

Democratic Watchman

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.

—Mr. and Mrs. George A. Beezer and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Funk were hosts at a dinner dance given at the Country club Thursday evening of last week.

—Bellefonte's summer clean-up campaign will open the first week in May. Join in the good work and do YOUR share in adding to the beauty and health of the town.

—Whooping cough and mumps are quite prevalent in Bellefonte, fifty per cent. of the scholars in one school being out on account of illness with one or the other of the ailments.

—The annual rummage sale, for the benefit of the hospital will be held in the Undine hose house, Tuesday, May 3rd. All donations may be sent to Mrs. Joseph Massey, on Bishop street.

—The State Senate on Monday passed a bill increasing the marriage license fee fifty cents; probably to help raise the money to pay the increased salary of job holders at Harrisburg.

—A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Payne last Thursday night, and on Sunday morning the Stork also left a little daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lester Musser.

—The Watchman's prediction of three weeks ago that the dividend on Pennsylvania railroad stock would be reduced to 4% was verified by the board of directors Wednesday, when they took formal action to that effect.

—You don't need to wait for Main's circus for good entertainment, go to the scenic and see the motion pictures. There you will get two hours of real enjoyment watching the latest productions from the best producers in America.

—A. C. Grove, the tea-salesman, had a stroke of hard luck on Monday evening when his horse literally dropped dead in the shafts, just opposite Beezer's garage on north Water street. The carcass was removed by the Boggs township horse undertakers.

—Charles M. Heisler has sold his home on north Spring street to Maurice B. Runkle, for \$4,200. Possession will not be given, however, until October first, when Mr. and Mrs. Heisler will move into the house on south Spring street now occupied by the Runkles.

—Just eighty-nine tickets were sold at Bellefonte Saturday night for the Pennsylvania railroad's excursion to Washington. Others joined the excursion down through Pennsylvania, so that there was a good trainload of sightseers who journeyed to Washington for the day.

—The plans of Robert DeGolyer, one of Chicago's leading architects, have been accepted by W. G. Souder for his fourteen-story modern fireproof apartment hotel, which is to be erected within the coming year on the ocean front at Chelsea, Atlantic City. While Mr. DeGolyer has spent little time in Bellefonte, Mrs. DeGolyer, who was Miss Eleanor Harris, lived the greater part of her earlier life here with her mother, Mrs. Louisa V. Harris.

—Just before the fire broke out on the Garman dwelling on Tuesday morning Mrs. Rebekah Cruse had removed her diamond ring from her finger and placed it on the bedside. In the excitement of the fire she forgot all about it until the fire was over. Inasmuch as the ring was a very valuable one, when Mrs. Cruse discovered her loss she was almost frantic, and promptly started a search for her jewelry. Others joined in and the ring was finally found on the ground about the middle of the street and was not damaged in any way.

—Completely remodeled throughout, thoroughly renovated from top to bottom, with new carpets and new furniture, the Brokerhoff house will be reopened to the public on Sunday, May 8th, with M. A. Landy in charge. This hotel has been closed since the first of last October and so many changes and improvements have been made on the interior arrangements that old patrons will hardly recognize it as the same place. The hotel will be conducted on the American plan and no efforts will be spared to cater to the comfort and convenience of its guests.

—Gray and George Rockey, of Buffalo Run, had quite a thrilling experience on Sunday afternoon, but fortunately escaped with little injury to themselves and only minor damages to their Ford touring car. They were coming in the state highway from Pleasant Gap and near the sharp curve at Griffith's they were crowded to the side of the road by a big touring car passing them from the rear. In fact their one front wheel was down over the curb and the driver turned the steering wheel sharply around in order to get back onto the road and when the car did climb the curb it did it so quickly that he had no time to right the wheels and the car ran across the road and down a six foot fill into Logan's branch. Miraculously as it may seem it did not overturn but stopped right in the middle of the stream standing on its four wheels. One of the young men had his thumb bruised and skinned and that was the only injury aside from a shaking up. On Monday Samuel Poorman, of the Poorman garage, Bellefonte, went out and pulled the car out of the creek and towed it into Bellefonte. It was very little damaged.

