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FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY.

Items taken from the Watchman issue of December 17, 1880.

STRAY—Came to the residence of the subscriber in Huston township on or about the first of October a red mooley bull about one and a half years old, with a round hole in the right ear and some white spots on its sides and belly. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be disposed of as the law directs.

H. G. CHRONISTER

The snow came down thick and fast on Tuesday morning.

Mr. J. B. Crissman, "Squire Hud," has moved from this place to Philipsburg where he intends to make his future home.

Prof. John Heston, of State College, will lead the services of the Baptist congregation on Sunday evening next, in their hall in Bush's Arcade.

Mrs. Sarah Bender, mother of E. C. Bender, editor of the Philipsburg Journal, died in York on last Sunday morning at the age of 70 years.

The sleigh bells are ringing and the snow birds are singing all because Santa Claus is soon coming.

In another place in this column will be found the advertisement of the Etna Furnace for which Mr. Bond Valentine is agent. Mr. Valentine knows he has a good thing and we know it too, because we have been in homes that the Etna is heating and they're a durned sight warmer than our own.

The nicest display of holiday goods is at Hoffers.

C. A. Faulkner, proprietor of the Potter House in Philipsburg, is one of the best landlords and keeps one of the best hotels in the whole country.

The coasting on Bellefonte's hills is excellent. Every night lively crowds of males and females are out enjoying it.

Married—On the 14th inst. at the Reformed parsonage, Jacksonville, Pa., by the Rev. George P. Hartzell, Mr. M. L. Beck, of Walker township, and Miss Agnes A. F. Beck, of Frairie Home, Shelby county, Illinois.

Three of the children of George W. Jackson Esq., of this place, are down with the scarlet fever. They were resting easier yesterday and the doctor thought the symptoms were a little more favorable.

From Curtin township comes the report that things flourish well there because John W. Cook is employing fifteen or twenty men on little Marsh creek and John T. Fowler has put a portable saw mill on big Marsh creek.

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THREE M. E. MINISTERS DIE WITHIN THE WEEK.

Three ministers, members of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, died within the week. They were:

Rev. Lyons M. Brady, who died at the home of his daughter, Maud, (Mrs. Ira H. Yoke), 1725 Berry street, Harrisburg, at 3.30 a. m., Sunday, after a lingering illness. He was born at Mackeyville, in Nittany valley, on January 9th, 1853, hence was in his 78th year. He entered the Methodist itinerancy on March 17th, 1885, and filled twelve appointments until his retirement in 1925. May 16th, 1888, he married Sallie Gwynn who died January 13th, 1927. Funeral services were held yesterday morning in Stevens Memorial church, Harrisburg, by the district superintendent, J. Howard Ake, who paid a fitting tribute to the character and ministry of Rev. Brady. Interment was made in the Cedar Hill cemetery, in Nittany valley.

Following a long and distressing illness of several years Rev. J. Franklin Smith died, on Monday morning, at the Methodist parsonage in Howard. He was born in 1884, hence was only 46 years old. After serving as a supply he was admitted on trial in the Central Pennsylvania conference in 1922, and had served charges at Beach Haven, Elysburg and Howard. He is survived by his wife but no children. The funeral service was held in the Howard church, on Wednesday evening, by district superintendent A. L. Miller, the remains being taken to Hazleton, yesterday, for interment.

Rev. William Picken died, late Monday night, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edith Picken Campbell, at Penn's Cave. He was born at Shropshire, Eng., on January 15th, 1856, hence was almost 75 years old. He was admitted to the Central Pennsylvania conference in 1885, and served twelve appointments until his retirement in 1918. Funeral services were held yesterday morning, at the home of his daughter.

In addition to the above deaths Rev. David G. Felker, 55 years old, pastor of Emanuel church, Clearfield, was instantly killed, Tuesday, by a stray bullet, while hunting in the woods of Clearfield county.

McMONIGAL—James B. McMonigal, of Altoona, died at the Altoona hospital, early last Thursday morning, following several months' illness with heart trouble.

He was a son of William E. and Jeannette Jodon McMonigal and was born at Unionville on August 1st, 1875, hence was in his 56th year. During the Spanish American war he served in the U. S. navy, on the cruiser Nashville. After his discharge he went to Altoona and became a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad, later being promoted to an engineer on the Pittsburgh division, a job he held until his late illness. He was a member of the Methodist church and the association of P. R. Locomotive Engineers.

He married Miss Lena Blake, of Altoona, who survives with eight children. He also leaves one sister, a half-brother and two half-sisters. Burial was made in the Oak Ridge cemetery, Altoona, on Saturday afternoon.

