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#### EDITORIAL.

##### XMAS HOLIDAYS.

Following the usual custom, observed by the weekly newspapers of this section, there will be no paper issued from this office next week, as the employees and all connected with the paper expect to enjoy the usual Xmas vacation. With us it has been a strenuous season, at the conclusion of which we find The Centre Democrat further advanced in public favor than at any previous time.

Remember, don't look for a paper next week, because we are enjoying ourselves, and hope you are doing the same.

MERRY XMAS and a  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT will recommend an increase of salaries for government employes. Governor Pennypacker will also recommend an increase of salaries for employes under the state government. If Penny would give his attention to prosecuting the capitol thieves, the people would think it altogether in the line of his duty. Officials who think their pay is not high enough, need only resign and for every one resigning there will be a score to take his place, gladly, at the old salary. Let Penny and Teddy try this scheme.

Some of the Penrose machine organs have the cheek and impudence to charge Lewis Emery with having spent money in the campaign for governor. Well, no one will deny it. He spent his own money, and he did not spend it unlawfully. Emery did not steal the money from the Life Insurance companies or in the great Capitol trimmings job, as did the gang. The money stolen from the policy holders of life insurance has been proven to have gone into the Machine campaign fund and so have some of the millions stolen in the Capitol trimmings job. In both instances it has been a robbery of the people. In Emery's case it was a few thousand of his own money made in no crooked business transaction. Stick a pin there.

ONE of the many absurdities contained in the present game laws is clearly found in the following item of a case in Lehigh county: "Because he took in, cared for and later kept as pets a Canadian lark and a robin, both of which had been wounded, John F. Weller, president of a gun club that bears his name, was arrested a few days ago at the instance of Deputy Game Warden W. J. Acker on a charge of holding native song birds in captivity. Alderman Jones, before whom Weller was arraigned, reserved his decision. Should the judgment be against him Weller will appeal."

There are some provisions in the state game laws that are childish and remind one of the self-righteousness of hypocritical pharisees in finding fault with the Saviour for violating the sanctity of the Sabbath.

##### One Guard Regiment to Go.

Brigadier General John A. Wiley, of the Second Brigade, N. G. P., Thursday announced that he had received the resignation of Colonel Rufus C. Elder, of Lewistown, colonel of the Fifth Regiment, and had accepted it to become effective at once. Colonel Elder said he desired to be relieved of the duties of the position because of business reasons.

It is very likely that the resignation will be followed by the disbandment of the regiment, which consists of seven companies. This would enable the National Guard authorities to raise the Tenth Regiment from one of eight companies to one of twelve, giving the Second Brigade four 12-company regiments. All the regiments, but the Fifth and Tenth, have 12-companies each.

The seven companies in the Fifth Regiment are located at the following places: Huntingdon, Bellefonte, Altoona, Blairsville, Indiana, Lewisburg and Hollidaysburg.

##### It was a Hummer.

When it comes down to cold weather Wednesday morning was a record breaker. It made "Bill" Waddle hug that storm overcoat tighter than he ever did in his born days. And sent Harry Hutchinson down the middle of the street holding his ears and uttering strange things. In fact it was one of the coldest mornings we have experienced in this county for several years. In Bellefonte the thermometer registered 7 degrees below zero. At Milesburg depot, Pleasant Gap, Jacksonsville and Howard it was 10 below. At Snow Shoe, 12; Clarence, 8; State College, 12; Warriors Mark, 11; Tyrone, 12. Out in North Dakota on Monday it was 34 degrees below. So that we must have gotten the tail end of the cold snap.

There are lots of good points about a man that we never suspect till we read his obituary.

#### CHRISTMAS.

The nineteen hundred and sixth Christmas will have passed ere another issue of the Centre Democrat greets its readers. Of all festivals over the civilized world, Christmas is the greatest and highest honored. On land and sea, and isles, the birth of the Saviour is celebrated with reverence, in song and praise. From a million of pulpits will be proclaimed the story; from decorated sanctuaries, to the peal of organs and appropriate vocal strains, in honor of The New Born King.

Parents gladden the hearts of their little ones with gifts, significant of the Great Gift,—the Father sending His only begotten Son that a sinful world might be redeemed through His sufferings upon the cross, and salvation made easy to all who avail themselves of the way prepared for the redemption of sinners. Millions upon millions of children will hear the story, given them in song and instruction, that Christ died for us,—for all.

