



**METHODIST CONFERENCE.**

Swallow to be Tried.—His Charges Against Other Ministers Dismissed.

Thursday's session of the Methodist conference in Bellefonte proved a stormy one. The excitement of the day was occasioned by Dr. J. Wesley Hill, of Harrisburg, shouting with clenched fist:

"Your an infamous liar, you mean, contemptible underling!"

The words were directed at Rev. Wm. Moses, also pastor of a Harrisburg Methodist church. The outburst of anger was occasioned by Rev. Moses taking to task Dr. Hill for circulating the report that he (Moses) was instrumental in having a peace commission appointed to settle the Swallow case outside of conference. Dr. Hill admitted having made the statement; Moses denied its truthfulness, and then the "wind" blew. In an executive session of conference the same afternoon the Rev. Moses preferred charges against Dr. Hill, because of the latter's conduct and asked protection from the conference. In stating his case Mr. Moses said that Dr. Hill not only called him a liar and applied other epithets, but struck him and pushed him away.

Dr. Hill made a statement, in which he denied having said "infamous liar," alleging that he said "an infinite falsehood," but Mr. Moses' statement is supported by a number of others.

When Mr. Moses made his statement to the conference there were cries of "Shame!" "Shame!" and when Dr. Hill undertook to speak in his own defence he was greeted with hisses.

A committee was appointed to inquire into the charges, with Dr. E. J. Gray as chairman. The following committee of clergymen were appointed to hear and determine the Swallow case:

G. M. Larned, G. M. Hoke, Furman Adams, George E. King, K. S. Taylor, Norman H. Smith, J. K. Kulsely, J. C. Mumper, J. W. Buckley, P. F. Fryer, George Leidy, S. B. Evans, A. R. Miller, W. M. Frysinger and Isaac Heckman, Bishop Walden himself will preside as head of the committee, while Bishop Fross will preside over the deliberations of the conference.

During the day another sensation was sprung, when it was announced that Dr. Swallow had sent to Dr. George E. Reed, State Librarian, as well as to the bishop who will preside over the deliberations of the New York East Conference, charges and specifications against Dr. Reed.

The first charge is perjury, based on Dr. Reed's oath to support the Constitution of the State, and the alleged violation of its laws, by holding a position under the Administration, which requires him to reside at Harrisburg, and live at Carlisle.

The second charge is defamation of character, in which Dr. Reed is charged with denouncing George A. Jenks, Dr. Swallow and others.

The third charge is unchristian conduct, in which Dr. Reed is charged with drawing a salary of \$250, as State Librarian, and another of \$3500, as president of Dickinson College, and with taking an active part in machine politics.

Dr. Swallow presented his report of the conference bookroom, in which he showed the last year's business to be \$27,000. Dr. E. J. Gray presented his report of the Dickinson Seminary, showing that institution to be advancing steadily in the work it is doing.

The annuity trustees elected for the ensuing year were W. W. Evans, W. M. Frysinger, M. L. Ganoe, J. B. Shaver, E. M. Stevens, H. L. Jacobs and George Leidy.

Conference voted that the time for holding the annual sessions in future years shall be the last Wednesday in March.

In the case of Hartzel against Swallow, Friday was spent in reading of the testimony taken at the preliminary hearing held in Harrisburg last October, at which Dr. E. H. Yocum, presiding elder of the Harrisburg district, was the chairman of the committee of nine who found Dr. Swallow guilty of falsehood. This testimony is voluminous, as it is understood to cover 180 pages of typewritten letter case.

The Hill-Moses incident of Thursday when one clergyman called another a liar, occupied most of Friday afternoon's secret session. The inquiry committee of five made its report. Rev. Mr. Moses finally acknowledged that he instigated the peace movement in the Swallow case, but said he did not do so in the interest of Dr. Swallow. He denied, however, the remark attributed to him by Dr. Hill to the effect that he had said that Dr. Swallow was the "John Brown" of the temperance cause. The matter was finally adjusted satisfactorily. Both parties had apologized to conference at Thursday's session.

At the executive session Friday afternoon the following committee was appointed to try Presiding Elder E. H.

Yocum on the charges perferred by Dr. Swallow: W. A. Houck, George W. Stevens, William Ganoe, Alexander Lamberson, J. P. Potts, G. M. Klepfer, J. B. Shaver, W. A. Lepley, J. A. Mattern, G. L. Comp, John Vrooman, J. B. Brenneman, Henry Fortner, E. L. Eslinger and E. H. Whitman. Dr. D. S. Monroe is the presiding officer.

