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GLOBE CIRCLERS FLY OVER BELLEFONTE.

John Henry Mears and Charles B. D. Collyer, who on Sunday completed their effort in circling the earth and establishing a record for the quickest trip ever made around the world, flew over Bellefonte at 1:45 o'clock Sunday afternoon on the last lap of their journey to New York. The two men spent Saturday night at Minneapolis, Minn., and early on Sunday morning telephoned to the Bellefonte aviation field that they would land here and to have fifty gallons of gas ready for them. But on nearing Cleveland they discovered that their gas supply was running low and they stopped there and took on a supply. Consequently when they reached Bellefonte in their big monoplane they didn't stop but Mr. Collyer, who manipulated the controls, and who is an old air pilot, flew low over Bellefonte and the aviation field, so that the few who had gathered at the field felt sure the plane was coming to earth, but after flying over the field the pilot rose in the air and sailed away to the east. Heavy fogs and low-hanging clouds forced the plane down at Middletown and again at Susquehanna, so that it was almost seven o'clock when the men finally landed in New York.

Mears and Collyer left New York at five o'clock in the morning on June 29th, and in their travels used a seaplane, ships and their own monoplane. Their official time for the trip was 23 days, 15 hours, 21 minutes and 3 seconds, while the best previous record, made by Linton Wells and Edward Evans, of New York, was 28 days, 14 hours, 36 minutes and 5 seconds.

—This is the day for the public sale of forty shares of Whiteoak Quarries common stock, the property of the late Mary C. Harris estate, and which will be sold for the benefit of the creditors of the Centre County Banking company. The sale will take place at the court house at two o'clock p. m.

—We don't know what happened to Gene Tunney last night because these writings were in print before the marine contribution to the fistic intelligencia had fulfilled his engagement with "the man from down under." If we had been in Tunney's shoes we wouldn't have cared what happened to us, for no matter how long Heeneey would certainly have put us to sleep the awakening to find ourselves possessor of five hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars would be the grandest one we ever did or ever expect to have. In truth, between the cats, and the dogs, and the racing motor engines, and the songs that effervesce from human "moonshine" containers we get so little sleep these nights that a soporific swat on the button seems to us something to be courted about bedtime. There have been times we would have paid five hundred and twenty five thousand bucks—in stage money, of course—for just such a punch.

—The farmers have had an awful time harvesting their crops, but the managers of Sunday school picnics have been singularly fortunate, this season, in selecting thunderstormless days.

—Dudley Field Malone's methods in Paris divorce courts have been denounced from the bench by one of the Judges. But Dudley Field won't mind a little thing like that.

—A Philadelphia bank moved a billion dollars worth of property during the week-end without losing any of it. The gangsters must have gone to sleep.

—European statesmen are becoming suspicious of the Kellogg peace proposition and the signing of the pact may be postponed.

—It is now admitted that Captain Lowenstein is dead but the cause and manner of his death is still enshrouded in mystery.

TATE.—Mrs. Ada Kephart Tate died at her home in Cleveland, Ohio, on Saturday night, as the result of sciatic rheumatism, with which she had been afflicted for several years. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matlock Kephart and was born near Fillmore, Centre county, where all her girlhood life was spent. As a young woman she married W. C. Tate and they established a home in Clearfield, where Mr. Tate was connected with the New York Central railroad. Later they moved to Norfolk, Va., and finally to Cleveland, Ohio, where they have lived ever since. She has one son, Matlock Kephart Tate, who resides in Lima, Ohio. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. S. K. Dickerson, of Cleveland.

The remains were taken to Clearfield where funeral services were held at four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. Heckman, of the Methodist church, of which she was a life-long member, burial being made in the Tate lot in the Clearfield cemetery.

