

BOROUGH COUNCIL

HOLDS BRIEF SESSION.

Miscellaneous Business Transacted at Monday Evening's Meeting.

Burgess Hard P. Harris appeared before council, on Monday evening, and stated that John McCoy has a force of men at work cleaning up a big dump along north Water street.

The Street committee reported the cutting of weeds, various repairs and cleaning of streets.

The Water committee reported the collection of \$35.50 on the 1924 water duplicate, \$88.00 on the 1925 and \$1376.50 on the 1926, a total of \$1500.

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Ed Klingner made his appearance at this juncture in the proceedings as the bearer of a petition of complaint from residents of east Howard street regarding the condition of the alley from east Howard to east Lamb street, owing to its use as a cowpath for W. J. Musser's dairy herd.

Mr. Emerick presented blue prints for the conversion of the old Shoemaker barn, on east Curtin street, into duplex apartments by Sim Baum, the present owner, who is anxious to secure a building permit in order that he can begin work on same.

Borough manager Seibert reported that Joe Novosol had started the construction of a house on Halfmoon hill which is right on the borough line, half the house being in the borough and half in Spring township, stating that Mr. Novosol wanted to know what he would have to do.

Mr. Badger reported that Lewis Hill desires a grade for curb and gutter at his property on Bishop and Wilson streets. Mr. Seibert stated that he had been given grades once or twice already but has never done anything.

Mr. Brouse reported that the Street committee was opposed to the granting of a permit to the Krader Motor company to put down a gasoline tank and erect a pump at the curb of their property on the corner of Allegheny and Howard streets.

Maryland Grangers to be Entertained at Centre Hall.

Grange members of Centre county are looking forward to a meeting at Centre Hall the evening of Wednesday, August 24, at which time a large delegation of Maryland Patrons will arrive on their tour of Pennsylvania.

The entertainment will be in charge of Pomona Lecturer, Ford Stump, and is guaranteed to be up to the standard set in past performances.

VALENTINE.—Emily J. Valentine, a brief notice of whose death appeared in last week's Watchman, passed away on Thursday at Gloucester, Mass., where she had been for several weeks among relatives and friends, as the result of heart failure.

She was a daughter of the late George and Emily J. Valentine, of Bellefonte, and was born at the old Valentine home, at the Forge, in June, 1871. When ten years of age the family moved to Bellefonte, into the house now occupied by the John S. Walker family, which was built by Mr. Valentine.

She was educated in Bellefonte and at Miss Quinn's school, in Philadelphia. She traveled extensively in Europe with members of her family and thus acquired a taste for the fine arts, the result being that in late years she had spent much of her time working at that profession.

From the beginning of the World war she worked continuously. Her sympathies were with Great Britain and France. When this country entered into the conflict she went wholeheartedly into the cause of her country, spending weeks in the Walter Reed hospital, near Baltimore, ministering to blinded soldiers.

By nature she was deeply religious, with a high sense of honor and duty, and strictly conscientious. With a consuming energy she could not be idle, but nevertheless, was an ardent lover of nature and outdoor recreations. Of an attractive and pleasing personality, she was generous and kindly, and a keen sense of humor and a ready wit made her a charming companion.

She is survived by three sisters, Jane H., Mary D. and Sarah D., now spending the summer in France. Her remains were brought to Bellefonte on Saturday and taken to the home of her cousins, the Misses Anna J. and Caroline M. Valentine. Funeral services were held at 2.30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon by Rev. Philip Dales, rector of St. John's Episcopal church for the month of August, interment being made in the family plot in the Friends burial ground.

BELL.—Mrs. Nancy Margaret Bell, widow of William C. Bell, for many years residents of Pleasant Gap, died on Tuesday of last week at the home of her daughter, Miss Ida Bell, at State College, as the result of a heart attack. She was stricken shortly after eating her dinner and passed away two hours later.

A daughter of William and Elizabeth Cole she was born in Huntingdon county on April 22nd, 1842, hence had reached the age of 85 years, 3 months and 17 days. She married Mr. Bell in 1861 and most of their married life was spent at Pleasant Gap. She was a member of the Methodist church for many years and a regular attendant. Her surviving children are Mrs. Robert U. Wasson, of Howard; B. P. Bell, of Pleasant Gap, and Miss Ida, of State College. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. Samuel Vance, of Bellefonte.

