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TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.—Until further notice this paper will be furnished to subscribers at the following rates: Paid strictly in advance \$1.00

The public land pirates who have been able to escape prosecution are no doubt de-light-ed with the changes in the cabinet which occurred on Monday.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

This week we had Hi Henry with his red automobile and next week we will have Uncle Josh Spruceby with his saw mill.

April first will be a rather important day this year. It will fall on Monday and thus be wash day.

A small building on the fair grounds caught fire from a spark from one of the Central Railroad of Pennsylvania engines, Wednesday morning, but it was put out before much damage was done.

Sims. (Baum) the Clothier, is determined to have everything in fine shape and showing for his spring and summer trade.

Miss Bessie Cooney, who went to Philadelphia several weeks ago as a head milliner, has been sent by the firm in whose employ she is to Reading where she will be located during the spring and summer season.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. William Hess, of Philipsburg, celebrated his seventy-sixth birthday anniversary and the next day Mrs. Hess celebrated her seventy-fifth anniversary.

Last Sunday was general missionary day in the Methodist church and special services were accordingly held. On that day the Sunday school raised the last of a total of \$350 for the year.

One of the worst blizzards of the winter passed over this section on Tuesday evening. It not only snowed but the wind blew at a cyclonic gait, breaking windows and shaking the most solidly built buildings.

In the re-election of Samuel Rine as water superintendent the borough council undoubtedly selected the one man in Bellefonte who ought to have a thorough knowledge of the system.

We are sorry to announce the fact that Capt. S. H. Bennis is lying quiet ill at his home in Walker township and his condition is such that his friends are greatly concerned over the outcome.

On Monday Mr. W. T. Speer left on the 1:23 train for Philadelphia where he entered a hospital for treatment and a possible operation. It will be remembered that about two years ago he became afflicted with a cancerous affection of the jaw bone.

While at work in the machine shop in the engineering building at The Pennsylvania State College, on Tuesday of last week, Nezza Williams, of Dillsburg, Cumberland county, a student in the mechanical engineering course, met with an accident which resulted in the loss of an eye.

J. Henry Wetzel, the civil engineer, started in yesterday morning to make a complete survey of all the public roads in Centre county under the direction of the State Highway department.

ROOT.—Mrs. Mary Eleanor Root, wife of Edward N. Root, died at her home in Bellefonte at 8:15 o'clock Wednesday evening from cancer, with which she has been a sufferer the past several years.

Deceased was a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Iddings and was born at Unionville, this county, April 5th, 1853, thus being in her fifty-fourth year.

At that time her parents lived at Loveville, on the Love farm, and December 26th, 1876, she was united in marriage to Edward N. Root, of Antis township, Blair county, the venerable Rev. William Gwynn, of the Methodist church officiating.

Mrs. Root's parents and ancestors were all members of the Society of Friends but at the early age of fourteen she became a member of the Methodist church. After her marriage she withdrew from the Methodist church and united with the Lutheran church, of which her husband was a member.

In addition to her husband she is survived by one son and three daughters, as follows: J. Eugene, Margaret Elizabeth, Alice Lydia and Ruth Isabella. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. B. W. Rumberger, of Hubersburg, and three aged aunts, Mrs. Ann Moore, of Grampian; Mrs. Mary Hall, of Renovo, and Mrs. Malissa Bing, of Unionville, as well as one uncle, William Iddings, of Unionville.

The funeral will be held this afternoon. The services will be at her late home and will be in charge of Revs. J. A. Hartman and Isaac Kider.

SWITZER.—Mrs. Mary Shriner Switzer, relict of the late Rev. Thomas H. Switzer, died at her home in Philipsburg on Sunday evening. She had been in feeble health for several years, her death being the result of a natural decline.

Deceased was born at Littlestown, Adams county, October 29th, 1827, and was thus 79 years, 4 months and 3 days old. When but eighteen years of age she was united in marriage to Rev. Thomas Switzer, of Baltimore. When the Central Pennsylvania M. E. conference was made an organization separate and apart from the Baltimore conference Rev. Switzer was transferred to this State and during the years 1862-1872 was located in Philipsburg.

Following the death of her husband Mrs. Switzer took up her residence in Philipsburg and it was there she was best known. From early girlhood she was identified with the Methodist church, in which she was a faithful and earnest worker at all times.

MORRISON.—Miss Jean Morrison, an aged maiden lady and one of Philipsburg's oldest and most highly esteemed residents, died at the home of her nephew, John Herd, on Thursday afternoon of last week, of a complication of diseases.

"Aunt Jean," as she was familiarly called by those who knew her well, was born in Huntingdon county and was just 89 years and 8 months old. She at one time lived in Bellefonte but since 1867 had been a resident of Philipsburg.