Money Raised to Keep Abramsen Engineering Co., Plant in Bellefonte.

Last week the "Watchman" told of the efforts being made to sell fifty thousand dollar's worth of stock in the Abramsen Engineering company in order to keep the plant in Bellefonte, and it can now be definitely announced that the stock has all been placed and Bellefonte has done its part toward not only keeping the plant here but assisting in a reorganization which it is confidently believed will in the course of time mean a very much bigger industry than it is at the present.

The Abramsen Engineering company heretofore has been made up of two interests, the Abramsen and the Sutton, both of Pittsburgh. For various reasons they decided to separate. Mr. Blair Sutton, now assistant manager of the Pittsburgh Crucible Steel company, made the proposition to Bellefonte people that if they would sell fifty thousand dollar's worth of stock here he would raise the balance of the money necessary, about seventy-five thousand dollars, in Pittsburgh with which to buy out the Abramsen interests and afford ample working capital for the reorganized company. The entire amount of money could have been raised in Pittsburgh, but contingent on the fact that the plant be moved to that place.

Naturally this is one thing that Bellefonte don't want to see happen. Ever since the Abramsen Engineering company has been in business they have gone along without making much noise or bluster but they have been busy all the time without any shut-downs. In fact it is one of the best industries in Bellefonte, and that is the big reason why the town couldn't afford to lose it. Under the circumstances Robert F. Hunter and several other gentlemen who are always willing to work for the interests of the town, got busy and with the co-operation of the Business Men's Association inaugurated a concerted movement for the sale of the stock. On Tuesday morning the total amount was sold and now Bellefonte has done its part toward keeping the plant here and also making it in part a local enterprise.

Man Jailed for Robbing Brother-in-Law.

Thomas Getwalt, of Snow Shoe, was placed under arrest on Wednesday morning and placed in the Centre county jail on the charge of robbing his brother-in-law, ex-County Treasurer David Chambers. Mr. Getwalt worked for Mr. Chambers and about six weeks ago he discovered in some way that the genial Republican county chairman was keeping considerable cash and Liberty bonds in his home. Along about Easter Mr. Chambers missed some of his cash and bonds but at the time was unable to account for its disappearance. More of the valuable stuff was taken until the amount footed up to approximately \$1800.

In the meantime suspicion was directed to Getwalt because of the unusual amount of money he was spending on a young lady of Snow Shoe and a watch was kept upon him. On Tuesday morning Mr. Chambers left on a trip to Harrisburg and Getwalt probably thought that an opportune time for disappearing, so Wednesday morning he took the train from Snow Shoe. Sheriff Dukeman was notified and he went to Snow Shoe Intersection and arrested the man on suspicion. A search of his clothing failed to reveal any unusual amount of money but hidden inside the lining of his grip were \$631.92 in cash and \$250 in Liberty bonds. After being brought to Bellefonte and put in jail he admitted the theft.

Threshermen's Meeting.

A special meeting of the Centre County Threshermen and Farmer's Protective association will be held in the grand jury room at the court house on Saturday, April 30th, at 10 a. m. This will be an important meeting. Reports from the state convention will be made, and a report from the Pennsylvania Threshermen and Casualty Co., of the first year's business, in which all employers of labor are interested. This is the only company that insures the owner and employer. Don't fail to attend this meeting and bring your neighbor along.

Christian Endeavor Rally.

The next Christian Endeavor rally of the Bellefonte district will be held at Centre Line on Thursday evening, May 5th, at 8 o'clock. A strong debating team will debate the question, "Resolved, That the church of the future should have and conduct its own moving pictures." Many live questions will be discussed and the Centre Line quartette will sing. All persons wishing to attend by going in bus should report not later than Tuesday evening, May 3rd, to Roy H. Grove, William J. Sager, C. D. Young or Rev. G. E. Smith.

