

The new Empress Eugene hats or milady's fall wear are cute looking bits of head gear, but they are likely to die a borin' because they are advertised at a dollar nine-

—Peaches were selling at ten cents a bushel on the streets of Greenville, South Carolina, last week. hat's cheap, of course, but we can get you a whole carload for nothing right here in Bellefonte any Thursday night you might want to go to dance at Hecla.

—Post and Gatty, the men who scented flew around the world in eight days, were in Bellefonte over Sunday night. Somehow the great I get here. So, we suppose, these vo latest entrants to the hall of fame said to themselves: 'Well being it eventually, so why not now.'

—A little more of this deluge of spair and all the gilt will be washed off the golden tariff calf that lar-r has been worshipping, lo, these any years. The tariff was devised a protection to infant industries. hat was years ago. The golden rift calves have all grown to cows, old that they are not milking w, and there is nothing left but an npty tin dinner pail.

—Mrs. Hoover christened the new ant dirigible "Akron" on Saturday. She, the "Akron", not Mrs. Hoover, will be the biggest thing float, if she floats. This old U. S. just loves the biggest things, but e loved too well, and not wisely e biggest thing on the political rways in 1928 and he hasn't es- blished any altitude records or urance flights to write home out.

—We have been asked so often, tely, as to which one of the many ublican aspirants for nomination r sheriff we think is leading, that shall now answer all who might e interested in knowing. Four nes during the week we have tried pass cars on which the spares d a tire cover bearing the advice: elp Make Leitzell Sheriff." We dn't succeed in a single attempt, we have come to the conclusion at, so far as we are concerned, is leading.

—To the plasterers, masons, brick- yers, carpenters, et al who have tten the impression that our col- an of last week was a round-about y of making Jesse Jameses of em all we want to say that what attempted in the "Frank Gross lumn" was only an academic dis- sion of the relativity of com- sation for service rendered. It ight have read like high school iff, but the idea we tried to get ross applied to the professions as ll as the trades. For example, ere are preachers, teachers and wspaper men in Bellefonte—and over the world—who have spent st as much money and time on ir educations as the best lawyers their communities—and they can't rn in a whole year what their sayer—if they should happen to ed one in an important issue— ight charge them for not more an seventy-two hours of mental ity and physical effort.

—When the great temperance ovement of 1874 swept over the untry Francis Elizabeth Willard as embarrassed by the presence of whole keg of beer in her cellar. least she said so in her diary. at's interesting, but it would be ore so had the leader of the white boners been a bit more faithful her diary and recorded there ither she threw the keg out be- re or after it was emptied. Francis s not a prohibitionist, for she nits having often resorted to the ne her mother made as a stimu- nt, also to having taken wine with eals while abroad. She was a at temperance woman, however, d that leads us to wonder wheth- after giving up having a keg in e cellar she tapered off by resort the use of a "growler", which s the name given to the pitcher, bucket or the tin can that was it to the corner saloon for re- sment of parties who didn't want appear there in person, years ago.

—Those who have threshed their s have been grievously disappoint- in the yield of what appeared to e been a very promising stand of in. Few report more than half normal crop. All are agreed t grasshoppers are responsible the shortage. And now that oats is in the barns the orthop- ous insects have attacked the ma- ing corn. What they have done crops in the west this season has n plenty and what they are do- to corn in Centre county ight is enough to make us regret y we didn't really do what we often threatened to do in our th. Everytime we caught a shopper then we held it in cupped hands and said: "Spit, tobacco juice, or I'll burn you in brimstone." We don't recall r having burned one, however, course there was no occasion for because the grasshoppers were ays very obliging. They could e faster than the average kid did n he had his first taste of choke- ries.

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POST, GATTY AND THE WINNIE MAE, ALL HERE.

IMPRESSIONS THEY MADE

BY JOHN M. FLEMING

The wrath of the great God Jupiter, displayed so vehemently last Sunday afternoon, spelled disappointment for fifteen thousand people gathered at Indian Echo Cave, near Hummelstown, to greet Wiley Post and Harold Gatty, world flyers, while the same thunder of the Gods added two more distinguished names to the list of notable visitors to Bellefonte.

