

Echoes From the Past

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Millheim Celebrates Her Centennial in Grand Style: As early as Tuesday people began to flock into town and in the early morning hours of Wednesday every imaginable vehicle from the "one horse shay" to the elegant carriage brought its load of visitors to see the great show. Rosy checked country asses with their escorts, venerable old men and women verging on the eighties, babies, dogs and cats tumbled into the old town. Before 9 o'clock Millheim was packed as it never had been before, every available space being occupied. Shortly after 9 o'clock the parade began to form. Capt. O. W. Van Vain, marshal, and his assistants, Dr. Musser, George Ulrich, D. Kauffman, Charles Musser, Milton Musser, Charles Wiser, Clymer Musser, Robert Crawford and Samuel Ulrich soon got the great procession into line. Adolph Miller, a venerable old gentleman, and who first suggested the celebration, accompanied by George Frank and Cashier Walter, headed the procession, while following them came twelve pioneers armed with axes. The Millheim band in Continental dress followed; a wagon load of captured Indians came next. William Smith and family represented the original settlers. Capt. John Miller, representing George Washington, was accompanied by his staff on horseback. The second division was marshaled by Charles Musser. The Bellefonte Band was with this division and escorted President Cleveland (Pierce Musser). Thirteen beautiful young ladies represented the original States. The Goddess of Liberty (Mrs. J. H. Rankin) followed in a canopied wagon. The Goddess was accompanied by four young ladies. Next came an immense wagon drawn by six horses, in which were thirty-eight young ladies representing the thirty-eight states of today. All were dressed in white. The Millheim Hook and Ladder Company with its beautiful truck followed. The third division was made up of industrial displays and was certainly very creditable. After passing over a route the parade disbanded and the tired and hungry paraders sought rest and refreshment. In the afternoon Mr. C. K. Sober gave an exhibition of his fireworks. The fireworks were made by W. K. Alexander, John B. Linn, W. C. Spangler, and R. A. Cassidy. On the speakers' stand at the venerable Mrs. Kramer, now the oldest living person who was born in Millheim. She is in her 96th year. In the evening a torchlight procession and fireworks brought the parade to a close. It is estimated that from four to five thousand strangers were in town for the event, all sections of the county being represented. The first centennial of Millheim is over. Who can tell what the next hundred years may bring for her?

About two months ago Engineer Buft started the residents of East Curtin street with an actual survey of the street. Thought that Dewey and everybody thought that Dewey was in earnest, but in reality he was carrying out a practical joke by the Street Committee of Council. Work goes on in Linn street both east

A marriage license was issued to August G. Frank, of Johnstown, and Nora H. DeLage, of Bellefonte.

Charles Ray, for some time employed as a clerk in Sim Baum's store, departed for Wheeling, W. Va., to accept a position in the clothing department of the Hub store in that city.

Kremer Hosterman, aged 11, son of Mrs. Thomas Hosterman, of Centre Hall, was taken to the Lock Haven Hospital where he underwent a successful operation for the removal of tonsils and adenoids.

A group of Centre county aged and well known men gathered in front of the monument at Bellefonte and had Photographer R. L. Mallory snap their photograph. In the group were: Prof. James P. Hughes, 91; B. W. Shipley, and Harvey Hoover, 85, and G. W. Rumberger, 81. The latter three men were residents of Unionville.

Two barns, struck by lightning during a severe storm, caught fire and burned to the ground. One was on the Western Penitentiary lands and was known as the old Benner barn located on the farm tenanted by J. M. Bricker. Loss was estimated at about \$5,000. The other barn was on the farm occupied by J. Frank Wasson, near Lemont. Loss in this instance was about \$5,000.

A threatened strike among the men employed by R. B. Taylor on the Water street paving contract nearly resulted in trouble when H. S. Taylor, according to the story of Harry Hockenberry, one of the employees, alleged to be at the head of the strike proposition, struck the latter, who retaliated by striking with a vicious blow and was then choked by R. B. Taylor. The affair was later amicably settled.

James Curtis Johnson, who recently had become superintendent of the Middle Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with headquarters at Altoona, was born in Curtin this county, on April 26, 1866, hence was 72 years old. While he was still a boy, his parents moved to Milton, where he received his early education. He began his railroad career in 1883 as a telegraph operator, and rose steadily through the ranks to become chief officer over one of the largest divisions of the road.

Residents of Gregg township, and particularly of Spring Mills, were watching with considerable interest developments in negotiations for the proposed construction of a \$500,000 limestone plant in that vicinity. The C. H. Johnson Company, of New Castle had leased the farms of Ex-Sheriff A. B. Lee, and W. M. Grove, and secured options on several adjacent farms, with the expectation of opening quarries. The proposed company was to feature a furnace stone to be used in steel mills engaged in manufacturing war supplies.

