

Echoes from the Past

Fifty Years Ago

Many of our farmers find it difficult to obtain farm hands; the reason is most of the laboring men are employed rebuilding railway bridges and fixing up roads that were washed away by the recent flood.

The Episcopal Sabbath School held a picnic at Sellers' Grove on Wednesday. The grove is situated quite handy to the Buffalo Run Railroad and a great many spent the day in the woods. It was the first Sunday School picnic of the season.

Miss Nelle Thomas, who had been visiting at the home of E. R. Chambers, Esq., departed for her home in Philadelphia this morning. Miss Thomas was highly pleased with her visit to Bellefonte and thinks it one of the most sociable and beautiful inland towns in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Jackson, in a paper read to a microscopical society at Pittsburgh recently, thought that cholera morbus, summer diarrhea, dysentery and ice water dyspepsia are often due to germs existing in the ice used in drinking water. He said the common idea that water purified itself in flowing along was erroneous, because bacteria multiply with great rapidity.

Bellefonte is well represented at Bedford Springs at present. Judge A. O. Furst, Hon. John H. Orvis, Ex-Gov. Curtin, Major Reynolds, Daniel Garman and son, Robert, are registered at the hotel, imbibing the celebrated waters for the benefit of their health. Mr. Garman made the trip by carriage. Bedford Springs is becoming one of the noted summer resorts of the country.

On Saturday morning another estimable lady was summoned to her final home above, by the death of Mrs. Pretence, of South Spring Street. She was suddenly taken ill on Saturday, from over- exertion which brought on an attack of paralysis and terminated fatally the next day. She has been married but a year, her maiden name being Martin. The interment took place on Monday afternoon. Her age was 27 years.

The brass button brigade, policemen of Bellefonte, did not take kindly to the editorial in our last issue in regard to enforcing the law for the arrest of all intoxicated persons seen on the streets. We spoke the plain truth candidly and many of our citizens have endorsed the stand we took in the matter. The people want the streets kept clean of all objectionable characters and depend upon the police force for that purpose.

A badly frightened Laurel Street lady of Phillipsburg, raised a sensation by running into a lively stable and informing the crowd that a dead boy was lying under her chicken coop. The crowd (among which was Dr. Alport) adjourned pell mell to investigate the supposed murder. On stooping down and peering under the coop, sure enough the awe-stricken crowd saw the lifeless body of a little boy half buried in straw and dust. Without delay, the doctor took off his coat and crawled under and seized the corpse by the feet, began to drag it out when to his astonishment the "stiff" turned his head and asked the astonished M. D. "what in the—was at."

"poor murdered little boy was young Ginty," one of the toughest little mislato kids in town. He won't stay at home but hangs out at the lively stable, running his chances for grub and a place to sleep. He had crawled under the hencoop on Wednesday night and

Pilot Logg escaped injury but his airplane was damaged. Landing when a landing wheel struck the top of a wire fence as the plane was taking off from the Bellefonte field.

The State College post office was moved from the Nittany Inn building to new and more spacious quarters in the Foster building, corner of Allen Street and Beaver Avenue. Postmaster Foster was confident that the new location would result in an improvement of the postal service in State College.

Two foreigners were badly injured at Clarence Saturday night when they were struck by a big touring car as they were walking along the road. The driver of the machine failed to stop and his identity was not known. One of the injured men was brought to the Bellefonte Hospital for treatment.

John Barleycorn was officially counted out in Bellefonte, Monday night, June 31, when the prohibition law went into effect. Hotels and bar rooms did a flourishing business until midnight when celebrants went home with the realization that from that time forward there'd be no more drinking at bars. The following day taprooms were serving non-alcoholic mixtures.

Residents of Beech Creek were happy to learn that the railroad station in that community was not to be abandoned as had formerly been planned.

Captain William H. Fry, Pine Grove Mills veterinarian, had an umbrella which he prized very highly. It was a gift from a confederate nurse, Mrs. Amanda Hodges, of Baltimore, Md., where 58 years before Captain Fry was a patient in a hospital suffering from a wound received in the Civil War.

