# Country Correspondence

PINE GROVE MENTION.

Seven inch ice is now being housed

The venerable W. B. Ward is still

in a serious condition. Rev. F. E. Norris has been on a

visit with friends in Huntingdon. Mother Embic, who has been seriously ill for some weeks, is improved. W. B. Fry spent last week in Williamsport, returning home on Satur-

Mrs. Maude Goss, of Manor Hill, spent the past week among friends in town.

J. A. Gummo, our noted trapper, has so far forty foxes and a dozen skunks to his credit.

Thomas A. Frank and wife spent Sunday at the G. B. Fry home at

Mr. and Mrs. Hall Bottorf, of State College, spent Friday evening with friends in town.

Miss Grace Fye is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hime, at Newark, Del. Samuel Markle, of State College,

spent Sunday with his son, W. S. Markle, at Fairbrook. Daniel Irvin and Joseph Gilliland at-

tended the farm products show in Harrisburg, last week. Fred and C. J. Corl, if Altoona,

spent the early part of the week with friends in the valley. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams motor-

ed over from Clearfield and spent Sunday at the J. H. Williams home. George P. Irvin has been ill the past week threatened with pneumonia,

while Fred Fry is housed up with the There are several aspirants for the

appointment of postmaster at this place to succeed the late postmaster L. D. Musser is again confined to

his home with illness and Samuel E. Fleming is his substitute on the state highway. W. R. Port, of State College Times,

was a Rock Springs visitor on Saturday, looking after some of his property interests there. S. I. Corl and C. H. Dale, of State

College, spent the latter end of the week looking up their insurance business in this section.

Melvin Barto, teacher of the Tadpole school, was storm stayed on Sunday evening and spent the night with his friend, Hugh C. Fry. Dr. Stork made his first visit to the

Harry Potter home, last Tuesday, and left a little daughter who has been christened Barbara Ann. The Millheim High school dramatic

club made quite a hit in their rendi-tion of "A Poor Married Man," in this place last Saturday evening. William Logan died at his home at Joseph Neff.

Manor Hill on January 13th, aged 76 years. In early life he lived in Ferguson township and followed farming.

John Strayer recently underwent an operation, at the Altoona hospital, for the amputation of his left leg below the knee. He is now getting along

In our notice of the death, last week of J. R. Smith we omitted the names of two sisters, Mrs. Frank Stover and Mrs. Charles Shatzer, both of Altcona.

High winds last Friday drifted shut many of the side roads and snow shovelers were out in full force. The state highway was kept open by highway employees.

Alf Henning entertained a number of his hunter friends at his home at Oak Grove on Saturday, at an old-time shooting match. Fourteen of the eighteen fowls put up came to our

After spending the most of the winter with her cousin, Viola M. Smith, in this place, Miss Edith Sankey left for Centre Hall on Monday, where she has a lot of Grange work ahead of her.

Rev. John W. Long, a former pas-tor of the Methodist church at State College but now president of Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, was at the College last week for the funeral of Mrs. W. J. Candy.

Miss Viola Burwell resigned as teacher of the Branch school which took effect on Friday. Miss Norris was chosen to fill out the term. The latter had been teaching the Centre school and she will be succeeded there by Miss Mildred Campbell.

A public rally was held in the school house at Baileyville, on Mon-day evening, in the interest of starting a movement for the erection of a community hall to replace the Grange hall destroyed by fire several years ago. D. S. Peterson presided and an organization was effected by electing George W. Rossman as president; Ed C. Frank, vice president; J. M. Wayl, secretary, and R. G. Goheen, treasurer. Committees were also appointed, as follows:

Place and Location—Mrs. Robert Reed, Miss Maude Miller, Mrs. Clair Irvin, Mrs. A. Albright, Mrs. Ruth Frank.

Building and Material—Ralph E. Musser, G. Mc. Fry, Albert Albright. Finance—Miss Elizabeth Goheen, Mrs. Gertrude Miller, Mrs. R. E. Mus-

The next meeting will be held February 8th when everybody is invited to attend.

160,774 Pennsylvania Farms Have Automobiles.

According to figures collected on December 1 and compiled by L. H. Wible, State Department of Agriculture, approximately 160,774 Pennsylvania farms or 80 per cent. of all in its origin.

the State are using automobiles. This represents an increase of two per cent. during the past year. The number has more than doubled since 1919. In 1915 only 7 per cent. of the farmers had automobiles. And in 1924, 78 per cent. had them.

#### AARONSBURG.

After having spent the winter thus far with his son, A. S. King, Abraham King has gone to Salona where he is with another son, Boyd King.

Dr. and Mrs. Andrew S. Musser returned home from Plainfield, N. J., where they had been called by the death of Mr. Cranson, who was the husband of Dr. Musser's niece, the daughter of W. T. Meyer.