**ANNUAL REPORTS.**

Presiding Elder Bell, of the Altoona District, reported having given \$13,000 to the missionary cause during the past year. New churches have been erected at Altoona, Patton and Hanau, and others are in contemplation. There were 2100 conversions.

Dr. E. H. Yocum, of the Harrisburg District, reported 1200 conversions, and \$148,635 of church debt has been paid.

Rev. E. M. Stevens, presiding elder of the Juniata District, said the membership has slightly decreased owing to many removals from the district. On church and parsonage improvement \$10,000 has been expended. In spite of these expenditures and the failure of crops, the indebtedness has been decreased \$11,000.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Black, of the Williamsport district, said that 1200 persons had been converted during the past year, a slight decrease from the usual number. Three new churches have been erected. Church debt to the amount of \$15,000 has been paid. The missionary collection amounted to \$11,125.

Rev. Dr. E. M. Mills, corresponding secretary of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering said: "When this movement began there were 3000 churches in Methodism that were so weighed down with debt that they could do nothing for outside interests. We have paid on these churches \$7,000,000. Besides this we have paid for deacons' homes and hospitals \$2,000,000. Over \$6,250,000 have been subscribed for Christian education and, all taken together, counting new churches, we have raised \$28,000,000.

The annual banquet of the Dickinson College Alumni Association of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was held Friday evening. The toastmaster was General D. H. Hastings. Toasts were responded to as follows: "The College," Dr. George Edward Reed; "Auld Lang Syne," Dr. W. M. Frysinger; "Dickinson and the Law," General James A. Beaver; "Ministerial Sons of Dickinson," Rev. J. R. Stein; "Daughters of Dickinson," Rev. Morris E. Swartz.

**SUNDAY.**

Peace and quiet reigned at the Conference sessions Sunday, in the afternoon the ordination of deacons and elders took place, Bishop Walden officiating. Those who were ordained elders were Joseph V. Adams, Manuel Anoujar, David Y. Brouse, Charles F. Weise, Joan C. Collins, Abraham L. Frank, Edgar R. Heckman, Richard S. Oyer, Samuel F. Roundley, Frederick G. Sleep, Theodore S. Stansfield. Those who were ordained deacons were Revs. W. L. Armstrong, J. T. Bell, E. V. Brown, W. H. Decker, James J. Doherty, P. N. Fredin, G. W. McIlhenny, B. A. Salter, H. W. Seifert and W. W. Sholl.

The anniversary of the Missionary Society was held in the evening, Rev. J. Ellis Bell presiding. The speakers were Rev. Dr. W. M. Frysinger and Rev. Dr. S. L. Baldwin. The secretary announced the conference missionary collections for the year as \$51,115, divided as follows: Altoona District, \$12,158; Danville District, \$9671; Harrisburg District, \$11,774; Juniata District, \$3338; Williamsport District, \$11,235, an increase over the previous year of \$1891.

The following young men, having served one year and passing satisfactory examinations, were continued on trial and advanced to the studies of the second year: Revs. A. M. Bruse, M. B. Bubb, H. C. Burkholder, H. E. Crow, J. R. Ebner, S. H. Engler, O. T. Hance, H. W. Hartsock, H. C. Hinkle, E. F. Igenfritz, A. C. Logan, F. W. Rohrer, H. J. Schuchart and J. E. Saillington.

On Tuesday the committee having charge of the case of Dr. Swallow handed down a report, in which it is said that sufficient evidence had been found to warrant the bringing of Swallow to trial before a presiding elder.

Bishop Walden appointed Dr. W. W. Evans, of the Danville district, to create the court and hold the trial. There now seems little doubt that the verdict will be "guilty." In fact it is alleged that the elect number are almost of one mind already in favor of conviction.

\$8000 were distributed among indigent pastors and pastors' widows. A resolution was passed calling upon the next Legislature to pass the Van Dyke liquor bill, defeated by the last assembly.

Headquarters for sunbonnets—C. P. Long.

**DEATHS**

**ADAM STAHL.**

Adam Stahl died at the home of his son, James, west of Centre Hall, Tuesday morning at seven o'clock. He had been ill for some time from complications arising from his advanced age, caused his death.

Interment will be made at Spruce-town, Friday forenoon.

The deceased was born in Berks county, March 20, 1822. His wife, whose maiden name was Sarah C. Sankey, preceded him to the grave more than thirty years ago, and was a sister of Mrs. L. Rhone, of this place, and of Henry P. Sankey, deceased, of Potters Mills.

Mr. Stahl for some years prior to 1868 lived at Potters Mills, at which place he conducted a saddlery business; from there he went to Millin county.

