



HORSES AVERAGE \$210.

The Yoder Sale of Western Stock Largely Attended and Animals Bring High Prices. About four hundred people attended the sale of western-bred horses at Centre Hall on Friday, held by Yoder Brothers.

Following is a list of purchasers, their addresses, number of animals bought, and price paid:

Table listing purchasers and prices for horses, including Charles Roseman, George Thompson, William McNeil, etc.

Meeting of Telephone Co.

The Patrons Rural Telephone Company held its annual meeting in the court house Thursday of last week. The meeting was well attended by representatives of the eighteen local companies that form the corporation.

After closing the business of the old year, there was an election of officers which resulted in selecting for president, Hon. Leonard Rhone; vice president, Joseph K. Bitner; treasurer, D. M. Campbell; secretary, S. W. Emith.

Party for Shannon Boczer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boczer gave a party in honor of their young son, Shannon, on Thursday night, a score or more of the lad's friends being invited. Ice cream, cake, candy, salted peanuts, and other good things were served and the evening was spent in a manner which was enjoyed to the utmost by the young folks.

Millheim Girls in the Tolls.

Boyd King and William Lauer undertook to let the barley-corn they drank rule their section, in Millheim, one day last week. They tanked up for fair and then went to the toll gate above that town, entered the house and greatly frightened Mrs. L. P. Auman; later into the home of D. P. Weaver, cursed the men of the house, and caused Mrs. Weaver to flee to the cellar because of several shots fired from a revolver.

Visitors, George Boczer. Patrons are cordially invited to visit the schools. H. A. DODSON, Principal.

DRUG STORE IN NEW HANDS.

Prof. H. A. Dodson Purchases Business from B. M. Boon & Co. The drug store, which was purchased last spring by B. D. Brisbin and daughter, Mrs. B. M. Boon, from Murray & Bitner, has again changed hands, the new owner being Prof. H. A. Dodson, principal of the borough schools.

This business was established about 1876 by the late J. D. Murray, and was conducted by him until he became incapacitated for business, when Dr. H. F. and Mrs. Bitner became the owners. Mr. Brisbin bought the business last fall because he saw it was a good proposition, and his judgment proved to be correct for he realized handsomely on the venture.

Prof. Dodson is well suited to the business and will be able to serve his customers in a satisfactory manner. He and his family will occupy the apartment on the second floor of the drug store building.

Fourth Month of School.

Half of the term of the borough school came to a close last week. There are a few scholars in each of the grades who have a perfect record in attendance. The reports follow:

Report of Primary school for fourth month: Number enrolled, males, 13; females, 17; total, 30. Average attendance, males, 12; females, 15; total, 27. Per cent attendance, males, 89; females, 90. Those present every day during month: John Meyer, Joseph Ruble, William Zettle, Lottie Keller, Esther Martz, Grace McClenahan, Kathryn Wagner, Mary Weaver and Florence Zettle.

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Intermediate grade: Whole number in attendance during month, male 18, female 18. Per cent of attendance during month, male 93, female 92. Pupils present every day during month: Isaiah Emery, Newton Crawford, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breen, Albert Smith, Daniel Smith, Harry Gross, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Gertrude Ruble, Hazel Ripka, Luella Ruble, Gladys Packer, Marion McClenahan, Ethel Frank. Pupils present everyday during term: Isaiah Emery, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breen, Albert Smith, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Hazel Ripka, Luella Ruble. Visitor: W. B. Garis.

Grammar school: Whole number in attendance during month, males 10, female 16, total 26. Average attendance during month, males, 10, females 15, total 25. Average attendance during term, males 94, females 95. Those not absent during month are: Lynn Bitner, James Sweetwood, Ernest Frank, Ralph Henney, Frederic Moore, Reuben Zettle, Elizabeth Sweetwood, Miriam Huyett, Margaret Emery, Gladys Jones, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsons, Adaline McClenahan, Dorothy Ruble. Those not absent during term: Frederic Moore, Reuben Zettle, Miriam Huyett, Gladys Jones, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsons.

