



EASTERN GLEE QUARTETTE.

Third Attraction on Local Lecture Course to Appear Saturday Evening, December 9th.

Lovers of vocal music, both instrumental and vocal, will delight in the forthcoming number on the Centre Hall Lecture Course—The Eastern Glee Quartette—which is scheduled to appear in Grange Arcadia, Saturday evening, December 9th. The quartette is made up of four young men, with experience that has resulted in finish and grace that makes their varied program a rare delight. One of the many excellent features of the evening's performance is their bell ringing. Standing behind a table containing fifty or more differently sized and tuned bells, they are capable of producing the most exquisite and delightful music by means of these clear sounding instruments. Their singing includes solo and quartette work, and press comments coming from various places where they have appeared are of the highest order.

Don't miss the entertainment, for it is worth infinitely more than the admission price, 35 cents. Saturday evening, December 9th, in Grange Arcadia.

Save Your Corn for State Show.

Farmers throughout the State who are now selecting their seed corn for next season are urged by Secretary of Agriculture Charles E. Patton to save their choice corn for exhibition at the State Corn, Fruit, Dairy Products, Vegetable and Wool Show which will be held at Harrisburg on January 22, 23, 24, 25, 26.

Valuable cash prizes have been offered in the various classes announced for the corn show and the farmers of any one county may join together and with 100 ears of prize corn they may win the county prize of \$25.00 as well as the individual prizes in the various classes.

In selecting the corn for display at the show the farmers are advised to select the best one hundred ears and by elimination to reject all but the twelve best ears which should be sent to Harrisburg for the show. Ten ears will constitute a single display but two extra ears are always advised in case of damage to any of the consignments.

The points used in scoring exhibits of dent corn are as follows:

Market and Seed condition—10 points. The ears must be firm and dry. The cob must be dry and bright in color. The kernels hard and firm. Uniformity of exhibit—10 points.

The ears of the exhibit should be as nearly one size as possible. The ears must have straight, uniform rows of kernels. The kernels must be uniform in type and color. The indentations medium smooth and uniform in all ears. Shape of ears—10 points. The ear should be cylindrical in shape or nearly so.

Length of ears—10 points. The ears should be of good medium length and be in proportion with the circumference. Tips of ears—5 points, butte of ears—5 points. The tips and butte of the ears should be well filled out or rounded out with kernels of good depth. Much bare cob at end of the ear is undesirable. Proportion of grain to cob—10 points.

Grain should be medium depth with medium sized cob. The ear should shell about 82 per cent. to cob (estimated). The depth of kernels should equal one-half diameter of cob.

Color of kernel—5 points. Color of cob—2 points. The color of the kernel and cob must run uniform in the sample. The color must be true to the variety. A yellow variety should have a red cob. A white variety should have a white cob. Kernels—shape, 10 points; Indentation, 5 points; Uniformity, 10 points. The kernels should be medium thick and have a plump full tip so as to give ample space for the germ. The kernel should be shaped so as to leave the smallest possible space between rows on the ear.

Creamery Men to Have Special Day at State College.

As a part of the annual Farmers' Week at the Pennsylvania State College a special "Creamery Buttermakers' Day" will be held Tuesday, January 2, 1917.

Creamery managers and buttermakers of the State are constantly facing new problems brought about by changes in manufacturing methods.

Furthermore, the demand for milk, for condensed milk, for ice cream and for other purposes, is constantly increasing. In order to meet competition and to keep abreast of latest developments and changes in the industry, it is necessary for creamery men to study the most efficient methods of creamery management. The idea of the special day at State College is to bring the buttermakers together for a discussion of their problems.

December court opens next Monday.

\$10,000 HOME DEDICATED BY STATE COLLEGE ODD FELLOWS

Grand Lodge Officers Present.—Parade Preceded Dedicatory Exercises.—Building is a Substantial Addition to Town.

Last Friday was not the sort of day to induce people to remain outdoors for a longer time than necessary, consequently the anticipations for a big crowd on the occasion of the dedication of the Odd Fellows' new building at State College were not realized. However there was enough enthusiasm, parade and music to make the affair a success. The parade included a full turnout of the State College members, the Cantons of Tyrone, the Pennsylvania State College Cadet Band and the Pine Grove Mills band. Following this a dinner was served by the Rebekahs in the basement of the new hall. At 2 o'clock the dedicatory ceremony took place, Grand Master Perry Shaner being in charge.

