runkle, David Booser, Beulah Bradford, Sarah, Virginia, and Billy Morrow, Betty Johnson, Marie Whitman, Marjory Emery, Clara Lou Wetzel, Edwin Crawford, Richard Brooks, Taylor Potter, Betty Seaton.

The chums, guests of the host, brought with them presents, tokens of friendship that will be cherished throughout the years to come.

Success has a price-tag attached.

PENN STATE HOPES FOR TOURNAMENT VICTORIES

For the first time in a number of years Penn State has a reasonable chance to capture intercollegiate championships in both boxing and wrestling. The ring tournament this year will be held at State College March 15 and 16, while the wrestling will take place at Philadelphia on the same dates.

Eleven years ago Nittany Lion teams succeeded in winning the intercollegiate in both sports on the same day. The wrestling tournament was held at New Haven on this occasion and the boxing took place at State College. In 1925 the grapplers repeated their victory but have not won the title since. The Lion ringmen repeated in 1927, 1928 and 1929.

GOVERNOR EARLE BANS SPECIAL PLATES FOR 36

Governor Earle on Tuesday night nullified the "aristocracy of low auto license numbers."

"The manufacture of the plates is begun at Western Penitentiary now legislative, consular, executive, judicial for next year," the Executive said, "and we are starting the straight numbers with the figure 21,001."

"There will be no distinguishing marks on any tags. There will be no legislative, consular, executive, judicial or national guard tags either."

"I see no reason why any persons prominent in State politics should go around our State violating traffic laws. Next year all applications will be issued as received and there will be no exceptions."

Also the Governor's official car, which in recent years has borne the State seal and "the Governor," will be cloaked with anonymity.

BRIDGE PARTY OF THIRTY ENTERTAINED BY MRS. KELLER AND MRS. MILLER, FRIDAY EVE

A party of thirty ladies were entertained at bridge on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. W. F. Keller, Mrs. E. W. Miller also being one of the two hosts. While bridge was the order of the evening, the party began its program with the participation in a supper served at 6:30. The table arrangement, dishes and serving all indicated the Washington legends and recorded history of the Father of Our Country, as did also the home decorations.

The first prize in the bridge contest was won by Miss Laura Runkle and the second by Miss Ruth Smith.

In addition to the hosts and prize winners there were present Mrs. Bertha Homan, Mrs. Clea Goodhart, Miss Louise Smith, Miss Verna Rowe, Miss Jennie Thomas, Mrs. Ruth Durst, Miss Mary D. Potter, Mrs. J. P. Wetzel, Mrs. Levan Smith, Miss Helen Odenkirk, Mrs. Isabel Bradford, Mrs. H. L. Ebricht, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. C. H. Light, Mrs. Perry Uber, Mrs. Ethel Booser, Mrs. Marlon Neff, Mrs. Edna Noll, Miss Ida Frazier, Mrs. Mary Spiker, Mrs. Grace Smith, Miss Catharine Goodhart, Mrs. Mary Neff, Mrs. G. O. Benner, Mrs. Nancy Potter.

H. & S. COMPANY TO SPONSOR COOKING SCHOOL

Hosterman & Stover Co., Millheim, General Electric home appliance dealers, announce that they have had the good fortune to secure the services of Miss Irma Koch, famous home economist, who for two years handled all cooking school demonstrations in the General Electric Kitchen at the World's Fair in Chicago. Miss Koch will hold a two-day cooking school in the Municipal Theatre, Millheim, on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 2nd and 3rd.

An added attraction will be the new talkie picture, "Just Around the Corner," starring Bette Davis and Dick Powell.

CLOVER CLUB MET WITH MRS. GOODHART, FRIDAY EVENING

The Clover Club, a group of ladies from Centre Hall and vicinity, held one of its regular meetings at the home of Mrs. F. V. Goodhart on Thursday evening, at which time the program circled the Washington spirit, as did also the decorations, tokens, etc.

The organization was formed at the home of Mrs. Carrie Bradford in January, 1914. She is one of three of the "charter" members who is deceased. The rules of the club are highly commendable and embody service in the community. The rules governing the conduct of members, including questions that may be discussed, formally or informally, are somewhat unique, but are strictly adhered to.

