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#### MASONIC HOME AND ORPHANAGE.

Bellefoute Lodge Will Make Effort to Have Institutions Located in this County.

The Democratic Watchman in its last issue has this to say :

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Free and Accepted Masons have now in hand a fund of \$1,500,000 with which they intend building a magnificent home for aged and feeble Masons and their wives, and also have in prospect the erec ion of a school where the orphans of Masons can be educated until they arrive at the age of eighteen years. This fund is the result of numerous bequests of deceased Masons made for this especial purpose and no other. The fraternity the patrons of the office. already has two such homes in this state, one in the eastern part of the state and one in the western, and it is the idtention to erect the proposed state.

The project has been under consid-Lodge has appointed the following last fiscal year. committee of prominent Masons to select a suitable location : Hon. George B. Orlady, of Huntingdon, chairman ; Hon. George W. Guthrin, Pittsburg; Spencer Gibbs, Harrisburg; J. B. Krouse, Williamsport; Hon. L. A. Waters, Scranton; J. Henry Williams, Philadelphia, Edgar Tennis, Thompsontown; David A. Louden, Erie; W. T. Gorgas, Harrisburg, and John Gaft, of Chester.

A number of locations have already been offered the committee and about two months ago the Bellefonte Lodge, No. 268, took the matter up and decided to endeavor to secure the home and school for Centre county. To this end a committee was appointed composed of the following gentlemen: Col. J. L. Spangler, chairman; Dr. J. Allison Platts, John P. Harris, Hon. Ellis L. Orvis, H. C. Quigley and Robert F. Hunter, of Belletonte ; M. S. McDoweil and Dr. William Frear, of State College. This committee already has several very desirable sites in view and upon their invitation the committee of the Grand Lodge will visit Bellefonte some time during the month of May to look over the ground when they will be given a big reception by the Bellefonte Lodge:

Probably the most desirable site the local committee has in prospect is the Moses Thompson estate at Centre ing land would afford grounds for all seed. emergencies. In addition it has a large venience to the Pennsylvania State posters. College is an advantage of no little could enter the college and complete their education. The only possible objection that might be raised against locating the home and buildings there fore always been an object on the part of members of the order to have their homes so located that travelers in passing by on a train could see it. Whether this objection can be overcome in this instance remains to ve seen, but in make a hard try for it.

Born in China. A son was born to Rev. and Mrs. Charles S. Keen, in China, Monday of last week. Mrs. Keen, before marriage

was Miss Marion Fischer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Fischer, now of Shamokin. The child and mother, according to a cablegram received at Shamokin, are doing well. It will require six weeks to receive further news by mail.

#### **Susseyville Money Order Office**

The postoffice department has designated Tusseyville postoffice a money order office, to take effect April 1st. C. W. Swartz, the postmaster, will now be able to better accommodate

Fourth Class Postmaster Examination. The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on Saturnew home in the central part of the day, April 24th, an examination will he held at Oak Hall Station, Pa., for the position of fourth class pos'master eration for a year or more but has of class (b) at Linden Hall, Pennsylnow progressed so far that the Grand vania. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$193 for the

Application forms and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from Linden Hall postoffice or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

#### Keith's Theatre.

At Keith's Theatre, Philadelphia, this week the chief attraction is " The County Fair," presented by Neil Burgess and his strong company. Edwina Barry and company have a play of quite a different order, entitled 'The Home Breaker," and which has to do with a young minister and his household. Music lovers enjoy the six musical Nosses who appear in their Spanish festival, "In Old Seville." The Mirza-Golem troupe are the lates' importations, being athletes from Persia. Nelson and Otto make their first appearance as comedienne and pianist; The Jack Wilson trio are 'burnt-cork corkers " with a funny skit. Then there are other cyclists, acrobats and comedians.

# LOCALS Spring is but five days old.

The Emery store has opened for business and is much changed in

FROM BELOIF, KANSAS. Brief Account of a Trip to Old Mexico

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1909.

Described by Former Centre Countian, In a letter to his brother, D. K.

Geise, in Centre Hall, Jacob K. Geiss, here :

Wheat through this section of Kansas is short, owing to late sowing to ing of his death, but was apparently Such enlargement would provide until after a frost, the fly will do no came without a struggle. His age was harm. Wheat is worth \$1 02 and corn 55 cents. We sold 2500 bushels of corn fifteen days. and have about the same amount yet to sell.

