RM AGENTS' NEWS LETTER

Farmers Week

een 500 and 600 4-H Club rs will hold their annual con- at State College June 18th to clusive. Prizes will be award- utstanding 4-H Club Members. eading Rail Road is entertain- their guests twenty-one 4-H lembers. Boys will be housed the Recreation Hall; meals for r days will cost $2.80. Girls e accommodated in private g houses, which will cost $1.00 t. Arrangements for transpor- to and from State College for et County 4-H club members made at the Agricultural Ex- Office not later than Saturday, 5th.

t Farmers Day will be held 1st; however, there will be a heeting on the evening of June which time as many as pos- hould plan to attend.

p and Wool Growers Meeting

ounteous meal was served by ies of the Valley Grange to ree members of the Somerset Sheep and Wool Growers As- n. This was the annual meet- en the following officers were C. M. Bird, President; J. E. n, Vice-President; H. G. Peck, ry-Treasurer. Bill Connell, in of Sheep Extension from ollege gave a very instructive on Sheep Husbandry, stating hat we are most interested in re good shepherds for Somer- nty rather than more sheep. ere received for the wool, but t acccepted.

n Bean Beetle Begins Annual Attack

gence of the Mexican bean n several sections of the state attention again to this des- insect. This insect attacks eties of field and garden beans, ws a preference for bush and p beans and pole lima beans. ma beans are somewhat less In Pennsylvania, soybeans caped injury so far, although ave been attacked in other

s and larvae feed on the under of the bean leaves, the upper being left intact. The insects y the tissues of the foliage in sections, leaving narrow etween. This gives the leaf a or network appearance. In cases the leaves shrivel and wn, and the plant dies.

Beetle Changes Color

dult is a hemispherical "lady- eetle, about one-fourth of an g. When newly emerged it is ellow in color, although 16 ots appear on the wing covers rt time and the lemon-yellow adualy darkens to a coppery The larvae resemble dimin- rcupines. When first hatched green turning a dark yellow lly grown. Their backs are with long, black, branched

mber of dust mixtures and can be used for control. the dusts are calcium arsen- nesium arsenate, and sodium te, with sulphur used in one arsenate mixture and hydrat- in all of the dusts. Two re recommended. One con- calcium arsenate, hydrated water, and the other is com- f magnesium arsenate and

Prevent Beetle Injury

can be done to reduce bean jury by certain cultural prac- n infested areas, all bean ould be plowed under or de- as quickly as possible after e ceased to bear. If done ough, many eggs will be de- nd the adult beetle will also ed of food.

fall or winter all old bean d rubbish of all kinds can be p in infested bean fields and This action will destroy the overwintering shelters of e.

Find Hog Pastures Valuable

izing their importance, more , Somerset county farmers hog pastures. Results of ations, ton litter records, and al college experiments have nclusively that hog pasture f the most profitable farm

han 400 pasture demonstra- e been carried on by Penn- farmers in practically every the state. The average re- these demonstrations show ounds of grain are saved on dred pounds of pork produc- ture as compared to dry lot eding. Where 20 to 25 hogs red per acre this means a of $40 to $50 per acre. In o the saving on feed, a lar- ntage of the pig crop is sav- he pigs are stronger, more nd vigorous, because they n under sanitary conditions, the sunlight, and get plenty e and green succulent feed, mote rapid growth and de- e frames.

umes Best for Pasture

ver, alfalfa, and sweet clov- the best pastures because for a long season, carry per acre, and increase the fertility of the soil better than non-legumes.

Where one of the legume crops is not already established the best substitute is Dwarf Essex rape seeded at the rate of 5 to 8 pounds per acre. This crop will grow very rapidly and the hogs can be turned on it 4 to 6 weeks after planting, depending on weather conditions. The rape should not be more than 4 to 6 inches high when the hogs are turned in, or they may refuse to eat it. Rape can be planted for late pasture until the middle of July. Where white hogs are pastured some blistering may occur, but this can be avoided by keeping the hogs out until the dew is off the rape.

Recommends Nitrogen for Vegetable Crops

Side-dressing vegetables with a readily soluble nitrogen fertilizer is a good practice commonly used by Pennsylvania gardeners.

"Nitrate of soda is the most popular of these fertilizers, with sulphate of ammonia and calcium nitrate next in order." "Early June is the time to apply the side-dressing. The greens and salad crops are benefitted most, because a rapid growth is desired. Animal manures, and espesially chicken manure, are used by those growers who have such fertilizers available."

