

Country Correspondence

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

PINE GROVE MENTION.

The family horse owned by J. H. McCracken died last Thursday evening. Auctioneer Leslie Harpster spent Friday at Huntingdon on a business trip.

Mrs. Sue Peters spent last week plying her needle among old friends at Oak Hall.

J. Arthur Peters, wife and family, of Oak Hall, spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mrs. Mary Dale spent Saturday in Bellefonte inspecting the fall and winter styles in hats.

Mrs. Imell, of Altoona, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Lutton, at the Lutheran parsonage.

George W. Louck and little family are now snugly fixed up in their new home on east Main street.

Mrs. Dora McCormick, of Hublersburg, is visiting friends in town and taking in the Chautauqua.

The C. M. Trostle family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Trostle, near State College.

Andrew Jackson Tate and son Samuel, of State College, spent Monday afternoon greeting friends in town.

Farmer Daniel Irvin is having copper lightning rods installed on his new barn. Simon Ward has the job in hand.

Mrs. John Fortney, of Boalsburg, on Sunday entertained the Dannley families, from Ohio and a number of other friends.

Our Chautauqua, held in the I. O. O. F. hall the early part of the week proved most interesting and was a success in every way.

Ed Frank is gunning for the fellow who sent his pet spaniel to dog heaven last Friday. The little animal was run over by an automobile.

Band leader W. K. Corl has been quite ill for two weeks and his condition is not improving as rapidly as his friends would like to see.

Every indication points to plenty of game on Tussey mountain, both big and little, and it all appears to be well fed and in good condition.

Forty or more members of the Christian Endeavor society from hereabouts attended the big rally at State College on Sunday evening.

The venerable D. L. Dennis suffered a severe chill on Wednesday evening of last week on his way home from Lutheran Synod, but is now recovering therefrom.

Mrs. Ed. Grapp was in town on Friday shopping and securing some material to complete the new family cottage at Erbtown before extreme cold weather sets in.

That prince of good fellows, Ira G. Burket, of Stormstown, spent Tuesday afternoon in town greeting old chums and getting some fixin's for his Oldsmobile at the Ward garage.

Merchant George R. Dunlap's new store room is almost completed, the new counters and shelving being put in place. The front is entirely of glass and the room will be one of the most desirable in town.

We are always willing to stand by our guns. In reporting the receipts and expenditures of the Lutheran church last week we gave the balance on hand as \$5.40, but the type made it \$540. Quite a difference.

Dr. J. Calvin Johnstonbaugh and wife motored up from Bethlehem and spent some time at the home of our village blacksmith, W. A. Collins, his brother-in-law. The doctor is here for the big doings at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Deitrick are mourning the death of their first born, their baby girl, Maybelle, who passed away Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon in the Pine Hill cemetery. Rev. J. W. Long officiated.

The Dannley touring party from Ohio, mention of whom was made last week, spent Friday on the top of Tussey mountain where John Dennis Dannley, the fourth, placed the capstone on the line marker between Centre and Huntingdon counties.

W. K. Corl is making arrangements to return to his farm next spring and P. W. Corl, who now occupies the same, will move onto the W. H. Goss farm.

Ed. Harpster will move onto the J. M. Watt farm in the Glades and Mr. Elder will retire and live on easy street.

A party of hikers went over old Tussey on Sunday to inspect the new hunting club recently erected on the bank of Roaring run. In the crowd were Edgar Hess and sister Emma, Mary and Hazel Thompson, A. L. and George Burwell, Anna Krebs, J. G. Martin and Charles Louck. The club house is the property of the Pine Grove Rod and Gun club and is 18x28 feet in size with a big front porch the entire length. It has a basement, a lobby and cook room on the second floor and sleeping apartments on the third floor.

CENTRE HALL.

Mrs. Sheridan Garis, of Altoona, spent Sunday in Centre Hall at the home of William Slick.

Miss Margaret Jacobs, on of our most obliging "hello girls," is enjoying a well-earned vacation.

