

**Surprise Party.**  
A number of friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Runkle on Friday evening to celebrate Mrs. Runkle's birthday. The evening was spent in a pleasant manner. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Runkle, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weiser, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Slack, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Mark, Mr. and Mrs. George Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stump, Mrs. Eliza Stump, Frank Moyer, Mrs. Harry Moyer and daughter Evelyn Misses Lizzie Stover, Abbie Moyer, Mary Kennedy, Kathryn McKinney, Claire Kreamer, Messrs. Edward, Charles and Maurice Bryan, Wallace Runkle, Archie Moyer, Perry McKinney, John and Russel Slack, Ray Mark and Frank Walker.

**Want to Make West Dry.**  
The Presbyterian church will send two hundred and fifty temperance workers into California, Colorado, Washington and Oregon in an effort to swing these states into the "dry" column at the next fall election. They will take with them motion picture films teaching lessons against the sale of alcohol. Plans for the crusade were perfected at a meeting of the Presbyterian board of temperance workers.

**Story of a Year Told in Pictures.**  
A very unusual publication, along entirely new lines, is The North American's "History of the Year in Pictures," a book that covers with artistic photographic reproductions all the big events of 1913 that could be treated successfully in such a way. The book, 129 pages in board covers, costs 25 cents, by mail 10 cents extra, and is a faithful reminder of the year.

**Chick-in and Waifs Supper.**  
The W. C. T. U. will give a chicken and waifs supper, on Thursday evening of next week, in Grange Arcade.

**COURT IN SESSION THIS WEEK.**  
George Ishler is clerking in the Benner store.

Truth crushed to earth will rise again, but a lie will generally beat it out.

Miss Rebecca Kreamer visited at the home of E. C. Harter near Spring Mills.

John Martz, Sr., a veteran of the Civil War, is seriously ill from a complication of diseases.

Domer Ishler, one of Potter township's school teachers, on Saturday, took a civil service examination at Altoona to become a mail clerk.

Bruce Hettinger, now living on the Buess farm just below Centre Hall, will succeed Edward Wisler as tenant on the Jarre Snavely farm, below Old Fort.

James H. Heberling of near Pine Grove Mills purchased a home in Tyrone and will move to that place. The Heberling homestead was sold to Mrs. J. C. Sunday, who will occupy it.

Lester Cummings was in Centre Hall the beginning of the week. He is an express messenger and runs between Altoona and Pittsburgh. He is looking fine, and has very much increased in weight.

The first public sale held this season in this section was that of a surplus of horses, cattle and hogs by H. L. Brooks on Tuesday. Everything sold well, hogs, cows and cattle bring top prices. The sale footed up to \$1300. Mr. Brooks will move to the Kidder farm, near Boalsburg.

Perry Luse, farmer on the Huyett farm above Centre Hall, sold Philip Betzer, the Bellefonte butcher, twelve fat steers averaging in weight about 1125 pounds. They were a fine lot, and improved nicely under the open shed feeding method. Eight other steers are now being fed by Mr. Luse for a later market.

**Linden Hall**  
Wallace White of Altoona spent Sunday with his family in this place. Mrs. Margaret Kent has returned to her home from the Bellefonte hospital.

William Catherman is again confined to the house by an attack of quinsy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McFarlane were Sunday guests at the F. E. Wieland home.

Miss Margaret Garret of Bellefonte was a guest at the H. H. Houser home for several days.

The sale of personal property by J. H. Weibly was largely attended despite the cold weather.

Equire Potter has rented the house he purchased from J. H. Weibly to Mr. Osman, the section foreman.

On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weibly moved to Bellefonte where Mr. Weibly will be employed as a watchman on the P. R. R.

Mrs. J. H. Ross went to Altoona on Monday where her daughter, Miss Ruth Ross, a nurse in the Altoona hospital, is seriously ill with appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Osman on Monday made final arrangements for moving from Spring Mills to this place. Mr. Osman will be employed as section foreman, succeeding Mr. Weibly.