The members and guests present at the meeting referred to are noted: Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. G. O. Benner, Mrs. Bertha Homan, Mrs. W. Frank Bradford, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. W. F. Keller, Mrs. H. L. Ebricht, Mrs. Levan Smith, Miss Grace Smith, Mrs. A. O. Lieb, Mrs. Milford Lase. Guests: Mrs. Elmira Winegardner, Mrs. Tessie McClellan, Mrs. H. W. Potter.

Judging by the number of bills to permit legalized horse racing with pari-mutuel bets, the number of bills for Sunday movies and theatricals, an outsider might reach the conclusion that the 1935 Legislature will be liberal. The facts do not bear out this belief.

Seven bills permit horse racing, but a bill has just made its appearance in the House prohibiting betting under penalty of \$500. Even possession of a racing form or a written list of horses in the race, would subject the owner to prosecution under the provisions of this bill.

There has been only one bill relating to Sunday in any way so far considered on the floor of the House. That was the Schropp bill permitting the training of dogs on Sunday. It was defeated.

There was employment hereabouts for everybody on Saturday morning, but on completion of the job, a dog? No; simply better walking on pavements.

HIGHWAY DEPT. TO MAINTAIN BRIDGES ON PINCHOT ROADS

Bridges on roads the State took over during the second Pinchot administration would be given the State Highway Department for maintenance under five bills passed finally by the Senate.

Three sponsored by Frederic Gelder, Susquehanna, turn over bridges from townships and county roads which the State maintained since 1931, and bridges from borough and town streets and from abandoned turnpikes maintained since 1933.

A companion bill of Lansing Harvey, Luzerne, would give the department the job of maintaining city bridges on streets which were taken over by the state in 1931.

Joseph Ziesenheim's bill also would turn over bridges on township roads maintained by the State since 1931.

COST OF OLD-AGE PENSIONS FAR UNDER EARLY ESTIMATE

As the Finance Committee of the United States Senate was hearing opponents of President Roosevelt's economic security program, the committee received a report from the Economic Security Committee showing that the total cost to the states for old age pensions would be about \$111,000,000 a year, instead of more than half a billion as had been freely predicted.

The report has been in course of preparation since the committee was appointed by the President last June and covers many phases of the subject that had been overlooked by opponents of the plan. Old-age pensions already are in force in 21 of the 48 States and laws establishing them have recently been enacted in seven others. Census figures for 1930 showed 6,334,000 persons in the country over 65 and many witnesses before the committee of Congress have presented their arguments on the basis that half of them at least would be eligible for pensions.

The Economic Security Committee's report was based on the number of persons above 65 now receiving relief; plus those now getting old-age pensions in the States having pension systems; also on the fact that the grants actually averaged \$16.47 in the fall of 1934 and the additional consideration that the majority of aged men and women in the United States are supported either by themselves or by their relatives.

Of the six and a half million above 65, the report showed that 733,342 are on Federal relief rolls, and 179,557 are receiving old-age pensions from 21 States, making a total of 912,899 who would be eligible, instead of the three and a quarter million claimed by opponents of the plan. For Virginia, where it had been estimated the cost would be between \$12,000,000 and \$20,000,000 a year, the committee estimated that \$356,000 a year would be required. This is on the basis of a State contribution of \$29 a month, distributed in the same proportion as relief is now distributed in that State.

NO FREE SEEDS

It is twelve years since Congress decided to discontinue the annual distribution of free seeds by its members among their constituents, but the Department of Agriculture continues to be swamped with requests for seeds. So numerous are the requests that the department has asked the press services to spread abroad the word that there are no free seeds to distribute.

WILD TURKEYS LIBERATED IN NEARBY BLAIR COUNTY

Ten fine, plump wild turkeys were liberated in the mountainous sections of Antis township, Blair county, last week. Five on Brush mountain and five on the Allegheny mountain. There were four gobblers and six hens, the gobblers weighing at least twenty pounds each. The birds were in the best of condition.

