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WILL DEDICATE MARKER FOR "LOWER FORT OF PENNS VALLEY."

Dedicatory Services to Be Held Saturday Afternoon of Next Week in Wolfs Chapel Cemetery.—Prominent Men and Women to Participate.

Appropriate services for the dedication of the marker for the "Lower Fort of Penns Valley" will be held in Wolfs Chapel Cemetery, Saturday, September 17th (Constitution Day), at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The erection of the monument was made possible through the efforts of Col. Henry W. Shoemaker, who proposed the idea to the Bellefonte Chapter, D. A. R. Col. Shoemaker has been instrumental in preserving many similar historic landmarks throughout Pennsylvania.

PROGRAM OF SERVICES.

Historical address—Rev. J. J. Weaver, of Everett.
Address—T. H. Harter, of Bellefonte. Music by male quartette.
Address—Col. J. L. Spangler, of Bellefonte.
Reminiscences of the Old Fort—Dr. J. F. Bowersox, of Aaronsburg.
Dedication Poem—J. H. Chatterm, of McElhattan.
Music by male quartette.
Address—Mrs. E. E. Sparks, State Regent, D. A. R.
Presentation of the Marker by the Donors—Miss Helen E. C. Overton, Re-

gent Bellefonte Chapter, D. A. R., and Col. Henry W. Shoemaker, of McElhattan.

Unveiling Marker by Four Girls, Descendants of the Early Defenders of the Fort.

Acceptance address—L. W. Stover, of Millheim.

INSCRIPTION ON MARKER.

"One and one-half miles southeast of this spot, on the Adam Stover farm, stood the Lower Fort of Penns Valley, erected about 1776 for defense against the Indians. Several of the defenders and their families are buried in this cemetery."

"Erected by Bellefonte Chapter, D. A. R., and Col. H. W. Shoemaker, 1921."

The committee on dedication consists of the following: S. W. Gramley, Millheim, chairman; L. W. Stover, Millheim; C. D. Motz, Woodward; L. L. Weaver, Woodward; M. M. Bower, Aaronsburg; G. W. Hosterman, Aaronsburg; W. T. Winkleblech, Coburn; D. F. Bowersox, Aaronsburg; Dr. C. S. Musser, Aaronsburg; Hasten Long, Woodward.

FREED OF MURDER CHARGE.

Hoffman, on Trial for Slaughtering Young Rhoades Girl, Acquitted by Jury.

After less than two hours' deliberation, a Millifin county jury returned a verdict of not guilty, at Lewistown, late Friday, in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Russell Hoffman, charged with murder, in shooting Miss Irma Rhoades, 14, near the Hoffman farm house on the night of April 27, at which time the Hoffmans allege, the victim and her brother, Reed Rhoades, were in the act of stealing an automobile.

Russell Hoffman admitted firing the fatal shot in a confession on April 29, but claimed he fired at the command of his father, John H. Hoffman. The father and son were indicted jointly, but the son later was granted his constitutional right of being tried separately, and made his defense, "obedience to his father's commands."

The father has been admitted to \$2000 bail and returned home with the son. It is doubtful if the father is ever brought to trial.

Union County Fair.

The Union county fair will be held at Lewisburg, October 25, 26, 27, and 28. Something for each member of the family.

Amusements of all kinds for the children. Ladies, come and see how other people make their cakes, pies and dresses. For the men there are cattle of all kinds, and good horse racing for everyone, with free amusements between the races.

Different band each day. The buildings are new and improved, the track was never better. A special invitation to race horse owners, as we have the best half mile track in the State of Pennsylvania.—Secretary.

THE DEATH RECORD.

MEYERS.—The remains of Mrs. Elizabeth Meyers, wife of W. H. Meyers, were interred in the Boalsburg cemetery Monday of last week, her death having occurred at Millheim Friday previous. She was a daughter of Samuel and Margaret Campbell, both deceased, and was born at Boalsburg, July 9, 1861, and was therefore 60 years, 1 month and 17 days old at the time of her death.

She was married twice, the first time to Samuel H. Weaver, of Oak Hall, to which union the following children survive: John H. Weaver, of Milesburg; Mrs. Joseph W. Reifsnnyder and Mrs. T. B. Ulrich, of Millheim; Samuel P. Weaver, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. A. J. Gensler, of Harrisburg.

