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Democratic and Anti-Tariff Victory.



Massachusetts District Formerly Good for 14,000 Republican Majority Elects a Democratic Congressman by Over 5,000.

BROCKTON, Mass., March 22.—The National political weathercock turned Democratic in Massachusetts today when the Old Colony section, one of the Republican strongholds of the State, placed Eugene N. Foss, of Boston, one of the country's leading exponents of reciprocity with Canada, in the congressional seat of the late William C. Lovering. Mr. Foss accomplished what was regarded as almost a political miracle, turning a Republican plurality of 14,250 into a Democratic victory of 5,840.

The vote today was: Eugene N. Foss, of Boston (Democrat), 14,980; William R. Buchanan, of Brockton (Republican), 9,340. It was the most overwhelming defeat that the Republicans have met in Massachusetts since Governor Bates was overthrown by William L. Douglas, six years ago.

The result is considered of more than State-wide importance, for Mr. Foss stumped the Fourteenth district on National questions and the people backed him up with a whoop.

After all the tariff war with Germany is now postponed. Unless the absurd "maximum and minimum" provision is repealed it will come sooner or later and when it comes this country will get the worst of it.

After all, Pittsburg is probably humiliated more because her councilmen were so cheap than because they were purchasable.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Rumberger will go to housekeeping next week in the new house built by Isaac Miller on Wilson street. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker will move from the Walker home in to the Kreider home on Bishop street and Ralph Moerschbacher will move in to the Walkers.

Just at this time when the high price of everything is worrying us all so much Sechler & Co., come forward with an offer to sell us coffee of even a better grade at lower figures than have been prevailing. This is certainly something like it and if you are a prudent housekeeper we would advise you to read their offer elsewhere in this issue.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Presbytery of Huntingdon will be held here on Wednesday and Thursday, March 30th and 31st. Wednesday afternoon and evening will be devoted especially to the young people. Mr. Robert E. Speer will address the public meeting in the church on Wednesday evening. Miss Roltraf, of China, and Mrs. Boyd Weitzel, secretary of the Woman's Board, will speak during these meetings.

One of the most pretentious weddings that has taken place in Tyrone for some time was that on Tuesday of Miss Anna May Stevens, daughter of Hon. A. A. Stevens, and Frank Beville Brantly, of Philadelphia. The ceremony took place at noon, at Rosewalk Terrace, the Stevens family home, and was witnessed by over one hundred guests. Mr. and Mrs. Brantly expect to make their home in Tyrone upon their return from an extended wedding trip.

Jonathan Shaffer, of Lock Haven, and James C. Mauck, of Rote, were both eighty years old on Tuesday and celebrated the event by taking dinner together at the Fallon house, Lock Haven. Mr. Shaffer and Mr. Mauck are both natives of Centre county, having been born in Brush valley. Their acquaintance dates back sixty years or over, when Shaffer clerked in a store at Madisonburg, and Mauck worked as a painter in Millheim, and during all the intervening time they have maintained a close and uninterrupted friendship.

Judge Orvis last week handed down a decree refusing a new trial in the case of Mollie Miller vs. The Insurance company of North America. The case was one to recover insurance on a barn and farming implements destroyed by fire and which the defendant company refused to pay because the title to the property was not clear in the hands of plaintiff at the time of issuing the policy. The court refused a new trial because at the time of issuing the policy the company had notice of the status of the title. \$2,405 is the amount involved.

EVERHART.—William Marshall Everhart, ex-sheriff of Clinton county, died at his home in Lock Haven on Tuesday morning, of paresis, after an illness of two years. He was sixty-nine years old and was born at Jacksonville, this county. His early life was spent on his father's farm and when the war broke out he enlisted as a private in company E, 137th Pennsylvania volunteers. He served until September, 1865, when he was mustered out of service. In January, 1865, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Worrick, of near Mackeyville, and after his return from the war the young couple settled on a farm in Lamar township, Clinton county, where they lived until 1890, when Mr. Everhart was elected sheriff of Clinton county. Since that time the family have lived in Lock Haven. Mr. Everhart is survived by his wife, one son and four daughters.

TAYLOR.—George Thomas Taylor died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Catharine Taylor, on Valentine street, last Saturday morning of pneumonia, after being brought home from Philadelphia early last week where he underwent a slight operation.

