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CENTRE COUNTY GRANGE

Meets in Grange Arcadia—First Meeting in Present Year Largely Attended.

The first quarterly meeting of the Centre county Pomona Grange was held in Grange Arcadia, Thursday of last week. There was a large attendance of fourth and fifth degree members. The officers were all present. A large class received the fifth degree, which was impressively given by the Master and subordinate officers.

The chief business of the day was the hearing of reports from the financial committee, the secretaries and treasurers of the various enterprises conducted by the order. The fire insurance report, which was read by James C. Gilliland, of Oak Hall, and also distributed in printed form, was exceptionally pleasing. The statement is highly gratifying to both the officers of the company and the insured. There is a balance in the treasury of several thousand dollars, besides the several thousand dollars due the company from policy holders. All losses due have been paid.

The Grange Encampment and Fair committee reported that they had expended over one hundred dollars more than the receipts for the year, but this condition was anticipated in advance, owing to the large expenditures for improvements. The receipts for the year were altogether satisfactory.

The finance committee reported that the County Grange held stock in the State College National Bank, had thirteen shares in the Patrons Rural Telephone Company, and also held shares in one or more Building and Loan Associations. The investments are all bringing in good returns, especially the building and loan stock.

The secretary of the Patrons Rural Telephone Company reported that the corporation had in its system twelve branch companies, the lines of which led into the Bell exchanges at Spring Mills, Centre Hall, State College and Bellefonte. There are two hundred and twenty-five telephone stations, almost one-half of which are under leases to parties not stockholders, and for which an additional charge is made over that charged by the Bell Company. The estimated revenue for 1911 is \$340, about two-thirds of which is paid back to the stockholders direct, or into the treasuries of the branch companies.

A series of farmers meetings have been arranged, at which Mr. John McSparran, State Master W. T. Creasy and others, will appear. These meetings will be held in the evenings, as scheduled below:

- Jan. 30, school house, Romola
- Jan. 31, Howard
- Feb. 1, Evangelical church, Jacksonville
- Feb. 2, Grange Hall, Milesburg
- Feb. 3, Grange Hall, Unionville
- Feb. 4, Eagle Hall, Port Matilda
- Feb. 5, Grange Hall, State College
- Feb. 7, Grange Hall, Oak Hall
- Feb. 8, Grange Hall, Pleasant Gap
- Feb. 9, Spring Mills
- Feb. 10, Madisonburg
- Feb. 11, Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall

The Cigarette.

The imposition of a fine of one hundred dollars on two tobacco dealers in Chester recalls to mind the innumerable violations of the act of May 18, 1905, which forbids any one furnishing cigarettes or cigarette papers to a minor, under which act the fines were imposed. It is a most common sight to see a boy or young man less than twenty-one years of age puffing a cigarette, yet there has been a violation of the law, the minimum penalty of which is a fine of one hundred dollars, every time a minor comes into possession of a cigarette or cigarette paper. Some tobacco dealers are respectful of this law, while others are not, but most of the violations are by individuals, who purchase cigarettes and cigarette papers and distribute them promiscuously. The act on the subject is quoted below, and its careful reading may serve some of the violators a good purpose:

That if any person or persons shall furnish cigarettes or cigarette paper, by gift, sale or otherwise, to any person or persons under the age of twenty-one years, he or she, so offending, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three hundred dollars, and not less than one hundred dollars.

The Strohm Farm Sold.

Friday afternoon the Strohm farm, near Tusseyville, was sold at public sale to William H. Lingle, for \$4025. The property belonged to the estate of the late Jacob Strohm, and contains about sixty acres. The sale was in the name of James B. Strohm, who acted for the heirs. The purchaser is the tenant, who will continue farm operations there. Other bidders were Adam Neese, Arber Cummings, David Glasgow and Clayton Wagner.

A tract of woodland in the Seven Mountains, containing thirteen acres, sold for \$920, the purchaser being J. E. Bubb, of Colyer. This tract also belonged to the Strohm estate.

Teachers Local Institute.

