DEATH HOUSE NEARING COMPLETION

When Finished it Will Be Most Modern State College Expert Warns Farmers

Electrocution Plant in the World. A dispatch from Bellefonte to the Philadelphia Record last Friday, realso on the prison death house, which tural interests of the country. is to be the most modern electrocution plant in the world.

It is being built of reinforced coninforcement of steel bars so closely in- when applied to very acid soils. building will be impregnable.

ber beneath the central hallway.

The death house is located on the scuthern slope of the plateau where dam will be built.

Meanwhile, the only semblance of a work by day.

brooding or discontent. In fact, their lent of burned lime. life very little differs from any laborer's on a farm, except a certain amount of surveilance at night.

Their life is not one of all work, either. Close to the stockade is an athletic field. The prisone's have the evenings, and sometimes on Sun- give two of Shakespear's best plays. day, some very exciting games are played.

The Army Worm Is Here.

For the past few weeks reports came from all parts of the country, and principally from the eastern section, of the terrible destruction done by the army worm. Entire fields of grass and corn were destroyed by this pest and the aid of the state department was enlisted to exterminate the vermin, but it kept up its march. It now appears in Penns Valley and has been seen in oats and barley fields and the Gadys Jones, left Tuesday morning the ravages of the army worm.

Prof. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, are many kinds of vegetation upon ing. which they do not feed. For example, clover and alfalfa are left alone, while daughter of Philadelphia last Friday Henderson, tract of land in Ferguson

as given by Prof. Surface consists of nothing more than either to spray with one-half ounce of arsenate of lead in each gallon of water, or to apply such liquid as a sprinkle from sprinkling cans, or to mix dry arsenate of lead with about twenty-five times its bulk of flour, or dust, or powder of any kind, and dust it over the vegetation liable to be attacked. The dust should be applied in the evening or morning while the dew is on, or after sprinkling or spraying the vegetation. A coarse pepper box containing arsenate of lead and flour will protect any lawn from the pests.

Field crops are best protected by the use of a spray pump. Ditches, pitfall holes, traps and rollers are all unsatisfactory and more or less ineffective.

Reusion of Ripka Families.

Ripka families will be held this year on the Daniel Ripka farm at Beaver the west. Dam, south of Spring Milis, Thursday been made that east and west bound future years.

Committee.

pears in this issue.

SMALL QUANTITY OF LIME BEST.

Against Using Too Much Lime, Farmers applying large quantities of limestone to correct soil conditions, ferred to the building of the death no matter how serious, are losing house on the new pen site as follows: money, is the conclusion reached by While from 75 to 100 prisoners on the Professor J. W. White, an sgronomy new State penitentiary farms in Ben- expert of the Pennsylvania State Colner township, Centre county, are har- lege. He has just completed an ex-5000 tons of hay and other immense small applications of ground limestone products of the fertile fields, and all of are more economical than heavy ones. them working cheerily without armed and he believes his findings will result guards, work is progressing steadily in tremendous savings to the agricul- off from all sympathy. They con-

When discussing his work, Professor White said : " The experiment recentcrete, walls two feet thick, and the re- different amounts of ground limestone terwoven that when completed the found that a large excess of limestone had a depressing effect on the growth The building consists of two wings, of clover, and on the basis of the exeach about 60 feet in length by 30 in periment concluded that limestone the unconquerable social instinct. width. One wing will be two stories added in amounts slightly in excess of high and contain the cells where con- that necessary to make the soil neutraldemned prisoners will be kept. The gave the most economical returns. other will contain the electrocution We found that a large excess of limechamber, jury room, warden's office stone, on the basis of the first clover and reception room. The dynamo crop, gave results which indicated and switches will be located in a cham- that limestone when applied in large amounts is done so at a loss."

