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For State Senator DON GINGERY of Clearfield County
For Representative in General Assembly JOHN G. MILLER of Ferguson Township.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY.

Items taken from the Watchman issue of October 8, 1880

William Hall, of Unionville, a brother of Mrs. Daniel Kline of this place, died at Ex-sheriff Kline's residence here yesterday.

At a Democratic meeting at Rabbit Hill school house, in Patton township, John T. McCormick, of Ferguson township, made the most rousing speech heard thus far in the county in this campaign.

Mrs. Rebecca Larimer, widow of Hugh Larimer and mother of Mrs. William Fry, died on Tuesday of last week and was buried at Pine Grove Mills.

A freight train on the Bald Eagle valley ran into a stray horse at Mill Hall, on Wednesday night, throwing it off the track and killing the fireman, a man named Russell. Duke Cox, the engineer, was badly scalded.

F. J. Beruthers, an art photographer, has opened a studio in Port Matilda. He is located in rooms in Mrs. Curry's building.

The attempt of Port Matilda agriculturists to grow crops that are generally supposed to be indigenous to the south seems to have exploded that theory. Alex Chaney's tobacco crop has turned out well. He has a number of leaves 42 inches long. James Morrison's sweet potato venture did well too. He has some potatoes that weigh 2 lbs.

The night of the big Democratic meeting at Clintondale, on September 21st, after Governor Curtin had spoken and a reception was being held some Republican stole the Democratic flag. In writing to us about the incident - a correspondent says: "You might rake hell and sift the ashes and I'll bet you couldn't find a meaner fellow than that. I know that he's meaner than even the devil would like him to be when he gets him."

The new Methodist church at Wadde was dedicated last Sunday. Very large audiences were present at all the services and enough money was pledged to pay all the building and furnishing obligations.

The epizootic has broken out among the horses of the county again. There are several cases here in Bellefonte.

Mr. Abraham Jackson, of Phillipsburg, and his grand-daughter, Miss Mary Jones, are in town this week.

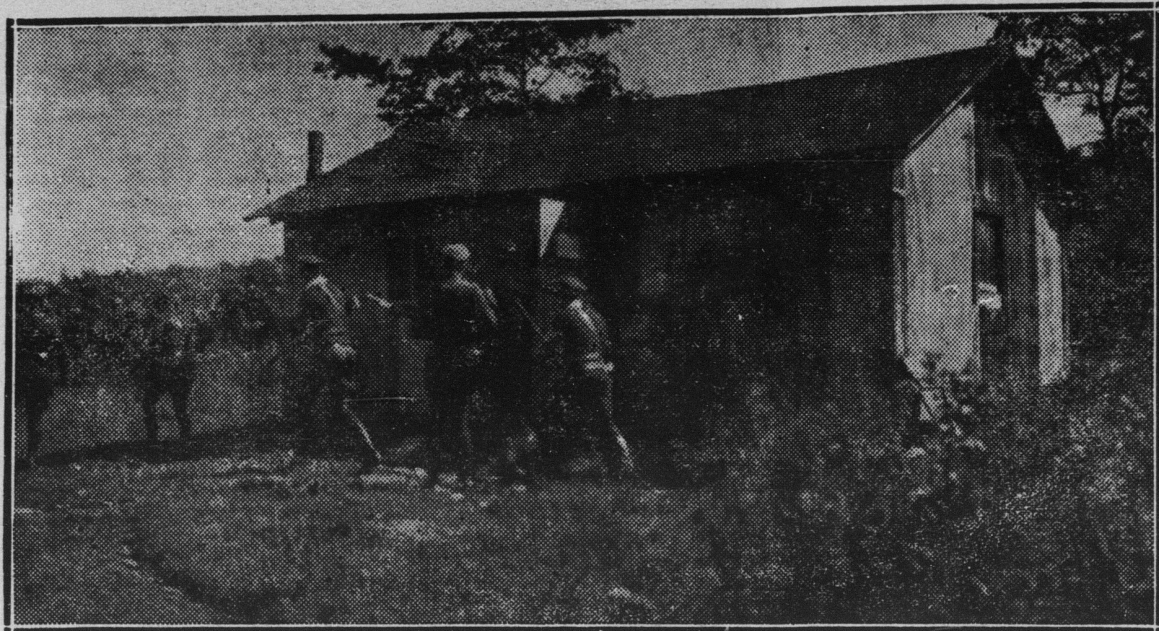
J. G. Larimer, of Pleasant Gap, brought a head of cabbage that weighed 20 lbs into this office on Tuesday. Can anyone beat that? We like cabbage.

