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### ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The Dale family reunion will be held in the grange hall at Oak Hall on Saturday, August 3rd.

A movement is now on foot to start a new bank in Millheim with a capitalization of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Cora A. Bathgate, of Lemont, to Rev. H. C. Copeland, of Harrisburg.

James Williams, has bought the tin shop in connection with the Potter-Hoy Hardware company and will conduct it in the future.

Contractor R. B. Taylor is pushing the work on the new state road between Bellefonte and Milesburg, but so far the work consists of cutting down the hills and filling up the hollows so as to make an easy grade.

Last Sunday afternoon Col. Austin Curtin underwent another operation in a Richmond hospital and a telegram to Gen. John I. Curtin states that the operation was a success and there is now every indication that he will recover.

A party of young ladies headed by Misses Adeline Harris, Bettie Breese and Pansy Blanchard went up Spring creek on Wednesday for a week's camping out, during which time they expect to catch about all the fish there are in Spring creek.

Charles Rothrock, agent for the Pennsylvania railroad company at Ocoela Mills, is an applicant for the position of railroad commissioner. Mr. Rothrock was born at Howard in 1855 and began his career as a railroader as a telegraph operator.

H. M. Hughes, of the Monarch Coal company, of Ocoela Mills, recently purchased from Wm. Miller his mountain farm and timber land in Taylor township, consisting of 375 acres. The purchase was made for the purpose of insuring the Monarch company a future supply of mine props and ties for their coal operations.

Tuesday morning Horton S. Ray took DeLann Stewart, George A. Beezer and Sam Miller to Tyrone in his Buick car, the four of them going to Tipton to spend the day with the soldiers at camp Homer J. Lindsay. That evening Mr. Ray drove a number of Tyronians around the town and Sam Graham was so well pleased with the performance of Ray's machine that he bought it; and now the latter will take that contemplated trip to the Thousand Islands by train instead of touring it.

Marx B. Loebe, who at one time lived in Bellefonte and ran a butcher shop on Bishop street, is dangerously ill at his cottage at Atlantic City, and the attending physicians have little hope of his recovery. After leaving Bellefonte he went to Philadelphia and became a member of a firm of clothiers. He prospered and became quite wealthy. A number of years ago he retired from business and since has occupied apartments at the hotel Majestic, Philadelphia. He is seventy-one years of age and has a wife, two sons and two daughters, all living in the Quaker city.

WILLIAMS FAMILY REUNION.—The executive committee of the Williams family reunion association have selected Saturday, September 7th, as the date for holding their annual reunion and picnic this year, and appointed the following committees:

Arrangements—John Q. Miles, James B. Williams, D. J. Gingerich and Abednego Williams.  
Transportation—George Ballock, D. J. Gingerich and A. B. Williams.  
Finance—N. S. Williams, R. G. Williams and Wilson Stiver.  
Obituary—Ernest Spotts, George W. Williams and Orvis Williams.

While the gathering will be in the shape of a basket picnic arrangements will be made to serve an ample dinner and lunch on the grounds.

DROWNED WHILE SWIMMING.—On Sunday afternoon Kid Gearhart, a young man employed at Hayes Run fire brick plant at Orvis, in Curtin township, went in swimming in a dam on Hayes Run, was seized with cramp and drowned before help could reach him. His home was in Armstrong county but he has worked at Orvis a year or more. He was twenty-three years old and unmarried. The remains were sent to his home Monday.

DANIEL GARMAN.—Having rounded out more than four score and seven years of life the venerable Daniel Garman died at his home on High street at 7:40 o'clock Saturday evening. His death was due to no particular disease but merely the gradual breaking down of the system, the wearing out of the machinery of the human body which had borne the strain of so many years of active life. He had been confined to his bed only one week and when the end came it was peacefully as a child falling asleep.

