

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Ruth Grove is employed as bookkeeper in the Homan Garage.

Frank D. Lee visited his brother, Hiram Lee, at State College, on Sunday.

George R. Meiss, of Colyer, now living the role of a retired business man, returned from a visit to his daughter, Mrs. R. S. Boal, in Altoona.

Two Moose bands, one from Williamsport and the other from Millburg, will combine in a concert to be given at Woodward Cave, on Sunday, next.

Mr. and Mrs. Larson J. Burris moved to Williamsport, Sunday, where they were guests of the former's brother, Charles S. Burris, and family, for the day.

Mrs. Harriet E. Faust, of Altoona, was a guest of her brother, J. H. Hitter, of near Potters Mills. Mr. Hitter was in town on business on Monday, and found his way to this office before returning home.

Mention was made some time ago of the improvements to the exterior of the home of Warren Homan, the garage man, and now workmen are engaged in laying hard wood floors and making other improvements on the interior.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Crowl and Mrs. M. E. Christine came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Moore on Saturday. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Crowl returned to their home in Elysburg, leaving Mrs. Christine here with her daughter, Mrs. Moore.

Roy W. Lambert, a student in the Reformed Seminary at Lancaster, filled the appointments at Centre Hall and Tusseyville on Sunday for Rev. D. R. Keener who was absent. He is a native of Aaronburg, and is looked upon as a promising student in the ministry.

The Potters township school board is repairing the two school rooms in the Potters Mills school house. A number of new desks were purchased for this purpose and the remainder of the furniture needed was supplied from the Dauberman school house which was closed a few years ago.

Earl Grove, mention of whose illness was made in our last issue, was brought to Centre Hall last Friday and is now at the home of his father, E. H. Grove. By the close of the week, he expects to be able to return to the dairy farm near Altoona where he was employed when he became ill.

Two ton litters in the county have already passed the ton goal County Agent Blaney says. The litters are those of the Peters Brothers, Stormstown, whose exhibit of farm stock and hogs at the Grange Encampment and Fair attracted so much attention. The litters weighed 2240 and 2469 lbs., respectively.

Mrs. Margaret Kent became ill the latter part of last week, and on Sunday night was taken to the Centre County Hospital by Dr. Hugh Morrow. Mrs. Kent is well advanced in years. She and her brother, Henry Potter, had been living together in their home in Centre Hall. Until recently Mrs. Kent had been able to perform ordinary household duties.

The Forestry Department is having a road five miles in length built through Hance Valley. The road enters Seven Mountains, east of the detour road over the mountains at Sigerville, and intersects with the road leading to Penns Creek at a point known as the Price improvement. The road passes through a forest section under the jurisdiction of Forester Harbison, of Milroy, and is being built under the management of Forest Ranger Monnell, of Milroy.

An appeal is being made to townspeople to aid in corn borer control which control is a co-operative enterprise. They are asked to thoroughly clean up their sweet corn patches, burn the cobs and husks from corn, used on the table instead of disposing of it as garbage, and above all, not follow the too common practice of wrapping the husks and cobs and throwing them from an automobile when driving through the country. The corn borer prefers sweet corn to the common field corn, so it becomes necessary to pay special attention to the destruction of the waste from it if we are to enjoy this food in the future. It is advised that the stalks be pulled from the ground as soon as the corn is harvested and fed while green to stock.

Enlarging Homan Garage.

The foundation walls are complete for an extensive addition to the Homan Garage. The enlargement is to the rear of the garage and will be 45 by 50 feet. The walls above the foundation will be made of concrete blocks similar to the front of the garage. The blocks are being made on the ground.

It is only a few years since the Homan Garage was erected, and at that time it was predicted that the structure was too large to become profitable. The increase in business expanded, but the building did not. When the addition to the rear, which extends almost to the alley line, is completed, the garage room will again be adequate.

Millheim School Head Resigns.

Prof. W. H. Bryan, principal of Millheim schools, resigned Friday evening at a meeting of the school board, stating that conditions arising between the time of his acceptance of the position and the opening of the school term made it impossible for him to continue, states the Journal. Prof. Bryan came highly recommended and much was expected of him. The school work will not be delayed, however, by his action. Prof. Philip J. Lent, of Mansfield, graduate of Mansfield State Normal and of the Grove City colleges, stepped into the principalship immediately. Prof. Lent came there following four years in high school work at Moosic, a town of about 4500 population, near Scranton. He is married and the father of four children.

NOW THAT SCHOOLS' BEGUN.

