



Wolf Spangler.

The marriage of Edwin F. Wolf, of Bellewood, and Miss M. Rebecca Spangler, was consummated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Spangler, at Tusseyville, on the morning of July 4, the ceremony being performed by Rev. B. F. Bleber. After the honeymoon trip, Mr. and Mrs. Spangler will be at home in Bellewood.

The bride is an accomplished young lady, and is highly regarded by a large circle of acquaintances. The groom is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a car inspector, and is a native of the Altoona district. He is a young man of the best habits, and is well prepared for the step he has taken. The Reporter extends congratulations.

Ferguson Township Elects Teachers.

At a meeting of the school board of Ferguson township held Saturday, July 1, the following teachers were elected for the ensuing year:

- Pine Grove High School, Prof. L. White
Grammar School, H. L. Walker
Primary School, Edna Ward
Branch, H. F. Reed
Kepner, Leslie Gates
Pine Hill, Richard Keeline
Krumrine, N. N. Hartwick
Oak Grove, Arthur Burwell
Marango, Foster Barr
Gatesburg, R. H. Harpster
Fairbrook, Catharine Bollinger
Centre, Flora Kepner
Glades, Carl Houser
Bellefonte Grammar, H. B. Baiser
Bellefonte Primary, Nancy Heberling
White Hall, Edward Martz

New books which were adopted are Hamilton's arithmetic and Roddy's geography.

Agricultural Societies to Get \$100.

In an opinion Assistant Deputy Attorney General Hargest decided that any incorporated agricultural association is entitled to the \$100 state bonus under the act of 1851, whether it holds fairs or not. If it holds a fair and gives premiums it is also entitled to \$100, or proper proportion, under the act of 1907.

Local Temperature.

On the 4th the temperature registered 99.25 degrees, the highest temperature during the eleven years the Reporter has been taking the records for the U. S. Weather Bureau. The highest temperature for the first seven days in July were: 91, 93, 99, 99, 96, 94, 91.

Grange Encampment and Fair.

The Grange Encampment and Fair will open on Grange Park, Centre Hall, September 9th and close on the 15th. Indications point to a successful gathering. Tenters are making application for quarters and exhibitors are already engaging space.

LOCALS.

Miss Ruth Lambert visited friends in Williamsport over the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Gross Mingle recently made a trip to Altoona and other points.

Twenty-one horses were sold at the horse sale held at Millheim by R. C. Yoder. They averaged \$206.14.

Mrs. Mary Reasick, who a few years ago purchased the Samuel Shoop dwelling house, had it repainted. The appearance is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. George Breen and little daughter went to Altoona the latter part of last week, and for several days were guests among friends there.

Mrs. John Musser, of Wilkes-Barre, was the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs last week. Before returning home she visited friends in Boalsburg and other points in Centre county.

In a recent issue of the Reporter an error was made when it was stated that Capt. W. H. Fry, commandant of the Penn State cadets, had gone to Texas. Instead Capt. Fry went to the New England states where he attended the encampment of the Massachusetts militia.

Mrs. Emma Ridout, of Baltimore, the latter part of June came to Centre Hall and was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Rossman. From here Mrs. Ridout went to Los Angeles for the seventh time, and with the intention of making her home on the Pacific coast.

The Houser reunion at Peru was a decided success, although the first the family held. A permanent organization was formed by electing these officers: Daniel Houser, of Spring Creek, president; John Houser, State College, secretary; William Schreck, treasurer; and George P. Bible, of Philadelphia, the historian.

W. A. Brown, of Huntingdon, paid his old home at Farmers Mills a visit over the Fourth, which day is his father's birthday, he having attained his seventy-fourth year. Mr. Brown is an instructor in music in the Huntingdon Reformatory, a position he has held for some years. Ralph and Miss May, son and daughter of the former Mr. Brown, also visited the Brown home in Gregg township.

Highest Temperature.

The Pennsylvania State College Station furnished the Reporter with a table showing the highest temperature from 1886 to 1911. These records are correct. The temperatures are known to the department as free air temperatures. The table is appended:

Table with columns: Year, Date, Temperature (Deg. Fahr.)

LOCALS

The third annual Tressler reunion will be held at Peru Station, Friday, August 4th.

Hulersburg is erecting a school building which, when completed, will cost in the neighborhood of \$12,000.

