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Country Correspondence

PINE GROVE MENTION.

J. Alfred Reed, of Greensburg, is here for a short vacation.

C. B. Haugh, of State College, was a Saturday visitor in town.

Mother's day will be observed in the churches here on Sunday.

Charles M. Dale transacted business at the county seat on Saturday.

Several families on the Branch are under quarantine for scarlet fever.

Mrs. C. H. Meyers, of Fairbrook, is quite ill with quinsy and heart trouble.

A little daughter arrived recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Mairs Jr.

D. C. Krebs and wife and Mrs. W. E. Reed spent Sunday at State College.

J. G. Miller is here from Philadelphia looking after the work on his farm.

Ed. Rossman is now snugly located in the J. E. Reed home at Rock Springs.

The Goheen sisters disposed of their household goods at public sale last Saturday.

'Squire E. H. Auman is in Philadelphia this week, sight-seeing and visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kimport spent the first day of the week with friends in Lock Haven.

Wilbur Sunday, wife and family, of Tadpole, spent Sunday with the Ed. C. Martz family.

Mrs. Moffet, of California, is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Murtoff, and other relatives.

The continued wet, cold weather has rotted much of the oats and farmers are replanting.

Mrs. Sadie Everts returned home on Friday from a month's visit with friends in Bellwood.

Carl Wagner, of Milroy, spent a short time in town on Saturday while on his way to Tyrone.

Joe Goss left on Monday for Pittsburgh, where he had the promise of a good job awaiting him.

R. R. Randolph and family motored to Huntingdon and spent Sunday with Fred Randolph and family.

Thomas Wogan and wife, of Juniata, were over Sunday visitors with Mrs. Etta Corl, on Main street.

Dr. Henry Clay Campbell and wife, of Philadelphia, are rusticating among their many friends in Centre county.

J. F. Rossman is having a 1000 gallon gas tank installed at his garage by the Independent Oil and Gas company.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goss, of Pittsburgh, are guests of the young man's mother, Mrs. A. F. Goss, on Main street.

Dr. L. E. Kidder has returned from Johns Hopkins hospital and is now convalescing nicely at his home at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dreiblebis and two sisters motored to Tyrone on Monday morning, on a business and shopping trip.

Mrs. Claude G. Aikens and baby daughter returned home last Thursday from a visit with the home folks in Harrisburg.

Joe Johnson and family, who spent the past six months in Philadelphia, are again back in their old home on east Main street.

S. E. Fleming is having a new coat of orange color paint applied to his home on Main street. Charlie Louck is swinging the brush.

It is the general opinion that the late, hard frosts have killed all the early fruits, and that only the latest varieties of apples escaped.

The little play given here on Saturday evening by the younger set of the State College Reformed church was much enjoyed by those who saw it.

Mrs. Hannah Osman and son, J. Shannon Osman, of Pine Hall, were in town, Saturday afternoon, shopping and looking after some business matters.

Word has been received here that Samuel E. Kimport, for the past few years a resident of New York State, has been discharged from the hospital.

Mrs. George P. Irvin, of Pennsylvania Furnace, suffered a relapse on Sunday and on Monday was taken to the Blair Memoriel hospital, at Huntingdon.

A few mornings ago the charred remains of a Studebaker car were found on the state highway east of town. The ownership of the car has not yet been traced.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Williams, of Altoona, and J. H. Williams and wife, of this place, motored to Centre Hall and spent the Sabbath at the J. L. Runkle home.

At a recent congregational meeting it was decided to repaint both the interior and exterior of Meek's church, at Fairbrook, and also put new carpet on the floor.

Members of the Shoemaker hunting and fishing party spent the latter end of the week whipping the streams in Treaster valley, and came out with over three hundred of the finny tribe.

"Brother Josiah," is the title of a farce comedy in three acts which was presented behind the footlights at Alexandria, last Friday and Saturday evening, by the Pine Grove dramatic club, W. B. Ward, director. The club is made up of a fine bunch of young ladies and gentlemen and their efforts on the stage always please and entertain their audiences. The play will be repeated in the I. O. O. F. hall here May 15 and 16. Admission, 20 and 30 cents. Proceeds for the church.