With the opening of the school year the so-called children's diseases, usually reported to increase in numbers, according to J. L. Tressel, State Health Officer, in Centre county. The explanation is the greater danger of exposure to diseases because of the fact that in school the children are more or less crowded together and spend less time in the open air than they do during the vacation period.

Mr. Tressel states that by keeping children out of school if they show the slightest signs of illness such as a cold or fever, the chances of the spread of measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever or mumps are minimized. Furthermore, by keeping such a child at home his chances of prompt recovery are materially increased.

To most children, Labor Day is the least enjoyed of any holiday, for it marks the end of their outdoor freedom and the beginning of another school year. To parents it means the purchase or preparation of school wardrobes and the thought that almost coincident with the opening of the school the so-called children's diseases begin to increase.

Why this increase takes place and what to do to reduce the chances of one's children becoming infected with a communicable disease should be understood by every parent.

During vacation, children are in the open air a large part of the time and even when indoors are not inclined to seek crowded places. With the opening of school hundreds of youngsters are brought together in school yard and school room and the number of hours spent in the open air is materially lessened. Some few of these children may have had a communicable disease during the summer months and recovered. Or others infected before the close of the spring term a small percentage may have retained the infecting germs after all symptoms of the disease have disappeared. These children, being perfectly well, although carrying disease organisms, go to school on opening day and naturally are admitted, as there are no signs to indicate that they may be a danger to their schoolmates.

With the close contact which comes in school rooms, movie theatres, churches and other places where children gather in large numbers, the carriers soon infect a number of other children and these in turn become active disseminators of the germs and a sharp increase in the number of new cases of communicable disease comes soon after school begins.

Of the diseases which may be acquired by children, diphtheria and smallpox are easily preventable. If you have not already had your children protected against these very dangerous infections you should consult your physician at once.

Regarding other communicable diseases, such as measles, chickenpox, scarlet fever, whooping cough and mumps, teach your children a few simple rules of personal hygiene and you will greatly reduce the chances of their acquiring infection. The germs causing these diseases practically always enter the body through the mouth and nose. So if your youngsters are taught to keep their hands away from their faces and to wash their hands at frequent intervals, and always before touching food, they will establish a first line of defence against these germs. Teach them to cover the mouth and nose with a handkerchief when coughing or sneezing. Of course there probably will be some children who are not so well brought up as yours who may insist on spraying the atmosphere around them whenever they cough or sneeze. However, a good example goes a long way and if a majority of children practice hygienic habits the others will learn in time.

Here the Health Officer emphasizes the importance of keeping at home any child who shows the slightest sign of illness, and the school teacher should likewise exclude from school any child showing signs of illness, rash or other symptoms of communicable diseases, using Form 43 "Temporary School Exclusion Notice" and parents should co-operate with teachers in having this form filled out by the family physician and returned to the school authorities as soon as possible, otherwise the "Compulsory Attendance Law" should be enforced.

Public health officials are constantly working to reduce the amount of preventable disease and a great deal has been accomplished as statistics will show; but a full measure of success along this line cannot be attained without the co-operation of each individual citizen.

Very truly yours,  
J. L. TRESSEL, C. H. O.  
Bellefonte, R. 3, Pa.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE, OCT. 31.

County Superintendent F. Glenn Rogers announces the coming annual Centre County Teachers' Institute to be held during the week beginning Monday, October 31, and states that among the prominent speakers whose services have been secured for the institute are noted educators whose names are well known in the world of education. Although the program for the week has not been fully prepared as yet, these three speakers have been definitely engaged for the institute: Dr. Matheny, of the Ohio State University, well known authority on nature study; Dr. C. C. Ellis, of Juniata, who has been present at previous institutes and is a recognized student of psychology; and Mrs. Fandra Holmes Wilson, dean of education at the South East Normal School, California. Pa. Mrs. Wilson has gained considerable fame as an orator, as well as being a leader in all branches of education. J. U. Yoder, of Ivyland, music supervisor at last year's institute, will fill that position again this year.

Half-Holidays Discontinued.

The Millheim Business Men's Association announces that the Thursday half-holiday has been discontinued. Stores will continue to close on Tuesdays and Fridays at 5:00 P. M.

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MRS. BAYARD'S TRAVEL LETTER.

Venice Built on Hundred Islets; Party Taken from R. R. Station to Hotel in Steam Launch—Thinking of "Home, Sweet Home."