**Rev. Hewitt a Candidate for Congress.**  
The Reporter is reliably informed that Rev. John Hewitt of Bellefonte is a Democratic candidate for congress in the twenty-first congressional district. The district is made up of the counties of Centre, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean. Rev. Hewitt is a well informed man on political subjects, a forceful speaker, and has been an active Democrat. This paper can and will give him its hearty support.

**Marriage Licenses.**  
Leonard H. Stover, Coburn Minnie E. Fye, Boalsburg  
Lynne J. Gibbon, Galeton  
Erma M. Poorman, Milesburg  
Braid W. Stover, Coburn  
Lydia F. Musser, Woodward  
Olan Winkelman, Nittany  
Verna M. Treasler, Huston

**CENTRE OAK.**  
Wilbur Lucas spent Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Lucas, at Centre Hill.

The Sunday-school at the Union church expect to render a missionary service Sunday morning.

Erma Vonada spent Sunday with Mr. Krader where her sister Mrs. Charles Duck is staying.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shreckengost and son Martin spent a few days at State College with his sister.

B. G. Grove and John Long are breaking colts this week. Gardner says that the deep snow tames them down.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stover and daughter Josephine went to Spring Mills after their sale. They expect to move to Pittsburg in the near future.

John H. Shuey from Lemont spent a few days with Harry Frankenberg. Mr. Shuey was in this section to look after thoroughbred stock, and reports an extra fine lot of that kind of stock kept by W. F. Rishel.

Miss Blanche Hagen from Bellefonte spent some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hagen. Mrs. Hagen has some what improved, so her daughter returned to her home at Bellefonte, Monday of this week.

The Y. W. C. A. held an election of officers on Sunday evening, which resulted as follows: President, Miss Della Spayd; vice presidents, Miss Ethel Long and Ralph Rechan; secretary, Paul Spayd; assistant secretaries, Miss Mary Zorby and Miss Mildred Long; treasurer, Miss Mary Frankenberg. They will meet with Miss Vonada Sunday evening.

**Spring Mills.**  
Mrs. A. C. Dunlap is ill.  
Mrs. Wm. Myers returned from a visit to Millheim.

Miss Anna Cummings is spending a few weeks at Mill Hill.

The sale held by Ezra Finkle was well attended on Saturday afternoon.

C. P. Long, H. F. Roseman and James Condo attended the funeral of William Hosterman at Coburn on Friday.

The lecture on dairying given on Saturday evening in the Grange Hall by Prof. Davis of State College, was very much appreciated by all who heard it.

John and Guy Corman, sons of Daniel Corman, had a mishap on Sunday evening. Their sleigh upset at Allison's mill, and the horse getting away from them ran to Adam Finkle's, where it collided with Dr. Brauch's team. The doctor was thrown from his sleigh, but was not hurt, although the sleigh was demolished. The runaway horse was captured by the doctor, and on examination it was found that neither horse nor sleigh were damaged to any great extent.

**Woodward.**  
Clair Kreamer returned from Philadelphia last Monday.

Mrs. Phoebe Wise is visiting her son, S. D. Orndorf in Coburn.

Miss Bertha Hosterman is visiting her brother and family in Johnstown.

Mrs. Dr. Ard was to Reading last week to attend the funeral of her nephew.

Mrs. Ursinus Stamm attended the funeral of her Uncle, Mr. Haines in Selinsgrove last Friday.

L. L. Weaver and family attended the funeral of the lady's brother-in-law W. L. Hosterman last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Benner, Mrs. R. M. Wolfe and two daughters spent the Sabbath very pleasantly at the home of F. P. Gaisewitz at Fiedler.

**Centre Mills.**  
J. A. Klite made a business trip to Sugar Valley.

Mr. Newton Brungard of Smultion is slowly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Lizzie Haasenplug of Spring Bank has been very ill during the past two weeks.

Paul Schaeffer and Fred Meias attended the oratorical exercises at Rebersburg Thursday evening.