He was the father of nine children, four of whom survive him, viz: Miss Jennie, Centre Hall; Keller, California; James S., Centre Hall, and Charles W., DeMolines, Iowa.

He was a life long member of the Methodist church, and regularly, when physically able, attended the services.

**HAYES SOLT.**

Life passed from Hayes Solt Monday morning of this week, at his home in Colyer. He had been a sufferer from consumption and droupy for some months, and had been confined to the house all winter. The pleasant days of the beginning of last week seemed to invigorate him, and he accordingly ventured out of doors, thinking he was much improved in health. The reverse was true, however, for he immediately began to grow weaker until, as stated above, the end came Monday.

His age was about sixty-two or three years. He was an industrious, hard working man, having followed lumbering for a livelihood for about twenty years, working for Wm. Colyer, E. M. Huyet and others.

The funeral took place today, Thursday, at Tusseyville, Rev. J. M. Rea-lick officiating.

**MISS JANE CALDERWOOD.**

Miss Jane E. Calderwood died at the home of her nephew, L. F. Caderwood, at Tyrone at 1:30 o'clock last Thursday morning, of appendicitis. She had been ill only a week. The deceased was born in December, 1831, and was therefore aged over seventy years. Born in Centre county, she had resided at Pennsylvania Furnace for thirty years until one year ago when she went to Tyrone to make her home with her nephew.

**MRS. SAMUEL STOVER.**

Just when life promised most and seemed dearest, Mrs. Samuel Stover, of Hubsburg, fell a victim to heart disease and slipped away to her eternal home almost before those about her could realize it, says the Watchman. Her death occurred last Thursday morning. She was twenty-four years, two months and twenty days old and leaves a husband and little son.

**MRS. DAVID VONADA.**

Mrs. Vonada died at her home at Hubsburg on Sunday after a lingering illness caused by the infirmities of old age. She was seventy-four years and four months old and leaves a husband and one daughter to mourn her going.

**JOHN H. BOONE.**

John H. Boone, of Booneville, died Monday last week at the age of sixty-two years. He was a much respected citizen of the community in which he lived. He leaves a widow and two children, Harry and Rosie, both at home.

**Opening of Patriken Hall.**

The new Patriken Memorial Hall in Bellefonte, which has just been completed by the Women's Christian Temperance Union at a cost of \$12,000, was opened Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. W. Rhue, of Harrisburg, presided, and addresses were delivered by Dr. Thompson, of Phillipsburg; Rev. E. S. Dunham, of Cleveland, Ohio; Rev. C. W. Burton, of Philadelphia; Rev. Dr. Rhoads, Rev. D. C. Connor, of Harrisburg; Rev. Horace Lincoln Jacob, of Altoona, and Rev. James Morrow, of New York City.

"When Knighthood was in Flower."

The most remarkable historical novel in recent years, "When Knighthood Was in Flower," is to appear in the Sunday North American in the form of a serial story. The opening chapters will be out on April 6.

**Closing of School.**

The public schools of Centre Hall are about at the close. The secondary school will close Friday of this week; the primary, Monday noon of next week, the high, Tuesday, and grammar, Friday.

**SENECA INDIANS.**

In Grange Arcadia Monday Evening, April 7.

Four Seneca Indians will appear in Grange Arcadia, Monday evening, April 7th, and entertain by singing in the English and Seneca languages. The little band of singers will be under the care of Rev. Crittenden, and the proceeds will be devoted to the erection of a chapel at Keating.

These are real Indians, and belong to the Seneca tribe, on the Cornplanter reservation, in northwestern Pennsylvania. They will give a good entertainment. Their costumes will be native. Two of the Indians, a boy and girl, are but children, but their singing of solos and duets is highly praised by those who have heard them. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

**GENERAL LOCAL.**

The blind trio concert company gave a very good entertainment.

The Bellefonte Daily News spread itself creditably in giving reports of the Methodist conference. Good deed.

Sadie J. Wolf is in the city buying her stock of spring goods for her Spring Mills millinery store. She will return latter part of this week.

A baby boy came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boozer, in this place, just a short time prior to the hour marking the beginning of April fool's day.

John Hettinger, one of Wm. Colyer's teamsters and farmers, shipped his stock and implements to York last week, near which place he will engage in farming.

Andrew J. Stiffler, of Potters Mills, was in town Tuesday having some dentist work done by Dr. Hosterman, and as is his custom when in town, called at this office.

Ed. L. Bartholomew, student under Station Agent F. W. Bradford at this place, was organist for the missionary anniversary of the Methodist conference held Friday of last week in Bellefonte.

