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THE BELLEFONTE **BOARD OF TRADE**

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Hold an Ethnsiastic Meeting Fri day Evening at Court House

THE YOUNG BLOOD INTERESTED

W. A. Moore Speaks in the Inter- tact. ance with His Argument.

appearances this was true but it was spent the best part of their lives in proven a fallacy when a meeting of this organization was called for Friday 1 night for the purpose of having W. A. Moore, president of the Nittany and Palleforte Purpose Bellefonte Furnace Co., submit a propo-sition to our citizens. The meeting was held in the arbitration room in the Court House, and it was astonishing to witness the interest and enthusiasm mani-fested, especially by the young business men of the town upon whose shoulders the future prosperity of the town rests. It was very evident that the Bellefonte Board of Trade is not dead, but rather someday it may become an influential factor in bringing forth good and permanent results

Edward K. Rhoads, the president, and Clement Dale, the secretary, were on hand and were pretty live corpses. Mr. Moore made an address in behalf of legislation in both State and Nation, that would benefit the county and not lead to a further demoralization of its interests. A resolution was business passed to this effect which is as follows.

WHEREAS. The railroads are the largest purchasers of iron and steel in the country and are consumers of timber and various supplies exceeding any other market in the United Scates; and

States; and WHEREAS. There have been various federal and legislative enactments of a nature to serf-ously interfere with the working out of the financial problems incident to the management, maintenance and extension of railroad lines;

therefore be it *Besofved.* That the Board of Trade of Belle-fonte, with the idea of permitting the re-estab-lishment as quickly as possible of normal con-ditions where the trade and manufactures of around a substitution of the second second to be a sub-dition of the second second to be a substitution of the second to be a sub ditions where the trade and manufactures of the country are concerned, earnestly requests Congress and State Legislature to refrain from further restrictive enactments referring to rall-roads, except such as are calculated by their scope to protect the public and insure deneff-clent control of public utilities. E. K. RHOADS. President

ACADEMY BANQUET.

Friday evening Prof. James R. Hughes, of the Bellefonte Academy, gave the annual banquet to the foot ball and basket ball teams at the Brocker-

hoff House. As usual it proved one of the most enjoyable affairs of the entire school year. The dining room had been school year. The dining room had been beautifully docorated for the occasion, and thus the environments were most inviting. The toastmaster was Prof. J, R. Hughes who again proved his ability in a position that requires so much

est of our Future Prosperity—A Resolution Adopted in Accord-sparks, of State College, who is an eloquent speaker and his addresssparkled with wit which made a favorable impression upon those who sat around the

proficiency along the lines of the social, mental, physical and moral develop-ment of the student. They expressed themselves well pleased with the conditoasts were responded to in a pleasing

Io, after the arrival of the 3.45 train, people began to gather with large bas-kets at the Methodist Episcopal parson-age, at Port Matilda, surprising Rev. E. S. Bierley and wife, until eighty people had come to spend the greater part of the day. The gathering was not denominational, but people of all churches in town and vicinity, including people from Martha and Bald Eagle, were present. All came with the view of having a good, sociable time and when people come in a good and jolly spirit, as they came on Wednesday morning, there can be no other way but have a good sociable time. After all had partaken of the good things which

GRAND MASONIC PROPOSITION

The Centre Democrat.

BELLEFONTE, PA., THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1909.

Will Expend Three Millions of Dollars in a Home and School

CENTRE COUNTY BIDS FOR IT

Bellefonte Masons to Entertain the Offer the Moses Thompson Property as a Site.

For the past three or four years the general impression was that the Belle-fonte Board of Trade had died a natural death, and any effort to resurrect it would prove in the end a failure. By all bis father, Rev. James P. Hughes, who sat around the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. Its membership is composed of men possessing noble, warm hearts, or the post part of their lives in the sentence of the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. Its membership is composed of men possessing noble, warm hearts, or the post of the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. Its membership is composed of men possessing noble, warm hearts, or the post of the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. Its membership is composed of men possessing noble, warm hearts, or the post of the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. One of the oldest and most popular organizations in the world is that of Free Masonry which had its origin back into antiquity. Its membership is composed of men possessing noble, warm hearts, undergone the third operation that especially solicitous for those within building up the Academy to its present their gates whose locks have been proficiency along the lines of the social, whitened by the frosts of time, and who whitened by the frosts of time, and who have become dependent. Millions of dollars have thus been spent for the cood of others and the accellant more is survived by her husband and father, have become dependent. Millions of good of others and the excellent work is who is 77 years of age, and the followtions as they exist at the Academy, and lamented the fact that Prof. Hughes and his father were about to sever their con-nections with it. They expressed the hope that something might be done that would induce them to remain. Other they can spend their declining years in

