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CONCRETE ROAD THRU CENTRE HALL BORO OFFERED BY EARLE ADMINISTRATION

The present State Administration is offering a twenty-foot concrete road from the railroad station to the terminus of the concrete road at the foot of Nittany Mountain. The road is to have a ten-foot berm on either side. The berm to be covered with the black top of the present road, and rolled, which will give the berms a driving surface equal to that of the present road. The full width of the combined driving surfaces would be forty feet.

The grade the Highway Department is offering is within reason. The fills are slight and the cuts moderate—the least possible deviation from the present road level.

The road is made possible by combined revenues from the Federal government and State Highway Department, almost on a fifty-fifty basis. The borough property owners are not asked to contribute any funds, directly or in form of taxes, toward the project.

The State Highway Department is making the offer to fulfill a promise made a few years ago to build a concrete road through the borough as soon as funds were available. The time arrived.

A road, such as proposed through the length of Centre Hall's main street, would very materially add to all property values within the corporate limits.

The project has reached a stage where it can be definitely accepted within a few days. It is up to the borough to accept or reject. The latter the borough fathers cannot afford to do.

The road blueprints and other data will be presented to the council at an early date.

WE NEED JOHN DECKER

[Editorial, Democratic Watchman.]
The Hon. John Decker, Spring Mills, is our present Representative in the Legislature of Pennsylvania. He has been a very creditable Representative and while he has not played to the gallery he has been on his job, in his quiet, yet effective way, of serving his constituents. He is a candidate for re-election.



He is opposed by Mr. Kenneth Haines, who is also a Penna Valley school teacher, without experience in legislative halls and an advocate of everything subversive of what his constituents need most.

Hon. John Decker has been 100% loyal to the policies of President Roosevelt and Governor Earle. Mr. Haines is running on a platform that commits him to be 100% against the policies that have brought \$2,729,911.00 annually into our county.

We leave it to you to decide whether you are for Decker, who has really done something for you, or Haines who hasn't a chance to do anything for you.

THE NEW DEAL SAVED CENTRE COUNTY

TAXES ON YOUR HOME OR FARM WOULD BE FOURTEEN TIMES GREATER TODAY WITHOUT STATE-FEDERAL AID.

Look at the Facts!

The New Deal spent \$13,634,557 in Centre county in five years to feed the starving and give work to unemployed—an average of \$2,716,911 a year. Your total county and poor taxes for 1935 were only \$190,385, one-fourteenth of the average State-Federal annual expenditure.

Many Saved from the Sheriff!

Thousands who could not have paid this increased tax would have lost their homes or farms. You would not have let your citizens starve.

Had your county taxes been \$100 annually, they would have been raised to \$1532 without the New Deal, instead your tax rate was reduced during the last five years.

No Burden on Real Estate!

Remember, not a penny of this State-Federal money was taken by a levy on real estate. It was raised chiefly through income and inheritance taxes on the wealthy and by taxes on corporations making large profits.

Your Only Hope!

Unless you want this enormous tax burden for relief thrown back on the county, vote DEMOCRATIC.

BELLEFONTE MERCHANT A SUICIDE, MONDAY

Charles P. Brachbill, one of the family to carry on in the sale of furniture in Bellefonte for almost a century, committed suicide by hanging. The rash act was done Monday forenoon between ten and eleven o'clock, in the cellar of his furniture store on Spring Street.

He was the son of William R. and Molly Powers Brachbill, both deceased, and was aged fifty-three years.

There also survive him a wife, formerly Grace Fox, and two children, William F. and Roseann; also, a sister, Mrs. Edmund Wagner, of Watstown.

LUCK OF THE HUNTERS

The hunters first to report their luck on the first day of the season were Ray Mark and Rev. L. A. Wagner, who were afield together. Their hunting bags contained two ringneck pheasants, six rabbits and twelve squirrels.

The good fortune of a few other local hunters is noted:

Guyard Grove, ringneck and limit of rabbits and squirrels; H. G. Grove, 4 rabbits and rabbit; Ardell Kinnefeiter, ringneck; Harry Gross, ringneck and rabbit limit; George Goodhart, ringneck and rabbit limit; Donald Goodhart, rabbit limit; Robert Goodhart, rabbit limit; John Rimmey, 2 ringnecks and 1 rabbit; Frank Shawver, rabbit limit; 2 squirrels; Fred Bender, rabbit limit; Russell Allen, rabbit limit; Richard Brooks, 2 rabbits; James Brooks, rabbit limit; David Brooks, 2 rabbits; John Ryan, 3 rabbits; Howard Emery, 2 rabbits; Russell Bohn, 2 rabbits; Charles Rintr, 2 rabbits; Jacob Immel, rabbit limit; Ralph Luse, rabbit limit; Kenneth Brooks, rabbit limit; Ted Hartley, rabbit limit; Miles Decker, limit of ringnecks and rabbits; Ralph Homan, one rabbit (blind); Clyde Decker, limit ringnecks and rabbits; W. F. Colyer, 3 rabbits; George Homan, limit ringnecks; C. P. Ramer, ringneck; Harry Auman, limit rabbits; Arthur Auman, limit rabbits; Roy Weaver, two rabbits; W. P. Campbell, 2 rabbits; Gross Gentzel, limit rabbits.

