

### CRIMINAL COURT OPENS;

#### THOMAS CASE THROWN OUT

The case against William A. Thomas, charged with involuntary manslaughter, was thrown out of court for lack of evidence. The only question the jury was permitted to decide was the disposition of the costs, which were placed on the county.

The case grew out of a motor vehicle accident on Route 322, near State College, resulting in the death of two of the three girls and two boys occupying the car. Thomas was the operator of the car.

At the time the Reporter went to press, the case of Harry E. Brown, violation of the liquor laws, was on trial.

Other cases disposed of included these:

Following a confession of guilt, Oscar Ostrander, Wm. Oswald and Harry Witten were sentenced. All are from Philadelphia and were charged with having broken into a railroad freight car and extracting beer. The first drew a sentence of one and one-half to three years in the Western Penitentiary, fine of \$100 and costs. The latter two were given a sentence of nine months in the Allegheny Work House, a fine of \$100 and costs.

Three cases of drunken driving were heard, two were convicted and one acquitted, Wm. B. Smith, Jeanette, Fred trial; result, acquitted; county to pay costs. C. W. Stover and John D. Resides, State College, acknowledged guilt. Stover drew a sentence of \$25.00 fine, costs and 10 days in jail, while Resides got a fine of \$25.00 and was placed on probation for a year.

George Parks, found guilty by a jury of statutory rape, was sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for five years.

Charles Rowl was freed of a charge of assault and battery, and the costs placed on the prosecutor, A. L. Henry.

Pleading guilty to a charge of libel May Benner was sentenced to pay costs and placed on probation for five years.

### SKATING ON THIN ICE.

(From the Democratic Watchman.)

It is being whispered around that "the Campus" at State College is very anxious to have Mr. Haines elected to the Legislature. Certainly there can be no foundation for such gossip. It would be folly for anyone interested in the College to take a stand in defiance of the Governor's hope that he will be given both a House and a Senate that will be in sympathy with his program. College employees, from the president down to the janitors and ground keepers, have a right to vote as they please but they are skating on thin ice when they meddle in politics and darned thin, if there is anything to this Haines story.

Landon Knox out Roosevelt, observes a wise guy, but he it known that Roosevelt will garner the votes.

### LONDON IS WARNED TO DROP PINCHOT OR LOSE PENNSA.

Give up Pinchot or lose Pennsylvania.

That was the choice presented to Alf M. Landon Wednesday of last week on the eve of the Republican Presidential candidate's conference with Gifford Pinchot in Topeka.

The showdown was demanded by Charles W. Carroll, organizer of the Young Republicans of Pennsylvania, and keynote at the Republican Grass Roots Convention at Cleveland.

In a telegram to Landon, Carroll said:

"Newspaper reports indicate you are granting Gifford Pinchot another audience. This is an insult to all Philadelphia citizens, as he has offended us again and again by calling us thieves, crooks and bootleggers.

"We resent stories being circulated to effect that, in case your election, you have him in line for Cabinet.

"Your manager has already been advised only hope of carrying Pennsylvania lays in size Republican majority. Philadelphia can give you Pinchot despised in Philadelphia.

"General impression here is that you do not look like a President, do not act like one and do not talk like one.

"Add to this liability the fact that you have taken as bedfellow Republican enemy No. 1, Joseph R. Grundy, you can readily visualize what chance you have in Pennsylvania.

"If you continue to be tarred with the Pinchot stick, I predict many Republican stay-at-home clubs, and disgraced Republican clubs will spring up.

"I realize you can't get rid of Grundy, as you need his cash, but Pinchot can offer only one asset that campaign. That asset is 'strict silence.'

"The decision as to whether you carry Pennsylvania is in your own hands. If you send Giffy back to the dead silence of Pike county forests, you have good chance of victory. If you send him on speaking trip any section of country, you can kiss Pennsylvania good-bye."

Politically, Carroll is a vigorous foe of the present Republican leadership and a frequent critic of the city leadership. He supported S. Davis, Wilson for Mayor and is now head of a committee of six named by the Mayor to study the methods of awarding municipal contracts in Philadelphia and other cities.