She is survived by five nieces and three nephews, as follows: Mrs. A. J. Graham, Miss Naomi Herd and Miss Jennie Morrison, of Philipsburg; Mrs. Mattie Rhen, of Williamsport; Miss Mintie K. Morrison, of Baltimore; A. B. and John Herd, of Philipsburg, and Samuel Herd, of Pueblo, Col.

The remains were brought to Bellefonte on the 1:23 train Saturday afternoon and taken to the Union cemetery where they were buried in the family lot beside the graves of her father and mother.

RHONE.—Jacob Rhone, a brother of Hon. Leonard Rhone and a former resident of Centre county, died at his home in Philipsburg on Sunday of paralysis of the heart. He was sixty-six years old and is survived by his wife and one son, Waldo. The remains were brought to Bellefonte and taken to Centre Hall to the home of his brother from where the funeral was held on Wednesday morning, interment being made at Tusseyville.

GEORGE.—Mrs. C. William George died at her home in Freeport, Pa., last Friday evening, after only a few days illness with pneumonia. Her maiden name was Miss Tillie Henry, and both she and her husband were natives of Philipsburg.

STATE COLLEGE STUDENT SECRETLY MARRIED.—Tuesday's Philadelphia papers contained the announcement of the secret marriage of Rembrandt Hall McNaul, a student at State College and son of E. S. McNaul, president of the Oswego Bridge company and Miss Lillian Sefton Roop, of Philadelphia.

During the Christmas holidays they naturally met and on December 27th were secretly married, both deciding not to tell their parents until after McNaul's graduation next June.

In this connection it might be said that young McNaul is not the first State College student to marry before his graduation. In the class of 1906 there were a half dozen or more students who married during their senior year, but the fact was kept quiet and they all, with possibly one exception, finished their studies and graduated last June.

"UNCLE JOSH SPRUCEBY."—The realistic saw mill scene in "Uncle Josh Spruceby", the down east play, comes nearer to the genuine article than any of the many stage effects now before the public. No play nowadays is complete without something in the way of mechanical effects.

FARMERS AND HORSEMEN will be especially interested in the public sale of George B. Beezer's entire livery outfit in this place on Thursday of next week, or March 14th. There will be offered on that day over twenty head of horses, all good roadsters and a number of which have good pedigrees and records, thirty or more carriages, buggies, cabs, sleighs and an endless lot of harness, robes, whips, etc.

D. A. R. PRIZE CONTEST AT ACADEMY. The annual contest for the prizes offered by the Bellefonte Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, to students in the Bellefonte Academy for the two best essays on subjects pertaining to some incident or fact in the revolutionary period, was held at the Bellefonte Academy last Friday afternoon, and proved very interesting to quite a good-sized crowd of visitors.

GLEE CLUB CONCERT AND "LAWN PARTY."—Next Tuesday evening will be the date for the second appearance of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. glee club in their concert in Petriken hall, including an exhibition of the "Lawn Party." This entertainment was given several weeks ago and was so well received that its being repeated next Tuesday night is by the request of many Bellefonters.

AT THE Y. M. C. A.—The race in the group contest at the Young Men's Christian Association is becoming quite warm and animated. Group No. 1 now have to their credit 2335 1/2 points; group No. 2, 1084 points; and group No. 3 2078 points.

BAILEY AND REILY RESIGN.—Edward Bailey, president of the Harrisburg Trust company, and George W. Reily, vice president of the Pennsylvania Surety company, have resigned from the directorate of the American Union Telephone company.

THE BOROUGH DADS—OLD AND NEW.—The final meeting of the borough council for the year 1906-7 was held on Monday morning at ten o'clock. Every member was present. Following the approval of the minutes the various committees through their respective chairmen, made their last reports.

Chairman Seibert, of the Water committee, reported that a new line shaft had been put in at the Phoenix mill pumping station, and that through the influence of Col. W. F. Reynolds, it had been placed there free of expense.

