

FRANCIS SPEER'S Breezy "That" Column

That when you hear a windy man in Bellefonte talk, he is the fellow to keep one eye on.

That "Reddy" Lane, of Bellefonte, says it is peculiar that when a man is full he has a vacant look.

That Harry Walkey, of Bellefonte, says that a married man changes his mind about forty times a day.

That Emanuel Noil of Bellefonte, says that even a bee may realize that a fool and his money is soon parted.

That the uncertainty of life never bothers some people of Bellefonte when the almighty dollar is in sight.

That when a man in Bellefonte becomes a crank he must expect his entire life will be nothing but a grind.

That some young men in Bellefonte are so anxious to "give the devil his due" that they are paying in advance.

That George T. Bush, of Bellefonte, says a man is in a hard way when his appetite gets the better of his stomach.

That Billy Ross, the up-to-date farmer of Spring township says a cow is not a cow when it is turned into pasture.

A business firm advertises a shirt without buttons. That's no novelty. Many a bachelor has worn them for years.

That Billy Beezer, of Bellefonte, says that detectives are not exactly blessings but sometimes they come in disguise.

That the woman in Bellefonte who runs a house filled with a big family earns lots of money—but she never gets it.

That farmer "Bob" Valentine, of Bellefonte, says that a tiller of the soil can no more set type than a printer can set a hen.

That there is a certain woman in the north ward of Bellefonte who is a very clever talker on women's rights. She talks too much.

A man can't understand why a woman who never spends more than 17 cents for her luncheon thinks nothing of paying \$50 for a hat.

That the farmers of Centre county still appreciate the value of money, in which respects they are wiser than some people in Bellefonte.

That "Billy" Larimer, the Bellefonte liveryman, wants to know when two horses have a tongue between them. When hitched up in a carriage.

That H. C. Quigley, of Bellefonte, says that the Wright Aeroplane company may not have any water in it, but it will necessarily be a windy affair.

That Bellefonte has in it a man who is such a liar that he often doubts his own word. Don't come to a hasty conclusion, because you might be mistaken.

That before some people in Bellefonte put on so much style they should look up their parentage and see if they are not the laughing stock of this community.

That the other day a young wife in Bellefonte was asked whether she could manage her husband. She replied that she didn't need to, because her mother lived with them.

That there is a young lady in Bellefonte who is gaining a very unsavory reputation, whether she deserves it or not, by entertaining young men who have to slip in the house unnoticed. This young lady is being judged by the company she keeps.

That the business man in Bellefonte who is broad-minded enough to appreciate the service of his employees is the man the people take pleasure in seeing prosper. The town can furnish a number of instances to prove that the above is correct.

That all the money a certain man in Bellefonte may give to the church will not give him a passport into Heaven, unless he returns every dollar he took fraudulently from other people. He has a lot of squaring up to do of this kind before he goes hence. That is, if he desires rest and contentment in the life that is to come.

That the young lady out in Bush's Addition who is so sweet on that young man, should not talk about him in her sleep. When it gets that far that a young lady dreams about a young man, then he is almost up against a matrimonial proposition. She is in the one of the nicest young ladies in this section of the State, and the match would be all right.

That Bellefonte has a number of women who dye their hair for the purpose of deceiving the public as to their age. It will only be a question of time until some of them will be going away to a sanitarium to seek relief from some kind of brain trouble. Of all the fools the biggest fool is the one who tries to remain young by this dangerous process. It is known that if some of the black hair in Bellefonte was washed and cleaned from this poison it would be as white as snow.

That if a certain woman in Bellefonte would hear of the indecent remarks that are made about her as she passes along the streets, she would either stay closer to the house or leave the town altogether. Should she choose the latter course it would probably lift from one of the homes in Bellefonte a stigma and disgrace that has lighted and overshadowed it for years. The decent, respectable inmates of the house couldn't help but give a sigh of relief.

That it is a sort of pleasure to look forward to and realize that the hard-hearted individuals in Bellefonte who are putting in their time in playing cards, wine and dining on money left them by friends, and who are guilty of secret crimes that would banish them from good society, will some day meet the Almighty who will require of them an accounting and who will meet out to them a just reward. Today they are having a good time, but they will surely serve out a regretful eternity. There is a woman in Bellefonte who should pin this to her \$100 gown.

OVER THE COUNTY.