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### HARRIS TWP. SCHOOL PROJECT

#### ONE OF 10 FINALLY APPROVED

The Public Works Administration announced a few days ago President Roosevelt approved 10 Pennsylvania projects to provide construction of three schools, improvements and additions to five school buildings, a tuberculosis hospital and a municipal building.

PWA estimated the value of the construction at \$665,338, of which it granted \$293,491 and loaned \$371,847. Approximately 500,000 man-hours of employment at prevailing wages will be provided.

The projects and estimated costs: Harris township, Centre county, new high and grade school buildings, \$47,272; Schuylkill Haven, high school addition, \$81,818; Turboville, new consolidated school, \$79,909; Ralphton grade school addition, \$32,227; new public school, Bloss township, Tioga county, \$21,318; county tuberculosis hospital, Mill Creek township, Erie county, \$150,999; school addition, Reading, \$79,142; high school addition, North Belle Vernon, \$77,616; municipal building, Lykens, \$32,727; school addition, Spring Grove, \$79,909. The Harris Township Junior-Senior high school building will make available to the pupils of the township an agricultural shop, offices, foods and clothing laboratories, a dining room, a gymnasium - auditorium, several classrooms, a library room, a commercial room and general science and agricultural laboratories.

The approval is making possible a Public Works Administration grant amounting to \$21,272 which represents 45 per cent of the total cost of the new school building. This construction will create approximately 35,000 man hours of useful employment at the site.

### HONORS FOR CENTRE COUNTY

#### DAIRYMEN; HIGHEST AVERAGE MILK PRODUCTION

Centre county dairymen have received national prominence, according to County Agent R. C. Blaney, in Dairy Herd Improvement work.

The Centre County Dairy Herd Improvement Association No. 1 had the highest average milk production per cow of all dairy herd improvement associations in the United States during the past year, and stood second in the average butterfat per cow in comparison with other associations of the same size.

The Centre County Association's average was 16,454 pounds of milk per cow; Stevens county, No. 1, Illinois, 16,016, placed second; Cumberland county, Pa., 9,927 pounds, third. In butterfat production first award was given to Los Angeles County Farm Bureau Ass'n, California, with 399 lbs. of butterfat per cow; Centre county placed second with an average of 381 pounds per cow; and Indiana County No. 1, Penna., placed third with an average of 371 pounds of butterfat per cow.

There were 27 herds in the Centre County Association last year, including 379 cows. Membership in this association includes some of the outstanding dairymen in Clinton county as well as Centre county. The Centre County No. 1 association has operated continuously for the past 12 years.

The first year the association operated there was 6257 pounds of milk per cow and 243.7 pounds butterfat, or an increase in the average milk production of 4197 pounds and in butterfat production 137.3 pounds. This year there were 235 cows in the association producing over 300 pounds butterfat, 114 cows producing over 400 pounds butterfat per cow. These figures prove the value of Dairy Herd Improvement work and show the improvement the dairymen can make in their herds throughout the county.

### SHEFFIELD MILK PRICES.

The net cash price to be paid the members of the Sheffield Producers Cooperative Association for milk delivered by them in the month of August, is \$2.19 per 100 pounds for Grade B milk testing 2.5 per cent butterfat, in the 291-210 mile zone, with the usual freight, grade and butterfat differentials.

The Sheffield Farms company will pay \$2.57 per 100 pounds for Grade B milk sold in fluid form in the New York market, including premiums for butterfat over 2.5 per cent. The payments will equal and in many cases exceed 6c per quart.

The August, 1936 price, the best since August, 1926, is well over a 192c price. Unless production increases materially, due to plenty of Fall pasture, it seems probable, with the recent increase in price of Class I milk that Sheffield prices will continue to be high during the Fall months.

