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W. C. T. UNION CONVENTION.

Twenty-Seventh Annual Gathering Will be Held at Centre Hall September 6th and 7th.

The twenty-seventh annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Centre county will be held in the United Evangelical church, in Centre Hall, Friday and Saturday, September 6th and 7th. The program is appended.

THE PROGRAM

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 6TH.
8:00 Convention called to order
Devotions, led by President, Mrs. A. M. Cies
Reading Unapproved Minutes
Roll Call of Delegates and Officers
Our Invisible Choir—Mrs. C. H. Davis, Philadelphia; Mrs. Millard Feichtel, Philadelphia; Mrs. A. J. Orison, Bellefonte; Mrs. Francis Heymann, Bellefonte

Music. Appointment of Committees
Introduction of Local Presidents of Unions, Our County Vice Presidents, and Superintendents
Words of Greeting, Mrs. T. W. Simkins, Centre Hall

Response, Mrs. D. B. Shirey, Philadelphia
Report of Corresponding Secretary
Report of Treasurer. Adjournment

FRIDAY EVENING.

7:00 Executive Board Meeting
8:00 Public Meeting
Devotions, led by Rev. R. R. Jones
Music
Address, Mrs. Adda Bollean Parcells, of Philadelphia, State Lecturer for W. C. T. U.
Music. Silver offering. Music. Benediction

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 7TH.

8:30 Meeting of Executive Board
9:00 Convention called to order
Devotions, led by Mrs. Dorothy B. Shirey
Minutes
Report of Credentials Committee
Election of Officers

Election of Delegates to State Convention
Reports of Superintendents and Delegates
A Quiz on Medical Temperance. Conducted by Dr. Edith Schad, State Superintendent
Adjournment

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

1:00 Convention opened with Devotions, by Miss Gertrude Spangler, Centre Hall
Superintendents' Reports Continued
President's Resumé of the Work
Music. Recitation, Grace Snyder. Miscellaneous Business

Questions Answered by Mrs. Farcoy
Report of Committee on Resolutions
Report of Committee on Place of Next Meeting
Music. Collection. Adjournment.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Mrs. A. M. Cies, President, Philadelphia
Mrs. J. F. Harris, Vice President, Bellefonte
Mrs. V. C. Ridge, Recording Secretary
Blanchard
Miss Ella Switzer, Corresponding Secretary, Philadelphia

Mrs. Dorothy B. Shirey, Treasurer, Philadelphia
SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

R. R. Work, Mrs. F. M. Gainsforth
Loyal Legion, Mrs. V. C. Ridge
Medical Temperance, Dr. Edith Schad

Evangelistic, Clara Valentine
Flower Mission, Saville Reaerick
Mothers' Meeting, Mrs. John Foreman

Temperance Light Bearers, Mrs. A. M. Cies
Medal Contests, Mrs. Rebecca Glosner
Legislative, County Officers

Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Earl Sigfried
Temperance Literature, Miss Ella Switzer
Sabbath Observance and Christian Citizenship, Mrs. L. T. Eddy

Social, Mrs. Emily Warfield
Press, Mrs. V. C. Ridge
Sabbath School, Miss Anna Bechdel

Narcotics, Mrs. O. J. Stover
Scientific Temperance Instruction in Our Schools, County Officers

Tables of Many Pieces.

Prisoners in penitentiaries make some wonderful and curious things. Their output indicates that their time is not particularly valuable to them and that a lifetime, after all, especially if within prison walls, is long. Recently a consignment of four tables from the Western Penitentiary, at Pittsburgh, received by Sheriff Lee, bears out the foregoing. Two of the tables are in the county bastille, one in the home of the sheriff's brother-in-law, Ebon Bower, in Bellefonte, and the fourth is at Tusseyville, in the home of C. A. Miller, also a brother-in-law of Sheriff Lee.