Twenty-seven years ago she was united in marriage with Wm. H. Myers and most of their married life was spent in Millheim. To this union two sons were born, Paul W. and Meri E., both of Millheim.

Six brothers and sisters also survive: William F. Campbell, of Erie; Edward Campbell, of Lock Haven; Mrs. William H. Hoy, of Geneva, O.; Luther and George Campbell, of State College, and Robert Campbell, of Pennsylvania Furnace.

"I've just had my life insured for \$5,000," said the husband. "That's sensible," replied the wife. "Now I won't have to be telling you to be so very careful wherever you go."

FOR SALE.—Nice large heater, in good condition, reasonable terms. Apply to Mrs. Henry Gingerich, Linden Hall, Pa.

WOULD PROTECT THE FARMER.

Potter Township Farmer Hopes to Form Organization Which Would Protect Farmer in Buying.

[Written by John Snavely, Centre Hall.] Farmers, do you ever consider what kind of a country this would be to live in if all the business would be done on an unconditional sale basis? There are very few people so well informed in buying the necessities and commodities that make up every day life but what they would be at the mercy of the seller some time or other, and if we had no system of buying whereby the buyer should receive value for the cash or exchange he gives for the commodity he bargains for, and would be denied the right to determine whether or not he is getting value for the outlay of cash or exchange, then the buying conditions would indeed be deplorable.

Some years ago I became the owner of a tractor on a claim of an unconditional sale. When I bargained for this tractor I was given the second call by a local dealer and two salesmen. The time consumed was one-half day. All the things said this tractor would do would fill a book. Tractor was claimed to have a lubricating system that could not fail; claimed to outclass all other tractors.

They gained my confidence by saying "it must be right or we will not let you keep it; we do not let machinery out that does not give satisfactory service; a satisfied customer is our best advertiser, and a dissatisfied customer does us more harm than good."

After twelve hours use the tractor lubricating system failed and put tractor out of commission. After giving many conflicting statements why lubricator failed, six months afterwards sellers repaired tractor. By that time I had made a thorough study of lubricator from drawings and specifications furnished by the manufacturer and I found that the claim that it could not fail was entirely too strong, but I did learn that it was a very well made mechanical sight feed lubricator with pumps to send pure oil to such parts that are difficult to lubricate and where perfect lubrication is a necessity. Pure oil being much superior as a lubricant to oils that have been used or become diluted with kerosene, and made sight feed so the operator can at all times see whether or not they are working properly, and they can then be adjusted so as to use the minimum amount of oil, making it more economical to operate; but unfortunately it was so located on this tractor that the operator could not see the lubricator while operating tractor unless he would remove hood off tractor and walk alongside tractor. This did not appear sane or practical to me, so I refused to pay for the tractor, and seller appealed to the court, claiming an unconditional sale. One of the salesmen who helped to work this tractor off on me testified that it "was not an unconditional sale he never made any, and he said he made many. The manufacturers of this tractor boast of a very superior service they give through their great organization of branch houses and dealers. Their confidence men and dealers also make this "service" a strong talking point and I considered I was not getting my share of this service, and I wanted to read one of their advertisements before court, but was not allowed to do so. The seller's attorney declared that they did not repair this tractor because they were under obligations to do so, but repaired it just so I would be satisfied.

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Millinery notice.

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MYRA KIMPORT.

Millheim Veteran Dies in Ohio.

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Mr. Weiser was a son of late Samuel Weiser and was born in Millheim. He was a member of Company A, 14th regiment.

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Farmer Struck Dead by Lightning.

William Clark, aged forty-four years, a well known Northumberland county farmer, was struck and instantly killed by a bolt of lightning while at work in his cornfield Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. In company with a hired man he was gathering sweet corn when an approaching storm was seen. The hired man asked him to return to the house but Mr. Clark said that they would work until the rain started.

When a short distance away from his employer the hired man saw a brilliant flash of lightning envelop him. Mr. Clark fell and when the hired man reached him he was dead. Most of his clothing was stripped from his body and a blue mark showed the course of the bolt.

Arrested on Grave Charge.

Ernest Patton, aged 20 years, of near Belleville, was arrested by Sheriff M. A. Davis and Railroad Officer J. M. Dockey Tuesday evening, 8:30 o'clock, on the charge of aggravated assault and battery and rape committed against Mrs. Addie Hooley, of near Belleville, two weeks ago in her wash house at her home while engaged in washing clothes.

