

Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., May 3, 1918.

County Correspondence

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

BOALSBURG.

Ralph Rishel spent Monday afternoon in Altoona.

Miss Ida Segner spent several days at Oak Hall last week.

Chester Johnson spent several days with his parents at Pine Grove Mills, last week.

Miss Lillie Dale returned Sunday from a week's visit with friends in State College.

Rev. M. J. Ross, of Tyrone, recently visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Keller.

Mrs. Harry Hoy and son Carl, of State College, are visiting at the home of Charles Mothersbaugh.

Miss Madeline Markle, of Oak Hall, spent several days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poorman.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Glenn and daughter, Miss Mary, of Bradford, were guests of Mrs. Glenn's mother, Mrs. Woods, last week.

Joseph Ross and Harry Spicer, of Pleasant Gap, accompanied by Ralph and Marion Dale, of Oak Hall, motored through town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Mothersbaugh visited at the home of Samuel Glenn, on the Branch, going out to see Mrs. Glenn, who has been seriously ill.

A play entitled "The Loyal Friend," will be given in Boal hall on Saturday evening, May 4th, at 8 o'clock. Proceeds for the benefit of the Red Cross. Admission, 25 and 15 cents.

Samuel Heilman and daughter and J. M. Wieland and daughter Grace and son Daniel, of Hellmandale, Lebanon county, greeted friends in town, having motored here on Sunday, returning home on Monday.

Charles Plummer and Orie Rupp motored from Altoona on Saturday and were accompanied home Sunday by Mrs. Plummer, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rupp, for a few days.

Capt. Theodore Davis Boal and Ray Lucas were home on brief furloughs last week. Capt. Boal was here for only one day while Ray Lucas spent the week-end with his parents and friends, leaving Monday for New York.

William McWilliams and daughters and Miss Anna Mary Goheen, of Rock Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Hess, J. S. Dale, Miss McBride and Edwin and Miss Mildred Dale, of State College; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hess, of Pine Grove Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Clement Dale, of Houseville; Mrs. Ralston and son Hugh, and Miss Brooks, of Centre Hall, were in town Sunday evening for the baccalaureate sermon.

CENTRE HALL.

Asher Stahl and small son Robert, of Altoona, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. James Stahl.

Ethel Rowe spent the week-end with her friend, Ida Sweetwood, at the Bloomsburg Normal school.

Reuben Garis and family, of Pittsburgh, were guests of Mr. Garis' parents in this place during the past week.

Miss Jennie Thomas and her sister, Mrs. William Ketz, left on Monday for a two week's visit with friends in Iowa.

Rev. Harry Buck, a Presbyterian minister from Ohio, spent several days at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Geary.

The wedding of Ralph Homan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Homan, and Miss Long, of Penn's Cave, took place last week at Beaver, Pa.

Mrs. Katherine Dale and Miss Mollie Hoffer returned home last week, after spending the week at State College with the Dr. Hoffer Dale family.

Mrs. Clayton Homan returned to her home in this place on Monday, after a short wedding trip, while her husband resumed his duties at Camp Sherman, Ohio.

RUNVILLE.

E. R. Lucas, of Altoona, was the guest of L. J. Heaton last Sunday.

Mrs. James Snyder, of Wingate, visited her sister, Mrs. James Witmer, last Sunday.

William Walker, of Grampian, is the guest of his brother, Fordex Walker, in this place.

Mrs. Sadie Kunes, of Williamsport, is spending a few weeks with Mrs. W. T. Kunes, in this place.

The people of this community, after learning late Saturday afternoon that Earl G. Emehizer could be present at the band hall that evening, rallied together and gave him a general reception, he being the first of our boys called to the colors. After singing several patriotic songs, Rev. Bradley, E. S. Bennett and Miss Ida Witmer made short addresses, then all partook of refreshments, which were enjoyed fully. Earl Emehizer has been a good son and brother and cannot help being a good soldier, and all his friends wish him all the good things that can come to him and a safe return to his home and friends.

COLEVILLE.

Leonard Rhoads is able to be around after several weeks illness.

