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\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

OUR BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS ARE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Rural Credit In Critical State

MORTGAGES AND HIGH TAXES SHADOW HOVERS OVER THE MANY FARMS, BEING MOST CRITICAL IN HALF A CENTURY

The agricultural credit situation in many sections of the Commonwealth has become the most critical of any time in the past half century of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture said today. The Department recently questioned its official crop reporters who represent every farming community in the state. They supplied information of forced sales of farm real estate due to delinquent taxes, on forced sales due to non-payment on mortgage obligations, on the availability of local money for refinancing mortgages, and on the trend in number of farm foreclosures.

An analysis of the returns indicates an unfortunate situation in many districts, especially in the northern, western and central portions of the state. The section southeast of the mountains is less seriously affected. Two of every three rural communities, on the average, report perplexing problems. (From page 2)

Water Main Burst

Saturday noon the large water main which crosses the Jacob street bridge and supplies water to the residents in that section, burst at several places on the bridge. Supervisor Smeltzer cut the pipe and plugged both ends until after Christmas. The main is now being repaired.

In removing this pipe it was discovered that the rabbit corking had slid out of some of the joints as much as 5 inches. This is due to the vibration of the bridge when heavy trucks pass over it.

Large Estates Adjudicated

The estate of Lothar R. Zifferer, late of Columbia was adjudicated, and there remains a balance of \$75,126.90 for the heirs.

Another large estate was that of Louis L. Strehler, late of E. Hempfield township. His widow will receive \$96,995.36.

News In General For Busy Folks

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE WHO HAVE LITTLE TIME TO READ

Mr. Elwood Gerber moved from West Donegal St. to Florin. Mr. Hess moved on the corner of West Donegal and Lumber Sts. Herbert Mumma won the bicycle given away at Eshleman Bros. store.

Most of the ice on the Susquehanna river melted during the warm spell.

The stork brought twins to Mr. and Mrs. William Heberstroh at Columbia, Christmas Day.

The ceiling in Salem Evangelical church at Columbia was decorated over Christmas with 2,000 silver stars.

A family of five was wiped out Christmas when the wife, by mistake, put poison in cakes which she baked.

An airplane made a forced landing in a field east of Columbia on Christmas. The heavy fog brought it down.

Turkeys were so plentiful at Columbia last week that York county farmers offered home grown birds at 18 cents.

Mr. John Loewen moved from the P. R. R. property on West Donegal. (Turn to page five)

Had Finger Crushed Mr. Alpheus Normholt, of near town, had a finger crushed in a gasoline engine while shredding corn fodder, yesterday. Dr. Asher Snyder attended him.

About the Sick Merchant John M. Booth is indisposed at this writing. Chief of Police Elmer Zerby is confined to his home with sickness.

Eighty-Nine Residents Of Mt. Joy Paid 1931 Income Tax

There were 2,896 taxpayers who filed individual income tax returns in Lancaster last year, the U. S. Internal Revenue bureau announced Monday, reporting also that for the year 1930 individuals in the state of Pennsylvania filed 4,944 returns and paid a total of \$46,825,528 in federal income tax.

Of the 4,944 returns filed from Lancaster last year there were 84 from Adams

P. S. C. TO ARRANGE PEACE PARLEYS IN WATER CASE

The rate case of the residents of Florin, Lancaster county, against the Florin Water Company, Inc., has been taken off the hearing calendar temporarily while the Public Service Commission endeavors to arrange an amicable settlement.

A hearing in the issue was scheduled for last Wednesday but none was held, commission attaches announcing that plans are being made for informal conferences as a means of ending the dispute.

The complaint was filed in the name of Charles H. Staley and alleged that increased rates for the water service, effective last July 1, were unjust and unreasonable.

Owners Can Pay Less Tax

THE STATE OUTLINES A PLAN WHEREBY WOODLAND OWNERS CAN HAVE SAME ASSESSED AT ONLY \$1.00 PER ACRE

How timberland owners burdened with high taxes find relief without sacrificing their properties was explained today by Secretary Lewis E. Staley of the Department of Forests and Waters. He reports that 45,470 acres of woodland in Pennsylvania have been classified as auxiliary forest reserves, permitting the assessment of these lands at not more than \$1.00 per acre. Any owner wishing to classify his woodland as an auxiliary forest reserve should notify the Secretary of Forests and Waters at Harrisburg. A blank form will be sent asking for the necessary data. Upon receipt of the application the property will be examined by a forester. If the secretary decides that the tract should be classed as an auxiliary forest reserve, a certificate to that effect will be sent to commissioners of the county.

