

Bellefonte, Pa., April 21, 1922.

**NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.**

The spring primaries are only a little over three weeks away.

Bellefonte will entertain the Central Pennsylvania League of Red Men at their annual convention on May 6th and 7th.

The Odd Fellows band gave an afternoon concert at the penitentiary last Sunday as an Easter treat for the hundreds of inmates.

Beautiful weather characterized Easter Sunday in Bellefonte and the result was a large attendance at all the special services at the different churches.

A few flying snow flakes yesterday looked as if we got the very tail end of that storm and blizzard which swept the Mississippi valley early in the week.

Fourteen tables were in play at a card party given by the Knights Templar, in the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday evening. Refreshments were served and everybody had a delightful time.

The "Watchman" still has a quantity of government garden seeds for free distribution to any one desiring to plant the same. Any one wishing some seeds can get same by calling at this office.

The ladies bible class of the United Evangelical Sunday school will serve a ham and egg supper in the Sunday school room, next Thursday evening, April 27th, from 5 to 7 p. m. Everybody invited.

E. E. Ardery, one of Bellefonte's efficient mail carriers, who has been confined to his home the past two weeks with illness, has practically recovered and expects to be on route again in a day or two.

Some twenty or more members of the Bellefonte Lodge of Rebekahs went to Boalsburg by motor bus on Wednesday evening to assist in conferring the degree on a class of ten candidates in the Boalsburg Lodge.

The remains of Mrs. Jacob Haswell, who died of burns at her home in Columbus, Ohio, last Wednesday night, were brought to Bellefonte on the 9:50 a. m. train Sunday and taken direct to the Jewish cemetery for burial.

Easter Sunday was ushered in with quite a heavy frost, and in some portions of the county the thermometer was down to 28 degrees above zero, but all kinds of fruit is so backward that it is not believed any damage was done.

Dr. LeRoy Locke, of Fleming, was last Friday appointed a first lieutenant in the medical department of the National Guard and assigned to the Fifty-second machine gun squadron. Dr. Locke is the eldest son of Dr. M. J. Locke, of Bellefonte.

Sixty and one-half dozen of eggs, ninety glasses of jelly, a dozen packages of several kinds of cereal, canned fruit, peas, beans, etc., represented the Easter donation given to the Bellefonte hospital by the pupils of the Bellefonte schools.

Grain fields and grass fields look unusually well in every section of the county but spring plowing is being delayed by the frequent rains. Last year at this time many farmers had their oats in the ground, and the fruit crop was also killed by late frosts.

Mrs. Philip H. Haler, of State College, entertained the members of the Y. W. club at the home of Miss Rebecca Rhoads, on west Linn street, on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Haler before her marriage was Miss Eleanor Weston and was one of the most active and enthusiastic members of the club.

Charged with violation of the Womer act Garfield Boalich, of Philipsburg, was arrested on Saturday night and at a hearing before "Squire" Byron, on Monday, was held in one thousand dollars bail for trial at court. Being unable to furnish bond he was brought to the Centre county jail on Tuesday.

Jacob Hoffman, a real estate dealer of Johnstown, was a business visitor in Bellefonte on Monday and a caller at the "Watchman" office. Mr. Hoffman was formerly interested in the forest service in Pennsylvania and was one of the men directly responsible for the organization of the Central Pennsylvania Forest Fire Protective association.

The blossoming fruit trees are a good sight these days and another good sight are the motion pictures at the Scenic in the evening. Two hours of good entertainment at a minimum of cost. Get the movie habit and see all the good ones, as manager T. Clayton Brown has some high-class attractions for exhibition in the near future. Don't fail to see them.

Yesterday Geo. W. Rumberger, of Unionville, celebrated the eighty-fifth anniversary of his birth. Only a few days ago we noticed him on the streets of Bellefonte and wondered why more of us don't use his receipt for keeping young. Always he has been optimistic, living in the sunshine while others imagine themselves enshrouded in gloom. As a parent, as a citizen, as a public official and as a pedagogue and singer of popular ballads of half a century ago his eighty-five years have been indeed worth while.

**Miscellaneous Business Transacted by Borough Council.**

Eight members were present at Monday evening's meeting of borough council. There were no verbal nor written communications.

The Street committee presented the report of the borough manager which included the collection of \$126.55 on the Pine street paving.

The Water committee reported the collection of \$40.00 on the 1920 water duplicate.

The Fire and Police committee presented the burgess' check for \$96.75 for fines and licenses, principally the latter. The committee also stated that some five or more draymen have not as yet paid a license, but are ready and willing to do so, providing they are furnished with a license tag to show that their license for the year has been paid. So far this year no license tags have been furnished by the burgess and the draymen insist that it is only fair to them that they be given a tag to show that they have paid. The absence of a tag will also show who has not paid. The matter was referred to the committee to inquire as to the cost of tags, etc.

