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Impressions of Florida.

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Dear Watchman:

The fine weather continues. A bit cooler today but not cold enough for fire and we can sit on the porch in comfort.

Next we came to Lake Worth town. It is where the national horse-shoe pitching contest was held last week.

Lake Worth is growing so rapidly that soon it will be grown up to West Palm Beach and then the two places will probably merge to form one very large city.

Last evening the State of Florida put on the entertainment for the Tourists Club. It was in the nature of a vaudeville featuring several movie stars, musicians and other artists of high class.

Whenever you see two men talking you can gamble that real-estate is the subject of conversation and millions of dollars in prospective values change hands every week here.

B. H. S. Wins Final Game.

Last Friday night, at the Y. M. C. A., the Bellefonte High school closed its basketball season with a 31-18 victory over Juniata.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Position, Score, and other details for the basketball game.

Field Goals—Clark 5; Best 4; Furey 2; Waite 1; Emel 1; Martin 3; Beery 1; Meghan 1.

Big Sale in Nittany Valley.

One of the big and real clean-up sales of this season will be that of H. J. McCann, on the S. D. Furst farm, three miles east of Salona, on Friday, March 20th.

HARPSTER—Mrs. Rachael Harpster, widow of the late Stewart Harpster, died at her home at Pennsylvania Furnace on Wednesday morning of last week following an illness of some weeks with a complication of diseases.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hilliard and was born in Taylor township, Centre county, on May 10th, 1865, hence was in her sixtieth year.

She was a zealous member of the Presbyterian church all her life and Rev. H. D. Fleming had charge of the funeral services which were held at 10.30 o'clock on Saturday morning, burial being made in the Graysville cemetery.

YEARICK—Israel Yearick, one of the old-time farmers of Nittany valley, died at his home at Nittany on Friday of last week as the result of general debility.

He was a son of William and Mary Shugert Yearick, and was born in Nittany valley on March 20th, 1837, hence had reached the age of 86 years, 11 months and 15 days.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, burial being made in St. Paul's cemetery, at Nittany.

"Omnibus" Road Bill Holds Significance for Bellefonte.

Under what is known in Harrisburg as the "Omnibus Road Bill," two secondary highways in Centre county would be included in the regular State road development plan.

As a straw indicating whether the tide is drifting Bellefonte's Chamber of Commerce might be able to see something significant in this if it looks deep enough.

A state road across "the Barrens" isn't coming for several years, but when it does it will mean a lot to Buffalo Run valley, a lot to State College and a lot to Bellefonte.

Postal Employees Get Raise in Wages

The postal employees salary bill passed by Congress and signed by the President, gives all clerks and carriers in presidential offices a flat raise of \$300 a year.

Rural carriers are also affected, their increase being based on the miles traveled. In their case the increase is said to be four cents a mile, or equivalent to about a dollar a day.

Marriage Licenses.

Foster E. Walker and Grace L. Leitch, Howard.

It's nice to be good but its awful lonesome, at times, as the employees in the P. R. R. baggage room are finding out since the "no loading" order went into effect.

Col. Jack Haverly First Big Minstrel Manager.

Writing on old-time minstrel managers in the Saturday Evening Post, last week, Marian Spitzer says:

Col. Jack Haverly, who organized the first big minstrel troupe, one of the best known in the world, and who developed some of the greatest of all minstrels, did not begin his minstrel career until 1864.

When he organized Haverly's Mastodons in Chicago in 1878 he coined a slogan which swept like wild fire over the country, a simple slogan but it had a punch.

While the above is interesting it does not tell all about Col. Haverly. In the first place his name was not Haverly, but Heverly, and he was born in Bellefonte.

In the Heverly family were a number of boys and girls and after Col. Jack was well on the road to success in his minstrel career he sent for his sister, Miss Rebecca Heverly, and she traveled with him in his pilgrimages back and forth across the country.

The Famous Georgia Smart Set Minstrels.

If you want to see and hear a bully good show—and get ample measure for your money—then see the famous Georgia Smart Set minstrels which is booked for Wednesday night, March 18th, at the Moose Temple theatre.

Every groundhog that ventured out on February 2 to see his shadow was petrified by the cold and never got back to the hole.