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church, Karthaus, on December 1st, by Rev. Milo Lacrome, assisted by Rev. Mr. Russel, burial being made in the Keewadin cemetery.

WALKER—Mrs. Sarah Walker, wife of John H. Walker, of Wingate, who had been quite ill for some time, grew suddenly worse on Sunday morning, and evidently realizing that the end was near bade goodbye to all the members of her family and died within an hour.

She was a daughter of William B. and Elizabeth Tolbert and was born in Union township on March 14th, 1854, making her age 76 years, 8 months and 23 days. She married Mr. Walker 48 years ago and most of their married life was spent in Boggs township. She was a member of the Evangelical church and until her health failed a regular attendant. In addition to her husband she is survived by five children, Mrs. Levi Fye and Mrs. Charles Norton, of Moshannon; Ellsworth, Cora and Edward Walker, at home.

Funeral services were held in the Evangelical church at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning by Rev. Yingling, interment being made in the Stover cemetery.

CONCERNING THE DEATH OF WILLIAM A. MAGEE.

The article the Watchman published on November 7th concerning the tragic death of the late William A. Magee, of Philadelphia, was incorrect in some of the details, due to the fact that they were taken from the first editions of one of the Philadelphia papers, that had evidently gone to press with the story before the scene had been carefully studied by investigators eager to ascertain just how he had met death.

Will was so well known in his old home here and so generally liked that many will be interested in the facts that have been revealed by searching investigations still going on.

He left the Fifth street customs house about 3 o'clock on the fateful afternoon to go to the Second street office where he remained for an hour. When he left there it was known that he was going to a barber shop. The fact that he had just been shaved when he was later admitted to the hospital proves that he reached the barber's in safety. It was 6:40 p. m. when he was admitted to the hospital and from his condition and traces on the street it appears that he must have been injured two hours before that.

The accident did not occur on a "blind street." It happened on Sansom St., just three feet inside the building line of the west side of Second, and he was evidently dragged twenty-six feet west. The sidewalk there is just twenty-two inches wide and as Sansom is an "east-bound" street one theory is that he was struck by an automobile going the wrong way. Others are that there was an attempted hold-up and his assailants frightened off by the extremes they had gone to in overcoming his resistance and later a machine passed over him accidentally or purposely, or that he might have been mistaken for an official concerned in some liquor, narcotic or emigrant customs seizure and attacked on that account.

STATE COLLEGE MAN SUED FOR HEAVY DAMAGES.
 Melvin Greenaway, of Tyrone, on Monday entered a trespass suit in the Blair county courts against H. M. Myers, of State College, in which damages for \$3,586.15 are asked, as the result of a motor accident in which the parties figure.
 Greenaway alleges that on September 2, at 3 p. m., he was lawfully operating his motorcycle on Pennsylvania avenue, Tyrone, and when at the intersection with Herald street a car owned by the defendant and operated by Robert J. Smith, of State College, on the left side of the road in a careless manner, and at a high rate of speed, struck the plaintiff's motorcycle, destroying it, and injuring him, his left leg being broken; ribs fractured and internal injury sustained, it is alleged.

The total amount of damages sued for is divided as follows: For damage to motorcycle, \$175; for hospital and medical service, \$11.15; loss of wages \$300; injury to person and pain and suffering, \$3,000.

COW TESTING REPORT FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

Ira Whitman, cow tester for the Cow Testing association No. 1, reports 25 herds tested during the month of November, with 332 cows in milk and 65 dry. 64 cows were producing over 40 pounds of fat and 25 cows over 50 pounds. 89 cows producing over 1000 pounds of milk and 6 cows over 1200 pounds. Following is a list of the ten highest cows:

	Milk	Fat
Peters Bros. Juliet	2940	84.2
Shoemaker Bros. 958156	1596	79.8
Peters Bros. Sunbeam	1776	71.0
Geo. H. Wilson's Pet	1539	68.4
S. I. Corl, Boss	1743	64.4
S. I. Corl, Grace	1632	63.6
S. I. Corl, Beets	1755	62.1
Peters Bros. Butterboy	1917	61.3
Peters Bros. Nana	1947	60.3
	1827	60.2

English lounging chair to be given away for the best solution of Franklin rebus is shown in the window of W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 49-11

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If you have a friend to whom
you would like to send a grist
of good news every week in the
year 1931 we have a suggestion
to make.

Why not send him or her the
Democratic Watchman?

Anybody will appreciate such
a gift.

CENTRE COUNTIANS IN STATE-WIDE CONTEST I. O. O. F. PAST GRANDS TO MEET AT BLANCHARD.

Centre county will be represented, in January, at the State Farm Products Show, which will be held in Harrisburg, in the amateur play contest, according to county agent R. C. Blaney. This will be a new feature of the show under the country life activities department.

