

# Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., July 16, 1926.

## Country Correspondence

### PINE GROVE MENTION.

'Squire S. H. Auman spent Thursday at the county seat.

Mrs. William Ertley is visiting friends at South Bethlehem.

Mrs. J. S. English is spending a week with her mother at Saxton.

The Robert Wigton barn has been completed and is ready for the crops.

George Smith and family spent the Fourth with Mrs. Smith Sr., in town.

Claire Frank is nursing a very sore arm, the result of being bitten by a dog.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stewart, of Ohio, were recent guests of Mrs. A. F. Goss.

The Bethel Reformed church has been improved with a new coat of paint.

Comrade D. W. Miller is now occupying his summer lodge at old Monroe furnace.

Charles Cook and wife, of New York State, are visitors at the W. E. Johnson home.

William Thomas Markle, of Akron, Ohio, visited old friends in this section last week.

M. E. Heberling and Frank Henninger spent part of Sunday with old friends in town.

Gregg M. Evans and family are now located in the Fry apartments, on east Main street.

John Dunlap, and wife, of Twin Rocks, spent a portion of last week with friends here.

H. F. Gearhart and family have moved to the Will Thompson house on east Main street.

William Everhart, son of Samuel Everhart, is nursing a broken arm sustained in a fall.

Allen Borest is off duty as the result of having three fingers crushed by a falling stone.

John Bailey Goheen, of Baileyville, spent last week with his brother William, at Boalsburg.

George Martz, a Civil war veteran, is seriously ill as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

Harry and Clyde Collins, of Pittcairn, spent the Fourth with their father, W. A. Collins.

W. E. Sunday, wife and family, spent the Sabbath at the E. C. Martz home, at Water Street.

A class of twenty young men and women were confirmed in the Lutheran church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fry, of Altoona, were callers at the G. B. Fry home, at Rock Springs, on Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Barto served a duck dinner to a few special friends, at her home on Tadpole, on Sunday.

William Biddle, of Halfmoon, is spending the summer at the D. S. Peterson home at Baileyville.

The venerable Josiah Struble, of State College, spent last week with his son Oscar, on the farm near town.

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Saturday, John Reynolds was overcome by the intense heat and was found lying on the ground between the potato rows. He is now much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burwell spent the Fourth at the home of their brother-in-law, H. C. Fluke, at Barto, Berks county, bringing home the elder Mrs. Burwell, who spent a month at the Fluke home.

The I. W. T. Mission band, of Baileyville, motored to the top of Nittany mountain, last Thursday, where they were entertained with a picnic dinner by Mrs. Sarah Goodhart, one of the charter members.

Mrs. Lizzie Mallory was a Friday visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Belle Kinport, at Oak Hall. Her husband, Thomas Mallory, an engineer on the Pennsy, is away on a two week's fishing trip in Canada.

The family of Prof. W. H. Tomhave will spend the summer season at State College while the professor is in Chicago attending to his duties as secretary of the American Aberdeen—Angus Breeders' association.

James C. Ward and three daughters, of Beaver, Pa., were guests of Mr. Ward's father, W. B. Ward, on Sunday, being on their way home from an auto trip through Virginia and at Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

A Hershey company ice cream truck raced through town, on Sunday morning, at high speed with the result that it landed in the Fred Tate meadow east of town. The driver was painfully injured. Dr. Woods rendered first aid then sent him to the hospital.

The installation of the recently elected officers of Washington camp No. 620, P. O. S. of A., took place in the I. O. O. F. hall last Friday evening, district deputy Grant Meyers, of Lemont, officiating. A banquet and smoker followed the installation.

William H. Fry, of twenty-three years ago took Horace Greeley's advice and went west to seek his fortune, landing in the State of Washington, is back for his first visit with the home folks, and naturally sees many changes since he left here as a young man.

The Ferguson township school board held its annual meeting on July 6th and the treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of more than five thousand dollars. It was decided to lower the taxes two mills. D. S. Peterson was elected president of the board; I. O. Campbell vice president; Paul Wrigley secretary, and H. S. Illingworth, treasurer.

### BOALSBURG.

Mrs. Edward Riley has been ill the past week.

W. H. Fry, of Tacoma, Washington is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Clara Stover, of Altoona, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Kuhn.

Misses Thelma and Dorothy Smith spent Wednesday with Miss Marian Dale, at Oak Hall.

Mrs. Joanna Kaup, who has been ill for six months, is able to walk about on the lawn.

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### State Ranks High in Maple Products.

Pennsylvania is one of the leading States in the production of maple sugar and syrup. In 1926 a total of 223,000 pounds of sugar and 251,000 gallons of syrup were produced, giving the State the rank of fifth, according to the Bureau of Statistics, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. It is especially noteworthy that during the past season the quality of the products produced in Pennsylvania surpassed that of Vermont, long famous for its maple industry, by five points.

The number of trees tapped in the State has decreased 135,000 since 1923, due to the influence of labor conditions and the demand for lumber. However, the yield of the maple product per tree has remained unusually high, being 3.2 pounds of sugar in 1925, a figure which has been exceeded only by Connecticut's high record of 3.5 pounds in 1923.

