

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Colyer, of Centre Hall, attended the inaugural of Governor Fisher, going by train.

Capt. T. C. Fryberger, a well known Phillipsburg resident, attained his 83rd year on Saturday.

Fred O. Wolf, who has been engaged in farming in Haines township, will sell out in March to move to Akron, Ohio.

Coffee—good hot, free and in abundance—was served at the Homan Cafe during and after the Hosterman garage fire.

The vaudeville features at the Richelieu, the latter part of last week, were highly pleasing. The performers came from Keth's—always a guarantee of excellence.

Mrs. Cyrus Goss closed her home in Pine Grove Mills to go to Harrisburg to spend the winter with her son, Charles, who is passenger conductor on the Pennsy Middle division.

A letter from Pinneywood, Virginia, from Charles Stump, formerly from Centre Hall, asks the Reporter to say to his friends that he is still on the turf and wishes every one well about here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Potter left on Wednesday morning for Philadelphia for a few days' pleasure trip. On their list of entertainment is a visit to the Shubert theatre to hear and see the inimitable Al Jolson, "king of comedians."

Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, pastor of the local Presbyterian church, is planning to spend the month of February as his annual vacation among the ferns and roses in Florida and other southern states. Mrs. Kirkpatrick will accompany him.

D. C. Bohn, of Boalsburg, was a caller at this office on last Friday, and besides boosting his subscription to the Reporter, saw to it that the paper will be forwarded this year to his daughter, Miss Fay Bohn, who is located at Brackney, Susquehanna county.

The Centre County Hospital recently received a bequest of \$500 from the estate of Mrs. Mary Harris, widow of the late James Harris, of Bellefonte. The fund is to be invested and the proceeds used to help maintain the W. C. T. U. room now equipped in the hospital.

Wm. H. Rockey, of Altoona, visited his father W. F. Rockey, at Tusseyville, last Thursday, and found him slightly better in his illness due to blood poisoning. The junior Mr. Rockey is a mail carrier in the city of Altoona, and having worked on Christmas day, was given a day off at this time which he took to make a "leg" home.

The water system worked out to perfection at the time of the recent fire. There was an abundance of water, hose and carts in good order and the fire plug didn't bawl when the wrench was applied. The greatest difficulty experienced was to arouse residents out of their midnight slumber, which may indicate the going to bed with a good conscience.

Miss Bessie Zerby, one of the teachers at the Potters Mills public school, on Monday evening, had the Dodge car she was driving pretty badly damaged by a car skidding against it, at a point near the B. W. Ripka place. She saw the car coming, drew to the side of the road as far as possible and stopped, yet was unable to avoid the collision.

J. Cloyd Brooks accompanied Judge Keller, C. E. Dorworth, Thos. Beaver and Hardman Harris to Harrisburg on Monday afternoon and Tuesday witnessed the inauguration of Governor Fisher. They traveled in Mr. Harris' Packard car. Others from Centre Hall who witnessed the inaugural ceremony were R. M. Smith, E. O. Durst, H. L. Ehrlicht, W. A. Odenkirk and D. W. Bradford.

S. E. Sharer, of near Linden Hall, was in town last week and called at this office before leaving. He owns and farms the Kimpfort farm, and since purchasing it succeeded in adding some valuable territory from adjoining tracts. In addition to farming he has been hauling milk for the State Cheese creamery for a period of nine years, and thinks he wouldn't know what to do with all his time but for this side line.

Tonight (Thursday), in the Moose Temple Theatre, the Bellefonte High school has arranged a musical program that is unusual and one that will be appreciated by local music lovers and radio fans. On the way to the middle west it has been arranged to have Miss Erva Giles, soprano, and Edward Morris, pianist, stop off for a joint recital. Alberta M. Krader is director. Admission, 75 cents. Chart at Mott's drug store.