The pastor of the Presbyterian church, Rev. J. Max Kirkpatrick, is now driving a new Ford sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lambert and baby left for Mrs. Lambert's home in Memphis, Tenn., on Tuesday morning.

"Measles" are trump in Centre Hall just now, making school attendance very poor. A number of chil-

dren in all the grades are kept out of school by the "measly things."

Miss Elsie Moore, who has been ill for five weeks, was taken to the Bellefonte hospital for an X-ray examination on Wednesday morning.

The temperance lecture in the Evangelical church on Tuesday evening drew a good crowd in spite of the inopportune thunder showers.

Mrs. Samuel Shoop is not able to be in the restaurant at present, as she is suffering from a physical break-down, probably caused by overwork.

BOALSBURG.

Mrs. Leonidas Mothersbaugh spent Saturday at State College.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuhn on Sunday.

Rev. William Wagner, of State College, spent Friday in town.

Rumor has it that we are to have a new garage in the near future.

Mrs. Godshall, of Centre Mills, spent several days among friends in town.

Mrs. John Charles was admitted to the Bellefonte hospital for an operation.

Mrs. Myra McKee, of Wilkinsburg, is visiting at the home of Charles Segner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hazel and daughter Jane made a trip to Millheim last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Meyer and children, of Altoona, are visiting at the home of D. W. Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Korman and daughters, of Oak Hall, were visitors at the David Snyder home on Sunday.

Miss Mary Reish was given a birthday surprise party by a number of her women friends, on Saturday evening.

A number of people from town attended the C. E. echo meeting in the Presbyterian church at State College on Sunday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. George Hall, of Wilmington, Del., arrived in town Tuesday evening for a visit at the home of Miss Sara J. Keller.

William Tennis had the misfortune to step on a nail at State College, on Saturday, and has since been suffering with a very sore foot.

Messrs. Ralph and Oscar Rishel and Mrs. William Meyer, with Messrs. N. J. and Wayne Rishel, of Oak Hall, motored to Aaronsburg on Sunday.

John Charles has resigned his position with the Boalsburg Electric company and the plant is now in charge of John Taylor, of Tusseyville.

JACKSONVILLE.

Mrs. W. E. Weight suffered a slight stroke of paralysis last week but at this writing is improving. Owing to her illness her mother-in-law looked after her household affairs for several days.

A delightful surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yearick on Monday evening, in honor of their son Bradley's eighth birthday. Eighteen guests were present, as follows: James, Francis, Kathryn and Eleanor Lucas, Willard Hoy, Edith, Eleanor, Helen, Genevieve, Doyle and Byron Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Neff, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yearick, Lucille, Bradley and Geraldine Yearick. Mrs. Yearick had prepared delicious refreshments consisting of chicken sandwiches, pickles, cake and candy and the young folks did full justice to the good things.

At a seasonable hour the guests returned home, wishing their young host many more birthdays.

Last Sunday two car loads of people from this place left for a trip to Renovo, Deemer Ertley driving the car in which were Lynn Ertley and family and Guyer Ertley driving the car containing the George Ertley family. On the road from Lock Haven to Renovo something went wrong with the steering apparatus on the car driven by Deemer Ertley with the result that the car was ditched alongside of the road. The occupants suffered only slight bruises and scratches, but the car was put out of commission. Unable to proceed on their journey the entire party of nine people crowded into the one car and returned home, thankful at having escaped so fortunately.

AARONSBURG.

Willard Burd, of near Rebersburg, spent Sunday night with his mother, Mrs. Mary Burd.

Calvin Moyer, of Freeburg, has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Catherine Phillips.

James Weaver, who has been ill for several weeks, is not improving; his condition remains about the same.

Frank Stover and children, of Centre Mills, spent Sunday afternoon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stover.

George Stahl, of Milton, came up and was joined here by his sister, Miss Mary Stahl, in whose home they spent Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Guisewite, Mrs. Sarah Harper and Mrs. Caroline Mayes spent Sunday with friends near Linden Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bright are entertaining Mrs. Bright's cousin, James Etlinger, who spent several weeks here in the spring.