Deceased was a son of George and Rebecca Garman and was born near Harrisburg, Dauphin county, February 12th, 1820, thus making his age 87 years, 5 months and 8 days. When about twenty-three years of age he left home determined to make his own way in this world and going to Jersey Shore he learned the jeweler's trade with his brother. He remained with the latter three years then engaged in the livery business on a small scale. In 1856 he went to Lock Haven, started a jewelry store and engaged in the livery business at the same time, devoting considerable attention to the buying and selling of horses. In both businesses he prospered and in 1860 he sold out and came to Bellefonte. About that time the Bald Eagle Valley railroad was opened from Lock Haven to Tyrone and Mr. Garman was appointed agent for the Adams Express company, the first agent the company ever had in this place, a fact that was always a matter of considerable pride and satisfaction to him. At that time the business of the express company was not as large as it is now and all of Mr. Garman's spare time was devoted to buying horses until he got enough to start the largest and best livery stable in Bellefonte. In 1861 he bought the Franklin house after remodeling and building it larger the same year rechristened it the Garman house. In 1867 part of the hotel was destroyed by fire and it was promptly rebuilt as well as the opera house adjoining. Mr. Garman conducted the hotel personally until about the year 1890 when he leased it to his son Al. S., who ran it a number of years. Upon his retirement to go to Tyrone the house passed into the hands of C. M. and C. B. Garman. Since his retirement from active life Mr. Garman has lived retired in his home on the corner of High and Spring streets, though every day he spent some time at the hotel. Through his thrift and industry he acquired a large amount of property in addition to his hotel.

In politics Mr. Garman was a Democrat and in his early life took quite an active part in the workings of his party, having served as both a member of the town council and of the school board. He was a member of the Bellefonte Chapter, No. 298, Free and Accepted Masons for over fifty-two years. In his religious faith he was an Episcopalian and always a good supporter of his chosen church.

Mr. Garman was married in 1857 to Miss Louisa Schroyer, of Milton. She died in 1896 but surviving him are the following children: Al S., of Tyrone; Ira D., of Philadelphia; Edward, of Bellefonte; C. M., of Atlantic City; Mrs. Isaac Maitland, of Williamsport; Robert, of Tyrone; Mrs. Charles Cruse and William H., of Bellefonte.

The funeral was held from his late residence on High street at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Norman Stockett, of Coudersport, assisted by Rev. George Israel Browne of Harrisburg, officiated, after which interment was made in the Union cemetery.

WOODRING.—Daniel Woodring, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woodring, died in a Philadelphia hospital at 9 o'clock Saturday night. Some three years ago he had the scarlet fever and catching cold it settled in his limbs and left him in a crippled condition. Last winter he was taken to the hospital for treatment and improved to that extent that he was brought home but growing worse he was again taken to the hospital some three months ago. He had improved so much that in the early part of last week a letter from the hospital authorities to his parents stated that he would be able to be brought home in two or three weeks. This was the last news they had until after four o'clock last Saturday when a telegram was received stating the boy was dying. Mr. Woodring left on the 4:44 train but the child was dead when he got there. The cause of death was tuberculosis of the bowels which only manifested itself on Friday and the hospital physicians hoped to combat the disease until Saturday afternoon when the fatality of the attack became apparent. The remains were brought to Bellefonte Sunday evening by the father and taken to the bereaved home on Howard street.

Deceased was seven years old last March and in addition to his parents is survived by one brother, Robert. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning. Rev. Barry, of the Lutheran church, officiated and burial was made in the Union cemetery.

KAHLER.—Harry Kahler died very suddenly at the home of his brother Hugh, in Beech Creek, last Saturday afternoon. Though he had not been feeling well for several days there was nothing alarming in his condition until Saturday afternoon about three o'clock when he walked out in the yard and fell over dead. Acute indigestion was given as the cause of death. Deceased was 35 years, 9 months and 13 days old and unmarried. His parents are dead and his only immediate relative is his brother Hugh, with whom he made his home, and who with his wife were at Smalltown visiting relatives when the young man died. The funeral was held at two o'clock on Monday afternoon.

