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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.

The new Persian and chiffon waists at Aiken's. All children under twelve years of age will be admitted free to the big Centre county fair on Wednesday, October 5th. Wednesday, October 5th, will be children's day at the big Centre county fair, when all children will be admitted free. Miss Helen Rocky, who is ill with typhoid fever at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rocky, of Zion, is slightly better. A farewell service was held in the Presbyterian chapel last evening for Rev. Samuel McClure, who will leave on October 12th as a missionary to China. C. T. Fryberger, of Philipsburg, has sold his four and feed mill to J. C. Reed and in the future will devote his entire attention to his extensive insurance business. At a Presbyterian congregational meeting on Wednesday afternoon it was decided among other things to repair and improve the exterior appearance of the church. This has not only been fair weather this week, but very fair-like weather and if we only have the same kind the week of the Centre county fair it will be the biggest gathering ever. Andrew Knisely has moved from State College to Tyrone and embarked in the restaurant business. He opened up in the DeFerie block and feels much encouraged with his patronage so far. Last Saturday evening Albert Mulbarger, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mulbarger, of Nittany furnace, fell while playing in the yard and broke his right arm just above the wrist. John Sebring, Jr., has started work on building a big garage on the property recently bought by his father, the old Kline property on Spring street. The building will be about 80x140 feet in size. The new A. M. E. church is about completed and will be dedicated on Sunday, October 16th. The pulpit in the church was made and finished throughout by James Foreman, a member of the congregation. A nice little baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haagman, of Beech Creek, on Sunday morning. Mrs. Haagman was formerly Miss Fannie Confer, of Yarnell. The little Miss has been named Winifred Gertrude Haagman. Charles Morris has leased the Harper house on west Linn street and with Mrs. Morris will go to housekeeping there in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Morris will close their house on east Linn street and spend the winter at the Bush house. At a regular meeting on Monday evening the Bellefonte Ministerium was reorganized for the ensuing year by the election of Rev. J. F. Howey, of the United Evangelical church, as president, and Rev. C. W. Winey, of the United Brethren church, secretary and treasurer. On Saturday Edward Lepard, the seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lepard, fell from the hay loft of a stable on east Lamb street and sustained a compound fracture of the left arm just above the wrist. A physician reduced the fracture and he is now getting along well as possible. The managers of the Centre county fair have very generously decided to admit all children under twelve years of age free on Wednesday, October 5th. It will be just the place for the school children to see what is grown in their own county, therefore parents should bring them all in on that day. We are in receipt of last week's issue of the Industrial School News, published by the boys in the soldiers' orphan's school at Scotland, Pa., in which Miss Carrie Bayard is assistant matron. It is a seven column folio and reflects considerable credit on the boys who in any way contribute to its make-up. In a rear end collision between two freight trains on the Bald Eagle valley railroad, at Port Matilda, last Friday afternoon, eight cars, an engine and caboose were pretty badly damaged, but fortunately nobody was injured. The track was opened by Saturday morning, but it took until midnight Sunday to clear the wreck away. Next Sunday Rev. J. F. Howey, pastor of the local United Evangelical church, will be the speaker for rally day at Lewistown. In the absence of the pastor Rev. C. C. Shuey will fill the pulpit in the morning at 10:30, and Rev. I. C. Shearer will preach in the evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to these services. During the past week Col. H. S. Taylor loaded a large tank car with coal tar which was shipped to Barrett & Co., Philadelphia. Jim Matthews says they wanted the tar in Philadelphia to use in street paving, but it is a ten to one shot it will be used in manufacturing various dyes and coloring matter for which coal tar is very widely employed.

FORMAL DEDICATION OF BELLEFONTE'S NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

