Democratic Watchman.

Belletonte, Pa., June 30, 1916.

ONE VERY SILENT FOURTH.

counties."

twelve

treasury.

No starry banner was unfurled; No patriots whooped a cheer; No bells rang out to tell the world The glorious Fourth was here.

No grand parades marched up and down The starry spangled ways, To stand for liberty and crown The day of all our days.

No popping crackers raised a din From Oregon to Maine; No reckless little boys got in The list of maimed and slain.

No eagle screamed from height to height No bands were out to play; No blazing fireworks made the night As brilliant as the day.

No Declaration anywhere Was read to cheering throngs, No oratory filled the air,

Nor patriotic songs.

And yet it was July the Fourth, As sure as you're alive,

But listen-it was July 4th Of 1775.

See? -W. J. Lampton in New York "World."

Activities of the Bellefonte Chapter Daughters of the American Revo-

lution.

During a visit which Mrs. Scott, of Lock Haven, made in Bellefonte, Mrs. Furst interrogated her in regard to becoming a member at large in the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Lock Haven, made in Bellefonte, Mrs. Furst interrogated her in regard to have fail to recall it when we meet American Revolution. How Mrs. Wig Horgen the Lock Haven, made in Bellefonte, Mrs. Furst interrogated her in regard to becoming a member at large in the never fail to recall it when we meet them. The Pennsylvania State College American Mrs. We Horgen the Lock Haven, made in Bellefonte, Mrs. French of the shell-snattered towns of the war zone are already taking serious account of the tourist trade of the future in connection with their plans for rebuilding after the war. A French company has been form-

The origin of the Chapter name is The Pennsylvania State College that of the town of Bellefonte, which

ed the influence which has been recog-

nized all along the way.

From the sixteen charter members usual souvenir spoon.

near Old Fort. Mrs. Rogers, ex-The Chapter has been honored with Chapter Regent, presented a gavel the presence of a President General; made of wood from this Fort, to the Vice President Generals, and State

Chapter. The Solarium at the Bellefonte hos-pital was built by the Chapter, and the D. A. R. room was furnished and is maintained by the same society. Bellefonte Chapter may well be Bellefonte Chapter may well be Photographs of the room were sent to called the home of Regents for she the National Library, as was a pic- has contributed two State Regents, ture of the Old Fort, and a copy of Mrs. Reeder and Miss Overton; the the "History of Centre and Clinton latter also held the office of State Vice Regent for several years and

The future value of the reference now fills the office of Honorary State library can scarcely be estimated, Regent. This conspicuous roll is dissince it contains authoritative compil-ations of historical works, documents Have twenty years passed? They

and records. Mrs. Joseph L. Mont- seem like a day until we review our gomery presented a complete set of joys and sorrows; our gains and lossvolumes of Pennsylvania Ar- es; our efforts and results. Time alone chives to the Chapter. Besides there furnished the opportunities to accom-are sixteen volumes of Colonial Rec- plish great things and it is only true ords. Complete and incomplete sets appreciation to say that we have been of the D. A. R. Magazines; Smithson- a power for good. Because we have ian Reports; 42 Lineage books; 16 been loyal and active we have met volumes of Continental Congress Re-ports; 2 volumes of Directory of Na-tional Society; The new Honor Roll ter things. Index; photographs of Old Folks church in Virginia and of the Marker

HELEN E. CANFIELD OVERTON.

at the Old Fort. A Loan Art exhibit on a large scale Tourist Accommodations on the French Battle Front.

was immensely appreciated by the public, from an educational standpoint, especially since much that was rare was in evidence. It, from relief work in Belgium and guests; of being patient with them, with a "Colonial Tea," given northern France said that he had not and of using a little thought and inwas rare was in Evidence. It, with a "Colonial Tea," given at the spacious home of Mrs. Hast-ings, netted munificent sums for the the world will have left more than For several years D. A. R. spoons were given to the new babies born to the members of the Chapter. enough money in the war-devastated

During a visit which Mrs. Scott, of dertaking for a small town, but it French of the shell-shattered