He was born in Bellefonte and was twenty-five years of age. His father died nine months ago but surviving him are his mother, one brother, William C., and two sisters, Mrs. Martin Overly, of Altoona, and Mrs. Krebs, of Wilmington, Del. Funeral services were held at his late home at two o'clock on Monday afternoon, by Revs. J. F. Hower and C. W. Winey. The remains were taken to Pleasant Gap where interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery.

CULLISON.—Following an illness of practically six months with Bright's disease Mrs. Nannie Levenia Cullison, wife of R. C. Cullison, of Altoona, died last Thursday evening. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Greene and was born in Bellefonte in April, 1885, hence was almost twenty-five years of age. Though her parents moved to Altoona over fifteen years ago she will be remembered by many Bellefonters as a bright and interesting child. She was a member of the Methodist church and a good kind woman. She is survived by her husband, three children, her parents, two brothers and one sister. Burial was made in the Greenwood cemetery at Altoona Saturday afternoon.

HASSINGER.—After being a patient sufferer for months with tuberculosis and fighting bravely to overcome the disease Miss Jennie R. Hassinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hassinger, finally succumbed and died on Friday, March 18th, at her home at Pleasant View. She was twenty-three years and ten months old and is survived by her parents, six brothers and two sisters. She was a member of the United Brethren church and Rev. C. W. Winey officiated at the funeral services which were held in the Pleasant View chapel at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Interment was made in the Union cemetery.

BAUER.—Mrs. Marion Bauer, widow of the late Nicholas Bauer, died last Friday night after only one week's illness, following an attack of the grip. Her maiden name was McCafferty and she was eighty-two years old last October. She was a member of St. John's Catholic church, a good christian woman, kind neighbor and well liked by all who knew her. Surviving her are three children, V. J. Bauer, John and Miss Josephine. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. J. H. McCullough. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock from the Catholic church, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery.

PIERCE.—Nathaniel Pierce, colored, the eleven year old son of Mrs. Mary Pierce, died at the Chester Springs soldiers' orphan school last Saturday morning, of heart disease. His mother, two sisters and a brother survive. The remains were brought to Bellefonte on Monday and the funeral held at 2:30 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Burial was made in the Union cemetery.

Now that springtime is here business men and citizens generally should clean up about their premises. The street commissioner is cleaning the winter's collection of refuse off the streets, but the disease-breeding places are in the alleys and back yards, especially the latter. These naturally must be cleaned up by persons occupying the property and the Sanitary committee of council should make it a point to insist on the same being done. It will mean a more healthful atmosphere as well as being far more pleasing to the eye.

Spring began on Monday and the weather all week has been so spring-like that low shoes and summer clothes have been much in evidence. Verdure is looking quite green, the buds are bursting on the lilac bushes, garden makers have already gotten busy and everybody hails with gladness the fact that winter is at an end. Of course there is sure to be some cold and frosty weather yet but thank goodness, it cannot last very long.

All the hotels in Bellefonte will serve special Easter dinners to their guests on Sunday. The Bush house and the Brockerhoff will have especially fine menus, including out-of-season fruits, so if you don't want to prepare a dinner at home it will be a treat to go to one of the hotels.

Milton Kern has leased the place in the Elks new home recently occupied by Dr. Harris as offices and will move his barber shop there from his present location in the Garman house. The room is now being repainted and repaired for his occupancy.

Mail carrier Henry Taylor was unfortunate in having his horse die on Friday night of last week. Two weeks ago the animal fell on the ice and sustained an ugly cut over the left eye. It failed to heal with the result that lock-jaw developed which caused the horse's death.

During the past week there has been a very pretty display of baskets at The Index, the work of Miss Sallie Fitzgerald, of this place. They are made after the Indian design and workmanship and are woven exceedingly fine. Miss Fitzgerald expects to open a shop in this place in the near future and branch out in the basket manufacturing business.

R. B. Taylor started in this week getting things in shape to do the grading at the sides and in the rear of the court house. During the past three weeks one or two men have been at work breaking up the stone in the rear of the court house, which are not fit for building stone, and on Wednesday a stone crusher was taken up there by Mr. Taylor, who will crush them for use in building the state road through Bellefonte. Several car loads of building stone have been sold to parties at State College and will be shipped there. The balance will likely be stored somewhere until there is a demand for them by persons desiring to build.