DEATH OF W. W. MONTGOMERY.—Following close upon the death of Daniel Garman on Saturday evening ex-postmaster W. W. Montgomery died at his home on Allegheny street at 10:30 o'clock on Sunday morning. Mr. Montgomery has been in failing health for a year or more and of late it was manifest to his friends that his days were practically numbered. On Monday of last week he had a sinking spell from which he never fully rallied but gradually grew weaker until the end came on Sunday morning.

Wendell Whitman Montgomery was born in Columbia, Lancaster county, August 25th, 1832, thus being 74 years, 10 months and 26 days old. He was a son of John and Catharine Montgomery and when he was but five years of age his parents moved to this place and here he lived over forty years. He was educated at the old Bellefonte Academy and upon leaving school went into partnership with his father in the tailoring and gents furnishing business, later continuing for a number of years in the same business with his brother, C. F. Montgomery. He enlisted for service at the breaking out of the Civil war and served for three months. In 1863 he was appointed a clerk in the quartermasters' department at Washington where he served until 1865. This appointment was made upon the recommendation of the late Judge Hale and upon the latter's request he was appointed postmaster of Bellefonte in 1865, serving one term, or four years. From 1869 to 1899 he was a partner with his brothers in the clothing and merchant tailoring business. In 1899 he was appointed postmaster of Bellefonte and resided in 1903, serving until the expiration of his second term on February 12th, 1907, when he was succeeded by Thomas H. Harter.

He was a member of St. John's Episcopal church and for almost fifty years was secretary of the board of vestrymen. He was a Republican in politics and true to the principals of his party. He was a member of the original Bellefonte band and his death leaves F. Potts Green the only survivor of that once famous musical organization.

At all times and to all people Mr. Montgomery was a gentleman; one of those rare specimens of old fashioned manners and courtesies that all revere so much yet so few emulate. His life was a blessing to his family and a pleasure to his friends; because if he was one thing more than another he was true and constant in his relations with those who had been more than mere acquaintances. Both as a citizen and a public official we could hope for none better for he fulfilled, so far as he was able, all the ideals of the best in both spheres of life. His passing has taken from Bellefonte one of the notables of her older men and the town views his going with genuine regret.

In early life he was married to Mary Catharine Lingle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lingle, who survives with the following children: Mrs. C. J. McHugh, of Pittsburg; Mrs. John C. Bair, Joseph L. Fred and Miss Emma, of Bellefonte. He also leaves two brothers, Henry and C. Frank, of this place.

The funeral was held at four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon from his late home on Allegheny street. Revs. Stockett and Brown officiated and interment was made in the Montgomery lot in the Union cemetery.

KENEPP.—Edward Kenepp, whose parents reside near Port Matilda, but who for some time past has been employed as a clerk in the Vulcan Trading company's store at Wallacetown, died on Saturday morning last of appendicitis. He took sick the Monday previous but it was not until Thursday that his illness was discovered to be an unusually bad case of appendicitis. He was operated on that same afternoon but the disease had so far progressed that he was unable to recover and death followed at the time above stated.

Deceased was about twenty-one years of age and a steady, industrious young man. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Lizzie Rothrock, of Centre Hill, and to whom he was married less than three months ago, his parents and a number of brothers and sisters. The funeral was held on Monday.

SCHELL.—Max Schell, one of the best known citizens in the upper Bald Eagle valley, died at his home near Dix station, on Saturday evening, of general disabilities. Deceased was eighty-two years of age and was born in Bavaria, Germany. He came to this country when but twenty years of age and after working in Hollidaysburg a short time went to Bald Eagle where he worked at the furnace there for twenty years, or until it was closed down. He then went to farming and for a number of years lived in Taylor township, this county, finally moving to a farm near Dix, where he has lived ever since. He is survived by a family of five children. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning, interment being made in Oak Grove cemetery.

