

**Country Correspondence**

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

**PLEASANT GAP.**

Our farmers are working over time garnering their abundant crops of hay and grain.

Hector Griffith was called to Akron, owing to the death of his only sister, Mrs. Jim Cree.

Miss Elizabeth Gruber, of Pittsburgh, a niece of Mrs. H. J. Griffith, is a visitor at the Griffith residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Denny McCormick, of Pittsburgh, are visiting at the home of their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Crumlish.

By actual count 1472 automobiles passed through Pleasant Gap last Sunday, going and coming. We think this is going some.

Paul Keller and family, of West Philadelphia, spent the past week with their friends and relatives at the Gap, returning home on Saturday.

Miss Mary E. Sauer, of Harrisburg, a personal friend of Mrs. Lee Sampsel, is making an indefinite visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sampsel.

Robert Boyd and his room-mate, Joseph Brown, from the Keystone Academy, Scranton, were visitors the past week at the home of S. E. Noll.

A Weiner roast was given on the Horntown school green. The hot dogs were in evidence and disappeared in a jiffy; the same was liberally patronized.

Harry Hartline, head baker of the Kerstetter bakery, of Curwensville, spent Sunday with his family, returning to Curwensville on Monday afternoon.

The best little thing you can do with your Liberty bonds is to keep your hands on them. Small dividends with good security are better than big profits you can't get.

The old-fashioned man who used to have a barrel of eating apples in his cellar is the father of the modern man who puts down a barrel of drinking apples. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Justice of the peace J. D. Herman and wife returned home from a week's visit to Jonestown, adjacent to Berwick, Pa. They spent a most enjoyable week with Mrs. Herman's parents, Rev. and Mrs. McKechnie.

A couple of dollars spent in hiring a lawyer or in securing a trust company to draw up a sound will is better than many dollars spent by your widow hiring lawyers to straighten your affairs. Nels. Robb will agree with me.

Obeys the mandate of temperance and thus be happy. Elucidation: Work hard but don't work yourself to death; eat heartily but don't be a glutton; be saving but don't be a miser; spend your money but don't be a spendthrift. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," here as well as in the social world.

When conscience has ceased to be a governing factor in the affairs of society, then of a necessity we must go back to the school of nature and learn through antagonism and all the severe lessons it teaches, that harmony is after all the best condition in which to live. The two great opposing political parties will observe are at this particular time fierce advocates of harmony.

The vacation of John Herman Jr. and wife expired on Wednesday last, when they returned to Philadelphia. Honest John had a peculiar experience while here. A friend of his was one of the depositors in the unfortunate Centre County bank. The friend was notified to send in his bank book to be balanced. The lucky depositor found that after his book was balanced he had overdrawn one cent. Being a farmer he was very busily engaged in making hay. Good natured John volunteered to return the bank book to the bank, and owing to his conscientious scruples liquidated the penurious indebtedness. John says "honesty is the best of policy." John's liberality knows no bounds.

The Spring township school board had their annual settlement on July first. It is gratifying to know that the board has a balance to their credit of almost \$4,000 after paying off their corps of teachers. Some of the tax payers think our millage for Spring township is oppressive. They don't take into consideration the fact that some of the townships are assessed 10 mills more than Spring township. Few people have any idea of the amount of money that is required for

school purposes. Spring township pays to the borough of Bellefonte over \$2,700 for tuition alone for High and public school pupils. Our coal bills for the term just closed exceeded \$3,000, besides innumerable other incidental expenses. Since intelligence is the life of liberty we should forbear kicking.

