

**KNOCKS THE KNOCKERS.**

Pennsylvania Farmer Put Itself on Record on Boozing Question.

The Pennsylvania Farmer in an article printed below puts itself squarely on record on the booze question, and consequently is not expecting the support of hotel men who profit at the expense of the wealth, health and welfare of others. The Pennsylvania Farmer says:

We are not making any special effort to get thru the world without receiving any knocks, and consequently we occasionally receive a long range blow. It is the studied purpose of the Pennsylvania Farmer to champion causes which we believe to be right, and to attack without fear or favor anything which is inimical to the best interests of agriculture or society in general. So, we feel complimented in the thought that our words are heard when a hotel keeper stops his paper because we hurt his business, or when we receive a letter protesting against our sentiments which tend to "destroy personal liberty, something the people have been building up for ages."

We want it distinctly understood that we are squarely against the saloon business and all that it stands for; the drunkenness and licentiousness; the resulting poverty, the destruction of homes, the degradation of manhood and womanhood. We combat the medieval arguments for personal liberty, which in reality means living a life that encroaches upon and disregards the rights of others. The work and development of the ages has been to break down the arrogance of man and to teach him to respect the rights of his fellowman, and to show him that the highest degree of personal liberty is the privilege of dealing justly with his neighbor, and "neighbor" includes wife and family. We feel sure that the great majority of our readers stand with us in these views, and it is from this class of readers we expect support. We can scarcely hope for the approbation of men whose purpose in life is to profit at the expense of the wealth, health and welfare of others. We feel this to be the right principle as well as policy for those who would make "A Home Paper for Home Folks."

Surprise Party.

Wednesday evening of last week the friends and neighbors of Misses Mary and Phoebe Potter, who live on the Ferguson Potter homestead near Linden Hall, gathered at the ladies' home and surprised them with a party. The Misses Potter will move to Linden Hall in the spring where they own a home. Refreshments were served and the following enjoyed the function: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Houser, Mr. and Mrs. George Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osman, Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Noll, and their daughters, Mrs. Alfred Wolf and her husband and their son Robert, of Baltimore, Md., who are spending a few days at the Noll home.

\$10,000 Reformed Church Dedicated.

A short time ago, Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, Ph. D., had the pleasure of dedicating a \$10,000 church in his pastorate, in Akron, Ohio. This congregation was originally established a little less than a year ago, by the Reformed Board of Home Missions, and last fall the congregation was incorporated with forty-one charter members. The edifice bears the name of Willard Reformed church, and has a seating capacity of three hundred in the auditorium, and two hundred in the Sunday-school room. The cost of the edifice given above does not include the ground on which it stands. Rev. Eisenberg will be kindly recalled by many of the readers of this notice, he having served the Centre Hall Reformed church for a number of years, prior to 1900.

Postmasters Named.

Joseph G. Lesher, editor of the Huntingdon Monitor, published at Huntingdon, was appointed postmaster at that place, by the President. Mr. Lesher is the Democratic county chairman in Huntingdon county, and as such is exceedingly active. He was formerly editor of the Times, Singsgrove.

At Burnham, James C. Jacobs was appointed postmaster and at Milroy M. M. Nagney was named. Other appointments in Pennsylvania are these:

William Fairchild, Sr., Dawson; Daniel J. O'Brien, Everson; Nathaniel S. Byers, Perryopolis; Origen K. Bingham, Slippery Rock; John P. Hines, Stoneboro; J. W. Keating, Towanda; Thomas P. McCormick, Forest City; L. B. Rowley, Greenville; Grover C. Buser, Hummelstown; Ralph W. Shimecz, Sandy Lake; Ois H. Davis, Wellsober; Edmund J. Rafferty, Conshohocken.

FRANCIS WILLARD DAY.

Appropriately Observed Thursday Evening in W. C. T. U. Room—Reception to New Members.

The W. C. T. U. headquarters on the second floor of the Reporter Block was filled to the walls on Thursday evening, the occasion having been a fitting observance of Frances Willard Day as well as a reception to the new members admitted to the society during 1914. The membership of the organization has grown from a small beginning, a few years ago, to large proportions. The organization is doing other work as well as formulating a temperance sentiment, it having opened its pleasant and spacious headquarters every Saturday evening to all the young people who care to congregate there and engage in reading, playing of games, and social intercourse.

The program on Thursday evening consisted of a playlet representing the family circle where the life work of Miss Willard was being discussed. Sketches of her life and incidents great and small were brought out by the various characters. There was also appropriate music.