Since my last letter to you I made a trip with an excursion party to the church the deceased was a member for most southern point of Old Mexico, many years, officiating. called the isthmus of Tehauntepec We had a most enjoyable trip. On the way we spent a Sunday in Mexico City, and while there visited a num- the elder Spicher with his family ber of historical churches, one of which was the Guadeleufee. A guide took us underneath the church, where the dead of years ago are stored away. There were eight of us in the party, and someone remarked that it reminded them of the inquisition.

After dinner we went to the bull fight. I stayed only for the beginning of the program. After a bull had gored a horse to death and the matador had exhibited his skill in avoiding the vicious charges of the infuriated bull, and then, while the beast was ready for a charge, the ponierd was striking the vitals. As soon as the twenty-nine years ago. bull fell, the animal was killed by striking the vertebrae with a stilletto. To me the whole scen- was a sicken- Illinois; Mrs. Sarah Snyder, Centre ing one, but I was the only one of our Hall, Michael H., and Miss Kate, party who left

Those who remained tell me that seven bulls were killed, and the bulls killed eight horses. The poor horse ! He had no chance for his life, but was effort to get him out of the bull's terment was made at Aaronsburg. range. The scene was too cruel for me, of Mexico.

From Mexico City we went on south | was a 2nd Lieutenant. over the Mexico Central railroad, and In September 1865 he was married at when we got to Orizala, we found we Farmers Mills to Miss Catherine Fishwere in the land of oranges, pine ap- er, daughter of Adam Fisher. In the ples and bananas. Venders sold a following year he opened a store at basket of oranges, containing one- Farmers Mills, and in 1869 removed to professor will also specialize, devoting Potatoes are scarce in this section. third of a bushel, for twenty-five cents Feidler, in Haines township. In the much of his time to study. Furnace. It is nicely located and its Many farmers do not have enough of our money, or fifty cents Mexican fall of 1873 he located at Aaronsburg, where he resided until 1894, when he When we got to the land we went to retired from active business. Miss ('arrie Spicher is making sale see, the managers had two hundred His wife died about twelve years ago and never failing spring of the purest of a lot of household goods Saturday and fifty horses ready for us to mount but he leaves the following children

Plans for Enlarging Court House. In the office of the County Commissioners may be seen drawings made by

eporter.

Architect Cole, for the enlargement of | HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST the county court house. The plans of Beloit, Kansas, tells some things of Spicher, which occurred Thursday provide for an extension of twelve feet general interest, which are reprinted forenoon of last week, was quite un- on each side and twenty feet in the expected. He required more or less rear, so that the front would not be assistance to arise from bed the morn- destroyed of its architectural beauty.

avoid the ravages of the Hessian fly, in about his usual condition, and ate ample vault room for the various Farmers have learned that if wheat his breakfast with a relish. Soon after county offices, while on the first floor does not come through the ground this he again laid down, and death of the rear extension a heating plant could be installed to heat the court seventy-seven years, ten months and house and the jail. The second floor could be used for library, jury and Rebersburg to Coburn, two trips

additions proposed will be erected re- Bierly, of Smullton. mains to be seen.

# From Jersey Shore.

baker, formerly from the south side of Potter township writes the Reporter thus:

Commercial affairs in Jersey Shore, the Spicher homestead west of Old like in all other towns, seem to be on Fort, where the subject of this sketch the standstill, yet an inventory of our business proved very gratifying, conof two or three years, until he located sidering the condition of things all in Centre Hall, eight years ago. He over the country. We are steadily inspent the whole of his life up to the creasing our sales, but we will heartily welcome the time when business assumes a more prosperous appearance. Should any of my old acquaintance in old Centre come to Jersey Shore, we will consider ourselves highly favored to have them call on us, and look over our place of business, and visit us socially. Through the Rethrust between the shoulder blades, Spicher, nee Korman, died about porter we are keeping in touch with our old acquaintances, which keeps kindled the old love for Centre county miles east of Milroy. Morris Long, of

# Granted Leave of Absence.

The executive committee of State College has granted a sixteen months' leave of absence to Prof. H. P. Baker from July 1, and a year's leave to Prof. F. L. Pattee.

some time in June, for Germany. He 18 and 19. will spend the summer in the Hartz so I went to see the summer residence ship. During the Civil War he served mountains and in the fall will take up special work in the University of Munich. During his absence abroad he will visit India, Java, Austria, the Philippine and Hawaiian Islands. Prof Pattee will sail from Montreal June 26, and take in England, Ger- Emanuel Confer. many and Italy on his itinerary. The

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

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FROM ALL PARTS.

Take work easy during the first few days of spring.

Melvin Snyder, the student from Lemont station, was sent to Watsontown M tower.