KRIDER.—George H. Krider died at his home in Juniata, on Monday evening, following two year's illness. He was a son of George and Eleanor Krider and was born near Graysville fifty-nine years ago. As a young man he learned the carpenter's trade and later went to Blair county where he became a contractor, having charge of the erection of many buildings in Hollidaysburg, Altoona and Juniata. He married Miss Mabel Campbell who survives with five children. He also leaves several brothers and sisters. Burial was made in Altoona yesterday afternoon.

STEVENS.—Mrs. Sarah A. Stevens, widow of the late James Stevens, died on Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Smith, at Centre Hall, following a prolonged illness with heart trouble. She was a daughter of Jesse and Nancy Ginghamer Fulton and was born at State College, her age at death being 73 years, 10 months and 26 days. Most of her married life was spent at State College. Her husband has been dead for some years but surviving her are three daughters. Burial was made in the Pine Hill cemetery yesterday morning.

Committees Report on Arrangements for Motor Clubs Picnic.

At a meeting of the picnic committees of the Centre county and Lock Haven motor clubs, held at the Nittany County club on Monday evening, the various sub-committees gave very favorable reports of the progress made for one of the best outings ever held. Arrangements have practically been completed for the sports and contests, as well as the line of amusements for the day.

As announced elsewhere in this paper the day will be Wednesday, August 15th, and the picnic committee desires to impress on the people generally that the gathering is not limited to members of the motor clubs but is designed for the public generally, and everybody is invited to attend. The officers of the joint committees are E. B. Walters, chairman; J. Will Mayes, vice chairman; H. L. Ebricht, treasurer, and W. P. Poorman, secretary. The sub-committees are as follows:

- Refreshments—E. B. Walters, Lock Haven.
- Baseball—C. F. Strayer, Lock Haven; H. L. Ebricht, Centre Hall.
- Orchestra—R. L. Schuyler, Lock Haven; W. R. Grazier, Millheim.
- Band—J. Will Mayes, Howard.
- Badges—L. F. Probst, Lock Haven.
- Advertising and Publicity—H. L. Ebricht and L. F. Probst.
- Amusements—C. M. Fisher, Guy Achenbach and George Ohl, Lock Haven; John M. Bullock and Robert F. Hunter, Bellefonte; E. V. Deml, Phillipsburg, and P. A. Frost, State College.
- Law and Order—Judge M. Ward Fleming and Robert F. Hunter, Bellefonte; Roy L. Schuyler, Lock Haven.

Exit the Trout Fishing Season.

Only four more days remain of the trout fishing season for this year and the writer personally knows several fishermen who are deeply regretting that fact. While none of them have been out at various times during the season without making any catches to brag about until the past week or two, and now when they feel that their casting arm has not lost its cunning they are loath to see the end of the season.

On the whole, however, it has not been a very good season, especially for fly fishermen. The frequent hard rains have kept the larger streams almost continuously in a turmoil. The water has been high and about eight-tenths of the time too muddy for good fishing. The result has been fewer trout have probably been caught this season than for a number of years past, but the redeeming feature is they are still in the stream.

Charles Weeder, a carpenter living on Bishop street, was hit and knocked down by a car driven by Lloyd Shawley, last Thursday afternoon, suffering slight lacerations and bruises. Mr. Weeder stepped from alongside of one car right in front of the Shawley car and the driver was unable to avoid hitting him.

Exactly 131 passengers left Bellefonte, Saturday night, on the excursion to Atlantic City. Returning home the train reached Bellefonte shortly before three o'clock Monday morning.

Beech Creek Man Fatally Injured in Railroad Accident.

Leonard J. Counsell, thirty-seven years old, was run down by a New York Central freight, on the Beech Creek railroad, Saturday night, and so badly injured he died in the Lock Haven hospital on Sunday forenoon. Counsell, who was unmarried, made his home with his sister, Mrs. Devester Lindsey, in Beech Creek. While no one saw the accident it is presumed the man, on his way home Saturday night, was walking the railroad as a short cut to his residence. He was in sight of his home when the accident happened. Both legs were almost severed from the body, he had numerous cuts and bruises, and was thrown into a ditch alongside the railroad.