Oscar Davis, the obliging young clerk in Garbrick's store, spent several days in Johnstown.

Miss Pearl Reeser returned to her home in Snow Shoe after a week's visit with relatives.

Mrs. Lattimer Billett and two daughters spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Sol. Barlett, at State College.

Harry McMurtree, one of the first members of Boal troop, was home

from Camp Upton on a seventy-two hour furlough. His company left Camp Hancock Sunday, April 21st.

LEMONT.

William Fogleman was sent to Camp Lee, Virginia, Tuesday.

A good many of the farmers are busy sowing oats and a few have finished.

The outlook for a large fruit crop this year is fine, as very few of the blossoms have been frozen.

Monday was a nice day, ending with a fine rain, which was certainly needed, as the ground was getting quite dry.

Monday afternoon a train load of 250 boys came to town on their way to State College to the boys' training camp.

The swallows have come to tell us that spring is here, although we can still see a few snow-birds flying along the fences.

Harold Rishel came up from Wilkes-Barre last week for a few days' visit at the home of his parents, near Oak Hall Station.

Edward Rhoads was home a few days last week before going to Buffalo, N. Y., for his final examination for the U. S. navy.

The Ensign Oil company put in two new tanks this week, making in all four. Looks as though they are doing a good business.

Mrs. Clayton Ethers, who has been in a hospital in Buffalo for some time, is so much better that they intend bringing her home today.

Emanuel Shuey, of Illinois, spent a few days in town last week, that being the first time he has visited the town in eighteen or twenty years.

The musical entertainment given in the P. O. S. of A. hall, last Wednesday evening, by a blind man, was greatly enjoyed by all who had the privilege of hearing him.

The Oak Hall Lime and Stone company have been putting in full time of late, and send out about twenty cars of stone each week, which makes things brisk around here.

Passenger Travel May be Curtailed by National R. R.

Curtailment of passenger traffic by sharp increases in passenger rates and by the elimination of competing over-night trains between middle west commercial centers is expected to be ordered soon by the railroad administration.

Interchangeable tickets will be introduced at the same time to reduce the inconvenience to a minimum. These steps are being worked out in detail now, and as soon as completed, will be ordered into effect by Director General McAdoo.

"Passengerless days" have been under consideration, railroad administration officials stated, but such action is not deemed necessary now, with the return of moderate weather.

Under the new passenger conservation plan every upper berth will be occupied. Heretofore, trains have been running with half the berths empty in many cases. Railroad officials are convinced that the public will be willing to occupy upper as well as lower berths in the interest of improved transportation.

Trains will be run only when loaded to capacity. Additional trains and coaches will be put on only when traffic demands. Club and buffet cars will not be permitted.

The exact percentage of increase in passenger fares has not been decided upon.

Experts admit that such a light increase as one or two per cent. will not achieve the purpose sought. It is possible this increase will affect only holders of sleeping car tickets and that ordinary day coach travelers will not be obliged to pay the increased fare.—Reformatory Record.

Clean Seed Before Sowing.

Cleaning and grading the small grains for spring sowing should be done before the spring rush in preparing the land and sowing the seed. Wheat, oats, barley and flax can be improved for seeding by running the seed through the fanning mill at least once. The cleaner grain will run through the drill or other seeding machinery more evenly and thus insure a more uniform stand than can be obtained from uncleaned grain.

Cleaning grain removes most of the weak and diseased kernels, many of which may not grow at all, or if they do grow are likely to produce small, weak plants. Uniformly large, plump kernels germinate more evenly, produce stronger plants, and yield more than ungraded grain containing small, shrunken kernels.

Thorough cleaning also removes a large part of the weed seeds the grain contains. The preparation of the land for seeding destroys many seeds that are in the ground and thus helps to keep weeds in check, but the value of this work is largely lost if foul seed is sown.

Although the small grain of the 1917 crop, except in North Dakota and Montana, is mostly of excellent quality for seed, yet it is well worth while to run this grain through the fanning mill at least once. No avoidable chances should be taken in sowing the 1918 crop. The very best seed available should be used. Increases in yield of from 2 to 5 bushels or more to the acre are often obtained from sowing clean, large seed, but a gain of even a bushel to the acre will mean big wages for the days spent in getting seed ready for sowing. The screenings have a value for feed and none for seed.