The Street committee reported the streets in a very bad condition so far as dirt and refuse is concerned and asked council to see that they are cleaned. The Fire and Police committee reported the fire at the Brookerhoff house last week and also that a large number of arrests had been made during the past two weeks for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

After the approval of the following bills the old council adjourned sine die: Street pay roll \$21 85, American Lime & Stone Co. 50, J. C. Wisner 1 42, Potter Toy Hardware Co. 75, Police pay roll 50 00, Potter Toy Hardware Co. 2 00, Leander Green 1 25, Logan Hose Co. 1 25, W. T. Kelly, clerk 15 50, Bellefonte Electric Co. 35 25, Bellefonte Electric Co. 14 00, Bellefonte Electric Co. 5 00, Garbick Bros. 1 85, Joseph Bros. & Co. 4 40, M. L. Johnson 26 48, Sinking fund 2000 00, J. D. Seibert 80 80, Water works pay roll 56 50, H. E. Pennington 25 00, W. B. Rankin 25 00, W. F. Reynolds 100 00, Bellefonte Electric Co. 3 60, Garbick Bros. 3 80, \$2,735 85

NEW COUNCIL ORGANIZED. Immediately upon the adjournment of the old council the new councilmen elected at the recent election, Harry Keller, of the North ward; Philip Beezer, of the South ward, and Dominic Judge, of the West ward, were sworn in by justice of the peace W. H. Masser.

The new council was then called to order by clerk W. T. Kelly and nominations for president asked for. Mr. Wagner, of the South ward, moved that Mr. Keller be re-elected president by acclamation and the motion being seconded by Dr. Kirk he was elected unanimously. W. T. Kelly had no opposition and was unanimously elected clerk. Council then adjourned until 7:30 o'clock in the evening when it convened for its first regular session.

FINANCE.—Shuey, Kirk, Beezer. Street.—Derstine, Brown, Hamilton. Fire and Police.—Brown, Derstine, Beezer. Water.—Hamilton, Wagner, Judge. Village Improvement.—Wagner, Kirk, Shuey. Sanitary.—Judge, Shuey, Wagner. Market.—Beezer, Kirk, Shuey. Water Improvement.—Wagner, Derstine, Brown, Hamilton, Judge.

When it came to the selection of a street commissioner three names were presented: Samuel Showers, who was street commissioner last year; Thomas Shaughnessy and William Dawson and it took two ballots to settle the question of Shaughnessy's election. On the first ballot Beezer, Kirk, Shuey and Wagner voted for Showers; Derstine, Brown and Hamilton for Shaughnessy, and Judge for Dawson.

On recommendation of the Fire and Police committee George Jedon and William Beezer were re-appointed policemen, they being the only two candidates presented. The only business brought before the new council was a request by Thomas J. Sexton, on behalf of the Yeager Swing company, that they be permitted to erect an additional building at the Phoenix pumping station plant, as they had not room enough to meet the demands of their rapidly growing business.

The Life Guards are two regiments of cavalry forming part of the British household troops. They are gallant soldiers, and every loyal British heart is proud of them. Not only the King's household, but yours, ours, everybody's should have its life guards. The need of them is especially great when the greatest foes of life, disease, find allies in the very elements of colds, influenza, catarrh, the grip, and pneumonia do in the stormy month of March.

The appointment of T. H. Harter as postmaster of Bellefonte resulted in a number of changes being made in the Gazette force. Charles Menzsch was promoted from the position of form to the editorial chair and will hereafter be at the helm of that paper.

P. O. BOX RENTS TO BE RAISED.—For some months past there has been considerable agitation throughout the country over the fact that the postoffice department had ordered an increase in box rents at the majority of postoffices. Altoona, Tyrone, Look Haven, Philipsburg and all the surrounding towns were affected.

Since that time, however, in fact, on Wednesday, pre-emptory instructions were received from the department in Washington to increase the box rents here, and of course the same will be done, to take effect April first. The increase, however, will not be as large as in some towns where the rents were practically doubled.

SECOND BRIGADE, N. G. P. TO ENCAMP AT TIPTON.—The annual encampment of the Second brigade, N. G. P. will be held this year the last week in July and the first days in August at Tipton. Invitations had been extended the brigade officials by the citizens of both Tyrone and New Castle. General Wiley and Major Anshutz, the brigade quartermaster, were to have visited New Castle on Tuesday to look over any sites offered but on Monday they were notified not to come as there was no place suitable there for the holding of the encampment.

COURT CULLINGS.—In court this week the following cases were disposed of: Henry T. Irwin vs the Overseers of Poor of Union township, an action to recover for the keeping of his two sons, who were weak minded. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$30.00.

Margaret Peters vs. Jonathan Harter, administrator of George Peters, an appeal. Verdict for the plaintiff for \$2,210.23. Franklin Bowersox vs. J. Anshutz Fortney, a replevin. Verdict for the defendant.

Mr. Krapp was working for the brick company and while cleaning a belt somebody started the machinery with the result that Mr. Krapp had his right hand cut off. The jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

SPECIAL GRANGE MEETING TO DISCUSS SEED CORN.—Washington Grange in College township, of which Prof. H. E. Van Norman, of The Pennsylvania State College, is master, will hold a special meeting on Saturday, March 16th, for the purpose of discussing the merits and demerits of seed corn. An expert on corn will be present to give a thorough and practical discussion on the subject.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by Register Earle C. Tuten: Carl K. Poorman, of Ronville, and Verna S. Geish, of Fleming. Francis T. Meiss and Eliza A. Taylor, both of Zion.

