

STATE TO IMPROVE ROADS IN COUNTY

23.79 Miles of Improving Scheduled by Highway Department

Harrisburg—The Department of Highways is planning to improve 23.79 miles of road in Cambria County this season with its own forces. This is part of a program approved by Governor Arthur H. James for improving more than 700 miles of road primarily in the rural areas of the Commonwealth.

The work to be undertaken by the Department forces will be in addition to any contract work in the county and does not include projects sponsored by the Department to be completed by WPA forces.

Some of the work to be done by the Department forces will consist of the placing of macadam surfaces on roads previously improved with a stone base. The remainder is the building of base and the placing of surface.

Roads in Cambria County scheduled for improvement during the present construction season are:

Route 11009 in Eden, 31 of a mile of base repairs.

Route 11065 in Dale Borough, .35 of a mile of base and surface.

Route 10985 in City of Johnstown, .33 of a mile of base and surface.

Route 53 between City of Johnstown and Lilly, also between Ashville and Clearfield County line in Lilly, Fortagh, Summerhill and Wilmore Boroughs 3.63 miles of widening and surface.

Route 11050 between Patton and St. Augustine, .56 of a mile of base repairs.

Route 11045 in Carrolltown Borough, .37 of a mile of base repairs.

Route 11045 between Carrolltown and Bakerton, 1.82 miles of base repairs.

Route 933 in Nicktown, .04 of a mile of base repairs.

Route 45 between Nanty-Glo and Ebensburg, 1.42 miles of base and surface.

Route 136 between Ashville and Glasgow, 1.52 miles of surface.

Route 11064 between St. Lawrence and Clearfield County line, 2.04 miles of surface.

Route 11082 between Chest Springs and Byerton, 2 miles of surface.

Route 11060 west from Bradley Junction, 3.34 miles of surface.

Townships in County Get Highway Funds

Auditor-General F. Clair Ross recently approved payments totaling \$609,000 in state aid for construction and maintenance of roads and bridges on the highway system of 1,366 second-class townships of this Commonwealth.

Checks will be mailed June 1, it was announced.

Twenty-nine townships in Cambria County will share a total of \$13,925 in the June payment.

Townships in the county which already have qualified for their payments are:

Adams, \$1,292.51; Allegheny, \$994.62; Barr, \$1,071.08; Blacklick, \$913.64; Cambria, \$1,018.72; Chest, \$228.92; Clearfield, \$1,038.18; Commonwealth, \$234.98; Cresson, \$1,211.52; Croyle, \$612.29; Dean, \$298.87; East Carroll, \$514.25; East Taylor, \$399.59; Elder, \$123.97; Gallitzin, \$582.15; Jackson, \$1,011.35; Lower Yoder, \$577.25; Middle Taylor, \$113.28; Munster, \$294.82; Portage, \$487.59; Reade, \$588.47; Richland, \$618.32; Summerhill, \$592.11; Susquehanna, \$395.25; Upper Yoder, \$390.97; Washington, \$297.17; West Carroll, \$119.19; West Taylor, \$158.44 and White, \$112.74.

ONIONS

Reports show that Pennsylvania's growers contemplate making only very slight changes in acreage planted to onions this year, according to the Federal-State crop reports issued by the State Department of Agriculture. The onion acreage last year was 4,300 acres and reports indicate that growers intend to plant 3,100 acres this year.

State Will Widen Highway Between Johnstown, Cresson

Plans for widening Route 53 between Cresson and Johnstown have been approved by the State Highway Department, according to highway engineers. Work on the widening project will likely be started in the next few weeks.

Plans call for an additional three feet of blacktop surfacing on each side of the highway. The present width is 18 feet and will be increased to 24 feet.

ELECTRICIAN DIES AFTER FATAL BURNS ON NEARBY PROJECT

Michigan Man Comes in Contact With High Tension Current Near St. Augustine.

Coming in contact with current from a high-tension line while working on a Rural Electrification line between St. Augustine and Fallentimber, Frank Pyke, 44, of Boyne Falls, Mich., was burned fatally last Thursday after noon.

Coroner Patrick McDermott said he learned Pyke was working on a pole "stringing" wire for a REA line to a farm in that section when the wire became tangled and part of it fell across a power line carrying 6,900 volts.

While Pyke did not have hold of the "hot" line it was pressing against his arm, chest, and abdomen, the Coroner said. Workmen told the Coroner that the "hot" wire was rubbing against Pyke, who was fastened to the pole with a safety belt, for nearly ten minutes before he was rescued.

