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## GRAND LODGE L. O. O. F.

In Session at Williamsport—Delegates from Local Lodges—Statistics.  
An average of \$83 every hour was paid out by the Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania for relief purposes during the year just closed, according to a report by Grand Secretary Joseph H. Mackey read before the Grand lodge session in Williamsport which opened Tuesday. The total amount paid out for relief was \$728,354.97, an average of \$1,995.49 per day, but so large is the membership of the three-link fraternity in Pennsylvania that the average cost per week to each member was less than ten cents.

The delegates from the various local lodges in Penna Valley are as follows:

### GRAND LODGE DELEGATES.

Centre Hall—M. L. Emerick  
Spring Mills—T. M. Duck  
Millheim—Thomas Hall  
Rebersburg—A. L. Swann  
Boalsburg—Homer O. Barr.

### REBEKAH ASSEMBLY DELEGATES.

Centre Hall—Mrs. Joseph Lutz  
Spring Mills—Mrs. C. P. Long  
Millheim—(Lodge not yet instituted)  
Boalsburg—Della Ishler.

Here are some figures gathered from the statistical reports of subordinate lodges that bear testimony to the strength of Odd Fellowship in this state:

### LARGE MEMBERSHIP.

Number of members at last annual report, 143,150; admitted by card, 877; initiated during the year, 8,615; re-installed, 575. The number who died, withdrew by card, were suspended or expelled during the year was 9,383, making the present membership 143,834, a gain of 694 during the past twelve months. There are 1,166 lodges in the state, an increase of thirteen over last year. The relief reports show these figures: Number of brothers relieved, 16,147; number of widowed families relieved, 405; paid for the relief of brothers, \$465,903.50; paid for the relief of widowed families, \$3,570.99; paid for the education of orphans, \$45,004.79; paid for burying the dead, \$177,439.46; paid for special relief, \$38,346.23. The working expenses of the lodges amounted to \$416,588.77, making the total expended for relief and working expenses, \$1,144,943.74.

### \$30,000,000 PAID OUT.

The receipts of subordinate lodges during the year aggregated \$1,451,316.55, and the total assets of all lodges at the end of the fiscal year was \$5,373,488.53, an increase during the year of \$156,160.

During the past forty-two years the lodges of Pennsylvania have distributed for relief of distress and actual want the magnificent total of \$20,681,679.74.

The combined cost of relief and working expenses for each member during the year was \$7.95, or 15 3-10 cents per week. The total number of weeks sickness was 156,160 and the average weekly sick benefits paid amounted to \$2.98. The average ratio of sickness per member was one week, four hours, twenty-three minutes and forty-eight seconds.

Fifteen Rebekah lodges were instituted during the year, at the following places: Canonsburg, Millville, Sylvania, Howard, Lequin, East Smithfield, Sellingsgrove, Brookline, Stoneboro, West Franklin, Polk, Stroudsburg, East Troy, Wayneburg and Fairchance.

### HEALTHY FINANCIAL CONDITION.

A healthy financial condition of the fraternity is shown by the report of Grand Treasurer M. Richards Muckle, while the report of the finance committee reveals a balance in the general fund on April 30 of \$20,805.32. The receipts for the year, including a balance of \$27,693.42, carried over from the year previous, show a total of \$63,693.75, while the expenditure amounted to \$42,788.43.

The orphans' home fund shows receipts during the year of \$36,078.01, including a balance of \$23.06 carried over from the year previous. The expenditures were divided as follows: Sunbury home, \$11,735; Ben Avon home, \$923; Meadville home, \$7908; Philadelphia home, \$6163. This aggregates \$36,069 and leaves a balance of \$2.07 in this fund.

The assets of the Grand Lodge on May 1 are figured at \$49,669.84, while the estimated revenue for the ensuing year is figured at \$61,197.77. The estimated expenditures for the coming year are estimated at \$33,675.25.

Every voter who favors ex-State Treasurer William H. Berry as a Democratic candidate for Governor should carefully examine his ticket when he comes to vote at the primaries and vote for five delegates to the State convention whom he knows are favorable to the man who lifted the lid off the State Treasury in 1906 and exposed the nine million dollar steal in the furnishing of the State Capitol.

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## Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer.

