

# Echoes From the Past

## FIFTY YEARS AGO

In his message to Congress President Cleveland devoted himself entirely to the problem of tax reduction.

William Ishler, of Benner township, killed six porkers last week, the aggregate weight of which was over two thousand pounds. William surprised us with two yards and a half of most palatable sausage.

After the 26th, instant no county orders will be cashed until after the first of the next year. This is made necessary as the financial report for the past year is being prepared by the outgoing board of officers. If you have a claim, present it before the above stated time.

Died: At his residence west of Tusseyville on December 3rd, James Glasgow, He was one of the oldest residents of that community, and was aged about 75 years. Mr. Glasgow, whose death was caused by dropsy, was widely known in the Centre Hall area. The funeral was held at Tusseyville Monday morning, with Thomas S. Land of the Reformed church, officiating.

Their Business Booming—Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at J. Zeller & Son's Drug Store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying, by getting a trial bottle free, large size \$1. Every bottle warranted.

There should be a free library in Bellefonte for the benefit of the public. If large comfortable rooms were furnished, there is not a working man in town who would not contribute toward the expense of keeping up the rooms. The Y. M. C. A. does not fill the want of the people taken as a whole, and we have reason to know that many would patronize a free library or even pay for the use of it that could not be induced to connect themselves with any other than a library association. Some may possibly question this statement, and say that one library is enough, or raise other objections. To those we would simply say, look at this question fairly before you make up your mind about having only one place where young men can spend their evenings and then name over those who never go inside the association rooms and you have only a few left and most of them are married men. We do not wish to be understood as speaking against the Y. M. C. A. It does its work as far as it can reach, but there is an element outside its limit that it will never be able to reach. For this reason we would advocate a free reading room entirely separate, or if possible a building for that purpose. The amount of good done by an institution of this kind would be surprising.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

Miss Catherine Ishler, former student nurse at the Bellefonte Hospital, became the bride of Mabin Johnson Wilson, farmer and blacksmith of Linden, Lycoming County.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Adams, of Port Matilda, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. All their children and many friends gathered at the home in honor of the event.

Twenty-two members of the Bellefonte Bar Association, and court house officials enjoyed a banquet at the Nittany Country Club at Hecla, Saturday. They made the trip to Hecla in a bobbed drawn by four horses, and two hours were required for the journey. They returned home on the C. R. R. of Pa.

While hunting in the vicinity of Pine Grove Mills, Chester Johnson, a former member of Troop L, accidentally shot himself through the instep of his right foot. The gun was discharged when it slipped from under his arm.

Booze was given a severe jolt when by a vote of 282 to 128 the House of Representatives passed a resolution to submit to the States an amendment to the Federal Constitution providing for National Prohibition. The Senate passed a similar measure in 1916.

It was estimated that 200 deer and about a dozen bear were shot in Centre County during this two-week big-game season. Deep snow at the beginning of the second week made hunting almost impossible and it was this factor that kept the kill far below what had been anticipated.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday the Emerick Bus Line between Bellefonte and Lock Haven had a splendid service because of snow drifts in Nittany Valley. The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania managed to get trains through but were severely handicapped by the snow. Snow drifts as deep as 22 feet were reported in some sections of Pennsylvania.

The explosion of the boiler at the sawmill on the Heaton tract, about a mile and a half above the Baptist church, near Hecla, completely wrecked the mill. The boiler, carrying 80 pounds pressure at the time, rose in the air 12 feet, and was hurled a distance of 125 feet. The fireman, Mr. Miller, sustained a broken ankle. The mill was operated by O. H. Nason.

Clay and Morris Witmer, father and son, of near Bellefonte, met painful accidents the same day. They were cutting up beef when the carcass on which they were working began to slip off the bench. Both made a grab for the meat, and a knife in Clay's hand struck Morris' hand, severing one ligament and cutting the flesh to the bone. It was necessary for him to come to the Hospital for treatment. Later the same day the father, Clay, slipped on a step in the corn crib and partially injured his knee on a protruding nail.