The two officers made the arrest at the home of Mrs. W. O. Lantz, the mother of young Patton. Mrs. Lantz has only one arm, being born with her left arm off at its elbow.

Patton was taken before Mrs. Hooley who identified him as the man who made the criminal assault upon her. Patton made a confession of his guilt to Sheriff Davis and Officer Dockey.

MILLHEIM.

From The Journal. Ex-Sheriff Brungart, of Center Hall, has a crew of stone masons at work building a new wall for a house to replace the one destroyed by fire on his farm east of Wolfs Store.

Ge vis E. Stover, who is still undergoing treatment in a Philadelphia hospital for a wound suffered in battle in France, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stover, near Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Maize and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Johnson, of near Freeport, Illinois, who were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Maize, for about a month, started on the return trip by auto, Tuesday.

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Tate-Meyers.

On last Thursday, at the Reformed parsonage in Boalsburg, Samuel H. Tate and Miss Mable P. Myers, both of Pine Grove Mills, were united in marriage by Rev. S. C. Stover. They were attended by A. L. Burwell and Miss Ruth Swabb. Immediately after the ceremony they left in their touring car for cities west, ending with Pittsburgh.

These parties are well and favorably known in the community. After their return they will be at home at State College.

Baseball Games.

Last Thursday, at the Rebersburg community picnic, the Spring Mills baseball team defeated Rebersburg by the one-sided score of 19 to 3. Gramley and Winegardner formed the battery for Spring Mills, and Mallory pitched for Rebersburg.

At State College, on Saturday afternoon, a team composed of Millheim and Spring Mills players, defeated the College team by a 6-2 score. Batteries were: For Millheim, Winegardner and Kessler; for College, Krumrine and Spicer.

This Is Some Hen

Some chicken! That's what they all exclaim when they hear Edwin F. Garman speak of the eccentricities of a white Leghorn hen that is kept at the Garman country home at Edgefonte, near Bellefonte. This particular fowl has a habit of laying daily. That alone is a habit worth while. But it has a far more interesting habit. It likes to lay the egg on a rocking chair on a porch at the Garman home. A pet cat has taken a liking to the same chair and is often peacefully resting when biddy comes to the nest. It is amusing to watch proceedings when the chicken finds the cat in the nest, but biddy always wins the day and makes the cat retreat until she lays a typical white Leghorn egg.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Harry F. Hubler, of Lock Haven, was strolling over the Park, on Sunday, greeting old friends.

Thomas S. Foss, of Altoona, is assisting F. P. Geary during the rush this week in the barber shop.

Carl A. Auman, of Steubenville, Ohio, spent a few days with his parents in Centre Hall, during the Encampment and Fair week.

Miss Adaline McClenahan, of Baltimore, Maryland, spent a few days during the week enjoying herself with her many associates.

Henry Ford announces another reduction of approximately \$63.00 on the price of a touring car. It takes Henry to show the way.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Devine, of Washington, D. C., are guests at the home of the latter's father, S. P. Henning, in Centre Hall. Mr. Devine is an ex service man and is now on the National Capital police force. The couple will stay in Centre Hall over the week.

A half dozen or more small children of Centre Hall were taken to the Bellefonte hospital last week for the removal of their tonsils and for other corrections which will fit them for better school work. The children were removed under the direction of the Red Cross organization.

Mrs. Rodger T. Bayard, of Tyrone, and Mrs. (Rev.) W. C. Dunlap, of Reading, daughters of the late Hon. L. Rhone, are spending the week on the Park. Mr. Bayard was here on Sunday and Monday, while Rev. Dunlap spent a few days previous to the opening of the fair on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bradford, of Phoenixville, accompanied by two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Auman—Mrs. George Wisneski and Mrs. Samuel Walters—and their husbands and families, formed an auto party who drove to Centre Hall beginning of the week to enjoy the picnic with relatives and friends.

Capt. W. H. Fry, of Pine Grove Mills, visited the Reporter office on Monday, being in town to arrange a few details in connection with the reunion of the old "vets" on Wednesday. The Captain remarked that in looking over his records recently, he discovered that 36 comrades passed to their reward since the gathering last year.