The 26th Congressional District, composed of the counties of Monroe, Pike, Northampton and Carbon has been from time to time most ably represented in Congress by men of superior qualifications—men who, though their terms were out short by the adherence to the old unwise and foolish policy of county rotation in office—have nevertheless won recognition in the halls of Congress in one short term. Such men as Hon. Judge John B. Storm, a Dickinson College graduate, a brilliant lawyer and and scholarly man; Hon. Howard Mulcher, of Easton, and others, have represented this district with credit. Today Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer, of Stroudsburg, Monroe county, a graduate of Swarthmore College and a law partner, has for one term most ably and satisfactorily represented the district. He is a man of exceptional ability, high ideals, sterling qualities and integrity. Already he has won recognition as a leader in Congress. It is not often a newly elected member has commanded the respect of Democrats and Republicans in the house to the extent Mr. Palmer has. The opposing side has complimented him upon his speeches and pay close attention to his utterances, for Congressman Palmer usually says something when he speaks. He will make a great record in Congress if the short-sighted policy of his district does not turn down an honest and brilliant man because of the absurd idea of giving some other county its turn. The 26th District has just reason to be proud of Mr. Palmer, and he should be returned. It is the wish of the thoughtful that the State had many more representatives in the halls of Congress as brilliant, and as faithful to duty, so that the best interests of the common people would be taken care of.

### LOCALS.

Prof. C. L. Gramley has withdrawn as a candidate for the general assembly from Centre county.

The foundation walls for the Kessler store, at Millheim, are completed. It is the intention of Mr. Kessler to push the new building to completion as rapidly as possible.

Elwood Brooks is cutting posts, and all kinds of lumber from his timber tract along the pike, this side of Pleasant Gap. He will be ready to supply you if you are in need of lumber manufactured by him.

John H. Schreck, of Lemont, a member of the firm of Schreck Brothers, who are doing an extensive business in building and repairing vehicles of all kinds, made a business trip through Penna Valley Friday, and paid his respects to the Reporter office.

R. E. Sweetwood, superintendent of the Holy Cross Church Cemetery Association, announced that Tuesday, May 24th, has been fixed as the time for cleaning up and improving the cemetery. All persons interested are invited to be present at that time and assist in the work.

Among the Reporter's callers Saturday evening was Harry Barrick, miller at the Centre Hall Roller Flouring Mills, owned by Weber Brothers. Mr. Barrick is an experienced man in the mill, and his work is giving entire satisfaction. He and his family are very much pleased with Centre Hall.

Dr. J. R. G. Allison and F. P. Geary were spilled from the former's buggy at the Old Fort, Sunday afternoon. The horse they were driving took fright at an automobile and became unmanageable. Dr. Allison sustained a number of bruises on the head and face, but Mr. Geary escaped with a slight injury to one of his toes.

Because he had fifty acres of corn planted and forty-five acres of oats growing, Charles Weaver, of near Linden Hall, was feeling good enough Saturday evening when celling on the Reporter. Another reason for his being in good spirits was the fact that his daughter, Mrs. Foster D. Walker and little grand-daughter Claire, of Mt. Braddock, were at the Weaver home.

The Bellefonte Republican made an effort to publish a bit of sensational news on its first page of its last week's issue, by stating that Arthur Grove, who so mysteriously left Penna Valley some weeks ago, was in Illinois, and that a Miss Floray, who left her home at Centre Hill about the same time, was in Michigan stranded. The Reporter had hoped that this incident had passed into history, and that newspapers would be considerate enough to omit any reference thereto, but since the Republican has rebashed the story, the Reporter will say that Mr. Grove returned to his home ten days ago, and is now living with his wife and children on the Grove farm, east of Centre Hall. The property sold by the sheriff has been deeded back to Mr. Grove and his wife.

## ON INSPECTION TRIP.

Forty Farmer Students Leave Pennsylvania State College Today in Charge of Profs. Watts and Shaw.

Students of agriculture, aside from the scientific training received in college, learn much from practical growers and from outside observation. For this reason the agricultural students at Penn State plan each year an extensive trip for the observation of conditions and methods in different sections of the country.

Forty of them will leave this (Thursday) afternoon on a trip which will involve the inspection of trucking farms, orchards and vegetable forcing houses in and about Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Va., and intermediate points. It will also include an inspection of the various government offices at Washington, especially the soils laboratories and the experimental grounds of the bureau of plant industry.

Prof. R. L. Watts, of the department of horticulture, and Prof. C. F. Shaw, of the department of agronomy, will be in charge of the party. Several prominent horticulturists of the state will accompany the party during all or part of the trip. Growers along the route are making arrangements to assist the students to see as much as possible at every stop.

### Five Veterans Every Hour.

A United States Senator made the remark recently to the effect that at the present time the veterans of the Civil war are dying at the rate of one every twelve minutes. This means that 120 of the old men are answering the last roll call every twenty-four hours and 43,800 each year.

The senator who made the statement got his figures from the pension office. They are official, but they do not form any certain basis on which to calculate how long it will be before the last of them has been mustered out of this world and into the next, for the interval between deaths will be growing constantly shorter and the percentage of increase in number as compared with the whole will be tremendous.