When the leaves of a plant turn yellow and slow growth accompanies this condition, usually the need of nitrogen is indicated. A pound of nitrate of soda to 40 or 50 feet of row is a good application. For crops like tomatoes and peppers, apply a small amount around the plant. Follow the application with cultivation or hoeing. Two light applications several weeks apart are better than one heavy application.

When, How and Where to Harvest Alfalfa

Weather is the most important influence in making alfalfa hay. The time of cutting may, however, have a marked effect on the quantity and quality of the hay, as well as the subsequent growth and longevity of the stand.

Work just reported by the Ohio station at Columbus, in the latitude of southern Pennsylvania, gives some valuable information on the subject. Cutting in the early bud stage and taking five crops per year gave but little more hay the first year than cutting in the very early bloom stage and making four cuttings. The earliest cut hay was the highest in protein and gave the greatest total amount of protein the first year. The earliest cut plot, however, was either all dead or much weakened the second year.

Early Cutting Weakens Stand

When cut four times in the very early bloom stage, the total yield the first year was from one-half ton to a ton higher than when cut at nearly full bloom, but the total yield the second and third year was considerably reduced and the stand weakened. The percentage of protein however, was 19.2 for the four cuttings and 16.7 for the three cuttings, owing to the higher percentage of leaves to stems.

With three cuttings the stand seemed to be well maintained through three years. The yield was from one ton to one and one-half tons higher each year than when only cut twice in the early seed stage, and the hay was 2.5 per cent higher in protein than in the early seed stage. No cuttings were made after September 25 and the stand usually went into winter with 10 or 12 inches of growth, as seems advisable.

Get Three Cuttings

In southern Pennsylvania, where alfalfa is more easily grown and is usually included in the regular rotation and cut not more than two years, cutting in the full bloom stage or a little earlier will permit three cuttings and will apparently give the maximum hay and protein without injury to the stand. Farther north where alfalfa is grown less and the tendency is to hold it as long as possible, two cuttings harvested at about the full bloom stage may be all one can obtain and still leave a good winter cover.

The old rule of going by the new growth seems less reliable than the bloom, as it depends largely on moisture conditions, although usually indicating that maximum growth has been attained. If the second or third crop turns yellow at any stage, it is best to cut it, regardless of the stage, and allow a new growth to come on. The early cut alfalfa is harder to cure than that cut at, or past, full bloom and considerably less labor is required to harvest two crops compared to three. One must take into consideration all the factors involved and use judgment in deciding when to cut rather than to depend on any arbitrary set of rules.

ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. J. Luther Frantz, Pastor

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School and Brotherhood Bible Class. The Daily Vacation Bible School continues through next week. Fine attendance. All trained and experienced teachers. L. R. Collins, Supt.

10:30 a. m.—Morning Worship with sermon. Special music by chorus choir.

6:45 p. m.—Senior and Intermediate Young Peoples Societies.

7:30 p. m.—"Am I My Brother's Keeper?" Special music: a solo by Miss Daugherty and an anthem by the choir.

All welcome.

FARM CALENDAR

Protect Old Silage—Any silage remaining in the silo can be kept over for next winter with little loss by covering with roofing paper and weighting down to expel and keep out air.

New Beetle Appears—The Asiatic beetle has been discovered in the Japanese beetle area near Philadelphia. It causes damage similar to the injury inflicted by the Japanese beetle and is controlled in the same way. At present the Asiatic beetle does not threaten to cause serious damage but it is under quarantine.

Quality Influences Price—Although broiler prices vary according to the breed of chickens, quality also is an important deciding factor. Poorly feathered or scabby backed broilers do not meet the market demands and a cut in price results.

Attend Farmers' Day—Farmers' Field Day at State College, June 21, offers visitors an opportunity to see demonstrations of improved farm practices, to take part in judging contests, to obtain the latest available information on livestock feeding, and to learn how to improve the farm home and its surroundings. Programs for both men and women have been arranged.

Harvest Alfalfa Carefully—Early and frequent cutting of alfalfa is not advisable if the stand is to be left for a number of years. Cutting stages differ in various parts of the state. Your county agent can help you to decide the best time for the conditions of your section.

Side-Dress Vegetables Now—At this time side-dressing vegetables with a readily soluble nitrogen fertilizer is a good practice. Nitrate of soda is the most popular of these fertilizers, with sulphate of ammonia and calcium nitrate ranking high in favor. The greens and salad crops are benefited most by this treatment, because a rapid growth is desired.