The new building is located on East College Avenue and ranks with the most handsome in the college town. It was erected at a cost upwards of \$10,000.00. The basement is beautifully fitted for a banquet and dancing hall; the ground floor is occupied by Mr. Gentzel as a furniture store, while the entire second story is used as the lodge hall.

The State College Rebekah lodge presented the Odd Fellows, for use in the new hall, a handsome Lockhart player-piano, in mission oak, which they purchased from George E. Meyer, of Boalsburg.

DEATHS.

Samuel J. McClintick, a respected bachelor gentleman, residing since his birth in the house where both his parents and grandparents lived, located along Sinking Creek, near Centre Hill, passed quietly away late Thursday night. Mr. McClintick lived alone but since his illness, dating back to last March, his sister, Mrs. Harvey Musser, was with him and took care of his needs. He was not confined to bed and the day preceding his death was about the premises as usual. His death was due to a dropsical affection. He was aged sixty-five years and six months. He was a son of James and Caroline McClintick and during his lifetime followed the occupation of shoemaker, besides doing day's work.

Politically Mr. McClintick was a Democrat and a loyal worker in that party. He held for some years a number of local offices, including that of constable and judge of election.

Besides the sister mentioned above, one brother, Richard McClintick, of Augusta, Florida, survives.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning in the Methodist church at Sprucetown, interment following in the cemetery at that place. Rev. W. H. Williams was in charge of the services.

William Harvey Corman passed away in the State hospital at Danville last Thursday, aged seventy-four years, seven months and eighteen days. The remains were taken to Rebersburg, his native home, where burial was made in the Union cemetery on Monday morning. Rev. J. D. Hornsicker officiating. While delicate in health in his younger years, nevertheless Mr. Corman was an active citizen and business man. He was justice of the peace for two terms and a worker in his church, Sunday-school and its auxiliaries. His presence and help at the various services of the church could always be depended upon. In 1885 he married Anna M. Wolfe, to which union three children were born, two of whom survive, namely, Mrs. H. C. Musser and H. E. Corman, both at home. Two brothers and two sisters also survive, as follows: James I. and A. N.; Ellen J. and Mrs. Emma Brungart, all of Rebersburg.

Mrs. Daniel Korman died at Mackeyville on Sunday, aged sixty-three years, ten months and twenty-four days. She was the widow of Daniel Korman who passed away at Linden Hall fifteen years ago. Before her marriage, which took place in 1878, she was Harriett Priscilla Bartholomew. No children were born to their union.

P. O. S. of A. Notice.

All members of the local camp P. O. S. of A. are urged to attend the regular meeting in Grange Hall to-night (Thursday). Important business will come before the camp. All candidates are also urged to be present.

Farmer Loses Hand in Corn Husker.

Lester Gorman, aged thirty-five years, a farmer living between Mill Hill and Beech Creek, had the misfortune last Wednesday of having his right hand nearly severed when it was caught in a corn husker. He was removed to the hospital, where the arm was amputated about four inches above the wrist.

CROP OF DEER SLAYERS WILL BE LARGE.

There are Lots of Bucks and an Army of Hunters to Slay Them.—Many Camps on State Forests.—A Review of the Game Conditions.

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

All indications point to one of the most successful deer seasons this year (for the hunters, not the deer) that we have had in the Seven Mountains for a long time. Since the doe law was passed the deer have made mighty jumps in point of numbers; more bucks are killed every year and two come to take the place, as it were, of the one that falls. Last spring the Game Commission introduced into the mountains of Centre county five deer from Vermont and five from Michigan. These deer all survived and have made great progress and can frequently be seen, however, it will be more good luck than careful hiding on the part of these deer if they are not all killed the first few days.

The Game Commission a few years ago introduced into these mountains a dozen wild (?) turkeys; this proved to be a failure, first, because the wild turkeys were not wild and would not leave the vicinity of habitation; secondly, they did not produce a good crop of offspring; and thirdly, they were nearly all killed, that had not already disappeared, the first day of the turkey season.

CAMPERS ON STATE FOREST.