### THREE COUPLES CELEBRATE

#### FIFTH MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY

On a Saturday evening, September 12th, 1931, three young couples motored to Lewistown in quest of a Methodist minister to unite them in marriage. On arrival the Methodist parson was not to be found, consequently it fell to the lot of a Reformed minister to reap the fees of a triple wedding.

On Saturday, the fifth anniversary of the event was celebrated in the customary way, this time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Zellers, in Centre Hall. The other couples were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Knarr, also of Centre Hall, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Saxon, of Pleasant Gap. But no longer is the anniversary table surrounded by only the couples named, for there are now three more—each of the couples have a lovely daughter, by name Nancy, Josephine and Lucille, claimed in the order as the couples appear.

Each year since their marriage the anniversary has been celebrated in the same fashion, the same rotation being observed. Mrs. Zellers and Mrs. Knarr are sisters—Hazel M. and Rena May Burkholder, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Burkholder, of Centre Hall, and Mrs. Saxon was the former Margaret Dellallo, Bellefonte.

### BUILDING CONCRETE WORK-

#### SHOP; TWO FLOORS, 27x50

C. H. Homan, proprietor of the Centre Hall Marble and Granite Works, has begun excavation for the erection of an all-concrete structure 27x50 feet, to the rear of his present workshop. It will be a 100 per cent enlargement of the present structure, in addition to a basement with an 11-foot ceiling. A driveway from the rear will permit entrance to the basement. The new structure, like the present one will be of concrete throughout, including roof and floors, and will be used for housing equipment at present located in an over-crowded frame structure, and additional equipment contemplated being installed.

The new machinery when installed will permit the manufacture of a finished monument from a block of granite as taken from the quarry.

### STATE AND COUNTY FLOOD

#### LOSSES IN \$215,335.016

As a result of an intensive State-wide survey conducted by a committee headed by N. L. Lehtinen, State Director for the National Emergency Council, the total estimated damage caused by the floods of March 1936 throughout the State of Pennsylvania sums up to \$215,335,016.

The flood damage for Centre county amounted to \$113,231, and was apportioned as follows:

Personal, residence and business loss	\$ 93,500
State Highway Department damage	166,621
Public and municipal property loss	29,099
Agricultural damage	19,600

### THREE MORE PROJECTS FOR

#### SIDEWALK, ROAD AND SCHOOL

District 10 Works Progress Administrator Charles E. Freeman announced that three Centre county projects were approved and forwarded to State Administrator Edward N. Jones, Harrisburg, for final endorsement.

The projects are as follows: Penn and Haines townships; sidewalk construction; 17 men; 3 mos.; \$4,123.00.

Snow Shoe township; road construction; 32 men; 4 months; \$21,145.00.

Bellefonte; school ground repairs; 33 men; 2 months; \$3,640.00.

### NEW COLLEGE YEAR BEGAN

#### AT PENN STATE, WEDNESDAY

After completing registration early in the week, a student body of 5400 young men and women from all parts of Pennsylvania and many from surrounding States, began the new academic year at the Pennsylvania State College on Wednesday morning.

The 1400 freshmen entering Penn State this fall settled down to their chosen studies in the seven undergraduate schools after becoming acquainted with the college and student activities during the special orientation period arranged for them prior to the beginning of the regular college year.

Tests already given to the freshmen bear out the belief expressed by Registrar Wm. S. Hoffman that the newcomers chosen on the basis of scholastic superiority in high school, represent the pick of high school graduates.

All the seven undergraduate schools, Agriculture, Chemistry and Physics, Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Mineral Industries, and Physical Education and athletics, attracted a proportionate share of the total enrollment in the college.

In addressing the freshmen, President Ralph D. Hetzel pointed out that merely filling the requirements as to credits does not constitute a college education. He urged the students to strive first for the education and that the credits will follow as a matter of course.

Despite a wide impression to the contrary, college spirit is not, he said, "baying at the moon, a vociferous expression, or an evidence of an emotional spree."

Dr. Hetzel said that, on the other hand, college spirit should be defined as "a complete and absolute loyalty to the highest objectives and ideals of the college."

