

LOCALS.

The home of J. H. Puff was wired for electric light this week.

"The Princess Pat," at Garman's Opera House, Saturday night, March 17th.

William H. Kuhn, of Phillipsburg, spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. S. W. Smith.

Mrs. J. S. Meyer, of Penn Hall, was the guest of her brother, Dr. H. F. Bitner, last Thursday.

A dead deer was found in the reservoir of the Citizen's Water company, of Phillipsburg, on Monday.

Cows are selling high at public sales, \$129 being paid for one at a Penns Valley farm sale a few days ago.

Mrs. Robert Snyder and daughter, of State College, spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Stahl.

J. Bruce Lingle, of near Milesburg, assisted his brother, L. R. Lingle, of Earlstown, in making ready for his sale, the past week.

D. Paul Fortney, of Bellefonte, former District Attorney, a short time ago accepted a position as guard at the new penitentiary at Rockview.

William Bailey joined the other members of the Boal troop at their inspection and drill at Boalsburg on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The family of the late John Felding desire to express their gratitude to those who so kindly assisted them in many ways during their recent bereavement.

Elmer Stump will move his family from Centre Hall to Mt. Union, where he has employment, the latter part of this month. He advertises sale of household goods for Saturday, March 24th.

The members of the Pleasant Gap High school will hold a box social in Noll's hall on Saturday evening. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the 1917 graduating class. Everyone is most cordially invited.

Samuel Gingerich, last week, installed an acetylene lighting plant in his home west of Centre Hall. The plant was one in use in the home of Wallace White at Axemann, who replaced the gas with the electric light.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpkins and grandson Donald McAleer, of Altoona and Mrs. John Albright, of Spring Mills, were among those outside of the immediate family circle who attended the funeral of Mrs. W. A. Krise on Saturday.

A carload of deer, about thirty in number, were shipped into the State from Vermont this week, to be distributed in the counties of Clearfield, Forest, Elk, Armstrong and Potter. The deer are similar to those which are native to this state.

The clear-up sale held by T. E. Jodon at the black barn on the road between Pleasant Gap and Axemann, last Friday, footed up to \$7424. It was a busy day for auctioneer Mayer, but likewise a remunerative one, his voice earning him over \$100.00 on the sales.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lambert have taken Misses Mildred and Rhoda Probert, two young daughters of Mrs. William Probert, of Bentleyville, in their home. Mrs. Probert is a sister of Mrs. Lambert and upon the death of her husband a few weeks ago, was left with her family of seven children, in rather destitute circumstances.

Mrs. Sumner V. Hosterman, of Lancaster, is recovering from a severe illness from grip and pneumonia. In fact her condition a little more than a week ago was such that hopes for her recovery had about been abandoned. Dr. Hosterman, who was visiting his son at the time, returned home last week feeling encouraged as to the ultimate outcome of the illness.

E. S. Ripka, who returned the latter part of last week from Boston, Massachusetts, the headquarters of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company, where he had gone to receive his fall sample line, heard enough while in the Hub city regarding leather that he feels qualified to give this tip: If you would save several dollars in the cost of the shoes which you must wear next fall, place your order for them with your shoe dealer before many weeks elapse, for it is as sure as "shootin'" that shoes are going to take wings and literally fly out of sight next fall so far as prices go. Mr. Ripka gives this bit of information in all sincerity and it is not to be construed as an advertisement for his or any other line of shoes.

The Berwick Enterprise, in a recent issue, contained a flattering report concerning the work done in the First M. E. church at that place, of which Rev. G. W. McClain, former pastor of the Penns Valley M. E. church, is pastor. In part the Enterprise said: The First M. E. church, of Nescopeck, of which Rev. G. W. McClain is pastor, is ending up one of the best if not the best year in its history. Every department of the work is in good condition. Every organization is in good working order, and upon a good financial basis. All bills are promptly met by this congregation. The pastor's salary was increased last spring by \$100 which act raised all other apportionments accordingly on a pro-rata basis, yet all obligations will be met.

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Saturday is St. Patrick's Day. Mrs. Samuel Gingerich continues to improve in health.

