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METHODIST DAY'S FINE PROGRAM

One of the Speakers, Dr. Hauser, Comes from the Philippines.

Methodist Day, usually participated in by Methodists in this section, will be observed at Lakemont Park on Thursday, July 30. The executive committee, which is planning the program, announces the following:

In the morning in the park theatre the sermon will be preached by Rev. Samuel McWilliams, D. D., of Johnstown. Dr. McWilliams is pastor of the large Franklin street Methodist Episcopal church in that city and is a forceful speaker.

In the afternoon a missionary rally will be held. The chief speaker will be Rev. Otto H. Hauser, D. D., of Manila, Philippine Islands. Dr. Hauser is a magnetic speaker now on furlough who is in great demand for missionary addresses and the committee considers itself fortunate in securing him for this occasion.

Special music will be rendered at both of the public services. The district superintendents of Central Pennsylvania conference will be present and participate in the exercises.

In the evening a pageant, "The Seeker," will be given. Those who were present at last year's presentation of "The Pageant of Methodism" will want to see "The Seeker."

Great crowds thronged the park last year and it is expected that the program as announced will attract equally large numbers this year.

Child Struck by Auto.

Major Spotts, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry I. Spotts, of Lock Haven, was seriously injured Saturday morning when she was struck by the automobile of Jay Harshbarger, of Hubersburg.

The child was crossing the street near her home when the car struck her. She sustained a fracture of the jaw, and of the spine at the lower vertebrae. In addition to a scalp wound which required one stitch to close, with other wounds and bruises about the head, shoulders and back and it is feared internal injuries.

Serious Injury to Loganton Child.

Bettie, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kavatter, of near Loganton, is in the Lock Haven hospital, suffering from a fractured skull and serious lacerations of the face, her condition being such that it is not believed that she can recover.

She was injured about 9:30 o'clock Thursday evening of last week, when in company with her parents she came from the Brungard church, about two miles east of Loganton, where she had been practicing for Children's Day exercises, and breaking away from them, started to cross the road to her parents' car, stepping directly in the path of a car driven by S. C. Milheim, of near Milton.

The child's head was struck by the radiator of the car. She was carried about seven feet by the force of the impact and then dragged several feet more by the car.

Examination showed that the injuries were of such nature that she will probably not long survive.

Two Centre County Boys, 15 and 11, "Hiking" to Pacific Coast.

Max Humphrey, aged 15 years, and Eddie Jackson, 11, both of Phillipsburg, started out to see America shortly after school closed, and in a short space of time have seen a great amount of country.

In the seven days after they left Phillipsburg they had crossed as many states, according to a telegram received by Theodore Humphrey from his son. The message stated they expected to reach the Pacific coast in two weeks' more traveling.

Each boy is traveling without hat, coat or underwear, and of course they catch an automobile ride every time they can. If they did not they could not, of course, cover such great distances. They have a small sum of money with them to buy food. Omaha, where the message was filed, is nearly half the distance to the coast.

These travelers made a long journey in like manner last summer.

Heads Eagles of State.

Francis Hayes, of Norristown, was installed as State president of the Pennsylvania aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, at the closing session of the convention at Erie, Wednesday of last week. Hayes was presented a floral horseshoe by the Norristown delegates while retiring President Joseph M. Schilling, of Erie was given a diamond ring.

Resolutions favoring the old age pension law were passed by the convention together with a resolution introduced by the Pittsburgh delegation and commending the action of the American Bar association in protecting the rights of the American people.

Owing to the increase in contagious diseases in Mill Hall and vicinity, it was decided to close the Community Bible school, which was being held in the high school building. Several cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria have developed within the past ten days.

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ELECTED H. S. PRINCIPAL.