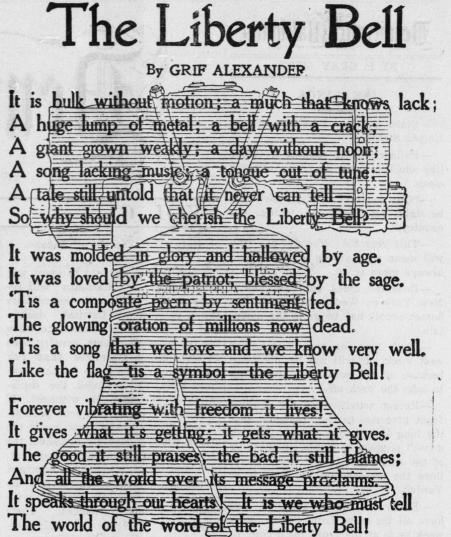
National society Daughters of the American Revolution. Later Mrs. Julia K. Hogg, the Pennsylvania State Regent, wrote a Chapter. Mrs. Hogg spent sev-eral days here for the purpose of in-teresting the ladies and to explain the requirements. A meeting of the ap-plicants for membership into the so-ciety N. S. D. A. R., was held at Mrs. Furst's home, and the Chapter organ-ized on Fbruary 10, 1895. In order to form this Chapter, Mrs. Furst's home, and the Chapter organ-ized on Fbruary 10, 1895. In order to form this Chapter, Mrs. Furst's home, and the Chapter organ-ized on Fbruary 10, 1895. In order to form this Chapter, Mrs. Furst's home, and the Chapter organ-ized on Fbruary 10, 1895. The organizing Regent, by the State Re-gent. The National number of the chapter 22. The origin of the Chapter name is that it is included in the list of Chapter is 163, and the State num-ber 22. The origin of the Chapter name is that of the Sons of the Revolution and the Deling of the ap-son highly pleasing' in every respect it to be the sons of the Revolution and of the Sons of the Revolution and the Paraset of the sons of the Revolution and the Deling of the ap-plicants for membership into the so-ciety N. S. D. A. R., was held at Mrs. Furst Had been previously appointed the reception was tendered the guests. The Print State College that it is included in the list of the Paraset College that of the Sons of the Revolution and of the Sons of the Revolution and the Paraset College that of the Sons of the Revolution and the Paraset College that of the town of Belleforte, while the town of Belleforte, while the appresent that the consective that of the Sons of the Revolution and of the Sons of the Revolution and the Paraset College that of the town of Belleforte, while the consective that the town of Belleforte, while the consec The D. A. R. Magizine is found in the homes of many of the members. that of the town of Bellefonte, which was named by Tallyrand when he saw the beautiful spring, "bellefonte." Mrs. Furst, the duly elected Chap-ter Regent, and the members, at once ter Regent, and the members, at once

A Bird Village.

"If on some winter day you were to alight from 'Ike' Bonner's stage and approach one of the neat looking cottages on the main street of Meriden, New Hampshire, it is more than likely that you would be greeted by the alighting of a wild bird upon your shoulder," Ernest Harold Baynes tells us in his comprehensive book "Wild Bird Guests." "And probably you would think that the bird had simply made a mistake, until another one alighted on your hat and peeped at you over the brim. Then, if you asked the meaning of this familiarity, you would be told that you were in 'The Bird Village' where birds are treated as honored guests from one year's end to another; where they are provided with food and lodging and where they are protected from their enemies. And you would hear all sorts of interesting and delightful ex-periences which some of the people have had with birds which have become so fearless that they will sometimes permit one to pick them up. And if you were to express doubt that such experiences would ever come to you, you would learn that there is no mystery about it; that it An American recently returned and gentle with your feathered Meriden people have done these things and they have been rewarded by having seven species of our winter birds come to their hands for food. The entertainment of the State Con-ference in 1902 was a tremendous un-dertaking for a small town, but it Pine grosbeaks, white-winged crossshown their appreciation of what the people of this little New England village have done for them. Perhaps no

erty Bell from Philadelphia, writes John A. Sheatz, ex-state treasurer of Pennsylvania, in the Philadelphia ferences. Mrs. VanPelt served in the capaci-ty of Congress Page, and received the usual souvenir spoon. Mrs. VanPelt served in the capaci-ty of Congress Page, and received the usual souvenir spoon. Mrs. VanPelt served in the capaci-the shores of the English Channel to Switzerland. A brisk trade in fragments of shell, been here for some time. They trept about, duct as mice, eating something, but just what it was I could not tell until they had been here for some time. Then one Press. That trip was to Allentown a

