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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

No Paper Next Week.

In accordance with our usual custom no paper will be issued from this office next week, inasmuch as everybody connected therewith desires the regular holiday vacation.

—See advertisement of a pocketbook lost in this issue.

—Mrs. J. L. Spangler will entertain New Year's eve with cards.

—Mrs. Margaret Meek is ill with pneumonia at her home in Altoona.

—By special agreement all the stores of Bellefonte will keep closed on Christmas day.

—A very interesting revival service is now in progress in the Methodist church at Filmore.

—A matinee of moving pictures will be shown at the Edenic tomorrow (Christmas) afternoon.

—Tuesday, December 21st, was the shortest day in the year, though today is but two minutes shorter.

—The Salvation Army will make their usual annual distribution of Christmas dinners to the poor tomorrow.

—Only one more week of bear hunting, but Bellefonte nimrods don't seem to have a banker's after the animals.

—Roy Grove, a son of Al Grove, of Spring township, is confined to the house with a bad attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

—The ice men have begun harvesting their crop and the ice they are cutting is from seven to nine inches thick and of extra good quality.

—Manager A. D. Mair has arranged to give moving pictures of the Johnston-Ketchel fight at the opera house tomorrow (Christmas) evening.

—William F. Harding and Miss Marjorie E. Jackson, both of this place, were married in Look Haven on Thursday of last week by Rev. J. B. Breneman.

—A good place to put in your Christmas afternoon and evening is the skating rink. Manager Ryan has engaged the City band to furnish the music for the evening.

—John Harper entertained a number of boys last Friday night in celebration of his birthday, on which occasion his father, Jared Harper, presented him with a gold watch.

—Today when you are doing your final planning for a happy Christmas tomorrow don't forget to give a thought to the poor and remember that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

—William Katz has leased the rooms now occupied by the Bellefonte lodge of Elks and will move there next spring when the Elks vacate it to occupy their new home, the old Curtin homestead.

—Miss Erika Crisman will hold her regular weekly dancing school and after dance tomorrow (Christmas) evening instead of tonight, and it being Saturday the dance will begin promptly at 8.30 o'clock.

—Jennie Miller, aged ten years, was taken to the Bellefonte hospital on Monday for treatment. Miss Bessie Bryan, who was operated on several weeks ago, was discharged on Monday and returned to her home in Milesburg.

—J. Thomas Mitchell won the first prize, a folding umbrella, at the bi-weekly bridge party at the Bellefonte club on Tuesday evening, beating Edmund Blanchard by a narrow margin. The second prize was won by Dr. Brookerhoff.

—Mr. and Mrs. O'Brian will occupy the home of Mrs. Charles Smith, on Bishop street, while she is spending the winter in Philadelphia and Reading. Mr. O'Brian is superintending the removal of the slag for Mr. Shoemaker at the Bellefonte furnaces.

—The Olevine family ate their Christmas dinner yesterday and had with them Mrs. Olevine's mother, Mrs. Jacob Bortner, of Lemont, and her three sons, Mrs. Amanda Fisher and Mrs. Enoch Sweeney of Boalsburg, and Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs, of Centre Hall.

—While skating on R. B. Taylor's ice pond above Roopsburg on Monday Clara Underoffer broke through the ice and fell into five feet of water. She retained sufficient presence of mind to grasp the surrounding ice and get out of the water unassisted.

—W. Homer Crisman has been appointed auditor of the Bellefonte Central Railroad company, taking effect Monday, December 20th. Mr. Crisman has been in the employ of this company for many years and is a very capable official and his appointment as auditor is a well-merited one.

—The Basket Shop at their sale in Petriken hall last week disposed of the bulk of their surplus stock in what they considered a very fair business. Their sales this year all over the country were far in excess of any they have had in former years, and they are already planning to increase their output next year.