Mr. Flack, of the Fire and Police committee, presented a written request from policeman H. E. Yerger for a three month's vacation, which was granted, and upon recommendation of the committee George Glenn was elected by council to act as regular policeman during Mr. Yerger's vacation.

Mr. Emerick, of the Special committee, submitted a supplemental proposition by the Krader Motor company in which they stipulated that if council will grant their application for a permit to erect a garage on the Howard street portion of their property, they will make the front of it brick and the end and rear of heavy timbers with iron or steel sheathing and with iron roof. Mr. Emerick stated that the committee had held a meeting on Monday evening of last week to consider the application but the borough solicitor was unable to be present and advise them as to the legal side of the question, hence they were unable to make a recommendation. He intimated, however, that some members of the committee were in favor of granting the application. Mr. Cunningham stated that while he was not opposed to the erection of a garage at that place he did contend if the borough ordinance creating a fire zone was any good that council should not allow the erection of anything but a fireproof building. Mr. Bower, representing the Krader Motor company, called the attention of council to the fact that the word "fireproof" does not appear in the ordinance referred to, the same providing that buildings of "wood or frame construction" shall not be erected within the fire zone. T. R. Hamilton was present and again interposed objections to the erection of any building that is not fireproof. Inasmuch as there seemed to be a division of sentiment on the question of granting the application president Walker referred the matter back to the Special committee with a request that they be in shape to make a recommendation at the next meeting of borough council.

A communication was received from the American Legion requesting council to pass a resolution adopting daylight saving. The communication stated that the Legion has in course of organization a baseball team and daylight saving will enable them to schedule all games in the evening. The matter was referred to the Special committee without comment.

The Fire and Police committee recommended that four parking signs be erected on south Water street limiting the parking of cars anywhere on that street to five minute periods, and the same was approved by council.

Bills to the amount of \$994.13 were approved for payment, after which council adjourned.

**Take Over Building for New Bank at Centre Hall.**

At a meeting of the stockholders of the proposed First National Bank of Centre Hall, held in that place on Tuesday evening, the papers were finally executed for the taking over of the Centre Reporter building as the location for the new bank. The consideration was \$12,000. The bank will be located in that portion of the building heretofore occupied by the late owner, S. W. Smith, as a respite, and the remodeling arrangements an apartment will be made above the bank which for the present will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Smith. It is the intention of the promoters of the bank to begin work as soon as possible on remodeling the building into an up-to-date banking room. A new burglar proof vault will be constructed and a complete banking equipment installed. H. Leigh Ebricht, of Thompsonsontown, has been secured as cashier for the new bank.

The taking over of the Reporter building does not include the purchase of the paper, at least for the present, and it will continue to run under the old management.

A marriage license was issued at Buffalo, N. Y., late Wednesday of last week to Miss Pauline Sasseran, of Bellefonte, and Francis Sullivan, of Wilkes-Barre, their marriage taking place the same evening. The bride is a daughter of register and Mrs. Frank Sasseran, of Bellefonte, and was a member of the Junior class of the Bellefonte High school. The young couple returned to Bellefonte on Thursday.

See the greatest movie of the year, the "Three Musketeers," in which Douglas Fairbanks shows his best work. Opera house, April 26, 27, 28, 29. 16-2t

G. Calvin Weaver, a Freshman at State College, has been appointed midshipman at the naval academy at Annapolis. The young man is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Weaver, of Flemington, and graduated at the Lock Haven High school last year. He entered State College last fall as a Freshman but now that he has received the appointment to the naval academy he will withdraw from the College, as the appointment is effective at once.

A delightful little party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Samuel Rowe, at Centre Hall, last Friday evening which was made the occasion of the announcement of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Isabelle Rowe, to J. William Bradford, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Bradford, of that place. The prospective bride is the assistant principal of the Centre Hall High school while Mr. Bradford is a member of the firm of Bradford & Co., millers. No date has been set for the wedding.

A very interesting program has been planned for the April meeting of the Woman's club, to which the general public is invited. Miss Evelyn K. Wells, of Pine Mountain, Kentucky, will talk about the Kentucky mountaineers, and will also sing some of their songs with accompaniment of the dulcimer. Col. Henry W. Shoemaker, of McElhattan, will tell of the people of our own Pennsylvania mountains. Remember the date, April 24th, at 8:30 o'clock, in the High school building. Business meeting at 7:30.