Richard Noll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Noll, of East Linn Street, was a patient in the Bellefonte Hospital, suffering from injuries sustained when he fell 22 feet through the elevator shaft at the Potter-Hoy Hardware store. "Dick," a student at the Bellefonte High School, was arranging a sledding party and was looking for George Austin, an employe at the store, when in the gloom of the warehouse he unwittingly walked into the open elevator shaft. He sustained a laceration on the side of the face, was cut about the abdomen, was injured internally and had a number of severe bruises. Rushed to the Hospital, physicians who examined him believed he would live.

# Health and Beauty

**Diagnose Tuberculosis Early**

Tuberculosis is still taking an enormous toll of lives in this country, especially among the young. It destroys more young people each year than any other disease. It also "retracts" the survivors a bitter price in terms of productive years lost, thwarted ambitions and incomplete achievement.

A considerable number of college students develop tuberculosis. It often ruins their careers, sends them to bed, perhaps for years, or ends in early death. Many of these cases doubtless had the disease in childhood; if it had been discovered then, and proper treatment instituted, most of them would have been saved the anguish, suffering, expense, loss of time and early death.

Why do so many children and young people suffer from tuberculosis? First, because they are brought into contact with the germ in numerous ways and do not possess the means of wisdom with which to protect themselves against them. Many little children are living in homes where there are sufferers from the disease who are careless and ignorant. They take few or no precautions, the children sit or crawl over infected furniture or floors and get the germs on their clothing and hands, from which they are conveyed to the nose and mouth. They also inhale the dried sputum in which many live bacilli still survive. It is known that they live a long time outside of the body. Then, too, they eat from dishes that the tubercular ones have infected. It is a common practice among the careless and ignorant to use common drinking utensils, wash clothes and towels. In this way great numbers of bacteria are passed along to others.

Sometimes adults who are really suffering from tuberculosis are not aware of it, but think that they have indigestion, heart or liver trouble or some other condition. Then, too, little children and babies are frequently the victims of the kissing habit on the part of people who should know better.

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The mortality among girls, even under the best methods of treatment is high, this can be partly accounted for by the fact that the reducing fat has amounted to almost an obsession among young girls. Then, too, they do not give themselves sufficient rest, frequently after work, social activities, together with insufficient sleep, sap their vitality, so that they not only fail to pay to the dead disease but often far advanced before the trouble is discovered.

Young people should not only have latent strength, which can be relied upon to tide them over unexpected stresses and strains, but foods should be stored in their systems which to combat acute diseases or virulent germs that may attack them. When they live on reducing diets they cheat their bodies of this protection; hence are but poorly prepared to fight the inroads of tubercular bacilli or any other infection.

The chief danger in trying any but these three methods of treatment lies in the tragedy resulting from the time lost.

Malingering is an inevitable evil in any system of compulsory sickness insurance, where cash benefits are involved. In England in 1934 re-examination of 48,000 persons receiving cash benefits was ordered and 179,000 were declared sick, the other 289,000 were found to be well. In Germany, of 2,008 who were ordered for re-examination, 816 immediately decided for themselves that they had recovered, and 289 others of those examined were found to be well.

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# Your Health

It is 300 miles from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh. It is, likewise, 300 miles from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia. There is only a week from Christmas to New Year's. But there are 51 weeks from New Year's to Christmas.

A cancer is a tumor. Not all tumors are cancers. Any lump or any new growth on the skin is a tumor. Many of these are harmless. Lots of people have little lumps of fat on the skin or just under the skin. These are tumors. They are not cancers.

