

Bellefonte, Pa., October 29, 1915.

County Correspondence

Items of Interest Dished Up for the Delectation of "Watchman" Readers by a Corps of Gifted Correspondents.

PINE GROVE MENTION.

A twenty-five foot concrete bridge now spans the Branch creek. Mrs. Mary Wright is here from Tyone visiting old-time friends.

James Dixon, of Waddle, spent Sunday with his parents at Cottage, Pa.

Mrs. Mary Homan was a two days visitor at her old family home last week.

Hannah Royer was a Sunday visitor at the Alvin Corl home at Rock Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Johnson were Sunday visitors among old friends at Pine Hall.

Next Tuesday will be election day. Get out the vote and an old-time Democratic majority is assured.

Will Wagner and Robert Campbell each secured a nice, fat wild turkey gobbler a few days ago.

Boyd Gardner is housed up with another attack of rheumatism, which is seriously affecting his eyes.

Mrs. Henry Wagner and Miss Emeline Harpster were welcome visitors at the Allen Weiland home on Monday.

James Sterrett Oliver and Edward Harpster, of Spruce Creek valley, were visitors here on Saturday evening.

J. H. Strouse and family took a ride down Pennsvalley on Sunday and spent the day with friends at Woodward.

George and Boyd Potter, two well known nimrods of Centre Hall, were here last week on a squirrel hunt.

Mrs. John Quinn and her mother, Mrs. Catharine Everhart, spent Monday at the Samuel Everhart home on the Branch.

The suffragists had almost a freeze out here on Saturday evening—the weather man made it too chilly for our door comfort.

Harry Keller and mother, of Linden Hall, drove up on Sunday and spent the day at the J. H. Williams home at Bloomsdorf.

Baumgardner and Kocher last week shipped a car load of porkers to the eastern market. The price paid was 72 cents.

Will Ishler and family and William Lytle and family motored to Woodward on Sunday and spent the day with their friends.

A. L. Bowersox has decided to quit the farm and retire in order to regain his shattered health. His brother John will succeed him.

Newton E. and Ernest Hess departed last Saturday on a trip to the Pacific coast, expecting to visit the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Only three weeks intervene until the farmers' institute will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall here. Able speakers have been secured and the program for the two days will be well worth listening to.

At the Lloyd Frank stock sale last Friday two-year-old colts sold for \$187.50, with cattle correspondingly high. The sale totaled \$2,650, and Mr. Frank has plenty of stock left to continue farming.

Mrs. Mary Jane Stewart, of Altoona, is here on her usual autumn visit. Although almost four score years old she is in excellent health and thinks nothing of taking a hand in the apple butter boiling.

Little Lester, son of W. C. Frank, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever, is now convalescing. Others who have been on the sick list and are recovering are Mrs. Mary Sunday, Mrs. Joel Ferree and Mrs. William K. Corl.

John M. Shugert and George R. Meek autored over from State College on Saturday evening, where they witnessed the State-West Virginia football game. They got one of Mrs. Kepler's good square meals at the St. Elmo and attended the Woman Suffrage meeting.

John Quinn and wife were among the mourners at the Aunt Susan Quinn funeral at Mooresville last Sunday. She was in her eightieth year and was a faithful member of the M. E. church. Her two surviving sons are Dr. Lightner Quinn, of Brookville, and Dr. N. E. Quinn, of Forest City.

Rev. Fleck, of Blair county, is a candidate for Rev. Spangler's old charge here, and will preach in the Lutheran church at Gatesburg on Sunday at 10.30 a. m.; Pine Hall at 2.30 and Pine Grove Mills 7.30 p. m. Rev. Buchanan will fill the pulpit in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

J. J. Arney and family, of Centre Hall, cutted here on Sunday and took a look at the old Academy building and grounds. Mr. Arney was a classmate of the late General Beaver in 1852 and '53. At the recent reunion in Bellefonte he was a strong advocate of holding the reunion here in 1916.

J. E. Reed is making quite extensive improvements to the home he recently purchased at Rock Springs. The interior is being remodeled and a large porch added to the entire front of the house. As soon as completed Mr. and Mrs. Reed will move there from the farm and the latter will be taken in charge by their son, Robert Reed and wife.

Grandmother Dannelly celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday last Friday, and enjoyed the visits of quite a number of her old friends, notwithstanding the fact that she is suffering with a broken hip. Her maiden name was Margaret Denius and she was born in the house now occupied by Mrs. Mary Harper, in this place. Her entire life was spent in Pine Grove Mills and she is the oldest resident of the town. She was the mother of nine children and has two brothers living, D. L. Denius, of this place, and Samuel B. Denius, of Chattanooga, Tenn., a Civil War veteran.