Though he was within calling distance of his sister's home and could hear members of the household talking on the porch, he was unable to make them hear him, and he lay where he was thrown until six o'clock Sunday morning when he was found by a section crew out on inspection. He was taken to the Lock Haven hospital but died shortly after being admitted.

Mr. Counsell was a native of Blanchard and is survived by his mother and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Clara Lindsey, of Beech Creek; Hensel Counsell, of Lock Haven; Ira and Edna, at the family home in Blanchard; Mrs. Lulu Gardner, of Blanchard; Mrs. Harry Bowes, of Monument, and Mrs. Esther Smith, of Mill Hall.

Funeral services were held at the Counsell home, in Blanchard, at 2:30 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. David Neilson, interment in the Disciple cemetery being in charge of the Bitner-Bechdel post of the American Legion.

Aged Italian Suffered Fatal Injuries at Salona Quarries.

Joseph Bianciani, an odd job worker at the Salona plant of the Bellefonte Lime company, died at the Lock Haven hospital, last Friday, of injuries sustained when he fell under the wheels of a car being shifted on the company siding. Both of the man's legs were broken below the knee, and he was also injured internally. How he came to fall is not known. Workmen in the quarries heard his cries and going to the railroad siding found the aged man lying under the car. He was hurried to the Lock Haven hospital but died within an hour.

Bianciani was 86 years old and was born in Italy. He came to this country many years ago and for a long period of time worked for the Bellefonte Lime company, in its plant at Salona. Finally he was retired on a pension and came to Bellefonte and made his home with relatives. But a longing for independence and his old associates caused him to return to Salona, several months ago, and since then he had been doing odd jobs at the company's plant, living alone in a small shack near the quarries. Bianciani was unmarried and leaves no near relatives.

The remains were brought to Bellefonte and funeral services held in the Catholic church, on Monday morning, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery.

Specializing in Art Work at State College.

Miss Mary I. Richer and Byron Haverly Blackford, both of Bellefonte, are taking summer school work at the Pennsylvania State College. Both are specializing in public school art work, fine and applied arts.

This branch of the summer session, with its three departments of instruction, affords an opportunity to teachers, who wish to continue their art studies and prepare students who plan to enter the field of art instruction. Special classes are held for training art teachers, supervisors and directors in advanced methods of art education.

In addition, courses in elementary school drawing, designed to acquaint the teacher with the rudiments of drawing and design, are offered during the summer session. These fundamental courses form the basis for more advanced study in applied arts, the crafts, painting and art education for prospective teachers and supervisors.

Evangelical Summer School in Full Swing.

The summer school of religious education of the Evangelical church opened at Central Oak Heights, West Milton, on Monday evening, in charge of Rev. A. F. Weaver. Already 155 people have registered for credit courses and 21 auditors, making a total of 176, which exceeds last year's registration. The new administration building is proving a valuable asset to the school from every standpoint. Instruction is being given in nine courses. Some of the ablest ministers in the church will be present during the month the school will be open.

County detective Leo Boden, assisted by a number of other officers, made a number of raids in Rush township and South Phillipsburg, last Wednesday, arrested eight men and confiscated a truck load of illegal booze. Five of the men gave bail, one was released and two were brought to the Centre county jail to await trial.

NOTORIOUS PEGGY CUTS NEW CAPERS.

Peggy Udell, the Beautiful But Naughty Chorus Girl who Once Ran Away with a Bellefonte Boy, is Acting Up Again.

Peggy Udell, who a few years ago created quite a commotion in Bellefonte by taking a midnight ride from Philadelphia to Wilmington, Del., where she married, or at least claimed she did, Jack Montgomery, of Bellefonte, is again in the limelight in New York City over a fisticuff with Ziggy Green, another chorus girl, in Ziegfeld's production, "The Show Boat."

