

## ODD FELLOWS CENTENNIAL IN PHILADELPHIA

### June 4 to 10.—Grand Lodge Has Arranged Ceremonies on a Large Scale.

Commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Pennsylvania in Philadelphia during the first week in June will be carried out on a pretentious scale. Charles C. Bulkeley, grand warden of Pennsylvania, in charge of the arrangements as chairman of the executive committee, has announced that the program is virtually completed. Pennsylvania's membership in all of the orders totals more than 200,000 and all of the states touching Pennsylvania—New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia and Ohio have been invited to participate. The anniversary exercises will start on June 4, with the dedication of a memorial tablet at 218 Dock street. The anniversary reception will take place in the Metropolitan Opera House on June 6. Officers and representatives will be greeted by Governor Sproul and Mayor Moore. Bishop Rhinelander will deliver the invocation. The anniversary will take place on June 7 and that night a military ball will be given in the Second Regiment Armory. The anniversary banquet will be held on June 8 in Scottish Rite Hall, Board and Race streets, and the following day they will be an outing to Willow Grove Park. The centenary will come to a close June 10, when the delegates will journey to Atlantic City.

On Saturday, June 4, officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, brothers of the subordinate lodges, and sisters of the Rebekah Lodges will form for parade at Grand Lodge headquarters, 1723 Arch street, and will escort Pennsylvania Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., to the new building now standing on the site of Upton's Tavern, 218 Dock street, for the exercises incidental to the presentation of the bronze tablet placed on the building. The presentation address will be made by Wilson K. Mohr, P. G. M., grand representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and the response by Frank Shannon, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The program will be interspersed with music by Charles M. Fry's Band, and singing of fraternal odes of the assembly.

The anniversary services will be held at the Metropolitan Opera House, Broad and Poplar streets, on Sunday, June 5, at 3 p. m. The anniversary sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. Barnes Lower, Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, Oak Lane, a member of Peach and Love Lodge No. 337 I. O. O. F.; subject, "The Gospel According to Odd Fellowship." The anniversary address will be delivered by M. Clyde Kelley, member of congress from Pittsburg, a member of Braddock's Field Lodge No. 529 I. O. O. F.; subject, "The Fraternity of Americanism." The grand chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the Rev. C. Edwin Book, will officiate at this service. An interesting musical program has also been provided, including orchestral selections, anthems, etc., by the Welsh Choir, and singing by the audience.

Monday, June 6, a competitive drill of the Cantons of Patriarchs militant, will be held on the Parkway in the afternoon, the time and location to be fixed by the order of the department commander. Cash prizes of \$300 have been provided by the committee. Rebekah Assembly Degree.—A special session for the conferring of the degree of the Rebekah assembly will be held in Columbia Hall, Broad and Oxford streets, at 4 p. m.

Anniversary Reception.—The anniversary reception and entertainment will be held at the Metropolitan Opera House, Broad and Poplar streets, at 8 p. m. Charles C. Bulkeley, grand warden of Pennsylvania, will preside at this meeting. The officers and representatives to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the officers and delegates of the Rebekah assembly of Pennsylvania will be welcomed on behalf of the state by Governor William C. Sproul, and on behalf of the city by Mayor Moore. The responses to the addresses of welcome will be made by Frank Shannon, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and Anna J. Cline, president of the Rebekah assembly of Pennsylvania. The grand sire, Joseph Oliver, and other officers of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, as well as the grand officers of Pennsylvania and sister jurisdiction, members of the Chamber of Commerce, city councils and other representative men have been invited and are expected to be present. Bishop Philip M. Rineland will deliver the invocation. The musical part of the program will include orchestral selections, singing by a delegation of the children from four homes, selections by the Sunbury Orphans' Home Band, selections by the Aquetong Glee Club of forty voices, Webster Grim, P. G. leader, and singing by the audience. This procession will take the place of the usual formalities incident to the opening sessions

## of the Grand Lodge and the Rebekah assembly, and all members of the order and their families are invited to attend.

Anniversary Pageant.—The anniversary parade will be held at 2 p. m., Tuesday. The Patriarchs militant, officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and invited guests, subordinate and Rebekah lodges and encampments and visiting lodges of sister jurisdictions will form on Broad street and intersecting streets, right resting on Spring Garden street. The parade will move west on Spring Garden street to Twenty-first street, south to Parkway, southeast to Broad street, and south on Broad street to Spruce and dismiss. The line of parade is laid out over smoothly paved streets and is not over one and three-quarter miles in length, forming an easy line of march. Parade prizes for the Cantons of Patriarchs Militant, amounting to \$450, have been offered by the committee, subject to the regulations as promulgated by the department in department order No. 1.