Christmas is a proper time of rejoicing. The event was the greatest of gifts, with which the millions and billions of individual wealth do not compare nor can bring as great a blessing—"what would it profit though we gained the whole world and lost our own souls?" And it all is offered to man free, and without price. What could be greater? It is only Time here—but it is a blissful Eternity over there—in The Beyond—where the Father, and Son, can be joined by all who accept the Saviour's terms of Salvation.

Then let there be rejoicing by all—holily rejoicing—giving of gifts and greetings of soul to soul, holy convocations of joyfulness, by harp and lute and dulcimer and song and demonstrations that picture to the rising generation, and to men, the meaning of it all. If there is any one day upon which carousing and frivolity should be laid aside, it is upon Christmas Day. Anything else would be insult to the Deity, and unspeakable ingratitude for what the Father gave and what His only begotten Son bled and died for.

The story of Christ is now proclaimed over a wider field than ever. It will continue to spread until all heathendom worships Him.

Not only the churches of this land will honor the birth of the New Born King, regardless of denomination, but from remotest bounds of the Earth where speech and language is heard, will the praises of the Gift, Christ, be heard in song and speech—the news of the Glad Tidings has found its way thither.

We wish every reader of the Centre Democrat a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS, and a HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR.

#### WHO PAYS THE FREIGHT?

It has recently been discovered that all the railroad officials who have been fined for violation of the interstate laws have paid their fines out of the earnings of the company and have thus compelled the stockholders to stand the burden. This is like the Standard Oil. Whenever it made any contributions to the holy cause of education, they charged the bill up and made things even by increasing the cost of kerosene. In this way they put the burden of their benevolence upon the whole country.

And more—for many years the G. O. P. "prosperity" buzzards, have used the monies of the policy holders in the large life insurance companies as campaign funds for the infamous machine; used those funds to the amount of many millions for corrupting elections.

#### BERRY WON'T PAY.

William H. Berry, State Treasurer, on Friday gave notice to Attorney General Carson that he would not pay the \$108,000 bill put in by John H. Sanderson for work in "trimming" the new State Capitol.

Mr. Berry will refuse also to pay the \$59,000 bill presented by Joseph M. Huston on account of \$104,000 still due for his services as architect.

According to the Treasurer, Mr. Sanderson's contracts are "irregular, indefinite and possibly crooked." Mr. Huston, he holds, has already received \$50,000 more than a fair valuation of his services.

Attorney General Carson has at last put on the "war paint" and will proceed against the robbers in the capitol scheme.

#### Thirty Cases Of Typhoid.

For some months Booneville residents and the section surrounding that village to the number of thirty or forty, have been afflicted with typhoid fever and it has been discovered that the epidemic is due to the pollution of Fishing Creek which passes through that section, and more recently the disease has broken out further down the stream which evidences the fact that the polluted stream is causing the trouble, hence the warning, which should be heeded by every cautious person living near enough to the stream to use its waters for domestic purposes, says the Lock Haven Democrat. There may be some doubt as to impurities of the water in Fishing Creek being the cause of the fevers in Sugarvalley; the stream is a large and swift one and the country through which it flows sparsely settled and mostly mountainous. The Centre Democrat remembers well that some forty or fifty years ago, there were many fatal cases of malignant fever in Sugarvalley, when its inhabitants were fewer than now and pollution of this stream not so likely. It then went by the name of "the Sugarvalley fever," and was pronounced a disease new to physicians, and inhabitants of adjoining valleys were in great dread over it, fearing it would spread; but it was felt in very few cases outside.

—Read Green's ad to-day, found in another column.

#### OVER THE COUNTY.

The grain fields all over the county look remarkably well.

Demus Lose, a prosperous farmer of Gregg, was a pleasant caller.

Enoch Sweeney, of Ferguson twp., killed the boss porker, weighing 516 and 518 pounds.

Chas. H. Jodon and Miss Carrie Olive Stanley, both of Milesburg, were married at the Milesburg M. E. parsonage, Dec. 8, 1906, by the Rev. M. C. Piper.

George Glenn of Linden Hall, moved from the Lytle house to his new home at State College and the house he vacated is now occupied by Frank Mays and family.

Howard Moore the druggist at Howard, has remodeled his place of business in such a tasty style that it cannot help but be attractive to the people of that community.

A stereopticon entertainment will be given in St. Mary's Catholic church, at Snow Shoe, on Tuesday evening January 1st. Admission 25 cents; program begins 8 o'clock.

The Christmas entertainments in the Baptist church at Martha, will be held next Sunday evening instead of next Monday night, as previously announced. Everybody is invited.

