

LIVELY MILK PRODUCERS' MEETING.

Grange Hall Crowded to Hear Head of Dewart Products Co. Refute Charges Made Against Him.

A meeting to be held by the Dewart Products Company people was announced by poster for Saturday evening and when the time came the hall was crowded indicating a great interest in the outcome of the differences between the Dewart people and something like one hundred and twenty-five farmers in Penns Valley.

C. F. Sheffer, the founder of the Dewart concern, was accompanied by his brother, H. J. Sheffer; his field man, and a friend whose name was not caught on introduction. The purpose of the men coming here was of course stated and was to refute the charges of dishonesty made against them by a Mr. Waters a few nights previous on the same platform, and also to induce, if they could, their former patrons, now on strike, to again patronize them. The head of the firm made the assertion that the Dewart company had paid league prices for milk since their operations began here, except that there was deducted for expense, permissible under league regulations, twenty-five cents per hundred pounds. In making his claim for this deduction, Mr. Sheffer stated that owing to the fact that the Centre Hall plant was so far distant from the Dewart plant, it was necessary to pasteurize the milk prior to shipping and this was not necessary at any other station operated by them.

[Right here, for the benefit of those who are willing to look at this matter in its true light, the writer wishes to call attention to a statement made by Mr. Smith, of New York, who organized the league. The statement was made in explaining the league operations on the night of organization. He stated clearly that the patrons here would not receive full league price for their milk, owing, as is stated above, to the fact of their being located at such a great distance from the main plant where the milk was manufactured. At the close of the meeting, on Saturday night, Mr. Smith was met in the hall and was told by the writer that he was represented as having made such a statement. He said in reply that he meant that the league price could not be gotten at first by league members.]

It is this difference deducted by the Milk Products people that is causing the furor. In his calculations, Mr. Waters, the Tunkhannock man, made the difference twenty-three cents. Mr. Sheffer says it is twenty-five cents, and stated further that he would be willing to make a concession and deduct but twenty cents. It must be admitted that this deduction was made according to an understanding well known by the organizers of the league.

Another charge made by Mr. Waters and refuted by Mr. Sheffer was that he was retaining one cent on each one hundred pounds of milk that should be paid over to the league. It was shown positively that members of the league received just as much per hundred for milk as did their neighbor who was not a member, so there could have been no deduction on this account.

A cunning, brazen, yet entirely futile, attempt was made on the part of Prof. C. R. Neff to lessen the falsification and vilification on the part of Mr. Waters at a previous meeting, a brief account of which appeared in these columns, by a slimy palaver. The purpose of the remarks in this connection were so plain that the speaker was called to account by a number of persons in the audience, among whom was Cyrus Brungart, Esq., who bluntly put it that either he (Neff) or the Reporter lied, and asked Mr. Neff to say which was the liar. A second demand for a definite reply was not met. Fully fifty men in the audience made expression to their neighbors, and three or four stood on their feet to do it, that the Reporter had not lied when it said Waters called Sheffer, of Dewart, a crook and thief.

The above covers in a brief way the proceedings of the meeting. Only facts are given. The reader who is honestly interested and who will profit or lose depending on the manner of the final outcome of this controversy, will find meat in the paragraph in parenthesis. There is the crux of the whole situation. This is not a question as to whether milk producers have a right to organize, for that right is theirs; but the question is rather has Mr. Sheffer defrauded them. If he has, he is not worthy of further patronage; if he has not, it will be well for the farmers, whether they are league men or not, to consider well before blindly following a leader who might lose them a satisfactory check twice each month.

Has it been observed that Senator Lodge is willing to befriend any people who show indifference or hostility to the League of Nations?

It is becoming plainer every day that certain Republican Senators would rather be wrong than with the President.

GETTING PARK READY FOR 46th ENCAMPMENT & FAIR.

New Exhibition Building Being Put Up and Tents Erected.—Auto and Farm Machinery Exhibit Promises to Eclipse Anything in Former Years.

The forty-sixth annual Encampment and Fair will open at Centre Hall on Saturday, September 6th, and will continue a week.

Workmen have been busy for two weeks preparing the ground and erecting tents for this great gathering.

The old exhibition buildings have been repaired and a new one built for hogs and sheep. Premiums will be paid for all good live stock and special premiums for pure bred animals.

