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NEXT SEASON'S LECTURE COURSE.

Three Lectures and Two Musicals of Highest Order Selected by Committee.

The Lecture Course committee met a short time ago at the home of E. W. Smith. Members were Rev. R. R. Jones, and F. H. Foss, Messrs. W. W. Spangler, G. L. Goodhart and E. W. Smith. The following officers were elected for the year: Rev. F. H. Foss, president; Rev. R. R. Jones, secretary; S. W. Smith, treasurer.

A course was selected for the current year, consisting of three lectures and two musical numbers, as follows: The Davenny Festival Quintet, a very highly recommended musical number. The committee believe this number to be so far superior to any that has ever been in Centre Hall before, to warrant an increased admission. The admission for this particular number will be fifty cents, which includes a reserved seat. For all other numbers the admission will be the same as last year, namely, 25 cents for lectures and 35 cents for musicals, with an extra charge of five cents for those desiring reserved seats.

The second number is to be a lecture, called a "Peace Lecture." It is likely that Dr. Hamilton Holt, editor of "The Independent," will deliver this lecture. The "Carnegie Endowment for International Peace" has secured several high priced platform lecturers to deliver "Peace Lectures." All we pay for these first class men is a nominal sum sufficient to cover traveling expenses.

The third and fourth numbers are lectures, the first by Dr. G. Whitefield Ray, and the second by Dr. Andrew Johnson. Both come very highly recommended.

The fifth is a musical number by the Dorca De Leon Company. This is a general concert number consisting of vocal and instrumental music, and also a reader.

Course tickets for all five numbers will sell at the usual price of one dollar per seat. Holders of course tickets are permitted to retain the same seat as last year, provided the secretary be so notified before date of expiration of notice.

The treasurer's report for the year 1914-15 was presented at a meeting held June 10, and is as follows:

RECEIPTS	
Balance from 1913-14	\$ 7.00
Receipts from sale of course tickets	19.40
Receipts from separate numbers	86.80
Total	\$113.20

EXPENSES	
Course	\$216.25
Printing	19.40
Hall rent	20.25
Total	\$255.90

Balance on hand \$38.30

Anyone desiring further information relative to the 1915-16 course, call on the secretary.

R. R. JONES, Secretary.

Pletcher Named Assistant Superintendent.

A. Milford Pletcher of Blanchard was appointed assistant superintendent of public schools in this county by County Superintendent D. O. Eiders. The salary is \$1200. The appointment is under a law passed by the legislature several years ago, but it was inoperative owing to the fact that there was no appropriation for the salary. Mr. Pletcher was a candidate for the office of county superintendent of schools, before this law was passed, and later made a preliminary skirmish for the nomination for prothonotary on the Republican ticket, and it has been generally understood since that when conditions could bring it about he would be named the assistant to Mr. Eiders. Mr. Pletcher will no doubt serve the public with as much enthusiasm and credit as any other school man who might have been named, but it is a question whether or not the office is one that will be of real benefit to the public school system in counties like Centre.

CENTRAL STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

Charles Loe, Principal.

- Reasons why a young man or young woman should attend this school:
- Because it is a good school.
- Because the location is beautiful and healthful.
- Because the buildings are commodious and well equipped.
- Because a beautiful campus and large athletic field are open to students.
- Because there are a prosperous Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. connected with the school.
- Because the moral and religious influences are good.
- Because the doctrine of self-government is installed.
- Because the living expenses are moderate and homelike pleasant.
- Because the courses of study, both regular and special, are strong.
- Because the faculty is experienced, sensible, able.
- Write for a catalogue.
- Lock Haven, Pa.

A supplement is inserted in this week's issue.

CITIZENS' MEETING.

State Centre Electric Company to Present Its Proposition on Monday Evening.

The State-Centre Electric Company will have one or more representatives at Centre Hall on Monday evening to present their proposition on the electric light question to the citizens. The meeting will be held in the borough council room, at eight o'clock. At this meeting the electric light question will be fully discussed, rates and conditions quoted, and it is requested that all citizens interested in the welfare of borough be present.

This notice appears at the suggestion of W. Frank Bradford, secretary of the borough council, the council desiring to have the conditions named by the State-Centre Electric Company fully understood by the citizens so that they can have their advice on future action in the regular sessions of the body.

Made Guesome Find.