Prof. White said that in central and eastern Pennsylvania lime could be the main prison buildings will be most economically applied at an averlocated, and the last glimpse a con- age of one and one-half to two tons demned prisoner will have as he enters per acre, and it should be finely the building will be the beautiful ground. The appearance of red top, scenery in McBride's gap in Nittany sorrel and other such weeds, he said, Mountain where the big impounding are a pretty sure indication that the soil is in need of lime.

A second experiment is now under prison as yet upon the grounds-aside way to determine how finely limestone from the staking of the grounds for should be ground to give the most the most complete and ideal insti- profit for the money invested. This tution of the sort on earth-is the experiment has been in progress two temporary barbed-wire stockade of two years. The farmers, he said, are losacres, where the farm laborers under ing money when they apply limesentence spend their nights, one to stone that is too course. It should be two miles from the scenes of their applied in such a degree of fineness that at least 80 or 90 per cent, will pass Every man is on his honor, and in through a 60-mesh screen. Finely their year on the farms only six have ground limestone, he added, gives attempted to escape. There is no about the same results as an equiva-

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ferry of Hellam, York county, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer, Friday.

The Ben Greet Players will be at organized two baseball teams, and in State College on Saturday and will

Robert Lee of Pittsburgh is spend- Boto. \$210. ing his vacation with his aunt, Mrr. George E. Breon. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arney Lee.

Harry Yearick of Philadelphis is at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. B. twp. \$4,100.

Mingle, and will remain for several A new line of implements is being

advertised by Weber in this issue. Read the ad , Mr. Farmer, and give Weber a call. Mrs. R. R. Jones and daughter, Miss

grass on many lawns is suffering from for Slatington, Allentown, and vicing ty, on a visit to relatives and friends. Chas. D. Bartholomew, Miss Helen in a bulletin issued this week says: Bartholomew, Earl Lutz, and William

The army worm is nothing more nor Garis, autoed to Altoona last Thursless than a kind of cutworm. There day morning, returning in the even-Mr. and Mrs. Ez a Breon and little

grass, oats, corn and the other cereals were guests of Mrs. Breon's cousin, twp. \$612 when not too ripe are readily devoured. Mrs. W. H. Meyer. Mr. Breon, be-The directions for killing the worm fore going to Philadelphia, was school teacher in Potter township. J. O. Stover and Willard Thompson

home of Prof. and Mrs. H. A. Dodson, \$1 500. and on their return home took with them Miss Marguerite Thompson who ter, tract of land in State College Boro. and children, Elizabeth and Burnahad been spending several weeks at \$1. the Dodson home.

principal speaker in the afternoon at Burnside twp. \$1. the Lutheran reunion at Lakemon Park, Altoona, last Thursday. The of land in Rush twp. \$300. Altoona Tribune printed a large picture of Dr. Fischer and referred to him as one of the best pulpit orators of the

After belping his brother to harvest

Chas, R. Kuriz and William A. August 13th. Arrangements have Magee were arrivals in Centre Hall Saturday evening from Philadelphia, balf, Spring Mills came out the Rockford, Ill., spent a few days at the trains will stop on the ground. Each from which place they started the day winner. one of this connection and their previous in the former's car, stopping friends, are cordially invited and re- for short periods with friends along The Bellwood Bulletin says that made in a Ford automobile. All enquested to be present. It is also re- the way. Mr. Magee remained for a the shocking news comes from his- joyed the trip. quested by the committee that all use few days with his family in Centre toric Sinking valley that last week | Prof. and Mrs. Darst, Misses Ruth the trains if at all possible, or it may Hall, while Mr. Kuriz stopped for a Fulcester Wheat was beheaded at a Stesburg, Ethel Faulkner, Ethel be impossible to have the train stop in short time at the home of his aunt, ripe old age, the chief executioner be- Palmer, Mary Kiss, Maud Diehl, Mrs. Rebecca Murray, where his moth ing Deering S. Binder. Binder is Anna Jones, May Deitz, Josie Deitz er is spending a few weeks. Mr. now confined in an implement shed, from State College were royally enter-Kurtz will remain in Centre county awaiting the trial which will take tained at the hospitable home of Mr. The financial statement of the for the greater part of a month before place in oats harvest, when all the and Mrs. B. Gardner Grove on Sun-first one to reach the fallen animal road company has given Mr. Kabler a Potter township school district ap- returning to his work at the Phila- grangers of the valley will be sub- day. We are always glad to have such

DIXON'S HEALTH TALKS.

