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BELLEFONTE IS IN GALA ATTIRE

For the Dedication of the Monument on Friday.

AN IMMENSE DEMONSTRATION

Final Preparations Completed--Will be an Imposing Affair to Commemorate Deeds of Valor--Large Attendance Assured.

At the hour of going to press Bellefonte is in gala attire for the important event that will take place to-morrow--the dedication of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument and Curtin Statue. Elaborate preparations have been made for a monster demonstration, and appropriate exercises. The dedication of this monument is of more than local interest, as it embodies the memory and patriotic deeds of not only several thousand brave soldiers, but also of one of the greatest men ever produced by the Keystone State--Andrew G. Curtin, the famous War Governor. For that reason the present Executive of Pennsylvania, Governor Pennypacker, and other prominent officials and citizens will be in attendance to participate in the exercises. For the same reason also many thousand visitors will attend the affair, making it one of the most notable events in the history of the town.

During the past week professional decorators have been at work ornamenting our principal business houses, banks, Court House, the Monument and diamond with bunting, flags and emblems until the scene is one of fascinating beauty. An immense stand is being completed in front of the First National Bank; another opposite for holding over a thousand school children, will soon be finished. Overhead are festoons of streamers and flags--in fact wherever the eye can turn there is a profusion of blending colors.

The program of events has been published far and wide through the press and by invitations, therefore it is hardly necessary to make a repetition of it at this time, and as far as can be learned there will be no alterations. All the military and civic organizations expected are certain of attending. Everybody in town will be entertaining friends from a distance. The hotels are laying by large stores to feed the hungry while many booths will be stocked to furnish lunch and coffee and refreshments. The military organizations will have headquarters at the Armory, where an active commissary will have abundant rations. With fair weather there will be no limit to the crowds, and every effort is being made by our people for their entertainment and enjoyment while within the portals of our mountain city.

The following route of parade has been determined upon by Gen. Curtin and his staff subject to minor changes which may be made if necessary: Parade will form on Thomas street proceed to High to Allegheny, north on Allegheny to Linn, east on Linn countermarching to Allegheny public square where the parade will be reviewed by Gov. Pennypacker, south to Bishop, east on Bishop countermarching to Spring, Spring to High, High to bridge countermarching on High to Spring, North on Spring to Armory there to be dismissed. The parade will consist of the following: Marshall and staff, band, Col. Reynolds and Aids, Sheridan Troop, Governor and Staff, County Commissioners, Borough Council, Col. Elder and Staff, 5th Regt. Band, 5th and 12th Regt., G. A. R., Sons of Veterans, carriages and autos, civic organizations, State College Cadets, fire departments, provisional cavalry, etc.

Owing to the great crowds which will be in town it is requested that streets on line of parade be sprinkled early in the morning if necessary. That our citizens provide vessels with drinking water and tin cups, so that the women and children visitors may be provided for at convenient points. All rubbish should be removed from the line of parade and the town generally cleaned up. This will of course be done, but it is advisable to have that part of the work finished before Friday. In the matter of decoration it is hoped that all buildings public and private on the line of parade be decorated.

The Silk Mill.

The large silk mill which for some time has been planned by the promoters of the Altoona Silk Mill Company for Tyrone has become a certainty, as work will be started on the structure in a few weeks. Robert Schwarzenbach, president, and H. Ruegg, general manager of the combine of silk mills, of which the Altoona mill is one, with headquarters in New York City, were in Tyrone several days ago and arranged for the work to begin on the new mill. The establishment will afford employment for a large number of men, boys and girls.

STUART NOMINATED.

The republicans in this state, in their convention at Harrisburg, on Wednesday, nominated Edward S. Stuart, a former mayor of Philadelphia, for governor. This was accomplished by Penrose controlling the delegates from Philadelphia and having the support of the Pittsburg delegation, who are a part of the machine. The delegations from the interior of the state were against Stuart, and divided on a half dozen other candidates in the field. They opposed Stuart because he is the creature of the machine, and is a mild mannered old man, who will make an ideal Executive for the Penrose combination.