While excavating for a drain for garage on Main Street, Beech Creek, William Kestinger struck one of the old vats of the McKean Brothers' Tannery, located on the flat between the street and the mill race, and which was destroyed by fire 47 years previously. The plank of the old vat was in excellent condition, sound and well preserved.

Approximately 12,000 persons participated in Bellefonte's welcome home to the World War soldiers. Features of the event included aerial flights, a parade, a reception in the army and many other activities. The following units were in the line of march: Four mounted State Police; Chief Marshal Robert F. Hunter and committee; Nypen Band; Lock Haven; Colors of Allied Nations; Commissioned officers of the county, headed by Major T. D. Boal; Sailors and Marines of the county; 650 service men from all parts of the county; wounded soldiers and casuals in motor lorry; German war trophies; Bellefonte Machine Gun Troop and trucks; Phillipsburg Band; The Bellefonte and State College Red Cross; Howard Band; Knights of Columbus; Odd Fellows Band, Bellefonte; Bellefonte Lodge and visiting Odd Fellows; Pine Grove Mills Band; Logan and Undine Fire Companies; Millsburg Girls' Band; Red Men from Bellefonte and visiting tribes.

Mr. Henry Confer, of Curtin township, had a lively time one day last week with a wild cat. He noticed that the dogs treed some animal which turned out to be a large wild cat. He knocked the animal down with a stone when a lively fight ensued between the dogs and the wild cat with the dogs getting the worst of the fight. Mr. Confer tried to dispatch the animal with a club when it turned on him, tearing his clothing and inflicting a number of painful wounds. In a fight his pants were lacerated and his fingers were torn in shreds. The animal was finally killed but Mr. Confer did not find it an easy job.

Miss Emma Aikens left on Monday for a visit of several weeks with relatives in Ashland and other cities in Ohio. Mr. William Longwell and wife, of Virginia, are visiting at his home on Spring Street. He is in the hardware business in Manassas, Phillipsburg and a car lot Saturday afternoon. A large stable near the Lloyd House and a dwelling nearby were consumed. Camp & Naaney, the popular furniture dealers of Bellefonte, sport a brand new wagon painted and lettered in fine style. Messrs. Richards and Dick Garman, after a week's vacation at this place, returned to Philadelphia. Mr. Gust Lyon, of the firm of Lyon & Co., is sojourning among friends in this town. He is located in Philadelphia. John Bair has disposed of his confectionery store on High Street to David I. Parsons. Beck, the tonorial artist, left on Monday for a trip to Watkins Glen, Niagara Falls and other points. Mrs. Bell, wife of the photographer of this place, is able to be about after an illness of about two months. Mike Carrie and Anne Orvis are visiting their sister, Mrs. Canfield, at Jenkintown. Dr. Van Tries is improving appearances about his residence on Spring Street. There are a great many strangers visiting in Bellefonte this summer. Brachbill's furniture store sports a very handsome new wagon. Mr. C. L. Calloway is off on a business trip to Johnstown. Mr. J. H. Allison of Nittany, representing the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, was in Bellefonte this week. Mr. Allison is contemplating opening an office in Bellefonte.

HOUSEHOLD SCRAPBOOK

Twine Holder: A practical twine holder for the kitchen can be made by the use of an ordinary tin funnel of suitable size. Hang it on the wall, first drawing the end of the twine from the center of the ball through the opening at the bottom of the funnel.

Whipping Cream: Add one-fourth teaspoon of lemon juice to each cup of heavy cream to hasten the whipping. Be sure to have the cream and utensils thoroughly chilled, so as to prevent the mixture from turning to butter. This is particularly important during the summer months.

Eliminate Spiders: Saturate some cotton or cloth with pennyroyal and place it in infested places to rid the house of spiders.

The Ironing Board: If you haven't a convenient place for the ironing board, nail two large spoons to the wall, or on the inside of the kitchen closet door, as far apart as the middle of the board. Slip the board between these spoons, small end down.

Cutting Soap: A bar of pure soap can be cut into cakes without breaking it to pieces. If a string is put around the bar at the place a cut is wanted, the ends crossed and then pulled.

Olive Oil Substitute: When your supply of olive oil is running low, when making salad dressing, melt butter and add it to the oil. It makes a good substitute.