The constitution and By-laws are in harmony with the State and Nar line and Mrs. Evans, whose graves are monthly meetings is an indication of our members; two being Real Daughters, Mrs. Honora Shelden was a Regent; Mrs. Honora Shelden was a Reg their interest. "All day" meetings held in Port Matilda, Boalsburg and The Pennsylvania State College are others. These meetings are all too Nrs. Mary P. Miller, Mrs. Laura Alli-by faked relics are already being of-fered in Paris and London seems to indicate that when Europe again be-comes the playground of the world— the Mecca of the idle, the curious, the gullible—there will be a new and luothers. These meetings are all too short, to which we can only be recon-ciled by anticipating future invita-tions. The management of the finances; The philanthropic work and the historthe phradium opter work and the mstr- chapter to scatter sumsmine along the lical and patriotic observances have pathway by giving the National in-been prominent features in the entire right to one and delicacies, etc., to both on their birthdays and at Christ-life of the Chapter. The scope of the work being so ex-tensive and varied can be scarcely The Way and Means committee is deviced and warf the manufacture of the old masters and Egyptian scarabs as the present mighty struggle dwarfs as the present mighty struggle come to Meriden in flocks aggregating tinent in reverential awe by a countmany hundreds, and there are usually a number of pine siskins among them. At such times the streets of the village are alive with birds, and their cheerful twitterings make it seem as though spring had come back several veeks in advance. These little birds alight in the dooryards and swarm over the piazzas like flies on a sugar bowl, and they will feed from the titudes, but in silence and under the murder and conflagration, but as an bowl, and they will rect from the guard of only one man. It went not in a special train but in a creaking old farm wagon loaded with manure, condescended to alight upon me, but a the better to conceal it. red-breasted nuthatch once allowed ne to stroke him with a forefinger as he was feeding on suet, and neighbors of ours entertained one which used to come to their hands almost every day This is an especially appropriate for months. I have almost touched a evacuated by the Continentals, these him the sum of \$200,000 and a town-time to deal with this matter. The downy woodpecker, but not quite. He Tories came out of the obscurity in ship of land; and, with the progreswas feeding on a food tree at Meri-den and showed no fear when I walkthe illustrated lectures. Mrs. Ball, of Washington, D. C., was truly educa-and slaughter throughout the land, in inches of him." "But as a rule the chickadees are the tamest of all; there seems to be trees. The Chapter was represented on the program of th Reciprocity meeting held at State College



SAVED BELL city authorities, upon taking possession, to confiscate the church bells as spoils of war for the purpose of molding them into cannon. That was recognized as one of their rights as captors. It was to prevent this seizure that the executive council ordered the removal of the state house bell and the bells of Christ church and of nine other churches to Allentown by way of Bethlehem. I don't know why

Allentown was selected unless it be that it was far enough away to keep, the bells safe from the British.

Had Small Escort.

John Jacob Mickley, a soldier of the O INCIDENT of Revolutionary Continental army, was one of those times finds a more vivid and detailed for the removal of the bells. dramatic contrast in this day To him the state house bell was inthan the first trip of the Libtrusted. John Jacob Mickley was the son of Johann Jacob Mueckli (the German version of the name), and arrived in Philadelphia on the sailing vessel "Hope" in the early part of year and two months after it became 1733. On August 27, 1733, he took the cath of allegiance to his adopted country. He was a farmer at Whitehall, Lehigh county, when the War of the Revolution bre e out.