The nomination of Stuart means that the independent element was not recognized, and that Penrose was in complete mastery of the situation. It also means an open defiance to the Lincoln Party, which has named Emory for Governor.

The fight is on, and if wisdom prevails in the democratic councils, they can name a winning ticket this year.

The result of this nomination plainly indicates that Penrose has regained control of the party. In the preliminary canvass Stuart took no part. He solicited no support. Others traveled over the state, came in contact with the people. Until the convention met his candidacy was hardly known. It shows that the gang was there and made the state.

ANOTHER SUICIDE.

Charles King, a livery stable attache, committed suicide on Saturday, by shooting himself in the head at Clearfield. He had been threatening suicide for several days. He was forty years of age and his home is at Millheim, to which place his body was sent.

Saturday afternoon after receiving \$3 for the hire of a rig he took the money and went out and bought a revolver. Coming back in about 15 minutes he remarked to Frank Livingston and Thomas Horey, two other employes of the livery stable, that they would "have to take the feeding themselves" that evening and passed on back to the rear of the stable where he shot himself in the head. When Horey went back to the rear of the barn he found King lying on the floor moaning and the revolver lying at his feet. Help was called and he was carried into the office of the stable and several doctors sent for. Being conscious he was asked by Frank Leavy the reason he had shot himself and looking up at Mr. Leavy he said "I did it on purpose, Fred, turn me over and let me die," and to Dr. Gregory, who was standing near, he said "Good bye doctor." He lived about an hour.

Fine Decorations.

Visitors in town the past few days have invariably stopped to take a view of the Court House. In its new coat of pure white the front never was more imposing or attractive. To add to this the decorations, consisting of bunting streamers, flags, etc., are something very artistic in effect. The ponderous columns gave an opportunity for clever work and in this Vollmar & Co., the professional decorators of Harrisburg, certainly excelled themselves. There is just enough, and the arrangement pleasing, while the colors are bright, fresh and rich. This same firm had the contract for all the best work in town, such as the three banks and prominent business blocks. Everybody was pleased with the general effect and their prices were most reasonable.

Hand Cut Off.

At a saw mill just back of Howard, Friday morning, Melvin Mincer, a young man eighteen years of age, had just secured a job at the saw mill and had been at work about a half an hour when his left hand caught in the circular saw and was cut off. The men employed there hurried the young man to the office of Dr. Kurtz at Howard. The doctor stopped the flow of blood and then brought him to the Bellefonte hospital for treatment.

Senator Gorman Dead.

United States Senator Arthur Pue Gorman, of Maryland, who has been ill for several weeks, died Monday morning. Senator Gorman, who was the leader of the Democratic party in Maryland for three decades, was a national figure of prominence. He entered the United States Senate as a page in his boyhood, and in later life became one of the most astute and influential members of that body.

A Mountain of Soap Discovered.

A small mountain of soap has been discovered in the sand hills, near Savage, Neb. It is composed of a fine and perfectly white sand, which when mixed with water, makes a coarse soap. The people of the vicinity have been carting sections of the hill away by cartloads and use it to scrub the floors of their farmhouses, polish metal and even remove the grim from their hands.

BOYD STONERODE IS NOW IN JAIL

A Former Milesburg Boy Creates Another Sensation.

BECOMES AN EXPERT FORGER

Fleeced Banks About Pittsburg of Large Sums of Money--Was Caught in the Act--Accumulated a Fortune By His Crooked Career.

Our readers in this part of the county were startled last Thursday by articles appearing in the Pittsburg papers implicating a young man, formerly of Milesburg, Pa., of a most serious crime. Since then it has proven too true, that Boyd Stonerode has been systematically practicing extensive live frauds upon the various banks about Pittsburg for years whereby



BOYD STONERODE.

he has successfully fleeced them out of large sums of money. Confronted by the positive evidence, he has made confession and the prospects of spending a long term of years in the penitentiary for his misdeeds, are most certain.