CENTRE COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—The sixty-third annual institute of the teachers of Centre county was held here this week beginning Monday. There are now a few over three hundred teachers in the county and a very large percentage of them were present. All of Monday morning was taken up with the reception of the teachers and assigning honor cards, etc. The institute was formally opened in the opera house at 1:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon with singing and a prayer by Rev. Fred W. Barry. Superintendent D. O. Eters made a brief speech in which he impressed upon the teachers the importance of attending every session and bearing and heeding the advice of the various instructors.

The first speaker introduced was Prof. A. L. Warren, of New York, who spoke on the subject "This Way," or in other words told the teachers how to teach school. Always smile and be pleasant, see that your own department corresponds with what you expect or exact of your pupils, be patient as well as energetic, and above all pleasant and kind.

Prof. H. E. Hall, of Mansfield, Ohio, spoke on the present day methods of advanced education and urged the teachers to get out of the old ruts of reading, writing and arithmetic, and teach according to up-to-date methods. In some of the public schools of the west they teach clay modeling, lace making and the baking of bread, and while this is an age of dangerous specialization, all schools should be organized to suit the locality in which it is, and nothing is too good for the boys and girls of today.

The entertainment on Monday evening was a lecture by D. Gabriel McGuire, of Cleveland, Ohio, his subject being "The Land and the Game Where Roosevelt Hunts." It was a very interesting descriptive talk and to make it more impressive Mr. McGuire exhibited a fine collection of idols, snake skins, bells, poisoned arrows, etc., used by the various tribes in Africa.

The first speaker Tuesday morning was Jonas A. Wagner, who earnestly recommended a reading course for teachers. During the past year seventy-three teachers in the county pursued this method of self-study and all approved of it. Superintendent Charles Lose, of Williamsport, spoke of the good derived from the literary work in the school and urged teachers not to neglect it.

Prof. T. I. Mairs, of State College, gave an interesting talk on the importance of agriculture and strongly advocated the teaching of it in the common schools so far as it is possible to do. The very fact that the big majority of boys and girls from the farms never get to college and probably not to a high school is a strong argument why they should be taught something about their own vocation while they do go to school. Dr. Warren and Prof. Hall occupied all the time Tuesday afternoon. The Tuesday evening entertainment was a lecture by Prof. Byron W. King, of Pittsburgh.

Wednesday forenoon institute was entirely taken up with talks by Prof. King, Dr. Warren and superintendent Charles Lose, of Williamsport, and in the afternoon Prof. C. D. Koch and R. M. McNeil, of Harrisburg, were the principal speakers. Wednesday morning the High school teachers in the county held a conference in the W. C. T. U. room in Petriken hall over which C. L. Gramley presided. Yesterday's sessions were equally interesting with those of the preceding days and the concert by the Rooney boys last night drew a packed house. The institute will close this morning.

To their credit it can be said that the teachers this year were unusually regular in their attendance and gave close attention to all the instructors and lecturers.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS CONVENTION.

The school directors of Centre county met in convention in Petriken hall Wednesday morning at 10:30, devotional exercises by Rev. D. Gress, of Centre Hall. There was a very large attendance and a great deal of interest manifested. Hon. Wm. C. Heinle, the president of the association, presided and made the annual address. County superintendent Eters also extended a kindly greeting and in a short address suggested many things that directors could do to improve the schools in their several districts. The roll was then called by the secretary H. C. Rogley. After these preliminaries D. F. Fortney was the first to address the convention. After calling attention to a few things which he knew existed and should not, in school administration, he took up the subject of teaching "morals, patriotism, and honesty in the schools," and illuminated it with abundant illustrations showing how this could be done.

In the afternoon the convention was addressed by Prof. C. D. Koch, state inspector of High schools. This address was full of suggestions and advice on the betterment of the High schools of the State. Prof. H. E. Hall, of Mansfield, Ohio, followed in an address, on keeping the boy on the farm. Prof. Hall urged upon directors the need of teaching the elements of agriculture in the schools and as a means of keeping the boy on the farm give him a piece of ground to farm and allow him to have all he shall succeed in raising thereon by working it in the most intelligent and skillful manner. Supt. Charles Lose then gave one of the keenest, clearest out talks on the duties of directors that has ever been given to a Centre county convention. This concluded the proceedings of the convention for Wednesday.

