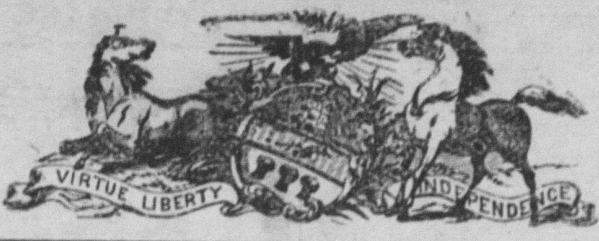


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MEETING OF COUNTY GRANGE.

Last Quarterly Meeting of 1913 Held in Centre Hall—A. W. Dale the New Master.

At the last quarterly meeting of the Centre County Pomona Grange for 1913, A. W. Dale was advanced from the Overseer's chair to that of Master of the body, the term of office to be for a period of two years. He succeeds Hon. Leonard Rhone, who was not a candidate for reelection. The other officers elected were: Overseer, Prof. C. R. Neff; Lecturer, Dr. H. F. Bitner; Steward, George W. Gingerich; Assistant Steward, J. Cloyd Brooks; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Anna Brooks; Chaplain, G. L. Goodhart; Treasurer, Dr. H. F. Bitner; Secretary, D. M. Campbell; Gate Keeper, James Keller; Pomona, Mrs. Anna Sankey; Ceres, Mrs. Alice Durst; Flora, Mrs. Wallace White; Executive Committee, L. Rhone, I. S. Frain, W. S. Brooks, J. S. Dale, Christ Keller; Directors to Pomona, Rura Telephone Company, L. Rhone, John S. Dale, Willard Dale, D. M. Campbell, S. W. Smith; Auditors, John S. Dale, C. R. Neff.

The reports of representatives of the various enterprises of the body were heard and adopted, the one of most interest being the formulating of a co-operative creamery at Centre Hall. This project, so far as pertains to the building itself, will be under the management of the executive committee of the County Grange. Present conditions indicate that the structure will be erected in the south east section of Grange Park, at Centre Hall. The location affords exceptional advantages—first, unlimited grounds for extensions; natural drainage, and a railroad siding, should the business develop in the future to include the sale of farm products and the purchasing in large quantities.

The creamery project is gaining strength in the membership of the order, and subscriptions for stock are being made much in excess of that first anticipated, and that without solicitations.

A series of meetings will be held throughout the county with the view of arousing interest in the order.

Keller, Neff.

This item is reprinted from the Watchman: On Wednesday of last week a wedding of interest to many Centre countyans was celebrated at the Methodist parsonage in Hollidaysburg, the contracting parties being E. Paul Keller of Altoona and Miss Madeline K. Neff of Pleasant Gap. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. G. F. Boggs. The bride is a daughter of county commissioner and Mrs. Wm. H. Neff of Pleasant Gap. She is a graduate of the Lock Haven Normal school and during the past eighteen months had been one of the clerks to the county commissioners. The bridegroom was formerly of Pleasant Gap but has been located in Altoona the past two years as bookkeeper in one of the offices of the Pennsylvania railroad company. Following their marriage the happy young couple came to Centre county and visited friends until this week when they went to Altoona where they will reside.

Spayd Party.

A pretty little surprise was tendered by Mr. and Mrs. Howard F. Weaver, of near Farmers Mills for their two children, Russell and Grace, to celebrate their 17th birthday. There were about forty-three present. The evening was very enjoyably spent in playing various games. The principals received many pretty and useful gifts. At about ten o'clock refreshments consisting of sandwiches, cake, coffee and oranges were served and between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock they all returned to their respective homes wishing them many more happy birthdays. Those present were as follows: Israel Spayd and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver and daughter, Evelyn, Mrs. Susan Long, Mrs. Rosetta Lutz, Mrs. Rosa E. Stover, Mrs. Charles Frankenberg and daughter Martha, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Gray and daughter Josephine, Mary Kirby, Emma Vonada, Helen Ribbel, Mildred Long, Gladys Weigly, Mary Frankenberg, Ethel Long, Lizzie Feteroff, Bertha Corman, Della Spayd, Lottie Rochau, Jennie Bartges, B. C. Vonada, J. M. Hagan, John Wert, Russell Groves, E. B. Bartges, Ed Vonada, A. R. Hagan, Robert Kirby, Ralph Rochau, Paul Spayd, D. H. Homan, John Frankenberg, L. J. Homan, Russel Hagan, Bertin Feteroff, Gayer Grove.

Spayd vs. Homan.

