

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Centre Hall and Linden Hall baseball teams will cross bats at Linden Hall on Saturday afternoon.

The borough High school report, in this issue, contains an unique record. See if you can find what it is.

Rev. M. C. Drumm attended a meeting of the Lutheran conference at Loganton beginning of this week.

Zeigler Bros., of Reedsville, are doing considerable work in town. They call your attention to an ad. in this issue.

Miss Eliza Moore, who had been ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Moore, in Centre Hall, is very much improved.

The Centre Hall Reformed church was represented at the classes of the Reformed church at Lewisburg, beginning of this week, by Frank M. Fisher.

The undersigned takes this means to extend heartfelt thanks to all who gave assistance during the time that death saddened the home.—Mrs. B. F. Reish.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a "Bake" sale, consisting of pies, cakes, etc., on Saturday afternoon and evening, May 27th, at the store room of T. L. Smith.

Monday morning John Kramer began the construction of the foundation wall for the extension of the Reporter building, to be used by The First National Bank. The addition will be built of brick.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cummings, of Woodlawn, are visiting home friends in Millheim and Aronsburg. Mr. Cummings is employed in the Woodlawn postoffice and has been granted a two weeks' vacation.

Misses Ruth Osman and Velma Cooke, of Glen Iron have been spending the past week at the C. W. Slack home in Centre Hall. On Sunday evening they were delightfully entertained at the W. A. Odenkirk home.

William Bradford and family, of Phoenixville, were in Centre Hall among friends, over Sunday. On their return they took with them Mrs. Geo. W. Bradford, mother of the former, who will stay with them for an indefinite time.

A pair of three-year-old colts are now being driven by Harry C. Reish. Last spring he purchased a pair of Western horses and a few weeks ago one of them died. The remaining animal was dealt to Irvin Kent, in the Tyrone district, for the colts.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Millheim town council Albert H. Stover was elected a member of council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. R. Miller. Burgess F. E. Gutelius was present and administered the oath to the new member.

The Penns Valley Banking Company is having the exterior of the bank building painted. George W. Long, of Penns Cave, is doing the work. Dr. G. I. Yearick is also having the brush used on the exterior of his residence, the artist being Philip S. Brady, Mr. Yearick's son-in-law.

The Justice's decision in the case of George H. Emerick, implement dealer, and Clarence Miller, farmer, was that the latter was to pay the former \$16.00 and costs of the suit. Mr. Emerick had sued for \$82.00 for a gang plow, which Mr. Miller claimed did not work to his satisfaction. The \$16.00 was for use of the plow while in trial.

Three tiny little foxes were carried about Centre Hall, on Saturday evening, by Frank White, son of H. A. White, farmer east of town. The little animals were pretty and altogether innocent and were much unlike Reynard the fox in general characteristics. They were, however, real foxes and were captured in a nest in a tree trunk at night time.

In addition to those mentioned last week as having attended the funeral of B. F. Reish, near Spring Mills, were these: Mrs. Lavina Stump, of Tyrone; John Stump, of Bellefonte; Frank and Harry Stump, of State College; Miss Daisy Reish, of Lock Haven; Mrs. Frances Ulrich, of Millheim; Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Lewisburg; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Stover, of Millheim.

Before this issue went to press inquiry was made at the First National Bank, Bellefonte, whether the Centre County Bank, Bellefonte, had issued a statement as to its financial condition and procedure to close its affairs, and the reply came that it had not. Charles M. McCurdy, president of the First National, and John M. Blanchard, Esq., have the books of the closed bank in charge and are endeavoring to find the bank's liabilities and assets.

**GREGG TOWNSHIP VOCATIONAL SCHOOL**

**Makes Good Showing at the Centre County Track Meet.—The Winners.**

With a comparatively small number of entries the boys and girls of the Vocational School ran up a total of 43 points, tying State College High school for second place, and finishing nine points behind Bellefonte, the winner in Class A. Eugene Slegal and Blaine Malone were the individual stars for the Spring Mills team, the former winning first place in the broad jump, with 19 feet, 3 inches, first in the 220 yard dash, and third in the 440 yard dash. The latter won second in the mile and first in the half-mile.