morning, there can be no other way but have a good sociable time. After all had partaken of the good things which were brought, the sweet singers sponta-neously gathered around the organ and sang hymns appropriate for the occasion. the country are concerned, earlosity requests congress and State Legislature to refrain from further restrictive enacuments referring to rail road, exceeds use as are calculated by their scope to protect the public and insure denet clean count of public utilities. E.K. RHOADS. President. Secretary. Company B Alright. Since the In anguration of W. H. Taff as prestident of the State much as prestident of the State much as prestident of the State much as trained. State College, The State Col

RECENT DEATHS. RAY WENTZEL:-only child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wentzle, who reside near Loganton, died Monday afternoon of pneumonia, after an illness of three weeks' duration, aged 16 years.

MRS. SUSAN BRUMGARD:-wife of C. L. Brumgard, died at her home, in Altoona

at 10 o'clock Friday morning of cancer after a long illness during which time she bore her sufferings without com-plaint and was resigned to the end. De ceased was aged 35 years, 1 month and Grand Lodge Committee-Will 15 days. She was twice married and is survived by her husband and two daugh-ters, Misses Laura and Jennie Tibbens, both of Altoona. The remains were taken on Monday morning to Loganton. for interment.

> MRS. MOLLIE A. POORMAN :- the wife of Isaiah Poormrn, died at her home in caused her death. Her maiden name was Mollie Walker, the daughter of Mr.

MRS. ELIZABETH SEARFOSS :- died at manner by John Blanchard, Wayne Smith, captain foot ball team; Paul M. McCandless, Charles E. Hall, Prof. A. H. Sloop, Edmund Joseph, Prof. Sher-wood E. Hall, Col. H. S. Taylor, George R. Meek and Rev. James P. Hughes. Social at Port Matilda. On last Wednesday morning, March io, after the arrival of the 8.45 train, people began to gather with large bas-kets at the Methodist Episcopal parson-age, at Port Matilda, surprising Rev. E. S. Bierley and wife, until eighty people bad come to spend the state of the Sector buildings as near the control of the Sector buildings as near the

TO THE INTEREST OF THE FARMER

State College Professors on Special Reading Instruction Train.

THEY ARE HEARTILY RECEIVED

vncote Man Says He Makes \$30,000 a Year From Two Acres of Land-Much Good Has Resulted From the Trip.

Joining the uplift movement for the pread of modern scientific agricultural methods among the Pennsylvania farmers, the Reading Railway Company ran its first special instruction train Monday on a 100-mile whirl through fertile sections of Bucks and Northampton counties

For three days the Reading's "farm-ers' college," as it has been called, wound through the two counties named, as well as Montgomery, Berks and Lehigh coun-ties. This territory has never been visited by a special instruction train.

The men aboard the special were instructors at the Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture, including Dr. Thomas F. Hunt, dean of the school of Agriculture and experiment station; Prof. H. E. VanNorman, head of the State College dairying department; M. McDowell, assistant instructor in agricultural chemistry; Professor F. D. Gardner, instructor in agronomy, and C. Noll, assistant in experimental agronomy.

Wherever the "college" halted the speakers put in fifty minutes in expound-ing good, solid facts about dairying, soil fertility, corn, alfalfa or any subject that seemed to be suited to the condi-

tions in the community. At Ivyland they ran up against a man who has been studying the scientific ways of bettering the soil and increasing his yearly profits, and who produce figures showing he had reaped yearly \$30,000 from two acres of land under grass. He is Joseph Hancock, of Wyncote, Pa., known as one of the most

Surprise Party.

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FACT, FUN AND FANCY

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Select-, ed and Original.

GOING FISHING.

E. F. M'CALEB.

When the skies turn blue, And the birds begin to sing, And you're lazy all way through— Then it's Spring.

When the grass begins to grow. And there's life in every thing, When the fields are clear of snow-That is Spring.

