

THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

The ladies of the United Brethren church will hold a tureen social at the home of Mrs. Joe Nolan on north Spring street, this evening.

The wedding of Miss Marie Josephine McGowan and James Barry Case, of Washington, D. C., will be solemnized in St. John's Catholic church, Bellefonte, Wednesday morning, June 19th.

A flag raising was held at the Fairview church three miles north of Curtin on Sunday afternoon. The speakers were Col. H. S. Taylor and Mrs. Robert Mills Beach.

Just as the first side of last week's edition of the "Watchman" was printed the motor which drives the press went out of commission and through the courtesy of the Keystone Gazette the paper was finished on its press.

Miss Emilie Eleanor Owens, a daughter of Major and Mrs. Arthur Burnston Owens, and J. Chandler Barnard, of Bryn Mawr, who were married in Philadelphia Wednesday, were among the guests at the Walker-Bible wedding in Bellefonte two weeks ago.

While engaged in sewing at her home on east High street on Wednesday morning Miss Pearl Baumgardner ran a needle between the little and third finger of her right hand, breaking the point of it off.

This is Flag Day. Hang out your flags in honor of the day. And if they are old, faded and disreputable looking, replace them with new ones.

The Bellefonte Chapter D. A. R. will celebrate Flag day with a picnic dinner at the Country club this (Friday) evening. Each member is privileged to take one guest, the married members their husbands, and those who are not married either a lady or gentleman guest.

The treasurer's sale of unseated lands was well attended on Monday but at that all the tracts were not disposed of and the sale was adjourned until June 28th.

On Tuesday night some person broke into John C. Mulfinger's home at Pleasant Gap and stole his revolver and all his cartridges, and inasmuch as practically nothing else was disturbed it is believed that the thief was the prisoner who escaped from the penitentiary on Sunday evening.

One hundred and seventy-four motor mechanics who have been studying at State College for the aviation department of the U. S. signal service, left on Wednesday morning for Washington, D. C.

Last week the "Watchman" told of a number of High school boys intending to go to Williamsport on Saturday to enlist. The five who went were John Cunningham, Frederick Daggett, Gregg Sheldon, Herbert Becker and John Shith.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Bruce Reed arrived in New York direct from France on Wednesday. Mrs. Reed was formerly Miss Anne Blanchard, of this place, and within a year after her marriage to Rev. Reed they went to Syria to do missionary work.

The Young Women's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church has postponed the lawn festival to have been held largely for the benefit of Miss Bertha Laurie's canteen work in the American sector in France, where many local boys are now located, from Saturday evening, June 15th, to Tuesday evening, June 18th, on the chapel lawn, when the original program will be carried out.

FROM THE BOYS IN FRANCE.

Interesting Letters from Two Bellefonte Soldiers with the Expeditionary Force.

Somewhere in France, May 21. I just thought I would drop you a line tonight, even though it is about 8.30 o'clock and still daylight, owing to the fact that the same thing happened to the clocks in this country that took place in America about the first of April.

The other day while pursuing my regular duties I was about to address an officer and whom do you suppose it was? Well, none other than Lieut. "Dick" Taylor, our good, old lieutenant of cavalry days.

I had a letter from "Whitney" Musser the other day and he said he and Buck Smith and Sam Rhinesmith are all doing fine and like it very much, so you see we are all in the best of spirits and condition.

I was sorry I did not get to see Bob Garman and the boys in the old 109th artillery, but perhaps I will get a chance later, at least I hope so. I received letters from home today and they are always very welcome.

Am now located in an old-fashioned village "Somewhere in France," and it certainly is a nice place. The people treat us fine and try hard to make us feel at home.

This town is nothing but hills and makes me think of home. But the town is pretty and looks just like the French towns you see in the movies at home.

You ought to see the public washing places where the women wash clothes. They are big stone basins about eight feet wide and sixteen long filled with water which is running all the time.

The Undine fire company have had their own troubles keeping their big Cadillac hose truck in running condition. Last winter it froze up in the company's building and cracked all the cylinders.

