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ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

Martha Methodists Will Reopen Church on Sunday.

The members of the Methodist congregation at Martha Furnace are counting on a big time on Sunday when they will reopen their church after it has been thoroughly overhauled and beautified into one of the cosiest houses of worship in Centre county. Among those who will be present and participate in the services are Rev. Elmer L. Williams, D. D., the fighting parson of Chicago; Rev. Gideon P. Sarvis, of Bellwood; Rev. W. B. Cook, of Salona; Rev. H. H. McElroy and the pastor, Rev. J. Earl Jacobs.

Rev. Williams, by the way, is a Martha Furnace boy, being born and raised there. When Rev. Sarvis was pastor at Port Matilda in 1894 Rev. Williams first began to preach the gospel. He subsequently filled several charges in the Central Pennsylvania M. E. conference and was then transferred to the Rock River conference, Ill. There he made himself famous as a pulpit orator and a fighter against evil, a work which eventually gave him the sobriquet of "The Fighting Parson." He will tell of his life's work at the morning service.

The church at Martha is the oldest house of worship now standing in Bald Eagle valley. In 1840 the Baptists and Methodists of that part of the valley joined in holding union services in the old Martha Meeting house of the Society of Friends. The preachers took turns in filling the pulpit. But doctrinal ideas soon overshadowed the real religion and more and more the trend drifted toward individual churches. The result was that in 1845 the little band of Methodists secured a strip of land from Wilbur Wagner and began the erection of a church which was completed in 1846 and they then began to worship there.

At that time they became members of the old Baltimore conference and were added to the labors of the circuit rider on the Huntingdon circuit. Soon after the circuit was changed and the Martha church included the Halfmoon and Bald Eagle circuit. The next and last change was the Bald Eagle charge, which remains today.

Since the day of its first erection the Martha church has undergone several repairs but has lost none of its originality. The present repairs have been the most extensive of any but the design of the building remains unchanged. The old wall was torn out and a new one put in. The cellar was enlarged and a heating furnace installed. The basement was plastered, painted and papered until now it is a cosy meeting room for any purpose. New windows were placed in both the auditorium and basement. A new raised floor was laid in the auditorium, which was also equipped with new seats by the Dittmar Furniture Co., of Williamsport. The interior was then papered and painted throughout and two coats of paint applied to the exterior.

The entire cost of the repairs will be about \$1,200, a good part of which is yet unprovided for. The congregation now is smaller than it ever was and the repairs will amount to more than the original cost of the building, but the members have faith in God and their fellowmen, and hope that the most of the amount will be made up at the rededication on Sunday. A most cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

Labor Day Celebrations. Labor day (Monday) was generally utilized as a day for celebrating and as a consequence all the stores and business places in Bellefonte were closed. In fact most of the day seemed like Sunday, it was so quiet and peaceful like.

Probably the biggest gathering of the day in this section was the Clinton county P. O. S. of A. picnic at Hecla park. Between eight hundred and a thousand people from Clinton county were in attendance and about five hundred from Bellefonte and other portions of Centre county. It was by far the largest picnic ever held by the P. O. S. of A. The crowd was entertained by various sports during the day and in dancing, music for which was furnished by the Germania orchestra, of Lock Haven.

There were also big gatherings at Snow Shoe and Philipsburg while the "Snow Shoe Bunch" kept open house at the lodge of the Pine Run hunting club in Burnside township.

Mrs. S. Kline Woodring entertained from three until five o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The tea was given in complement to Miss Helen Bair, of Philadelphia.

WILSON.—Bellefonte friends of John H. Wilson, for years manager of the Western Union telegraph office in Altoona, learned with sincere regret on Sunday of his death in that place at 9.45 o'clock in the morning as the result of liver trouble. Mr. Wilson had been ailing for several months and had been off duty since in June. Several weeks ago, however, he was reported improving but two weeks ago he became worse and continued so until the end.