The Centre County Association will hold its annual dinner-dance at the Bellevue-Stratford, in the south Garden, Thursday night of next week. Dinner will cost \$3.00 per plate, and reservations should be made through the treasurer, Dr. B. Gray Mattern, 1915 Belmont Ave., Philadelphia. The remainder of the committee are Warren Uderwood, William S. Furst, Gordon W. Ardell, William A. Magee, and John C. C. Beale. The invitation is open to all former "lads and lassies from the central county of the Keystone State" who live in or near Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Homan are off on a visit to Canton, Ohio, where they are guests of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yarnell, they are traveling by car. It is a coincidence that this is the second time a fire occurred across the street when the Homans were visiting their Canton friends. The first time they were there the Smith store burned, and this time the Hosterman garage. Another incident is that Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bloom were housekeepers for the Homans both times and were early arrivals at the fires. The time the Smith store burned the couple were courting, which permitted a more speed getaway than on last Sunday night.

PRISONER PLANS ESCAPE FROM COUNTY JAIL

Oscar Lucas, at Bellefonte, Confesses to Crimes for Which Sentence May Be Given Aggregating from 55 to 110 Years.

Confessing to crimes for which he can be give aggregate sentences of from 55 to 110 years, Oscar Lucas, aged 22 years, will later be brought before Judge Harry Keller for sentence, after being frustrated in a proposed attempt at jail breaking Sunday night.

The youth had been a prisoner in the jail since December 14, when he was arrested charged with two hold-ups in Bellefonte, the robbery of a local hardware store and of the office of the White Rock Quarry company.

About ten days ago Sheriff Taylor caught Lucas and two other prisoners planning to escape and set a watch to prevent them from fulfilling their purpose. By placing a ladder against the jail wall he was enabled through the window of the cell occupied by Lucas to watch his actions and to hear what he said.

The first plan was to dig through the jail wall, and with a twenty-penny nail he succeeded in digging out two large stones and large quantities of pebbles which he hid in his mattress. Finding the wall too thick, he pasted a newspaper picture over the hole, using molasses as paste, and with another companion planned to rush the sheriff.

This plan was to have been carried out at 9 o'clock Sunday night. They were to use to stun the sheriff a cake of soap hardened almost like lead, concealed in a sock, the soap and sock having been furnished the man by Della Whiting, a sister of Lucas, living in Bellefonte. The attempt was to be made when the sheriff came to the cell to lock the prisoners in for the night. Mrs. Whiting was to have given Lucas the money taken in the holdups, and he planned to go to New Jersey and enlist in the navy.

The sheriff nipped the plan in the bud by going to the cell with a deputy, where he found the soap and sock and the stones hidden in the mattress.

When taken before the district attorney the man made a complete confession of the holdups and robberies, as well as the proposed attempt to escape, and when brought before Judge Keller aggregate sentences of from 55 to 110 years could be imposed for the five crimes.

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A. P. Krape went to Harrisburg on Monday and expects to return some time this week.

Mrs. Sarah Homan, of Millheim, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Smith.

Mrs. Eliza Stump, early Wednesday morning, received a paralytic stroke, rendering her speechless. Mrs. Stump is well advanced in years.

David Ulrich, of Richfield, Juniata county, for a day or two was a guest of P. H. Luse, a cousin, west of Centre Hall. Mr. Ulrich is a carpenter by trade.

Anna Jane Musser, the little girl who frequently visits at the home of her aunt, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, in Centre Hall, recently had her tonsils removed in the Lock Haven hospital.

Mrs. Charles Romig, who for three years has been confined to bed from a fractured hip at her home at Snyder town, has been seriously ill for a week. Mrs. Romig, some years ago, lived at Centre Hall.

W. F. Rockey, the Potter township shipper of produce and poultry, who was last week reported to be in a rather serious condition due to blood poisoning, was reported on Tuesday as very much better, with every prospect of fully recovering.