One of the tables exhibited in the hallway of the jail is made up of 24,000 pieces of all kinds of hard wood, some pieces being less than a quarter of an inch square and others ranging from one to two inches. The inlaid work represents the most beautiful designs, each piece of wood, no matter how small, joined to the surrounding pieces so perfectly that only the different colors of the wood reveal the dividing lines. Some designs are worked out in varying sizes. So cleverly are many of these arranged that when viewed from different angles some of the pieces of wood seem to be raised a half inch or more above the others. The surface of the table, however, is perfectly level and smooth.

Hackenberg-Condo.

Benjamin F. Hackenberg and Miss Ida Condo, both of Spring Mills, were married at the home of the bride Wednesday, 14th inst., by Rev. J. H. Max Lantz. The groom is a traveling salesman for a candy firm, and has had headquarters at Spring Mills for some time. The bride is a daughter of the late Jere Condo, and is well known throughout this locality.

Millheim borough made application for a county bridge over Elk Creek where the Peters road crosses it, and on Friday Prof. C. R. Neff, Hon. J. H. Weisel and Col. John A. Woodward will pass on the proposition in the capacity of viewers.

PAYOLING DAIRY FARM.

An Adjunct of the Continental Milk Condensing Plant—Future Purposes.

The following article taken from the Lock Haven Democrat is of special interest to a number of the Reporter readers because of the fact that the farmers in Penna Valley are beginning to give dairying more attention every year, and further since many of them are now patrons of the concern of which the gentlemen named are the head: This most interesting enterprise is managed by George, Ohi, of Mill Hall, who has had many years of experience both technical and practical in dairy relations until he is now a recognized authority in his line. R. B. Page, president of the Continental Condensed Milk Company, is also an experienced dairyman and is assisting in the infusion of the best modern dairy methods in this particular enterprise.

The Payoling dairy is attracting more than local interest, not so much of what can be constructed in an elaborate way as to accomplish great and modern ends and achievements in an inexpensive manner as possible and that which is within the means of almost every one who contemplates dairying as a business.

The selection of the herd has been one of the chief sources of the great success with which this dairy has already established a reputation and the man who buys from this stock dairy knows that he is getting good value for his money. This dairy is a medium through which the establishing of a better grade of milk producing cows can be secured at moderate prices. Their terms are such that any and all persons who desire better herds can obtain them from the Payoling dairy. Almost daily can be seen here experts, men from some state, as Michigan, Wisconsin, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio, etc., who have heard of the transformation of the old style farm barn to an up to date barn. There you will find cement floors, troughs, stanchions, salt wells, water basins, silos, electric light, electric motors, milk house, box stalls, calf pen and stall, and there is just being installed a Sharpless latest improved milking machine that is claimed to be very easy on the cows and preferred by the cow hand milking and much more sanitary.

The expert visitors are loud in the praise of the great accomplishments wrought by Messrs. Ohi and Page. An exceedingly complimentary remark was given to Mr. Ohi by the director of the Massachusetts State Agricultural department on Mr. Ohi's knowledge of fine breeding. This is one of the many features that brings many dairymen to purchase dairy cows from this already well established industry. The exceedingly high bred sire at the head of the Payoling herd is valued at \$4000, this possibly is the best that has ever been seen in Clinton county, and is only a little over a year old.

The improvements about the barn and in the herd are not the only features, here in a very short time will be instituted a thoroughly balanced ration to show the ordinary farmer how to obtain the greatest results with the least possible expense.

Abundant success is assured and the county in general will be greatly benefited through this much too long delayed enterprise. Four or five cars more of thoroughbred and high grade cows will be added to the dairy to take the place of many that were sold in the last ten days.

Deaths of Centre Countians.

Thomas Snyder, of near Vail, aged seventy-seven years.

Christian Reese, aged seventy-one years, nine months, of Taylor twp.

Mrs. Phoebe Houtz, wife of John Houtz, in Bellefonte, aged forty-eight years.

