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A MISSING MAN'S SKELETON IS FOUND

IDENTIFIED AS THE REMAINS OF GEORGE M. FETZER.

DISAPPEARED FOUR YEARS AGO

A Profound Mystery at Last is Solved—Death Due to Accidental Discharge of Rifle—Happened Near Runville—Easily Identified.

Last Sunday morning there was a sensation in the vicinity of Runville, by the finding of a rusty rifle and a skeleton in the woods, that was later identified as the remains of the late George Michael Fetzer, who left his home near there on Monday April 8th, 1907, and was never heard of since. In 1907, George Michael Fetzer and his family lived near Runville. The family moved across the hollow early in March 1907, but Mr. Fetzer remained at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Alice Walker, in order to look after some young cattle, and Monday would join the family later Monday night, April 8th, Mr. Fetzer dug some sassafras root and requested them to have it prepared for supper. He then took his rifle and said he was going on a fox hunt. Mrs. Elias Hancock, neighbor spoke to him on his way to the woods and saw the last person who saw him alive. During the afternoon Mr. Hancock heard two shots in the woods.

As Mr. Fetzer failed to return home that evening, neighbors were notified and joined in all-night search in the woods. The next day everybody helped in the search, which was continued for days, although some thought he had gone on an extended trip. Mr. Fetzer was accompanied by his dog which returned that same evening, and was quite restless. Messages were sent to adjoining towns, but no trace was ever found of the missing man, and for over four years his disappearance remained a profound mystery in that community, the opinion prevailing that some time the remains of the unfortunate man would be found in the mountains.

Skeleton Found.
Last Sunday, Messrs. Hazzard, Chas. Switzer and Burton Hazzard, three boys of near Yarnell, were out looking for wild flowers and when within a quarter of a mile of Mr. Fetzer's former home they saw an old, rusty rifle lying among the leaves. When they picked it up they noticed some bones, and thought it was a junk pile. The boys at the time thought nothing of the missing man, and carried the gun home and told their parents, who reside on the Abraham Thomas farm. Mr. Switzer went back with the gun and noticed that the parts of a human skeleton were scattered about, also the shoes and parts of the clothing.

The initials "J. K." and buttons enabled them to identify the remains as those of George Michael Fetzer, the missing man. Word was sent to Coroner Huff, of Milesburg, who carefully examined the remains. The bones had been scattered some, no doubt by wild animals, and was almost concealed by the decayed foliage. The top of the skull was shattered and an empty shell was in the rifle. The remains were taken to Milesburg and a coroner's jury was empaneled, consisting of Wm. Shawley, John Shawley, Wm. Walker, Ed. Grove, John Packer and Harry Miller. Learning that the rifle was defective in its mechanism, the coroner's jury was that Mr. Fetzer came to his death by the accidental discharge of his rifle.

Mr. Fetzer was born April 4th, 1845, making his age 62 years and 4 days. He was an old soldier, and a good citizen who was respected in his community. He leaves to survive, his wife, Elizabeth, and the following children: Mrs. Alice Walker, Mrs. Annie Heverly, of Mt. Eagle; Mrs. Lulu Houck, of Newberry; Mrs. Bessie Comely, of Unionville; Bessie, Harry and James Fetzer, at home. Also one brother, Joseph M. Fetzer, and three sisters, as follows: Mrs. Sarah Burd, Mrs. Ellen Yarnell, of Snows shoe, Mrs. Annie Confer, of Williamsport.

Memorial services will be held at Runville, in the U. B. church, on Sunday, May 14th.

Will Take a Law Partner.
M. Ward Fleming, Esq., who at present is the teacher of mathematics in the Harrisburg High school, will at the close of his present term on or about the last of June locate in Philadelphia, says the Philadelphia Journal, for the practice of law, associating himself with W. D. Crosby, Esq., who is a native of Centre county, being the son of Wilson I. Fleming, of Bellefonte, who is well and favorably known to many of our citizens, and is built on the same sturdy lines as his father.