Funeral services were held in the Lutheran church, at Pleasant Gap, on Thursday afternoon of last week, by Rev. M. C. Piper, assisted by Rev. Mackie, of State College, and Rev. Metzger, of Pleasant Gap, burial being made in the Pleasant Gap cemetery.

OSTRANDER.—Mrs. Amanda Smoyer Ostrander, widow of the late William Ostrander, died on August 4th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Bowersox, of Lewistown, as the result of general debility.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Smoyer and was born at Runville on March 2nd, 1849, hence was in her 79th year. Her husband died a number of years ago but surviving her are the following children: Mrs. Harry Bowersox, of Lewistown; Mrs. James Estep, of Union Furnace; William Ostrander, of Spangler, and Oscar, of Pittsburgh. She also leaves one brother and six sisters, James Smoyer, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Alice Yeager, of Jersey Shore; Mrs. Mary Schenck, of Mt. Eagle; Mrs. Tillie Woods, Mrs. Dora Rine and Miss Lucy Smoyer, of Bellefonte. Burial was made in the Acent cemetery, in Boggs township, on August 7th.

CONFER.—Cline L. Confer, a well known resident of Beech Creek, died at the Lock Haven hospital, on Tuesday of last week, following a prolonged illness with cancer of the stomach, aged 67 years. He is survived by his second wife, who prior to her marriage was Miss Lulu Linn, and two sons, Burton and Harry Confer, of Beech Creek. He also leaves one brother, W. E. Confer, of Howard. Funeral services were held at his late home at Beech Creek, last Thursday afternoon, burial being made in the Fearon cemetery.

SHUGERT.—Mrs. Margaret M. Shugert, at one time a resident of Bellefonte, died last Wednesday night at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. M. Dunwoody, at Sheldrake, N. Y., as the result of general debility, aged 73 years. The greater part of her married life was spent in Washington, D. C. The remains were brought to Bellefonte on Saturday and taken direct to the Union cemetery for burial.

Picnic to Revive Memories of Scotia, the Deserted Village.

Following a custom of several years men formerly employed at Scotia, Centre county, will gather again for a day to renew friendships of many years standing, formed in the early days of that community. Saturday, August 27, has been selected for the date of the gathering this year.

Only one of the five men, sent by Andrew Carnegie to prospect for ore in this section before he purchased the tract in 1880 for \$100,000 is now living. He is Mr. W. H. Farber, of State College.

"Little did Mr. Carnegie think when he bought this land, which he called Scotia," said Mr. Farber, "that through all these years the people would return each summer to relive the good old days and talk about the happy times spent there together. For more than twenty years the Carnegie Steel Company sent from this mine annually thousands of tons of ore containing 39 to 50 per cent iron. With this industry as a basis Mr. Carnegie built up a community centre, introducing many features that were new to the iron and ore business at that time."

Mr. Carnegie was the first man in the industry to pay his men at regular times in cash. It had long been the practice for each company to operate a general store at which all employees were expected to purchase the usual supplies. Mr. Carnegie not only paid in cash, but arranged to act as banker for his men, taking care of any savings that they might have, paying them six per cent interest on their money. He also employed a teacher for the school and furnished instruments for a 20-piece band which at one time was considered much the best musical organization in the county.

He also built and furnished a social hall of about four rooms," Mr. Farber recalled. "In it you would find the daily newspapers and best magazines of the day. The hall became the center of Scotia's social and community life, and people lived happily together as one big family. So content were the people in their own little community that it is said that at one time to get a job at Scotia one had to wait until one of the employees died. It is to renew these old friendships that we gather every year at Scotia for a big picnic."

In later years the mine was operated by the Bellefonte Furnace Co. The committee in charge of arrangements for the picnic this year consists of J. E. Pennington and J. Parsons, of State College; Alda Stuart and Charles Jackson, of Altoona, Harry Williams, of Bellefonte, and W. H. Ghaner, of Port Matilda.

Centre County Hospital News Notes.

Miss Eckert, superintendent of the Centre County hospital, who left the first of the month to spend her vacation with her mother at Avis, and last week motored to Elmira, N. Y., for a several day's visit with a cousin, was suddenly stricken with an attack of appendicitis, while there, and submitted to an operation at an Elmira hospital on Saturday night.

There are now twenty-five patients in the Centre county hospital, among them the following: Mrs. Anna Reichart, of Bellefonte, entered on Tuesday for medical treatment.

The condition of Theodore Engler, injured in an automobile accident Saturday night, is only slightly improved.