## Penn State to Graduate Largest Class In June.

The largest class to ever be graduated from the Pennsylvania State College will receive degrees on June 14, according to an announcement this week by Registrar E. Spenshade. The class will number exactly 460, provided all eligibles pass the final examinations which start at the end of the month. This will be the banner year for bachelor degrees at Penn State, for with those graduated at the end of the first semester in February, a total of 513 will have been granted degrees by the close of the June exercises. This passes the best previous record by almost one hundred. A total of 441 degrees were granted in 1916, the former banner year. The graduate list dropped to 405 in 1917, the first year of the war, and was back to normal last year when many who had dropped their books for war services returned to complete their courses. Elaborate arrangements are being made for the Commencement program, which will start on June 11, Alumni Reunion Day.

## Marriage License Fees Cost More.

It will cost fifty cents more to obtain a marriage license after July 1 under terms of a bill approved last week by Governor Sproul. A special State fee of fifty cents is added to the marriage license cost and the clerks of the courts issuing such licenses must make monthly returns to the state treasurer. Marriage license fees vary from seventy cents to a dollar in Pennsylvania.

## Panama Canal Locks.

There are few things more interesting to the average traveler than to pass through the great locks of the Panama canal. The vessel enters very slowly and as she does lines are taken aboard lending to electric motors or "hoists," which keep her in the center of the lock. Then the great gates at the rear swing together and the water is turned into the enclosure thus formed. Looking over the side of the steamer one sees a great bubble of water rise from the bottom, then a second and third appear until finally the whole surface of the lock is boiling. The pressure is so great that often fish sucked into the drains that lead from the Gatun lake, are drawn in and thrown several feet into the air. When the proper level is finally reached the gate ahead of the vessel opens and the "mules start forward," dragging the vessel free from the lock before she moves ahead under her own power.

## Carnival Festivities.

Carnival festivities originated in the Roman Catholic countries of Europe, where they were celebrated, especially in Rome and Naples, with great mirth and freedom during the week before the beginning of Lent. Mardi Gras (literally "Fat Tuesday," so called for the French practice of parading a fat ox, "boeuf gras," during the celebration of the day), or Shrove Tuesday, is the last day of the carnival. The festivities were first introduced into New Orleans in 1823, by one of its French citizens, Mr. Marigny, and for many years they consisted of promiscuous maskers roaming through the streets of the city, indulging in various kinds of amusements, fun and folly.

## Oldest Crown Jewel a Sapphire.

Only a few of the early British royal jewels survive in the present regalia. The oldest of these is the sapphire of Edward the Confessor, which was originally set in his coronation ring. It was buried with him in his shrine in Westminster Abbey, but in 1101 the shrine was broken open and this and other jewels removed. The sapphire is in the cross on the top of the king's state crown. Legend has it that St. John once appeared before the Confessor as a pilgrim, and that the monarch gave him the ring, which was returned later. The stone is reputed to have the power of curing sciatica and rheumatism, but has not been used for this purpose recently.

## COUNTY S. S. CONVENTION MEETS AT MILESBURG

### Chaplain of the State Senate and Other Noted Speakers to Be Present at 52nd Annual Convention.

The fifty-second annual convention of the Centre County Sabbath School Association will be held at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Milesburg, June 7th and 8th. This promises to be a very interesting convention. Prof. Bentley D. Ackley, of Philadelphia, will have charge of the music. Mrs. John Y. Boyd, of Harrisburg, will be one of the speakers. Hon. Benj. F. Bongaud, Chaplain of the Penn. Senate, will also speak. Mr. Walter E. Myers, Adult Superintendent of the Sabbath School Association, will be at all sessions of the Convention to conduct services and make addresses. Sunday Schools are urged to send names of the representatives to Miss Anna Schroyer of Milesburg so that entertainment may be provided.

## New Wheat the Best Yet.

A new variety of wheat that by actual test has yielded almost five bushels more to the acre than its nearest Pennsylvania competitor, has been developed by the State College experiment station. Results of tests, which have been conducted for seven years with "Pennsylvania 44," the name of the new grain, were completed last week with the addition of last year's experiment figures received from farmers in various parts of the State who had tried the wheat on their farms.

President Thomas and Dean Watts, director of the experiment station, both characterized the experiment as being of invaluable aid in the promotion of Pennsylvania agriculture. The new wheat has resulted in the extended growth of the seed from one especially fine head of Fulcaster found by the college agronomists in 1909. Enough seed was produced by 1913 to start experiments with other varieties of the following year.