When you feel so lazy. And you hear the cowbells ring. And your mind gets sort of hazy— It's sure Spring.

You then begin to pine To get through work vou're wishing. And you're glad the days are fine-You're going fishing.

You hunt up rod and reel. With a heart just like a boy; And you shoulder up your creel. Oh. what joy.

Then you tramp through hills, And you cannot get a bife. And you wade through many rills, What a sight !

But you find a place at last. Where there's a hugh big trout, And you make a pretty cast And-face about.

Then your reel begins to sing. And you've got to let it out; Then you wind like everything-There's your trout !

But he's not so very tame. For you haven't got him yet; He will show you he is game, You can bet.

Then you lead him quietly down. And slowly draw him in; For this trout's a "proper noun." In the swim.

But you're very careful now, When you see his wondrous size; And you get him out, somehow— He's a prize.

Really, after such a haul You can't fish any more; All the others look quite small. Towards before.

But you think again to try That place before you roam: But, as nothing takes your fly, You go home.

And while you eat that fish. You tell the story o'er: And again reach for the dish, As before.

Arbitration comes easy after we have licked the other fellow.

The trouble with hitting the bottle is that it is too apt to hit back.

Gossip is a case of putting two and two together and making five.

Meeting closed last Thursday evening Bellefonte, and Co. D. of Blairsville, which he felt certain would represent the 5th in a dignified manner. However, when it was reported that the Florentine Cafe, at Washington, had beeu raided

Hugh S.; Taylor of the Fifth Regiment. was not there himself but sent Co. B, of Bellefonte, and Co. D, of Blairsville, Cafe, at Washington, had been raided a good time. by a gang of soldiers, Colonel Taylor and Regimental Clerk Harry Jackson at once proceeded to make an investigation depredators.

a thorough investigation. States than the citizen soldiers of Penn- widen the audience room of the court been showered upon their soldierly in a semi-circle, bringing the platform qualities by some of the best officers of forward some. the United States Army, and particular | A two story extension would be built care was exercised by the commanding to the rear where a steam plant would officers of the provisional brigade at be erected on first floor to heat the court

Early Morning Fire.

Wednesday morning about 6 o'clock the large frame house owned and occu-pied by Thomas Wilson and his son-inlaw, Samuel McKinley, located along the mountain between Bellefonte and Milesburg, was burned to the ground. It caught from a defective flew and before any assistance arrived the flames were beyond control. Mr. McKinley succeeded in getting most of his household goods out but they were considerably damaged by rough handling. "Tommy Wilson, as he is known among the old comrade, lost practically all he had, The house belonged to him on which there was no insurance. In addition to this the old gentleman lost \$105, most of which was pension money. His clothes, bedding and household goods also went up in smoke. Mr. Wilson is one of the oldest men in Centre county, and the trying circumstances in which he has been placed by the unfortunate affair has created considerable sympathy for him among his many friends. Mr. McKinley was a little more fortunate as he had \$400 insurance on his household goods.

For a New Court House

Claude Smith went to Washington who the County Commissioners' office for a found that the citizens of the Capitol proposed improvement and enlargement City would not need to go far to find the of the present Temple of Justice, known ble place to locate an enterprise of this as the Centre county court house. The character. The county has a network of To confirm this report Capt. E. N. design very materially enlarges the Carpenter, a staff officer from Wilkes-present building without destroying the Barre, was sent to Washington to make front, which is a model of architecture. He says: On either side of the building there are "From all the facts I have been able to 12-foot extensions (about twenty feet glean, an unjust accusation has been back) that will make the offices and made against the soldiers of Pennsylva- vaults about ten feet deeper, thus maternia. There is no better disciplined body ially increasing their capacity, which at of National Guardsmen in the United this time, is an absolute necessity, would sylvania. The highest encomiums have house and the seats would be arranged

Washington to prevent anything occurr house and county jail. On the second floor there would thus be ample room provided for a library, jury rooms and waiting rooms. This plan would provide relief to the present congested condition of the building and the original architecture lines would be largely maintained.

> Remember, we said this is only a design, or a plan, submitted by Mr. Cole and the commissioners have thus far done no more than to look at the plans in silent approval. What they may do. remains for the future.