The formal dedication of Bellefonte's magnificent new high school building, last Friday afternoon and evening, marked an epoch in the educational history of Bellefonte never reached before. The building had been a year in course of construction but when one views the commodious and substantial structure, and inspects the facilities now open to the boys and girls of the town in their pursuit of an education, it cannot be denied that the time was well spent; and very few there are if any, who begrudge the cost now that they see the results obtained. It was for a close inspection and to witness the dedication of this building that large audiences gathered there both in the afternoon and evening of the above named day. The program as originally prepared by the committee of arrangements was carried out in detail with the exception that Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks, president of The Pennsylvania State College, was one of the speakers in the afternoon instead of in the evening, but this did not detract from the interest of the exercises. Dr. Melvin J. Locke, president of the school board, presided and introduced Dr. Sparks as the first speaker, who made a very pleasing address. He congratulated the board and the public at large on the completion of so substantial and beautiful a school building, and urged the people to accommodate themselves to the new conditions and circumstances by which they are surrounded, and to accept as new elements in education, the instruction in domestic science and industrial training. He used as an illustration the system of teaching and training in practice at the College and the great advantage it was to the young in their start in life. The doctor also expressed the hope that such instruction would be adopted and carried out in our schools. Prof. C. D. Koch, inspector of High schools, delivered a very excellent address on high school work. By reason of his position as High school inspector he was able to make this talk both pointed and profitable. The Ladies Glee club sang "Annie Laurie" which was so much appreciated by the audience that the singers were loudly encored. This was followed by remarks of Col. D. F. Fortney. After expressing congratulations over the completion of the building and expressing gratification that the school children of the town would have better educational facilities than ever before, he asked: "And what of the future?" As one of the new features of the school he advocated instruction in the useful arts in domestic life, and commended the Woman's Club for the interest manifested by them in this line of education. He also stated that he hoped to see a course in manual training established. That he expected the schools to now move forward, that the public had a right, with the facilities we now have, to insist on a forward movement. He appealed to the good people of the town, especially the Woman's Club, to help along this purpose. Many elements and agencies should be brought into this movement. A course of lectures or talks by such men as General Beaver and Judge Orvis, and professors of State College, on travel, civics, literature and scientific subjects. And that for educational purposes, on whatever line or form, the High school room should always be open. In conclusion he urged the need of keeping before the children high ideals and the teaching of sound morals. As an illustration he referred to a little monument standing in a small park in the borough of Wellsboro, erected to the memory of John Magee, on which there was this inscription in which the story of a useful and honored life may be told: "His energy and diligence compelled success. His ability and integrity won public confidence. His kindness and liberality drew to him the affectionate regard of the rich and the poor." What a story with which to urge on the young to a higher and a better life. Mr. Fortney's address throughout was practical. The evening exercise opened by the "Ladies and Gentlemen's Glee club" singing the "Bridal Chorus" from "Rose Maidens." Splendid it was and of course called forth an encore. The main address of the evening was by Dr. David Sneddin, commissioner of education of Massachusetts. The substance of the address may be summed up as follows: "In vocational education, the choice of materials and methods is primarily determined by the necessities of some of the numerous callings, or groups of related callings, into which the workers of the world have divided themselves. That vocational education is specialized to the preparation of lawyers, physicians and teachers, which we call professional; that which is designed to train the book-keeper, clerk, stenographer, or commercial traveler, including business leadership, we call commercial; that which is organized with reference to the bricklayer, the machinist, the shoemaker, the metal-worker, the factory hand and higher manufacturing pursuits, we call industrial education; that which conveys skill and knowledge looking to the tillage of the soil and management of domestic animals, we call agricultural, and that which teaches the girl dressmaking, cooking and management of the home, we call education in the household arts." This statement of vocational education was elaborated in a most able and interesting address extending over an hour. The effect of his address on the public

ARE YOU FOR A GREAT ANNUAL GATHERING.—Week after next the Great Centre County Fair, at Bellefonte, will mark the closing of the season for out-of-door events in Centre county.

