

# Democratic Watchman

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## NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.

Early white peaches are now in market and selling at \$2.25 the bushel basket.

James K. Barnhart, who was expected home from the Clearfield hospital yesterday will probably arrive home today.

The second of the series for the Bellefonte-Lock Haven ladies bridge tournament, which was to have been played in Lock Haven Wednesday evening, was postponed indefinitely.

The Lamb street bridge has finally been completed and thrown open to traffic, and there is no argument but that it is now in better condition and more capable of carrying a heavy load than ever before.

Don't overlook the new serial story, "Miss Lulu Bett," which will begin in the "Watchman" next week. If you read the first installment you will look forward with keen anticipations of pleasure to what is to follow.

On Monday Edward Zimmerman took his son Harold and Leopold Levi to Johnston in his car from where the two youths started out on a hike to San Francisco. They took no money with them intending to work their way through.

Rev. S. Earl Orwig, having suddenly decided to go to Porto Rico, will be unable to preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday, as previously announced. The pulpit will be filled, however, morning and evening, by the Rev. R. P. Miller, of Phillipsburg.

Charles Osmer, of Bishop street, entertained a supper party of twelve, on Tuesday evening, in honor of his brother, A. G. Osmer, of Lincoln, Neb., who is here for an indefinite visit with his brother and sisters, Mrs. A. M. Hibler, Mrs. Rash Williams, and other relatives.

The Undine fire company will clean up between \$400 and \$450 as the result of the week's stand of Smith's greater shows in Bellefonte. The train carrying the shows pulled out of result of the week's stand of Smith's morning en route to Lewistown where they are exhibiting this week.

Mrs. Thomas D. Gray, of State College, is a patient in the Lankenau hospital, Philadelphia, where on Wednesday of last week she underwent a successful operation. Her condition since is reported as very satisfactory. Mrs. Gray was accompanied to Philadelphia by her son, Ralph W. Gray, of Williamsport.

The concessions committee of the Bellefonte Business Men's association announce that they have signed contracts for all stands and amusements for the big picnic at Hecla park on Thursday of next week, and that no stand will be allowed on the ground unless the owner can present a signed contract.

Monday afternoon a man in the neighborhood of sixty years of age, who said his name was Alex. Frame, entered the Red Cross rooms asking for medical aid. Several physicians were consulted who pronounced him a hospital case, consequently, after having him taken care of at the borough home for the night, the Red Cross bought him a ticket and sent him on to his former home in Danville.

The Chautauqua is over and no more carnivals are in sight, but Bellefonte people can always find amusement and entertainment at the Scenic. Other amusements come and go but the Scenic is continually with us. And notwithstanding the fact that it is the only motion picture show in Bellefonte it is in a class by itself, enjoying a reputation for a better class of pictures than is shown anywhere else in Central Pennsylvania.

The grocery store of Alters & Stover, in the Bush house block, was closed on Monday owing to financial difficulties of the young partners. They have an opportunity to dispose of their store to John P. Eckel at a price that will save all their creditors from loss. In fact the deal has been made and only awaits the sanction of all the creditors to become effective. This, it is believed, will be accomplished in a few days and such proving to be the case Mr. Eckel will open up for business on or about August 15th. His plans include a very decided change in the store and something new in Bellefonte. One side of the store will be taken up with the grocery department while an up-to-date meat market will be installed in the other side.

Mrs. Luella Dale Cheesman, wife of Calvin A. Cheesman, of Altoona, last week brought action against her husband for desertion and non-support and the case was aired at a hearing before Judge Quigley on Monday. Mrs. Cheesman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dale, of Dale's Summit. Her marriage to Mr. Cheesman took place several years ago and during their brief married life they have lived in Altoona, where Mr. Cheesman, who is a traveling salesman, made his headquarters. Mrs. Cheesman claimed that her husband didn't treat her right and Mr. Cheesman claimed that his wife wanted to spend too much time with her parents to the neglect of her own home. They have an eighteen months old child and after hearing the evidence the court ordered Mr. Cheesman to pay \$65 a month for the support of his wife and child and give bond for the faithful carrying out of the court order, which he did.