The camp will be larger and more complete than ever before.

The grounds and buildings are well lighted by a complete electric system.

Every farm boy and girl is invited to take part in the stock judging contest which has been arranged by the county farm agent for Wednesday, Sept. 10th. Nice prizes will be given the winners.

The State College will have an exhibit in a tent of their own, and lectures and demonstrations will be given daily on important household and farm topics.

The State Health Department will have an exhibition in a tent of their own. A competent person will be in the tent to give information along health lines and especially on ways of fighting the house fly.

Some member of the War Savings Committee will be on the ground during the week to explain the value of War Savings Stamps.

Prof. Rasmussen, Secretary of Agriculture, will deliver an address during the week. Important Grange subjects will be discussed in the auditorium daily.

EXHIBITS

An appeal is again made to the farmers of Centre county to make the Exhibit of farm products the largest and best ever held in the county. A premium will be paid for every meritorious exhibit. Bring the interesting things you have in your homes as well as your best handiwork, canned fruit, vegetables and jellies and help to make every department of the fair a success.

The exhibit of automobiles and farm tractors promises to be larger than last year, and that of farm machinery fully as large as in former years.

Amusements have been provided to please everybody.

There will be excursion rates on the railroads from all points within 75 miles of Centre Hall.

SPECIAL TRAINS TWO DAYS

Special trains will be run Wednesday and Thursday, leaving Bellefonte at 10 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. for Centre Hall, and leaving Centre Hall for Coburn at 7:30 p. m. and for Bellefonte at 9:45 p. m.

A program of the meetings in the auditorium will be published next week.

C. R. NEFF,
Chairman.

Noll Family Reunion.

One of the most pleasant family reunions this summer took place Sunday when the children, grandchildren and great grandchildren of Mrs. Mary Page gathered at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Noll, at Locust Grove farm, which is located one mile from Linden Hall.

The affair was really in honor of Mrs. Noll's birthday, which will not take place, however, until the 23rd of next month. Guests were present from Buffalo, Altoona, Philadelphia, Greensburg, Eagleville, Blanchard, Beach Creek, Orviston and Boalsburg. They came in automobiles and brought a basket lunch with them. At noon tablecloths were spread under the trees on the front lawn and a picnic lunch consisting of every delicacy of the season was served to the thirty-seven people present. In the afternoon chairs were brought out under the trees and pleasant reminiscences were exchanged among the older people. A number of pictures were taken of individuals and the entire group. Several snap-shots were taken of Grandmother Page, her children, their children and their children's children, representing four generations.

Although eighty-six years of age, Grandmother Page is enjoying comparatively good health and enjoyed the day as much as the younger members of the party.

Those present on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and Frances, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Stella Albertsen, of Philadelphia, who is spending the summer at Locust Grove farm; Misses Lillian and Margaret Wolf and Mrs. D. A. Wolf and children, Robert and Anna Claire, of Greensburg; John Stover, of Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Page and Mrs. Margaret Stover, Mr. and Mrs. Bechdol, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bechdol, of Blanchard; Mr. and Mrs. Christ Page and Miss Mabel Page, of Orviston; Mr. Volpew, of Beach Creek; Mr. and Mrs. Will Stover, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Charles and son, Gene, Mrs. Sarah Shuey and children John and Louise, of Boalsburg; Paul Isler, of Linden Hall, and the members of the Noll family.

THE SCOUTS IN CAMP.

Local Scouts Suffer in Comparison With Equipment of Neighbor Scouts, But Show Superiority in Athletics.

The eighteen Scouts of Troop 1, Centre Hall, under Scout Master Shultz, had a most delightful time in the camp along Penns Creek, just opposite Weikert station, on the L. and T. R. R., so they report on their return on Tuesday. Those who visited them found them pleasantly located in a permanent camp at a point where there was boating, good swimming, fishing, mountain scenery grand, convenient to railroad and post office, but their equipment nil. With this great disadvantage they were happy boys, making the best of their lot, yet feeling keenly the lack of paraphernalia of any sort when sauntering through the large well equipped camps of the Lewisburg and Shamokin scouts near by.