The local township assessors will (Turn to page two)

MISS NANCY GERMER WON THE DOLL CONTEST

The contest closed on Saturday at Garber's Rexall Drug Store and the dolls were presented to the 40 children at 10:30 P. M., Christmas eve.

The prize winners included: 1st prize, Nancy Germer; second prize, Anna Brown; 3rd prize, Florence Erb; 4th prize, Elizabeth Metzler; 5th prize, Elizabeth Mumma; 6th prize, Dorothy Stauffer; 7th prize, Dorothy Stauffer; 8th prize, Claudia Espenshade; 9th prize, Yvonne Schneider; 10th prize, Dorothy Wagner; 11th prize, Amora Skipper; 12th, Jean Miller; 13th, Jean Schock; 14th, Mabel Jane Mumma; 15th, Wanda Alexander. The balance of the contestants received a box of candy. There were 48 children in the contest.

BURGESS DESIGNATED STREETS FOR COASTING

When coasting was so very good last week and the kiddies and even some of the grown ups couldn't resist the temptation, Burgess Keener came to their rescue by adopting the safety first plan. North Jacob street and Manheim street were designated or set aside for coasters. Guards were placed, all enjoyed the sport and there were no accidents.

A MARK TO SHOOT AT FOR TOBACCO FARMERS

With Lancaster county's hundreds of tobacco farmers, who raise from almost any amount up to 1500 and 1600 lbs. per acre, here is a record for any of them to try and equal.

Ota Olson, associate agronomist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who has charge of the tobacco experimental station near Lancaster, grew 2,593 pounds of tobacco to the acre.

Eleven persons in three Elizabethtown homes were made ill by illuminating gas escaping from a main on Thursday.

Richard J. Elmire, 10, was killed while coasting on the streets at Lancaster. He ran into a truck.