It would do you all good to take a trip such as we have had. I never had any idea how beautiful France is. The farms are wonderful and certainly are kept looking good.

Am now located in a little town "Somewhere in France." We are resting after our long journey and are enjoying ourselves, making motions and trying to talk to the French people.

The people here treat us great and try awfully hard to understand us and make us understand them. They certainly are nice people and we all like them.

I wish you could see some of us asking for things we want. Last night one of our fellows stopped at a house to buy some milk and he had quite a time making them understand what he wanted.

knees and tried to imitate a cow's walk. He got the milk all right, but he surely worked for it.

Bellefonte is hilly, but it can't begin to come up to this town. Up one hill and down another hill all the time. To get on the "Billet" I am in to our mess shack I have to climb a hill steeper than any of the hills in Bellefonte.

I have seen the prettiest country on this trip that I have ever seen in my life. The farms in France are beautiful and are kept as clean as lawns at home.

A big flag raising will take place at the Catholic church in this place on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Col. H. S. Taylor will be the speaker and the public is invited to attend.

Edward I. Gillen, landlord of the Milesburg hotel, suffered another stroke of paralysis on Wednesday morning which affected his entire left side.

A little daughter was born to Lieut. and Mrs. E. R. Taylor on Sunday morning and both mother and baby are getting along splendidly.

R. W. Funk, who will come to Bellefonte from Detroit, Mich., as superintendent of the forge department of the Titan Metal company, has leased a house on the Michaels property north of Bellefonte, better known as the old Shoemaker property, and will move his family there.

John O. Christley, the Harrisburg mail clerk who was convicted of murdering his wife in a fit of jealousy, was electrocuted at the Rockview penitentiary on Monday morning.

There was a rumor on the street on Wednesday that Lieut. E. R. Taylor had been killed in France and a private named Eberhart, of Bellefonte, wounded. How the rumor started cannot be traced but the very fact that the families of the two men received no notice of such a happening, and the government always notifies the friends of soldiers of either a death or injury before giving it to the press stamps the story as a fake.

In discussing the worth of boy farm workers, Lieutenant Governor Frank B. McClain, Secretary-Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Commission of Public Safety and Defense, which has appropriated the money for this work, states that the farmers of Lancaster county, his home county, are astonished at the service rendered by city boys.

The Undine fire company have had their own troubles keeping their big Cadillac hose truck in running condition. Last winter it froze up in the company's building and cracked all the cylinders.

Lightning's Queer Pranks. Wednesday morning's thunder storm was one of the fiercest that has been experienced in this section this summer, and we have had quite a number of them.

Down on the John D. Miller farm below Hubersburg a big tree was struck and literally shivered to pieces, though nothing else in close proximity was damaged.

There is an old saw that lightning never strikes a locust tree but the maxim has been proven incorrect. Up on the Willard Dale farm at Dale's Summit is a locust tree that was struck by a bolt of lightning some time ago and badly shattered.

Tuesday's storm was not very violent hereabouts but down lower Nittany valley it was fierce. The rain was accompanied with hail stones of all sizes and considerable damage was done to growing crops and fruit.

RECEPTION AT THE ACADEMY.

Many People Pay Respect to Rev. James P. Hughes on 50th Anniversary.

The reception at the Bellefonte Academy last Friday evening in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of Rev. James P. Hughes' connection with that institution, proved a very pleasant affair.

The early part of the evening was spent in listening to a concert by Our Boys band, of Milesburg, and their music is worth listening to at any time.

The next speaker was ex-Judge Ellis L. Orvis, and he gave one of his reminiscent talks, beginning with his first knowledge of the Academy and coming down to the present, relating interesting incidents of the history of the institution as well as the life of Mr. Hughes.

Following music by the band the audience called for Mr. Hughes and that venerable gentleman responded in a speech that was marvelous for a man of his age.