Big Reward for Forest Fire Incendiaries.

Gifford Pinchot, the State's chief forester has announced that the reward of \$250 offered by the Department of Forestry for information leading to the arrest and conviction of incendiaries starting forest fires, will be paid to any person except foresters, rangers, and others employed by the department on a full-time basis. Forest fire wardens, temporary laborers and others temporarily employed by the hour or day, are included among those eligible for the reward.

New Postmaster for State College.

The first postmaster to lose his job in Centre county under the new administration is Robert M. Foster, at State College, his successor being James M. Williams, who was appointed last Friday. Mr. Williams has been a resident of the College for twenty-five years or longer and for some years past has been engaged in the tinning business. Of course he is a stand-pat Republican and has been one of the reliable workers in that town for some time. Now that the political ax has been put into commission it is likely to be worked overtime.

First of May Movings.

When vacating the Potter house on Linn street, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heilhecker will store their furniture and go to Mrs. Newcomer's, on Curtin street, expecting to take possession of the house while Mrs. Newcomer is away on an extended visit.

Dr. Rogers will go from High street to his own home, which the Heilheckers leave, and Mrs. Warfield with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Craig, will take possession of the house vacated by the Rogers family.

Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Nissley are preparing to move into their own new home on Spring street, which Mrs. J. A. Woodcock left this week.

Reformed Church Classis to Meet at Howard.

The West Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed church will be held at Howard during the month of May and in connection with the announcement of the Lewistown Gazette states that out of the twenty-one charges in the Classis only three have paid in full their classical apportionment for the year ending March 1st, 1921. The three banner charges are Lewistown, State College and Lewisburg. The rating of the entire twenty-one charges is as follows:

Mifflinburg 73 per cent; Lewisburg 100 per cent; Bellefonte 80 per cent; Aronsburg 15 per cent; Williamsport 87 per cent; Lock Haven 87 per cent; Boalsburg 52 per cent; Centre Hall 50 per cent; Lewistown 100 per cent; Selinsgrove 46 per cent; Buffalo valley none paid; Nittany valley 70 per cent; Hubersburg 72 per cent; Susquehanna 5 per cent; Beaver Springs 60 per cent; State College 100 per cent; White Deer 75 per cent; Freeburg 15 per cent; Fremont 37 per cent; Rebersburg 37 per cent; New Berlin none paid.

In the year 1918 the West Susquehanna Classis was the only Classis in the Eastern Synod of the Reformed church that paid its classical apportionment in full.

Much Interest Manifested in Children's Week.

The interest manifested in children's week services in Bellefonte demonstrates the fact that church going people have the welfare of the child at heart and will co-operate in any and every movement for its interest and welfare. The meeting in Petrikia hall last Sunday afternoon was well attended and a very inspiring talk was made by Rev. McClintock, of Phillipsburg. Upwards of three hundred children attended the story hour at the Lutheran church at four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Louise Hoffer entertained them with a number of interesting stories, and later they were all treated to ice cream cones. It took just 262 cones to go around.

One of the interesting features of the week will be the pageant, "The Rights of a Child," to be held in the evening. Elaborate preparations have been made for this pageant and the indications are that a large audience will be in attendance.

Sunday afternoon there will be a street parade of all the Sunday schools in Bellefonte. It will take place at 2:30 o'clock, weather permitting, and will be led by the I. O. O. F. band. As this will be the closing demonstration there should be a large turnout.

Pilot Drove Plane Through Hughes Field Fence.

A new pilot was put in service on the aerial mail route on Tuesday to take the place of pilot Vonnatta, who was seriously injured at Mitchell field, N. Y., last Friday when his plane back-slipped and fell to the ground, and he made his first flight from New York to Bellefonte on Tuesday. He got through in good time but when he attempted to land on the field he misjudged the distance and failed to keep his landing wheels in contact with the ground sufficiently to stop the course of the plane with the result that it was evident he would crash into the high board fence surrounding Hughes field. He then attempted to take to the air again but unfortunately he was too close to the fence and he flew right through it, smashing the fence and running out to the middle of the field before the plane stopped. Of course the machine was badly damaged but the pilot escaped with minor injuries.