Dr. Edward Harris and Mrs. Harris, of Snow Shoe, were seriously injured Sunday afternoon when their car collided with one driven by J. C. Bietz, also of Snow Shoe, near Gum Stump. The accident resulted partially from clouds of dust stirred up by traffic, preventing the two drivers from seeing each other in time to avert the collision. A maid

Modern Etiquette

1. May the bride carry a bouquet when being married in a traveling dress?
2. What drinks should be served at a summer vacation party?
3. What is the best way to carry money when traveling?
4. What are the duties of a waitress in a home, where there is no butler?
5. How many guests should be invited for a dinner?
6. Should one's telephone number appear on his or her social stationery?
7. Is a prolonged argument in general company ever entertaining?
8. What should the introducer do as soon as he has completed the introduction?
9. Where should a stag dinner be given?
10. Is it proper for a groom and usher to wear evening clothes at a four o'clock afternoon wedding?
11. When are punctuation marks used on invitation cards?
12. How should whole peaches be eaten at the table?

Answers at bottom of column.

Weekly English Lesson

Words Often Misused
Do not say, "Five and seven is twelve." Say, "Five and seven are twelve," there being two subject nouns. "Five plus seven is twelve" is correct, five being the singular subject.

Do not say, "I have nothing further to say." Say "I have nothing further to say," to express something additional.

Do not say, "I guess I was mistaken." Say, "I suppose I was mistaken."

Do not say, "Either of these four men will do the work." Say, "Any (or any one) of these four men will do the work."

Do not say, "I think we should lay off going there." Say, "I think we should discontinue going there."

Do not say, "She laid on the bed and rested." Say, "She lay on the bed and rested."

Words Often Mispronounced
Duty. Pronounce the u as in mule, not as in rule. Extradite. Pronounce eks-tri-ka-bl, i as in it, a unstrained, and accent first syllable.
Potentate. Pronounce po-ten-tat, o as in no, e as in ten, a as in ate, accent first syllable.
Faucet. Pronounce the au as in haul, not as o in of.
Microscopic. Pronounce mi-kro-skop-ik, first i as in might, first o as in no, second o as in of, principal accent on third syllable.

Words Often Misspelled
Prey. To make raids for the sake of booty. Distinguish from pray. Skein (a quantity of yarn, thread, etc.), pronounced skane, a as in rain. Adnet. Two d's. Complete; etc. not et not eat. Simulate; not simulate. Heifer (a young cow), though pronounced heifer.
Word Study
"Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Words for this lesson:
Servile; characteristic of a slave or servant. "I hardly know so true a mark of a little mind as the servile imitation of another."—Greville.
Prevalent; of wide extent or frequent occurrence; generally existing. "It is a prevalent disease."
Anecdotal; characteristic of or containing anecdotes. "His anecdotal speech amused the audience."
Counteract; to frustrate by contrary agency. "The effect of the narcotic was counteracted by forced exercise."
Quiescent; at rest; motionless. "After a violent eruption the volcano became quiescent."
Inflexibly; unyieldingly. "We must be inflexibly firm in our resolutions."

The Household Scrapbook

Cleaning Compound
A good cleaning compound for washing painted walls is as follows: Dissolve an ounce of soap flakes in 16 ounces (one pint) of water, and add about three ounces of turpentine. Stir the mixture rapidly and apply with a brush or sponge.

Insect Stings
The pain of a sting by a wasp or bee is sometimes quickly relieved by rubbing a piece of raw onion over the affected part.

Added Flavor to Coffee
The flavor of coffee is improved if a little salt is sprinkled on the bottom of the pot before the coffee is put in.

Shoulder Straps
Stretching of shoulder straps on rayon slips, due to the weight of the material, may be avoided by sewing a piece of straight tape the full length of the strap on the inside. You will find that rayon straps will outwear several sets of ribbed straps.

Ironing Hint
It is not good practice to oil table napkins and handkerchiefs on top of each other after ironing. Spread them out on a piece of brown paper or clean towel, and let them dry thoroughly before stacking them. This will cause them to

Lemon Ice Cream
1 cup sugar
4 eggs
1 pint of cream, whipped
2 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons cold water
Juice of 2 lemons and grated rind of 1 lemon.
Beat egg yolks light, add 1/4 cup of sugar in which the flour has been mixed, add lemon juice, water and grated rind. Put into a double boiler and cook until thick like custard. Beat egg whites stiff, add remaining sugar, pour the hot custard over the beaten egg whites. Cool. Fold in whipped cream. Freeze.