Diseased was a son of John and Emma P. Wilson and was born in Bellefonte on April 4th, 1874, hence was 42 years and 5 months old, less one day. He attended the public schools of Bellefonte until about seventeen years old when he accepted the position of messenger under Edward B. Rankin, in the Western Union office of Bellefonte. He not only performed his duties faithfully and well but applied himself to the study of telegraphy to such an extent that he became quite proficient as an operator. Shortly after the late D. H. Hastings was elected Governor in 1894, Mr. Rankin resigned his position here and Mr. Wilson was made manager of the Bellefonte office. During the twelve years he served in that capacity he gave the people of Bellefonte the best kind of service, and was always courteous and gentlemanly in his treatment of everybody.

When a change was made in the management of the Altoona office Mr. Wilson was offered the position and went there nine years ago. He remained there until his illness compelled him to relinquish the work, to the deep regret of all those who had had any dealings with him.

About twenty years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Saylor, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harland Saylor, of this place, who survives with four children, namely: Jeannette, DeSales, Dolores and Regis, all at home. He also leaves two brothers and one sister, Lloyd, of Mt. Union; Wilbur B., of Johnstown, and Mrs. Edna Derstine, of Altoona. Mr. Wilson was a member of the Catholic church and of Council No. 551, Knights of Columbus, of Altoona.

Funeral mass was held in St. John's Catholic church, Altoona, at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning. The remains were brought to Bellefonte on the 1.12 train the same afternoon and taken direct to the Catholic cemetery for burial.

McCoy.—Following an illness since last March with a complication of diseases Alexander McCoy died at his home at Potters Mills on Saturday evening.

He was a son of John and Agnes McCormick McCoy and was born at Old Fort on August 3rd, 1845, hence was within one day of being seventy-one years old. His parents were of Scotch-Irish ancestry, his grand-father locating in Pennsylvania in the early part of the nineteenth century, where for many years he kept the Old Fort hotel. When Mr. McCoy was only a boy his parents moved to Potters Mills where he received his education in the public schools. When he grew to manhood he engaged in farming and in 1896 purchased part of the homestead, acquiring all the property at the death of his father. Mr. McCoy was a progressive farmer, and was an enthusiastic advocate of the best kind of improved farm machinery. He was one of the few farmers in Centre county who combined stock raising with tilling of the soil.

In politics he was an uncompromising Republican and never wavered in his support of his party. He was a liberal supporter of the Presbyterian church and a man whose hospitality was known far and wide.

When twenty-five years old he married Miss Mary E. Wilson, of Boalsburg, who died many years ago but surviving him are three children, namely: Agnes, wife of Rev. A. D. Potts, of Chambersburg; Samuel W., and John F., both of Philadelphia. He also leaves one brother and two sisters, John, of Norristown; Mrs. J. Wimer Wolf, of Ardmore, and Miss Emma, of Centre Hill.

The funeral was held at 10.30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, burial being made in the Centre Hill cemetery.

HOUTZ.—After suffering a number of weeks with a complication of diseases Mrs. Rebecca Jane Houtz died at her home at Centre Furnace on Tuesday, aged 77 years and 14 days. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Garbrick and was born at Zion. She was twice married, her first husband being Jacob Brian. Two children survive by this union, Mrs. E. L. Graham, of Colorado, and H. I. Brian, of Spring Mills. After Mr. Brian's death she married Jacob Houtz, who died a year ago. Two children also survive by this union, Mrs. John Fisher and L. L. Houtz, of Lemont. She also leaves five brothers and two sisters, namely: Jacob Garbrick, of Zion; William, of Bellwood; Amos, of Pittsburgh; Joseph and Adam T., of Bellefonte; Mrs. William Showers, of Mingoille, and Mrs. James Rote, of State College. Burial will be made in the Shiloh cemetery this morning.

RHODES.—Following a brief illness Mrs. Sarah Rhodes, widow of Michael Rhodes, died at her home at Marengo, this county, at eleven o'clock last Friday morning, aged about seventy-seven years. She is survived by six children, namely: William and J. Clarence Rhodes and Mrs. Samuel Miller, all of Tyrone; Mrs. Mollie McIlvaine, of Marengo; Mrs. Lydia Seaman, of Pittsburgh. The funeral was held from the Ross M. E. church at ten o'clock on Monday morning, burial being made in the Ross cemetery.