Mr. Fleming received his early education in the public schools of his native county, afterwards graduating from Haverford College with the degree of A. B. He then took a two-year course in the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, and graduated from the Pittsburgh Law School with the degree of L. L. B.

Eagles to Meet Next Week.
Next week the State convention of the Knights of Golden Eagle will be held in Williamsport, and promises to be one of the most successful gatherings of that order ever held in the State. Every case in Pennsylvania will be represented, and large delegations will be there to take part in the big parade. The convention of Ladies of the Golden Eagle will be held there at the same time, the sessions beginning next Tuesday. The Knights of the Golden Eagle is a very strong organization throughout Centre county, and no doubt the convention will draw a great many members from the different castles. E. D. Gettig, Esq., will represent Bellefonte castle at the sessions.

Killed Big Snake.
When a big blacksnake started to wrap itself about the right front leg of his horse, as he was driving into Newberry from Daugherty's Run, on Monday afternoon, George Cochran, farmer and mine promoter, went after the reptile with the buggy whip. A few well-aimed cuts and the snake was dead. The snake measured six feet.

TRESPASSERS FINED.

Seven Men Taken by Railroad Officers on Saturday. Any person who passes along the roadway of the Penna. Railroad will see numerous caution notices for the public to keep off of the company's right of way, and as a warning they are reminded that they are liable to arrest for trespass. This policy was inaugurated by the company for the reason that more accidents and deaths follow from persons who are killed as trespassers on the company's property, than by any other manner. This not only a source of annoyance and expense, but it endangers the lives of those who are riding in the trains.

For other reasons the company feels that it is to their interest as well as the public, to keep trespassers off of their property. In pursuance of this policy, last Saturday officer Fred Giles, of Tyrone, representing the railroad, was in this section and arrested following men near town, and took them before Justice Henry Brown where the law was explained to them, and while the fine can be quite heavy the Justice made it \$2 and costs, or \$3 for each. J. H. Rider, men who were employed as laborers in the Penna. Match Company yards at this place, and were accustomed to go to and from their work along the railroad, as a matter of convenience. No doubt they have all seen the warning notices and, like all others, paid no attention to them. In fact, no one up to this time appears to have given these notices any serious consideration. Here in Bellefonte people have been accustomed to follow the railroad with freedom. Every day there are scores of people who violate this warning.

The same condition exists elsewhere and the company seems to have been unable to enforce the law, and put an officer out for the special purpose of keeping the public off of their tracks. The same day, we are informed, four men were arrested near Williamsport, and they were brought here returning from a business meeting, and were taken before the local justice of the peace where they were fined \$1 and costs.

We give this matter special notice so that our readers may be on their guard. Remember that when you come to the Penna. Railroad tracks and you travel along them you are liable to be arrested and fined and have the costs, in addition, to pay. No matter whether you think it is just or unjust, that is not the issue—it is private property and you have no rights there—you are a trespasser. If you are arrested and fined you have no cause for complaint as they have the property fully placarded and there has been timely warning.

A New Junior.
This week the Gazette installed a new Junior Linotype machine in their composing room. It was erected by J. Fred Kurts and Mr. Dershem, his partner, of the Lewisburg Journal. They had it in successful operation on Saturday and left, but since then the Gazette has had a variety of experiences; the critter occasionally blunders and runs, often it balks and absolutely won't move, no matter how much peaceable persuasion is used. "Dr. James Seibert was called in and could not exactly diagnose the ailment, and wanted to chloroform the printer or cut off a piece of his appendix. Others thought the diabolus was binding against the guy-mohel, but did not want to tamper with the delicate adjustments. Some thought it acted as though it had contracted a contagious disease and secretary Quigley, of the Bellefonte Board of Health, should be notified to have the thing quarantined, but that also was seriously objected to because they feared Quig would close the whole print shop. Thus it went, as they tinkered and tampered with their new Mergenthaler "wire baby," but since then it has been doing nicely all babies are nice, but you must know how to feed and care for them. This is a good baby, and in time we predict they will become much attached to it. Fred Dunham installed one of these Junior "wire babies," about a year ago, in the Howard Hustler office, where it has been successfully running ever since and saves all hand composition.

