

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. George W. Tressler has been quite ill at her home in Centre Hall.

Mrs. Mattie Tressler, of State College, was a recent guest of Mrs. Alice Durst, in Centre Hall.

Mrs. Rebecca Barry, widow of Rev. D. R. Barry, died at Selingsgrove, Friday noon, aged eighty-seven years.

As is usually the case, a fire in a community arouses interest in fire insurance. Locally a number of new policies have been issued and as many more increased since the fire of less than two weeks ago.

Two Guernsey cows were lately sold by John H. Detwiler, of Centre Hall, to S. B. Wasson, living on the "Buck" Taylor farm, above State College.

Rev. Daniel Gress, who since his leaving Centre Hall some years ago has been pastor of the Reformed church at Harrison City, has accepted a call to a Reformed church in Bellaire, Ohio, and will enter upon the field February last.

The Harris township school board has decided to sell the Walnut Grove school building and 15 perches of land, situate in Harris township, at public sale, and has set Wednesday, February 2nd, at 7:30 P. M., as the time.

Barbara Rhoads, aged fourteen; Betty Rhoads, aged eight, and Geraldine Confer, aged eight, of Bellefonte, were injured on Sunday night while coasting.

A young gilt, Berkshire breed, exhibited by William F. Rishel, of near Penna. Cave, at the Farm Products Show, Harrisburg, took first place in a class of eight.

A St. Petersburg (Florida) newspaper makes this reference to Rev. William R. Picken, who is spending his third winter in St. Petersburg: To win 12 straight games in any sport is unusual, you'll admit.

A mixup of cars on the street opposite the Oriole Store, Saturday night, resulted in damage of considerable extent to three cars owned by Gervin Shaeffer, Robert Barger and Clayton McKinney, all of near town.

George R. Meiss, who several months ago sold his Colyer store to Mr. Goodyear, recently purchased the Clayton Stover store room, at Spring Mills, and will open up a store there, according to statements made by Spring Mills residents.

Theodore Taylor, who met a tragic death a few days ago, was the product of his environment. There are those who refuse to say a good word for him. But these are the self-righteous class, who look only upon the outer man and forget that many a kind and noble heart beats beneath a rough exterior.

JUDGE KELLER ISSUES WARNING TO BANDITS. Last week, when Judge Keller of Centre county sentenced a young man who had pleaded guilty to what is generally known as highway robbery or banditry, to a term of from ten to twenty years in the Western Penitentiary, being the limit allowed to be imposed for this crime under the law, he gave warning that, so far as he was concerned, no leniency would be extended to those who were convicted in his Court of this offense.

Hare Judge in Blair County. Thomas C. Hare, of Altoona, president of the Blair County Bar Association, was appointed to the Bench to fill the vacancy caused by the elevation of Thomas J. Baldrige to the Attorney Generalship.

COMMITTEE MAKES STATEMENT ON CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Community Christmas Cantata and Tree committee makes the following statement of receipts and disbursements: Subscription by business men and individuals \$96.50. Offering at Cantata 31.50. Cantata books sold 11.50.

Total receipts \$139.50. Candy and oranges distributed to children \$80.09. Cantata books 27.19. Decorations of church 1.80. Mrs. Krader, services as conductor 15.00.

Total disbursements \$139.50. Cost of lighting tree \$25.62. This expense was paid by the Borough Council, and the lighting fixtures are stored for future use.

The committee desires to thank all those who responded so generously with money and labor, and especially the Borough Council for their splendid financial aid, and the members of Spring Mills band for their part in making the program a success.

BOALSBURG

Mrs. Robert Reitz is visiting friends in Altoona. John Wright spent last week in Harrisburg. Miss Ruth Taylor, of Carlisle, was an over-Sunday visitor at the B. P. Lohberger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Peltz, of Altoona, spent the week-end with friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rossman, of Bellefonte, were visitors in town on Sunday.

William Meyers is having his residence beautified with a coat of white paint. Mrs. William Stover spent part of last week with her son, John, in Altoona.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Woods and daughter, of Pine Grove Mills, were callers in town on Monday.

REBERSBURG

The Misses Helen and Luella Gephart and Alice Long, from State College, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gephart.

Rev. Andrew Gramley, from Kanesville, Illinois, is visiting his nephews. This had been his home when a boy. Several structural ironworkers are in town installing a door, and new plates in the vault in the Rebersburg National Bank.

On Monday evening Elizabeth Bierly entertained the following young people: Emma and Grace Small, Helen and Jessie Moyer, Virginia Detwiler, Jason Wolfe, John Wolfe, and William Tyson.

Orpha Bennet recently moved to Midway. Walter Weaver and wife from Leont, spent Sunday with Mr. Weaver's parents.

Keith Supt. Public Instruction. Dr. Francis B. Hass, of Philadelphia, appointed State Superintendent of Public Instruction by Governor Phipps, in February of last year, sent his resignation to Governor Fisher, effective at the convenience of the Governor.

The resignation was accepted at once. Dr. John A. H. Keith, of Indiana, was named to fill the vacancy. The office pays \$12,000 per annum. Dr. Keith was the head of the Indiana State Normal School. His place may be filled by Dr. Hass.

