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THE EDITOR.

Who is it works for little pay And does good turns from day to day. Meeting full off with sad abuse And merely says, "Oh, what's the use?"

Who is it builds for other men, Welding for them his trusty pen And bringing to them rich renown By placing on their head a crown

Who is it at the close of life, When ends the turmoil and the strife, Will stand before the pearly gate

And hear St. Peter thus relate: "My son, we have a place for you, So come right in and get your due."

Bellefonte Academy Athletic Banquet a Delightful Affair.

The big dining room at the Bellefonte Academy was aglow with lights and liberally festooned with the Academy colors—blue and gold—last Saturday night on the occasion of the annual athletic banquet which is always one of the big features of the school year.

When the menu had been most thoroughly discussed by the students, members of the Academy faculty and a dozen or more invited guests headmaster James R. Hughes took up the cudgel as toastmaster and the responses were not only generous but replete with words of encouragement, wise sayings and splendid advice to the student body.

Among the student body Thomas Quinn told of "Manager Tullis and the Eleven that Was;" Wallace Peterson eulogized "Manager Wurster and the Five that Is;" Thomas Oberender disanted on "Manager Boyd and the Nine that Will Be;" while Millard Van Horn spoke of sports of the track, Oliver Boyd told of the charms of music, Kinsey Fife discussed some friends of ours, Edward Rockey eulogized the school spirit, Hyman Lybelsky, gave good advice about the idler not being in it, while Robert Tullis talked on our town friends.

By virtue of and in conformity with the provisions of a certain ordinance of the borough of Bellefonte, approved May 6th, 1914, (the same having been duly passed, published, posted and recorded as required by law) I do hereby direct and proclaim that the stopping or parking of automobiles, (pleasure or commercial), and all other vehicles within fifteen (15) feet on either side of any public or private fire hydrant or hydrants, and within a distance of fifty (50) feet from the centre of the Logan or Undine fire buildings, on both sides of the street where the said fire buildings are located, is strictly prohibited.

I do further direct and proclaim as authorized and directed under Section Fifteen of the above ordinance, that from and after the date hereof, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive, stop or park his or her automobile, (pleasure or commercial), or any horse-drawn vehicle, on the left hand side of any street, lane or alley in the direction in which they are traveling, within the limits of the borough of Bellefonte.

Given under my hand this eighth day of February, A. D. 1923.

W. FARRISON WALKER, Burgess.

PETERS.—Miss Anna T. Peters, for a number of years a popular and well known modiste on Chestnut street, Philadelphia, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Robert G. Foster, in that city, on Monday night, following a brief illness with pneumonia.

She was a daughter of George W. and Mary Miles Peters and was born in Unionville on February 26th, 1867. Her childhood life was spent in that place but later the family came to Bellefonte and lived here a number of years. Miss Peters finally went to Philadelphia and opened a millinery shop, meeting with considerable success. Her devotion and close application to her business impaired her health with the result that she discontinued her work a number of years ago and went to Europe in the hope of regaining her health.

Surviving her are the following brothers and sisters: John W. Peters, of DuBois; Mrs. Frank S. Graub, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Cheney K. Hicklen, of Bellefonte; David I. Peters, of Walla Walla, Wash.; and Mrs. Robert G. Foster, of Philadelphia.

Brief funeral services were held at her late home in Philadelphia on Wednesday evening and yesterday morning the remains were brought to Unionville where final services were conducted by Rev. E. E. McKelvey, of Bellefonte, and burial made in the Unionville cemetery.

MATTERN.—John Stewart Matern, a well known and highly esteemed resident of Spruce Creek valley, died on Friday morning at his home near the Seven Stars.

He was a son of George and Jane McPherson Matern and was born on May 18th, 1849, hence was almost 74 years old. In 1887 he married Miss Annie Patterson and they located on the old homestead farm where he lived all his life. He was recognized as one of the best farmers in that section and his home was known far and wide as one of great and cheerful hospitality.

Funeral services were held at his late home at two o'clock on Monday afternoon by Rev. W. K. Harnish, assisted by Rev. H. D. Fleming, after which burial was made in the Seven Stars cemetery.

STOVER.—Mrs. Mary Stover, widow of the late Thaddeus D. Stover, died at her home at Smullton last Friday night following an illness of some weeks. She was a native of Pennsylvania and had been twice married.

MILLER.—Orin Miller, for many years a well known resident of Bellefonte, died at 3:30 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon at the home of his son Arthur, in Erie, aged almost 67 years.

