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THE LECTURE COURSE.

Five Attractions Secured from the Central Lyceum—Two Musicals, Three Lectures.

The Centre Hall Lecture Course committee met at the home of Rev. S. A. Snyder to entertain propositions by John D. Arnold, of Harrisburg, who is the owner of the Central Lyceum, of Harrisburg, covering this district. A contract was closed with this representative for the following numbers:

The Hearon Sisters Concert Company is composed of four ladies, and their entertainment is both vocal and instrumental. They will be here some time in November.

Byron C. Platt, lecturer. Mr. Platt is an exceptionally strong lecturer. He is superior to many of the public men who in politics have gained notoriety which permits them to command high prices as lecturers. He is an orator, and is in a class of lecturers not heretofore heard in Centre Hall, and is booked for the month of December.

For the January entertainment, Spillman Riggs has been secured. He is a humorous lecturer and character delineator, but of a different type than Mr. Ratto who entertained last year.

The Orphean Musical Club, a quartette, is the February attraction. One of their number is a cartoonist, and another an impersonator. They have such a variety of good things, besides the music, that the hall will scarcely be able to accommodate those who will want to hear and see them.

Lincoln McConnell, a lecturer, will be able to close the course in March without fear of being a stumbling block for the coming year's success. Usually courses are arranged to close with a musical with the sole view of creating enthusiasm that will aid in preparing the following year's work. Mr. Arnold insured the committee that Mr. McConnell was a lecturer of a type that would be able to leave a lasting impression.

These five attractions were sold last year by the Central Lyceum for the sum of \$420. This statement will give the readers an idea of their value in the estimation of other course committees in larger towns than Centre Hall.

It is proposed by the local committee to sell course tickets for the five numbers for one dollar. This can only be done because of the fact that no one is making a profit. An announcement along this line will come later.

States New Instructors.

The executive committee of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania State College made the following additions to the faculty:

Joseph L. Appleton, of Hamilton College; Guy Chiesman, of Lake Forest University and Francis B. Kingsbury, of Harvard University, to be instructors in chemistry; Miss Amy I. Pest, of Fergus Falls, Minn., to be instructor in domestic science, and Milton W. Eddy, of Northwestern University, to be instructor in Entomology.

Professors Stewart, Noll and Myers were given a year's leave of absence for study.

Application was made to the Prussian government for an interchange of teachers in German and English.

List Corrections.

The Reporter subscription list was corrected this week, and those who paid subscription between February 1st and April 4th will find their credits have appeared for the first time. The pink label used on this issue simply calls attention to the fact that credits have been given. The pink label appears on all papers this week, no matter if subscription is paid in advance or not.

The returns on subscriptions during the past two months have been very liberal, and for this the editor is very thankful.

If you find an error on your label, please do not defer notifying this office.

Homan-Bitterling.

Saturday evening John Homan and Miss Margaret Bitterling, both of Centre Hall, were united in marriage at the Lutheran parsonage, Centre Hall, by Rev. B. F. Bieber. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan, of near Centre Hall, and is an industrious and honorable young man. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mitterling. Congratulations.

Your tongue is coated. Your breath is foul. Headaches come and go. These symptoms show that your stomach is the trouble. To remove the cause is the first thing, and Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will do that. Easy to take and most effective. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

Architect Joseph M. Huston is now on trial for his part in the capitol graft.

From Nebraska.

The following letter, received last week from J. Newton Erhard, located at Inavale, Nebraska, shows what can be done in the way of raising hogs and cattle in his locality. Mr. Erhard is a son of the late William Erhard, who for many years lived in the vicinity of Centre Hall, and a brother of George Erhard, at Old Fort. He went west some years ago, and the letter indicates that he has been prospering. Mr. Erhard says:

We just finished husking corn, and there is quite a lot unhusked in the section. We got "snowed in" the first of December, and remained that way until the middle of February. It was a hard winter, mercury falling as low as twenty degrees below zero.

The winter was very unfavorable for fattening cattle and hogs but we are now getting advanced prices on account of it. I had one car load of sixty-four head ten month old hogs on Kansas City market, March 17, that netted me \$1474.42. They sold for \$10.55 per hundred weight.

On the same day I sold on the same market fifty-five head of cattle, which netted me \$2641.62. They sold at from \$4.00 to \$6.40 per hundred weight.

Three yearling calves sold for nine cents per pound.