Many campers use the State Forests for their camping places. Ten permits were issued to campers this spring to camp on the Penn Forest at Coburn during part of the fishing season. The boy scouts of Lewisburg and Millheim were among the number that occupied the camp sites. On this forest four permanent camp sites have been leased to hunters and fishermen. The Coburn party have leased a camp site under the name of Andrew Vonada and they are at present engaged in erecting a handsome club house for their quarters on the sun side of Thick Mountain, north of Cherry Run. R. E. Palmer and party, of Altoona, have leased a site at Panther Run and have built a substantial club house 30x16x8 feet. This house was built out of substantial lumber and material floated for a mile down Penn's Creek.

The Robert DeLisle party, of Altoona, have leased a site at Paddy Mountain and they expect to build a stone structure soon. The J. E. Berninger party, of Catawissa, have rented at the Junction but do not intend to build at present.

The following parties will camp on the Penn Forest during the deer season:

| Party | Site | From |
|------------------|-------------|------------|
| Andrew Vonada. | Thick Mt. | Coburn |
| R. E. Palmer. | Panther Run | Altoona |
| Robert DeLisle. | Foe Mills | Altoona |
| J. K. Berninger. | Junction | Catawissa |
| Theo. Fred Beck. | Cherry Run | Rutledge |
| Wm. Brinswey. | Foe Valley | Turtle Ck. |
| Cal. E. Weckman. | Swift Run | Portville |

Besides the above parties many camps will be upon private land and many hunters will hunt from home. The Snyder party, one of the most successful deer and bear hunting parties in Centre county, will camp in High Valley. Two parties from Lebanon and Reading will camp with the Lingies in Poe Valley. The Green Briar party at the Sunday Path in Pine Swamp. The Rote-Wingard party in Paddy Mt. A Spring Mills party on Big Flat and one at the Summit, and the Laurelton party at their substantial steel club house at Hoog-nagle Gap, on Weikert Run.

PLENTY OF GAME.

In spite of the bad spring turkeys and pheasants were plentiful. Very many of these noble birds were killed. However quail and woodcock were not so much in evidence. Rabbits seemed to be about as plenty as usual but were not hunted so very hard. Squirrels were numerous and lots of them were eaten for dinner. The outlook for a good bear season is good if we get a good tracking snow. In Coburn the rage in hunting has developed a tendency toward the coon and some have been killed. Several good dogs have been secured by the local hunters and nightly excursions are made to the neighboring woods where the deep baying of the hounds can frequently be heard. Hunting pheasants with dogs is becoming more general among the local inhabitants and many dogs of good breed have been imported within the last year or two. Many of the hunters incurred the ire of the farmers by shooting and carrying away their tame turkeys. This should not be done for it only hurts the sportsman in the end. One farmer had five of his fat turkeys disappear into the recesses of a hunter's coat and as the one was worth over five dollars at the present price of that fowl we do not blame him for waxing wrathful and wanting the scalp of those hunters.

AN EAGLE-LIKE BIRD.

While hunting one day early in the season on Poe Mountain John Vonada, of Coburn, saw a bird rise in front of him and taking it for pheasant he fired and brought down a large bird very much resembling a young eagle. Only the tip of the wing was broken and the bird easily fought off the two dogs. The hunter then secured the bird alive and brought it home where he is feeding it on muskrats and mice. Mice it considers an especially tempting tidbit and downs them with one swallow and with one blink of the eye. The bird has about recovered from its wound and will soon be turned loose.

TRAPPING IS GOOD.

The trappers are already about the woods with their traps and many skunks and muskrats have been caught.

This year as hides are very high in price trapping should prove especially remunerative. Many traps have been set in the woods and along the unfrequented roads for the foxes and skunks and many bird cogs were caught in them, not to mention the tame cats, and occasionally a man would tramp in them. Considering the high prices of hides and the high price of shoes, perhaps it would pay to start up a cat hide factory for the manufacture of cat and dog hide shoes. About only 50 per cent. of the dogs and less than the proverbial 1-10th of 1 per cent. of the cats are economically useful and surely the rest would not be missed if they were made into something useful. It is surprising the number of cats that hunt in the woods miles from home. Any one who has been in an automobile running through the woods at night will testify as to that fact for they can frequently be seen crossing the roads as the light suddenly seeks them out. A tax on cats or else a good price for their fur will be a good remedy for the cat evil. We all know or should know how very harmful cats are to our birds and small game.

It is surprising how careless our sportsmen and sportsman associations are with regard to the destruction of game by cats. How many rabbits, how many birds or animals did your cat kill last year? One man we heard of said his cat killed 22 young rabbits last year; that was only one, and perhaps an exception, but if a cat kills one robin it has done more damage than the cat is worth.