A Valuable Gift.
The equipment at the Bellefonte Hospital was improved the past week through the generosity of Mrs. A. Hibler, of Bellefonte. Some years ago her husband, Dr. A. Hibler, was a noted physician of this town and his office equipment embraced a valuable selection of medical works, a fine assortment of expensive instruments and other medical supplies necessary to the profession. Some had been sold to medical men, but a large portion remained, and all of it was needed in our local hospital. It was with thoughtful consideration that Mrs. Hibler turned over this valuable collection, this week, to this worthy institution where it will be put to good use, and the public will thereby have the benefit of better service. Mrs. Hibler certainly deserves credit for this generous gift.

Almost a Sensation.
Last Thursday reports were circulating through the village of Va. A. Hibler, that the bones of a man had been found on the mountain above that place. For a while it created a considerable amount of consternation in that vicinity and it was some time before it was learned that the bones were a huge joke. Some boys had seen paper fluttering up on the mountain side, and after investigating it spread the report that they had found a woman's dead body.

Engagement Announced.
At a small party given last Thursday afternoon to a few of her most intimate friends, Miss Elizabeth Fryberger, of Philadelphia, announced her engagement to Dr. Wilbur D. Twitmore. Mr. Twitmore is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Twitmore, of Bellefonte, and at present is practicing dentistry at Lancaster.

The Oil Story a Big Fake.
The story given out Tuesday that a Barnesboro citizen, while drilling a well for water, had struck oil and was flowing 100 barrels per hour, and that Pittsburgh parties had rushed thither to make leases, proves to have been a fake. The originator of the story had evidently been suffering from a "brain storm."

SCHOOL DIRECTORS MET ON TUESDAY

DAVID O. ETTERS RE-ELECTED CO. SUPERINTENDENT.

RECEIVED INCREASE IN SALARY

Had No Opposition—Advance in Salary Was Stoutly Opposed—A Compromise—Brief Session—Short Talk on Corn Contest.

On Tuesday morning the school directors of Centre county met in session at the Court House, and at 10:30 Prof. D. O. Etters, county superintendent of schools, called the meeting to order. First came the choosing of officers, which resulted in C. T. Fryberger, of Philipsburg, being named president; Chas. F. Cooke, of Bellefonte, secretary; P. J. McDonald, Unionville, and J. S. Hosterman, Millheim, tellers. After the calling of the roll, President Fryberger very briefly outlined the record of the meeting, which was to elect a county superintendent for the next three years. It has been generally known that Prof. Etters was the only candidate for the office, to succeed himself, and in every short order Prof. McDowell, of State College, arose, and with a few preliminary remarks placed the name of Mr. Etters before the directors for reelection. This was moved upon and seconded, after which a vote was taken. The result was as follows: 11 for Etters, 10 for B. F. Meyers, of Philipsburg. The lone vote cast for Mr. Meyers was more of a joke than otherwise, as we understand the latter did not want his name to come before the directors' meeting.

The question of raising the salary of the superintendent was next brought up, and considerable discussion preceded its final settlement. Mr. Fortney offered a resolution that the salary be raised to \$2400 per year, which was very stoutly opposed upon (literally speaking) by a standing vote. At this point Senator Heine arose and addressing the meeting stated that inasmuch as the new school code bill, which in all probability would raise the salary of the superintendent to \$2600, Centre county could well afford to pay \$2150, the average salary paid to county superintendents. Not only from the fact that the new code bill, which will be paid from a fund raised by the State, but also that Centre county should not suffer the humiliation of having it said we were compelled by the new law to raise our superintendent's salary from \$1822 to \$2000. He therefore concluded by offering the motion that we pay \$2000 and add \$150 to it, making the average salary of \$2150. By an actual count of the standing order the motion was adopted and it being up to the president for a decision, Mr. Fryberger voted negatively. Someone then arose and suggested that a \$2000 salary could probably be agreed upon, and made a motion to amend the resolution to \$2000, which was declared passed, and Mr. Etters' salary will henceforth be \$2000 per year, whether the new school law passes or not.