W. W. Kerlin, limit rabbits; William Kerlin, ringneck, limit rabbits; Andrew Mark, ringneck, 3 rabbits and 2 squirrels; C. A. Spyker, 3 squirrels; Wm. Spyker, rabbit; Daniel S. Daup, 3 rabbits; H. B. Priest, rabbit; Henry White, limit rabbits; D. W. Bradford, limit rabbits, 2 squirrels.

The above are the first day hunting bags.

HUNTERS WARNED AGAINST ELECTRIC FENCE SHOCKS

"Don't get shocked," John E. Nicholas, professor of agricultural engineering at the Pennsylvania State College, warns hunters.

Professor Nicholas is concerned with experiences hunters may have with electric fences which are used to confine cattle on many Pennsylvania farms.

"The electric fence is not particularly dangerous," he said, "if the hunter looks before he touches it. If he does not he may get a surprise shock which may cause him to drop his gun and perhaps cause a serious accident."

OLD-AGE SECURITY

[From the Congressional Record]

President Roosevelt has recently expressed his interest in the possibility of liberalizing the old-age insurance program. In a recent letter to the Board he stated that he hopes ways and means may be found to cover wage earners not yet included; to commence benefit payments before 1942; to increase the size of benefits for those retiring in the early years of the system; and to provide benefits for aged wives and widows, and for the young children of workers who die before retirement age.

FARM INCOME IN CENTRE INCREASED \$600 PER FARM IN 5 YEARS FROM '32 TO '37

Direct benefit derived by farmers in Centre county through legislation by two Democratic legislatures during the Earle administration are varied, a few of which are named:

Reimbursement for cattle condemned under the Bangs disease Act, \$32.50 for grades and \$50.00 for registered animals, which with the allowance from the Federal Government increases the indemnity to \$72.50 for grades and \$100.00 for registered animals.

Work has been carried on in sixty-seven counties in the state, affecting 133,742 herds embracing 1,570,000 head of cattle. Six of these counties had reactions of less than one-fourth of one percent.

The Pure Food Act was strengthened, preventing adulteration of meat, sausage, canned meats, etc.; also, reduced filler in ice cream and improved milk products contents.

Another act improved the bakery act, which includes a seizure clause, permitting the seizure of adulterated products as well as punishing the manufacturer.

Appropriations of \$225,000 for developing a potato program, under the Potato Marketing and Labeling Act.

Bonding and Licensing Act. The Act requires the bonding of produce commission men. Under the Act farmers are protected when dealing with commission men.

Soil Conservation and Allotment Act—a State and Federal movement—in which 78,539 farmers in the state and 708 in Centre county are eligible to participate. In 1937, 9,180 tons of lime were used by farmers in Centre county under the program.

Rural electrification, State and Federal. Approximately 5,300 miles of rural light and power lines have been built in Pennsylvania, accommodating 22,000 customers. The State utility Act saved customers approximately \$10,000,000.

All of the State laws were supported by John W. Decker, the representative from this county. All these Acts were largely responsible for the increase of the income of Pennsylvania farmers from \$158,590,000 in 1932 to \$274,425,000 in 1937.

During the same period the income of the 2105 farmers in Centre county increased \$600 per farm or \$1,263,900.

SERIOUS INJURY TO MRS. VERNON GARBRICK RESULTS FROM FALL AT HER HOME

Mrs. Vernon Garbrick is recovering from a shattered vertebrae, due to a fall, and is now in the Centre County hospital where she has been for a week or ten days. At present her suffering is but slight.

Mrs. Garbrick was the former Dorothy Ishler, now living in Lock Haven. She is a graduate of Potts Business College, Williamsport, and prior to her marriage filled several clerical positions in business offices, one of which was at the Kerlin poultry plant.

DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Fred Homan, local plumber, who underwent an operation for double hernia in the Centre County hospital, returned to his home in Centre Hall on Saturday afternoon. He was admitted to the hospital on October 12. His present condition is all one could desire.