J. F. Wetzel Named to Head Centre Hall Public Schools—Comes from McClure.

At a recent meeting of the local school board, J. F. Wetzel was elected to the principalship of the Centre Hall High school at a salary of \$200.00 a month. Mr. Wetzel is a young man of thirty-four years, married and has one child. He comes highly recommended. He is a graduate of Beaver-town High school, 1909; Bloomsburg State Normal School, 1913, and Susquehanna University, 1925, having been graduated from that institution only this month. His experience extends over a period of eleven years, divided as follows: Assistant principal of Middleburg High school, one year; supervising principal of Paxtang borough schools, one year; and for the past nine years principal of West Beaver township schools, McClure.

School Teachers Pupils.

Under the new school code many young people are obliged to take additional instruction to retain their certificates to teach in the public schools. Here are noted the names of a number in this class and the institutions they are attending:

Central State Normal, Lock Haven—Harriet Frazier, Zella Ripka, Martha Yearick, Mildred Duck, George Sweeney, Robert Neff and James Brungard, of Centre Hall; Mary Zerby, Alma Zerby, Tracy Smith and Orce Wagner, of Spring Mills; Anna Winkielech, Kathryn Lynn, Dorothy Campbell, Paul Vonada and Walter Weaver, of Coburn; Russel Bohn and Paul Derner, of Boalsburg.

Hazel Ripka, of Millheim, is attending State College, and Vesta Blausser, of Centre Hall, is attending Shippensburg Normal.

The New State Road.

The second steam shovel was put to work on Friday on the State road under construction over Nittany Mountain, at Centre Hall, by the Reitz Brothers, of Sunbury. The first work done was at the terminus of the road within the borough limits, where the road bed was broken up prior to a slight fill being made.

The work farther up the mountain is progressing nicely. The "big fill" has been completed and rolled down. The grading is now pretty well finished to Adam's road, a woodland leading to the south. Here there will be a fill and above it some of the bank will be cut away. For the greater part of the distance between the top and the borough line, the road will be widened by cutting down the mountain side.

The borough authorities will be obliged to relocate the water mains for some distance. At some points where culverts and water pipes come together, the pipes will either be laid deeper or a "detour" resorted to.

FIVE GENERATIONS ATTEND THE BURRIS REUNION.

Mrs. Samuel Burris, of Centre Hall, Aged 87 Years, Heads Well Known Family.

The Burris family reunion was held at the home of Harry L. Burris, at Gregg Station, west of Centre Hall. The main feature of this event was the presence of Mrs. Samuel Burris, of Centre Hall. She is 87 years old and a grandmother to all who were present. A grandmother to ten children, and a great-grandmother to thirty-six children, and a great-great-grandmother to five children, these being Christine and Donald Shutt, of Bellefonte; Betty and William Smith, of Millersburg; and Edith Jane Sunday, of Lewistown.

A sumptuous dinner was served on the front lawn of the Burris home, which was enjoyed by all. Piano music was furnished and singing and dancing were enjoyed by the younger set. Pictures were taken of all.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Burris and two children, of Gregg; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Burris and family, of Bellefonte; R. D.; Mr. and Mrs. William Burris, of Easton; Mrs. Samuel Burris, of Centre Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Jewett Brooks and family, of Centre Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Smith, Centre Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sunday and family, of Lewistown; Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Sunday and little daughter, of Lewistown; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shutt and family, of Lamar; Mrs. Harry Shutt, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Sylvester Young and two daughters, of Seabreeze, Florida; Lewis Smith and three children, of Bellefonte. There were two children who could not be present on account of illness—Mrs. Sarah Kohn, of Holly Hill, Florida, whose eldest son, Andrew, is very ill, and Mrs. Ida Witmer, of Bellefonte, whose baby was scalded so badly that she could not be there.

The public soon forgets unless you remind it—advertise!

The Encampment committee will meet Wednesday evening, June 24th.

RECLINES AT SPRING— PICKED UP DEAD.

At Close of Day's Work, Harvey Rachau, Drinks, Rests, Dies at Spring on Herring Farm, Near Spring Mills.