A cancer differs from a tumor in its malignancy. It grows rapidly and soon destroys life. Now and then people say that someone had a cancer and that the cancer disappeared by itself. Cancer sometimes seems to disappear from some single point in the body. Sooner or later, however, the cancer appears elsewhere the original growth is completely destroyed before there has been any opportunity to spread. But there is not one scientifically established case on record in which a cancer disappeared by itself. Cancer cannot be cured or removed by pastes or ointments. Any delay in proper treatment only makes it the more difficult to cure the cancer patient. Surgery, radium and the X-ray are the only known methods whereby cancer can be cured.

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# Strange Superstitions

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In response to a decree of Caesar Augustus, Emperor of Rome, that a census of all the inhabitants of the Roman Empire be made, Joseph and his espoused wife Mary, journeyed from their home in Nazareth a distance of about seventy miles to Bethlehem, the city of David, which was the ancestral home of Joseph, to enroll themselves. Because many others had done likewise, the little town was over-crowded and when Joseph and Mary arrived, they found that all the accommodations at the inn had already been taken. Realizing Mary's need of a place of rest and privacy, it was suggested that they could find a place of lodging in the nearby stable which while humble, was kept clean and contained an ample supply of straw which could be used as beds.

So it was that Jesus Christ, the promised Messiah and Saviour of the world, was born. After wrapping the baby in the usual manner of the shepherds, he was laid in his little bed—the manger from which the cattle were fed, being filled with straw served this purpose.

Meanwhile, out on the out-skirts of Bethlehem, shepherds were watching their flocks during the night, and we imagine talking among themselves as usual. Suddenly there appeared unto them in vision—an angel of the Lord, shining with the glory of the Lord. These humble men were frightened at the occurrence, not knowing what to do or think. But the angel said: "Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall come unto all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And, apparently in order to add emphasis to the wonder of the announcement just made, a host of

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# Louisa's Letter

I knew a mother once who kept a child from college because she "loved her so much she couldn't stand to be separated from her." She should have said that she did not love her enough to be parted from her, for the right kind of mother will still her own sorrow for the good of her child.

This woman kept her child from having a good education, she robbed her of the pleasure of young companions of her own age for that own mother's selfish pleasure which she got out of her daughter's company.

I once knew a mother who refused to let her son take a good job to another town because it would take him away from her. She "loved him so much" that she condemned him to an ill-paid position at home, when opportunities for bigger things were knocking at his door.

Another woman I knew kept a son and daughter from marrying until she died. This man and his sister were both middle-aged people when the mother passed away. He never married as the woman he loved had gotten tired of waiting and married someone else, and his sister finally married an old man just for a home. This mother had "loved them so much" that she had robbed both of them of a normally married life and family and left two lonesome people with no children to care for them in their old age.

If your mother's only objection to Joe is her jealousy of him—if he is a steady young man with a good job—if you are both old enough to get married, and if you love each other—my advice is to go on and get married.

LOUISA.

# USEFUL KITCHEN GIFTS

Spread Christmas throughout the year with useful kitchen gifts. Gifts which can be used daily to help mother save energy and time in the kitchen are worthwhile.

Observe the equipment she has on hand and select a piece which she could use but does not have, suggests Miss Eleanor J. Smith, home economics extension representative of Centre County.

Often some of the smaller inexpensive articles which are used daily are missing in the kitchen. A measuring cup with a wooden handle, a wooden spoon, a spatula and a can opener are essential. A paring knife with a good hard steel edge can be purchased for about 45 cents and will outlast several cheap ones. Father or son could make a knife rack out of scrap lumber to hold this good knife. A dish drainer will make dish washing a most pleasant task. If the family's favorite dessert is pie, a pastry blender, flour sifter, pastry cloth, or an oven thermometer will all help pique more quickly.

A good egg beater is always a welcome gift. Before buying one see that the handle and crank can be comfortably gripped and turned. Four blades in the dasher are more

# SCHOOL OFFICIALS ORDER UNIFORMS FOR BAND

Although the fund to provide members of the Bellefonte High School band with uniforms is about \$100 less than the amount required, school officials this week placed an order for the uniforms, hoping that future contributions will make up the deficit.