Soldiers' Reunion to be Held in Bellefonte.

The annual reunion of the survivors of the Forty-fifth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers will be held in Bellefonte on Wednesday, September 27th. The headquarters of the veterans will be at the Brockerhoff house. The business meetings will be held in the rooms of Gregg Post on High street while a public meeting will be held in the court house in the evening. Prominent speakers will be present at this meeting. The committee of arrangements is preparing a splendid program for the entertainment of the old soldiers and will also arrange for their comfort and convenience while here. In the afternoon an automobile trip will be taken to the new penitentiary and State College.

While this reunion is primarily for the old soldiers their friends are also invited. As one old soldier said the other day: "Bellefonte is almost the geographical centre of the Keystone State, and the birthplace of the regiment. It was the home of the Curtins, Beaver, Gregg and three Governors, as well as several gallant generals, and that the survivors are justly proud of the part they took in the great Civil war. Sixty per cent. of the soldiers in the regiment were from Bellefonte and the nearby country, while forty per cent. came from Huntingdon, Tioga and Columbia counties, so that logically speaking Bellefonte is the most suitable place for holding the reunion."

The officers of the association are as follows: President, James H. Meyers; vice president, W. H. Fry; secretary, T. J. Davis; treasurer, W. A. Roberts. J. B. Ewing is chairman of the executive committee and W. H. Fry chairman of the committee of arrangements.

At the Opera House.

A visit to the fiery crater of the Hawaiian volcano of Kilauea with "close-ups" of the boiling lava by day and by night is one of the new sensations promised in film reproduction by the Lyman H. Howe Travel Festival coming to Garman's Monday evening, September 11th. Heretofore the venturing photographers have been held to definite limits in making pictures of a volcano. But it has remained for an American to brave the dangers of placing his camera "over the edge" of the biggest "boiling pot" in the world. Don't fail to see it.

Among the notable scenes of Wm. H. Kibble's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" which is to be at Garman's Thursday evening, September 14th, is the St. Claire home, showing the tropical garden with its fragrant magnolia and orange trees, among which nestles the typical Southern plantation residence, the home of Little Eva; Legree's cotton plantation on the Red River with the cotton in full bloom; the rocky pass in Southern Ohio, and the ice choking Ohio River by moonlight. The transformation entitled "The Celestial City" is said to be the most magnificent tableau ever conceived. Wm. H. Kibble not only claims that the scenic effects are superior to any ever attempted but assures prospective patrons that the company is composed of the most capable talent obtainable. Prices, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Dr. Thomas C. VanTries returned home on Tuesday feeling better in every way than he has for many weeks. The doctor left Bellefonte on or about July 24th and went to Washington, Pa., where he spent four weeks in the Hill's View sanitarium, conducted by Dr. Mary L. Hull and her husband. This sanitarium was built recently and is a concrete building three stories high and does not have any stairs or elevator in it. The ascent from one floor to another is made on an incline. After leaving Washington the doctor went to Pittsburgh and engaged passage on a boat for Charleston, W. Va. The boat left Pittsburgh on Tuesday, August 22nd and Wednesday afternoon got stuck on a sand bar in the Ohio river. They were stuck for sixteen hours and the doctor helped to pass the time by delivering his lecture, "Matters Matrimonial," to the fifty or more passengers. They finally got off the bar Thursday noon and after sailing down the river a number of more miles were grounded again, and the captain told them that there the boat would stay until higher water. All the passengers were kept on the boat over night and in the morning their railroad fare paid to their destination. The doctor likes that section of the State very much and may make another visit there in the near future.

State College Man Drowned in Penn's Creek.

While on an eel fishing expedition to Penn's creek, on Tuesday night, Willard Norris, a resident of State College, got into deep water and drowned before his companions were able to rescue him. Norris with C. B. Struble, John Spangler and Jesse Searson drove to Penn's creek, near Farmer's Mills, on Tuesday evening to fish for eels. The story told by his companions is that they were all walking along the bank of the stream when Norris slipped and slid into the creek, landing in a hole five feet deep. He was the only member of the party who could swim and just for a moment no apprehension was felt for his safety, but his call for help startled his companions and Searson, who carried the only lantern in the crowd jumped into the stream with the lantern in his hand. This was unfortunate because the lantern was submerged and extinguished, thus leaving the men without a light or any adequate means of locating their companion.

