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XIV BROOD OF CICADA.

Oldest Known Brood of the 17-Year Locust Has Made Its Appearance.

The periodic Cicada, better known to the average person as the 17-year locust, has again made its appearance in very large numbers in almost all sections of Centre county.

The visitation of the locust in Pennsylvania will be confined principally to an area running through the center of the state, bounded on the west by the counties of Bedford, Blair, Centre, Clinton and Potter, and on the east by an irregular line bordering the counties of Chester, Berks, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Luzerne, Columbia, Lycoming and Tioga.

This particular brood of the Cicada, the XIV, is the oldest one known in America, as it is the brood that was reported by the Plymouth colonists in 1634. It is, however, only the second largest brood in size. The one that last appeared in 1919 is larger in point of numbers. This year's appearance of No. XIV brood is the seventeenth of which there is any record. The infestation will extend from Massachusetts to Illinois and as far south as North Carolina and Tennessee.

The periodic Cicada does no real damage except to fruit trees. Damage done by the female in laying her eggs when she selects a tender twig and punctures it with an awl-like ovipositor wherever an egg is to be deposited. With a large number of these punctures in a space of a few inches the twig is weakened, and if it must carry a heavy load of fruit before the wound heals over it may break under the strain.

Six or seven weeks after the eggs are laid in the twig the young emerge and drop to the ground, burrowing down and attaching themselves to the roots of the tree, and getting sustenance from the sap.

With each appearance of any given brood of the Cicada a lessening of numbers is noticed. This is due to the cutting off of the forests, for with a scarcity of tender twigs in which to deposit eggs and fewer roots to which the young may attach themselves, perpetuation is decreased.

Dr. Becht State School Superintendent.

Governor Pinchot's failure to induce Superintendent Finegan to enter into a conspiracy to circumvent the State constitution, resulted in the appointment of Dr. J. George Becht, who accepted the place under the conditions Dr. Finegan said would subject him to impeachment.

Pinchot managed to offer Finegan re-appointment under conditions no self-respecting man could accept, and in that way got rid of him. The acceptance of Pinchot's string to the Becht appointment gives the governor control of the school management in Pennsylvania, for as soon as Becht asserts himself the string will be jerked, and out goes Becht. Under this procedure Pennsylvania will have no fixed public school policy for some time to come—probably none during the Pinchot administration.

Influence of Good Roads.

Associated with the extraordinary rapid development of the automobile and the motor truck within the last few years has come a nation-wide awakening to the necessity of good roads. Incidentally, the building of good roads carries with it a standard of higher living, economic advancement, and growth in educational and other departments of life.

The road which is almost impassable in winter because of unfathomable mud is no longer countenanced if there seems the slightest possibility of bettering it. On the other hand, the well-built highway exercises an influence far more than economic upon the community through which it runs, lifting the people literally out of ruts of mental and social stagnation.

Two Cows Killed by Lightning.

Lightning struck a chestnut tree, above State College, and killed two cows standing under it belonging to S. David Shlegel. A third cow was badly burned on the side, but it is thought she will recover. Insurance is held in the Farmers Mutual Company, and an adjustment was made F. M. Fisher, secretary.

The American flag is being put to an improper use by a Millheim organization, no doubt the result of thoughtlessness. The Stars and Stripes were never intended to mark foul lines.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Adam H. Krumrine, et ux, to Martin W. Lessee, tract in State College; \$675.
Caroline Maize's heirs to Joshua Rossman, tract in Aronsburg; \$1,800.
Tammie L. Keller to John Wilson, tract in Linden Hall; \$2,000.
Tammie L. Keller, et al, to John Wilson, tract in Linden Hall; \$1,

WATCHERS AND DOERS.

Learn to Think and Be Able to Meet the Exigencies of Life.

The head of a big corporation once said that he preferred to hire boys that come from the country, because they had more initiative. Their experience had developed their resourcefulness. Such a boy, he said, is constantly being out "on his own" and he has to think out ways to get out of difficulties. He goes out in a field and his cart breaks down and he has to get it going again all by himself. "A city boy, he thought, does not get that chance to develop resourcefulness.

There are many mechanical workers who can not make a single adjustment on any machine or tool. The moment anything goes wrong they have to summon a foreman or other workman to make it go. A fellow of that type is not going to be marked for quick promotion.

Young people have too much tendency nowadays to spend time watching others do things. Many of those who attend schools or colleges instead of doing things themselves, just sit on bleacher seats and watch the athletes play. This develops no power of their own. The many young people who spend too much time in attending shows and entertainments are exposed to the same tendency. Instead of cultivating some talent of their own and acquiring larger powers they do too much watching of other people's performances.