County's Highway Share Is $255,156.19 Under the New Wheeler-Flynn Act

Is Allocated on the Ratio of Unimproved State Highway Mileage to Unimproved on Whole System—Must Consult Commissioners.

The allocation of $23,500,000 for new road construction to counties for the 1229-30 biennium under the Wheeler-Flynn Act, No. 407, recently approved by Governor John S. Fisher, was announced June 1st by James Lyall Stuart, Secretary of Highways. This huge sum is allocated from the Motor Fund to the counties on the ratio of unimproved State Highway mileage in the county to the unimproved mileage on the whole State Highway system, and will be expended on the highway system only. These funds are available for expenditure in the biennium after June 1.

The Wheeler-Flynn Act provides that no county shall receive less than $200,000 nor more than $600,000. After deductions from allotments exceeding $600,000 and credits to the counties below the minimum of $200,000, the balance was reallocated to the several counties, except those receiving the maximum of $600,000.

The monies available for expenditure in any county may be expended by the Department of Highway and bridge construction and improvement in boroughs, towns and townships on any State Highway, whether primary or secondary, without any assistance from any county, town or township. But counties, boroughs, towns or townships may enter into contracts with the Department of Highways and agree to contribute monies to the Department for the construction and improvement of mileage in addition to the mileage which may be improved under the provisions of the Wheeler-Flynn Act.

Before letting contracts for the construction and improvement of State highways and bridges in any county the Department of Highways is required to consult the county commissioners and ascertain their preference as to the State highways or bridges or sections of State highways to be constructed or improved by the use of the monies allocated for expenditure under the Wheeler-Flynn Act. The County Commissioners of the various counties are required to indicate prior to June first of each year their first, second and third choices, and the Department may select the State highways, bridges or sections of State highways to be improved in the county from such choices or in its discretion may select other State highways, bridges or sections in the county for improvement.

The Wheeler-Flynn Act specifically provides that no portion of the monies to be used for construction and improvement of State highways and bridges under this allocation system shall be used for reconstruction, resurfacing, widening or maintenance of State highways heretofore or hereafter improved but shall be devoted entirely to new construction.

The allocation by counties follow:

Counties—Miles of Unimproved Roads as of June 1, 1929—Allocation.

Bedford, 110.39, $600,000.00

Cambria, 54.91, $309,627.99.

Somerset, 45.25, $255,156.19.

Westmoreland, 50.30, $283,633.83.

$200,000 Minimum, (four miles if concrete type).

$600,000 Maximum, (twelve miles if concrete type.)

OBITUARY

LEO F. PATRICK

Leo Francis Patrick, two year old son of James and Madeline Patrick, of Mine No. 42, died at the Windber Hospital on last Saturday evening. He was admitted to the hospital on last Saturday morning. Death was attributed to stomach trouble. The deceased is survived by his parents and the following brothers and sisters: Madeline, Elizabeth, Leroy and John. Funeral services for the deceased were held at the parental home at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. Father Alban O. S. F. Rector of Saint Anthony's Italian Catholic Church having charge of the services. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

MRS. HELEN STAFANCHICK

Mrs. Helen Stafanchick, aged 44 years, wife of Michael Stafanchick of Nanty-Glo, Pa., died of cerebral hemmorhages last Saturday afternoon. The deceased is survived by her husband and the following children: Michael Jr., a member of the State Motor Patrol, and Catherine, Mary, Annie, Joseph and Stephen, all residing at home. Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon from the home of the deceased with interment in the church cemetery.

MRS. MARY SNYDER

Mrs. Mary A. (Walker) Snyder, aged 74 years, widow of John F. Snyder, died Sunday at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Cora Lancaster, 227 East Main street, Somerset. Death was caused by a complication of diseases. She had been in poor health for the last five years.

Mrs. Snyder was born in Brothersvalley Township, and was a daughter of Peter and Amy (Nedrow) Walker. Her husband, who was a Spanish-American War veteran, died 10 years ago in Somerset. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Cora Lancaster, mentioned above. One daughter, Leila, preceded her to the grave four years ago. Mrs. Snyder also leaves two brothers and one sister: Eli Walker, of Somerset, R. D.; Jacob Walker of Holsopple, and Mrs. Emma Barron, of Somerset, R. D. She was a member of the Lutheran Church for many years.