The Bradfords Are Ready.

The Bradford hunting club, of Centre Hall, will move their camp outfit to their regular hunting grounds, on the David Geary farm, in the Seven Mountains, to-day (Thursday) and with the peep of day to-morrow will be ready to play a systematic game against the fleet-foots of the forest. The party numbers eighteen, but this number will likely be increased. The task of preparing the meals for this army is in the hands of George Jordan, whose culinary expertness is appreciated most by the hunters after a day's hard tramp over the rocks and ridges. The party comprises the following: Frank W. Bradford, George W. Bradford, Clyde Bradford, Charles Bradford, Al. Bradford, Philip Bradford, Paul Bradford, William Bradford, Maynard Meeker, J. C. Kuhn, John Bohn, J. H. Knarr, Korman Spieher, Percy Blackford, J. Frank Smith, Cal. Cooney, Thomas Delaney, and John Delaney.

The Loopers will encamp at the Geary house.

Two Palmyra clubs will locate in at the John Venrick place.

IN THE BOALSBURG SECTION.

The following parties are encamped in the mountains about Boalsburg:

The Riley party, at Bear Meadows; the Modocs, at Stone Creek; Raymond party, west end of Bear Meadows; Coatesville party, Bear Meadows; Fillmore party, Sinking Creek; Indiana party, at Laurel Run; Foster (State College) party, at Pine Swamp.

Christmas Services.

The Reformed Sunday-school will give a Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve (Dec. 24.)

The Lutherans will hold their Christmas service on the evening of Christmas day.

Remember that Progress Grange will hold their annual Thanksgiving Day supper in their hall to-night (Thursday.)

COUNTY GRANGE MEETS.

Spring Mills Grange Entertains Body.—Class of Young People Given Fifth Degree.

Spring Mills was the center where the only farmers' organization in Centre county met in quarterly session on Saturday. It was a regular session of the Centre County Pomona Grange, one of the leading county organizations in the Keystone state. The attendance was very good, although most of those present were young people from the south side of Centre county, the southwest sending a strong delegation of promising youths who will in time not only force from the soil returns adequate for the labor, but will endeavor to see that the agricultural class stands on equality with other classes before the laws of the state and nation.

The master of the County Grange, Prof. C. R. Neff, was in the chair, and this guaranteed the expediting of business. The reports of the various projects of the Grange were presented by representatives of the several enterprises, and in each instance the report was favorable—not standing still, but advancing.

In the afternoon a class of ten or twelve were given the fifth degree. These were all young people, and too much importance to this fact cannot be attached. In fact, the large majority of those assembled were young in years, and all young in spirit.

The Spring Mills Grange is making for itself a record. It is redeeming the error of past generations, who let Grange work in that community die, and permitted its property to go under the sheriff's hammer. But there are new conditions now among farmers in the field covered by this local Grange—the old have passed away, and it is well they have. That Grange now has a large hall, the first floor of which is equipped with stage, dressing room, ticket seller's booth, and seats, and is used for public gatherings. It is a community center. The Grange for several years has successfully conducted a lecture course, which has been educational in character as well as profitable.

An account of this gathering in the home of the Spring Mills Grange would be incomplete without mentioning the elaborate dinner served. There was not the slightest hint of the high cost of living suggested by the appearance of the forty-foot table. The abundance, the variety and the quality of the edibles tells the old story—the farmer first.

Boat Troop Have Machine Guns and Trucks Issued to Them.

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 17, 1916.

"Yesterday afternoon our machine guns, known as the 'Lewis,' and Ford trucks, were issued to us. There are four machine guns and five trucks. There will be no regular drivers for the trucks; each member of the troop will be required to learn not only how to operate the car but also all the fine points of the mechanism.

"Friday morning our 'non-coms' (non-commissioned officers) gave the troop a detailed demonstration of the use and construction of the guns. Every little piece was taken apart and explained. After the explanation the guns were assembled and placed on their respective tripods for sighting. The gun, complete, weighs 25 lbs. and can be fired from the shoulder. There are 137 parts to the weapon and must all be learned by every man in the troop. He is supposed to know exactly where each part goes as well as the function of each piece. We will soon begin practice in firing our new guns.