After the Willard exercises were concluded, the president addressed words of encouragement to the new members and invited others to join their ranks, and announced that light refreshments would be served. It was then that the social feature of the evening began. Gathering in little knots, the guests, members of the W. C. T. U., Y. P. B., and L. T. L. engaged in chats, discussing every topic before the public. The refreshments were of a delicious character, and were greatly enjoyed. One of the best evidences that the participants enjoyed themselves was the fact that they lingered until a late hour.

Want Return of Rev. Lantz.

A petition to be signed by every man, woman and child and friends of the Curwensville Methodist church asking for the return of Rev. J. Max Lantz as pastor to that charge, will be presented to the presiding Bishop at the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. church which meets in March, at Shamokin. This came as a great surprise to Rev. Lantz, but is, nevertheless, a proof of the regard in which Mr. Lantz and his family are held by this people.

Three Cars of Horses Shipped.

Within the past two months three car loads of horses were shipped from the Coburn station. Two cars were of mixed quality and were shipped to the New York and Washington, D. C. markets, while one car was of a much better grade of animals. The parting of second, third and scrub horses from a community will open the way for young and better animals. A first grade horse is always in demand, but it is those animals aged and inferior in various ways that make the general horse market dull. Hall with delight the arrival of a horse dealer who can place the "off" horse.

Party at Relsh Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Relsh entertained a number of their friends at their home Friday evening. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all present, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ripka and children, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Knarr and son Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dinges, Pearl Arney, Maude Meeker, Lillian Emery, Mary Delinda Potter, Mary Whiteman, Ethel Rowe, Ida Sweetwood, Florence Krapp, Cora Luse, Bruce Stafl, Bruce Arney, Robert Meeker, William Bradford, George A. Crawford, Thomas Foss, Roy Relsh, Bernhard Keiler, Ralph Luse, B. C. Stump, Fred Stover, Ray Duret, Carl Auman, J. H. Bitner, James A. Keller, Warren Homan, Harry Armstrong.

The Black Heifer.

The above was the title of a play rendered by a number of young people from Milroy in Grange Arcadia, Saturday night, to a full house that returned \$50.00 at the door. From a financial standpoint the young people termed the affair wholly successful. The play was a pretty little romance in which "Scraps," a youngster from New York, street-educated; "Betsy," a shy maiden; "Willie," a stuttering yep; and a farmer, played prominent parts. "Betsy" and her sweetheart "Willie" played their parts to perfection, as did also "Scraps," who put ginger into her words as well as into her heels and late when occasion demanded. The singing by the young ladies was heartily applauded, and the audience wished for more of it, especially by Miss Abplanalp, a Swedish, who played the role of the shy maiden.

The Reporter register shows the following young people were directly or indirectly interested in the play: Chas. E. Lykens, Prof. J. B. Boyer, B. F. Hour, Thurman L. Tremaine, Charles Reed, Clarence Phillips, Edgar Bishop, A. L. Brown, Clay Fols, Clayton Miller, Floyd Calhoun, Emma Aplanalp, Ruth Fullz, Mrs. Dydia Yeager, and Margaret Romig.

COUNTY GRANGE DAY.

Held at State College Friday.—The Grange and Its Work Presented to the Student Body of the Agricultural Department.—McSparan Present.

Friday of last week was Grange Day at State College. The purpose of the occasion was to have presented to the student body of the Agricultural Department of State College the Grange and its work, what it has done for the farmer and what it has yet to do. The meeting was held in the chapel in "Old Main." Besides the several hundred students present there was a large attendance of farmers from different parts of the county.

Beginning at 1:30, the first hour, which was intended more especially as a lecture period for the student body, was given to worthy State Master John McSparan. Mr. McSparan is a remarkably fluent speaker and throughout the whole period held the entire attention of his audience. After the regular lecture hour the direction of the meeting was given over to the lecturer of Washington Grange for the remainder of the afternoon, when addresses were made by Dean Watts of State College; Austin Dale, Master of the County Grange; Calvin R. Neff, Overseer of the County Grange, and John McSparan, Master of the State Grange.

In the evening State Master McSparan spoke to the Agricultural Society of the State College, and a large number of others who were present, on some of the important questions before the farmers of this state and nation.

The meeting throughout was a success and it is to be hoped will be made an annual affair, that the students of the department of Agriculture of State College may learn just what the Grange stands for. There is no question but that this meeting created much interest on the part of the students in the Grange and its work, as quite a number of applications for membership in the order have since been made.

LOCALS.