Game Protector Frank Myers, of Shippensburg, and Charles C. Brennecks, of Altoona, had charge of the liberation. The turkeys were hatched on the State wild turkey farm in Juniata, in the Willow Run section.

This farm contains approximately 28000 acres and a goodly portion of it is enclosed with a high wire fence. It was established a number of years ago and since then has been the source of a supply of wild turkeys for planting in many sections of the commonwealth.

It is said that thirty-three hundred young turkeys were hatched on the farm during the year 1934, and a large number will be raised during the present year, most of which will be liberated in many parts of the State during 1935, and that when the season is closed, it is authoritatively stated that this is just the beginning of the liberation of wild turkeys in these parts and the sportsmen may expect another consignment within a few weeks. By liberating the turkeys early in the season they will soon adjust themselves to their new surroundings and begin making a home and preparing to raise their young.

WILLIAM C. RAMBO, OF LAURELTON, PINNACLED

William C. Rambo, of Laurelton, the well-known contractor, died last Thursday in the Geisinger hospital. He was 67 years of age. He supervised the construction of all of the elaborate buildings comprising Laurelton State Village, as well as the Phillipsburg State hospital, Hotel Phillips and Presbyterian Manse, in Phillipsburg. The body was interred in Ivy Hill cemetery, Philadelphia.

Senator and Assemblyman Ask Indulgence of Constituents Due to Lack of Time

State Senator Thompson is forced to make an announcement that no doubt is regretted by him, but he is obliged to do so, nevertheless. The brief note addressed to the Reporter under date of February 21st, printed below, explains itself:

I would appreciate very much if you would make mention in your columns of the fact that due to the large volume of correspondence that Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly are receiving about a number of controversial Bills, it will be impossible for them to acknowledge receipt of such communications or to answer them, but that all communications with reference to any Bills will be given the proper consideration.

PATIENTS IN CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL FROM SOUTH SIDE

James Frank, Rebersburg, became a surgical patient Monday of last week.

Mrs. John A. Wert, Rebersburg, was admitted Monday of last week for surgical treatment.

Andrew C. Rokey, Centre Hall, became a medical patient Monday of last week and his daughter, Beatrice E., was admitted the next day for surgical treatment.

Miss Claire E. Auman, Coburn, a surgical patient, was discharged last Thursday.

Miss Mabel Harman, daughter of Oliver Harman, Millheim, became a surgical patient Tuesday of last week.

Mary Louise Weaver, ten years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver, Rebersburg, died in the hospital last Wednesday.

Roland Young, Boalsburg, was admitted Wednesday as a surgical patient.

Mrs. John Patterson, Boalsburg, became a surgical patient Monday.

Eugene Albert Long, Spring Mills, became a surgical patient Thursday.

Mrs. Clarabelle Claycomb, Spring Mills, a surgical patient, was admitted Saturday and discharged Sunday.

There were 65 patients in the hospital beginning of this week.

OPEN WEATHER CAUSES MUCH DAMAGE TO MACADAM ROADS

Damage which may reach \$4,500 has been done to the macadam highway between Lewisburg and Millfiburg by recent changes in weather which have resulted in upheavals all along the 16-mile drive.

A crew of 15 working men from the Lewisburg office, now is at work making repairs, but much of the work cannot be done until warm weather arrives.

Since that time the entire length has been surfaced with macadam, most of it laid at least 20 years ago. Today the highway is an important connecting route between the Susquehanna Trail at Lewisburg and Route 220.

Most of the damage is between Lewisburg and Vicksburg. In some places the entire roadbed has cracked and broken up into loose stones and pits.

About 1834 the Phillipsburg and Sunbury pike was extended to One Port, and on to Phillipsburg. The Lewistown pike was built at about the same time.

PENN STATE MAHS ANNOUNCEMENTS OF SUMMER SESSIONS

Initial announcements of the 1935 Summer Sessions at the Pennsylvania State College were sent to teachers throughout the state this week. Two thousand and upward of the teachers of the State study at Penn State every summer. As in previous years, the Summer Sessions are under the direction of Dean Will Grant Chambers.