On Thursday morning the exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. C. W. Winey, of the U. B. church. R. M. McNeil, of the department of public instruction, then addressed the convention on the general duties of directors and quite at length. His was a very interesting, and useful address to the directors. Mr. McNeil was asked and answered many questions on various difficulties and duties which beset the life of a school director.

Prof. O. L. Warren, of Elmira, N. Y., made the closing address of the convention. He is a lively talker, tells a story well and enforces his points with tact and grace. The general line of his thought was in harmony with those who had previously addressed the convention.

The committee on the selection of officers for the next year then reported as follows: President, Hon. W. C. Heinle, Bellefonte; first vice president, Capt. C. T. Fryberger, Philipsburg; second vice president, Oscar E. Miles, Milesburg; secretary, H. C. Quigley, Bellefonte; treasurer, A. C. Mingle, Bellefonte; delegates to state directors convention, D. F. Fortney, D. O. Eters, W. M. Cronister, Rev. Daniel Gress, Prof. I. L. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gray on Wednesday and yesterday moved from the house on Curtin street which they have occupied the past year to the apartments in Crider's Exchange recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith.

John Montgomery Ward, the old Bellefonter and noted baseball player in his day, who made such a valiant fight for the presidency of the National League Baseball association, lost the fight on Saturday when Thomas Lynch was elected as a compromise candidate and the baseball war is thus at an end.

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E. M. Hoyett, of Centre Hall, has his saw mill and lumbering plant at Waddle up and about ready for operation. It is a large and complete plant and will have a capacity of a good many thousand feet daily. When the operation there is in full swing it will give employment to a large number of men.

Donald S. Barrows, general manager of the Bellefonte Foundry and Machine company, is away on a trip looking after orders for the new company. Mr. Barrows is an energetic manager and hopes soon to see this plant return to its palmy days of activity when it gave employment to nearly two hundred men.

Solomon Schmidt, of Philipsburg, transacted business in Bellefonte on Tuesday. He has just been elected treasurer of the Commercial Traveler's association, just organized in that town, whose purpose it is to boom Philipsburg as well as themselves and we feel confident that Mr. Schmidt will do his part in both.

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A Christmas praise service will be held in the United Brethren church tomorrow (Christmas) morning at 6 o'clock, and a special program of Christmas exercises will be held in the evening at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. J. S. Fulton, conference superintendent of the Allegheny conference, will preach to the congregation both morning and evening on Sunday, and the public is cordially invited to attend and hear him. The annual evangelistic services will be begun by the pastor on Monday evening.

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The holiday trade in Bellefonte this year was fair though hardly up to what it has been in former years. Up until last Saturday there had not been any big rush in Christmas buying, aside from toys and the cheaper novelties, but Saturday was a big day for all the stores in Bellefonte while business has been good all this week. This was general all over town but as the business was thus crowded into about one week it naturally will fall a little short of what it has been when extended over two or three weeks.

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Thomas Miller, of Beech Creek, was accidentally shot in the hip last Thursday afternoon, receiving the full load of fine shot from a twelve-gauge gun in the hands of Harry Bear. Both men are employed in the mines of the Pennsylvania Fire Brick company and were on a clay car riding from the mines into their camp. Bear had his gun in his hands and while in the act of lighting his pipe the weapon was discharged and Miller got the entire load. A physician extracted seventy shot while a few lodged in the man's clothing. Fortunately none of the shot penetrated further than the hip bone and unless blood poisoning sets in the wound is not necessarily fatal.

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George Kaebic, proprietor of the hotel at Clarence, is being congratulated by his many acquaintances upon his prowess as a bear hunter. He was out in the woods not far from Clarence one day last week and spied a cub lying at the foot of a tree. He took deliberate aim and fired two shots into the little animal but was somewhat disconcerted upon going up to the bear to discover that it had already been killed by some other hunter and its legs tied together so as to make the carrying of it easier. Of course Mr. Kaebic is especially pleased to have his friends commend his marksmanship in shooting the bear and also congratulate him upon the turkey he won on a night last week.