Funeral services were held at the late residence at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Dr. I. Hess Wagner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. Interment in the Union Cemetery.

MRS. ELIABETH HELLER

Mrs. Elizabeth Heller, 62, died at 3 a. m. Sunday in her home at Edgewood, South Somerset. She had been ill two years, but had been bedfast but one week. She was the widow of Thomas Heller, who died 13 years ago.

Surviving are these children: Mrs. Anna Romesburg, Mrs. William Creed, Mrs. Samuel Yorty, Ambrose, Melvin and Ira, all of Somerset; Raymond, Baltimore, and Florence, Tyrone. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at this place before the body was sent to Hollidaysburg for burial.

FRANK PURCELL

Frank Purcell, aged 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Purcell of Gray, died Friday a. m. in a Pittsburg hospital, where he had been a patient for three months. He served an enlistment of three years in the coast artillery in New York. The young man is survived by his parents and the following brothers and sisters: Robert and Charles, at home; John, Richard and Eugene, Pittsburg; Lawrence, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. John Carey, Somerset; Mrs. Mary Boyce and Anna May Purcell, Pittsburg, and Ellen Jean, at home.

FRED BRANT

Fred Brant, aged 74, died Saturday morning at his home in South Somerset. His wife, Mrs. Susan Brant, died several years ago. Mr. Brant is survived by the following children: Harvey Brant, Husband; Mrs. Anna Young, Greensburg; Mrs. Sadie Dallagham, Mrs. Nettie Hay, Mrs. Nellie Davis, Mrs. Florence Davis, Mrs. Bertha Bauer and Grover Brant, all of Pittsburg; Mrs. Grace Stotter, Richmond, Ind., and Charles Brant, Somerset.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the late residence, in charge of the Rev. J. F. Messenger, pastor of the Somerset Christian church. Interment in the Lutheran cemetery at Lavansville.

CHURCH NOTICE

St. Paul's Reformed Church, R. D. 2, Meyersdale, Pa., Karl H. Beck, pastor—Children's Day Service, 10:30 a. m., Young People's Auxiliary, 7:30 p. m.

"Wedding Bells"

MEEHAN-MALLERY

A very quiet wedding took place on last Wednesday afternoon when Ruth Elizabeth Meehan and Samuel Addison Mallery were united in holy matrimony by Rev. Aurick of Accident, Md. The young couple left Meyersdale on Wednesday for Oakland, Md., where they secured their marriage license and then proceeded to Accident, Md., where they were married. The bride is a graduate of the Meyersdale High School in the class of 1928 and since her graduation has been employed by the Associated Gas & Electric Co. as clerk in their office here in Meyersdale, Pa. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mallery of this place and is also a graduate of the Meyersdale High School, graduating in the class of 1926. He had been employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad in Altoona until recently. The Commercial extends to this happy young couple all the success and happiness in the world.

State Reward Fund for Maintenance, Available

Griffith Act Allows State Authority to Pay One Half of Maintenance Expense Under Reward Plan—Not to Exceed $100 a Mile.

The allocation of the State Reward Maintenance Fund of $500,000 to second class townships, by counties, was announced June 3 by James Lyall Stuart, Secretary of Highways. The State Reward Maintenance Fund, which becomes available for expenditure on June 1, was created by the Griffith Act, No. 412, recently approved by Governor John S. Fisher. Under this Act, the Commonwealth will contribute to the maintenance cost of the roads, heretofore or hereafter constructed or improved under the State Reward Plan, one-half of the yearly maintenance expense, not to exceed $100 per mile. Township reward roads will continue to be maintained by township supervisors but all maintenance under the State Reward Maintenance contributions will be done only under the supervision of the Department of Highways.

The appropriation of $500,000 is made from the Motor Fund, and is allocated to the second class townships, by counties as follows:

Bedford, Mileage 30.50, Apportionment 3,859.07.

Cambria, Mileage 176.58, Apportionment 22,342.11.

Fayet, Mileage 54.86, Apportionment 6,941.26.

Somerset, Mileage 106.25, Apportionment 13,443.48.

Westmoreland, Mileage 74.82, Apportionment 9,466.74.

It is said that Germany has learned installment buying from the United States. Well that is one way to get even with her for the war.

The ideal time of the year is when it is too warm to have to bother with the coal man and not warm enough to have anything to do with the ice man.

