

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The residence of W. A. Alexander was repainted A. L. Duck having the work in charge.

James Foust, first mechanic in the Homan garage, is laid up with poison on his lower limbs.

Mrs. Alice Durst visited her brother, Oscar Stover, at State College, a few days the past week.

A. L. Runkle, son of Joseph Runkle, Bellefonte, captured an eighteen-inch trout in Elk creek flowing through Millheim narrows.

Miss Violet Cowher, of Sandy Ridge, is now a stenographer at the Kern poultry plant, taking the place of her sister who was recently married.

Paul Foreman, son of Mr. and Mrs. David R. Foreman, of Bellefonte, a student at the University of Virginia, is on vacation at the parental home.

Miss Romaine Watson, of Landenburg, Chester county, a graduate of West Chester Normal school, is the guest of her classmate, Miss Elizabeth Royer, in Centre Hall.

Charles A. Duck, who was brought in the lime-light by his wife prosecuting him on the charge of non-support, informs the Reporter that her action is the result of spite work.

F. E. Arney, on Tuesday morning, began painting the dwelling house occupied by J. Shannon Boezer. This makes the third group of house-painters at work at one time in Centre Hall.

Beginning of the week Frank Phillips of Potters Mills, made a trip to Pittsburgh and brought home with him a new Star touring car, which was sold to Ellis Henning, farmer in Georges Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Boezer and Miss Verna Rowe drove to Philadelphia, Thursday of last week, returning Saturday evening. The trip was made in the Boezer Flint car, for which a new closed top was secured.

The High school pupils held their annual picnic at "Happy Jim's," in the Seven Mountains, where they indulged in various sports including swimming, most of whom took their first lessons. In the evening a portion of the young people drove to Kishacoquillas park and Lewistown.

David R. Stover, of San Antonio, Texas, was at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stover, at State College, on Saturday and Sunday. He came north to attend a convention of railroad men, in Cleveland. Last winter Mr. Stover was severely wounded by a bandit, but he has now fully recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk, of Centre Hall, entertained a number of friends to dinner, on Thursday, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blenner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swab and daughter, of Spring Mills; Mrs. C. A. Krape, Spring Mills; Joseph Swab and Miss Stella Thompson, of Sharon; the Rev. R. L. and Mrs. Fetterolf, of Selinsgrove; Miss Mollie Hoffer, of State College.

Miss Helen Bartholomew, long the primary teacher in Centre Hall, together with a classmate, Mrs. L. F. Treaster, of Milroy, are attending the thirtieth anniversary of their class at Millersville State Normal School. Miss Bartholomew also took with her in the Chandler car, Edith Moltz, who is visiting Mrs. Rebecca Romig, at Liverpool, and Doris Moltz, who is being entertained in Harrisburg by the Harry Weber family. On their return the latter part of this week, they will bring with them Mrs. Maggie Kreamer, who is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Kreamer, in Lewistown.

J. Wither Wolf, of Ardmore, long a representative of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, was taken by that company to their sanatorium at Mt. McGregor, New York. The location is about ten miles above Saratoga Springs. Mr. Wolf was obliged to discontinue some time ago his work as an agent, on account of ill health which failed to respond to such treatment as was offered in Philadelphia, so his employers took him as a guest to the sanatorium named above, where he is expected to remain until he recovers, the company at the same time paying him a salary. On reaching the sanatorium, Mr. Wolf was immediately put to bed, but later was able to sit up for a half hour during each day.

A motorcycle ridden by Edward Wither, of Bellefonte, and a Dodge car driven by William Hagen, of Spring Mills, collided at Old Fort, Thursday afternoon, resulting in the former being badly bruised and cut on the arms, legs and other portions of the body. He was taken to the Centre County hospital, where he is improving nicely. The cyclist was coming from Lewistown, where it was said he had just purchased the machine, and Mr. Hagen was on his way home from State College, where he is employed as a carpenter. The collision occurred at the turn toward Spring Mills at Old Fort. The motorcycle was pretty badly used up, and the Dodge also had to be towed to a hospital.

ROAD OVER NITTANY MT.

Laid Out in 1801, Beginning on Brush Valley Road, Near Bennington's, Over Nittany Mountain and Thru Connelly's Gap to Milesborough.

The building of the State road over Nittany Mountain, at Centre Hall, raised the question when that road was first laid out, and from the Linn History facts are mentioned that it was in April, 1801. The petition to the court for this road was made by sundry residents in Potter and Miles townships, who were seeking a better outlet to the county seat, laid out a year previous, and on westward.

The application for the road employed language that indicates this to be the route later followed by the turnpike, for it has its "beginning on the Brush Valley road, near Robert Pennington's, [now the Harper farm], thence over Nittany Mountain, 3/4 mile east of Centre Hall, through what is called Connelly's Gap [now known as Pleasant Gap] the nearest and best way to Milesborough [Milesburg]."

The viewers appointed by the court were Robert McKim, Alexander Johnson, William Irvine, Isaac Connelly, from whom the gap no doubt got its name, John Harrison, and Phillip Benner. The Brush Valley road had been laid out previous to this, in 1794.

In 1799 the road over the Seven Mountains was opened, the expense of building having been paid by public subscription to which fund Mifflin county paid \$300 for the building of three bridges over Laurel Run. Later during the same year the State authorized the road.