Rather Cheap Farm

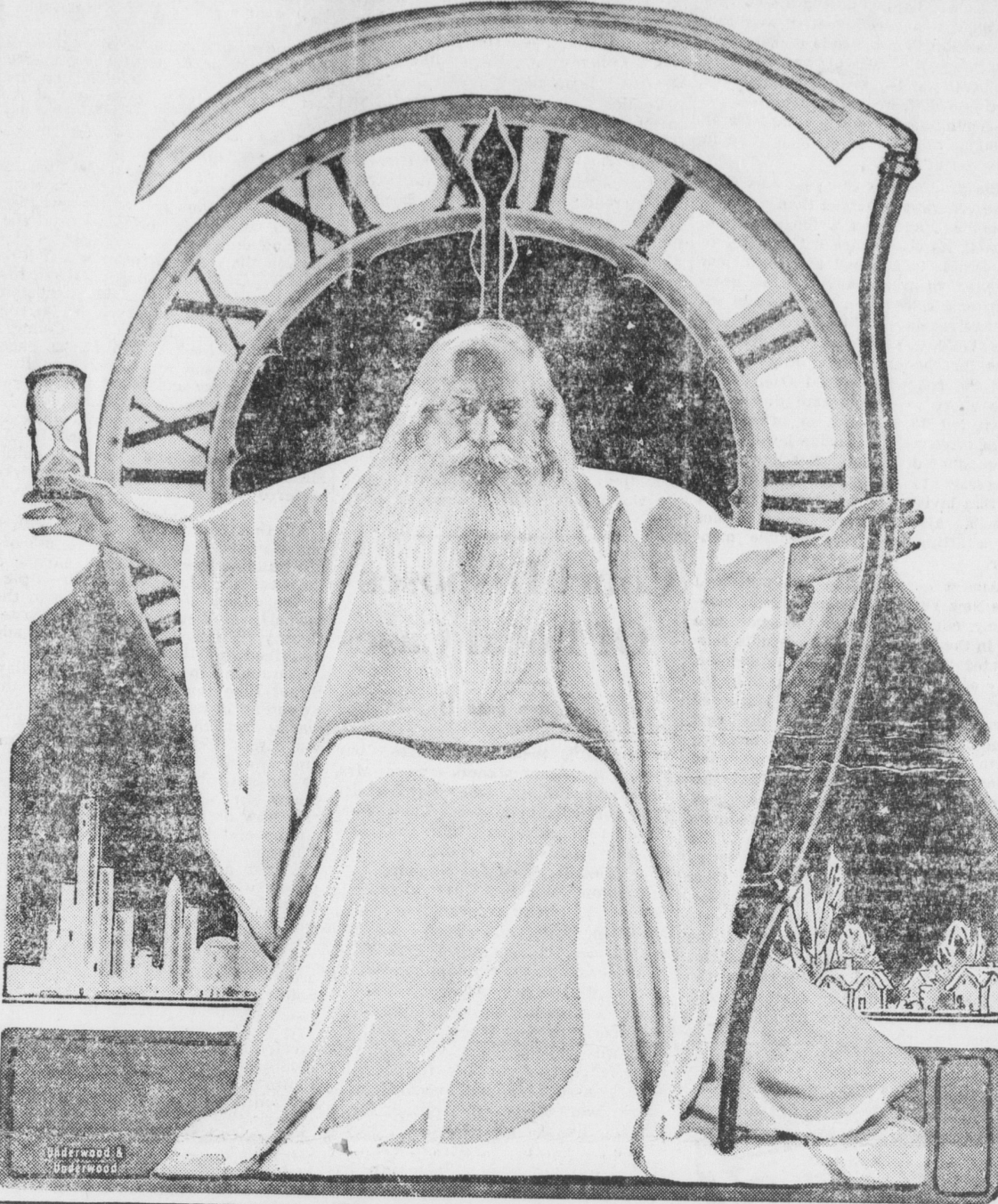
If this is an indication farms are getting cheaper. A farm of 83 acres near Cherry Hill, Lancaster Co. with an 8-room frame house, bank barn and other outbuildings, some meadow and woodland, was sold at public sale for \$22 per acre, a total of \$1,825.

For the Theft of a Car

Clarence Heck, Elizabethtown, accused of stealing an automobile owned by Russel Kaylor, also of Elizabethtown, was held for court at a hearing before Justice of the Peace E. S. Grimm, and was committed to jail in default of bail.

20 Millionaires in Pa. Two years ago there were 150 millionaires in the United States. Since then there are only 75 and 20 of these reside in Penna.

A Toast to the New Year



Court Disposes Of Local Cases

JUDGE ATLEE WAS VERY LENIENT WITH THE GUILTY ONES JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS—NONE WERE SENTENCED TO JAIL

Thru the kindness of Judge B. C. Atlee, a number who plead guilty before him just before Christmas, were permitted to eat their Christmas dinner at home. The court disposed of the following local cases within the week:

Sentence Suspended

Samuel Smith, sixteen, of near Elizabethtown, one of three boys charged with malicious mischief, whose case was continued two months ago, was given a suspended sentence Friday morning by Judge Atlee after it was averred that since the time of the first hearing the boy has behaved himself. Smith was one of three boys charged with having set fire to journals on box cars on the line between Conewago and Lebanon.

Claim They Can't Pay

Several defendants, who were acquitted at the recent session of criminal court, but ordered to pay the costs, appeared in court Friday. (Turn to page two)

SLIGHT FIRE AT RHEEMES; TOOL SHED DAMAGED

Fire, caused by an overheated stovepipe, damaged a shed used as a toolhouse in the Hippie stone quarry, Rheemes, early last Wednesday morning.

Harry Landis, who resides near the quarry, discovered the flames and notified the Rheemes fire company. Firemen responded and they quickly extinguished the blaze. The damage was estimated at \$100.

RING OUT, WILD BELLS

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free
The larger heart, the kinder hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.
—LORD TENNYSON.

Wedding Bells Ring Locally

NUMBER OF VERY WELL KNOWN YOUNG FOLKS ARE JOINED IN THE HOLY BONDS OF MATRIMONY IN THIS LOCALITY.