The State College football team defeated the Haysburg high school team at Haysburg, on Saturday, by a score of 6 to 0. The playing of both teams on the defense were the features.

DAIRY PRIZE FOR RALSTON.

Creamery Patrons Hold Social Meeting at State College—Prize Contests this Week.

Some two hundred friends and patrons of the State College creamery held a social meeting in the assembly room of the Agricultural building at Pennsylvania State College. Prof. Carl W. Larson, head of the dairy department, took advantage of this social meeting to make the awards in the junior dairymen's contest which recently closed.

Dr. R. L. Watts, the dean and director, greeted the patrons and spoke in a happy reminiscent way of the conditions twenty-three years ago when five students were studying agriculture at Penn State compared with the 1,200 of today. He predicted good times for the agriculturalists of the future and wishes all present to return to the meetings of Farmers' week beginning December 28.

David F. Kapp, cashier of the First National bank, gave a pleasing address showing why bankers are interested in agriculture. The great interest in agriculture shown by bankers all over the country is not a philanthropic movement, Good farming means more money for the banks. In a fitting and appropriate address he awarded the first prize of \$25 in the junior dairymen's contest to Hugh Ralston, son of G. W. Ralston, of Centre Hall. The second prize of \$15 went to Edna Drebbins of State College. These young people have kept accurate feed and milk records of cows for one year. They have made regular written reports of the same and will receive the prizes which are the result of the enterprise of State College business men.

Prof. Larson gave a statement of the growth of the State College creamery for the past six years. The pay roll to the farmers, not including any product bought by them, has increased from \$23,000 a year to over \$55,000.

A few pictures of European city and country life were shown by F. S. Potney, assistant professor in the dairy department.

LOCALS.

Three hogs killed by C. S. Bottorf at Colyer tipped the scales to 1136 pounds.

The first week in December was very warm, the thermometer playing in the fifties and sixties.

The Presbyterians, as for several years past, will have a Christmas tree and social at the manse Friday evening, December 26, for the school and church.

John Burkholder on his return from Milroy where he visited his mother, was accompanied home by her, and also by his father-in-law, Mr. Havice.

County Superintendent D. O. Etters, and State High School Inspector James O. Pen were in town on Tuesday, and of course visited the High School taught by Prof. H. A. Dodson.

F. F. Palmer of Potters Mills was a caller on Saturday morning. Mr. Palmer is a hunter of some note but declares he was too busy to do a bit of deer hunting during the past season.

The James Love property, at the base of Nittany Mountain, was sold by C. D. Bartholomew to Irvin B. Showers, who took possession of it at once, and moved from the Struck house on Heffer street to that place on Tuesday.

The Christmas services announced for Christmas night in the Reformed church in Centre Hall will be held the Sunday night before Christmas. The service at Spring Mills will be held as scheduled, the Sunday night after Christmas.

James Markle, farmer and dairyman of State College, was in town on Monday between trains. Mr. Markle is milking eighteen cows, and finds dairying profitable, but not a business that will take care of itself. Frank Walker has been the all-around man on the farm during the past few months.

A hot box on a threshing machine came near setting on fire the Ingram barn, in Ferguson township, where the machine was at work. The box heated just before the noon hour, and while the men were absent from the barn, a flame struck up, but it was discovered just in time to avert a most serious conflagration.

The Pennsylvania State Grange is in session at Reading this week, and the attendance is the largest in a number of years. Among others from Centre Hall who are attending the sessions are Hqn. Leonard Rhone, Master Centre County Pomona Grange; Jacob Sharer, Master Progress Grange; Mrs. Jacob Sharer, Miss Florence Rhone, Miss Edith Sankey, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Corman, Spring Mills; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Grove, Bellefonte; Austin Dale, B. Haysburg, Master-elect of Centre County Pomona Grange, are also in attendance.

COUNTY ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Numerous Prizes Offered for Oratorical Work by Banks in Centre County.

One of the most interesting features of the annual commencement exercises at the Pennsylvania State College is the Junior oratorical contest for the Barlow prize of \$50. There is also a second prize of \$25. These prizes are awarded to the two members of the Junior class who excel in the composition and delivery of an English oration. The contest is always held on Monday evening of commencement week.