CARR.—Mrs. Mary C. Carr died at her home in Milesburg on Sunday, July 14th, after a lingering illness with a complication of diseases. She was a daughter of Andrew and Amelia Kreamer, was born and lived all her life in Milesburg and was 70 years, 9 months and 11 days old. She joined the Methodist church when she was but a young woman and ever since she had been one of its most faithful and consistent members as well as earnest workers.

She is survived by one son, Homer Carr, and one sister, Mrs. Grove, both of Milesburg. The funeral was held on July 16th. Rev. M. C. Piper assisted by Rev. Fry officiated and interment was made in the Tremulny cemetery in Boggs township.

MRS. BRACHBILL SUCCEDES TO HER INJURIES.—Last week the WATCHMAN told of the unfortunate accident which happened to Mrs. Louisa Brachbill on Tuesday night, when she fell off the porch roof while walking in her sleep and alighting on the stone pavement sustained such painful injuries. The injuries in themselves, however, might not have proven fatal, but the shock to the system of a woman of her age was more than the enfeebled body could withstand or long survive and on Sunday evening at eight o'clock she breathed her last.

Deceased was a member of one of the most prominent families in Centre county, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Runkle. She was born near Centre Hill, in Potter township, June 6th, 1819, thus making her age 88 years, 1 month and 15 days. In 1841 she was united in marriage to John Brachbill. The same year the young couple came to Bellefonte, her husband engaging in the furniture business. Here she has lived ever since and for over half a century in the house on Spring street in which she died. She was a noble woman, possessed of many kind and lovable traits of character. In her home she was open-hearted and open-hearted in her hospitality, while as a neighbor and friend she was all ways kind and thoughtful of the welfare of others. Surviving her are one son, W. R. Brachbill, with whom she made her home; one brother, James Runkle, of Tusseyville, six grand-children and three great-grandchildren. One son, J. Calvin, and one daughter, Mrs. Mary Fryberger, preceded her to the grave.

The funeral was held from the house at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Rev. J. Allison Platts, assisted by Dr. Wm. Laurie of the Presbyterian church of which she was a consistent member, officiated, and interment was made beside the remains of her husband in the Union cemetery.

MAYES.—Mr. W. W. Mayes, an old Centre countian, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Finley Bell, in Egglewood, N. J., on Monday afternoon. He had not been sick at all. He was sitting on the porch and nodded to Dr. Bell, his son-in-law as he passed up the driveway and around the house. Fifteen minutes later Dr. Bell's little son went out on the porch and found his grandfather dead. He evidently passed away very quietly as he was sitting in a perfectly natural position.

Deceased was 82 years and 4 months old and was born in Ferguson township, Centre county, where he spent the early half of his life. Thirty years or more ago he moved to Clearfield county where he lived until about twelve years ago when he went to make his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. J. Finley Bell. Mr. Mayes was one of the oldest subscribers of the WATCHMAN and it was his usual habit to go about with anywhere from one to three copies of the paper in his pocket.

His wife died a number of years ago and his only surviving child is Mrs. Bell. The remains were taken to Grantman where the funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon.

STRUBLE.—Mrs. Christina Struble, wife of Joel Struble, of near Zion, went to bed last Thursday night in apparently good health. Friday morning her husband got up and attended to his customary morning work then went into the house expecting to find breakfast ready and waiting for him, but found instead that his wife had not yet made her appearance. He went to her bedroom to call her and was horrified to find her dead. The body was already cold so that death had ensued sometime during the night, and the cause was very likely heart disease.

Deceased, whose maiden name was Christina Gross, was born in Union county and was sixty-eight years of age. She was a woman quite widely known in Walker township and was held in the highest esteem by all. She had no children and is survived by her husband. She was a member of the Reformed church and Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt officiated at the funeral which was held at 3:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Interment was made in the Zion cemetery.