A number of men were working on Hughes field getting it in shape for the summer athletics and among them were Frank Doll and Luther Hughes. It just happened that at the time of the accident they were sitting on the bank along the east fence and the plane crashed through within twenty-five feet of them. While neither one was injured in the least they were both badly frightened and lost no time in getting away from that locality.

The Week that Makes the Summer Safe.

The State Department of Health asked the officers and residents of every city, borough and township of Pennsylvania to devote a week, beginning April 11th, to the interest of better citizenship and better health by removing and properly disposing of the accumulated waste of the winter; by cleaning the houses, schools, public buildings, stores, places of amusement, waiting rooms and other places of habitation and resort; by eliminating the breeding places of flies, and by making provision for sanitary disposal of kitchen waste, garbage and sewage. This week to be known as The Week that Makes the Summer Safe.

In this community, it was found best to postpone the opening of this clean-up campaign until next week, beginning May second. It will be inaugurated by an educational feature known as Fly Week, under the direction of the State Health Department and, in Bellefonte, will have Mrs. Dave Washburn in charge of the North ward; Miss Daise Keichline, the South ward, and Elizabeth Meek, the West ward. They will be assisted by health crusaders from the public schools.

Motion pictures on the menace of the house fly will be shown, through the courtesy of T. Clayton Brown; lantern slide lectures given in the public schools and Academy; posters displayed in prominent places and literature distributed to every family in the community. A pathscope will carry the motion pictures to rural communities and every borough and township in the county will conduct Fly Week under a special committee.

The remainder of the clean-up work in Bellefonte will be conducted as in previous years, by the Civic committee of the Woman's club, of which Mary G. Meek is chairman, and the following members:

Mrs. Wilbur Baney, Miss Mary Blanchard, Mrs. T. Clayton Brown, Mrs. J. Theodore Cherry, Mrs. C. D. Casbeer, Mrs. James Clark, Mrs. Clevan Dinges, Mrs. D. Wagner Geiss, Mrs. Joseph Garbrick, Mrs. Oscar Gray, Mrs. R. G. H. Hayes, Mrs. Augustus Heverley, Miss Anna Hoy, Miss Mary Hoy, Mrs. Jacob Hoy, Mrs. Harry Keller, Miss Daise Keichline, Mrs. Charles Keichline, Mrs. John G. Love, Miss Anna McCoy, Mrs. Joseph Massey, Miss Mary McGarvey, Mrs. G. F. Musser, Mrs. W. Fred Reynolds, Miss Lillian Rankin, Mrs. John Shugert, Mrs. Helen Shugert, Mrs. Edward Struble, Mrs. Louis Schad, Mrs. Alexander Scott, Mrs. James Seibert, Mrs. C. C. Shuey Miss E. M. Thomas, Mrs. Wilbur Twintire, Miss Emily Valentine, Mrs. John S. Walker, Miss Vera Willard, Mrs. George Waite, Mrs. Christ Young.

Aeroplane Built at Bellefonte Aviation Field.

For some time past the mechanics at the Bellefonte aviation field have been putting in their spare moments in building an aeroplane, a DeHavilland Four, such as is used by the Post-office Department in the aerial mail service. Of course it must not be understood that the local mechanics fashioned every part of the plane out of the raw material, because they did not. Neither did they merely assemble the plane out of all new parts. Some of the parts were new, some material was secured from wrecked planes and some parts were made by the men in their own shop. They also painted and finished the machine complete and to give it an individuality all its own painted it a canary color with black trimmings. The ship was dedicated to Slim Lewis and the word "Slim" was painted in large black letters on the fuselage.

