



ODD FELLOWS' CELEBRATION, JULY 3.

Plans Progressing for Gala Day—Orphanage Band Here Friday and Saturday.

The time is fast approaching for the Odd Fellows' celebration at Centre Hall. If July 3rd proves a fair day there is every reason to believe that the efforts of the local order to make this a gala day for everybody will be a grand success.

The celebration will open Friday evening with a band concert and festival on Grange Park. The Orphanage band of twenty-six pieces will be here and these little musicians will prove a big attraction, both from a standpoint of their ability and the interest that each true Odd Fellow has in their well being.

The Telephone Picnic.

As president of the Patron's Rural Telephone Company, I take pleasure to invite the general public to the annual basket picnic to be held at Rhoneymede, Saturday of this week.

Dead at 101 Years.

Mr. Amelia Fisher, possibly the oldest resident in the state, died at her home in Sunbury Saturday morning of last week, aged 101 years, 8 months and 9 days.

The Centre Hall Grange.

From the Howard Hustler, apropos of the recent special meeting of Pomona Grange at Howard.

June first, nineteen fifteen, was Tuesday's date; The place was Pennsylvania's state. The local villa, 's Centre Hall, As pretty a place as you could recall, With beautiful mountains on either side, In a fertile valley—the Grange's pride.

Henry W. Shoemaker is finding in his travels throughout the central part of the state quite a number of old hunters who want credit for having slain the last elk in Pennsylvania, for which Capt. John Decker of Centre county had been accorded the honor.

About two weeks ago the writer was driving through Sugar Valley in Clinton county en route to the famous Buffalo Path, where in the depths of the forest are preserved the hoofprints of the "vanished millions" of bison when on their migrations between Lake Erie and Georgia.

After talking with the old gentleman we were presented to his younger brother, John Engle, a gentleman in his sixty-third year, who being born too late to battle with the wolf, won prowess as a deer hunter.

Years ago the writer had heard from Mr. Herlacher that an elk had been killed in Sugar Valley in 1878, and had even repeated the story to an authority on Natural History; but the name of the hunter was forgotten, and the incident dismissed from the mind.

The Community and Sunday-school picnic will be held on Grange Park today (Thursday.) The exercises will commence at 10:30 o'clock with music by the Coburn band.

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LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

A. N. Runkle, of the Runkle Shoe Company, Takes Issue With Writer Who Says California No Corn State—Would Like to Visit Scenes of His Youth.

Center Hall Reporter, Centre Hall, Pa. Inclosed find money order for \$3.00 for the Reporter. I am always glad to get the paper from home.

I often wish that I could come back and see the old home but I suppose most all would be strangers to me now. In this week's paper, under items from '81, I see where Rev. D. J. Mitterling goes to Egg Hill to preach.

I expect to see quite a few people from the east this year coming out here to the Fair and they could not afford to come to California without stopping at Santa Barbara, the finest spot on earth.

Archie A. Moyer and Miss Amy Heckman, unknown to their friends, slipped away quietly Thursday of last week to Lock Haven where they were made man and wife.

R. P. Campbell, proprietor of the Penns Cave House, has made arrangements to have the Orphanage band render a concert, consisting of sacred numbers, on the cave property, on Sunday, July 4th, the day following the celebration at Centre Hall.

That was excellent counsel H. Walton Mitchell, president of the board of trustees, gave State College graduates at commencement when he urged them to be active in political life.

Monday was the anniversary of the adoption of the stars and stripes as the emblem of the nation and quite a few flags were unfurled to the breeze in the borough.

Here lies the cause of the most of the ills of government. Disinterestedness from the failure to go to the polls to the failure to check up the conduct of public officials spells the great crime of negligence of which so many Americans are guilty.

What Americans need is a quickening of conscience, a realization through other than legislative channels of individual duty to government. Time was when it was thought that the college man with his four years' instruction in ethics, philosophy and high ideals would become the leaders in movements for honest and efficient government.

Wheat Prospects Improving.

Reports made to the bureau of statistics of the state department of agriculture, which made a special effort to procure accurate data on the effects of the weather on the crops as of June 1, show that the wheat prospects of the state have improved materially.

The condition of the wheat is 92, as compared with an average for June 1, for the last ten years. This is an improvement of 2 per cent over May 1 and of 4 per cent over April 1, according to the figures compiled by Chief L. H. Wible.

It is estimated that 1,312,000 acres of wheat will be harvested this year, and present indications are that the crop will be about 15.3 bushels to the acre. This should make it more than 20,000,000 bushels, which will be short of what it was last year.

Rye is reported as showing an improvement of 2 per cent over reports as of May 1, the condition compared with an average being 94 per cent. Oats, as compared with the average for June 1 for the last ten years, is 99 per cent, and corn is above the average, the rating being 104 per cent.

The cold weather has interfered with the timothy and clover crop, and the condition is below the average. Frost damaged the fruit as well as other crops, the prospects for various fruits being lower than for some years.

Cherries are ripening and they will be especially good this year because of their scarcity. Mrs. A. L. Krapp attended the funeral of her uncle, Joseph Martin, at Millers-town, on Tuesday.

A long stretch of concrete walk displaced a board walk on the Kerlin Grand View Poultry Farm last week. Six hundred farmers from counties in the western section of the state inspected the State College farms on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schure and Miss Rubi of Millburg were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Krapp, one day last week. John Burkholder at Centre Hill is laying the foundation walls for a large implement shed which he will erect on his farm.