The average yield of "Pennsylvania 44" for the seven years on the college farms has been 35.3 bushels an acre. The next best yield in the same period was 31.8 bushels for Dawson's golden chaff. Two years ago eight reliable tests were conducted by farmers throughout the State, when "Pennsylvania 44" yielded 28.7 bushels under ordinary farm conditions and other varieties yielded but 23.9 bushels. Last year 12 such tests were run, "44" yielding 27 bushels and other varieties 20.6 bushels.

## Letter from Wisconsin.

Madison, Wis., May 11, 1921.

Dear Editors: Enclosed please find check for \$3.00 for the Reporter which is a welcome visitor in our home each week; every one must stop work and take time to read the news from home when the paper comes. I thank you very much for remembering our names in your paper. I saw a little article last week that Edna Bailey had finished her medical work in the University and had accepted a position as private nurse for Dr. James Jackson. I wish to make a correction. Edna has not completed her medical work—only stayed out of school this semester in order to get stronger. She expects to return to school next fall. She has been private nurse for Dr. Jackson since she has not been in school. She likes her work and is getting stronger. The doctor has offered her a steady position in the clinic department of the hospital which they are building.

We had a very sad death in our University last Sunday. A student—Miss Wepkin—drowned in the lake. This is the fourth one that drowned since we are here.

I am sorry to say that Sunday is the day for sport in Wisconsin. We have fine preachers and the First Methodist church here has a fearless prophet and he preaches the truth. We always go to hear him twice every Sunday, for we enjoy his sermons so much. He tells the people if they can't stand straight talk they had better not come; but the large church is crowded; many go away because they cannot get in. I read in your paper that Centre Hall has a fearless prophet. I can only say "amen" to that, and am glad to hear it.

We are all well and getting along fine, but I cannot forget the good old friends in Pennsylvania. I expect to get back for a visit some time this summer.

Thanking you for all past favors,  
Mrs. W. V. GODSHALL.

## Rubin and Rubin Coming.

Owing to the many requests made, Dr. David B. Rubin, of Rubin and Rubin, eyesight specialists of Harrisburg will be at the Centre Hall Hotel in a private parlor on Friday, May 27. This is the same Rubin and Rubin who have been coming to Centre Hall in the past years. Special offers are made for this trip only. No drops used and no charge made for examining your eyes.

## The Academy Minstrels Are Coming.

The best thing, beyond a doubt, that Centre Hall has enjoyed in the entertainment line for some time will be the Academy minstrels, which will be here on Tuesday evening of next week, in the Grange hall, after two successful showings in the Bellefonte opera house. Always there is an eagerness shown by the lovers of good minstrelsy when the time approaches for the appearance of Prof. Hughes' local talent show, conceded by many to be equal to the best of city minstrels, says the Bellefonte Republican. This year the program is entirely changed. Refined minstrelsy, with 15 of Bellefonte's pretty girls, will reign supreme. Clever jokes, graceful dancing, delightful music, and scenic minstrelsy—each have been developed to a high degree of perfection. All these attractive features are made more attractive when the patronizing public considers that the net proceeds will be for the benefit of the Centre Hall Memorial Day fund. There will be no request for a contribution this year to meet the Memorial Day expenses. You are simply asked to purchase tickets for the minstrel show.

## Laid to Rest in Family Plot.

Mrs. W. H. Perry, who was Miss Florida R. Duck, of Spring Mills, and well known as the happy school girl and teacher and jovial companion and friend of all, died suddenly some time ago in Los Angeles, California. Her sisters, Mrs. Blanche Phillips, of New York, and Mrs. Bertha Burkholder, of Philipsburg, and brother-in-law, Wilbur Burkholder, went to Los Angeles and brought the body to Spring Mills on Friday, April 15th, when all that was mortal of her was laid to rest in the family plot in the Heckman Cemetery, where with father and mother she rests awaiting the final trump. She, at the early age of forty-two, was the first of eight children to break the family circle and follow mother and father in the great adventure. The cause of her death was cerebral hemorrhage.

## Herman-Tyson.

Wednesday of last week, Harry W. Herman, who is in the U. S. aerial service, came home to State College and took to himself a wife—Miss Eleanor E. Tyson, of the same place. They motored to the Reformed parsonage, Boalsburg, where Rev. S. C. Stover united them in marriage. We extend to them most hearty congratulations.

