

Country Correspondence

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

ORVISTON.

Mrs. J. H. Slaterbach has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in Blanchard and Mill Hall.

Mrs. Emma Cowdrick, of Altoona, spent a pleasant week with her niece, Mrs. Ira Condo. She returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson and baby Harold are visiting Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gradle, at St. Marys.

Mrs. Philip Dietz spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Packler, at Beech Creek. Since returning her little son Korman has been ill with tonsillitis, but is improving.

Elmer Croll, who was reported as very ill with diabetes, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harry Estright, was removed to the Lock Haven hospital. His condition is considered serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stultz, Mrs. Jake Bowes and Miss Ardella Williams, of Howard, paid a short visit to Mrs. William Lucas, at the upper works. Mrs. Lucas considers such short stays an aggravation, as she likes to have them tarry a while longer.

The Orviston school is now closed for the season, after a very successful term. The kiddies are preparing to enjoy to the utmost the few weeks of vacation. Harry Saunders, who was principal, has accepted a situation with the Centre Brick & Clay Co., in their office. If all goes well, we are informed, he will remove his family to Orviston. We will try to make them welcome and hope they will like our good Orvistonians.

Mrs. Hensyl Young surprised her little daughter Relda, Saturday, by inviting a few of her little friends in honor of her ninth birthday. Those present were Celia Lucas, Margaret Poorman, Florence, Ruth and Louise Barner, Lula Dietz, Gladys Poorman, Dorothea, Helen and Harvey Young. Dainty refreshments were served and the little folks enjoyed themselves very much. Relda received several nice gifts, and declared she was a very happy little lady.

Since the weather has become more like spring should be the young folks have been springing surprises on their friends, J. Edwin Gillespie being one of the favored set. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Cameron, Mrs. William Lucas, Miss Esther Emenhizer, Gretan and Helen Condo, Celia Lucas, Margaret Poorman, Ruth and Florence Barner, Kathryn Miller, Lillian, Edith, Ida, Helen and Ruth Gillespie, Sue Cameron, Tom Cameron, William Gillespie, George Lucas, Leo Condo, Lee and Barnhart Marshall, John Gray, Walter Dietz, Torrence Barner, Lester and Harold Poorman, George Miller, Willard McGill and Merrill Condo. The evening was spent in games and music, after which refreshments were served and the guests departed, wishing their young host many happy returns. He received many useful and handsome gifts. Later in the week the same young folks surprised Jake Walker, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Walker. Jake received many handsome and useful gifts.

RUNVILLE.

George Heaton, of Altoona, was a visitor among his old time friends in this place during the past week.

Mrs. Samuel Irwin and her daughter, of Pittsburgh, are at present visiting at the home of her niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hugg.

Mrs. William Young, of Philadelphia, returned home during the past week, after making a two week's visit with her cousin, Mrs. Joseph Rodgers.

W. C. Walker, of Grampian, was a visitor at the home of his brother, Forde Walker, and also his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shawley, at Fairview.

Mrs. George Jodon, of Akron, Ohio, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Sallie Friel and Mrs. Jennie Walker, and helping to care for her sister, Mrs. Margaret Fetzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson and family and Mrs. James Heaton and son Claude, of Kylertown, autoed to Runville last Sunday and spent the day at the homes of L. J. Heaton and Mrs. Sallie Friel.

Miss Verda Sparks and friend, Miss Mary Huffman, both competent nurses of the Altoona hospital, arrived on Saturday afternoon and made an over Sunday visit at the home of Miss Sparks' parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Sparks. Miss Huffman will remain a few days at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Sparks.

PLEASANT GAP.

Mrs. Rachel Miller anticipates going to Woodland, Beaver county, to remain with Leslie Miller for an indefinite time.

Our state road contractors started work in earnest on Tuesday last. They now have fifty employees, and expect to add more men from time to time. One year ago they paid five dollars a day for laborers, today they pay three dollars, and have no difficulty in getting all the help required. The labor market is surely fluctuating.

Robert Sterritt, of Reedsville, and Miss Helen Grenoble, of Pleasant Gap, were married at DuBois, Pa., on Monday last. Mr. Sterritt is a state concrete inspector, a man quite efficient in his profession. Miss Helen is one of our favorite Pleasant Gap society belles. Their many friends here wish them prosperity and happiness on their journey through life.