High school: Number in attendance, boys 8; girls 10, total 18; average attendance, boys 7, girls 10, total 17; per cent of attendance, boys 88, girls 95, total 92. Pupils present every day during month, William Arney, Mary Dinges, Grace Ishler, Esther Parsons, Ida Sweetwood. Pupils present every day during term to date, Mary Dinges.

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Notice to stockholders.

Notice.—A special meeting of the Centre Hall Water Company will be held at the home of the president on Saturday, January 23, 1915, at 10 A. M. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a director in place of D. F. Luse, deceased.

H. F. BITNER, President,

The State College Times makes note of these changes among farmers: John Garner will work the Charles Snyder farm after April 1. The present tenant, Harry Struble, will occupy the Kauffman farm, near Bellefonte, having recently purchased the property.

Safe, sure, and speedy, describes the action of "Oil of Gladness" in croup, cold, asthma, burns, and frost bites. 25c and 50c sizes.—Moyer Brothers, Bloomsburg, Pa.

THE I. O. O. F. BANQUET.

Three Hundred Surround Banquet Board and Enjoy Anniversary Occasion. Plenty of "Eats" and Good Music Combine to Bring Good Cheer.

Friday night was the anniversary of the local three-link fraternity and, as is customary, a banquet was served to commemorate the occasion. Undoubtedly the largest gathering ever assembled at such a time was on hand, there being close to three hundred people, consisting of I. O. O. F. members and their families. The night was a grand one, sledding being in prime condition and the temperature being at a point which occasioned no suffering from the cold to those who came from the distant country sections.

Grange Hall was the place selected, for nowhere else is it possible to accommodate such a large gathering. The second floor of the building was used as an assembling place and was soon crowded to its spacious capacity. There was no special program prepared, but there was not a dull moment, the vast crowd enjoying themselves in various ways. At the proper hour the march to the dining hall was commenced. Three tables extending the full length of the Grange Hall auditorium were soon filled. At one seating one hundred and thirty were fed. Another time the tables were filled and the many waiters and those in charge of the culinary department occupied part of another table. The inner man was soon satisfied with the grand layout of eatables which were tastefully prepared and well served.

During the march Miss Mary Whiteman presided at the piano and Miss Jennie Stahl also played several choice selections during the evening.

Among the many present, some from a distance were: David Lauck, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Fiedler, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sloop, Margaretta Tressler, Robert Snyder, State College; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Emerick, Unionville; Samuel Wasson, Bellefonte; J. E. Bitner, S. E. Moore, Millroy; Mr. and Mrs. George Sharer and daughter Bertha, Zion; Rev. W. H. Williams, Andrew Mark, Spring Mills. Among the guests were two of the three living charter members of the local order, namely, Mr. Emerick, named above, and B. D. Brisbin. The absent one is William R. From, Millburg.

LOCALS

Thomas Kelster of Aaronsburg spent Friday at the home of his niece, Mrs. John M. Oldron.

Frank M. Fisher of Penn Hall was elected to succeed the late D. F. Luse as secretary of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilcox, at Marcus, Iowa. The little one is a grandniece of Mrs. J. Q. A. Kennedy, the mother being a daughter of the late Bruce S. Lingle.

Mrs. Alice Robb, mother of Mrs. Thomas S. Swartz of Tusseyville, will remove from Bellefonte to State College where her son, N. E. Robb, connected with the Farmers' Trust Company, lives.

The Centre County Pomona Grange will meet in regular session in Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall, Thursday, 28th inst. A special meeting of that body will be held at Spring Mills, Saturday, 30th. There will be two sessions at each place.

The latter part of last week John G. King celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday. Mr. King is quite active for one of his age and is seen on the street every day and always in good humor. Few men at five plus eighty are as sound in mind and body as he.

E. S. Ripka, the Hamilton-Brown shoe salesman, returned home Thursday afternoon after completing his week's work, in a condition which caused him uneasiness because of a very sore throat. He is confined to his home but is making rapid progress toward complete recovery.

