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FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY.

Items taken from the Watchman issue of August 22, 1879.

The store of Mr. Robert Barnes, at Pleasant Gap, was entered by thieves, last Wednesday night and robbed.

Mr. Thomas Shaughnessy, our market clerk and street commissioner, is an active and efficient official. We do not know that our streets have ever been kept in better order or the market been more systematically conducted. Under his direction several excellent crossings have lately been laid in town and other pleasing street improvements have been made.

About three hundred tents have already been engaged for the Wayne Station camp meeting.

Wheat is \$1.05 per bushel, shelled corn 50 cts, oats 30 cts, potatoes 40 cts, butter 15 cts and eggs 10 cts per dozen.

We noticed a very handsome and elegantly trimmed casket in the undertaking establishment of Mr. William Schroyer, in this place, on Tuesday. It was designed for the reception of the body of Mr. McKean, of Zion, or near that place, who was buried on Wednesday. Mr. Schroyer exhibits decided taste and skill in trimming these caskets and usually makes the "dear departed" as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

Mr. J. Henry Keller, who owns the picnic grounds on the top of the Nittany mountain, has erected an observatory there that is fifty feet in height, from which a splendid view of Penns Valley can be obtained.

Thomas McKean, of Zion, Walker township, died at his residence there on Tuesday, the 19th, of paralysis. He was born in Potter township more than 77 years ago and was a grandson of Thomas Meehan, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and later the second Governor of the State of Pennsylvania. Mr. McKean was Justice of the Peace for Walker township from 1866 to 1876. Though a Republican in politics he was a good neighbor, friend and citizen.

Married by Henry Haupt, Esq., August 17, 1879, John Detlers and Miss Maria Craft, both of Boggs township.

There will be no services in the Episcopal church on Sabbath because Rev. Hewitt is away.

The Grangers will hold their annual picnic on top of the mountain on September 25th.

The Centre Hall cornet band visited town on Friday last and gave the Watchman and Republican offices a serenade. The boys play very well and are a pretty good set of fellows.

Lizzie Bing, daughter of William Bing, living below the Sunny Side lime kilns, was thrown from a swing one day last week and seriously hurt. Some say her skull was fractured, but the doctor says she will recover.

George Weaver and William Brown were painting the rear of the Bush house, last Saturday, the 16th, when the scaffold on which they were working either tilted or gave away and both young men fell thirty or forty feet to the court below. Brown was badly bruised but got up and walked away and was able to be around town in the afternoon. George Weaver was unable to move and had to be carried home on a stretcher. While no bones were broken he is still in bed and is a badly done up young man.

While a separator was in operation up Buffalo Run the other day Henry Reese attempted to jump from a stack of grain onto a board beneath the stack; but making a miscalculation he lit on the separator and had a foot badly mangled.

Some of the newspapers are down on the velocipede and pitching into it like everything.

Mr. Daniel Garman, accompanied by his youngest daughter, Miss Rebe, will leave today for an extended trip through the northern part of the State.

A seraph was sick with the colic one day.
And weeping leaned over the moon,
The tears, as they fell, floated lightly away.
On the gossamer pinions of June,
But one, as it drifted along in the damp,
Sank wearily down to the earth.
As trembling it lay 'twas embraced by a cramp
And the cucumber blushed into birth.

A little daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Collins Shoemaker, at the Centre County hospital on Saturday night, has been named Sarah Ellen. Both mother and babe are getting along splendidly and Collins thinks it is the only real baby in the world.

HOSTERMAN.—John Clayton Hosterman, who for thirty years edited and published the Millheim Journal, or until his retirement on July 1st of this year, died at his home in that place, at 4:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, as the result of a malignant growth on his neck, which developed following an operation six weeks ago for the removal of a goitre. His illness dates back more than two years, becoming quite serious six months ago.

He was a son of William Charles and Rebecca Guiseite Hosterman and was born in Haines township May 1st, 1873, hence was in his 57th year. As a child he was a pupil at the Lloydsville orphan's home school, going from there to New Bloomfield to learn typesetting on the New Bloomfield Advocate. Later he went to work on the Johnstown Democrat and on January 1st, 1899, he and the late Dr. Frank Raine purchased the Millheim Journal from the heirs of the Bumiller estate. Within a few years Mr. Hosterman acquired Dr. Raine's interest in the paper and was the sole owner until July 1st when he sold the plant to his associate editor, Charles E. Musser. He was a member of the Lutheran church and the Millheim camp Modern Woodmen of America. An ardent Democrat he at different times was elected and served as a member of the borough council and also school director, filling the office of president of both bodies.