DAVIDSON.—William Davidson, son of Rev. and Mrs. A. Davidson, who will be well remembered by Bellefonte people owing to their residence here several years when the reverend was pastor of the United Brethren church, died at the home of his parents in Madison, Pa., on Sunday evening. The young man had been a sufferer for a number of years and underwent several operations, but his death was hastened by congestion of the kidneys. He was about twenty-three years of age. In addition to his parents he is survived by two brothers and three sisters.

HADSON.—Mrs. Mary Hadson died at her home in Philadelphia last Friday after a brief illness. She was born at Pleasant Gap and was a daughter of the late John Barnes. Her husband died several years ago leaving her quite a fortune. Among her surviving relatives are Robert Barnes, night watchman at the Brockhoffs home, and Mrs. John F. Harrison, formerly of this place but now of Jersey Shore.

JACKSON.—Mrs. Rosanna Jackson, who was probably the oldest colored woman in the State, died at the home for aged colored women in Williamsport on Saturday. She was born in Bellefonte in 1804 and was therefore 103 years old. Her husband, John Jackson, was the first colored preacher in Williamsport and her only child yet living is John Jackson, seventy-three years of age.

STOVER.—Mrs. Eve Stover, wife of A. J. Stover, of Coburn, died on Tuesday afternoon after a year's illness. She was aged 56 years, 5 months and 28 days, and is survived by her husband and two sons, James, of Bellefonte, Ohio, and Martin at home. The funeral will be held this morning, interment to be made in the cemetery at Wolf's chapel.

THAT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The program for the twenty-eighth annual Sunday school convention of Centre county, which will be held in the Presbyterian church, Bellefonte, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 30th and 31st, has been issued and provides for a number of very interesting addresses and discussions. The convention will begin on Tuesday afternoon and close on Wednesday evening.

The present officers of the association are as follows: President, C. L. Gramley, Rebersburg; vice president, Rev. M. C. Piper, Milesburg; secretary, Rev. W. H. Schnyler, Centre Hall; treasurer, A. Lukenbach, Bellefonte; primary superintendent, Mrs. H. W. Kreamer, Centre Hall; home department superintendent, Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Bellefonte; normal superintendent, T. M. Gramley, Spring Mills. The convention will consist of from one hundred to one hundred and fifty visiting delegates and as all of these will have to be entertained in Bellefonte the people of the town should freely respond to the committee of entertainment and throw wide their doors with open-hearted hospitality. It will be a gathering that will do you all good. The full program for the convention is as follows:

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.  
2:00 Devotional Services—Rev. J. B. Stein, Bellefonte.  
Address of Welcome—Rev. J. Allison Platts, Ph. D., Bellefonte.  
Response—President C. L. Gramley, Rebersburg.  
2:30 Appointment of Committees, Enrollment, Etc.  
3:00 A Model Bible School—Rev. R. Crittenden, Bellefonte.  
Discussion.  
3:30 The County Association Target—General Secretary W. G. Landes, Philadelphia.  
Discussion.

TUESDAY EVENING.  
8:00 Praise Service—Conducted by Rev. J. Allison Platts, Ph. D.  
8:30 The Spirit's Help in Teaching—Rev. S. S. Bergen, Petersburg.  
Discussion.  
9:10 A Persuading Personality—Gen. Sec. W. G. Landes.  
WEDNESDAY MORNING.  
9:00 Devotional Exercises—Rev. W. H. Spangler, Bellefonte.  
9:30 Reports of Officers, Districts, Committees and Election of Officers, Business.  
10:00 Should the Association Take a Religious Census of Centre County?—Rev. Ralph H. Bergstresser, Pine Grove Mills.  
Discussion.  
10:30 Children's Day—Mrs. W. Henry Schnyler, Centre Hall.  
Discussion.  
11:00 A Glimpse Beyond the Horizon—Gen. Sec. W. G. Landes.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.  
2:00 Devotional Services—Rev. F. W. Barry, Bellefonte.  
2:30 The Teacher the Pupil's Practical Friend—Mrs. J. R. Sechrist, Centre Hall.  
Discussion.  
2:40 The Organized Bible Class—Rev. C. F. Hall, Milesburg.  
Discussion.  
3:10 Eighteen Questions in Fifty Minutes.  
WEDNESDAY EVENING.  
8:00 Praise Service—Conducted by Rev. J. Allison Platts, Ph. D.  
Scripture and Prayer.  
8:40 Parental Cooperation with the Primary Teacher in the Child's Preparation of the Lesson—Rev. C. C. Snavely, State College.  
Discussion.  
9:10 Holding a Sabbath School Convention in Rome—Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Bellefonte.

