

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1916

REBERSBURG

Rev. Horsicker spent last week at Zeiglerville with his family.

Elmer Hubler is just recovering from a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Kate Fuller, of Maple Park, Ill., is circulating among relatives in this valley.

Elmer Bierly has placed his shingle mill at Smulton where he will operate this winter.

There are still a few parties in our town who have the auto fever. Would some agent come at once and administer to their wants?

Wes Hackenberg just returned in time so that he could have the good luck to shoot a fine 4-pronged buck. He is tickled from head to foot.

William Houz and wife of Hinkley, Ill., after visiting a week in this vicinity returned to their western home on Monday.

James P. Frank, who spent the past three months at Phillipsburg at the home of his son Orvis, has returned to this place to spend Christmas with his many friends.

Don't miss the Christmas entertainments to be held at this place on Christmas eve and on Christmas evening. Much preparation has been put on the programs.

The Rebersburg hunters returned on Saturday from their two weeks hunt and brought with them six fine bucks as their reward. All of the boys look hale and hearty with the exception of John Hubler who had a severe attack of buck fever and which at a time was thought would prove fatal.

Edwin Greninger, who will quit farming this spring, quite recently sold at private sale all his stock and farm implements to Charles Gephart, who will begin farming on the farm Greninger vacates. Rumor has it that Mr. Greninger has rented part of Mrs. Kessler's dwelling house and will move to Rebersburg next spring.

Pine Grove Mills.

There are four mid-winter weddings on the slate in this section.

W. M. and Matthew Goheen, of Bolsburg, were here on Friday in quest of stock hogs.

Farmer Alban Peters and family eloped up from Oak Hall on Thursday and spent the day with relatives.

Mrs. S. E. Ward, who has been holding down an easy chair, nursing a sore knee, is some better.

Among the new arrivals last week was a little girl at the William Sunday home.

Wilbur F. Cleaver, editor of the College Times, is arranging to spend the holiday season among his old chums at the National capital.

The butchering season is about over. Hamil Goheen has the belt for the best pen of four fifteen months old Duroc that tipped the beam at the 440 notch.

The ture-link fraternity with their families, will hold a banquet to their hall on Friday evening, December 29, celebrating the seventieth anniversary of their organization.

W. E. McWilliams, the R. F. D. man, is housed up, suffering a partial stroke of paralysis. He has been granted a three-months vacation to recuperate his health. Charles Gates is serving the patrons on the route at present.

Nightly meetings are being held, drilling the youngsters for Christmas exercises to be held in the Pine Hall Lutheran church Christmas eve and in the Reformed church on Saturday evening, December 23; in the Lutheran church here on Christmas evening.

Away from Kansas City, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Ed. H. Grapp announce the arrival of a nine pound girl, on Dec. 6th. Mrs. Grapp, before her marriage, was Sara Kepler. The proud father is a Penn State graduate, class of 1914, and is making good in the west.

Saturday morning an effort was made to break into the home of Postmaster David Barr. It was just at break of day when Mrs. J. W. Kepler, who lives across the way, saw some one attempt to force an entrance in a window about ten feet from the ground. The would-be robber had almost gotten through when he was evidently frightened, and leaving his oil unfinished, took to the woods. A few mornings previous an effort was made to gain entrance to the A. G. Heverly store, but was frustrated.

FRUITTOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Weaver made a business trip to Burnham one day last week.

Frank Philips left on Sunday for Altoona where he will seek employment for the remainder of the winter.

Rush Dippery returned to his work at Burnham after spending two weeks with his family at this place.

Mrs. W. J. Copenhagen and daughter are spending a few weeks at the T. J. Fleisher home.

Anna Fohringer returned home one day last week after spending several months with friends in Northumberland.

Pennsylvania orchards this year produced as many apples as Oregon, Washington and California combined. This State was jumped from fourth to second place in apple production.

STATE AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

Pennsylvania ranks seventh among the tobacco producing States this year.

It is estimated that thirty per cent. of Pennsylvania potato crop is usually shipped out of the counties where grown.

The estimated average production of honey per colony of bees in this State during the past season was 54 pounds as compared with 34 pounds last year.

The average weight per bushel of wheat, oats and barley are much lower than last year and are below general average.

Pennsylvania still retains its rank as the leading buckwheat State despite the decrease of over a million bushels in production this year.

Estimates place the production of sweet potatoes in Pennsylvania last season at 100,000 bushels. North Carolina is the chief sweet potato producing State.

The estimated consumption of flour equals 5.3 bushels of wheat per person a year, and on this basis the Pennsylvania crop this year was 25,568,000 bushels short of meeting the requirements of the inhabitants of the State.

Estimates show that about 18 per cent. of the potato crop of the State is harvested in August, 39 per cent. in September, and 32 per cent. in October. Small harvests are made in July and November.

Pennsylvania has jumped into third place as a potato producing State, being excelled by only Maine and New York. Last year its rank was sixth, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Maine, New York, and Michigan leading.