Our two Sunday schools, the Methodist and Lutheran, will hold their picnic on Saturday, July 29th. A record turnout is anticipated, if weather conditions are favorable. The two schools have enrolled over three hundred girls and boys. They are composed of a jolly, lively bunch, hence it is reasonable to suppose that a most enjoyable occasion will result. There was a time when a slight antagonism prevailed among our churches, but happily that feeling has been obliterated. The two congregations are doing the proper thing now, working hand in hand. The good old mothers are studiously working to make this an unquestioned success. A famous writer has said that "A mother's love is the only virtue that did not suffer by the fall of Adam." Whether Adam fell or not, it is quite clear that the unselfish love of a good mother is the crowning glory of the race. Adversity and sorrow may come with all their terrific force, but the motherly affection clings to its idol closely. Her smile is a solace, her presence a benediction. In exhaustless patience, hope, faith, and benevolence the mothers are sure to lead. God bless the good old mothers! We anticipate a record time on this occasion.

One of the leading social events of the Gap was participated in on Monday night, at the Samuel Noll residence on the occasion of Mrs. Noll's birthday. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gheen, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Noll, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Witmer, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kerstetter, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Crumlish and Billy, and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Denny McCormick; Mrs. W. J. Griffith and daughter Betty. The event was a most enjoyable one, and duly appreciated by all present. Card playing and dancing were indulged in until 3 a. m. Some of our people are opposed to dancing, however, it seems to be one of the natural habits of mankind; an outgrowth of his nature. As far back as history goes it formed either a part of religious ceremonies, or those celebrating important events. Miriam and Moses led the dance of triumph when the Israelites landed, dry-shod on the other side of the Red Sea. David danced before the Ark, because of the joy and satisfaction he felt on account of the prosperity of the people. Primitive Christians danced in their religious services, but not by command. Dancing was not regarded as a sinful practice prior to the Puritanic revolt against the church of Rome and the church of England. In view of these facts dancing may be regarded as not seriously objectionable.

**BOALSBURG.**

Harold Coxey and a friend from Altoona recently visited friends in town.

Miss Hazel Hoover, of Altoona, has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harry Markle.

Charles Hosterman has gone to Jeannette, where he has accepted a position.

Misses Ellen and Cathryn Dale spent Saturday in Bellefonte and Houserville.

Carl Hoy, of State College, is enjoying a few week's visit at the Blue Spring farm.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reed and little daughter Dorothy recently enjoyed a trip to Johnstown.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stuart, of Pittsburgh, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Emma Stuart.

Mrs. George E. Meyer and brother, Ray Lucas, are visiting their sister in Washington, D. C.

Several representatives of the Bellefonte Electric Supply Co. spent part of Friday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wieland and baby, of Mt. Union, spent Tuesday at the home of Roy Coxey.

S. R. Rishel and a party of friends enjoyed a motor trip and week-end with friends in Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ishler and sons are enjoying a motor trip and visit with friends in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. J. P. Wagner and niece, Marjorie Slagle, of Altoona, were visitors at the home of D. W. Meyer recently.

Miss Rachel Mothersbaugh, of Williamsport, is spending some time at the home of her grandfather, L. Mothersbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gilliland and son, of State College, and Mr. and Mrs. William Fisher, of Sunbury, were visitors at the Fisher home on Sunday.

Miss Blanche Rowe, accompanied by a friend, came from Harrisburg to spend some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rowe.

Sunday evening at 7 o'clock union services were held on the Reformed church lawn, Rev. Wagner delivering an excellent sermon to an attentive audience.

Prof. and Mrs. E. H. Meyer and daughters, the Misses Elizabeth and Loraine, of Newark, N. J., arrived in town Sunday and will spend the summer at their home on School street.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gimberling and son, Francis Jr., of Sunbury, spent several days at the home of Henry Reitz. Mrs. Reitz accompanied them on their return and visited among friends several days.

The Kerlin families, of Centre Hall, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. Wagner on Tuesday. Mrs. S. W. Smith, of Centre Hall, and sister, Mrs. L. Ray Morgan, of Pittsburgh, also enjoyed the day among their various friends in town.

—Already this year over 660,000 automobile licenses at \$10 each have been issued by the State of Pennsylvania. That means \$6,600,000 in license fees, and it is estimated that Pennsylvanians pay about \$20,000,000 a month for gasoline used in their cars.

