

County Correspondence

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

PINE GROVE MENTION.

Dr. M. J. Locke, of Bellefonte, was in town on Sunday. N. E. Dreible is building a new garage for his Cadillac car.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Krebs spent Sunday with relatives in town. J. C. Corl, Mrs. Frank Hemminger and Mrs. Robert Reed are among the sick.

The State College horse company last week purchased a Percheron stallion. Fred Gearhart is handling the mail over the Star route very satisfactorily.

Evel Houck is sporting a brand new buggy, bought of Schreck Bros., at Lemont.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sunday were in town on Monday evening on a shopping tour. A lawn social will be held tomorrow evening for the benefit of the Citizens' band.

John E. Williams, of Dauphin county, is visiting among friends on the South side. Mrs. Ida Williams and Miss Retta Ward were Linden Hall visitors over the week end.

Shadrock Parsons, of Fleming, is visiting his son Ellery and daughter, Mrs. Robert Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stewart, of Pittsburgh, are visiting relatives down Pennsylvania. Miss Angie Geist, of Loveville, visited her sister, Mrs. Edward Sankey, at Baileyville.

Mrs. Susan Peters is building an addition to her cosy home. Ward and Dunlap have the job. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Houser came up for a few days' outing among friends at Baileyville.

Miss Edna Campbell, of the Buckeye State, is at grandmother McCormick's for the summer. The ladies of Pine Hall will hold a festival on the lawn at the school house tomorrow evening.

Bert Musser is the champion angler hereabouts, his catch on Friday night consisting of a 33 inch eel. Mrs. J. M. McWilliams, of Tyrone, is visiting the W. E. McWilliams home at Rock Springs this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel M. Markle, of Pitsa, spent Saturday at the J. A. Fortney home at Awlsworth. Mr. and Mrs. George Harper came over from State College and spent Sunday with his aged mother.

The Lutheran church was well filled on Sunday to hear Rev. Fleck preach the memorial sermon to the Odd Fellows. Mrs. Ralph Musser left last Friday to join her husband at Johnsonburg, where he has plenty of work as a carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murphy spent last week with his sister, Mrs. Alice Orr, who is suffering with cancer of the stomach. James Ferretor, of Centre Hall, and Mrs. Margaret Emerick were Sunday visitors at the Prof. C. A. Weaver home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker and their two interesting children spent Sunday at grandpa Walker's home on the Branch. Lester Goheen, of Tyrone, transacted business in town on Tuesday, accompanied by his father, R. G. Goheen, of Baileyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Goheen and Mr. and Mrs. Hamill Goheen motored to Coalport last week to visit Dr. George Bailey Goheen. Mr. and Mrs. William Ishler are receiving congratulations over the arrival of a little boy, which makes an even half dozen in their family.

James E. Hubler, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fry and Theodore Ritchie, motored down Pennsylvania and spent the Sabbath at the J. F. Kimpfort home. Mr. and Mrs. George Woods, of Pittsburgh, have arrived for the State College commencement. Mr. Woods being a graduate of the College, class of 1914.

A red rose bush that has been in the S. A. Dannelly yard for fifty-six years is now in full bloom, and looks hardy enough to flourish another half century. William Bottorf and Mrs. John Olewine motored up from Bellefonte to see how farmer Elder was getting along with his spring work on the Branch farm.

On his way home from attending the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church at Atlantic City Rev. William Porter stopped here to visit his son, George Porter. Pennsylvania Lodge I. O. O. F., will hold memorial services for deceased members tomorrow (Saturday) evening. There will be an address and music by the Citizen's band.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Beck, Miss Lillian Beck and Mr. and Mrs. George Harshberger and two children motored up from Nittany on Sunday and were entertained at the Lutheran parsonage by Rev. Fleck and wife. Later in the day they motored to Huntingdon on a sight-seeing trip.

On Sunday about fifty members of the State College Woodsmen camp and the same number of Royal Neighbors decorated the graves of their dead here and at Pine Hall. Music was furnished by a male quartette composed of H. N. Koch, N. N. Hartswick, J. Hamill Holmes and Harry Sowers.

At a well attended congregational meeting last Thursday afternoon Rev. L. V. Barber was officially installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church. Among those who took part in the

solemn services were Dr. Barber, father of the young divine; Rev. William Porter, Rev. Samuel Martin and Rev. W. K. Harnish.

EAST BRUSH VALLEY.

Several severe thunder showers crossed this section during the latter part of last week. This week Rev. I. E. Spangler, of Carlisle, visited his sister, Mrs. O. F. Stover, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Stover, also W. A. Winters and Ira Brungard, were business visitors in Millheim last Saturday.