Albert Meyer, who underwent an appendectomy on the 19th of October, also returned to his home here on Saturday. His condition, too, is altogether favorable.

The Dies Committee on Un-American activities is referred to as "assassinating characters" by one of its members, Representative John J. Dempsey, a Texas Democrat.

EARLE ROAD PROGRAM SAVED CENTRE COUNTY LARGE SUMS IN TAX

Road tax collected in Centre county in 1937 was \$15,845 less than in 1934, indicating that the Earle administration very materially aided townships in their road programs.

In Potter township in 1934 there was collected for road purposes \$3,826 and in 1937 for the same purpose the collections were only \$561, or \$3,265 less.

Township	1934	1937
Benner	\$1,028	
Boggs	1,522	\$ 339
Burnside	85	138
College	701	
Curtin	572	
Ferguson	1,183	578
Gregg	3,065	1,536
Half Moon	2	
Haines	904	1,067
Howard	542	560
Huston	322	99
Liberty	1,270	
Marion	122	307
Miles	1,674	440
Patton	1,617	
Penn	1,595	505
Potter	3,275	561
Rush	2,275	768
Snow Shoe	1,463	1,340
Spring	400	
Taylor	158	
Union	1,185	
Walker	574	202
Worth	626	227
Total collected	\$27,014	\$11,169

The sixteen townships in the county that collected a road tax in 1937 of \$11,169, in 1934 collected \$9,134 more, or a total of \$20,303.

In 1938 eleven townships in the county levied a road tax, the sum total being \$10,639.76.

BOHN-EUNGARD

At 4:00 o'clock on Sunday afternoon at the Reformed church parsonage Miss Irene S. Eungard became the charming bride of Wallace L. Bohn with the Rev. Delas R. Keener officiating in the use of the ring ceremony by Mr. and Mrs. Willard T. Ralston. Following the ceremony a very enjoyable wedding dinner was served to the bride and groom at the bride's home. Shortly afterwards the newlyweds left for an extended honeymoon trip through the New England States and parts of Canada.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eungard of the Penna. Cave section, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Bohn of near Centre Hall. Both of the contracting parties are esteemed and well-known young people in their community. They will be at home on the Brockhoff farm some time in the near future, and next spring will become tenants on the farm.

HUGHES-SMITHGALL

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Helen VanPelt Smithgall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peck Smithgall, of Williamsport to Richard Pryde Hughes, also of Williamsport. The ceremony took place at 10:30 o'clock, Friday morning, Oct. 7, in the First Methodist church of Baltimore, Md., the Rev. J. Franklin Haas, pastor of the church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes will make their home in Newark, N. J., where Mr. Hughes is connected with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

Prior to her marriage, the bride had been employed in the office of Dan D. Kline, in Williamsport.

The bride's mother was the former Romie Van Pelt, born and reared in Centre Hall where Mr. Smithgall, on graduating from college, became principal of the Centre Hall high school.

CONSTRUCTION OF SUPER-HIGHWAY BEGUN THURSDAY

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, equipped with a new \$10,000,000 bank account, awarded the first contract for the express highway from the Capital City to Pittsburgh. Operations started on Thursday, L. M. Hutchinson of Mt. Union was given the contract for a ten mile strip of roadbed in Cumberland county. The bid, the low of twenty-seven, was for \$458,058.

Mr. Hutchinson built the Spring Mills-Centre Hall road, also a section in the Seven Mountains.

The route of the highway will follow generally that of the roadbed laid in the 80's by the Vanderbilts in an ill-fated attempt to compete with existing railroads. The right-of-way was purchased from the P. R. R. and B. & O. companies for \$2,000,000.

The project is a self-liquidating one through collection of tolls. When the road is paid it will become State property.

The Commission will advertise for bids on other legs of the highway "in rapid sequence." Employment of between 20,000 and 25,000 workmen is expected.

'SQUIRE SLACK TIES NUPRIAL KNOT FOR YOUNG COUPLE

T. Bryce Hoover and Miss Sylvia Ruth Lucas, both of Howard, were joined in matrimony by C. W. Slack, J. P. in his Centre Hall office on Saturday evening. They were accompanied to the justice's office by Mr. and Mrs. William Luse of near Centre Hall.

FIGHT INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Initial steps have been taken to hold the annual Presidential Birthday Balls and Parties on January 30. Keith Morgan of New York is renamed as chairman.

Centre Hall will undoubtedly join in the movement and again call on Roy S. Jamison to act as chairman. Funds from these parties are used to fight infantile paralysis.