A child was born at the hospital on August 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Montague, of State College. A little son was born to Mrs. John R. Shope, of Bellefonte, on the 13th, and a son to Mrs. Harold Shaffer, of State College, on the 17th.

Among the patients recently discharged were Miss Pearl Bowersox and Miss Elizabeth Matheson, of State College, both having undergone operations for appendicitis, and Mrs. Orwig, a medical patient, who was discharged on Wednesday and taken to the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. G. H. Hayes.

Wallace Woomer Surprised at Lemont

Wallace W. Womer, of Lemont, was very much surprised when friends and relatives gathered at his home on the R. G. Bressler farm Sunday morning, August 14th, with well filled baskets for a Sunday outing and to remind him of his forty-ninth birthday. The weather prevented spreading their lunch in the meadow so they went to the cabin where the tables were laden with eats.

After spending an enjoyable day they extended their best wishes to Mr. Womer and departed for their respective homes.

Many friends and relatives from Sunbury, Selingsgrove, State College and other points were present.

Tomorrow is the day for the fourth annual reunion of St. Mark's Catholic church, at Snow Shoe, and preparations have been made to entertain a large crowd of people.

BELLEFONTE TO GIVE PRIZES TO AIR RACE FLIERS.

Five Hundred Dollars will Go to the Three Fliers Making Best Record.

As a stimulus to the fliers who will take part in the big national air derby from New York to Spokane, Wash., on September 19th, Bellefonte will contribute five hundred dollars in cash prizes to the three fliers in Class B who make the best record on the first lap of the flight, which is from New York to Bellefonte. As only Class B ships are scheduled to stop in Bellefonte, only fliers in this class will be eligible to win one of the prizes.

Information concerning the national air derby was given in the Watchman three weeks ago, following a visit to Bellefonte by John T. Fancher, general manager of the air races at Spokane and also the national air derby which will precede the races. The fliers will be divided into two classes, Class A, who are not scheduled to stop in Bellefonte but will fly through to Cleveland, and Class B, all of whom must stop here for five minutes. A supply of oil and gas will be on hand at the aviation field and a force of men will be there to supply all ships needing same in the quickest possible time.

Bellefonte people will be in entire charge of the affair at the Bellefonte field and they have already selected Theodore Arter, editor of the Altoona Tribune, as the official referee on that occasion.

The ships are scheduled to start from New York at 5.30 o'clock a. m. on the morning of September 19th, and should reach Bellefonte two hours later. Ten ships will be sent off at one time and all will fly the transcontinental airmail course as far as Chicago. The flight of these ships will be a sight worth seeing and is sure to draw a large crowd to Bellefonte.

Bellefonte Young Man Arrested as Till Tapper.

James Torsell, a seventeen year old Bellefonte youth, is under \$1600 bail for his appearance at court on the charge of robbery. He was caught in the act of tapping the till in W. H. Brouse's grocery store, last Saturday, by chief of police Harry Dukeman, and caught with the goods on him he confessed to having stolen approximately eight hundred dollars during the past year.

Mr. Brouse had known for some months that somebody was robbing him but he was unable to detect anyone in the act. Last Wednesday his cash was eighty dollars short and he finally appealed to chief of police Dukeman. Mr. Brouse's clerk is John Knapik, and he was above suspicion but Mr. Dukeman was informed that young Torsell loafed about the store much of his time and sometimes helped out when there was a rush. So it was decided to watch him.

There is a balcony in the rear of the store and at noon, on Saturday, the officer went up on the balcony and hid behind some boxes, with a peep hole sufficient to see down into the store. Mr. Brouse went to dinner and shortly afterwards young Torsell made his appearance. According to arrangement Knapik made an excuse to leave the store for a few minutes and as soon as he was out of sight Torsell tried the safe. Finding it locked he went to the money drawer at the desk, opened it and took out some bills which he quickly stuck in his pocket. Several girls then came into the store and Torsell waited on them and while he was doing so Dukeman slipped down off of the balcony just as Knapik returned to the store.

Dukeman then confronted Torsell and told him to hand over the money he had taken from the drawer, and after some hesitation he did so, eight \$10 bills. He then confessed he had been systematically robbing the store for almost a year and all told had taken about \$800. He was placed under \$1600 bail for his appearance at court.

W. C. T. U. to Meet at Port Matilda.

The Centre county Woman's Christian Temperance Union has announced that the annual convention will be held at Port Matilda, one day only, September 15.