When Peggy married Jack Montgomery she believed him one of the richest young men in Pennsylvania and had visions of a life of luxury and ease far from the frivolities of Ziegfeld's follies. But her visions proved delusions and following months of legal bickering the wedding was annulled by a Delaware court and Peggy was left high and dry without even a consolation decree.

She then returned to her parental home in Milwaukie and in less than a year married Jimmy Conzelman, a noted football player. Their married life was brief and after Jimmy left her Peggy got a divorce on the ground of desertion and non-support.

Then she hastened to Hollywood where stars were pulling down four figure salaries weekly. But she hadn't been there long when the moving picture colony was startled with the fact that Peggy had instituted a half-million dollar damage suit against a prominent motion picture official on the grounds of alleged attempted assault. Then it was that she began taking lessons in the manly art as a means of self-protection.

From Hollywood she returned to New York to star in a picture being promoted by a Swiss count, but the count proved to be a bogus gent and an ex-Sing Sing convict and all Peggy got out of that experience was a worthless check for \$750, her first week's salary.

Then she returned to Ziegfeld as a member of the chorus in "The Show Boat," and her thrilling fistic encounter with Ziggy Green took place in the elevator of the New York theatre during an evening performance recently. According to the story the two Pegys had not been honeyed friends for some time and their meeting in the elevator was entirely accidental. Peggy's description of the affair which took place in the elevator is as follows:

"Going down for the second act who should I run into but Peggy Green. She made a remark to me which, in the language of Owen Wister's famous novel, "The Virginian," nobody can make to me without smiling. I asked her to repeat it—and smile. She repeated it and failed to smile.

"I led with my left and through a sort of haze saw her head snap back. It was poor technique. I had missed the button on her chin and socked her on the mouth. She came back gamely and made a pass at me with a set of finger nails that would have done credit to a bear. She got a strip of skin and a lock of hair. I crossed with my right to her eye. Then we went into a clinch, but I had her tied up when the rest of the girls pulled us apart."

Peggy visited Bellefonte several times during her legal fight with Jack Montgomery, stopping for several days at a time at the Brockerhoff house, and at that time she did not look especially pugacious, but her latest episode resulted in her losing her job in the chorus of "The Show Boat" and she is now probably looking for another engagement.

The night riding chicken thieves have changed the base of their operations. Having cleaned out most of the coops in west Ferguson township they invaded Buffalo Run valley, last Saturday night, and trucked away over a hundred fowls from the pens of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Shay. Only a few quite old hens were left. The Shays were in Bellefonte when the robbery took place, which according to neighbors, was between eight and nine o'clock in the evening.

On Wednesday Judge Fleming appointed S. G. Willer as special policeman at Hecla Park and adjacent territory. He is to have the same powers as a constable and the sheriff was notified to receive all prisoners brought in by the new official. Inasmuch as there was no order to pay for his services it is presumed that Frank Hockman, owner of the park, who petitioned for the officer, has agreed to take care of that.

About six o'clock Wednesday evening, while it was still broad daylight, T. R. Ream, of McVeytown, drove into the sedan of O. G. Morgan which was parked in front of his home on west Logan street. Ream is working on the new gas plant and seems to have been a bit befuddled. Neither car was damaged beyond bent fenders.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoover, of Pine Glenn, are anxious to know the whereabouts of their son, Walter R. Hoover, who left home last Sunday and has not been heard of since.

George T. Bush has received a postcard which was carried around the world by Capt. John Mears, on his world circling tour, which ended in New York on Sunday.

Bellefonte Borough Council Held Star Chamber Session.

A mantle of mystery hung over the movements of borough councilmen, on Tuesday evening. Quietly and stealthily they made their way, one by one, to the public building, on east Howard street, until seven of them were present when they were called to order by the president and on motion of one of the members at once went into extraordinary session to consider a matter which they deemed of vital importance to the borough. As no newspaper men were permitted present in the star chamber meeting it is impossible to give a report of what took place, but the taxpayers of Bellefonte will probably learn in due time what the meeting was for. The two members who were not present were Bill Emerick and Robert Kline.

