

The Centre Reporter



VOL. CXIII.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1939

NO. 46

SMITH-EDWARDS

A beautiful wedding was performed at the home of John W. Vonada of Spring Mills on Saturday at 2 o'clock when Adda C. Edwards of Shickshinny became the bride of Boyd C. Smith of Potters Mills.

The Misses Doris and June Long of Sweet Valley rendered a piano and violin interpretation of "A Harbor of Love." The double ring ceremony was used by the Rev. Ivan L. Miller of the Methodist church.

For her wedding gown the bride chose a white chantille lace model fitted in princess lines with lace mitts. Her French imported tulle veil, held by orange blossoms, fell to the waist. She carried an old fashioned bouquet of white roses.

The bride's attendant, Miss Sara Vonada, was gowned in a peach silk marquisette with a matching hat and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums in autumn colors. Chester Wagner of Centre Hall performed the duties of best man.

The bride is a graduate of the Wilkes-Barre high school and the Lock Haven Teachers College. She is employed by the Ross Township school board, Luzerne county. The groom is employed by the Penna. Department of Highways.

A reception held immediately after the ceremony was attended by Harry Edwards, Mrs. Stella Bronson, Mrs. W. B. Birth of Shickshinny; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long of Alderson; Mrs. McKinley Long, Misses June and Doris Long, Dayton and Jay Long of Sweet Valley; Miss Pearl Edwards of Wilkes-Barre; Mr. and Mrs. John Richards of Endicott, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Haven of Olean, N. Y.; Miss Rhoda Rogers, Nittany; Chester Wagner, Centre Hall; Miss Pearl Lingle of Millheim; Kenneth Breon of Rebersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Scott W. Decker, Miss Geraldine Smith, Hazel Zettle, Relda Haagen, Sara Vonada and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Vonada of Spring Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith expect to reside in their newly erected home in Potters Mills.

Hettinger Farm Sold for \$875.

The Spear Hettinger farm in Gregg township situated near the Egg Hill church was sold at public sale on Tuesday. The property—80 acres of cleared and 20 acres of timberland—was knocked down for \$875.00, a Mrs. Albright of Burnham being the purchaser.

Buildings on the place were in run-down condition, which affected the price adversely.

Have you noticed it? We have reference to the propaganda in support of Democracy through the use of the films. Many producers are using Democracy as a theme for their plots, and the idea is going over big from a box-office standpoint as well as finding favor with the theatre-going public. And we are to have many more of them. A few years ago it was the gangster pictures,—now, and we like the change, we are in for a cycle of Democracy pictures. It is a masterstroke of genius on the part of some one. We need to sell Democracy, to shout it from the housetops, so as to drown out the cry for "isms" that are trying hard to be heard in the good old U. S. A. A militant Democracy will do it, and nothing better can put people in the proper frame of mind than the popular moving picture. More power to it!

In these days of fancy political appointments at salaries not in keeping with service rendered, it is refreshing to note that the Centre county commissioners got a man to serve as superintendent of the new County Home at \$100.00 a month, believe it or not. No one can call this office a sinecure; there will be plenty of responsibility and unpleasant tasks.

The local women's club will meet Tuesday, November 28 at eight o'clock in the high school building. A book review and a report on current events are scheduled for this meeting.

LABELS TO BE CORRECTED

The Reporter's subscription list will be corrected next week. This means that all who made payment on subscription since the last notice, will find credit given on the yellow label on their paper or wrapper.

There is no need to ask the publishers how you stand in your account with them. The label on your paper is a constant reminder. The figures 38, 39, 40, or whatever they may be, indicate the year to which you are paid. The above figures are used only as an example; we are sorry to say that many labels carry figures lower in the 30's, and these accounts should be corrected. The publisher of a country newspaper finds business at a low ebb in these times and every dollar owing him should be paid. Country newspapers are traditionally lax in subscription collections. Their faith in their readers leads to a business system not tolerated by the so-called modern businessman, who demands cash for his merchandise. Nevertheless, our faith still holds.

"WHY NOT A WOMAN ON THE SCHOOL BOARD?"

"Why not a woman on the school board?" said one of the gentler sex in our office a few days ago. She put the question in view of the fact that a vacancy exists on the local board. We assured her there could be nothing wrong with the idea. After all, they have the ballot, the law, and most everything else.

The Reporter would like to know their reaction to this thought, and invites its readers to use the Reporter columns for pro and con discussion on the matter.

Why would a woman make a good school director, or why would she not make a good school director?

Plenty is spoken, but will you dare use the public prints to put yourself on record?

Where so requested, no name will be printed. However, we must have your name as evidence of good faith.