Miss May V. Rhone was home from Harrisburg over Sunday.

Robin R. Drees, the noted harlinger of spring, put in his appearance early Sunday morning. Let us hope that he may stay with us.

Among the recent bills presented in the state legislature was one calling for summary conviction for those violating the cigarette act.

F. V. Goodhart is hauling his big furniture orders in a newly painted and lettered wagon. The wagon presents a very attractive appearance.

Harry J. Mueller, who was recently appointed forester for the city of Harrisburg, is expected to begin his duties Monday. He will leave Bellefonte this week.

Mrs. George E. Bron spent a few days last week at State College as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Laura Lee, who conducts a fraternity house at that place.

Friday was a real Spring day. With mercury rising to fifty-one degrees and the sky clear, the sun's rays beat down with all the warmth of early summer. Incidentally, a great amount of snow disappeared.

Mrs. John Nyhart of Cowan, Union county, was in Centre Hall for a few days last week, having come here primarily to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. George Sweeney. Mrs. Nyhart, when a girl, lived in Centre Hall, but found few of her school companions here on this brief visit.

Dr. G. W. Hosterman will start on his trans-continental trip Wednesday of next week. His objective point will be Berkeley, California, where his daughter, Mrs. C. F. Shaw, resides. Before returning home Dr. Hosterman will see the wonders at the Panama-Pacific Exposition and also those of the San Diego exposition. He will be gone several months.

Some of the youngsters from Millin county who were in Centre Hall on Saturday afternoon and evening took occasion to quench their awful thirst, and evidently did not know how much their tanks would hold, for they became very much overloaded and top heavy. It is due to those connected with the entertainment on that evening to say that none of those boxed-up by longed to the "Black Heifer" aggregation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer entertained a number of relatives on Monday, besides all of the Meyer family, except Miss Miriam Meyer, who is at school. The guests were Mrs. A. Lukenbach and Charles A. Lukenbach of Bellefonte; Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Lukenbach, the former vice president of the Blair County National Bank, and Mrs. Harry Jenkins, all of Tyrone, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Garman, Bellefonte; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. McCormick, Columbia, South Carolina; Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Meyer, Reedsville, and John D. Meyer, cashier of the Second National Bank, Altoona.

DEATHS.

The death of J. H. Robb, which occurred at the home of his mother, Mrs. Alice Robb, in State College, Sunday evening at seven o'clock, was received with much sorrow by the great number of friends of the young man. While his condition for the past month had been extremely bad, the sad news of his death was a shock to all who knew him. Tuberculosis of the bowels was the immediate cause of his death, but the dread disease had made inroads in his general health since July of last year. At that time he was obliged to give up his position in the Bellefonte Trust Company and for several months he was in a critical condition. Sheer pluck and courage, however, did much to bring him back to good health and for a time it seemed as though he would be a victor in the fight against the dread disease. About a month ago his mother moved to State College and the son went to live with her. At this time he contracted a heavy cold and he was obliged to keep his bed from that time until his death. On Sunday morning he took his bath, shaved himself, and appeared in good spirits, but a sinking spell seized him and the end came quickly, life departing from him as he lay in the arms of his devoted mother.

Funeral services were held Wednesday-morning at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. Harrison Walker, in Bellefonte, and interment took place there, Rev. G. E. Hayes of the Presbyterian church officiating.

"Bert" Robb, as he was more familiarly known, was born at Nittany and on January 29 had reached the age of thirty-one years. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robb, his father having died a number of years ago. The greater part of his life was spent in Bellefonte. For a number of years he was clerk in the Centre County bank and for several years preceding his death was employed in the Bellefonte Trust Company. He was a young man who had many friends and his untimely death is keenly felt.

Surviving him are his mother and the following brothers and sisters, namely, N. E. Robb, State College; L. R. Robb, A. G. Robb, Altoona; C. E. Robb, Bellefonte; Mrs. Samuel Cole, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. J. A. Miller, Franklinville, New York; Mrs. W. Harrison Walker, Bellefonte; Mrs. Thomas S. Swartz, Tusseyville.