Falling from a cherry tree caused Benjamin Jackson, of near Madisonburg, to break an arm. The fracture was reduced by Dr. Smith, of Millheim.

Misses Jennie Rupp and Mabel Crouse, of Aaronburg, are on an extended trip through several western states—Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois.

N. F. Kreamer, of near Millheim, while engaged in crushing stone near Penn Hall, severely injured himself internally while pushing a heavily loaded wheelbarrow up an incline.

N. N. Bingham, station agent for the Pennay at Lewisburg, has been promoted to station agent at Lock Haven. He will be succeeded by Wilbur Wendell, now stationed at Montgomery, a former resident of Lewisburg.

Children's Day services were held in the Reformed church, in Centre Hall, although the charge is without a pastor. The children performed their parts to perfection in the drills and exercises, the music being pretty and well rendered.

Although not a gardner or trucker by profession, W. B. Mingle, cashier of the Penns Valley Banking Company, usually comes first in home grown vegetables. To keep up his reputation as such it was necessary to have cabbage fit for market by July 1st, and he had it.

The joint council of the Penns Valley charge of the Lutheran church, at a recent meeting held in Centre Hall, accepted the resignation of the pastor, Rev. B. F. Bieber, to take effect August 9th. The regular harvest home services will be held before the pastor vacates the field.

Mrs. David J. Wolf, accompanied by her three interesting sons, Russell, David and Paul, are at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Durst in Centre Hall, and will remain for several weeks. Rev. Wolf, who is pastor of a Reformed church at Tanneytown, Maryland, may come here later.

Saturday night Miss Roxanna Brisbin became quite ill. She retired in good spirits and apparently in normal health, sickness coming on suddenly. Sunday evening she began to improve, and since has been growing stronger. Mrs. Theodore Gordon, of Bellefonte, who was visiting at the Brisbin home, rendered valuable assistance in caring for her.

William Hertzler, former State Senator and stalwart Republican of Juniata County, was appointed deputy secretary of the Commonwealth to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Colonel Lewis E. Beltler, Philadelphia, who resigned last February. Mr. Beltler has held the position for twelve years, being appointed by Governor W. A. Stone, and continued in office by Governors S. W. Pennypacker and Edwin S. Stuart.

Perhaps snakes are not more plentiful in the Harper woods, east of Centre Hall, than heretofore, but a larger number are being killed there than in any other section in the valley. Brisbin & Company have a saw mill on this tract, and it is thought the men have not been keeping their eyes to the ground if they don't come in every day with a snake story. B. D. Brisbin, who manages the job, carries a snake stick with which he does his killing. The majority of the snakes thus far killed have been of the rattle and copperhead kind, and they are not the kind of snake the juggler plays with.

DEATHS

On the evening of the 25th of last month George B. Fleck passed away at his home near Nittany Furnace. For three weeks prior to his death he was confined to bed suffering from tuberculosis, that disease being the cause of his demise. Mr. Fleck was employed by the Nittany Furnace Company and is said to have held the position of iron carrier for twenty years. Deceased was aged fifty-four years, seven months and twenty-nine days, and leaves to mourn his loss his wife and four daughters, viz, Dora and Mary, at home; Mrs. John Confair, Bellefonte, and Mrs. James Bathurst, Hayes Run. Wednesday following his death funeral services were held from the United Evangelical church, and interment was made in the Union cemetery.

Thursday, June 22, John Sprudied at his home at Mingoille after a brief illness brought about by a concussion of the brain, due to his falling on a large stone, a week before his death. Deceased was an esteemed resident of Mingoille and was aged seventy-five years and one month. He lived on the homestead farm near Hecla Park with his brothers for over forty years. Two sisters and two brothers survive, namely, Mrs. Mortimer, Mrs. Shamp, Hezekiah and Samuel, all of whom reside at Mingoille. Interment was made at Zion the following Monday morning.

Mrs. Susan Bowes, aged sixty-eight years and five days, died at her home at Howard, Friday, June 23. She was married to Thomas Bowes in December, 1858, and to this union were born seventeen children, eleven of whom are living. Forty-seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren also survive. Funeral services were conducted from her late home, the officiating minister being Rev. W. H. Patterson, of Blanchard.