In 1821 the State empowered the Kishacoquillas Turnpike company to build a toll road from Lewistown to Bellefonte, using a portion of the route named before over the Seven Mountains and the county road over Nittany Mountain at Centre Hall. The road was completed in 1825, and the company reported its cost to be \$35,000, including toll houses. The State paid \$20,000 of this. In 1824 there was collected in tolls \$1027.07; in 1825, \$1,196.35.

The road proposition in the early period of 1800 was a vast deal greater than the road problem is today, although people were content with crude roads then. The comparative cost of the toll pike between Lewistown and Bellefonte—\$35,000—as against \$121,000 for the two mile stretch of reinforced concrete pavement now being constructed on Nittany Mountain, bears this out.

The early roads in this section led toward Potters Mills, where the Potters held forth. A road was opened from Howard, crossing Nittany Mountain at Hecla, to Potters Mills; another up through Georges Valley; another between Gregg's Gap and Potters Mills; another from the lower end of the valley to Huntingdon county by way of Potters Mills.

The Brush Valley road was the one of greatest importance in this section when laid out in August, 1794, and in history is described as "a road in Potter and Bald Eagle townships from Centre Furnace [located east of State College, where the new portion of State road crosses hill], through what was commonly known as the 'Back Plains,' near the mountain, and on the south side thereof, to intersect the great road from the West Branch of the Susquehanna through Brush Valley to the line of Mifflin county." This, Linn continues, "is the road through Linden Hall, Centre Hall, to Madisonburg, and its object was to enable Col. Miles' tenants and those to whom he sold lands to haul wood and the products of their farms to Centre Furnace."

In reading local history it must be borne in mind that Potter township was originally a part of Mifflin county. Centre county having been erected out of parts of Mifflin county and Lycoming county, and included the township as then established of Bald Eagle and Patton, Centre, Potter and Lower Bald Eagle, with a population of 4021 whites, 89 colored, and two slaves, total, 4112. This was the census of 1800.

CIRCUS AT BELLEFONTE.

Over 100 Famous Artists With Walter L. Main Show.

It's the red wagons that's the question of the hour in Bellefonte; at least for the small boys of six, as well as for those of sixty. The billboards, barns and dead walls are announcing with all the fluency of pictorial art the coming of the Walter L. Main Show. And already preparations are

being made for the one big holiday event of the year, acknowledged to be better than Christmas and the Fourth of July put together—circus day. About the time the milkman is making his rounds on the morning of Saturday, June 20, the first of the two long trains of cars will be coming, slowly pulling into the railroad yards.

Much is promised by Walter L. Main this season. The show has grown and prospered for almost half a century—to be exact 46 years. European agents have sacked the Old World in a quest of novelties. The question of salary was not considered for the particular novel or hazardous feat. There are over 100 artists who take part in the big show program. New acts add faces will tend to eradicate the fallacy that all "shows" are alike. Among the features will be the Flying Jordans; the Maxwell Trio, gymnasts; the Florence family of riders; the DeLong Sisters, acrobats; Arthur Borella, the highest salaried clown in the world; Tommy and Betty Walters, dancers on a lofty wire; Ray Glaum in a slide for life down a wire from the topmost point in the tent, and scores of other high-class features.

An immense street parade will be seen on the downtown streets at noon on show day. There will be upwards of five bands of music and scores of allegorical tableaux. There will be performances at 2 and 8 p. m. The doors open an hour earlier. Merchants and others are preparing for one of the largest crowds in town on show day in years.

An Auto Trip.

On last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bruce E. Runkle and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Delaney and little daughter Agnes left for a little visit to Bedford county and Altoona. They arrived at the home of Rev. R. R. Jones, pastor of the Friends Cove church, on Saturday evening. They found the Jones family very well, and had a most enjoyable visit. On Sunday they had the pleasure of attending services in the Friends Cove Reformed church and heard their former pastor deliver one of his usual excellent sermons. The relations existing between pastor and members here are most cordial and they certainly extended a most hearty welcome to these former parishioners of Pastor Jones.

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On Tuesday evening the party returned home more than delighted with their little visit.

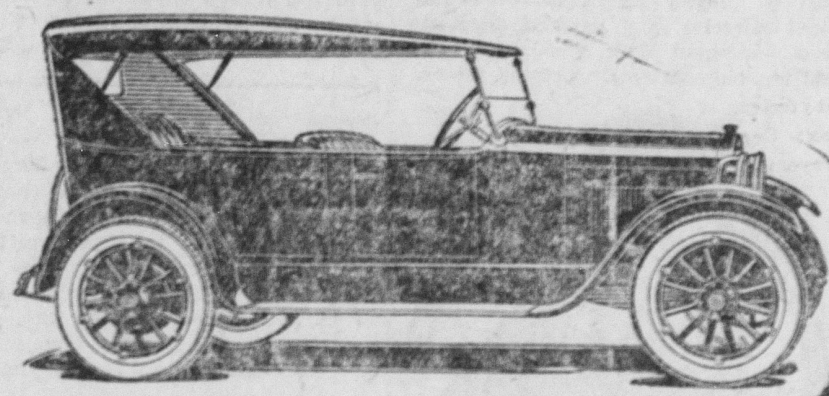
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