Buchwalter.—John T. Buchwalter died at his home at Lancaster, last Thursday, following an illness of several years. He was a native of that city and was 60 years old. He graduated at State College in the class of 1898, and four years later married Miss Alice McWilliams, of Fairbrook. She survives with two sons, Howard and Henry. Burial was made at Lancaster on Sunday afternoon, Centre countians attending the funeral being N. E. Hess, Henry McWilliams, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McWilliams and Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Dreiblebis.

PLEASANT GAP.

Nothing destroys health so rapidly as the want of refreshing sleep.

Mrs. Jacob Corman left on Monday afternoon for her new home in Coraopolis.

Mrs. Harry Showers and Mrs. Edward Mulfinger spent Thursday at Williamsport.

Mrs. Pearl Adams, of Williamsport, was a week-end visitor with Miss Margaret Keller.

Next Sunday will be Mother's day, with special services in the Methodist church, at 10:30 a. m.

Harry Rimmey and family, of Olean, N. Y., visited last week with his father, Charles Rimmey.

From excesses, carelessness and improper habits, how many thousands shorten the duration of life.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zong are rejoicing over the arrival of a young son, at the Centre County hospital.

Harry Breon and Mrs. Grove closed their schools on Monday; Mrs. Rimmey closed hers on Wednesday.

William Rossman is improving his house by applying a coat of paint, adding materially to its general appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rimmey and son Keith, Bertha Rimmey and Marion Gettig spent Sunday last in Altoona, at the Fred Roush home.

The cares of business, the rage of passion, the fury of politics, the restlessness of ambition, the thirst of gold, the struggles of competition overtax the physical, intellectual and moral constitution, causing depressing influences and an enfeebled state of reaction, and fast wear out human life.

A very curious incident overtook me a few days ago. While rummaging through one of my pantries, I found a bottle containing a small drink of spirits frumenti. It happened to be a little balance of the pure, old-time rye sent me some three years ago by a friend at Pittsburgh. How to dispose of it to the best possible advantage was a query to me. I hesitated a moment, thinking of the poor fellow at Whiterock, who was pulled in a week ago by our noble, industrious state constables, on finding a quart of moonshine in his possession, and was paroled for one year for violating the law. To say the least, I was somewhat agitated, more particularly since I am a temperate man. To make a long story short and to avoid trouble I speedily drank the vile stuff, and now defy the entire force of state constabulary. "An open confession is good for the soul." I advise all to cut it out.

Prof. Harry E. Breon closed his school term on Friday last, and now expects to devote some time to the development of his prospective coal mines. He has had a number of coal specialists prospecting and all declare that it will only be a short time until his ambitions will be rewarded. And the people of Pleasant Gap and vicinity will not be bliged to go outside of the county for their coal supplies. A very phenomenal incident occurred on Saturday last, when he picked up a piece of slate four by five inches in size and examining the same found grown into the slate the initials "H. E." The writer saw the specimen and is satisfied that it was not the work of human hands, as the same grew naturally into the slate. The curious observers now predict that the incident is a good omen and that Harry will soon be able to supply his friends with a bounteous supply of genuine coal. It is to be hoped that these predictions will be verified at an early date.

RUNVILLE.

Clair Witherite visited at Philipsburg over the week-end.

Orvis Lucas, of Yarnell, visited among friends here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McKinley, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday at the home of Clyde Shutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Poorman, of Moose Run, spent Sunday at the Thomas Poorman home.

Edward Lucas departed on Tuesday for Polk and Franklin, where he will visit with his son and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watson and children were at Wingate on Sunday and spent the day at the C. J. Ruse home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lucas, of Altoona, and Mrs. Mattie Geist, of Milesburg, were Sunday callers at the L. J. Heaton home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Witherite and family, and William Fetzer, of Unionville, were Sunday visitors at the William Walker home.

Viola, Dorothy and Margaret Davidson, Hilda Watson, Elizabeth Pontius, of Milesburg, visited on Monday with Bessie and Georgiana McClincy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lucas moved from Bell, Somerset county, into Mrs. Hoover's home. We are glad to welcome such good neighbors to our community.

Those who spent Sunday at the D. F. Poorman home were, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Lyman and children, of Coudersport.

A birthday party was held on April 25th at the home of E. S. Bennett, in honor of his daughter Esther's 18th birthday. About twenty-five people were present. The evening was spent in music and games. Refreshments were served and all departed to their homes wishing Miss Esther many more happy birthdays.

That's the ugliest portrait I've ever seen, he cried, striving vainly for a better view of the abomination.