GRANGERS AT STATE COLLEGE.—State College has been overcrowded this week with farmers and representative business men in attendance at the thirty-seventh annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Grange. Up to noon on Wednesday just one thousand four hundred and sixteen delegates had registered and this number with about one hundred exhibitors, newspaper men and others attending the meeting swelled the number to about seventeen hundred. The town was taxed to the limit to entertain such a large crowd but the committee of arrangements had done their work so thoroughly that everybody was comfortably taken care of.

The sessions began at ten o'clock on Tuesday morning when Hon. Leonard Rhone made the address of welcome. The responses were by W. T. Cressy, master of the State Grange, and lecturer J. T. Ailman. In his speech Mr. Cressy stated that the grange in Pennsylvania was making rapid forward strides. Thirty new granges were organized during the past year and the State has advanced from fourth to third place in the list of membership, etc. Mr. Cressy also advocated local option, an increased tax for good roads and purer politics.

H. N. Clark, of Westmoreland county, was the father of a resolution urging grangers to insist on the nomination of a farmer for Governor at the expiration of Governor Stewart's term of office. A resolution was also passed recommending that the constitution be so amended that all candidates for office be elected by a direct vote of the people.

On Tuesday evening a public meeting was held in the auditorium at which a number of very able addresses were made.

The one important thing at the grangers' meeting on Wednesday was the report of the legislative committee. In it they attacked the high tariff as unjust to the farmers and laboring men, advocated the enactment of laws compelling the corporations to carry their share of the cost of running the government, scored the State Highway department for what they term exorbitant charges for building state roads, declaring that there was an appearance of graft where \$14,000 were paid for building a mile of road which ordinarily should not cost over from \$8,000 to \$10,000, and in the same paragraph denounced the Governor for cutting the appropriation for township roads when there is such a large balance in the state treasury; they advocated the election of United States Senators by direct vote, the enactment of a law creating a parcel post and favored a revision of the national banking laws.

Miss Frances Broomal, of Delaware county, created a little sensation when she introduced a resolution favoring the suffrage movement and had the same referred to the committee on resolutions without debate, and the question now is will the State Grange place itself on record as endorsing the movement. One of the speakers of the morning was Prof. R. L. Wats, who talked on apple growing.

Wednesday afternoon was devoted by the grangers to an inspection of the college and its various departments and all were astonished and likewise pleased as its immensity.

CELEBRATED SILVER WEDDING.—Mr. and Mrs. D. Ross Gregory, of Nell's Mills, Huntingdon county, celebrated their silver wedding (twenty-fifth anniversary) yesterday. It was on October 23rd, 1884, that Ross Gregory and Miss Esther Bailey were united in marriage at the home of the bride in Ferguson township, where they were both well and favorably known and a large number of their friends attended the anniversary celebration yesterday. A big dinner was served all present after which there was a general good time, with plenty of music, story telling and social intercourse. Mr. and Mrs. Gregory's four children, Samuel, Mary, Laura and Jennie, were all at home and it was a united and happy family.

H. Laird Curtin has been seriously ill the past week with pneumonia, at his home at Curtin, and owing to other complications his condition was so critical the early part of the week that his life was despaired of. Wednesday night, however, he took a change for the better and yesterday there was just enough improvement in his condition to give hopes of his recovery. Mrs. Claude Smith is quite ill at her old home in Milesburg and her friends are much concerned about her. Mrs. Samuel H. Diehl is also quite ill, and is under treatment in the Bellefonte hospital.

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News Purely Personal

Amos Cole, of Lewistown, will come to Bellefonte tomorrow to spend Christmas with friends here.

Mrs. John Hoyer and two children and Frank McMahon, of State College, were on a shopping expedition in Bellefonte yesterday.