Although Mrs. Roger T. Bayard, who was a member of the Church Touring Guild making a trip of the Holy Land and other points of interest in the Old World, has returned to her home in Tyrone, the Reporter has remaining several letters narrating her interesting trip, one of which follows: The trip from Florence to Venice was a tiresome one. We crossed over, through, and under the Italian Mountains which look much like our Alleghenies. There were at least twenty tunnels and some of them were very long; with the heat and dust and the smoke we were almost smothered at times.

On this side of the mountains the country is broad and level with fertile fields, orchards, and vineyards. Everything looks beautifully green and fresh so I take it that Northern Italy has some rain in the summer. The vegetables and fruits look fresh and luscious as we see them carried around in small boats.

Venice is built on a hundred islets, the streets are canals spanned here and there by bridges or crossed by gondolas. Some of the canals are not so wide as our alleys and some are wider. The Grand Canal is bordered with splendid palaces and spanned by the great Rialto Bridge which was built in 1591. Gondolas are coming and going everywhere we look. Some of them are splendid with silver mountings and velvet cushioned seats, and are the kind of gondolas we dream about when we think of Venice.

When our train arrived at the station we walked across the street and stepped into a steam launch and were taken to our hotel! It is almost like a tropical country, with a cool air all the time. Venice is both a summer and winter resort. Our hotel faces the Adriatic sea. Some of the islets are very small with only a few houses; others are larger. Where there are streets they are very narrow, and St. Mark's Square is the only place in which large numbers of people congregate and all the public festivities and State celebrations are held here.

Surrounding it are great palaces and St. Mark's Cathedral and wonderful shops. The Palace of the Doges, who were the chief magistrates of Venice when it was a Republic, is adorned with paintings of some of the famous masters of the world. The Doge lived in it and it was always the seat of government, where laws were made and court held. A prison was also connected with it by the Bridge of Sighs which was made famous by Byron's "Child Harold." Prisoners condemned to death in public were beheaded in the public square while those condemned to death in private were placed in cells in the prison and left to starve to death.

There is a very interesting legend about St. Mark's Cathedral which is celebrated as being the resting place of the Evangelist's body. It is said that St. Mark took refuge in a fisherman's hut on this island during a storm and an angel appeared to him and told him that he would be buried here and the most beautiful church in the world would be erected to his memory. Several hundred years later Venetian merchants going to Alexandria had a dream that they were to take St. Mark's body back to Venice with them and they hid the body in a basket and brought it with them. This legend is depicted in beautiful mosaic pictures on the front wall of the cathedral. It is a magnificent building, many of the priceless marbles were gifts of the Doges, famous men, and rich merchants, thanksgiving offerings for their safe return from foreign countries, as a journey on the sea was a perilous adventure in those days.

The museum was most interesting as I am always dazed and awed when I see the masterpieces of the early centuries. Will anything of our generation survive a thousand years and more? The ride on the Grand canal will be a pleasant memory the balance of my life. Of course we saw other places of historical interest but I think I have written enough of Venice, but the charm and romance of it are endless. This will probably be my last letter as I will follow it home very soon and we are traveling too fast to write letters.

We go from here to Milan for a day. Most especially to see Leonardo da Vinci's famous painting, "The Last Supper." Perhaps you will remember that Napoleon cut a door through it and used the building for a stable when he was in Italy. When we spend three days seeing the mountains and lakes of Switzerland and Tell's chapel. The picture of Tell shooting an apple off his son's head has been a vivid memory of mine since I was a child. After that we go to Paris for three days to see the forest and palace of Fontainebleau and the great museum of the "Louvre" and we have a day for shopping if we have any money left.

We shall carry all kinds of memories home with us I know, shortly; all of them will be pleasant ones. We feel our tour has been a splendid and successful one. We have kept fairly well and going nearly every day. The food has been fair all the time and generally good. The hotels have been comfortable and pleasant.

The water has been good and plentiful in most of the countries, with no excuse for wine; and in only a few places were we compelled to buy bottled water for safety. The touring company has done everything possible to make us comfortable and happy and to help us get the most benefit and pleasure from the tour. Our managers have been courteous and helpful and the local guides have generally spoken English well and have taken a real interest in our sight-seeing.

I believe that the Church Touring Guild has given us as much as any touring company could possibly give in the time at our disposal and for the money we have expended.

We are all thinking of Home, Sweet Home.

Sees Paralysis Passing.

The peak of the infantile paralysis outbreak in Pennsylvania should be passed by the end of October, Secretary of Health Apple announced in a statement. There have been 154 cases in the State so far this year as compared to 2000 in 1916.

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