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FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY.

Items taken from the Watchman issue of December 10, 1880.

The attention of persons needing money is called to an advertisement of "Money to Loan" in another column of this issue.

Mr. James Hamilton, of Spring township, who fell off his horse some weeks ago, owing to what seems to have been a rush of blood to the head, producing dizziness, is now better.

Joseph Lewis, said to be the oldest resident of the Bald Eagle valley, died last Sunday at the age of 88 years, 5 months and 19 days.

The weather was tremendously cold on Tuesday. On Wednesday morning the ground was white with snow and it kept snowing all day.

Mr. Henry P. Harris, the undertaker, although a comparatively young man, makes the claim that he has buried and helped to bury four times as many people as the borough of Bellefonte now contains.

The 12th annual convention of the Centre County Sabbath School Association will be held in the Presbyterian church in this place on December 17th and 18th.

Wesley Gephart Esq., is chairman of the entertainment committee and Rev. John H. Vincent D. D., of New York, will be the principal speaker.

By order of the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, dated last Saturday, E. N. C. P. Captain Harry Simler, Phillipsburg, Pa., is disbanded.

Mr. Harry Brooks died at the residence of Mr. Haupt, near Valentine's forge, on Wednesday morning last. He was a single man and very much of a gentleman.

The Rev. W. O. Wright, the Presbyterian minister at Milesburg, has received a call from the Phillipsburg and Morrisdale congregation, which he has accepted conditionally.

Last Friday evening Governor Curtin's residence was discovered to be on fire. It was a room on the second floor and before the inmates discovered it a sofa, a mirror and a picture had been ruined.

R. V. Shaffer, who keeps the principal hotel in Howard, intends to move to Mill Hall in the spring to take charge of the brick hotel there. Howard is going to lose an excellent citizen by his removal.

Last week the Watchman announced the death of two of the children of Mr. and Mrs. R. McClellan Hunter, of Tyrone.

Four, their entire family of little ones, gone in a week with that dread scourge, diphtheria. God help the afflicted ones to bear their grief, for there is no earthly consolation for such unutterable sorrow.

It is rumored that Rev. King, of Port Matilda, will take unto himself a queen about the 22nd of this month.

Mr. J. N. Casanova, ex-chief burgess of Phillipsburg, left yesterday for Havana, Cuba, to spend the winter.

Wheat is \$1.05, corn .40, oats .35, potatoes 50, eggs .25, ham .10, butter .25 and bacon .10.

The wings of turkeys, geese and chickens should never be thrown away. Many people, especially in the country, keep them to brush off their stoves, but there is nothing better to wash and clean windows with. Chamois or buckskin are good, but wings are better and cost nothing. Just try them. They get into the corners better than anything else and they are far better than cloths because they leave no lint on the glass.

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HESSER.—Rev. Joseph M. Hesser, rector of St. Mary's catholic church at Snow Shoe during the past three years, died at the Mercy hospital, Baltimore, at 7.30 o'clock last Saturday morning. Three weeks previous he had gone to the hospital for treatment for a heart affection. Last Friday he unexpectedly developed a severe attack of pneumonia which resulted in heart collapse and his death followed.

Father Hesser was a son of Matthew and Caroline O'Malley Hesser and was born in Altoona on August 10th, 1895, hence was 35 years, 3 months and 19 days old. He attended the Mt. Carmel parochial schools where he obtained his elementary education, going thence to Loretto where he took his high school course in the St. Francis preparatory school; studied in the college and after graduating therefrom, took his theological course in the same institution.

The young priest was ordained into the Christian ministry at Mt. Aloysius academy on July 30, 1922. He was first assigned as an assistant rector at St. Mary's church, Hollidaysburg; next he was assistant at Renovo; then he went to St. Mark's, Altoona, as assistant and then was, for a period, chaplain at the Cresson sanatorium. Three years ago he was placed in charge of St. Mary's parish, at Snow Shoe. This is a comparatively small parish and it required the hardest kind of work on the part of Father Hesser to make it self-supporting and the unusual demands on his time and energy may have contributed to his breakdown in health. Through it all he was ever cheerful and hopeful of better things to come.

His survivors include his mother, who at times lived with him in Snow Shoe, three brothers and one sister, Charles M., Edward J. and Lawrence Hesser, and Mrs. Anna Carroll, all of Altoona. The remains were taken to Altoona where funeral mass was held in St. Mark's church at 9.30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, burial being made in Calvary cemetery.