A consignment of 2500 fingerling trout were received from the United States hatchery in Virginia and placed in the shallow water of Spring Creek, a week ago. Announcements of the marriage of Miss Marian Louis Riddle of Pleasant Gap to Thomas Milton Kuner, Thursday evening of last week, have been issued by the bride's mother.

The barrels of road oil distributed along the streets through the borough were given a turn so that their long rest on municipal grounds will not have a too damaging effect on the barrel staves. Miss Honora Whalen of Erie was graduated from the School of Agriculture at State College, last week.

The Bellfonte Academy lost both games with the Chinese baseball team at Bellefonte, Wednesday and Thursday of last week, by the scores of 10-5 and 8-5, respectively. The Mongolians are playing up to their standard of former years.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Huyett and daughter, Miss Miriam, Thursday of last week went to Wernersville to attend a funeral of an aged aunt, Mrs. Catharine Buck. They expect to meet Mr. W. A. Magee and baby Magee in the Bucks county town.

A number of special trains have been passing over the local branch of the Pennsy to accommodate the hundreds of farmers in various sections of the state who visited the Pennsylvania State College and carried home hundreds of students from the institution.

DEATHS.

Charles C. Cummings died suddenly at his home in Spring Mills, Sunday at the noon hour while seated in a rocking chair awaiting the call for dinner. Heat failure was the cause of his demise.

Mr. Cummings was born in Philadelphia more than eighty-two years ago and about a half century ago made his first trips through Penna Valley as a shoe salesman.

Mr. Cummings was a man well versed in the topics of the day and was a veritable storehouse of knowledge. He gained quite a reputation through his ability as a writer and many times wrote good articles for the daily press.

Mr. Emily Cronmiller, relict of George Cronmiller, died quite suddenly at the home of her son-in-law, H. M. Cronoble, near Pine Hall, where the aged lady made her home.

Following an illness which extended over a period of three years, George Beahers passed away Friday morning at his home near Pine Hall. He was confined to bed for only two days with Bright's disease and while not unexpected, the news of his passing away was received with sincere sorrow.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Beahers and was born in Buffalo Run valley, March 20, 1858. On May 14, 1885 he married Isabella A. McCornick who survives with one son. One brother and two sisters also mourn his loss.

Alice, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Ripka, of Georges Valley, died on Tuesday of last week, following an illness from yellow jaundice. The child was aged two months and sixteen days.

Claude Harpater, fifteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harpater, of Rock Springs, died of injuries received by being thrown from a horse and trampled upon.

Mr. Amelia Murray died in Bellefonte of apoplexy, aged seventy years. She was born in Millheim. New Pen Will be Named "Covert". The Eastern and Western penitentiaries will be consolidated into one and this will be known as the Covert institution, according to a bill signed by the governor on Monday.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Community picnic on Grange Park today (Thursday.) The Grove families reunion is being held on the fair grounds at Bellefonte, today (Thursday.)

Miss Helen Foster, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Foster of State College, is spending a week or more with friends in Centre Hall.

William McClenahan, the drayman, got back on his job Saturday morning after an absence of several months brought about through the operations made necessary upon his eye.

Herman Bailey of New York City is spending a two weeks' vacation with his brothers and sister in Centre Hall. He is taking advantage of all the pleasures that the open country unfolds to the city-bred boy.

The class in Teachers' Training in the Reformed church will graduate on Saturday evening at Tusseyville. The class numbers thirteen and an interesting program has been prepared.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Heckman and daughter, Miss Catharine, and Miss Fay Kreamer, of Johnstown, suited to the home of Mrs. Heckman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kreamer, on Saturday and remained until Monday morning. Mr. Heckman possesses a fine Cadillac car.

J. H. Bitner of near Colyer was a caller at this office on Saturday. Mr. Bitner, together with Peter D. Phillips and Elmer Miller finished painting the buildings on the Hon. L. Rhone farm last week, consequently the Rhoneymede surroundings will be in beautiful shape for the telephone picnic on Saturday.

The twelfth annual picnic of the Centre County Association of Philadelphia will be held at Belmont Mansion, Fairmount Park, on Saturday. A big day is anticipated and there is no doubt as to the weather, for the announcements state specifically that "special arrangement has been made with the weather man."

Mrs. Chas. D. Bartholomew and two daughters, Margaret and Elizabeth, Mrs. Rose DeWoodie and Miss Helen Bartholomew, spent a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenza Wilt, at Franklin, Venango county, making the trip in the Bartholomew car. Enroute they stopped at Curwensville for a short time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Kittleberger.

The Patrons Rural Telephone Company picnic, at Rhoneymede, on Saturday, promises to be the largest gathering ever assembled on a similar occasion. The invitation is general, the public being invited to enjoy the day along with the patrons and stockholders of the rural telephone system.

Allen C. Erhard of Wellington, Kansas, who was visiting friends in Penn township for several weeks, suffered a stroke of paralysis on Wednesday evening of last week, while walking from Coburn to the home of Alfred Keer, south of Millheim, says the Journal. He was found lying in a mud puddle near the home of W. W. Brauch, where he was picked up and conveyed to the Keen home in Mr. Keen's buggy.

While in Bellefonte one day last week the writer witnessed an incident that would match the funniest of comies in a Sunday edition of a metropolitan newspaper. A young man of good appearance and dress was playing a stream of water issuing from a garden hose on the crushed stones at the corner of Allegheny and Bishop streets.

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