Before the audience was dismissed James R. Hughes, headmaster of the Academy, stated that he had an announcement to make regarding the present student body. He told how they had purchased the large flag now floating over the institution; how the minstrels gave three entertainments which netted the Bellefonte Chapter of the Red Cross about five hundred dollars; that they had purchased in the neighborhood of \$700 worth of war savings stamps but still they were not satisfied.

Following the reception at the Academy a dance was held in Bush Arcade hall which was attended by the young people of Bellefonte generally and many friends of the students from out of town.

Field Day and Picnic at State College. Take June 21st off, take your families and lunch baskets and visit The Pennsylvania State College.

The weather these days may be hot but the Scenic is always comfortable, the pictures are always interesting and you get more amusement there for your money than anywhere else in Bellefonte.

Edward L. Gates has tendered his resignation as local editor of the Keystone Gazette to accept the position of editor of the Phillipsburg Ledger, expecting to make the change about the first of July.

NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.

C. T. Fryberger, of Phillipsburg, spent Sunday with friends in Bellefonte.

Miss Elizabeth Parker returned to Somerset Wednesday, after spending two months with Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Parker.

Miss E. Jayne Aiken, who had been in Beaver Falls for several months, joined her mother here last week, expecting to be in Bellefonte until the early fall.

Rev. Frank Wetzel, of Stoyestown, was in Bellefonte last week for the reception at the Bellefonte Academy and to visit his father, the venerable John Wetzel.

Frank Curtin, who had been in Bellefonte two weeks with his father, James Curtin, left Wednesday to return to his home in San Bernardino, California.

Mrs. Martin Fauble, with her daughter, Mrs. Schloss, and Miss Newman drove to Harrisburg Sunday, visiting there until Monday night with Mrs. Fauble's daughters.

Mrs. and Mrs. Philip D. Foster, of State College, left Wednesday for Sparta, Wis., for a visit with their son Harold, in anticipation of his leaving very soon for France.

Mrs. Sim Baum and her daughter Mary leave Altoona today with Mr. and Mrs. Scholl, relatives of Mrs. Baum, on a motor trip to Pittsburgh, expecting to be gone for a week.

Mrs. C. K. Hicklen has rented her house on Logan street to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sloop, and with her daughter, Miss Mary Hicklen, will leave shortly to return to Philadelphia.

Miss Marilla Williams, having finished her work at State College, is now spending a short time with relatives in Bellefonte, before leaving to do war work during the summer.

Miss Grace D. Mitchell has returned from her work at Middlebury, Conn., to spend her vacation with her father, Isaac Mitchell. Miss Mitchell is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Lyon.

J. Miles Kephart came here from Bath, N. Y., where he had been during the winter, intending to spend the summer in Bellefonte. Mr. Kephart is living at the Brockerhoff house.

Miss Anne Keichline drove to Lock Haven Tuesday evening to meet Miss Daise Keichline and Miss Eleanor Parker, both returning from Wilson College for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Beatty returned Sunday from a week's visit in Philadelphia and Atlantic City, where Mrs. Beatty became so ill that she is now in the Bellefonte hospital.

Daniel W. Eberhart returned on Tuesday from his visit to Lewisburg and Middleburg, and has some interesting stories to tell of the Eberhart reunion held at Lewisburg last Thursday.

Miss Cora Campbell, of Punxsutawney, has been in Bellefonte for the past week visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. K. Barnhart and her family, and for whom Mr. Barnhart entertained Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. C. Yeager has been in Harrisburg since Wednesday, going down for the commencement exercises of the Harrisburg High school, her nephew, Walton Kerstetter, being a member of the graduating class.

Dorothy Mallory, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mallory, went to Philadelphia Wednesday, expecting to spend the remainder of the summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Murphy, of Drexel Hill.

After quite an extended visit in Bellefonte with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Lose, Mrs. D. M. Markle left on Sunday afternoon for her home in East Pittsburg, taking with her her grand-daughter, Sarah Lose.

I. L. Harvey will go to Buffalo Monday to attend the International convention of Sunday schools in session there next week. Mr. Harvey will be accompanied by Richard Noll, as delegate from the Presbyterian Sunday school.