## WITH THE BOROUGH DADS.

### Routine Business Transacted by Borough Council.

J. O. Heverly, proprietor of the auto supply store on the corner of Allegheny and High streets, appeared before borough council, at a regular meeting on Monday evening, and after detailing the plans for the erection of a solid, four story business block on Allegheny street, requested permission to remove the large elm trees along the front of the proposed building, as so much of the trees would have to be cut away in the erection of the building that it would not only spoil their beauty but make them lop-sided and unsafe. They will also interfere with the putting down of a new concrete pavement. Mr. Heverly also asked permission to move his gasoline tank from its present location on Allegheny street to the High street side of his building and also put down an additional tank. He also wants to move the fire plug from Allegheny street to High street. He explained that the building will be fireproof and asked for a permit for its erection. Mr. Heverly's requests were referred to various committees with the assurance of president Walker that council will do everything possible to assist in working out his different problems satisfactorily.

The Street committee reported the completion of the Lamb street bridge and the collection from the County Commissioners of \$500 as the county's share of the expense. The committee also reported the collection of \$272.40 on the Bishop and Spring street paving, \$17.00 for old lumber sold, \$10.00 for oil on street, and \$20.00 for sewer permits.

The Water committee reported the collection of \$18.00 on the 1920 water duplicate and stated that the duplicate for 1922 has been made up. It aggregates \$9966.50 with meter bills estimated at \$4254.36, or a total of \$14,220.86. The committee suggested that the uncollected portion of the 1921 duplicate be withdrawn from the State-Centre Electric company about September 1st and turned over to the borough manager, and the 1922 duplicate be given the State-Centre for collection. The committee submitted correspondence with the Titan Metal company in which they agree to pay \$400.00 in settlement of all water rent claims up to April 1st, 1922, and to pay the regular commercial rate thereafter, bills to be submitted quarterly. On recommendation of the committee the offer was accepted and the secretary was instructed to so notify the company.

The Fire and Police committee submitted a check for \$53.00, being a voluntary contribution of the citizens of Axe Mann for the work of the Bellefonte fire department on the occasion of the burning of Mr. White's flour mill. In addition to the above sum a check for \$15.00 was given to each fire company. On motion of Mr. Cunningham a vote of thanks was extended to the citizens of Axe Mann, and the secretary was instructed to so notify them.

The Finance committee presented the report of the borough treasurer showing a balance in his hands of \$1877.94. On motion the treasurer was authorized to renew a note for \$7,000 and execute a new note for \$1,000 to pay current bills. The secretary reported that the second note in payment on the triple pumper amounting with interest to \$2323.50, was overdue and on the recommendation of the Finance committee the treasurer was authorized to execute a new note to pay the same.

Mr. Cunningham stated that residents of Halfmoon hill have been complaining of the shortage of the water supply and have applied to him on various occasions for a new service line to that section. There are four or five families within the borough limits and Brown & Haupt have just sold three lots with the assurance that houses will be erected thereon in the near future. In addition there are twelve or more families living outside the borough limits who will take the water and lay their own pipe. Mr. Cunningham stated that it will take approximately 1125 feet of pipe and he recommended putting down four inch pipe to the top of the hill, where Mr. Haupt will put in at his own expense a fire plug. From there out a two inch pipe will be used. The estimated cost will be from \$700 to \$800 and the committee was empowered to go ahead with the work.

Mr. Waite, of the Sanitary committee, reported that several business men in Bellefonte have been making it a practice to dump decayed fruit and vegetables on the Blair property on Willowbank street, and the stench is very offensive to residents in that locality. While there is no borough ordinance covering the problem there is a state law providing a heavy penalty for dumping offensive matter within five hundred feet of any residence and the matter was referred to the Sanitary committee with power to abate the nuisance.

Borough manager J. D. Seibert stated that he still has quite a number of bills against residents along the Bishop, Spring and Pine streets state highway which are unpaid and which he is unable to collect, and he was instructed to turn all bills over to the borough solicitor for collection or entering of liens against the properties.

Bills approximating \$2,600.00 were approved for payment, after which council adjourned.

Wanted.—A good home for a boy eighteen months old. Inquire at this office.

## Howard Boy Killed in Auto Accident on Wednesday.

Paul Johnston, thirteen year old son of Clarence Johnston, of Howard, is dead as the result of an auto accident on the Allegheny mountain, early Wednesday morning, and the father is in the Bellefonte hospital as the result of injuries he sustained, though his condition is not serious. Mr. Johnston conducts a meat market at Howard and makes trips to Snow Shoe two or three times a week. On Wednesday he was on his way out with a Ford truck load of meat and on one of the sharp curves near the top of the mountain his steering apparatus buckled and the machine ran through the guard rail, off the road and landed upside down twenty-five feet below at the bottom of a ravine. Both Mr. Johnston and his son were pinned beneath the car in such a way that neither could get out, but the boy was not killed outright.