The plane got its first tryout last Saturday afternoon when Slim took it up on a test flight. He made two test flights then left for New York in the ship. As evidence of the stability of the ship Lewis was in the air three hours before landing in New York, having been caught in a succession of hard rain storms, but he got through and landed safely. In fact the regular mail plane left Bellefonte quite a while before Lewis did and was compelled to come to earth on account of the storm, but Lewis stuck to his ship and got through. He also flew the ship back to Bellefonte on Monday, leaving it here and continuing the trip to Cleveland in another plane.

Naturally the entire force at the Bellefonte field have cause to feel a certain amount of pride in their accomplishment. It demonstrates the fact that they are expert mechanics and able to handle any job that comes their way, even to building new ships.

The Bellefonte Academy minstrels are just three weeks away and according to advance tips they will give an entertainment worth seeing. The minstrels this year will include some of the best musical talent that has ever been enrolled at the Academy and they have a choice collection of new song and musical hits which are sure to prove very popular. The fifteen Bellefonte young ladies who will take part are getting along splendidly with their part of the performance and will surely make a big hit. Inasmuch as the minstrels this year will be given as a benefit for the Bellefonte firemen they should be liberally patronized both nights. Keep in mind the dates, Thursday and Friday, May 19th and 20th, and be sure to get your tickets in advance.

—Growing girls' oxfords, gun metal calf, low heel, size 2 1/2 to 7, D and E width, at \$4.50 pair.—Cohen Co. 17-1t

NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Spangler spent the fore part of last week in Philadelphia, returning to Bellefonte Thursday.

—Mrs. G. O. Benner, of Centre Hall, was in Bellefonte Tuesday, spending the time while here in the stores and with friends.

—Miss Eliza M. Thomas will return to Bellefonte next week, after spending the winter with Mrs. Wistar Morris at Overbrook.

—Mrs. E. S. Harrar, of Williamsport, was in Bellefonte this week visiting with her daughter, Mrs. James C. Furst, and her family.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Mitchell, who have been in Mississippi for the greater part of the past two years, are expected to come to Bellefonte in May, to open their home on Allegheny street.

—Miss Elizabeth Galbraith, accompanied by Miss Daise Keichline, went to Cresson yesterday, where Miss Galbraith, who has been in ill health for the past year, will remain for an indefinite time.

—Mrs. A. B. Cromer is expected in Bellefonte within a short time, for a visit with her father, Homer Crissman, and the family. This will be Mrs. Cromer's first visit home since her return from Paris, where she and Mr. Cromer spent the winter.

—Mrs. F. H. Thomas is visiting at Bronxville, N. Y., with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Gephart and the family, having gone over last week with Mr. Thomas, who went east for a business meeting of the board of directors of the B. C. R. R. Co., held in Philadelphia.

—Mrs. Miller Stewart and her daughter, Miss Margaret, are expected in Bellefonte this week. Miss Stewart has been with her brother, Dr. Walter Stewart, in Wilkes-Barre, for the greater part of the winter, her mother joining her there several weeks ago.

—Mrs. John Lorenzo, of Houtzdale, and her son Daniel, have been guests this week of Mrs. Jacob Rapp and her daughters, Misses Regina and Ruth Rapp, at their home on Halfmoon hill. Mrs. Lorenzo is spending the time here while Mr. Lorenzo is on a business trip to Virginia.

—Mrs. M. B. Garman and her brother, Charles A. Lukenbach, with Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Kilpatrick as motor guests, left Monday morning on a drive to Detroit, where Mr. Lukenbach will remain to resume his work. Intending to dispose of her car while west, Mrs. Garman and Dr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick will return to Bellefonte by train.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lance, of Lewisburg, were over night guests this week, of Mrs. Lance's brother, Harry Badger and his family at their home on Bishop street. Mr. and Mrs. George Lance came to Bellefonte from Lock Haven, where they had been attending the I. O. O. F. convention, going directly from here to Lewisburg on Wednesday.