The boys of Centre county who are doing eighth grade or high school work have an opportunity to enter such a contest for a prize of \$25, the gift of the First National Bank of Bellefonte. The boys attending school in district one have a chance to contest for a prize of \$10, the gift of the Millheim Banking Company, of Millheim. This district consists of the townships of Miles, Haines, Penn, Gregg and Potter. The Farmers' Trust Company of State College offers a local prize of \$10 in gold for district two, consisting of the townships of Ferguson, Harris, College, Bonner, Spring, Walker, Marion, Patton and Half Moon. The boys eligible to enter the contest in the townships of Rush, Snow Shoe and Burnside have an opportunity to compete for a prize of \$10, the gift of the First National Bank of Philipsburg. No local prizes have been offered for district three, including the townships of Bald Eagle Valley. However, the boys of these townships have an equal chance of winning the county prize of \$25.

The plan of the contest which was announced the week preceding the teachers' institute was submitted to the teachers by Mr. Wasson, of the Penn township schools, and accepted by them.

An amendment was added limiting the contest to eighth grade and high school work. The various local institute committeemen shall act as chairmen of the contests in their respective townships.

Properties Change Hands.

C. W. Korman, of near Curtin, during the last week sold his large farm at that place to Harry G. Ebbs, the merchant of Milesburg, who will take possession April 1st, 1914, thus returning to his former occupation—states the Keystone Gazette. Mr. Ebbs for years before going into the mercantile business at Milesburg had been one of the best known farmers of Half Moon township. The consideration he paid for the Korman farm was \$4,500. At the same time Mr. Korman purchased the Ebbs stock and fixtures in Milesburg, the consideration being \$1,300. On Monday Mr. Korman purchased the late Charles H. Eise property in Milesburg and will occupy the same April 1, 1914, when he will open and conduct a general store, including the wholesale ice cream business carried on by Mr. Ebbs. The Eise property sold for \$2,100. It had been Mr. Korman's intention to move into his property in Oak Hill, but he abandoned this idea and on Wednesday sold the same to I. J. Linder of that place, for the consideration of \$2,100.

Farmers' Week at State College.

Farmers' Week at the Pennsylvania State College will be held this year December 29 to January 3. Over 100 lectures and demonstrations of interest and practical value to farmers will be given. The courses are open to women as well as men. The Department of Home Economics will conduct a section throughout the week which should be of special interest to women. The program is arranged that the specialist as well as the general farmer can attend exercises of interest to him throughout every period of the week.

Girls Want to Party Company.

A Georgia town has voted in favor of saloons and here is the reason as given by a citizen:

"If we are going to stand for our women folks wearing shadow and silk skirts and our younger women learning to dance the bill wavel wiggles, Texas Tommy tango, the bunny hug, the bear dance, the half-center, the buzzard flap and so on down the line, the men folks might just as well have their saloons and the whole push go to hell together."

Opening Hours Announced.

Fishers, Penn Hall; Ribbel, Krape and Rossmann, Spring Mills, announces that they will have their respective stores open every evening until after Christmas, and after that time closed every Wednesday evening as heretofore.

Shak speaks. Measure for Pleasure.

"Be that you are, That is a woman; if you be more, you're none."

DEATHS.

After an illness of some months with rheumatism, Alfred B. Shope died at his home at State College. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shope and was born at Lemont thirty-eight years ago. He was a steady, industrious man and his death is sincerely mourned. Surviving him are his wife and four small children; his parents, one brother and three sisters. He was a member of the State College Lodge I. O. O. F. and of the United Woodmen of America. Both organizations attended the funeral which was held on Thursday of last week. Rev. S. C. Stover, of the Reformed church, officiated and burial was made in the Pine Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Jennie Carson died at her home in Tyrone after being a sufferer with a complication of diseases the past five years. She was a daughter of James and Nancy Gunsalus and was born at Washington Furnace, Centre county, on June 7th, 1850. On December 23rd, 1869, she was united in marriage at Pine Grove Mills to Thomas F. Carson and the first eleven years of their married life was spent in Ferguson township. Thirty-two years ago they moved to Tyrone and that had been her home ever since.

Henry Harshberger, E. q., of 3867 Sixth avenue, South Altoona, died at the Altoona hospital on Friday morning of pneumonia and Bright's disease, following a long illness. He was aged sixty-seven years, and was born in Centre county. He practiced law in Bellefonte until several years ago when his health broke down and he was compelled to forego his professional work. He removed to Altoona several years ago and became a traveling salesman. He was admitted to the institution on November 27. His wife and several children survive.

William Z. Arross died at his home in Philadelphia, and on Monday was buried at York. He was a son of Jonathan Z. Arross, and was aged about fifty-three years. He was a photographer, and for a number of years traveled with Mr. Bergstromer to fairs and picnics.