Gibbons—Good
A very pleasant wedding ceremony took place at the Church of God parsonage Elizabethtown Sunday, December 18, at 2 P. M., when Clarence Gibbons, of this town, and Miss Barbara S. Good of Elizabethtown, were united in marriage by the pastor, Rev. C. H. Heiges. The ring ceremony was used.

Rice—Fry
William D. Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Rice, of Marietta St., and Miss Mabel G. Fry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fry, of Blain, Pa., were married on Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. W. Foulkes, pastor of the Blain Methodist church.

Following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the home (turn to page 5)

With Harry Wagner's
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wagner, Sr. entertained the following at their home on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wagner, Jr. and daughters Elaine of Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. Christian Cover and daughter Betty of Elizabethtown; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schatz and children Harold, Jr., Dorothy, Robert and Peggy; Mr. and Mrs. William Garber and son William, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Clair Wagner and daughter Jean, of Mount Joy; Alberta Burkman, of Manheim; Norman Geib, James Schneider, Beatrice, Eugene, Harold, Carl and Donald Wagner all of Mount Joy.

It was also learned of the engagement of their daughter Beatrice Wagner to James Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schneider, of 320 East Main street, Mount Joy.

NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST AS IT OCCURRED IN THAT BUSY VILLAGE WEST OF HERE.

Mr. John Raffensperger is convalescing at his home.

Mr. James Hockenberry will celebrate his birthday on Saturday, Dec. 31st.

Miss Kathryn Forry is spending some time with her grandfather, Mr. John Guhl.

Mr. and Mrs. John Easton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoffman at Maytown on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Campbell were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Starr at Rohrerstown.

Mr. John Landvater, of Anchor, butchered two fine porkers for Jas. Hockenberry, weighing 443 and 342 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Campbell (Turn to page four)

THE KINDERHOOK CHURCH ELECTS ITS NEW OFFICERS

The annual congregational business meeting and election of officers of the Kinderhook Evangelical Lutheran church was held last evening.

Those elected were: class leaders John Gable, C. M. Lichty and Miss A. E. Green; assistant leaders, John Keiser, Earl Shell and George Raker; trustees, three year term, Chas. Berrier, five year term, Samuel Kline and Elmer Stauffer; secretary to official church board, Miss A. E. Green; financial secretary, Mrs. Charles Berrier; church treasurer, John Gable; vice president of official church board, C. M. Lichty; pianist, Martha Kline; assistant pianist, Estella Probst.

Passed to The Great Beyond

MANY OF OUR BEST KNOWN PEOPLE HAVE PASSED TO THAT GREAT BEYOND WITHIN THE PAST WEEK

Adam Herman, 75, of Route 2, Columbia, died Friday.

Albert Van Wie, 51, was found dead at the American Legion Home Columbia, Friday.

Dr. Wm. S. Helman
The remains of Dr. William S. Helman, who died at Avoca, Luzerne Co., were interred in the Mt. Joy cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The deceased is a native of our town and was a son of the late Eli Helman, of town. He is well known here and frequently visited in town.

Herman H. Long
Herman H. Long, seventy-eight, of Landisville, died Thursday morning at the Lancaster General hospital of a complication of diseases. He was a retired farmer and had been for many years a school director in East Hempfield township. He is survived by three sons, J. Warren, Benjamin E. and Herman E., of Landisville, and one sister, Fanny P. Long, of Landisville.

Services were held Saturday afternoon at the home and interment was made in the Reformed Mennonite cemetery, Landisville.

Earl C. Brosey

Earl C. Brosey, nine months old son of Albert and Mable Brosey, died at the home near Salunga, Rapho township, Wednesday of complications. In addition to the parents these brothers and sisters survive: Anna, Lancaster; Edith, Evelyn, Paul, Albert, Helen, Mildred, Robert and Dorothy, all at the home; also the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Grossman, of Lancaster.

Services were held at the home Saturday afternoon with burial in the Salunga Mennonite cemetery.

Albert F. Risser
Albert F. Risser, eighty-one, died at his home in Maytown of age infirmities. He is survived by his wife Emma, a brother, Jacob Risser, of Maytown; and two sisters, Mrs. M. R. Hoffman, Maytown; and Mrs. J. Minnich, of Maytown. He was vice president of the Maytown N. A.

