

SENATOR THOMPSON TALKS TO 4TH CLASS DISTRICT TEACHERS

At a dinner held under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Association of Fourth Class District Teachers at the Phillips Hotel ballroom, Senator Edw. J. Thompson discussed the difficulties in attempting to pass legislation designed to improve the educational system of Pennsylvania. Senator Thompson said that for the last fifteen years the State has attempted to scale the necessary functions of the State downward to meet existing revenues rather than to find the necessary revenues to scale functions upward to maximum efficiency.

Mr. Thompson stated that at the time the Chain Store Tax bill was up for vote he had received about one hundred letters from teachers in Centre and Clearfield counties asking him to vote against the bill. This bill was designed to aid the state in increasing appropriations to fourth-class school districts for teachers' salaries. The letters for the most part were prepared by the chains and people buying were asked to sign them. They were then sent in by the chains. He deplored the fact that the teachers as a group did not familiarize themselves with all legislative measures designed to benefit the public schools. He urged that teachers attempt to interpret to the public measures designed to increase the efficiency of the school's service to the child. He said that as far as the Chain Store Tax bill was concerned he could at the present time give no satisfactory answer as to what was happening to it. The bill is now in the process of litigation in the Dauphin County Court.

Senator Thompson also spoke of the need to call a special session of the legislature for the purpose of amending the existing State Authority rules so as to permit local school districts to take advantage of an opportunity to provide better building facilities. He also mentioned that the defeat of the Income Tax amendments to the Constitution had seriously handicapped the state in the appropriations to the districts and thereby prevented elimination in part of the burden real estate must pay.

HOMER RODEHEAVER AT MILLHEIM THIS (WED.) EVENING

Church choir leaders and song leaders as well as all young people and persons interested in young people's work are being especially invited to attend the inter-denominational youth rally to be held in Municipal theatre, Millheim, this (Wednesday) evening, when Homer A. Rodeheaver, famous song-leader and evangelist, will be the guest speaker. Mr. Rodeheaver comes with a party of officers of the Penna. State Christian Endeavor Union, touring the state in a twelve-day trip in the interest of young people—their individual lives and their group work. The Millheim meeting sponsored by the Centre County C. E. Union and scheduled to begin at 8:00 p. m., will be of a high spiritual nature.



HOMER A. RODEHEAVER Former "Billy" Sunday Song Leader

Because of the possibility of an over-crowded theatre, plans have been made to care for the audience by an over-flowing meeting in the Evangelical church.

SAWMILL ON EVEY FARM MOVED TO FORMER SMITH FARM

What is known as the Charles Smith farm, 1 1/2 miles northwest of Woodward, was sold recently by the owner, Frank Hackenberg, to Clair Boob for \$2,000. The tract contains 106 acres, fourteen acres of which are well timbered. The buildings are said to be in very fair condition. The timberland referred to above was purchased from Mr. Boob by Harry B. Heimback, a lumberman, of Lewisburg, for \$800. A sawmill now located on the Evey tract at Woodward will be set up on this tract and will be operated by Charles Wert, of Brush valley, who has large experience in that class of work, and has been employed by the lumberman named for some years.

POST OFFICE WILL ISSUE NEW AIR MAIL STAMP

A distinctive, two-color air mail stamp will be issued by the United States Post Office Department as a special recognition of National Air Mail Week, May 15 to 21. This stamp will be of six-cent denomination, the same size as the commemorative issues. The border, of distinctive Air Mail design, will be printed in blue and the central design will be in red. This design will depict an eagle with outstretched wings, bearing in its talons a shield, olive wreath and a bundle of arrows.

SEWING PROJECTS IN CENTRE

G. G. Cleaver, Works Progress Administrator manager for Area 10, announced that three Centre county sewing projects were employing 47 women. Centre county jobs are located in Bellefonte, Rush township and Snow Shoe.

BELLEFONTE PROJECT LISTS 21 EMPLOYEES

Bellefonte project lists 21 employees, while 18 are on the Rush township payroll. The Snow Shoe project employs 8, being among the smaller projects in the area.

THE TYPE AND CLASS OF GARMENTS MADE BY THE WOMEN IN CENTRE COUNTY HAS ELICITED FAVORABLE COMMENT FROM MRS. THELMA STRASSLEY, AREA NO. 10 SUPERVISOR OF WOMEN'S AND PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS, WHO HAS ADVISED THAT HARRISBURG IS WELL PLEASED WITH THE HIGH CALIBER OF WORK BEING DONE.