BREON.—Mrs. Catherine Breon, widow of the late Elias Breon, died at her home at Smullton last Friday as the result of a stroke of paralysis. She was a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Rupp, and was born on August 14th, 1847, making her age 75 years, 5 months and 19 days.

LANDIS.—John H. Landis, a brother of Mrs. F. H. Thomas, of Bellefonte, died quite suddenly at his home at Millersville, Lancaster county, on Sunday, aged 71 years.

and for forty years had never missed attending a national Republican convention. He is survived by his wife and two children. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas went to Millersville for the funeral which was held on Wednesday morning.

McNITT.—Mrs. Sarah Reed McNitt, the mother of Andrew R. McNitt, of Bellefonte, died at her home in Reedsville, last Thursday, after an illness of some months, due to her advanced age.

HULL.—Bruce Hull, aged 24 years, a son of John Hull, of Fillmore, died of diabetes, on Wednesday morning. His interment will be made tomorrow.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company to Try Out Motor Coaches.

A motor coach built by the J. G. Brill Manufacturing company will be tried out on the Berwick branch of the Pennsylvania railroad, between Berwick and Watonsontown, as a test of this means of transportation.

Twenty-five year guaranteed Coil Bed Springs at \$6.10 during February furniture sale.—W. R. Brachbill. 5-2t

Wrestling Class, Y. M. C. A., Monday.

Jess Sarson, the heavy weight champion wrestler of State College, has been secured to have charge of the wrestling class which will open on Monday evening at the Y. M. C. A.

Parent-Teacher's Association Meeting.

The February meeting of the Parent-Teacher's association will be held at the High school auditorium on Monday evening, February 12th.

Is Acting Dean at State.

Miss Charlotte E. Ray, of Pittsburgh, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, has been appointed acting dean of women at The Pennsylvania State College during the absence of Dean Margaret A. Knight.

The venerable Joel Johnson, now in his ninety-third year, is quite ill at the home of his son, M. R. Johnson, on north Spring street.

The "Watchman" gives all the news while it is news.

Church Services Next Sunday.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH. "The Friendly Church." Quinquagesima Sunday. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 10:45. "The Gift of Faith." The third in a series of sermons on "Faith." Vesper service 7:30, with sermon. Visitors always welcome.

ST. JOHN'S REFORMED CHURCH. Services next Sunday morning at 10:45 and evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. and C. E. meeting at 6:45 p. m. Strangers cordially welcomed.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Divine worship at the usual hours. At 10:45 the message on "The Selfward and Godward side of life or High Living and Low Religion." At 7:30 "Lincoln, the Man of the Ages." Sabbath school at 9:30. Juniors, 2:30. Teen agers and Epworth League 6:30.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Services for the week beginning February 11: Quinquagesima Sunday, 8 a. m. Holy Eucharist; 9:45 a. m. church school; 11 a. m. Mattins and sermon, "The Wilderness and Calvary Today; or Lent and Passiontide in Our Parish." 7:30 p. m. evensong and sermon. Ash Wednesday, 7:30 and 10 a. m., 4:30 p. m. Daily services in Lent at 9 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Visitors always welcome.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. "We aim to serve." 9:45 Bible school; 10:45 morning worship, sermon theme, "Winning Its Way." Junior congregation with special message. 6:30 C. E. society. Leader, Dorothy Mallory; topic "The Testimony Psalm; Psalm 145:1-21. 7:30 evening worship, sermon theme "Running After Religion."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY. Christian Science Society, First building, High street, Sunday service 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock. To these meetings all are welcome. An all day free reading room is open to the public every day. Here the Bible and Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased.

County Supervisors Meet.

The road supervisors of Centre county met in the court house here on Wednesday, and held two interesting sessions.

The morning was given over to discussion of road problems, passing resolutions and election of officers as follows: President, F. M. Fletcher, of Howard township; vice president, W. A. Jodon, of Patton township; secretary and treasurer, W. H. Austin, of Liberty township; assistant secretary and treasurer, J. W. Hartsock, of Patton township; delegates to State convention, Milford Pletcher, of Howard township; O. P. McCord, of Rush township; and N. J. Wilson, of Halfmoon township; alternate delegates to convention, Charles Houser, of Worth township, and James Emerick, of Walker township.

Mrs. Scott and her son Charles have leased the west side of the Cooke house on Linn street, recently vacated by Miss Grace Mitchell, expecting to occupy it this spring.

William P. Seig has purchased the Mrs. M. B. Garman residence on east Curtin street and will move there on or before the first of April.