The deceased is survived by a wife, and two sisters: Mrs. Elizabeth Stump, Centre Hall, and Mrs. William Campbell. Mrs. George Suetter, and Robert Arross of York are half sisters and brother of the deceased.

Mrs. Sarah Catharine Bair, born at Spring Mills, May 18, 1836, died November 27, 1913, aged forty-seven years, six months and nine days, at the home of her father James Kennedy, at Spring Mills. For some time she had been residing at Patton, Cambria county. She is survived by her father, a husband, two sons, three sisters and four brothers. Interment was made at Holy Cross church, Georges Valley, Rev. George Colledge, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

Francis Spitzer, a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home in Rush township from a complication of diseases Wednesday of last week. He was aged seventy-nine years. He is survived by a wife and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Meek.

Mrs. Mary Jane Rothrock, widow of William T. Rothrock, died in Philadelphia, aged eighty-four years. Her maiden name was Fiegel, and her marriage to Mr. Rothrock took place in Union county in 1849.

Deaths Throughout County.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wian, widow of Peter Wian, in Altoona. The deceased before her marriage was Elizabeth Hill and was born in Bellefonte in 1837.

Peterson Irwin, at Sandy Ridge, aged fifty-six years.

William Hale, at Sandy Ridge, aged sixty-six years.

John Rodgers at Huntingdon aged almost seventy years. He was a civil war veteran, a member of Company C, Fifth Regiment. He was born at Nittany, but has lived at Huntingdon for thirty-five years.

Fine Poultry Exhibit.

The Millin County Poultry Association will hold its third annual exhibition in the market house at Lewistown Dec 30-31, 1913, and Jan. 1-2, 1914. Competition will be open to all exhibitors and all will be welcome. Last year over 600 fowls were displayed and it is expected that about 1000 will be on the floor this year. All persons interested in poultry should make it a point to either exhibit at Lewistown or visit the show as many fine fowls will be exhibited and you will be benefited in either case.

Roy White went to Perry county where he will remain for the present with his mother.

LETTERS FROM SUBSCRIBERS.

Chicago, Dec. 6, 1913.

Dear Friend:

I was quite surprised to receive your letter, also two copies of the Centre Reporter. It has been a long time since I have seen a copy, except once in a while Will Harper sent me one. I always meant to subscribe for it but the years slipped away and I was hindered in various ways and never sent for it. Some months ago Mrs. P. M. Mersinger from Joliet, Illinois and Mrs. Kate Conley of Centre Hall called to see me, and Mrs. Mersinger made the remark that her Centre Hall Reporter had run out, and she was going to renew it. I handed her one dollar and told her to send it along, as I had wanted it for so long. She has since passed away, and I have never heard any of the particulars of her death.

If you should have a paper left giving an account of her death, and would send it to me, I would appreciate it very much. We had been good friends for many years. Paul, my youngest son, knows her sister Annie, who lives in Missouri, Montana, where he is attending the State University where he hopes to graduate next June, and enter the practice of law in the same town. Our oldest son is also a lawyer and is practicing here in Chicago, and our second son is a physician and surgeon. He has charge of a hospital in Amboy, Illinois, twelve miles from Dixon where we lived eight years. Our daughter, who is both teachers in the public school of Chicago. The younger was married about three months ago.

I was so interested in those views you sent me. I looked at them for a long time, and several times since. The Old Fort hotel looked familiar also the hotel at Centre Hall, but I did not remember anything about the other. Memory still holds for me a beautiful picture of Centre Hall and Penn's Valley. Many thanks for them.

I will enclose one dollar. If the other ever reaches you you can give me credit for next year, but I do not think it will.

I am so thankful to mention that Mr. Dornblaser seems as strong and well as ever.

My cousin George Emerick was buried in Freeport last week.

With kind regards to yourself and family,

Sincerely your old friend,

MRS. ANNA SHANNON DORNBLASER.

[The author of the above will be recalled by many of those who will read the letter, and they will be pleased to hear from her even these few words.—ED.]

Orangeville, Ill., Dec. 6, 1913.

Editor Reporter:

Please find postoffice money order for a year's subscription, which will advance my label to October, '14.

The section about Orangeville and also in southern Wisconsin produced very fair crops during the past season. Real estate is advancing, and has been doing so for several years. As an illustration let me say that eight years ago I built a barn on one of my farms, and rented the place. The renter proved unsatisfactory, so the farm containing eighty-nine and one-half acres was offered for sale, my price being \$10,000. Purchasers thought it too high, but I then said land would be worth more in the future, and my prediction proved true, for last June the same place was sold by me for \$12,500, and if I had it today I could get more than that much for it. A farm to the north of us is offered at \$150 per acre.