Try the next one, then, advised his wife. You are looking at yourself in a mirror now.

SMULLTON ITEMS.

Lots of rain and cold weather.

Charles Bressler and son are busy erecting the wall for their blacksmith shop.

Our supervisor is making extensive improvements on the public road this spring.

Nathaniel Shaffer and family were visitors at the home of their son-in-law, at Mill Hall, Sunday.

Lowell Bierly and wife were in attendance at a Rebekah Lodge, at State College, one day last week.

So far our fishermen have had no exceptional catches. There have been no real fishing conditions this spring so far.

A birthday surprise party was tendered Fred Confer at his home west of town last Saturday evening. It was the 37th milestone of his life. Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Esterline and two children, Thomas Confer, wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Showers, Miss Garrett, C. C. Smull and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stover and two sons. Mr. Confer was the recipient of some very useful presents. Refreshments, consisting of candy, cake and ice cream were plentiful, and after spending the hours pleasantly the party left for their different homes feeling that the evening had been pleasantly spent and wishing Mr. Confer many more years of happiness and prosperity in our midst.

The writer, while crossing the Brush mountain north of Rebersburg, some time ago, was deeply impressed with the beautiful valley which God has given us to live and spend our years in. When we looked from the high point of the mountain we could not refrain from saying to ourselves "how beautiful," and how much more beautiful and pleasant would it be if every one inhabiting it would do what is right and pleasing in the sight of Him who formed the earth and pronounced it good. Some time ago we were criticised by a certain man in this valley in respect to writing certain items, which to him appeared as though they were meant to stir up strife and contention. This man did not catch the true meaning of our thoughts and to such criticism we must say that the facts were stated so that the reader might examine and see that we were living far from perfection and far from the principles that God had intended should be lived up to. If we want to utter our personal feelings we must say that it is a shame the way we are living in these days. Instead of harmony and content among the people of today there seems to exist, as never before, a spirit of contention and animosity which works out bitterness and strife in such measure that it has taken, we are sorry to say, some of the church folk and has made them enemies instead of model folks of the world. In other words, it is not the light as spoken in the scriptures. What we need today (and God speed the day) when we may call each other brothers in the real spirit, so that when we meet we will greet each other with a smile instead of a frown; when, instead of hindering another's welfare we will seek to encourage and lift up and so fulfill the law of Christ. Do we want to live on until remorse shall fill our bosom at the final ending of the way, when we shall see our mistakes as we fail to see them now, and when we wish we had lived a better and sweeter life while we had the opportunity. Have you ever heard of a person nearing the end of life's journey sending for such with whom through life there had been that spirit of jealousy, etc., in order that restitution be made before passing into the great beyond? Do we want that experience? Do we think that that will be a pleasant experience if such should come to us? Would it not be better far to spend our years as we might wish we had spent them when we come to lay down our earthly task. If we do not want this experience, then it will be well for us to cultivate the spirit of kindness and neighborly affection that should characterize our lives and evade the remorse that is sure to come otherwise. Dear reader, consider that the past is past and that we are living in the present and are responsible for the present. It is ours to bury the past and live the best we can. Shall we, or shall we not do this?

OAK HALL.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Homan and children were Sunday visitors at Tadpole.

Mrs. Nannie Gilliland is recovering slowly, from a severe attack of quinsy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Radel were week-end guests at the home of relatives, at Milesburg.

Mrs. W. A. Ferree is spending some time with her aunt, at Beech Creek, who is in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Zong and children visited last Sunday at the Centre County hospital, to see their new grand-son.

Ira Korman passed away Saturday afternoon after having suffered his second stroke of paralysis last Monday. Surviving him are his wife and eleven children. Funeral services were held at his late home Tuesday afternoon, interment being made in the Boalsburg cemetery.

BOALSBURG.

Edwin Webster Jr. is slowly recovering from a very serious attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Dale, of Pleasant Gap, were recent visitors at the home of Austin Dale.

Mrs. Lillian Devine, of Altoona, spent several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Reitz.

The Harris township schools, with the exception of the High school, closed the winter term this week.