A routine for a day is mapped out each morning, and after the schedule "of cooks" is looked over, each one knows the program to be executed. The time is devoted to sports, drilling, boating, swimming, scouting, reading, and each night after a lecture there is worship, in which the boys participate, before retiring.

Scout Master Shultz is delighted with the result of the week's work, for work it really was for him. He is proud of his boys and their achievements. He believes, and so do all of us, that he has the best boys that camped on Penns Creek this year. We must admit, too, that they are the most neglected boys that roosted on the creek. They are the most neglected by our people as a whole. This is the conclusion reached after having had the pleasure of visiting the Lewisburg and Shamokin camps, whose respective towns are alive to the benefits of scout work, the value of the boy—his development physically, mentally, morally. The Shamokin scouts have the benefit of a paid trained master from Philadelphia. Both camps are laid out in streets, with the splendid tents well pitched on either side of the white curb built of stone. There are large screened dining rooms, with a chef who has studied the capacity and fancies of a normal boy's stomach. There are rest benches, pavilion, boat landing, chapel—all built by the boys, but not without expense.

On at least two occasions the Centre Hall scouts came in touch with the Shamokin and Lewisburg scouts in a manner to give them opportunity to show their skill in handling ball and stick in America's most popular game. Our boys easily won both games the scores being largely on their side. The professional Philadelphia scout master and scout master Shultz acted as umpires. The game, regardless of the ill proportion of the score, was a lively one, due to the good management of the Philadelphia, who knew the rules and applied them. The Shamokin team had a number of splendid youngsters in it, who some day may make professionals but today must learn from their country cousins. True to scout principles the defeats were taken decidedly graceful.

The Reporter takes this opportunity to give expression to the opinion that our citizens ought to give the Boy Scout movement some support. To date it has had no support whatever—no financial support, not even good wishes on the part of many. They are in need of a meeting place during the winter months. It should be provided by all means. We are not without pride if we do lack in some essentials and believe if Scout Master Shultz makes an appeal for funds there will be responses worth while.

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Hoy—Neidigh.

Miss Blanche May Neidigh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Neidigh, of Boalsburg, and John H. Hoy, of Waddle, were united in marriage Wednesday of last week at Boalsburg. Miss Neidigh is a well-known and estimable young lady, and the groom is a prominent and successful young man, and many friends unite in wishing them a happy and prosperous married life. They will be at home at Waddle after October first.

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ARMENIAN AND SYRIAN ORPHANS TAKING A SUN BATH.

There Are 400,000 of These Orphans. The Following is An Account of Their Condition.

THE BITTER NEED.

"The sights around us are heartrending. Staggering, discolored, emaciated or bloated creatures with faces drawn by suffering and with haunted, hopeless faces wandering about the streets. Mothers and their dying children are lying about the ruins of houses and shops; 1,031 starving, nearly naked children are in one of our refuges alone. I passed by there tonight to see their condition. The moans of the sick could be heard quite a distance away. I flashed my light through the windows which are without glass. Children were pack-

FINE PRIZES FOR WINNERS IN STOCK-JUDGING CONTEST.

Open for Boys and Girls Under 21.—To Be Held Wednesday of Grange Encampment and Fair.

Every boy and girl in the county under 21 years of age who is interested in stock should enter the stock judging contest at Grange Encampment and Fair on Wednesday, September 10th.

The experience gained in such a contest is invaluable.

Excellent prizes will also be given to the winners, as follows:

- 1st. Pure bred registered Berkshire pig.
- 2nd. \$5.00.
- 3rd. \$4.00.
- 4th. \$3.00.
- 5th. \$2.00.
- 6th. \$1.00.

The contest will be run as follows: Three classes of stock will be judged including horses, dairy cattle and hogs. Every boy and girl will work individually for the above prizes.

No previous experience is needed. There will also be team competition. In communities where it is possible three (3) should go together to constitute a team. When the contest is finished the individual scores of each team will be summed up and the team having the highest number of points will receive first, etc. The prizes for the teams will consist of very nice badges. In case three boys can not get a team together at any one point, this should not bar them from going into the contest for the single prizes. The contest is open to any boy or girl in the county whether they belong to a team or not.

If you wish to enter the contest, write for proper blank, return at your earliest convenience and will send you further information in regard to this contest.

Very truly yours,
R. H. OLMSTEAD,
County Agent.

Celebrated 91st Birthday.