When the council came out of their chamber session the Special committee had a convocation with the fire insurance agents of Bellefonte over the question of a reduction in insurance rates for the town. This a matter that has been discussed at periodic intervals during the past twenty years but nothing in the line of reduction has ever been obtained. Some ten or twelve years ago the board of underwriters increased the deficiency charge in Bellefonte because the fire fighting apparatus was deemed antiquated and out of date.

At that time Bellefonte had the two steam pumps, which were all right when in service, but the town was lacking in horses to haul the apparatus. Then the borough spent twenty thousand dollars to motorize the department with two high grade pumps and chemical outfits, and shortly thereafter the deficiency charge was again increased. Since then the board of underwriters have submitted a long list of things which Bellefonte must put in effect in order to secure a reduction in rates, and while the question has been discussed time and again nothing definite has yet been done.

At the present time Bellefonte's deficiency charge is 22 cents while State College is rated at 16 cents. Whether the movement that has now been started for a reduction in rates will amount to anything remains to be seen.

State College Radio Station Resumes Broadcasting.

Radio Station WPSC of the Pennsylvania State College, this week opened its summer session series of broadcasts, and will continue with programs for the remainder of the session on each Tuesday and Wednesday night, at 7 o'clock, standard time. The station opened with new equipment and adjustments following theft of some valuable tubes on the night of June 16, and it is declared that the quality of the broadcasts is better than ever.

The Tuesday night programs are given by artists of the institute of music education, a feature of the college summer session. This introductory program last Tuesday was declared to be one of the best programs ever broadcast by WPSC, every artist being an experienced broadcaster with appearances at some of the largest eastern stations. On Wednesday nights the college radio audiences will be treated to talks by the outstanding authors and lecturers on literature and poetry who are visiting lecturers each week at the institute of English education. Next week the speaker will be Lewis Browne. Before the close of the summer session the newly organized summer session orchestra will give a special program there will be no Sunday broadcasts until after the opening of college in September.

The United Brethren Sunday school at Black Oak, in Worth township, will hold its annual picnic in the Laurel Run grove, a mile west of Port Matilda, on Saturday, August 4th. The public is invited.

Dam is Completed for Penn State's Winter Sport Field.

Plans for the student winter sports memorial park at the Pennsylvania State College with adequate facilities for ice skating, hockey, skiing and tobogganing are rapidly materializing with the completion of the large dam which is the principal feature of the project. The construction of this dam is the first step taken by the student body of the college in the actual laying out of such a park. The class of 1927 was the pioneer in this movement by pledging funds for the erection of the dam. The next four classes followed suit by voting their memorial funds to the project. Provisions for a toboggan slide and ski jumps have been made and these features will be added later. Ice skating will be the main feature of the winter playground and it is possible that ice hockey will be added to Penn State's list of athletic activities.

The face of the dam, which is situated at Thompson's Springs just outside the borough limits, is 300 feet long. When in use the dam will form about an acre and a half of smooth water which will freeze in cold weather. Until a careful analysis of the water has been taken swimming will be prohibited.

Containers for fruit should meet the demand of the consumer and be suitable for the variety of fruit. Small containers are used more now than the larger types.

Subscribe for the Watchman.

COUNTY FARM HOMES ACQUIRING CONVENIENCES.

The Triennial Census of Centre County Farms Reveals Many Homes With Running Water, Heating Systems and Electric Light.

The second triennial farm census, recently completed in Centre county, shows 2017 farms, 1294 of which are operated by owners, 703 by tenants, and 20 by managers, according to L. H. Wible, director, bureau of statistics, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

The county has a total farm population of 9671, according to the census, and a total acreage in farms of 207,525 of which 108,052 is used for the principal field crops. The acreage devoted to these crops is as follows: Corn for grain 20,482, for silage and fodder 3416, wheat 24,177, oats 20,983, rye 516, buckwheat 1164, potatoes 2482, alfalfa hay 935, all other tame hay 33,870.

