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Last Day's Deer-Hunting Stories.

While no accurate return has been made of the number of legal deer killed in Centre county during the season which closed last Thursday, yet it is generally credited with being the largest ever slain in one year. So plentiful were the bucks that good hunting prevailed even up to the final day.

On Tuesday of last week Ira Slagel, of State College, went up into the Barrens, near Scotia, and bagged a buck which carried a rack of antlers with 19 points. There were also three warts on the main prongs which he counted and claimed his prize a 22-pointer. But the buck weighed only 140 pounds, which proves that the biggest horns do not always adorn the largest buck.

Up in Ferguson township kills made during the last days of the hunt included Harry Gill, a 4-point; Eugene Irvin, a 5-point; John Koehler, 4-point; George Musser, a school boy, 4-point, and R. M. Strayer, 16-point.

On the afternoon of the last day of the season Forest S. Ocker, of Rebersburg, out on Brush mountain with a party of day hunters, killed a 12-pointer north of Wolf's Store.

Dentist R. L. Stevens, of Bellefonte, got his deer during the season. He was a member of the White Deer Rod and Gun club, located in the mountain above Neffs Mills, and on the first drive on the opening day of the season, he brought down an 8-point buck, the first one killed by the party.

All metal smoker stands, with glass ash tray in assorted colors, special 98c, at W. R. Brachbill's furniture store. 50-1t

Auto Accidents of the Week.

Last Saturday evening as Miss Nina Lamb and sister, Mrs. Wilbur Baney, turned from Pine street onto south Spring street, on their way home from a trip to State College, a heavy touring car came around the turn at a high rate of speed and crashed into the rear of Miss Lamb's Ford coupe, throwing it against the car of S. D. Rhinesmith, parked along the curb. In the confusion which naturally followed the crash the driver of the touring car sped away from the scene of the accident without being recognized and before any one got the number of his license tags. Miss Lamb's car was badly damaged, fore and aft, while the Rhinesmith car was also more or less damaged. Fortunately, neither Miss Lamb nor her sister were injured, aside from shock.

About 9 o'clock last Saturday night a Ford coupe driven by John Weaver, of Milesburg, and a Pontiac driven by one of the Chambers boys, of Snow Shoe, collided, head-on, on the highway at McCoy's power plant near Milesburg. The Ford was jammed up like an accordion, wrecked almost beyond recognition. Mr. Weaver was thrown out through the top and only slightly bruised. His son, George, who was with him, was more seriously hurt and was taken to the hospital. Neither of the occupants of the Pontiac were injured.

Antique mahogany finished Priscilla sewing tables, \$4.85.—W. R. Brachbill's furniture store. 50-1t

May Re-establish Bellefonte Field as Mail Distributing Centre.

The Bellefonte aviation field may be re-established as an airmail distributing centre as the result of Burgess Harris' trip to Chicago, last week, where he attended a flying field conference of mayors and burgesses from thirty-eight States, called for the purpose of fostering interest in aviation by Mayor Bill Thompson, of Chicago.

Burgess Harris forged into the spotlight of the conference by urging a better recognition of the advantages of the Bellefonte field as a distributing centre for the greater part of Pennsylvania, and had in favor of his argument the expressed opinion of most of the pilots that there is not a better field on the entire coast from New York to San Francisco than the one in Bellefonte.

It was made evident at the conference that postoffice officials at Washington are willing to give consideration to re-establishing the Bellefonte field as an airmail distributing centre and as soon as the holiday rush is over it is quite likely that postmaster John L. Knisely and other residents of the town will take the matter up with Washington officials.

Junior two-light floor lamps, complete with artistic shades, \$9.85.—W. R. Brachbill's furniture store. 50-1t

NOLL.—James O. Noll died at his home in Tyrone, at 8.40 o'clock on Sunday evening, as the result of a heart attack. On Sunday morning he stated to members of the family that he would make a trip to Milesburg in the afternoon but shortly thereafter complained of pains about his heart. A physician was summoned who gave him treatment and he rested quite comfortably during the afternoon. Shortly before eight o'clock in the evening he suffered another severe attack and passed away within an hour.