Miss Mary Ceader, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ceader, died at her home in Bellefonte, Tuesday, 27th ult., as the result of a nervous breakdown from which she had been suffering for many years. Deceased was aged thirty-three years and leaves to survive her parents, one brother, Joseph, and one sister, Helen. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery at Bellefonte the next Friday morning.

Harris township.

John Gettig, of near Pittsburg, was in Boalsburg over the Fourth. W. H. Stuart enjoyed a week at the home of his mother at Bellevue.

Mrs. Sarah Miller, of Bellefonte, spent part of last week at Boalsburg. Will Fisher and family, of Sunbury, are visiting at the home of Mrs. E. A. Fisher.

Miss Edith Summy, of State College, spent a few days of last week at Boalsburg.

Miss Margaretta Goheen is attending the teachers training school at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Wood, of Greenburg, visited in Boalsburg from Friday till Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Resner and Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Beamer, of Reedsville, spent part of Saturday at Boalsburg.

Mrs. J. F. Stover, of Bellefonte, enjoyed a few days of last week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Laura Bricker.

Mrs. Harry Ishler and Mrs. John Glingerich entertained a few of their neighbors and visiting relatives at a Fourth of July party.

Mrs. W. E. Gettig with her children William and Katharine, of Altoona, spent part of their vacation with relatives at Boalsburg.

Mrs. M. A. Woods with her daughter Mrs. Edgar Place and children, of Marshall, Missouri, are visiting at the home of Dr. T. O. Glenn, at Bradford.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Hartwick with their bright little daughter Kathrine, of Altoona, spent a week with relatives at State College, Branch and Boalsburg.

Postoffice Inspector L. F. Johnson arrested two men in the Adams Express office at Coalport, Clearfield county, the latter part of June, when they called for a package containing \$400 worth of stamps. These men are believed to be the ringleaders of a gang which robbed the postoffice at Winburne, Clearfield county, May 1st, and got away with \$300 worth of booty, half of which was in postage stamps of different denominations.

Diphtheria was the cause of the death of Albert, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grubb, who died at the home of his grandparents in Bellefonte, Tuesday afternoon, 27th ult. The next day the funeral was held, interment being made in the Union cemetery.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Reporter Subscribers' Correspondent Column—New Department.

Dear Mr. Smith:

A month's visit in New York City, the greatest city on the western continent, is a relished experience to a country girl like me, even when the temperature is see-sawing at one hundred. The high temperature does not lessen the pace of the business man, or his messengers; neither the throng on Broadway, nor the whirl of the auto, or electric cars, whether overhead, on the level, or under the busy streets. If New York, that part above ground, were carried into the ocean, there would yet remain a most wonderful city underneath. A magnificent railway and street car system, manufactories, tenements, amusements would remain—New York is two and three-ply everywhere, and everywhere is activity in its most intense form.

You asked for a descriptive letter of this metropolis. Everything here is on such a grand and elaborate scale that adequate description is beyond my ability. It would be an easy task to describe the Centre Hall railroad station, but to give one a conception of the magnitude of the Pennsylvania station in New York City would be a subject fit for an experienced New York World reporter. You will believe this more readily when I say the station covers eight acres, and that the area of the station and subterranean yards is twenty-eight acres. To build this station it was necessary first to remove five hundred houses, including several churches. The dimensions are so great that one cannot appreciate it except by comparison. The general waiting room is the largest in the world, 277 feet by 103 and 153 feet from floor to roof. This is large enough to set the Penns Valley Banking Company's building in the centre and the Lutheran church on top of it, without touching the ceiling, and leave enough space on the floor to permit a careful driver to circle the bank building with a four-horse team hitched to a wagon loaded with hay. That looks a bit big, but guess the actual facts will bear me out.

The building is equipped with every convenience from a hospital to a boot-black's booth. The entrances are grand. One of them leads through an arcade 225 feet long by 45 feet wide, and expands into a loggia, a colonnaded hall. To "step off" the main concourse would make you feel as though you were taking a summer evening's walk into the country. And then the platforms—four miles of them to permit you to take any of the trains on the twenty-one tracks. The track surface of the station may be compared to two unfolded fans joined together at the open ends, the handle of one extending under the Hudson river and that of the other under the East river.

This is only a hint of the magnitude and grandeur of Pennay's greatest station, which was an enterprise second only to the building of the Panama Canal.