Miss Fannie Bowersox, a resident of Middleburg, aged sixty-four years, she at one time lived in Centre county.

Charles R. Kurtz, editor of the "Centre Democrat," last week accepted the chairmanship of the publicity committee of the Democratic State Committee, and as a result will spend several days each week in Harrisburg until the November election. His work will be to direct the publicity end of the campaign in the state, and the fact that he was selected from among all the Democratic editors in Pennsylvania is in itself a compliment to him personally and a tribute to his ability.

The Ladies' World for September can really be called a remarkable number, because of its unusual contents. It starts with a narration of one woman to another of how it feels to marry two men, and the experience is told with a frankness that is very appealing. Then there is the feature, What happened to Mary, which is eventually to run for some time.

The Lutheran S. S. Picnic.

The several Sunday-schools in the Centre Hall Lutheran charge held a picnic on Thursday in the grove opposite the Georges Valley church. The attendance was quite large and a thorough picnic spirit prevailed. There were representatives present from all of the schools, the total attendance being estimated at from four to five hundred.

The grove was in splendid condition for a picnic, and seats and stands had been put in place, as well as water and ice provided. Over the main entrance was an arch of evergreen, and from twigs were formed the word "Welcome." This work was done by the Sunday-school connected with the Cross church, and their previous attention to the grove added comfort and pleasure to the occasion.

The three former pastors of the charge had been invited to join in the festive occasion. Dr. Fisher and Rev. Reaerick were present. Rev. Bieber, who had fully intended to be present, was obliged to remain at home on account of sickness in the family.

There was no formal program, but shortly after the noon hour there was a voluntary gathering at the temporary speaker's stand, and after a few introductory remarks by Rev. Barry, the present pastor, Dr. Fisher made an informal address. It was a sort of outpouring of the soul to his former parishioners, and no one present failed to absorb the sentiments expressed. Rev. Reaerick followed with expressions very much along the same line, and made the singing of the doxology and the pronouncing of the benediction a fitting conclusion.

A permanent organization was formed by electing Philip A. Auman, president, and T. M. Gramley, secretary, to serve for one year. Each of the Sunday-schools were instructed to elect two representatives, who will be the working force and will have power to select the place and time for the next gathering.

Centre Hall Wins in 12th.

By scoring eight runs in the twelfth inning, the Centre Hall baseball team administered the worst defeat Rebersburg has met this season. Score, 16 to 8. The game was played Saturday, at Rebersburg, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Civil War veterans.

The score stood a tie, 8 to 8, at the end of the eighth inning, and remained so until Centre Hall took their turn at the bat the beginning of the twelfth. Auman, who had been pitching effectively all up to this time, went to pieces under the heavy hitting of the visitors. Eight runs were chalked up by clean, hard hitting, and although Rebersburg made a bold effort to score in their half when they filled the bases with none out, a double play shattered all hopes of a victory, and the cheering which up to this time would have done justice to a Shibe park crowd, suddenly ceased, and a dejected lot of fans left the grounds before the last man was retired. The lead was too big to overcome, and Centre Hall took home with them a game in which all odds were against them. They got no close decisions from the umpires and at one time the game threatened to come to an abrupt ending when Bradford was called out on third when chances for a ninth inning victory were bright. The Centre Hall boys never won games by favors from the umpire, but nevertheless want all that is due them. In this particular instance the third baseman admitted he had not touched the runner, and as the arbiter was in no position to see the play, he guessed at it, with the result that the boys from Penna Valley lost a grand opportunity to win the game in the ninth inning. The big block of runs in the twelfth, however, showed 'em up, as a roofer from Millheim was wont to say, and proved that the best team won.

Boss pitched the entire game for the local club, and in the extra innings became more effective.

Fine Stump S. S. Picnic.

