

**Centermoreland**

CORRESPONDENT  
MRS. BESTEDER

Rev. F. C. Ether, wife and daughter, Helen, visited friends at Lake Ariel on Tuesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Draper B. Schoonover, Monday, November 16, a son, who has been named Harry Charles.

Miss Frances Sweezy of Kunkle was calling on friends here Sunday afternoon.

A number from our Epworth League attended the booth festival at Trucksville and took in their contribution for the children's home at Binghamton.

A number of D. of A. members from Betsy Ross council attended the district meeting at Tunkhannock Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Clara Shook and Mrs. Mollie Gay attended the bazaar at Noxen Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Jacob Burdinger and William Reynolds of Tunkhannock called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Besteder on Saturday.

**Eastern Star Dinner  
Country Club Tonight**

Dallas Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will sponsor its first dinner-dance at the Irem Temple Country Club tonight at 6:30. The pupils of Hilda Mann Hertz will give a floor show during the dinner courses.

Both the dinner and the dance are open to the public and they are urged to attend. Mrs. Mildred Bronson of Sweet Valley, general chairman, has as her assistants Mrs. Ruth Herbert, Mrs. Marie Wolfe, Mrs. Edna Johnson, Mrs. Frances Smith.

Enoch Sickler is not very well at this writing.

Joe Kerovick and wife have moved in the Edward Sickler tenant house.

Miss Lois Heitsman has been ill with quinsy the past two weeks, but expects to get back to school this week. Jason Harding, James Statnick, Victor Keithlin and Kenneth Winters have gone to Norristown as linemen for the telephone company.

Floyd Bestider and Cedric Winters are frequent callers at the county seat.

The Republican Club will hold a victory banquet at the Grange hall Thursday night. It must be they have not found out yet that the sunflowers were killed by the frost.

**Pennsylvania's Population Not  
Growing So Fast As It Used To**

**FACTORS COMBINE TO SLOW RATE OF GROWTH**

(This is the second of a series of articles prepared for The Post by F. A. Pitkin, director, Pennsylvania State Planning Board.)

To know modern Pennsylvania one must understand the significance of population figures. In 1930 the population of Pennsylvania was 9,631,350. This was more than twice the population of New Jersey and Delaware combined, and nearly as large as the populations of Ohio, West Virginia and Maryland put together. Among all the states only New York had a larger number of inhabitants.

Pennsylvania's population is not growing nearly so fast as it once did. Half a century ago the growth was rapid. The 1890 census revealed 1228 people in the State for every 1000 in 1880. This was a gain of nearly one-fourth. The increases shown by recent censuses have been much smaller. Between 1920 and 1930 there was a gain of only 105 (or a little over one-tenth) in every thousand population, and present indications are that when the 1940 census is taken it will show an increase over 1930 of only 30 or 40 in each thousand.

Unless this tendency changes Pennsylvania's population soon will begin to grow smaller instead of larger. If this happens it will be something new in the State's history, and will have a decided effect on the lives of all of us. It will mean that there will be continually fewer children and young people, but more adults and old people. This will make changes necessary

in the school system, in the building of houses, in planning for work, for play, and for every part of living.

There are two reasons why Pennsylvania's population is not growing so fast as it formerly did: fewer babies are being born and more people are moving out of the State than into it. In 1910 there were 26.5 babies born for every thousand Pennsylvanians but in 1930 there were only 19.6. Experts in population trends predict that Pennsylvania's birth rate will fall even lower than this within the next 25 years.


Probably the population would already have ceased to show even this slight increase if it were not that the average length of life is greater than it was formerly. The number of deaths among infants and young people has been lessened so much by modern health methods and medical knowledge that the death rate in the state is only two-thirds as much now as it was 25 years

**MAKING QUILTS**

The Ladies' Aid of the East Dallas M. E. Church met on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Ben Brace. The session started in the morning and a covered dish lunch was served at noon. The day was spent in quilting on the quilt.

ago. In 1910 there were 15.6 deaths for every thousand people, but in 1930 there were only 11.6.

Between 1920 and 1930 large numbers of people moved into Pennsylvania, but even larger numbers moved out. Those who left during this 10 years period numbered over three-quarters of a million more than those who came in.



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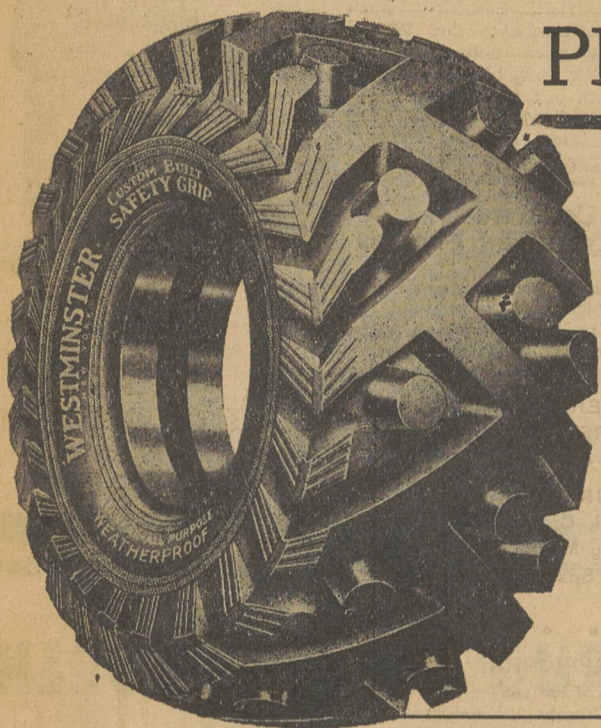


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We take great pleasure in maintaining a high standard of service for our customers. One of the things we like best to see is the smiles on their faces.

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The sale will continue until Thanksgiving. If you haven't shopped at Brandon's before, accept our invitation to visit us during this sale.

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NOTE: Because of the unusual low prices on the items in this column we cannot include them in the free dish offer. All other items on sale will count toward your dishes.

**TYPICAL SALES SPECIALS**

- Swifts **BUTTER** 2 lb., 67c
- New California Walnuts lb. 18c
- California Peaches 2 lge. cans 29c (Large Whole Halves)
- Pillsbury's Sno-sheen Cake Flour lge. pkg. 21c
- Seedless Raisins 2 pkg. 13c
- Celery or Let'ce 2 for 15c
- Chocolate Drops lb. 10c (Fresh and Creamy)
- Crisco lb. can 21c (3 lb. can 59c)

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