School and college life ought to give every young person some personal outlet for expression, something each one can do for himself that will arouse his ambition and make him think and act for himself. There are too many watchers in the world and not enough doers.

The exigencies of life can be met only by learning to think. Not great dreamy far-away thoughts such as so many young people think, but plain practical thoughts about meeting the exigencies of life. The modern young person needs more practice in overcoming the difficulties and sizing up the situations of every day life.

Touring Notes from Mr. and Mrs. George E. Meyer.

(Saturday noon, June 9th).
At this writing we are at a little town by the name of Dyer, about 30 miles south-east of Chicago. We have been having good roads all the way through Ohio. The roads through Indiana are not so good. Just now we are on concrete road—the Lincoln highway.

We have been camping at nights, but one night we stayed at the Arlington hotel at Toledo, Ohio, on account of rain. Last evening we met a car of tourists from Quakertown, Pa., and we both camped on the same grounds. They are on their way to California, and expect to locate there.

Yesterday afternoon we went thru the Studebaker automobile plant at South Bend, Ind. The output of this plant now is 370 cars per day. The way the work is done is too great to tell on paper.

We spent one night with Mrs. Ezra Breen, before marriage Miss Mary Lee, of Boalsburg. At Columbus, O., the weather changed from extreme heat to cold. We are both well and finding pleasure on our way.

County S. S. Convention.

The annual convention of the Centre County Sunday School Association will be held in Orliston, June 27 and 28. All schools should arrange for delegates at once. Seven o'clock a. m. bus leaves Bellefonte to meet first train at Mill Hall. No registration.

Pastors and superintendents are expected.

Six Bears for Seven Mountains.

A large black bear was liberated on Thursday of last week in the State Game Refuge, No. 9, located in the vicinity of the Big Kettle, in the Seven Mountains district. Another one was received at Lewistown Friday evening and was liberated Saturday in the same refuge, making a total of six, the full quota for this refuge. Two more have been shipped and are expected daily to be liberated in the Licking Creek Preserve. This will make four bears liberated in that preserve and comprising its full quota for propagation purposes this season.

Game warden R. E. McCoy and Jesse Haminger are in charge of the transportation and liberation. They have also received several consignments of ring-necked pheasants during the past week, which they have placed in the care of sportsmen for propagation.

Portland Cement.

Alpha Portland cement is a reliable material for all kinds of construction work. Order your supply now.—Wm. McClenahan, Centre Hall, adv.

LASKER'S "MILLION DOLLAR JOY RIDE."

Shipping Board Head Does Not Take Administration Economy Announcement Seriously.

The pretense of the Republican administration that it is practicing economy apparently has not fooled Albert D. Lasker, Chairman of the Shipping Board. Chairman Lasker's intimate association with President Harding may have led him to regard the utterances of the Chief Executive, including his economy preachments, as purely Pickwickian. While other "best minds" among Republican leaders were putting out economy propaganda, Chairman Lasker was planning and is about to carry out what has been called a "million dollar joy-ride" on the Shipping Board vessel Leviathan in southern waters. Invitations were sent to 600 prospective guests for this delightful junket at public expense.

In a manner of speaking this is a sort of celebration of Mr. Lasker's retirement from the Shipping Board, and considered solely in this light, the junket is probably worth what it will cost. One confession of his incompetence and his recklessness in wasting public monies was the attempted passage of the Ship Subsidy bill which would have disposed of the Shipping Board vessels at a nominal cost and have levied an additional tax upon the people of \$75,000,000 in the next ten years, and, perhaps, indefinitely, in the nature of a subsidy to private ship owners.

Chairman Lasker's joy-ride, estimated by some to cost a million dollars, is in keeping with other extravagances of his administration of the Shipping Board, which employs attorneys at salaries as high as \$25,000 a year and includes upon its legal staff members from such great maritime centers as West Virginia and Kentucky.

Union Missionary Activities for the Week.

Rev. A. V. Casselman, secretary of Missionary Education in the Reformed Church, former pastor of Calvary Reformed Church, Philadelphia, and a traveler in the Orient, will address the Union meeting in the Reformed church in Centre Hall, Sunday, 10:30 A. M., at Tusseyville, 2:30 P. M., and at Sprucetown, 7:30 P. M.

