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Sunday Church Services

PENNS VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Rev. S. F. Greenhoe, Pastor)

Farmers Mills—10:30 A. M. Installation of church officers. Georges Valley, 2:30 P. M. Centre Hall, 7:00 to 8:00 P. M.

CENTRE HALL REFORMED CHURCH

(Rev. Delas R. Keener, Pastor)

Centre Hall—1:30—Sunday School. 3:30—Church Services. Pinesville—9:30—Sunday School. 10:30—Church Services.

EVANGELICAL

(Rev. W. E. Smith, Pastor.)

Spring Mills—10:30 A. M. Bethesda—2:30 P. M. Locust Grove—7:30 P. M. Holy Communion at each appointment.

PRESBYTERIAN

(Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, Pastor)

Centre Hall, 9:30 A. M. Lemont, 11:00 A. M. Pine Grove Mills—7:30 P. M.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

(Rev. Harry W. Newman, Pastor.)

Centre Hall—S. S. at 9:30; public worship at 10:30 A. M. Sprucetown—S. S. at 1:30; public worship at 2:30 P. M. Spring Mills—S. S. at 9:30; public worship at 7 P. M. On February 2nd Evangelistic Services will open at Spring Mills.

Bellefonte Kiwanis Club.

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vania made this trip. Mrs. Walker accompanied Mr. Walker on the trip. The Bellefonte Club is regarded as one of the most active in the Pennsylvania District. Numerous and many worth while things have been accomplished during the year. The club has a membership of about eighty well known business and professional men residing in Bellefonte, while three of their number reside in Centre Hall, viz: William W. Kerlin, Frank V. Goodhart and Robert M. Smith. Unanimous action was taken at one of the luncheons of the club whereby any business man or farmer will be welcome at any of its meetings which are usually held Tuesday noon, at 12:05 at the Brockerhoff House. The only requirements are that they notify either the president or Secretary, Mr. George C. Bingham, at least one day before the luncheon, and that they furnish their own "meal ticket." A good speaker, a good subject and a good time are had at every meeting. Things for the good of the community as well as the county are freely discussed. Every meeting is most interesting.

"One of the best outstanding activities of Kiwanis which did the greatest service in the way of advertising was the sponsoring of the tenth anniversary celebration of the opening of the New York to Chicago Air Mail route and the dedication of the Bellefonte Air Port. The idea was conceived and carried out by Kiwanian George Bush and consisted of the designing of what is called a cachet to be put on all air-mail letters designed to be sent out that day, Dec. 18, 1928. The cachet was a Keystone design with the slogan on various sides "Lime Capitol of the World, Gov. M.T. Expense Port and The City of Governors," inside inscribed Bellefonte, Pa., Air Port, Tenth Anniversary, Dec. 18, 1928, N. Y. to Chic., and the Kiwanis emblem at the bottom. A cachet was also made Home of Historic Bellefonte Academy and applied in colors with rubber stamps and slogan stickers of various kinds attached. The commemoration was widely advertised in the stamp papers of the United States and resulted in about fifty letters being sent in to have the slogan applied and mailed out with the post mark of the Bellefonte office of that day. They went to all parts of the world, every State in the Union and every province in Canada being represented. Besides that large numbers from the outside, over thirty-five hundred letters, were sent from Bellefonte, making a total of nearly 9500 pieces of mail matter, all of which was taken by plane by Pilot J. H. Little. As these covers will be kept and widely distributed they will be a standing advertisement for decades to come of Bellefonte and cannot help but be of great material and advertising benefit. At the Kiwanis luncheon on that day Earl Wadsworth, the superintendent of Air Mail from Washington, D. C., was the principal speaker, giving a history of the air mail from the beginning, its growth and an estimate of the future, that was very interesting. This was the outstanding feature of the year 1928 for the Kiwanis Club of Bellefonte and will stand as a record for community achievement for some years to come.

DEATHS.