The handsome new furniture store of F. V. Goodhart, at the lower end of town, is attracting considerable attention, due to an attractive window display, which is constantly changing, suggesting something new in household furniture. We have a slight suspicion that the good taste of Mrs. F. V. G. is reflected in the various window arrangements.

It is estimated that 80,000 ballots will be required for the Sept. 20th election in Centre county, which is many thousands in excess of the requirements of any previous election. The great number necessary is due to the women voting and to the fact that a special election will be held the same day to elect a Congressman-at-Large and also to decide whether or not a Constitutional Convention shall be held in 1922.

Murder Trial at September Term of Court.

For the first time in many years the Centre County court will have a murder trial at the September Term. The charge is against Frank Benedict, who has been held in the county jail without bail since the death, June 25, of Raymond Shaw, a young married man of near Philipsburg. As will be recalled by our readers, Shaw and Benedict quarrelled in front of a Philipsburg hotel and the latter shot him, the result being that Shaw died in the Cottage State hospital the following morning. Benedict is charged with murder and has admitted he fired the shot which killed Shaw. However, he claims the shot was fired to protect himself from possible harm.

The September Term of Court will begin Monday, Sept. 26, with Judge Henry C. Quigley, presiding. It promises to be an unusually interesting term.

Some other cases scheduled for trial are: William Austin and Sylvester Jones, of Philipsburg, charged with pointing and wantonly discharging a pistol. John V. Matia, of Spring Twp., charged with forgery. Charles Workman, of Mingoville, charged with violating a section of the state automobile laws.

John Polnce, of Spring Twp., charged with cruelty to animals. Geo. Bordis and sister, Susie Bordis, of Rush Twp., charged with highway robbery.

Inspect Potato Crop.

About one dozen Centre county farmers and friends went to Lehigh county last week and inspected some of the big potato farms in that section. They found many remarkable yields, one field having an estimate crop outlook of 525 bushels to the acre.

THOSE WHO ARE SPENDING THE WEEK UNDER CANVAS ON GRANGE PARK.

Camping Feature of the Grange Fair Continues to Grow in Popularity.—Many Occupied Tents Several Days Before Actual Opening of Fair.

If you want to find your friends this week you will likely find their address to be: "Rhone avenue, Tent No. 22, Grange Park," or some such designation, for the greater part of Centre Hall and community folks are encamped at Grange Park this week, enjoying a week of real pleasure, with all care tossed to the winds. You will notice, too, that their address is the same as last year, for very few changes are made from year to year, tentholders fearing to give up their tents, lest in their desire to secure some better location on the park they lose their tent altogether, for the camping feature of the fair is where the real enjoyment of the week lies, and each year new tents must be bought to meet the ever-increasing demand. A dozen or more were added this year, bringing the total considerably over 200.

Tents were occupied earlier in the week this year than ever before. Look over the list and see who of your friends will be "at home" on Grange Park this week.

CENTRE HALL.

Jacob Sharer, D. K. Keller, D. L. Barts, George Gingerich, A. H. Spayd, L. M. Arney, V. A. Auman, Charles Bartholomew, W. D. Barts, George Benner, Mrs. Flora Bairfoot, Mrs. Frank Bradford, Grace Smith, Richard Brooks, J. C. Brooks, Jewett Brooks, Joseph Bitner, Robert Bloom, Cleve Brungart, D. A. Boozer, Morris Burkholder, William Cloyer, Mrs. Samuel Durst, T. H. Delaney, John Delaney, George Emerick, C. F. Emery, Mrs. Wm. Fetterolf, Frank Fisher, W. F. Keller, Harry Fye, James Goodhart, Frank Goodhart, Roy Garbrick, Wilbur Henney, George Heckman, Clemon Luse, John Heckman, Henry Homan, Wm. Homan, Foster Jordan, John Knarr, Mrs. George Long, Perry Luse, Harry McClenahan, Thomas Moore, John Moore, Clarence Musser, Mrs. Mary Neff, Charles Neff, W. R. Neff, E. S. Ripka, W. F. Rishel, Isabel Rowe, Elmer Royer, Bruce Runkle, Scouts, J. Fred Slack, C. M. Smith, L. L. Smith, Thomas Smith, The Centre Reporter, James S. Stahl, Alvin Stump, Grover Weaver, John Zerby, Andrew Zettle, Maxion Yarnell.

SPRING MILLS.