Messrs. Harper and Durst are putting the finishing touches on their newly-built garage, on Hoffer street. These young men purpose to make their garage as perfectly fireproof as it is possible to make one, and in a very short time will be ready for business in the automobile line. Both are excellent mechanics and will undoubtedly draw a large trade from the automobile owners.

The Millheim Journal tells this joke on the constable of that burg: Hosterman & Stover put their display horse from the store to the street and hitched him to a sleigh. The horse and sleigh stood there all day and toward evening some one notified Constable Maiz that a horse had been tied in front of the hardware store all day and that he had not been fed all day. "Jack" went to get the horse, intending to take him to the hotel barn and feed him. He had already loosened the horse before he discovered the joke.

FROM STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Mrs. E. G. Hoffer Writes Interestingly of Conditions in Far Western State and Contributes to Glory of the Columbia River.

Mrs. E. G. Hoffer of Bossburg, Washington, in a recent letter to the Reporter, said among other things: "Times are dull in this 'Inland Empire' this winter, but with the coming of spring there will without doubt be renewed activity. The crop prospects for the coming season are very good. A wet fall has moistened the ground to a good depth, and there is sufficient snow for a covering. We had a very cold wave in December but at present writing the weather is mild. Cattle raising in this state is on the increase, but the swine business seems to be a little overdone. Papers state that mills on the coast are re-opening. As you perhaps know, our state voted prohibition last fall. We are all well at present."

The following song was written by Mrs. Hoffer and shows excellent ability along that line.

WHERE THE COLUMBIA ROLLS BY ON ITS WAY TO THE SEA.

As we catch the wave's moan, in its low undertone, There comes memories of those who once dwelt on its shore, And as shades of eve fall, and sound of night-birds call, Here once the signal lights shone from far mountain heights, As men in the valleys sought what its meaning might be. There is seen now no more birch canoes on its shore, Where the Columbia rolls by on its way to the sea.

Refrain. In this land of the west, with its dark pine-fringed crest, Rising o'er sun-kissed valleys of upland and low, Here brave sleep their last sleep, and the hills vigil keep Where the Columbia rolls by on its way to the sea.

Mothers wailed and wept, as the home nest they kept, While fathers heard the call of the Spirit of God, And last good byes were said; in the land of the dead They lie sleeping, and 'waken to earth life never more. Yet today here once more, there is thronging its shore The homes of a people that are happy and free, Whose eyes look with pleasure, on Nature's vast treasure Where the Columbia rolls by on its way to the sea.

From Minnesota.

Editor Reporter: Please find enclosed order for \$100 with which please credit my subscription to the Centre Reporter, as I should miss it very much were it discontinued. The news from my old home is very interesting to me.

We had an awfully cold December and it proved a record breaker for the past twenty-six years. They tell me it was pretty cold at times. The thermometer did not get above zero for fourteen days and got down as far as twenty-six below. January has been fine so far, the thermometer registering as high as twenty-eight above on some days. But winter is not over yet; we are still looking for snow and more cold weather. As a rule we have about six weeks of good winter weather here. We have had no snow to speak of so far. Automobiles are still on the go.

I will give you some of the war prices in this part of the state: wheat, \$1.28 per bu.; corn, 55c; oats, 50c; bran, \$1.40 per 100 lbs.; flour, \$7.50 per bbl.; hogs, 6c; beef, 5c; veal, 11c; hides, 13c; eggs, 28c; butter, 30c; potatoes, 35c; carrots, 50c per bu.; wood from \$2.50 to \$4.00 per cord.

Yours truly, J. H. MERRINGER. Sabaka, Minn. Jan. 14, 1915.

Letter from Missouri.

Enclosed please find check for \$150 for a year's subscription to your paper. We are having a very mild winter. The glass factory here has been running steady, but not to its full capacity. In a short time it will run on full time and capacity, knowing that we are bordering on a prosperous time.

We sold the wheat from the plant's farms this week, in St. Louis, netting us \$1.27, grading No. 1 red. This wheat was grown on low land, suffered a severe drought, yet yielded twenty-eight and one-half bushels per acre. Our corn crop was almost an entire failure last year on account of the drought which began early in April and continued until late in August. I hope you and all my friends in Pennsylvania are well and prosperous.