It was shortly after two o'clock that the wheels of the "Winnie Mae", the Lockheed plane that carried the courageous flyers around the world in less time than any before them, were set down on the N. A. T. field, three miles east of Bellefonte. The men were scheduled to appear at Indian Echo Cave where a crowd of fifteen thousand had gathered but extreme weather conditions and thunder storms centering in the vicinity of the cave made further flight not only hazardous but impossible. Post and Gatty, in company with their manager, Bruce Quisenberry, of New York city, were transported to the Penn Belle hotel by Dr. Richard H. Hoffman who was at the field when the plane landed. After the party had launched the two flyers retired for much needed rest. They had begun the flight east from Sioux City, Iowa, at 5 A. M. and had only one short stop in Toledo to determine weather conditions. All the way east the men were forced to battle thunder storms and for a period of over an hour they flew over the lake area and were out of sight of land.

Shortly after nine o'clock Sunday evening they ate supper and retired again at midnight. A large crowd of citizens greeted them when they took off Monday morning at eleven o'clock. It was our privilege and pleasure to dine with the gentlemen on Sunday evening and see them off Monday. They can both be classified as real he men. There was absolutely nothing in their whole visit to Bellefonte to indicate that they thought themselves more distinguished than any whom they passed on the street. The only mention made of the world flight, which will go down in history as an achievement in aviation, was in connection with the people they visited in the different countries on the trip.

Gatty, the navigator, is a reserved, quiet educated gentleman. He spoke slowly with a slight English accent. He is a native of Australia. At the present time his residence is in Los Angeles, Cal., where his wife and children are located. He has not seen any of his children since he left New York on the trip around the world. Post, on the other hand, is a product of the American West. His native State is Oklahoma. He talks very little and is slightly deaf. There is a sparkling humor in his conversation; one of those individuals who never appears to take anything seriously. While dining Gatty informed Post that he didn't think he would ever become a citizen of the United States. Post looked with disdain and surprise on his friend and asked why? "Because I can't become President anyhow" was Gatty's quick reply. On the way back to the hotel after dinner we passed the monument shop on West High street. Like school boys at play Gatty and Post had been bantering back and forth all the way down the street. Gatty walked over to the marker nearest the street and patting it rather tenderly said: "Wiley, this is what I've wanted to give you for a long time. What inscription do you want on it." Post didn't answer immediately and then in that slow western drawl he mumbled, "Harold Gatty". Both men are small. The size of the plane made it necessary that aviator and navigator be as small as possible. Post is fond of watermelon and can eat more than any man his size we have ever seen. Gatty had eaten bacon and eggs for breakfast as long as he can remember. Post said he had landed on better fields than the one in Bellefonte but it is an oasis for the flyers in this vicinity and those who have to fly over the territory. Monday morning Gatty said he had enjoyed more rest in Bellefonte than he had since the trip around the world began almost two months ago. They have been appearing day and night in different towns all over the United States and will start for the West shortly. Their tour ends the beginning of September and on being questioned what they would do then Gatty stated he "Guessed we'd go back to work."

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MANY MEN AND WOMEN WANT TO GET AN OFFICE

Tuesday, the last day for the filing of nomination petitions, brought an avalanche of papers to the commissioner's office. All told in the neighborhood of twelve hundred petitions were filed, but as many candidates filed petitions in both parties for the same office it means that the total number of men and women represented is anywhere from eight hundred to one thousand.

One township in the county, Burnside, with one hundred or more voters, is not represented by a single petition for any office to be filled.

Since the majority of the voters in the county are informed as to the various aspirants for county office we deem it unnecessary to publish the names at this time. Locally Watchman readers will be interested in knowing the names of the candidates out for office in Bellefonte.

