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EDITORIAL

It is doubtful if there has been an interval in these past 50 years when the need was greater for small town communities to pull together than exists just now.

SOMETHING WRONG

Too many people are taking advantage of our bankruptcy law. This may mean that there is something wrong with the law. Or there may be something wrong with a good many of our people. Whichever it is, something needs fixing. If it is the law that needs changing, that is easily done. If it is the people, there is also a way to handle those who go into bankruptcy to defraud their creditors.

A CALL FOR MORE TALK

Let us suggest that among your New Year resolutions you include one to do more visiting. Go more to the places where people do not merely say the conventional things, but also what they really think. Perhaps most of our thoughts are not worth a great deal, but, even so, they certainly are more engaging than humdrum nothings.

PAY PART AT LEAST

Was there ever an individual who did not wish to start the new year in just as bright a way as the new year itself? The new year infuses a new spirit, a new desire to accomplish, a new slate.

RIDE IN THE CAR

Automobiles are built to ride in, not on. Adults usually show better sense, but school boys (and some girls, too) seem to think that even if a car is filled up, it will carry a few more on the running boards, fenders, spare tire or bumpers.

RAISE BEST HEIFERS

Raise heifer calves from only the very best cows, Penn State dairy specialists recommend. "Keep down numbers but improve quality" is a good New Year's resolution for the Keystone dairyman.

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YOUR INTEREST IN RAILROADS

A railroad executive presents this thumbnail sketch of the railroad industry: The class 1 lines have an investment of \$28,350,000,000. They operate 429,200 miles of track and pay taxes amounting to \$348,000,000 a year for equipment and supplies.

ARE SMALL TOWNS COMMITTING SUICIDE?

This cry of the small town being doomed is nothing more than a cry—it is up to the small town to survive. If they just sit and sit, and do not invite folks to come, to try to make prices attractive, why of course the trade will drift to the larger towns where they are invited in printing ink in a big way. As a general rule folks don't like to leave their home town to trade elsewhere, but when there comes no indication from the home merchant and no indications that folks are really wanted to come to their town, and merchandise is not made attractive or priced below war levels, it is only natural that folks in these strenuous days drive to other towns that do invite them. Many small towns do die of necessity, they do commit suicide.

ELIZABETHTOWN

Many members and friends of Christ Reformed church attended the carol singing services in the church here on Sunday evening. The program was presented by the choir, under the direction of Prof. Tillman H. Ebersole, chorister.

Several hundred people from Elizabethtown, Mount Joy and surrounding community, attended the Candle Light services conducted in the Elizabethtown Bethel Church of God, on Sunday evening under the direction of Prof. L. C. Barnett, assisted by Miss Grace Holtz, pianist.

J. S. Heisey, wife and daughter Gertrude, David F. Heisey and wife and Jacob H. Shank and wife, all of East High street, this borough, will leave by auto today for Florida, where they will spend several months. During their stay in the Southland, Heisey Bros. will close their store in the Hertzler building, Center Square.

Four petitions are being circulated throughout Elizabethtown, by the aspirants for the office of constable here it was learned on Sunday including: Clyde K. Coble, W. Blaine Stephens, Chief of Police, here; George Alberts former constable, and Robert W. Fitzwater, former chief of police here. A vacancy occurred over a week ago with the death of W. D. Plummer, constable here for the past 25 years.

Frank Garman, of Elizabethtown, will preside at the fourth annual Sunday School meeting to be conducted in the Mennonite Church, at Elizabethtown, on Friday, January 1. Verna Brandt will officiate as secretary and Titus Rutt as chorister. Rev. Amos Stoltzfus will render the New Year sermon at the morning session, followed by an address on "The Joy of Willing Service," by John W. Weaver, and Elmer Martin rendering the closing morning address on "Reverence for God's House." The afternoon program will include a program on the Essentials to Christian Growth, Prayer, Witmer Barge; address, "Studying the Word," Martin Z. Miller; address, "Teaching," Musser Herr; address, "How To Create a Deeper Missionary Spirit," Amos Stoltzfus; address, "The Christian's Warfare," John Weaver. Rev. Elmer Martin will render an evangelistic sermon at the evening session when the children's meeting will be conducted by D. Stoner Krady, followed by an address on "Soul Winning the aim of the Sunday School," by Amos Stoltzfus.

LOBATA

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Landis entertained A. H. Hoffman at Christmas dinner.

Verna Shearer and friend of Royalton, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Effie Shearer.

Mr. and Mrs. David Guhl spent Christmas with their daughter at Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing.