When in doubt as to your paper take the "Watchman."

AARONSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boyer had as a guest one day last week Miss Lydia Walter, of Coburn.

Mrs. Mary Beaver has gone to Spring Mills where she expects to remain for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Jacob Kerstetter, of Coburn, spent part of last Thursday afternoon at the home of her uncle, Thomas Hull.

Harold Orwig, of Northumberland, spent Sunday with his grandparents in this place, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bright.

Mrs. Spotts and daughter Dorothy, of Harrisburg, after paying a visit to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Stover, returned home Monday.

Merchant John F. Krape, who has been quite ill, is slowly improving. He is as yet confined to his bed, but able to sit up for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Winklebleck spent a few days in Nittany valley, where Mrs. Winklebleck visited relatives while Mr. Winklebleck attended to some business affairs.

One of our aged men, namely Franklin Detwiler, on Saturday accompanied his son John to his home near Centre Hall, where he will remain for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle spent part of the Sabbath with their son Albert, of Coburn. During the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Mingle, of Bellefonte, motored down and spent a short time with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mingle.

Mr. and Mrs. Meckley and two sons, of Altoona, motored down last Friday. While here they were guests of Mrs. Meckley's sister, Mrs. Henry Mowery. Saturday they went trout fishing but we failed to learn how many fish were caught.

Rufus Beaver, of Millinburg, came up Friday evening and spent Sunday with his uncle, "Squire Stover and family. Mr. Herman, of State College, on Tuesday spent a short time at the Stover home, to which place he came to attend to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fehl have as a guest Mr. Fehl's brother Sumner, who came here Monday from Camden, N. J., where during the winter he had been employed as a carpenter on a large bank building. He will continue his journey to Bellevue, Ohio, which is his home. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fehl, are residents of that place since leaving this town some years ago.

Charles Wolfe wore a smiling face during the past week, the reason why, was the presence of his only son, Fred Wolfe, of Akron, Ohio. Mr. Wolfe is one of our young men who left here after completing his school work and located in Ohio until he was called to serve his country. After his discharge from the army he returned to Akron. Such young men are a great honor to their home town, as well as wherever they may choose to live.

BOALSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Meyer spent Sunday and Monday in Altoona.

L. K. Dale and son Frederic, of Oak Hall, were in town on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. William Stuart and family spent Thursday with friends in Shingletown.

Misses Annie Weber and Annie Lohr transacted business in Bellefonte on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stover and sons were guests of William Stover and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Musser, of Maitland, were guests of Mr. Musser's sister, Mrs. Ada Charles, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Homan and sons, of Oak Hall, spent Sunday at the home of Charles Mothersbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Olsen and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reed, of Bellefonte, were Sunday visitors at the Coxey and Reitz homes.

Mrs. William Meyer entertained a number of friends last Wednesday evening, in honor of her sister, Mrs. Caroline Geary.

Mrs. Henry Hosterman and Mrs. P. S. Ishler were week-end guests of their sons, Charles Hosterman and Russell Ishler, at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Johnson, of Crafton, arrived in town on Friday night to spend some time with Mrs. Johnson's brother, Dr. William Woods, who has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest McGirk and daughter Jane, of Altoona, and Miss Henrietta McGirk, of Bellefonte, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Henry Dale recently.

CENTRE HALL.

Mrs. Mary Crust was taken to the home of her son, C. T. Crust, on Monday.

Mrs. Samuel Shoop visited her sister in Lewistown the early part of the week.

The High school literary society held its last public meeting on Friday evening.

Miss Mary Kennedy returned from a six week's visit with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Bartholomew, in Altoona.

James Keller, son of D. K. Keller, who was employed in a bank in Chester, is at the home of his parents.

Many of our people went to the movie picture, "Way Down East," and all were greatly pleased with the production.

Word came to Rev. R. R. Jones that a son was born in the home of his son, Rev. William Jones. This is the fifth child in the family but the first boy.

Miss Hazel Emery returned from visiting her sister in Altoona, last week, bringing her friend, Miss Helen Weidensaul, along for a visit of several weeks.

A student body from State College, consisting of about a dozen ladies and gentlemen visited our town on Saturday night and Sunday, and conducted some very interesting meetings in the Grange hall and several of the churches.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church realized quite a nice sum from their "Bake" last Saturday. As a suggestion our five congregations might agree upon a plan whereby the towns-

people would be supplied with freshly baked delicacies every week,—each church taking its turn.