Harry Miller and family and Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Miller attended the entertainment at Madisonburg Saturday evening.

**Oratorical Contest.**  
Friday afternoon, in the High School room, Millheim, an oratorical contest will be held. It is the preliminary contest for a number of money prizes to be awarded the best speakers participating from among the school boys and girls in the county.

**Stover-Musser.**  
At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Musser, parents of the bride, near Woodward, Rev. W. J. Dice on Tuesday evening united in marriage Braid W. Stover and Miss Lydia S. Musser, both of near Aaronburg.

**Aaronburg.**  
Gurney Wert of Philadelphia is home, as is also Miss Maggie Weavers. Emanuel Wetzel bought a tract of land from Washington Cronmiller for \$325.

John Wood of Boalsburg spent a few days with his son-in-law, Rollin Kreamer.

Mrs. Emma Hess, whose illness was previously mentioned, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Emma Hess made a business trip to Lock Haven, returning home on Saturday.

A number of people from here attended the funeral of William Hosterman. The body was interred in the Millheim cemetery.

Mrs. William Houser, nee Lenker, and daughter Catharine of Bellefonte were entertained at the home of her mother, Mrs. L. R. Lenker, and sister Sue.

The Mensch store property, consisting of a store room and dwelling house, was purchased by R. W. Mensch for \$1700 at the bankruptcy sale held on Saturday.

Prof. William Duck of Millheim, E. R. Wolf of Wolfs Store and Miss Mable Long of Spring Mills, the school teachers in Aaronburg, have been credited with being interested in their work, and are always on hand on Monday mornings, to open their schools. Mr. Wolf has a distance of ten miles to travel, and Miss Long between seven and eight.

Mae, the bright little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gaisewitz, entertained these school mates, on Friday evening: Meda and Martha Bower, Maggie Bailey, Verna Stover, Estella Musser, Nellie Burd, Ruth Crouse, Ruth Winkleblech, Annie and Marion Eschenauer, Sara and Mae Gaisewitz, Earl Vonada, Henry Mingle, Boyd Vonada, Edward Bohm, Albert Mingle, Sumner Wance, Ray Stover, Phillip Eisenhauer, and James Musser, Gurney Wert, Edgar Stover, Sumner Musser, John Bright, John Stover, John Winkleblech, Earl Cummings, Harry Crouse, Frank and Willard Burd. All went home very much delighted. The refreshments consisted of ice cream and cake.

**Georges Valley.**  
Arthur Gill spent a few days last week in Bellefonte.

Harvey Vonada spent last Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. H. A. Haugh.

Mrs. Sarah Reeder is spending this week at the J. C. Reeder home.

F. M. Ackerman is spending this week with friends in Johnstown.

Howard Isenbuth of Sober spent Sunday at the home of John Lingle.

Samuel Immel of Colyer spent last week at the home of W. W. Jamison.

D. E. Miller and Miss Grace Fye of Colyer visited Charles Ripka on Sunday.

Mrs. Caroline Confer is spending this week at the home of her son J. K. Confer.

Mr. and Mrs. James Faust spent Sunday at the home of their son, E. D. Faust.

Mrs. Ida Ripka and Mrs. Nora Ripka spent last Thursday with Mrs. Ross Lingle.

Mrs. Susan Davis and son Thomas visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zittle last Monday.

Surveyors are at work on the "Wabash" line, and last week passed through the little town of Beech.

S. P. Hennigh and D. D. Decker left for Bellefonte on Monday morning where they will serve as jurymen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gobbie and son Walter spent Sunday at Potlert Mills with Mrs. Gobbie's sister, Mrs. Fryer.

Mrs. Frank McClellan and daughters Myrtle and Ruth of Spring Mills spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ackerman.

S. E. Decker of Altoona was a business visitor to this place. Mr. Decker expects to move to the Ertle home, which he purchased last fall.

**The Tri-Weekly World.**  
The Tri-Weekly New York World can be had at the same rate as heretofore—65 cents per year, paid in advance, by all subscribers to the Reporter whose subscription is paid in advance.