Hallow'en Party

The Young Woman's Missionary Society of the Lutheran church on Tuesday evening of last week were given a Hallow'en party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Durst. Among the guest were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Luse and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Homan, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Homan, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mark, Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Wagner, Mrs. Roy Dutrow, Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Harvey Plink, Miss Laura Breen, Jack Glenn, Mrs. Paul Petteroff and son Drev, Misses Bertha Sharer, Sarah Kocher, Dorothy McMichael, Margaret Alexander, Mrs. J. H. Durst, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Durst.

The evening's entertainment consisted of games, fortune-telling and a spelling bee. Refreshments were served.

There were days in our early history when we were warned of the "James Boys." Strangely enough, today we are again told to beware of what the "James Boys" will do if they get into office. So, again—"Beware of the James Boys."

Do your duty as a good citizen—go to the polls and vote next Tuesday.

Election comes on the latest date in November possible under the law—November 8. You'll remember, it's the first Tuesday after the first Monday. This year the first of November came on Tuesday and therefore had no Monday preceding it.

\$2,165,295.90 FOR SCHOOLS; THOMPSON PLAN BUILDING PROJECTS IN CENTRE COUNTY

Thirteen school projects under the Thompson Building Plan are scheduled in Centre county, calling for an expenditure of \$2,165,295.90. The two projects in the Centre Hall borough in the local school district, and all other school districts in the county, is that the projects can be built and paid for without placing a burden on them.

F. G. Rogers, superintendent of the schools in Centre county, forwarded the following schedule to the Reporter, under the caption, "Thompson Plan of Building Projects in Centre county":

School District	Estimated Cost
State College Boro	\$693,060.00
Haines Township	80,362.50
Harris Township	29,700.00
Centre Hall Boro-Potter Twp.	68,163.40
(Addition to high school)	85,529.50
Snow Shoe Boro	153,016.00
Rush Twp. (3 projects)	213,157.82
Walker Township	135,000.00
Phillipsburg Boro	129,314.10
Bellefonte Borough	244,778.42
Gregg Township	129,188.42
Snow Shoe Township	50,977.75
Worth Township	158,097.99
and Port Matilda Boro	158,097.99
Total	\$2,165,295.90

REMOVAL OF GEN. PATTON'S BODY FROM COUNTY RESENTED

The descendants of General John Patton sent Sheriff Keeler to Huntingdon on Saturday to recover his body together with a saber and scabbard, dug up from his grave on the Wasson farm near State College by the Huntingdon Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars. The descendants complaining include Misses Hilda and Alice Thompson and Mrs. Thomas Stahle, of near State College; Joseph Patton of Media; John Patton of West Grove, and Mrs. C. S. Russell of Huntingdon.

General John Patton, founder of the First City Troop of Philadelphia, was also a member of George Washington's personal body-guard. He was born in Ireland, in 1745, moved to Philadelphia in 1761, and settled in Centre county in 1792. He died in 1804. The Wasson farm was his original burying place. The Huntingdon Post aimed to inter the body by the side of his wife, in Huntingdon, on Armistice Day, with elaborate ceremonies.

LOW BID FOR COUNTY POOR HOME IS \$177,110

The total cost of the proposed building to house the county's poor is set at \$231,000, forty-five per cent of which will be a Federal grant.

The bids for general construction, ventilating plumbing and electrical work were opened last week, with this result: General construction, Berwick Lumber and Supply Company, \$134,544; Mulch Bros., Hollidaysburg, heating and ventilating, \$18,989; P. C. Patterson Co., Bradford, plumbing, \$14,700; Lewistown Electrical Co., electrical, \$5,985, making a total of the four low bids, \$177,110.

The previous bids opened were about \$27,000 higher. The reduction was made possible by reducing the number to be accommodated from one hundred persons to seventy-five persons.

DANCE AT HIGH SCHOOL

The junior business class will hold a novel dance at the Centre Hall-Potter high school, November 18, at eight o'clock.

The dance will be a real old-fashioned barn dance, with round and square dancing. The ladies will come dressed in their cotton print dresses and the men in their overalls.

This is a new idea of the school. Come dressed for the occasion and help make it a success.

The admission will be 25 cents.

CAPT. SCHMUCKER SPEAKS ON EVILS OF MARIHUANA

At a well attended joint meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association and the Centre Hall Civic Club, held in the local high school auditorium on Thursday evening, the guest speaker was Capt. Joseph M. Schmucker, his subject being marihuana and its evils. The speaker after a few preliminaries was given the entire evening to present his subject. The evils of the drug as portrayed by the captain, were horrifying in the extreme. The victims in most instances become obsessed with the desire to kill and invariably do so. Facts and figures in great array were presented.

Capt. Schmucker was accompanied to Centre Hall by Mrs. Schmucker and his mother.