Transfers of Real Estate. Hannah J. Royer to John H. Strouse, tract in Ferguson township; \$1,569.75. Alice S. Hagerty to Joseph B. Barnes, tract in Philipsburg; \$17,000.

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Wm. R. Bame, et ux, to Aaronsburg Water Pipe Co., tract in Haines township; \$50. John L. Holmes, et al, to Clyde E. Devore, tract in State College; \$1,000. Clyde E. Devore, et ux, to Harry L. O'Neill, tract in State College; \$11,000.

Alice E. VonGunden, et bar, to Hugh F. Toand, et ux, tract in Spring township; \$1,300. Wm. C. Wilmer, et ux, to Wilmer E. Crossley, et ux, tract in Spring township; \$850.

C. F. Quick, et ux, to H. T. Lucas, tract in Snow Shoe township; \$250. Nellie S. Peck, et al, to James Kane, tract in Walker township; \$2,200. Earl S. Ishler, et ux, to Harold B. Pierce, et ux, tract in State College; \$1,000.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. FOR SALE.—1 Tornado fodder cutter mounted on truck, with blower and piping; 1 13-in. Blizard ensilage cutter complete with shredder and knives for dry fodder or silo filling, mounted on truck; 3 used Letz feed mills.

all these machines are in good running order and will be sold at bargain prices.—Cleve A. Eungard, Spring Mills, Pa. PUBLIC SALE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY.—The undersigned will sell at public sale, at the High School Room, in Boalsburg, Pa., on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1927, at 7:30 O'clock P. M., the school property known as the WALNUT GROVE SCHOOL HOUSE, together with 15 Perches of Ground.

—HARRIS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD.—W. W. White, Secretary, Linden Hall, Pa.

SENTS CHARGED WITH INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER

Second Charge, Driving Car While Intoxicated—In Jail on Failure to Secure Bail in Sum of \$15,000.

Henry Sents, at a hearing before Justice of the Peace Kelechine, in Bellefonte, on Monday, on failure to procure bail in the sum of \$15,000 he was remanded to jail, awaiting a court trial.

Sents was the companion of Theodore Taylor, who lost his life early Sunday morning by being crushed under a Ford roadster at Tussey Sink, on their return from collecting several jugs of moonshine, an account of which appears on the first page of this issue.

Find Beach Combing Industry Worth While

The statement that a beach comber at Liverpool has made £9 (\$45) in two days may amaze the uninitiated, but at many popular resorts and big ports there are men who make a bit simply from combing the beach.

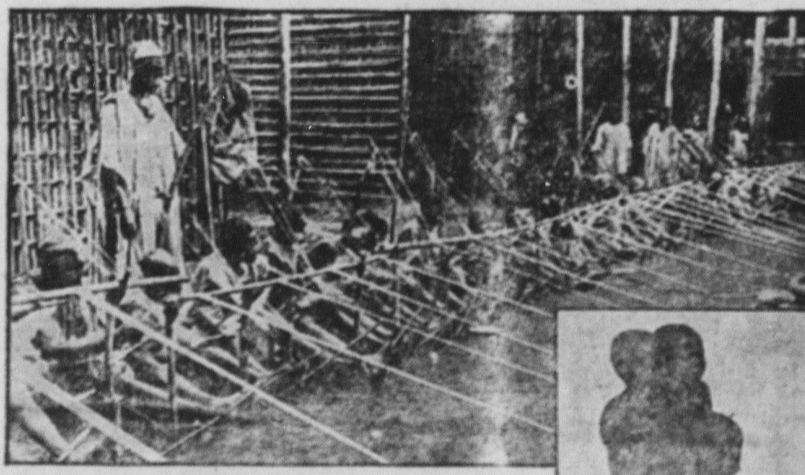
Whatever is lost upon the sands and much that goes into the sea are eventually brought back by the tide at some time; but the beach comber must be quick, for the next wave may suck his find back to remain hidden for several tides or to be thrown up on another portion of the coasts, the Manchester Guardian says.

All sorts of articles are found. Cigarette cases, rings, brooches, watches, purses and coins all go to make up the treasure trove of seaside beaches. At the ports much bulkier stuff is retrieved. Barrels of oil or beer, cases of copper or other metal, and piles of loose rope or canvas are among the crop, and these have usually a ready market.

It is a skilled business, too, this combing of the beaches, for not merely are a keen eye and quick grasp essential; to make the greatest profit a man must be familiar with the currents of the coast, and so be able to foretell which portion of the beach is likeliest to yield treasure at each season of the year.

The Wool Industry in South Africa

(Letter from E. S. Bartlett, Bloemfontein, O. F. S., Africa)



Underwood & Underwood. Weaving woolens with primitive looms in Africa. Note the Overseers.

The Union of South Africa is rightly classed among the great wool producing countries of the world. Climatic conditions there are admirably adapted to the breeding and raising of the Merino type of sheep with a strong staple wool.

A large part of this country is suitable only for the raising of sheep, and the government is making progressive and intelligent efforts to improve both the sheep and the manner of preparing the wool for market. Jackals being a strong menace in South Africa, long-time government loans are extended to sheep owners for the erection of jackal-proof fencing. Government sheep experts are maintained permanently in allotted districts so that their services and advice may be assured at a nominal fee.