At Bethlehem Mickley's wagen broke down and the state house bell was transferred to the wagon of Jacob Lester, upon which it was hauled the remaining four miles. In the records of the Moravian church at Beth-lehem is the following entry, under is the follow date of September 23, 1777: "The bells from Philadelphia brought in wagons, the wagon of the state house bell broke down here, so it had to be unloaded, the other bells went on." Buried Under Church Floor. The state house bell and the chimes of Christ church were buried beneath the floor of Zion Reformed church. Allentown. This church was built in 1762 of logs, rebuilt in stone in 1770. and again rebuilt later. The Rev. Abraham Blummer was pastor of the church at the time and assisted in the work of burying the bells. A tablet commemorating the event has been placed upon the church front and also a stained glass window with like purpose in the church. After the evacuation of Philadelphia by the British, the bells were brought back and put in their respective places in the latter part of the year 1778.

FROM BRITISH

PatrioticPhiladelphians Carried It to Allentown, Where It Was Buried

the philanthropic work and the histor- Chapter to scatter sunshine along the that will dwarf the manufacture of hundred and twenty-five. We went

more than noted in passing:

nental Hall amount to more than ed by fine attractive ones.

\$200.00. Mt. Vernon fund, \$5.00.

LaFayette fund, \$3.00.

School prizes to date, \$220.00.

"Housewife" sent to Co. B, at

Chickamauga, valued at \$20.91. Division hospital at Chickamauga

\$72.00. Names of two capable nurses to headquarters at Washington.

Club House, at Manila, \$5.00. Widows and orphans of Army and

Navy, \$25.00. Soldiers' and Sailors' monument in

Bellefonte, \$150.00. Curtin monument, \$25.00. Francis Scott Key Fund, \$3.00.

Penna Cruiser, \$10.00. Regulation set of Flags for Battleship Penna., \$5.00.

Berry School-annually, \$50.00. Red Cross Society, \$10.00.

For the purchase of two Pennsylkept in the State, \$3.00.

The National and State dues are paid to date.

Regent's pin, \$5.00.

given to town and country schools. Another class of contributions permits the Chapter to come into close touch with people; so there is record-ed to its credit expressions of sympathy; of admiration for bravery; of re-spect to men and women who under soldiers, members of the Cincinnati laws regulating the use of firearms turned upside down and marked into trying circumstances willingly yield- Sons of the Revolution and Historical and explosives and realize the risk ed their all to preserve their country society, and the husbands of the mem- they run.

It paid tribute to a brave Belleronte tendered her a charming receptor, when she soldier, Lieut. Jackson, when his body was brought home from the Philip- was elected State Vice Regent. The Chinese method of American which are decorated with tiny flags in

The persevering research work of in all State and National committees. Wilkes-Barre "Leader." Mrs. Henry Clay Valentine resulted in a list of 170 names of Revolutiona-ry soldiers of Centre county, 117 of which are on the bronze tablets on the soldiers' monument. The chairman of the committee to

Betsy Ross Flags are purchased an-nually and placed on as many of these (Miss Overton,) was instrumental in ever.

graves as it is possible to reach. The Chapter possesses a complete roster of Co. B, 5th Regiment Penna. The Chapter possesses a complete further the work of protecting the the state Legislature to print 50,000 copies of Penn. Flag Law, to further the work of protecting the the state Legislature to print the Infantry Volunteers.

Flag. Miss Overton was appointed by the It erected a marker of Mills granite, 4 feet high and 3 feet square on President General to be one of the the site of Old Fort, enclosed by an iron fence 2 1-2 feet high and 8 feet nor, of Bulgaria, at the time when she square. It also furnished an iron expected to pay a visit to the United fence for a marker in Indian Lane, States.

nore than noted in passing: Contributions to Memorial Conti-at the Union cemetery may be replac-

Arguments for the Sane Fourth. Owing to failing health Mrs. Wes-Some people, when the Fourth of

ley Gephart, a charter member, ten-July rolls round, demand a firecrackdered her resignation, but the Chapter not wishing to lose her membership, "News." created for her the office of honorary The Fourth of July was not estabmember, giving her all of the privi-lished as a holiday for foolishness, leges of the Chapter, except that of murder and conflagration, but as an

voting. The literary feature of the meet-The literary feature of the literary show their sense and littless for the ings as outlined in the Year Books, has been profitable and consisted of papers on historical subjects and se-papers on historical subjects and se-papers on historical subjects and se-papers of historical subjects and se-parent sectorical subjects and sectorical secto lect readings. Parlor addresses were delivered by President Sparks, Judge freworks, more happiness in life than Orvis, Prof. Espenshade, Prof. Crock-ett, Miss Lovejoy, Mr. Keller, Miss Blanchard, Dr. Hawes and Miss This is an especially appropriate Keichline.