A teachers local institute will be held in Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall, Saturday, February 4th. There will be two sessions. The district is composed of Centre Hall borough, Potter and Harris townships. The program follows:

THE PROGRAM—FORENOON

Music
Devotional Exercises.....Rev. B. F. Bieber
Music We Emphasizing Mathematical Studies to the Hart of English in the Public Schools.....Henry M. Hosterman
A. T. Fletcher
Helen Bartholomew

Recitation
"School Discipline".....T. L. Moore
A. C. Ripka
John C. Bailey
Edward Merstinger

Music
"The New Course of Study".....Dr. H. F. Bitner
Music
"Some Suggestions to Improve Our Spelling in the Public Schools".....Prof. H. C. Rothrock
John Wetzell
E. H. Williams

AFTERNOON

Music
"Agriculture in the Public Schools".....Prof. C. R. Neff
S. W. Smith
Solo.....Rev. S. A. Snyder
"Mistakes in Teaching".....Rev. W. H. Schuyler
Orpha Gramley
Bruce Ripka
Charles Horner
Recitation.....Mrs. Rose DeWoodie
"Methods of Teaching".....Prof. W. A. Krise

LOCALS.

There will be two eclipses this year, both of the sun. The first will occur on April 28th and the other on October 21st.

The heirs of Mrs. Mary Burkholder will make sale of her personal property on Saturday, February 11. See sale register.

The team of black mares sold by Rev. Daniel Gress, at the sale on Saturday, was purchased by Messrs. George Breen and Chas. D. Bartholomew for \$374.

John Roush, of Salona, moved to the Mrs. Anna Hettinger farm, along Sinking Creek, below Centre Hill, and will conduct the farming operations there. Mrs. Roush is a daughter of Mrs. Hettinger.

The roller flouring mills at Kelley Cross Roads, in Union county, were totally destroyed by fire. The mill was the property of B. F. Keiser, of West Milton, and operated by his son, James L. Keiser.

Hydrated lime may be used instead of the ordinary lime in making the lime-sulfur solution for spraying fruit trees, provided about one-third more lime is used. The hydrated lime is so finely divided that it should cause no clogging of the nozzle.

J. E. Harshbarger, of Altoona, who is engaged in the sale of pasteurized milk and cream, made a business trip to Philadelphia, last week. He is operating a milk station, and has built up a fine trade. Mr. Harshbarger is a former Potter's Mills young man.

George R. Meise, John Taylor and William H. Moyer, are making regular trips to the Lewistown district with pork and country produce of all kinds. While these are the leading dealers in meats, there are a number of others on the south side of Potter township who take their surplus meats and produce to Millin county.

Mrs. Elmira Smith, widow of John T. Smith, of near Colyer, advertises sale for Monday, March 13th. A large stock of horses, colts, cows, young cattle and hogs, will be sold, also a full line of farming implements, as well as all her household goods. Shortly after the sale she and her son Benjamin E. and a daughter will go to Philadelphia to make their home.

If there will be nothing else doing between now and the time of the primary election, there are already enough candidates for county offices in the field to make things interesting. And then to think of all the borough and township offices that will need to be filled! This thing of mixing up borough, township, and county politics will cause some queer election return sheets to reach the commissioners' office for verification.

The high quality of Pennsylvania grown apples has induced John D. Herr, of Harrisburg, Edward O. Schade and Austin C. Hinton, of Altoona, to organize a stock company for fruit growing purposes. The name the corporation will bear is "The Bald Eagle Orchard Company." The first orchard will be planted on the Purdue farm, near Bellefonte. Mr. Herr, who is assistant to State Zoologist Surface, is one of the best qualified men in the state to engage in fruit growing on such a scale.

Have you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the hardest to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved much trouble. Sold by Murray & Bitner.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Reporter Subscribers' Correspondent Column—New Department.

LAMAR, Colo., Jan. 16, 1911.

Dear Editor Reporter:

Just a few lines regarding the city of Lamar, the county seat of Prowess county, and Colorado. Lamar's assessed valuation is \$523,000; population, 3,500. It is situated at the lower end of the Arkansas Valley, on the main line of the Santa Fe Railway. Lamar has three banks, seven churches, four hotels, three city schools, three weekly and one daily papers, a large flouring mill and elevator, a fine city hall, a Carnegie Library, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Masonic halls, United States land office, splendid railroad station, ample sewer and water system, electric light, steam heating and ice plants.

The American Beet Sugar Company has a million dollar sugar factory located here, and pay a flat rate of \$5.50 per ton for beets, or it pays on a sliding scale beginning at \$5.00 per ton for twelve per cent. sugar content. About 4,000,000 acres of free grazing land, capable of supporting several hundred thousand head of stock, lie tributary to Lamar; 180,000 acres of irrigated land, and an irrigation system of twelve canals, make Lamar a busy center of activity.

About 250,000 head of sheep are being fed in the vicinity of Lamar. These sheep are fattened on alfalfa and corn.

The weather is warm and pleasant. We only had two days of cold weather this winter, so far. Mercury is now sixteen degrees below. The Santa Fe has installed the telephone system for dispatching of trains instead of the telegraph system. Butter, 35 cents per pound; eggs 35 cents per dozen; meats are very high as well as groceries.