But there are other railroads entering New York besides the Pennsylvania. There is the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company. Its station house is just in course of construction, and will be completed within two years, and will be the world's greatest railway terminal. The excavations will be forty-five feet deep and cover an area of a trifle over sixty-eight acres. The yards will all be covered, and on the street level business blocks, museums and hotels will be erected. So much for the railroads.

It would require a keg of ink for a fluent writer to tell of all the wonderful things one can see in New York. The White Star Line ship "Olympic" was anchored here, and I made a trip to the Hudson to see it. In order to accommodate this massive vessel one hundred feet were built to the longest pier in New York, making it just 900 feet. The "Olympic" is 882 1/2 feet long. If it were standing on Main street, in Centre Hall, with its bow on the diamond, the stern would extend beyond the United Evangelical church. That's a boat of some dimensions, and then it takes thirty-thousand horse-power to run it.

The Bowery is a sight! all kinds of people—every nation has its representative there. Dr. Gray, the lecturer, who gave a description of that section of New York, did not overdraw in his word pictures. I did not see the "sinks" he spoke of, but there was abundance of evidence that many would need them to satisfy their hunger.

"Liberty Enlightening the World," the magnificent gift of the French Republic, the Parks, the great water systems, the sky scrapers, New York's hotels are all wonderful. The public Library is a marvel. It contains a million and a half volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts and prints. You look up the book you want in any of the six thousand catalogues, mark the number on a slip, place it in a pneumatic tube, and—presto, comes your book.

I have seen much of this great city in the short time I have been here.

There is misery as well as happiness; there is the hovel as well as the Fifth Avenue mansions, guarded day and night. I have not been guided into the wicked places, nor do I care to see them, but I have looked to where poverty reigns—horror!

My friends here have dealt very generously with me and have taken delight in revealing New York to me. They are pleasantly located in a good business section and are enjoying a good trade, but not without hustling for it. The prosperous here, like elsewhere, are not idlers.

Before coming home I want to spend a few days in Old Philadelphia, the city of my birth, and also want to sit on the beach at Atlantic City and be washed by the waves, and—I hear you issuing an order to the waste basket, the only thing a newspaper office could not dispense with and retain its self-respect.

Yours, FRED A. BAILEY, 79 Bedford St., New York.

I said in a former letter that Washington county people pave their state roads with brick. During several trips up to Washington I had the opportunity to observe the building of a three-mile road in Chartier township. The road bed is first graded, high places dug down, and low places filled up. Concrete curbs are set ten feet apart. Stone of different sizes are then put on and rolled with a heavy roller. A dressing of sand is placed on top and then the brick are laid. Outside of the curbing, two and one-half feet on each side is macadamized, thus making sixteen feet of road bed—ten feet of brick, one foot of curbing, and five feet macadamized, or as they call it here, Finn road.

It is claimed that the autos destroy the state roads, and as very many of the Washington county farmers own autos, the proposition is up to them to build substantial roads, hence the brick paved roads.

The commissioners of Washington county this month made a bond issue of a half million of dollars, and negotiated for their sale with a Pittsburg firm. What a howl Centre county farmers would raise should our commissioners borrow \$500,000 to help build brick roads! But then our farmers come to town in buggies, and not in automobiles.

Another thing worthy of mention: The farmers here partly solved the problem of keeping their boys on the farm. The town boys in many places look upon the country lad as a "Greeney," but here the shoe is on the other foot. The country boys get out dad's auto, his away to town, and spirit away the town girls for a joy ride through the country, while the poor town boys can only look on and say, "Sour grapes."

Many other facts connected with farm life in this part of the state attracted my attention, but as my letter is getting rather long, I will omit them, and if I return safe to old Centre, I will have something to talk about at the meetings of Progress Grange. One thing I shall speak about will be how a farmer pays one thousand dollars a year rent for an eighty-acre farm, keeps from eight to ten head of horses and eighty cows, and coals money; how many buy car loads of grain to feed their stock, buy no commercial fertilizers, and still enrich their land, and make money; how the farmers stay on their farms in old age, while the boys lift the load from father's shoulders.

I will close by referring to one thing here, viz, that the brick roads are all the go in this part of Ohio. Outside of the city limits one-half of the road width is paved with red brick. Cleveland, Ohio. W. A. KRIS.