The extent of fruit growing is indicated by 57,149 apple trees of bearing age and 12,321 of non-bearing age, 13,525 pear trees of all ages, and 5956 peach trees of all ages. The livestock industry is represented by 4999 horses including colts, 398 mules including mule colts, 11069 milk cows and heifers two years old and over, 3362 heifers one to two years old, 5078 other cattle and calves, 2585 sows and gilts for breeding, 21,025 other swine, and 3639 sheep and lambs.

The count shows 155,374 hens and pullets of laying age, 50,605 other chickens, and 1119 hives of bees. Modern equipment and conveniences on farms are as follows: 398 farm homes have running water in kitchen and 208 have furnace heating systems. The farms have 36 milking machines in use, 1656 automobiles, 424 trucks, 404 tractors, 702 gas engines, 892 telephones, 270 radios and 406 silos. 58 of the farms have their own electric plants, and 337 receive electricity from a power station.

BOALSBURG.

M. W. Goheen recently purchased a new sedan.

John Hess, of Altoona, was a visitor in town last week.

F. W. Weber spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Ross, near Linden Hall.

Boal Troop returned from Mt. Gettysburg, Friday, after a two week's encampment.

Mrs. Alice Magoffin, of Hollidaysburg, is spending some time among friends in town.

Prof. and Mrs. William Hoffman, of State College, were callers in town on Tuesday evening.

Post-master and Mrs. Jacob Meyer are entertaining their son, Albert Meyer, of Pittsburgh.

Miss Mildred Kuhn, of Williamsport, was a week-end visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Kuhn.

Frank Hosterman, of Cleveland, Ohio, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hosterman.

Mrs. Pierre Boal and family, of Washington, D. C., arrived in town, last week, for an indefinite visit at the Boal home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayes, of Milton, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rossman, of Bellefonte, were callers at the home of Mrs. E. E. Brown, on Sunday.

B. P. Lonbarger and daughters and their guest, Miss Ruth Taylor, of Carlisle, and the H. W. Lonbarger family, of State College, spent a week camping at Whipple's dam.

Mrs. F. M. Charles and daughter, Pauline, who were visiting friends in Philadelphia, were called home by the sudden death of Mrs. Charles' mother, Mrs. Stephens, of Centre Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bohn and son Musser, of Akron, Ohio, are visiting friends in this vicinity; this being their regular "once a year visit" with Mr. Bohn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Bohn.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rishel, of Bradock, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Rocky last week. Their visit included motor drives to Woodward and Penns Cave, Petersburg, Bellefonte and State College.

JACKSONVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hoy spent Wednesday at Harry Hoy's.

Mrs. Hogan Long and son George spent Sunday at the home her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Waite are the proud parents of a baby boy, who arrived the sixth of July. His name is Homer George.

Mrs. Walter Winslow, of Philadelphia, arrived here, Saturday morning, and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Lucas.

Miss Beatrice Hoy and friend, Mr. Stover, Mrs. John Hoy and children, of Blanchard, spent Saturday afternoon at the home of Harry Hoy.

Ralph Grove and Miss Burris surprised their many friends by getting married, Friday afternoon. We wish them joy and happiness on the sea of matrimony.

Pays \$1,000 to Use Apartment Five Days.

Barney L. Allis, hotel man, has vacated his luxurious five-room apartment on the ninth floor of the Hotel Baltimore, Kansas City, and Mrs. Edward B. McLean, wife of the publisher of the Washington, D. C. Post, occupied the suite during the convention. The rental for five days was \$1,000.

Private telephones, two baths, a kitchenette, a 50-piece gold table service, and furniture imported from all over the world constitute part of the suite's furnishings. Mrs. McLean will have the services of the Allis' personal maid.

Little boy: "I'm too polite to tell you, ma'am."