Very respectfully,
DAVID R. ETOWER.

That Coming Parcels Post.

We are to have a parcels post, but the system recommended by Postmaster General Hitchcock is of such a character that it will not serve the people to any purpose worth mentioning, but the redeeming feature the government sees in it is this: it will not do the express companies harm. The parcels post that is contemplated by Mr. Hitchcock will not permit any one in Centre Hall to send or receive a package from Bellefonte, Linden Hall, Tusseyville, Spring Mills, or Bennis Cave, and, of course, points at further distance cannot be reached. The only privilege a resident of Centre Hall will have will be to mail or receive a package of eleven pounds or less from some one on the mail route going out from Centre Hall. It is a service that will do no one any particular good, and, as was stated in the beginning, it will do no one, and especially the express companies, harm. These blessed carrying institutions must be taken care of by the government and be permitted to continue to rob the people.

Population and Liquor Licenses.

Bradford county has a license for every 1023 of its people; Potter one for every 607; Lycoming one for every 728; McKean has a ratio of 511; Clinton 789; Sullivan, 532; Susquehanna, 712; and Tioga county has 34 retail liquor licenses at a ratio of one license to every 1290 of its population. There are 22 counties out of the 67 where the ratio is higher than in Bradford. Down in Schuylkill a liquor license is granted for every 197 of its population; in Lehigh, 472; Luzerne, 281; Northumberland, 287; Carbon, 307. In the city of Philadelphia the average population to a license is 794; in Pittsburgh, 782. Greene county has a population of 28,882 and not a single license. Huntingdon county shows the highest ratio, one license to every 6384 of population.

Fire at Grayville.

Last Saturday morning a week the Wilson Henry home, near Grayville, was badly burned, everything on the upper floors being destroyed. The fire originated in one of the bedrooms, having been caused by a little boy playing with matches. The blaze caught the bed clothing and soon spread. An older brother, who was in an adjoining room, detected the fire and rushed into the blazing room and rescued his baby brother. The fire caused a loss of \$1,000.

Millheim to Have Light.

At the last election Millheim voted to bond the borough for \$9000 for the purpose of erecting an electric light plant, and at a recent meeting of the town council a resolution was passed authorizing Messrs. John F. Musser, T. B. Motz and A. J. Gephart to secure plans for a building, machinery, etc., all contracts to be subject to the approval of the council. The machinery will be driven by steam power.

C. C. F. C. ASSOCIATION MEETS.

Address by Assistant Zoologist John D. Herr and C. T. Foster.

The first meeting of the present year of the Centre County Fruit Growers Association was held at Spring Mills, Saturday. There were two sessions, one in the forenoon and the other in the afternoon. The forenoon session, which the writer had the pleasure to attend, was made up of the following gentlemen, all more or less interested in the growing of fruit:

F. M. Fisher J. H. Meyer
T. M. Gramley E. P. Shook
J. Wolf Evans J. J. Arney
J. P. Grove F. M. Fisher
W. M. Grove Daniel Corman
D. W. Bradford Blain Bitner
Charles Corman W. P. Hosterman
S. W. Smith Ralph Shook
Ivy Batges Elmer Miller
Harvey Rachan Jerome Gephart
Clayton Bressler C. P. Long
John Hosterman Orris McCormick
S. P. Hennigh Al. Bartsigs

ASST. ZOOLOGIST HERR SPEAKS.

The principal speaker was John D. Herr, Assistant State Zoologist. His address was largely devoted to the "Difficulties in the Way of Fruit Growing."

The first thing to consider is the selection of sites for orchards. Many orchards are not properly located, the speaker stated. By site is meant whether the ground lies high or low. Keep away from streams, where frosts come late in the spring. Many orchards are reported unprofitable, because the frosts kill the blossoms.

Do not plant on a steep hill-side—because of the difficulty to cultivate, and to retain the fertility of the soil; nor on the south side of a hill, although the latter objection is not considered as serious as it was some years ago. The ideal site is a high altitude, on tops of hills. Here is air drainage. A drained soil is more loose and usually more fertile and more oxidized than an undrained soil. A deep soil is more preferable than a shallow soil.

SELECTION OF VARIETIES.

The selection of varieties was given some attention by Mr. Herr. He named the Baldwins, Rome Beauty, Stayman Winesap, Northern Spy and several other varieties as well suited to this locality. The mentioning of varieties brought queries from the audience as to whether other varieties not named would not be profitable. The answer came that the best plan to adopt was to select varieties that were known to do well in the immediate locality where it was proposed to plant the orchard, rather than by the descriptions, testimonial and highly colored plates in the catalogues.