### TRIBUTE TO DR. FISCHER BY

#### COLLEAGUE IN GOSPEL WORK

Dr. E. H. Gerhart, pastor of Grace Lutheran church, Shamokin, writes an eulogy on the splendid character of his departed colleague in Gospel work, Dr. Gerhart, on a number of occasions, accompanied Dr. Fischer on visits to Centre Hall, and will be recalled by many local residents.

The fraternal tribute to the late William Edward Fischer, D. D., follows:

Few men have lived more respected, and few have died more deeply or more generally lamented than the late Dr. Fischer of Shamokin. His character, as a Christian, was one of quiet and unpretending attraction. There was no glitter, no tinsel, no meretricious charm, but the development of simple and unostentatious excellence. As a disciple of Christ, he indulged in no loud pretensions—such a spirit to him was most repugnant; his was the blameless walk of a sincere believer in the Son of God—always consistent, always prepared to glorify the Saviour he loved. He was "an Israelite indeed, in whom there was no guile," a devout, active and persevering follower of the meek and lowly Redeemer.

As a minister of the Gospel, Dr. Fischer was exceedingly judicious. He was never hasty or precipitate. Wisdom was his characteristic. Some termed him a little too cautious and reserved, but calmness, sobriety and prudence were some of his most prominent features, which were invariably exhibited.

The mental character of Dr. Fischer was obvious to all his enlightened and discriminating friends. His mind had been well cultivated and disciplined. For many years he had been a diligent, persevering and indefatigable student. His reading had been select yet varied and extensive. He was evidently familiar with our best and greatest writers. He had a superior poetic taste, and some of his poetic productions are tender, elegant and beautiful. His imagination had developed a commanding and splendid beauty, easily grasped. He was always admired for his good judgment.

Precision and solidity, we conceived, were the characteristics of his mind. His views were usually correct and his reflections and observations were weighty. You could depend on his train of thought. You could not find his intellect on any occasion tripping.

As a theologian he was very superior to most of his conference and synodical friends; hence his theology generally was a delight. In his "celestial science" he was sound, discursive, deeply and critically penetrating. As an expositor of the Scripture, he had few of his standing who excelled him. It was a treat to the lover of Scripture, and the devout mind to have listened to any of his sermons and meditations in his own or any other pulpit. They were distinctive and discriminating, concise and beautifully simple. There was no inflation or desire to shine. He was too cultivated, too sincere to depart from a chaste and scriptural simplicity. His language, his illustrations, his imagery, all were natural to his cultivated mind.

The great doctrines of the Gospel were always luxuriously unfolded by him to his congregations. He felt his subjects, they were a part of him, hence his discourses were not cold, dry and lifeless.

His preaching was marked by originality. This produced a freshness so much admired by his hearers. It invited their attention and penetrated their hearts.

This holy and devout minister of God has left not only a sorrowing congregation, a ministerial association, but also a community all of which will cherish his memory for years to come.

### SURPRISE SHOWER.

A genuine surprise shower of household furnishings of a varied and useful variety, and valuable, fell on Wednesday evening of last week on Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burkholder, at the home of the bride. The shower, falling from an apparently cloudless sky, had its foundation source from the purses of the members of the Sunday school class in the Methodist church to which the bride belongs.

The evening was delightfully spent in a social manner, and at the proper time refreshments were served.

### WHEN DADDY SLEEPS.

When Daddy takes his daily nap,  
No matter what else is in store,  
All work's left undone and the house  
Kept still,  
So Daddy can lie and snooze.

The children tiptoe 'round the house  
And no pattering of little feet  
Can be heard as they walk about the  
room,  
So Daddy can lie and sleep.

Their words are whispers so soft and  
low,  
And only with dolls can they play;  
Since all must be quiet all thru that  
nap.

Moisy toys are set away,  
So mother's work is laid aside,  
Since quieting her broods is her  
lot,—  
For when Daddy sleeps all must be  
still,—  
No wonder her nerves are "shot."

—Vernie Bron Hackenberg,  
Hebersburg, Pa.