Mr. Noll was a son of George and Annie Garbrick Noll and was born in Boggs township, Centre county, on October 17th, 1875; hence was 52 years, 2 months and 1 day old. During the Spanish-American war, in 1898, he saw service as a member of Company B, Fifth regiment, of Bellefonte, and was a charter member of the Tyrone post Spanish War Veterans. He was a member of the Milesburg Presbyterian church, the United American Mechanics, I. O. O. F. and Fraternal Mystic Circle, of Tyrone.

He married Miss Mary Borman, who survives with a foster daughter, Mary Elizabeth Noll; also, one sister and two brothers, Mrs. George Moore, of Erie; Homer Noll, of Tyrone, and Emanuel, of Milesburg. Funeral services were held at his late home in Tyrone at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, by Rev. Dr. Joseph Speer, assisted by Rev. Robert J. Allen, burial being made in the Eastlawn cemetery, Tyrone.

RICHARDS.—Mrs. Minnie Richards, widow of the late Moses Richards, died last Friday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Herring, at Llysven, Altoona, following an illness of some months with heart trouble.

She was a daughter of Jacob and Rachel Meyers Arney and was born in Potter township, Centre county, on May 16th, 1846, hence had reached the age of 81 years and 7 months. As a young woman she married Moses Richards and most of their married life was spent near Centre Hall. She was a member of the Lutheran church at Centre Hall for many years.

Her husband is dead but surviving her are three sisters and three brothers, namely: Mrs. Mary Herring, of Altoona; Mrs. Laura Lee, of Centre Hall; Mrs. John Mullen, of Bellevue; John and Charles Arney, of Centre Hall, and Rev. James Arney, of North East.

The body was taken to Centre Hall on Saturday, where funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, burial being made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

FLOREY.—William Florey, a native of Centre county, died at his home in Altoona, on Wednesday, following an illness of some weeks, aged 76 years, 10 months and 8 days. He was born in Potter township and lived there most of his life, moving to Altoona several years ago. His survivors include five daughters and five sons, Mrs. Perry Deibler, of Lock Haven; Mrs. Agnes Burns, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Joseph Baird, of Potter township; Mrs. John Sheasley, of Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Frank Deemer, of Orangeville, Ill.; B. E. and J. W. Florey, of Altoona; Harry, of Daventport, Iowa; Robert, of Spring Mills, and Frank, of State College. He also leaves one brother and two sisters, John, of Greenwood; Mrs. Don Ling, of Potters Mills, and Miss Louisa, of Centre Hall. The remains will be taken to Centre Hall for burial.

GORDON.—William Ira Gordon died at his home in Columbus, Ohio, on December 8th, as the result of a stroke of paralysis. He was a son of Daniel and Mary E. Gordon and was born in Bellefonte on March 18th, 1877, hence had reached the age of 50 years, 6 months and 20 days. He married Miss Elizabeth M. Holter, of Howard, who survives with one daughter, Mary Elizabeth, at home. He also leaves one brother and two sisters, Jacob Gordon and Mrs. William Hassinger, of Bellefonte and Mrs. John Isenberg, of Huntingdon. The remains were taken to Howard where funeral services were held in the Methodist church on the afternoon of December 10th, by Rev. J. F. Smith, burial being made in the Schenck cemetery.

BANEY.—Mrs. Ellen Baney, wife of Eli Baney, died last Friday night, at her home on Burnside street, following an illness of some weeks with a complication of diseases. She was a daughter of William and Susan Smoyer and was born in Boggs township 74 years ago. In addition to her husband she is survived by six children, Walter, Charles, Robert and Joseph, of Bellefonte; Bruce and Mrs. Wilbur Saxton, of Pleasant Gap. She also leaves one brother and four sisters, Mrs. Tillie Woods, Mrs. Dora Rine and James Smoyer, all of Bellefonte; Mrs. Mary Shank, of Mt. Eagle, and Mrs. Alice Yeager, of Jersey Shore. Burial was made in the Advent cemetery on Monday afternoon.

MILLER.—Raymond Keller Miller, young son of James and Mary Tressler Miller, of State College, died last Wednesday morning following a lingering illness with valvular heart trouble. He was born at State College and was 14 years, 1 month and 22 days old. In addition to his parents he is survived by three sisters, Elizabeth, Sara and Margaret, all at home. Funeral services were held at his late home at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, burial being made in the Pine Hill cemetery.