In February, 1904, Mr. Hosterman married Sara F. Hartman, who died two years ago, and of their four children two survive, Jean, at home, and Mrs. Duave Simons, of Reedsville. He also leaves one step-daughter, Mrs. C. E. Musser, of Millheim, and the following brothers and sisters: A. O. Hosterman, of Coburn; George C., of Milton; Mrs. William Korman, of Beaumont, Texas; Mrs. Minnie Cole, of Mansfield, Ohio, and Mrs. John Haines, of Aaronsburg. He also leaves a half-sister and half-brother, Mrs. O. H. Scholl, of Millheim, and G. R. Boob, of Centre Hall, as well as his step-father, Nathaniel Boob, of Millheim.

Funeral services will be held at his late home at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Louis Leshner will be in charge and will be assisted by Revs. Kleffel and Griesing, burial to be made in the Fairview cemetery, Millheim.

BAIRFOOT.—Mrs. Flora O. Bairfoot, one of the best known women in Centre Hall, died quite suddenly at her home in that place, at 4:30 o'clock last Thursday afternoon. She had not been in good health for a year and during the latter part of July was confined to bed two weeks. About the first of August she went to the Geisinger hospital, at Danville, and spent two weeks there under observation. She was brought home, last Thursday afternoon by Thomas Smith, chatted a few minutes with friends as she got out of the automobile at her own home, went into the house and upstairs to her room where she reclined on her bed for a brief rest, and died within a few minutes.

She was a daughter of Dr. Peter D. and Sarah Motz Neff and was born in Centre Hall on February 2nd, 1855, hence had reached the age of 74 years, 6 months and 13 days. All her life was spent in Centre Hall with the exception of about a year when she lived in Bellefonte. In 1886 she married Sidney Bairfoot, who had been a clerk for county treasurer D. C. Keller, and shortly after their marriage they purchased the stationery store of H. Y. Stitzer, in the Reynolds bank building, Bellefonte, and took up their residence here. In about a year Mr. Bairfoot's health failed and they sold the store and moved back to Centre Hall where he died in 1888.

While living in Bellefonte they took in as one of the family William Smith, a brother of Luther Smith, who went with them when they returned to Centre Hall. He died several years ago and Mrs. Bairfoot leaves no immediate survivors. Funeral services were held at her late home at ten o'clock, on Monday morning, by Rev. S. F. Greenhoe, of the Lutheran church, of which she was a member, burial being made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

Mrs. Bairfoot was possessed of considerable property and other financial holdings, and so far as can be ascertained left no will, so it is not known how her estate will be disposed of.

RICHARDS.—Mrs. Kate E. Richards, widow of Roland C. Richards, died on Wednesday of last week, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bessie Jones, at Ramey, Clearfield county, as the result of general debility.

She was a daughter of William S. and Theresa Wolf and was born in Bellefonte on August 3rd, 1853, hence had reached the age of 76 years and 11 days. Her girlhood life was spent here but in 1871 she married Roland Richards, of Flat Rock, Worth township, where the most of her married life was spent. Mr. Richards died some years ago but surviving her are two daughters and one son, Mrs. Bessie Jones, of Ramey; Mrs. Laura McFall and Charles G. Richards, of Pittsburgh. She also leaves one brother, George W. Wolf, of Altoona.

Funeral services were held at the Jones home, at Ramey, on Saturday afternoon, burial being made in the cemetery at that place.

—Read the Watchman and get all the news.

LANE.—John Newton Lane passed away at his home on Allegheny street, Bellefonte, at eleven o'clock Saturday night, following a prolonged illness. He had been a sufferer for almost fifty years with arthritis and had been confined to his bed eleven months. During the past two months he suffered considerable pain and for eight or ten days preceding his death was in a semi-conscious condition most of the time.

He was a son of James B. and Martha J. Lane and was born at Lancaster on March 10th, 1852, hence had reached the age of 77 years, 5 months and 7 days. He was educated at the Yeatts Institute, Lancaster, and the Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia. On completing his course at the latter institution in 1868 he was given his choice of an appointment to West Point military academy or coming to Bellefonte and he chose the latter, upon his arrival here entering the banking house of W. F. Reynolds & Co., (now the Bellefonte Trust Co.) as a clerk, where he remained sixteen years. In 1894 he was a candidate for Burgess of Bellefonte on the Democratic ticket but was defeated by William E. Gray.

Mr. Lane, who was the last survivor of a family of nine children, was a great grand-son of Col. Hubley, of Revolutionary fame; he was a great-nephew of James Buchanan, President of the United States from 1857 to 1861, and a nephew of Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnston, mistress of the White House during President Buchanan's administration.

As a young man Mr. Lane married Miss Louise Sands, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sands, of Bellefonte, who survives with four sons and one daughter, namely: James B. Lane, of Letonia, Ohio; Mrs. Robert H. Fay, of Riverside, Cal., but who has been east since June and helped care for her father during his final illness; John H. S. Lane, of Baltimore; Fred E., of Johnstown, and Elliott E., of Bellefonte. He also leaves one grandchild, Patty Lane Fay, of Riverside, Cal.