Mr. C. C. Ziegler, (Carl Scriber) the Brush Valley poet, will address the Hancock and English club of Bellefonte, on the night of the 16th. (Editor's Note—Mr. Ziegler is living in St. Louis, Mo., and Watchman readers fifty years ago as well as those of very recent years have seen his poems—not jingle—often in this paper.)

On Monday last a son of Mr. Daniel Irvin, of Julian Furnace, was accidentally shot in the left arm by one of his companions. Luckily the ball missed both artery and bone, so only a flesh wound was inflicted.

John Houser, farmer of College township, met with a terrible accident on Tuesday. While threshing he got his hand caught in the machine and it was torn off at the wrist. The forearm was so badly mangled that it had to be amputated just below the elbow. (Editor's Note—During the four years we studied (?) at State College an accidental acquaintanceship with John Houser ripened into a friendship that attracted us often to the little pump house that stood just to the west of the main entrance to the College grounds. He was engineer, fireman and everything else there.

WHERE SKIDMORE ESCAPED



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SENSATIONAL MAN HUNT FOR ALLEGED MURDERER

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years ago he virtually completed all his studies but was lacking one-half unit in geometry. He returned at the opening of the Academy this year and told Mr. Hughes he was going to make a try to enter State College, as he was anxious to take the course in geology. He went to the College but it was filled to overflowing and he could not gain admittance, so returned home.

When the two brothers were here two years ago they kept very much together. They were both lovers of the great out doors and spent as much time in the woods as possible. Their week-ends were invariably spent in the mountains when the weather was fit, but they were always back at the Academy on time. In fact Mr. Hughes and everybody at the Academy asserts that their conduct at all times was courteous and gentlemanly. They at no time evinced the propensities of "toughs" or "thugs" as they have been characterized by Pittsburgh detectives, and not a member of the Academy faculty is convinced that George is guilty of the crime charged.

During the past two years George has been a member of the 176th field artillery, in Pittsburgh, and in rifle practice at Tobyhanna, during the summer, won two marksmanship medals. Officers who searched Leonard's room and trunk at the Bellefonte Academy found a gun, quite a number of cartridges and a stick of dynamite, and characterized the find as "a regular arsenal." But this is entirely misleading. Both brothers, through their love for the woods were persistent hunters, in the open season, which accounts for his gun and ammunition. As to the dynamite the boys also made many of their own cartridges and used a small portion of dynamite with powder, which accounts for the dynamite.

Both Dutton and Leonard Skidmore were taken to Pittsburgh late on Sunday by the Pittsburgh detectives after they had obtained an alleged statement from Dutton in connection with the whole affair, which statement, however, has not been made public.

At a habeas corpus hearing before Judge Patterson, in Pittsburgh, on Tuesday morning, Leonard was released from custody, the Judge, at the time, stating that "it looked to him like a plain case of kidnapping from the campus on the part of the detectives." Officers then declared that Leonard would be rearrested on the charge of an accessory after the murder. If this, was, or will be, done bond for his appearance when wanted will be given.

Wednesday morning Mr. Hughes telegraphed to Leonard's mother to send him back to the Academy, as he will be welcomed by everybody.

Often we marveled at the dexterity with which he did his work with only one arm. Of course we wondered how he had lost the member, but never asked. When we copied the item above we learned for the first time how the friend of forty years ago had been maimed.)

Gottlieb Haag, the good natured proprietor of the Pleasant Gap hotel, reopened his distillery on Wednesday. Lovers of the ardent may now take hope.

The Hancock Legion was reorganized on Tuesday night last. Capt. Austin B. Snyder, that gallant veteran of two wars, was unanimously elected Colonel and the four new captains are Edward Powers, John N. Lane, Henry Brockerhoff and J. C. Harper. The new Lieutenants are Henry Wetzel, Jacob Henry, W. F. Reber and Edward Garman.

The 29th annual Centre County Fair opened on Wednesday under most favorable conditions. The biggest exhibits of stock are by G. W. Musser, of Lemont; E. Poorman, of Bald Eagle valley; A. V. Miller, of Pleasant Gap; John Wion and Amos Garbrick, of Spring township. Yesterday nearly four thousand people went through the gates. The trots were good, but we couldn't get the names of the winning horses and who owned them. Harry Hale won the glass ball shooting contest. W. L. Foster, of State College, was second and Harry Valentine, of this place, third.



