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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Reformed—Centre Hall, morning; Tusseyville, afternoon.
United Evangelical—Tusseyville, morning; Egg Hill, afternoon; Centre Hall, evening.
Lutheran—Union, morning, communion; Tusseyville, afternoon; Centre Hall, evening.
Presbyterian—Centre Hall, morning; Spring Mills, afternoon. The preacher will be Rev. Joseph C. Kelley of Sunbury.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce that James E. Harter of Penn township is a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, on the Democratic ticket, subject to the rules governing the Primary Election.

LOCALS

Wednesday a fifty thousand dollar creamery plant, at Millintown, was dedicated.

Mrs. Milton Bradford, who had been confined to bed with tonsillitis, is able to be up and about the house.

William Bradford, clerk in the Penna Valley bank, is on duty again after a week's illness with tonsillitis.

Oscar G. Munro a well known shoe dealer in Lock Haven, shot himself in the heart while in the Elks' home, and died the next day.

E. E. Ball entered suit for \$5000 against the city of Lock Haven for injuries received in a fall on an icy pavement in December of last year.

Harry J. Mueller, former State forester on Nittany Mountain, has been named city forester for Harrisburg. The salary is \$1000. per year.

Mr and Mrs. William H. Homan and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Sharer entertained a load of young folks at their respective homes, Monday evening.

The movement to advance the primary from the middle of September to some day in May will likely be favorably acted upon by the legislature.

The union revival services, conducted by Revs. Williams and Foss in the United Evangelical church, came to a close Sunday night after four weeks of successful work.

Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer, after his term as congressman expires on March 4th, will be retained as a special attorney in the prosecution of trusts by the National Government.

A boozelous banquet was held by the Northumberland Bar Association, in Sunbury, in the Hotel Central, a licensed house. Over one hundred of the county's leading men sat at the board, and Brigadier General, Charles M. Clement was toastmaster.

The local Masonic order is fitting up in good style two rooms on the second floor of the bank building, to be used for a banquet room and a reception room. Weber Brothers of State College and W. S. Slick are doing the papering and painting. The furnishings will be of the best.

Rev. R. R. Jones will attend the Sunday-school conventions of the West Susquehanna Classes of the Reformed church which will be held on the following date: Friday, at Lewisburg; Saturday, at Beaver Springs; Monday, at Bellefonte; Tuesday, at Millheim. Rev. Jones will take part in the program.

The W. C. T. U. on this (Thursday) evening will hold a Frances Willard social in their hall in the Reporter block, to which the Y. P. B.s and the L. T. L.s are invited. Each member of the W. C. T. U. may also invite a friend. A short program will be rendered and light refreshments served.

Forty members of the local I. O. O. F. order were to Millheim Tuesday evening where the degree team conferred the second degree upon a class in the Millheim order. The visitors were royally entertained and after the business period a luncheon was served. The trip was made in autos and sleighs, the following lodge members using their automobiles: G. H. Emrick, T. C. Bartges, L. L. Smith, W. F. Colyer, Guy Brooks.

The home talent play given in Smithers Opera House, in Millroy, was well attended, six hundred being present. The play entitled "A Black Heifer" was a laugh from start to finish. A plot is woven in the story with much humor, making the play very interesting. "Willie" the farm-hand, is a scream. "Scraps" a New York waf, is always on the job; "Eph Cincobax" the leading character, is full of action; the villain, the constable, the tramp detective, and the country maid, "Arabella," "Sugar Brown," played their parts well. These young men and women are to be complimented. Proceeds of the play were for the benefit of the new Lutheran church.

School Report

The fifth month of school in the borough came to a close Friday. The reports of the various grades follow:

Intermediate school—Whole number in attendance during month, male 18, female 18. Average attendance during month, male 17, female 17, total 34. Per cent. of attendance during month, male 95, female 92 total 93. Pupil present every day during month: Isiah Emery, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breen, Albert Smith, Daniel Smith, Harry Gress, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Ralph Owens, Gertrude Ruble, Hazel Ripka, Grace Fye, Luella Ruble, Helen Lucas, Grace Miller, Marion McLennahan, Sara Snyder, Ethel Frank, Florence Krape. Pupils present every day during term till date: Isiah Emery, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breen, Albert Smith, Paul Fetterolf, Franklin Ruble, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery, Hazel Ripka, Luella Ruble.