The "Back to the Land" Movement to Include Some Plan for Social Intercourse in Rural Communities.

From the earliest period in which men have imprisoned their fellows, solitary confinement has been considred an extreme punishment. The hought of being shut off from intercourse with mankind like "a toad in vesting the 10,000-bushel wheat crop, periment that convinced him that a stone" while the world moves on would appal the stoutest heart.

Those who suppress their emotions o too great a degree shut themselves demn themselves to solitary confine-

Man has been referred to as a socily finished was to study the effect of able animal. Following the arrival of a state of civilization which made herding together of millions of the meyer of Snyder county. world's inhabitants, is an evidence of

> made to induce emigration "back to the land" include some plan for social intercourse in the rural communities. The desire for the society of mankind inextinguishable. Cultivating fires is the cause. those qualities which tend to make association with our fellow creatures agreeable is not alone a duty but an accomplishment of the greatest possible individual benefit.

It may seem some stretch of the imagination to say that the instruction of children and grown-ups as well, in unselfishness, sympathy, modesty, tolerance and courtesy may heim, was robbed of sixty-five dollars with whom she made her home. Mrs. serve to keep them sound of body in money one evening last week. and mind.

However, these are qualities which raise up in the esteem of our associates and their appreciation is a factor of no small importance in maintaining mental health and efficiency.

Transfers of Real Estate

Andrew Lytle et ux to Minnie Sensor, fract of land in College twp. \$350.

Susan A. Gatca et bar to George

Colyer, tract of land in Millheim

J. W. Stover et al to J. C. Smith, Moore, tract of land in Millheim Boro. \$225. Raiph A. Waldron et ux to Newton E. Hess, tract of land in Ferguson

Estella Force to Mary E. Hahn, tract of land in Burnside twp. \$250. Andrew Lytle et ux to W. H. Esr- tion. on, tract of land in Coilege twp. \$400 James McSuley's heirs to Mary Mc-Suley, tract of land in Bellefonte Boro!

nedy, tract of land in Taylor twp. friends.

C. D. Miller's heirs to Jacob Harpster, tract of land in Ferguson twp. her grandparents. \$3,400

Geo. M. Walk et ux to Mrs. Christina Bell, tract of land in Taylor twp. the oa's is coming on fast.

James S. Dillam Assn to Charles M. dren spent Sunday afternoon with Mr.

Samuel Rider's Heirs to Cynthis M. Henderson et al, tract of land in Fergrson twp. \$2 925.

Mary A. Reed et al to Robert H. of Reedsville spent Sunday at the Reed, tract of land in Patton twp.

Robert M. Foster to Mame S. Fos-

Government Land Company to Rev. W. E. Fischer, D. D., was the Charles A. Miller, tract of land in this section.

Sarah Bean to John' A. Erb, tract

Spring Mills Defeats Madisonburg.

Spring Mills defeated Madisonburg ing. on the latter's grounds Saturday afternoon by the score of 5 to 3 in eleven and Lena Breon, also Paul Hettinger Reish, George Boozer, Ray Durst, from Bellefonte to Glen Iron. Superhis crops James Durst returned to innings. The Madisonburg team had and John Frankenberger, spent Sat- James Lingle, Alfred Crawford, Will- intendent Johnson is the chairman of Reedsville where he is boarding at the the Millheim battery—Auman and urday evening at the Coburn festival; hotel. After having been here for Weaver-but could not avert defeat. from there they went to the home of three weeks he was reluctant to return Corman and Goodhart formed the G. W. Frankenberger at which place The second annual reunion of the to Mifflin county. Mr. Durst has Spring Mills battery. The feature of they spent Sunday. some thought of taking a trip through the game was the good work of the Spring Mills team in the eleventh in- Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Piercy from ning when Madisonburg filled the New York, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter bases with none out and failed to

poenaed as witness.