On Saturday the Pine Stump Sunday-school held its annual picnic in the beautiful grove, owned by William Tate, about one half mile north of the school house. It was an ideal day, cheerful sun shone, balmy breezes the entire day. There was a large attendance of lovely maidens; the young ladies were there too, gay and well groomed, gentlemanly in their deportment, and kind and attentive to the wants of the gentler sex. The matrons with their care takers, the most needed of all, were there too, with words of cheer and happy smiles to gladden and help the younger ones enjoy the day in sports and pastime. But the great joy came when the fathers and mothers from their bountiful store houses had provided and selected the richest and best, from the fattest calf down to the tender fowl, fresh from the coop, sandwichees, pies, and stacks of delicious cakes, towering heavenward, and O, how lavishing!

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Reporter Subscribers' Correspondent Column—Interesting Communications.
FREEPORT, Ill., Aug. 26th, 1912.

Dear Friend:

Inclosed you will find one dollar to advance my subscription to August, 1913. We have had splendid crop weather thus far all season. Plenty of moisture and a few very heavy rains, also several real cool spells, but not too cool to effect plant growth. Small grain is yielding immensely. Some farmers report as high as ninety bushels of oats per acre, and other small grain is yielding proportionately large. The writer has a fine piece of winter wheat on his farm that he expects to thresh out forty bushels per acre.

Corn will be a light crop in this locality on account of the ravages of the white grub. One can see large fields of red, dwarfed and dying corn on nearly every farm in this section.

The timothy meadows, especially old meadows, too, were badly effected by the grub. The rake would roll up large sections of the sod while raking up the hay. The writer does not have data on the yield of grubs per acre but could venture a guess that the yield would equal in bushels some of the common farm crops grown by some of our shiftless farmers.

Oats are retailing at 30c per bushel; corn, 75c per bushel; potatoes, \$1 per bushel; apples, which are a light crop, \$1.20 per bushel. Hay is worth \$15 per ton and the tendency is for an advance to \$20 per ton on this commodity.

The berries and grapes are plentiful. The peach trees were all killed by the hard winter, but peaches seem to be plentiful on the market, selling at from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per bushel.

Pastures are good and prices of stock very high.

Political sentiment seems to favor Roosevelt in this locality.

The writer was pleased to notice the advance stand taken by the editor of the Reporter in the matter of granting franchises to public utility concerns. Perpetual franchises acquired without any money consideration would be considered a valuable asset in the larger municipalities and would be worth considerable in a town the size of Centre Hall. Franchise life and rights figure very prominently when transfers are considered or are about to be made. All ordinances framed with a view of granting franchises to public service corporations should be considered in their future bearings, as well as present aspects. Long franchise rights, on easy terms, very often prove a great hindrance to the material development of certain communities in after years.

In closing this article the writer takes the liberty to again commend the editor on the advance stand he took in defending the future rights of his community against the greed of corporations in the matter of the proposed electric light ordinance.

J. M. STIFFLER.

Vonada-Walker.

The Methodist parsonage at Spring Mills was the place of the marriage on last Saturday of Charles F. Vonada, of Sylvan Grove, Kansas, and Miss Flora Walker, of Centre Hall, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Walker, the marriage having been performed by Rev. J. Max Lantz.

The young couple met at Centre Hall about a year ago, when Mr. Vonada was east on a visit to his grandfather, Samuel D. Burris, near Centre Hall. Mr. Vonada enlisted in the regular army, and on his enlistment expiring he began farming operations in Kansas, in the vicinity of Sylvan Grove, to which place he will take his bride, leaving here today (Thursday). They will begin housekeeping at once.

The Reporter extends its congratulations, and wishes them a long, happy and prosperous life.

Creameryman Meets With Accident.

Charles Sheffer, manager of the Dewart creamery, met with an accident several miles west of Windfield when his auto plunged down a steep bank, throwing the occupant out of the car and badly bruising and cutting him. Mr. Sheffer was traveling from New Berlin to Windfield, the roads being in a miserable shape from the recent rains and floods which have visited that section, and at a point along the road where a temporary bridge had been built to take the place of one that had been washed out by the high waters of some time ago, he made the mistake of getting on the road leading to where the old bridge stood instead of taking the road leading to the temporary bridge. The result was that his auto was plunged down an embankment of perhaps twelve feet and badly damaged. The occupant of the car escaped miraculously from death, his injuries of cuts and bruises being severe, however.