We would like to have all who are in arrears on subscription to give this matter attention before the end of this month.

Jos. W. Relfsnyder sold the 13 acres of land in Millheim known as the sheep hill, to George Homan. Consideration \$500.

Emanuel White of Penn Cave, since his return from a Philadelphia hospital, is very much improved, and is able to drive out into the country.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Bradford, of Centre Hall, returned on Monday from Charleston, West Virginia, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shadle.

Mrs. M. Johnson, of Pleasant Gap, after spending six weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Myra Keupp, at Curwensville, returned home this week.

If you are having sale this spring it would be well to call at the Centre Democrat and announce your date so that no near neighbor will interfere with you.

George Kutski, a Polander, fell down a stairway in Houtzdale Saturday night and broke his neck, death resulting instantly. He was about 50 years of age and leaves a widow and several children.

D. J. Neiman, of Millheim, vacated the house he occupied on Penn street and moved into the flat in the Millheim Banking company's building. J. G. Eby will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Neiman.

Rev. Foust, of Fort Soudan, Pa., will preach in the churches of the Nittany Valley charge, as follows: Saturday, December 4, Marsh Creek, 2:30 p. m.; Howard 7:30 p. m.; Sunday, December 5, Jacksonville, 10 a. m.; Mt. Bethel, 2:30 p. m.; Salona, 7 p. m.

Miss Sara J. Keller, of Boalsburg, departed recently for Wilmington, Del., where she expects to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Sophia Hall. Before going to Wilmington she will visit relatives in eastern Pennsylvania. She was a guest at the home of Mrs. Daniel Keller in Philadelphia over Thanksgiving.

Dr. Henry P. Armsby, head of the department of animal nutrition and president of the American Society of Animal Nutrition, delivered an address to that body on Saturday at Chicago. The occasion was the annual meeting of the society. It was held in Exposition hall in connection with the international live stock exposition.

Real Estate Transfers.

Abraham Weber et al to Mary Bechdel, tract of land in Howard, April 1, 1909. \$900.

Harriet Shamp et al to Wm. Ashbridge Thomas, tract of land in Potter township, July 1, 1909. \$300.

Tyrone Miting and Mfg. Co to Isaac Harpster, tract of land in Ferguson township, August 7, 1909. \$100.

Chas. N. Decker admr to William Groh Runkle, tract of land in Walker township, December 12, 1908. \$4000.

Charles N. Decker admr to William Groh Runkle, tract of land in Walker township, April 20, 1909. \$450.

William L. Foster et al to James G. Parsons, lot in State College, November 11, 1909. \$300.

William G. Runkle to Charles Nevil Decker, tract of land in Walker township, December 14, 1908. \$4000.

William G. Runkle to Charles Nevil Decker, tract of land in Walker township, April 22, 1909. \$4500.

James Passmore et ux to Penna. Fire Brick Co., tract of land in Rush township, September 4, 1909. \$50.

Harriet Shamp et al to Ashbridge Thomas, tract of land in Potter township, July 1, 1909. \$300.

Ada Fehl et baron to Benjamin F. Stover, tract of land in Haines township, June 11, 1909. \$255.

President Taft's Large Turkey.

Horace Vose, of Westery, R. I., who has been sending a turkey to the White House as a gift to the president at every Thanksgiving time since General Grant was president, broke all his former records in the size of the presidential turkey this year. He told his neighbors last fall that if Mr. Taft was elected he would send the biggest fowl ever grown on his turkey ranch to the White House. His aim this year was to produce the biggest turkey ever raised for the largest of all the presidents, and the one selected for Mr. Taft didn't fall short of his aim, as it weighed about fifty pounds.

Found His Father's Body.

The remains of William Balestier were found in the dissecting room of the Tulane university dental department, New Orleans, by the dead man's son, J. H. Balestier. The man had been missing for more than year. The head was on a table and the body in a salt water vat. Balestier is a student at the university and the finding of his father's remains was accidental. For six months he and the police here searched for Balestier, but had abandoned the search some time ago. The son faintly when his father's head met his gaze.

Milton to Have a Fair Again.

Milton will have a fair again. The promoters have succeeded in selling one hundred and seventy-five shares of stock in five days and the balance is being eagerly sought after by responsible parties. Most of Milton's business men are owners of the stock and it is considered a positive fact that the old reliable Milton fair will once again be an attraction to bring visitors to that town.