A Bell telephone was installed in the meat market last week.

W. C. T. U., Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. S. W. Smith.

Ex-commissioner J. L. Dunlap, of Bellefonte, was in town Wednesday.

Unclaimed letters in Centre Hall postoffice, Miss Helen Schaffer, Mr. T. Ward.—S. W. Smith, postmaster.

Miss Anna Stover, who has been spending the past few months with her sister, Mrs. Alvin S. Meyers, in Jacksonville, Florida, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. William McClenshan, in this place. Miss Stover holds a position as trained nurse in the Cresson State Sanatorium and she is rounding out a well-earned vacation.

George W. Bradford is making preparation to move in a week or two to Locks Mill, near Milroy, and operate the mill and store which for several years has been conducted by his son, Al Bradford, who will move to Milroy. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradford and daughter will continue to live at the parental home in the new location.

John Rearick, of Sparks, Nevada, is a guest at the Mr. Mary Goodhart home in Centre Hall, having spent the past few weeks among his several brothers—W. O., at Milroy; J. Paul, at Martinsburg, and Leroy G., at Lock Haven. Mr. Rearick intends leaving for the west in a very short time—but not alone—and we hope to give the reason for it next week.

The Ladies' Temple, Knights of the Golden Eagle, turned out in full strength on Tuesday evening in their hall to bid farewell to three of their members who will leave for other parts in a short time. They are Mr. George W. Bradford, Mrs. Paul Bradford, and Mrs. Elmer Stump. A grand line of refreshments were enjoyed following the close of the meeting.

Miss Sarah Krader and Charles VonGorden were the only excursionists to Washington from Centre Hall on Sunday. Miss Krader is employed at the William Homan home, while her companion is from Lock Haven. Their friends are of the opinion that the trip was made to familiarize themselves with a territory that in all probability will be sought later on a honeymoon trip.

Mrs. Cyrus Brungart left on Tuesday for Greensburg, having received word of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Gatchell, who has been in ill health for more than a year and whose condition at present is such that an operation is imperative. She will be removed to the Greensburg hospital this week and the operation will take place on Saturday or Sunday. Mr. Brungart will leave for Greensburg on Saturday.

Mrs. Parsels for Conservation. "Conservation" was the keynote of Mrs. Addie B. Parsels' address in Grange Arcadia, Saturday night under the auspices of the local W. C. T. U. While she advocated the conservation of all the resources of the commonwealth and nation, she laid special stress on conserving the boys and girls, which, of course, she declared could be done by stamping out the liquor traffic.

Upon being informed that Centre Hall borough received but \$114 from rum revenue, the speaker suggested that a festival might be held to reimburse the municipality in case taxpayers rebelled because such a munificent sum would fail to reach the treasury.

Mrs. Parsels was as enthusiastic in the cause as ever, and was just as vigorous and more hopeful of the success, in the near future, of the cause nearest her heart than when she appeared here for the first time some years ago.

The speaker was accompanied by Miss Rhoads, president of the county W. C. T. U.

Centre County Y. W. C. A. Notes. The high cost of living may be materially reduced by a good garden, the fresh vegetables in the summer time, and canned ones from your own garden in the winter. Several of the Y. W. C. A. Clubs are entering into a Tomato (and other vegetables) Growing and Canning Contest. Each girl receives instruction concerning the care of the vegetable, and later in the season will receive instructions in canning. The College Extension Department will gladly furnish help to all desiring it. A record of the crop is kept by each girl, and at the general exhibit prizes are awarded to those who have done the best work. A large number of tomatoes, etc., may be raised for the market and for the winter larder, or the girls may begin with just a few. Anyone who is not a member of the Association, but interested in this work is welcome to enter. Write to the Secretary, Miss M. Hiller, Women's Building, State College, Pa., for further information.

OAK HALL. Visitors at the William Kern home the past week were Mrs. Nester Hickman, Mr. Benjamin Gentzel, of Spring Mills, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Homan, of Centre Hall.

SPRUETOWN.

Ralph Sweeney, who is taking a teachers' course at Lock Haven, is getting along splendidly.