HORSES HOLD HIGH PLACE ON PENNSYLVANIA FARMS

Few people realize that Pennsylvania farmers have more money invested in horses and mules than in any other class of livestock with the exception of milk cows.

Most Pennsylvania farmers are fortunately situated to use and produce horses and mules, according to County Agent R. C. Blaney. Feed is usually abundant. Pastures can be made available for 6 to 8 months a year. In general, farms are of moderate size and diversified, conditions which favor the use of animal power.

The man who uses mares for work can raise his replacement stock, selling off the surplus animals at five years of age, usually at a substantial profit over production cost. Many farmers do not raise enough horses and mules to meet their requirements and must supply their needs elsewhere.

"In Old Chicago" at the Plaza.

"In Old Chicago," one of the leading cinema productions of all time, will be at the Plaza Theatre, Bellefonte, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 28, 29 and 30. Don't miss it.

Much of the oats and barley has been sown, but the backward farmer is continuing to turn stalks for the crops.

New P. O. Hours At Centre Hall Office

The post office at Centre Hall, C. W. Booser, postmaster, will put into operation the regulation hours for services for offices of the Second Class, of which class it is one.

The office on and after May 1st will open at 7:30 A. M. and close at 5:30 P. M., except on Saturdays, when the closing hour will be at 12:30 P. M. From 2:30 to 5:30 on Saturdays the office will be open to lock-box holders, but there will be no general delivery. There will be no general delivery, i. e., after 12:30.

BY ORDER INSPECTOR ALTOONA DIVISION

ELECTRIC CHAIR FOR BOWERS AND LOCKARD IN MAY

Wendell Forrest Bowers, 20, must die in the electric chair for the murder of Mrs. Wilma V. Carpenter early in the morning of May 5.

He was denied clemency by the Board of Pardons—his court of last resort.

Bowers, incorrigible paroled from Huntingdon Reformatory, pleaded guilty to shooting to death Mrs. Carpenter in her Camp Hill home last December 23. Another who must die as clemency was refused is Roy T. Lockard 24, of Altoona, for the spike slaying of a 3-year-old boy.

On Monday morning, April 25, Edward Rose, 21; Theodore Duminko, 20, and John Oreszak, 21, were put to death for the 41-cent hold-up murder of Floyd Tranon in Delaware county.

CHICKS AND CANARIES SUCCUMB TO FIRE AND HEAT

Four thousand baby chicks which were to have been shipped to purchasers two days later were lost in a fire in the brooder house on the property of Robert Lazar, of Castanea. The loss is estimated at \$1200.

In Williamsport, Dr. Everett G. Logue, who makes rearing of canaries a hobby, was stunned the other morning on entering the bird house to find two hundred of two hundred seven birds suffocated from heat. The loss, the dentist says, is \$2000.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMS SET FOR SATURDAY

The non-resident High School Entrance Examination will be held on Saturday, April 30, in the following centres: Phillipsburg, Port Matilda, Snow Shoe, Howard, Bellefonte and State College.

A number of resident high schools will hold their examination at the same time and use the same test. Resident examinations will be held in the following places: Pleasant Gap, Hubersburg, Rebersburg, Centre Hall Borough, Howard Borough and Blanchard.

PENN STATE SENIOR, 21, COMMITTED SUICIDE

A 21-year-old Penn State College student who wrote he had lived in "hell" for "the last few years" is dead, the victim of gas which Coroner W. R. Heaton said he created from chemicals in a tape-sealed clothes closet. The deed was committed Sunday night or Monday morning.

Dr. Heaton said death was due to carbon monoxide poisoning, listed as a suicide and said no inquest would be held. A note dated April 16 and addressed to "dear parents, brothers and sisters," read:

"It seems incredible that I have such a few days more to live. A month ago I decided that I must die. Two unsuccessful attempts at my self destruction have made me determined to see that this one shall be successful."

HESS WAS THE SON OF THE NORTHERN BERLAND COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SUPERVISOR, WHO WAS GRADUATED FROM PENN STATE IN 1914.

PICTURE ATTRACTIONS AT THE "PLAZA" AND "STATE"

At the Plaza Theatre:
THURS., FRI. & SAT., this week—"In Old Chicago," with Tyrone Power, Alice Faye, Don Ameche, Andy Devine. Special attraction: Our Gang comedy and First Run News.
MONDAY & TUESDAY, next week—"JEZEBEL," with Bette Davis, Henry Fonda, George Brent, Margaret Lindsay.
At the "State" Theatre:
THURS. only—Big double feature program: No. 1—"The Awful Truth," with Irene Dunn, Cary Grant. Feature No. 2—"Midnight Intruder," with Louis Hayward, Barbara Read.
FRI. & SAT.—Big Double Feature Program: No. 1—Hopalong Cassidy, "Heart of Arizona," with Bill Boyd, and his gang. Feature No. 2—Laurel & Hardy in "Swiss Miss."