Robert F. Hunter and county treasurer L. Frank Mayes were on their way to Karthaus and just as they passed the spot where the accident occurred Mr. Mayes heard some one yelling for help and had Mr. Hunter stop the car. Mayes jumped out, ran back the road and quickly discovered where the car had gone over the bank and also saw the overturned vehicle at the bottom of the ravine. He called to Mr. Hunter and both men quickly made their way down to the wrecked car. They found Mr. Johnston pinned fast beneath it but still conscious. He told them about his boy and his fear that the lad was dead.

The car lay in such a position that it could not be overturned and it was impossible for the two men to lift it. Fortunately other motorists happened along and it was only a short time until there were enough men on the ground to lift the car and pull Mr. Johnston from beneath it. The boy was carefully taken out but he was dead. Mr. Hunter brought Mr. Johnston to the Bellefonte hospital while the body of the dead boy was taken to Wetzler's undertaking establishment at Milesburg.

Paul Johnston was thirteen years old on Monday and was an unusually bright and intelligent youth. He was a member of the Methodist church at Howard and the Howard troop of Boy Scouts. His mother died two years ago but he is survived by his father, two sisters and a brother, namely: Vonda, Dean and Myrtle. Rev. Mellott, of the Methodist church, will have charge of the funeral services which will be held on Sunday afternoon, burial to be made in the Schenck cemetery.

## The Elks and the Kids.

Yesterday Bellefonte Lodge B. F. O. E. celebrated its much advertised kiddies day at Hecla Park.

The good time really began on Wednesday evening when most of the little folks assembled in front of the Elk's home, on High street, and were marshalled into line for a parade headed by the Odd Fellows band.

Heading the parade was the committee of arrangements and following the band trooped exactly 380 happy children. It reminded us for all the world of a "Pied Piper of Hamelin" performance. Innocent, hopeful little folks effervescent with the joys of life and utterly unable to repress their spirits, following wherever the big brother Elks and the band led them. Indeed we would have advised them to have a care, after discovering the number of bachelors in the front, but back along the line was Sheriff Yarnell, Roy Wilkinson and Oscar Gray and as few people have anything on them in the line of children we felt reassured.

Yesterday morning the crowd was at the Elks home bright and early. There each child was given a souvenir cap, a package of five tickets for boat rides, merry-go-round, etc., and loaded into Emerick busses and cars of the members that took them the happy journey to the park.

There were about 400 in all, and such a day. Captain General G. Washington Rees and his assistants were sure the old woman who lived in a shoe long before night-fall. The park rang with shrieks of delight and little tummies groaned with the loads of goodies that found their way into them. Everything that had been promised was there so there was no disappointment and the day will linger long in the memory of Bellefonte's childhood.

The Warner-American News is the name of a new monthly publication that has come into being with the merger of the American Lime and Stone company, and the Warner interests. Vol. 1, No. 1, has just reached our desk and contains a full page picture of the Hon. A. G. Morris, as the frontispiece. The little magazine is full of news of the company's various enterprises and is designed to promote a more intimate knowledge among owners and employees as to what they are doing and why they are doing it. One of the departments is headed "screenings" and there we notice that Stewart "Hook" Hampton has just had his eighteenth visit from the stork and "Hook" isn't looking for sympathy, either. It's congratulations he's open for. If he produces on his job like he does at home we should say it's the American Co. that should be congratulated on having such an employee.

The swimming pool on Hughes field has been emptied and cleaned out, and will be refilled with water from the borough mains.

## SOLDIER BOYS TRANSFERRED.

### Major Curtin and Headquarters Troop Sent to Cambria County.

Major H. Laird Curtin and the headquarters troop of the Fifty-second machine gun squadron, numbering four officers and thirty-three men, were transferred this week from Cokesburg, Washington county, to Camp Little, Cambria county. This will enable Major Curtin to keep in closer touch and personally direct the movements of Troop A, under command of Capt. Charles E. Soh, which is stationed at Vintondale, and Troop B, under command of Capt. W. Frederick Reynolds, stationed at Jeners Station, though all the troops are in direct charge of Major Edgar McKinney, the senior ranking officer.