What Could be More Acceptable?

Most everybody enjoys reading. What we regard as good reading is not always enjoyed by everybody, however. The kind that does not contain the human interest appeal is all right at times, but not for regular consumption. Tincture it with the news of people and places you know and you have a newspaper that is of interest to everybody all the time.

That is the kind of reading the Watchman attempts to crowd its columns with.

And that is the reason we are sure some friend of yours would be delighted if you were to send him or her the Watchman as a Christmas gift.

To the native-born who is temporarily or permanently located elsewhere it would be like a weekly letter from home.

To those who have been only visitors in the county frequently enough to form ties of interest and memories of happy visits it would be a pleasant reminder of many friends and incidents.

It will cost only \$1.50 and will be in reality fifty Christmas cards.

What could be a more acceptable present, a more frequent reminder of your friendship at a trifling cost than the Watchman?

GRiffin.—Mrs. Minnie M. Griffin, wife of Leonard Griffin, died at her home in Sinking valley, on Tuesday morning, as the result of heart failure. Her maiden name was Minnie Parker and she was born at Potters Mills on May 15th, 1892, hence was in her 36th year. In addition to her husband she is survived by eight children, Madeline, Florence, Jeannette, Catherine, LeRoy, Leonard, Jr., Mahlon and Blanchard, all at home. She also leaves two brothers and five sisters, J. E. Parker, of Benore; Joseph, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Daniel Snyder, of Altoona; Mrs. Budd O'Neil and Mrs. Annie Brown, of State College; Miss Mabel Parker, of Lock Haven, and Miss Bessie, in Chicago.

The remains will be taken to Gray's cemetery, in Halfmoon township, where burial will be made this afternoon.

GARBRICK.—Mrs. Sarah Garbrick, wife of A. E. Garbrick, passed away at her home at Zion, at 12:30 on Tuesday night, following a year's illness with a complication of diseases. She was a daughter of John and Levina Shaffer and was born at Zion fifty-nine years ago. She was a member of the Lutheran church from girlhood and a good, Christian woman. In addition to her husband she is survived by one daughter and a son, Mrs. Reish Baumgardner, of Bellefonte, and Arthur Garbrick, of Zion. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. John Cole, of Bellefonte.

Funeral services will be held in the Lutheran church, at Zion, at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) morning, by Rev. C. E. Arnold, of Bellefonte, burial to be made in the Zion cemetery.

TAYLOR.—George M. Taylor, a retired farmer, died on Wednesday of last week at the home of his son, J. Edward Taylor, at Fillmore, as the result of general debility, aged 81 years, 9 months and 26 days. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor and was born in Benner township, most of his life being spent on a farm near Fillmore. His wife died in 1923, but surviving him are two sons, Charles T., of State College, and J. Edward, of Fillmore. Funeral services were held at the Edward Taylor home at 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, burial being made in the Meyers' cemetery.

SWARTZ.—Adam Swartz, a native of Centre county, died last Saturday at his home in Kansas City, Mo., as the result of general debility, aged 87 years. Prior to going west Mr. Swartz was a resident of Benner township and occupied the farm now a portion of the Rockview penitentiary grounds, and on which the warden's residence now stands. His wife, who prior to her marriage, was Miss Elizabeth Ishler, has been dead for some years, but he is survived by several children. Burial was made at Kansas City.

WALK.—George W. Walk, a native of Centre county and a veteran of the Civil war, died last Thursday at his home at Milroy, following an illness of two years, aged 81 years, 6 months and 16 days. He was a carriage builder by occupation and during his life had carriage shops in Philipsburg, Tyrone, Reedsville and Milroy. He is survived by his second wife and two sons. Burial was made at Reedsville on Saturday afternoon.

Christmas Cantata at Howard. A Christmas cantata will be rendered in the Evangelical church at Howard, on Sunday evening, December 25, at 7:30 o'clock.

This beautiful musical service has been in rehearsal for some time and should prove quite appropriate and inspiring for the Christmas season. All will be cordially welcomed.