## Sprucetown Memorial Service.

Memorial Day service at Sprucetown will be conducted at 1:30 in the afternoon. Rev. M. C. Drumm will be the speaker.

## Festival at Boalsburg.

The Boalsburg Knights of Malta are planning a big time in that town on Memorial Day, when a big festival will be held. There will be a band concert all evening. A good time is assured by the committee in charge of the arrangements, so come.

## Two Go to Death Chair.

Charles Byrd, alias William Palmer, Timothy Green, two negroes of Dauphin county, were electrocuted at the Western Penitentiary at Rockview on Monday. Green was convicted of the murder of a police in Harrisburg and Byrd killed Duff Hammond, a negro, in Steelton.

About a week ago Byrd slashed a keeper in Dauphin county jail in an effort to escape.

## Reading Man's Mind.

By watching a man's actions one can tell as plainly what is going on in his mind as a person can read a page of print, according to Dr. Henry Gaines Hawn, who is conducting a course of lectures at the chamber of commerce on the Kansas side. "Tell me the boyhood ambition of a man and I can tell you much of his character and desires," he said. "He may never have realized that ambition, may have spent his life in a far different business and met with success there, but his boyhood ambition tells the way his tastes run and he still likes the same things he admired then. Go into a courtroom and watch the two lawyers opposing each other and you can soon tell by the way they are questioning which fears for the safety of the case and which thinks himself on solid ground."—Kansas City Star.

## Roger Aschman.

Roger Aschman was a famous English scholar and author, born at Kirby Walske, near Northallerton, in 1515. He graduated at Cambridge, and struggled with poverty until patrons came to his relief. He was famous for his general knowledge and acquirements in Greek and Latin, and is classed among older literary men, with Edmund Spenser, Sir Thomas More and Sir Philip Sydney. His death, in London, on December 30, 1603, is said to have been occasioned by his too close application to the composition of a poem, which he intended to present to the queen on the anniversary of her accession.

## GIGANTIC FEATURE IS ADDED TO BIG CIRCUS.

### Ringling Bros., and Barnum & Bailey Program Includes Europe's Great Wild Animal Show.

With Europe's biggest trained animal show as one of many splendid features, the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Combined Shows will exhibit afternoon and night at Lewistown, Tuesday, May 31. This marvelous circus of 1921 offers the greatest congress of attractions in history. Without eliminating any of the thousand thrills produced by hundreds of the most skillful men and women performers, the Ringling Brothers have added, without additional charge, the most sensational of wild beast displays. Not only will you see the artists who occupy the three rings, five stages, the great hippodrome track and the aerial rigging in the tent top, but four spacious steel arenas filled with wild beasts as well. Tigers riding peacefully on the backs of elephants, black-maned African lions springing to and fro galloping horses, great troupes of polar bears walking ropes or playing at see-saw, leopards jumping through hoops of fire—these are some of the marvelous things that these wonderful animals do. While these beautiful creatures are under absolute control, they are presented only in great arenas of steel. Elsewhere in the main tent you will see camels performing much after the fashion of horses—an act never before presented anywhere. There are five troupes of trained seals, bevy of remarkable dogs, monkeys, pigs and pigeons. Twenty-six elephants will perform at one time. Others will do tricks at the top of high pedestals and others circle the entire tent, kicking footballs as they go. Splendid groups of trained stallions, Shetlands and menage horses form another feature. Aside from the dumb actors are fully 600 men and women stars, and nearly 200 clowns. A gorgeous tournament opens the program. The menagerie, which is entirely separate from the animals used in the circus performance, is the biggest ever traveled.