Reclining at a spring, Harvey Rachau sleeps the sleep of death. After finishing a day's work spraying potatoes, Mr. Rachau and his employee, H. B. Herring, of near Spring Mills, stopped at a spring on their way to the Herring place for supper, Thursday evening of last week, drank, chatted a bit and then the former reclined on the greensward to rest, Mr. Herring thought. There was a quietness that aroused suspicion, and upon investigation Mr. Herring found his companion had quietly passed into the other world.

The body was taken to the Rachau home from where the funeral was held Sunday afternoon, services having been conducted by Rev. F. H. Daubenspeck of the Lutheran church. Interment in the Heckman cemetery, near Penn Hall.

The deceased is survived by a wife, who before marriage was Miss Amanda Bartges, and two children: Mrs. Charles Bailey, of McKee, and Frank, of Bellefonte. Also the following brothers and sisters: Charles, Samuel, Arthur, Scott and Domer, of Madisonburg; William, of Bellevue, Ohio; Mrs. John Wert, R. D. 2, Centre Hall; Mrs. William Keller, Madisonburg; Mrs. Harry Smull, Rebersburg; Mrs. Frank Hartman, Millheim.

The deceased lived near Spring Mills and was employed by various farmers. His age was sixty-nine years.

Smith Reunion.

The descendants of John Smith, who spent nearly all his life in the vicinity of Montgomery, held a reunion on the Montgomery Park, on Saturday.

The head of the family was born in 1747 and died in 1851, at Hubersburg. In the second generation were Dr. Charles Smith, who for many years practiced his profession in Clinton county, living at the Huston hotel stand, and prior to that in Potter township, Centre county; Ezekiel Smith, a well known farmer, who lived all his life near Montgomery; Mrs. James Smeeck, Mrs. Herbst, of Montgomery; and Dr. Peter Smith, who practiced at Centre Hall. The second generation has all passed to the beyond. Of the third generation there were present the children of Ezekiel, Smith and their descendants, numbering about seventy, out of a total of nearly one hundred, and one of seven, descendants of Dr. Peter Smith. There are living but seven male descendants of John Smith, bearing the name of Smith, and two of these—S. W. Smith, editor of the Centre Reporter, Centre Hall, of the third generation, and William A. Smith, manager of the Penn Furniture company, Montgomery, son of the late Harvey Smith, of Montgomery—were present.

The committee having in charge the writing of a brief history of the family made a report and were continued to complete the work.

The 1925 gathering will be held on the same park, on the third Saturday in June.

Centre County Threshermen.

Centre County Threshermen and Farmers' Protective Association will meet in the grand jury room in the Court House in Bellefonte, at 10 A. M., Saturday, June 27th.

Threshing season is near and important business will be considered at this meeting, and a full attendance is desired.

Every farmer, thresherman, saw mill man and every employer of labor of whatever kind will learn something of interest and profit at this meeting.

Elk Kiddies' Day.

The best estimates place the number of kiddies who were entertained by the Elks at Hecla Park at 1800. Twelve thousand caps and a large number of left-over hats from last fall's Halloween parade were given out, but not nearly all the kiddies were supplied with head coverings. One hundred and twenty-five gallons of ice cream were served and barrels of lemonade. The line-up for dinner was a sight never beheld heretofore. The serving was done so systematically that the "waiting line" was constantly on the move.

There were no mishaps of any serious nature. The 1300 children's faces beamed with delight during the entire day, and did not become drawn when the little green tickets were all spent, for then toast, lemonade, etc., were put on the free list.

The night before the gathering hundreds of the kiddies formed in parade, headed by the committeemen in charge and the I. O. O. F. band.

At the park Young's Williamsport orchestra furnished music for dancing in the afternoon and evening.

Grange Encampment and Fair.

The secretary of Grange Encampment and Fair, who is in Centre Hall this week, reports unabated interest in camping. Families who occupied tents in 1924 evidence their enjoyment in this feature of the Encampment by declaring their intention to return this year.