The last of the series of five pictures on the Life of Moses was shown at the Scenic on Wednesday evening and they portrayed the happenings of that ancient day in such a realistic manner as to be greatly appreciated by those who saw them. This was another special feature in pictures given the patrons of the Scenic and it confirms the oft-repeated assertion that manager T. Clayton Brown never allows a good thing to pass by Bellefonte. If there is anything extraordinary put out in the way of motion pictures he will secure it; and that is one reason why you should attend the Scenic every evening. He is always getting something good and if you fail to attend regularly you are liable to miss something unusually good. And then the pictures every evening are worth double the price of admission.

Dr. D. G. Stewart is now the owner of one of the raciest looking automobiles in Bellefonte. It is a 1910 Middleby, gentleman's roadster type for two persons. It is of twenty-five horse power and capable of developing a speed of about fifty miles an hour. Another machine in Bellefonte which is attracting considerable attention is Will Keichline's light Buick roadster, of four passenger capacity. It develops good power and is an easy rider. The mild weather of the past week has resulted in automobile owners who had their machines in storage during the winter season bringing them out and it won't be long now until honk! honk! will be the prevailing music in the air and the atmosphere will be saturated from morning until night with the stink of gasoline. But with all that they are welcome harbingers of the good old summer time.

The Bellefonte auditorship was settled last Saturday when Judge Orvis handed down a decree in which he declared the vote on the auditors at the February election to be invalid and then appointed John Curtin and W. Miles Walker auditors to serve until the next borough election, which will be in November, 1911. Several months ago the court appointed J. H. Robb an auditor in place of M. A. Jackson, resigned. At the caucuses in January the Republicans nominated but one candidate, John Curtin, while the Democrats put two men in nomination, W. Miles Walker and D. Wagner Geiss. The court's decree declaring the election invalid was based on the ambiguity of the ballot, which utterly failed in giving the voter any clear and distinct idea of what he was voting for. Mr. Walker and Mr. Curtin were appointed because they received the largest vote, and their appointment naturally terminates J. H. Robb's term as auditor. The third member of the board is Charles Lukenbach.

Just three weeks from today will be April 15th, and the opening of the trout fishing season. The time is now so near that the disciples of Isaac Walton are already looking up their fishing paraphernalia to see that everything is in good order and some are haunting the nearby streams in an effort to locate the best places to go for their first catch of the season. So far as the writer has observed or has been able to learn, few trout have been seen this spring in either Spring creek or Logan's branch. Of course there are a few, but whether the number is large enough to afford good sport and the possibilities of a fair catch on opening day is entirely problematical. The wise fisherman will very likely plan to try his luck the first day on Fishing creek or some of the mountain streams, where the trout are more numerous, if not so large. There was plenty of water in all the streams during the winter for the protection of the fish and the probability is the success of the coming season will depend very much on the auspiciousness of the weather and the cunning of the fishermen themselves.

FIX UP THE ROADS.—The time of year is now here when road supervisors and road masters will begin work on the roads to put them in shape for the summer. The question of good roads is one which has taken a firm hold on the people everywhere. It is not confined to automobile drivers alone, as a few narrow-minded supervisors pretend to believe, but is of just as much interest to the owner and driver of a buggy or wagon of any kind. And it is of especial benefit to the farmer, the one class of people who are compelled to use the roads every day in the year. Good roads not only facilitate hauling and driving but they enhance the value of property through which they pass.

To the credit of the majority of the supervisors in Centre county it can be said that they have awakened to the many advantages of good roads and are constrained to do what they can with the means at their command to improve the highway. The one thing they should strive to do in the future is to get rid of the detestable breakers in the roads. This is best done by underground drainage, which when put in right will last for years.

The Centre County Road Supervisors association is outspoken in building better roads and by consulting one another the members thereof would undoubtedly gain considerable knowledge of road building in their various districts. The last meeting of the association was not very well attended but enough were present to adopt the following constitution and by-laws for their government in the future and we commend a careful perusal of the same to all members of the association and road supervisors generally throughout the county:

Constitution and By-Laws of the Association of Township Road Supervisors of Centre County.

SECTION 1. The object of this organization is to perfect ourselves in our official duties, secure desirable changes in the existing laws, and to promote the best interests of our respective townships.

SECTION 2. The organization shall be known as the Good Roads Association of Centre County, Pennsylvania.