The public as our guests attended Fourth of July is approaching-Indetional in her talk on the history of the Flag, and her display of ninety-one by gunpowder accidents on that day "But as a ru vania State Flags—one for Memorial flags. Another lecture given was on Continetal Hall and the other to be trees.

held at State College.

Salt Lake "Tribune." The social affairs have been con- Parents who have boys who have Valley Forge, \$28.00. Fifty copies of Penna. Flag Act They consisted of dinners at Nittany and blank cartridges should study the Club, at Old Fort and the Washing- statistics of the annual tragedy and ton birthday dinner given by the G. A. keep their flesh and blood out of the that of the national colors-red, white R. Alternating with these were en- holocaust. tertainments held in the homes of the Chapter members, at which times the

trip around the world, the Chapter legent, recurring reception, as It paid tribute to a brave Bellefonte to here a charming reception, as

Accomplished.

Randall-After 25 years of married Rogers-Yes, and she annoys him

I. N. Kwizzitive-Did you ever get something for nothing? I. M. P. Konious—Yes, a pocket--Browning's Magazine.

Yes.

For a July 4 Luncheon.

oblongs to represent brick. Color the ed their all to preserve their country or protect the oppressed. The Chapter tendered a reception to the soldiers of Centre county when the Dhilippines the Dhilippines society, and the nussands of the mean of the mean of the form the soldiers of the mean of the center a the trip around the world, the Chapter to revise and bring up to date the soldiers on top of and to revise and bring up to date the soldiers on top of and

County Troop. This banner was de-

"Tommy," said the fond mother, "isn't it rather an extravagance to eat both butter and jam on your bread at the same time?'

A New Idea of Economy.

"No, mamma, it's economy," Tom-my answered. "The same piece of bread does for both."—The Christian Herald.

You may be taught by a teach-er, but you have to imbibe the knowl-edge; he cannot transfuse it into your smoke of that battle." brain

gathered for the Fourth of July exercises on Independence square. It passed through streets thronged with venerating people. On the train it was under the escort of a large body the continent was a triumphal progress. A hundred cities along the route poured out their citizens to do it reverence as it passed and it was received at the other rim of the conless multitude.

Contrast With First Trip.

That is how the Bell travels today. It was very different in September. 1777. On that first trip to Allentown it went, not in daylight, but in the dead of night. Not with the music of bands and escorted in honor by mul-

For at that time there were many Tories in Philadelphia. These included families then counted among the foremost citizens. When the city was evacuated by the Continentals, these him the sum of \$200,000 and a townwhich they had been prudently lying sive development of the United States, for the British officers.

The British were expected by the measure of ambition.

Here once the embattled farmers stood

world.

Country Honored Lafayette. It is said that "republics are ungrateful." That was not the case concerning Lafavette. Congress voted tues to his memory enough for any.



seen by arrangement with the libra-And fired the shot heard 'round the rian, according to Peleg D. Harrison, in whose volume, "The Stars and The farmers of Lexington carried Stripes and Other American Flags," the cornet or standard of the Three the history of the banner is related.

The ground is maroon or crimson vised in the counties of Essex, Suffolk colored satin damask emblazoned with and Middlesex, Massachusetts, in 1659. an outstretched arm, in the hand of The office of color bearer of this troop which is an uplifted sword. This repwas a sort of inheritance in the Page resentation is the color of silver, as family. The standard was carried in are three circular figures that are King Philip's war in 1676. When the probably intended to represent can-Minute Men were organized Nathaniel non balls. Upon a gold colored scroll Page III of Bedford took the old flag are the words "Vince aut Moriture" for use at drill. At the midnight alarm | (Conquer or Die). The flag is about Captain Page snatched up the stand- two feet bypone foot six inches. The ard and carried it with him to Con- original fringe appears to have been cord, where it "waved above the taken by a Bedford girl to trim a dress for a military ball. That was, of The flag is now preserved under course, before the standard was borns glass in a fireproof safe of the public by the embattled farmers.