Public funeral services were held at his late home at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, followed by private interment in the Bellefonte Union cemetery.

FLICK.—Mrs. Blanche Flick, wife of William Flick, died on August 11th, at her home at Plum Grove, near Unionville, as the result of a heart attack.

She was a daughter of Joseph and Lucy Davidson and was born at Plum Grove sixty-five years ago. In addition to her husband she is survived by three sons and one daughter, Gerald, Plummer, Edward and Verna Flick, all at home. She also leaves one brother and four sisters, Willis Davidson, of Plum Grove; Mrs. George Reighard and Mrs. William Loy, of Altoona; Mrs. Sarah Estep, of Trafford City, and Mrs. Adaline Woodring, of Osceola Mills.

Funeral services were held at her late home, at 10 o'clock last Wednesday morning, by Rev. M. H. Crawford, assisted by Rev. M. C. Piper, burial being made in the Stover cemetery.

MILLER.—Mrs. Sarah Emma Miller, wife of Clarence J. Miller, died at her home in Altoona, last Thursday morning, as the result of an acute heart attack.

She was a daughter of William and Maria Swabb Yearick and was born at Howard, Centre county, on May 13th, 1875, hence was in her fifty-fifth year. Most of her married life had been spent in Altoona where she was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church. She is survived by her husband, two sons, and two daughters, Mrs. Rose Barton, Clarence L., Bertha P. and Walter V. Miller, all of Altoona. She also leaves one brother, James Yearick, of Johnsburg. Burial was made in the Rosehill cemetery, Altoona, on Saturday afternoon.

PLEASANT GAP WOMAN RUN DOWN BY AUTO.

Mrs. Jacob Confer, of Pleasant Gap, mother of eight children, is in the Centre County hospital with a broken collar bone and head injuries sustained, Wednesday morning, when she was hit by an auto while crossing the State highway at Axe Mann. She had gone from Pleasant Gap to Axe Mann on the bus to visit her sister, Mrs. Wallace White. Alighting from the bus she walked around it to cross the road and stepped in front of an auto driven by Oscar Lakner, of Mill Hall. The driver of the car stopped and rendered all assistance he could.

NIGHT MAILPLANE FLIERS SOUND FIRE ALARM.

On Wednesday night of last week pilots of two night mail planes saw an unusual light in the vicinity of Romola and zooming low in the air discovered it to be a barn on fire. Circling low they were able to awaken the owner, Paul Miller and family, in time for them to save the livestock. But the barn was destroyed together with more than 300 bushels of wheat, 150 bushels of oats, 25 bushels of buckwheat and all the farming implements. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

—President Hoover's Virginia neighbors have given him a cordial welcome almost simultaneously with administering a sharp rebuke to Bishop Cannon.

BRUNGART KLANS REUNE AT HECLA PARK.

The sixth reunion, the 177th anniversary of the Brungart family in America, descendants of Jacob Brungart, who arrived in 1752, was held at Hecla park, in Nittany valley, last Saturday and was favored by a beautiful day.

With headquarters in the mammoth pavilion, everything was organized by 9 a. m., it being the point of interest to all the freundschaft, where kin met kin and everyone registered their presence and where the genealogist and historian were in attendance throughout the day, adding to their records new facts and disseminating information to those desiring it for personal and family satisfaction, besides which there was displayed published records of the family and manuscripts and works bearing on the same. Notably there was exhibited, for the first time, the recently completed genealogy of the Johan George Brungart line, a type-written volume compiled by the genealogist, Jasper Royer Brungart, handsomely bound in black leather with title embossed in gold, which is to be deposited as a permanent record in Pennsylvania Historical Commission's Conrad Weiser Memorial Park Museum and Library at Womelsdorf, Pa., (the original Conrad Weiser home built by him in 1729, 200 years ago, and from whom this line of Brungarts are direct descendants.)