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FARMERS AT STATE COLLEGE.

An Unusually Interesting Program Has Been Prepared.

Hundreds of the progressive farmers of Pennsylvania spend one week of the winter at the State School of Agriculture and Experiment Station, at State College. The time is known as "Farmers' Week" and this year it begins Monday, December 27, and closes Saturday, January 1. Over one hundred lectures are given by State College scientists, experts from various parts of the State, and some of the most noted agricultural authorities of other states.

Five sections of work are running nearly every period throughout the week. One section is devoted to soils, farm crops and farm management; another deals with practical problems in animal husbandry; another is devoted to horticulture; a fourth section deals with the problems of the dairyman and creameryman; a fifth section deals in part with domestic science. In the evening the various sections come together for addresses by gentlemen of national reputation. The evening program for this winter provides for illustrated lectures by Prof. W. J. Spillman, of Washington; Prof. C. G. Williams, of Ohio; Mr. B. D. White, of Washington; Prof. R. L. Watts, of State College, and others. One evening will be devoted largely to an address by D. Ward King, the road expert. Other persons of note appear on the evening programs. All lectures are free.

Reduced fares to State College for Farmers' Week have been granted by all railroads in the Trunk Line Association. The rate is two cents per mile in each direction from points in Pennsylvania. Tickets will be sold to Lemont, or Bellefonte, or Williamsport. The reduction is an open one and it will not be necessary to secure orders for tickets. Simply ask your railway agent for tickets at the reduced rate.

The program for Farmers' Week is now ready. Send a postal card to Alva Agee, State College, for a copy. It will give you information concerning the lectures to be given each day of Farmers' Week.

Not Punished.

Pennsylvania completed its new State capitol five years ago. The legislature had appropriated \$4,000,000 for the building, and the work was kept exactly within that sum. Nothing was said about the cost of furnishing the interior. Four years ago a Democratic State Treasurer nosed around and discovered that the "trimmings" for the new Harrisburg structure had cost a tidy \$9,000,000. A subsequent legal investigation proved that the actual value, plus a good profit, of all the furnishings was \$3,000,000. Somebody got \$6,000,000 of the people's money. The names of all the contractors and sub-contractors who worked on this \$13,000,000 job are known. As yet not a man has served one hour in jail for the theft of any part of that \$6,000,000. Perhaps when the sum is so large the performers are immune.—Collier's Weekly.

He Dazed Lew Wallace.

Shortly after the first success of "Ben-Hur" Lew Wallace had occasion to go over to London and one day picked up a pirated copy of the novel at a railroad newsstand. To his amazement he found the subtitle left off, a preface interpolated and one of the chapters rewritten. Of course he boiled with rage, and as soon as possible he called on the publisher. That gentleman coolly admitted his crime and told Wallace he thought the amended form better adapted to the British taste, doncherknow. His gall was so stupendous that the novelist was awed and went away without spilling his gore.

It Was Good Advice.

A wildly turbulent peasant was once a witness in a trial before Chief Baron O'Grady. The counsel, after pestering him for some time, put a question to him which reflected on the witness' character.

"If ye ax me that again I'll give ye a kick in the gob" was the answer.

The counsel appealed to the court, stating that an answer was necessary to his client's case, ending up with the query, "What would your lordship advise me to do?"

"If you are resolved to repeat the question," replied the court, "I'd advise you to move a little from the witness."

The Poultice is a Barbaric Relic.

The poultice is a barbaric relic of the days of witch burning. The typical home poultice is made of flaxseed. It is a soggy, unsavory, germ infested instrument of torture. Clapped upon the suffering baby's chest, it interferes with the poor child's breathing, infects his skin with the germs that cause pimples and boils and makes him unbearably uncomfortable and unhappy. The heat in the poultice is its only valuable feature. The dampness does damage, and the flaxseed is as inert as so much sawdust or breakfast food. Why not use hot water bags or, better still, hot cloths?—Delineator.

He Got the Teacher.

A man called at a grammar school in a large city to see one of the teachers and, uncertain just which was the room he wanted, noted the bell buttons in the main corridor. He pressed one of them. His surprise was great when soon after the sound of the gong children and teachers flooded in from the various rooms, all in a line and with no excitement or crowding. The visitor had pressed the button which called for the fire alarm drill practice.

Useful to Flirts.

A young man called on a patent expert and showed him an idea he wanted protected. It was in the form of an engagement ring.