Fellow workmen took the victim from the pole and rushed him first to a Patton physician and then to the Spangler hospital. He was admitted to the hospital at 1:10 p. m. and died more than 2 hours later, at 3:45.

Hospital attaches said he suffered third degree burns of the left leg, both arms, both hands, chest and abdomen. They said his left hand was nearly burned off.

Cecil Martens and Charles Dureko, both of Blairsville, who were working with Pyke at the time, told Coroner McDermott that the REA line apparently became entangled in one of the poles and fell across the nearby high tension line. Pyke was working near the top of a forty foot pole when the highly charged wire fell against his body. Workmen said it was impossible for Pyke to change his position when the high voltage struck him.

The coroner said the accident occurred about three miles northeast of St. Augustine on the Fallentimber road. Pyke was employed by the Monroe Electric Company of Chicago which also has offices in Ebensburg. The firm has the contract for constructing REA lines in that section of Northern Cambria county.

School District to Employ Delinquent Tax Collectors

Primer Gallitzin School Board at a recent meeting voted to employ a collection agency to collect all delinquent taxes (per capita) levied for last year and all previous years.

Board members pointed out that the taxables have until Saturday, June 21, to pay delinquent per capita taxes before the collection agency takes over the accounts.

CHICK SALES

Strict enforcement of the law regulating the sale of baby chicks has been ordered by Secretary John H. Light of the Department of Agriculture and agents of the Division of Eggs and Poultry of the Department have been making inspections of the various auctions throughout the state.

DEMOCRATS TO CUT TAXES AND ALSO TO PROVIDE SPECIAL AID

Commonwealth Will Meet Obligations to School Districts and Mental Hospitals

Harrisburg—The four mills State tax on personal property will be cut and the Commonwealth will meet all its obligations to school districts and county mental hospitals.

This announcement of the Democratic Party policy, made Saturday by curried in by John B. Kelly, State Chairman Meredith Myers is the culmination of three months' intensive study of the Republican budget proposal.

The Democratic analysis of State finances tore to shreds the Governor's contention that the special aid promised the school districts in 1937 and postponed by him in 1939 and the State take-over of the county mental hospitals, promised in 1938 and postponed by him in 1939 must be put off for two more years.

The Democratic Party has destroyed the James economy myth, for the Democrats are planning to reduce taxes which the Governor asked be re-enacted. Obviously caught off base by the announcement, the Governor said he would go along with the Democratic plan if its feasibility were demonstrated.

Meyers' statement was as follows: "The Democratic Party has always been firm on two principles: "1. That the tax burden should be imposed on those best able to bear it. "2. That the unscientific and unsound taxes should be eliminated at the first opportunity because ability to pay taxes depends on income.

"For these reasons the Democratic Party at the present session of the Legislature will take steps necessary to reduce the emergency four mills personal property tax, the amount of which reduction will be determined by our legislative leaders."

The Democratic Chief of Staff's statement was made after Floor Leader Achtermann of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg and Minority Leader Shapiro had informed the public through the press that taxes can be reduced immediately, that special school aid for transportation of pupils, superintendent's salaries and super-vised of crippled children amounting to \$9,000,000 can be paid now, and that the State can take over the twelve county mental institutions.

"We maintained in February," said Achtermann and Shapiro, "that the Republican budget was a fraud. We demonstrated it did even so, that it underestimated needs and failed to estimate the proper revenue receipts. "Our studies of the so-called budget message, of departmental requests, and previous years' revenue returns justify the statements of these months ago."

The Democratic Party in making this important move in keeping its real estate taxpayers of the various school districts and of those areas where county mental hospitals are maintained. It is demonstrating its governmental efficiency and devotion to honest public financing by its insistence that taxes be reduced as soon as conditions warrant but that such reductions benefit the greatest number and eliminate the most objectionable type of tax.

Reduction is not being made at the expense of the sick or helpless—the method followed by Republican Party. Republican cuts for hospitals and educational institutions are being restored to proper levels.

Republican leaders in the House and Senate, who glowingly supported the Governor's budget as accurate to the last cent, have maneuvered themselves into the silly position of having to proclaim their belief that taxes cannot be cut. They will have a difficult time convincing the taxpayers.