MON. & TUES.—The picture that everybody's talking about: "Damaged Lives." Forbidden till now, because its story is carved out of life itself. This picture for Adults Only!

A FEDERAL P. O. BUILDING FOR CENTRE HALL!

The Reporter believes it is representing the sentiment of the citizens in Centre Hall and community when it says that a federal building would be gladly accepted, but that until some tangible move is made by the government that will in the slightest way assure a town like ours booked to get a portion of the \$25,000,000 appropriation for the new post office buildings, we will not become excited.

A Federal building costing \$25,000, \$50,000 or \$75,000 would be appealing without question. The prospects of being counted as one of the fortunate communities to get a part of this thin spread of national funds is exceedingly remote.

The only certainties connected with the proposition are:

- (1) That no \$25,000,000 has been appropriated for post office buildings.
- (2) That Centre Hall and community would be a willing taker.

There is no assurance whatever that one new Federal building is to go to each congressional district. If this were a fact there might be a semblance of a chance to be recognized.

As soon as some evidence develops that has the slightest appearance of a certainty, our people will fire up.

FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL BY BORO AND TWP. GRADES

Pupils, about two hundred or more, in the grade schools in Centre Hall and Potter township, assembled in the auditorium of the high school building to participate in the exercises or witness, them with the several hundred others who had come to enjoy the occasion.

The children from the grade schools did great credit to themselves, their respective teachers and Miss Fisher, the director in music.

Potters Mills, Colyer, Plum Grove, Tusseyville, Tusseyville, Earlstown and Centre Hall grades were represented on the program.

PROBABLY AN OUTSTANDING NUMBER WAS BY A GROUP OF GIRLS SELECTED FROM VARIOUS GRADES IN THE LOCAL SCHOOLS WHO DID TAP DANCING. THEY SHOWED REMARKABLE SKILL, AND LIKE IN ALL THE GROUPS APPEARING ON THE STAGE REGISTERED DISAPPOINTMENT AT THE EARLY DRAWING OF THE CURTAIN.

The greatest surprise to the large audience was the skill with which the sixteen members of the high school band handled their instruments. For this elegant performance credit must be given Prof. Graybill, a member of the high school faculty, who in addition to the hour given for the work on the school program, gave his young musicians much additional time at no expense to the school board. None of the young people had previous training.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE BAND FOLLOWS: CLARINETS, Ralph Arney '38, Jack Kirkpatrick '38, Dean Bradford '40; Robert Faust '40.

Trumpets, Wm. Kerlin '39; Francis Snyder '39; Lots Arney '40; Robert Arney, grade school; Taylor Potter, grades; Jack Garbrick, grades.

Trombone, Elaine Snyder '40; Billy Daup, grade school. Baritone, Mark Jordan '41. Snare drum, David Booser, grades. Clarinet, Buddy Bradford, grades. Tenor horn, Evelyn Miller.

MEYER LUMBER CO. SAWMILL NEAR COBURN BURNS

Explosion of the boiler at the new sawmill, near Coburn, is responsible for the loss of the mill by fire on Wednesday night of last week. The plate blew from the top of the boiler, causing sparks to be thrown to all sections of the plant.

The mill had been in operation only for about two weeks, a full force of men having been employed for but one day. A new type of sawdust burning boiler had been installed and it is thought that perhaps a gas from the sawdust may have been responsible for the accident.

The mill was the property of Lynn V. Meyer, Millheim, and John G. Meyer, Coburn, long engaged in the lumber business. No insurance was carried on the plant.

DAILY PROGRAM FOR BOYS' AND GIRLS' WEEK

Boys' and Girls' Week which this year will be celebrated from April 30 to May 7 is insurance that the character of our boys and girls will develop to the fullest extent, said Dr. Lester K. Ade, Superintendent of Public Instruction. "Society will soon be governed by these same boys and girls and it is our responsibility now to guide that development in the right direction. Boys' and Girls' Week focuses public attention on boys and girls by public demonstrations featuring such character-building factors as Personality, Spiritual Growth, Mental Development, Healthy Bodies, Leadership Possibilities, Family Relationships," the Superintendent declared.