Friday and Saturday Penn's Valley was visited by fruitifying showers of rain, which were very beneficial to wheat plants, freshened up the buds on trees and were generally acceptable.

Al. Krape struck a sink at the rear of the Reporter office at a depth of sixty-two feet from the surface. The presses in this office now run by water power, the sink carrying away the waste water.

F. Thomas Farmer, of Philadelphia, who some time ago passed the civil service examination, is in the U. S. mail service. That speaks well for Mr. Farmer, a former Potter township young man.

J. O. Stever, W. W. McCormick, and Wm. Motter, all of Potters Mills, assisted M. N. Miller to move to this place, and of course, would not let an opportunity pass by to call on the Reporter. Always glad to see you.

Isaac S. Frain, of Marion township, in this issue of the Reporter announces himself a Democratic candidate for the office of county commissioner. The announcement of Mr. Frain places in the field another good candidate, and keeps up the reputation of the party for bringing out good material for office.

Christ. D. Keller, son of James A. Keller, of near this place, has embarked in the poultry business at Penn Hall, where he will make his home with his sister, Mrs. F. M. Fisher. Christ has had considerable experience in egg production and the development of the fowl, and every one who knows him will look for success in his venture.

Wm. Sandoe Monday went to Dayton, Ohio, where he has secured a clerkship in a railroad office of the Pan-Handle system. For the past year he has acted in the capacity of clerk in the Centre Hall post office, where his services were entirely satisfactory to the chief and the public. He carries with him the best wishes of a host of friends, including the Reporter.

**House and Lot for Sale.**

The Blitner homestead in Centre Hall is offered for sale by the owner, Rev. Robert O'Boyle, in order to close out the estate. The property consists of dwelling house, outbuildings, stable and about five acres of land. The location is pleasant, and will make a splendid home. For further particulars inquire of W. B. Mingle, Centre Hall.

**Boalsburg Teachers' Normal.**

Prof. J. C. Bryson will open a teachers' normal at Boalsburg, April 14. The courses include those of a high school; a special course for those preparing to enter college, and a teacher's course, with special attention given to algebra. An assistant instructor will teach short-hand. Tuition and boarding are low in price.

**Millheim.**

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morris and "Max" left for their new home in Duncannon on Tuesday; Charley conducted a fine drug store in this place for some time and had a host of friends, all of whom were very sorry to see him leave. The writer's best wishes go with him.

Rev. Shortess, the new pastor of the United Ev. church in this place, arrived in town with his family Friday evening.

Saturday morning Rev. H. W. Buck and his daughter departed for their new home in Berwick.

F. O. Hosterman and Miss Lizzie Winegardner visited friends at Fiedler Sunday.

A. Walter and family attended the M. E. conference in Bellefonte over Sunday.

Miss Mary E. Mauck went to Philadelphia Monday morning to purchase her spring millinery goods.

John Hardnburg, of Philadelphia, has been home on a two weeks' vacation; John is a student at a medical college in that city.

W. H. Smith and wife who had been occupying a farm south of town for many years, have retired, and are now happily domiciled in their new home on Penn street.

Wm. Mauck, of Nittany, was in town Monday and Tuesday.

C. W. Freiby and family moved to this place from Wolf's Store Tuesday, and will make their home, for a few months, with the family of J. P. Condo. Mr. Freiby has accepted a position with a starch company in Boston, and will go on the road next week.

Miss Ida Keen and T. C. Miller, of Woodward, spent Sunday at the home of D. L. Zerby.

Millheim was quite lively last week; Monday Benjamin Gentzell, of Bellefonte, disposed of a car load of horses, the average price of which was \$165.00, and on Thursday Mr. Reed, of Iowa, offered a car load, all of which were sold at very good prices. Mr. Gentzell will bring another lot to town in the near future.

Moving seems to be quite the thing this week; one can look out at most any time of the day and see a string of wagons passing through the streets loaded with household goods.

**Farmers Mills.**

Miss Lotie Rishel is very ill at this writing.

Calvin Garbrick moved to Nittany Valley Thursday, where he will farm the old homestead.

Samuel Wise moved to Georges Valley Friday.

Andrew Korman moved to Spring Mills.

John Rishel made a business trip to Lock Haven Friday.

David Rea-lick made a business trip to Bellefonte Thursday.

G. R. Meiss sent his candy stand to M. L. Rishel's sale Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Weaver moved to her property in Georges Valley Tuesday.

F. Homan left for Lewistown Monday where he will work in the shops. Some of the farmers have commenced plowing.

**Oak Hall.**

Cold weather for the 1st of April.

Wesley Tate and wife spent Sunday with Mrs. Tate's parents, at Tusseyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Eiters spent Friday at Bellefonte, his brother, Calvin, had charge of the mill during his absence.