Tuesday morning's weather was the coldest so far this winter, some thermometers in Bellefonte registering four degrees below zero.

Russell C. Miller, a grand-son of D. W. Miller Esq., of Pine Grove Mills, is now connected with the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio.

Willis Wion has leased the Haag hotel barn and will convert it into a garage and sales department for his Nash, Dodge and Franklin agency.

George H. Waite, the dependable assistant at the Bellefonte Fuel & Supply Co., has been housed up for several weeks with a very sore leg.

Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Season.

Ash Wednesday, which falls this year on February 14, and marks the beginning of the Lenten season, carries the reminder that the best and worst of winter are behind us, and spring-time approaches. Religiously considered, Ash Wednesday takes its name from the ceremonial use of ashes as a symbol of penitence, which is traced back to the penance of sackcloth and ashes spoken of by the Old Testament prophets.

Prior to the Reformation, all Christian believers conformed to this ancient ceremonial. Its use has been abandoned in later days by the reformed churches, and is now retained by the communicants of the Church of Rome alone; in whose places of worship ashes obtained from the burning of palms blest on Palm Sunday of the year previous are thrice sprinkled with holy water and censured. Thereafter the officiating priests make the sign of the Cross upon the forehead of communicants with the thumb dipped in consecrated ashes, intoning the words: "Remember, man, that thou art dust, and unto dust thou shalt return." This custom dates back at least to the early days of the Eighth century.

In the Anglican and Lutheran Communion as well as in the Roman Catholic, however, the Lenten Fast is still maintained; and though through the year the period of fasting has frequently varied, by common acceptance among all Christian communions the forty day period is now observed; and not without reason since "forty" is a scriptural number. For forty years, for illustration, the children of Israel were under discipline in the Wilderness. Moses fasted forty days in the Mount. Elijah was forty days in the Wilderness. For forty days, Christ fasted before entering upon his public ministry. Beginning with Ash Wednesday the Lenten season really covers a period of forty-six days, but as Sunday has always been regarded as a feast, these six Sundays are not counted as belonging to the fast.

The word Lent is derived from the old Anglo-saxon word Lencten, meaning Spring, and, as the fast falls in the early part of the year, by common usage Lent is now generally associated with the beginning of spring, which comes to full flower with the Easter festival of the Resurrection and the reawakening of life. The first mention of Lent is found in a Canon of the Council of Nicea, 325 A. D., and in the Christian church is known as the period of fasting preparatory to this Easter festival.

As with all these ancient festivals many quaint and curious customs attaching to Lent have been handed down through the ages. In medieval times meat, eggs and milk were forbidden in Lent, not only by ecclesiastical, but by statute law. It is from this prohibition of the eating of eggs, that the Easter egg custom of modern times grew. The chief Lenten food from the earliest days was fish and in the England of Edward III herring pies were so great a delicacy that charters granted to seaports often stipulated that the town should send so many herrings or other fish to the King during the Lenten season. The strictest abstinence was enforced, and to such an extent that during the siege of Orleans in 1429 the besieging army was reduced to starvation through lack of Lenten food, though in full possession of meat and other supplies. A writer in the Encyclopaedia Britannica, states that the Battle of the Herring, February, 1429, was fought to cover the march of the convoy of Lenten food to the British army before the beleagured city.

This strict observance of Lent has gradually been softened, though it continued to be inculcated by such earnest churchmen as William Law and John Wesley; and the custom of women wearing mourning in Lent, which had been followed by Queen Elizabeth and her Court, survived well into the Nineteenth century. Here, in America, in the Roman Catholic as well as in the Episcopal and Lutheran churches, while conformation to the rules laid down for fasting is urged, a tolerant policy is observed and the devout are neither required nor expected to engage in such fasting as might be deleterious to health.

Some people would take a chance at cutting their own hair if they thought their friends would not get next. This may cause you to smile, but the fact remains that many eyes are ruined yearly by people trying to be their own optometrists, thinking to save money. Service is entirely overlooked by these people, who are willing to save a little now and lose much later on.

If in doubt about your eyes consult me. Dr. Eva B. Roan, Optometrist. Licensed by the State Board. Bellefonte every Wednesday afternoon, and Saturday 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Rooms 14 and 15 Temple Court building. State College every day except Saturday. Both phones. 68-1

Fame is a possession that seldom comes to any man during his earthly sojourn, so that it is only rarely that even a great man gets a true vision of the estimation in which the future will hold him.

Subscribe for the "Watchman."