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ARNEY.—Mrs. Mary Arney, widow of Benjamin Arney, passed away on Tuesday of last week at her home in Niagara Falls, New York. Interment was made in that city beside the remains of her husband, Thursday afternoon following the death. She had attained her eightieth year June first of last year. Mrs. Arney was a daughter of Michael Zeigler and she was reared about Millheim. After her marriage to Mr. Arney, the couple lived on a farm near Centre Hall, and later in the borough. About ten years ago they left here to be with their son, A. Miles Arney, a Penn State graduate, employed as an electrician in Niagara Falls. The father died later. Mrs. Arney at the time of her death occupied an apartment on the second floor over that in which her son and Mrs. Arney lived. She had been in about her usual health, but when her son went to her rooms on the morning mentioned he found her dead, death having come some little time previous. She was the last of the Zeigler family to survive. She is survived by her son, A. Miles Arney.

FOHRINGER.—Mary Catherine, aged 3 years, 7 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Fohringer, died at the home of her parents, at Colyer, on Wednesday morning after a long illness. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning; interment at Zion Hill, near Colyer.

WERT.—Mrs. Chester Wert, aged 86 years, resident, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Catherine Seigel at Williamsport, of diseases incident to her advanced age, which was 83 years, 9 months and 21 days. She was twice married. The first union was with Simon Smull, who passed away over forty-two years ago. The second marriage was to Jesse Wert, of Aaronsburg, who died in 1909.

Surviving are seven of her nine children: Joseph Harold and Edwin Smull and Mrs. Catherine Seigel, of Williamsport; Herbert, of Ebersburg; George, of Columbus, Ohio; and Mrs. Helles Saurs, of State College. Also fifteen grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

WALKER.—Mrs. Catherine Powers Walker, wife of W. Miles Walker, passed away at her home in Bellefonte as the result of double pneumonia, following an illness of about ten days. She first suffered an attack of the grip and appeared to be recovering when pneumonia developed.

She was a daughter of John and Nancy Kearns Powers and was born in Bellefonte, July 30th, 1869, making her age, 58 years, 5 months and 9 days. She married Mr. Walker forty-six years ago and all their married life had been spent in Bellefonte.

She is survived by her husband and the following children: Lee H. Walker, of Puerto Lunon, Costa Rico; Mrs. Albert H. Numbers, of Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. William G. Smith, of Wilmington, Del.; Ivan, of Bellefonte; Milton P. Miss Elizabeth and Cecil A., at home. She also leaves one brother, John Powers, of Lebanon.

BUBB.—Pneumonia which developed from an attack of influenza, resulted in the death of Mrs. Catherine Elmir Bubba, wife of Charles Bubba, at her home in State College, after an illness of about a week. The deceased was born 31 years ago at Berwick, a daughter of Jacob and Mary Hart, both of whom died a number of years ago. Surviving in addition to her husband is one son, Charles, seriously ill with pneumonia at the time of his mother's death; a daughter, Marie, at home, and three brothers and two sisters. The remains were taken by rail to Berwick, and funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon, with interment in a cemetery there. Mrs. Bubba was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church.

BIERLY.—Dr. Alfred N. Bierly, author of the Oratorio Immanuel and many many melodic music books, died in Philadelphia, as the result of an attack of the grip. He was 81 years of age and was born at Madisonburg, this county. After attending the public schools of his home community he took a course in the Conservatory of Music, at Boston, Mass. Following his graduation he devoted most of his time to music writing and his music was known all over the world. He never married, and all members of his immediate family preceded him to the grave. During the past three years he lived at the Presser Home for Aged Musicians, at Mt. Airy.

Dr. Bierly visited in Centre Hall several years ago being related to Edward E. Crawford.

He was a frequent contributor to the columns of the daily press and also of the Reporter. His articles indicated a broad grasp on all matters of world importance. We regarded him as a loyal friend; a man of great intellect and human understanding. The world is undoubtedly richer for his having lived in it.

Asks \$6,000,000 for Twp. Highways. A bill setting aside \$6,000,000 for township highway payments during the next biennium was introduced in the House at Harrisburg, by Representative J. A. Stein, of York. This money would be paid from motor license funds as an aid to townships in building roads.