GEORGE CLARK SKIDMORE

Upper picture shows officers reproducing Skidmore's Escape from Carl Erickson's cabin. Lower picture is of Skidmore, himself.

HARTLE.—Robert J. Hartle, for many years a well known farmer on Spring Creek, died at the Bellefonte hospital, last Saturday morning, following an illness of two months or longer, during which time he underwent two operations.

He was born at Drifting, Clearfield county, 74 years ago. As a young man he came to Bellefonte and engaged in farming on Spring Creek, where he lived until his retirement some fifteen years ago when he moved into a comfortable home in Bush's Addition. He married Miss Mary Ann Beezer who died eight years ago this month, but surviving him are five children, Mrs. H. C. Hunter, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Joseph Ross, of Bellefonte; Elias and Joseph Hartle, of Spring Creek, and Miss Catherine, at home. He also leaves these brothers and sisters, John Hartle, of Meyersdale; Christ and Fred, of Drifting; Mrs. Celia Crissman, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. M. J. Rader, of Drifting; Joseph Ollinger, of Drifting.

Funeral services were held in St. John's Catholic church, Bellefonte, of which he was a member, at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, by Rev. Downes, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery.

GRAZIER.—Herbert E. Grazier, well known barber of State College, died at the Huntingdon hospital, Monday evening, following an illness of three weeks. He was a son of Elmer and Anna Burket Grazier and was born at Gatesburg 34 years ago. He served during the World War and was a member of the American Legion bugle and drum corps, of Bellefonte.

He married Miss Madeline Taylor, of State College, who survives with three children, Robert E., George H. and Sarah Anne. He also leaves three sisters and two brothers. Rev. A. L. Bixler had charge of the funeral services which were held on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Pine Hall cemetery.

CAMPBELL.—Mrs. Katie E. Campbell wife of Samuel M. Campbell, of Millheim, died on Saturday afternoon following a lingering illness as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

She was a daughter of William and Rebecca Hess Harter and was born at Aaronsburg in 1861, hence was about 71 years old. She is survived by her husband and three brothers, Daniel Harter, of Pittman, Ohio; Aaron, of Harrisburg, and Thomas H. Harter, of Bellefonte. Rev. L. V. Leshar had charge of the funeral services which were held yesterday morning, burial being made in the Millheim cemetery.

Col. J. L. Spangler quietly celebrated his 81st birthday anniversary on Saturday of last week.

SOME "DON'TS" THAT MAKE FOR SAFETY IN THE WOODS.

Don't keep your gun loaded except when you are actually hunting but handle it at all times as if it were loaded. Don't point your gun at anyone even if you are sure it is empty.

MORGAN.—James J. Morgan, for many years a successful coal operator in the Snow Shoe region, died at the Centre County hospital, last Saturday evening. He had not been in good health for a year or more and two weeks ago suffered an acute attack of appendicitis. He was brought to the hospital and underwent an operation but had not sufficient reserve strength to recover from the shock.

He was a son of John and Catherine Morgan and was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in January, 1870, hence was in his 61st year. He came to this country with his parents when but ten years old and most of the years since had lived in Snow Shoe. As a young man he worked at the coal mines, later becoming an operator. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church of Snow Shoe and the Knights of Columbus.

As a young man he married Miss Sarah Ryn, of Manchester, N. H., who died twenty-three years ago, leaving five children, John Morgan, of Millboro, Pa.; Mrs. Elmer Kelly, of Altoona; Mrs. Vinton Flynn, Joseph Morgan and Miss Margaret, all of Snow Shoe. On April 3rd, 1930, he married Miss Marie Hoy, of Bellefonte, who survives as well as his aged mother, Mrs. Catherine Morgan, of Snow Shoe.

Solemn high mass was held for deceased at St. Mary's Catholic church, Snow Shoe, at ten o'clock, Tuesday morning. Father Joseph Hesser was in charge and was assisted by Father Palfray, of Clarence, and Father McCreesh, of Rockview. Burial was made in St. Mary's cemetery.

MUSSER.—Edward P. Musser, a native of Centre county and for many years a well known business man of Tyrone, died at the Masonic home at Elizabethtown, on Sunday morning, as the result of a stroke of paralysis sustained ten days previous.