KENNEDY—GARMAN.—Lloyd C. Kennedy, of Altoona, and Miss Mary E. Garman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Garman, of Benner township, were married at Cumberland, Md., on Wednesday, July 17th, by Rev. McClellan Hicks, of the Episcopal church. The young couple spent the past week on a honeymoon trip to New York, Philadelphia and Atlantic City, and upon their return will reside in Altoona. Mr. Kennedy being employed as a car inspector for the Pennsylvania railroad company.

COLPETZER—SHUEY.—A quiet wedding was celebrated at the M. E. parsonage at Pleasant Gap on Tuesday morning when John W. Colpetzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Colpetzer, of State College, and Miss Lillie L. Shuey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Shuey, of Rock Forge, were united in marriage by Rev. J. B. Durkee, pastor.

DIXON—CATHERMAN.—James Dixon and Miss Catharine May Catherman, of Sandy Ridge, went to Tyrone on Saturday and were married by Rev. T. P. Orner, after which they visited the Second brigade encampment at Tipton then returned home and went to housekeeping at once in their own newly furnished home.

JUSTICE—BILLET.—Homer Justice, of Valley View, and Miss Marie Billet, of Coleville, were quietly married at the U. E. parsonage on Saturday evening by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Spangler.

HECLA PARK GATHERINGS.—The following picnics have been scheduled for Hecla park during the month of August:  
August 1—Lutheran Sunday school of Bellefonte.  
" 2—Meyer and Maury Reunion.  
" 3—Mill Hall Sunday school.  
" 4—Christian Sunday school of Lock Haven.  
" 9—Concert.  
" 10—Snydertown Sunday school.  
" 14—Salona M. E. Sunday school.  
" 15—United Ev. Sunday school of Lock Haven.  
" 20—Business Men's picnic.  
" 21—Baptists Young People's Union, Lock Haven.  
" 22—Bellefonte A. M. E. Sunday school.  
" 23—Concert.  
" 28—Hoy Yearick reunion.  
" 29—Tyrone Business Men's picnic.  
" 30—Concert.  
Sept. 2—Carpenters' Union.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by Register Earle C. Tuten:

James Dixon, of Sandy Ridge, and Catharine M. Catherman, of Port Matilda.  
John Mills and Mollie Lucas, both of Roland.  
Homer Justice and Marie Billet, both of Bellefonte.

John W. Colpetzer, of State College, and Lillie L. Shuey, of Bellefonte.  
Charles C. Yarnell and Mabel B. Smith, of Bellefonte.  
Donald D. Shraeder and Mary Bingaman, both of Millheim.

YARNELL—SMITH.—A quiet wedding was celebrated in the parlor of the sheriff's mansion last evening when Charles Yarnell and Miss Mabel Smith were united in marriage by Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt.

Pine Grove Mention.  
This week will see the bulk of the wheat on shock.

August 17th, is the time set for the great annual picnic at Baileyville driving park.

Master Ray Albert has been housed up the past week with a bad dose of ivy poisoning. Frank Lytle, of Bellefonte, was down last week and spent a few days among the boys.