Calvin Huse, who has made Bellefonte his home the past few months, left on Wednesday for Columbus, Ohio, to join A. G. Field's minstrels.

Earl N. Bathurst passed through Bellefonte Tuesday on his way to Lemont for a visit to his old home after an absence of four years in the west.

Prof. Sherwood E. Hall expects to go to Pittsburgh next Monday to remain over New Year's day, returning to Bellefonte in time for the opening of the Bellefonte Academy on January 5th.

A. W. Moore, manager of the Western Union telegraph company in this place, went down to his home in Lancaster for a week's holiday vacation. During his absence Maurice Kelly will have charge of the Bellefonte office.

Prof. Hosterman dropped into the WATCHMAN office last evening to have this paper sent for another year to his father over at Boalsburg. It is a little good literature that the Professor has made it a point to keep his dad supplied with ever since he has been able to do so.

Robert Rae, of Altoona, was a Bellefonte visitor over Sunday.

Samuel McClure is home from Princeton for the holiday vacation.

Mr. J. Frank Bradford, of Centre Hall, was in Bellefonte Tuesday, and was a caller at this office.

Mrs. Mairand March, of Cleveland, Ohio, is at the Bush house, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Daggett.

William Stewart, of Seattle, is in Bellefonte for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Patsy Stewart, of Linn street.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald S. Barrows have gone to Patterson, N. J., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Barrows' mother.

Harold Lingle came home from Punxsutawney on Wednesday to be here for Christmas and part of the holidays.

G. W. Hartrant with his wife, his daughter Helen and son Harmon, will spend their Christmas in Hughesville and Williamsport.

George W. Fisher, of Boalsburg, dropped in on Monday morning and enrolled his name as a regular subscriber to the WATCHMAN.

Misses Pearl and Bertha Newsham will leave on Sunday to spend their week's vacation with their sister Elizabeth, in West Chester.

C. M. Thompson, of Philadelphia, an old State College man, was up there this week attending the annual meeting of the State Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Gardner and their son, Harold, went to Milroy Wednesday to spend the Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Sheffer.

Tom Malory, of Altoona, was in Bellefonte on Wednesday, on her way home from a short visit with Mr. Malory's parents, in Mill Hill.

John H. Puff, of Centre Hall, was a caller at the WATCHMAN office on Wednesday, being in Bellefonte attending the meeting of the school directors of the county.

Miss Lillian Walker, of Philadelphia, and Lee Walker, of Clearfield, arrived in Bellefonte Wednesday and will remain over Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Miles Walker.

Walter S. Furst, private secretary to John C. Manson, president of the New Haven National bank, at New Haven, Conn., is spending the holidays in Bellefonte with his mother, Mrs. A. O. Furst.

A. G. Bloom, of Lock Haven, spent a part of the day last Saturday in Bellefonte on his way to State College, for a visit with his relatives in that section, before the opening session of the Grangers this week.

Martha and Lulu Thomas, daughters of William Thomas, who have been making their home with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Thomas, have gone to Tyrone to live with their father and his wife.

Mrs. L. C. Lingle and son James, of Centre Hall, were callers at the WATCHMAN office Saturday morning. They were on their way to Tyrone where they remained over Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ailee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Everett, of Allenwood, delegates from Union county to the State Grange meeting at State College, and Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Cook's mother, were guests over last Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook.

Miss Helen Williams, of Lock Haven, a teacher in the intermediate grade of the Centre Hall school, remained in Bellefonte after the closing sessions of institute to eat Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stallsmith.

Among our Monday callers was Mrs. W. H. Taylor, who came in to renew the paper going to her son, Samuel H., in Philadelphia, and at the same time spoke very complimentary of the WATCHMAN'S Christmas edition.

Emeline Cooper, of Pottsville, N. Y.; Virginia Dale and Ellen Hayes, of Sweetbriar College, Sweetbriar, Va.; Grace Cook, of Walnut Lane; Ethel Dale, of Wilson, and Madeline Rose of Cresson, are home for the Christmas vacation.