WEAVER.—Stricken with an attack of acute indigestion Harry D. Weaver, of Milesburg, died while out on the Snow Shoe mountain on a hunting trip, on Monday afternoon. He was with a party of Milesburg hunters and had been placed on a watch while a drive was being made. When the drive was over and the watchers called in Mr. Weaver failed to respond. Several members of the party went to look for him and found him lying face to the ground, dead. His death occurred about 2.30 in the afternoon.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Weaver and was born at Siglerville, Mifflin county, 43 years ago. As a young man he learned telegraphy which he followed a number of years, then moved to Colyer. Nine years ago he located at Milesburg as an operator for the Pennsylvania railroad. His last trick was at the Julian tower.

He married Miss Minnie E. Stright, of Boggs township who survives with no children. He leaves, however, one sister, Mrs. Ray Decker, of Colyer. He was a member of the Evangelical church, the Odd Fellows and the encampment. Funeral services were held at his late home in Milesburg, at one o'clock yesterday afternoon, by Rev. M. C. Piper, after which the remains were taken to Colyer where final services were held and interment made.

MOORE.—Edward Stewart Moore, for many years a well known resident of upper Pennsylvally, died, last Friday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Ripka, at Boalsburg, where he and Mrs. Moore went several weeks ago. He had not been in good health for some time but the direct cause of his death was an attack of pneumonia.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Moore and was born at Mooresville on April 9th, 1856, hence was in his 75th year. As a young man he engaged in farming and for many years occupied the John B. Mitchell farm, near Pine Grove Mills. He was a member of the Presbyterian church for more than half a century and a member of the men's Bible class.

In the spring of 1893 he married Miss Margaret Martz, who survives with three children, Mrs. Mary Borest, Mrs. Lloyd Ripka and J. R. Moore. He was the last of his family generation.

Funeral services were held at the Ripka home at 2.30 o'clock on Monday afternoon by Rev. J. Max Kirkpatrick, burial being made at Pine Grove Mills.

WALLACE.—Mrs. Mabel Idella Wallace, wife of H. A. Wallace, died at her home at Huntingdon on November 23rd, following less than a week's illness. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Taylor, of State College, but was born at Grand Rapids, Mich., a little over 46 years ago. She married Mr. Wallace on Christmas day, 1902. Ten years ago they moved to State College where they lived five years then located in Huntingdon where Mr. Wallace is superintendent of the furniture shop in the Huntingdon reformatory.

In addition to her husband she is survived by ten children, Thomas and Harris Wallace, both of State College; Mabel, Myrtle, Nancy, Majorie, Jack, Gene, Robert and

Richard, all at home. The remains were taken to the home of her parents, at State College, where funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon of last week, by Rev. Clarence A. Adams, burial being made in the Pine Grove cemetery.

JONES.—Mrs. Emma Louise Jones, widow of Dr. Joseph Jones, passed away at her home on Howard street, at 6.45 o'clock on Thanksgiving evening, following an illness of two months with stomach trouble.

She was a daughter of Lawrence and Mary Rastatter and was born at Watsonstown on June 15th, 1866, hence was in her sixty-fourth year. As a young woman she married Joseph Jones and the early years of their married life were spent in Watsonstown. They moved from there to Sunbury where they lived four years and twenty-five years ago came to Bellefonte. Following the death of her husband a number of years ago Mrs. Jones not only cared for and raised her own children but was an ideal mother to a number of other homeless children consigned to her care. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal church and a woman always ready to lend a helping hand in time of need.

She is survived by the following children: Mrs. James McSuley, of Pittsburgh; Lawrence Jones, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Charles Workman, of Mingoville; Albert, of Sparrows Point, Md.; Miss Mildred, at home; Miss Margaret, a trained nurse in Pittsburgh; Mrs. William Rimmer, of State College, and Joseph, at home. She also leaves two sisters and one brother, Mrs. Margaret Barnes, of Philadelphia; Mrs. John Springer, of Watsonstown, and Albert O. Rastatter, of Renovo.

Funeral services were held at her late home at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, by Rev. Stephen F. Gast, after which the remains were taken to Watsonstown for interment in the family plot.

ECKLEY.—Miss Sarah A. Eckley, an aged maiden lady of Benner township, died at 3.30 o'clock last Friday morning, as the result of general debility. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eckley and was past 84 years of age. Practically all her life was spent on the homestead farm along the mountain above Valley View, and she was one of the best known and generally liked women in that locality. Her only survivor is one brother, George Eckley, also on the home farm. Rev. C. C. Shuey had charge of the funeral services which were held on Monday morning, burial being made in the Meyers cemetery.

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LINN BLACKFORD'S THEATRE BURNED TO THE GROUND.

The Clifton theatre, the leading movie picture house in Huntingdon, owned and operated by J. Linn Blackford, formerly of Bellefonte, was entirely destroyed by fire on Sunday afternoon. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, mostly covered by insurance. Two Huntingdon firemen were injured while fighting the fire.