Boyd Stonerode was born at Snow Shoe, and reared at Milesburg, and it is that community today you hear ugly rumors afloat of former escapades of a similar nature, for which he never received his just deserts.

The following story of his recent exploits is made up from extracts of articles that appeared in the various Pittsburg papers last week:

Samuel C. Fletcher, now in the Washington county jail, charged with swindling the Bentleyville National bank, may be able to explain to wondering Coraopolis neighbors how Boyd H. Stonerode lived in such nice style, educated his children and kept them fashionably dressed. For Stonerode is a telegraph operator at the Greentree station of the Wabash railroad at \$50 per month. Out of his meager salary he acquired \$10,000 worth of stock in the Columbia Savings bank, stock in a Cleveland bank, valuable oil property at Garrettsville, O., and has a comfortable account with the Coraopolis National bank.

On Friday 25th, Cashier J. T. Neal, of the Bentleyville Bank, received a letter dated at Cleveland, O., and purporting to be from L. A. Murley, cashier of the Mercantile National Bank, of Cleveland, stating he had mailed to Neal a certificate of deposit in favor of Samuel C. Fletcher for \$3,200. Neal was requested to honor the certificate and was further told that Fletcher had sold his Cleveland home to his brother, thus accounting for the money. On Saturday Fletcher presented the certificate of deposit to Cashier Neal and wanted it cashed. Neal gave Fletcher \$600 in cash and a draft on the Diamond National Bank, of Pittsburg, for \$2500.

Cashier Neal became suspicious and notified the Diamond Bank to refuse payment of the draft.

On Tuesday Fletcher presented the draft to the Ambridge Savings & Trust Co. and was arrested. The Mercantile National Bank of Cleveland is no longer in existence, having been consolidated with the National Bank of Commerce of that city. The prisoner is now in Washington county jail in default of \$6,000 bail to answer charges of attempting to swindle the First National Bank of Bentleyville out of \$3,200 by a bogus certificate of deposit.

The bogus certificate game was successfully worked on a number of small banks in Western Pennsylvania, and in every instance the work was identical with the Bentleyville case. In one instance where the swindler presented a certificate for \$2,400 the cashier of the bank said he would have to telegraph the institution which issued the certificate. The swindler agreed to this and said he would wait for the answer. This allayed all suspicion and he was given the money, the cashier discovering an hour or two later that the certificate was bogus.

The detectives went to Stonerode's residence and made a search, where they found a little printing press and a typewriter; in fact, all the paraphernalia necessary for forays upon small banks. Stonerode was a highly respected resident of Coraopolis, does not dissipate and has a good Spanish war record. Stonerode has not only deceived his family as to his character, but also the Pinkerton detective agency. Pinkertons have been working on the case for years, and have been looking for a flashily dressed fel-

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TWO TURTLES WITH DATES.

From land turtles occasionally found, it is clear that these creatures are long-lived, at least fully up to the allotted time of man. We were given data of two that seem to be alive yet. About two weeks ago W. T. Neff, of Boggs township, came across a turtle on the P. W. Barnhart farm, with the letters N. B. cut on its shell, date 1824. It seems the full name of the person had been cut, as another letter, an I or an L, was worn too much for deciphering. This turtle, when found by Mr. Neff, was lively, did not betray age, and was let go again. It was frequently seen in past years on the same farm.

About a mile from the above farm, Jack P. Barnhart found a turtle on the Joseph L. Neff farm, with the name of Thomas Sellers cut on its shell and the year 1835. This one was seen last about six years ago on the same tract and no doubt still has its home there.

These turtles may have been marked as above, when ten to twenty years of age.

EMORY FOR GOVERNOR.