There are many public sales of farm stock and implements in this section. Cows are selling around the \$100 mark, spring calves, \$30, two year old heifers, \$50 and \$60; horses at from \$150 to \$200. At a sale a few days ago oats sold for 45 cents, corn 74 cents for 80 pounds, hay from \$8 to \$9 per ton. A stock and grain sale on a farm north of here amounted to \$12,000, and two other sales are advertised that will also amount to about that much.

Last summer was a very pleasant one, although pretty hot at times. For a week it has been very cloudy.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain, Very truly,
J. H. JORDAN.

Cows and Calves for Sale.

John Snavely of Spring Mills, the latter part of last week, returned from the western part of Pennsylvania, and brought with him a number of cows for his dairy, and a few extras for sale. There are offered for sale four or five cows and five thoroughbred Holstein bull calves. These are fine animals, and are worth seeing.

Ornaments for Christmas decorations.—Kremer's.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Mrs. Harry Miller and children on Saturday went to Millheim.

The Christmas season is rapidly approaching. Do your buying early.

Friday night a gale set in from the west that tumbled mercury from 50 to 18 degrees above the zero line, that being the lowest point registered this fall.

Thomas Bartges, who will operate the Bartges farm after next spring, purchased a pair of draft horses at the horse sale held at Rebersburg last week.

The teachers of the sixth district will hold a local institute at Rebersburg on Saturday. The teachers in Centre Hall borough have planned to attend.

Mrs. William H. Silver, who a short time ago had her hip broken by falling at the United Evangelical church, is getting along nicely, and is continuously improving.

Willis Crause, aged sixty years, committed suicide on his farm near Vicksburg. He committed the deed with a revolver. He had become melancholy, his troubles being imaginary.

Aaron Thomas and F. E. Arney have been putting in time on the Thomas farm, near Pine Grove Mills, replacing wooden water pipes with iron and doing other improving about the place.

Harry Neff of near Tusseyville has had a severe attack of quinsy, and for more than a week was confined to the house, and for a part of the time his condition was serious. He is now steadily improving.

J. Henry Williams, a lawyer of Philadelphia, was elected right worshipful master of the Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, at the quarterly communication held in the Masonic Temple at Philadelphia.

C. S. Bottorf of Colyer accompanied by his daughter, Miss Helen C., were in town on Thursday and paid their respects to this office. The young lady is employed in the Thompson Knitting Mills, at Milroy, and came home but for a few days.

The proprietors of hotels in Millin county contributed almost \$1000 toward the campaign expenses of Col. John S. Garret, an independent, pledged candidate for associate judge in that county. Garret was defeated. Five hotel men each paid \$150.

A cow owned by D. K. Keller gave birth to three calves during the present year, twice having been born on Saturday. Mr. Keller is breeding from a twin sire, and it is his opinion that that fact has more or less to do with the fall of five pairs of twins since he is farming.

Goodhart furniture is furniture of distinctive quality. What better selection of a Christmas or New Year's gift than a piece of furniture. It is useful and valuable—always before the eyes of the lucky recipient to remind him or her of the giver. "G. G. G." stands for "Give Goodhart Gifts."

George McCormick of Potters Mills, so the Reporter was informed by telephone last week, has some thought of engaging with one of the Chicago packing houses, in the slaughtering department. He gave an exhibition of his skill in shooting hogs that convinced all witnesses that he could make the biggest stamper imaginable among a drove of hog.

Oscar Homan, for a number of years tenant on the Fisher farm, below Penns Cave, will make sale of farm stock and implements next March and will move onto the Emanuel Eungard farm just west of Penns Cave. Mr. Eungard will quit the farm, and will occupy a property at Farmers Mills which he remodeled and is putting in the best of shape.

The buildings—all of them—on the E. M. Huyett farm west of Centre Hall are being repainted by John Noll, the Pleasant Gap painter and decorator. Mr. Noll has several painters helping him. The house and barn will be painted white and some of the other buildings will be given a bit of color. Mr. Huyett will also have his town residence repainted providing the weather conditions are favorable.

H. J. Mueller of Bellefonte was in Centre Hall on business the latter part of last week. He is representing the DuPont Powder Company, and is giving demonstrations in various sections of the county. He has been engaged to dynamite about two hundred young apple trees on the Reber's farm, the purpose being to break up the earth so that the roots may more easily penetrate the deeper soils.