So far there has been no disturbance of any kind in the Cambria, Indiana and Somerset county district and the work of the soldiers so far has consisted of patrol duty and the regular routine of camp life. A wireless telephone has been installed at Camp Little and the soldiers are planning to pick up the concerts broadcasted from the Westinghouse station at East Pittsburgh. The instrument is used primarily for communication with the troops at Cokesburg, both a sending and a receiving apparatus having been set up. Additional lights have been installed in the camp and everything made as comfortable as possible for the soldiers, in anticipation of a prolonged stay.

## Celebrated 90th Birthday with Family Gathering.

John P. Harris, one of the best known men of Bellefonte, as well as the oldest man who has spent his entire life in the town, celebrated his ninetieth birthday anniversary on Saturday with a family dinner at the Brockerhoff house. The dinner was served at 6:30 p. m., and just eight members of the Harris family gathered around the festive board. They included Mr. Harris, his daughter, Mrs. Frank Warfield and her daughter, Mrs. James Craig; Mr. and Mrs. J. Linn Harris, of Lock Haven, and Dr. and Mrs. Edward Harris and son, of Snow Shoe. The family circle was not complete, owing to the absence of A. Scott Harris and Dr. Edith Schad, of Pittsburgh, and John P. Harris Jr., of Mt. Union, but at that the dinner proved a very pleasant affair and was greatly enjoyed by those in attendance.

Mr. Harris was born on Howard street, Bellefonte, on August 5th, 1832. He was educated in the public schools of the town and as a young man took his first job as a clerk in the banking house of Humes, McAllister & Co. That was his introductory into the banking business which he made his life work until his retirement about three years ago. He also served many years on the Bellefonte school board and always took an active interest in politics and all economic questions relating to the welfare of Bellefonte.

Though he has passed the four score and ten mark he still enjoys good health. Of course he is not as active as a man of younger years but he is out and around town every day, reads the daily papers and keeps in touch with all that is going on.

## Business Men's Big Picnic Next Thursday.

Representatives of the Associated Business Men of Bellefonte literally plastered the county with big bills on Monday and Tuesday heralding their third annual picnic to be held at Hecla park next Thursday, August 17th.

Most of the important features of the day's program are announced on the big posters, but there will be other features which will prove quite attractive to all who attend.

All the Bellefonte stores will be closed during the afternoon so as to permit the owners and clerks an opportunity to enjoy the gathering. But the picnic is not confined to Bellefonte. Business men and the public generally throughout Centre county are urged to attend. Take the day off and spend it at the park. Make the picnic an opportunity to become better acquainted and thus encourage a more progressive business spirit.

Remember there will be two baseball games, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Band concerts throughout the day. Boating, dancing and other sports. Go in the morning and make a day of it.

## Two Bellefonte Institutions Receive Substantial Gifts.

The Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. and the hospital were the recipients of substantial presents on Tuesday, when they received letters from Mrs. Blanche Hayes Hiller who is spending the summer in Dakota, Missouri.

To the Y. Mrs. Hiller sent her check for one thousand dollars and the hospital received one hundred. We have no authority for doing so in the name of the institutions benefited, but in the name of the town of which both render such splendid service we do express the public appreciation of such worth while gifts.

"Roasting ears" are quite plentiful this year and all lovers of the luscious corn ought to be able to get their fill of it. For instance, Willis Struble, up to Monday of this week, had marketed four hundred dozen ears of golden bantam and expects to have upwards of two hundred dozen more. The corn sold at 20 and 25 cents a dozen.

## NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.

Miss Nancy Rhinesmith, of Clearfield, was a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Kirk from Friday until Sunday evening.

Mrs. Birchhead Rouse, of Baltimore, with her two children, are here for a summer visit with Mrs. Rouse's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest L. Bullock.

Mrs. Frank Montgomery and her sister, Miss Hassel, are making their annual visit back home to Philadelphia, which includes a stay of a week or more at the Shore.

Miss Mary Musser is entertaining Miss Dorothy Platts, of Wilkesburg, who was a resident of Bellefonte for several years, during her father's pastorate of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. Joseph Brockerhoff and James Pierpoint, of Philadelphia, will leave today for a trip across the great lakes and through the middle west, expecting to be gone for the remainder of the month.

Reuben Wert and William Steimling, of Millmont, both on their way home from work in a lumber camp on Queen's run, stopped over in Bellefonte Saturday to look after some business with the McNitt Lumber company.