The Preliminary Announcement mailed this week lists some 400 courses under 40 divisions of the College which will be given this summer. The subjects offered will include work in every school of the College and will provide opportunities for both undergraduate and graduate study.

The Summer Sessions at Penn State open with a three-weeks Inter-Session from June 11 to June 25; continue with the regular six weeks Session from July 1 to August 9, and close with a three-weeks Post Session from August 12 to 30. Students may attend any one or all three of the sessions.

The local crack checker players hatched up with their equals from Pine Grove Mills and Lewistown, at a contest staged in Brown's garage, at Pottery Mills, Thursday evening. There were a large number of draws, but close to a fifty-fifty score was made by G. A. Crawford and Garman Matter, leaving C. D. Bartholomew, the third local in the contest, somewhat in the rear.

13 INCHES OF SNOW!

One of the deepest snows of the present winter fell between 7:00 and 11:30 on Thursday night. Its depth was about four inches. Tree branches, telegraph and electric wires carried their portion gracefully, and the mountains and woods looked their very whitest. And this was the morning of Washington's birthday.

And along comes the afternoon and night of that day! Snow began falling at about 3:00 o'clock and continued until Saturday morning, 8:30. It was a calm night and morning, snow resting where it fell. The snow measured a depth of 13 inches.

MAC-HENRY HORSE SALE MONDAY-AVERAGE \$153.50

Twenty-three horses were sold at the T. B. MacHenry horse sale in Centre Hall, on Monday. Twenty-one of these were shipped here by the dealer and two were sold for local individuals. The twenty-one animals sold for an average of \$153.55. The high team passed for \$355.00, and the high single horse for \$230.50.

Mr. MacHenry announces in an advertisement in this issue that he will hold his second sale here next Wednesday.

HI-Y ORGANIZATION HOLDS INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR 9

At a combined meeting with the Tri-Hi-Y, in the form of a Washington's birthday party, the Hi-Y organization of the Centre Hall high school held an induction ceremony for nine new members at the high school building last Friday night.

The officers, Fred Spiker, Warren Homan, Vinton McClellan and Jay Runkle, had prominent parts in the ceremony, as did Roy S. Jamison, the advisor of the organization. J. F. Wetzel, principal on the timely subject of Washington and Lincoln.

After the induction service the active members settled the scores for violations in a recent better-school-conduct campaign. The penalty—padding varying in severity—provided part of the entertainment for the guests. A program of games and refreshments followed.

The new members include Donald Barger, Robert Blazer, Donald Foust, Dean Fetterolf, Robert Gerhart, Jack Kirkpatrick, Dean Runkle, William Thomas, and Robert Walker.

Forty-eight persons, including the four faculty members, were present at this meeting.

LOCAL HIGH PUPILS WILL PRESENT OPERETTA IN MARCH

Pupils in the local high school will present "The Court and the Coed," a two-act operetta, which is directed by Mrs. G. Malcolm Smith, during the latter week of March or the first week of April.

The time and work required for the presentation of the operetta is substituted for regular class periods of the Glee Club, which is scheduled one class each week.

This is the fifth presentation of this type that Mrs. Smith has directed in the local high school.

FIRE COMPANY MEETING

The Centre Hall Volunteer Fire Company will hold a business meeting on Monday evening, March 4, in the council room.

QUILTING PARTY

Mrs. Frank Shutt, at the Danle Colyer home west of Old Fort, on Tuesday of last week gave a quilting party to a large number of ladies who are known to be skilled with the needle. In addition to enjoying sewing designs on a pretty quilt the ladies also had a delightful social day, and that not without choice refreshments.

A PENNY A DAY

Three dollars and sixty-five cents to pay. That would take a whole year at a penny a day. Just think of the beautiful things that would buy; I never would give that much money—not I.

Two would buy me a hat so pretty and trim. And a pair of hose for those ankles so slim. And the fun I could have (tho' it might not be right) But 'twould pay for a movie for many a night.

Why give to those heathen so far away? Tho' some may be hungry each hour of the day; Let others the worry and task pursue. As for me I feel I've enough to do.