"But," said the expert, examining the very ordinary looking circlet, "what is there patentable about this?" "It is adjustable, sir," said the inventor proudly.—London Answers.

PANAMA CANAL DOUBLES ESTIMATE

\$375,201,000 WILL BE USED IN PANAMA ON CANAL

WORK INCREASED 50 PER CENT

Board of Engineers, in Original Estimate, Failed to Figure on Increased Cost of Labor—Materials and Gratuities.

The cost of the Panama canal will reach \$375,201,000, according to the annual report of Col. George W. Goethals, chairman and chief engineer of the Isthmian Canal commission. In the final paragraphs of the report it is shown that the Board of Engineers which submitted the first estimate of \$144,233,368 to Congress failed to provide for even the engineering and construction, which will cost \$297,760,000. In explanation of this huge difference Col. Goethals says that "because of prosperous conditions in the United States, combined with unsavory reputation that the Isthmian had regarding its healthfulness, wage scales had to be increased from 30 to 60 per cent. over that paid in the United States in order to attract labor. Besides this increase, gratuities had to be and are still being paid.

Locks Must be Made Larger.

Col. Goethals says that the revised estimate is reliable, and that it shows that nearly 50 per cent. more work is necessary in order to complete the canal than was originally contemplated and that the unit prices, due to labor conditions, cost of materials and gratuities given the employees, have been increased about 20 per cent. The construction of such ships as the Delaware and North Dakota has compelled a complete change in the plans for building the locks on the canal. Originally they were to have been 100 feet in width. This has been increased to 110 feet and the usable length has had to be increased to 1,000 feet, causing much additional expense.

Uncle Sam a Good Ruler.

As a hotel keeper Uncle Sam is proving a success. At the Tivoli hotel, the largest in the zone, a tidy profit was shown. The 17 hotels on the line of the canal show small losses, which are compensated for in the profits on the messes and kitchens, which are now feeding 7,700 people and all showing net profits. The zone has a police force of 245 men, and the commission maintains four jails and a penitentiary with an average of 117 prisoners. The convicts are kept at work on the public roads of the zone. Last year the zone police made 6,275 arrests. There were three executions. The zone government is now maintaining 12 common schools for white children and 17 for the negroes. The enrollment for the last school year showed 622 white children and 1,073 colored.

Very Unlucky.

Not long ago a certain farmer became bankrupt. In the course of his examination before the official receiver he admitted that he had been speculating on the turf. Moreover, he went on to explain that he had experienced what he described as "plaguy bad luck."

"Did you know anything about horse racing?" the bankrupt was asked. "No," was the reply; "that's why I engaged a fellow who did to buy some 'osses for me."

"And these horses turned out badly, I suppose," suggested the official receiver.

"Very," was the reply, "though I don't blame the 'osses for that. They tried hard, but summat wor bound to turn up to upset 'em. They nearly allus ran second!"

"How do you account for that?"

"Well, sometimes they ran second 'cos they'd overmuch weight to carry, sometimes they ran second 'cos the jockey had backed another and wanted 'em there, but more often than not they ran second 'cos the judge would have 'em there! Sometimes, again, they ran second 'cos there wor nobbut two 'osses in the race!"—London Telegraph.

Willing to Please.

A large and elegant hotel furnished on the most luxurious lines was erected at a fashionable resort. A magnificent orchestra performed every evening in the hotel dining room, but on one occasion, out of season, the house was so empty that the manager dispatched the following telegraph message to the head office of the company: "Only one guest, but orchestra of thirty. What shall I do?"

And the prompt reply came, "If guest dissatisfied, engage six more musicians!"

The Family Physician

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Women's Secrets

There is one man in the United States who has perhaps heard more women's secrets than any other man or woman in the country. These secrets are not secrets of guilt or shame, but the secrets of suffering, and they have been confided to Dr. R. V. Pierce in the hope and expectation of advice and help. That few of these women have been disappointed in their expectations is proved by the fact that ninety-eight per cent. of all women treated by Dr. Pierce have been absolutely and altogether cured. Such a record would be remarkable if the cases treated were numbered by hundreds only. But when that record applies to the treatment of more than half-a-million women, in a practice of over 40 years, it is phenomenal, and entitles Dr. Pierce to the gratitude accorded him by women, as the first of specialists in the treatment of women's diseases.



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