Mrs. Annie Landis and daughter Mary of Florin, spent Saturday afternoon with B. L. Landis and family.

Our schools had their Christmas exercises Wednesday and Thursday which was enjoyed by all very much.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goudie are spending the holidays with their son, Rev. Aubrey Goudie and family at Lebanon.

Mrs. Benjamin Landis and son Wilbur spent Saturday afternoon with her daughter, Mrs. Hurl Shank of Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buck and son Paul, Jr., of Sand Hill, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Swope and B. L. Landis and family.

Build up the Woodlot

This is a good time to reconstruct the producing units on the farm. The woodlot is included in this group. To sell the price trees when prices are low is destructive. To remove the weeds and culls from the woods is constructive work. This will aid in developing more and better timber for the time when it will sell at a premium.

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PUNXSUTAWNEY

Plans considered for elimination of grade crossing by closing North Penn St. at railroad tracks.

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IRONVILLE

Walter Singer, severely cut his thumb on his left hand while cutting wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Engle Forrey, were visiting at Nutley, N. J., over the holidays. Sunday School on Sunday at Ironville, Centreville and Silver Spring at 9:30 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. George Roast, of Harrisburg, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Albright.

Edward Dattisman of Pittsburgh, is visiting his brother Philip, sheriff of Lancaster county.

On Sunday at 10:30 A. M. the preacher will have regular preaching services at Centreville.

Mrs. Dorothy Hoadland, Jr., of New York City, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Melling.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kaufman entertained at dinner: John B. Kauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harman and daughter Alva and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Harch.

On Christmas evening, the Ironville United Brethren Sunday School held their Christmas exercises and at that time Luther Ulrich, superintendent of the Sunday School presented the pastor, Rev. J. L. Smoker with a purse of gold.

On Sunday evening revival services started in the Ironville United Brethren church and will continue for two weeks. On Thursday evening a watch-night service will be held, the program will be in charge of the pastor, Luther Ulrich, Sunday School Superintendent; John Fox, President Christian Endeavor; and John Kauffman, class-leader.

Livestock Dealers Apply for License

(From page 1) does not handle in the aggregate more than one hundred animals in any one license year.

(c) Any person, copartnership, association or corporation who or which by dispersal sale is permanently discontinuing the business of dairying, breeding, raising or feeding animals.

(d) Any butcher or packer who receives animals exclusively for immediate slaughter.

(e) That part of the business of a farmer which consists of buying or receiving animals for disposal of such animals after the grazing and feeding period.

Section five of the law provides for the rejection or revocation of license for the following reasons:

(a) Where the applicant or licensee has violated the laws of the Commonwealth of official regulations governing the inter-state or intra-state movement shipment or transportation of animals.

(b) Where there have been false or misleading statement or statements as to the health or physical condition of the animal or animals, with regard to official tests, or quantity of animals, or the practice of fraud, or misrepresentation in connection therewith, or in the buying or receiving of animals, or receiving, selling, exchanging, soliciting or negotiating the sale, resale, exchange or shipment of animals.

(c) Where there has been a natural course of dealings of such a nature as to satisfy the department of the inability or unwillingness of the licensee properly to conduct the business of a dealer or broker.

(d) Where the licensee engages in buying or receiving animals, or receiving, selling, exchanging, soliciting or negotiating the sale, resale or exchange of animals that are diseased or exposed to disease and likely to transmit disease to other animals or human beings.

(e) Where the licensee fails to practice measures of sanitation, prescribed by the department, of premises or vehicles used for the confining, stabling, yarding, housing, holding or transporting of animals.

(f) Where there has been a continual or persistent failure to keep records required by the department or by law, or where there is a refusal on the part of the licensee to produce books, accounts or records of transactions in the carrying on of the business for which such license is granted.

No provision is made for issuing such licenses after January 1, therefore, it is important that all dealers or brokers, not exempt by the requirements of this law, should file their applications with the bureau of animal industry at once. Application forms may be procured by writing the Bureau of Animal Industry, Box 327, Harrisburg, Pa.

FEWER CHILDREN GET WORK PERMITS

Reports submitted to the Department of Public Instruction show that at the close of the past school year there were in this State 13,310 active general employment certificates which had been issued for minors between the ages of 14 and 16 years, as compared with 21,593 active at the close of the previous year. Thirteen thousand seven hundred and twenty-two certificates had been issued during the year as compared with 23,147 issued during the previous year. In addition to these certificates, 1612 emergency permits and 3855 exemption permits were issued for minors of the specified ages who engaged in farm work or in domestic service in private homes during school hours and 4465 vacation employment certificates were issued for minors who engaged in industrial employment when school was not in session. During the past year there was a decrease of 1439 in the number of vacation employment certificates issued, 612 in the number of emergency permits, and forty-four in the number of exemption permits.