M. A. Sankey delivered a fine lot of pigs to a party at Burnham at a fair price.

Homer Treaster moved to Yeagerstown on Thursday. Thomas Miller Elmer Hettinger, Mr. Yearling and Wiltmer Lee hauled for them. The neighbors are sorry to have them leave.

Last Wednesday evening a surprise was sprung on Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Miller when their neighbors gathered at their home. Needless to say they were warmly received. For several hours everybody had a jolly good time. At an appropriate hour refreshments consisting of cake, ice cream and coffee were served. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Yearick and children, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Sankey and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wiltmer Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Loughner, and daughter Ethel, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sweeney and children.

Secretary Henry Houck Dead at 81. Henry Houck, Secretary of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, died Tuesday morning at 12:30 o'clock, at his home in Lebanon. He was aged 81 years and the cause of death was paralysis of the heart. The Secretary had been taken ill only five hours before he died.

Jailed on Account of Stabbing. A stabbing affair, in which Polanders figured, occurred in a foreign settlement near Phillipsburg on Saturday night, and as a result Frank Woogoch, aged twenty-eight, has been lodged in the Bellefonte jail, in default of bail, to await the next court on a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. The stabbing was the outgrowth of a game of cards in which Woogoch, during a dispute, is alleged to have stabbed three of his fellow countrymen. None is seriously injured, however.

GOOD AND BAD IN MIXTURE. World Not Growing Worse Because Chronicle of Recent Events May Seem a Little Depressing.

In your survey of your paper you will probably find the story of a murder, a suicide, a divorce, a defalcation, a bit of political trickery, a business failure and many other major and minor evidences of the seamy side of life.

The recital of these things may seem such a twice-told tale of misery that you may be tempted to throw down the paper in disgust as a chronicle of depressing disaster. You may jump to the conclusion that, if the world is not growing much better, it is not growing much better.

This will be a very natural conclusion, but it will also be a very one-sided one. The same issue will probably tell you of a deed of personal heroism, of a great public benefaction, of a piece of remedial legislation, of a brave effort at self-improvement, of a notable dedication of a life to some high purpose, of the fulfillment of some unselfish ideal, of a conspicuous example of conquest over a grievous handicap, of some release from some bad habit.

All these items are news, the legitimate record of humanity's doing. Cultivate a sense of proportion in reading about them. Examine their relative importance and effects before you jump to any conclusion.

THE MARKETS.

GRAIN
Corrected weekly by Bradford & Son.

Wheat (new).....	1.00
Corn60
Oats75
Barley75
Rye90

PRODUCE AT STORES

Butter22
Eggs22

Sale Register. SATURDAY, MARCH 18th, at 1:30 o'clock, Lot A. Condo, at Potomac Mills, will sell full set of blacksmith tools and lot of household goods.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

In the matter of the Estate of Mary Decker, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will expose at public sale at the Court House in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, on

SATURDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1917 at 1:30 o'clock P. M., the following described real estate:

All that certain message, tenement and lot of ground, situate in the Township of Potter, County of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

On the North adjoined by lands of John D. Decker; on the East by lands of John D. Decker; on the South by lands of John D. Decker and on the West by lands of John D. Decker, containing 40 acres, more or less; thenceon erected one 2 story log house and one small frame house.

TERMS OF SALE—Twenty per cent of said purchase price to be paid upon the day of sale, the balance of said purchase money to be paid upon the confirmation of sale and delivery of deed.

W. D. ZERBY, Administrator of the Estate of Mary Decker, deceased.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Letters testamentary on the estate of Nannie E. Krise, late of the Borough of Centre Hall, Centre County, Pa., deceased.



Letters testamentary on the above estate having 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.

WARREN S. KRISE, Executor, 1228 Franklin Street, Johnstown, Pa. 11.0.16

GOOD FARMER'S MAGAZINE—I am soliciting subscriptions for Successful Farming, the greatest farmer's magazine published. Very low subscription price, J. ROY SHAEFFER, Centre Hall, Pa. Bull phone.

HOUSE FOR RENT OR SALE—House and lot, situated on Hoffer street, Centre Hall, is offered for rent or for sale. Apply to W. S. SLICK, Centre Hall, Pa.

