

BELLEFONTE AND VICINITY

THE LOCAL HAPPENINGS IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Col. Hugh S. Taylor spent Sunday among friends in Clearfield. John Curry, of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting his father, John Curry, Sr., in Bellefonte.

Thomas Beaver and Norman Shearer spent part of Sunday at the home of W. C. Snyder, at Snow Shoe.

Mrs. Emma Boyer, who has been confined to her home on Penn street with a bad attack of the grip, is very much improved.

Capt. W. H. Fry, of Pine Grove Mills, was a visitor in Bellefonte on Saturday. He is a very busy man and does not often get to the county seat.

The 40 Hours Devotion will be held in the Bellefonte St. John's Catholic church next Sunday, April 17th. It will be conducted by a Passionist Father.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison, of Altoona, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Quick, of Milesburg. Monday Mr. Allison and Mrs. Quick were in Bellefonte shaking hands with friends.

On Thursday evening an auto party from State College arrived in Bellefonte to attend the weekly meeting of the Centre I. O. O. F. lodge where they witnessed the initiatory degree of five new members.

Russell Smith, the eldest son of Wiltmer Smith, Superintendent of the Union Telephone & Telegraph Co., has a slight touch of scarlet fever at the home of Maurice Kremer, on Bishop street. He will come around alright in a short time.

Edward Williams, who had been quite ill for several days, is again at his post of duty as clerk for the County Commissioners. He looks a little pale, but it will not be long until he will be feeling just as well as ever. You know it is hard to keep a good man down.

On last Sabbath evening, by invitation, the Lutheran choir, conducted by Mr. Hart, sang in the Reformed church for the Epworth League exercises. It is pleasing to note that all the various churches of this town have been in friendly accord, as Christians should be.

On Saturday afternoon the commissioners of Centre county sold at public sale the twenty blocks of concrete which once formed the pavement on the south side of the Court house. They were purchased by W. C. Critter for 20 cents a block which originally cost \$5 a block.

The engine on conductor Harry Cook's passenger train, running over the L. & T. railroad, between Bellefonte and Lewisburg, gave out on Monday which necessitated the securing of another engine which was brought to Bellefonte from Williamsport on the noon train. The broken engine was sent to the repair shop.

The County Commissioners have decided to change the electrical fixtures in the Court room. Instead of it being lighted from the ceiling as it is at present, a combination of gas and electrical chandeliers will be used so that in case of an emergency either gas or electric light can be used. It is now only electric light can be used.

Groceryman George Hazel left Bellefonte on Monday for Williamsport after hearing that his brother, Charley, was the father of twins. It is said that before leaving home he was given some excellent advice which his friends wish he would profit by. The parents of the babes have many friends in Bellefonte who will be glad to hear of the nice addition to the family.

William Resides, of Unionville, was among the Bellefonte visitors on Tuesday. At one time there was no man in the county better able to take a hunter through the Alleghenies than just "Billy." As the old saying goes he knows them from top to bottom for several months, owing to the fact that he has been in ill health. He has been improving right along and when favorable weather comes he will feel much better and become stronger.

The Grand Army post at Millheim has sent a request to Rev. John H. Hewitt, rector of the Bellefonte St. John's Episcopal church, to make the Memorial address at that place. In this they exercised good judgment as Rev. Hewitt is capable of giving the people down there one of the best addresses of the kind they ever heard. Should he accept we bespeak for him a large audience.

Eddie Thompson, the boot and shoe dresser, has moved his shoe parlor from Crider's Stone building to the room under the Garman House, formerly occupied by Milton Kern, the tonsorial artist. Eddie has everything fixed up very neatly so that no lady or gentleman need hesitate of going there to have his or her shoes shined. It is conveniently located and any patronage thrown his way will be appreciated.

It is unfortunate that Samuel Donachy, superintendent of the Pennsylvania Match Factory, of Bellefonte, was compelled to go to the hospital at Williamsport and have a couple of small pieces taken from his lower jaw. For a number of months he has not been overeating things at the match factory with the hope of being cured from what he thought was only a temporary soreness of the teeth. Necrosis, however, developed and he was forced to have an operation performed which it is to be hoped will end the difficulty. Mrs. Donachy is spending this week with him.