### WHITEMAN—DURST.

#### Ralph E. Whiteman, Centre Hall,

and Miss Ethel Durst, State College, were united in marriage on Thursday, Sept. 3, in that proverbial "church 'round the corner," in the city of Cumberland, Md. The couple slipped out of town late Wednesday night and returned next day without being suspected of having crossed the border line.

The bride lived in Centre Hall for a year or more, and later went to State College where she has since been employed. She is thoroughly fitted and capable of presiding over a home, and has a large circle of friends here and in State College who will attest to these qualities.

The groom is an automobile mechanic, and for six years has been regularly employed at the R. S. Hagan garage, which alone is a guarantee of his mechanical skill and dependability.

The young couple will defer beginning housekeeping until about December first to permit the bride to complete a prior employment contract. At that time Mr. and Mrs. Whiteman will establish a home in a portion of the Mrs. D. F. Smith home, in the north section of town, where Mr. Whiteman has roomed and boarded since coming to Centre Hall.

### SLICK PROPERTY SOLD TO

#### LAWRENCE HARTLEY; \$725

The Slick property, located on Hoffer street, near the high school building, was sold by Mrs. Lillian Slick through the H. L. Ebricht real estate agency, to Lawrence Hartley, for the sum of \$725.00. Mr. Hartley is employed at the Kerka poultry farm and was recently married. He and Mrs. Hartley expect to occupy the place as soon as it is vacated by Glenn Corman, the present tenant.

The Slick house was originally located on the northeast corner of the lot now occupied by the Weis store-room and adjoining private dwelling, and was erected by the late J. O. Deininger during the early fifties. When the store room was improved and the dwelling erected by Harper and Kreamer, the small structure was moved to its present site.

### 108 RINGNECK PHEASANTS

#### FREED IN POTTER AND GREGG

Through the efforts of the Spring Mills Fish and Game Association, nine crates of ringneck pheasants were distributed in suitable locations in Potter and Gregg townships, within the recent past.

The birds were fully matured and were grown on a game farm in Wisconsin. Each crate contained two male and ten female birds, making a total of 108 birds for the nine crates. These with other similar distributions of ringnecks made during the past few months in Penns Valley fields and woods ought to give hunters a fine sport within a year or two.

It is up to sportsmen to practice sportsmanship, if these efforts of the State Game Commission and local game associations, such as the Spring Mills association, are to be productive.

### SIX FEET OF BLACK SNAKE

A black snake was exhibited Friday evening by Homer Sweetwood. The six-foot, sleek, shiny reptile was captured on Nittany Mountain above the Sharer Improvements where the young man was working, and was taken without the slightest injury. The snake slashed its tail and body freely, but Sweetwood was in control, having his snakeship by the neck.

### E. P. V. HIGH AND MILLHEIM

#### BORO GRADE ENROLLMENT

East Penns Valley high school, a joint high school supported by Millheim borough, Penn and Haines townships, opened with an enrollment of 133 pupils, the highest enrollment since its organization. The classes are divided as to numbers, thus: Freshman, 42; sophomore, 40; junior, 29; senior, 22.

The Millheim borough Grade schools have a total enrollment of ninety-one. First and second grades, 27; third and fourth, 29; fifth and sixth, 20; seventh and eighth, 24.

### 3 COUNTY RESIDENTS AMONG

#### 40 TO GET STATE JOBS

Personnel change sheets on Thursday showed the appointment of forty persons to State positions and the dismissal of seven others. In addition the records show that pay increases were granted to 160 employees for salary boosts aggregating \$68,040 a year.

Those given jobs included: Highway department: Russell P. Beezer, Bellefonte, assistant superintendent, \$1860; Fred C. Kurtz, rodman, \$1020. Public Instruction—Anna M. Corl, State College, clerk, \$900.

During the past ten months 3000 motor licenses have been revoked and 6116 suspended in Pennsylvania.

### NOTICE.

STORE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 6 P. M. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16, UNTIL SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 19th, ACCOUNT JEWISH HOLIDAYS.