FOR SALE.—Good top buggy, harness, saddle, pad and riding bridle.—MILLER'S HARDWARE STORE, Bellefonte. 38-1f

WOLF'S STORE.

Our village was well represented at the Lewisburg fair last week.

Nimrods are plenty, but all kinds of game are reported scarce.

The funeral of Mrs. Anna Wolfe on Monday was well attended.

Ammon Showers and family visited father Showers over Sunday.

Read the obituary notice of Mrs. Anna Wolfe in another column of this paper.

Orvis Swartz is a regular Sunday visitor in this place. What's the attraction?

Miss Laura Confer, from Greenburr, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Gilbert.

Corn husking is on the agricultural calendar, but where are the husking-bees.

Mrs. William Wolfe, from Nittany valley, was a visitor at the home of A. B. Wolfe, recently.

Mrs. Sara Bartges, from Bull Run, Clinton county, is clasping the hands of friends at Wolf's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wolfe and daughter Mildred, visited E. R. Wolfe and family over Sunday.

Paul Wert, from West Brushvalley, was a Sunday visitor at the home of his brother, McClellan Wert.

William Weaver and family, from Sattilo, Huntingdon county, spent some time visiting with C. J. Weaver and family.

WARNING!—Citizens, keep your cellars locked, your granaries closed and your corn cribs secured, because some "unknown person" is making his nightly prowls securing his living substance. Let us all keep our eyes open and guns handy so that after his next visit to these forbidden places he can go, not to a dentist to have teeth extracted, but to a physician to have lead balls "pulled."

LEMONT.

The venerable Geo. Roan is visiting among friends in and about Altoona.

Miss Mary Corl, of Pleasant Gap, Sundayed at the home of Mrs. Julia Williams.

Sunday was the coldest day to date, the mercury standing at 26 degrees for a while.

Mrs. Margaret Martz has gone to stay a while with her son William, at Huntingdon.

Joseph Norris spent a few hours in town on his way home from State College, on Friday.

Rev. G. Elmer Smith, who has been spending his vacation near town, has gone to his charge.

Otterbine Dale and family are here to spend their vacation circulating among their many friends.

The Union protracted meeting opened Sunday evening and it is hoped that there may be much good done in this community.

Will Undoubtedly Prove a Great Aid to the Language as Well as Morals.

A new translation of the Bible into Portuguese has just been completed. Brazil, not Portugal, is the country where the larger part of this edition will be sent.

Portuguese-speaking populations, although it used to be said that 10,000 users of that language lived around Honolulu, a city in Uncle Sam's territory. Maybe they all know English now.

Aside from its moral values, the Bible is particularly needed in Brazil, it is said, as an aid to preserving the standard forms of language. As a matter of history, no book has exerted an equal influence in lands where English is read and spoken. The phraseology of the King James version is interwoven through modern literature. Its general use on this continent, where new conditions and a strong tendency to slang would make for rapid change, has had a steadying effect on our vocabulary.

It isn't likely that the classic beauty of the English Bible has been paralleled in Portuguese. But even a respectable rendering of a book which has proved its universal appeal in every land will help in more ways than one. Brazil is growing rapidly. Every means should be used to preserve its moral and linguistic standards.—New York Evening Sun.

Motoring in Spain. Motorists in Spain describe the road between Iru and San Sebastian as very beautiful, and the latter place, even in the rain, looks most attractive to those speeding through. The way runs along the Orria river, a turbulent stream, through Tolosa to the village of Beasain, where the traveler leaves the Orria.

By a curious optical illusion, although running steadily uphill all the while, meeting the rushing torrent, the road appears to be a down-hill one.

So it is on the reverse journey, although from the running of the car one is obviously going down quite a considerable gradient the road looks level.

A Swift Uppercut. "I see you have your arm in a sling," said the inquisitive passenger. "Broken, isn't it?" "Yes, sir," responded the other passenger. "Meet with an accident?" "No; broke it while trying to pat myself on the back."

"Great Scott! What for?" "For mopping my own business."—Ram's Horn.

Almost Realized. "Did you ever dream of being a pirate when you were a boy?" "Oh, yes. Isn't it queer? Now I'm in the prosaic business of managing an automobile repair shop."

"Umph! You didn't miss it so far."



GEORGE H. RICHARDS

[Democratic candidate for Sheriff.]

George H. Richards, the candidate of the Democratic party who won his place upon the ticket for Sheriff by the largest vote cast at the recent primaries for any of the candidates of his party, is the son of George Richards, who was born at Unionville, this county, whence as a young man he moved to Clearfield where also George H., the present aspirant for the office of Sheriff, first saw the light of day.

Remaining there until his family had somewhat grown up, Mr. Richards, his father, changed his residence to Osceola Mills and it was there young George found his first employment on the large saw mill then in operation at that place.