The theatre building was a two and a half story brick structure. Several business firms occupied the street level and all of these suffered considerable loss. Mr. and Mrs. Blackford occupied apartments over the theatre and when the fire was discovered, at 3.30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the flames had made such headway that both had considerable difficulty in getting out of the building. As it was they inhaled considerable smoke and had to be treated by a physician. All their apartment furnishings, wearing apparel, etc., were also damaged by fire and water.

Mr. Blackford intends to rebuild his theatre just as soon as he gets an adjustment of his insurance, and in doing so will make it as completely fireproof as possible.

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CENTRE COUNTY TEAMS LOSE FOOTBALL GAMES.

The weather, Thanksgiving day, was about everything else but auspicious for football, and naturally it had its effect on the attendance crowds. Out at Pittsburgh Penn State had its annual tilt with Pitt and again met defeat, though the score was not so one-sided as it has been in some former years. Pitt won 19 to 12.

Down at Lock Haven the Lock Haven High defeated Bellefonte High 19 to 0. The Bellefonte boys put up a good fight but the odds against them were too great to overcome. The Bellefonte team made a record this year. It went through the entire season without winning a game or scoring a single point, while 320 points were scored against them.

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27x50 inch novelty Axminster scatter rugs, a real value at \$2.90.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 48-1t

THREE COLEVILLE MEN HELD FOR ROBBERIES.

Three young men of Coleville, Harry and Foster McCullough and David Wagner, are in the Centre county jail in default of \$1000 bail to answer to the charge of a series of robberies. The men were arrested, on Tuesday, by sheriff Dunlap and county detective Boden and at a hearing before Squire Woodring, Wednesday evening, they admitted to breaking into the home of Harry A. Taylor, in Buffalo Run valley, on the night of October 15th and stealing eight hand-made wool-filled haps, some knives, a crosscut saw and the family bible. Later the McCulloughs broke into the Beezer slaughter house and stole about \$20 worth of ponhaus, liverwurst and sausage.

Seventy-five chickens from the Mack Shay hen, house, in Buffalo Run valley, 400 pounds of freshly killed pork from the smoke house of John E. Reish and a number of chickens from the pen of Henry Hoy, in Benner township, were stolen recently, but the above men had no connection with these robberies, so far as the authorities can learn. The Hoy chickens were deheaded right at the coop.

On Wednesday night some one broke into the Schaeffer hardware store, in Bellefonte, and rifled the till of about two dollars in change. A broken window in the alley showed the means of entrance. The job is believed to have been done by boys but so far no arrests have been made.

Wednesday night a fattened hog was taken from a pen in Milesburg and somewhere in the county two sheep and a calf were butchered in a field and were carried away. We have been unable to confirm these latter two stories.

Upholstered seat radio benches, X-mas special at \$3.90.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 48-1t

Miss Helen Farrer, of Howard street, manager of the Golden Rule collection agency, was painfully injured in a motor accident, on Monday of last week, and had her car damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars. She and her assistant, Mr. Stanley, were returning from a business trip to Pittsburgh. Coming down the mountain beyond Cresson their car skidded on the ice and went over the embankment. Miss Farrer sustained a cracked rib and injured ankle while Mr. Stanley, who was driving the car, escaped injuries. In addition to her injuries and badly damaged car Miss Farrer had her purse containing a small sum of money, stolen by some one in the crowd which gathered at the wreck.

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AIR PASSENGER SERVICE INAUGURATED THIS WEEK.

Passenger service over the National Air Transport line was inaugurated this week. The first ship was scheduled to go through on Monday but the flight was cancelled because of weather conditions. Flights both east and west were made on Wednesday, however, the west-bound plane stopping at the Bellefonte field. It carried ten passengers and the pilot.

At the present time the service will not include passengers to or from Bellefonte. The present landing field is owned by the government and under the jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce and it is against the rules of the Department to permit it to be commercialized by a public corporation. If the N. A. T. had a landing field of its own the service could be extended here, but there is not much likelihood of there being much demand for it to and from Bellefonte.

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Miss Amelia Earhart, well known and popular aviatrix, was a Bellefonte visitor for about an hour, on Monday. Accompanied by George Putnam, head of the book publishing house of Putnam & Co., and Miss Edna V. O'Brien, of New York, she came here by airplane from New York and had lunch at the Penn Belle, leaving an hour later for Cleveland. Metropolitan news gatherers were of the opinion that Miss Earhart and Mr. Putnam were on the hunt of a quiet place in which to get married, but the nuptials were not performed in Bellefonte if such were the case.

