

FARM TOPICS

Farm Values Are Up

Pennsylvania farm values, pushed by inflationary forces, recently reached an all-time high, reports Wendell McMillan, Penn State extension agricultural economist. The new peak is 15 per cent above a year ago and more than double the level of 1940. In the nation, the peak is two and a third times the 1940 mark.

Control Cabbage Worms

Protect cabbage and related plants from worm attacks by dusting or spraying rotenone or DDT. Be sure to discontinue the DDT 30 days before harvest and the rotenone one week before harvest.

Clip The Pasture

Next to lime and fertilizer, the most important means of improving permanent pasture is timely mowing, reminds A. E. Cooper, Penn State extension agronomist. The clipping cuts off tall uncut grass and weeds, thus giving new growth a better chance.

Shape Christmas Trees

To keep down the cost of the work, begin shearing Christmas trees when they are 4 or 5 years old and first become spindling or irregular.

Fertilize Farm Pond

To grow fish in a farm pond apply an 8-8-4 fertilizer, says R. H. Thompson, Penn State extension wildlife management specialist. The fish eat insects and small water animals. The insects get their food from algae plants which grow in the water. The fertilizer, 100 pounds per acre, feeds the algae plants.

Protect Vegetables

To protect vegetables from rabbit damage, spray with one ounce of aluminum sulphate in a gallon of water to which is added a cup of hydrated lime, or you can scatter dried blood near the plants.

Alderson WSCS Plans Annual Flower Festival

W.S.C.S. of Alderson Methodist Church met Thursday evening at the Church with Rev. Ruth Underwood in charge for worship service and Mrs. Donald Smith presiding. Final plans were made for the Flower Festival to be held at the Church Wednesday from 3 until 9 P.M.

Present were Mesdames Fuller Ashton, Warren Dennis, Otis Allen, Wal Leinthal, George Armitage, Herman Garinger, Joseph Rauch, Robert Avery, William Deets, John Cowan, Harry Allen, Albert Armitage and Donald Smith; Rev. Ruth Underwood.

STRICTLY BUSINESS

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"Boss, I'm afraid I was a little late in getting his signature on the contract!"

Two Local Men Get U. Of P. Degrees

James F. Besecker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Besecker, Norton avenue, was awarded a degree in Bachelor of Science Wednesday morning at University of Pennsylvania, among 2,400 graduates of the 195th senior class.

James D. Shepherd, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Shepherd, Mount Greenwood Road, Trucksville, received a degree of Doctor of Laws.

Besecker graduated from Dallas Borough Schools in 1945, entering the Navy July 31 and serving for a year at Lido Beach, Long Island. He shortened the four-year course at the University by attending a summer session year before last.

He demonstrated his business ability while at school by serving as steward of his fraternity house, Lambda Chi Omega.

His parents drove to Philadelphia early Wednesday morning to attend graduation.

William Beck Has Penn State Degree

William G. Beck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Beck, East Center Street, Shavertown, graduated from Pennsylvania State College with a degree of Bachelor of Science on Monday.

Educated in Kingston Township Schools, Beck attended Wilkes College for two years before entering Penn State. He is a member of the Chi Phi Fraternity.

He will be affiliated with the Electric Storage Battery Company in Philadelphia.

Rev. Olver Attending Quadrennial Conference

Rev. Herbert Olver, Jr., Carverton Road, Trucksville, is one of the ministerial delegates who is attending the 23rd quadrennial conference of the Free Methodist church of North America at Hillsdale, Mich., June 13-26. Elected by members of the New York conference of the Free Methodist church, Mr. Olver, accompanied by his wife and Miss Helen Galey of Beachlake, Pa., arrived in Hillsdale Wednesday, June 13 where he will serve as official conference representative. Mr. Olver is the District Superintendent of the Wilkes-Barre and New York Districts of the Free Methodist church.

Read The Post Classifies

Princeton Graduate

Jerome Marshall, son of Dr. Jerome Marshall of Kunkle road, was a member of the graduating class at Princeton University Tuesday. Jerome is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary where he was an honor student.