News of Pennsylvanias Lodges.

On the evening of the 13th the Centre Hall Rebekahs, upon previous invitation from the Spring Mills Lodge, went to Spring Mills, seventy-five strong, where the Centre Hall degree team conferred the degree upon five candidates. Their work was most efficiently and effectively done. Centre Hall Rebekah degree team is credited with being one of the best, if not the best, in the county.

After an evening well spent in good fellowship and the exchange of ideas, the Spring Mills ladies furnished a very tasty and elaborate luncheon of sandwiches, cake, ice cream and coffee.

On the night of March 17th the P. O. S. of A., of Centre Hall presented the "Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock," given by Major H. H. Hendershott and his son. The entertainment they gave proved very unsatisfactory to the Camp committee and most of the ticket holders.

In order to give people their money's worth the P. O. S. of A. at once engaged Rev. Charles Hunter, State chaplain of the P. O. S. of A., of Philadelphia, to lecture on "American Ideals." They issued reserve seat tickets free of charge to all ticket holders of the Hendershott entertainment.

In connection with the lecture the High school girls, drilled by Miss Isabel Rowe, assistant principal of the High school, gave a spring-time drill and a flag drill, both of which indicated that the instructor and pupils were "on the job."

The Misses Rowe, Isabel, Verna and Ethel, assisted by Miss Carrabelle Emrick, all togged out in Irish costumes of their own make, contributed a most pleasing part of the program by rendering Irish songs, etc. They were credited with being very much better than some of the lycium numbers that come to the town.

Rev. Hunter's lecture was timely and proved highly satisfactory. He is a lecturer of most pleasing personality, has a voice and delivery that any one can be proud of, and "he hits the nail on the head." The local talent work was highly commendable. Through this P. O. S. of A. proved that they always endeavor to "come clean."

On the evening of the 15th the Knights of the Golden Eagle degree team from Millheim, accompanied by a number of other members, came to Centre Hall and conferred the three degrees on a class of six young men. Their work was very efficient and they are to be congratulated upon the fact that they did such good work on three different degrees. Millheim K. G. E. is wide-awake. Centre Hall has just recently woke up after a sleep of some few years, and expect to keep awake from now on and add to their ranks.

Large delegations of the K. G. E. from Bellefonte and Spring Mills were also present. A Mr. Haas, a traveling man from Shamokin, for fifteen years a Deputy Grand Chief, was also present and gave the unwritten work of all degrees and otherwise contributed toward a successful night's instruction and pleasures.

Centre Hall contributed their share by furnishing all the sandwiches, pickles, ice cream, cake, and coffee. That those present could put "under their belts."

On the night of April 18th Rev. M. C. Drumm and E. S. Ripka, of Centre Hall, attended a P. O. S. of A. meeting in Lock Haven, at which the Lock Haven camp initiated fifty-eight members for Salona camp. Salona had a membership of sixty-two. This addition indicates that they must be all real Americans in and about Salona. It would be a fine thing if all sections would wake up to the extent that Salona has. Large delegations were present from all surrounding camps.

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TEN THINGS TO REMEMBER.

- 1. Remember that everything that is alive can feel. Sometimes there are too many insects, and they have to be killed. When they must die, kill them as quickly and as mercifully as you can.
2. Remember that cruelty grows like other sins if not checked.
3. Remember that to take pleasure in seeing animals hurt or killed shows that something is terribly wrong in our nature.
4. Remember your pets—if you keep any—and see that they do not starve while you live in plenty.
5. Remember that cats and dogs want fresh water where they can get at it.
6. Boys who drive donkeys or horses should remember that they must go slowly when they have loads to drag and that the poor animals are made of flesh and blood. Blows will make them weak and less able to work. Angry words frighten and wear them out. Use the whip as little as possible, and encourage them with kind words.
7. When you are inclined to throw stones at living creatures, stop and think: "How should I like to be bruised and to get my bones broken for fun?" The boy who hurts or teases small, weak animals, robs nests, or gives pain to gentle creatures, is a coward.
8. Remember that though animals cannot talk like men, they can understand much that we say. Learn to govern them by kind words instead of blows.
9. Remember that the girl who wears feathers in her hat, taken from a bird killed on purpose, is doing a cruel thing.
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