**AARONSBURG.**

Miss Lodie King entertained Mr. Henry, of Milroy, during the week of the Fourth.

Mrs. Elmer Weaver and baby spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haines.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Johnson and little son Billy spent a week with friends in Yeagertown.

Mrs. Stonge and two children, of Danville, were guests for a week with Mrs. Stonge's sister, Mrs. Armagast.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bower have as guests Mrs. Bower's son, Clyde Bartges and two children, of Lansdowne.

Mrs. George Cunningham and daughter Jessie have been spending the past two weeks with her father, Mr. Gulick, of Riverside.

After having spent two weeks with their respective parents the Misses Ruth Musser and Miriam Brown on Sunday returned to Youngstown.

Dr. C. S. Musser has been entertaining his brother, Harvey Musser Sr., of Akron, Ohio, and their sister, Mrs. Irey and her grandson, Sumner Irey, of Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Herman, Mr. and Mrs. John Isenberg and two daughters, Marian and Mildred, of State College, spent a few hours Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Stover.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Crouse, Catherine Krape and Hazel Winkleblech spent the Fourth in Sunbury, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crouse's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hain.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Auman and sons, of Youngstown, Ohio, are spending their two week's vacation in Pennsylvania. While in town they are guests of Mrs. Auman's mother, Mrs. Alice Eisenhauer.

Mr. and Mrs. George McKay and daughter, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mrs. McKay's mother, Mrs. Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. McKay returned home, leaving their daughter for a few week's visit with her grandmother.

Mrs. Cyrus Brown spent several days in State College. She made the trip by auto and was accompanied home by the Misses Emma and Annie Krebs, who remained from Wednesday until Saturday, when they returned to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stambach, their daughter, Miss Eva, and Harold Rothrock, of Lock Haven, spent Sunday, recently, with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle. Sunday guests at the Mingle home, July 9th, were as follows: Their son, A. E. Mingle and wife, of Coburn; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Winkleblech, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Winkleblech and son Carl, John Frazier and Miss Catherine Winkleblech, of Fiedler, and Mr. and Mrs. Mingle's grandson, Herbert Hosterman Jr., and a little friend, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. Jennie Sylvis had a very pleasant surprise on Monday morning when her only son, Russell, returned from Cuba, where he has been living for several years. He was, when he first went to Cuba, in the employ of the government and later, when discharged, found employment, but conditions became such that he was very anxious to get away. He says laborers receive about 40 cents per

day where he was located. He has many interesting tales to tell which should make every true and loyal American glad and thankful to be able to live in the good old United States.

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**RUNVILLE.**

Lloyd Walker and Frank Lucas autowed to Clearfield last Sunday afternoon.

Edward Lucas spent Sunday at Altoona visiting his sister, Mrs. E. R. Lucas.

Ray Lucas, of Tyrone, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas.

Mrs. Ford Walker, of Snow Shoe, visited her mother, Mrs. Ida Witmer, on Saturday.

John Walker came home Monday, after spending several days in the Clearfield hospital.

James Parks and his sister Mildred are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Ella Houseman, at Altoona.

Mrs. Grant Houseman, of Altoona, spent a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. Annie Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Resides and little son, of Milesburg, spent last Sunday at the home of L. J. Heaton.

Miss Edna Rodgers departed last Wednesday for Ocean City, where she expects to spend two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Lauck spent Sunday at Warriorsmark visiting Mr. Lauck's sister, Mrs. Katie Shuey.

Burtus Witherite and wife, of Os-

ceola Mills, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Witherite.

Maynard Sparks is visiting his brother Hayden, at Washington, D. C., and will also spend a week with friends at Baltimore.

W. T. Kunes spent the week-end at Mill Hall, visiting his sister, Mrs. Addie Swisher, and also attended the Free Methodist campmeeting.

The Ladies Aid of this place will hold a festival on July 29th, on the band hall grounds. Ice cream, cake and other refreshments will be on sale. Everybody invited.

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