Mrs. Susan Sweeney died at 12:30 o'clock Thursday morning at the residence of her daughter, 2925 West Chestnut avenue, Altoona, after an illness of three months with heart trouble. She was born November 24, 1840, in Tusseyville, and was married about fifty years ago to George Sweeney, who preceded her to the grave about five years ago. She was a member of the Reformed church at Centre Hall, and is survived by the following children: J. M. Sweeney, Roedsdale, Kan.; Mrs. N. C. Yarnell, Linden Hall; Mrs. G. W. Rowe, Boalsburg; Mrs. Andrew Gregg, with whom she resided. One brother also survives, William Bitner of Tusseyville, and a sister, Mrs. John Neyhart, of Cowan, Union county, together with thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The body was shipped to Centre Hall, Saturday, arriving on the 2:30 p. m. train, and burial was made here. Funeral services were held in the Reformed church by Rev. R. R. Jones.

Sarah Walker, the two-year-old granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Killefelter, of near Colyer, died Wednesday evening of last week after four weeks illness with kidney trouble. Funeral services were held Saturday morning and interment was made at Tusseyville, Rev. R. R. Jones officiating.

Woodward.

Miss Lida Hosterman, having spent a week with her sister, Mrs. Harry Zeme, in Johnstown, returned home on Monday.

Rev. Rumberger, pastor of the Evangelical Association church, preached his last sermon Sunday morning for the Conference year. Conference is held in Reading, beginning this week.

J. W. Guiseville moved to town last week.

Mrs. Israel Runkle and Samuel Sheets are on the sick list.

F. P. Guiseville and family from Fiedler spent the Sabbath with the former's mother, Mrs. William Glantz. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Orndorf and daughter, Miss Elma, and Raymond Boob from Colburn, spent Saturday at the home of the gentleman's mother, Mrs. Pucobe Wise.

A large American flag flutters to the breeze on the school grounds of the Colyer school since last week. Pupils of the school earned the flag by doing work after school hours and W. H. N. F. donated a thirty-five-foot flag pole.

A RECORD COW IN PENNS. VALLEY.

W. O. Gramley of Spring Mills Has Grade Holstein That Produced 19,000 Lbs. Milk.—Net Profit, \$189.00.

W. O. Gramley of Spring Mills is the owner of a grade Holstein cow that has made a record for milk and butter production that beyond a doubt stands ahead of the record of any grade Holstein in the country. Mr. Gramley kept close tab on the feed consumed and his figures are positively correct. He claims that the scale and tester made it possible to ascertain the true records; also that the right kind of feed will bring results with any cow, and that the record of this grade Holstein proves the falsehood of the statement from sixty per cent of the farmers that feeding does not pay.

At the end of the year's test his records showed the following: That the cow produced 18,985 pounds of milk. The cost of the feed in that time was \$106.84, or less than 57 cents per hundred. The sum realized from the sale of her product was \$295.84, leaving a net profit of \$189.00.

The best 7-day butter record was 28 1/2 pounds, the best 30-day record was 114.90 pounds. The total amount for the year was 910.16 1/2 pounds.

Boalsburger Married in Freeport.

The Freeport, Illinois, Bulletin contained this announcement of a marriage of a former Boalsburg young man: Miss Lillian M. Weltzel and Harry J. Young were the principals in a pretty wedding Thursday afternoon at the home of the groom's brother, Calvin Young, 189 North Galena avenue. The Rev. A. F. Moseley of the United Brethren church performed the ceremony in the presence of a company of fifty relatives and friends, the service being in the prior and the bridal party standing beneath a canopy of wedding bells. Congratulations followed the ceremony and the couple were the recipients of a large number of presents. The bride wore a gown of white cashmere.

A wedding supper was served, the viands being the choicest of the offerings of the season.

The bride has been a resident of this community for four years, coming here from Carlisle, Penn., where her parents still live.

Mr. Young is a native of Centre county, Penn., and has lived in Freeport and vicinity for sixteen years. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Israel Young, well known residents of Centre county. The groom is a moulder by trade and enjoys the confidence of a wide circle of acquaintances.

Among the guests from out of town at the wedding was Norman Young of Boalsburg.

Personals from Millburg Telegraph.

The following personal notices are reprinted from the Millburg Telegraph:

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Lantz and interesting children spent last Friday pleasantly with his mother, Mrs. Jerry Snively, at Spring Mills. Mr. Lantz is the efficient assistant cashier at the Farmer's Bank, this place, and is well liked by the many patrons of that busy banking institution.

S. Wm. Diehl spent Saturday and Sunday with that same charming dulciana at Spring Mills. In the spring when a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, he thinks somewhat of locating there or otherwise, that is so to speak. If the mountain will not come to Mahomet, Mahomet will go to the mountain.

The Ratton, Please.