Rev. P. L. Coleman, of Piddapour, India, a missionary of the United Lutheran Church, will speak in Georges Valley, Sunday, 10:30 A. M., and at Farmers Mills at 2:30, and at the Lutheran church, Spring Mills, Sunday evening.

Monday, 3 P. M., Women's meeting at Bellefonte, in Presbyterian Chapel. Monday evening in Vocational school at Spring Mills, large Union Mass Meeting and supper; addresses by Dr. Cartwright, Methodist Missionary from China, and Dr. Wolf, Lutheran Missionary. Free to all.

In Methodist church, Spring Mills, ladies' meeting after banquet.

Grange Encampment Notes.

The Grange Encampment and Fair secretary, in revising the tent list for 1923, finds camping on Grange Park more popular than ever. Campers of the previous year, without exception, advise tent to be again reserved for the next Encampment, and a long list of applications on file proves many more are waiting for an opportunity to enjoy the pleasures of a week on this delightful camp ground. The committee regrets the supply of tents is not sufficient to meet demands.

As an entirely new feature, which will be both entertaining and educational, a Grange pageant will be given the week of the Encampment. Prof. Gordon, of the Rural Life organization, Pennsylvania State College, has it in charge.

Short Crops Predicted.

The outlook in Pennsylvania for all grain crops and hay is considerably less than last year and also under the ten-year average. The prospects for apples, peaches and pears better than a year ago and nearly up to the big crop of 1920, are the outstanding features of the report issued by the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Brooks Reunion on Grange Park.

The third annual Brooks reunion will be held on Grange Park, Centre Hall, Saturday, June 23rd, all day. Members of the families are asked to bring their baskets and friends.

B. B. Schedule for Week.

Thursday, twilight—Millheim at Centre Hall; Bellefonte at State College. Saturday, afternoon—Centre Hall at State College; Millheim at Bellefonte.

An effort is being made by residents of Millheim to induce the State to establish a fish hatchery at that place, believing the "Big Spring" an ideal location.

THE DEATH RECORD.

RUBLE.—Mrs. Ellen Lee Ruble, widow of S. P. Ruble, died May 30th at the home of her son, Dr. E. L. Ruble, in Kansas City, Kansas. She was a daughter of John and Jane B. Lee and was born near Centre Hall about 77 years ago. At the age of 13 she united with the Presbyterian church and lived a devout Christian life. At the time of her death she was holding her membership in Ada, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruble resided in Centre county for a number of years. In 1887 the family moved to Iola, Kan., and later to Caney, Kan., where Mr. Ruble died in 1906. She then she has made her home with her children.

About a year ago her health began to fail. She spent the period of her illness in Kansas City at the home of her son, Dr. Ruble.

Mrs. Ruble always took a keen interest in life and was devoted to her family and friends. She bore her illness with patience and fortitude.

Surviving her are the following children: J. L. Ruble, of Parker, Kan.; Dr. Elmer, J. C., Miss Mary, and Mrs. Dr. R. O. Bagby, all of Kansas City; Mrs. Dr. G. W. Stevens, of Warrensburg, Mo.; Mrs. J. C. Warren, of Burbank, Calif.; Mrs. L. A. Bass, Portland, Oregon. She also leaves one sister and five brothers: Mrs. Emma Stamm, of Lewisburg; John H. Lee, of Coleville; James W., of Bedford, Iowa; Franklin D., of Centre Hall; Hiram, State College; Felix A., of Detroit, Mich.

The remains were taken to Caney, Kan., for interment.

JORDAN.—Willis F. Jordan died at the home of his father-in-law, Frank Boplan, near Potters Mills, where he had been making his home, on Monday evening, after an illness extending over a period of several months, due to cancer of the liver. Interment will be made at Zion Hill, near Tusseyville, this (Thursday) morning, services by Rev. Bingham, of the United Evangelical church. Mr. Jordan was born May 30, 1877, making his age over forty-six years, and was a son of the late George Jordan. There survives him his wife, formerly Susan E. Boglan, and a son, Paul, also these brothers and sisters: Carrie and Bessie, State College; George, Mrs. Bruce Miller, and Mrs. Albert Garbeck, of Shingletown; Boyd, of South Dakota; Mrs. Calvin Coet, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. William Bloom, State College.

WIRTS.—Mrs. Elizabeth Wirts, wife of John D. Wirts, died at her home at Houserville. She had been in poor health a long time and had undergone several operations without obtaining permanent relief.