George Luse, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Luse, went to Harrisburg beginning of this week to attend the farm products show. He is exhibiting several lambs. Harold Brungart, of Rebersburg, is also an attendant, his interest being in the cow testing association.

THE RICHELIEU THEATRE

Showing CONTINUOUSLY from 2 to 11 P. M. Adults, 25c. Children, 10c

THURSDAY

Super Special Screen Classic—"THIS WOMAN"—with Clara Bow and all-star cast. A perfect photoplay from a celebrated novel, with a splendid cast. Also Special Comedy and First Run News, 10 and 25c.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

HIGHEST CLASS VAUDEVILLE THAT PLAYS ONLY FOR KEITH AND COUNTRY'S FINEST THEATRES.

Extra Special: On our stage—"Luelle," the famous Gown Creator, with eight living models; marvelous wardrobe. Special Singing, the most gorgeous and lavish act ever presented on a Bellefonte stage.

ALSO, "Christy and Ward," Knockabout Acrobatics, Comedy and Songs, AND "Mortimer and Margaret" new-lyrics—something different.

ALSO, first run in Pa. of Special Picture—"THE TEST OF DONALD MORTON" And Best of Comedies, First Run News, SOME SHOW, no guarantee. Afternoons, Pictures Only, 10 and 25c. Night, 25 and 50c.

NEXT WEEK MONDAY AND TUESDAY

The biggest stage novelty of all times—KNIGHT BROS. INDOOR CIRCUS

A real Circus in a theatre where you have a comfortable seat, safety and properly protected from the weather. Trained Elephants, Famous Clowns, a whole troupe of joyful, jolly jesters,

featuring the world's worst band. Jump No. 2, the biggest elephant in the world. Trained animals and a congress of premier performers taking part in one continuous whirl of pleasing surprises with no waits or delays. Bring the whole family for this entertainment.

In addition, the Special Picture—"THE BELLE OF BROADWAY"—"THE CIRCUS" will be presented at

both afternoon and night. Pictures start at 2 and Circus at 4 p. m. The Greatest Show ever presented in Bellefonte for 25 and 50c.

WEDNESDAY

Monty Banks in "ATTA BOY" 10c and 25c

ANNUAL STATEMENT

—of—

THE FARMERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Of Centre County, Penn'a.

JANUARY 10, 1927.

In compliance with the provisions of their charter the seventeenth annual statement of the Company is herewith presented.

Balance in treasury January 11, 1926	\$ 21 74	
Cash premium received during year	6,072 64	\$ 6,294 38
Borrowed money	399 99	

EXPENDITURES

Fire losses—		
T. Marion Fletcher, damage to dwelling house	\$ 46 98	
Chas. T. Bilger, damage to dwelling house	24 00	
Ellis L. Orvis, dwelling house	200 00	
J. P. Heckman, dwelling house	720 00	
R. G. McCellan, damage to dwelling house	19 22	
Charles Stronza, damage to dwelling house	30 00	
E. S. Moore, damage to dwelling house	23 80	
Trustees U. B. Parsonage, Houersville, stable	200 00	
Mrs. Alice Williams, damage to dwelling house	24 81	
Mrs. Emma C. Cornman, stable	400 00	
W. B. Haines, stable	500 00	
	\$2,089 41	
Directors' pay	256 00	
Secretary's salary	350 00	
Treasurer's salary	100 00	
Writing policies	98 50	
Printing and stationery	68 15	
Adjusting losses and expenses	36 00	
Postage	31 62	
Interest paid	495 97	
Sundry expenses	84 00	
Borrowed money paid	1,709 00	
Cash balance	74 68	\$ 5,294 38

RECAPITULATION

Due for borrowed money	\$ 6,150 00	
Outstanding premiums	\$298 17	
Cash balance in treasury	74 68	
Self-insurer and filing case in office	142 32	485 17
Total cash premiums past year		5,138 53
Premium notes taken last year		164,284 01
Premium notes in force today		488,634 89
Insurance taken this year		1,158,147 00
Risks in force today		5,138,538 60