Huntingdon Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Huntingdon will hold its next stated meeting in the Presbyterian church at Mount Union, opening at 7.30 p. m., Monday, April 12, 1909. Commissioners should notify the Rev. Harry M. Campbell in due time of their intention to be present. One feature of this spring meeting is the election of commissioners to the general election of commissioners to the general assembly which body meets in Denver. May 20. One week before the meeting of Presbytery the annual reports of all the churches are to be sent to the stated clerk, Rev. J. E. Irvine. Altoona,

Surveying Air Line.

The Largest. A recent survey made proves Centre to be the largest county in area in 'the state. Lycoming formerly took that rank, but our own county was found to stand at the head with good old Lycom-ing second. Centre has an area of 1227 square miles Lycoming comes next has an area of 1213 square miles, and 776,320 acres. In the the western was available for the city in the the western was available for the city the place. Free Delivery Now Assured. Postmaster Stuart, of State College, was informed by the postal department that the recent appropriation made by congress carried with it a proviso that a stockholder and director in the First delivery in districts under consideration by the department. The system will, A corps of engineers has been at work

Walter Walcott, the young negro who is alleged to have drank twenty drinks of whiskey in a hotel on Thursday morning, died at the Altoona hospital at 4.25 o'clock Friday afternoon. His seemingly unquenchable thirst and his effort to determine an alleged wager re-witted in his end. Gen. James A. Beaver, of Bellefonte, one of the honorable judges of the superior court, has promised to make the address to the graduating class of the Liberty district high school at Blanchard on the evening of Friday. April 9, which is the date of the annual commencement,

address was illustrated with an appro-priate story—on the dog which ate the Lodge committee has already been in-Disciple church. He is survived by one Hoy hardware firm, was made receiver Meeting closed

gimental Clerk Harry Jackson at occeeded to make an investiga-Regimental Sargeant Major architect, are framed and on exhibit in the County Commissioners' office for a with the activities of a peculiar composite people, should make it a very desirarailroads leading to any point of the com-pass, thus bringing her industries and other institutions into close proximity to all surrounding points, affording the people every convenience along this line. It will require five hundred acres to carry out the plans of the Grand Lodge. Not a dollar, however, will be asked from the community which is fortunate enough in presenting the proper site. The local committee has examined a number of excellent sites, but the one

that appeals most to them is the beautiful property of the late Moses Thomplocated at Centre Furnace, near son. State College. It has many advantages over other sites that may be offered. Among them is a large and never-failing spring of the very best and purest water to be found in the state. The water could be harnessed and made do much of the work that is found in homes and schools that would otherwise be done by other means. The coutour of the country is such that five hundred acres of the most fertile land could be secured without trouble. The greatest advantage, however, is its closeness to State Col-lege, being only a mile from this popu-lar institution which is destined to be numbered among the great colleges and universities of this country. Should the Mason's home and school be located Shortly after returning from the war, in fer and wife, and son Harold, Bond universities of this country. Should the Mason's home and school be located here the students could go from there into the College and graduate, thus securing a more thorough education. Fre- Twp. quent entertainments would be given at state College that would naturally be a store from his father in law. Adam interesting to those at the home. Every. Fisher, and in 1867 he moved to Aaronsinteresting to those at the home. Every-thing could be so arranged to make it a very desirable place for both institutions. Was one of the most prosperous mer-The home and school would be located in the midst of a broad rolling valley, with Muncy mountains on the North,

therefore, go into effect on April 1. The town is divided into two districts.

the centre county being geographically in the centre of the State, and being sur-rounded by charming invironments such as fertile acreage, copious streams, varie-ty of inexaustible mineral wealth, coupled