Forty-five years have passed since the last battle of that war was fought. No man now living could have done any effective service in that great conflict who is not rapidly approaching the allotted period in human life.

### Sabbath-School Convention.

A district Sabbath-school convention will be held in the Lutheran church, Penn Hall, Friday afternoon and evening, May 27th. The district is composed of Potter and Gregg townships and Centre Hall borough. The officers are as follows: C. E. Royer, president; G. L. Goodhart, vice president; Mrs. B. F. Bieber, secretary; J. J. Arney, treasurer. L. W. Nuttall is secretary of the county association. The program for the sessions is appended:

### AFTERNOON.

Election of officers.  
Need of the hour—Rev. D. C. Caris.  
The mission and equipment of a teacher in the Sunday School—Rev. B. R. M. Sheeder.  
Select Reading—Mrs. H. W. Kreamer.  
Some hard things to do—Rev. Daniel Gress.

### EVENING.

As a teacher where would you draw the line between right and wrong—J. F. Lane.  
Select Reading—Mrs. K. W. Smith.  
The boy problem—Rev. J. Max Lantz.  
A cordial invitation is extended to all.

### Who Would Dare to Do It?

The only argument advanced against William H. Berry in the central and western parts of the State by the Guffy lieutenants and newspapers is that he might sign a local option bill if he was elected governor. He couldn't sign such a bill until it would be passed by the legislature. Is there a man named by either party for the gubernatorial nomination who would stand up today and say he would refuse to sign a local option bill if it were sent to him from the legislature? No, not one of the many men named would dare make such a statement.

### Hopeful for Better Times.

From Chicago, Illinois, Mrs. J. W. Grenoble writes the Reporter that "I regret that I delayed just a few days my remittance for subscription to the Reporter, the paper that brings us so much home news, and one we could not do without. We have had a warm March, but April, and so far in May, it has been cold and rough. Everything is very high and scarce in Chicago. We hope for better times after we get all the grafters looked up."

### Shoes at Wielands.

Ladies' and Misses' oxfords, patent leather oxfords, Russian calf blucher oxfords, men's heavy work shoes, boys' velvety blucher, a complete line in each. Common sense shoes for women and elderly ladies. They are the most comfortable shoes on the market. F. E. WIELAND, Linden Hall, Pa.

## Laymen's Missionary Service.

A large congregation assembled in the Tusseyville Reformed and Lutheran church on Sunday evening for a missionary service. The service was the outcome of W. F. Rokey, of Tusseyville, and C. C. Shuey, of Bellefonte, having attended the National Convention of the Laymen's movement held in Chicago. The service was conducted by the Revs. Daniel Gress and B. F. Bieber. The Rev. C. C. Shuey gave a splendid address on the laymen's movement, and echoes from the Chicago convention. He said that it was a great inspiration to be present at such a convention as was held in Chicago, where 4,000 delegates were registered from all over the great nation, and no one knew the church relations of the delegates near him. They were not there in the interest of their several denominations but in the great common cause of the Master, to promote the kingdom of God on earth. He spoke of the great work that had already been done, and the great work yet to do, of the suffering and sin and ignorance in the heathen lands, of the privilege and the opportunity and duty of the christian, in taking the evangel of love to the ends of the earth, of the evangelization of the world in this generation of the sacrifices of the missionary, etc.

Mr. Shuey is himself supporting a native missionary in India, and during the first three months of his ministry that minister baptized 158 souls, which the speaker said, holding up a card from the missionary, had given him great joy. The entire meeting was full of enthusiasm, and devotion, which is a credit to the people of the whole community. A few years ago if a missionary service had been announced, the pews would have been vacant for the most part, but now the church was filled to its utmost capacity. Truly the kingdom is coming more fully into the earth.

### LOCALS.

Sals will be made of the livery stock of A. H. Kniesly, at State College, next Saturday.

William Bailey was introduced to the case in the Reporter office, last week, and hereafter will put in his spare time adjusting type to the width of a newspaper column.

The Berwick council has passed an ordinance providing for the shooting of all dogs running at large on the street, during the months of June, July and August, whether muzzled or not.

A fat bull was sold last week by Richard Brooks that netted him a trifle over \$102, and a fat heifer brought some sixty dollars. This indicates that meat is not the cheapest food that comes on the table.

Earl Lutz represented the local lodge of Knights of the Golden Eagle at a meeting of the Grand Lodge at Gettysburg, and Mrs. Clyde Bradford represented the Ladies' Temple at a meeting of their state organization held at the same place.