The following is the list of point winners and the events in which they won:

Eugene Slegal—First high jump, first 220 yard dash, third 440 yard dash.  
Blaine Malone—First half-mile run; second mile run.  
Jacob Bartsge—Third for first place high jump; second baseball throw.  
Maurice Zettle—Second 8-lb. shot.  
Guy Corman—Third baseball throw.  
The boys' relay team which won third place was composed of Blaine Malone, Maurice Zettle, Jacob Bartsge, and Eugene Slegal.

The winners in the girls' events were Mary Corman, 2nd 50 yard dash; Renna Heckman, 2nd baseball throw; the girls' relay team which won second place was composed of Mary Corman, Iona Hosterman, Mary Bright and Nona Wagner.

Due to a misunderstanding among the judges as to what constitutes a walk, Ethel Musser, who finished first, was disqualified.

The meet was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the school hopes to have a larger and better meet next year.

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Charles Stump returned from Finneywood, Virginia, where he spent the winter, on Saturday, and is now working on the bank improvements.

Charles Dunlap, of Williamsport, visited his brother-in-law, Simon P. Hennigh, in Centre Hall on Monday and Tuesday. From here he went to State College.

Miss Romie Snyder, daughter of Mrs. Ida Snyder, of Millheim, for a few days was a guest of friends in Centre Hall. She came here in company with Mr. and Mrs. Ruhl, of Laurelton, who visited Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Fisher.

Harry F. Bitner, son of Dr. H. F. Bitner, of Lewisburg, formerly of Centre Hall, who for a number of years was connected with the editorial department of the Pittsburgh Press, is now located in Detroit, Michigan, and holds a similar position on the leading daily in that city.

**ZEALOUS OPPONENT OF DYES**

**Objection Made by English Quaker Was That They Led to Contamination of Dirt.**

John Woolman, the Quaker, refused to wear any clothing that had been dyed. He carried his scruples so far that he wore a hat that was of the natural color of the fur, thereby presenting, as one of his biographers remarks, the aspect of a sort of Robin Crusoe. One of John Woolman's objections to dyes was that they concealed dirt. Traveling often in wet weather through narrow streets, he was frequently distressed by various impurities—especially when his journeys took him to places where cloth had been dyed, so that at sundry times he had to "walk over ground where much of their dyestuffs had drained away." This produced in his mind a great longing "that people might come into cleanness of spirit, cleanness of person and cleanness about their houses and garments." As a further reason against dyes he argued that the spirit that would hide dirt leads to the concealment of anything that may be materially or morally disagreeable, and is therefore contrary to sincerity. He contended that if the money spent on dyeing were devoted to the promotion of cleanness much good in every way would result.

**Carrier Pigeons in Warfare.**

The use of carrier pigeons is very ancient in the Orient and was brought to the attention of Europe at the time of the First crusade, when the Saracens were found to have the birds in regular use for the conveyance of information. The Christian commanders employed falcons to chase and intercept this pigeon post on several occasions, and on others caught the tired birds, substituted misleading messages for those they were carrying, and sent them on to deceive the enemy. The Mohammedan sovereign Nureddin used carrier pigeons for welding together the scattered parts of his empire. Although the use continued, it was not until the Franco-Prussian war of 1870 that pigeons were again of conspicuous public service. During the siege of Paris constant communication was maintained between the besieged city and the outside world by means of the carrier birds. Subsequently the German, French and other European governments established regular pigeon corps and thousands of birds were trained and kept for use as messengers.

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Although Yorktown has a population of less than two hundred, it has two banks, both of which are working in what are probably the two oldest buildings used for banks in America. One of these banks, operating under state and trust company laws, is housed in the historic oldest customhouse built in America—erected in 1715. Here the ships for Philadelphia were once compelled to enter and clear. Here at one time was the gathering place of the financiers of the early colonists. Wall street has taken away the financiers, but has left the same old building with its same old walls of English brick, some 24 by 40 feet square and two stories high.