Horses and mules are as high as the sun. Corn had been sixty cents all winter, but it is back to fifty cents now. Prairie hay sells for \$5.00 per ton and alfalfa for \$8.00 per ton, in the stack.

LOCALS.

If it is Halley's comet that gave us the May weather in March, it ought to be petitioned to come each spring.

"How dry I am" has become a more popular song than a feeling, and it might even be changed to "how dry it is."

John Horner, the south side mason, Thursday of last week began the foundation wall for the extension of the Centre Hall railroad station.

The Rev. E. F. Foust, who for four years was pastor of the Reformed churches at Fort London, Fannettsburg and Richmond, Franklin county, has accepted a call to Howard.

The contributors to the April Human Life include Alfred Henry Lewis, Charles Edward Russell, Rufus H. Gilmore, Laverne A. Barber, William T. Prosper, Anne Hathaway, Edwin Wildman, and a host of others.

Contractor John D. Lucas and assistants, Messrs. Irvin Zettle and Frank Wert, both of Spring Mills, and skilled mechanics, have a large amount of work to do this summer. They will be engaged at State College for a part of the time.

State College lodge of Odd Fellows elected these officers for the ensuing term: Noble grand, A. J. Weibly; vice grand, George B. Jackson; secretary, E. S. Erb; financial secretary, C. H. Evey; trustee, Clark Herman. Installation took place last Monday night.

Diarrhoea should be cured without loss of time and by medicine which like Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy not only cures promptly but produces no unpleasant after effects. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

Among last week's callers was J. R. Smetzier, of near Potlows Mills. He is contentedly living in a farming district and finds an abundance of employment among the farmers. When the first of the year comes, he never need concern himself about being "warned out" for he owns his own home.

Bruce B. Gramley, of Spring Mills, a graduate of Pennsylvania State College, class of 1908, and who for a year was with the General Electric Company, at Schenectady, New York, is now located at Waukegan, Illinois, forty miles north of Chicago, where he is an inspector with the North Shore Electric Company.

The cows are anxiously looking over the barn yard fence into the green fields, and this reminds one that it is time to prepare for the increased quantity of milk that may be expected when pasturing time comes. This preparation can best be made by securing the latest improved type of cream separator, which is acknowledged by all to be the DeLaval, sold by D. W. Bradford, Centre Hall.

Asher C. Confer, of near Spring Mills, and William Confer, of near Potlows Mills, were among the Reporter's first of April callers. Mr. Confer is a farmer, and is endeavoring to build up his farm by using lime to induce the growth of the clovers, which method is correct from a scientific and practical standpoint. Joseph K. Confer, a brother of the former, was also a caller recently. He owns the farm in Georges Valley, formerly the property of Michael Decker, deceased, and is also applying good sensible methods in conducting farming operations.

SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS.

The Ben Greet Company to produce Two of them This Week.

On Saturday, April 9th, the Ben Greet players return to State College to present these two merry, mirth provoking comedies, "Twelfth Night" and a "Midsummer Night's Dream." Their coming is awakening great interest among all lovers of the best in dramatic art and their engagement is sure to be one of the most successful of the present season.

The Auditorium stage will be decorated with fresh greens, in order that the woodland effect may be carried out in detail as it was in Shakespeare's time, when the play was enacted on the green sward of a small castle or in the courtyard of some inn.

The College orchestra will play at both performances, in the evening giving the complete Mendelssohn score to a Midsummer Night's Dream.

As the greater portion of the proceeds is to be donated to the free lecture course to be given at State College, the plays ought to be generously patronized.

Planted White Pine Trees.

About four acres on Rhonemede farm have been planted to white pine trees, the same having been purchased from the state department by Hon. Leonard Rhone. Twenty-seven hundred of this species of trees were planted last week, and about a thousand last year, making a total of almost four thousand. The plot is near the Rhonemede farm buildings.

Peach Blossoms in Kansas.

Benjamin Muser, president of the Citizens' State Bank, in Jewell, Kansas writes the Reporter thus under date of April 1st:

"We are having freaky weather. March has been unusually warm and wind velocity unusually high. This morning it is quite cool, but no danger of frost. Peach and apple trees are in full bloom."

Pine Grove Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. George O'Bryan, of Axe Mann, spent Sunday at the home of Walter O'Bryan.

Luther Fishburn, who is employed in Green's drug store, spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Maud Decker and brothers, Homer and Edward, visited their parents over Sunday.