Harry Spigelmirre of Lewistown Junction made a gruesome find Sunday afternoon when in the vicinity of the borough cinder dump at the river bend below the bridge he came upon the severed head and part of the torn body of Les Roy Shoemaker, the seven-year-old boy who on the afternoon of July 5th last was struck by a speeding passenger train on the high bridge opposite the Millin county home.

Attached to the head were part of the breast, the left arm and shoulder along with the hand. It is evident that the dismembered parts were washed down the Kishacoquillas a distance of more than a mile since the tragic accident occurred.

Sugar Valley Camp Meeting.

Preparations are being made for the largest, best, and most successful camp meeting ever held in Sugar Valley. Boonville is the place and August 15 to 25th, the dates. The camp grounds and tents are being repaired and made comfortable. Good boarding will be furnished at reasonable rates. Fine spring water in an abundant supply right on the camp grounds. Many thousands of people from all surrounding counties are expected at this meeting which will be under the excellent leadership of the Rev. Charles D. Dreher of Allentown. A large force of well qualified preachers of the Divine word will be present. Senior Bishop Thomas Bowmar, D. D., Rev. C. D. Dreher, P. E.; H. M. Taylor, of Allentown, and a number of other ministers of great qualification, will be present.

The Senior Bishop Bowmar, D. D., will preach Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning and afternoon. This meeting will be of great power and blessing to many.

A special invitation is extended to Christian families to come and occupy tent, which can be rented at reasonable rates.

If you think of renting a tent, notify the undersigned at the earliest possible date.

O. G. MARTIN, Pastor, Loganton, Pa.

Delightful Lawn Party.

Miss Lena Bower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bower, near Tusseyville, gave a lawn party in honor of her cousin, Miss Fern McKinney, of Juniata, Friday evening. The evening was spent most joyously and choice refreshments were served at a reasonable hour. Those present were:

Misses Fern McKinney, Stella Hosterman, Catharine Carson, Esther Bitner, Nellie Bible, Mary Wagner, Anna Faust, Mattie McCool, Mary Zerby, Mary Carson, Bertha Miller, Ruth Martz, Bertha Brown, Rebecca Cox, Mary Byers, Grace Horner, Bernice Swartz, Ruth Rocky, Bertha Ling, Lena Bower; Messrs. Frank and Perry McKinney, William Montgomery, Howard Higgins, Richard Thomas, Emerson Enlist, Boyd and Roy Smith, Clarence and Charles Miller, Charles and Willard Smith, Elmer Dasher, William Rocky, William Reish, William and George Swartz, John Rimmer, Edwin Stover, Guy Foreman, Ross Keller, Charles Faust, and Ralph Sweeney.

Announce Birth of Son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bitner of Youngstown, Ohio, have announced the arrival of a fine boy at their home, Wednesday evening of last week. He has been named Edwin Smith Bitner. Mrs. Bitner was Miss Helen Smith of Centre Hill. Mr. Bitner reports business brisk in his line, being employed as tire builder by the Republic Rubber Co.

Refund for Ford Owners.

The \$90,000 mark in Ford automobile output was reached on Friday, and consequently each Ford purchaser will receive a fund of from \$40 to \$60. This applies only to those who bought cars since August 1, 1914. No less than a thousand dollars of this refund money will find its way to this place.

The busiest man in all the wide world at the present time is the farmer. Nearly everyone is haymaking and harvesting at the same time.

TABERNACLE MEETINGS

NOW IN FULL SWING.

Evangelist Brown and Party Open Campaign Ably. Special Lecture for Six on Sunday.

The evangelistic services in the big tabernacle on the new school ground opened Saturday evening with much enthusiasm. Evangelist Brown is surpassing the most pleasant anticipation of the most optimistic, and all are much pleased with his manner, and style of speech. Clear and forceful, he fearlessly denounces sin in the blindest of terms, and has won the admiration of all by his strong logic, pleasing manner, and fearless denunciation of unrighteousness. Many rank his sermons above those of Sunday, Beiderwolf, and Stough, and it is generally recognized that Mr. Brown in a comparatively short time will have the same national reputation that these others have acquired. He is a terror to the devil. One man from Millheim, where Mr. Brown's last meeting was held, said in this way:



LEE F. MOSSO, Soloist and Bible Reader

last Sunday, "Support Mr. Brown, and follow his guidance, and you won't go wrong. He is the greatest force for righteousness that ever came to Millheim. He has brought happiness and eternal life to hundreds of men and women in Millheim and vicinity."