Potters Mills

The Potters Mills deer hunter, led by Roy Smith, shot more bucks than any other camp in Centre county. Seven was their number.

Roy Smith missed but one day, he giving the party good luck by shooting the deer the first day, just over the mountain from Richard Thomas' farm.

The Regulars that camped three miles away from the boys, and who are old reliable hunters, have only succeeded in killing two deer.

The Pot Hunting Gang, of Potters Mills, consisting of two young men, hunted the Seven Mountains from the Mifflin county line to Bolsburg and failed to see any deer at all. Edward Laughner is president of the hunters. He felt very sick when he heard of the boys of the R. A. M. party killing 7 bucks.

Better Drown the Kite.

From the Altoona Tribune

The election of Representative Baldwin to the speakership of the Pennsylvania house of representatives would be a deliberate insult to every citizen who stands for the better and the higher things of life; it would put a millstone around the neck of the Republican party of Pennsylvania.

No paper next week.

Centre County Y. W. C. A. Notes.

A free traveling library from the State Library Department at Harrisburg has been secured by the Snow Shoe Branch, and placed in "Community Hall" for use of the general public. Mr. E. M. Robison is the librarian.

A physical standard contest, open to all girls and young women of the county, will be conducted in January or February. A banner is to be presented to the club or organization on having the highest score. Any S. S. class, day school, etc., may compete. Recognition will also be given for the highest individual score. Watch the papers for fuller announcement.

Are you learning the poems as they come out, or clipping them for future reference? All who read the books and learn the poem will receive a national certificate. Get in line. Here is the rest of the poem that was published in part last week:

THE HOUSE BY SIDE OF THE ROAD.

I know there are brook gladdened meadows ahead, And mountains of wearisome height; That the road passes on through the long after-noon And stretches away to the night. And still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice. And weep with the stranger that moon. Nor live in my house by the side of the road, Like a man who dwells alone.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road, Where the race of men go by— They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong, Wise, foolish—so art I. Then why should I sit in the scorners' seat, Or hurl the cynic's ban? Let me live in my house by the side of the road And be a friend to man.

—Sam Walter Foss

The "Dolly Dimple" Club at Oak Hall is making scrap-books to send to a Hospital for Christmas.

Everybody! Come to the annual meeting of the Centre County Y. W. C. A. in Bellefonte, Saturday, January 13th.

Four prisoners made their escape from the Mifflin county jail, one night last week. This is the fourth time prisoners broke from castle Van Zandt during the past two years. Two of them were captured.

BEWARE OF sudden colds. Take —



The old family remedy—in tablet form—safe, sure, easy to take. No opiates—no unpleasant after effects. Cures colds in 24 hours—Grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it—25 cents. At Any Drug Store

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE—Letters testamentary on the estate of Samuel Floray, late of Potter township, deceased, has been duly granted to the undersigned. He would respectfully request any persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement. F. P. FLORAY, Executor.

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

Of the Receipts and Expenditures of POTTER TOWNSHIP For the Year Ending December 1, 1916

Table with columns for Auditor Name, Amount, and Balance. Includes entries for John Fortney, Collector of Road Tax, and W. M. C. Farnner, Overseer of Poor.

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WE, the undersigned auditors of Potter township, have examined the above accounts and certify to the correctness of the same.

December 1, 1916

ALWAYS A SIGN OF DEATH

Flag at "Half-Staff" Sure Indication That the Dead Vessel Has Been There.

Nearly every one speaks of a flag, when being down at a distance from the top of the pole, as at "half-mast."

This is not the correct expression. Such flags are at "half-staff" because they are down in this manner whether on land or sea from the flag staff.

To see a flag at half-staff means death. It may mean, on an incoming ship, that one of the passengers or crew died at sea.

Many a little fishing vessel comes into Gloucester and T wharf in Boston every season with a flag at half-staff, and this means one of the fishermen, or more, has met death, generally being swept overboard.

This custom of flying flags at half-staff originated first as a token of defeat. That is, when an army was defeated, its flag was lowered down the staff to give room for the victorious army to place its flag above that of the defeated army.

From this the custom grew into flying the flag at half-staff when an officer, army or navy, died. Later it was adopted by civilians as well, and today, when a man of prominence dies, regardless of whether he was sailor, soldier, or civilian, the flags are hung at half-staff.

Whereas, in the olden days, when the custom started, the upper space was left to indicate that the victor could put his flag there, now it seems that death is the victor, and so the space is left. It is, of course, a mark of respect to the dead person to have flags at half-staff for him.

Give Furniture for CHRISTMAS. And feel sure you have made no mistake. From this list you can supply Mother, Father, Sister, Brother, or Sweetheart with gifts that will be truly appreciated for years to come. Couches, Davenports, Rugs, Kitchen Cabinets, Rockers, Pictures, Flashlights, Sweepers, Grand Buffets, Sewing Machines, Library Tables, Turkish Rockers. GOODHART'S FURNITURE STORE :: Centre Hall