Mrs. Jennie Sylvis, who has been quite ill for several weeks, has not improved as much as her friends could wish. Her sister, Mrs. Elvina Winters, of Rebersburg, is with her at present and will look after her welfare.

"Private Blank," said the Colonel severely reprimanding a doughboy for a minor breach of military regulations, "what would you do if I should tell you that you were to be shot at sunrise?"

"Gosh, Colonel," replied the Yank, watching the shadow of a grin steal over his officer's face, "I'd sure pray for a cloudy day."

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ISLANDS FOUND BY SPANIARD

Solomons, in the Southern Pacific, Were Discovered in 1567 by Alvare de Mendana.

The Solomon Islands, in the southern Pacific, long before Australia was discovered, were known to daring voyagers. In 1567 a famous Spanish navigator named Alvare de Mendana sailed from Peru to discover a great south continent. Three months' cruising brought him to the Solomons and Ysabel Island, which he named, as his log states, "after his much-loved wife."

Mendana cruised for six months in the group, and was so impressed with the richness and fertility of these people lands that he named them the Solomons, in the hope that on his return his countrymen would believe they were the source from which King Solomon obtained the gold for his great temple. This story, he thought, would encourage the colonization of the islands, and he conceived the vainglorious ambition of becoming the king of a new Spain. On his return home, so brightly did he paint the prospects that he was soon able to prepare an expedition of many hundreds of settlers, including his wife and her three brothers. In the party were also two sailors, afterward known to fame as connected with the discovery of Australia—Fernandez de Quirnos and Pius Vaes de Torres.

The expedition failed through sickness and bad management; in fact, they never reached the Solomons at all, but instead—owing to faulty navigation—arrived at the northern islands of the New Hebrides group. Here after a few months, Mendana died, a disappointed and broken-hearted man.

Mystery Grass.

In England a mysterious grass which grows in muddy flat land and bears the name of Spartina Townsendii, is giving the scientists "furious" to think "just at the moment." This reedlike grass was first observed in 1870 in Southampton Water, but for many years it attracted little attention except from botanists. Later, however, it has started to grow at a positively alarming rate. It has spread rapidly over the mud-flats about its place of origin, until now it occupies dozens of square miles. It has a remarkable capacity for holding mud, and in this respect it acts as a protector of the coast-line and a reclamer of land. This is all right in some districts. On the other hand, in such places as Poole Harbor the channels are in danger of becoming choked by it, because by matting the mud together it prevents the scour of the tide from carrying it out to sea. If this danger can be counteracted, the new grass may be useful as a food for stock and as raw material for paper.

Marriage Licenses.

Henry I. Hartman and Bessie C. Shilling, Lock Haven.

Merrill E. Houser, Oak Hall, and Carrie L. Marck, Linden Hall.

Frank M. Bartlett, Washington, D. C., and Sara L. Budinger, Snow Shoe.

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Many cities in the State have put the physicians under obligation to have one of these attachments on their motor cars. At Memphis, Tenn., the physician who displays this emblem is allowed special parking privileges; at Easton, Pa., the sign is an aid to the traffic cops.

Physicians have done nothing definite in regard to this matter, but a doctor showing the insignia, is given recognition, and is allowed privileges which, for another, are in the category outside the law.

One of the best arguments presented for causing the use of the sign to be obligatory is that when the public notice a speeding motor car they are invariably inclined to think the traffic cop, who allows the speeder the right of way, a little lax in applying his methods; however, if they notice the red coloring and the fabled magic wand they will change their opinion.

Far Sighted.

A railway employee was in the witness box, and was being cross-examined by a very self-important young lawyer about a case which had resulted in a damage suit as the consequence of an accident on the railroad. "You say that you saw this man fall from the train?" said the lawyer.

"I saw him fall, yes," replied the railway man.

"Yet it was night time," insisted the lawyer. "And you were at one end of the train and the man was at the other. Do you expect an intelligent jury to believe such a yarn?"

"How far can you see at night?"

"About a million miles, I think," replied the railway man. "I can see the moon. How far is that?"

The lawyer retired.

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