After floundering around in the stream for several minutes Searson finally made his way out and two of the men went to a farm house and secured lanterns, a rope, a rake and the assistance of other men. Returning to the creek they dragged the bed of the stream and recovered Norris' body in about twenty minutes.

The unfortunate young man was about twenty-two years old and a son of Arthur (deceased) and Jennie Norris. He had been a resident of State College most of his life and during the past two years had worked for C. B. Struble, the butcher. He was married to Miss Catherine Weller, of Port Matilda, who survives with one son, Ross. He also leaves his mother and the following brothers and sisters: Zella, Myrtle, Mabel, Margaret, Edward and Henry, all of State College.

The funeral will be held at two o'clock this (Friday) afternoon. Rev. J. McK. Reiley will officiate and burial be made in the Meyers cemetery.

Killed by Lightning.

Arthur Yeager, of Curtin township, was killed by lightning during Tuesday afternoon's terrific electric and rain storm. Yeager worked in the coal mines of the Centre Brick and Clay company, at Orviston, and when the storm came up about four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon he in company with Charles Boone, of Orviston, and Robert Mann, of Marsh Creek, two other employees, and Robert Confer, of Howard, who was at the mines at the time, took shelter from the storm in the mouth of the drift.

While congregated there a bolt of lightning struck a nearby tree, jumped from there to one of the steel rails running into the mine, and on which Yeager happened to be standing at the time, killing him instantly. Confer had one shoe torn from his foot and the foot burned to a certain extent, while the other two men sustained only slight shocks.

Yeager, who was killed, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yeager, of Curtin township, where he was born on June 26th, 1881, making his age 35 years, 2 months and 9 days. He was an industrious young man and had been employed at Orviston a number of years. Twelve years ago on Sunday he was married to Miss Bertha Wensel, a daughter of D. P. Wensel, of Curtin township, who survives with three children, James, Alice and Harry, all at home. He also leaves his parents and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Harry Council, of Beech Creek; Ward, of Orviston; Elmer, Lulu, Nellie, Leonard, Harold, Collins and Lloyd, at home.

Funeral services were held at his late home at Summit Hill at one o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. Russell Gardner, after which burial was made in the Summit Hill cemetery.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. S. H. Bension for the marriage of her daughter Helen and Mr. Byron Martin, of Mansfield, Ohio. The wedding to take place at Miss Bension's home at Howard, Tuesday, September nineteenth, at eleven o'clock. Only the relatives and close friends of Miss Bension and Mr. Martin have been invited for the ceremony.

Lost—Between the postoffice and the First National bank, a small brown leather coin purse, containing several dollars. Finder will please bring it to this office.

Joseph Bertram, of Altoona, is now firing on the Bellefonte yard engine in place of Fred Hollobaugh, who is off duty recovering from an injury.

The ladies of the U. B. church will hold one of their noted bake sales in the basement of the church on Saturday next, afternoon and evening.

The Epworth League of the Weaver M. E. church will hold a festival at the cross roads near Jacksonville, September 16th.

Program for Next Week's Grange Encampment.

Saturday of this week is the opening day of the 43rd Annual Grange Encampment and Fair at Grange park, Centre Hall, and promises not only to be equal but to excel in many ways all former similar gatherings. By the time this issue of the "Watchman" reaches its readers, Grange park will be a tented city with a very active population, and by Saturday practically all the tentholders will be comfortably located in their canvas homes for a full week of out-door living and social pleasure.

Saturday—Opening Day. Saturday, the formal opening of the Encampment will take place. Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, there will be a moving picture entertainment in the Auditorium. These pictures will be much better than in former years, owing to the fact that the machines will be run by electricity.