Samuel Ertle, Mrs. Jane Weaver, James T. Foust, all living in Georges Valley, were among the sick last week. The contract to carry the mail from waiting rooms. Whether or not the daily, has been awarded to Wallace

Claude W. Smith, late manager of the local branch store of Montgomery & Co., at State College, has acquired John E. Bottorf, the Jersey Shore full control, and has taken possession. Fred Zettle, of Georges Valley, had the misfortune to have one of his best horses die for him last week. He will be obliged to buy a horse to fill out a team.

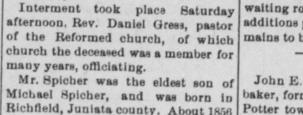
> Merchant F. A. Carson, of Potters Mills, has been seriously ill during the past ten days. He first suffered from a serious case of the mumps, and later pneumonia developed.

> The Tyrone Herald is happy because it finds that Tyrone is not feeling the financial depression, and that during the coming summer there will be a number of buildings erected within the city limits.

George H. Ripks, of Potters Mills, was a caller Saturday. Tuesday he moved to the John Sterrett farm, two Spring Mills, accompanied him, and will be his right hand man on the farm.

The eighth annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of the West Susquehanna classis of the Reformed church, will be held in the Mt. Bethel Reformed church, Nittany Prof. Baker will sail with his family Valley, Tuesday and Wednesday, May

> The festival given by Millheim Fire Company No. 1, Saturday afternoon and evening was a success financially. The receipts were \$97, leaving a clear balance for the Company \$60. The watch that was chanced off was won by W. J. Throssell and the pig by



for

Michael Spicher, and was born in Richfield, Juniata county. About 1856 moved to Centre county, locating on lived all the time, with the exception

DEATHS,

JOHN H. SPICHER

several years the death of John H.

Although in delicate health

time of retiring on the farm. He was the father of eight children, two of whom died when quite small. The surviving are James M., Cresson; Charles F., Anderson, Indiana; Mrs. Robert Zerby, Uniontown; Korman, Philadelphia; Calvin G., Wilkinsburg; Miss Carrie A., at home. Mrs.

Two brothers and two sisters also survive, namely, Isaac, Elwood, and its people. Pleasant Gap.

MICHAEL M. MUSSER. After an illness of about two months,

Michael M. Musser died at the home blindfolded, and his rider made no of his daughter, in State College. In-Mr. Musser was born in Miles townof President Diaz, the "White House" in Co. K, 15th Pennsylvania Cavalry, and at the time of his discharge he

MAURICE LODER.

ed from these injuries he contracted

seventy-three years ago. She was mar-

ried to Wm. Harpster, who died more

than thirty years ago. She leaves two

David James, who for many years

has lived on a farm near Black Bear,

[Other Deaths on Inside page.]

Transfer of "eal Estate,

Hoy, tract of land in Walker twp. \$950

John Wood et ux to Walker Fbut , March 11, 1909; tract of land in Haines twp. \$55.

Matilda A. Dale to Sarah J. Richel. twp. \$75.

Celia Merbach et ux to Joseph Lubeck, March 12, 1909; tract of land in Philipsburg boro. \$2,000.

Warren Bower, Feb. 27, 1908; house coming week. and lot in Aaronsburg. \$580.

I. P. Bickle et ux to I. V. McKinley, Jan. 5, 1909; tract of land in Boggs twp. \$650

Harry J. Beck et ux to Harry C. Crain et al, March 10, 1909; tract of W. Kreamer, in Centre Hall, who is land in Philipsburg. \$600

Caroline W. Furst et al exrs to S. R. McCartney, Aug. 11, 1907; tract of and was interested in fruit orchards in laud in Howard twp \$1250.

Change in Rural Mail Route.

will please erect boxes if they desire rural service. G. M. BOAL,

Postmaster.

Even the family tree may have its parasites.

appearance. five hundred or more acres of undulat- tubers for their own consumption and money, and we all bought.

water on the premises, and its cou- afternoon. See sale register and to make a tour of in-pection. Each of William, of Northumberland ; Charles

merit; as once through the Masonic Confer, of Howard, was badly injured school the young men and women by mother horse treading on him. A gash twelve inches in length was cut The agents sold to our party about six on the animal's shoulder.

The Surquehanna University Glee is the fact that it is not on the main the court house, Bellefonte, next Tue -Club will give an entertainment in day evening, for the benefit of the Lutheran church in that town.

> W. P. Lingle, of near Spring Mills, was a caller Monday, having come to town on a bit of business. Mr. Lingle gaged on farms.