Floyd Weaver, of Zion, and Miss Rosella Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Miller, of Bellefonte, were married at the home of the bride's parents, yesterday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. John F. Marks entertained Mr. Marks' mother, Mrs. Jean M. Marks, of Derry, over the past week-end.

—The Reverend and Mrs. W. W. Moyer, of Bonalsburg, were Bellefonte visitors on Wednesday. Rev. Moyer is pastor of the Reformed church over there.

—Miss Betty Lockington is home from Mauch Chunk for her Holiday vacation visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lockington, of east High street.

—E. W. Miller, of Philadelphia, will make his customary semi-annual visit to Bellefonte, coming up to be with his brother, Maurice Miller, and Mrs. Miller over the Christmas week-end.

—The guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Hoag, of north Thomas street, will be their three children, Mrs. Torrens, of Rochester, N. Y., and Mr. Torrens; Miss Elizabeth, teaching in Tyrone, and Harold, a student at Penn State.

—Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Stevens and their family, with Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Stevens and their child, will leave tomorrow afternoon to drive to the Stevens home at McConnellsburg, to spend the week-end and celebrate Christmas.

—J. H. Heberling, of Warriorsmark, who is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Bechtel, at Blanchard, was in Bellefonte between trains yesterday, having made the trip up to look after some business at the Watchman office.

—A part of the family of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Robb will celebrate Christmas at home with their parents. Those to be here will be, Miss Lella, from Ardmore; Mary, home for her vacation from Wilson college; and Martin, from the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

—At the J. K. Barnhart home there will be, Miss Louise S. Barnhart, from Newton Falls, Ohio; Eleanor, home from Lake Erie College, Painesville, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Barnhart and their family from Springfield, Mass. Mr. Barnhart will be at home until Wednesday, while his family will continue the visit in Bellefonte, for several weeks.

—During the Holidays all of Mrs. T. A. Shoemaker's children will visit with her at her home on west High street; those from a distance being Miss Augusta, from Pittsburgh; Ellen, from Philadelphia; Mary, now home from Trinity college, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Ebe, with her two children, who will be in from Pittsburgh for the Shoemaker New Year celebration.

—James R. Hughes, headmaster of the Bellefonte Academy, has finally yielded to the pressure that has been brought to bear upon him during the past two years, by prominent men interested in the school problems of California, to visit that wonderful State and observe for himself the peculiar and alluring conditions that prevail there in the field of education.

Having no Holiday trip arranged for his team this year, he feels free and has accepted the chance to accompany the Pitt football party to Pasadena, leaving the "Smoky city" next Monday, Dec. 26. He will thus have the fellowship of his Academy boys on Pitt's champion eleven and other friends, enjoy the western scenery, meet his many relatives and friends on the coast and see the big game at Pasadena, Jan. 2nd, between Leland Stanford and Pitt. This will be the secondary purpose of the trip, the real primary purpose is a business one, as already intimated, as he expects to schedule games for a coast trip for his football team during the Holidays of 1928. To get those games will be a good investment.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chester M. McCormick, of State College, were pleasant callers at the Watchman office, on Tuesday afternoon, while in Bellefonte doing some Christmas shopping and looking after a few business matters.

—Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy and family will have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. John L. Van Pelt and daughter, Rachel, of Johnstown; Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Harris, of Hagerstown, and George Harris, of Baltimore.

—Miss Margaret Brockerhoff is coming up from Philadelphia, to be with her uncle and brother, Dr. Joseph and Henry Brockerhoff for the Holiday week, expecting then to go on to the Pacific coast for the remainder of the winter.

—Mr. and Mrs. Shuey and their daughter, Miss Rachel, will drive to Kingston, Pa., where they will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. North and their son, "Billy," the family Christmas celebration to be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donachy.

—Mrs. Bruce S. Burlingame came from Casanova, N. Y., Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Valentine and their son, Richard, will drive up from Lancaster this week, for their Christmas visit in Bellefonte with Mrs. H. C. and Miss Mary Valentine at the Valentine home on Curtin street.