Harry McCool and family, accompanied by Mrs. McCool's parents, of Wolf's Store, were State College visitors this week. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Brungard, of Clintondale, visited several days of last week with W. D. Brungard and family, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fiedler, also Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith, of near Woodward, were Saturday afternoon visitors at the home of W. A. Winters. Those who attended the circus at Lock Haven, as well as those who attended the juvenile picnic last Thursday, reported having had a nice time.

At a meeting of the school directors on last Saturday evening at Rebersburg, James Hanselman, of Wolf's Store, was elected as teacher of our local school. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Miller, for the first time, with their infant son visited Mr. Miller's parents last Saturday, at Rockville. Jim believes in things moving along.

H. E. Bierly, of Rebersburg, quite recently had his shingle mill moved into F. H. Shultz's grove, where only choice shingles are being sawed by the skillful ingenuity of Charles Duck, of Madisonburg. E. E. Spangler and wife, of Aurora, Ill., spent several days in our midst visiting and strolling over the old Spangler landmark. It might interest our East Brushvalley folks to know that Mr. Spangler is now living a retired farmer's life, and has as his tenants the Beck Bros., whom he reports are getting along very nicely.

NITTANY ITEMS.

Miss Alice Emerick and Mr. Lester Zindel spent Sunday in Williamsport. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kessinger, of Pitsa, were week end guests of J. A. Emerick and family. Mr. B. F. Beck and daughter Lillian accompanied Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Schultz to Lock Haven Tuesday.

Mr. Edward Dorman, an employee of the Huyett-McNitt Lumber Co., of Waddle, returned to work Monday, after having been disabled for three weeks. Miss Mary Frain, who is employed in Bellefonte, spent Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Romick. Memorial Services were held in the Snydertown cemetery last Sunday morning at 10.30. Interesting addresses were made by Mr. W. H. Walker and Mr. S. D. Gettig, of Bellefonte, and Rev. W. J. Shultz, pastor of St. Marks Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brandt and two sons, Hugh and Jack, autoed from their home in Crafton last Saturday to spend a week with Mrs. Brandt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beck, after which they will go to Philadelphia, returning to Crafton via the Lincoln Highway the latter part of next week. The Field Stone Oven.

Many boys who cannot enjoy a camp fire in the wilderness, if they only knew about it, can have a good substitute. On the home place may be an old pile of stones gathered from some pasture, or a piece of field stone wall now in disuse. With these stones it is easy to build a capital oven, on which one can cook out of doors. First, lay some flat stones, slates or something of that kind, on the ground. Now take the heavier field stones and set them in the shape of a horseshoe, with the open end to the south, if that is the direction from which the least wind is likely to come. Be sure that the open end is narrowed to the shape of a real horseshoe—that is, is less in diameter than the sides. This narrowing not only protects the fire, but increases the draft and makes the steadier burning blaze for cooking. Use smaller stones as the sides of the oven are built up. Construct the horseshoe to the height of a foot and a half or two feet, not higher. And don't plan to build the first oven too large. It consumes too much fuel and does not cook so well. The sides of the horseshoe at the widest place should not be more than two and one half feet apart. Now "chink" in with smaller stones and daub the outside thickly with wet sand. The oven is ready for its covering. If from any scrap iron heap some iron staves or bars can be found, so much the better. Fit these across the top and upon them place a piece of sheet iron. The staves make it possible for the sheet iron top to bear almost any weight of cooking utensils. Over the open horseshoe end construct a gridiron of iron. The oven is now ready for use. For a few cents it is possible to buy what is called a baker. This, set on a sheet-iron top, will bake anything a boy is able to make. And the top of the oven is good for frying, boiling and stewing; the front for broiling. This oven costs nothing but work, ingenuity and care. It is safe and will not set fire to grass or bushes—always a very real danger in dry weather. It can be depended upon on the windiest day and will work in wet weather, making a good oven for a permanent camp. The stones can be found in the wilderness, even where there are no fields. But as a resource near home it is invaluable. When a boy has only a couple of hours he can cook a delicious dinner on his oven and have the wilderness fire, not much more than a stone's throw from the home roof-tree.—Jeannette Marks, in "The Churchman."

The Poison of Unkind Words.

Many of us who deem our lives irreproachable are just as guilty of murder and other sins as though we thrust a knife through some one or deliberately injured them otherwise.

The unconscious defects in our character and dispositions, our little whims, our pet theories and darling hobbies, when ridden to death, become as gall and wormwood to those about us, frequently throttling their own ambitions, because we sour or crouch them malevolently until they die in spirit and never ripen in fine thought and action as they might do otherwise.

People often die in spirit long before their bodies do, and all because we crush their ambitions by our biting sarcasms, bursts of temper or withering scorn.