NIEMAN'S DEPT. STORE, MILLHEIM, PA.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Governor Earle will be at the Union County Fair, Friday, October 9, and will make an address.

Bucknell University opened its fall term with a total of approximately 1200 students. The freshman class numbers 400.

Charged with planting six bottles of whisky on Rockview penitentiary grounds for the use of prisoners, Joseph Mastalki, Benner township, was arrested and held for court trial.

Moving pictures will be shown in the Grange hall in this place, starting tonight (Wednesday), and every Wednesday night thereafter. G. Malcolm Smith, State College, is behind the venture.

A 12x40-foot silo was recently erected on the Penns Cave farm. The silo is estimated to have a capacity of 125 tons of ensilage and will require the growth of corn from eight acres to fill.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClellan and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McClellan, of Linden Hall left their homes early Friday morning on a week-end motor trip to Coatesville, Kennett Square and other points nearby Philadelphia, to visit with relatives.

Daniel S. Daup is converting an open second-story porch into a sleeping room. Frames with window lights have been built by him and are now being installed. The addition will result in improvement in appearance and convenience for living.

The Clover Farm store at Coburn, conducted by Lee Vonada, was entered by breaking through the front door with a fence post. Neighbors heard the noise and in an attempt to investigate frightened the thief away. The affair occurred early Thursday morning.

Harry Spearly was appointed tax collector for Patton township to succeed T. M. Huey, resigned. The appointment was made by the board of county commissioners. Another appointment, one by the Court, was George Peters, Phillipsburg, a tipstaff. He succeeds Thomas Shaughnessy, resigned.

Richard Frank, son of T. K. Frank of Millheim, and a graduate of the East Penns Valley high school, enters the freshman class at Penn State as a student in the School of Journalism. Paul Paulhamus, also a graduate of the same high school, registered as a freshman in Albright College, Reading.

The Centre County Automobile Dealers Association held its monthly meeting Friday evening in the Big Trout restaurant, Bellefonte. The meeting included a six o'clock banquet. Messrs. R. S. Hagan, E. W. Miller and Edward Vogt, Centre Hall, dealers, represented this section at the gathering.

Much of the fall seeding to wheat in Penns Valley has already been completed. The market value of more than a dollar a bushel for the berries is no doubt partially responsible for the more than ordinary preparation of the soil to receive the seed. This extra care in soil preparation will also be reflected in better future hay crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hommel of Millheim, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lester Weaver, of Centre Hall, to Fort Monroe, Va., where they spent the week-end visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Hommel and family. They spent Saturday afternoon along the beach and saw the Atlantic Ocean. Enroute home they stopped in Washington, D. C., and had the pleasure of going to the top of the Washington monument.

As was previously forecast in these columns, Misses Dorothy Blazer and Sara Slack have entered Thompson Business College, Harrisburg and purpose taking a course covering a year or more. Both the young ladies are graduates of Centre Hall high school and have fine records as students. They were accompanied to Harrisburg by their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blazer and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slack.

A Mission Study Class, sponsored by the Young People's Missionary Society, will hold its first session Tuesday evening, Sept. 22, at 7:30 o'clock in the Sunday school room of St. Luke's Lutheran church. A series of four lessons will be devoted to the study of the Negro, and "A Preface to Racial Understanding" and "Out of Africa" are the texts selected. A cordial invitation to join the class is extended to anyone interested in this phase of Missionary work, and there will be no fees for this instruction, which will be supervised by Harvey W. Flink.

Observing farmers report considerable damage done by the corn borer to the present corn crop. In some instances, where the damaged stalks were examined, as many as nine to eleven borers were found imbedded in the pithy part of the stalk close to the ground. The course of the larva is easily discovered from the tassel downward. Heretofore little effort was made to destroy the nesting places of the borer, but the heavy destruction being experienced this year will have a tendency to induce the more careful farmers to more thoroughly turn under the soil all portions of corn stalks left on the field when the spring plowing is being done.