On Friday of last week, Mrs. Susanna Spangler celebrated her ninety-first birthday. She is very well preserved for one of her age, and retains all her mental faculties.

W. S. S. at Grange Park.

W. Harrison Walker, Esq., county chairman of the War Savings committee will be on Grange Park, Wednesday and Thursday of the picnic. He will have headquarters at the Centre Reporter tent where he will be pleased to meet all interested in the purchase of these war securities.

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VICTORY FOR SPRING MILLS IN HARD FOUGHT GAME.

Triumph Over Boalsburg on Latter's Grounds at Community Picnic.—A Pitcher's Battle.

The Spring Mills baseball team won a hard fought game from the Boalsburg club, at Boalsburg, on Saturday, on the occasion of the Community Picnic, by the score of 8 to 6. It was a pitcher's battle, notwithstanding the heavy hitting done by each team. For Spring Mills, Eugene Gramley, Penn State varsity pitcher, with a string of victories against Penn State's strongest opponents to his credit, did mound duty, and the one big surprise to those who are judges of good ball players was the freedom the Boalsburg boys took with Gramley's delivery. They connected with ten safe hits, several being of the scratch order, which on a better diamond would have been easy outs. Eugene showed his true form, however, when the bases were occupied, and on numerous occasions left base runners stranded on second and third by retiring batters with his blinding speed and fast-breaking curve ball. He has the action of a professional ball player, and while his pitching measures up to big league calibre, he is also strong in another department of the great game; namely, batting. Twice he drove the ball safe and once again was robbed by a fine catch by Boalsburg's center fielder.

Shutt pitched well for Boalsburg and allowed but seven hits. Unlike Gramley, he failed to hold the Spring Mills batters when a hit did the most damage. He used an effective outshoot which caused the strikeout of seven of the "Spring Mills-es," as one fan called them.

Boalsburg threatened to even the score in the ninth. Miles Thomas opened with a hit; R. Thomas flew out to W. Gramley, on Brouse's hit to short, both runners were safe on a fielder's choice. With second and third occupied, and R. Lucas, a good batter, up, it seemed like poor baseball for Thomas to attempt a steal of home. Gramley's true throw to Goodhart caught the runner on a close margin. A hit by Lucas would have tied the score.

The following box score shows clearly the work of each individual player during the game.

SPRING MILLS.				
	R	H	O	A
J. Goodhart, c.	1	0	15	0
G. Corman, lf.	0	1	0	0
H. Meyer, 3b.	1	1	1	0
E. Gramley, p.	2	2	0	7
W. Osman, 2b.	0	1	0	0
J. Corman, ss.	0	0	2	0
W. Gramley, 1b.	1	1	9	0
J. Decker, rf.	1	1	0	0
R. Meyer, cf.	2	0	0	0
Total	8	7	27	9

BOALSBURG				
	R	H	O	A
P. Coxe, 1b.	3	2	6	1
R. Stover, ss.	1	2	4	1
C. Hosterman, cf.	0	0	1	0
M. Thomas, 3b.	1	3	4	2
R. Thomas, c.	0	0	8	1
F. Brouse, 2b.	0	1	2	0
R. Coxe, rf.	0	0	1	0
S. Ross, lf.	0	0	0	0
R. Lucas, lf.	0	1	0	0
W. Shutt, p.	1	1	1	3
Total	6	10	27	8

SCORE BY INNINGS									
Spring Mills	0	1	4	0	0	2	1	0	8
Boalsburg	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	6

Summary.—Two-base hits, E. Gramley, M. Thomas. Bases on balls, off Gramley 3. Struck out, by Gramley, 14; by Shutt, 7. Umpires, Roy Corman and John Stover.

Imports of Sugar From Cuba Prevent Shortage.

With a fleet of 100 ships bringing in cargoes approximately 300,000 tons of sugar from Cuba within two weeks, the Sugar Equalization Board of the Food Administration declares a sugar shortage has been forestalled. In addition, 20,000 tons of beet sugar have been procured from California. The sugar demand this year has been at least 200,000 tons greater than at the same time in 1918, it is said.