Week after next the Great Centre County Fair, at Bellefonte, will mark the closing of the season for out-of-door events in Centre county. We will not consume our time nor weary you with a rehash of the features that will be offered for your amusement and edification. Suffice it to say that all that there has been in the past and more will be at the grounds when the Fair is opened on October 4th. The thought that comes to our mind just now is that the people of Centre county do not take the Fair seriously enough. Have you ever stopped to think that it is the sole remaining inducement to bring people of every walk and of every part of the county together annually. The old time political levees are a thing of the past. The daily and weekly newspapers now carry the issues to the fireside whereas forty years ago the men of the county thought nothing of riding or driving twenty-five miles, in any kind of weather, to hear a discussion or presentation of the issues of state. It was their only means, then, of finding out. Railroads have put grain elevators, coal yards and relatively good stores in nearly every village. Telephones transmit the market price of the products of the farm any minute of the day or night to the remotest quarter. Even the old time Sunday visiting in the country districts has been materially lessened since telephones make it possible to converse with a relative or neighbor who has moved into another township to make his home. Circuses no longer attract the great crowds to the county seat that they once did, because it is too small for the great tented shows of today and the smaller ones carry so few new features that they do not attract outside of a radius of ten miles. To sum it all up progress has been so rapid in recent years that the isolated country resident is as much in touch with the outside world today as the townspeople and there is really nothing left to call him from his prosperous, happy home unless it be a duty of some sort. There is a duty and that is the very point we want to raise. There is not a resident in Centre county who should lose touch with his county seat. We are not writing for the Bellefonte merchants, because they should speak for themselves and some of them are doing it very much to your advantage. We are writing to urge upon the people of Centre county the necessity of keeping in touch with the seat of their local government, the advantage of keeping in touch with each other. The value of knowing what the other fellow is doing on his farm or in his shop is inestimable to you; especially if you can find out how he is doing it and adapt it to your own needs. The value of personally coming in contact with people of other walks of life than your own may not impress itself on you consciously, but unconsciously it has a subtle effect that is broadening and uplifting. No man is sufficient unto himself and for that reason it is every man's duty and it must be his pleasure to occasionally go abroad in contact with his fellows. Believing these things to be true; what better opportunity, what better place for such an annual gathering than at a Fair, the very inception of which was for the purpose of education, at the seat of the government of which you are a unit. The Fair is the one remaining inducement for such a county gathering and it is up to you to decide whether it will remain. It is not a money making venture, but it must pay its way if it is to endure. The ascendancy of agriculture has awakened a new interest, a proper conception of what a Fair is for and does in nearly every part of the county. Allentown, York, Bloomsburg, Indiana, Mansfield, have fairs that are really wonderful. Other counties with far less interests than Centre have much more creditable gatherings because their people seem to have come to the understanding that such an event is worth while. Let us hope that Centre county rouses herself before this last opportunity is abandoned as a failure. It will be exactly what you make it and we feel absolutely certain that should it be allowed to fail it will be only a matter of a few years until you realize that it's loss is more a matter of regret to you than to those who have been promoting it. Full line of Wooltex coats and suits on display at Aiken's. VANDALS IN THE CEMETERY.—Lately it has come to public attention that persons are despoiling the graves of the dead in the Union cemetery in this place. Acts of greater profanity than this are scarcely comprehensible. In fact one cannot understand into what condition of depravity a human being has fallen who would go into the cemetery and steal flowers from the graves of those who are resting there, yet it has been so frequent that the friends of those whose graves have thus been outraged have decided to put an end to it if possible. A court of justice would scarcely show any mercy to the guilty wretches and they will be before the bar before they are aware of it if the practice is not stopped at once. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baker, of Watsonstown, are the happy parents of a fine baby boy, which was born in the Williamsport hospital a few days ago. Mrs. Baker was formerly Miss Jennie Breese.

NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.