The fund last Thursday totaled \$75.38. Since then two contributions, one \$10 donation from Frank Weitzer, veteran Millsburg bandmaster, and the other, of \$50 from the Tion Employees Protective Association, have been received, bringing the grand total to \$125.38.

Orders have been placed for 40 uniforms. They will be in military style and will be red with white trimmings. Three girls students at the High School are now undergoing training under the direction of the drum major of Penn State's Blue Band, for the post of drum major in the school organization. Their uniforms will be entirely white.

# PLANE RIDE AT 100

Although 100 years of age, Amariah Chambliss, of Alden, Iowa wanted to ride in an airplane. Recently, with John P. Risley, 91, as his companion, he had thirty-minute ride over Des Moines and now he can "ride happy."

# IF A MAN BELIEVES HE WILL DIE AS SOON AS THE LOWER BRANCHES GROW AS LONG AS HIS COFFIN

**IN ENGLAND DOORS STRIKE ARE MADE OF HOLLY FOR IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT HAS USEFUL PROPERTIES IN TURNING BACK BRAWNLY GOLFERS IF THROWN AT THEM.**

**IN SOUTH GERMANY AND TYROL, WHEN ON SATURDAY EVENING HE STRIKES THE ANVIL THREE TIMES WITH HIS HAMMER, THEREBY CHAINING UP THE DEVIL FOR THE COMING WEEK ALSO, WHILE HAMMERING A HORSE SHOE INTO SHAPE, HE HITS THE ANVIL EVERY FOURTH OR FIFTH BLOW TO SECURE THIS CHAIN.**

**IN RUSSIA, THERE IS A PREJUDICE AGAINST HELPING ANVIL TO SALT AT THE TABLE FOR IT MAY PROVOKE A QUARREL. IF THE SALT IS PASTED WITH A SMILE, A QUARREL IS AVOIDED.**

**NEW POTATO DISEASE CAUSES HEAVY LOSS**

Bacterial wilt is a new disease of potatoes which appeared in Lehigh county this year.

The disease was present in all fields planted with seed from a carload of Katahdin potatoes obtained from Maine. The disease has been present in Maine and also in Canada.

Losses as high as 100 bushels an acre were suffered in Lehigh county. The disease appeared as wilt of the vines early in the season and rot of the tubers at harvest time and in storage.

Growers are urged to be careful about getting their seed potatoes so that the disease will not be introduced.

Yes, there may be things wrong with the United States but what chances are that they are not what the stump-speaker discusses.

# DO YOU KNOW

1. What is the estimated cost of the new farm relief measure?
2. When did the Soviet Government sign a mutual assistance pact with Outer Mongolia?
3. When is the value of the Chinese custom which Japan is accused of planning to seize?
4. Who was the Chinese delegate to the Brussels Conference?
5. Who is the newly elected President of the Argentine Republic?
6. How do utility earnings in 1937 compare with 1936?
7. How does the construction of new dwellings compare with pre-depression years?
8. How many times has the University of Alabama played in the Rose Bowl?
9. Has the Government of Brazil abandoned its policy of destroying coffee?
10. Who is the chess champion of the world?

# THE ANSWERS

1. It is variously estimated from \$500,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000.
2. In March, 1936.
3. In 1935, \$117,000,000 in U. S. currency.
4. Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo.
5. Roberto M. Ortiz, who will be inaugurated in February.
6. They are, as a rule, showing fair-sized increases.
7. Based upon permits in a number of cities, new construction is not quite one-third that in pre-depression years.
8. The New Year's game will be its fifth appearance.
9. Brazil's new policy is not clear but more than 300,000 bags of coffee have been destroyed since an announcement was made that the policy had been abandoned.
10. Dr. Max Euwe, now defending his title against Dr. Alexander Alekhine. The challenger leads the match.

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