POULTRY PLANT DEDICATED AT PENN STATE COLLEGE

The new poultry plant at the Pennsylvania State College—part of the \$5,000,000 General State Authority—PWA building program at the college—was dedicated Friday at the semi-annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Poultry Association. The plant includes an experimental unit, laboratories and refrigeration facilities.

MILK PRICE FOR NOVEMBER FOR CLASS IIA, \$1.90

Milk prices in this area for November are announced to be \$2.45 per cwt. for Class I, and \$1.90 for Class IIA milk, with the usual deductions.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

John German and Miss Elizabeth Souther of Williamsport were mid-week guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Priest.

John Rimmey purchased six Hereford steers, averaging better than five hundred pounds, for winter feeding.

P. M. Fisher went to Wilkensburg and with Rev. E. R. Corman is hunting small game in Western Pennsylvania.

Miss Blanche Locke, daughter of Dr. LeRoy Locke of Bellefonte was an over-night guest of Miss Jean Bartholomew recently.

Among the chaperons at the various fraternities announced for the fall social season are Mr. and Mrs. William P. Campbell of Penna. Cave.

A mail route between State College and Lewistown is under consideration. The messengers would carry only parcel post taken from the 6:15 a. m. train at Lewistown.

Miss Mildred Meyer is employed in the Murphy 5 and 10, Bellefonte, selling electric supplies and lamps. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Meyer, and a graduate of the local high school, class of '38.

Dr. Abram A. Winter, for more than two score years one of the outstanding leaders in the work of the Evangelical Church and Superintendent of the Homes at Lewisburg and Philadelphia, died Thursday of last week.

A site for a new Federal building in Milliflunburg is in course of condemnation to obtain a clear title. The site is situated at the corner of Fourth and Walnut streets. Construction is expected to start as soon as a title is secured.

Rev. Ellis E. McKelvey, 71, a retired minister, died in the Williamsport hospital after undergoing an operation a few days previous. He lived at Montoursville. He served as pastor of the Bellefonte Methodist congregation from 1925 to 1929.

Miss Margaret Jacobs, on Thursday, went to Steubenville, Ohio, where she will be a guest at the home of her brother, Guy W. Jacobs, and family until election day. She was taken to Altoona by her brother, W. L. Jacobs, and from there traveled by train.

Millheim borough, Penn and Haines townships, a joint school unit, is sponsoring a project that provides for the addition of a building of 28 by 82 feet dimensions to the present East Penna Valley high school. The cost is approximately \$78,500 under the Thompson plan.

State College residents voted seventy per cent against the use of parking meters. Every class—residents, non-residents, housewives, college staff members, business and professional men, car owners and non-car owners—voted from two to one and over against meters.

W. W. Kerlin and son William attended the ceremonies incident to the dedication of the new poultry plant at Penn State on Thursday. The Pennsylvania State Poultry Association, of which the former is a member, also held its semi-annual meeting at the same time.

A. Frank Young, one of the younger and more progressive farmers in Gregg township, was an agreeable caller at this office on Saturday. Mr. Young stated he had all crops housed. It is evident he did not wait for the second opportunity—Indian Summer—to do so.

The body of John Patton was disinterred from a grave on the Wasson farm, on the Branch road between Ealsburg and Pine Grove Mills, Sunday, by members of the Huntingdon Veterans of Foreign Wars. He will be buried beside his wife in Huntingdon with appropriate services, on Armistice Day, Nov. 11.

Mrs. A. G. Lieb and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith were guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reitz at Bath, N. Y. They were brought home by Mrs. Reitz on Thursday. Mrs. Lieb and Mr. and Mrs. Smith accompanied Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Brungart to Bath, and from there went on to Erie to visit with a sister of Mr. Brungart.

Mrs. David Haines in company with Mr. and Mrs. William White, all of Julian, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reish in Centre Hall during last week. Mrs. Haines, probably better known as Mrs. Mary White, was a former resident of Centre Hall a number of years ago. On leaving here she located in Juniata county, where she married the second time.

The State Highway Department, last Friday, awarded to J. Dean Clark of Lewistown the contract for macadamizing 2.06 miles of roadway in Walker and Marion townships and building five I-beam bridges at his bid of \$5,908. This is what is known as the Ridge road and runs from Zion to the Grove farm on the Jacksonville highway.

The Fall convention of the Centre County Council of Christian Education, formerly the Centre County Sabbath School Association, will meet in the Presbyterian church, State College, on Saturday, Nov. 19. There will be a morning and evening session. J. P. Wetzel of Centre Hall will be the presiding officer. The program will appear in a future issue of the Reporter.