Denial has been made by the board of statements that canners had been unduly favored in the distribution of army sugar. Five hundred thousand pounds of the 45,000,000 pounds released by the army was allotted to New York City alone, and proportionate distribution was made throughout the rest of the country. The needs of the canneries were supplied, otherwise millions of dollars worth of fruit on hand would have spoiled, but there has been no unjust favoritism.

Unprecedented demand, largely through the manufacture of greater quantities of syrups, soft drinks, sugars and candies in the present prohibition period, and the failure of dealers to order in time are the two principal reasons assigned by the board for the present stringency.

Advertise in the Reporter—it pays.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Butter was a drug on the local market, last week, the first in a long, long time.

Rev. D. J. Mitterling again filled the local Presbyterian pulpit on Sunday morning.

John D. Meyer motored from Altoona in his Franklin car, Sunday, for a short visit at the parental home.

Frank M. Fisher built a substantial concrete walk to the front and side of his residence property, last week.

Mrs. Clayburn Breon and little son, of Lock Haven, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitterling, in this place.

The little diphtheria patients—Margaret Rudy and Hazel Potter—in Centre Hall, are out of all danger, and the quarantine will be lifted in due time.

To lessen the danger of automobile collisions at the intersection of the two principal streets in Millheim, a "dummy policeman" will be placed at that point.

Major Wilbur F. Leitzell and Lieut. Richard C. Harlow last week purchased the equipment and business of the Heffer Drug Company, at State College.

Found.—An inner tube, by E. S. Ripka, on road between Spring Mills and Centre Hall. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this ad.

J. C. Lee, station agent at Spring Mills, was in town Saturday, having been called here on account of the sudden death of his mother, Mrs. John R. Lee, near Colyer.

A carload of Holstein cows, sold at public sale at Millheim last Thursday, sold at extremely high prices, no figure being below \$175.00, while as high as \$250 was paid for the best milkers.

A half dozen auto loads of farmers and their families from near Centre Hall, motored to Dewart on Thursday and derived a day's enjoyment out of the trip. They partook of a basket dinner in the woods at that place.

The board of road and bridge viewers will hold a meeting in the court house on Monday, September 15th, at 10 o'clock a. m., to take testimony for and against an application to vacate a road in Potter township near Penn Cave station; also an application to vacate a public road in Gregg township near Penn Cave station.

Dr. E. L. Miller, of Mt. Dora, Florida, was the guest of his brother-in-law, P. H. Luse, and family, over Wednesday night. Dr. Miller, since leaving this part of the state, many years ago, has developed into a successful grower of fruit, principally the citrus fruits, in the state of Florida. His trip north was made principally in the interest of his eyes, which he is having treated in Philadelphia.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Millheim Business Men's association held one evening last week, officers for the ensuing year were elected, as follows: President, S. W. Gramley; vice president, C. E. McClellan; secretary, L. W. Stover; assistant secretary, F. S. Ulrich; treasurer, H. T. Frank. It was decided to take an automobile trip on Labor day, September 1, the route being left to a committee to arrange. The wives of the members will be taken along on this occasion.

Willis D. Decker, son of Harry Decker, a former resident of Penns Valley and now of Altoona, accompanied by his two brothers, Wilbur and Walter, and Hank Ramsey, motored to Centre Hall on Monday to visit old scenes; Willis was wearing the khaki, having quite recently been discharged from the service after two years and four months service, one year of which was spent overseas as a member of the 9th Mounted Engineers, 15th Cavalry Division. He was among the fortunate ones, coming out of the fray untouched.

J. K. Bitner, of Farmers Mills, and brother, Prof. H. F. Bitner, of Lewisburg, returned last week from a four weeks' visit in the following cities and states: Pittsburg, Pa.; Newark, Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio; Kansas City, Missouri; Hastings and Roseland, Nebraska; and in the state of Kansas.

The former Mr. Bitner informed the Reporter that the wheat crop in the west in many sections was very poor this year, and in many instances whole fields of 100 acres and more were burned because it would not have paid to harvest the crop. About Hastings, Nebraska, this condition obtained, and farmers there stated that this was the third successive year that crops were short. Corn, however, promised a big yield. The Bitner brothers toured a stretch of 800 miles of Nebraska territory in company with two of their western brothers, by auto, and had the rare experience of putting in several nights on the open prairie. When night overtook them they erected their tent, kindled a fire, and retired, resuming their journey in the morning.