known resident of Aaronsburg, and an Shem and Ralph Spigelmyer, whose bonored veteran of the civil war, died original methods proved successful. Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his home at State College, where he moved several years ago to live a retired life. His death was due to pneumonia, and As the rooms occupied by the Racket have been rented to a firm in Lock Haven who will occupy it by the ist of April, there is little time left for disposwas ill with the disease about twelve ing of the miscellaneous stock of merdays. He belonged to a representative family who has been identified with the developments of Penns valley for more intentions are as to the future. We have not learned what Mr. Irvin's than a century. His father was John Musser, who was born in Gregg township, October 11th, 1834. He first attended school in the Beaver Dam dis-trict, in Gregg township. He remained at home until he was twenty-five, and birthday. His wife and daughter Lilduring that time he attended, for one lian thought they would spring a surterm, a school at Aaronsburg, taught by prise on him, which they very success-Prof. Burrell. After that he taught one term of school in the Roopsburg district, in Benner township. His attention was then directed to mercantile pursuits, quite unaware of what was going on when he came to Bellefonte and clerked they soon made him understand that it in the general store of David Wagner. was his birthday. Jonas, being of a Joen B. Awl and Isaac May. In August jolly disposition, soon joined in the fun. Joen B. Awl and Isaac May. In August 1862. Mr. Musser enlisted in Company To say the supper that was served was K, 15th Pennsylvania Cavalry, better known as the "Anderson Cavalry." fine, would be putting it mildly. also had some very fine music. known as the "Anderson Cavality. Promotions came in regular order, and at the time of his discharge at Nash-ville in June, 1865, he held a commission of second lieutenant. He never had a leave of absence, and never lost any leave of absence, and never lost any Shortly after returning from the war, in '65, he was married at Farmers Mills to Catherine Fisher, of Gregg Twp. The following year Mr. Mus-ser located at Farmers Mills, purchasing a store from his father in law. Adam

"We are going to have a bond issue, as sure as you were born," said congresswas one of the most prosperous mer-chants in that valley. In the fall of 1894 he became ill and sold out his stock as sure as you were born, said congress-man James Tawney, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, "How soon? By July 1?" "Well, I wouldn't say that.: of goods and since then he has been Tussey mountains on the south and Nittany mountains on the south and Nittany mountains on the east, securing a varied and beautiful landscape and healthful climate. It is to be hoped the distinguished visitors will be so thoroughly impressed with what we have to offer that the mail control of the south and healthful climate. It is to be hoped the distinguished visitors will be so thoroughly impressed with what we

leading mercantile establishment of Friday. Bellefonte and enjoyed a large trade, Mrs.

Mrs. James Snyder, of Wingate, was M. M. MUSSER :- formerly a well especially under the direction of Messrs. a caller at E. Poorman's.

C. Friel spent Sunday with his wife here.

A. Bedient, of Oak Hall, visited at E. Poorman's recently. Green Watson died Sunday evening

after a lingering illness. Interment in the Advent cemetery Tuesday forenoon. Mrs Kate Sennett, was a Bellefonte

visitor Saturday. Mrs. James Smoyer attended the Free Methodist meeting at Unionville Sunday and reports a fine meeting.

Preaching at this place Sunday morn-On Saturday evening March 13th, a

BENORE.

Notice:-anyone wishing to learn dancing please write or call on D. O. Weaver, at Buzzards Glory and 28 St. Harry Bottorff, of Runville, visited at

the home of Mrs. John Bottorf. Freddy Crofard, of Lewistown, is

visiting at the home of Asbury Markley. P. E. Hicks made a flying trip to Bellefonte Saturday.

John, Curry, Paul and Andrew Tomko were enjoying a few weeks' visit in Elk county,-report beer is only 3½ cts. per glass

Prof. G. A Bottorf, while teaching his dog "Lion" to carry parcels home, gave the dog his diamond ring to carry and while in the act of putting the valuable in Lion's mouth, he jumped and swal-lowed the ring. Its value is two hun-dred and thirty-four dollars and 53cts, and now Mr. Bottorff wouldn't take any-

thing for his dog. Wm. Gates, wife and family spent Sunday with friends at Port Matilda. David Shearer, of Bellefonte, spent a

few days at the home of P. E. Hicks. Charley Ghaner spent Sunday at Port

Matilda; what is the attraction thereof. Melvin Lykens spent Sunday with his friend. Henrietta Confer.

Bet of the grave of his friend, the late James Kerr, upon which he placed some very beautiful flowers.
Dorothy Dodd

"This year?"

died about twelve years ago at Aarons-burg but he is survived by the following children : William,of Northumberland;

People who always tell the truth have "-Ladies' golden brown vici oxfords. few friends. At Yeagers.

Say Nation Must Borrow.

the grave of his friend, the late James Kerr, upon which he placed some very beautiful flowers. —Dorothy Dodd patent colt button shoes \$3. At Yeagers. the grave of his friend, the late James Mrs. Knox, of Houtzdale, was a visit-or at the home of Perry Reese, a few days this week. Daniel Gross moved from the cross-roads to the Thomas Beckwith house, near Hannah Sta.

They

All had