A few new tents will be bought this year.

The Encampment committee will meet Wednesday evening, June 24th.

Woodring Hears Forgery Case.

A case heard before Squire Kline Woodring, in Bellefonte, Thursday morning of last week, created considerable interest and brought bankers and others as witnesses from Millheim and Centre Hall. The case heard grew out of a disputed check by James E. Frohm, in the sum of \$29.95 drawn on the Penns Valley bank in favor of C. M. Smith, a Millheim merchant, bearing the name of "James Frohm" as the drawer. Mr. Frohm alleged the check to be a forgery, and declared in his testimony that he did not sign it, and that he writes his name "James E. Frohm," which testimony was substantiated by signatures on a number of checks produced.

D. K. Keller and C. D. Bartholomew in their testimony stated that the check had been received at the Penns Valley bank in the condition it was presented at the hearing and that the variation of name as to spelling and unlikeliness of Frohm's signature had been observed. H. L. Ebricht, cashier of the First National bank, Centre Hall, as a witness, examined the signature and gave testimony that it had no resemblance to the signature of Frohm; that Frohm "could not write like that if he practiced a year."

Mr. Smith, the defendant in the suit, the charge being forgery, in his testimony stated that the check was in payment of land purchased by M. Frohm, and that he (the defendant) had filled in the body of the check and that Mr. Frohm had signed it in his presence; that the transaction had taken place in his store room in Millheim. The defendant's brother, William Smith, also testified that he saw Frohm sign the check.

E. S. Ripka was a witness to establish the date of the transaction. Lloyd Stover, of the Farmers National bank, Millheim, testified that Mr. Smith had deposited the check. S. Ward Gramley, cashier of the Millheim Banking company, examined the check with a magnifying glass and thought the signature might have been partly erased, but on cross-examination said he would not like to dispute the testimony of Mr. Bartholomew that the check had been received in that condition when forwarded to his bank from Philadelphia. Mr. Shelton, justice of the peace, was called to verify dates, but he stated he could not do so without referring to his docket, which he had not brought with him, not knowing the character of testimony he was supposed to give until questioned on the witness stand.

It was agreed that further records should be produced at a continued hearing on Saturday morning. On Friday Mr. Frohm was notified that the hearing had been postponed until the beginning of August, owing to the fact that S. E. Gettig, representing Mr. Smith, would be absent from Bellefonte until about that time. Mr. Frohm was represented by District Attorney Ivan Walker.

Shriners Visit Penn State.

More than 100 Shriners of Rajah Temple, of Reading, and Zumbo Temple, of Harrisburg, who are residents of Lancaster county, completed an automobile tour visit to the campus and farms of Penn State, Wednesday of last week. The party left Lancaster county the day previous touring up along the Susquehanna Trail to Sunbury, Lewisburg and Centre Hall. The tour was organized by the Lancaster County Shrine Club.

M. E. Training Camp.

The new Methodist training camp for Juniata Valley at Newton Hamilton, fourteen miles east of Huntingdon, is nearing completion and it is about ready for the first delegation of young folks. It will be opened by the Epworth League Institute when 500 young men and women are looked for to take charge of and initiate the new groups. They will be followed in a week by girls of 12 and 15 and a week later by boys of the same age. Rev. O. B. Poulson, pastor of the Fifteenth M. E. church, of Huntingdon, has charge of the preparations and construction work.

Three Arrested for Forgery.

Carl Stam and Earl Horner, of Linden Hall, and Glenn Corman, of Spring Mills, were arrested by State Patrolman Daniels and taken to Millheim where they were given a hearing before Squire Shelton. They were charged with forging a check last week on Bond Musser, manager of the Oriole store, Millheim. Stam, who is supposed to be the writer of the check, was held in \$500 bail for his appearance at court, while Horner and Corman were held in \$100 each.