Mrs. Jared Kreamer, of Aaronsburg, who for the past month has been nursing her daughter, Mrs. Solly, near Philadelphia, has returned home. Mrs. Solly has fully recovered from her illness.

The pastors of the several denominations represented in Centre Hall, met at the home of Rev. J. M. Reaick recently to arrange for a week of prayer, the services to begin Sunday evening, January 6th.

William Ryver, of South Philipsburg, and Miss Violet Harris, of Sixth street, are home from Elmira, N. Y., where they were quietly married a few days ago. It was a surprise to their many friends.

The local institute for the western portion of Penns valley will be held in Balsburg, January 2. The program committee follows: H. C. Rothrock, J. P. Smithgall, H. B. Bottenhorn, J. T. Park, P. A. Noll, W. H. Mingle.

Among those who attended the State Grange meeting, at DuBois, from Centre Hall were James A. Keller, N. B. Shaffer, J. J. Arney, George W. Gingrich, George Dale, John S. Dale, of Lemont, and Mrs. Frank Musser, of Bellefonte.

Rev. C. W. Rishel, a native of Tusseyville, son of John Rishel, dec'd, having at one time been pastor of the M. E. church at Munson and Woodland, and who has been located at Elysburg the past two or three years, on account of failing health has been obliged to retire from the active work of the ministry.

Rev. Benj. Hengst, formerly of Millheim, celebrated his eightieth birthday anniversary recently by preaching a sermon at Yorkana, Pa. Rev. Hengst is the oldest minister in the United Evangelical denomination now in active work, having entered the ministry sixty years ago, his first charge being Yorkana.

Hon. and Mrs. Robert M. Foster, of State College, returned from a week's sojourn in Pittsburgh. Remarkable as it may seem, although Mr. Foster has traveled around a great deal this was the first time he ever stopped in the Smoky Mountains.

Harry Royer, of Altoona, is visiting friends in Madisonburg. He was employed at Burnham, and was one of the one hundred and fifty men who were last week discharged from the Logan Iron Works. He was at a loss to know the reason, and hoped the works would soon resume again, in which event he expected to return to that place.

Saturday morning Clement Dale, Esq., of Bellefonte; D. J. Meyer, of Centre Hall, and G. Perry Gentzel, of Spring twp., viewed and granted a private road from Joseph Grossman's farm in Potter township to the public road leading from Earlshurg to Tusseyville. They found that it would be a great convenience to some of the residents in that community.

The different congregations of the Reformed church, Aaronsburg charge, have extended an invitation to Rev. W. D. Donat, of Jonestown, Lebanon county, to come and become pastor of the charge. Rev. Donat recently preached trial sermons on the charge and the members were all favorably impressed. He has not yet decided whether he will accept or not.

Don't forget that "Out in the Streets" and "Fun in a Photograph Gallery" will be rendered in Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall, Saturday evening, 22 inst. Do not fail to attend. This same company presented a play in the Arcadia last year and the performance gave general satisfaction. Proceeds for the benefit of the Epworth League of the Methodist church.

A. C. Thompson, of Philipsburg, who has been ill with an attack of gallstones for the past couple of weeks, was taken to Philadelphia, Wednesday evening of last week by his wife and his brother, Dr. H. H. Thompson, of Winburne; his condition being considered so serious that an operation was necessary. He was admitted to the German hospital, where Dr. Deever performed the operation.

The three water companies over in Philipsburg known as the Philipsburg Water Co., the South Philipsburg Water Co., and the Chester Hill Water Co., have all been dissolved by the Court of Centre county. It is not known definitely the purpose of the dissolution, but the general opinion is that the three companies will be merged into one, thus giving the entire population over there better service.

Ripka's Cash Store at Spring Mills will be a thing of the past within a few months, and this is not because the Ripka brothers have not been doing a good, safe business, but owing to conditions over which the young men have no control. While at the old Duncan stand, the Ripka brothers have been well patronized by the people of that section, and they greatly regret that they are obliged to close out their business.

Monday Squire W. S. Williams, of Martha, came to Bellefonte, with six boxes of beautiful honey, and knowing that editors always have a sweet tooth in their heads, left a couple for us to sample. Mr. Williams has been in the business for a number of years, and from the appearance and taste of the honey the gentleman must thoroughly understand the art of bee culture. He has it for sale and all those who desire to sweeten up their appetites for Christmas and the holidays should try Williams' honey.