BEER LICENSES LOST TO STATE COLLEGE TAP ROOMS

Two State College tap room operators were ordered to "roll out the barrel" (but not to the accompaniment of "The Beer Barrel Polka") a few days ago when Judge Ivan Walker handed down a decision upholding the decision of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board which revoked the licenses of Paul Boeger and C. E. Linker.

Charges upheld by the court against Boeger stated that the licensee is not a reputable person, that the establishment ceased to be a bona-fide eating place, and that the eating concession was rented to Ray Mostyn, of Osceola Mills, in violation of the law, that accurate records of business transactions were not kept, and that gambling devices were permitted on the premises.

Charges against Linker specified that the Linker spot was not a bona-fide eating place, that proper and accurate records of the financial transactions were not kept, and that malt beverages were purchased on credit.

WILLIAM MECKLEY, HUNTER, FOUND SHOT THRU HEAD

William Meckley, 28, of Jacksonville, north of Bellefonte, who went out Monday night to hunt for wild turkeys, was found dead on the mountain back of his home Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, shot through the head.

Discovery of his body was made by Frank Grove, also of Bellefonte. R. D. The body was taken to the Neff Funeral Home. Coroner Heaton was notified.

The young man lived with his father, and was employed as a laborer.

BARN BURNED

A barn on the John Summers farm at Wingate, a mile west of Milesburg, caught fire and was destroyed, Wednesday afternoon of last week. A child playing with matches is said to have been the cause of the fire which had gained such headway that the building was doomed when firemen arrived. A quantity of hay was destroyed but all livestock was saved.

Members of the Logan fire company of Bellefonte and the Milesburg fire company rendered aid.

CCC BOYS TO EAT 525,000 LBS. TURKEY ON THANKSGIVING

The 325,000 young men in the various CCC camps throughout the United States will fare quite well, thank you, today (Thanksgiving Day) when they will dig into 525,000 pounds of turkey. Averaging 12 pounds to the bird this amount represents about 43,750 turkeys.

PENNS STATE COW GIVES 940 POUNDS BUTTERFAT

With a record of 940.1 pounds of butterfat in 365 days, a registered Holstein cow owned by the Pennsylvania State College produced more than five times as much fat as the average dairy cow. A. L. Beam, professor of dairy husbandry at the College reports.

This purebred cow, having the high-sounding name of Penstate Creator Barbara, produced 27,205 pounds of milk testing 3.5 per cent butterfat. This is about six times the all-cow average, based on figures recently released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Another cow, Penstate Creator Sally, has just completed her fifth lactation with a total production of 86,705 pounds of milk and 2,938 pounds of butterfat in five years.

Cider makers over the state can be welfare workers for wildlife, according to Pennsylvania Game officials, who are soliciting the cooperation of all cider makers in the Commonwealth in an effort to have the pressed apples or "pummies" at cider mills hauled into the woods and scattered about for wildlife. The Commission hopes that many sportsmen's associations will join in this worthwhile program, and it has already given instructions to its field officers to cooperate in every way possible.

In the Name and by Authority of the COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

PROCLAMATION

In no place under the shining heavens is there more cause for giving thanks than in our land.

As has been our American custom for more than three centuries, we give thanks to the Almighty for His many gifts. We give thanks for the natural blessings of our land.

We rejoice in the progress which the Commonwealth has made this year. We have seen many of our people return to employment and have been permitted to witness the alleviation to a considerable extent, of much economic suffering.

We live in a land which has followed the principles of liberty, virtue, and independence, and today we are in peace when much of the rest of the world is at war.

Our cherished custom of setting apart a day of Thanksgiving was started by the Pilgrims. One hundred and fifty years ago President Washington issued the first Thanksgiving Day Proclamation. No day is more wholly American.

THEREFORE, I, Arthur H. James, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, following the Proclamation of the President of the United States, and the date he has designated therein, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 23, 1939, as Thanksgiving Day, a day of prayer to be observed by all the people of this Commonwealth in their homes and churches, acknowledging our thanks to Almighty God for the many blessings we are enjoying. I urge that the Flag, symbol of the faith of our fathers, be flown from all homes and public buildings.

[SEAL OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA]

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this ninth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and of the Commonwealth the one hundred and sixty-fourth.

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

MISSIONARY FROM INDIA TO SPEAK HERE, NOV. 24

Miss Eva Jane Smith, a Missionary from India, will speak in the local Presbyterian church tomorrow (Friday) night at eight o'clock.

S. W. SMITH RETURNS FROM LEWISTOWN HOSPITAL

S. W. Smith was returned to his home on Sunday afternoon from the Lewistown City hospital after six weeks' stay as a surgical patient. He withstood the automobile trip well, and while still in a weakened condition, he is cheerful and shows steady improvement.