—Among the many visiting Knights who were here for the thirteenth anniversary of the installation of Bellefonte Council K. C. last Sunday, was our old friend, Fred Beezer. He motored over from his home in Phillipsburg that morning with Mr. Johnston and between the exercises and greeting his many friends here he was a busy man for a day.

—Grier Foresman, of Philadelphia, who is spending the summer with his grandmother, Mrs. Sides, at Jersey Shore, walked to Alto two weeks ago, for a visit with the George Thompson family, relatives of his mother. Coming to Bellefonte Saturday, Grier spent the week-end with Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Callaway, hiking it back to Jersey Shore this week.

—A. G. Morris and his daughter, Miss Lida, returned home this week from the south, where they have been since February. Coming north from Florida several weeks ago, they stopped at Columbia, N. C., for a visit with friends, the trip from there home being made this week. Mr. Morris and his daughter opened their home on Linn street immediately upon arriving in Bellefonte.

—James E. Solt, of the Solt auto garage, Frederick, Md., was a "Watchman" office caller yesterday morning, having come back to Centre county for a few days' fishing. Mr. Solt is a native of Centre county, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Solt, who for years resided in Centre Hall. Though he has been away from Centre county for thirty years he generally manages to get back every year or two for a few days' trout fishing.

—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cook and their daughter Miss Grace, who left here early in February for Florida, where they were detained on account of the serious illness of Miss Cook, have been able to come north as far as Asheville, the time for the remainder of the journey home depending entirely upon Miss Cook's condition. Should the improvement continue, Mr. Cook will leave his wife and daughter and return home as soon as possible, expecting them to follow him as soon as his daughter's health permits.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Krum, of Watsonstown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hartranft from Friday until Sunday. Mr. Krum, who is an uncle of Mrs. Hartranft, is a retired railroader and their trip to Bellefonte was the beginning of an extended sight-seeing jaunt. On leaving Bellefonte they went to Washington, D. C., and from there will go to California, stopping enroute at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and other places. The length of their stay in the Golden State will depend entirely on how they enjoy their visit there.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Gardner spent Monday and Tuesday in Bellefonte with Mrs. Gardner's mother, Mrs. Strickland, on their way back to Johnstown after a week's visit at Mackeyville. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner had been guests of Mr. Gardner's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardner, on their farm, which is one of the most attractive country homes between Bellefonte and Lock Haven. Situated a short distance off the state highway, and having a stocked trout stream close by the house, the place has a very delightful location.

—Josh Billings, the man who looks after the newspaper advertising with the Walter L. Main shows, was a pleasant caller at this office on Monday morning. Of course we don't want our readers to confuse this Josh Billings with Josh, the humorist, as they are two distinct individuals, because the humorist, whose real name was Henry Wheeler Shaw, has read these many years, while this Josh is very much alive and plays an important part in seeing that the big Main show gets plenty of newspaper advertising to herald its wonders broadcast throughout the country. Mr. Billings accompanied the first advertising car which came to Bellefonte on Sunday morning and on Monday bill posters plastered the country round about with big posters announcing May 9th as the day it will exhibit in Bellefonte.

—Miss Josephine Decker left Tuesday for a visit of several weeks with friends in Pittsburgh.

—Herbert Gerrity, of Tyrone, was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Gerrity.

—Mrs. Maher, of Lancaster, and her two children, are visiting in Bellefonte, guests of Mrs. Maher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Heverly.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schlow are entertaining Mrs. Stella Brieger, of New York. Mrs. Brieger will be in Bellefonte for several weeks.

—Lester Mills represented the Beaver Commandery No. 68 of the P. O. S. of A., at the Commandery General convention held in Huntingdon this week.

—Mrs. Charles P. Fox, of Penlyn, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Murray Andrews, and will also visit with the Misses Anne and Caroline Valentine before leaving Bellefonte.