## New Law Protects Farmers.

Pennsylvania now has on its statute books what Secretary of agriculture Fred Rasmussen has characterized as the finest pure seed law of any State in the Union. The law was drawn up and presented to the Legislature by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, was passed by the law-makers and approved by Governor William C. Sproul on April 26th. Under its provisions the farmers of Pennsylvania are absolutely protected in the purchase of seed, while unscrupulous seed houses that for years have been dumping refuse labeled pure seed in this State will be forced to find markets elsewhere. All seed sold in this State after July 1st will have to be labeled, showing the exact contents, while no seed may be sold containing noxious weed seed. Briefly, the provisions of the new pure seed law, which is the first of its kind ever enacted in this State, follows: The law does not try to establish grades, but aims to have the seed labeled so that all essential information about it will be clearly shown and the buyer can then use his judgment. It requires information to be supplied on the following points:—Common name, percent of pure seed, percent of weed seed, the name and number per ounce of noxious weeds, the percentage of germination, and the seller's name and address. Varying requirements on these points are made for agricultural seeds, including vegetable seeds and mixtures of these. The intent of the labeling requirements is to see that the buyer always has an opportunity to know just what he is getting, and the label may be attached to the package, bag, box or other container in which it is sold, or fixed on the container from which it is sold. The act comes into force July 1, 1921. Seeds containing dodder and Canada thistles down to even a very small percent are prohibited from sale, and the sale of any seed with more than 3 percent of weed seeds is also prohibited. Provision is made for test of seed for germination and weed seed content for the public at a small charge (50¢ per sample). Exceptions to the labeling clauses relate to small amounts of seed, or seed that is to be re-cleaned before being sold for seed purposes. The secretary of agriculture is empowered to take samples of seed any where, to test these for germination and weed seed content and to publish the result of such tests. Penalty is provided for violation of the act. The act also provided for injunction against the sale of seeds that are a menace to the public on account of excessive weed seed content or of the presence of too large a percentage of noxious weed seed.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Mrs. J. A. Fortney, of Pine Grove Mills, was a visitor in Centre Hall last Friday. A new player piano has been placed in the home of James S. Reish, at Pottery Mills. An order of the Eastern Star was organized at Bellefonte last Tuesday evening. Fifty ladies signed as charter members. June 20 to 22, inclusive, are the dates for Centre Hall and community's Chautauqua. The time will be here before you realize it. You can get best quality brick, sand and salt at Bradford & Co.'s at the Centre Hall station. A carload of each has just been unloaded. Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan motored to State College on Friday to visit their little grandson, William Reish, who has been quite ill. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Reish, at State College, on Wednesday of last week. The child has been named Ruth Winitfred. Of the 124 students to be graduated in agriculture at the Pennsylvania State College in June, three are women. Upwards of twenty girls are studying agriculture at Penn State. William E. Arney, who since being removed from the Centre Hall station has been filling a position in the Lemont railroad office, has been transferred to the Millersburg station. The Tyrone Times, last week, contained this item: Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brooks and daughters Misses Frances and Florence, of Centre Hall, spent last Saturday with Tyrone friends. Paul Smith and Byres Ripka should have been included in the list of scholars in the grammar school who had perfect attendance records during the term just closed. Their names were inadvertently omitted from the "honor roll" last week. Forty-eight Pennsylvania newspapers were represented at the recent editors' and publishers' gathering at the Pennsylvania State College. Many papers had two and three representatives and all reported a fine time. Students supplied special entertainment. Miss Helen Foster, daughter of Dr. J. V. Foster, of State College, was taken to the Glenn Sanitarium Thursday morning, where an operation for appendicitis was performed by Dr. Locke, of Bellefonte. It was a serious case, but the patient is getting along nicely. Miss Laura Runkle submitted to an operation for the removal of her tonsils, in Altoona, the latter part of last week. She took with her Master William Confer, three-year-old son of Mrs. Florence Confer, who make their home with the J. W. Runkle family. The little fellow had a similar operation performed. Bazaar and Exchange sale will be held at the livery barn of D. Wagner Geiss, at Bellefonte, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month until further notice. Persons having articles for sale, including live stock, potatoes, produce, furniture, anything, bring it to the sale barn any time. Persons desiring such articles may buy on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. A bill passed by the recent session of the Legislature and signed by the Governor permits every city and borough to pass an ordinance prohibiting under severe penalty the sale and use of fireworks in the borough on the Fourth of July and at all other times. Many boroughs are preparing to pass such an ordinance at the very earliest moment. Miss Catherine Kane, a seventeen-year-old girl employed at the Bellefonte match factory, recently rescued Eddie Zong, aged two and one-half years, from drowning in Spring creek. The tot had wandered away from home and was in the stream in water about two and a half feet deep, and was being carried toward the falls when Miss Kane saw his plight and jumped in after him. Twenty-five convicts from the Eastern Penitentiary, at Philadelphia, under heavy guard, passed through Centre Hall on the L. and T. train enroute to the new State penitentiary at Rockview, one day last week, where they will assist in completing the structure. All the men are "short terms," with records for good behavior. As soon as arrangements can be made more prisoners will be sent to join them. Camp 889 P. O. S. of A. requests a full attendance at the regular meeting at Centre Hall, on May 19th, at which time final arrangements will have to be made for Memorial Day exercises. It is also requested that every member be in line of parade on the evening of May 30th. If not with the P. O. S. of A., then with some other organization of the town. Every member is also requested to go to Tusseyville in the forenoon and Sprucetown in the afternoon.