



EVANGELICAL CONFERENCE.

Preliminary Session Opened Tuesday Evening—Meeting in St. John's Church, Newberry.

The annual sessions of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Evangelical church, opened in the St. John's church, Newberry, Tuesday evening.

The conference was last entertained in the same church about thirteen years ago. It is expected that nearly three hundred ministers and lay delegates and officers of the conference will be in attendance.

Mr. McLean's Queer Ideas.

(Philadelphia Record.) Some of the telegrams sent to and by Edward B. McLean, the Washington publisher, seem to call for a thorough housecleaning at the White House by President Coolidge.

It will be recalled that the late President Harding and Mr. McLean were close personal friends, and apparently the latter seems to imagine this gives him certain prescriptive rights in the White House.

The research department of the National Association of farm equipment manufacturers, Chicago, have issued a pamphlet the object of which is to make farmers believe that farm equipments are the cheapest things they buy.

If you're an "oyster" you can't be sold if you are mixed with water. The food officials—state and national—say oysters must now be sold without the addition of water or ice placed with them.

Postal Card Gets You This Story. "The Desert Healer", a smashing new love-romance by Edith Maude Hull, who wrote "The Sheik" has just started in the daily New York American.

Freight Movement Increasing. The freight movement passing Northumberland on the Williamsport division of the Pennsylvania railroad averaged 2,462 cars per day during the twenty-nine days in February this year.

Card of Thanks. F. D. Lee takes this means of extending heart-felt thanks to all kind neighbors and friends who assisted at the time of the funeral of Mrs. Lee.

NEW DRIVERS' TESTS.

Time for Holding First Test in Bellefonte on Wednesday—Examination May Be Taken at Any Point Named by State.

Yesterday (Wednesday) was the first Wednesday in March, which was the first date fixed for holding examinations of applicants for automobile operators' license who held no license during 1923.

The examination may be taken at any of the places designated by the state department regardless of the applicant's residence.

According to information given out by the department all examinations will be held at the direction of the secretary of highways by an inspector or a member of the state highway patrol. The applicant must present his learner's permit to the examiner.

When the examination falls on holidays the examination will go over to the next regular date. If this conflicts with the expiration date shown on the learner's permit the applicant will immediately notify the automobile division, department of highways, giving the name and address shown on the learner's permit, the date of issue and the reasons why he was unable to take the examination within the thirty-day period.

The examination is to consist of a practical test to determine the applicant's ability to properly operate an automobile or motorcycle, an oral test to show applicant's knowledge of the motor vehicle and rules of the road, and a physical examination when deemed advisable.

79th Birthday Anniversary. Mrs. Chestie A. Stover celebrated her 79th birthday at her pleasant home in Rebersburg, on February 25. She has the distinction of being one of the oldest residents in the town, besides being remarkably young for her years.

Orphanage Superintendent Resigns. Rev. S. S. Mummy, superintendent of the Evangelical Orphanage, at Lewisburg, has resigned on advice of his physician after serving in that capacity for three years.

Robinson—Yearick. Horace A. Robinson, of Philadelphia, and Miss Elizabeth Yearick, of Logg Haven, were united in marriage at the bedside of the bride's mother.

New Public Health Nurse. After serving the State College Chapter of the Red Cross for a period of three years as public health nurse, Mrs. Maude Jones resigned, which resignation was accepted.

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The following is reprinted from the Literary Digest for February 16, 1924, page 88, and fully speaks for itself.

"The story has been going the rounds for months. It has reached this office in letters and it is said to have produced a flood of inquiries at the Treasury Department. The story is that some Catholic engraver cleverly incorporated a picture of the Pope, the rosary beads and crosses in the design of the one-dollar greenback (or legal-tender Treasury note) of the series of 1917.

"As a matter of fact, the first plate for these greenbacks was engraved in 1868, and the first notes were issued in the Grant Administration. This first issue did not have the same obverse as the present-day note, but had a green-tinted background called a safety tint.

"The New York Evening Post reporter, to whom Mr. Blake gave this information, showed him one of these bills in question. If the reader has one of these notes reference to it will be useful at this point.

"The water of a water front in a cook stove, due to freezing of a supply pipe on one of the cold mornings during the latter part of last month, wrecked not only a stove but sent portions of castings through windows, glass door panels, picture frames, etc.

Pension Board Appointed. The Centre County Old Age Assistance Board was appointed last week by the County Commissioners.

Fresh Fish and Oysters. I will have fresh-caught shad—roses and bucks—at my place of business the latter part of the week.

State College Couple Wed. Lester Paul Breen and Miss Bernice Daughrenbaugh, of State College, were married at Cumberland on Sunday.

In Quest of Recreation Site.

Sites in the Seven Mountains suitable for hunting camps and recreation are being very much sought and when possible are purchased. Just last week Messrs. John Walsh, president of the Pittsburgh Real Estate Company, and Joseph Rodgers, connected with a city fire department, both of Pittsburgh, for several days were at the State House, in Seven Mountains, from which point William F. McKinney, the forester, piloted them to various properties which were looked over carefully by them.

Among the places offered the Pittsburgh people was the "Red" William Lingle property in Decker Valley, about five miles east of the State Highway. The place is now owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bungardner, who are pretty well on in years and unable to longer care for the fifty acres of tillable land which is two-thirds of the entire plot.

The gentlemen failed to close a deal for either of these places and it is probably due to the fact that they became snow-bound.

Pupils Give Surprise Party.