Jesse Hartsock, who had been en-

we k was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. When Mr. Baird lived near Plessant of corn. Gap, they were neighbors.

The Cambria Iron and Steel Com-April 16, 1908; tract of land in College pany's limestone quarries, located at

Naginey Station, on the Milroy branch of the Pennsylvania Rairoad, have been ordered on double time.

This quarry has orders for 7000 tons of Edward G. Mingle, admr., to J. cfushed limestone (140 cars) for the

Mrs. Chestie Foust, of Greenfield, Indiana, who for the past few months has been in and about Rebersburg among relatives, for several days this week was the guest of Merchant H a cousin. Before locating in Indiana, Mrs. Foust had been in New Mexico,

that section.

Messra. Fred Leathers and A. C. Leathers, of Howard, Misses Rebecca Today (Thursday) the rural route Hewey, State College, and Kathryn from Centre Hall will be extended as Parker, Bellefonte, were in Centre follows : Instead of crossing by Meyer Hall Thursday evening in the interand Rhone farms, the carrier will go est of the Leathers Brotners real estate west to Fergus Potter's, thence south agency. The Leathers are doing a by Charles Weaver's to Lloyd Brown's, good business at State College because thence east to Boai's, thence north to they are offering the best investments Leonard Rhone's farm, then retrace to that can be made. College towns, you Boal's corner to intersect original will recall, seldom, if ever, feel the route. Patrons on the new addition effects of financial disturbances. The state appropriates regularly, and the youths must be educated in the times of depression as well as when business is brisk, consequently the investments in towns where such public institu-tions are located always prove profit-

the natives who accompanied us car- and Edward, of Philadelphia, and A valuable horse belonging to Henry ried a machetta, an implement re- Mrs. Mary Elwards, of State College. sembling a corn knife, which was used to cut a way through the undergrowth. A sad death at Howard Thursday thousand acres at from \$8.00 to \$9.00

> per acre. I was none of the purchasers. I would not want to live there, but the trip was a fine one. We had our own train in which we not only traveled,

but ate and slept for fifteen days. Before returning we bathed in the gulf of Tehauntepec at Salina Cruz, on has two sons located in the west, one I stopped to see W. S. Search and the Pacific ocean. On my way home any event the local committee will Robert W., in Illinois, and Jerome, in family, at Shawnee, Oklahoma, and at South Dakota, both of whom are en- Girard, Kansas, to visit brother Daniel days, and is survived by his parents

and family and J. C. Brisbin and chil- and one sister, Alics. dren. Like I said before, the trip was H. S. Truckmiller et ux to Marietta gaged in the Aitoona car shops, but a fice one, but I have no regrets that I who is now out of employment, last purchased eighty acres adjoining my plication of diseases Mrs. Fannie farm on the Solomon river. That is Harpster died at the home of her W H. Baird, of near Centre Hall. where my son raised the 5300 oushels daughter, Mrs. H. A. Elder, on the

#### Two A. bor Days in April,

Governor Stuart appointed April 2d and 23d as Arbor days.

## J. D. Murray's Unusual Offer.

"It isn't often that I have faith enough in the medicine put up by other people to be willing to offer to refund the money if it does not cure," said J. D. Murray to a Centre Reporter Shultz, of the Lutheran church, ofman who dropped into his store, " but ficiated. I am glad to sell Dr. Howard's specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia on that basis.

"The Dr. Howard Company, in just over the line in Clearfield county, order to get a quick introductory sale died of asthma and dropsy. He was a authorized me to sell the regular fiftycent bottles at half-price, 25 cents, and years of age. When a young man he although I have sold a lot of it, and have guaranteed every package, not blacksmithing trade but years ago one has been brought back as unsatisfactory. ried and in addition to his wife is sur-

"There are sixty doses in a vial that vived by three children, one son, can be carried in the vest pocket or purse, and every one has more medicinal power than a big pill or taulet or a tumbler of mineral water.

" I am still selling the specific at half-price, although I cannot tell how long I shall be able to do so, and anyone who is subject to constipation, fifty-six years. He was a farmer, and is worked by every one. sick headache, dizziness, liver trouble, indigestion or a general played out condition, ought to take advantage of

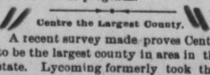
Centre Reporter, \$1.00 per year.