She was a daughter of Jacob and Mary A. Behrens and was born in Germany in 1856, hence was about 63 years old. When a child the family came to this country and settled near Waddle. The family consisted of seven daughters and three sons and were known far and wide for their hospitality. Elizabeth married Mr. Wirts in the autumn of 1896 and they at once took up their residence on the Dale farm at Houserville which they later purchased and where all her married life was spent. She was a member of the Methodist church for many years. In addition to her husband she is survived by one son and two daughters—Benjamin, at home; Mrs. Claude Huey and Mrs. Paul Chilcott, both of near Houserville. She also leaves five grand-children and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Mary McCormick, of State College; Mrs. John Grove, of Lemont; Mrs. Richard Palmer, of Sunbury; Mrs. Kate Hartsock, of Fillmore; Sallie, in the west; Mrs. Davis and Charles, of Danville; John, in Ohio; and Jacob, on the homestead farm.

Rev. M. C. Piper had charge of the funeral services, burial being made in the Shiloh cemetery.

CLARK.—Mrs. Clara Clark died at her home in Williamsport after an illness with rheumatism covering a period of about a year.

Mrs. Clark was born in Millheim, a daughter of the late John Foote, and was aged nearly sixty-eight years. She lived in Millheim up to about 13 years ago when she and her blind son, John, moved to Williamsport, where they lived together since.

Besides the son, she is survived by three sisters and brothers: Mrs. Mazie Rachau and Mrs. Ella Dennis, both of Williamsport; John Foote, of Nashawa, Ia.; William, of Pittsburg, Frank, of Muncy, and Robert J., of Millheim.

The remains arrived in Millheim by train on Friday afternoon and interment was made in Fairview cemetery.

League baseball is drawing bigger crowds than unorganized baseball did, locally.

WON AND LOST.

Victory Over Millheim but Bellefonte Takes First Game from Locals.

Centre Hall, 7; Millheim, 4. Bellefonte, 8; Centre Hall, 1.

The two games of the past week resulted as above—a victory and a defeat.

The Centre Hall team scored its first victory of the season over Millheim, on the latter's grounds, Thursday evening. Score, 7-4. The feature of the game was the work of Gross, both in the pitcher's box and at bat.

The box score follows:

CENTRE HALL				
	R	H	O	A
M. McCintick, rf.....	0	0	0	0
K. J. Ringer, 3b.....	0	1	1	0
N. Crawford, 2b.....	1	3	0	1
Keller, lb.....	0	4	0	0
Ross, c.....	0	12	2	0
Gross, p.....	2	0	2	0
A. Emery, lf.....	1	1	0	1
H. Emery, ss.....	0	0	0	0
M. Bradford, cf.....	0	0	0	0
C. McCintick, cf.....	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	7	5	21	5

MILLHEIM

	R	H	O	A
Gramley, lb.....	0	0	0	0
Lockwood, cf.....	0	1	0	0
G. Musser, ss.....	1	0	0	0
Ran Miller, rf.....	2	1	0	0
Winegardner, p.....	0	1	0	0
Sus Miller, 3b.....	0	0	0	0
Cable, 2b.....	0	0	1	1
Smith, lf.....	0	0	0	0
Brown, c.....	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	4	4	21	9

2-base hit, Gross; 3-base hit, Gross; home run, Ran Miller. Struck out, 1-3; Gross, 12; by Winegardner, 10.

On Saturday afternoon the strong Bellefonte team—victors of all games played so far this season—easily defeated the locals on Grange Park by a score of 8 to 1. Centre Hall took the lead in the early part of the game, but weakness with the willow kept their end of the score down, while Bellefonte pitched hit opportunely. Two games pitched with but one day's rest proved too much for Gross, who lacked speed. However, he caused twelve of the Bellefonters to fan the breeze. Lose, the towering first baseman of (Continued on inside page)

C. S. N. S. County Graduates

The following graduates in the 1923 Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, class, from Centre county, received diplomas at the commencement exercises:

Grace Isler, Centre Hall; Hilma Leathers, Flora Fletcher, Clarence Thompson, Howard; Ruth Scantlin, Blanchard; William Skelton, Lucretia Summers, Phillipsburg.

Lad of Twelve Drowns.

William, twelve years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peters, of near State College, drowned in the Evergreen swimming pool at Centre Furnace, east of State College. The lad went to the pool alone, and though unable to swim, went into the water. When his cries for help were heard he was in a hole nine feet deep. The first man capable of giving assistance was Prof. Garver, aged seventy-five years, who dove into the water and got the lad out. A pump motor was used, but life could not be brought back.

Odd Fellows to Meet in Reading, 1924.