MEASE'S RESTAURANT AT LANDISVILLE WAS ROBBED

County Detective Jacob Weller on Tuesday investigated the robbery of merchandise valued at \$35 from the restaurant owned and operated by E. W. Mease, at Landisville.

According to Mr. Weller, thieves gained entrance to the restaurant some time Christmas day by breaking a window in the rear. Goods stolen included six boxes of cigars, six cartons of cigarettes, more than 25 pounds of candy and a quantity of miscellaneous merchandise.

Hand Was Injured

Mrs. William Davis' right hand was caught in a loom at the George Brown's Sons Cotton Mills, Thursday. Dr. A. F. Snyder attended her.

The police at Philadelphia made 695 arrests for intoxication on Christmas. That is a record.

Surprise Shower Was Given In Honor of Miss Marion Wagner

Miss Marion Wagner was the guest of honor at a surprise shower held on Wednesday evening at the home of Blanche Newcomer given in honor of her approaching marriage to Wilbur Kauffman. Cafeteria luncheon was served to the following guests: Misses Marion Wagner, Lavina Nolt, Mildred Miller, Edna Miller, Ruth Neidigh, Anna May Nissley, Verna Nissley, Laura Wagner, Ruth Hess, Verna Shotzberger, Kathryn Eby, Ann Heistand, Blanche Newcomer, Anna

Skip Pay Day At "Coal Mine"

MANY LABORERS SADLY DISAPPOINTED — JAKE HILLEGAS, THE PROMOTER, "WENT HOME" OVER CHRISTMAS — WILL HE RETURN?

Last week we told our readers that Mr. Harry Haldeman, owner of the farm near Milton Grove, on which Jacob Hillegas was digging for coal, posted trespass notices forbidding the latter to go upon the premises. This was done last Wednesday.

Thursday Hillegas, with several employees, put in an appearance, disregarded the notices, entered the premises and continued digging among the lime stone eagerly seeking black nuggets. Mr. Haldeman did not interfere. That evening all left in disgust.

Skipped Pay Day
Last Saturday, Dec. 24, was to be pay day but there was no such thing. The following article appeared in the Lancaster daily relative to pay day:

"The day before Christmas was just another day in the lives of a score or more of amateur 'miners' engaged in exploiting a supposed coal mine on the farm of Harry Haldeman, Milton Grove, near Elizabethtown.

It was, however, to be a great event—pay day. But the miners, filled with the expectations and the promises of notices posted on the (Turn to page five)

THREE S. S. CLASSES HELD MEETINGS TUESDAY NITE

Last Tuesday evening the three classes of the Church of God Sunday School held meetings. The Men's Organized Bible class taught by Rev. Walter Shearer, met at the home of Ira Hess. Officers were elected and a program of service was outlined for the new year.

At the parsonage, Mrs. A. Stover, teacher of the Young Women's class, entertained with a Christmas party and all had a nice sociable time.

Miss Irene Heisey, teacher of a class of girls, held their monthly meeting at the home of the teacher.

Weekly Prayer Meetings In '33

MOUNT PLEASANT HOLDS ITS MEETINGS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AND BRETHREN IN CHRIST ON THURSDAY EVENINGS

Following is a complete list of the meeting places of the weekly prayer meetings of the Mount Pleasant congregation of Rapho district and also the Brethren in Christ.

Mount Pleasant
(Jan. 4)—Harry Thompson
" 11—Mary Mummau
" 18—Jac. K. Gish
" 25—L. W. Mummau
(Feb. 1)—Harvey Campbell
" 8—Martha Kuhns
" 15—Abram Kreider
" 22—Earl Myers

(Mar. 1)—Samuel K. Nissly
" 8—Graybill Wolgemuth
" 15—John M. Forry
" 22—Samuel Z. Nornhold
" 29—Albert Greenawalt, Sr.

(Apr. 5)—Arthur L. Koser
" 12—Benj. S. Ginder
" 19—Harvey Emehenheiser
" 26—Elmer White
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A Family Dinner
Mr. and Mrs. John Kolp, of Columbia avenue, gave a family dinner on Christmas Day in honor of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoffman who were recently married.

Banks Closed
New Year's Day being a legal holiday, both the Union National and First National Bank and Trust Company, will be closed.

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