Famous 12-reel play, "Three Musketeers," by Douglas Fairbanks. A crackerjack. April 26, 27, 28, 29. Come early. See adv. 16-2t

Notwithstanding the fact that the miner's strike has been on for several weeks everything is very quiet and orderly in the Snow Shoe region, according to reports from that section. In fact, better order is now being observed than before the strike went into effect. Large supplies of coal are on hand in the various yards in Bellefonte and at the different industries in this section, and it will be weeks, and probably several months, before Bellefonte and vicinity will feel the strike, and by that time there will probably be a settlement.

Conductor and Mrs. George E. Lentz, of Harrisburg, with the pastor of the Lutheran church of Harrisburg and his wife as their guests, will come to Bellefonte next week and go to the Harvey Schaeffer cottage on Spring creek where they will spend a week trout fishing. Miss Hazel Lentz, a daughter of conductor and Mrs. Lentz, and a former teacher in the Bellefonte schools, was struck by an automobile on the streets of Harrisburg some seven weeks ago and injured to that extent that she has not been able to continue her work as a teacher in that city. She is improving slowly but may not be able to resume teaching until next fall.

Roy Gummo, son of David Gummo, of State College, is a patient in the Bellefonte hospital suffering with a badly mangled hand received in an encounter with a vicious horse last Saturday. The animal, though six years old, has always been ill-tempered and Saturday noon when unhitching for dinner the animal turned on the young man and grabbed him by the hand. Not content with biting him he dragged him through the barnyard and into the pasture field where Gummo was finally rescued after several men clubbed the horse into submission. After the young man was sent to the hospital for treatment his father shot the horse.

Eighteen cars of coal, brick and other commodities were piled up in a big freight wreck which occurred at the Eugene Mattern farm between Julian and Unionville at eighteen minutes of two o'clock on Monday afternoon. About a third of a mile of track was torn up and the wreck blocked the track so that all the afternoon trains were compelled to transfer and it was not until Tuesday morning that the road was opened to traffic. The only man injured was William Watson, a brakeman, of Tyrone, who was standing on top of a box car which turned over on its side. Watson was thrown to the ground with his breast on a stone sustaining slight injuries.

Miss Annie Powers was found in a helpless condition in the alley leading from east Linn to Lamb street, at noon time yesterday, and was carried to her home on the latter street. She evidently had suffered a stroke of paralysis while on her way home for dinner. At the time this item was written she was entirely helpless and unable to talk. Miss Powers for a number of years worked as a compositor in the various newspaper offices of Bellefonte, being at one time employed in the "Watchman" office. Since the death of her mother a number of years ago she and her sister, Miss Eva, have occupied the old home on the extreme end of east Lamb street. Two sisters live in Philadelphia on Thursday.

**Hard Rain Spoils Trout Fishing on Opening Day.**

Old Jupiter Pluvius sent down a perfect deluge of rain last Friday night and saved the trout for future sport. Of the hundreds who had every preparation made for a pilgrimage to their favorite trout stream early Saturday morning only a small per cent had the hardihood to venture out after Friday night's hard rain and those who did go found fishing poor, as all streams were running bank full of water the color of a yellow clay field. Some of the "old timers," who in years gone by have always made prize catches in Spring creek, between the Lamb and High street bridges, drew absolute blanks this year. Not because of the scarcity of trout but because of the condition of the stream.

A few of those who went up Spring creek and Logan branch early in the morning got some trout before the flood tide of muddy water came down those streams, but the number caught was very small. John Nighthart got twelve and that was the largest catch that was recorded. A number of fishermen got one, two and three but they were among the lucky ones.

Quite a number of Bellefonters who have permanent camps on Fishing creek went down on Friday so as to be on the ground early Saturday morning, but it rained just as hard down there as up here and the result was a two foot flood in that stream. Most of the fishermen did not bother to fix up their rod and tackle while the few who made a try at fishing soon became discouraged and quit.

Robert F. Hunter and borough councilman Benjamin Bradley went out in a row boat to try their luck in mid-stream at bait fishing. Their boat was caught in fifteen mile current and carried down stream. Realizing that they were approaching a twelve or fourteen foot rapids Mr. Hunter attempted to steer the boat ashore but his paddle caught beneath a rock, he lost his hat and both men narrowly escaped being thrown into the raging water. They finally managed to get the boat near enough to shore that they were able to grab hold of the limbs of overhanging trees and thus managed to beach their boat and get out on solid land.

While the streams were still quite muddy on Monday morning a number of fishermen went out to try their luck again. John Nighthart, his son Harry and Hugh Daley composed a crowd that fished Spring creek and Logan's branch. Daley caught 17, Harry Nighthart 15 and John Nighthart 12. Dr. Kilpatrick was also successful in landing seven on Monday morning, while a number of others got trout.