The singing under the direction of Prof. Goodwin, is taking on importance in the minds of everyone. Already one-half of his 200 singers have gathered, and on last Sunday night when the chorus of 100 voices pealed forth the strains of "All Hail Immortal," all were impressed. Particularly the music is so inspiring to a large degree. The solo work of Mr. Mosso is fine, and his bible readings are exceedingly helpful. He shows how to study the Bible in a very enlightening way.

The campaign is organized under the same general methods as Sunday's meetings, and with comparative success.

Prayer meetings were held throughout the town Tuesday morning. The town has been divided into northern, central and southern divisions and a place for these meetings selected in each. In the northern division at the home of H. W. Kremer; in the central division at the home of G. L. Goodhart, and in the southern division at the home of W. W. Spangler.

Co-operation is the keynote for success in the campaign and it appears as though this quality is existing in great measure. Meetings are being held every night but Monday. On Sunday afternoon at three o'clock Rev. Brown will deliver a lecture for men only, all males over twelve years of age being admitted.

Pasture Best for Pigs.

Experiments with growing pigs for the past two seasons at the Pennsylvania State College, said Dr. H. H. Havner, of the animal husbandry department, indicate strongly the advantage of pasture crops during the summer months. By the use of a rotation of pasture crops it is possible to keep green feed for the pigs throughout the entire growing season. The pasture will result in the saving of grain feed which means a more economic method of pork production. Still further advantages of this system of management are a better thrift of the pigs and improving the fertility of the land upon which the pasture lots are located.

During the summer of 1914 when corn was worth 70 cents a bushel, the cost of a pound of grain was 5.6 cents dry lot against 4.4 cents on pasture. The pasture crops used should be selected with a view to supplying a satisfactory crop for early spring and summer, for mid-summer and for early fall. The rotation which has been used during the past two summers is rye for very early spring pasture followed by oats and peas, rape and clover, and corn and rape.

WILL BUY OUT TURNPIKES.

State Highway Commission Will Not Tolerate Holding Out for Fancy Prices, However.

Plans to rid Pennsylvania of one of its incubuses has been initiated by State Highway Commissioner Cunningham, who will endeavor to acquire the property of the various turnpike companies still existing in the state and thereby put the toll gate on the scrap heap. Particular emphasis has been placed on the point that efforts to "hold up" the State for fancy prices will not be tolerated.

Negotiations already have been opened with a number of turnpike companies and the department's offers have indicated that, while the desire is to pay a fair and reasonable price, no "get-rich-quick" schemes will be permitted. To circumvent such a possible event, Commissioner Cunningham has prepared two powerful weapons—one against the company and a second against the county.

Where companies evidence a desire to hold out for more than their property is worth in the face of all persuasion, the department plans to build a rival road. This rival State road will run parallel with the private turnpike and will connect with the main State highway. The toll road then will be left to its fate.

In counties where the disposition of turnpike companies and the county authorities is not to play fair with the department, Commissioner Cunningham plans to transfer the funds to other counties where conditions are more favorable. The department will thus leave these counties to pick their way out of the muddle as best they can.

This latter plan would only be used in cases where the County Commissioners show a tendency to side with the turnpike owners against the State. Commissioner Cunningham acknowledged that such action would be most drastic and would not be followed except in extreme cases. However, he is determined to get a penny's worth for each cent expended for this cause, just as has been the department's policy since he was appointed by Governor Brumbaugh.

The last Legislature appropriated \$250,000 toward purchasing toll roads that now interrupt the state highway system as outlined under the Sprunt act of 1911. The turnpike companies with which negotiations already have been opened are regarded as being the most important in the highway system. Expectations are that they will be purchased within the next few months so as to clear the main highways of the toll gates.

Route No. 29, known as the Centre and Kishacoquillas turnpike, crossing the mountain at Centre Hall, is one of the turnpikes which the state purposes to buy out.

Experiment Station in Aviation.

The engineering experiment station at the Pennsylvania State College will co-operate with the United States Government's new Board of Aviation to work for the development of the American aviation corps and place it ahead of the sky-fighting machinery of the other nations. Experiments will be conducted to measure the lifting power of the various sizes of planes.