Hardening Gums: When the teeth are so sensitive that the time spent in a dentist's chair practically exhausts one, try rinsing the mouth with baking soda and water several times before going to the dentist, and it will be found that this treatment will help very much.

Bread Crumbs: The efficient housewife keeps a supply of bread crumbs on hand ready for use at any time. As stale bread accumulates, it should be made up into crumbs, and put away in glass jars or cheesecloth bags.

Light Window Shades: Try cleaning the light window shades with a flannel cloth which has been dipped in ordinary flour.

The Chinese Way: A Chinese method for removing ink stains from clothing is to wash the article with boiled rice. Rub the rice on the stain as you would soap, and wash with clear water. If the first application is not effective, repeat the process.

On the South Side: Living rooms situated on the south side of the house are much warmer in the winter and cooler in summer. Whenever possible, the north side should be saved for little used rooms such as halls, bath-rooms, etc.

When you find an individual who knows it all, call the undertaker; such people ought to be buried at once.

Somebody says that knowledge removes fear. Now, we understand why there are so many cowards.

Any economic system is in a state of collapse when millions of citizens cannot find employment.

Human nature: Imperfect people expecting perfection in others.

THE OFFICE CAT "A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished by the Wisest Men"

OUR LOONEY LYRICS: A canner, exceedingly canny. One morning remarked to his granny: "A canner can can anything that he can, can he?"

Not On the Program: Mae—"I hear you had dancing at your lawn party yesterday?"

Satisfied Passengers: "All this talk about back seat drivers is bunk," remarked the tall man on the corner.

Somewhat in Doubt: Lawyer (handing client \$100)—"Here is the balance of your award of \$500, after deducting my fee. Why do you frown? Aren't you satisfied?"

Advice to the Sleepless: In case you are troubled with insomnia and can't sleep, just lie at the extreme edge of the bed. You will find yourself drooping off.

You're Not Compelled to Believe This: A broken-down editor who had starved to death was being taken to heaven by his guardian angel.

Ever Hear This One?: We haven't heard a Pat and Mike story for a long time, a new one we mean. So the other day when we heard an unfamiliar one we got a kick out of it and hasten to pass it on.

Sometimes an Explosion: Teacher—"Now, children, a collision is two things coming together unexpectedly. Johnny, give me an example."

Modern Etiquette: 1. If grapefruit is to be served as the fruit course for lunch, how should it be prepared? 2. What would be appropriate for a bridegroom to wear for an informal late afternoon wedding during the summer?

Answers to Modern Etiquette: 1. Cut across in half, cut the sections free and remove the dividing skin and seeds, then put sugar in it and allow to stand for an hour or so.

The Answers: 1. An area in which a foreign nationality is self-governing. 2. 137 years.

Answers to Modern Etiquette: 6. No. 7. No. Do not congratulate the bride. Extend congratulations to the bridegroom, but extend your best wishes to the bride.

Answers to Modern Etiquette: 10. The woman guest of honor should be seated to the right of the host, the other woman to his left. Yes, absolutely. God is the greatest friend of all. True is the old proverb, "He can't want nothing who has God for his friend."

Our Weekly English Lesson

Do not say, "The reason why I came is that I wanted to see you." When that is used, why is redundant. Say, "The reason I came is that I wanted to see you."

Do not say, "I was too excited to answer." Say, "I was too much excited to answer."

Do not say, "We put in our best ticks." Say, "We put forth our best efforts."

In the best usage, scholar is applied to a learned person, pupil to one in an elementary school, student to one who is attending a college or university.

Do not speak of "a cherubim." Cherubim is plural of the singular cherub.

"You was" is a common but unpardonable error. Were is required for both singular and plural numbers.

Words Often Mispronounced: Bade. Pronounce the a as in bad, not as in aid.

Illusive. Pronounce i-lu-ziv, u as in cube, and not i-lu-ziv.

Peony. Pronounce pe-o-ni, e as in pea, o as in obey, i as in it, accent first syllable.

Overall. Pronounce as spelled, not overalls.

Parasim. Pronounce pars-nip, a as in ah, i as in lip, and not pars-nip.

Usually. Pronounce u-zhoo-al-i, oo as in look, and four syllables, not u-zhoo-ii.