Grammar school—Whole number in attendance during month, male 10, female 16, total 26. Average attendance during month, male 9, female 15, total 24. Average attendances during term, male 9, female 15, total 24. Per cent. of attendance during month, male 90, female 96, total 93. Per cent. of attendance during term, male 93, female 95, total 94. Pupils not absent during month: Lynn Bitner, Ernest Frank, Ralph Henney, Reuben Zettle, Ernest Kuhn, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsons, Ruth Bartges, Catharine Ruble, Adaline McLennahan. Pupils not absent during term: Reuben Zettle, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsons.

High School—Number of pupils on roll, males 8, females 10, total 18. Percentage of attendance, males 87, females 96, total 92. Those present every day during month: Mary Dinges, Grace Isler, May Royer, Ida Sweetwood. Visitors one.

Marriage Licenses.

Alfred Webb, Munsion
Harriet Gullick, Munsion
James Mingle, State College
Helen Heaton, Mileburg
Thomas Fink, Hanna
Gertrude Watkins, State College
John Rickert, Tusseyville
Alma Stoner, Tusseyville
Lewis Sharpler, Sandy Ridge
Carrie Kayder, Sandy Ridge
Harry Wilkinson, Bellefonte
Ruth McCool, Spring Mills

"A Black Heifer"—A Play.

Don't forget to come and have a good laugh at Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall, Saturday evening, February 20th, at 8 o'clock. "A Black Heifer." You will like it! Benefit, new Lutheran church, of Millroy.

State College Will Help Improve Poultry.

Poultry fanciers on the farms of this State are to be assisted in improving their flocks by the Pennsylvania State College, according to a recent announcement made by M. C. Kilpatrick, head of the poultry department at the institution. He said that blooded cockerels grown at the college farms would be sold at cost through the various county farm bureaus.

It is the purpose of the college authorities to establish community flocks of high quality, and new blood will be injected from time to time by means of prize cockerels. Through further dissemination of improved poultry stock, it is hoped to build up gradually the general utility flocks of Pennsylvania farmers.

Mr. Kilpatrick said that for the present the output of cockerels would be restricted to about 150 fowls, because of the limited supply on hand. He hoped, however, to increase the number to be distributed from year to year.

Noted Hymn Writer Dead.

Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, died at her home in Bridgeport, Connecticut, on Lincoln's birthday anniversary, at the age of ninety-five years. She composed more than 8000 hymns in her time.

PENN HALL

Florence Bartges spent Saturday with her friend, Ethel Hettinger.
Rae Finkle visited her friend Florence Bartges, last week.
John Albright and friend, Mary Weagley, visited the former's brothers above State College a few days last week.
John Snyder, while carrying a post one day last week, fell and the post struck him on one leg breaking it below the knee.

Quite a few people have been attending the protracted meeting which Rev. Price is holding at Spring Mills.

Mrs. Elizabeth Herring spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Shook, at Spring Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Herring made a trip to Millheim on Wednesday.

Mrs. Guise took very sick on Thursday night and on Saturday morning Frank Fisher took her to Spring Mills to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roseman, where she will stay a short time.

Carrie Bartges from Farmers Mills visited her friend, Cora Owsan, over Sunday.

George and Daniel Shook, spent Sunday at the home of the former's son, J. P. Shook, near Madisonburg.

BOALSBURG.

The primary school enjoyed a sled ride the afternoon of Lincoln's birthday.

Saturday evening two sled loads of jolly people from our town drove to State College where they enjoyed the time at the "Pastime."

Mr and Mrs. C. E. Mothersbaugh spent Sunday with the Ross families, west of Pine Grove Mills.

C. F. Clevenstone of Bellefonte, agent for the Rawleigh Medical Co., spent some time in this place last week.

Miss Anna Holter of Howard visited Mrs. U. E. Mothersbaugh several days last week.

Mr and Mrs. George Keller of State College spent Lincoln's birthday at Boalsburg.

Mr and Mrs. Martin Keller and Mrs. Charles Rimes of Potter township spent Thursday at the B. B. Harrison home.

W. G. Mothersbaugh visited from Saturday till Monday with his brother, Dr. K. Mothersbaugh, and family at Hepturnville.

Dr. Samuel Woods, with his son Charles, of South Sharon, enjoyed a few days at his former home at Boalsburg.

The Prohibition League and Y. M. C. A. boys of State College will hold a service in the Reformed church on Sunday evening at 7:30.

A foreign missionary service, "The Prince of Peace," will be rendered in the Reformed church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Communion at 4 o'clock in the forenoon.