Know Your Neighbor

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It is impossible to write a pen portrait of Mrs. McQuilkin without finding Mac himself in the picture. There he is, that tall forster, long and lean and remarkably efficient, holding up the back-drop. Once a man is listed with a front name and a middle name in the records of the government, no amount of red tape-cutting can get it off. So William he remains, but only on government blanks. His father and mother call him as Mac.

Mr. and Mrs. McQuilkin make an excellent team.

When they moved to Dallas from Beltsville, Maryland, in 1947, they bought the old Hoover house on Franklin street and started to renovate it, achieving something nearer their hearts' desire. It was Mac who laid the asphalt tiles in the playroom, remodelled the kitchen, and built the shelves in the living room; Mrs. McQuilkin who conceived the color schemes for the

interior, figured out a compromise between antique furniture and modern setting, and decorated with hanging wall brackets and plants.

Both of them collaborated on the planting of the terraces back of the house, and the establishment of a family picnic area high above the rooftops on a far terrace, with a lovely view of the hills.

Some of the iris came from Colorado. There is a huge yellow specimen that grows on a heavy stalk, twice the size of a regular blossom. There are flowers and stone enbankments everywhere. Mac's summer project is laying a flat stone terrace just outside the back door, highly decorative as well as utilitarian.

The McQuilkins lived in the west during their childhood and college days, Mac in Colorado, Mrs. McQuilkin in Council Bluffs, Iowa. She attended Doane College in Crete, some twenty miles south of Lincoln. Upon graduation, she taught at Albion, Nebraska, met Mac, and married him in 1927.

They moved to Johnstown, Colorado, where Mac studied chemistry before deciding that plant life was his dearest love. Mac got a teaching fellowship at the University of Nebraska, and for three years studied Plant Ecology, getting his master's degree in that field.

At Syracuse, he spent a year studying forestry, and was joined there in the early winter by his wife and infant daughter, the tall young lady who has been attending Wilkes College this year.

The family then moved to Philadelphia, where Mac took his doctorate in Plant Ecology. Here again he had a teaching fellowship.

There was a grass-planting program in Lincoln, Nebraska, followed by six years in Asheville, North Carolina. Bobby was born here.

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There should be more people like the McQuilkins in the community, married teams which make it difficult to tell where one starts and the other leaves off, both halves of the whole completely competent to tackle any situation, and both not only able but anxious to lick their weight in wild-cats.

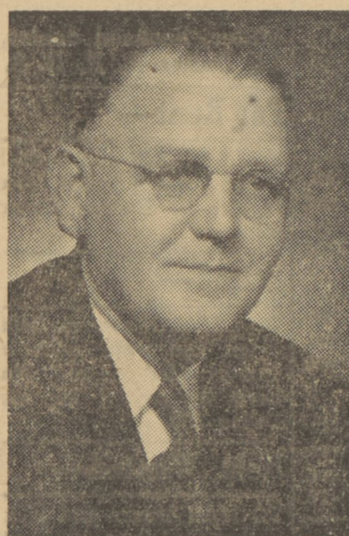
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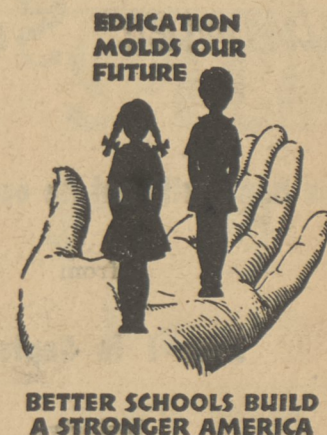
CITIZENS OF THE BACK MOUNTAIN AREA!

HERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUR BACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEM:

1. Health services are limited or inadequate.
2. In most instances both grade and high schools are housed in the same building so that all age groups share the facilities.
3. There are many overcrowded elementary schoolrooms.
4. Secondary teachers are often overloaded with too many subjects.
5. High school students are unduly limited in their choice of courses.
6. Shop and laboratory equipment is inadequate and often obsolete.
7. Library facilities are limited or inadequate.
8. All School Districts—including the Joint District—are smaller than the recommended size for efficient administration.
9. Enrollments are increasing and, therefore, in most cases the overcrowding will increase.
10. There is no long term plan to overcome these common shortcomings.

Remember:

We, the voters, elect the school boards. Selections of teachers and administrators is in the hands of the boards. The effectiveness of our public school system is, therefore, our direct responsibility.



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