Miss Mary Wiley, who teaches the primary school, returned Sunday evening to resume her work on Monday. Miss Wiley spent a week at her home in Juniata. Rev. F. H. Daubenspeck had charge of the school during Miss Wiley's absence.

Mrs. O. J. Auman is again a patient in the Williamsport hospital, having gone there Monday of last week.

Mrs. Josiah Rossman, who had not been as well as usual, is improving slowly and her friends trust she may soon be about as usual.

During the past week our quiet community was greatly shocked on learning of the illness and death of one who had spent all her life in this place, except a few years spent in Hublersburg. Thursday evening the news came over the wires that Mrs. Margaret Moyer had passed away at her home in Beavertown. Just three weeks before she had left here and only the previous Saturday had been married to Mr. Moyer. This again reminds us of the brevity of life and the sureness of death. What a lesson we should take from these oft-repeated warnings to be ready when our work is ended on earth. To live right is to live right in the sight of God

#### **JACKSONVILLE**

Some of the farmers in this section are hauling their wheat to market. Members of the Lynn Ertley family are suffering with colds and grippe. Mrs. Mary Dietz and daughter, Josephine are visiting friends near

The Conrad Miller lime kiln opened up recently and is now in full opera-

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fern Dunkle, on Janu-

ary thirteenth. The farmers who have ice houses and buildings have been storing up their summer supply.

Deimer Ertley returned home on Thursday, after spending a few days at the home of his sister in Altoona. Mrs. George Ertley, Mrs. Walter Daily and Deimer Ertley were Sunday

callers at the William Weaver home. Mrs. Walter Daily, of Altoona, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ertley. Miss Evelyn Neff, of State College, returned to her home in that place on Saturday, after spending several

weeks at the home of her brother, Visitors at the Joseph Neff home on Sunday were Mrs. Walter Daily, Mrs. James Decker, Deimer Ertley, of Lock Haven; Mr. and Mrs. Harry

Coder, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bartley. Mrs. Mary Resides, who has been serious ill, is slowly recovering at this writing. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Oyler, who has been ill with pneumonia, is also some better.

# BOALSBURG.

Mrs O. F. Smith and Miss Eleanor Ishler are ill with tonsilitis. Jacob Felty and grand-daughter, of Altoona, were visitors in town Sun-

Geo. E. Meyer has issued a circular letter offering his services as a piano tuner.

Mrs. John Derner and Mrs. Alta Gingrich spent Thursday with Mrs. Wm. Folk, at Oak Hall. Mrs. Francis Gimberling and son

of Selinsgrove, spent several days at the home of Henry Reitz. Dr. Wm. Woods returned home last week, after a months visit with his sister, Mrs Johnson, at Crafton.

### Rite of Fire Walking Still Deep Mystery

Despite investigations of competent observers, the famous Tahiti firewalking ceremony still remains a secret of a small company of natives in

the island of Raiatea, Tahiti. The ceremony was given on this island recently for the first time in many years and outsiders were not excluded from witnessing any stage of the preparation of the fire pit.

When the proper time comes and the celebrants pass through the fire, any bystander asking permission may go through beside them without dis-

Outsiders who have passed through the fire say they felt no sensation of heat except on the face, although, when standing outside, the radiation made the pit difficult to approach.

Those trying to solve the mystery have pulled out a large stone from the pit while the ceremony was in progress and thrown it into a pail of water. The water would go up in steam. Some also have tried crawling to the edge of the pit and touching one of the white stones with the finger. They were rewarded with ugly burns.

Scientists who have seen the firewalking have propounded a number of theories, but practical tests always failed to establish such explanations. The ceremony, harking back to

heathen times and the worship of old gods, is frowned on by the missionaries and the Christians among the natives. Hence it is seldom performed, even in Raiatea, the place of

### Garage Man Couldn't Pass Up That Chance

"Three gallons of gas, please." "Yes, sir. Want some cylinder oil

"No, just gas."

"Do you want some paint? Your car needs it and we've got some dandy paint-heat-proof, dirt-proof, guaranteed to wear long."

"No, I want only gas today." "Then you want your car washed?"

"I said I wanted only gas." some good nonskids. Only \$40 apiece. Want one? Yours-"

"I tell you I want only gas today!" "Yes-sir; but-say, your rear lights are all shot to pieces. You need new ones. We just got in some dandy new crack-proof celluloid lights. Shall I put some in?"

"No! I want only gas, do you understand?"

"Your magneto needs adjustingdidja hear that funny noise in the motor when you stop? It needs adjusting. I'll fix it, what?"