S. M. BELL A SUICIDE.

Despondent Man Sends Bullet Through Head—Funeral Monday.

Samuel M. Bell, a resident of Boalsburg for twenty-five years, committed suicide on Thursday morning of last week by firing a bullet from a 38-calibre revolver into his head. Although life did not pass out for an hour after the rash deed had been committed, it was at once seen that there was no hope for the man.

Mr. Bell rose from his bed early in the morning, and prepared to make a trip into the country. He also visited the cemetery near by, and those who passed him on the way to and from the burying ground were greeted in the usual way, no one suspecting that he was contemplating such an awful deed.

The first intimation of the tragedy was the report of the revolver. His wife went to the bed room on the second floor, and there the man lay, still clutching the revolver.

Word was at once given out of what had happened, and a physician was hurriedly summoned, but as indicated above there was no possibility of saving the man's life.

County Coroner Fisher, at Zion, was notified of the incident, and being physically unable to preside at an inquest, the matter was put into the hands of Hon. W. A. Murray, a local justice of the peace. The jury named was Henry Frederick, Frank Tharp, P. S. Ishler, R. B. Harrison, W. H. Stuart, Jacob Meyer, who after hearing evidence on the case reported death was due to the man's own act and with suicidal intent.

Interment was made on Monday, Rev. S. C. Stover officiating.

The deceased was born in Juniata county, and was aged fifty-seven years and seven months. He came to Boalsburg from McAllisterville, and first engaged in repairing sewing machines and the sale of them. Later he began dealing in tin ware, hardware and stoves, and also was agent for the Grand Union Tea Company. He had his faults, and there are none without them, yet he had many friends who will very much regret to read of the sad ending of his life.

The mother of the deceased lives in Juniata county, and a halfbrother, Henry Varner, is located near Philadelphia. He was twice married, his first wife having died about three years ago. The second wife, to whom he was married several months ago, survives, as do also several step children.

On examining the room closely, it was discovered that two shots had been fired, one lodging in a large trunk from which it is presumed the revolver was secured. It is thought that after the fatal shot had been fired, it was either by striking the trunk in the fall, or the heavy grip on the revolver that set off the self-cocking revolver a second time.

Transfer of Real Estate.

Arthur Peters et ux to Wm. J. Folk, tract of land in College twp. \$600.

J. C. and H. W. Crider to J. M. Kryder, tract of land in Gregg twp. \$500.

Abram F. Markle to the Pennsylvania State College, tract of land in College twp. \$611.60.

Thomas Smoke et ux to Eva May Smoke, tract of land in Moshannon, \$100.

Daniel C. Callihan et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., tract of land in Benner twp. \$400.

Henry H. Houser et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., tract of land in Benner twp. \$640.

J. B. Irish et al to The Centre & Clearfield R. W. Co., tract of land in Rush twp. \$85.

William Dumbleton to John Zewalbridge, tract of land in Rush twp. \$725.

Benjamin Weaver et ux to Improvement B. and L. Association, of Tyrone, tract of land in Taylor twp. \$1.

Fergus Potter to Samuel Gingery, tract of land in Benner twp. \$50.

John Blanchard et al to Susan E. Hoover et al, tract of land in Benner twp. \$1.

Sarah Stover et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., tract of land in Benner twp. \$800.

J. A. Hoover et ux to Commonwealth of Penna., tract of land in Benner twp. \$600.

Emma Smith to Joseph E. Swabb, tract of land in Liberty twp. \$200.

William Peeler et ux to J. A. Treasurer, tract of land in Haines twp. \$21.