At Philadelphia, Thursday, the Lincoln party nominated the following state ticket: Governor, Lewis Emery, Jr., of McKean county; lieutenant governor, Rudolph Blankenburg, of Philadelphia; auditor general, George W. Merrick, of Tioga county, and for secretary of internal affairs, Elisha A. Coray, of Luzerne county. The Lincoln party platform has been made up of the following planks: Enactment and enforcement of just laws; President Roosevelt commended and promised enthusiastic support; pledges to support men undominated by a boss; improvement in election laws; state funds for public charities; abolition of the fee system; establishment of the merit system; no municipal franchises without the approval of the voters; a two-cent passenger rate; trolley freight franchises; readjustment of pure food laws; passage of local option law; surplus revenues to be expended in public works; a more equitable proportion of personal property tax; election of United States senators by popular vote; opposition to the statute of Quay.

MAN HERE BEFORE COAL.

A Boston museum has just bought from a Polish miner, employed in the Eagle Hill colliery, near Pottsville, two small pieces of coal, one of them bearing the imprint of a plant and the other the fossilized imprint of an ax.

The lucky find brought the miner \$500, but its value to science is almost inestimable, as the clear impression of the ax upon the piece of coal tends to prove that man was here before the formation of the coal beds was completed, and, furthermore, that man was at least partly civilized, having the use of tools.

Some time ago a piece of anthracite coal taken from a mine was found to bear the imprint of a gigantic hand. There was a controversy among scientists as to whether this imprint was made by a man or by a prehistoric ape. This piece of coal was also taken from the Eagle Hill colliery.

New Postal Ruling.

An excellent ruling has recently been made by the postal authorities at Washington for which they are entitled to the united thanks of the mail carriers. It has been ruled that where a man keeps a vicious dog about his premises that makes it dangerous for a carrier to deliver his mail, such delivery may be omitted. Unless the carrier is willing to risk the danger of the dog the owner of the vicious brute will have to depend upon himself in getting his mail at the postoffice.

Strikebreakers Killed.

President Gilday, of the United Mine Workers, telephoned Monday night that 25 strikebreakers were killed at Eleonora slope by "black damp." He also said two strikebreakers were killed in the Eleonora slope by a fall of rock. Both properties belong to B. R. & P. Company. The State Constabulary is surrounding the mines, and will not allow any one in or out. The operations are in Jefferson county, six miles from Punxsutawney.

Large Flag.

The grand stand in the diamond, for the dedication ceremonies, tomorrow, has for a covering a giant American flag, 60x65 feet. This flag was made by the party having a contract for decorating, and, so far as known, is the largest flag in the world--Uncle Sam even does not have one as large. The blue-field contains 350 stars. The flag is as pretty as it is large. Another flag, as large as this one, is being made here, for an unveiling in Woodbury, N. J.

A black horse, rubber-tired buggy, and harness were stolen from John B. Burkett's barn at Warriorsmark Friday night. The police have a clue to the identity of the thief and are on the lookout for him.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Concluding Exercises in Petriken Hall Today.

THE ESSAYS AND ORATIONS

The Largest Class Ever Graduated--The Completion of a Successful Term--Diplomas Awarded This Evening.

The closing event of the schools takes place in Petriken Hall, today. The following is the complete program for the day:

Thursday Afternoon.