MARRIAGE LICENCES.

Ernest Z. Pitchford, Phillipsburg. Janet Bellele, Phillipsburg. Leroy Murray, Powellton. Margaret Frantz, Sandy Ridge.

EMERICK HEIRS FILE NEW SUIT

Still Seek to Claim Millions Held by Astor Family—Quite a Number Reside in Centre County.

Falling to have their claims to a large portion of the state of John Jacob Astor sustained in the New York courts, descendants of John Nicholas Emerick have begun proceedings in the orphans' court of Philadelphia county. Quite a number of descendants of Emerick reside in Centre county.

Judge Henry C. Thompson, Jr., has fixed January 21 for hearing the question of the probate of the alleged will of Emerick and the appointment of administrators will be taken up before a full bench of the court.

The basis for the attempt to participate in the fortune founded by Astor is the unprobated will drawn more than 112 years ago and a purported partnership agreement between the creator of the Astor fortune and Emerick.

The petition was filed at Philadelphia by Evan B. Lewis, attorney for Mrs. Martha Patton, 61 East Penn street, Philadelphia, who claims she is a legal descendant of Christopher Emerick, brother of John Nicholas Emerick. She asks that the alleged will of Emerick, who died December 16, 1816, be probated. It is Mrs. Patton's contention that the case was lost in New York on technicalities and not on merits.

Monthly Report of Cow Testing Assoc.

Harold N. Brungart, of Smulton, has compiled the following report of the cow testing association for District No. 2 in Centre county, for the month of December:

Herds tested, 10; cows in milk, 128; cows dry, 17; number cows producing over 40 lbs. fat, 21; over 50 lbs. fat, 10; number cows producing over 1,000 lbs. milk, 27; over 1,200 lbs. milk, 13.

Ten highest producing cows in butterfat for the month:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Grade, Fat, Milk. Includes entries like J. Fred Slack, Centre Hall; George Grubb, Tylersville; S. P. Esterline, Green Burr; J. Fred Slack, Centre Hall; George Grubb, Tylersville; J. Fred Slack, Centre Hall; W. F. Riesel, Centre Hall; P. M. Winkoblech, Aaronsburg; A. J. Burrell, Millheim.

Old Locust Public Camp.

Many of the readers of the Reporter have enjoyed the pleasure of stopping at the Old Locust Public Camp, along State Highway Route 53, one mile south of Potters Mills, in Seven Mountains, but few are acquainted with the early history of the camp site and the reason for its name. In a booklet issued through the Department of Forests and Waters, compiled under the direction of Hon. Henry W. Shoemaker and Joseph S. Black, a brief description and early history of the camp is given, a portion of which is repeated below:

"Old Locust Public Camp derived its name from an old locust tree that formerly stood on the camp site and was probably planted by Major Jacob Neff, who settled here shortly after James and John Potter settled in Pennsylvania. It is reported that Major Neff made some brew at his log cabin on this site from 1840 to 1855 and sold a big mug of beer and a large piece of ginger bread for five cents. It is also reported that Mrs. Neff in setting fire to a nearby brush pile to burn a big black snake concealed beneath it, started one of the largest forest fires of the early days, which destroyed the log cabin."

Major Neff referred to above was the great-grandfather of Wm. R. and Chas. B. Neff, of Potter township. His son, Major John Neff, was closely identified with the early history of Centre Hall and at one time lived in and probably built the property occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John G. Dauberman.

Kiwanians Entertain Academy Boys.

The Bellefonte Kiwanis Club at their regular meeting on Tuesday evening at the Brockerhoff House entertained as their guests the famous football team of the Bellefonte Academy. There were also present a few other guests and visiting members. It was largely a business night; also, appointment of twenty-four permanent committees, declaring for four nights for ladies during 1929.

James R. Hughes, head of the Bellefonte Academy, introduced each of the boys and in doing so told of some special quality or accomplishment of the youth. It afforded Mr. Hughes a pleasant task to bring before the business and professional men of the community some of the best types of the academy student body. They made a fine impression on their hosts.