Miss Mandella Smith spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. Osman, of State College.

Miss Effie Smith, of State College, visited at the home of her uncle, James Smith.

Master Ralph Heberling, of State College, spent the Easter vacation with his grandparents at this place.

William Roush and wife visited a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Martz, at Mackeyville.

Wm. J. Dale transacted business in Bellefonte last Thursday.

Ursinus Muser moved from the Mary Ard house on main street to his own house on Water street. Frank Smith moved into the house vacated by Miss Maud Johnson, teacher of the primary school, has been at her home in Bellefonte for the past week on account of the illness of her mother.

Georges Valley.

J. B. Ripka spent a few days in Pleasant Gap last week with his brother, Stewart Ripka.

Miss Abbie Barger, of State College, visited her parents over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Foust spent last Saturday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Reeder.

Mrs. Eva Miller, of Lock Haven, and Milford Garret, of Petersburg, were visitors at the home of J. C. Barger over Sunday.

Mrs. F. B. Herman and two sons, William and Howard, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Haugh.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Ripka were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Ripka's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lingie.

Pleasant Gap.

John Carson is very poorly at this writing at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Houser.

A. M. Kerstetter and John Noll made a business trip to State College on Monday.

Mrs. Sarah Corl is very poorly at this writing.

William Coldren still continues to improve and expects to come home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brooks, of Altoona, spent Easter at their homes in this place.

Wallace Kerstetter and family, also landlord Stover and family, all of Coburn, spent Sunday at the home of William Kerstetter.

Long Term of Tenancy.

In Gregg township there are two farmers, Messrs. Matthias Weagley and Robert D. Musser who have a record for long terms of tenancy. Both are tenants on Allison farms, and Mr. Weagley, who called at this office last week, had much praise for his landlord. He began farming where he now lives, northwest of Spring Mills, and has lived there continuously for twenty-five years.

Mr. Musser, who is Mr. Weagley's neighbor, has a record of twenty-three years on one farm, but for several years previous to moving to his present location, farmed in Georges Valley. Of course, there no doubt are others who have just as long records as tenants as these gentlemen, but yet the term is uncommon.

LOCALS.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Knarr.

W. J. Carlin, Esq., of Rebersburg, advertises for sale a black horse.

The railroad between Lewistown Junction and Sunbury will have a Sunday train in the near future.

John Confer, of near the Red Mill, is improving his property by weather boarding the house, and making other repairs.

Wallace White, of Axe Mann, will engage in the business of well drilling. He purchased a new machine, and is now ready to begin work.

Prompt relief in all cases of throat and lung trouble if you use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pleasant to take, soothing and healing in effect. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

Mrs. Charles A. Lester, of near Potlows Mills, called in the absence of the editor, but she did not fail to arrange that a good dollar dropped into the Reporter's till to pay her subscription for the next year.

The gables on the Presbyterian manse are being re-weatherboarded by John D. Lucas and assistants. The old weatherboarding permitted the rain to go through it, and considerable damage was done to the interior.

The continuous drought last summer made it impossible for many colonies of bees to gather enough honey to sustain them during the winter months, and as a result there are numerous empty hives this spring. The local bee keepers have had a heavy percent of losses.

The meeting announced to be held at State College, on Friday, under the auspices of the Centre County Fruit Growers Association, of which Cyrus Brungart is president, has been canceled, owing to the fact that it interferes with other and somewhat similar meetings being held in the county.

After assisting to care for her son Arney Lee, in Allegheny, since the latter part of January, Mrs. Lee returned to Centre Hall last week, and is now with her daughter, Mrs. George Breen, west of Centre Hall. Mr. Lee has so far recovered from a severe attack of typhoid pneumonia that he was able to be about in the house before his mother left him.

Messrs. C. E. Royer and S. L. Condo, of Spring Mills, were in Centre Hall on business on Saturday. Mr. Royer will open a select school on Monday, April 11th, arranged for pupils of class A, second grade, as well as grammar grade pupils. Mr. Royer has had large experience as a school teacher, and will be able to serve his pupils well for the ten weeks' term.

The Syracuse sulky plow is put to good use by Abner W. Alexander, at Earlstown, who purchased one of these plows last year from Weber Brothers, Centre Hall. Mr. Alexander uses the plow to furrow out his potato field, and also covers with it. The plow can be set so that it will run a uniform depth, and this makes it an admirable machine for doing just the kind of work one desires done in the potato field.