**WEDDED AT GRAVE'S EDGE**

**Remarkable Ceremony by Which Philadelphia Jews Hoped to Stop Ravages of Influenza.**

With the hope of protecting the orthodox Russian Jews in Philadelphia from further ravages of the influenza epidemic two Hebrews were married at the first line of graves in the Jewish cemetery a few months ago. More than 1,200 Russian Jews watched the rabbi perform the wedding ceremony.

When the couple were pronounced man and wife, the orthodox among the spectators filed solemnly past the couple and made them presents of money in sums ranging from ten cents to a hundred dollars, according to the means and circumstances of the donor, until more than \$1,000 had been given.

After the last offering the bride and bridegroom walked to the greensward farther from the graves, where a wedding feast was quickly spread from the two truckloads of food that others of the faithful had provided.

The marriage in a cemetery, with the idea of warding off the ravages of an epidemic, is a revival of a custom that has prevailed for hundreds of years among the Jews in the heart of Russia. When Russia was swept by cholera several centuries ago Jews died by the hundreds. Panic seized them, and they called a council of elders and rabbis, who decided that the affliction of God should be called to the attention of their fellows if the most humble man and woman among them should join in marriage in the presence of the dead.

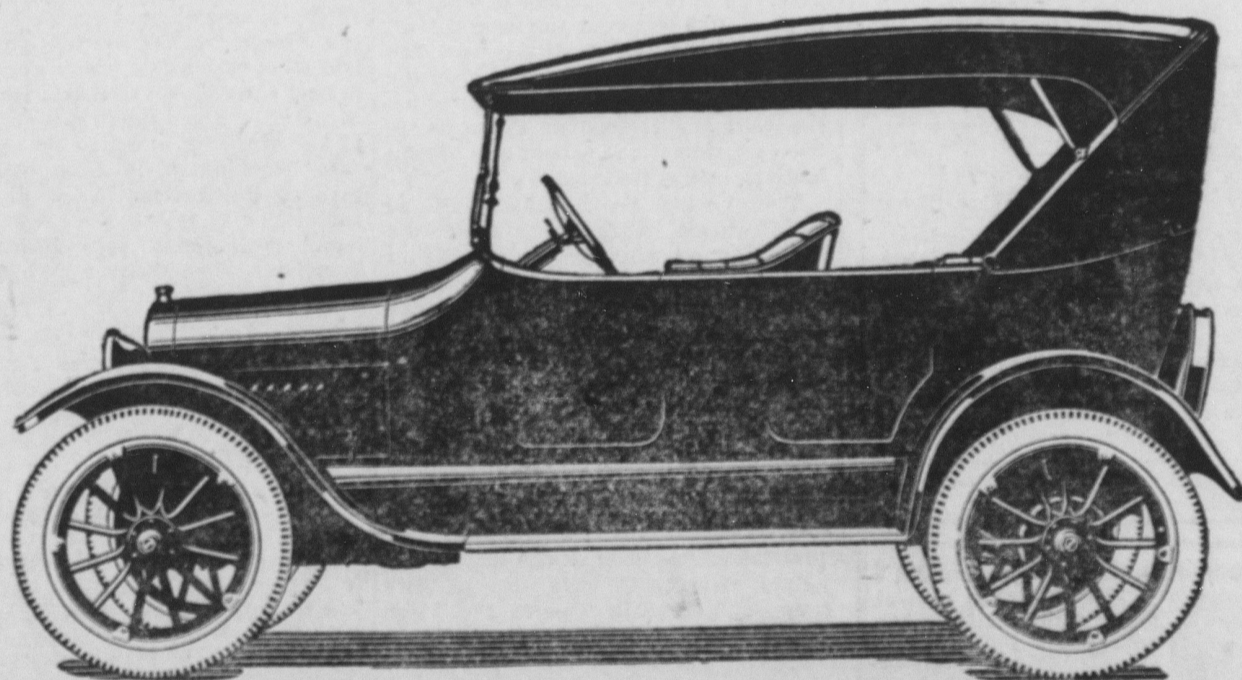
So they asked a young man and a woman, who were unknown to each other and who were without wealth, to marry in order to save their fellows from the cholera scourge. The young people agreed, and the ceremony was performed. According to the tradition, the ravages of the cholera subsided within three days.—Youth's Companion.

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