The local contest to select the group to represent the county will be held in the Grange hall, at Centre Hall, on Monday evening of next week at eight o'clock. Three groups will present one act plays of not over 40 minutes each. They will be judged by three competent judges, and the winners will be selected and the winning group will compete in the State-wide contest as a part of the farm show program. The three groups competing are: Logan Grange, Pleasant Gap; Victor Grange, Boalsburg, and Washington Grange, Pine Hall. The groups competing have had considerable experience in amateur play production. They have all competed several different times in the county contest, which is held at the Centre Hall fair every year, and the contest on Monday evening should prove very interesting.

The contest will be open to anyone who wishes to attend. It will be an evening of free entertainment and the committee is anxious that the plays be presented to a full house.

—Bellefonte appears to be polluted with chicken pox. Nineteen pupils in the first and second grades of the North ward schools are at home with the disease and there are a number out of school at the brick building. There is one case of scarletina.

—Steel ferneries complete with glazed jardiniere for standing ferns to the window, at 1.75.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 49-11

WEST PENN AUTO BURNED WHEN FIRE GUTS GARAGE.

Fire in the garage of the West Penn Power company, connected with the sub-station on west Lamb street, at an early hour Saturday morning, completely destroyed a Ford coupe, badly damaged the tops of two other cars, burned through the wooden ceiling into the emergency room above, which was almost completely gutted before the flames were extinguished. The loss is estimated at from \$3500 to \$4000, mostly covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered about five o'clock by persons going to work at the lime quarries, who gave the alarm. Two employees of the West Penn, who live nearby, got to the building as quickly as possible and on opening the door found the Ford coupe a mass of flames while the fire had already communicated to the wooden ceiling. The men succeeded in pulling the burning car from the garage and got out four other cars and two trucks. In the meantime an alarm had been turned in and it was not long until the firemen were on the scene. By the application of both chemicals and water they overcame the fire before it burned through the roof, but all the glass in the skylight were broken by the heat.

How the fire originated is not definitely known. One theory advanced is that of a short circuit in the wires of the car that was burned. Another is overheating of the wires connected with the windshield wiper on the car. It is also possible that the fire originated in the emergency room over the garage and hot embers falling through a burned hole in the ceiling set fire to the car.

The car burned was one used by the meter reader in covering outlying districts, and as it was rendered entirely useless Arthur Dubbs went to Connellsville, on Sunday, and drove back a new Ford.

Upholstered seat radio benches, X-mas special at \$3.90.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 49-11

THREE SMALL SCHOOL BOYS ROB HARDWARE STORE.

The robbery of the till in the Schaeffer hardware store, on Wednesday night of last week, as told in the Watchman, was done by three small school boys, LeRoy Gehret, 8 years old; Kenneth Baney, 9, and Joseph McCulley, about the same age. The boys took \$2.30 from the till of the cash register but so far as could be seen made no effort to take anything else. All of them are second grade children at the brick school building. Owing to their immature age they were not sent to jail but will be placed on probation in charge of the juvenile court officer.

On Monday morning Walter Barnhart, 26 years old, of Boggs township, was arrested on the charge of stealing a gun from Toner Fisher, of Snow Shoe Intersection, last March. After considerable questioning he finally admitted the theft and told where the gun can be found.

—27x50 inch novelty Axminster scatter rugs, a real value at \$2.90.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 49-11

CATHAUM A Warner Brothers Theatre

STATE COLLEGE
Matinee Daily at 1:30

FRIDAY—
Charles Farrell, Maureen O'Sullivan
in
"PRINCESS AND THE PLUMBER"

SATURDAY—
Eddie Quillan, Sally Starr in
"NIGHT WORK"

MONDAY AND TUESDAY—
Matinee Daily at 1:30

Marie Dressler, Wallace Beery in
"MIN AND BILL"

WEDNESDAY—
First National and Vitaphone present
Joe E. Brown, Ona Munson in
"GOING WILD"

THURSDAY—
Harry Langdon, Slim Summerville in
"SEE AMERICA THIRST"

NITTANY THEATRE

FRIDAY—
Jeanette MacDonald, Reginald Denny,
Marjorie White in
"OH, FOR A MAN"

SATURDAY—
"PRINCESS AND THE PLUMBER"

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY—
Warner Bros. and Vitaphone present
Grant Mitchell, George Marion in
"MAN TO MAN"

THURSDAY—
"GOING WILD"

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Our line of Christmas Goods in great variety: Wagons, Dump Trucks, Motor Cycles, Trench Diggers, Tractors, Road Rollers, Cement Mixers, Mine Cars, Trailers, Plows, Thrashers. In fact, miniature of leaders in all lines.

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