After a few remarks by Prof. Etters, and a brief talk on the corn contest, by Prof. McDowell, the meeting adjourned.

Post Office Looted.
R. H. George, postmaster at Winburne, and his assistants, when they opened the office Tuesday morning, were very much surprised to find during the night the room had been entered by burglars, the safe blown open and stamps and money to the amount of nearly \$900 stolen—about \$150.00 in cash and probably \$750.00 in stamps.

The safe was blown open without very materially damaging the same, and the work done so quietly as to have aroused none of the people residing in the neighborhood. About \$100 in stamps in the safe and \$200 or more of money in the room fortunately escaped the eyes of the robbers, and remained intact.

Big Show Coming.
Your visit to the mighty Haag shows on Wednesday afternoon and evening, May 25, at Bellefonte will not be complete without a tour of the college campus, and the other things you are not a lover and admirer of blooded stock, it is claimed you will find an hour of genuine pleasure and much to interest you inspecting the droves of horses and ponies.

Ladies and children are particularly invited to visit this horse fair, which all may safely do without escort, as uniformed and courteous attendants are always present, to look after the welfare of callers.

Kindly Note.
All persons who paid any money on subscription to the Centre Democrat during the past month of April, will find proper credit given for same by a change of the date on the label this week. Look at it now, and in case of an error please notify us. In remitting always give your name as printed on label, and in that way it will not become confused with the 5000 other accounts.

In ordering a change be sure to give the old, or former address, as well as the new. This is important and will save us trouble or writing you again.

A Promotion.
G. Harry Wion, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Wion, of this place, after having served two years and nine months of a three-years apprenticeship course, has been appointed assistant inspector of signals on the Pennsylvania Railroad, with headquarters at Broad Street station, Philadelphia. Mr. Wion graduated from the Penna. State College in 1908, and since August of that year has been employed in the Signal department of the Penna. Mr. Wion is an aggressive young man and we expect to hear of further advancements in his work.

The murderer will be hanged in Pennsylvania in the future as in the past. The senate defeated the measure substituting the electric chair for the gallows.

WANT BETTER ROAD TO STATE COLLEGE

A GENERAL PROTEST TO THE PRESENT HIGHWAY.

IMMEDIATE ACTION WAS TAKEN

Committees Appointed to Lay Matter Before the Highway Department—Can't Wait on Sprowl Bill—A Demonstration Evaded.

Last Friday evening a delegation of citizens and automobilists, of Bellefonte, drove to State College and partook of a sumptuous chicken and waffle supper at Nittany Inn, as the guests of the State College motorists. Members of the faculty, business men of the town, local motorists, supervisors of Benner, College, Harris and other townships were also in attendance, making it quite a large and representative gathering. Dr. Sparks, president of the State College road building, and was master of ceremonies when the talking began.

As there is a primary cause for everything, the occasion for this general gathering was an effort to secure better roads between the county seat and State College. Road building is the lack of adequate road service to the main lines of travel, the road from State College to Bellefonte is much used, of necessity, during all seasons of the year. It is a well known fact, and needs no demonstration, that the road between these two points is in the most deplorable condition, and in bad weather is extremely difficult to travel. In fact, we believe it is no exaggeration to say that it is the worst piece of highway in our county. For years it has been the occasion for much complaint and various efforts have been made to have it put in a reasonable condition so that the traveling public would have some degree of comfort when necessary to pass over any portion of it.