In this issue W. O. Gramley of Spring Mills gives the product of a grade Holstein cow for a period of one year, showing the gross and net profits, amount of milk produced, butter fat and butter. The record for a grade cow is indeed first class, as the net profit is represented by \$189. The farmer who is a careful feeder, and aims for a net profit of some sort, will be greatly aided in increasing that profit by the experience of others as to rations. If Mr. Gramley will give in detail the rations fed to his cow, the Reporter will gladly pass the information on to those who may find interest in it.

Progress Grange Program.

Progress Grange will meet Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The following topics will be discussed:

If the European war continues, what effect will it have on American agriculture, and the marketing of next year's crops?—Opened by Prof. C. R. Neff.

What social attractions will help keep the young people on the farm?—Opened by H. W. Frautz.

Give a ration that has been an egg-producer in your hen-house this winter?—Opened by Mrs. John Dauberman.

Recitation—A Boy's Troubles, by James Keller.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.**HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS**

George Burd of Loganton will quit housekeeping and move to Aaronsburg and live with his brother.

W. T. Hubler has been named assessor in Haines township to succeed the late John S. Emerick.

Andrew Crozzer, at Belleville, advertises sale for March 20. He will offer for sale eighty head of stock. See sale register.

Mrs. James Gregg and Mrs. Joseph Edmiston of State College were entertained for a few days at the C. D. Bartholomew home.

One of the oldest, if not the oldest lady in Brush Valley, is Mrs. Daniel Brungart, who on Friday celebrated her ninetieth birthday.

A gasoline lighting system was installed in Dauberman's meat market the latter part of last week. F. P. Geary installed the plant.

Mrs. G. O. Benner was called to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Miles, at Martha, because of the very serious illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hubler of Lock Haven spent a few days last week at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cook Hubler.

J. H. Runkle sold the residence property of his deceased mother, Mrs. Lucinda Runkle, in Spring Mills, Thursday, to Mrs. R. D. Musser of Spring Mills.

George Boczser, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boczser, and a student in Mercersburg academy, was recently placed on the honor roll in that institution for excelling in biology and algebra.

Union county has two lady postmasters who recently received their commissions. They are Miss Gertrude A. Burns at the Winfield office and Miss Minnie Pursley at Weikert.

Ed. L. Bartholomew of Altoona spent Sunday in Centre Hall, and on his return was accompanied by his wife and daughter who had been at the Kennedy home for some time.

Mrs. S. H. Beckman of Johnstown attended the funeral of Abraham Luckenbach at Bellefonte, on Wednesday, and then came to Centre Hall, spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kreamer.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church on Thursday shipped 6040 lbs. of old newspapers, magazines and other papers, to Buffalo, New York, on which they realized a tidy sum. The ladies will prepare a second shipment.

John W. Runkle was appointed postmaster at Middleburg to succeed J. N. Brosius. The charge will take effect March 1st. This is Mr. Runkle's second appointment as postmaster in that borough, he having served during Cleveland's second administration.

The farm in central Brush Valley advertised for sale during the beginning of February in the Reporter by S. Ward Gramley, cashier of the Millheim Banking Company, was sold by him to E. S. Bierly, son of Willis Bierly. Mr. Bierly may occupy it himself.

A bill now before the legislature provides for the printing of 25,000 additional copies of the Bellier report of the Fifteenth Reunion of the Battle of Gettysburg. One half of this number of copies, if the bill becomes a law, will go to the members of the legislature for distribution.

One of the objects in view by A. J. Hertz, who sold his general store in Rebersburg to S. L. Gephart of the same place, in locating in Boalsburg is the educational facilities offered by Pennsylvania State College. He has one or more daughters he purposes entering that institution. Mr. Hertz will engage in the mercantile business in Boalsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Nevin Moyer of Rebersburg, on Wednesday of last week, stopped in Centre Hall for a few hours on their way home from the Lukenbach funeral. Mr. Moyer favored the Reporter with a brief call, the first in several years. He is a school teacher, and consequently is not free to leave home but for short periods during the winter months, and in the summer time he is just as busy getting wealth from the soil.

Among the relatives and friends who attended the funeral of Mrs. Susan Sweeney, at Centre Hall, on Saturday, were the following: Mrs. Mary Neyhart, a sister of Cowan; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gregg and family, of Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. George Rowe, Enoch Sweeney, Alexander and Mervin Kuhn, of Boalsburg; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Yarnell and family, of Linden Hall; William Bitner and daughter, Elizabeth, of Tusseyville; Joseph Bitner, of Spring Mills. The only surviving son—J. M. Sweeney—of Rosedale, Kansas, was unable to attend the funeral.