SENTENCES IMPOSED IN COUNTY COURT

E. A. Kuhlman, of Somerset Township, pleaded guilty in court Tuesday to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and was sentenced by Judge John A. Berkey to pay the costs, a fine of $1 and to serve 60 days in the county jail.

Carl and Harry Sipe, brothers, of Milford Township, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny and were placed on probation for a period of one year.

John O'Donnell, of Meyersdale, charged with an offense against morality, pleaded guilty and was remanded to the County Home where he will be put to work.

Clarence Statler, of Salisbury, charged with desertion and non-support, was ordered to pay the costs, $40 per month for the support of his wife and give $500 bond.

Lawrence Keer, of Hooversville, charged with desertion and non-support, was ordered to pay the costs, $35 per month for the support of his wife and children and furnish $600 bond.

Amateur Boxing Bouts To Be Held in Jerome

Six all star bouts are carded for Jerome, Pa., on Monday evening, June 17th. The first bout will be put on at 7:30 p. m., and from all expectations a capacity house will greet these amateur boxers. If you liked the bouts held at Garrett by the Garrett Athletic Club, you will surely like these bouts, as they are under the same management in Jerome, Pa. Go Getem Gettings of Jerome, Pa., will mix things up with Bill Tate of Dunlo in the opener, and his brother Ralph Gettings will trade blows with Roy Lehman, of Kantner, Pa., in the second bout. Young Courtney of Meyersdale, Pa., and Charles Constantine of Holsopple, Pa., are carded for the third bout. The fourth bout will be between Otis Naylor of Meyersdale and Kid Dougherty of Holsopple. The fifth bout will be a regular slam-bang affair between Cyclone Turner of Meyersdale, Pa., and Dynamite Banks of the same place. One of the best bouts of the evening between Carl Lowery of Meyersdale and the man of Mystery. This should be one of the best bouts of the evening. There are other good bouts on tap for this show, so if you care for good, clean, amusement do not fail to see these bouts.

Son Finds Father After 22 Years

While at Connellsville on a visit Arthur Chorpenning of Steubenville, O., located his father, Alonza Chorpenning, whom he had not seen for 22 years. He heard of a man by that name being in Mt. Pleasant, a nearby city, and found his parent employed in a garage there.

A henpecked husband is the side car on the motorcycle of matrimony.

Entertains in Honor of Sister at Bridge Party

Mrs. Nathaniel Friedline entertained with a bridge party on last Friday evening in honor of her sister, Mary Pollard of Miami, Florida, who is spending the summer at the Friedline home on North street. The evening was very pleasantly spent in playing bridge after which a delicious lunch was served. The prize winners at bridge were the Misses Olive Ryland, Georgia Reich and Rita Bolden. Those present were the Misses Elma Getty, Georgia Reich, Rita Bolden, Geraldine Reich, Mary Lucente, Veronica Dahl, Maurine Reich, Olive Ryland, Margaret Philson, Elsie Clark, Ruth Meehan and Mary Pollard.

HOLSOPPLE MINER IS INSTANTLY KILLED

Caught beneath a fall of rock while working in the Pretoria mine, near Holsopple, Frank Banak, aged about 40 years, who lived alone, was instantly killed about 7:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. The victim's chest was badly crushed.

Coroner H. S. Kimmell, of Somerset, was notified of the fatality and he went to Holsopple Wednesday afternoon to make an investigation. The body was turned over to Undertaker G. C. Meek, of Windber, to prepare for burial.

Somerset Men Take Air Plane Flight to Pittsburgh

Dr. W. O. Hershey, Lester Ferner, Attorney Archibald M. Matthews, and Harold Duppstadt of Somerset, took an airplane flight last Saturday afternoon from the Duppstadt Airport near Somerset, Pa., to Bettis Field in the 12 passenger Ford plane that landed there on last Friday afternoon. Pilot Littenberger piloted the party to Pittsburgh and the flight was made to Pittsburgh in 29 minutes. The members of the party report having had a real thrill on the trip. The men returned to their homes in Somerset on Saturday evening by train.

Vacation Revival

The Vacation Revival which is being held at the Christian Church on lower Center street goes on with continued interest. The sermon subjects for the balance of the week, are as follows:

Thursday—"The Beauty Shop"

Friday—"Washed or Dry Cleaned"

Saturday—"Life's Greatest Peril"

Sunday morning—"Loaves and Fishes"

The pastor in charge expects a "Season of refreshment from the presence of the Lord."

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

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