On the borough ticket are six candidates for overseer of the poor, Alexander Morrison, Thomas Fleming, Edward Klingler, Augustus Emel, Republicans; Thomas Howley, D. Paul Fortney and Harry F. Alters, Democrats.

School director has enticed three candidates, Mrs. Helen Broderick, Miss Mary Miles Blanchard and Arthur C. Hewitt, all of whom have filed papers on both tickets.

Four candidates are out for borough auditor, Charles L. Gates and John E. Dubbs have filed petitions in both parties, while M. W. Williams and John W. Smith have filed on the Republican only.

In the North ward Mrs. Anna P. Wilkinson is the only candidate for judge of election. Howard Smead and James C. Bower, inspectors; Howard A. Heaton, constable; John S. Walker, councilman on both tickets; Elwood Johnson, Mary Kelley, Lester Musser and Herbert Auman, candidates for assessor.

In the South ward Harry Badger, W. H. Doll and Elaine Mabius are all running for the nomination for council. For constable, George Glenn and Joseph Jodon; assessor, Carl F. Detrich, Charles A. Eckenroth and George M. Brown, Justice of the peace, J. M. Keichline and R. B. Montgomery have each filed on both tickets.

In the West ward the Democrats have a complete ticket, Dr. M. A. Kirk leading the list for judge of election. Inspector, J. G. Garthoff; constable, Edwin Koffman; assessor, D. Wagner Geiss; council, W. Reynolds Shope. M. M. Cobb has filed papers for councilman on both tickets. Austin Hendricks wants the Republican nomination for constable and E. O. Struble wants to be assessor. J. M. Keichline and R. B. Montgomery have filed for justice of the peace.

ALTOONA MAN COLLECTS LONG TIME SAVINGS.

Over twenty years ago, when Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Stamm lived on a farm in Marion township, they started a savings fund for their son, Foster H., in the Bellefonte Trust company through the medium of the dime savings bank. All told \$26.40 had been deposited in the bank when a hired hand, hard up for a little cash, smashed the boy's bank and robbed it of its nickels and pennies. That ended the deposits.

Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stamm, their son Foster, now married, and his wife motored to Woodward to attend the Stamm family reunion. They brought with them the savings fund bank book and stopping in Bellefonte, went to the Trust company and presenting the book asked if the account was still good. Assistant treasurer Earl Orr was at the window and recognized the elder Stamms as former neighbors in Marion township, and he not only informed them that the account was good but had increased in twenty years, at compound interest, from \$26.40 to \$46.21, which amount was paid over to the younger Stamm and the account closed.

—Mrs. David R. Foreman, of north Spring street, has a night blooming cereus that has established a record never before heard of in Bellefonte. The vining plant was six years old last year and had three blooms on successive nights in September. While the plants are supposed to bloom every twenty years this plant had one flower on June 23rd, of this year, and last Saturday night had four flowers out at one time and another on Sunday night. The flowers come from the leaves of the plant and in addition to the profuse blooming of Saturday night four more buds are showing on another leaf.

JULY 1, WAS HOTTEST DAY EVER RECORDED HERE

The weather of July was characterized by practically normal mean temperature and frequent thunderstorms which produced precipitation slightly above normal. Although there were several days with temperatures which made it uncomfortable, the nights were mostly cool.

The mean monthly temperature was 73.1 degrees, the mean of the daily maximum temperatures was 84.9 and of the daily minimum temperatures 61.3 degrees. The highest temperature was 99 on the 1st and the lowest was 48 degrees on the 12th, making a monthly range of 51 degrees. There were 6 days with temperature of 90 degrees or above. The warmest day was the 1st, with a mean temperature of 83, and the coolest was the 10th, with a mean temperature of 62 degrees. The latter also was the day with most equable temperature. The 12th was most variable in temperature, ranging from 48 to 84 degrees, likewise the 26th, but the former date had slightly more range. There were two cool periods during the month. The first, from the 9th to 13th, inclusive, averaged 66.6 degrees, and the second, from the 21st to 27th inclusive, averaged 69.6 degrees.