John Snavely of Spring Mills has taken the agency for a large wall paper concern, and advertises in this issue that he is prepared to sell at bottom prices. Read the adv.

Bowser, the man that made you laugh a year ago whether you wanted to or not, will be on hand again on Saturday evening, March 7th.

Spring results—A Reporter ad.

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Ill-Favored Creature Has Been Misunderstood and is Just Beginning to Be Appreciated.

Few well-meaning creatures have been more thoroughly misunderstood than the homely, meditative and retiring toad.

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Every tidy housewife detests the cockroach, mice and other vermin. Two or three domesticated toads would keep the coast clear of these and would be found more desirable than a cat, as they are wholly free from trespassing on the rights of man as does the cat. The toad is possessed of a timid and retiring nature, loving dark corners and shady places, but under kind treatment becoming quite tame.

Many instances might be cited of pet toads remaining several years in a family and doing most valuable service with no other compensation than that of immunity from persecution.

In Europe toads are carried to the cities to market and are purchased by the horticulturists, who by their aid are enabled to keep in check the multiplication of the insect tribes which prey upon their fruits, flowers, etc.

**THOR'S HAMMER STILL USED**

English Fishermen Consider it a Charm Against Drowning—Some Other Peculiar Beliefs.

The fishermen of Whittby would never dream of venturing out of port without a little hammer-shaped bone, from the head of a sheep, known as "Thor's hammer," as this little object is a very special charm against drowning. The mole's foot is also a "sure" cure for toothache or cramp—according to locality. Amputated limbs are in some cases preserved so that the cripple may not be deficient in this respect in the next world.

At Scarborough an old peasant has come to be regarded as almost a wizard, for the country folks from round about come to him for relief from rheumatism. His "cure" consists of a copper bangle and ring, and on either end of the bangle two small-bore brass cartridge cases are wedged. These charms are sold to the patient.

In Suffolk a girl always keeps her first tooth; then when she marries and has a child the tooth is suspended about the infant's neck during teething, as it is said to bring instant relief.

These superstitions mostly exist in the counties which are washed by the North sea. Doubtless they are survivals of the days of the bold Viking marauders.—Ireland's Own.

**Retold for Tourists.**  
The Bale-Geneva express, says the Standard's Geneva correspondent, was overcrowded the other day and travelers had to stand in the corridors of the second class coaches. One tourist saw a seat vacant, but covered with luggage and asked a passenger sitting near whether the seat was "occupied." "Yes," replied the stranger, "the man is in the restaurant wagon and will return soon."

There the matter ended until the express reached Lausanne, when the owner of the baggage prepared to get out.

"Pardon me," said the tourist, "that luggage does not belong to you," and called the guard. The latter sided with the tourist and the whole matter was placed before the station master. The selfish traveler had to prove, piece by piece, that the luggage on the seat belonged to him, and he finally was obliged to pay for two second class tickets.

**Various Earthquake Sounds.**  
Earthquake sounds are described as variations of heavy rumbling, so low in pitch as almost to be more felt than heard (in many cases inaudible to persons who are deaf to very low tones), and belonging to one or another of the following types: The passing of wagons, thunder, wind, the fall of a load of stones, the fall of a heavy body, an explosion, or some other miscellaneous sound. In strong earthquakes the sound area occupies a central region (on an average two-thirds) of the disturbed region; in moderate earthquakes the two areas are approximately of the same magnitude; while in many slight earthquakes the sound area is larger than the disturbed area.

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Fifty or more couples tripped the light fantastic toe in Grange Arcades Tuesday night. Several sled loads of young people from Pleasant Gap, State College, Potlert Mills and Spring Mills were present.  
Mrs. Isaac Smith had another sick spell on Sunday but is much better again.  
C. B. Stover's sale of personal property was well attended and everything brought good prices.  
Mrs. H. F. Weisner is not much improved at this writing.  
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