This road seems to violate every principle in modern road building. The roadbed is hollow in the centre, while endless breakers are located every where to impede the progress of vehicles, and injure horses as well. Near Lemont there is a covering of clay on a long hill that in wet weather in many places is over a foot in depth. The supervisors of Benner, Harris and other townships in defence insist that they have an unusual number of roads to maintain in their districts, and even with a high road tax, they have a very limited fund to maintain all roads, and as a result can not do all that the public expects much as they would like to have good roads.

It was brought out at this meeting that it would take at least four years until the Sprowl Bill can become a law, and then several years more elapse until even the most important highways can be surveyed and specifications made for actual road construction. For that reason it was decided that some immediate steps should be taken to have this important highway restored to a reasonably safe and passable condition.

After extended discussion the sentiment prevailed that immediate action be taken, and a committee of three from State College, and a similar number from Bellefonte who, in conjunction with the road officials of Benner and College townships were appointed to prepare a road building plan by which an immediate improvement of this road can be accomplished.

As many prominent citizens from over the state frequently visit this state institution and, of necessity, are obliged to travel over this highway, it was consistently maintained that it would be appropriate for the State Highway Department to give this road favorable consideration.

Two routes are under consideration from Lemont: the one being the old College turnpike, and the other the back road through Lavertown to Pleasant Gap which latter route is about two miles further and avoids the hills. The old pipe is more centrally located and picturesque in scenery. It also is a solid macadam roadbed which, if given a covering of crushed stone and rolled, the sides cut down, and ample ditches constructed on the sides for all surface drainage, it would make the abominable breaker unnecessary. Such a road could be constructed for one-third the price of the average "state road" and would be more durable. The material is along the road-side, the foundation is there, and it would be an excellent opportunity for the State Highway Department to demonstrate how an abandoned turnpike, without expensive surveys, useless redtape and technical frills at a minimum cost, can be converted into a durable practical highway. It could be made a demonstration road, for the average supervisor to study and imitate.

The \$10,000-a-mile state road is not "a joy forever"—a king's highway if you please—and has to be as tenderly nursed as a founding, or it will rapidly disintegrate. As an object lesson for our supervisors, it is useless. What they need is a simple demonstration of the best method of building and repairing our highways so that they will be durable and fit for travel, at a minimum expense, without calling in civil engineers to make blue prints or high salaried loafers as inspectors, and other expensive red tape. Herebefore the State Highway Department has concentrated too much money on small areas. Their theoretical state roads are fine, but the fodder is too high in the rack for practical instruction. We need more "ordinary" road building that will give more miles of "good road" for the same amount of money.

If the Highway Department appreciates any merit in this suggestion, we would urge them to put it in a concrete form by improving the road under discussion, and which is so much traveled by farmers and others from all parts of the state.

The Sprowl Bill does not pretend to build \$10,000-a-mile state roads over the extensive routes mentioned, as such an effort would bankrupt the state. The object is to construct and maintain substantial roadways over the state; and here, with the various

grades, would be an excellent opportunity to demonstrate to the public how that can best be done.

WILL COMMENCE WORK.

Wednesday evening a delegation headed by President Sparks and Prof. Jackson of the College, the supervisors of College and Benner townships, citizens of Bellefonte, and farmers living along this route, met at the Elks building in Bellefonte. After discussing every phase of the proposition, it was decided to improve the old College pike by voluntary subscription and work. Many farmers along this road will contribute teams and several days work. The supervisors promise to do as much work on the road as their finances will afford. Subscriptions will be solicited from automobilists and business men in Bellefonte and State College to pay for immediate repairs on the road.

The College authorities have promised the use of their stone crushers, grays and rollers. This means that something will be done at once and every business man in this section should contribute generously. State Highway Commissioner Hunter, of Harrisburg, will likely be at State College on Friday afternoon to address the students in the engineering department. The committee will take him over this road to Bellefonte, and in the evening an effort will be made to hold a good roads meeting in that section with as many supervisors present as possible.

FIERCER FIRES.