The total precipitation for the month was 4.53 inches, of which 2.06 inches occurred on the 3rd and 4th within a period of 24 hours. During this same storm, 1.50 inches fell in one and one-half hours on the 3rd. There were 13 days on which 0.1 inch or more of precipitation occurred. Thunderstorms occurred on 15 days, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 15th, 17th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th and 29th. There were 8 clear days, 13 partly cloudy and 10 cloudy. The mean monthly relative humidity was slightly more than 79%. The prevailing wind was from the southwest. Light haze occurred on all days except the 8th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 31st.

Comparative data from adjoining localities for past years show the following:

The mean monthly temperature at the Airport for July, 1929 was 68.4, in 1930 it was 70.0, as compared with 73.1 for July, 1931. The mean of 11 years previous record made in the borough of Bellefonte during the years 1901 to 1911 inclusive is, for the month of July, 73.9 degrees, and for 25 years record for July in Centre Hall it is 71.2 degrees, and for 42 years record for July at State College it is 70.4 degrees. Since the elevation of Bellefonte is 250 feet or more less than at the Airport and well surrounded by ridges, it is known that these and other factors make the temperature in the city about 3 degrees warmer than at the Airport. The inference therefore is that a 10 year record at the Airport would probably give a mean temperature near 71 degrees for the month of July. It will be seen that this compares favorably with data from nearby towns.

The total precipitation in July, 1929 was 1.51 inches and in July, 1930 it was 1.41 inches. Both these figures are less than half the normal amount. A combination of 11 years previous record of precipitation in Bellefonte for July and 7 years record at Western Penitentiary gives an average of 4.02 inches, with the record for Bellefonte showing on the average about an inch more than the Penitentiary. This record covers the period from 1901 to 1928 inclusive, with the record for the years 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915 missing. At Fleming, during the years 1859 to 1886 inclusive, the July precipitation averaged 3.45 inches. Forty-two years record at State College, 1888 to 1929 inclusive, shows an average monthly precipitation for July of 3.85 inches.

From all available records it appears that the temperature of 99 degrees recorded on the 1st has never been exceeded during the month of July. At State College, in July 1911 a temperature of 99 degrees was recorded and 97 degrees in July 1926. Also at the Airport 97 degrees was recorded in July, 1930.

The lowest temperature recorded in July at State College during the years 1888 to 1927 inclusive was 41 in 1890. The next lowest was 43 degrees in 1920. In July, 1929, a temperature of 35 was recorded at the Airport.

At State College there were 24 years of a period of 40 years when a temperature of 90 degrees or above was recorded, and 7 years of the same period with a minimum temperature of 45 degrees or lower.

There is no record that snow has ever fallen in this vicinity during the month of July, but there were several days during the past month when the writer and many friends would have rejoiced at the novelty.

H. P. PARKER, Meteorologist.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY

Items taken from the Watchman issue of August 19, 1881.

—The line of telephone between Bellefonte and Snow Shoe was completed on Monday last.

—Mr. Levi Agnew and family left this place week before last for Bedford, their former home, which they will hereafter make their residence. "Bully", as he was familiarly known here, has many friends who will wish him much success and happiness.

—The Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin of Thursday last alludes to one of Bellefonte's prominent citizens thus: "Adam Hoy Esq., a member of the alumni association of Pennsylvania College, is here in attendance at the reunion of the association. Mr. Hoy looks so much like Gen. Grant that he is often mistaken for that distinguished gentleman."

—Mr. Balsler Weber and family, of Howard, together with a party of friends, visited Snow Shoe on Wednesday and on their return called at the Watchman office to show the boys the modus operandi by which the Watchman is produced.

—Messrs. Somerville, Crider & Co., have disposed of their store in Snow Shoe to H. S. Frank, of Philadelphia, who took charge of it last Saturday.

—A. W. Reese, the Port Matilda merchant and charcoal manufacturer, is also doing quite a bit of building contract work. At present he has a job to raise Gray's store at Stormstown to two stories and put a 40x60 addition to it, as well as to build a new school house in Snow Shoe township.