Sunday—Harvest Home Services on Park. On the opening Sunday, at 2:30 p. m., Rev. W. H. Traub, of the Lutheran church of State College, will deliver the Harvest Home Anniversary address. Mr. Traub is an entertaining and able speaker. A large local choir will render excellent music.

Monday—Placing of Exhibits. Monday, accepting and placing of exhibits. 7:30 p. m.—Moving pictures in the auditorium.

Tuesday—Governor's Day. 1 p. m.—Governor's and State Department of Agriculture day. Address in the auditorium by Gov. Brumbaugh, Hon. Chas. E. Patton, Secretary of Agriculture; and others who will accompany the Governor on the farm inspection tour.

7:30—Picture show in the auditorium. Wednesday—Many Prominent Speakers. 1:30—Addresses by Hon. Wm. T. Cressy, President of the Dairy Union; Hon. C. A. Carothers, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; Congressman Clyde Kelly, President of the Voters League of Pennsylvania; and Miss Anna McCue, of the Woman's Suffrage Association.

7:30 p. m.—Moving picture entertainment. Thursday—Grange Day. 1:30 p. m.—Addresses by Hon. L. J. Taber, Master of the Ohio State Grange; and Hon. Carl Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture. 7:30 p. m.—Closing entertainment in the auditorium.

Friday—Sales Day. Sales day and closing of camp.

CONGRESSMAN KELLY TO SPEAK. Hon. Clyde Kelly, Congressman from Pittsburgh, will be one of the prominent speakers at the Grangers' picnic next week. His address will be the main feature of Wednesday afternoon, the 13th. Congressman Kelly's reputation for making a good speech is so well known that everybody within a hundred mile radius of the picnic at Centre Hall should avail themselves of this opportunity to hear him. As Congressman he was conceded to be one of the most brilliant speakers on the floor of the House of Representatives at Washington, even by his opponents, being also one of the youngest men to occupy that position.

CHILDREN MUST NOT ATTEND. The local representative of the State Board of Health requests the "Watchman" to announce that all children under sixteen years of age will not be permitted to attend the Grangers' picnic and encampment at Centre Hall next week. This is in line with the Board's action in connection with all such gatherings since infantile paralysis has become epidemic throughout the State.

Field Day Indefinitely Postponed.

M. Hiller, secretary of the Centre county Y. W. C. A., announces that in order to help check the spread of infantile paralysis the county Field Day, which was to have been held at Grange park, Centre Hall, tomorrow, September 9th, has been indefinitely postponed.

SHUEY—KERN.—A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Kern, at noon on Monday, when Mr. Kern's sister, Miss Elizabeth Kern, of Lemont, was united in marriage to George G. Shuey, of the same place. Members of the immediate families were present to witness the ceremony which was performed by Rev. W. M. B. Glandring, of the Lutheran church, the beautiful ring service being used. Following the wedding a delicious wedding breakfast was served the bride party, after which Mr. and Mrs. Shuey left on a wedding trip to Cincinnati, Ohio. Upon their return they will reside at Lemont.

ROWLAND—HEILMAN.—Edward Rowland, son of Congressman and Mrs. Charles H. Rowland, of Philipsburg, and Miss Ruth Heilman, of Madera, were married in the Episcopal church at Ocoola Mills, on Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. Carroll N. Smith. They will reside at Houtzdale.

BURGHDIFF—FISHER.—Ernest Carroll Burghdiff, of Altoona, and Miss Elizabeth Fisher, of Bellefonte, were married at the Zion Lutheran parsonage in Altoona, on August 28th, by the pastor, Rev. Julius F. Seebach. They will reside in Altoona.

BOAL—ADAMS.—On Thursday of last week Earl E. Boal, of State College, and Miss Nellie E. Adams, of Tyrone, were united in marriage at the Lutheran parsonage on east Linn street by the pastor, Rev. W. M. B. Glandring.

Annual Meeting of Bellefonte W. C. T. U.

The annual meeting for the election of officers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Bellefonte will be held in the W. C. T. U. room, Petrikin hall, next Thursday afternoon, September 14th, at 3 o'clock. All members are especially urged to attend.

For high class Job Work come to the WATCHMAN Office.

Building Big Garage.