The 1926 season was one of the best for maple sugar and syrup production in years. While opening about four weeks later than usual, it lasted an average of 3.8 weeks. The sap was unusually sweet, and the cool, cloudy weather contributed to its keeping qualities. Ten per cent. of the product was made into sugar, and the average price per pound was 30 cents, while the average price of the syrup to the producer was \$2.10 per gallon.

The 1926 season was extremely favorable for the industry. Reports from the leading maple sugar and syrup States indicate a production which was the second largest in quantity since 1920. Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin report a production of 34,776,000 pounds in terms of sugar, an increase of approximately 24.5 per cent over the 1925 production.

It is reported that a greater per cent. of the crop was made into syrup this year than in previous years, this being true of all the States except New York, where the percentage of sugar increased. Another development of the season is the fact that New York supplanted Vermont as the ranking State in the production of maple products. Production in Vermont has been decreasing and that of New York increasing during the past three years, so that in 1926 New York produced 750,000 pounds more maple sugar than Vermont.—From the Wyoming Democrat.

### Newspaper Men Hold Outing at State College.

The annual summer outing for Pennsylvania newspaper editors and publishers was held at State College on Monday and Tuesday under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' Association and the Pennsylvania State College. More than 150 people attended the convention and enjoyed the many attractions offered at the college.

Business methods for both daily and weekly publications were discussed at the sessions of publishers. There was a luncheon meeting of Associated Press representatives, addressed by Edward McKernon, superintendent of the eastern division. Speakers at the banquet Monday night included Eric E. Hopwood, editor of the Cleveland, Ohio, Plain Dealer; Dr. C. W. Stoddard, of the Pennsylvania State College administration committee, and R. W. Kellogg, director of the Empire State school of Printing, conducted by the New York Publishers' Association at Ithaca. A tour of the college campus, golf, trout fishing and side trips furnished entertainment during the outing.

### State Educational Institutions Open For Summer Months.

Instead of gathering dust during the summer, class rooms and laboratories in Pennsylvania's State educational institutions are being put to use each year with special Summer Sessions.

Pennsylvania high school teachers who do not hold a college degree have but one more year to obtain it, and summer schools this year and in 1927 will see these candidates earnestly striving for their goal.

The session at the Pennsylvania State College will open on Tuesday, July 6. The educational features arranged by Director W. G. Chambers for this year are said to surpass anything of the kind ever offered at Penn State. Some of the courses are drawing students from all parts of the United States, especially in the Institutions of French, English and Music Education. Rural education is to be stressed also.

### JACKSONVILLE.

The Reformed church will hold a festival at Meadow Brook park, on August 7th.

Visitors at the Joseph Neff home on Sunday were Misses Ella, Evelyn and Jennie Neff, George Neff and Paul Wilson, of State College; Ray Ishler, of Pleasant Gap; Mr. and Mrs. Mares Bartley and daughter, Misses Lillian and Sarah Neff, of Howard, and Willard Weaver.

The Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Cleon Phillips, on July 8th. Those present included Mrs. Harry Hoy, Mrs. W. E. Weight, Mrs. William Weaver, Mrs. Joseph Neff and son Junior, Mrs. Nevin Yearick and daughter Norma, Mrs. William Dixon, Mrs. N. H. Yearick, Miss Alto Yearick, Miss Jane Yearick, Mrs. John Beck, Mrs. C. N. Yearick, Mrs. E. R. Bartley and son Roy, Mrs. Willard Yearick and daughter, Mrs. Chester Brickley and daughter, Mrs. Ray Rumberger, Mrs. Mollie Pletcher, Mrs. Mabel Bennisson and daughter, Mrs. Willard Harter, Mrs. Dick Walizer, Mrs. Elmer Swope, Mr. and Mrs. John Ziegler.

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### Dairymen---Notice

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BELLEFONTE, PA.

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Fire Automobile  
Accident Tornado  
Compensation Boiler  
Burglary Plate Glass  
Employers' Liability

Bonds of All Kinds  
Hugh M. Quigley  
Successor to H. E. FENLON  
Temple Court  
BELLEFONTE, PA.

### TWO WEEKS Bargain Sale at Schofield's Saddlery

Beginning July 3 and continuing for 2 weeks we are going to offer wonderful bargains in Hand-Made Harness and Shop Work. Some of the opportunities that await wise buyers are the following:

\$10.50 No 1 Irish Collar \$9.50  
9.50 8.00  
5.00 Farmer's Irish Collar 3.50  
15.00 Breechings, Complete 13.50  
12.00 7-8 Bridles 11.00  
8.00 1-1-8 Check Lines 7.25  
6.50 1 1/2 5.75  
4.50 1 1/2 Breast Strap 3.50  
2.50 1 1/2 1.75  
Sweat Pads .60

Body Harness (Scotch Hames) \$50.00 and \$45.00  
Body Harness (Iron Clasp Hames) \$47.00 and \$42.00

10% off on all Trousers, Shirts, Overalls and Blouses. \$4.00 Wagon Umbrellas at \$2.50, and some

Big Bargains in Shoes  
Come and be Convinced  
JAMES SCHOFIELD  
South Spring Street  
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### For Sunday Dinner

DELICIOUS MEAT  
That's the thing that appeals to both young and old when tired and hungry. Our Meats are Always Just Right—whether beef, veal, pork, mutton, lamb or fowl. Seasoned in our own big refrigerator, they go to our customers in prime condition.—Clean, Sanitary, Wholesome.