A musical and literary entertainment will be given in Boal hall at Boalsburg, Saturday evening, February 20th, at 8 o'clock by the Boalsburg Band and others. There will be band music, male quartettes and solo singing, also some recitations. A social hour after program. Admission free. An opportunity will be given to drop a coin in the hat for the benefit of band. All are invited.

Boalsburg Lodge, No. 894, I. O. O. F., celebrated their fortieth anniversary on the evening of Lincoln's birthday by having a banquet. Those present numbered one hundred and fifty. As usual a beautiful and inviting repast was spread. W. D. Ludwig was master of ceremonies. Different persons were called on for speeches. George C. Meyer of State College told how much he could eat, and gave an interesting description of the service at "Billy" Sunday's Tabernacle while visiting in Philadelphia; J. Laird Holmes of State College spoke on the principles of the Order. "Friedship, Love and Truth"—he good of fraternal organization to a community, and the benefit of Old Fellowship to members and their families. Music by the orchestra; selections on player piano, vocal solos and male quartettes.

REBERSBURG

Mrs. Samuel Shaffer is at present on the sick list.

Protracted meeting in the Elder church at this place still continues.

Mrs. Honseluhn, who makes her home with the Byers family, is at present on the sick list.

Mrs. Clara Haines is in Philadelphia this week receiving the second treatment for weakness of her limbs.

William Shultz and Stanley Ziegler and Russell Weaver left the latter part of last week for Kaneville, Ill., where they will work on farms.

Several of our citizens as spring approaches have a slight attack of sore fever. Will not some agent come and minister to their wants.

A Mr. Shesley of Woodward has rented the Mrs. Thomas Garret home, situated near Smilston, and will move there some time in March.

Quite a number of citizens of this place were to Bellefonte Wednesday to attend the funeral of Abraham Luckenbach, who was a former citizen of this vicinity.

William Bierly, the huckster, quite recently rented the Ammon Hazel property and Edwin Frank will move into the house which Mr. Bierly vacated.

H. K. Small is very much in need of an apprentice. This is a chance for an industrious young man to learn the blacksmith trade.

The storeroom occupied by William Carlin has recently been repaired and the wood work painted. Mr. Carlin had intended to go out of the mercantile business and left his stock of store goods run down but of late he has concluded to fill his shelves with new goods and continue in the business.

ARONSBURG.

Mr. Otto went to Philadelphia and other parts on business, Monday.

Mrs. William Rishel and two children of Centre Oak were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Holloway.

Frank Guisewite and two daughters, Mary and Florence, from Feidie, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver.

Mrs. John Bower, Mrs. Robert Bower and Mrs. O. P. Adams, are all convalescing from illness.

Miss Nellie Bird went to Altoona to spend a few months with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Nevel.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Mingle spent Sunday with their children, Mr. and Mrs. George McCordick, at Pottery Mills.

Harry A. Bailey and mother of Baltimore, Md., are spending a short time at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Geesey at the Lutheran Manse.

Ray Homan, who has been under the doctor's care for the last few weeks, is slowly improving at this writing.

Reporting Register.

C. A. Lester, Spring Mills
T. J. Fisher, Spring Mills
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Rote, Farmers Mills
M. B. Stover, Spring Mills
J. E. Hartig, Coburn
John D. Neese, Spring Mills
C. A. Hennick, Spring Mills
James B. Spangler, Tusseyville
John Condo, Pottery Mills
Max Harshbarger, Pottery
John Kimport, Boalsburg
M. M. Keller, Centre Hall
W. O. Gramley, Spring Mills
M. C. Stover, Spring Mills
Elmer E. McClellan, Centre Hall
Ivy W. Bartges, Spring Mills

JOHN DECKER'S ELK.
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was plenty to eat and still enough dampness left to sink into up to the fetlocks so the elks were contented to remain into the Summer. Fresh antlers were coming on the head of the young stag. This time two points appeared on each horn, and the circumference of the horns was greater; they gave their wearer a bold appearance. And he carried himself as befitting his added dignity.