A circular railway track a quarter of a mile long has been erected. The track carries a car operated by an arm from a central station within the circle. Overhead planes are attached to the car by delicate springs supplied with gauges. As the car speeds around the track the operator seated upon it records the readings of the gauges. From the material thus collected will be calculated the variations of power in size of planes and changes of speed.

State College's experiment station is the pioneer in this particular field of investigation.

The Ben Greet Players.

The world famous Ben Greet players will present two of Shakespeare's plays in the open air theatre, on the front campus, at State College, Saturday, July 31st. At the matinee in the afternoon "Taming of the Shrew" will be presented, and in the evening "Twelfth Night." In case of rain the performances will be given in the Auditorium. Prices 50c and 75c.

Entertainment at Tusseyville.

Misses Gertrude Ishler and Mary Keibler, graduates of an institution for the blind, will give a high-order entertainment, under the auspices of the Y. P. P., consisting of singing, recitation, etc., in the Union church at Tusseyville, Thursday evening, July 29th. Everybody is invited.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Runkle take this method of expressing their thanks to the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of Miss Lizzie Stover.

ANOTHER PRAISES BEAUTIES

OF OLD PENNS VALLEY.

Inspired by Letters from California, Rev. A. A. Kerlin, of Maryland, Adds to Praise of Old Home Scenes.—Says There'll Be Big Peach Crop.

Editor Reporter:—

We are confronted with so much war and political news, so much of murder, suicide and divorce, that it is rest for mind and body to read such letters as appeared in the Reporter last week, one from Mary Ellen Lose and one from William Zerby. The former presents a comparison between Pennsylvania and California which will make some Californians sweat, and puts Pennsylvania in the front rank of states where she truly belongs.

Her graphic account of the picturesque of the Seven Mountains sends a thrill through my soul and body. It made me feel younger, and gave me a desire to traverse those mountains just once more with gun and rod. I lived close to them for thirty years and knew almost every mile of them from Stone Valley to the Lewistown pike; Tussey, Valley Patter, Thick Head, Sand, Bald, Short and Stone Mountains—seven in number. I think of them every day and, once in a while, draw outlines of them with their many gaps and loops.

Two favorite resorts were Bear Meadows and Stone Gap, where Centre, Millin and Huntingdon corner. Both were isolated, wild, weird, with bear hollows, bear tracks in the sand, rattlesnake, pure water, rugged scenery. I was nappy there.

This is a lovely country, the Cumberland Valley, 90 miles long and in places 25 wide, mostly limestone soil, fine houses and large barns, the best of roads, the Blue Mountains in the distance, the Antietam battlefield and National cemetery, but I can say of Centre county what David, when in exile, said of Jerusalem—"If ever I forget thee may my right hand forget her cunning and my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth." No doubt the lady who wrote the letter feels just as I do, no matter how pretty and fertile California may be.

The letter of William Zerby is on another subject but equally interesting. It tells us of the perils and inconveniences of pioneers, what they suffered and endured. It should be a lesson to the present generation with every convenience the heart could desire. Yet in the mad rush for more money, for more pleasure every day of the week, Sunday not excepted, we forget what our fathers and mothers, sacred to our memories, endured to secure these legacies of convenience, plenty and ease. The way had to be prepared, the land cleared of timber and stone, and brother Zerby, with hundreds of other, endured, that following generations might enjoy present conveniences. But we forget.

This letter will remind us that we are reaping where we never sowed and are gathering fruit from vines and trees which others planted.

Brother Zerby tells of his school suit, blue drill trousers, a straw hat with no top to it, and minus shoes. A vast contrast to the duds and dudeness of today who spend much of their time studying the fashions. I remember when every farmer boy's suit cost fifty-five cents. Two yards blue drill, two of muslin, clip hat and a half a yard of six cent calico for a vest. And often we went to Presbyterian Sunday-school, in Bellefonte. Keep on going to church, brother Zerby; your reward is here.

I visited our daughter, in Philadelphia, in May; went over again in June to marry a young lady who once lived here. On Saturday of that week, the Centre county association of that city, met in Fairmount Park, but I had to leave for home that day and, to my regret, could not be with them. And I am missing the reunion of the Pine Grove Mills Academy students, at Bellefonte, this week. Sorry, but duties here prevent. I visited D. K. Geiss and daughters when in Philadelphia. They have a nice home, on a lovely street, are doing well and are happy. We will have an abundant crop of peaches but few apples.