Last week several fierce fires raged in the Barrens, beyond Behr. A strong wind prevailed and the flames scattered over a wide area, and at one time threatened homes in and about Scotia. Nearly everybody in that section was out fighting fire several days last week. At one time the situation became alarming and special trains were run from Tyrone by the Penna. railroad with men to protect their property, and render assistance in that community. In and about the McNitt & Huyett lumber operation, near Waddle, they were kept on the fire line for several days, and succeeded in saving their large operations from serious loss. While the fire spread over a large area, there were no serious losses sustained. For several days extensive fires raged on the Muncy mountains north of Bellefonte, and in other parts of the county. The rain on Sunday and Monday soaked the earth and there will be no further danger from forest fires for some time.

NATIONAL GUARD ENCAMPMENT

Monroe township has been selected as the site for this year's encampment of the Third Brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania. The tenting will be pitched on Pennsylvania railroad land, just north of Sells Grove, and more than 2,500 soldiers will camp, drill and fight sham battles within a radius of five miles from July 22 to 25. The encampment will include the Ninth, Twelfth and Thirteenth regiments of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, a battery of artillery, several troops of cavalry, both regular army and militia, and besides a corps of state and another of regular army field engineers.

Each of the three regiments of infantry include 800 enlisted men, and the quota of officers, artillery, cavalry and engineers will swell the total to almost 2,500 men.

Episcopal Convention.
The seventh annual convention of the Episcopal church, Harrisburg diocese, will be held in St. John's church, Bellefonte, on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 9th and 10th. The convention will be made up of over one hundred clergymen and lay members and will be a religious gathering of considerable interest. Bishop J. W. Worthington, of Harrisburg, will preside.

The membership here is of the make-up that will extend to the visiting brethren the most pleasing and welcome hospitality, and pastor Hewitt will see that their convening here will be one never to be regretted or forgotten.

Wealthy Clearfielder.
The will of the late Henry W. Kurtz, formerly vice president of the Harrisburg Refractories company, probated at Clearfield, places the estate of \$200,000 in trust for twenty years, one half of the income to go to the parents of the deceased and half to be divided among three brothers and six sisters. No public bequests are made. The deceased was a son of a former proprietor of the book store in Bellefonte; and a brother of Wm. Kurtz, who later conducted the same store in the Reynolds Block, now called the "Index."

State Ahead.
Within the term just drawing to a close the Young Men's Christian association of Pennsylvania State College has distanced its nearest competitor, big, powerful Yale, and made clear its title as the largest college Y. M. C. A. in the world. It was no easy race. North America alone has nearly 800 such associations, with a total membership of approximately 300,000, and these are twice as many more in the rest of the globe. Nearly every college, university and preparatory school today has its Y. M. C. A., and State has the biggest one.

Taking Mail Account.
The employees of the Bellefonte post office on Monday morning began the task of counting every piece of mail matter passing through the office and the time required to handle each mail. This will be continued throughout the present month and the same thing is being done in every postoffice in the country. The count is being made with the idea of reducing expenses in the department and will give the officials an opportunity to find where they can dispense with men.

Hon. Robert McAffee, secretary of the commonwealth, sent out an important notice regarding the terms of Aldermen and Justice of the Peace that is of general interest. In his letter he interprets the Act of March 1911 as follows:

A VIOLENT STORM CAUSES DAMAGE

SWEEPED OVER NITTANY VALLEY ON MONDAY.

LARGE BARN ARE DAMAGED

Orchards Were Destroyed—Telephone Lines Down—Fences Blown Over—Barns Unroofed—A Heavy Rain—Much Damage Done.