One of the features of the convention will be an exhibit of posters, charts and leaflets dealing with the question of international arbitration. The W. C. T. U. is the oldest peace society among women, claiming the original peace plank in Declaration of Principles, in 1874.

Mrs. Robert M. Beach, of Bellefonte, is the county director of the department of peace and arbitration, and the state director, Mrs. W. A. Broyles, resides in State College. The department is organized in practically every Union in the county.

Supper will be served to the members of the delegation in attendance, in the basement of the M. E. church, where the convention will be held. If any desire to be entertained over night, arrangements can be made by notifying Mrs. Grace R. Williams, of Port Matilda.

The big day at the Lewistown fair and the Undine fire company's picnic were both spoiled to a certain extent by yesterday's rain.

Interesting Information About the Grange Encampment.

Grange Park this week, has presented a scene of varied activities as several hundred delegates and visitors, coming from different sections of the State, are camping on the grounds and attending the sessions of the Grange leadership conference now in progress. And a force of men are at work completing arrangements for the 54th Encampment and Fair which opens Saturday, August 27th.

The camp, a unique feature of the fair, will be larger than at any time in its history and every effort will be made to locate each one comfortably and pleasantly. Tents are floored and one bunk, one table and one bench furnished each tent. Removal of same from tent before tent is occupied is forbidden.

Tent rents remain at \$6.00 for 12x12 size and \$7.00 for 14x14 size. A number of folding cots are available for rental with pad at \$1.00 each; without pad, 75 cents. Double springs, \$1.50 each. Electric light will be placed in tent at camper's expense. Campers are advised to take oil stoves; oil can be purchased on grounds morning and evening.

Admission tickets will be on sale at the gates at 50 cents each, good for the week, and no admission without ticket. The tickets are in book form with a leaf for each day, beginning Monday, August 29th. Automobile tickets, same style, at 50 cents, good for the week. The committee wishes to emphasize the fact that to any one going from the grounds and desiring to re-enter the same day it will be absolutely necessary to stop at the gates and secure a pass-out check which may be used same day only to re-enter.

Campers, on entering Grange Park, will be permitted to drive to the rear of tents, each one selecting for car parking that portion of the ground most convenient to the location of his or her tent. No driving permitted on centre of grounds. Cards giving this privilege must be secured at headquarters—one to each tent—and must be displayed after entering the gates in order that traffic may be properly directed.

The band, thirty-four members in uniform, have secured a number of large tents and will camp near the Junior Farmers' building, and will aid in making that part of the camp a lively place. Their leader, Paul J. Freed, states that an orchestra will accompany them.

Every detail as mentioned in previous articles will be carried out; amusements, exhibits, educational features and speakers for the important days. A bigger camp and a better fair each year is the aim of the committee in charge.

Mighty Nimrod of the Lower Bald Eagle Gone.

The death of the venerable David Robb, which occurred at his home near Eagleville, on August 10, marked the passing of an outstanding man of the lower Bald Eagle.

He was a son of Herman Robb, a pioneer settler, and was born on November 14, 1838. As a little boy he helped to clear the land on which members of the family have always lived and the pioneer life left its impress so deep in his nature that he always loved the mountains and the thrill of the hunt. Had he attempted to mark them there the stock of his gun would not have held the notches for bear and deer that fell before his unerring aim. He had eighty-three bears, one hundred and six deer and countless small game to his credit.

He did other things than hunt, for he was a farmer, black-smith and carpenter. Many buildings in his home vicinity are witnesses of his skill at the latter craft.

Though approaching his 89th year he had been comparatively active up until a week before his death.

He is survived by three children: Clarence, Mrs. P. J. Burke, with whom he lived, and Mrs. Mary Wykoff, all residing in the vicinity of Eagleville. Also eleven grand-children and three great-grand-children.

Attention, Comrades!

The 53rd annual reunion of the Centre county Veteran club will be held at Grange park, Centre Hall, in connection with the Grange encampment and fair, on Wednesday, August 31st, at 10 o'clock a. m. All veterans are urged to attend and share once more the pleasure of meeting their comrades in arms. During the past year sixteen of our members have answered the last roll call. Veterans of all wars are invited to join with us in this reunion. Prominent speakers will address the meeting and a good program carried through. All veterans who wear the bronze button will be admitted free.

W. H. BARTHOLOMEW, Pres. W. H. FRY, Secretary.

Sunday School Picnic at Hecla Park.

The annual picnic of the Sunday schools of the 9th Centre county will be held at Hecla Park on Thursday, August 25—all day, until 7 p. m.