Fresh Peach Ice Cream
2 cups fresh crushed peaches
2 cups sugar
1 quart of thin cream
Crush the peaches with a silver fork, add the sugar and let stand until the sugar has dissolved. Stir in the cream gradually. Chill and freeze.

Frozen Honey Nut Custard
1/2 cup strained honey
2 eggs—salty
1 cup evaporated milk
1/2 cup shredded nut meats.
Beat honey in double boiler, pour over beaten eggs, beating while pouring. Return to double boiler, add salt and cook, stirring until mixture coats back of spoon. Cool. Heat milk to scalding. Chill thoroughly. Turn into a cold bowl and whip until stiff. Combine with custard and fold in nuts. Freeze.

Cafe Parfait
Fill parfait glasses two-thirds full of vanilla ice cream; over the ice cream pour 2 tablespoons of coffee sauce and fill the remainder of the glass with whipped cream. Decorate with a maraschino cherry and nut meats.

Coffee Sauce
To 1 cup of strong coffee add 1 tablespoon of sugar, reduce to 1/2 cup by boiling.

Peppermint Ice Cream
1 pint cream
1 pint milk
1/2 teaspoon mint extract.
1/2 pound peppermint stick candy crushed.
Dissolve the crushed peppermint candy in the milk and add the flavored cream and add the above mixture. Freeze. A few drops of vegetable coloring may be used to give the ice cream a pinkish tint.

Answers to Modern Etiquette

1. No. She should wear a corsage.
2. Lemonade, fruit punch, ginger ale, iced tea, chocolate, or coffee.
3. Travelers' checks that are issued by banks and express companies are now used extensively instead of the old-fashioned letter of credit.
4. Where there is no butler, the waitress must take over the duties of one, taking care of the dining room and pantry, laying and clearing the table, washing the dishes, and cleaning the silver.
5. Exactly the number that the hostess can seat comfortably at the table, and entertain easily.
6. No.
7. It is usually entertaining to the

LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa:
I am a girl of 17 and love a boy 22 very much. I have just finished high school. My parents insist that I go to college—far from home. They have talked college to me since I was a small child. If I go I shall break my boy friend's heart, also mine.
He is a very respectable boy of fine parents and I am a very settled type of girl.
Which is my duty, to go on to college as my parents wish, or to feel I am too young to get married, or to marry the man I love and live my own life?
WORRIED—Va.

Answer:
You feel now, worried, that the boy you are engaged to is the only one you could ever love but girls very often change their minds several times between the ages of seventeen and twenty.
However, let us say that you two are both truly in love with each other and that you want your marriage to be a successful one. Well, a love that cannot stand being separated for eight or nine months is not a very strong one, to my way of thinking. If your love is so strong and deep it should be that much finer for waiting until you are really old enough to know what you are doing.
And, after all, your parents are due some consideration. They want the best things in life for you and are willing to sacrifice many things, no doubt, in order to give you an education. They want to feel that you are equipped to earn your living regardless of what happens to your husband or to your marriage later on. They know that the experience and learning that you get from college should enable you to make a better home for your husband and a happier life for the two of you. They are old enough to know that if you wait a few years to marry that you will have finished with your play time and be ready to settle down.
Now, I do not say that all couples who do not marry in their teens are failures because luck is with some of them, but I do know that the odds are against them for happiness.
Try college for one year and see how you feel about things next summer. One reason for my advice to you is because I have a young friend who ran away two years ago and got married at the age of seventeen. She was a very talented girl and her parents had high hopes for her in the musical world.
She has had to come back home now—she and the baby—while the husband, who hasn't a job is living with his parents in another state. She cannot continue with her music, as she has to care for her child. I know that she wished many times that she had waited and respected her parents' wishes.
Take my advice and wait at least a year.
Yours,
LOUISA.

Over The County News

While most wheat crops in the county have been cut and shucked, much of the grain stood out in the heavy rains that fell during the past week, necessitating some little sun and wind to dry it out before threshing or hauling into the barns.

Glenn Ishler, George Michael, Kenneth Runkle and Floyd Vogt, Scouts of Troop 20, Centre Hall, hiked with their Scoutmaster, Ed Wagner, to Ben-Roosevelt Park Camp, which was formerly CCC Camp 62, last Friday. They camped at the park over night and made the return trip the following day.

The road over Nittany mountain, beginning a few hundred feet south of the top, is being given a top of asphalt. The curves will be elevated on the outside to permit cars to round them with greater safety. Asphalt roads are smooth and cause less vibration than any other type of road in use in this section. The south has many miles of road topped with asphalt and cars roll over them like on a road built of natural earth.

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Sunday School Lesson

SAMPSON: STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS
International Sunday School Lesson for July 31, 1938.

Golden Text: "Be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of His might."—Ephesians 6:10.

Lesson Text:—Judges, Chapter 13 to 16.