"A majority of the boys are feeling a little grim to-day because of an order from the war department which was read to us a short time ago. It demands that we receive four more inoculations because of the prevalence of typhus, a fever that has appeared in El Paso. These 'shots' will be made in the arm and are to be a week apart, commencing to-morrow. So we are looking forward to having a sick bunch of boys by Sunday. One of the inoculations will be for typhoid fever, which, the war department stated, has prevailed in Mexico since the sixteenth century.

"Another order recently issued is this: that all men be required to take a bath every three days and don an entire clean outfit of clothing after each bath. Commissioned officers of each troop are supposed to see that these orders are carried out.

"With best regards to all back home.

"WILLIAM BAILEY."

Electric Chair for Five Criminals.

Five murderers have had the date for their execution fixed by the electric chair at Rockview fixed by the governor. They are as follows: John Nelson, Wyoming, and Janas Brobet, Lehigh, Jan. 8; Patrick Gallery, Northampton, Jan. 15, and Henry Ward Motter and Ernest Haines, Jefferson, Jan. 22.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Give thanks to-day.

George E. Meyer, Boalsburg's music dealer, was a visitor in town, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hubler, of Lock Haven, were with the former's parents in this place over last Wednesday night.

Mrs. John Geary, who with Mr. Geary has been spending the past few weeks in Sunbury, returned home last week for a brief stay.

Quite a number of local Odd Fellows and Rebekahs attended the public dance in the basement of the State College Odd Fellows new building, which was dedicated on Friday.

A half inch of rain fell last Thursday, following which the temperature took a sudden drop to the freezing point and below. Snow flurries followed and the first real taste of winter was at hand.

Frank McClintick, of Linden Hall, was a brief caller at this office on Monday. He is a member of the Raymond hunting club which has its headquarters during the deer season in the Bear Meadows.

Prof. C. F. Shaw departed for Berkeley, California, on Saturday afternoon, after a two weeks' stay in the east. He attempted to induce his father-in-law, Dr. G. W. Hosterman, to accompany him home, but the doctor after some deliberation decided to wait until next year.

A building to cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000, will be erected at the Loyeville Orphan's Home, to be finished, it is hoped, until the time of next year's conference meeting. The York county conference of the West Susquehanna Synod will defray the expense of the building.

State College is a little nearer to having its federal building started, postmaster R. M. Foster having received a letter from the Washington authorities that the sketch plans have been approved and that the site shall be cleared within sixty days from December 9.

Thirty-three persons from various parts of the state have been requested to visit Lemont and pay the local justice \$12.50 each for alleged violation of the state speed law when they drove their automobiles through the town on Pennsylvania Day at State College. Or they may send the sum required.

Palmer E. Dreese, who came to Centre Hall from Middleburg with his family, last spring, on Tuesday returned again to Snyder county where he will engage in the grocery and confectionery business at Beaver-town. Mr. Dreese was an excellent citizen and consequently his removal is a loss to the town.

Robert Glenn, a well known resident of Snow Shoe, attempted suicide Friday night a week ago by cutting his throat with a razor. Fortunately he missed the vital point by about the one-sixteenth of an inch, and is now recovering at the Bellefonte hospital. Melancholy and drink are accredited as the causes for the young man's rash act.

It was a dreary outlook for a farm stock sale last Thursday, the day set for the disposal of nearly all the personal property of Robert Glasgow, tenant on the Spieher farm, west of Old Fort. It began raining about the hour the sale was scheduled to begin and continued long after the last article was passed off to the highest bidder. All stock sold at advanced prices, and the sale was judged to be one of the best in some years. The total footed up to over \$3100. The attendance was large, the surroundings having had the appearance of an automobile show. It will be recalled that the barn on this farm was destroyed by fire, and while a new one is being erected, the roof had not been put on on the day of the sale, necessitating everybody to stand up and take their share of rain.

A pretty thank-offering service was held in the Lutheran church on Sunday evening under the auspices of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, in which the members of the Mission Band took an active and interesting part. Once a year the society holds a service at which time the thank-offering boxes which had been allowed to accumulate the coins placed therein for reasons of thanksgiving, are collected and opened, and the proceeds used to further the cause of missions. The boxes revealed a sum in excess of fifty dollars. The members of the Mission Band were proud of the recognition, in the shape of a banner, accorded them by the W. H. & F. M. convention of the Central Pennsylvania Synod of the Lutheran church, for having the highest average attendance and the highest benevolence in this district.