Through July and August, the weather became intolerably hot. The elks climbed to the topmost peaks at night to get the breezes, which were always there. They were alarmed at times to notice great clouds like mist, rising from the drafts of these had a peculiar smell for they were smoke. There were, too, red tongues of light, the color of the sunset—forest fires. One night, especially hot, was spent on a rocky point, where their rest was marred by smoke rising from a hollow behind them. They remained as long as they could, and then started downwards towards their hidden vale. They had only gone a few hundred yards when fresh smoke began coming towards them. They looked back it was also trailing after them. In front it was not so dense, so they plowed ahead. Several hundred yards more, and the atmosphere became thick with smoke on all sides. They looked back, a tongue of flame running among the ferns was coming on after them. They struck a tree, they surely would escape it if they ambled faster, faster. Their speed only brought them to a point where they encountered a long garland of flame, like an incoming tide on a beach, advancing to meet them. The smoke was terrific. But they plunged into it. There was nothing else to do. The smoke became thicker and blacker. Neither one could see the other. But it could not be always like this. The young bull plunged ahead. He heard a crackling. Was it his mate or the flames? He strained his big, prominent eyes to see. A great gulf of yellow fire blazed up out of the forest depths, revealing the tottering and confused form of his beautiful mate. He could not see her. He was half stupefied himself. He saw her fall into the flames—he leaped forward, he kept going somehow, he did not know what he was doing—he found himself at the river bank. It was cool there—there was no fire on the opposite shore.

Dazed he stood in the water for many hours; then he resumed his trot—to somewhere. He must have traveled for several days, and rested very little at nights. Sometimes he came dangerously near to cleared lands, he heard dogs barking, and sounds like men's voices. His equipage was returning. He browsed, he drank, he slept calmly. He was resting quietly one afternoon when he felt a blow at his side; he wheeled about, a deer, a buck, had struck him with his antlers, on which hung traces of the velvet. Striking at him with his short but stout horns the elk tore a gash in his foe's shoulder. Then the deer took to heels with the excited elk after him.

They raced over mountains, through lumbermen's slashings, past a logging camp, where a woman sat on a bench peeling potatoes for supper, into virgin forest again, out into a vast open field—at the far edge of which was a log-cabin with blue smoke curling out of the big stone chimney. It was a dangerous place to pursue an animosity, but both animals plunged on. They were too excited to hear a woman's voice shouting, "Look at the deer, John, look at the deer"; too wilted to see a sturdily built backwoodsman, with a black chin beard, leave his woodpile and run to the cabin for his gun. The deer with the angry wappit at his heels had almost reached the timber line on the southern border of the big clearing, when a loud report rang out on the calm September air. The deer disappeared into the dogwood thicket, and escaped, but the elk turned a complete somersault, and fell over into the stubble stone dead. The last of his race in Pennsylvania. Now the story must sound like every other hunting narrative.

"That's no deer," said John Decker, the intrepid hunter of Decker valley, as he stood beside the bleeding, steaming carcass. "Yet it's just twenty years since the last elk hereabouts was killed across the mountains in Treaster Valley." Then he began skinning the dead animal. "It must have been chased in here by those big forest fires in Clearfield County and the Black Forest. There are no other places in the state where the 'Pennsylvania stag' hangs on."

At sundown the hide was nailed on the barn door to cure, the carcass had been cut up and was in the cellar, the skull and horns hung on the woodhouse, among divers other heads of deer. And night closed in, and a lonely cricket started to chirp somewhere near the garden gate. A red light gleamed from the cabin window. A wolf on the knob to the south saw it, and his keen scent told him of the recent carnage; becoming envious of the cozy glow and the feed, he set up a melancholy howl. The hunter's dog "Rover," part wolf himself, answered, and it was almost midnight when their duet ceased. Then commenced a tap, tap, tap, the night-wind blowing the skull of the dead wappit against the woodshed, or was it the tramp, tramp, tramp of the soul of the last elk bound for that bourn where all is life, and there is no chase.

Seven and thirty years have passed since that clear September afternoon when John Decker nailed the elk's skull to his woodshed in the rustic little val-bearer's house. Terrible changes have come and gone, and the blackened bones and faded horns have been decked out with snow, and ice, and frost. Spring, Summer and Autumn have shed their radiance on the melancholy rhes that the black sockets of the eyes, bespeak not even a questioning. But at night, in Winter or Summer, there comes a mysterious night-wind to the place, and a soft tap, tap, tap, away the moulder-skull nailed there against the shed. Is it the soul of the last elk still traveling to the unknown country, where he will find his race unsmiled, his beautiful mate to greet him. Or is it the spirit of the wilderness, blotted out by man never to return, while our race lives, whispering of better and freer days, of vast distances and open places, of beauty, justice, and truth, which were banished with that last elk? Only those who lived in Pennsylvania in such days can answer and their ranks are growing thin—they are following the last elk to the land of light—where there is no chase.

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