SECTION 3. The active members of the Association shall include all township supervisors, with their solicitor; all township Road Masters, mayors of cities and burgesses of boroughs, with their street commissioners and chairmen of city or highway committees; and the county commissioners, with their clerk and solicitor. No township, city or borough shall have more than five votes, and no proxies shall be allowed. All ex-members of the Association shall be honorary members and entitled to all the privileges thereof, excepting voting.

SECTION 4. The officers shall consist of a president, two vice presidents, one secretary and a treasurer, to be elected at each annual convention, and such other officers as the Association may from time to time determine.

SECTION 5. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Association, appoint five members as an Executive Committee, which said committee shall act as a committee on resolutions. The president shall appoint an Auditing Committee of three members.

SECTION 6. The vice-presidents shall assist the president and preside at all meetings during his absence.

SECTION 7. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Association, and act as secretary to the Executive Committee.

SECTION 8. All resolutions or questions shall be referred to the committee on resolutions. This committee shall act upon all matters referred to them and report to the convention.

SECTION 9. The executive committee shall have charge of all proposed legislation, collecting and disbursing the funds, making out the program, printing and all other interests of the Association not otherwise provided for; recommend annually permanent officers of the Association and give a detailed report of their proceedings at each convention.

SECTION 10. The auditing committee shall audit the accounts of the executive committee and report the same to the convention.

SECTION 11. This association shall depend upon the voluntary contribution of persons wishing to become honorary members, and any person interested in the Association can become an honorary member by a voluntary contribution. Any motor cycle or automobile club or association can become a member and have a voice and vote in the Association by the payment of a fee.

SECTION 12. These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting of the Association.

NIGHT LETTER SERVICE BY TELEGRAPH.—Beginning two weeks ago the Western Union Telegraph company inaugurated what it terms its night letter telegraph service for the convenience of business men and others who cannot embody in a day message all the matter they wish to convey. The rate for this service is fifty words for the price of a regular ten word day message and for every ten additional words one-fifth the original charge. For example: The regular day rate for a message from Bellefonte to Philadelphia is thirty cents for ten words and two cents for each additional word. For a night letter from Bellefonte to Philadelphia the rate would be thirty cents for fifty words and six cents for each additional ten words. Messages for night service can be filed any time during the day but will not be sent until after the close of the regular business hours in the evening, and will be delivered the first thing the ensuing morning.

EASTER SERVICES.—Special programs of music, scripture and prayer will be given in all the Bellefonte churches on Sunday in celebration of Easter; and not only members of the various congregations but the public in general is invited to attend the church of their choice. In the Presbyterian church the services will begin at 7:25 o'clock in the evening and the program is as follows: Organ Prelude..... Mr. Hall Coronation and Invocation..... Choir "The Lord is Risen Indeed"..... Choir Scripture—The Resurrection of the Dead..... Mrs. Meyer Prayer..... Choir "Behold, I Show you a Mystery,"..... Choir Solo..... H. P. Armstrong Scripture—The Resurrection of the Interpretation..... Choir "Behold, I tell you a Mystery"..... Choir Solo..... Mr. Beattie "Christ our Passover"..... Choir Benediction..... Choir Organ Postlude..... Mr. Hall

THE GIRL FROM RECTORS.—One of the biggest New York successes of last season was "The Girl from Rectors," by Paul M. Potter, which will be the attraction at the opera house on Tuesday evening, March 29th. It is a play that combines a good plot with a wholesome amount of comedy. In fact it is described as having a laugh in every line.

Arrangements are about completed for the erection this summer of additional buildings on the new athletic field at State College.

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HOW THE OPERA HOUSE IS SAFEGUARDED AGAINST FIRE.—It may not be generally known but the opera house in this place, as now equipped, is safeguarded against destruction by fire probably better than any other building in Bellefonte with the possible exception of the match factory. The equipment includes a two inch fire hose on each side of the stage ready for instant use and one hose on the fly gallery known as the tie floor. On each side of the stage stands a barrel of water with three fire buckets at each. An asbestos fire curtain was recently purchased but on account of a mistake in the size it had to be sent back for correction. When it is put up it will reduce the possibilities of fire from the stage reaching the auditorium to a minimum. At the right of the main entrance in the rear of the auditorium is an extra fifty foot fire hose, not required by state regulation, but placed there by the owners to safeguard the people who attend the opera house as well as their own property. The electric light has been changed from a single to a double system, one operated from the stage and the other from the rear of the auditorium. A new and additional fire escape is being manufactured to be put up on the court of the building. The Bellefonte police have been familiarized with all the above and have instructions to use same in case of fire.