George A. Beezer has started work on rebuilding his garage on north Water street, or to be more exact, building a new garage, because that is what it will be when completed. Knisely and Rhoads are now putting down the concrete foundation for the new building which will extend out toward the street a distance of about six feet over the old one. The building will be 145x50 feet in size and two stories high. It will be raised up about three feet, so that the lower floor is above the present grade of the street, which will give ample drainage.

The building will be of buff fire brick, roughed on the exterior which will give it a velvet-like line appearance. Heavy structural iron girders will support the second floor and roof, so that the building throughout will be entirely fireproof. A large elevator will be used to convey cars from the first to the second floor. On the first floor will be a completely equipped machine shop where any and all kinds of repairing can be done. A new six hundred gallon gasoline tank will be installed to take the place of the two hundred and fifty gallon tank now in use.

An idea of the size of the building can be had from the fact that it will require one hundred thousand brick to construct the walls, and when completed Mr. Beezer will have almost fifteen thousand square feet of floor space at his command, making it the largest garage in central Pennsylvania. James Wallace has the contract for the brick work and the carpenter work will be done by Benjamin Bradley.

Bellefonte Academy Opening.

The Bellefonte Academy will open its one hundred and eleventh session on Monday, September 18th. Day pupils need not report until 9 a. m. Tuesday, September 19th. The faculty will be as follows:

- Rev. J. P. Hughes, A. M., Mathematics. James R. Hughes, A. M., Latin, Greek and Oratory. Arthur H. Sloop, A. M., Physics and Chemistry. Miss Helen E. C. Overton, English Grammar, Physical Geography and History. Miss Isabelle S. Hill, Ph. B., English, Rhetoric and Literature. Geo. F. Reiter, Ph. B., Sc. M., Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics. Rev. William K. McKinney, Ph. D., Bible History. Mitchell Hartman, Book-keeping, Stenography and Typewriting. William Arnold Alexander, A. B., History, Latin and Civics. Guy G. Hopper, A. B., Higher Mathematics. Jacob C. Hess, A. M., French, German and Spanish. Charles S. Hughes, A. B., Mathematics.

Mr. Alexander is a graduate of St. Stevens College, New York; Mr. Hopper of Williams College, Massachusetts, and Mr. Hess, of Franklin and Marshall and The Penna State College. The latter has also taken work at the Columbia University, N. Y. These new men have had successful experiences in teaching.

The field men report that prospects for a large attendance are very bright 61-35-2t

Notice to Merchants.

Out of town parents of boys attending the Bellefonte Academy wish to announce that they will not be responsible for bills incurred by their sons at Bellefonte stores, unless the merchants receive letters of authority from the parents themselves. The reason is obvious. The plan will be a protection both to parents and merchants. 35-2t

Bellefonte Public Schools.

Bellefonte, Pa., September 5, 1916. To the Teachers of the Public Schools:

This is to inform you, officially, of the supplementary order issued by the State Commissioner of Health, authorizing all schools of the Commonwealth to be closed to pupils under sixteen years of age until September 29th.

In accordance with this ruling I am directed by the Board to inform you that the public schools of Bellefonte will open October 2 in all departments and will continue without vacations until June 15, 1917, save for a week during the annual county institute, and from December 25-29th, inclusive. Such a term will not be quite nine months in extent, but you will be paid for nine months' service as provided by Section 1206, School Laws of Pennsylvania, which defines the relations between school boards and teachers during the closing of schools on account of contagious diseases. You will receive your checks regularly as though the session opened September 4th, with the exception that the last payment will be withheld until the schools close in June. In the meantime you will be expected to report at any time in case we should issue a call. However, unless you hear further, we shall not ask you to report before September 26.

All of the above is subject to revision if the State Commissioner of Health sees fit to designate further changes.

Very truly yours, Mrs. M. E. BROUSE, Secretary.

One of the most terrific rain storms that has passed over Bellefonte this summer occurred on Tuesday afternoon, when the rain fell in torrents. While the storm was general in this and adjoining counties more rain fell in Bellefonte and immediate vicinity than anywhere else.