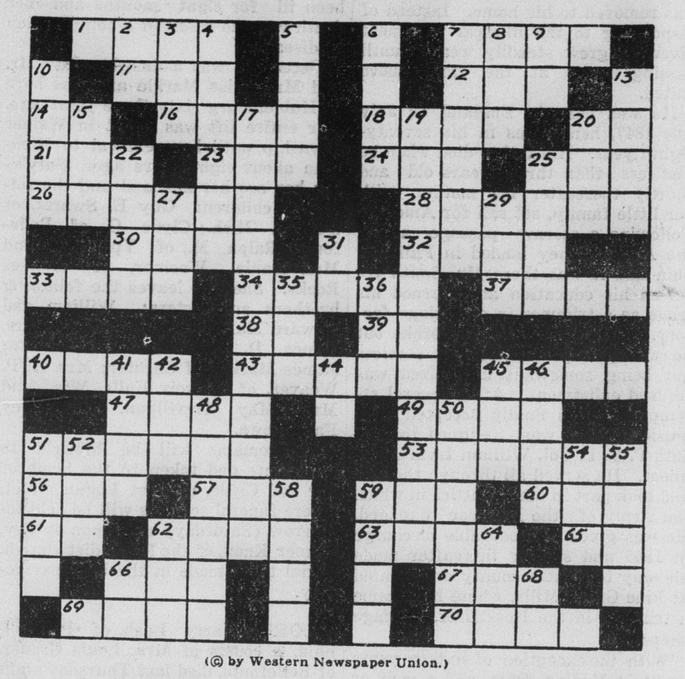
The Reformed and Lutheran Sunday schools were well represented at the district convention at State College, on Saturday.

——A coat of paint is as much the exterior mark of prosperity and good taste, as a new suit of clothes. It is an open sesame to the good opinion of your community.

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 5.



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Horizontal.

1—Extent of land surface
7—Wading bird sacred to the ancient Egyptians
11—A large boat 12—Snare
14—Indefinite article
16—Excursion in a vehicle
18—Part of a church 20—Perform
21—One of the two borders of the mouth
23—Confronted 24—Allow
25—Distant 26—Ascends
28—One of the United States
30—Jogging pace
32—A heroic narrative
33—A large quantity
34—A small bay or creek
37—A volcano 38—Word of refusal
39—Railroad (abbr.)
40—Game played on horseback
43—A Roman amphitheater
45—Elliptical 47—Assist
49—A story
51—One of the signs in the zodiac
53—In truth
56—Part of the verb "to be"
57—Measure of weight
59—A substance resulting from the decomposition of a body by electrolysis
60—A boy's name
61—Note of the musical scale
62—Money paid as a penalty
63—Close and comfortable
65—A direction (abbr.)
66—A term of respect 67—A limb
69—Challenge 70—Cease

Vertical.

2—Royal academy (abbr.)
3—To do wrong
4—With the hands on the hips and the elbows turned outwards
5—Irritate 6—Verbal
7—Part of the foot
8—Winged insect
9—Neuter pronoun
10—Silicate of magnesia
13—Girl's name 15—Nothing
17—End in view
19—Mental acuteness
20—Father 22—Deep holes
25—Truth 27—Mistress (abbr.)
29—Strive for superiority
31—Boy's name (abbr.)
35—A conjunction 36—An eagle
41—Disabled in the limbs
42—Sorcery practiced by negroes of the West Indies
44—A prefix meaning putting in or changing to
45—Aged
46—Shift
48—Whole
50—Abolishes
51—A strong wind
52—A period of time
54—A period of time
55—Stains
58—Trim
59—Island (poetic)
62—A cone bearing tree
64—Secure
66—One of the continents (abbr.)
68—Proceed

Solution will appear in next issue.

Two New Postage Stamps Issued.

Two more postage stamps will be added to those used by the Postoffice Department. They were made necessary by the recent Act of Congress raising rates in order to raise the pay of certain postoffice employees.

One of these stamps is a special delivery stamp of the denomination of fifteen cents for use on parcels subject to increased rates. It is of the same size and design as the present ten cent special delivery stamp but the color will be orange.

The other stamp will be a twenty-five cent special handling stamp. It too, will be of the same size and shape as the special delivery stamp but the design is different and its color will be dark green.

——When setting a mouse trap, try tying the bait in a piece of muslin. There is a certain amount of curiosity in a rodent that compels him to gnaw through the muslin to get the bait, and the tug at the muslin is sure to cause the spring to close the trap.

Solution to Cross-word Puzzle No. 4

C	R	O	W	N		T	H	O	R	N				
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