A. A. KERLIN.

Sharpsburg, Md., July 8, 1915.

Dr. Hawes Accepts Call.

Rev. Dr. George Hawes, for the past four years pastor of the Presbyterian church, Bellefonte, has accepted a call to become pastor of the Market Square Presbyterian church at Harrisburg. Official announcement was made to the congregation at that place on Sunday. Rev. Hawes expects to assume his new duties in September.

Penrose's Auto Abaze.

Senator Penrose suffered the loss of his big red automobile on Sunday, when the machine back-fired and started a blaze which enveloped the entire car. The mishap occurred near Greensburg. None of the party was injured.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

An epidemic of whooping cough is prevalent in and about Centre Hall.

Ed. L. Bartholomew of Altoona spent Sunday with relatives here.

Prof. C. Wasson of Coburn made a business trip to Centre Hall one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reitz of Mercer are guests of the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. Margaret Thomas and Miss Jennie Thomas.

While assisting in the erection of the tabernacle, on Friday, Alfred Crawford fell and broke a bone in the thumb of his right hand.

Mr. W. A. Reiber and four children of Johnstown are spending some time at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Barter.

Robert Meyer, who is employed in the shops at Burnham, is spending a week at home, during which time he is assisting the farmers in the hay field.

A large number of Centre Hall people are planning to take advantage of the excursion to Atlantic City, Saturday night, returning home early Monday morning.

J. C. Swab of Erie was a caller at this office on Thursday of last week. He spent a week or more with his brother, James and William Swab, at Linden Hall.

Wednesday, August 11, has been set as the time for holding the reunion of the Peons Valley Lutheran charge. Grange Park will be the picnic ground. The Loyville orphan's band will be an attraction of the day.

An automobile party, consisting of E. S. Ripka, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ripka, Miss Grace Ripka, and Paul Ripka, enjoyed a trip one day last week, through Millin, Juniata, Snyder and Union counties.

The National hotel at Millheim, of which Isaac A. Sawyer was proprietor for a number of years, was recently sold to Fred L. McCrossin, of Meaders. As soon as the necessary transfer of license is made the new proprietor will assume control.

Edward Jamison, tenant on the William Homan farm along the pike east of Old Fort, was one of the Reporter's callers on Friday and reported all his hay made. The crop was cured between showers, which he concluded required more or less skill to do.

Sunday was an ideal day for pleasure seekers, and there was a constant run of automobiles through Centre Hall all day long. Pennants indicated that some came from far distances. A group of motorcyclists from Altoona stopped at the local hotel for dinner.

Mildred Swab, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Swab, east of Old Fort, was found in an unconscious condition, in the stable back of a horse. Bruises on her side indicated that the animal kicked her. The little girl has now apparently wholly recovered from the injury.

Joseph Carson, foreman of State road repair work, and force of men, are ready to start on Route No. 307, from Potters Mills to State College, this week. All the work preliminary to State road construction will be done by this crew to the Harris township line, at which point Foreman William Stuart will carry on the work to State College.

M. L. Emerick, the village smithy, has been suffering with rheumatism in his brawny right arm to such an extent that he has been working under great difficulty for some time past. Mr. Emerick is the only horseshoer within a radius of six miles and taking care of the large trade in this territory alone has caused him to be a much overworked man.

Calvin E. Boddorf of Colyer was a business caller at this office Monday and casually remarked of the success with which his son, John E. Boddorf, is meeting in the ice cream and confectionery business in Jersey Shore. Mr. Boddorf recently returned from a week's visit to that place and learned that the junior Boddorf was catering to the best trade in that hustling Lycoming county town.

Co-operation is being tried out by Sheriff A. E. Lee, Foster Frazier and William Homan who own farms along Sinking Creek, near the base of Egg Hill Mountain. These owners have joined forces and will tap a spring of pure mountain water on Egg Hill and conduct it by gravity for the distance of a mile or more and distribute it to convenient points in or near the farm buildings. These farms heretofore have depended on cistern water, and the change will be highly appreciated by the tenants, Messrs. James Swab and Edward Jamison. Mr. Frazier, the owner of the third farm, will himself enjoy the benefits of the convenience.