F. D. Lee, a representative citizen and one of the good Democrats of Centre Hall, was among the motorists in Bellefonte Friday. Mr. Lee's time since leaving the farm is fully occupied with his other business interests, the day here being devoted to that.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh N. Boyle and their children drove to Bellefonte Saturday from Hazleton. Mrs. Boyle and the children remaining to visit during the month of August with Mrs. Boyle's mother, Mrs. C. J. Tanner, while Mr. Boyle returned home the following day.

Mrs. Carson, of Lock Haven, better known here as Miss Jane Crowley, and Mrs. W. H. Karnes, of Perryville, Md., were guests at the Spangler home Monday, having come up for a short visit with Mrs. James McClain, who is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Spangler.

Capt. W. S. Campbell, of Seward, Pa., who has been with the National Guard at Mr. Gretna, will spend this week-end with his sister, Mrs. James K. Barnhart, in this place. Mrs. Barnhart is expecting her sisters, Miss Cora Campbell and Mrs. H. J. Loeb, of Punxsutawney, to visit her next week.

Prof. A. L. Koehler, of State College; Emile Walters, artist of Philadelphia, and F. W. Brackett, principal of the art department of the Greenwich, Conn. High school, were guests of Henry S. Linn, of this place, last Thursday evening. Mr. Walters is giving lessons at State College during the summer.

Miss Olive Steele and her two nieces, daughters of Mrs. Cecil B. Craig, of Creighton, Pa., have been with Miss Steele's sister, Mrs. Thompson, and other relatives for the past ten days. Miss Steele has made her home with Mrs. Craig since leaving Bellefonte and is now back only for a summer vacation.

Mrs. James Driver and her daughter, Margery Way, are at Grampian, having gone over to bring to Bellefonte their household goods in storage there. Mr. and Mrs. Driver have leased a furnished apartment in the McClure building on Bishop street, from Miss Mona Struble, and moved there from Waddle this week.

Mrs. Charles Donachy and her son, Charles Jr., were motor guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartsock, on the drive here from Kingston, Miss Sara Donachy joining them here Saturday. The Donachy family are guests of Mrs. Donachy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Shuey, while Mr. and Mrs. Hartsock went on Buffalo Run for a visit with their relatives.

Mrs. George R. Boak, of Pine Glenn, spent yesterday in Bellefonte doing some buying for the "Golden Pheasant" tea room, of which she is hostess and which has become one of the most popular lunching places in Central Pennsylvania. A specialty is made by Mrs. Boak for Sunday and specially ordered dinners, which can be had by notifying her a few hours ahead.

Mrs. Oelg of Coraopolis, with Miss Bertha Smith, of Altoona, motored here on Sunday and remained until Tuesday as guests of Miss Mary Royer, at the home of her parents on Water street. Miss Royer accompanied them to Altoona and will be the guest of Miss Smith while there. Mrs. Oelg will probably be better remembered here as the Miss Elder who was so efficient as superintendent of the Bellefonte hospital several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Linn Blackford, of Huntingdon, and their four sons, drove to Bellefonte last week in their new Cadillac car, for a short visit with both Mr. and Mrs. Blackford's relatives. Jack remained to return home with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garthoff tomorrow, when they go to be guests at the Blackford camp on the Juniata river during Mr. Garthoff's two week's vacation.

Dr. R. L. Stevens returned from a three week's vacation Tuesday, and opened his office in the Bush arcade Wednesday morning. Dr. and Mrs. Stevens and their family left here on the 20th of June and have been since that time with Dr. Stevens' family in McConnellsburg and at Mrs. Stevens' former home at Petersburg, where she and the children are continuing their visit. Much of Dr. Stevens' time while away from his office was spent with eye specialists.

(Additional personals on page 4, Col. 5.)

On Sunday afternoon Elias Namey, J. E. Namey and George Maddad left Altoona to motor to Williamsport by way of State College. Near the latter place the driver of the car espied a hole in the road a short distance ahead and threw on his emergency brakes with the result that the wheels locked and the car turned several somersaults landing in the ditch alongside the road. Elias Namey suffered a broken arm and cuts and bruises on the head while the other men were only slightly injured. Their injuries were treated by a State College physician and Elias Namey and Mr. Maddad returned to Altoona while J. E. Namey borrowed a car and continued on to Williamsport.

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Old Wheat	1.10
New Wheat	1.00
Eye, per bushel	1.00
Corn, shelled, per bushel	.60
Corn, ears, per bushel	.40
Oats, per bushel	.40
Barley, per bushel	.45