—Grub worms are destroying the grass in all parts of the county. The prolonged drought has put it in poor condition to withstand the ravages of such pests.

—The old John Mitchell residence, above Lemont, now owned by J. Hutchinson Mitchell, was destroyed by fire on Sunday night last.

—Abram Rine, one of Bellefonte's good citizens and a notable hunter, died at his home on Thomas street last Saturday night. He was about 65 years old and had been ill for some time with erysipelas. He was an old resident and could tell many an interesting story of the days long gone by.

—Mrs. Sarah Hastings, of Salona, mother of Col. D. H. Hastings, of this place, died in her home there on Sunday last.

—Spring creek is lower at this writing than we have ever seen it. Oh, for a little more wetness.

—The Reformed church building is rapidly nearing completion and will be one of the finest public edifices in Bellefonte.

—Work on the foundation of the new Centre County bank building is progressing rapidly.

—Sunday last was a deliciously cool and bracing day. (Last Sunday it was about as hot as hades, until rain relieved the heat a bit.—Editor's Note.)

—Henry Twitmore has made up his mind to go west and is offering his home here for sale.

—John Dawson has decided to be the Greenback candidate for sheriff of the county.

—May Grebby, who recently disappeared from the Hale home in Philipsburg where she was working, and who was supposed to have been the victim of a couple of villains, has been located at the residence of an aunt in Michigan. At the age of 6 years she was indentured to a Jones family in Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Jones separated and she was sent to the Hales. The indenture was to expire at the age of 18 and as she had more than attained that she felt free to go where she liked.

—The Bush house has secured the service of C. E. Hamm, of DuBois, as chief clerk.

—The Centre county fair will be held on October 4-5-6-7.

—Gottlieb Haag is going to erect a grist mill at Pleasant Gap.

—"Senator" Albert Huston has retired as mixologist at the Brokerhoff house. We're sorry for that, because the "Senator" was a good mixologist and made 'em just as tasty for the poor as he did for the rich.

—Last Thursday morning as Newton E. Hess, of State College, was driving out of the lane at his son's farm, onto the State highway, he ran into a car driven by J. Slipakoff, of New Orleans, and occupied by the latter, his wife, and a Mr. and Mrs. Strug and son, also of Louisiana. The car was overturned and all of the occupants injured. They were brought to the Centre County hospital by direction of Mr. Hess, who not only agreed to pay the hospital bills but buy Mr. Slipakoff a new car.

—Senator Watson is said to be against the Farm Board, also, which arouses the suspicion that he didn't get what he considered his share out of it.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

—The Harbison Walker Refractories company plant, at Monument, has received an order for 250,000 fire brick which will put the plant on a running basis of five days a week for the next six weeks.

—A faithful mongrel dog is patiently waiting outside the borough lockup, at Shamokin, for his master, William Murray, who is being held in connection with a robbery. Day and night the dog never goes far from the lockup door. Residents of the borough are providing the animal with food and drink.

—Any Pennsylvania State policeman found using brutality in questioning a prisoner will be court martialed. Major Lynn G. Adams, commander of the Pennsylvania State troopers, said in commenting on the report of the Wickersham Commission that the third degree was still used in some parts of the State.

—His neck broken when he attempted to show a group of children how to somersault from a barn loft to a haystack on a farm near Youctown, Dauphin county, George Reynolds, 37 is in a serious condition at a Harrisburg hospital. Reynolds was visiting his brother-in-law, Elmer Sanders, when the accident happened.

—The close of the shipping season for nursery stock from the nursery at Rockview State penitentiary under the jurisdiction of the state department of welfare showed a record of 2,014,100 trees shipped for reforestation purposes; 2,165 shade trees; 2,213 ornamental trees; 1,466 shrubbery and 11,000 various types of trees were planted at the institution.