BASEBALL NOTES.—A meeting of representatives from a number of the towns it is proposed to take into the Central Pennsylvania baseball league this year was held at the Elks club in this place last night but the WATCHMAN went to press too early to have a report of same. It can be stated, however, that the interest is growing and there is hardly a doubt but that a league will be finally formed.

Frank O'Reilly this week resigned as secretary of the Lock Haven baseball association and did not attend the meeting last night as a representative from that place. He says he is out of baseball entirely.

As it looks now Huntingdon will have a team in the league and probably Philipsburg, as Tyrone has positively declined. The State College orchestra has agreed to postpone their engagement to come here and give a concert for the benefit of the local club until the latter part of April, and there is every likelihood that Bellefonters will then have an opportunity of hearing them.

OPENING OF BASEBALL SEASON.—The baseball season will be opened in Bellefonte with a game on Hughes field, Friday, April 1st, between the Bellefonte Academy nine and the Pittsburg Tech team. The latter team the day following will play the opening game at State College and this fact alone is assurance that they are a good class of ball players. The Academy team has not yet been entirely selected but a good-sized squad of players are practicing daily for the various positions and the indications are for a very strong team, one even better than the good team of last season. This will be an opportunity for the people of Bellefonte, and especially baseball fans, to see a good game. Bellefonte expects to have a league team this summer and it will help a lot to work up the proper degree of enthusiasm by encouraging the Academy boys with a good attendance.

THE GAY SOUBRETTE.—One week from today will be April first and All Fool's day; and the surest way the people of Bellefonte will be fooled is if they fail to be present at the opera house that evening and hear and see The Thespians of State College in their new musical comedy novelty "The Gay Soubrette." It is the collaborated work of Hal Foster and Mr. Downing, director of The Thespians, and is very catchy throughout. There is more plot to it than to "Popocatepillar VII," in which they made such a hit last year. The songs and dances are all new and up-to-date and the large cast and chorus of thirty people include the best amateur talent and feminine impersonators at the college. It will be a treat to see them and a disappointment to all who fail to attend. Remember the date, Friday evening, April first.

Dr. VanValzah Foster has purchased the practice of Dr. P. Hoffer Dale at Centre Hall, though as yet he has been able to spend only part of his time there. Dr. Dale, who succeeds Dr. John Robinson at State College, is dividing his time between helping to take care of his old practice at Centre Hall and in looking after his new work at the College.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Helen White to Harlan Peabody, of Columbus, Ohio, the wedding to take place during the month of July. Mr. Peabody is a civil engineer and during the summer of 1908 was in Bellefonte several months in charge of the corps making a geological survey of Centre county.

MARKLE—BALYETTS.—On Wednesday afternoon William R. Markle and Miss Ruth E. Balyetts were united in marriage at the parsonage of the United Evangelical church by the pastor, Rev. J. F. Hower. The same evening the young couple left for Altoona where they will make their future home.

Arrangements are about completed for the erection this summer of additional buildings on the new athletic field at State College.

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In giving the ages of the sisters of the late Henry Bloom, of State College, the Philadelphia North American and the WATCHMAN last week gave Mrs. David Fye as being 82 years old, whereas it should have been 86 years, and the combined ages of the four sisters and deceased brother 402 years.

THE HOME-CULTURE CLUB.—What has been achieved by the Northampton Club for that little city in Massachusetts, is possible to be done, measurably so, for Bellefonte.

This commendable movement is quite fully described in the March number of the Ladies Home Journal.

First: It gives some pleasurable occupation for all the school boys and girls during their summer vacation.

Second: It freely offers some practical instruction in the art and science of gardening.

Third: While it encourages industry, in lieu of a roving about in idleness, it promotes morality and a good neighborly feeling.

Fourth: It awakens a desire for the enjoyment of what is pure, lovely and beautiful.

Fifth: It unmistakably tends to lower the high cost of food supplies.