Into the arms of a childless woman came a son, promised by God, especially blessed by God and set apart for His service—Sampson. A Nazirite, his parents swore to bring him up under strict laws of the sect. He was sworn never to touch any alcoholic beverages nor was a razor ever to be set upon his head.

Early in his life Sampson felt and recognized that "the Spirit of the Lord began to move him." If Sampson had followed the movings of the Spirit in the days that followed, the story of his life would have been quite different from what it turned out to be.

Apparently accustomed to having everything he wanted, whether it was what he should have had or not, Sampson demanded of his Hebrew parents that they arrange a marriage for him with a young woman at Timnah. Being a Philistine woman, his parents were very reluctant to do this, but they acceded to his request. On the way to Timnah, Sampson encountered a lion and killed it with his bare hands, the first recorded feat accomplished showing his remarkable physical strength. As a result of this, he propounded a riddle to the guests at his wedding feast, stating that if he guessed it in seven days, he would give the thirty men linen under and outer garments, but if they were unable to guess it, they would each give him similar garments. The riddle was, "Out of the eater came forth food, and out of the strong came forth sweetness." Unable to solve the puzzle, they persuaded Sampson's wife to get the answer from him. This she did and Sampson went to Ashkelon, slew thirty men, took their garments from them and gave them to his guests.

While he was gone to Ashkelon his father-in-law for some unknown reason, gave his wife to one of the wedding guests. When Sampson returned and discovered this, he became enraged and, in order to get even, secured three hundred foxes,

and set fire-brands to their tails and sent them loose in the wheat fields of the Philistines. This act, of course, made the Philistines determined to destroy Sampson. In order to save themselves, three thousand men of Judah asked Sampson to give himself up to the Philistines. This he agreed to do, but when he, bound with ropes, came in sight of the Philistines, he snapped his ropes as if they had been flax that was burned with fire.

Apparently, Sampson failed to learn anything from his bitter experiences with the Philistines and the women of Philistines. We next hear of him in a harlot's house, with his enemies determined to get him. However, hearing of their plans, he escaped at midnight by taking the heavy gates of the city to the top of a hill near Hebron some miles away. Soon thereafter, he met and fell desperately in love with another Philistine woman, because she was willing to be the instrument through which he was shorn of his physical power and brought to his doom. Through her constant pleas and nagging, she finally persuaded Sampson to tell her the source of his remarkable strength. As soon as she learned from him his secret, she plotted with the lords of the Philistines to shear his hair, thus depriving him of his strength. As he slept, with his head on her knees, his hair was shaved off and his strength went from him.

We cannot believe that Sampson's power lay in his long hair. His strength was God-given but his hair was evidence of the vow he had made to God that he would dedicate his life to his service. When this link with God was broken, the psychological effect on Sampson's caused the loss of his strength. As a result, he was an easy prey to his enemies being taken by them, his eyes put out, he was bound with fetters and made to grind corn in the prison house with the slaves. We know how Sampson's life ended—a miserable failure, dying with his enemies when, his strength having returned, he pulled down the supports to a great feast hall, causing the entire building to crumble upon the Philistines and himself.

What a tragedy! A physical giant but a moral weakling! It brings us to a consideration of the question, "Who is strong?" This modern life demands strong men and women, but strength of character, which comes only through a life dedicated to God, is more necessary than mere physical strength.

Jimmy Meyer, young son of Randall Meyer, of Spring Mills, had the unfortunate experience of breaking his arm one day while he and playmates were playing baseball.

A car driven by Kenneth Brown, of Rebersburg, collided with an electric light pole in the Narrows recently. The car was made to grind to a halt after noon light at the sharpest curve at this end of the Narrows—just above the Springer residence. He damaged the truck to the extent of about \$100. Nobody was injured in the accident.

The other day when Mrs. Toner A. Aikay of North Penn street, Bellefonte, killed a year-old Rhode Island Red hen and prepared it for the dinner table she was amazed to find that the chicken had the large and perfectly formed hearts. The hen was normal in every other respect, and made a delicious meal, however, proved to be quite a curiosity.

Mrs. George Showers, one of Spring Mills' estimable ladies, has recovered from the shock and slight injury received when struck by a car as she was crossing a street without taking sufficient caution. The accident occurred near the post office when Mrs. Showers walked on the street from between parked cars. John Heckman was operating the car that struck her, but he is absolved from all blame in the mishap.

Thursday morning, July 7, at an early hour, several Aaronsburg residents were awakened by a noise which fell about the base of a car as it was crossing a street without taking sufficient caution. The accident occurred near the post office when Mrs. Showers walked on the street from between parked cars. John Heckman was operating the car that struck her, but he is absolved from all blame in the mishap.

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