—A Mechanicville, Bucks county, farmer who didn't have faith in banks is minus \$5000 today and, in addition, is in a critical condition at his home. The farmer, James R. Hansell, 64, was attacked by two men as he returned to his home. Hansell, according to neighbors, for more than 20 years had repeatedly stated he would be his own bank and nobody would take his money from him.

—Clearfield is to have a new industry to be known as the Clearfield Underwear Corporation, capitalized at \$27,500. The incorporators are Max J. Friedman and Herman Tichon, New York city, experienced underwear makers and salesmen, and Clearfield citizens. The company will open for business about the 25th of September in the Clark building and eventually is expected to employ about 75 people.

—Suffering from a bullet wound in the right shoulder, Mrs. John Young, 38, of Penn. near Greensburg, was taken to the Westmoreland hospital Sunday night. Mrs. Young told state police that she was seated on the front porch of her home when four men ordered her into the house. When she hesitated, she says, one of the men shot her. After the shooting, the police were told, the men robbed her husband of \$500.

—Kenneth Carter, Al Conklin and Hughie Poole, all of Clearfield, were arrested Saturday on the charge of illegally killing deer at night with the use of a light. Carter paid a fine and costs amounting to \$509; Conklin, not being able to pay the fine of \$500 was remanded to jail and Poole posted bail for another hearing to be held later in the week. The offense is said to have taken place about one o'clock Saturday morning. The men had the deer in their possession when overtaken by two game protectors.

—Merle Rhodes, 23, Baltimore, Md., barber, was found in a clump of bushes near a railroad not far from Somerset, on Tuesday, after he told police three Negroes had robbed him of his clothing and money and tossed him from a running freight train. Sheriff L. C. Waggoner gave him clothes and money and Rhodes continued his journey back to Baltimore. He said he had gone to Johnstown to accept a job, only to find it had been filled when he arrived. He said he decided to conserve the few dollars he had by riding a freight back home.

—The Washington and Franklin branch of the Locomotive Trust company was robbed of \$1500 last Friday afternoon in the first bank holdup in the history of Williamsport. Entering the bank about 1 o'clock, when but one young woman was on duty, the man presented a check and then flashed a gun. Saining \$1000 in \$10 bills and \$500 in \$5 bills, he fled to a small automobile parked outside and drove west on Washington boulevard. The police have but a meager description of the man. Washington boulevard is a residential district, with a small business area, about a mile from the heart of the city, which is served by the bank.

—After walking about with the prong of a garden hoe so firmly imbedded in his skull that later required the force of six men to remove it, Nezarco Paulino, 49, of Reading, assault victim, held the handle of the hoe in his hands during an ambulance ride to Homeopathic hospital and retained consciousness until the implement had been removed and he had been given an opiate. Paulino's vitality and power of endurance amazed hospital physicians. His skull is badly fractured and his condition early this week was regarded as serious. George Cheric, 23, who lives with Paulino, is in the city jail charged with being Paulino's assailant.

—The Pennsylvania State Game Commission has decided to close eleven counties to the killing of wild turkey in 1931 and 1932. The decision was reached, the board said, because of the scarcity of the bird in the selected counties and the plan to experiment with introduction of young birds to replenish the supply. Counties affected include Pike, Wayne, Monroe, Luzerne, Carbon, Schuylkill, Lackawanna, Monroe, Berks, Northampton and Lehigh. Investigations were also made, the board said, to show that English sparrows and starlings are beneficial to agriculture in the destruction of the Japanese beetle and other plant pests.

—The J. E. Rougeux farm of 50 acres and 25 acres adjoining owned by Miss Mary Hughney, near Frenchville, has been purchased by Phillipsburg capitalists, who have begun work to open up the coal underlying these properties. Fifteen men were put to work a few days ago. The coal shows up 42 inches and gives promise of a superior quality. This seam was discovered some ten years ago by Messrs. Barrett and Savage, of Clearfield, who held options on a large block of it but for reasons not known now were unable to dispose of it. The product of this operation will be delivered to the railroad by an aerial tramway one-half mile below Frenchville station.