By noon, almost 300 of the clan had registered, this rite continuing through all the day, many arriving as late as 5 p. m., when the total of signatures was 534. For all comers there was issued a beautiful silk ribbon souvenir of the event. The noon hour found family units and groups in happy reunion at festive boards throughout the grounds, many vieing in claiming right to entertaining those from distant places. The Farsommeling, in the afternoon, "called," as customary, by the familiar "O Yez! O Yez! O Yez!" of the secretary, assembled in the pavilion, was called to order by the president, Jasper Royer Brungart, of Rebersburg, opened by the singing of Old Hundred, led by Mrs. Emma Moyer Marsteller, of Bloomsburg, at the piano. Invocation by Rev. Orvis Frank. Following, the president made the regrettable announcement of the illness of two active members of the executive committee who could not be present—Vice Presidents W. Harrison Walker and J. C. Hosterman. After the satisfactory report of the treasurer, there followed the interesting report of the historian, Vera Catherine Brungart, of Washington, D. C., in which she made casual allusion to the discovery in America of a family of Brungarts of Russian origin and Greek Catholics, obviously of the same family root, presumably Huguenots, who went East from France, or the Palatinate, to escape the persecutions to which Protestants of the 16th and 17th centuries were subjected. Brungarts who eventually adopted the State religion of their chosen land of refuge, Russia. The furtherance of a Centre County Historical Society, as recommended and adopted by resolution at the Farsommeling in 1928 was again recommended. The genealogist reported 21 births, 14 marriages and 18 deaths in the freundschaft since last reunion. Rev. W. O. Bach, of Salona, briefly addressed the kinfolk and at the conclusion of the meeting pronounced the benediction. The place of meeting for the next reunion was left to the discretion of the executive committee. All officers were re-elected. T. Mark Brungart, of Lock Haven, was elected vice president to take the place of Adam Heckman, deceased.

The executive committee consists of the following officers: President and Genealogist—Jasper R. Brungart, Rebersburg; Historian—Miss Vera Catherine Brungart, Washington, D. C.; Vice Presidents—W. Harrison Walker, Bellefonte; Dr. G. S. Frank and J. C. Hosterman, Millheim; John Wert, Centre Hall; Noah Kreamer, Loganton; Luther M. Brungart and Allison McKibben, Salona; Wallace Brungart, Glen Rock; A. Frank Hockman, Mingoville, and T. Mark Brungart, Lock Haven; Treasurer—C. M. Bierly, Rebersburg; Secretary—Dr. Fred E. Gutelius, Millheim.

WINGATE
The new house of Mack Murray is well under way.
Miss Grace Robison returned to her home in Philadelphia, last Thursday, after a pleasant visit with friends here.

Mrs. Lydia Irwin has a nice crop of crab-apples which she is offering for sale at 25 cents a peck. Just the thing for jelly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Irwin and son Burley motored in from Pittsburgh, on Monday, and will spend a week visiting Centre county friends.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Summers, last Sunday, with all the children, grandchildren and a number of other relatives present.

Shortly after five o'clock on Monday evening a heavy coach coming down the mountain road forced a big Willis-Knight off the main highway at the intersection with the Bald Eagle road, with the result that the latter car crashed into an electric light pole, doing considerable damage to the car. One woman sustained quite a cut on the head while all the occupants of the car were badly shaken up. This was the second bad accident at that place within two weeks.

TROPHY FOR WOMEN FLIERS TAKEN THROUGH BELLEFONTE.

The eyes of aviators from all over the United States are centered on Cleveland, Ohio, this week, the terminus of a number of airplane derbys and where the national airplane races will be held next week. The chief derby of interest this week is that for women pilots from Santa Monica, California, to Cleveland. Eighteen starters left California on Sunday and they have until tomorrow night to check in at Cleveland. Among the starters were Amelia Earhart, Ruth Elder and Ruth Rowland Nichols, who last year made a non-stop flight from New York to Miami, Fla. Prizes of \$8,000 and a handsome trophy will be given the winning women pilots.

The trophy, 3½ feet in height, is a bronze globe surmounted by the figure of a woman in silver, with gold trimmings. It was at the Bellefonte aviation field all of last Thursday night while enroute from Providence, Rhode Island, to Cleveland. The trophy was conveyed in a Travel Air passenger plane piloted by E. W. Cleveland, of the Cleveland Pneumatic Tool company, who was accompanied by Brice Bowman, Raymond A. Porter and Miss Loretta M. Bollinger, who holds the record for sustained flight in the air by a wo-

man pilot. The air travelers spent Thursday night at the Brockerhouse, leaving early Friday morning for Cleveland.

Mr. Cleveland, who had charge of the ship, is the oldest pilot in point of service in the United States, having been flying for twenty-four years.

—If a cool, dry summer is a indication of a warm winter the approaching season should be unusual mild.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

COOK WANTED.—Inquire at the Garman Hotel, Bellefonte. 74-53-t

FOR SALE.—Parlor furnace, cheap. Inquire of Toner A. Hugg, Milesburg 74-33-3

LOTS FOR SALE in Bellefonte, inquired of E. H. Shaffer, 117 east High St. Bellefonte. 73-18-t

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Accounts will be presented to Court on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1929 for Confirmation, and unless Exceptions are filed on or before Sept. 8, 1929, the same will be approved.

The First and Final Account of Moshannon National Bank for John Smutzinger
The Account of Henry T. Norris Guardian of Myrtle Lyons.
The First Account of Sarah Thomas Guardian of Elizabeth Jacobs.
The First Account of Sarah Thomas Guardian of John H. Jacobs.
S. CLAUDE HERR, Prothonotary 74-32-4t.

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With Davey Lee
Midnight Show, Friday Nite, August 23