On Friday a large and representative audience assembled in Petrik Hall to hear Father B. A. O'Hanlon, assistant in St. John's Catholic church, deliver his lecture entitled, "Art Study of Shakespeares." Everybody in the house was overpleased beyond expectation. He is a refined and polished gentleman, thus there was a perfect flow of beautiful language from first to finish. He is not only an eloquent orator but is possessed of magnetic dramatic ability which is irresistible and thrilling to ecstasy. He is thoroughly conversant with his subject and all through his lecture he introduced an array of new thoughts which aided much toward a better interpretation of the great composer, Shakespeares. It was probably the best lecture of the kind ever delivered in Bellefonte.

Joseph D. Harris, of Baltimore, Md., spent a day or so this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Rachael Harris.

Surveyor W. M. Grove, of Greck, gave our sanction a call upon his return from a business trip to Pittsburg.

Dr. Woods and wife, of Pine Grove Mills, were guests this week of Squire W. H. Musser and wife, while attending Freshbury.

O. G. Marts, of Salona, was a pleasant caller. He reports the wheat fields in that section having a promising appearance.

J. L. Winegardner, of Millheim, was a business caller. He informs us that there were thirty-five cases of measles in that town.

George Cheers, a student of the Bellefonte Academy, was called home recently on account of the serious illness of his father.

Hon. Willis Bierley, of Rebersburg, a gentleman and a scholar, once one of Lycoming county's members of the legislature, gave our sanction a call.

J. C. Irwin, of Moundsville, W. Va., passed through Bellefonte on Thursday on his way to Snow Shoe where he visited his sister who has been seriously ill.

Mrs. Charles Smith and daughter, Miss Lulu, who have been spending the winter in Philadelphia, have returned to Bellefonte and are again occupying their home on Bishop street.

Miss Ethel Dale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Dale, who had been spending the last ten days in Bellefonte, left on Tuesday to resume her studies at Wilson College, Chambersburg.

Isaac Underwood and W. I. Fleming have painters busy improving the appearance of their residences on Spring street. They are being made light color, which materially changes their appearance.

When Teddy R. gets back from his hunt in Africa and hears how many Moose there are in and about Bellefonte, he will likely come this way with his big calibre gun on a hunt. This herd was out on Tuesday evening and made a string nigh half a mile in length.

The Postoffice Department have placed in the Bellefonte postoffice a visible typewriter. It is constructed so that all reports can be made out on it as well as be used for letter writing. The machines are being put in many of the postoffices throughout the country which helps to facilitate business at the home office at Washington.

There will be a fine game of base ball at Hughes Field on this Saturday at 2:15 P. M. The crack P. R. R. team of Altoona will be here to play the local team. The locals will receive an extra point to encourage them to victory. Their splendid record thus far ought to draw five hundred people to see this contest which will be a dandy.

On Thursday, April 28th, Joseph D. Harris, of Baltimore, son of Mrs. Rachael Harris, of Bellefonte, will be married to Miss Martha Herbert Gordon, of Cumberland, Md. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride and will be attended by Mrs. Harris and daughter. The groom is a promising young man who holds a responsible position with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co.

Last week Daniel O'Leary, an employe at the round house of the Central Railroad of Pennsylvania, left for Chicago to bring east the locomotive recently purchased by that company. He left the Windy City on Sunday and he expects to arrive in Bellefonte tomorrow. His duties are to keep it well oiled and see that it is in good condition at every stop. It was a nice trip for Mr. O'Leary.

Fred Dunham, of Howard, who had the nerve to tackle a daily for Bellefonte, has sent out his final decree, that if the citizens of Bellefonte do not come to his aid by subscribing more liberally to the paper he will be compelled to stop. Fred has found that running a daily is a lot more down than up. When he gets a lot of dead heads on his list something must drop, especially where the publisher has limited means. To run a successful daily in Bellefonte it should have a patronage, and as soon as the dollar is up get your money. Dunham, taking everything into consideration, has made a good stagger at publishing a Bellefonte daily at Howard, and he would continue if he had the right support. It is a nice thing to have a local paper but Fred says if our people want it they will have to pony up.

The next sensation at the scenic will be the famous "Teddy" Roosevelt pictures, showing some of his man-o-euvring with the wild animals of Africa. Some of the pictures have already appeared in the daily papers and judging from them the moving pictures will be simply great. They probably will not be here until May sometime, but while you are waiting keep on being a visitor at this place of amusement and you will never regret it. Each night the scenes change and something new and novel appears. The other night the picture called "The Politician" was simply wonderful. It was not only entertaining but there was something about it that was very instructive. Whenever Manager Brown discovers there is something new out he gets it no matter what it costs. That's the reason his show is being well patronized.