Middletown—New Middletown road opened to traffic.

The Farm of Today And 25 Years Ago

PROF. R. W. BLASINGAME, OF STATE COLLEGE TELLS HOW MATTERS HAVE CHANGED THRUOUT THE RURAL SECTIONS

The picture certainly has changed the past twenty-five years since I was a boy on the farm. At that time we were very much isolated. We were gazed by the fellows when we did get to town once in a while. And back on the farm things went along very slowly, by main strength and awkwardness. Water was drawn from the well with a bucket and rope; wood cut with the axe and crosscut saw; transportation was in the buggy or wagon at slow speeds over mud roads; bathrooms, furnace heat, lights, sewage disposal, telephones, radio, fly screens, automobiles, tractors, trucks and the like were in most cases unknown. Then, indeed, it was a privilege to live in the city and considerable disadvantage to be country bred. This was the opinions often shared by the young people of that day.

Different Today Things certainly are different in Pennsylvania today than what I was accustomed to in my youth. Today most people who work in town live in the country or as far away from the "maddening crowd's ignoble strife" as they are able to get. In many sections of this state the people who live on farms have the very convenience less many of the inconveniences of city life. In the past few years, several thousand concrete septic tanks for sewage disposal have been installed on Pennsylvania farms. This method of the disposal of wastes from the home is quite successful and satisfactory. The prevalence of septic tanks is not astonishing because there are over 40,000 of the 172,000 farms in the state which have running water in the home. This is a ratio of almost 1 to 4. Almost 40,000 of these farmers have heating systems in their homes, 50,000 enjoy radios while more than 73,000 can step to the telephone and call up the best markets for farm produce in the United States.

Power Equipment During the past decade when rapid headway was being made in the conveniences of the farm home, Pennsylvania farmers have been keeping up with and beyond the country in the use of power equipment. For instance, in 1930 over 130,000 automobiles were owned by Pennsylvania farmers and almost 40,000 were operating motor trucks. In the same year, Pennsylvania farmers were using 62,000 gas engines and almost 30,000 tractors. No industry usually enters such a vast power and machinery program as this without a thorough-going engineering analysis of the whole situation. However, these great changes in farm engineering have been made in Pennsylvania agriculture without one hardly realizing what was happening. It is true that agriculture employs more primary horsepower than all of the industries combined; ranking next to transportation in this respect. It is right and proper that this tremendous increase should be made in the use of mechanical power, for the rest of the world has been advancing. And the basic industry, agriculture, is run by a group of men who in the final analysis knows more about more different lines of work than any class of people. This talent is perfectly capable of directing its own destinies.

With the advent in 1925 of the all-purpose tractor, which will do every field job cheaper and better than by the old method, mechanical power is sure to go ahead by leaps and bounds in the future. In the period from 1925 to date eleven other general purpose tractors have come on the market. In fact every well known tractor manufacturer is offering an all-purpose tractor and a full complement of tools to go with it. At Penn State we have purchased a crop of corn complete to harvest with 5.5 man hours. This is about the time required to plow an acre with a team. We have also grown crops of potatoes in 9 man hours, whereas by the old method it requires about 50. In the years to come celebrations will be held and histories written about the appearance of the general-purpose tractor back in 1925.

Light, Heat and Power

Most of the foregoing data was taken from the last "Crop and Livestock Report" issued in January 1930. Since that time, to almost the end of 1931, there has been considerable increase in the facilities of farming.

Recent reports from the Joint Committee show that over 7,000 miles of country electric lines have been built since the Pennsylvania Plan went into effect. This gigantic rural electric plan has cost about 14 million dollars. There are now 150,000 rural customers 38,000 of which are farmers. About every farmer in four in Pennsylvania then has high line current. He can fill silos, grind feed, pump water, heat hotbeds, heat, water, cool milk and sterilize milk utensils; light the poultry house, brood chicks and run the incubator; separate cream, churn, light the barn and milk the cows. And in the house we find the electric refrigerator, range and the countless other electrical applications.

Private Plants

In addition to the high line current hook up there are in this state over ten-thousand private lighting plants. Thus the total number of farmers in Pennsylvania who can come in and turn on the "glim" is upward of fifty-thousand.

The picture now with thousands of miles of improved highways, and every means of communication and all the conveniences known to society available on the farm, the country is fast coming to be the home of the aristocrat as it was in George Washington's time. He was one of our first millionaires and he was a farmer.

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