A. J. Tate, of Shiloh, spent Saturday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Dale, of Houserville, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Wm. Rishel is on the sick list. Miss Myrtle Williams is stopping at the home of Wm. Rishel.

John Snyder, of Centre Hall, was in town Tuesday.

Samuel Knopf met with an accident while cutting down trees in the mountain; a limb flew back and struck him on the right hand fracturing it.

**Tusseyville.**

Charles Mitterling spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mitterling, at this place.

Most of the schools of this district will close Friday, April 4th.

Mrs. Oliver Love has been ill the last few days with paralysis, and is not improving.

Thomas Swartz spent Easter in Bellefonte and Lock Haven.

Mrs. J. Condo, of Spring Mills, spent the last few weeks with the family of A. F. Heckman, at this place.

D. R. Foreman moved to Colyer the 1st of April.

If you have buggy repairing to do, call on J. T. Lee, Centre Hall.

Linoleum for your floors, prices right—C. P. Long.

**TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.**

**HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.**

Our Bill Well shoes for \$2.50 are hand-made, Yeager & Davis.

Call and examine our \$2.50 Bill Well shoe for men, Yeager & Davis.

Randall Musser, of State College, spent his Easter vacation with his parents, on East Main street.

Miss Bertha Wolf returned from Williamsport Saturday at which place she has been for the past few months.

Plans and specifications have been accepted for a new Reformed church at Lewistown to cost \$15000. The structure will be of gray brick with brown stone trimmings.

Everybody's Magazine for April is just what the name implies—suited to everybody's tastes. There is not an article within its cover that is not worth the price of the magazine.

The Lewistown and the Reedsville water companies merged their interests, the Reedsville company purchasing the 1250 shares representing the entire original stock of the Lewistown company.

Domer Emerick has become clerk to Postmaster George M. Boal. The selection is a good one. Young Emerick is a young man of whom it is predicted that he will pay strict attention to business first; other things afterwards.

Dr. L. M. Coffelt, of Philadelphia, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the Pennsylvania, State College in June and Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation will deliver the commencement oration.

J. W. Smith, the dairyman, on April 1st, was out with a new wagon from which milk and cream was served to his customers in all parts of the town. Heretofore the milkman pushed his cart, but now he sits in a closed wagon, and a faithful horse bears the burden.

Last Saturday D. F. Luse shipped sixty hydrants to the Berwind White Coal Company, at Winber, Somerset county. A few weeks ago he received a request from the Cambria Steel Co., of Johnstown, to put in a bid for the supplying of one hundred and thirty hydrants.

W. H. Kuhn, of Jersey Shore, father of Mrs. S. W. Smith, made his annual visit to her last week and remained over Sunday. His reports of Jersey Shore and Oak Grove are very rosy, indicating that the newspaper booms of those places have not been much exaggerated.

Besides a capital assortment of fiction, McClure's Magazine for April contains four articles of exceptional interest, one of which is of very present importance. This is "The Overworked President," by Lincoln Steffens. In form a straightforward narrative of a day passed at the White House.

T. F. Meyer, who two weeks ago moved from Aaronburg to Coburn, was in Centre Hall Tuesday to pay his brother, Merchant W. H. Meyer a visit. Mr. Meyer is at present not actively engaged in business, but it may be safely said that a man of his ability and tact will not play the part of a drone longer than necessary.

Saturday evening brought out a large number of people—young, old and middle-aged—from the country districts. Towns like Centre Hall are largely dependent on the surrounding country districts for trade in all branches of business, and it is an indication of healthy business conditions where there is an influx from those sections.

James A. Keller, of near this place, today, Thursday, will start south on an extended tour, taking in Baltimore, Washington, and the Charleston Exposition. He will also spend some time with his son, Rev. John H. Keller, at Mt. Pleasant, Cabarrus county, North Carolina, where he is serving a reformed charge and devoting some time to teaching in a school.

Rev. S. H. Dietzel, who for some few years has been serving a Reformed charge at Cavetown, Maryland, has accepted a call to Maytown, Lancaster county, and is in that field at present. The new charge is composed of but one congregation, while the Maryland charge had three, which will make the pastorate more desirable, and especially so when Rev. Dietzel's physical condition is taken into account.

Moving day, April 1st, was not the kind of day desired by those who were obliged to sit, and many there were who belonged to that class. Daylight revealed a half inch of snow, and for several hours in the morning a brisk west wind piped around the corners, much in imitation of the January tune played by that element; toward noon it moderated some, but the day was rough and unpleasant throughout.