Last week the State Commission stocked Bald Eagle creek and Penn's creek with bass, catfish and sunfish. Under a new plan the commission plants the fish with its own personnel, instead of shipping them to individual applicants.

Thanksgiving is over and in three weeks Christmas will be here.

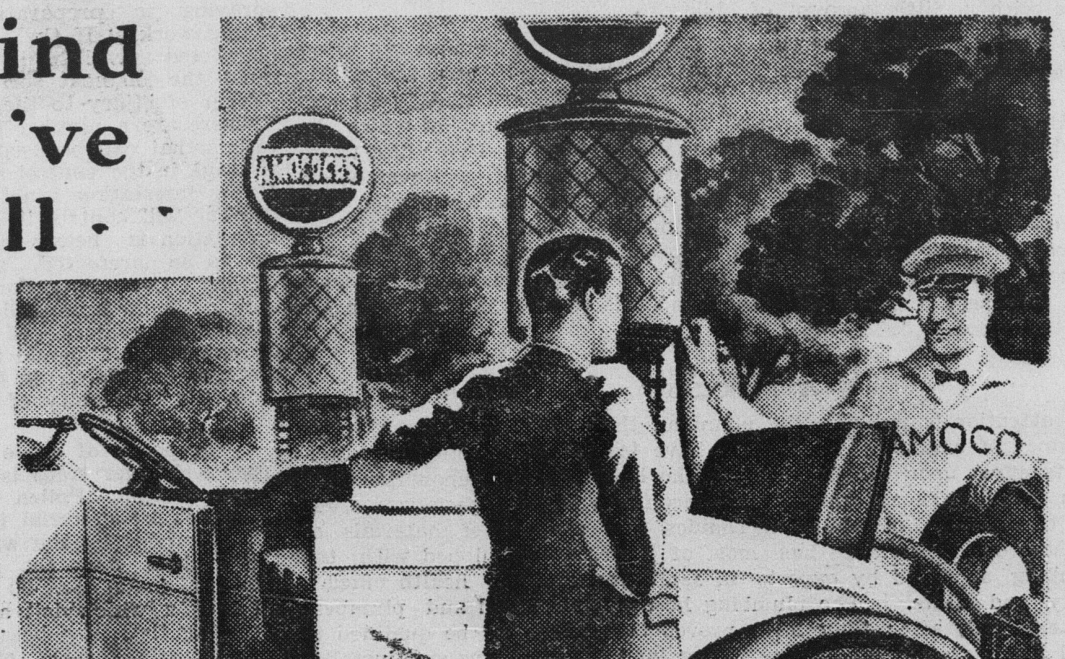
Charles Kenneth Jordan, of State College, and Beulah Catherine Shawley, of Bellefonte, were married in Cumberland, Md., the latter part of the week.

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I'm back at the AMOCO PUMP to stay!

"Haven't seen you for some time, Mr. Parks. Been out-of-town?"

It was an attendant in a service station in a Pennsylvania city talking to a motorist.

Mr. Parks smiled sheepishly. "Never mind where I've been, Bill. But I'm back at the Amoco pump to stay."

As the attendant proceeded to fill his tank with Amoco-Gas, Mr. Parks volunteered more information.

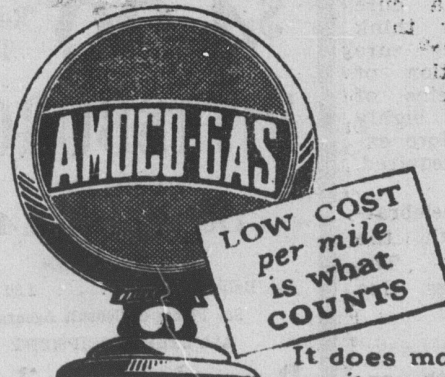
"I learned my lesson," he continued. "I'd been reading a lot of ads and hearing a lot of talk about gas just as good as Amoco and how I could save money I bit."

"It didn't seem like the same car but I decided it might be worth it if I saved enough money. Save money? I didn't get the mileage in the first place and after four thousand miles things got so bad I couldn't stand it. I took her into the shop and—well, it cost me \$32.50 to get her back in shape."

He paid for ten gallons with a smile and started his motor.

"I can tell you it feels good to get Amoco back in her again. Boy, if I'd heard another knock I'd have gone crazy. No more for me, Bill. I'm back here to stay."

Bill smiled as he gave him his change. He'd heard the same story many times before. Experience had taught him that the most enthusiastic users of Amoco-Gas are those who have tried the "just-as-goods."



It does more—its worth more—so it costs more per gallon

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Listen, regular gas users—try Orange American Gas—you'll like it.