

SHRINER'S DAY AT TYRONE.

The Tyrone Division P. R. R. Y. M. C. A. Athletic Park, at Tyrone, Pa., one of the most beautiful parks in the country, will be the playground for the Shriners of Jaffa Temple on June 21st, when, under the auspices of the Tyrone Shriners, a field day and general good time will be held.

The events will start at two in the afternoon with a big Shriners' parade (this parade to form at 1:30 sharp) over the main thoroughfares of the town, terminating at the Athletic Park where the program will start off at once in full swing. Among the many features outlined for the afternoon at the park, will be band concerts by the Jaffa Temple band, the Tyrone Shop band, the Jaffa Temple Oriental band, and selections by the Jaffa Temple Chanters. There will also be drill by the Jaffa Temple patrol, a golf match between two champions, a baseball game between Tyrone Division and Huntingdon, and other amusements galore. The fine swimming pool will be open for all who wish to bring their bathing suits along for a cool swim; likewise the six "skin" tennis courts for devotees of that sport.

When the sports are done, a fine luncheon will be served the Shriners and their guests by Noble R. C. Albright, chairman of the refreshment committee, who has provided a large tent and all other arrangements for comfortably and promptly serving all. In the evening the program will be continued in the main part of town, starting off with two street concerts, one by the Jaffa Temple band, the other by the Tyrone Shop band, each in different and advantageous locations on Pennsylvania Avenue. The Chanters will also render a pleasing open air concert on Pennsylvania Avenue.

The block dance follows on Pennsylvania Avenue, for which a Tyrone orchestra of ten pieces will play. This promises to be a most enjoyable feature, and will be open to all, regardless of whether they are members of the organization or not. At the same time a dance will be held in the Junior Assembly hall, which will be for Shriners and their guests exclusively. Competent persons will be in attendance to care for the children under sixteen years of age while the dance is on.

At the park and everywhere about the town nothing has been left undone for the comfort and convenience of all. There will be adequate parking space; one-way traffic to and from the park; good police protection; ample facilities for the ladies, rest rooms, etc., free trolley service between the town and the park, and free automobiles bearing the "Hop-In" sign; a trained nurse and several physicians will look to the needs of any who may become ill; information bureaus—in fact, nothing has been overlooked that will add to the enjoyment of all.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Shriners, their wives, mothers, families, sweethearts, friends, and to the public at large to come and join in the festivities of the day on one of the most beautiful playgrounds in America, in one of the finest and liveliest towns in the State.

Bradley T. Frazier, of Tyrone, illustrious potentate of Jaffa Temple, will be chief executive of the day. Frank W. Acklin, of Tyrone, is general chairman of all committees, and he will be ably assisted by the following Tyrone Shriners, who are chairman of the committees named: Paul F. Neff, program; R. C. Albright, refreshments; William B. Murdock, reception; Paul M. Goheen, publicity; Jas. A. Beamer, music; John N. Davis, grounds; A. B. Woodring, transportation; Claude Jones, privileges; Geo. D. Wands, police; Harry H. Henry, illumination; Dr. R. L. Piper, emergency; Ben Jones, information.

STRAW FOR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION.

M. Feuillette, a Frenchman, has invented a method of using straw as a material for the construction of houses. The straw is tightly compressed into blocks of convenient size and these are used for filling spaces between the timbers of the framework. Tar paper is placed between the foundation and the first course of straw blocks to prevent dampness. The outside is covered with a layer of reinforced watertight cement and the inner surface so finished that it can be papered or painted the same as a plastered wall. A system of tubes is installed in the lower part of the walls to be used when desired for distributing a gaseous disinfectant to destroy vermin in case any should appear.

The new material appears to be particularly desirable for use in sections of the country in which building materials are scarce. It is said that a comfortable, substantial house can be built by the new method at a cost of 40 per cent. less than that of a similar house of the material. By making the blocks and constructing the framework at some central point and then shipping them to the building site the inventor declares that much time can be saved in erection, particularly where a number of houses are to be put up near together. A number of the new houses have already been erected. Because the straw is an excellent non-conductor of heat they are remarkably warm in winter and cool in summer.

Real Estate Transfers.

I. G. Gordon Foster, et al, to Alexander W. Stewart, tract in State College; \$500.
H. H. Harner, et ux, to H. N. Battenhouse, tract in State College; \$175.
Rebecca Ewing to Ethel B. Ewing, tract in State College; \$3,750.
Thomas J. Eboch, et ux, to John A. Erb, tract in Phillipsburg; \$100.
B. F. Hoy, et al, to Emma M. Lee, tract in College township; \$99.

FARM NOTES.