He was a son of Samuel and Nancy Rider Musser and was born at Marengo, in Ferguson township, 70 years ago. As a young man he went to Tyrone where he engaged in the coal business which he conducted quite successfully for many years. Later he followed the occupation of a civil engineer and about a year ago went to the Masonic home. His wife has been dead for some years but surviving him are the following children: Miss Mary Musser, living in Ohio; William, of Pittsburgh; Edward R., of Richmond, Va.; George, of New York city, and Mrs. Elizabeth Haagen, of Danville, Va. He also leaves these brothers and sisters, Dr. W. S. Musser, of Tyrone; Mrs. Anna Houser, T. Michael and J. Howard Musser, of State College; Marshall C. Musser and Mrs. E. E. McClintock, of St. Petersburg, Fla.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church, the Ebensburg lodge F. and A. M. and the Jaffa Shrine and Knights Templar, of Altoona. Burial was made in Grandview cemetery, Tyrone, on Tuesday afternoon.

MULFINGER.—Mrs. Ruth L. Mulfinger, wife of Maurice Mulfinger, died at her home at Pleasant Gap, on Monday afternoon, following a brief illness with heart trouble. She was a daughter of Charles and Sadie Shreffler and was aged 32 years, 2 months and 11 days. In addition to her husband she is survived by three sons, John, Ira and Nevin. She also leaves her parents, one brother and a sister, Millard Shreffler, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. Helen Lambert, of Bellefonte. Mrs. Mulfinger was a member of the Methodist church and the Civic club, of Pleasant Gap. Burial was made at Pleasant Gap on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Metzger having charge of the services.

GLANDING.—Mrs. Annie Howe Glanding, widow of Rev. William Marquard Beetem Glanding, died suddenly on the evening of September 23, at her apartments in Harrisburg.

She is survived by her daughter, Miss Margaret Leiby Glanding and one sister, Mrs. Horace Beard, of Newport.

Mrs. Glanding will be remembered by many in Bellefonte who knew her when her late husband was pastor of the Lutheran church here from 1913 until 1917.

UNIONVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rumberger, of Dubois, are visiting friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Harry Kerchner left, Tuesday afternoon, for a few days visit with relatives in Pittsburgh.

The W. F. M. society of the M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. D. Buck, on Tuesday afternoon.

On Monday J. H. Finch, assisted by Samuel Petzer, began lathing the new M. E. parsonage at Milesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis James have returned to visit relatives here after several weeks spent in other parts of the State.

The Ladies Aid society had a special business meeting, on Monday evening, at the home of Mrs. Hannah Iddings.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McElwain moved from the C. E. Eckenroth property to the T. C. Grist property, which they recently purchased.

Mrs. Elmer Roller is confined to her bed, suffering from a serious injury to her right leg, received from a fall while going down the stairway, a few days ago.

Mrs. C. R. Eckenroth returned, on Sunday, from a visit and business trip to her former home in Columbus and Toledo, Ohio, and has taken up her residence here in the home of her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Updegraff and family, of Williamsport; Mr. and Mrs. George Bauder, of Juniata; Florence Finch, of Bellefonte, and J. H. Finch were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Bauder.

Mrs. Anna Finch is planning to have a display of Larkin products and premiums at her home on Friday, October 3rd, afternoon and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone interested. The display will include some of the new coats and dresses and many other articles.

Thomas Huey, of Filmore, is among the many recent purchasers of a newly invented gas cook stove which is being placed on the market by J. C. Rumberger. Mr. Huey is recommending this wonderful labor-saving device in its economical operation and being indispensable after once it is installed. The world does move.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig, of Julian, gave a reception at their home in honor of their son, Earl and wife, who were recently married. A delicious dinner was served and a very pleasant time spent together, by the following persons: Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Williams, who were also recently married; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Albert, Estella Hanscom, Everett Hanscom, Mr. and Mrs. John Hall and two daughters, Mrs. Alfred Rowan and son Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. James Craig, Philip Craig, Edward Craig, Daniel Craig, Evelyn Hanscom, Anna Yothers, Irvin Craig and three children, Ada, Clarence and Margaret; Mrs. Adda Craig, Mrs. Miles Moore, Mrs. Alfareta Moore, Milford Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Craig, Mrs. Anna Finch, Robert Craig.