#### ACADEMY BANQUET.

Quite an interesting social event took place Friday evening at the Broomerhoff House which will be long remembered by those who had the good fortune to be present. It was a banquet given in honor of the Bellefonte Academy champion football eleven and the eightieth birthday of Rev. James P. Hughes, the venerable Principal Emeritus of the Academy. It was given under the direction of Horton S. Ray, the proprietor, and was a fitting climax to a very successful football season which has made our own Bellefonte Academy the champions of secondary schools of Central Pennsylvania. Rev. James P. Hughes, who was present at the banquet as the guest of honor, received the congratulations that were due him. The banquet therefore celebrated not only a brilliant record of a very successful eleven, but a vastly more brilliant record of a well spent life.

The pretty decorations, the charming music by Smith's orchestra together with the brilliant array of talent which was seated around the festive board, added lustre to the occasion. James R. Hughes acted as toastmaster and did it in his accustomed excellent style. After-dinner speeches were then made by Clyde McCarty, George VanAllen, Harry Burns, "Pop" Golden, George R. Meek, Prof. A. A. Walker, Francis Speer, Col. H. S. Taylor, Dr. J. Allison Platts, Dr. R. G. H. Hayes, a member of the board of trustees, and last, but not least, Rev. Jas. P. Hughes, who spoke of the great advancement of the world during the last seventy years. Judging from the abundant flow of mirth and wit, Alexander Hamilton or Daniel Webster would have been outclassed, and would not have been in it for even one second.

#### Going To Be Missionary.

With the close of the foot ball season at State college comes the announcement that this year's captain, "Mother Dunn, is to devote his future life to medical missionary work. He has always been an active member of the Y. M. C. A. and is a man of great personality. He is a man that does things and a great future is predicted for him.

The chemistry students of the junior and senior classes have decided to take an inspection trip to Europe, visiting England, France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. The party will have about 40 members and will be under the charge of Dr. G. G. Pond, head of the chemistry departments there.

The senior mechanical engineering students are now on an inspection trip and will inspect engineering projects and plants in New York City and Philadelphia before returning. The senior electricals will take a similar trip some time during the latter part of next month.

A young man who was to be married in the church to a Miss Way, after a courtship of four years, privately requested the choir not to open the services by singing, "This Is The Way I Long Have Sought."

The condition of Bishop McCabe of the Methodist Episcopal church of Philadelphia, who is suffering from a stroke of apoplexy, was reported at the hospital to be much improved.

A girl may be said to be verging on womanhood when she begins to worry about her complexion.

#### Telephone Combine Organized.

The American Union Telephone Co., a consolidation of nearly all of the independent telephone companies in Pennsylvania, southern New York, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia, were permanently organized Saturday at a meeting of its Board of Directors at Harrisburg.

Ellis Orvis, of Bellefonte, was elected president; B. F. Meyers, of Harrisburg, vice-president; S. K. Caldwell, secretary and treasurer; Lyman D. Gilbert, general solicitor; Colonel C. M. Clem, ent, Sunbury, assistant solicitor; George W. Reily, member of the Executive Committee for Harrisburg. F. D. Houck, of Harrisburg, was elected general manager.

#### PUBLIC SALE REGISTER.

Persons who have their bills printed at this office will have their sales announced in this registry FREE, and it appears each week in over 4800 papers. The charge to others is \$1. All persons desiring full sale announcement, containing same matter as on a bill, will be charged \$2.50 and over, according to amount of space used. Such an advertisement we know is of a great deal more value than printed bills.

MONDAY, MARCH 11.—In Walker Twp., near Nittany, Daniel Long will sell live stock and implements. A. C. McClintick, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 16.—half mile north-west of Laddar, Daniel Showers will sell at 10 a. m., 4 horses, 8 milk cows, 5 head of young cattle, short horn stock, all kinds of implements, and other articles. A. C. McClintick, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20.—two miles west of Madisonburg, Calvin Rishel will sell four horses, one 3-year-old colt, one 1-year-old colt, eight cows, young cattle, eleven sheep, three brood sows, lot of shoats, good farm implements. H. Miller, Auct. Sale at 10 a. m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19.—near Wolf's store, T. F. BRINGBART will sell live stock and farm implements—will be an unusually large sale

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Could you select anything more appropriate or that would give a house-keeper more pleasure? Make your selection now or you will be too late for Christmas. It is only in our store. Come in and see it, and leave your order. Both phones

## IN THE LAST DAYS OF Christmas Buying!

WE STAND in readiness to serve you better than any other store. Assortments in all lines still quite complete—offering good selections and you need not suffer from late buying.

Our broad aisles (more floor space for customers than all other Bellefonte clothing stores combined) and quick service make less crowding here.

Anything man or boy wears—your Christmas needs can best be supplied here.

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