Habits of Bees; Queen is Supreme.—Under natural conditions bees live in the hollows of trees or similar cavities, in a wild state, obtaining their living from the fields as best they can. They are easily manipulated to occupy and thrive in artificial hives, and, if necessary, to be stimulated by artificial feeding.

In the spring the queen bee begins to lay eggs in the workers' cells of the hive, which are the smallest cells. These eggs develop first into larvae, are then capped over and transformed into pupae, from which they merge into adult worker bees. The process takes about twenty-one days from the laying of the egg.

Meanwhile the original workers continue to bring in pollen, nectar to be made into honey, and water for brood rearing. When the hive is nearly filled with stores, or when the honey flow is on, the queen begins to lay eggs in another set of cells, which are slightly larger than the worker cells, and which develop into drones or males.

With the advent of the young workers and drones the colony would attain enormous size, were it not for the operation of swarming, which consists of the departure of the queen and a part of the original workers, and which division makes possible an increase in the number of colonies.

Preparatory to swarming the queen lays eggs in specially prepared cells, which are larger than any other cells in the hive, and which hang on the comb vertically; these are queen cells. The larvae in these cells receive special food; they are sealed up, then the colony is ready for swarming.

The first swarm from a colony consists of the original queen and a part of the workers. They leave behind them the bulk of the honey stores, except such as they carry in their honey stomachs, the brood, some workers, the drones and the developing queen cells.

The swarm locates a new home, such as a hollow tree, or, if cared for by the beekeeper, in another hive, where a new colony is started. The workers build new combs, the queen starts laying in the worker cells and in a short time there are all the activities of the original colony.

Meanwhile the original colony, which has been increased by the bees emerging from the brood, the young queens also emerge. These latter are few in number. If there is to be but one swarm, as in the case of a small colony, then the first queen to emerge is permitted by the workers to destroy the other queens not yet emerged, and forthwith she reigns in the hive. If, however, a second swarm is to be given off, the worker bees protect the remaining queen cells for this event.

In about five days the virgin queen takes her wedding flight from the hive and is mated with a drone. Normally there is but one mating during the life of the queen, which mating will yield fertility to the million or more eggs which the queen may lay during her lifetime. This mating always takes place on the wing. The queen never leaves the hive at any other time except with a swarm to set up a new colony. Her sole mission in the community is to lay eggs to keep up the population.

When the main honey flow is over, by which time the virgin queens are mated, the drones, being of no further use, are driven from the hive by the workers. If for any reason the colony is without a queen the drones are not expelled from the hive.

If the virgin queen, while on her wedding flight meets with an accident and fails to return to the hive, or if for any reason the colony is left queenless, some of the workers may begin to lay eggs, but these eggs will develop only drones, and are therefore worthless.

If a virgin queen is prevented from mating through some unusual circumstances she generally dies, though she may survive and lay eggs, which will develop into drones, hence she is worthless.

During the height of the season a prolific queen may lay about 3000 eggs a day, which fact gives some idea of her importance and why she receives the tenderest care from her workers. Under natural conditions her life may cover six years or more. In domestication it is found best to limit her activities to two or three years.

Because the queen is the mother of the whole colony and never mates but once, it is very important that she should mate with a vigorous thoroughbred drone. And because there is no way to observe or control this mating, the only way to be sure of the pure blood of the drone is to examine the first offspring. If that is up to required standards, the queen may be rated as a tested queen and sold as such.

If the queen has not survived the winter dormant period, and the colony is dwindled, it is usually best to unite the queenless bees with a normal colony. New queens can be bought, however. A queenless colony can be restored by adding a frame or two of brood from which a queen can be reared, but this takes time and may result in a stoppage in brood rearing at a time when the hive can least afford it.

In uniting two colonies, which is accomplished by smoking both vigorously to allay the distinctive odors by which bees recognize their own hive, the queen should be caged for a day or two with her original family to prevent being killed in the first excitement.

Another habit should be considered: Bees remember the location of their hive. Therefore, if two colonies are to be united the two hives should be moved closer together, very gradually, not more than a foot at a time, until they stand side by side, whereupon the inmates are unaware of any change in location.

It is an easy matter to move bees that have swarmed, because in this state they are full of honey and have lost their memory of the old location.

—Look at the roots of peach trees for borers. Gum is almost a sure indication that the tree has borers. Cut out these pests and destroy them.

MANY EVENTS AT COUNTY CONSERVATION MEETING.

The Centre County Conservation Association is planning to have a day full of sport at its annual meeting, which this year is to be held at Boalsburg, on June 22nd. The Scout contest will be open to all Boy and Girl Scout Troops of Centre county. The prizes have been purchased and will be awarded to the winners at the time of the contest.

The Scout troop scoring the largest number of points will be awarded a trophy plaque. Points will be given on the following conditions:

Best troop exhibit of Scout work, ten points.
Second best troop exhibit of Scout work, five points.