At an election held the same day the following were elected as directors for the ensuing year: George Mitchell, J. M. Campbell, John H. Beck, J. B. Brunner, E. M. Huest, James F. Harter, E. J. Getzel, J. S. Weaver, C. A. Yearis, T. M. Husy, F. E. Wieland and Frank M. Fisher. Attest: FRANK M. FISHER, Sec'y GEORGE MITCHELL, President

PUBLIC SALE OF EXPRESS LOAD

Iowa Horses

To be Held at Centre Hall Hotel Barn

WEDNES., JANUARY 26

AT 1.00 O'CLOCK P. M.

Here is a load of fine young horses, 4 to 8 years, weighing from 1400 to 1800. There are a number of well matched teams beside single horses—ready to go into the spring work. Come to the barn and look them over. (See Posters.)

E. M. Smith, Auct.

R. J. GARDNER, CHAS. ALLMAN, Agent

NOW GO OVER IT POINT BY POINT STUDY EVERY FEATURE

L-Head Six-Cylinder Engine . . . Crankcase Ventilation . . . Dual Air Cleaning . . . Oil Filter . . . only 3 to 4 oil changes a year . . . Four-Wheel Brakes . . . Harmonic Balancer . . . Two-Way Cooling . . . Three-Way Pressure Lubrication . . . Honed Cylinders . . . High Velocity, Hot Section Manifold . . . Double-Valve Springs . . . Silent Timing Chain . . . Full Automatic Spark Control . . . Thermostatic Charging Control . . . 30 x 5.25 Balloon Tires . . . Balloon-Geared Steering . . . Double-Offset, Low Gravity Frame . . . Easy Shift Transmission . . . Twin-Beam Headlights, Controlled from Steering Wheel . . . Chromium Permanent-Lustre Plating . . . Duco Finish . . . Then consider its low price.

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NIEMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE NEWS

OUR Big Sale is over but we still have a number of merchandise and these will all be closed out at a Sacrifice during these next few weeks to make room for an extensive Spring line. If you need any Clothing or Shoes—call here first!

NIEMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE MILLHEIM

SPRING MILLS PROPERTY FOR SALE.

The T. M. Gramley dwelling house is offered for sale. The Property covers about one acre of ground, has electric lights, steam plant, running water, and all modern conveniences. Two bath rooms, and well adapted for a double house. Well situated in the town.

For further information inquire of

S. W. GRAMLEY, MILLHEIM, PA.

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Certainly we are anxious to sell a lot of Used Cars! Because we figure that every Used Car of the kind we sell will eventually bring us a New Car Customer.

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A USED CAR IS ONLY AS DEPENDABLE AS THE DEALER WHO SELLS IT

ALTOONA Amusement Bulletin

All Week, Starting January 24

... THEATRES ...

STRAND--

Johnny Hines in "THE BROWN DERBY." "MISTAKES" with Doris Kenyon. Warren Baxter. Strand News Events. Famous Strand Ten-Piece Orchestra.

MISHLER--

MONDAY, "BRINGING UP FATHER." TUES. Opho Werts Selders in Piano Recital. WEDNESDAY, BURLIQUES. THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY—High Class VAUDEVILLE.

STATE--

(Starting Sat., Jan. 22nd)—Marie Prevost in "MAN BAIT." Kenneth Thompson, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

ORPHEUM--

ALL WEEK—the GREAT MAGICIAN, "MYSTERIOUS SMITH."

CAPITOL--

(Starting Sat. Jan 22nd)—Alec B. Francis, Lois Moran, Nell Hamilton, in David Belasco's "MUSIC MASTER"

OLYMPIC--

(Starting Sat. Jan. 22nd)—George O'Brien, Wm. Russell, Jeanette Gaynor in "THE BLUE EAGLE."

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