Yours very respectfully, J. K. FOSTERMAN, Crystal City, Mo., January 18, 1915.

New Clothing Store.

Max Herr was a caller at this office on Monday morning and stated that he had leased the Bartholomew store room, now used for an ice cream parlor, for a period of five years, and in the near future will open an up-to-date clothing store in it.

Sunday night and Monday we had more rain.

DEATHS.

Two of Penn's Valley's Most Aged Residents Pass to Beyond.—Mrs. Lucinda Runkle and John Stoner Dead.

In the death of Mrs. Lucinda Runkle, which occurred Wednesday of last week, Gregg township lost one of its most estimable aged ladies. In point of years she had advanced far beyond the time allotted to most people, having reached the grand age of eighty-eight years and eleven months. About four years ago Mrs. Runkle fell and dislocated her hip, since which time she was required to use crutches to make her way about the house. Wednesday afternoon, at about two o'clock, while seated comfortably in her chair, with her daughter, Miss Sallie Runkle, nearby, her head was seen to suddenly fall forward. Upon reaching her mother, the daughter discovered that life had left her. Death was attributed to a paralytic stroke.

Funeral services were held in the Tusseyville church, Saturday, by Rev. R. R. Jones of the Reformed church and interment followed in the cemetery at that place.

Mrs. Runkle was born in Union county and following her marriage to John K. Runkle, who was one of the last associate judges in Centre county, lived near Tusseyville, on the farm now owned by Harry C. Shirk and tenanted by C. E. Flink. Here they continued farming for many years and raised a large family. Upon the death of Mr. Runkle, some thirty years ago, Mrs. Runkle removed to Spring Mills and continued a resident there until her death. She was a faithful member of the Reformed church all her life.

Surviving her are four sons and three daughters: A. N., San Bernardino, California; J. H., Centre Hall; Dr. S. C., Philadelphia; Rev. J. N. Newport; Miss Sallie, Spring Mills; Mrs. (Rev.) W. A. McClellan, Rockwood; Mrs. John B. White, Altoona. These children to Mr. Runkle's first wife survive: D. C. Runkle, Pittsburgh; J. A. Runkle, California; Miss Amelia Runkle, Oklahoma. One brother and one sister also survive her, namely, Daniel Geary, Newport; and Mrs. William Stuart, Axe Mann.

At the remarkable age of ninety-three years, lacking four days, life's journey came to an end for John C. Stoner, at his home in Millheim, on Thursday last at three o'clock in the afternoon. For a number of years he had been a burden to himself and others because of the loss of his mind, but his wonderful physical strength was slow to show any sign of weakening. Sunday prior to his death he ate heartily, and from that time on he rapidly drew to life's end. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning and interment followed in the old cemetery in Millheim, Rev. W. Donat of the Reformed church officiating.

John Stoner came to this country with his parents from Germany when he was but eight years of age. When a young man he labored hard and saved every dollar he could acquire, denying himself all luxuries as well as many things which others considered as absolute necessities to life's welfare.

As a result of this strict economy he soon accumulated wealth, which took on the shape of big farms and at one time he owned no less than ten of the best farms in Centre county. He owned considerable property in Millheim and at one time the mill property at Wolf's store. For a number of years he was president of the First National Bank at Millheim, and was a big stock holder. Mr. Stoner was twice married, his first wife being Miss Elizabeth Lingle, who preceded him to the beyond twenty-two years ago. To this union ten children were born, nine of whom survive; namely, Mrs. Lavina Walters, Spring Mills; Henry Stoner, State College; Mrs. William Mayes, Millheim; Susan Long, Colyer; Mrs. Ellen Smith, Freeport, Ill.; William Stoner, Joliet, Ill.; Mrs. George Zerby, Tusseyville; Reuben Stoner, Washington state; David Stoner, Tusseyville. To the second wife, who was Miss Mary Greap, and who survives him, one child was born—Miss Lizale Stoner, who is at home.