The Bull Moose will be out short a good many votes unless the members of the Annanias Club are permitted to step behind the curtain on election day.

One of the most common ailments that hard working people are afflicted with is lame back. Apply Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day and massage the parts thoroughly at each application, and you will get quick relief. For sale by all dealers.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Saturday and Sunday were delightful days.

Miss Mary Zettle, of Centre Hall, recently visited her uncle Ira Barger, at Millroy.

John D. Lucas, the contractor and builder, made a business trip to Watstown on Saturday.

Mrs. Irvin J. Shirk, of Glenn Iron, visited her father, W. J. Sweetwood, in Georges Valley last week.

Although there has been considerable rainfall during this month, the springs do not show any perceptible rising.

George Wagner, who works for John S. Ruhl on his farm near Tylerstown, was thrown from a wagon and broke his arm.

The Howard Hustler: Mrs. Clyde Smith, of Centre Hall, is visiting this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Henderson.

Orain Osman, son of Frank D. Osman, is at State College driving a milk wagon for Jesse Klunger, who with his wife and family are on a trip to Afton, Ohio.

The road between Lemont and State College is being built by the state highway department. This is a link of one of the routes from county-seat to county-seat being built by the state.

J. W. Evans, in Georges Valley has begun the construction of a silo. It will be circular in form and will be built of hollow tile especially made for such structures. It is Mr. Evans' intention to have the silo completed in time to fill it this season.

The Unionville borough council granted the Unionville electric light company a fifty-year franchise. The only compensation the borough is to receive is a pole tax of twenty cents per year and privilege to use the poles for wires for fire and police purposes.

The Atlantic City excursion, on last Thursday, was taken advantage of by these persons from Centre Hall: Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Strohmeier, Miss Bertha Strohmeier, Mrs. F. O. Bairfoot, Mrs. Lucy Henney, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Mitterling, Miss Anna Mitterling, Miss Lena Emerick.

Prof. J. A. Young, who will be recalled as one of the principals of the Centre Hall High School, and who for four years was principal of the Lock Haven schools, has resigned his position to accept the supervising principalship of the Williamstown, Connecticut, schools at a greatly increased salary.

Burdine Butler, the democratic war-horse of Howard, was in Centre Hall the latter part of last week. Mr. Butler had some difficulties with the Bald Eagle Valley railroad company, and because he gave them an interesting meet on his hay field, the work is now progressing at least partially according to his terms.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hagen and little son, of Shamokin, came to Spring Mills last week and until Monday afternoon were guests at the home of the former's parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Hagen, at Farmers Mills. Mr. Hagen is a telegrapher and is employed by the Pennsy, and is the kind of young man that the great corporation is in quest of at all times.

While ripping a board with a circular power saw, Orvis Weaver got his left hand into the saw and the result was the index finger was cut off entirely, the second finger was almost severed and in dressing was removed, and the little finger badly mangled. The young man, who is twenty years old, was taken to the Bellefonte hospital in a car by Miss Helen Bartholomew, and was accompanied by Dr. J. V. Foster. The accident occurred on Friday, while Mr. Weaver was working for C. D. Bartholomew, who employs him continuously.

Dr. W. E. Fischer, of Shamokin, for eighteen years pastor of the Centre Hall Lutheran charge, and for as long a time pastor of his present charge, is among his old parishioners, having come here last week to attend a picnic of the Sunday-schools of the charge. Dr. Fischer is held in high esteem by his acquaintances, regardless of the denominational affiliations, and his visits here, which, however, are not at all frequent, are greatly enjoyed by the former pastor as well as the people. Just now Dr. Fischer is looking forward longingly to the April days in 1913, at which time his daughters will return from China, one of them having been there as a missionary for almost seven years, and the second daughter and her husband are girthing the world for the second time, and are now due in China. On Sunday morning Dr. Fischer was greeted in the Lutheran church by a large number of people to hear him deliver one of his characteristic sermons.