Mrs. R. K. McNitt, R. N., of Milroy, is the nurse in charge.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Howard K. Johnston	State College
Mary E. Korman	State College
Walter Alard Snow	State College
Ann Whiteman Bonine	State College
Leonard A. Snook	Bellefonte
Virginia L. Baney	Bellefonte
David D. Brooks	Bellefonte
Betty Virginia Horner	Milton
Lavaud Edward Bierly	Rebersburg
Margaret V. Kane	Rebersburg
Charles Horner Lose	Bellefonte
Annie E. Kessling	Yarnell
Franklin T. Courter	Blanchard
Dorothy J. Clark	Beech Creek
Calvin Benjamin Breon	Rebersburg
Edith Victoria Gentzel	Rebersburg
Donald Wm. Lowrey	Hubersburg
Margaret L. Brooks	Bellefonte

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF LOCAL FIRE COMPANY

A call is issued for the annual meeting of the Centre Hall Volunteer Fire Company, to be held in the council room, Tuesday evening of next week, Nov. 28, at 7:30 o'clock.

Election of officers will be an item of business.

An officer of the company desires The Reporter to ask for the wholehearted support of citizens of the borough in the endeavors of the local fire company. Interest has lagged, and it is a well-known fact that should a serious fire occur, the meeting night following the fire would see a large turnout. It is just as important to have persons interested in the cause before as after a fire.

Give the ladies your support (morning support is all they ask) by attending next Tuesday's meeting.

A board of viewers, on Tuesday, went over the Blackhawk road, west of Centre Hall, for a stretch of two miles, and over the road leading from the Potter farm to the Brush Valley road. The viewing was made following a petition to have the road built as a WPA project.

60 FATHERS AND SONS ATTEND BANQUET IN REFORMED CHURCH

Trinity Evangelical and Reformed church held a Father and Son banquet in the Sunday school room Thursday evening of last week at 6:30 p. m.

The adult ladies' Bible class served the refreshments. Rev. D. R. Keener was the toastmaster. Dean R. Reish gave a toast to the fathers assembled. Prof. J. F. Wetzel gave the address of the evening for the sons and fathers.

Mr. Wetzel spoke on what fathers and sons expect of each other, mentoring companionship, guidance and loyalty as paternal attributes, and respect as a filial duty to fathers. A poem on "Fathers and Sons" served as a summary to his address.

The banquet was followed with games in which fathers and sons participated.

Bruce E. Runkle, Dr. H. R. White, J. W. Delaney, and J. W. Bradford composed the committee on arrangements for the affair. Bob E. Bradford was song leader and Miss Helen Odenkirk the pianist. Sixty fathers and sons were in attendance.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE IN REFORMED CHURCH

The Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick will deliver the sermon at the annual community Thanksgiving service in the Reformed church this (Wednesday) evening.

CENTRE COUNTY ROBBERY IS SOLVED WHEN HOTEL CLERK IDENTIFIES NEGRO

Nathaniel Payne, colored, formerly of Clearfield, may be returned to Centre county to face trial for robbery as the result of identification by Graydon Anthony, Phillips Hotel night clerk, in Phillipsburg, as the gunman who shoved a revolver into his ribs last December and demanded money.

Anthony, who was alone in the Phillips Hotel when the bandit made his way into the hotel early in the morning of December 7, identified Payne as his assailant when motor police from Rockview brought a photograph of Payne to Phillipsburg for the night clerk to identify.

Centre county authorities will seek to have Payne returned to this county after he has served a sentence he is now under in a District of Columbia workhouse. The indictment will be sought at the next session of the grand jury of Centre county. Payne will complete his minimum term at Washington on Feb. 1, 1940.

75 BEARS KILLED IN TWO COUNTIES ON FIRST DAY

A bear kill greater on the opening day of the season than in the whole season for the past three years was reported from the Forest-Wares area on the opening day.

Forty bears were brought down in Warren county and 35 in Forest on the first day of the four-day season. Hays Englert, a division supervisor for the State Game Commission, said no hunters were hurt and no cubs killed in the district.

Among the sharpshooters getting their bear early was Robert Lambertson, member of the commission.

Entertained S. S. Class

Mrs. Kryder Frank entertained the Senior Service Class in the Lutheran Sunday school at her home Friday evening. Refreshments were served and entertainment provided.

BUILDING OF 500 NEW HOMES BEGUN EVERY DAY UNDER FHA

Although as a whole the United States is badly housed this condition is fast being remedied. This year, due in large part to the facilities offered by the Federal Housing Administration, 425,000 non-farm dwelling units will be built.