Last week it was unusually cool during both days and nights. Thursday night mercury was down to thirty-two. There was some frost. Monday morning of this week there was also a heavy frost, mercury having reached thirty, or two degrees below the freezing point.

Railroad ties are being hauled to Centre Hall Station in large quantities, although the price paid by the company is not quite as good as it was some time ago. The demand for ties is good, however, the railroad company being ready to take any number of the better grades.

The three young men who set fire to a building in Huntingdon, which fire spread until \$200,000 damage was done, were sentenced each to twelve years imprisonment. Their only excuse offered for the commission of the crime was that they were drunk when they did it. Another evidence that sobriety pays both as regards the individual and the community.

Carpenter Aaron Thomas and a crew of workmen began the construction of the circular barn Prof. C. R. Neff, south of Centre Hall, is having erected. The barn is quite large, almost 300 feet in circumference, and will be modern in every way. It will require a considerable length of time to complete it, and will be the only barn of that style in Central Pennsylvania.

J. E. Lindsey and W. G. Russell, both of Pittsburg, are staying for a few days at Colyer, on the Boal farm, the property of the former, which he is now offering for sale. Mr. Lindsey is now engaged in the grocery business in Pittsburg, but thinks the business not nearly as brisk as it was a few years ago. Mr. Russell, formerly a telegraph operator with the Pomeroy company, is now train director at the Union Depot, in Pittsburg, a very responsible position, and lives in Swissvale.

## BERRY ON HIS CANDIDACY

Would Not Accept Any Nomination Except For Governor.

Politicians opposed to Mr. Berry are seeking to give him second place on the Democratic State Ticket, but he and his friends resent such an offer. While in Reading Mr. Berry is quoted as having expressed himself thus:

"I have had assurances from every county in the State," Mr. Berry said, "that the rank and file of Democracy is with me in support of my candidacy for Governor. If nominated I feel sure that a sufficient number of the independent Republicans would vote for me to elect me."

"Would you accept the State Treasury nomination again?" he was asked.

"Under no circumstances; positively not. I am not out for an office for the money there is in it, but I think there is more good to be accomplished. I will not accept any nomination except for Governor."

"Do you think Colonel Guffey will control the State convention?"

"I think he can if he wishes."

"What are your chances with him?"

"I have had no word from him, and I think that if he were favorable to me that I would know."

Asked whether this was a Democratic year, he said:

"The signs throughout the State unmistakably point to Democratic success."

### Berry and Munson.

In 1895 William H. Berry received 546,892 votes as the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer.

In 1909 Cyrus LaRue Munson received 329,679 votes as the Democratic candidate for Supreme Judge.

In 1905 William H. Berry carried 51 of the 67 counties of the State over Plummer, the Republican nominee.

In 1905 Berry received 7,984 votes in Locoming county, the home of Mr. Munson, while last year, as the Democratic candidate for Supreme Judge, Mr. Munson received 7,184 votes.

In Berry's own county, Delaware, he received 9,821 votes or within 45 votes of a majority notwithstanding it is a strong Republican county, usually about 5,000 majority.

Last year Munson received 3,681 votes in Delaware county.

With all these figures before the Democrats of Pennsylvania there should be no difficulty in determining who is the strongest candidate to lead the Democratic ticket this year, Berry who polled 546,892 votes, or Munson who polled 329,679 votes. That difference of 220,213 votes ought to be sufficiently significant.

### Susquehanna Remembered in Will.

In the will of the late Major General John Peter Shindel Gobin, probated in Lebanon, thousands of dollars were bequeathed to charities, and among those institutions substantially remembered was Susquehanna University, to which was given \$2000 to be used for educating ministers for the Lutheran church. The Tressler Home for orphan children, at Loysville, was provided for in the amount of \$5000.

### Transfers of Real Estate.

Besse R. Grove to W. M. Grove, April 19, 1910, in Gregg twp. \$333.

D. S. McNitt et ux to Alfred Lee, April 30, 1910, in Walker twp. \$100.

Alice T. Riddle to James Kane, April 26, 1910, in Howard. \$1400.

William M. Grove et al admr. to Bess R. Grove February 9, 1910, in Potter and Gregg twps. \$3325.

L. D. Orndorf et ux to Trustees P. O. S. of A Washington Camp No. 857 in Haines twp, April 23, 1910. \$300.

T. B. Motz admr. to Annie C. Musser, April 21, 1910, in Haines twp. \$200.

Noah W. Eby et ux to Effie M. Motz, April 5, 1910, in Haines twp. \$450.

Joseph Tressler et ux to Minnie Adams, April 28, 1910, in State College. \$425.