In the year of 1875 the great fire broke out and swept the mill and the possessions of the Richard family as well as of hundreds of others away.

As the support of the parents of young George almost entirely devolved upon him, it became necessary for him to look elsewhere for work to meet the emergency. Walking to Philipsburg he there found employment by hiring himself to a butcher. By dint of energy and hard work, and in the face of trials innumerable, he finally succeeded in securing a shop and launched into business for himself. Today he is one of the leading business men of that community.

In proof of the faith his townsmen have in his business capacity he has been chosen FOUR TIMES to represent them in the borough council and that body has invariably placed him on the most important committees.

Mr. Richards is a genial and jovial gentleman, good nature cropping out of every part of his make-up. He is charitable to a fault, as many of the recipients of his kindness around his town are ready at any time to affirm. His popularity is not imaginary. It is real and spells victory at the polls in November.

Altogether Mr. Richards is an ideal candidate for the office to which he aspires.

CASTORIA

Bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. In use for over thirty years, and The Kind You Have Always Bought.

FOR SALE.—Three good second hand cook stoves.—MILLER'S HARDWARE STORE, Bellefonte. 38-1f

Trade Increase.

A trade increase which has attracted wide attention because of its development out of all normal proportions is that of the rice exportation from the United States. In 1914 there were exported 18,223,264 pounds of rice, but last year the total aggregated to the enormous amount of 75,448,635 pounds, or nearly four times as much. This is not a war demand, since the principle recipients of American rice have been Spain, Greece, Argentina, Italy and sections of the West Indies. This development is regarded by experts in the Bureau of Plant Industry as a striking example of the efficiency of American agricultural methods as taught by Uncle Sam in his last six years' campaign on rice growing. It is only three years ago since the rice industry began in California by the planting of 1400 acres on adobe soil in the Sacramento Valley. This year in that State alone 34,350 acres were sown to rice with an average output of over seventy bushels to the acre at an average price of \$1 per acre. This, it will be noted, is an even larger return per acre than can be secured from the richest wheat field of the Northwest.—Reformatory Record.

Medical.

All Wrong THE MISTAKE IS MADE BY MANY BELLEFONTE CITIZENS.

Look for the cause of backache. To be cured you must know the cause.

If it's weak kidneys you must get the kidneys working right.

A Bellefonte resident tells you how.

Mrs. J. T. Gordon, 130 E. Beaver St., Bellefonte, says: "I had backache and a dull, constant ache across my loins. I was in misery at times and in the morning was sore and lame. I dreaded to begin my household work. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Parrish's Drug Store, procured my kidneys normal and relieved the backache. I have had no return of the trouble. Another in my family has also found great benefit from Doan's Kidney Pills."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Gordon had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. 60-43

Like Wasted Time to Johnny.

Johnny, aged six, was permitted to have his "friend" Teddy stay over night with him. On getting ready for bed they both knelt down to say their prayers, and all went well, but in the morning I happened to arrive in the room as Teddy was again saying his prayers, just in time to hear Johnny say: "What are ya sayin' your prayers now for anyway, ya haven't done anythin' all night have ya?"

Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Catarrh Leads To Consumption

Catarrh is as much a blood disease as scrofula or rheumatism. It may be relieved, but it cannot be removed by simply local treatment. It causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, affects the voice, deranges the digestion, and breaks down the general health. It weakens the delicate lung tissues and leads to consumption.

Hood's Sarsaparilla goes to the seat of the trouble, purifies the blood, and is so successful that it is known as the best remedy for catarrh.

Hood's Sarsaparilla strengthens and tones the whole system. It builds up. Ask your druggist for Hood's, and insist on having it. There is no real substitute.

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Constitutional Amendments

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE SENATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF ARTICLES XVII AND XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section one, article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the provisions of article XVII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania:

That section one of article eight, which reads as follows:

Section 1. Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject, however, to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact:

"First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.

"Second. He shall have resided in the State one year, or, having previously been a qualified elector or native-born citizen of the State, he shall have resided in the State for six months immediately preceding the election.

"Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.

"Fourth. If twenty-two years of age and upwards, he shall have paid within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election.

"Fifth. Wherever the words "he," "his," "himself" occur in section one of article VIII of this Constitution the same shall be construed as if written, respectively, "he or she," "his or her," "his or her," and "himself or herself."

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1. CYRUS E. WOODS, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Two. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section eight of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

Amend section eight, article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, nor increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the consent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, exceeded seven per centum of such assessed valuation, and has not since been reduced to less than such per centum, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and equipment of subways for transit purposes, or for the construction of wharves and docks, and public improvements, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenues in excess of the interest on said debt and debts, and the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking fund for their cancellation shall be established and maintained, so that it shall read as follows:

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