Each increase over troop membership over last year, one point.

A new troop must not count the first twelve.

Each advance in rank, one point.

Each merit badge, one point.

Troop public service projects, one to five points according to the judgment of the Scout commissioners.

Each first prize, three points. Each second prize, two points.

Individual Scouts may compete in the following nature study contests:

FLOWER CONTEST.

First prize to be given to the Scout who has the best collection of fifty or more wild flowers properly mounted and labeled.

Second prize to be given to the Scout who has the second best collection of wild flowers properly mounted and labeled, provided he has not less than forty specimens.

INSECT CONTEST.

First prize to be given to the Scout who has the best collection of fifty or more insects properly mounted and labeled.

Second prize to be given to the Scout who has the second best collection of insects properly mounted and labeled, provided he has forty specimens.

TREE LEAF CONTEST.

First prize to be given to the Scout who has the best collection of forty or more leaves of trees properly mounted and labeled.

Second prize to be given to the Scout who has the second best collection of three leaves properly mounted and labeled, provided he has thirty specimens.

BIRD HOUSE CONTEST.

First and second prize will be awarded to the Scout who makes and places on exhibit the best bird house.

Second prize will be awarded to the Scout who makes and places on exhibit the second best bird house.

Flowers and leaves must be dried flat, mounted separately and securely fastened to a sheet of white paper not less than 8x11 inches. They must be properly labeled with name, date, where collected, etc.

All material collected and work for prizes must be done during the present year. That is between the annual meeting of the association of last year and this year.

All collections must be placed on exhibit by 11 a. m., June 22nd, at the meeting of the Centre County Conservation Association at Boalsburg. Contestants may place their own work on exhibit or mail it to Mr. John D. Patterson, Boalsburg, Pa., so as to arrive in time for the contest.

ATHLETIC CONTEST.

The athletic and swimming contest will be open to all boys and girls of Centre county.

The contestants will be divided into three classes as follows:

Class A, all under 14 years of age.
Class B, all of 14 and 15 years of age.
Class C, all of 16 years of age and older.

The contests will include the following events:

Antelope race, 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 680 yard endurance race, Paul Revere race, high jump, 50 yard jump, baseball throw, swimming 50 yard dash, relay swimming race—length of pool, fancy dive, forward dive, long plunge under water.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOT.

A twenty-five target event, blue rocks, open to all. Shooters will be handicapped according to their own ability.

A fifty target, event open to all. Sixteen yards. For county championship.

Regulations and prizes announced on day of contest.

Shells will be for sale at grounds.

COUNTY RIFLE SHOOT.

Among the many features of the basket picnic this year will be a county rifle shoot, a clay pigeon shoot, a fly casting contest, and various Boy Scout contests.

The Boal Troop camp grounds will be the scene of many activities. Permission has been given to hold dancing in the barracks. The 28th Division war relics will be on display. Music will be furnished by the State College band.

The county rifle shoot will be an interesting feature. Full details of the shoot can be secured from D. C. Cochran, Room 21, Agricultural building, State College, Pa. Mr. Cochran can supply targets at forty cents for fifty targets. The rifle shoot will be a contest between nine teams of five men each. The teams are to be made up of men from the nine districts in the county. The following district chairmen can be consulted regarding organizing rifle teams:

District 1, Ralph A. Smith, Sandy Ridge; Rush, Taylor and Worth townships.

District 2, Ray O'Donnell, State College; Harris, Ferguson, and College townships.

District 3, Frank Fisher, Centre Hall; Potter and Gregg townships.

District 4, S. W. Gramley, Millheim; Penn, Haines and Miles townships.

District 5, Col. W. F. Reynolds, Bellefonte; Spring, Benner, Halfmoon and Walker townships.

District 6, W. C. Snyder, Snow Shoe; Snow Shoe and Burnside townships.

District 7, Eugene Hall, Fleming; Union and Huston townships.

District 8, Col. H. L. Curtin, Curtin; Boggs and Curtin townships.

District 9, J. Will Mayes, Howard; Howard, Liberty and Marion townships.

All rifle shots in the above districts should take the shoot up with their district chairman and organize a team for each of the nine districts. Any caliber rifle may be used. The official county shoot will be fifty yards. String measure used.

Counted the Skidding.

A member of Congress took a taxi one rainy day at the capitol to proceed to his home in the suburbs.

When he arrived and asked the chauffeur the charge, the latter replied that it was \$4.

"But," protested the Congressman, "you are charging me for four miles."

"Yes, sir."

"Well, I understand that the distance is only two miles and a half."

"It is as a general thing, sir," assented the driver, "but you see we skidded a lot."—Harper's Magazine.

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