NEWS OF 1880

Notes Taken From Files of The Centre Reporter of Thirty-four Years Ago.

that night, we have had a remarkable Anne Elizabeth Ilgen, widow of the change to extreme heat. The ther- late Samuel Ilgen, deceased, passed shade between 3 and 5 p. m. The heat Daniel Ilgen on the old Ilgen farmhas been equal to a midsummer term stead near Logan Mills, aged 77 years. for nearly a week.

Wm. Pealer and family of Penn ley, her maiden name having been Hall started on Tuesday on a six Miss Rishel, a member of an old and weeks' visit to Kansas and Nebrasks. prominent family of that name. She

W. H. Groh, D. Geiss Wagner of Pot- gan Mills shortly after the Civil war, ter twp., and Miss Emma L. Smith of and resided with her husband on the Ferguson twp .- At the residence of the large Ilgen farm in Logan township bride, on the 27th of April, by the up to his death four years ago. The them safe and possible we have bad Rev. J. F. Wampole, Henry Krumrine union was blessed with four children, the enormous growth of cities. This of Spring Mills and Miss Kate Erlen-

Most of the efforts which are being term. He is a promising young man. Rearick of Spring Mills. She was a Gress, who filled the pulpit in the All last week and this week thus

far, our valley, in fact the whole county, is filled with smoke which almost obscures the mountains. Forest in the Booneville Lutheran church the misfortune to lose one of his

appointed census enumerator for Potter township. June 3rd-The wheat crop in the lower end of the valley promises to be

A gentleman from New York who spent the last week or two in Mill-

"Hobo Piente," the Presbyterian church held a "hobo and consented to her son's offer to picnic" in the woods on the Bruss make a short trip in the car and enjoy farm, tenanted by Harry McClenahan, a brief period outdoors. Just as she Thursday of last week. A light rain took her seat in the car she expired. frustrated the plans of the picnickers Funeral services were held Tuesday to spread the "eats" under the big morning at her late home, interment ing for Laucaster, to attend the oal:s, so the barn floor was converted being made at Zion, Rev. W. J. "Spiritual Conference" in session Thomas Foster et al to Floyd into a dining table and appetites Shultz of the Lutheran church officiat- from the 27th to 31st. Rev. Jones Royce Farnham, tract of land in State satisfied with hobo delight. Those ing At the time of her death Mrs. will read a paper on "The Problem of present were : Misses Carrie and Ida Shaffer was sixty-eight years of age, the Country Church," before this Sweetwood, Savilla Rearick, Mary She is survived by two daughters, body. W. Weaver, tract of land in Patton Delinda Potter, Emma McCoy, Alice Mrs. Albert Garbrick and Mrs. John The Delaney brothers united forces Boon, Margaret Goodhart, Mrs. Mary Cole at Zion, and three brothers, F. P. Bower et ux to Emma Ar- Rearick, Mrs. Mary Goodhart, Mrs. magast, tract of land in Hains twp. Chas. Sheffer and children, Mrs. T. James Sholl of Farmers Mills, and the force of workmen was Daniel De-W. Simkins, Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Foster George Sholl of Houserville. Mrs. S. laney, who is near the three score years W. F. Colyer et ux to C. H. Breon, and children, Mrs. Clyde Smith, Mrs. S. Kreamer of Centre Hall is a niece of and ten mark in life, and he always tract of land in Millheim Boro, \$275 F. W. Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. James C. Smith et ux to Wm. F. Arney, F. V. Goodhart, James and William Sweetwood, George and Frances Hosterman, and Miriam

CENTER OAK

Philip Durst has a sore arm that causes him quite a lot of pain.