Salutatory and Essay, "Buried Treasures" Winifred M. Gates.
 Essay, "Art Pictures" Maude A. Johnston.
 Essay, "Responsibilities" Pearl M. Kubely.
 Class History, Roy M. Farber.
 Essay, "The American Sunday" Mary L. Grimm.
 Essay, "A Single Aim" Mildred H. Ogden.
 Eulogy, "William Cullen Bryant" Essie M. Viehdorfer.
 Class Prophecy, Annie W. Keichline.
 Oration, "Manual Training" Thomas G. Hanzh.
 Valedictory and Essay, "The Gem of Cities" Sara R. McClure.
 Oration, "The Disaster at San Francisco" Charles P. Barnes.
 Essay, "Music in the Home" Sabra D. Faxon.
 Oration, "Public Libraries" Roy S. Fleck.
 Essay, "One Touch of Nature Makes the Whole World Kin" Anne E. Garman.
 Essay, "School Life as the Foundation of After Life" Rebecca O. Jacobs.
 Oration, "Our Forest Trees" William F. Shope.
 Oration, "Effect of Modern Inventions on America" John P. Smith.
 Oration, "Our Great Rival in Commerce" B. Frank Steele.
 Essay, "National Hymns" Laura J. Thomas.
 Essay, "The Importance of Our Navy" Helen M. Valentine.
 Oration, "The Inalienable Right of Suffrage" Milan P. Walker.
 Oration, "Some Uses of the Muck Bake" Paul L. Wetzel.
 Essay, "Sunshine and Shadow" Lizzie M. Yohey.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Commencement Address, Dr. George P. Bible. Presentation of Diplomas and Awarding of Prizes, Hon. W. C. Heinle, President of School Board.

Motto, "We have finished to begin." Colors, Gold and Gray.

The assembly in the Armory on Tuesday evening by the alumni drew a large attendance of old students and invited guests. The interior was appropriately decorated for the occasion. The gathering was the most successful yet held.

Junior Contest.

Monday evening the annual Junior Declamatory contest, for the Reynolds Prize, was held in Petriken Hall. The following members of the class participated in the program:

"The Crimson Shroud of Olaf Guldmar," by Isabel C. Merriman. "The Mysterious Portrait" by Ivah M. Meyer. "Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata," by Harriette E. Ray. "An Easter with Parents," by Helen K. Robb. "The Hero of the Day," by Elizabeth C. Barnhart. "The Sacrifice of Genias," by S. Helen Stover. (1st prize.) "The Peril of the Republic," by Clair Selbert. "The Gold Louis," by Estie Bidwell. "The Little David of Nations," by Blair Fisher. "The Thunder Storm," by Leah D. Woodson. (2nd prize.) Judges: Rev. J. L. Stoneroper, Dr. Ralph E. Myers, Prof. Franklin T. Cole.

Anarchist Threw Bomb.

A bomb was thrown at King Alfonso and Queen Ena last Thursday. Both escaped unhurt. The bomb was thrown from a balcony as the wedding procession was passing. It exploded in front of the royal carriages and two of the eight horses which were drawing the vehicle were killed. An equerry was wounded and a child in the crowd was killed. King Alfonso and Queen Ena behaved with the greatest coolness.

ANARCHIST SUICIDES.

The capture and suicide Saturday night at Torrejon de Ardos of Manuel Morales, the chief suspect in the bomb outrage against King Alfonso and Queen Victoria, adds another dramatic chapter to the incidents surrounding the royal wedding. Morales was recognized in the little town of Torrejon de Ardos, midway between Madrid and Alcalá. A guard sought to detain him, but Morales, drawing a revolver, shot the guard dead. Then he turned to flee, but a number of the inhabitants of the town were upon him, and, turning the revolver upon himself, he sent a shot in the region of his heart, expiring a few minutes later.

Senior Cuesta, proprietor of the hotel from the balcony of which Morales threw the bomb, viewed the body and completely identified it as that of his recent guest.

Vacations for Rural Carriers.

Fifteen days' leave of absence annually for rural free delivery carriers exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, are to be provided in the Postoffice Appropriation bill as it comes from the Senate committee. The bill carries an appropriation of about \$193,000,000.

Look at Your Label.

The dates on the mailing list were changed this week, and all persons who paid their subscriptions during the month of May were duly credited. The list is corrected once a month and if there is an error please notify this office at once.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Selected and Original.

AN IMITATION POEM.

We've imitation butter,
 And imitation milk;
 We've imitation cotton
 And imitation silk.
 We've imitation marble
 And imitation wood;
 We've imitation coffee
 Salubriously good.
 We've imitation leather
 For imitation shoes;
 We've imitation dyesuffs
 And imitation booze.
 And some of us 'tis certain
 Have imitation wives.
 In fact I fear we're leading
 But imitation lives.