Harold Gardner, Norman Kirk, Edmund Joseph, Orvis Keller, Edward Shields, Ogden Mahin, Tom Morgan, Ivan Walker, Arthur Ward, John Rankin and Theodore Weston, of State, are the Bellefonte boys who will spend their Christmas at home.

Clayton Brown returned on Saturday from Philadelphia feeling very confident that he will recover entirely from an operation he underwent several weeks ago and as good a man as ever, though he may have to make another trip to the Quaker City to be fully assured of the fact.

Samuel Harper, of Gettysburg, was among the school directors in Bellefonte on Wednesday. He is not only a good school director but is one of the Democratic war horses of west Ferguson township and naturally could not come to Bellefonte without calling at the WATCHMAN office.

Alex Morris, youngest son of Hon. and Mrs. A. G. Morris, will be home today on a two week's furlough to spend Christmas and the holidays with his parents. He is now a private in the regular army stationed near Boston, Mass., and this will be his first visit home since he enlisted two years ago.

Wilbur F. Leathers, of Howard, has been in Bellefonte this week attending teacher's institute and on Monday was the messenger of his father, S. B. Leathers, of Curtin, bearing to this office one of those long Christmas gifts we spoke of last week; and the result is we are now under obligation to him for a whole year to come.

Mr. J. A. Whitman, of Milesburg, who the past eight months has been in the lumbering business on Elk run, near St. Mary's, has returned to his home in Milesburg and as evidence that he expects to remain there for some time he was in Bellefonte on Tuesday and ordered the WATCHMAN sent to him so that he would have some good reading.

Mrs. William Crawford and daughter, of Colesville, braved the cold weather of Tuesday to come into Bellefonte and do some Christmas shopping and they were both as happy in the task as old Kris Kringle himself could dare to be. And while they were about it they didn't forget to give the editor of the WATCHMAN the gift which shows that his endeavors to supply a readable paper are properly appreciated.

J. D. Neese, one of our Read township's representative citizens as well as progressive school directors, was over for the school directors' meeting on Wednesday and favored this office with a pleasant call. It was his first visit here since institute week last year but he always manages to get around when the school directors meet so if there is anything to be learned for the good of the schools he wants to know it.

Ira C. Ohl, of Nittany, was in Bellefonte on Wednesday attending the meeting of the school directors' association and was also a pleasant caller at this office. He said that while the rain of two weeks ago filled the cisterns down Nittany valley it didn't affect the springs and streams to any extent and more rain was badly needed. The grain fields in that locality are also showing the effect of the cold weather and ought to have a good covering of snow for their protection.

One of the unexpected arrivals in Bellefonte for the Christmas holidays was Wilson W. Gephart, who came home on Sunday evening. He left Bellefonte last March and has since been located in Oklahoma, his present headquarters being at Paw Paw, where he is assisting Calvin Armstrong, of Lock Haven, in supplying fuel oil to the various mining industries of that district. Wilson is not particularly impressed with that country as an ideal place to live, especially since he was laid up three months of the time he was there with malarial fever, but at that it is a good place to make money and he expects to return there some time in January.

Mrs. Sarah Eiters, of Lemont, was a Bellefonte visitor on Monday.

Mrs. Edward Latham, of Selingsgrove, visited her parents here from Tuesday until Thursday.

Mrs. William L. Steele Jr., returned on Monday from a month's visit with her parents at Pine Glan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Mitchell are in Burnham, with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Potter with their little son, are spending Christmas in Crafton with Mrs. Potter's mother.

Randolph Daggett and Jack Dale are home for the holidays from the Staunton Military Academy, Staunton Va.

Mrs. Claude Cook is entertaining as her Christmas guests, her mother and Dr. and Mrs. Brown, of Warren.

Lawrence McMillen and his sister, Miss McMillen, of Hecla, will spend the Christmas with friends in Altoona.