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WHEN THE AMATEURS APPEAR

Another Good Story Added to the Many That Are Told About Those Enamored of Stage.

The anecdotes told at the expense of amateur players are innumerable, and of course of varying degrees, both of truthfulness and of drollery. Another is added to the list by some students, who ambitiously undertook to play "Hamlet" for the benefit of a charity. The man who was to act the part of Horatio was extremely timid, and when the night of the performance came he was so overcome by stage-fright that he could hardly remember the lines he had so carefully studied. During the scene where Horatio and Marcellus tell Hamlet of the appearance of the spirit of his father, and the prince asks: "Stayed it long?" "While one with moderate haste might tell a hundred," Horatio managed to stammer out, but so confusedly that Marcellus forgot his cue, and instead of joining "Longer, longer," stood staring at Horatio. The prompter, with a view to helping out Marcellus, began to whisper from the wings, "Longer, longer." Unfortunately Horatio, having lost all control of himself, was inspired with the idea that the man playing Marcellus was looking at him because he had made an error, and that the words from the wing were addressed to him. With a great effort he straightened himself up, cleared his burning throat, and said, loudly: "While one with moderate haste might tell two hundred, then."

EXPLAINS THE MERMAID MYTH

Sailors Mistook the Seal or Sea Calf for Mythical Creature They Thought They Saw.

Of course there are no mermaids such as have been depicted to us by imaginative artists for many centuries—mythical creatures, half woman, half fish, with long waving tresses—but it is interesting to note that more than half the ancient pictures of mermaids depicted the creatures sitting on a rock in the sea combing their long hair and looking into a small hand mirror.

Where did man get the idea that mermaids possessed combs and mirrors? At first one might think it evolved through the belief that mermaids (man once believed they existed) all possessed long hair, and, possessing it, naturally did what all women do—combed it.

And because women have always used mirrors—even the prehistoric women used pools of water for this purpose—these old artists gave their painted mermaids mirrors and combs.

But this is not true. It was no supposition on the part of the old artists. They made their pictures from the description that thousands of old sea-faring men gave, men who actually believed they had seen mermaids. And these men frequently quite as solemnly avowed they saw the mermaids with combs and mirrors.

Not the least strange part of all this is the fact that many of these old sailors really believed they had seen mermaids. There is no doubt that they saw seals, or, more likely, the sea calf. This peculiar creature has a habit of half raising its body out of the water. Away back in the olden days, when there were few sailors and they had not sailed far in any quarter of the globe, the sight of a sea calf was a strange, weird thing to them. The sea calf does not look unlike a human being half raised out of the water.

Black Cats Own Island.

"The Island of Black Cats" is a name applied to Chatham island in the Pacific ocean, about 780 miles west of the coast of Ecuador. It is overrun with black cats; indeed, cats of no other color are seen there. These animals live in the crevices of the lava foundation near the coast and subsist by catching fish and crabs.

PUBLIC SALE OF

KENTUCKY BRED MULES COWS and STOCK BULLS

The undersigned will sell at his barn to the rear of The Centre Reporter Office, in CENTRE HALL

SATURDAY, MARCH 17th

5 SPANS MATED KENTUCKY BRED MULES

coming two years old. These animals are bred from heavy draft mares and high-bred Jacks with a view of developing mules to twelve hundred and fifty pounds and over. They are large, well boned, well-formed, and first class in every particular. They are large enough to go to work at once. These mules are a select lot, purchased on the York market last fall. They are halter-broke. Also—

TWENTY or more MILCH COWS

These cows will all be fresh or about to be fresh at the time of sale. They are all nice, clean animals, mostly young, and just the kind needed today on every farm.

also several Stock Bulls

TERMS OF SALE—The usual sale terms one year, will be extended to all purchasers.

FREE LUNCH—A free lunch will be provided for all who are obliged to leave their homes before the noon hour.

This is the third biennial sale by the undersigned. At the previous sales every animal offered was sold. It will be the same at this sale.

SALE BEGINS AT ONE O'CLOCK.

L. P. MAVES, Auctioneer S. W. SMITH, Centre Hall