D. K Fye and Leon Smith from Millheim spent Sunday in this sec-

Vera Sinkabine from Penn Hall spent a few days with her cousin, Sarah Rishel.

Mr. and Mrs. Meeker and son John Hannah Kennedy to Frank E. Ken- spent Sunday at Black Hawk with

Miss Mildred Long went to Madisonburg for a few days, the guest of Zion, and one brother in Virginia.

Weather fine and farmers are more than busy getting all the work done; Mr. and Mrs. Henry White and chil-

and Mrs. O C. Homan.

Sunday with D. J. Vonada. The Y. P. C. A. festival on Saturday

evening was largely attended. The music furnished by the Millheim Overland, equipped up to the minute, Illinois, forwarded a copy of the Band was certainly appreciated by all. and purchased through the Davis Aurora Daily Beacon News, dated Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Reifsnyder agency. dine, also the former's sister, Miss Jennie Reifenyder, spent Sunday in

Bland and Summers from Millheim spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frankenberger and, of course, took in the festival on Saturday even-

The Misses Mary Frankenberger

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mooney from (nee Ida Reiber) and children home of W. F. Rishel. The trip was

DEATHS.

From the Sugar Valley Journal the following is taken: At the end of a May 13th-Following the snow lingering illness during four years, in squall of Friday evening and freeze of answer to the call of the Master, mometer during the latter part of last out into the great beyond late Monday week showed 91 to 93 degrees in the night, July 20, at the home of her son, Deceased was a native of Brush Val-Married-On the 24th ult., by Rev. was married to Samuel Ilgen of Lotwo sons and two daughters, as follows: Daniel Ilgen of Logan Mills; May 20th-S. D. Ray was admitted David Iigen of Union county; Mary consistent member of the Lutheran Reformed church Sunday night. church and lived a faithful christian Saturday morning at 9:30 by Rev. J. May 27th-Ellis B. Hos'erman is the E. Reish, the family pastor. Inter- its stall. ment was made in the cemetery of the

over an ordinary good yield. Grass, Lavina Shaffer at Zion Friday after- late Dr. George Lee. Death came suddenly upon Mrs. noon at a time when she was preparing to enjoy an automobile ride in her son-in-law's car, Albert Garbrick, visited friends in Centre and Mifflin Shaffer had been in failing health for a number of years, a complication of diseases confining her to her home, The Christian Endeavor Society of but on Friday she felt unusually well the deceased lady.

Lutheran church.

late I saac Stover, died at her home in son of Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Zion Sunday night at eleven o'clock Yearick, who tenants the Daniel from cancer of the throat, after a Daup farm near Sprucetown, fell from lingering illness of several months, a borse Monday morning and fractur-She recently underwent two opera- ed a bone in his right forearm. Dr. tions for the disease but was not bene- J. V. Foster reduced the fracture. fited. Her age was sixty-seven years. Miss Ella Rhone of Los Angeles, Funeral services were conducted by California, is spending a few weeks Rev. W. J. Shultz of the Lutheran with her cousin, Miss Florence Rhone, church, of which denomination the Miss Rhone returned from a tour of deceased was a member, and inter- Europe last spring and has been spendment will be made this (Thursday) ing the time since with relatives and morning in the Zion cemetery. The friends in the east. At the complefollowing brothers survive: Amos, tion of her visit in Centre Hall she Berjamin, and John Kauffman of will return to her home in Los

LOCALS

Mrs. F. H. Foss, spent a week or a moving picture concern. It is more with relatives in Indiana planned to have two buge railroad

Mrs. Lewis Stover, Mrs. Martin Rebecca Sholl and Miss Annie Weaver It will cost the moving picture people Stover and son from Coburn spent attended the funeral of Mrs. Lavina \$20,000 to have the wreck pulled off. Shaffer at Zion, Tuesday morning.