Thomas H. Harter yesterday received his bond for execution as postmaster in Bellefonte. He secured bondsmen and returned the document to Washington last evening and as soon as it is approved and returned he will assume the duties of the office. As every employee in the office is under civil service rules no change can be made in the force.

District attorney W. G. Rankle caught a heavy cold last week and being threatened with pneumonia was unable to appear in court the latter half of the week and James A. B. Miller Esq., conducted his cases for him.

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WILLIAM J. POTTER BECOMING FAMOUS.—Another Bellefonte boy is fast climbing the ladder of fame in the person of William J. Potter, son of John F. Potter Esq., of Milesburg, but formerly of this place, who as a landscape painter has this year succeeded in having two of his paintings on exhibition in the Art club, of Philadelphia, the city of his adoption.

It will be remembered that as a boy Mr. Potter displayed considerable artistic ability. As he grew older his talent took the form of a modeler in clay and he attracted considerable attention along this line. Later he took to the pencil and brush and there is no doubt but that this work is his chief talent.

Among the younger generation of local painters represented in the sixteenth annual exhibition of the Art club of Philadelphia, which opens this morning, is William J. Potter, whose landscapes form a pleasant feature of that show. The theory that most landscape painters and many artists are country-bred is instanced in the case of Mr. Potter, who was born at Bellefonte, Pa., within a stone's throw of the birthplace of George Gray Barnard, the sculptor for the new crypt at Harrisburg.

His later work is landscapes on a larger scale in oil and pastel. His more finished work has much of that elusive, temperamental charm of Corot and the Barbizon school, by whose work he seems to have been much influenced. His skies are luminous and graceful in the cloud masses and there is usually a figure or more in the foreground which makes the subject attractive to the public. His pastels are more direct and uncompromising. At the Art club he has a view of the river Delaware and another of the mill district, Manayunk, in which he seems to have striven for more vigorous use of the medium and to have concerned himself more frankly with the rugged character of his theme and the rough elements of snow and ice and its attending labor.

Twelve covers were laid for the dinner given by Mrs. J. C. Meyer, Thursday at six o'clock, at her home on Curtin street. At Miss Myra Humes dinner, Thursday at two o'clock, eighteen covers were laid.

Don't forget that Hadley's moving pictures are booked for Bellefonte for Monday evening, March 18th.

Nancy Snyder is under the doctor's care with the grip. Miss Sadie Goss is visiting friends in the Mountain city.

J. L. Murphy transacted business in Bellefonte Saturday. Mrs. John Cramer is suffering with an attack of pneumonia.

A. S. Walker is at the county capital serving as a juror this week. Mrs. J. B. Heberling is visiting her many friends in Altoona this week.

Mrs. Maggie Gates is with her brother, Dr. L. C. Thomas, at Latrobe. W. G. Gardner has been confined to his room the past week with pleurisy.

Grandmother Fye, who has been very ill the past month, is now able to sit up. Henry Fry, of State College, transacted business at Warriorsmark on Tuesday.

J. H. Oaks and son Harry, of McAlvey's Fort, were here last week on business. J. Howard Oaks, of Massesburg, spent several days in the valley last week in quest of stock.

William Eckley, of Pittsburg, is here for a few days looking after his farm, which he thinks of selling. J. H. Peters sold his team of blacks at a top notch price to E. E. Johnson, who knows a good horse when he sees it.

Mrs. Roland Gates, of Tyrone, who has been visiting old friends at Baileyville the past week, returned home Monday. Paul Bailey and family are visitors at the Bailey home just west of town, before taking their leave for Alexandria where they will reside in the future.

Mrs. Joseph Woerner was last week taken to the city to be treated by a specialist. Several years ago she lost one eye and now is in grave danger of losing the other.

Last Saturday evening at a regular meeting of Tussey council, Junior Mechanics, No. 515, four new members were added to the rolls. A recess was declared to take a smoker and sample the wedding cake furnished by M. M. Smith. March 22nd is the date when they will hold their annual banquet at the St. Elmo.

Last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Milo B. Campbell entertained the members of the Fairbrook M. E. congregation at their home. It was indeed a very enjoyable evening for all. The feature of the occasion was the entertaining of their newly married pastor, Rev. McKelvey and his bride. The home was tastefully decorated with ferns and pot-plant plants and presented a pleasing aspect. All the guests made merry with the newly married couple on this happy occasion.