While Bellefonte fishermen have been floundering around and wondering when the weather and the streams will be more favorable experts with the rod and line from out of the county come in and gobble up some nice catches. For instance: On Monday William H. Baird, borough clerk of Juniata, but who is an old Milesburg boy and not only knows every old smimmin' hole in that locality but every trout hole as well, was fishing host of a little party which included J. J. Barry, Will Roland and Harry Fry, all of Juniata, who whipped Spring creek between Bellefonte and Milesburg and succeeded in catching 35 trout and 8 suckers. Baird led the field with eleven trout, the largest of which measured 15 1/2 inches. Barry landed ten and Fry and Roland seven each, the latter getting one which measured 15 inches. The result of the day's sport was a big trout supper at the Baird parental home in Milesburg.

**Academy Baseball Team will Open Season Next Week.**

The lovers of baseball in Bellefonte and vicinity will have a chance next week to see two good games on Hughes street. On Friday afternoon, April 28th, at 3:30 o'clock, the Bucknell reserves will be the opponents of the Academy. The visitors have a strong nine and will put up a classy game.

On Saturday afternoon, April 29th, at 3 o'clock the Academy's keen rivals, the State College Freshmen, will cross bats with the boys from the hill. The fans will be interested to watch the Academy nine play for the latter believe they have the strongest nine they have had in many years. They have two star pitchers in Jones, a southpaw, and Ash, right hander, with two good catchers to support them in Schmidt and McCleary. The Academy boys are good fielders and hit well. The schedule is as follows, showing five good home games:

April 28—Bucknell Reserves, Hughes field.

May 5—Dickinson Seminary, Hughes field.

May 6—State Freshmen, away.

May 12—Pitt Freshmen, away.

May 18—Pittsburgh Collegians, Hughes field.

May 19—Pitt Freshmen, Hughes field.

May 27—Stroudsburg Normal, Hughes field.

May 30—Mansfield Normal, away.

June 2—Dickinson Seminary, away.

Other games may be scheduled.

Pilot W. J. Smith, flying the mail plane from New York to Bellefonte on Monday morning, was compelled to set down at Woodward on account of low oil pressure. The airplane mail service these days has become so stabilized that a mishap of any kind is a rare occurrence. On rare occasions flyers are compelled to come down for some reason or other but they manage to do so with apparently as little trouble as stopping an automobile in a crowded street.

**NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.**

—Joseph Lose, of Philadelphia, was an Easter guest of friends in Bellefonte.

—John P. Harris went over to Newton Hamilton on Saturday to spend Easter with his son, John P. Harris Jr., and family.

—Rev. L. V. Barber, of Mill Hall, was a brief visitor in Bellefonte last Friday, stopping here on his way home from a trip to Lemont.

—Mrs. George E. Lentz, of Harrisburg, was in Bellefonte between trains on Saturday, having come here to look after some business.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Fleming will leave Sunday for New Orleans to attend the triennial encampment of the Knights Templar of America.

—John Strouse, of College township, motored to Bellefonte on Saturday and found time to spend a few minutes in the "Watchman" office.

—Mrs. William B. Wallis is here from Pittsburgh, having come in to see her grandmother, Mrs. John Meese, who is now recovering from a recent illness.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shefer, of Milroy, with their daughter and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Black, were Easter guests of Mr. Shefer's mother, Mrs. Samuel Shefer.

—Miss Mary Rankin, of Harrisburg, spent a few days in Bellefonte the latter part of last week, called here by the serious illness of her sister, Miss Lillian.

—Mrs. Lew Wallace, of Akron, Ohio, has been visiting friends in Bellefonte and Milesburg during the past week, and on Monday was a pleasant caller at this office.

—Oscar Gray spent the fore part of the week in the vicinity of Cumberland, Md., having left here Monday in his car, to look after some business of the John F. Gray estate.

—Thomas Elliott Mayes, of Johnstown, has been spending the week with friends at Lemont and Bellefonte, having come in for the opening of the trout fishing season.

—Miss Virginia McCurdy, of Linn street, departed for Pittsburgh Thursday afternoon, where she expects to spend two weeks visiting with her niece, Mrs. George S. Denithorne.

—Mrs. R. G. H. Hayes, who had spent the winter at the Clifton Springs sanatorium, is now a patient in the West End hospital, Pittsburgh, where she was taken several weeks ago.

—Mrs. Margaret Rhodenbush will be discharged from the Bellefonte hospital on Tuesday and taken to the home of her niece, Mrs. Lunger Won, with whom she expects to make her home.

—Miss Anne Fox and Miss Stella Cooney went to Pittsburgh Wednesday afternoon, called there by the death of their uncle, Thomas Brennan, who died very suddenly at his home in that place, Monday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Miller spent Easter with their nephew, Wilkie C. Horner and family, in Altoona, returning home on Monday evening. Mrs. Miller and sister also spent Tuesday with friends at Unionville.

—Mary Gray Meek, a member of the "Watchman" staff, spent her