A surprise party by the pupils of the Tusseyville school was held at the C. E. Flink home in Centre Hall, Tuesday evening of last week. The refreshments consisted of sandwiches, pickles, popcorn, cake and candy.

Gift to Dickinson.

Dr. J. K. Rishel, president of the Rishel furniture company, of Williamsport, has made a memorial gift of \$110,000 to the Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, of which he is a director and treasurer.

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DECKER BROTHERS GARAGE AT BELLEFONTE DESTROYED.

Flames Destroy Garage After Furnace Explodes—Loss Estimated Between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

The Decker garage on Water street, Bellefonte, was almost completely destroyed and the Bellefonte Academy was endangered, early Saturday morning, by a fire caused by the explosion of a furnace. Wind swept the flames toward the Academy buildings and it was feared for a time that the school would burn.

The owners of the garage are building a new place of business and had already offered the burned place for sale. The price asked for it was \$7,000. The loss on the building has been placed at almost this amount.

There were a number of cars in the building, the exact number is not known, but it is thought that the total loss will be between \$15,000 and \$20,000. There is a large amount of insurance on the place but the owners are not sure whether it will cover the loss or not.

Superintendent of Schools Dead. Thomas A. Stetler, superintendent of Snyder county schools, died at his home in Middleburg, after a short illness. Mr. Stetler suffered a nervous breakdown a few days before his death.

Endorse Dr. Byron King. 501 N. Highland Ave., East End Pittsburgh, Pa., March 1, 1924. Messrs. Smith and Bailey, Centre Hall, Pa. Dear Smith and Bailey: I noticed in the Reporter, that the Dramatic club of Centre Hall has engaged Dr. Byron King of Pittsburgh to lecture at Centre Hall in the near future.

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM REPORTER SUBSCRIBERS.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

March 1st was real lamb-like, indeed. R. M. Foster, of State College, was a visitor in town on Friday.

Clyde Smith, of Centre Hall, made a business trip to Harrisburg last week. Dr. J. R. G. Allison, of Millheim, was in town Saturday, and stated that traveling by auto was anything but a pleasant task.

Mrs. R. C. McClellan, of Linden Hall, for several days last week was at the home of her brother, John L. Tressler, in Centre Hall. Mrs. Keener, wife of Rev. D. R. Keener, on Saturday morning, went to Pottsville, her former home, to assist in a musical program.

Miss Louise Schure, of Millinburg, for a short time was a guest of her niece, Mrs. James L. Decker, east of Centre Hall, returning home on Friday. Charles A. Leaster, of near Spring Mills, was a Reporter visitor on Saturday. He reported his neighbors, the Ed. Loughner family, recovering nicely from illness.

The aut. sales rooms of J. W. Kratzer, at Millroy, were visited the other day by five hundred persons whose chief object was to get a look at one of the new Chrysler cars on exhibit there. Walter Orwig, who was injured by a fall in the Northumberland locomotive repair shops, is now at his home with his family in Aaronsburg. The accident happened the latter part of last month.

Miss Ruth Shreckengast and Mrs. Jacob Sharer, both of near Centre Hall, recently gave quilting parties which a large number of ladies from Centre Hall and Linden Hall and surrounding country attended. Preparations are being made by the Bilgers, Pleasant Gap, to erect the large new smokestack at the Bradford and company mill in Centre Hall. Several months ago the old stack yielded to wind pressure, broke in the middle and fell.

James B. Spangler came from Altoona, on Friday, where he had been staying with his daughter, Mrs. Wolf, and will remain about his former home at Tusseyville until after the sale of his personal property which is billed for Saturday afternoon.

The seats for the auditorium in the municipal building in Millheim have arrived and are already in place. The seats are really regular opera chairs, very handsome and durable. The opening date for the hall is being considered and may be announced any time.

An attempt is being made by the Presbyterian churches to raise the \$1,000,000 which will be needed to make up the deficiency of the foreign mission board of that denomination. A cut will mean the closing of the hospitals and schools in some sections and pleas have come from all workers in the missions that no reductions be made.

Miss Etta Confer, daughter of Howard Confer, of Potters Mills, returned recently from the Geisinger hospital, Danville, to which institution she had gone several weeks previous for the removal of a goiter. The growth was removed with apparent success. Request was made that she return to the hospital for further treatment in about three months.

According to a news item sent from Bellefonte to the Williamsport Sun, Charles R. Kurtz, editor of the Centre Democrat, was obliged to return to the Geisinger hospital, Danville, for treatment. About a year ago he had a number of teeth removed and it was then discovered that the jaw bone had become infected. An effort was made to remove the diseased portions of the bone, and it was thought that this had been accomplished because his physical condition had greatly improved. The trouble, apparently broke out again.

The funeral of Mrs. Frank D. Lee, in Centre Hall, Friday afternoon, was attended by the following out-of-town relatives: Andrew Tate and family, of State College; George Tate, of Duquesne; Mrs. Etta Wynn, of Duquesne; Wesley Tate and family, of Pleasant Gap; Andrew J. Smith, of Carlisle; Samuel Tate and wife, of Burnham; Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Lee, of State College; John Lee and family, of Coeville. In the account of the death, last week, no mention was made of the surviving brothers, of whom there are four, namely: Thomas Tate, Freeport, Ill.; Andrew Tate, State College; George Tate, Duquesne; Wesley Tate, Pleasant Gap. Mrs. E. K. Smith, the only surviving sister of Edwardsport, Ind., was unable to be present at the funeral owing to physical disability.