But hark to that Voice and try to believe It is far more blessed to give than receive; And turn not away from that message I pray. But drop in your mite-box a penny a day.

—Mrs. W. J. Hackenberg, Rebersburg, Pa.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Tomorrow, March, and spring in the offing.

Fish and oysters at the Weis Pure Food Store, this week-end.

Roxey Mingle and Stella Cooney are on an automobile tour through Florida.

The Hawstone brick plant, near Lewistown, resumed operations last week. Working at seventy per cent capacity, 175 men are employed.

Mrs. Guy Springer, formerly Pearl Runkle, and Mrs. William B. Swartz, of State College, spent a few days during the past week in Harrisburg.

Mrs. Alda Boom, who during last week was at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Emmet Brooks, at Axe Mann, returned to her home west of town on Monday.

William Gruenwald, before departing for his home in South Dakota this week, informed the Reporter that he would be here again on March 18th with a load of fine western horses.

Another case of a Gregg township young man was adjusted when Joseph Biddle, 21 years old, was placed on probation for three years. He was charged with stealing gasoline from cars in Bellefonte.

H. D. McCool, of Georges Valley, pled guilty before Judge Fleming to a charge of operating a motor vehicle after his license had been revoked, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 or serve 10 days in the county jail.

While at "The Singing Tower," the bird sanctuary on Lake Wales, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Fisher celebrated their forty-third wedding anniversary. They have of late been located in St. Petersburg, from which place they are making side trips through the State.

Odd Fellows and Hebeekahs from State College, Boalsburg and Pleasant Gap attended the local Rebekahs' card party Friday night. Upon starting for home, at midnight, they found their automobiles practically buried under a foot of snow which had fallen in the interim.

Clyde Smith, who may be said to have earned the name of "globe trotter," was at the home of his aunts, Miss Grace Smith and Mrs. Levan Smith, for a few days the past week. Clyde recently completed his second trip around the world, having visited many foreign countries.

Hannah station, on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad, was discontinued as a flag station for passengers and baggage, and in the future will be regarded as a non-agent freight station only. Passengers bound for that section of Bald Eagle Valley will have to get off at Port Matilda in the future.

C. W. Booser, on Friday morning, received notice of his appointment as acting postmaster at Centre Hall, effective tomorrow, March 1st. Both the employes, Pam Fetterolf and Miss Stella Hosterman, are under Civil Service, and consequently cannot be removed except for violations of the postal laws and regulations.

It is not a day too early to sow clover seed on fields sown to wheat or rye. The first day the ground is frozen and the wind not blowing a gale will be the ideal day to do the work. Seed sown at this time will become well embedded in the soil and will not sprout until seasonable weather conditions are here, while seed sown much later may sprout earlier and be nipped by the slightest frost.

There is some prospect of the Krise Valley-Colyer road being put into better condition for a light traffic detour of the closed section of State Highway route, 322, over Seven Mountains. It appears a protest is being lodged in Harrisburg against the extremely long detour by way of Pine Grove Mills over routes 545 and 305 to Bellefonte, for traffic to Lewistown and eastward. It would require no great expense to put the Krise Valley road in fit condition for light traffic.

It will be well to note that in neighboring towns State agents have been raiding business places in an attempt to clean up gambling devices—punch boards and slot machines. Because everything has gone smoothly up to this time is no assurance that the "probation" period will be indefinitely continued. When the law clamps down it will be too late. It will mean appearance before a justice, who will demand a bond for further appearance at court,—and what the court will do cannot be positively foretold.

The Senior Service class in the Lutheran Sunday school had a delightful monthly meeting Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Laura Lee, one of its members. The table and room were decorated fittingly and commemorated the Washington spirit in the early days of the first President's life and later on in the beginning of the Nation's life. The refreshments, too, were marked with hatchet dents. Mrs. E. A. Frank, whose duty it is to prepare a program for these occasions, was not in default, and arranged to have all members present to participate. Guests present from out of town were: Mrs. Grace Breen and Miss Ruth Probst, State College; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lee, Pottery Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Sari Mastellar, Dewart, and Miss Catharine Wert.