The mutton sheep of South Africa is the fat-tailed, black-headed Cape—a non-wooled sheep. As no cross-breeding for mutton lambs is done, the wools are purely Merino in character. Progress in this South African industry is particularly noticeable in the harvesting. Despite the fact that Kafir labor can be secured at the equivalent of \$3.50 American, per month, there is a trend towards the modern shearing machine as against the age-old hand blades, which, even in America, have not been discarded by many otherwise entirely progressive wool raisers.

A study of this fact, however, readily reveals the reason for it. While there is a first cost for the machine, the unskilled black adapts himself to its use much more readily than to the hand blades, and soon does a remarkably smooth job of shearing with the machine.

Once adapted to the use of the machine, its economic value is demonstrated in the materially greater number of shorn sheep daily; the better market value of the wool, the fewer mutton sheep, and not least important, the additional 5% to 12% more wool obtained with the machine over and above the amount of wool secured with the hand blades. As a consequence, the machine resolves itself into a small investment with certain and big returns.

Steadily, the science of wool-marketing in South Africa is fast approaching the scientific efficiency of the Australian marketing plan, which is, without doubt, the most practical and efficient in existence today. Considering that the four provinces, Natal, Transvaal, Orange Free State, and Cape Province, which comprise the Union of South Africa, have 20,000 square miles less of territory than Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming combined, it is surprising to note that they contain two and one-half times as many sheep as our five states named.

This alone, makes that country a strong contender for future leadership in the wool industry. It is interesting to note, however, that the great bulk of foreign progressiveness is due to American initiative, American implements, and machinery and American industry. The South African wool industry holds true to this in that American methods and American machinery are destined to take a large and important place in the economic progress of the far distant Union of South Africa.

What Am I?

I have scattered breadcrumbs, tin cans, Sunday supplements, paper plates, paper bags, chicken bones and fruit skins from the wilds of Maine to the tip of Florida.

I have hacked forest trees and left campfires burning from the California coast to the Atlantic seaboard. I have hooked apples from New England orchards, walnuts from the Willamette valley and oranges from our southern states.

I have rolled rocks into the sulphure depths of Crater lake and thrown tin cans into gurgling brooks in every state in the Union.

I have seen all, heard all, know all and in my weak way have destroyed much.

I am the American tourist who through careless and thoughtless acts brings dishonor to responsible, respectable and careful fellow travelers—Old Colony Memorial.

Not the Only One

"I see you have furnished rooms," said the man who had rung the bell.

"Ya," rejoined the foreign woman, pointing to the window card, "dere's da sign."

"Well, if you have one that's suitable I'd like to rent it for a while."

"We no renta da rooms. My family take up all da house."

"Don't rent any? Why, then, have you that sign, 'Furnished Rooms,' in your window?"

"I'll tell you. Las' week dat woman next door she hang up a sign in her front window, and when I see dat I put up von. Just to show da people dat she ain't da only woman in dis place dat have her rooms furnished."



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

ALTOONA Amusement Bulletin. All Week, Starting January 31. THEATRES ... STRAND-- 'JUST ANOTHER BLOND' STARRING DOROTHY MACKAIL. NEWLYWED COMEDY—BRAY CARTOON AND FAMOUS TEN-PIECE STRAND ORCHESTRA. MISHLER-- PERCY MARTIN'S VARIETY CIRCUS. WED., BURLESQUE. THURS., FRI. & SAT., HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE. STATE-- STARTING JAN. 29, SAT.—CLARA BOW, ANTONIO MORENO IN ELEANOR GLYN'S "IT". ORPHEUM-- CLARK SISTERS' REVIEW, MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY. USUAL FEATURE PICTURE. CAPITOL-- STARTING SAT. JAN. 29—LILLIAN GISH IN "THE SCARLET LETTER" FROM NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE'S FAMOUS BOOK. OLYMPIC-- STARTING SAT. JAN 29—RICHARD DIX IN "PARADISE FOR TWO". This feature is furnished the "Reporter" Every Week by ALTOONA BOOSTER ASSOCIATION

MEETING THE TRIALS OF MONTHS AND MILES. Day and night... month after month... not only when weather favors, but through sleet and slush and muck and mire... through blinding snow and bitter cold... by stretches; jagged ruts; deep drifts... Oldsmobile speeds on and on over the winding roads of the General Motors Proving Grounds. Proving the true value and full worth of each new feature and improvement. Meeting... surmounting... in advance... the trials of months and miles! HOMAN'S GARAGE CENTRE HALL, PA. OLDSMOBILE

A QUESTION. After reading a few of Machiavelli's essays on chicanery, one wonders how long he would last as a modern used car dealer. It would give him a great laugh, we know, to see how conscientiously we recondition our Used Cars before offering them for sale. But the proof of a principle is in its success—and the laugh would be on him, after all. HOSTERMAN'S GARAGE CENTRE HALL, PA. A USED CAR IS ONLY AS DEPENDABLE AS THE DEALER WHO SELLS IT