"Rodeo" is a word being used much these days in advertising of home-comings, and gatherings of various characters. "Rodeo" is the Mexican word for "roundup." It is pronounced "Rohdy-o."

SEEK \$15,000 DAMAGES.

Juniata People Bring Suit Against Phillipsburg Woman Growing Out of An Auto Accident in October, 1923.

T. H. Woodward, Esq., of Clearfield, has entered suit against Mrs. Annie C. Rowland, of Phillipsburg, widow of the late Congressman Charles H. Rowland, on behalf of W. A. Moyer and his wife, Ruth Moyer, in the sum of \$15,000.

The suit grows out of an automobile accident which occurred October 19, 1923, on Pine Top hill near the P. R. R. crossing, at Woodland.

According to the statement filed with the notice of suit at the time of the accident a Marmon car owned by Mrs. Rowland collided with the machine in which the Moyers were traveling. The latter was driving his own car and was accompanied by his wife, while the Rowland car was being driven by a chauffeur, who was alone in the car. As a result of the accident the Moyer car was so completely demolished that it has never been repaired while both Mr. and Mrs. Moyer suffered painful and quite serious injuries. Moyer asks \$10,000 damages for himself and \$5,000 for his wife.

Boalsburg Wins, 2-1.

A Boalsburg ball team with only two seasoned players in the line-up—Wayne Keller and "Shorty" Dale, met a Centre Hall team of callow youths, re-inforced with Harry Gross on the mound, in a 7-inning twilight game, Thursday, on Grange Park, Boalsburg won, 2-1, and the score reflects the struggle for victory. Every run scored was the result of a passed ball by the catcher, Keller and Gross both pitched superbly, Gross striking out 13 and Keller 11. "Shorty" Dale's two bagger and three-bagger were the best hits of the game. Centre Hall had numerous opportunities to score, but Keller's baffling curve was incapable of solution at the right time. The box score follows:

CENTRE HALL	R	H	O	A	E
Martz, ss	1	1	1	0	0
Stover, c	0	0	15	0	0
Petteroff, R	0	1	0	0	0
H Gross, p	0	0	2	0	0
Lutz, 2b	0	0	1	0	0
Durst, 3b	0	0	1	0	0
T. Emery, of	0	0	0	0	0
Reiser, lb	0	0	4	0	0
Slack, rf	0	0	0	0	0
H Emery, cf	0	0	0	0	0
Klarr	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	3	21	3	0

*Batted for Lutz in 7th.

BOALSBURG

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Korman, cf	0	1	0	0	0
Bohn, 3b	1	0	1	2	1
Dale, ss	0	2	0	2	0
Shutt, lb	0	0	0	0	0
Hess, 2b	0	0	0	2	0
Durner, if	0	0	0	0	0
Kline, c	0	0	11	0	0
Keller, p	1	1	0	2	0
Mothersbaugh, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	2	4	21	9	1

In a game with Spring Mills, on Grange Park, Saturday afternoon, Centre Hall was returned a victor by the score of 11 to 3.

C. C. League Baseball Scores.

Ball games played in the Centre County league during the past week resulted as follows:

Thursday—Hecla Park, 3; Bellefonte, 6. State College, 9; Millheim, 6 (fortified by non-appearance.)

Saturday—Bellefonte, 6; Millheim, 2. Hecla Park, 10; State College, 2.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Won	Lost	P. C.
Bellefonte	7	1 .875
Hecla Park	4	4 .500
Millheim	3	6 .333
State College	2	6 .250

Pennsylvania Lacks Rain.

Rain is needed urgently in all sections of the State to revive pastures and help the crops, the mid-monthly crop of the State department of agriculture, issued a few days ago, disclosed. With field work possible nearly every day this month farmers generally are ahead of their schedules, the report said.