# No Liquor Advertisements.

The Lewistown Democrat & Sentinel says that already, as a result of the refusal of liquor licenses by our court. application for space in the advertising columns of The Sentinel is being made by outside liquor dealers. The publishers of The Sentinel have decided, however, notwithstanding the business of the outside dealers, that out of deference to the action of the court evening was that of Maurice Loder, and the pronounced public sentiment, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Loder. In and with a desire to aid the efforts to December, while driving along the promote temperance in the community road near Beech Creek his wagon was they will hereafter accept no adverstruck by the New York Central pass- tisements of alcoholic drinks of any enger train and he was seriously in- kind. ured internally. When about recover-

#### Odd Fellow's Anniversary.

pneumonia, which finally caused his The session of the Pennsylvania Odd death. The young man was aged ticipate, either with their own organi- of insurance. Following a long illness from a comzation or join with some other. There Branch, Tuesday of last week. She was a daughter of Emanuel and Sophia Hart. Other speaking and exercises Gates, and was born at Tadpole over will be on the program.



children, James Harpster, of Roopsstate. Lycoming formerly took that dispose of the deer. burg, and Mrs. Elder ; also one broth er, Martin Gates, of Petersburg, and rank, but Centre county was found to one sister, Mrs. Emanuel Sunday, of second. Centre has an area of 1227 Pennsy vania Furnace. Rev. J. S. square miles. Lycoming comes next

### The Best Comic Foatures.

If you want a comic section which native of Wales and was seventy-two The Philadelphia Press every Sunday, for you and the children will find it came to this country and learned the very interesting.

The children will amuse themselves went to farming. He was twice marfor hours reading about Hairbreadth Harry, the famous boy hero, and his

After an illness of over a year from a kills time, and Mr. Grouch never fails vania Railroad Company to recover complication of diseases, Green Wat- to amuse. Cumsy Claude is always son, a well known resident of Boggs trying to help his father, but generaltownship, died Sunday a week, aged ly lands in trouble, and Mr. Softleigh set afire by sparks from the Bald

a member of the well known Watson | The comic features are all drawn by family of Bald Eagle Valley. He is best comic artists in America exclusurvived by his wife, who was Miss sively for The Philadelphia Press appealed by the railroad, which Mary Jane Mann, of Howard, and four They will entertain the old as well as the young, Have The Philadelphia Press delivered to your home every

W. Howard Durst will be located for the next year at Bucknell, one-half mile west of Lewisburg. It will be remembered he sold his farm, near Lewisburg, and also made public sale of his stock and implements. He expects to devote the next year to hauling, having retained a team and wagon.

Pine Grove Mills and surrounding territory will more than likely be served over a rural mail route after July 1st, at which time the contract for carrying mail between State College and that point by the Bellefonte Central railroad will cease. Under the rural mail delivery system there will be but one mail each day.

According to a statement made by D. K. Keller, secretary of the Centre County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, commonly known as the Granger Company, there has been but one loss, and that a small one, during Fellows' anniversary association will the past three months. It looks as seventeen years, seven months and six be held at Danville, Tuesday, April though the tide would turn, and the 27. There will be a parade in which Grange Company again stand among all Odd Fellows are requested to par- the companies having the lowest rate

> A buck deer was caught at Jerry will be present a number of grand of Uorman's saw mill, back of Woodficers, and other prominent Odd Fel- ward. The deer was driven from the lows. The anniversary address will be mountain by dogs and laid down at delivered by Past Grand Master B. H. the saw mill entirely exhausted. It was covered with ice showing that it had been in the water. The deer did not struggle when caught, and was put into J. L. Kreamer's barn for safe A recent survey made proves Centre Reeping. The game warden for that to be the largest county in area in the district was at once notified who will

> George R. Meek, of the Democratic stand at the head, with Lycoming Watchman, purchased an automobile, and no doubt will be a more frequent with an area of 1213 square miles, and The Reporter has no notion of buying visitor to nearby points in the future. an automobile or flying machine, but just now it is sending out bills the returns from which will be used in payis really humorous-one you can enjoy and the groceryman. After these have ing bills due the butcher, the baker, and which will make you laugh, buy been satisfied, the Reporter will be content to spin over the country behind the old brown mare, that will pass an automobile any day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor, of Beech Creek township, Clinton counadventures ; Lucky Mike; John, Poor ty, decided to settle a suit which two Homer, living at Scotia, this county. John; Mrs. Rummage, the great years ago they brought in the Clinton bargain fiend; Mrs. Time Killer, who county courts against the Penneyldamages for the burning of their house, barn and other out-buildings, Eagle division passenger engine. At that time they were awarded \$1,800 damages by the jury, but the case was offered to comptomise by paying \$1,200 cash, damages, and all costs of both sides, which was accepted by Mr. and Mr. Taylor.

sons and two daughters.