VERY PROMINENT WOMAN TO SPEAK AT CENTRE HALL

Miss Norma C. Brown, of Bloomington, Illinois, who is to give an address in the interest of law enforcement on Wednesday, October 8, at 7:30 P. M., in the Lutheran church, Centre Hall, is a speaker of rare ability and wide experience. She is an ordained minister in the Christian church, having filled her father's pulpit at the age of fifteen. At the age of twenty-one she served as chaplain of the Illinois State Legislature, the first of her sex to fill such a post.

She is now vice-president of the Flying Squadron Foundation and associate editor of the National Engineer.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

The Bellefonte branch of the Needlework Guild of America will hold its annual collection and distribution day October 20th, at two o'clock, at the home of the President, Mrs. Maize H. Brouse, on Thomas street.

AARONSBURG.

Morgan Otto spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. John M. Otto, at the homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hines drove to Altoona, Saturday, where they spent the week-end with Mr. Hines' uncle and aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stover and children, of near Rebersburg, spent Sunday with Mr. Stover's father, Benjamin Stover.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Best and daughter Helen, of Rebersburg, were Sunday afternoon callers at the home of their son, Doyle Best.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Irey and two children, Sumner and Jarret, of Danville, spent the week-end with Mr. Irey's mother, Mrs. A. J. Irey.

Mrs. H. D. Krape is supply teacher while Mr. Behm has been ill and will continue until he is able to resume his work in the school room.

John and Harry Burd came home from Ohio for a visit with their father, Sumner Burd, and their sisters, as well as other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. McCormick and family, of Potters Mills, were Sunday callers at the home of Mrs. McCormick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Mingle.

Mrs. Thomas Hull had as guests, Saturday, her sister-in-law, son and daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. C. Bell, C. Earl Bell, Mrs. John R. Bell and two children, of Huntingdon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Douty and small son, of Loganton, were guests, Sunday, of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith. Miss Martha Smith was also home for a brief time Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Musser had as Sunday guests Mrs. Musser's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stover and family, of Muncy. They also called on Mr. Stover's aunt, Mrs. Bright.

Mrs. C. G. Bright, who has been ill for the past week, is slowly improving. She was on the verge of having pneumonia but having called a physician in time he was able to break it up.

Mrs. J. S. Eisenhauer, Mrs. Ray Stover and small daughter Irene, and Mrs. Charles Cummings, who drove the car, went down to Danville, Friday. Clarence Eisenhauer, who had him a surgical patient in the Geisinger hospital, accompanied them home. Mr. Eisenhauer is getting along very nicely. Ralph Behm, one of our grade teachers, also a surgical patient in the same hospital, was brought home, Sunday, and will no doubt be able ere long to resume his teachings.

HOWARD.

Eva Bryan of Milesburg, visited her sister, Mrs. Earl Cartwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Kline R. Wolfe and Sumner J. Wolfe spent last Thursday in Williamsport.

Chester Caseman, of Trout Run, was a week-end guest of his friend, Miss Emma Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Girard Altenderfer were Saturday guests of friends and relatives in Jersey Shore.

Mrs. James Kane entertained the ladies class of the Evangelical Sunday school, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dorman, of Nittany, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. McDowell, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Reese, of Port Matilda, spent Friday evening with the latter's sister, Mrs. A. M. Butler.

Misses Anna Muffly and Jane Kane, Mrs. W. C. Thompson and Mrs. Olive Schenck were Williamsport visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Willard McDowell entertained the members of the Keystone Bible class, of the M. E. church, at her home, Monday evening.

Mrs. Ruth Smeitzer and family, of Zion, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Waller, of Williamsport, were week end guests of Mrs. Fietta Harter.

Rev. and Mrs. Yingling and Rev. and Mrs. Campbell, of Bellefonte, attended a meeting of the Evangelical Ministerial Association at Sones-town, Friday.

Girard Altenderfer and staff of installation officers installed the newly elected officers of Lick Run Lodge, I. O. O. F., Wednesday evening, and at Stormstown, Thursday evening. On Friday evening they will install the officers at Port Matilda.

Friends and Boosters of the Bellefonte High School Foot Ball Team are invited to visit Altoona... Saturday, October 4 for the game with Altoona High School The game will be played on the New Mansion Park Athletic Field One of the Finest School Athletic Fields in the State! Plenty of Free Parking Space in the Vicinity of the Field. Altoona Booster Association