—Mrs. Prue Haines, a former resident of Bellefonte, came over from Phillipsburg this week for the funeral of Mrs. John Powers. Mrs. Haines was a guest of Miss M. C. Snyder during her stay.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lycurgus Lingle, of Centre Hall, were "Watchman" office callers Friday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Lingle had come to Bellefonte to attend to some business matters and do some shopping.

—James C. Waddle, of Lock Haven, one of the older residents of this section of the State, and one who has always had many friends and many interests in Bellefonte, spent the after part of last week here with some of his relatives.

—Mrs. Della Miller will go to Washington today, as a guest of her daughter, Miss Lucy Miller, who has been a government telephone employee since the opening of the war. Mrs. Miller's visit will cover a period of a week or ten days.

—Among the "Watchman" office visitors yesterday morning was Mrs. J. L. Treasler, of Centre Hall, and she lightened the work of the editor and made the day much pleasanter by telling us how much she and her family enjoy reading this paper.

Two Costly Fires During Week.

Just about eleven o'clock on Tuesday morning fire was discovered on the roof of the double house on Jail hill occupied by Joseph Nolan and family and Mrs. Rebekah Cruse and family, and though the firemen responded promptly the flames spread so rapidly that it was impossible to overcome them until the entire top portion of the house had been burned away. The roof of the Edwin F. Garman residence, standing very close to the burning building, also caught fire but the firemen managed to extinguish the flames before they did very much damage.

As soon as the fire alarm sounded the Bellefonte Academy was dismissed and the students flocked to the scene of the conflagration and mainly through their efforts practically everything belonging to the Nolan and Cruse families was gotten out of the burning building except the ranges in the kitchens. Some of the furniture was also carried out of the E. F. Garman house when it looked as if, also, would become a prey to the flames.

Mr. Nolan works in Pittsburgh and, while he was home over Sunday, he had returned to work so was not at home when the fire occurred. How it originated is not definitely known, but it is believed to have been from a defective flue. The house belongs to the Garman estate and was insured. Mrs. Cruse also had insurance on her furniture, but little of it was destroyed. Mrs. Nolan had no insurance, but aside from what little damage may have been done in the handling of her furniture her loss will be nominal. The worst feature will be in both families finding some place to locate until the house can be rebuilt, owing to the scarcity of houses in Bellefonte.

BARN BURNED ON LINN STREET.

Last Thursday night about 10:30 o'clock the barn on the S. B. Miller property on east Linn street was discovered to be on fire and though the fire companies responded promptly to the alarm the entire building was in flames when they got there and it was impossible to save the structure. W. J. Musser had a cultivator in the building and Mrs. W. E. Gray had some old dishes and other articles stored therein, all of which were destroyed. The building, of course, was insured. Inasmuch as there was no fire near the building and no one had been working in or around it during the day the origin of the fire is unknown.

—Beginning May 5th and ending September 9th all the hardware stores in Bellefonte will close Thursday afternoon of each week, proprietors and clerks taking a half holiday.

Special Notice.

Dr. David B. Rubin, eyesight specialist of Harrisburg, who has been coming to Bellefonte for years, will be at the Mott drug store on Saturday, May 14th. Attractive offers are made for this trip only. There is no charge for examining your eyes and no drops are used. See Dr. Rubin if your eyes are giving you any trouble. 66-17-2t

—Men's English and round toe mahogany oxfords, Goodyear welts, perforated warp, rubber heels, the kind that sold for \$10.00, special at \$6.50 pair.—Cohen Co. 17-1t

Notice to Bellefonte Taxables.

ALL PROPERTY AND PERSONAL TAXES up to year 1921, in Bellefonte borough are to be paid at once—BY ORDER OF DEPARTMENTS. TENANTS' personal property is liable for taxes where they live, if not paid by owners; they can protect same by paying rent to COLLECTOR on TAXES. WAGES are subject to attachment for school TAX. Are YOUR TAXES paid? If not see after same at once. 66-16-3t