No brothers or sisters survive. Mr. Stoner was a member of the Reformed church since his second marriage.

Mrs. Elizabeth Neese died suddenly at her home in Spring Mills Tuesday morning while seated at the breakfast table, death being due to an apoplectic stroke. The day previous she had visited her nephew, J. M. Heckman, and was in her usual good health. Funeral services will be conducted in the old Chapel near Penn Hall Monday morning, and interment will be made in Heckman's cemetery. Rev. W. Donat, the Reformed minister of Aaronsburg, officiating.

Mrs. Neese was seventy-three years

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Dr. J. McCluney Radcliffe of Philadelphia spent a few days last week with friends in Lewistown.

Mrs. Milford Luse attended the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Anna S. Kerstetter, at Tylersville, Friday. Six of the children of William Knarr, a farmer living west of Rosecranes, were ill with diphtheria at one time.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Centre County Pomona Grange will be held in Grange Arcadia, Thursday of next week.

The Italian Government just placed an order in St. Louis for eight thousand horses to be furnished in lots of two hundred each day.

C. E. Harter of Lock Haven, a former native of Tylersville, is a candidate for county treasurer in Clinton county, on the Democratic ticket.

Miss Bertha Strohmier, on Thursday, returned from Cleveland, Ohio, where she visited for several weeks. She was delighted with her trip.

William C. Walls was elected president of the Lewisburg National Bank, succeeding James C. Packer of Sunbury. The institution is the oldest in Lewisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Smith of Millheim was the guest of Mrs. F. P. Geary, one day last week. From here she went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Sankey at Potters Mills.

A young deer was chased by a pack of dogs in the vicinity of Pine Grove Mills one day last week and was so badly torn and mottled when found that it was unfit for use as food.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Burns of Jersey Shore have issued printed announcements of the birth of a daughter—Roberta Bernice—on Saturday, January 9th. Mrs. Burns was Miss Nina Snyder.

The Millheim Journal states that D. J. Nieman informed it that he intends erecting a store building on his lot on North street, Millheim, and opening a store in it. Mr. Nieman now lives at Jersey Shore.

A horse belonging to Warren Hosterman of near Woodward was kicked on the leg by another horse with such force that its leg was broken. The animal was a valuable one, but Mr. Hosterman had it killed to put it out of misery.

John C. Rossman was elected an agent for the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, generally known as the Centre Hall company. His territory is Centre Hall borough and Potter township. E. M. Huyett is director for Mr. Rossman's district.

The Lock Haven authorities have ordered the destruction of a number of poplar trees, because it is known that trees of this kind are a nuisance on streets and city roads, and in many towns and cities dare not be planted. The poplar should be removed from all streets.

Adam Heckman, for many years a farmer in Potter township, after April 1st, will be a resident of Millheim, he having purchased the home of the late Jonathan Harter, in that town. The price paid was \$2100. During the last two years, Mr. Heckman lived at Penn Hall.

Andrew Jamison, a native of Ireland, but a resident of Lycoming county for a number of years, and of Green township, Clinton county, from 1888 until his death, died at Rossman's at the age of eighty-seven years. He was a lumberman and farmer and was widely known throughout Lycoming and Clinton counties. His age was eighty-seven years.

Messrs. Charles W. and Frank M. Fisher of Penn Hall were among the Reporter's callers the latter part of last week, having come to town on business. The latter Mr. Fisher, at a recent meeting of the directors of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company held in Bellefonte, was elected secretary of that company and succeeds D. F. Luse, deceased. Since he has been on the board of directors, Mr. Fisher has taken a great interest in the welfare of the company, and corralled considerable business for it. He will make an efficient secretary.

The famous eagle case in Millin county was passed on by a jury who declared the game warden guilty of theft of an eagle killed by Edward Peffer of Granville. After Peffer killed the bird, a game warden appeared and took it. It was afterwards sent to Harrisburg. Judge Woods reserved his decision upon a point of law. If the verdict is not set aside, application will be made for a new trial or the case appealed. The court instructed the jury that it could convict only if, in their judgement, the game warden intended to appropriate the bird to his own use.