Mrs. C. D. Casbeer will leave Bellefonte immediately after Christmas to spend a month with her mother at Somerset.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur T. Twimier will spend the Christmas at Milesburg with Dr. and Mrs. Pickle and his family.

Mrs. E. L. Walker, of Glen Ridge, N. J., is visiting in Milesburg and with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Davis, in Bellefonte.

Allen Sheldon and his wife, of Philadelphia, came to Bellefonte Thursday to be with Mrs. Nora Sheldon for Christmas.

Rev. James B. Stein, of Tyrone, was a Bellefonte visitor over Tuesday night and was warmly greeted by his many friends here.

Mrs. John Sebring is entertaining her mother and sister, Mrs. Mast, of Pottsville, who may conclude to remain here all winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smithgall, of Austin, Potter county, are at the Mrs. John Spangler home at Centre Hall for the holidays.

Miss Meavoy, of Harrisburg, will be the guest over Christmas of her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meavoy, of Spring street.

Miss Grace Mitchell came from St. Davids Wednesday to spend the holidays with her father at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Porter Lyon.

Edward Glenn, of Cleveland, Ohio, will arrive in Curtin today to spend Christmas and a well deserved vacation at the home of his brother Jerry.

William J. Dorworth, who is now located at Greensboro, South Carolina, where he is electrical engineer in a large cotton mill, is home for the holidays.

George M. Harter, one of the busy farmers down Nittany, accompanied by Mrs. Harter, found time to spend a day shopping in Bellefonte this week.

W. Harrison Walker Esq., will leave today on a trip to Buffalo, N. Y., where he will spend Christmas and also attend to a little business afterwards.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Brouse will have with them over Christmas, Mrs. Frederic Topel of Brooklyn, and William Brouse, who is on the Shoemaker work at Sunbury.

Capt. W. H. Fry, the successful veterinarian of Pine Grove Mills, attended a meeting of the state veterinary board in Philadelphia in the early part of the week.

Mrs. Mollie Proffert and her son Russell, of Denver, who have been for sometime in Central Pennsylvania visiting relatives, were in Bellefonte Tuesday on their way from Penns Valley to Tyrone.

Miss Mildred Grimm came to Bellefonte Monday, expecting to be home for three weeks at the end of which time she will return to Homestead to be with her aunt, Mrs. Thompson, for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Charles Smith and her daughter, Miss Lulu, have closed their house here and on Monday went to Philadelphia where they will spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Seitz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Heckman went to John's town on Wednesday, spending the night in that city, then going on to Wilkingsburg yesterday where they will spend Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spicher.

S. A. Emery, son of Hon. Lewis Emery, of Bradford, has been at State College this week in charge of an exhibit of oils, etc., and while he did not make the statement himself it was given out by some of his friends that his father had declined not to be a candidate for Congress from this district.

J. P. O'Bryan, of State College, was in Bellefonte on Wednesday and found time to give the WATCHMAN office a short call. He stated that State College never had more strangers in it at one time than it has had this week with over fourteen hundred registered delegates in attendance at the meeting of the State Grange, the sessions of which have been exceptionally interesting.

Bellefonte Produce Markets.

Corrected weekly by R. S. Brouse, producer. The prices quoted are those paid for produce.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Potatoes per bushel, Onions, Eggs per dozen, Lard per pound, Country Shoulders, Sides, Hams, Butter per pound, Tallow per pound.

Bellefonte Grain Market.

Corrected weekly by C. Y. Waexas. The following are the quotations up to six o'clock, Thursday evening, when our paper goes to press:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Red Wheat, White Wheat, Rye, Corn, Oats, Barley, Ground Flaxseed, Buckwheat, Cloverseed, Timothy seed.

Philadelphia Markets.

The following are the closing prices of the Philadelphia markets on Wednesday evening.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Wheat-Red, No. 2, No. 3, Mixed new, Flour-Winter, Per R.L., Favorite Brand, Rye Flour Per R.L., Mixed hay-Choice, Timothy No. 1, Straw.

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