Following are the central themes for discussion and exercises during Boys' and Girls' Week:

RECOGNITION DAY—Saturday, April 30

The Day in Churches — Sunday, May 1.

HEALTH DAY—Monday, May 2

Day in Schools—Tuesday, May 3.

VOCATIONAL DAY—Wednesday, May 4

Citizenship Day—Thursday, May 5.

A DAY OUT OF DOORS and Evening at Home—Friday, May 6.

A Day in Entertainment and Athletics—Saturday, May 7.

Belleville will hold its fourth annual community ball on Thursday evening, May 5, in community hall.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NORTHERN CONFERENCE TO MEET IN MIFFLINBURG

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Northern Conference of the Susquehanna Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America will meet in the First Evangelical Lutheran church in Mifflinburg, Wednesday, May 4th, Rev. W. M. Reasick, pastor.

The first session opens at 9:00 a. m. At 9:45, Mrs. L. Paul Hagen, Mifflinburg, will deliver the address of welcome, followed by a response by Mrs. J. H. Garbrick, Pleasant Gap. Following a business session the Centre Hall Y. W. M. S. will give a Peace Program.

At 1:45 Synod greetings will be given by Mrs. Harry W. Miller, president of W. M. S., Susquehanna Synod. After several various services the session will adjourn to 7:30 o'clock.

The guest speaker for the evening session is Rev. Kenneth Killinger, of Marlton, Virginia.

Meals will be served—dinner 50c; supper, 40c.

Officers of the organization from this section are: President, Mrs. Martin W. Lisse, State College; secretary, Mrs. Ernest Frank, Centre Hall; Light Brigade, Mrs. W. W. White, Linden Hall; Magazine, Mrs. C. A. Eder, State College; Missionary Advance, Mrs. J. J. Weaver, Rebersburg.

OFFICERS OF THE ORGANIZATION FROM THIS SECTION ARE: PRESIDENT, MRS. MARTIN W. LISS, STATE COLLEGE; SECRETARY, MRS. ERNEST FRANK, CENTRE HALL; LIGHT BRIGADE, MRS. W. W. WHITE, LINDEN HALL; MAGAZINE, MRS. C. A. EDER, STATE COLLEGE; MISSIONARY ADVANCE, MRS. J. J. WEAVER, REBERSBURG.

FIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SEEK \$7,500 FOR RELIEF

Demands upon the \$2,000,000 fund appropriated by the last legislature for financially distressed school districts this biennium exceeds that sum tenfold.

Grants from this fund for Centre county school districts include Milesburg borough, \$2,300; Burnside township, \$800; Huston township, \$500; Rush township, \$3,500, and Taylor township, \$600.

Disbursements to date aggregate \$1,129,153, representing "about one-fourth" of the financial aid needed by the 294 districts benefiting in 40 of the 67 counties.

GARBRIK, ELECTRIC WELDER, BUYS BUILDING LOTS

During the recent past Vernon Garbrick purchased three building lots from Mrs. Mary Stahl. The lots are located on the west side of the concrete road in the north section of town, next to the Sarah McClellan property occupied by Archie Meyer.

Mr. Garbrick has been conducting an electric welding business in Centre Hall for a number of years. On the lots purchased he purposes building a dwelling house and a business place that will permit expansion in machinery and general equipment.

Mr. Garbrick gives service over a wide section of country. A considerable portion of his work is repairing heavy machinery, including steam shovels and the like. The welding plant is mounted on a trailer and is easily conveyed to points needed.

Much success to Vern.

LOCAL GIRL HAS IMPORTANT ROLE IN LIGHT OPERA

When the light opera was played in the Ithaca theater, New York Miss Sara Jane Odenkirk, of Centre Hall, played the important role of Alan-a-Dale, with a cast of ten principals and a chorus of thirty-eight. The adventures of the legendary English outlaw, Robin Hood, are known to nearly every school child and adult.

DeKoven adapted the opera in 1890 from Sir Walter Scott's "Rob Roy." As Alan-a-Dale, Miss Odenkirk takes the part which traditionally is played by a girl. Alan-a-Dale is in love with Annabel daughter of Dame Durden who operates the inn at Nottingham. Miss Odenkirk is a student in Ithaca College.

The opera was attended by Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk, Miss Helen Odenkirk, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. Edith Campbell, William P. Campbell, of Centre Hall; Mrs. Musser and Mrs. Meek, of State College.