CULTIVATION AND FERTILIZATION.

Under the head of cultivation and fertilization of orchards, Mr. Herr made the statement that many orchards in Pennsylvania are starved. The orchards planted by our parents and grandparents in Pennsylvania received no attention. Nothing was done except to harvest the crop, good or bad as the case may have been. No other crop on the farm could be grown that way. In what respect does an apple crop differ from any other grown on the farm, except that it does not need replanting every year? Most orchards, planted years ago, were pastured continuously, robbing the trees of the little fertility they might have gotten by the grass and weeds decaying.

The orchard needs cultivation, fertilization, pruning and spraying, protection against rabbits and moles, destruction of the borers. A 2-3-10 fertilizer was recommended. If the limbs are not growing sufficiently, add nitrogen.

COMBATING PESTS

Combating pests was a topic given considerable attention. There are a thousand ills that effect the human body, yet we are not discouraged. So the orchardist must take courage. The diseases and insects that cost the fruit growers in Pennsylvania very great losses can be combated.

The codling moth is one of the most common pests. The egg is deposited on the blossom or leaves; in ten days it is hatched; the tiny worm reaches the apple and begins to eat (nearly always) at the osly, or flower end; digs down and lives there for fifty-eight days in the pupa stage, and then emerges as a butterfly or moth. The apple worm is more destructive than any other pest in the state. The codling moth is one of the chewing insects and easily destroyed by spraying with

2 lbs. arsenate
50 gal. water
or with this formula:
1/2 lb. Paris green
60 gal. water

The spraying should be done after the blossoms have fallen, and while the apple stems yet stand erect. Since the arsenate of lead and Paris green will not dissolve, it is necessary to agitate the mixture so that the poisons will remain suspended in the water.

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WHY HE DOES IT.

Druggists Murray & Bitner Give Reasons for Selling at Half Price.

"It isn't often that we have faith enough in the medicines put up by other people to be willing to offer to refund the money if it does not cure," said druggists Murray & Bitner to one of their many customers, "but we are glad to sell Dr. Howard's specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia on that plan."

"The Dr. Howard Co., in order to get a quick introductory sale authorized us to sell the regular fifty cent bottle of their specific for half price, 25 cents, and although we have sold a lot of it, and guaranteed every package, not one has been brought back as unsatisfactory."

"We are still selling the specific at half price, although we cannot tell how long we shall be able to do so. Any person who is subject to constipation, sick headache, dizziness, liver trouble, indigestion, or a general played out condition, ought to take advantage of this opportunity. If the specific does not cure them, they can come right back to our store, and we will cheerfully refund their money."

Moyer's Music School.

\$38 00 will pay for board and tuition for a six weeks' course of music in voice and all instruments. The director has had many years of experience as head of musical departments in several eastern colleges. Pupils well cared for. Spring terms begin March 6, and May 1, 1911.

For particulars, address
MISS ANNA J. MOYER, Director,
Freeburg, Pa.

(Continued from Previous Column.)

THE SCALE.

A few scales are as good for a tree as a few fleas are good for a dog, was the opening remark on the San Jose scale, but the scale should not be permitted to spread. The lime-sulfur solution should be applied as a check.

THE BORERS.

There are two kinds of apple borers, and one kind that work on peach trees. The apple borers are commonly called the flat-headed and round-headed borers. The flat-headed borer lodges under the bark; the round-headed borer enters the hard wood and buries deep into it. Beetles lay the eggs on the trunk or grass; the larva crawls to the tree and bore into it. The only way to get rid of the borer, once he has entered the tree, is to dig him out. The borers produced from eggs laid last August are now about one-half inch long. It takes them three years to mature, at which time they are one and one-half inches in length. They are pale yellow in color.

The borers can be prevented from entering trees by—
Whitewashing the trunks, or
Applying whale oil soap, to which Paris green should be added, or
Applying wood ashes to the base of the trees, but always look after your trees.

The speaker brought out many other important points that were of inestimable value to those engaged in the growing of fruit, it being possible to here cite but these limited number.

DEMONSTRATOR FOSTER SPEAKS.

The next speaker was C. T. Foster, one of the demonstrators of the state department, who spoke on "The condition of horticulture in Centre county compared with the conditions before the work of demonstrating was done." About five years ago an investigation was made concerning the San Jose scale. At that time it was most prevalent about Rebersburg, and has since spread three or more miles to the west. The conditions today in this county from a horticultural standpoint are much improved. More trees are being planted, modern methods of pruning and cultivating are employed, spraying is practiced, as is also thinning of fruit.