Mrs. Jones, wife of Rev. L. V. Jones, pastor of the A. M. E. church, and district president of the Woman's Mite Missionary society of the Pittsburgh conference, was in Tyrone last night and delivered an address in the Bethel church.

Mrs. J. Y. Dale stopped in Bellefonte Monday night on her way to Lemont, where she has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mitchell. Mrs. Dale will join Mrs. David Dale and her daughter here, to spend the summer in Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wagner, of Hershey, and their small daughter, and Mrs. Sarah Neff, of Kittman, Ohio, with her two daughters, have been guests within the past ten days of Mrs. Neff's and Mr. Wagner's mother, Mrs. John Wagner. Mrs. Neff will remain in Bellefonte for some time.

James C. Krape, the very efficient attendant at the Bellefonte hospital, had the misfortune on Monday to sprain his right knee, and as the injury incapacitates him for very active duty, he has been given a week's vacation and left on Wednesday to spend the time with his brother, George A. Krape, at Johnstown.

Mrs. H. W. Tate is a guest of Miss Adaline Otewine, having come to Bellefonte Tuesday to look after the opening of Tate's office, which will be in charge of Dr. R. I. Stevens, who came here from Pittsburgh Monday. Dr. Stevens is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and had been on the faculty of the University of Pittsburgh during the past year.

Col. Emanuel Noll, of Bellefonte; C. T. Fryberger, of Phillipsburg; John Mechtley and W. E. Tate, of Lemont, were among the Centre county old soldiers who attended the G. A. R. encampment at Danville this week. They report about four hundred old veterans in attendance.

John D. Hicks, of Altoona, was elected Department Commander and Lancaster was chosen as the place for meeting next year.

Abram L. Walker, of Osceola Mills, was a Bellefonte visitor on Monday, coming here to attend the treasurer's sale of unseated lands. Mr. Walker is originally from Boggs township but located in Osceola Mills a number of years ago where he follows the occupation of a carpenter, and a mighty good one at that.

Mrs. Theodore Hugh Winters, of Philadelphia, and her small son, Theodore Hugh Jr., arrived in Bellefonte Monday night to join Mrs. Winters' uncle, James R. Hughes, and his family on their annual camping party next week.

The Hughes party will occupy the Harvey bungalow on Marsh creek instead of going to Snow Shoe mountain, as has been their custom. Mrs. Winters will be here for some time, owing to the absence of Lieut. Winters, who is in service on one of the big transports of the U. S. navy, and now making his tenth trip across.

Mrs. D. I. Willard is with Mrs. Kirk at Ridley Park.

Mrs. G. O. Benner, of Centre Hall, spent Wednesday in Bellefonte with friends.

Mrs. Charles Kase, of Sunbury, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spigelmyer.

Mrs. H. B. Shook returned to Williamsport Monday after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. C. M. Bower.

Mrs. Edwin E. Garman went to Phillipsburg yesterday to spend several weeks with her brother, Hon. W. C. Linglie.

M. A. Lansdy left in the beginning of the week on a business trip to Franklin, expecting to be away the balance of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. James McSuley returned to Pittsburgh Sunday, accompanied by John McSuley Jr., who anticipates making his home there.

Miss Mary H. Linn and Miss Mary M. Blanchard left here Tuesday to visit for a week as guests of Mrs. Henry McCormick, of Harrisburg.

Mrs. W. F. Reeder came to Bellefonte two weeks ago from Harrisburg and will live at the Brockerhoff house until leaving for her home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moerschbacher, of Williamsport, and their small child, spent the week-end and the fore part of the week here with Mr. Moerschbacher's family.

Mrs. Leonard Raymond, of Williamsport, and her two daughters, are making their annual visit with Mrs. Raymond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenhoover, of Spring street.

Katherine Guisewhite, of Meadville, is visiting here with her grandmother, Mrs. Amanda Houser, and will be in Centre county with relatives for the greater part of the summer.