THE NATIONAL BITUMINOUS COAL COMMISSION FINDS THAT IN DISTRICT 1, IN 1935, THE LAST YEAR FOR WHICH COMPLETE FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE, THERE WERE MINED 27,125,000 TONS OF SOFT COAL.

The district includes Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Carolina, and parts of Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan. Of this coal Centre county alone produced 445,901 tons.

LESTER AUMAN, LIVING IN THE TENEMENT HOUSE ON THE HUYYET FARM, WAS TAKEN TO THE CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL ON THURSDAY NIGHT OF LAST WEEK FOR FURTHER TREATMENT OF ULCERS. HIS TROUBLE BEGAN LAST FALL AT BUTCHERING TIME WHEN A SLIGHT INJURY TO THE LITTLE FINGER ON THE LEFT HAND DEVELOPED BLOOD POISONING. A SERIES OF ULCERS ON OTHER PARTS OF HIS BODY BEGAN APPEARING LATER.

Mrs. Eliza J. Meyer, of the First National Bank apartments, Tyrone, a native of Rebersburg, quietly celebrated her 91st birthday anniversary Wednesday, 13th. Despite the fact that she has been bedfast for the past six months, Mrs. Meyer maintains a cheerful and sunny disposition, and keeps pace with the events of the day. Her children were home in honor of her birthday. They are her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCormick, of Columbia, S. C.; C. H. Meyer, of Reedsville, and John D. Meyer at home. Mrs. Meyer observed her birthday by making a trip to the old homestead at Rebersburg.

SENATE VOTES \$50,000,000 TO SAVE CCC CAMPS

The Senate voted to boost by \$50,000,000 the appropriation for the Civilian Conservation Corps during the fiscal year starting July 1. The House had previously approved the measure.

The President asked the money—as part of his pump-priming program—to prevent abolishing 300 existing camps. The \$50,000,000 is in addition to \$296,831,000 already voted for CCC for the next fiscal year.

Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said the added amount would maintain the CCC program at "substantially" the same level as this year.

JAPAN PAID \$2,214,007.26 INDEMNITY TO THE U. S. FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THE PANAY AND THREE STANDARD OIL SHIPS. UNCLE SAM SENT JAPAN A BILL SIMILAR TO THAT FOUND IN A BASKET OF GROCERIES.

THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHEMICAL LIME COMPANY, MESSRS. E. SPENCER TOWNSEND AND CLARENCE WAYNE, HAVE BEEN ALLOWED \$500 EACH MONTHLY, BY THE BANKRUPTCY REFEREE WILLIAM GOLDING, A SPECIAL MASTER IN THE REORGANIZATION PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHEMICAL LIME COMPANY.

The delegates who will represent the 20,000 Pennsylvania club members at the twelfth annual National 4-H Club camp in Washington, D. C., on June 16 to 22, are Margaret Cole of Perkasie, Mabel Hower, Northampton, Milton Ranck of Lancaster and Clark Kostenbader of Lewisburg.

With the finding of the body of Dr. Charles F. Taylor, burgess of Montgomery, at the Allenwood bridge about ten miles below Muncy the scene of the crash of the "Last Raft," all of the bodies of the seven victims have been found. The crash occurred over a month ago.

Joseph R. Mitchell, of Unionville, died in the Lewistown hospital last Thursday, after an illness of several months. He was aged over eighty-one years, and was born in Union township. Three sons and three daughters survive him. Burial was made in Stover's cemetery, near Unionville.

Mrs. George W. Ocker, of Harrisburg was in Centre Hall for a brief period on Easter Sunday. She visited the Lutheran Sunday school, but few people recognized her at the time. Mrs. Ocker was called to her old home surroundings due to the illness of a brother, Clark Gramley, in Rebersburg.

Despite the sudden rush of registering of Republican voters in Clearfield county and the Republican gain of 31 over the Democratic party in the spring pre-primary registration, the Democratic registration in Clearfield county exceeded that of its big rival by 1,571. The total registration of all parties is 24,059.

Mr. Thomas and family of Bloomsburg will become tenants in the McCormick home in Centre Hall when vacated by Cashier F. H. Priest, who will move to one of the Hue apartment, now occupied by C. R. Coffey who contemplates locating in Phillipsburg. Mr. Thomas is an engineer and is employed on construction work at Penn State.

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Lester Auman, living in the tenement house on the Huyett farm, was taken to the Centre County hospital on Thursday night of last week for further treatment of ulcers. His trouble began last fall at butchering time when a slight injury to the little finger on the left hand developed blood poisoning. A series of ulcers on other parts of his body began appearing later.

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