THE STORY OF MARY.

I
 Mary had a little lamb;
 One day it got the croup;
 She sold it to a packing-house--
 It's now canned oxtail soup.

II
 Mary had a little pet;
 She bought a cunning cow.
 Which died of splitting headaches soon--
 It's country sausage now.

III
 Mary wept and wept and wept,
 And sold it all for cash;
 The piggie died of tummy ache--
 It's boned ham, like as not.

IV
 Mary saw the packers make
 A fortune from her pets.
 But she could hardly catch enough
 On them to pay her debts.

V
 Mary bought an ailing sheep--
 She knew it was a sin--
 And when it died she promptly called
 An undertaker in.

VI
 This precious pair embalmed the sheep
 And sold it all for cash;
 The folks who bought it of them said:
 "What lovely corned-beef hash!"

VII
 The undertaker and the girl
 Declined them to hitch;
 They organized a packing-house
 And gee, but they're rich!
 CHARLES R. BARNES.

There're many things we'd like to know.
 But one think's certain, sure;
 A story is just bound to grow
 As it's passed along to more.

A curate is not always accurate.
 Most men who say but little talk too much.

Lots of heavyweights are looking for light work.
 He who marries for fun may be sorry that he won.

The average man has a profound respect for his wife's husband.
 Having no money a fellow doesn't have to bother about saving any of it.

The collection plate gets the nickels and dimes, but the devil gets the dollars.
 Spooky couples should remember that although love is blind the neighbors aren't.

About the only way to convince a contrary man that he is wrong is to agree with him.

Here is what the Pennsylvania food commission found to be the make-up of a Philadelphia cocktail: cayenne pepper, wood alcohol, coal tar dye and sulphuric acid. Floating in this there should be a cherry, picked green, bleached in alkali, artificially colored and preserved in formaldehyde. We don't know how the toothpick is prepared.

A DISJOINTED NARRATIVE.

"Yes, sir," said the Dakota man, as a crowd of agriculturists seated themselves around a little table, "yes, sir; we do things on rather a sizable scale. I've seen a man start out in the spring and plow a furrow until fall. Then he turned around and harvested back. We have some big farms up there, gentlemen. A friend of mine owned one on which he had to give a mortgage, and the mortgage was due on one end before they could get it recorded on the other. You see it was laid off in counties."

There was a murmur of astonishment, and the Dakota man continued:

"I got a letter from a man who lives in my orchard just before I left home, and it had been three weeks getting to the dwelling house, although it had traveled day and night."

"Distances are pretty wide up there, ain't they?" inquired one.

"Reasonably, reasonably," replied the Dakota man. "And the worst of it is, it breaks up families so. Two years ago I saw a whole family prostrated with grief. Women yelling, children howling, and dogs barking. One of my men had his camp truck packed on seven four-mule teams and he was going around bidding everybody good-bye."

"Where was he going?" asked a Gravesend man.

"He was going half-way across the farm to feed the pigs," replied the Dakota man.

"And did he ever get back to his family again?"

"It isn't time for him yet," replied the Dakota man.--Detroit Free Press.

A Dakota Cyclone.

A Southeastern wind hurled tumble weeds and Russian thistle through the air at a twenty-nine-mile gait, and the gait went too. Many stoves were drawn out of the chimneys; the strong wind blew in at the neck of a bottle and blew the bottom out. Nebraska wagon tracks passed over the town by the thousands.

The strain on the wire fences was so great that staples were drawn out of the north side of the posts. A kerosene barrel standing in front of a grocery store was sucked out of the bungalow and turned inside out, like a lady's slipper. The dirt blew from a post-hole in the hillside and left the hole sticking out of the ground about two feet with no dirt around it.--Estelle (S. D.) Bell.