The Weber brothers, at Centre Hall and Oak Hall Station, recently received a car load of wagons and buggies which they are offering for sale. There are a variety of styles and weights of wagons from a light truck wagon for one horse to a broad-tired wagon calculated for road or farm use. Buyers will do well to examine these buggies and wagons before buying elsewhere, as there are many commendable features about them that are well worth considering.

The properties in Centre Hall were so generally improved last year that one would think there was nothing left in that line for this summer, but quite the contrary is true and this is only the first week in April. Improvements now under way are noted: Dr. H. F. Bitner put down a maple and walnut floor in the hall of his residence; new porches have or will be erected by George L. Goodhart, J. W. Whiteman, Mrs. Mary Ross and George H. Emerick. And then the paint brush is only being prepared for business.

Commencement at Rebersburg.

The following is the program for the third annual commencement of the Miles township high school, to be held in the Lutheran church, at Rebersburg, Friday evening.

Invocation: Rev. F. Wetzel.
 Oration: Winter leaves—Edith M. Detwiler.
 Oration: Self Reliance—Mary A. Stover.
 Oration: True Greatness—Stover L. Detwiler.
 Oration: Choice of a Profession—Sabine A. Douly.
 Oration: Culture of the Imagination—Harry C. Zeigler.
 Address: Col. H. S. Taylor.
 Presentation of Diplomas: Rev. J. B. McLaughlin.
 Coburn Orchestra.

Aaronsburg.

From last week.

David Summers, of Altoona, spent a few days with his mother and other friends in this place.

Misses Marion and Bessie Stover, and Jennie Rupp, who are employed at State College, spent the Easter vacation with their parents and friends at this place.

Michael Felder, who is a student in a veterinary college at Philadelphia is home on his vacation.

Prof. R. U. Wasson visited his mother at Lemont over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Eisenhour, of Bellefonte, visited at the home of the former's parents for a few days.

Harvey Crouse has taken a trip to Pittsburg, Ohio, and Illinois.

Ralph Freed, of Canton, Ohio, but now a student at State, spent a few days with Miss Martha Call, at the home of her grandparents.

George Bright and family, of Penna. Cave, spent a few days with Mrs. Bright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Weaver.

Charles Miller, of Centre Mills, was royally entertained by Miss Ruth Crouse on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Clara Burd visited her son living at Wolfs Chapel for a few days.

Harry Wyle and family have moved to Akron, Ohio, at which place he secured employment.

Mrs. Maria Weaver, of Coburn, was the guest of Mrs. Kizzie Swabb on Monday.

James Wert spent the greater part of last week with his children living at Tusseyville.

The following officers were elected in the Reformed Sunday-school for the ensuing year: William Mingle, superintendent; K. E. Stover, assistant superintendent; Mrs. Phillips, treasurer; Olie Treaster, assistant secretary; Clyde Stover, librarian; William Heffly, assistant librarian.

Miss Lisle Acker and Mr. Goodman, last Thursday evening, were united in marriage. Her many friends wish her well.

The following ladies were invited to a quilting at the home of Mrs. Ira Gramley, Mrs. Sue Rote, Mrs. Clara Burd, Mrs. Bertie Duret, Mrs. Effie Weaver, Mrs. Miranda Wert, Mrs. Ann Menoch, Mrs. Emma Wert. The ladies declare Mrs. Gramley gave them the most delicious meals. Everything was served that the inner man could wish for.

Rebersburg.

From last week.

Prof. Edwin Brungart and family, of Selingsgrove, are visiting friends at this place.

After spending a few days at Harrisburg, John Harter returned to his home at this place last Saturday.

Sabin Morris, who is teaching at Huntingdon, spent Saturday and Sunday at this place.

Miss Sara Meyer spent her Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meyer.

Monsieur Gilbert spent last Friday with his brother Henry at Aaronsburg.

Miss Mary Bright, who is attending college at Williamsport spent the Easter vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Bright.

Gilbert Gentzler wears a broad smile since the arrival of that boy.

Miss Mable Brungart, who is teaching school at State College, spent a few days with her mother.

Reno, Walker, who left this place several years ago, returned to the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Walker.

Rev. Wetzel spent last week at Stevensown.

Bruce Morris, and brother Vinton, after spending a few days with their mother at this place.

POINTS REGARDING THE CENSUS.

The census begins April 15th and must be completed in thirty days.