Frank T. Butler et al to S. J. Wolf, December 5, 1908, in Howard. \$1725.

Frank M. Foshee admr. to S. M. Long, March 16 1910, in Gregg twp. \$1050.

C. A. Munson et ux to H. R. Rumberger in Phillipsburg, April 6, 1910. \$1700.

D. S. McNitt et al to Luther Royer, April 30, 1910, in Gregg twp. \$4000.

Phillipsburg Electric Co. to Centre & Clearfield Co., in Rush twp. \$4000.

Frank F. Wrges et ux to J. W. Miller, March 8, 1910, in Halfmoon twp. \$1128.12.

If you want Berry to head the Democratic state ticket, vote instructions. A resolution passed by the state central committee urged that all delegates be instructed.

It is only when a man is a good catch that the girls throw themselves at him.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Mrs. Mary Dinges had a light attack of erysipelas on her wrist.

There will be a regular meeting of Progress Grange, Saturday evening of this week, at 7:30 o'clock.

The comet's tail swept over the earth yesterday [Wednesday] and we are all here because we haven't been switched off. We are safe for another seventy-five years.

All persons holding books belonging to the State Free Library are requested to return them without delay, as Progress Grange wishes to return them and secure a new set.

Wednesday morning Rev. B. F. Bieber and James S. Stahl started for Washington, D. C., to attend the world's Sunday-school convention which will be held in the National Capital.

Miss Sarah Rishel, the young daughter of Al. Rishel, of near Zion, was thrown from a colt and sustained a fractured collar bone. She was removed to the Bellefonte hospital, where her injuries were dressed.

Rev. Samuel Stiver, of Bunkerhill, Illinois, has been seriously ill for some time. Mrs. J. E. Ward, a sister, of Bellefonte, is with him now. Rev. Stiver is a native of Potter township, and is principal of the Bunkerhill Military Academy.

Jones' Show was in Bellefonte Thursday of last week, but the attendance was quite small from the south side of the county. The tented show, except the largest on the road, are not able to attract people to the canvas like in days gone by.

The law library of Attorney J. A. B. Miller, in Bellefonte, was sold to a law book publishing firm in Philadelphia, for \$1095 by Sheriff Hurley to satisfy a claim of Mrs. Agnes Shipley, of Unionville. The library was formerly the property of W. F. Reeder.

County Commissioner John L. Dunlap made a trip through Penna Valley, last week. He was not on official business, but in the interest of the order of the Moose, recently organized in Bellefonte, which now has a membership of almost or altogether five hundred.

The splendid work of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets is daily coming to light. No such grand remedy for liver and bowel trouble was ever known before. Thousands bless them for curing constipation, sick headache, biliousness, jaundice and indigestion. Sold by Murray and Bitner.

Reuben Eiters and son Ralph, of Snow Shoe, have been put under \$500 bail for firing timber lands in Burnside township, the prosecutors being the Spruce Creek Hunting and Fishing Club. The deed was committed in September 1908 according to the charge which was made before Squire Mosser, in Bellefonte.

Merchant H. W. Kreamer, accompanied by Mrs. Kreamer, drove from Centre Hall to Rebersburg, Thursday of last week. Mr. Kreamer is a native of that locality, and has living there many relatives and acquaintances who are always glad to see him. His visits there are not at all frequent.

The well on the McNitt-Huyett farm, formerly the Wilson farm, below Old Fort, has been sunk to a depth of one hundred and fifty feet, at which depth water was found. The supply is not thought to be sufficient for the demands of the engine which will furnish the power for the saw mill, and consequently the drilling will be continued by Mr. Krape and his assistants.

The Patrons Rural Telephone Company held its second quarterly meeting at the Garman House, Bellefonte, Thursday forenoon of last week. Among the directors present were Hon. Leonard Rhone, D. L. Bartges, W. E. Tate and S. W. Smith, of Centre Hall; Willard Dale, of Dale's Summit; Amos Kaufman, of Zion; H. E. Zimmerman, of Bellefonte; Joseph K. Bittner, of Farmers Mills; Joshua T. Potter, of Centre Hall, was also in attendance, being a stock holder in the Pine Stump line, one of the important lines of the system.

The Pennsylvania Retail Jewelers' Association will meet in its fifth annual convention, in Philadelphia, today (Thursday) and Friday. The association now has a membership of more than three hundred. The president, Ira D. Garman, is a native of Bellefonte, and Charles H. Hamby, one of the three composing the executive committee, came to Centre county to secure his better half, a native of Potter township. Both Mr. Garman and Mr. Hamby are doing an extensive business in their lines, and their stores are among the most up to date in Philadelphia.