Hunters to be Taxed Fifty Cents More

Last week we mentioned the fact that the Hon. Tom Beaver had introduced a new game bill in the Legislature. Because there are so many interested in this most thrilling of all fall and winter sports in Centre county, we publish the aims of the new measure. If you like it tell the Hon. Tom. If you disapprove, tell him that, for after all, he is your Representative and will be guided by the advice of those interested enough to talk the matter over with him.

If the new code is enacted all hunters will have to pay fifty cents more for their license than they have done heretofore. Also, the woodcock hunters of northern Pennsylvania can kiss good-bye to their favorite sport during October, and the southeastern counties, which for years have demanded rabbit shooting in early December, will not be granted that boon.

The farmer who now hunts on adjoining lands to his own without a license will have to drag his jeans for \$1.50 before he can go hunting. Also, the 50 per cent. of license receipts heretofore set aside for bounties, excepting on the farm that he actually occupies, is not stipulated, and bounties fixed are for wild cats, \$8; for fox and weasel, \$1.50.

The groundhog is also placed among the protected game animals, and the open season is established as from August 1 to November 30, and it will be illegal to dig him out of his hole if he reaches it, thus giving the Punxatawney seer a sporting chance for his life. The ubiquitous red squirrel, because of alleged pernicious habits, is almost an all-year victim and may be hunted from November 1 to August 15, inclusive. The color-blindness that attacks some squirrel hunters and makes grey look red will not be effective except from August 15 to November 1. The general small-game season is fixed during the month of November. The seasons are:

Blackbirds, upland plover and woodchuck (groundhog), August 1 to November 30.

Rail, coot, mud-hens and shore birds (except woodcock), September 1 to November 30.

Wild water fowl, October 1 to January 15.

Raccoon, November 1 to January 31.

Wild turkeys, woodcock, ruffed grouse, quail, including Virginia, Hungarian gambel and valley; ring-neck pheasants, gray, black and fox squirrels and rabbits and hares, November 1 to November 30.

Bear, November 1 to December 15. Deer and elk, December 1 to December 15.

Every deer killed must have horns eight inches long, and only seven and one-half inch horns or your deer will cost you \$100.

All the fur bearers are protected, excepting from November 1 to December 28, the skunk being among them. No digging or smoking out of the fur-bearers is allowed, excepting by the land owner on cultivated lands, or where damage is done. The provisions permitting the killing of game birds or animals by property owners who have suffered damage, when they catch the game in the act, is re-enacted, but the property owner must notify the Game Department within twenty-four hours and must dress the carcass and turn it over to the Commonwealth for shipment.

No dog is permitted to chase squirrels or wild turkey, nor is a hunter accompanied by a dog permitted to kill them.

In discussing the features of the proposed new law a gentleman made a suggestion that might not be a bad one to incorporate. It was to the effect that hunters, not resident of the county in which they desire to hunt, be required to pay an additional fee, the proceeds to be devoted to feeding and protecting the game of the county.

A New Dry Law for Pennsylvania is Before the Legislature.

The Administration's dry bill, which puts the licensed saloon out of business in Pennsylvania by repeal of the Brooks High License act and the Woner act, was introduced to the Assembly Monday night.

The bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Plymouth W. Snyder, of Blair county, chairman of the Law and Order committee, and in the House of Representatives by Representative Armstrong, of Armstrong county, chairman of the Law and Order committee of the House. The two bills immediately were referred back to the Law and Order committees. The provisions of the bill differ but slightly from the digest made public Monday by Governor Pinchot.

The act specifies it shall not be unlawful to possess intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes in one's bona fide private dwelling providing such liquor was acquired lawfully prior to the passage of the act.

Attorney General Woodruff explained that when liquor is dispensed to guests in a private home that fact cannot be made the basis for the issuance of a search warrant. On the other hand, if liquor is sold to guests a warrant could issue on that fact. It is provided, however, that the burden of proof is upon the householder to prove the liquor was lawfully acquired.

The search-and-seizure clause in the bill provides that a warrant can issue only upon information in writing before an alderman, justice of the peace, magistrate supported by oath or affirmation alleging there is probable cause to believe and there is just and reasonable grounds to believe that intoxicating liquor is unlawfully manufactured, sold, offered for sale, bartered or furnished or possessed in a room, building, boat or vehicle. The penalty clause in the bill provides a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5000 or imprisonment of not more than three years or both for violation of any of its provisions. County Commissioners of each county are authorized under the bill to provide district attorneys with suitable storage facilities for all intoxicating liquor under the act.