"No! I want only gas, gas! Do you

"Yes, sir!" And with the gas obtained, the exasperated motorist drove angrily away. But for once the garage man had got even with his bar ber.-W. Peter Schramm, in the Nev

#### Old Yuletide Custom

Passing in England An old custom, now almost extinct. existing only in certain portions of rural England, was that of the Christmas "waits" who went from house to house, singing carols, or discoursing music from various instruments, not always harmonious, and yet under the holy impression of the season the wild minstrelsy rang out upon the frosty midnight air and fell upon the listening ear with pleasure. Not more than forty years ago in Great Britain, it was a common thing for these singers of the holy night to pass along the streets, pausing here and there to render some song appropriate to the season. The origin of this custom may undoubtedly be traced to the Gloria in Excelsis, the song which the angels sang at the birth of the Redeemer near Bethlehem.

# Not Quite Sure

fhe demure young woman signed her name in the hotel register "Mrs. T. Brown," and asked the clerk whether there were any letters for

"I don't suppose," he said, taking one from the rack, "that this could be meant for you." And he handed her a letter addressed "Mrs. T. Browne." "Oh, yes," said the young woman, eagerly, "that's mine! I recognize the writing!"

"But you spell your name differently," said the clerk. "You spell it 'B-r-o-w-n,' while the name on the let-

"That's all right," she replied. "I'm never quite sure how he spells it."

"My husband, of course. You see, we've been married only two days!"

## Indian Romance

When you see a little Indian boy on che Glacier National Park reservation sitting by a stream ruminating he is not playing hookey from school. No, he's in love with a Blackfoot maiden and he is there by the stream romantically vowing his troth so that the rushing waters will carry to his sweetheart the fervor of his soul's desire.

She, of course, lives a few miles down the course of the rivulet and, he hopes, is at this very moment seated somewhere on the bank thinking the same thoughts that absorb him. Love making is just as queer among the Indians as it is when it takes possession of the pale-face youth.

## A Sour Note

an a certain midwestern university letter grades are used, A, B, C, D and E, the latter standing for complete failure. A student recently appended the following brief note to his poorly written paper:

"Dear Professor: I know this is pretty bad; but I have been awfully busy leading the campus sings and have had little time for study."

When the paper was returned, it bore a short annotation. The professor had drawn a musical clef and inserted a single note—E flat. Beneath it he had written, "Sing this!"-Youth's Companion.

Cake Makes Town Famous Nuremberg is one of the best known cowns in Germany so far as American readers are concerned, probably because of Wagner's opera, "The Meistersinger of Nuremberg," but the fact remains that in Europe Nuremberg is more famous for its cake known as the Lubkuechen. The cake is made from a remarkable old recipe, and furthermore is made in animal shapes or, as is the case of the more ambitious bakers, in human poses, one of the best known being that of a country squire out walking. The cakes are shipped to all parts of the world.

## Signifies Writer's Slip

The word "sic," introduced into a quotation, means that the words are those of the writer quoted and not those of the present writer. Suppose you were writing to a friend and quoting a remark from a paper that "the boot should then be placed on the head"-when "foot" is meant-you inight add (sic) after the words to emphasize the fact that the slip is not yours. The word actually means "so," implying that it was so written.-- Exchange,

# to States.

Secretary of Agriculture Jardine has announced the apportionment of \$73,125,000 to the States for use in the construction of Federal-aid roads. This apportionment was authorized by the Postoffice Appropriation Act of February 12, 1925, and is for the fiscal

year beginning July 1, 1926. The new funds will be spent entirely on the Federal-aid highway system under the same plan of co-operation with the States that has been in "You want a tire then. We've got successful operation for ten years, ome good nonskids. Only \$40 apiece. The roads included in the system are the most important in the country, and reach directly or indirectly every city of over 5,000 population. The bureau reports that approximately 10,000 miles of Federal-aid road were brought to completion during 1925, and indications are that the coming year will be equally successful. Pennsylvania's share of the money

is \$3,346,920.

Much Work For Little Pay. From Reformed pulpits all over the United States was proclaimed to Reformers on Sunday, January 24th., the Biblical injunction; "Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth." This date is Ministerial Relief Sunday in all Reformed churches, when that cause will be laid on the

hearts of Reformers. A minister usually spends from 8 to 10 years in preparing for the ministry at a cost of from \$4,000 to \$5,-000; enters the active ministry at about 27 years of age; and usually has a smaller salary and larger necessary expenses than other men. They study and read as much as a college professor; speak oftener and to more people than a lawyer; make more calls than a doctor; and work longer hours than a mechanic.

More than 340,000 Reformed laymen are on their toes to put this effort over big before the end of the campaign, February 8, 1926.

# Pennsylvania Farmers Have Prosper-

ous Year. The average Pennsylvania farmer will realize \$110 more for his 1925 products than he did for the products of the year before, according to fig-ures recently compiled, which sets the average cash income per farm in this State for the current farming year at \$1,573, as compared to \$1,463 for 1924. These estimated gross income figures are based on the most accurate data obtainable. While slight losses were encountered in the sale of hay, fruits, vegetables and poultry, these were more than offset by the increased income from dairy cows, hogs, wheat,



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#### MEDICAL.

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