Howard Sargent, of Philipsburg, was a Bellefonte visitor on Monday and Tuesday. Miss Barbara Levi is spending her vacation with friends in New York and Philadelphia. Mrs. Daniel Showers left on Wednesday for Niagara Falls, to nurse a niece through an attack of typhoid fever. John Wesley Holmes, of Wilkensburg, was an over Sunday guest of Mrs. James Harris, at her home on Spring street. Mrs. Mary Cox, who had been spending some time with friends in Bellefonte, returned to her home in Altoona last week. Miss Harriet Ray returned last Thursday from a month's visit with friends in Connecticut, Ohio, and at Niagara Falls. Mrs. John Powers and Mrs. R. B. Taylor spent several days last week as guests of Mrs. Catharine McKinney at Howard. After quite an extended visit among friends in Bellefonte Dr. and Mrs. George F. Bible left on Monday for their home in Philadelphia. Mrs. Mollie Proffit, of Altoona, and J. Y. Payne, a student at State College, were Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Ward and family. Mrs. S. Cameron Burnside is spending a month with her niece, Mrs. Theodore Thomas, at Canton, Ohio, and with her sister at Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kustaborder, of War. riorama, spent from Wednesday of last week until Monday visiting friends throughout Centre county. Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Garman, with Mrs. Garman's sister-in-law, Mrs. Lukenbach, went to Allentown Monday, where they will spend the week at the fair. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, who spent last week with their son-in-law, W. H. Walker, at the Bush house, returned to their home in Tiusville the latter part of the week. Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Rearick, of Salona, were in Bellefonte Thursday last week on their way home from visiting with some of their many friends at Centre Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, of Wayne, Pa., came to Bellefonte Wednesday and are guests of Mr. Morris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Morris, at their home on Linn street. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lonsbury left Saturday last week for New York State, where they will spend Mr. Lonsbury's vacation of a month with his mother at her home in Corning. Miss Irene McClure, of Columbia, who came up from Harrisburg with Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCormick in their motor car, was the guest of Mrs. Bogle at the Forge house while in Bellefonte. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brew came to Bellefonte Sunday morning, being the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fenlon at the Bush house until Monday, when they returned to their home at Lansford, Pa. Miss Helen Ottospent last Thursday night and most of Friday in Bellefonte. She was on her way from Niagara Falls to Johnstown, where she will make her home with her uncle, owing to the illness of her aunt. Charles Mallalieu came to Bellefonte from Williamsport in his motor car last Saturday and returned the same evening, taking Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mallalieu and baby and Miss Helen Denzin along down to spend Sunday. John P. Shaughnessy, of Fairmount, Ind., came to Bellefonte, Tuesday last week, for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shaughnessy, of north Thomas street, whom he has not seen for twenty years. On Monday afternoon Mrs. C. M. Bower, of this place; Mrs. D. J. Meyer, of Centre Hall, and Mrs. C. M. Meyer, of Reedsville, accompanied Mrs. Bower's sister, Mrs. Snook, to Williamsport to spend the most of the week. Mrs. Clement Dale with her daughter Ethel, left Bellefonte yesterday for Baltimore, where Mrs. Ethel will enter for the fall course at the Woman's College. Mrs. Dale will then go to Philadelphia, where she will visit for several weeks with her mother. Mrs. Alva Azece and her mother, who has been at State College for the past six months, left for California Tuesday. Mrs. Azece, who is making the trip solely to accompany her mother home, will return to State College as soon as it is possible to make the trip. J. B. Sliker, of Milesburg, was a WATCHMAN office caller bright and early Monday morning. His mission was to plank down a piece of the long green so that the postoffice authorities can in no way interfere with him receiving the WATCHMAN as regularly in the future as he has in the past. W. L. Antrim, of the firm of Antrim & Land, sy, art portrait painters, of Philadelphia, has been in Bellefonte this week a guest of Mr. Landsy at the Broeckerhoff house. His ability as a portrait painter is well known by most of the people in Bellefonte and in addition he is a very genial, companionable gentleman. Miss Myrtle Barnhart spent last Sunday at Avis, having returned home with her grand, father, Arthur Johnstonbaugh, who with Mrs. Johnstonbaugh had been for a short time with their daughter, Mrs. Barnhart, of Howard street, after attending the funeral of Mrs. Joseph Lingle, at State College, Thursday of last week. Harvey Griffith came to Bellefonte last week to arrange for the sale of his property at Axe Mans, but since that time has decided to occupy himself here, consequently after the repairs have been completed will move their household goods from Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Griffith expecting to make Axe Mans their future home. Mrs. Arthur Brown, of New York city, with her two children, is in Bellefonte visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spangler. Mrs. Brown is on her way from Connecticut, Ohio, where she has been spending ten weeks and expects to be joined here by her husband this week, when, after visiting for a short time together, they will return to New York. Gen. James A. Beaver returned on Sunday morning from a three month's tour of Europe with the congregation of the Presbyterian church gave him a formal welcome home in the chapel on Tuesday evening, at which time the General gave them a very good account of the World's Sunday school convention held at Edinburgh, Scotland, as well as a very interesting account of the most of his trip. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wetzel and family arrived in Bellefonte the latter part of last week and spent a few days at the home of Mrs. Wetzel's father, Mr. C. T. Gerberich, leaving this week for their old home in Toledo, Ohio. They were just on their way home from their six month's residence in Birmingham, England, where Mr. Wetzel was in the interest of the computing scales company, with which he is connected. Prior to sailing for home they made a brief tour of the continent, which was one of the most enjoyable features of their trip. On Saturday evening we had the pleasure of a call from two dear little girls. They were Alice and Ione Garbrick, of Coleville; the former being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Garbrick, of that place. She came in to transact a little business for her parents and was just here long enough to answer our question as to whether she had been "kept in" at school most naively: "Not a bit!" Incidentally the little lady's mother was a compositor in this office when the writer was fussing round in the composing room and while we are beginning to feel a few "crinks" it certainly did make us feel that time flies when Louisa Criss' man has a daughter old enough to very intelligently make a business transaction.

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