Five Railroad Trackmen Killed.

A railroad tragedy was enacted near the town of Grazierville, between Tyrone and Altoona, on Saturday morning, when five members of the division track squad were run down and instantly killed by a passenger train.

Albert Landis has purchased the old Daniel Heckman property, on east Lamb street, and on Wednesday moved his family there from the Mrs. Harry Taylor property, on north Penn street.

Work has not yet been started on the new government airfield, near Bellefonte, but if good weather continues it is quite likely that the next week or two will witness unusual activity along that line.

JOHN RICH, COMPILER OF WHOPPERS.

Snow-Shoveling Hogs.

To those of you who don't know John Rich let us say that he is the eldest son of the late Judge Benjamin Rich, of Unionville. He was born and raised in a Puritanical community.

During the winter of 1866, he goes on to say, it was my misfortune to be living in the village of Frosty Point, on the west bank of Lake Coldwater, Iowa.

After the hogs got educated in handling the shovels the farmers stuck corn stalks in the middle of the road, about four feet apart, and the hogs kept the roads open all winter.

EVERY HOUSE SNOWED UNDER.

After the second and third snowstorm the snow had buried every house in the village several feet above the stovepipes protruding through the roofs.

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Do You Know Who This Is?



Some time ago one of our local business men made a trip through an adjoining State. One of the points of interest en route was a great manufacturing plant, the largest of its kind in the world.

"Speaking of community betterment, that is one thing too often forgotten by most business men in their mad rush for money. If either a business or an individual forgets about their fellowmen, fails to improve themselves, their surroundings and their associates, I do not think success will come as quickly and as surely as it should.

Look at the picture again and you will recognize Mark W. Williams, of the Bellefonte Hardware Co., as he looked when he visited the plant of the National Cash Register Co., at Dayton, Ohio, last fall.

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Gordon Defends Proposed Changes in the Game Laws.

Seth Gordon, secretary of the State Game Commission, has the following to say in answer to articles that recently appeared in some papers of the State opposing passage of bills that the Commission has asked the present Legislature to enact into law.

Several newspapers have carried articles attempting to have the sportsmen believe that the present board of Game Commissioners is trying to secure an amendment to the law so that they may collect pay for services rendered, when in reality there is no such intention.

The bill attacked is House bill No. 231, introduced by Representative Wells, of Potter county, and passed by the House after careful consideration by the Game committee. The intent of this bill is simply to clarify the purposes for which the Game Commission may spend its funds, and especially to make this portion of the game code agree with the administrative code and present practices, and no new high-salaried positions are being created by this bill.

The Wells bill, now in the hands of the Senate, also covers the expenditure of moneys from the game fund for the purchase of fur-bearing animals for propagation purposes, principally to cover the purchase of beavers, which have been re-established in certain localities by the board, as well as the purchase of raccoons.

Lock Haven Takes Chance of Championship from Tyrone.

Playing off their tie in the Mountain League basketball association on the Y. floor in this place, Wednesday night, the Lock Haven High school quintette eliminated the Tyrone dribblers to the tune of 39 to 18.

A marriage license was granted in Hollidaysburg on Tuesday to Arthur M. Wensel and Miss Gladys A. Holter, both of Howard.

Sheriff E. R. Taylor has twenty-one regular boarders in the Centre county jail.

CENTRE HALL.

Franklin Ruble spent a day with his mother, Mrs. Sallie Ruble.

"Danny" Bohm moved onto the Brockerhoff farm on Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Bieber, of Muncy, spent Tuesday night with friends in town.

D. M. Bradford moved into his new home, originally the John H. Krumbine home, on Thursday.

The Juniors of the C. H. H. S. will give a play this (Friday) evening, entitled "Engaged by Wednesday."

Mr. and Mrs. Asher Stahl spent a few days at the home of Mrs. James Stahl, who made sale of some of her goods.

The ladies of our burg are at present in the quilting business. About three days a week are devoted to this pastime.

Rev. J. F. Bingman, of the Evangelical church, is making preparations to remove his family to New Kingston, his new home.

Eva Bailey spent Sunday at her home in this place, bringing with her a school friend, Miss Miller, also a Penn State student.

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