Reading has been selected as the convention city when the grand lodge of Pennsylvania, I. O. O. F., and the Rebekah assembly of Pennsylvania meet jointly during the first week of June, 1924.

The finance commission of the Grand lodge reported its findings during the afternoon meeting when estimated revenues and expenditures for the ensuing year of \$7,533.40 and \$82,784 were submitted and approved.

To meet the proposed increased appropriations it was decided to fix the per capita tax at 12 cents per term and the orphan's home tax at 40 cents. The assets of the Grand lodge on May 1, 1923, amounted to \$64,509.53.

Baby Bucks Safe.

The deer law now requires a buck to have two or more points or a spike at least six inches long to be legally killed. The object of the change is to compel the hunter to actually see the head of the animal before shooting and thus prevent the loss of human life, and at the same time develop a larger and stronger type of deer. The first move to give the baby buck deer a year or more lease of life was made by this newspaper, a marked copy of which was forwarded to the game commission. Such a protection may have been in the minds of others at the same time, but the Reporter was the first in this section to advocate it.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Today (Thursday) is Flag Day.

Better step lightly on the grass when you drive through Bellefonte. Speed signs have been ordered erected.

On the T. M. Zuber farm, below Old Fort, is one of the best prospects for a bumper crop of wheat to be found in this section.

The Reporter, on Thursday of last week, had a business call from J. C. A. Heckman and daughter, Miss Berdise, of Spring Mills.

The Keystone Gazette is located in its new quarters, a new building, near to the old location of that paper since its establishment.

Harold Keller 's home from F. and M. and Harold Alexander from Penn State, sophomore and senior, respectively, with the coming term.

The Grove reunion will be held on Thursday, 21st instant, on Grange Park, in the form of a basket picnic. An invitation is extended to all to attend.

Dry weather has had its effect on the strawberry crop of Orvis Hornor, who raises berries on a large scale at Colyer. Mr. Hornor expects only a half crop.

Mrs. Mary A. Snyder, of Muncy, came to Centre Hall the latter part of last week, and will be at the home of her sister, Miss Gertrude Floray, for several weeks.

A great Paramount picture in which Pola Negri appears for the first time in America will be shown this (Thursday) evening in the Seank-Bellefonte. The title is "Bella Donna." The play is from a novel by Robert Hickens.

At a regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Hebersburg National bank it was decided to add \$5,000 of undivided profits to the surplus account, thus swelling the latter to \$19,000.

Frank Phillips, the Gray auto dealer, of Potters Mills, sold his first car—a touring type—to Ira Auman, of near Potters Mills, last week. Mr. Phillips has a number of other prospects on the string.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Boozer returned from their honeymoon trip by auto, Thursday evening of last week. The trip was a most delightful one over the Pocono Mountains to Delaware Water Gap.

A. B. Deltrich, of State College, purchased the Griffith and Ulrich store, in Millheim, and Mr. Ulrich, who was in charge of the store, will conduct it for the new owner for several weeks, but he is undecided as to what he will engage in after that time.

Miss Edith K. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Johnson, of Bellefonte, who has completed a three-year course in the Dickinson Seminary in Williamsport, in two years, takes first honors in the English course and third in the class. She was chosen instructor of music in the State College public schools.

A trip to Canandaigua, New York, has been planned by Merchant C. F. and Mrs. Emery, Miss Algie Emery, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Foss, the latter couple of Altoona. They will start on Sunday and expect to go home about a week. Of course, the trip will be made in Mr. Emery's new Olds sedan.

Joseph M. Woods, Jr., last week, was ordained a minister to the Presbyterian church by the Huntingdon Presbytery in session in Lewistown.

Mr. Woods is a graduate of Princeton, and previous to becoming a theological student taught in the Lewistown High school and was active in Boy Scout work.

If any of the numerous Reporter subscribers in Philadelphia have not been in the habit of attending the Centre County Association annual basketball picnic, at Belmont Mansion, Fairmount Park they should begin it on Saturday, June 23d, when the nineteenth gathering will be held. John C. C. Beale, secretary, 1831 Chestnut St., will be pleased to give you any further necessary information, if you are in need of it.

During a recent severe electrical and rain storm the home of John and Miss Carrie Albright, in Millheim, was struck by lightning. A chimney was knocked down, and the lightning jumped to the opposite side of the house, tearing holes in the roof, attic floor and second floor and tore the plastering and paper from the kitchen ceiling. In Miss Albright's bedroom a large hole was torn in the roof, splinters being imbedded in the ceiling, and the carpet was set afire, but the flames were easily extinguished.