Otis Corl is receiving congratulations over the arrival of a nice boy baby at his home.

The many friends of Mrs. Henry Sankey will be glad to know that she is improving. Miss Mary Port is up at Bellefonte among her many friends for a two weeks visit.

Several cases of diphtheria are reported in Shingletown, Robert Leech being dangerously ill.

The Mary Ard home on Main street is being brightened with a new coat of lemon color paint.

James A. Decker came in Monday evening with a fine bunch of fresh cows for the eastern market.

Samuel Smith, of Shamokin, is making his mid-summer visit to his old friend, J. H. Ward, on Water street.

The Glade school house is undergoing repairs. A new floor, new roof and windows as well as a fresh coat of paint.

Wm. Elder, of Medina, Ohio, is visiting his many Centre county friends and taking part in gathering in the golden sheaves.

Miss Amanda Behers, after a year's treatment in a New Haven sanatorium for bronchial trouble, is much improved. She came home Tuesday.

D. A. Grove had the misfortune to fall from a load of hay, last Friday, while he was operating the harrow. He was thrown from the load, badly injuring himself.

Prof. Theodore Park is greeting his former pupils and friends here this week. It was rumored he would be an applicant for the High school but this does not seem to be the case.

Mrs. Maggie Meek, of Altoona, is spending a month among the friends of her youth. Father time has dealt gently with her as she is as happy as though she was still in her teens.

In our last letter we mentioned the illness of Mr. T. J. Gates at his home in Mill Creek. He had been in delicate health for some months and still giving worse. Two weeks ago he was taken to the Jefferson hospital where an operation was made for cancer.

Sup't. McCormick and line men are busy stringing a new wire from State College to roads north of town. Mrs. Sallie Bloom, J. H. Strouse, E. E. Royer, O. Piolet Bloom, N. O. Dreibleis, Rev. E. H. Bergstresser and mine host Randolph, of the St. Elmo, have signed contracts for phones on the Commercial line.

Spring Mills.  
Samuel Leitzell, of Jersey Shore, formerly of this place, is here visiting relatives and friends.

Our farmers have commenced cutting wheat. There is still considerable grass standing, the hay crop in this neighborhood being a very large one.

J. D. Long coal merchant and one of our active business men has improved his coal yard by considerable replanking, adding several new bins and enlarging the old ones.

"Mobiles" are becoming quite frequent in our village. In a few years they will be regarded as an old affair, then I suppose for a change we'll sail out and fro through the air in cast iron balloons.

Andrew Dunlap has put down in front of his residence and jewelry store, a concrete pavement, a decided improvement. Floyd Downers has placed a flagstone crossing in front of his residence to avoid mud ankle deep in going and returning to his smithery; another improvement.

On Monday evening last, the children of Mr. James Kenney, one of our well known and highly esteemed citizens, tendered him a very elegant entertainment, participated in by a large number of relatives and friends, quite a number being from a distance. The occasion was the anniversary of his 69th birthday, and proved an event of unusual interest. The parlors were brilliantly illuminated and beautifully decorated with evergreen, plants and a profusion of flowers. Mr. Kenney being an old veteran of Co. G, 49th Reg. P. V., a hero of grim visaged war, American flags and the national colors were conspicuous. These emblems were artistically festooned in parlors and dining-room, evidently arranged by skillful hands. The tables in the dining room were beautifully set and tastefully embellished with numerous bouquets of rare and exquisite flowers and furnished with dainties and fruit of a choice and elegant character. The occasion was a most delightful one being a continual round of pleasure and enjoyment of mirth, music and song. During the evening appropriate addresses were delivered by Revs. G. W. McIlmoy, D. M. Wolf, E. E. Hanes and Prof. Kries. At their respective hour all the guests retired to their living rooms, wishing Mr. Kenney many returns of the day and expressing themselves as having been delightfully entertained. Mr. Kenney was the recipient of a very large number of valuable and useful presents.

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