Mrs. H. A. Pearce and her two sons have sailed from Panama, to spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cooke, in Baltimore, and with Mr. Pearce's parents at their bungalow in Delaware.

Miss Elizabeth Gephart returned Wednesday from a three week's visit with Mrs. Hiram Hiller, at Chester. Mrs. Hiller and her two daughters are expected in Bellefonte this week, coming here to spend two weeks.

Harry Clevestine, proprietor of the City bakery, has been in Reading this week attending the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Bakers' association. Before returning home he expects to visit in Scranton and Williamsport.

Mrs. John G. Love and her daughter, Miss Katherine Love, will return this week to open their house on Linn street. Having spent the winter in Philadelphia, Mrs. Love will come here from Atlantic City, where she has been for a part of the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Erlenmeyer, with their son, M. L. Erlenmeyer, of Liverpool, motored over to Bellefonte on Sunday and spent the day with Rev. T. Hugh MacLeod and family, returning in the evening and taking Mrs. M. L. Erlenmeyer, who was visiting at her parental home, back with them.

Mrs. C. U. Hoffer, who has been keeping house for her father, C. T. Gerberich for some time past, went over to Phillipsburg last Saturday to spend some time with her daughters and during her absence the Gerberich household will be looked after by Mr. Gerberich's other daughter, Mrs. L. C. Wetzel.

Mr. and Mrs. William Daley and little daughter Virginia, of Bordentown, N. J., arrived in Bellefonte on Sunday afternoon for a visit with Mr. Daley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Daley, on east Lamb street. Mr. Daley returned home on Tuesday evening but Mrs. Daley and daughter will remain for two weeks.

Mrs. George Lentz and her younger daughter, Mildred, will leave early in the week for Stone Glen, a summer settlement on Stony Creek, to open their cottage, which they will occupy for two weeks. Miss Hazel Lentz will join them after a short visit in Harrisburg, and Mr. Lentz has arranged to spend the second week there with his family.

Miss Ellen Hayes, who has finished her post-graduate work in physical culture at Wollsey College, will come to Bellefonte next week to spend the summer vacation with her mother, Mrs. R. G. H. Hayes. Miss Hayes being one of the four selected from her class to do University work, has accepted a position at the Ohio Wesleyan University, her work to begin in September.

Mrs. Mary Emerick and Mrs. John Wilson were in Bellefonte Saturday on their way over the valley from a long visit in the vicinity of Renovo. Mrs. Emerick had been with her daughter Mrs. Adams, since Christmas and was going to visit another daughter, Mrs. Heckman, of Spring Mills, while Mrs. Wilson, who had spent six months with her son, Andrew Wilson, was on her way to Centre Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Harper, of Urbana, Ill., and their two small sons, came to Bellefonte the after part of last week. Mr. Harper, who had come in only to make the trip with his family, returned to his work Wednesday, while Mrs. Harper and the children remained for a two week's visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Willard Barnhart, and with Mr. Harper's mother, Mrs. J. C. Harper.

The Misses Marie and Agnes McGowan and Miss Katherine Neville are all guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McGowan, having come here from Washington, D. C., last week. Miss Neville will be here until after the Case-McGowan wedding next week, while Miss Agnes McGowan will remain home for the present, not having definitely decided as to whether she will resume her work at Washington or go back to Rochester, Minn., where she has spent much of her time since graduating from the Mayo hospital there several years ago.

Capt. W. H. Fry, of Pine Grove Mills, who not only looks after the health of horses, cows, sheep, hogs and cats and dogs within a radius of twenty-five miles of his home, but spends his evenings dishing up the many spicy little items of news gathered in his journeyings for various county papers, still finds time to take a little outside recreation and this week is attending the State encampment of the G. A. R. at Danville. The national encampment this year will be held in Portland, Oregon, and it is hardly likely many Centre countians will attend.

Lost.—On state road, June 1, between Hecla and Zion, a long gray coat. Finder notify Mrs. Richard Lutz, Bellefonte. 24-10

Residents of Benora are going to have another flag raising and big time generally tomorrow evening.