Corn is showing good growth where the moisture has held out, although the general slowing up has begun to be noticed due to the drought. Although declared short and heading well, oats are heading short with a good stand. A reduced acreage, due to the past season's poor market, was indicated in the tobacco sections of Lancaster and York counties. Dry weather is retarding the planting in some places. Heavy yields of clover hay were reported with timothy badly in need of rain.

Borough council has ordered the posting of notices calling attention to the scarcity of water in the borough reservoir, and demanding that all leaks in hydrants be repaired at once. The use of water for watering gardens and for all unnecessary purposes is prohibited. The drought has made conservation of the water supply imperative.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Mrs. James Searson and baby daughter Jean, last week, visited Mrs. Searson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ishler, at Linden Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gingerich, of Centre Hall, on Friday morning by train went to Philadelphia where they will remain for a week.

Lewistown's Old Home week begins Sunday, June 28th, and ends Saturday, July 4th. A big program with a daily change has been prepared.

Attorney S. D. Gettig and family, of Bellefonte, are off on an auto trip through Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa, and will be gone for a month.

The first crop of alfalfa in this section has been cut and stored away. The crop was a reasonably good one. Some farmers are now cutting clover.

Mrs. Morris Furey visited her sister, Mrs. Amelia King, in Centre Hall, for a few days, and on Friday Mrs. King accompanied her to her home in Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Burris accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stover, of Yeagertown, motored to Brookville, Jefferson county, and after visiting relatives there for a few days returned home.

W. R. Winegardner, clerk for the Milroy Camp of Modern Woodmen, left on Saturday for Chicago to attend the annual meeting of the Head Camp and also the National Camp Clerks' Association.

George Alfred Crawford, of Centre Hall, who becomes a senior at Penn State with the coming of the next term, expects to attend the summer sessions at the college, which will begin in a short time.

Miss Frances Hess, who is home in Yeagertown for a three weeks' vacation from Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, where she is pursuing a course in nursing, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Eby, at Woodward, for a week.

Among the thirty-one graduates from the Milliffling High school was Miss Isabel M. Snyder, daughter of Mrs. Ida Snyder, of Milliffling, formerly a resident here. The Milliffling Telegraph, in its last week's issue, printed pictures of each of the graduates.

Twenty-five Ford coupes were sold by the Beatty Motor company, Bellefonte, to the State to be used in the Health Department in various sections. The cars passed through Centre Hall on their way to the State capital in two lots—one on Thursday of last week and the other a few days previous.

Clyde Smith, son of Witmer Smith, who spent most of his boyhood days in Centre Hall, but since then was on the seas most of the time, in March married Miss Valeria Pierpont, in Australia. The sailor came home some time ago and is now employed by the Penn State Telephone company, at Bellefonte. Mrs. Smith arrived in San Francisco, California, the beginning of last week, and came on to Bellefonte where the couple will live.

Gilbert, William and John White, accompanied by their sister, Mary, all of New York City, spent Friday of last week looking over the scenes of their childhood in and around Milroy. The White Brothers are all prominent in the business world, and are sons of Rev. John W. White, founder of the Congregational church of Milroy, and one of the most noted ministers of this section of the State. The old White homestead is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. Reed Thompson, Mrs. Thompson being a sister of the Whites. It is rumored that the party were looking over the various sites to erect a memorial to their family in the Milroy neighborhood. The brothers are graduates of Penn State, and when students there frequently visited with friends in Centre Hall.

Some one has suggested that the money (more than \$100.00) in the local athletic treasury, be put to use in improving the community athletic field, on the five acres of ground on which is situated the new high school building. Very good, indeed. The money is public money, and while not a vast sum, it nevertheless could be expended judiciously so that every dollar would show value received. The high school youths have labored diligently to remove the sod in preparation for a diamond, and apart from this nothing has been done. Everyone wants to see a first-class ball field, and if the citizens are to be expected to turn out in large numbers, the playing field must be more centrally located than is the present one, and a more ideal spot than the one afforded on the school grounds is not to be had. Put the money to use.