We are having a dry and hot summer here, grains such as wheat and oats drying up. Hay will be scarce and high in price, while corn is poor. If it does not rain soon, we will have no crops at all. Farmers are pasturing their seeded ground in order to keep down the weeds. This year there was a large acreage of grain put in. The county furnished seed and took land in security. As a result the farmers are now in worse shape than if their crops had proved a failure.

People are leaving and going east with the intention of finding work which will engage them through the winter. This will be a great setback to southwest North Dakota and northwest South Dakota. This is a new country, and the Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railroad runs through it.

Now is the time for those who have money to invest to do so. Land will drop in price and in a few years will boom again. I now have 930 acres and expect to invest in more. It is thirty-six years since I left Georges Valley and went west. On leaving that place I had just enough money to pay my carfare to Illinois. Now all my land is paid for, have money in

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Miles Dippery, the last Sunday in June.

St. John's Union Sunday School will hold a festival Saturday evening, 15th instant.

June had a good rain record, the precipitation being 5.53 inches. Ninety-one was the hottest recorded.

A cave has been discovered at Honey Creek, in Millin county. Many people have gone through it, and declare the formations very pretty.

Farmers in the vicinity of Millheim are being troubled considerably with the Hessian fly. Many of the wheat fields will hardly be worth cutting.

Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Philadelphia, is at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mingle, in Centre Hall, where she will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Miller, of Rebersburg, beginning of July were guests at the respective homes of D. J. Myer and H. W. Kreamer, the latter being a brother to Mrs. Miller.

William F. Taylor, Jr., wife and children, J. Van Taylor, wife and nephew, and Miss Mable Taylor, all of Tyrone, are the guests of Mrs. J. Max Lantz, a sister, at Spring Mills.

Miss Flora Love spent a part of her vacation with her sister, Mrs. William Martz, at Tusseyville. She was also a guest at the Presbyterian manse before returning to work in the Watchman office.

P. S. Ritter has sold the Snyder County News, published at Middleburg, to I. C. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell has been connected with the Post as solicitor and is an active newspaper man who will no doubt win greater popularity and success for the news.

Mrs. M. Arnold and Mrs. A. S. Smither, of Beaver, neighbors of Mrs. I. V. Musser when she lived in that place, were in Centre Hall for a few days last week, and with Mrs. Musser were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer.

Dr. J. V. Foster is giving special attention to the treatment of eyes, and is having a large number of patients. Before coming to Centre Hall, for a year or more, he spent much of his time in the office of one of United States' most noted eye specialists located in Omaha, Nebraska.

Since the 25th of last month Lewisburg and Montandon have been connected by trolley service. All trains arriving at Montandon are met by the cars which run on a regular schedule. Instead of the overhead wire to convey the current, the simplex surface contact system is used.

Monday of last week Harold, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Alexander, near Old Fort, while running fell over a stick and broke both bones in the left forearm. Dr. J. V. Foster, of Centre Hall, and Dr. H. S. Braucht, of Spring Mills, put the child under an anesthetic before an effort was made to reduce the fractures.

During the first few days of July quite a number of persons—all relatives—were entertained at the home of William Walker, west of Centre Hall. Among the number were Mrs. John Eisle, son Jasper and daughter Lena, Mrs. John Ramsey and children, Bert and Gerlie, of Altoona; Mrs. Tillie Gentch and son Allen, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Ramsey and children, of Johnstown; Miss Helen Kreamer and Blair Walker, of Bellefonte; Miss Flora Walker, of Centre Hall.

The many Centre county friends of Miss Leah Lucas, daughter of Nelson A. Lucas, formerly of Coleville, this county, who has been residing in Washington since her father's appointment to a position in the pension office by President Cleveland, will be glad to learn that she was one of the winners in the Washington Post's contest, which insures her a two months' trip to Europe, with all expenses paid. This, it is said, will be one of the most extensive newspaper trips ever undertaken.

Mrs. John B. Reed and son William, of Tacoma, Washington, and Mrs. S. H. Heckman, of Johnstown, and daughter Catharine, last week were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kreamer. They are now at Rebersburg. Mrs. Reed, before marriage, was Miss Hilbish, daughter of Dr. Hilbish, of Rebersburg. The first eight years of her married life were spent in Philadelphia, and then she and her husband located in the far northwest where they prospered. Two years ago, when Mrs. Reed was on her way east, Mr. Reed became ill, which caused her to return, reaching his bedside several weeks before his death. Before returning to Washington she will visit in Williamsport, Philadelphia and other points.