CRESSON DRAFT BOARD FIRST TO NAME SELECTEE LIST

(Continued from Page 1.) Joseph F. Johnston, Dean; Edward Legros, Hastings; Andrew M. Zavadni, Gallitzin; John E. Kelly, Ashville R. D.; Walter G. Lasse, Lilly R. D.; Clayton E. Christen, Ashville; John B. Hagston, Cresson; James P. Constant, Hastings; Gordon C. Fultz, Cresson; Edwin D. Duna, Lilly R. D. 1; Frank J. Zentack, Lilly; George N. Marvin, Harrisman Ave., Patton; Martin E. Eggen, Dymart R. D. 1; Julius H. Capri, Gallitzin; Roy F. Reese, Cresson; Robert B. McGowan, Gallitzin; John Oweara, Gallitzin; Anthony Legas, Cassandra; Thomas H. Moreland, Lilly.

George Retrum, McIntyre Ave., Patton; Thomas W. Gans Jr., Fallentimber R. D. 1; Paul N. Gill, 4th Ave., Patton; Arthur A. Lechane, Flinton R. D. 1; Andrew M. Sipos, Cassandra; Cyril M. Smith, Bladburg; Matthew J. Balala, Dymart R. D. 1; Celestine B. Niebauer, St. Lawrence; George F. Bess, Cresson Sanitarium; Charles E. Logo, Gallitzin; Francis Sutton, Loretto R. D. 1; Louis R. Pontrella, 513 S. Third Ave., Patton; Leo James Westrick, Hastings R. D. 1; Walter A. Hostler, Fallentimber; Bernard L. Thomas, Cresson; LeRoy John Davis, Patton R. D. 1; and Malcolm K. Kenner, Coupan.

CIO Hails Wage Rise, But Says Company Profits Exceed Gain

Washington—The CIO said early this week that wage increases totaling \$280,000,000 annually were obtained in the first four months of this year, but added that corporation profits "greatly outstripped the increase in payroll."

Profits, the CIO said, were 17.5 percent higher than in the corresponding months of 1941.

In monthly publication, the Economic Outlook, commented, too, that the wage increases were being threatened by "a lag cost of living and increased consumer taxation."

U. S. ARMY IN AN ALL-PURPOSE FIGHTING FORCE EQUIPPED TO FIGHT ANYWHERE, ANYTIME

Washington—The U. S. Army must be an all purpose fighting force "prepared to operate in the Arctic or in the tropics, in deserts or in mountains," Chief-of-Staff Gen. George C. Marshall declares.

The reason for this, he explained, is that "we are in an entirely different position from a European nation which knows its traditional or potential enemies and the terrain over which it will have to fight."

Marshall, in a formal statement occasioned by the forthcoming maneuvers—largest in the nation's peacetime history—struck at critics who contend that this country is building a "man-power army on an outdated pattern, or that we are training nothing but infantry in a mechanized era." Such criticisms, he said, indicate a "complete misconception" of fundamentals.

Cautioning against trick military phrases and spectaculars, he said the soldier of today must be trained thoroughly in fundamentals that "make a man efficient in combat, that make him act intelligently in an emergency, that toughen him physically to withstand the rigors of modern warfare."

Marshall asserted that developments of team work—coordination—is vitally essential and that this summer's war games will make participating troops "capable members of efficient combat teams, ready to be mechanized or motorized to the extent equipment permits."

Report Shows 11,480 Miners From This County Filed UCD Claims During Shutdown

A total of 11,480 miners in Cambria County filed original claims for unemployment compensation during the suspension of bituminous operations, according to statistics announced recently by Thomas V. Hayes, Johnstown manager of the State Employment Service and Unemployment Compensation Division.

In addition, the county SESUCD staff handled 34,781 waiting-week claims and 25,961 pay orders. The volume of business reported by Hayes was chalked up during the period from April 2 to May 4 inclusive, and is said to be a direct result of the mine shutdown.

Indians Engaged for Boy Scout Camp

Two 15-year-old Indian boys, both Star Scouts, have been engaged by the Admiral Robert E. Peary Council to serve in the staff of Camp Keweenaw during the six-week summer camping season, opening July 5. It is announced by Howard Knepper, Scout executive.

The boys, Thomaservo, a Mohawk from St. Regis Reservation, and Norman Shango, a Seneca from the Allegheny Reservation, will teach Indian lore, archery, Indian dances, Indian music and camp fire ceremonies to the Scouts attending the camp.

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