The enumerators will wear a badge inscribed "United States Census, 1910." The law requires every adult person to furnish the prescribed information, but also provides that it shall be treated confidentially, so that no injury can come to any person from answering the questions.

The Census Bureau, prior to April 15, will distribute to every farm owner and tenant in this state a blank or schedule containing the Census questions relative to farm operations and equipment. This should be filled up, if possible, not later than the morning of April 15, but if any one has been unable to fill it up by that time, he should do it as soon afterwards as he can.

People who do not speak English or who do not understand the schedule completely should get help from others, if possible, in filling it up.

The President has issued a proclamation calling on all citizens to cooperate with the Census and assuring them that it has nothing to do with taxation, army or jury service, compulsory school attendance, regulation of immigration, or enforcement of any law, and that no one can be injured by answering the inquiries.

It is of utmost importance that the farm census of this state be complete and correct.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

An unclaimed letter remains in the Centre Hall post office for Harry Bechtel.

Rev. C. W. Rishel has been located at Fairview, Locomoing county, by the Methodist conference.

Former Judge John G. Love is back from Atlantic City, and is again practicing his profession.

M. M. Condo has taken to farming in a small way, and is putting out the lots owned by Mrs. John H. Snyder, east of Centre Hall.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lonberger, at Pleasant Gap. The stork also visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Showers in Centre Hall.

Chas. F. Lantz has purchased a new and fine auto and has already learned to manipulate it in clever style, according to a statement in the Mifflinburg Telegraph.

D. H. Shlegal, the Spring Mills plasterer and decorator, last week did some plastering for A. W. Alexander in the house in Centre Hall occupied by Samuel S. Kreamer.

Mrs. William Felding, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who prior to her marriage was Miss Sadie Keichline, of Ferguson township, underwent an operation for appendicitis, in St Vincent hospital, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Tyson and family, of Ferguson township, moved to Greensburg. The members of Washington Grange gave the family a farewell reception at their home, near Pine Hall, before leaving.

Jared Mowery, who lives in Youngstown, Ohio, is evidently o. k., as usual. This is judged by the promptness with which his subscription to the Reporter was paid on April 1st, which is a repetition of acts in former years.

Robert F. Sechler, for years mail clerk on Cook's train going west in the morning, has been transferred to Resmer's train going east in the morning. This necessitated his moving to Bellefonte from Lewisburg, where he lived for twenty years.

The Union county commissioners are planning to improve the road through the Brush Valley narrows to a point where it crosses the Centre county line. Several new bridges will be built. The cost of the improvements will be paid for out of the county funds.

Hon. Leonard Rhone, a member of the legislative committee of the Pennsylvania State Grange, together with the remainder of the members of that committee, will meet the state tax committee, a joint committee from the house and senate, at Williamsport, on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Elmer C. Rossmann, who just set up housekeeping and began farming this spring on the farm of his father, Josiah C. Rossmann, near Penna. Cave, lost two horses the combined value of which were, \$450. That is a very heavy loss for a beginner, and it is hoped that he will be able to grow extra big crops to make it up.

The hen well cared for is a good business proposition. This can be attested to by W. C. Farner, of near Colyer, who gave his personal attention to thirty-five hens between the first day of December and the first day of April. During that time these hens laid just one hundred and four dozen eggs, and every one of them good.

The Central Laymen's Missionary Convention of the Reformed church, including the five classes—West Susquehanna, Lebanon, Schuykill, and Wyoming—will meet for two days convention in Sunbury, Tuesday and Wednesday, 12th and 13th inst. Delegate laymen are expected to attend from each congregation. A splendid program has been arranged.

The joint consistory of the Centre Hall Reformed church met in the Reformed church, Centre Hall, and selected as delegate primarius to represent the charge on the floor of classes, Dr. H. F. Bitner, and as secundus, Jacob Wagner. Classes meet at Middleburg, May 11th. Besides this business the finances of the charge, both as to the salary and benevolence, were found to be fully paid, and a balance in the treasury.

Candidate Wilson, of Huntingdon, county, has a very live man to square up to in Benjamin K. Focht, the present congressman from that district. Mr. Focht has just landed his personal friend, William E. Houel, in the Lewisburg post office to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the third term of D. P. Higgins. G. W. Schoch, editor of the Mifflinburg Telegraph, was also reappointed postmaster at Mifflinburg. He was also recommended by Congressman Focht, and began his fourth term.