Among the amusements will be the annual horse-shoe pitching tournament for the big boys and twenty athletic events for others.

Knoll—Judy.—A brilliant social event of the summer season at State College was the wedding of Miss Marie Knoll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Knoll, by Byron R. Judy, of Parkesburg, Pennsylvania, which took place on Thursday, Aug. 11, at noon, in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church. The Rev. A. E. Mackie, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony.

The church was filled with guests, many of them from out of town, when, just at the stroke of noon, the bride entered on the arm of her father and preceded by the rest of the bridal party, proceeded to the chancel of the church. There, before a background of flowers, the predominating scheme of which was white and gold, she was met by the groom and the Rev. Mr. Mackie and the ceremony took place while the organist, Miss Elizabeth Metzger, of Norristown, Pa., played.

The gown of the bride, of white bridal satin trimmed with rose point lace, was made in the robe-de-style and carried a train. The lace veil was carried in cap style and bound round the head by a band of small orange blossoms. The bridal bouquet was composed of lilies-of-the-valley and white roses.

Miss Margaret Knoll, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a gown of yellow tulle trimmed with tulle. Her hat, like those of the other bridesmaids, was of yellow hair cloth, trimmed with yellow flowers and tulle. The bridesmaids were Miss Bernice Gible, of Lancaster, and Miss Alice Budd, of Beach Lake. They wore gowns of yellow georgette and carried bouquets of Ophelia roses and delphiniums. The flower girl was Miss Betty Murtorff, daughter of William Murtorff, treasurer of the Penna. State College.

The groom was attended by Donald M. Wieland, of State College, as best man. The ushers were Thomas Cain Jr., of Parkesburg and H. B. Knoll, brother of the bride.

The ceremony at the church was followed by a reception to about fifty guests at the home of the bride's parents on West Beaver avenue. The house was decorated with the flowers of the season banked in among masses of ferns and laurel.

Mrs. Judy is a graduate of the Penna. State College, and for the last two years has been teaching in the schools of Hatfield. Mr. Judy is also a graduate of the college and is supervising principal of the high school at Cochrantville, Pa.

AARONSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Musser are the proud parents of a son, born on Wednesday, the 10th. Congratulations.

Mrs. Harvey Hafley and two small sons, of Altoona, have been guests of her grandmother, Mrs. Jacob Harter.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wetzel, of near Lewisburg, spent Sunday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burd.

Mrs. Tom Caris and son, Billy Jr., of Williamsport, have been guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stover, on West Man St.

Mrs. Homan and children, of Watsonstown, spent a day recently with Mrs. Homan's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Durst.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grove and two daughters, of Williamsport, were week-end guests of Mrs. Grove's mother, Mrs. J. G. Eisenhauer.

Miss Lizzie Yarger is at present enjoying a vacation at her home here, expecting to return to State College for the opening of school in September.

Mrs. George Bright, who had for six weeks been a surgical patient in the Geisinger hospital, Danville, returned home Saturday, much benefited.

Mrs. Miles Arney and two daughters, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., have during the week been guests of Mrs. Arney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gramley.

Benj. Stover and daughter, Mrs. Walter and son Nevyn spent Sunday with Mr. Stover's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. William Musser, near Coburn.

Mrs. A. J. Irey left, Saturday, to spend several days at her own home in Danville before going to Chicago, where she will be the guest of her son, Philip Irey and family.

Mrs. Charles Wolfe left on Tuesday morning, for Woodlawn, where she will visit during the week with her daughter, Mrs. Leslie Miller and family, and her son, Earl Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Stover and son John, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burd, on Sunday, motored to Pittsgrove, where they spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beaver, former residents of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Stover had as guests during the past week Mrs. Stover's nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Beaver and children, of Youngstown, Ohio, and Mr. Stover's niece, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Heckman and family, of Lock Haven.

Mrs. Ed. A. Bower, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. E. J. Burd, of Millheim, were guests during the week at the J. W. Bower home, on Main street. Mrs. Bower will remain for an indefinite time while Mr. Bower is a medical patient in the Williamsport hospital.

Mrs. John Mohr Otto has as her guest at present her cousin, Mrs. Herman Haupt, of Philadelphia. It has been Mrs. Haupt's custom for some years to spend a part, at least, of the summer in this town. She arrived on Saturday for a visit of some length. Before coming here she spent five weeks at the Millheim hotel.

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