A violent storm passed over this section on Monday afternoon that did much damage. About a mile east of Axemans there was havoc on all sides and the force of the wind terrific. Driving up the back road from Axemans, telephone poles for quite a distance were found broken down, while long stretches were bent over liable to drop any moment, making travel along that road dangerous. Up on the hill, where the Oleivine estate farm is located, the most damage was done. Fences were torn down, young orchards badly damaged and many trees were torn from the ground. The Oleivine farm is tenanted by Charles Snyder, and he and his family had a thrilling experience. When the storm was at its height they were in the house and could see fences torn down, trees uprooted, outbuildings topple over and swept along. When the chimneys of the house were blown over and they saw the large timbers in the barn snapping, they concluded that it was the wisest plan to take to the cellar where they remained until the storm had abated in its fury.

Upon venturing out they found their front yard strewn with wreckage, such as broken fences, broken boards and shingles from the barn, out buildings toppled over and some carried to the orchard, while the windows on the west side of the house were all broken in, brick and mortar from the chimneys scattered about, and some of the pictures that hung in the parlor were swept from the hangings on the wall and carried outside for some distance. Parts of the roof were shattered and the side of the house exposed to the storm was drenched with rain.

Out at the large barn they found the straw shed, attached to the front of the barn, wrenched from the foundations and one end had moved over three feet, twisting and snapping the heavy timbers of the frame work. The main barn remained on the foundation but the top leans to the east from the heavy strain that was great enough to break timbers 10 inches square on the inside frame work. Parts of the interior framework is broken and all out of doors, an implement shed, as well as the barn, filled with implements, was moved at least twenty feet and badly broken. The large barn is so badly twisted that scarcely a door on the ground floor can be opened or closed in consequence. Mr. Snyder's cattle were under the straw shed when the storm reached them, and after the rain subsided they found them far out in another field unharmed.

Looking to the north from Mr. Snyder's home the barn on the farm occupied by T. C. Cori was unroofed on one side and indicated that it also was badly twisted. Trees in the yard and in the orchard were blown down and fences in every direction are strewn on the ground. The storm came from the west and continued down the valley causing general havoc to fences and orchards as far as the hills. The worst damage to buildings occurred in the vicinity of the Oleivine farm.

Through Nittany Valley.
Through Nittany valley the wind was very strong and a great number of buildings were unroofed and along the C. R. R. of Pa., a number of out buildings were blown down. The railroad station at Kryder's Sliding was blown off its foundation and carried across the tracks. On account of the heavy rain fall all through Nittany valley, the waters of Fishing Creek showed a rise of several feet.

The heavy downpour of rain effectually extinguished the forest fires raging at different points in the county. There was a general storm throughout the state and in many towns buildings were unroofed. The force of the storm was felt in Pennsylvania, but Nittany valley suffered most.

Many Men on Strike.

Ten thousand union men of various trades are on strike in Chicago as the result of Mayday industrial ultimatums. Besides these 20,000 freight handlers, machinists and metal trades workers are threatening to walk out.

In every instance, with the exception of the building trades strikes, the trouble is the result of the refusal of the employers to grant increased wages and shorter hours. Nearly all the shopmen on the Penna. R. R. and about the Pittsburgh Division, sent out on a strike the past week. The men have various complaints against the company, the principal one being the company's alleged discrimination against active members in the labor organizations. It is claimed that the company has not acted in good faith towards the members of labor organizations.

A Business Change.

Recently Toner Hugg sold his place of business at Milesburg, to H. G. Ebbs, of Warriors Mark, and the latter gentleman assumed charge of the same today. This was considered one of the finest equipped places in the county for dispensing soda and ice cream, and while Mr. Hugg enjoyed a large patronage and was prospering, a tempting offer for the business caused him to part with it. He had an immense trade in ice cream, both wholesale and retail, and had some of the handsomest serving counters to be found in any store in Central Pennsylvania. Mr. Ebbs comes to Milesburg with the proper qualifications for a continuance of the patronage.

Hospital Notes.

Operations: Miss Elizabeth Fishburne, Sta. Colles; Mrs. Lolo Crater, Spring Mills. Admitted for treatment: Miss Louise Williams, Bellefonte; John Clark, Waddle. There are twenty-three patients in the hospital at present.