In one of the best wrestling matches ever staged in this or any other town the size of Bellefonte, Kaiser, the welterweight champion, Thursday night at Garman's opera house, defeated Jim Galvin, of Philadelphia, in two straight falls. The time being 24 minutes and 49 seconds for the first and 12 minutes and 30 seconds for the second. The hold which threw Galvin the first fall was a body scissors and face hold, while the second was accomplished with a face hold and elbow to the throat. The other night the picture called "The Politician" was simply wonderful. It was not only entertaining but there was something about it that was very instructive. Whenever Manager Brown discovers there is something new out he gets it no matter what it costs. That's the reason his show is being well patronized.

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RECENT DEATHS.

BOWES:—Charles Bowes, Sr., a former resident of Bellefonte, died on Wednesday of last week at the home of his son-in-law, John Keeler, at Clearfield.

VONADA:—Henry Vonada died at his home near Madisonburg on April 7th, from paralysis. He was born near Woodward in 1835, and was 75 years old. He was the son of David Vonada, a pioneer of Centre county, and he survived by his wife and nine children.

COWHER:—The reaper death came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Cowher, of Sandy Ridge, last Tuesday forenoon, and took from it their dear little six-year-old son, Stuart. He had had measles, which grew worse, and the physician pronounced it membranous croup. The following forenoon death relieved him of his suffering.

CARSON:—Monday morning John Carson, aged almost eighty years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Houser, at Pleasant Gap. He had been made Wednesday morning, at Sprucetown, Rev. Sowers, Rev. Shuey and Rev. Lantz, attending Mr. Carson is survived by six children and also Mrs. Kate Armstrong, of Potters Mills, a sister, and James Carson, of Bellefonte, and William Carson, of Clearfield county, brothers.

PERKS:—Miss Mary Perks died at Phillipsburg on Monday evening at the Cottage hospital, where she had undergone an operation some few days previous for a cancerous affection. The deceased was born in Phillipsburg, and having resided in this town for three years in Osceola, her whole life was spent in that city. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Perks, the father for many years a faithful conductor on the T. & C. R. R.

RANDOLPH:—Wm. W. Randolph, after a month's illness of a complication of diseases, died at his home at Pine Grove Mills, last Sunday morning, April 3rd. The deceased was born at McAlvey's Fort 45 years ago last January. He was a carpenter by trade in the fall of 1888 he married Miss Elizabeth Davis, who gave him a child, the youngest being six months old, mourn his death. His aged mother, two brothers, John and George, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Sneath and Mrs. Gallagher, also survive him. He was a consistent member of the M. E. church. The funeral services were held at his late home on the following Tuesday morning.

DUNKLE:—Overcome by an attack of apoplexy, at his home in Beech Creek on Sunday night, and died soon after. George Freemont Dunkle was born near Hubersburg, Nittany valley, 1851. He was 58 years, 4 m. 14 days old. His parents died some years ago, as did a brother, John, and a sister, Mrs. Julia Bailey. Three brothers survive, Frank Dunkle, proprietor of the Cameron House, at Lewisburg; Fred Dunkle, proprietor of the Dunkle House at Jersey Shore, and William Dunkle, residing at Jersey Shore; and one sister, Mrs. Annie C. Kitts, wife of First Lieutenant William P. Kitts United States army, now on the island of Manila, Philippines. Besides a daughter and loving wife, five children survive, of whom the oldest is 14, as follows: William, Miriam, Edwin, Walter and George.

COLDREN:—William H. Coldren, one of the highly respected citizens of Pleasant Gap, died at his residence at 10:30 o'clock, at his residence at that place. About four weeks ago he was operated on in the Bellefonte hospital for appendicitis, which proved a success. After getting along well enough to go home, other diseases set in, such as rheumatism and kidney trouble, which were the immediate cause of his death. He was born in the vicinity of Millheim, but twenty-three years ago he moved over into Nittany valley where he continued farming until two years ago when he moved to Pleasant Gap, and since that time he had been living retired. His life was such as could be well imitated. He was one of the supervisors of Spring township and was always an advocate of better roads. As an Odd Fellow he belonged to Lodge No. 1654, of Hubersburg, and was considered one of its best members. As a citizen he had the confidence of all who knew him. He is survived by a wife and the following children: J. Irvin and J. E. of the late Mrs. William Bilger, of Sunbury; Mrs. William Bilger, of Sunbury; and Roy E., at home. The funeral will take place Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock; interment at the Gap.