Clarence Albright, Cleve Eangard, C. G. Decker, Mrs. Frank Tate, Mrs. C. B. Stover, Chas. Krape, E. T. Jamison, D. W. Sweetwood, R. E. Sweetwood, Mrs. C. P. Long, Dr. Braucht, T. M. Gramley, Gross Shook, C. J. Finkle, Edward Lochner, Mrs. Jonas Boal, George McCormick, Frank Musser, Harry Ulrich, Paul Bradford, Mrs. F. Frazier, Mrs. Ida Miller, Harry McClellan.

STATE COLLEGE.

John Dale, R. L. Watts, Edward Glenn, John Glenn, Cornelius Musser, Mrs. J. L. Musser, Red Cross, C. B. Confer, Mrs. Annie Edmonson.

REBERSBURG.

W. J. Hackenburg, S. L. Gephart.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Who put the "hard" in the Harding times?
Farmers who sowed their wheat last week did it in a cloud of dust.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay B. Bramhall, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are spending the week with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Sweetwood.

The Millheim business men made their annual auto tour on Monday (Labor Day). The trip was to Huntingdon, via Lewistown and Belleville, and home.

Dr. H. F. Bitner, of Lewisburg, and his son, Lawrence Bitner, of Boston, Mass., were visitors in town last Wednesday and favored the Reporter with a call.

Many Centre county people will have their first opportunity today (Thursday) to hear Dr. Thomas, the new president of Pennsylvania State College, speak. The auditorium on Grange Park is where he will appear, together with John McSparran, head of the State Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Hackert, of Morgansza, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barts, of Millheim, were brief callers at this office on Thursday of last week. Mr. Hackert is an officer in the Pennsylvania Industrial school, at Morgansza, and Mrs. Hackert is a house lady in one of the cottages connected with the institution.

PLEASANT GAP.

Virgie Bilger, Lee Brooks, Simon Dugan, Gomer Dunkleberger, Walter Dunkleberger, Marion Gettig, Nettie Gill, Mrs. John Herman, J. Gill, Mrs. Frank Irvin, Thomas Jodon, Mrs. John Noll, Sannel Reish, Annie Rimmey, Fred Herman.

BELLEFONTE.

Harry Alters, Willard Dale, H. W. Dry, A. C. Grove, D. A. Grove, Adam Hoover, S. H. Hoy, Jacob Hoy, Harry Ishler, D. M. Kline, Frank Musser, S. I. Poorman, J. N. Robinson, Henry Searly, John Shuey, James Sommers, John Benner, Mrs. Wm. Straub, Rocky, Smith and Austin; Thomas Weaver, Chas. Zettle, Lawrence Meeker, D. L. Shuey.

BOALSBURG.

Howard Bricker, Grant Charles, R. B. Coxie, Sara Shuey, Mrs. W. H. Stover, Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. Charles.

OAK HALL.

Luther Dale, Mrs. Nannie Gilliland, Mrs. W. Korman, Rose Louder, Mrs. Arthur Peters, Mrs. Chas. Whitehill, Claude Whitehill.

LINDEN HALL.

W. T. Noll.

LEMONT.

Grace Bradford, Mrs. F. W. Evey, Wm. Houtz, Dale Shuey, Mrs. Frank Whitehill.

WARRIORSMARK.

H. G. Ebbis.

JUNIATA.

W. A. Wagner.

TYRONE.

Mrs. R. T. Bayard, Katherine Moore.

PORT MATILDA.

C. B. Pringle.

ZION.

John Eby, Clyde Hockman.

NITTANY.

B. Blanche Condo, Jas. W. Decker, Miss Holmes, Alta Rearick.

BLANCHARD.

Mrs. T. B. Kunes.

HOWARD.

George N. Hoy, John C. Hoy, A. W. Woomer.

RENOVO.

Samuel Welsh, Mrs. R. W. Adams, Williamsport.

WILLIAMSPORT.

A. I. Bloom.

SUNBURY.

J. B. McCormick, Mr. Van Buskirk, Mr. Snyder.

PENNSYLVANIA FURNACE.

Mrs. S. D. Peterson, Nancy McWilliams.

NORTHUMBERLAND.

Rene Bastian, Mary Dirk.

MILLHEIM.

John Neese, Lida Colyer, Ira Gramley, Wm. Shelton, Russel Hosterman.

COBURN.