President W. Harrison Walker called on several of the students to help furnish entertainment; they responded promptly and received hearty applause. Samuel M. Shallcross, connected with the American Lame and Stone Company, made a brief address, leaving the speech of the evening to Arthur H. Sloop, head of the Bellefonte public schools, who very fittingly used the opportunity to throw out guide lines to the young academy students.

President Walker took occasion to pay Mr. Landsay, the Brockerhoff landlord, an earned compliment on the improvements recently made to the dining room and other portions of the popular hotel.

STATE EXECUTES 3 MURDERERS

Slayer of Cross Keys Theatre Manager Among Those Paying Penalty.

Charles F. Mellor, 22, of Philadelphia, was electrocuted at the Rockview penitentiary on Monday for the murder of Max T. Harrison, assistant manager of the Cross Keys Theatre, Market St. near Sixtieth. The youth also shot and fatally wounded Martha Yetter, 17 years old, of Philadelphia, during a holdup at the theatre last spring.

Proceeding Mellor on the march to the electric chair were two other murderers, one of them a Philadelphian. He was Benjamin Danarowicz, who killed his wife last April.

The third man was Tony Lucitti, slayer of two policemen who sought to arrest him at Centreville, Pa. Lucitti went to the chair at 7:05 A. M. He was followed by Danarowicz at 7:15 A. M. The current was turned on Mellor last.

The electrocutions of Mellor and Danarowicz followed bitter legal battles. Many appeals were taken in their cases by attorneys. When the Pardon Board refused to act the Governor was asked to extend clemency, but ignored the pleas.

Local Odd Fellows to Observe 57th Anniversary.

Centre Hall Lodge No. 895, I. O. O. F., will celebrate the 57th anniversary of its founding, on Saturday evening of this week, in the lodge rooms. Preparations have been made to secure a prominent speaker; there will be refreshments served, and a general good time is anticipated. It is the desire of the officers that there be a good attendance of members.

Auditing County Accounts.

The county auditors—Robert D. Musser, Samuel B. Holter and O. J. Stover—last week began auditing the county accounts. From what can be gathered on the outside, the balance sheet will show a deficit of something like \$20,000, due largely to the payment of salaries and expenses to newly appointed county officials by Judge Fleming. In this issue will be found the reports of Roy Wilkinson, the desorption, probation and parole officers, and Lee Boden, county detective, which will give the reader an opportunity to know whether or not these officers are a financial gain or loss to the county.

PUBLIC SALE.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—A house and lot, the property of the estate of the late Angeline Weaver, located on the north side of West Church Street, Centre Hall, will be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, at 2:00 P. M. The house is a six-room two story structure, in good repair. Terms—20 per cent of the purchase price to be paid in cash on day of sale when property is knocked down and declared sold. The balance of 80 per cent upon execution and delivery of deed, which will take place on or about March 1, 1929. Possession will be given April 1st, 1929.

JAMES W. SWABB, Attorney-in-Fact for children and heirs at law of Angeline Weaver, deceased, Linden Hall, Pa. W. Harrison Walker, Attorney for Estate. E. M. SMITH, Auctioneer.

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Advertisement for GEORGE W. SHARER, Agent, featuring an illustration of a silo and text: 'The New Model CEMENT INTER-LOCKING STAVE SILO. THE SILO YOU CAN DEPEND ON. Storm and Fire-Proof; No Painting; No Hoops to Tighten; No Guy Wires. A practical demonstration of this silo may be seen on my premises, 1/2 mile East of Centre Hall, where silo is in use. For further information, call on or write—GEORGE W. SHARER, Agent. Phone No. 75R2. CENTRE HALL, PA.'

Advertisement for W. H. (Bill) SECKINGER, featuring text: 'PLUMBING, HEATING, GAS FITTING, General Repair Work. W. H. (Bill) SECKINGER. STATE COLLEGE and CENTRE HALL. Phone 464J.'

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