Should Survive.

"Do you think this poem of mine will live?"

"It ought to. It seems pretty tough?"

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How Trout Change Color.

Anglers are familiar with the fact that trout change color, chameleon-like, in conformity with the character of the bottom over which they exist. If the fish frequents a part of a stream where the water flows over white sand, it becomes nearly white; the reverse is true if it frequents a part where the bottom is of dark clay or moss.

A fervent follower of Izaak Walton, who had long been curious to learn how rapidly this transformation takes place, captured a small trout last summer and placed it in a white porcelain tray through which he caused a stream of clear water to flow. In a few days the fish began to grow lighter in color, and before the week ended was a very light yellow, with stripes and spots only slightly darker.

His next experiment was to place a thin sheet of hard, black rubber on the bottom of the tray. In less than a week the trout had become a dark slate, nearly black, with the markings almost indistinguishable.

In his third experiment he changed the fish to a dark olive green merely by covering the bottom of the tray with moss. This change took place more rapidly than had the others, owing, doubtless, to the fact that the fish was already dark.

The fisherman then restored the tray to its original color—white—and permitted the trout to fade to a lighter yellow. He then sprinkled a layer of brick dust over the bottom, and the fish very promptly turned to a decidedly reddish hue. His last experiment was to cover the bottom with mica sand, which wrought the most rapid change; in three days the fish became a light straw color.

To determine the cause for this color variation, the angler repeated the entire series of experiments in a darkened room. Here it required three times as long for the various changes to take place—a difference that seems to indicate that the changes are produced by the action of the light rays on the skin pigment, and not by any conscious effort on the part of the trout.—Ex.

How the Muskrat Does Its "Bit."

A small but patriotic American mammal is fighting for us "over there." It is fighting the Central Powers a lot of damage.

The creature is none other than the muskrat. And that certainly seems odd, because it is an animal native exclusively to America. However, the matter is easily explained.

A wealthy Bohemian nobleman, visiting Canada about a dozen years ago, became interested in muskrats and made up his mind that it would be a good idea to introduce so valuable a fur-bearing rodent into his own country. So he took four pairs home with him alive.

On arriving they were liberated, and their progeny, finding few natural enemies in their new environment, proceeded to multiply at a fabulous rate. In this country the female muskrat produces only one litter a year, but in Bohemia she brings three or four litters into the world annually.

As a result the muskrats in Bohemia already number billions. They destroy the crops, catch and eat the fish in the fishponds (which in Austria are an important source of food supply) and do much other damage. In short, they have become a plague. They are beginning to overrun Moravia and Saxony, and the expectation is that before very long all Germany will be afflicted by their deprecatory swarms.

Of the 60,700,000-horse power of water power in the United States, all but 5,300,000-horse power is running to waste.

Medical.

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OAK HALL.

Six pupils of the Oak Hall school took the examination to enter Boalsburg High school, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Dale and Mrs. A. C. Peters made a business trip to Bellefonte on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Wayne Rishel, who has been afflicted with rheumatism the past few weeks is still unable to walk.

Miss Frances Segner, of Boalsburg, was a very pleasant visitor with her sister, Mrs. Edward Zong, on Wednesday.

W. E. Homan and E. C. Louder motored to Altoona on Saturday and returned Sunday, after attending a meeting at that place.

The social at the Luther Dale home on Thursday evening, given by the ladies organized class of the Boalsburg Lutheran Sunday school, was a great success. The class profited to the extent of \$27.00.

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New Evaporated Apricots at 25c and 30c a lb. Fancy Peaches 20c and 22c lb. Very Fancy Evaporated Corn at 35c a lb. or 3 cans for \$1.00. Fancy Selected Sweet Potatoes 5c a lb.—some grades at 3c to 4c a lb. Very Fancy Cranberries at 18c per quart or pound. Almerin White Grapes, Celery, New Paper-shell Almonds, California Walnuts, Finest Quality Cheese.

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