The work of the demonstration department is bringing good results. There are now about twenty orchards on the demonstration list in Centre county. Visits to supervise the work in these orchards will be more frequent in the future than in the past.

Mr. Foster termed Halfmoon township the banner township in Centre county for apple tree planting, and predicted that the apple crop in time would become a most important one in this county. To prove the possibilities reference was made to the Fisher orchard at Unionville, where 6500 bushels of apples were harvested and sold at ninety cents per bushel.

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the afternoon session the officers of last year were reelected. They are:
President, Cyrus Brungart
First Vice President, D. D. Royer
Second Vice President, W. P. Hosterman
Secretary, E. P. Shook
Treasurer, J. J. Arney
Executive committee—T. M. Gramley, A. Bartsigs, D. K. Keller, and the president and secretary of the association.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Frank Lee, the negro, will be hanged in Lewistown on March 9th.

On her way home from school, Lillian, the daughter of Mrs. Lottie Reish, of Millheim, fell and broke her arm at the elbow.

Valentine Post Cards—one dozen for ten cents, or by mail, eleven cents per dozen. Order early, as the supply cannot be duplicated.

Register Earl E. Tuten purchased the Col. Chambers property, on Linn street, Bellefonte, for \$3500, and will occupy it after the first of April.

The five children of Mrs. Ellis Horner, of Pleasant Gap, have been taken care of, by the Children's Home Society, and placed in good homes.

Young people were entertained last week at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dure, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Conley, and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Emery.

There is nothing ornamental about an ash heap, especially if located in a public place. A landscape gardener omits them altogether in his plans for home surroundings.

The fires have been outened at the Nittany furnace. The Bellefonte furnace shut down some time ago. It is not known when either of these important industries will resume operations.

The sale bills printed at the Reporter office are attractive and neat in appearance; none better printed. The price is reasonable. No limit as to number. Call before you contract for sale advertising.

Pittsburg buyers have purchased five hundred cases or about one-half the crop of tobacco grown in Clinton county. The quality of the tobacco was above the average, and a fancy price was obtained for most of it.

John S. Dale, of Dale Summit, will install the officers of Half Moon Grange, at Stormstown, on the 25th. There will be an all day session, with luncheon at noon. Mr. Dale is the county deputy, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Dale.

Messrs. Bruce W. Ripka and M. A. Burkholder, of Centre Hill, were in Centre Hall Saturday evening, and called on the Reporter, relative to posters for the sale of the personal property of Mrs. Mary Burkholder, which sale will take place, Saturday, February 11.

James McCool, of near Tusseyville, announces sale for Tuesday, March 7th, and sometime there after will move into one of his houses near by the farm. The McCool farm has been rented to Roy Shaffer, who is now living on the Brisbin & Company farm, east of Old Fort.

Real estate in Millheim like in Centre Hall is being picked up by persons who want homes. Among the latest sales in Millheim was that of Joseph Reifnyder and sister, Miss Jennie Reifnyder, who sold the house and lot on Main street, occupied by Insurance Agent H. N. Meyer, to John H. Hoffman. The consideration was \$1800.

John S. Dale, of Dale Summit, and R. D. Musser, of Spring Mills, are Republican candidates for the nomination for county treasurer. They are both of the best types of citizens, and have spent their entire lives on the farm, but it is a pity to raise their hopes for a Democrat will no doubt follow Mr. Fink in that well appointed office in the new court house.

Among the Reporter's callers last week was Martin M. Keller, who is one of the farmers who just located near Centre Hall last spring, on a farm he purchased from Dr. H. F. Bitner. He is very well satisfied with conditions here, and says he can find work for every day in the year. His trips to Centre Hall are always for business transactions.

After the Pennsylvania Railroad Company realizes on its new issue of stock it will be in order to extend the Lewisburg and Tyrone, the original terminal. To what better use could the company put part of the \$40,000,000 it will get for the new stock than to make the short line connection to Tyrone. All of Penns Valley would profit from such a movement, and State College would fairly boom.

Charles W. Weaver, of near Linden Hall, is very much pleased over his trip to Mt. Braddock, Fayette county, where he visited his daughter, Mrs. Foster D. Walker. He inspected a dairy barn that accommodated over eighty finely bred cows, which was a great delight to him. A gas explosion, an extended account of which was printed in the dailies, near Conneville, occurred while Mr. Weaver was in that section, and this made him think the quiet country about Linden Hall at least the safest to live in.