Mrs. F. O. Bairfost dispensed with of the world. her Ford car on Monday in favor of an John Erhart, who lives in Aurors,

tendered a surprise party in honor of tion of "Aurora-Today and Tomortheir son Carl Saturday night, it be- row." It deals extensively in write-E:ma Frankenberger and brothers birthday anniversary. The choice refreshments were no small part of the Illinois city, and is a model in modern evening's program. Those present newspaper publishing. were: Misses Isabelle, Verna and Ethel Rowe, Laura Mitterling, Nina vania railroad, Superintendent John-Slick, Carribel Emerick, Lillian son, of the Bald Eagle Valley division, iam Bradford.

ed down the street at breakneck speed Glen Iron, which will likely be chosen until it reached the alley between as the site for the home. Kreamer's and Goodhart's stores. Here it intended to turn in but unable train went over the Lewisburg & Tyto make the sharp turn the horse ran rone railroad to gather the various onto the porch of the Goodbart furni- militia commands from the vicinity of ture store and fell, breaking a shaft of Bellefonte, says the Millheim Journal. the open buggy and bruising itself The train killed a cow between slightly about the legs. The rain a Swengel and Millmont and knocked a short time previous made the store handcar off the track at the Wingard porch very slippery, otherwise the crossing, west of Coburn. Thomas glass front of the furniture establish. workmen were on the car, but jumped The buggy was pretty badly wrecked. out first receiving orders.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST

FROM ALL PARTS W. S. Slick and Daniel Daup are painting the residence of J. H. Knarr this week.

Andrew Crotzer of Belleville was in town last week in company with one of his Mifflin county neighbors.

Mrs. Lewis Mensch of Asronsburg was the guest of her sister. Mrs. Rebecca Murray, Thursday of last

Miss May V. Rhone came up from Harrisburg Saturday afternoon and will spend a week with her father and sister in Centre Hall.

The Dale family reunion will be held Saturday, August 8th, at Oak Hall station. This gathering is open to all who wish to attend.

A large audience listened attentively to the Centre county bar, at the recent E. Bartges of Centre Hall; Sarah H. to a masterful sermon by Rev. Daniel W. E. Stover, the mail carrier be-

tween Loganton and Rebersburg, had horses. The snimal hanged itself in Mrs. Daniel Koch and son of Millheim, for a few days the latter part of

last week, were entertained by Miss Sadie McKinney, at the home of the Miss Mary Rearick and brother Miles, who for the past few weeks

counties, returned to their home in Lombard, Kentucky, last week. The Sugar Valley Journal, published at Loganton by D. cott Currin, moved into a new permanent home recently, and in the near future will

be printed on a new Potter press, and the paper itself enlarged. Rev. R. R. Jones left Tuesday morn-

took his turn to pitch off the load

just like any other youngster. Mrs. Mariah Stover, widow of the Fred Yearick, the fifteen-year-old

Angeles.

Philipsburg, on Labor Day, will be the scene of a railroad wreck for the Thomas Foes, eldest son of Rev. and accommodation of the Lubin company, losomotives, running at the rate of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Kreamer, Mrs. forty miles an hour crash together, The picture will be shown in all parts

July 21, which is a booster edition of Mr. and Mrs. Victor A. Auman forty-eight pages, and carries the caping the occasion of his eighteenth ups of business and industrial inter-

On a special train of the Pennsyla committee appointed by Governor A horse belonging to J. Q. A. Ken- Tener to select a site for a home for nedy broke loose from the hitching old and infirm ladies. A number of post in front of Capt. G. M. Boal's si es were inspected on Wednesday of residence Tuesday morning and start- last week, and one in particular, near

Early Friday morning a special horse would have gone through the Kahler, the section foreman, and two and he soon had it under control, two-weeks' layoff for starting out with-