Under the National Housing Act the FHA insures mortgage loans for as much as 90 per cent of the value of the properties. The most attractive feature to home builders under the FHA plan is that a home may be bought by a 10 per cent down payment and the remainder paid like rent in monthly installments, over periods as long as 25 years.

At present 500 new homes are entering the construction stage every working day under FHA inspection.

CENTRE COUNTY HOME GETS SUPT. AT \$100 A MONTH

James Hugg of Phillipsburg, has been chosen by the Centre county commissioners as superintendent of the new Centre County Home at a salary of \$100 a month, effective as of November 10th.

The appointment is for a four-year term, but it is reported that it will not be binding upon the new board of commissioners which will go into office in January.

Acceptance of the County Home by the county depends upon a report made by a board of three inspectors to be named by Judge Ivan Walker, at the request of the county commissioners.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

The Reformed church announces its Christmas program for Sunday evening, December 24.

Daniel Daup, Sr., has had to carry his arm in a sling recently because of a rheumatic condition.

Misses Eva and Ollie Miller of State College visited Miss Margaret Jacobs last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Newton E. Emerick spent a week with her daughter, Dorothy, married, and living in Williamsport.

Prof. J. O. Packer is looking forward with keen anticipation to a trip to California with Pittsburgh parties, which will keep him from home for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur McClellan are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Bradford and entire family at Thanksgiving dinner today at their home in Lock Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCormick visited with Dr. and Mrs. James Campbell in Williamsport, Friday evening.

Dan S. Daup and E. W. Miller are telling their friends how close they came to getting a wild turkey last Thursday. But the old saying still holds good: "Close ones don't count."

Dean Bradford, local high school senior, has been working Saturdays and vacations in the petroleum laboratory at Penn State. He is a clean-up man, washing bottles and cleaning equipment.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Potter were relatives of Mrs. Potter's from Pennsylvania Furnace, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Musser and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Lavere Nise, and Mrs. R. G. Goeben.

The November meeting of the Centre Hall-Potter Alumni Association, scheduled for tomorrow (Friday) night, has been postponed until next Friday night, December 1, at eight o'clock, in the high school building.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hess and son Neil, of Winfield, visited with Mrs. Hess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Burkholder, on Sunday. Mr. Hess spent some time hunting on Saturday and brought home the limit in squirrels.

Pennsylvania had the dubious honor of entertaining "Al" Capone, one-time gangster No. 1 of America, for one night in the Lewisburg penitentiary last week, on his way east from the Pacific coast and Alcatraz prison, and freedom.

The Robert Mullen bungalow, formerly the Mountain school house, west of Coburn, will be sold at public sale on November 18. Mr. and Mrs. Mullen and the former's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mullen, occupied the place as a summer cottage.

After seeing that much-discussed cinema, "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," we came away remembering the old adage, "Truth, crushed to earth, will rise again." But upon more sober reflection, we said, "We wonder, when it concerns Washington, or Harrisburg."

Mrs. William Campbell is leaving today (Thursday) by train for a visit with Miss Anne Roper of New Kensington, and Miss Olive Brown of Pittsburgh. She plans to return Tuesday. Her sister, Miss Helen Odenkirk, will spend the week-end in Pittsburgh with these young women.

A card received from "Bob" Horner of Centre Hall, R. D., a patient in the Geisinger hospital, Danville, says: "I have been here ten days now and I will remain another week. I haven't eaten anything through my mouth since I came here. I eat everything through a rubber tube through my nose, and therefore don't get to taste anything, but I don't get so hungry." It will be recalled the young man has been suffering from a constricted oesophagus for several years.

James Faust, local garage mechanic, whose large family, under his direction, tills a number of gardens and a large potato patch during the summer months, points with pride to over one thousand quarts of vegetables and fruits reposing on the shelves of cupboards in the cellar of his home. The potato patch yielded three hundred bushels, and besides there are 50 to 60 bushels of apples which the family picked.

Despite the fact that Mr. Faust is off duty because of a broken arm, Old Man Winter holds no terrors for his family.

Mrs. Raymond Walker of State College entertained the Willing Workers Sunday school class at her home on Wednesday night of last week. These members were present: Miss Margaret Alexander, Mrs. Daniel Bloom, Mrs. John Coldron, Mrs. Roy Dutrow, Mrs. George Fetterolf, Mrs. James Faust, Mrs. Chester Grove, Miss Cora Homan, Mrs. Ernest Homan, Mrs. Fred Homan, Mrs. Ralph Homan, Mrs. Roy Jamison, Mrs. Fred Luse, Mrs. Ralph Luse, Mrs. Ray Sharer, Mrs. Robert Walker, and Mrs. Russell Walker.