We kill them, too, by innuendoes, implying things against them when we really know nothing to warrant it. By "damning with faint praise" and "while not sneering yet teach the rest to sneer," we dwarf whole lives.

These are the things that are as deadly to development as an actual knife-thrust is to the death of the physical body.

People's ambitions and the products of their hands and brains are just as dear and sacred to them as earthly children and should be treated tenderly by their intimates and next to kin.

We frequently throttle those about us without so much as laying a finger upon them.

We build up mountains of envy, hate and uncharitableness within ourselves that find expression in our lives, reaching upon those about us until they never develop as they might have done but for our personal thoughts and actions.

Lives have been wrecked, reputations lost, sometimes ending in suicide, because of a malicious word or unkind trust, with the perpetrators going down to their graves as exemplary citizens. The hangman's noose never found them, but they were as guilty as many another who so paid the price for his evil acts.

To deliberately commit such offense is done every day by many who call themselves christians, and who are as intelligent about constantly guard against being a stumbling block to anyone.—Annie Miller Knapp.

The English Channel.

The English channel is an arm of the sea which has acted as a peace-maker between England and her neighbors for almost a century and which is at this minute doing more effective work against the Germans than all of the English army.

The channel is 23 miles wide at its narrowest part and it is also very wet. It is impossible for the ordinary soldier, weighted down as he is by ammunition and heavy boots, to swim it. It is equally impossible to carry a soldier across in a boat without the consent of England. For centuries English cruisers and fighting ships have roamed up and down the channel and hostile armies which attempted to land on English shores and shoot holes in Westminster Abbey have been soaked in salt water until they were entirely valueless for military purposes.

The Spanish were the last to make a real attempt to invade England. They sent a great fleet up the channel 350 years ago and its obsequies were very largely attended.

The English channel is the most profitable institution in Great Britain. It saves the country hundreds of millions yearly. At the beginning of the present war Great Britain only had enough troops to furnish a light lunch for the German army. But they had the channel in front of them. In consequence, while France has been getting soaked in the cathedrals and other vital parts and Belgium has had to move out entirely, England is safe and comparatively happy. If any agency should remove the channel from in front of England, that country would become as unsteady as a man who has just gotten in front of a tiger's cage in time to see the bars taken off.

The channel also serves other useful purposes. It keeps French vaudeville, military and nomenclature out of England to a large extent and keeps English cricket and English clothes out of France. While the channel is very narrow and can be crossed in an hour, it is very unpopular with the traveler. This is because of its curiosity. It is the most curious body of water in the world. It is never satisfied until it has turned the pilgrim and stranger inside out and has seen what he has eaten for lunch.—George Finch.

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The Cause of Forest Fires.

The great destruction produced in our forests yearly by fires has been well known and profoundly exploited in the last few years by the public press. The annual loss from this cause in the United States reaches into millions of dollars and takes some seventy lives. It has been quite generally assumed that the cause of these fires in a large majority of cases is either sparks from locomotives or carelessness due to campers in leaving camp fires unprotected, or to smokers. It is rather a surprise to find that a larger cause than any of these is the natural one of fires set by lightning.

H. S. Graves, chief of the United States Forest Service, has been carrying on investigations to determine to what extent lightning has been the cause of such forest fires and the remarkable result is obtained that such a cause is more prolific in starting forest fires than any other agency, not even steaming locomotives and other steam engines. A single storm in the forests on the Western coast, from Oregon to Mexico, was found to have started more than seven hundred fires. This result shows that the protection of our forests against fires must involve some other factor than simply caution in setting these fires, and that the only way that the forest can be properly protected is by an extension of the fire warden service. This has rapidly grown in the last few years in many parts of the country and has become very efficient at the present time, where attention has been given to the subject. The efficiency of the service is shown by the fact that half of the fires which have been set have not been extinguished before they have burned over an acre of territory, and half of the remainder before they have spread over an area of ten acres. This is in great contrast to the conditions of former years, when these fires were allowed to burn until they extinguished themselves. The protection of the incalculable valuable for-

est preserves in this country must therefore involve an attention to and the perfection of the fire-warden service, as well as an attempt to introduce greater care on the part of campers and of railroads to protect the forests from the kindling of fires.

Ridding Lawn of Dandelions. At this season of the year, there are few lawns in the State not infested with dandelions. The weed is very pernicious, due to the flying seed habit, and the heavy, fleshy root system, any part of which may produce a new plant. As the best method of combatting dandelions in the lawn the botanical department of the Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture, State College Station advises spading the lawn, but the plants with a few inches of soil should be put in a bucket of water and the water should be changed several times during the process. Any roots left in the ground will grow up new plants. Eventually the system will be starved out if the plants are cut persistently, and the dandelions will disappear.

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