—Mr. and Mrs. John N. Lane expect to have with them at Christmas, their four sons, James, of Letonia, Ohio; Fred of Johnstown; John H. S. Lane, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Lane, and Elliott, of Bellefonte. Mrs. Lane had considered coming east from Riverside, Cal., but her plans were not definite.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Landis, of Tyrone, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Landis, with the latter's sister, Miss Helen Wolfgang, of Lewistown, will be in Bellefonte for the week-end, dinner guests at a family dinner to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Landis on Sunday, and one given by Mr. and Mrs. William Brouse Monday.

—The Theodore Cherry family house-party will include, Mr. and Mrs. Nichols, of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Levi and her daughter, Beatrice, of Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Levi drove up two weeks ago and anticipates taking her father south upon her return to Alabama, in January.

—Mrs. Stitzinger accompanied by her two children and sister, Katherine Johnston is a student at Westminster College to be for Christmas and the Holidays, with the children's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Johnston. Mr. Stitzinger will join his family here tomorrow. Miss Johnston is a student at Westminster College and among the younger set home for the vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dolan, of Nittany, were Bellefonte visitors on Tuesday morning. Mr. Dolan had some business at the court house and Mrs. Dolan came along to do a little shopping. During a brief chat we had with the well known Walker township farmer he said that his corn crop was especially good, which he credited to the fact that he had used only the best of his own seed corn which happened to have matured nicely and dried well.

—Virginia Hughes, from Beaver College, is among the school set home.

—Day guests for Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. William Ott, of High street, will include Mrs. Ott's two sisters, Mrs. D. M. Kilne and Mr. Kilne, and Mrs. A. D. Smeltzer, with Mr. Smeltzer, and their daughter, Margaret, of Pleasant Gap.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Booser drove over from Centre Hall yesterday morning to leave from here for Chicago, where they will visit during the Holidays with their son, Ralph, and his family. It has been the custom of these two families to alternate between Chicago and Centre Hall, for the Christmas celebration.

—J. C. Dunlap, of Pine Grove Mills, was in Bellefonte on business, on Wednesday. He is one of the nimrods of that section, but didn't get a deer this season. His camp, "The Hoaring Run" crowd, got five, but none of them happened to be passing J. C.'s way, so he had no chance to bring one down.

—Ladies' Holeproof silk hose, \$1.95 grade, special Friday and Saturday only, at \$1.45.—Sim, The Clothier. 50-1t

CHURCH NEWS.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Alexander McMillen will officiate at the Christmas service in St. John's Episcopal church, which will be held on Christmas only. No midnight service will be held Christmas eve. The program for Sunday will be as follows: 8:00 A. M. .... Holy Communion 11:00 A. M. .... Holy Communion Organ Prelude .... "Nazareth" Anthem—

"Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" (Semper) Communion Service. Even Song ..... 7:30 P. M. Processional ..... "The First Nowell" Magnificat ..... (Custance) Anthem—

"Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" Anthem— "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Dressler) Violin Solo— "Ye Who Have Yearned Alone" (Tschalkowsky) Anthem—

"The People That Walked in Darkness" (Galbraith)

Burgess Harris Has Five Deer for Distribution.

So many illegal deer were killed by hunters during the season that the various hospitals and homes in this section could not absorb them all and game protector Thomas Mosier turned over to Burgess Harris the carcasses of five nice deer for distribution among deserving families in Bellefonte and vicinity. If you know of anyone entitled to a mess of venison for Christmas please notify the burgess.

—St John's Reformed church, Bellefonte, will hold two services Christmas day. One at 6:30 a. m. and the other 4 p. m., at which time the Bible school will present its program, including the pageant, "The Nativity." There will be no regular Bible school session.

Seasons Greetings REAL HAPPINESS Christmas has one great lesson for the world— It is this: Our own happiness really depends on how much we help to make others happy. Christmas with its gifts and greetings makes us realize that we are in this world not strictly as individuals but as cooperating members of a great family whose hopes are one and whose happiness is mutual. Christmas Day again fixes in the minds of every officer and employee of this organization the pleasure he has had in serving you, and each one shares in a sincere wish that this Christmastide will bring you joy. During the coming New Year this organization extends its wishes for a year of prosperity and progress. In this expression of good cheer, each officer and employee pledges his services to do his utmost to bring prosperity in each community he helps to serve. West Penn Power Co. KEYSTONE DIVISION