\$1,000,000 Clean Up. A wide tapping coup of gigantic proportions was pulled off in pool-rooms on Saturday. It is said it extended to New York, Chicago and about every large city in the country. The medium by which the trick was consummated was the roulette race at Oakland, William Bilger, of Philadelphia, but it is stated that a million dollars were realized by the tappers throughout the country. The wire tapper set the wrong price and jockey to the information bureau and selected Redden, the longest shot in the race as the winner. When it was time for the fourth Oakland to be run a fake description of the event was forwarded, giving Redden at 12 to 1 as the winner.

Emisaries of the plotters were in all the Philadelphia rooms and their wagers were paid off without suspicion, the result being "confirmed." They had bet on previous races to divert attention. Fifteen minutes after settlements had been made a true description of the race was received by W. W. at 9 to 5, being the actual winner. Then there was consternation among the pool room operators, but it was too late. The conspirators had departed with the money. The pool room men think the wire tapping was done in the west, but this is not known.

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DEMOCRATS PREPARE.

Leaders Reach Harmony Agreement and Plan Nominations.

Representatives of various elements of the Democratic party assembled at Harrisburg last Thursday and effected a harmony agreement, decided to nominate a straight Democratic state ticket in advance of the Republicans, adopted resolutions favoring the instruction of state delegates and decided to hold the state convention at Allentown, June 15. The feature of the harmony agreement is that State Chairman Arthur G. Dewalt shall appoint an advisory committee of five, with ex-Mayor Vance C. McCormick of Harrisburg, as its chairman, which advisory committee shall have charge of the raising of a fund of \$20,000 to be expended under direction of the State Executive committee in the organization of the campaign.

Berry Will Seek Governorship. Durig the gathering there was much quiet talk of the governorship. Mr. Munyon when asked if he would accept the nomination for governor if it were offered to him replied: "I am not a candidate, but I am favorable to the Democrats of the state express their desire, I will serve them in any capacity they may designate."

Ex-Treasurer Berry made no secret of his candidacy for the gubernatorial nomination. He talked personally with many of the party men present, and a number of his enthusiastic friends, were industriously at work in his behalf. Senator Webster Grin, of Bucks county, modestly disclaimed any knowledge of the fact that he is the favorite candidate of men close to Col. Guffey. There was talk also of State Chairman Dewalt, though he personally discouraged it.

My Prayer. Great God, I ask thee for no meager gift. That I may not disappoint myself, that in my actions I may soar as high as I can now discern with this clear eye.

And next in value, which thy kindness lends, How they greatly disappoint my friends; How they think or hope that it may be, They may not dream how thou'rt distinguished me.

That my weak hand may equal my firm faith, And my life practice more than my tongue say.

That my low conduct may not show Nor my relenting lines, That I thy purpose did not know Or overrated thy designs.

A Missing Shade. A titled Englishman of a literary turn of mind who was a bit of a sportsman as well went on a hunting expedition into the wilds of Scotland. Meeting with a slight accident which compelled him to remain in a small village for a few days, he went to the village store in search of something to read to while away the time.

As he glanced around the store he noticed a small array of books poking away on a shelf in an obscure corner. Robert Browning was his favorite author, and, thinking he might be fortunate enough to get a copy of his works, he asked the rather elderly and slow going storekeeper to look over his shelves and see if he had Browning.

"No," replied the storekeeper as he turned and stared at his shelves; "we haven't. We've got bluing and blacking and whitening and paris green, but I don't see no Browning anywheres. Who makes it?"

The Little Chap. When the late E. H. Harriman completed that wonderful engineering and railroad feat known as the Salt Lake cutoff there was a celebration, and Harriman took a large party of big railroad men out to it, according to the Saturday Evening Post.

They had their pictures taken at the right spot scenically. Mr. Harriman stood at one end of the group. When the pictures were printed and the photographer brought them around the railroad men examined them.

"Why," shouted one of the guests, "where's Mr. Harriman?" "Do you mean that little chap that stood at the end?" asked the photographer. "Why, I cut him off."