The rules governing the club will soon be published. A statement of the prizes to be awarded will be given in a few days. Those who wish to join the club can do so by postal card to No. 127 east Howard street, giving individual name or that of the family as, "Robert Woodring and family," already enrolled with others. CIVIS.

PINE GROVE MENTION.

Miss Mary Miller is visiting her sister at Pittsburg.

Harry McKelvey went to Altoona Monday in quest of a job.

John F. Kimport is under the doctor's care for heart trouble.

L. H. Osman, who has been confined to bed, is now able to sit up.

Albert Muser, of Clearfield, was here last week visiting his mother.

Well diggers are at work sinking a well on the C.L.s. Snyder farm.

Mrs. H. H. Goss spent several days this week shopping in Altoona.

J. M. Watt, of Tyrone, was here Saturday greeting friends of long ago.

Miss Esther Osman spent Tuesday with her friend, Miss Maude Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fortney visited friends here in the beginning of the week.

J. C. Bumgardner, of Cottage, was here Monday and bought several horses.

Farmer Wm. Ishler was here Friday making a full hand at a first-class fitting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Williams gave a party to the younger set Friday evening.

McGee Logan spent Sunday with his brother-in-law, O. P. Bloom, at Bloomdorf.

W. P. Ard is home from the Susquehanna University for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. Henry Gingrich and daughter Bertha visited friends in town over Sunday.

Wm. Louck and wife came up from Centre Hall and visited friends about Pine Hall this week.

D. J. Johnston is nursing a bad eye, caused by a stick striking the member while cutting wood.

J. H. Decker, assistant clerk in the County Commissioner's office, spent Sunday at home.

Jacob Breen, of Bellevue, Ohio, is circulating among friends looking well for one of his years.

D. A. Grove, the popular horseman, came over the mountain on Monday with a bunch of colts.

Price Johnston has open for congratulations over the arrival of a chubby little boy, No. four.

Mr. and Mrs. Blair Miller, of Hollidaysburg, visited friends about Bellefonte and in the Glades last week.

Lumberman B. F. Davis spent part of last week out about Johnstown on a big lumber deal he has on hand.

Dr. Thomas F. Hunt, C. H. Foster, D. G. Meek and W. S. Bailey, all of State College, were in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. VanTries, of Union Furnace, were greeting old time friends here in the beginning of the week.

S. E. Weber and Harry Shirk, of Centre Hall, and Frank Weiland, of Linden Hall, were bidders at the "Squire Miller sale."

J. N. Bell, who has been housed up most of the winter with bearded ears, is able to go about but is very hard of hearing.

Miss Maude Miller is lending a helping hand at her uncle, J. H. Williams' moving and setting matters right after the fitting.

Mrs. S. C. Miller, of Chester, with her two children, are here for Easter. Prof. Miller and John Y. will join the party Easter Monday.

J. I. Markle is home from Bellwood making some needed repairs on his new possession on Main street, he having bought the Lytle property.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtin Meyers are now singing lullabies to entertain their firstborn, a little daughter who came to their home several days ago.

Prof. Gooding, of State College, returned on Monday from Pittsburg with several meat teams and a fast stepper for use on the experimental farm.

Dr. S. H. Gilliland, state veterinarian, came up for Marietta Saturday and was initiated into the order of Patrons of Husbandry in Victor grange, at Oak Hall.

Monday evening a jolly party from the Loop gathered at the home of Harry McClellan to remind him of his thirty-second birthday. His wife gave him a real surprise and furnished a good supper to all present.

A new branch telephone line is being erected from the Pine Hall country with the following subscribers: Mrs. Emanuel Dreiblebis, J. H. Cramer, D. W. Garner, Emanuel Roan, N. C. and Jacob Neidigh, M. C. Rossman and W. E. Dreiblebis.

Negro In Death Chair Held Cross.

Walter Morrison, a negro, was the first man to be electrocuted under the new North Carolina law, paid the penalty in the state penitentiary at Raleigh. Morrison went to the chair with a gold cross clutched in his right hand, and as the first charge swept through his body the hand holding the cross stiffened and turned until the cross was held upright.

Train Kills Two Boys.

Martin Haughey, eighteen years of age, was instantly killed at Schoolfield, Va., and James Wiles, a nineteen-year-old boy, was fatally injured when the two were struck by a southbound passenger train near Pelham. The boys were sitting on the track and were either asleep or so closely engaged in conversation that they did not see the approaching train.