Words Often Misspelled: Cloth (noun); clothe (verb). Outrageous; not ious nor gous. Remit; not remittance, two t's. Mischievous; not vicious. Erysipelas; observe the vowels. Vignette; through pronounced yin-yet.

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:

VARIANT; different from others of its kind or class. "Men's minds are as variant as their faces."—Go. Washington.

EMBRYONIC; undeveloped. (Pronounce em-bri-on-ik, e as in men, both i's as in it, o as in on, accent third syllable. "Her talent was embryonic.")

IMPACABILITY; silliness. (Pronounce second syllable peck; accent follows the i). "The impacability of the minister was not conspicuous."—Bryant.

PRUDENTIAL; proceeding from prudence, exercising prudence. "Proverbs are for the most part, rules of moral, or still more properly, of prudential conduct."—Branche.

RELUCTANTLY; unwillingly. "He reluctantly submitted to their demands."

AUSTERE; rigorous; stern; severe or strict. (Pronounce as-ter, a as in all, e as in here, accent last syllable. "An austere mode of life.")

HEALTH: To speak of an individual as being the salt of the earth is to give him praise, indeed.

Salt has always been one of the valuable things of this world. Even though some 25,000,000 tons of salt are produced each year, it is difficult to obtain in certain sections of the globe.

In central Africa, salt is still considered a luxury, and natives of the jungles crave salt from expeditions before they ask for other objects.

Salt played an important part in the ancient highways of commerce, many of the earliest roads, caravan routes and sea lanes of traffic being established to carry salt from one place to another.

How much salt should a normal person consume? Although a good balance for salt can be maintained on 5 grams per day, most people in this country consume two to four times that amount.

There is a natural tendency to take more salt than is necessary, but there is little evidence of harm resulting.

People crave salt more in the summer than at other seasons. Sweating leads to excessive loss of salt from the body.

In many industrial plants, salt, in the form of tablets, is offered to workers to add to their drinking water.

This practice has been shown to be a preventive to heat exhaustion in those heavy industries where temperatures are high.

Extreme weakness, tremors and cramps that result from excessive sweating are avoided by this addition of a small amount of salt to drinking water.

Query and Answer Column

T. S. H.—How long have we had air mail service? Ans.—The United States air mail service was established on May 15, 1918, over a single 215-mile route between Washington and New York.

R. W. J.—What will soften leather? Ans.—The flexibility of leather that has become hard and stiff in some cases may be restored by moistening the leather with water and while still damp applying a liberal dressing of sulfonated neatfoot or cod oil. The leather after oiling should be allowed to dry slowly at room temperature.

C. E. P.—When did the Kaiser present part of the Holy Land as a gift to a religious organization? Ans.—At the time of the visit of the former German Emperor, William the Second, to the Holy Land in 1898, he announced the gift of a piece of land on Mount Zion, near the tomb of David, to the Roman Catholic German Society of the Holy Land, for use as a site for the building of the Roman Catholic church and school. The plot of ground was known as the Dormition; and it was acquired by the Kaiser from the Sultan of Turkey. Previously, the Emperor had made sufficient donations to the Church of the Redeemer, located near the Holy Sepulchre, and he also designed and presented the bells used in the edifice.

C. F.—What insect carries a parasol? Ans.—The parasol ant, sometimes called the umbrella ant, carries large pieces of leaf resembling parasols.

T. G. H.—What is the salary of the Speaker of the House of Representatives? Ans.—It is \$15,000 a year.

M. S. R.—What is the origin of the expression, "A little bird told me"? Ans.—The phrase in various forms is found in many countries and is said to be derived from Ecclesiastes 10:20 "Reveile not the king, no, no in thy thought; and reveile not the rich in thy bed chamber for a bird of the heavens shall carry the voice and that which bath wings shall carry the matter."

W. J. B.—Was Houdini a Jew? Ans.—The magician was the son of the Rev. Dr. Mayer Samuel Weiss, a Jewish rabbi.

R. M.—Please give the names of the players in the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, New York. Ans.—They are as follows: Denton T. (Cy) Young, Willie Keeler, Napoleon (Larry) Lajoie, Honus Wagner, Christy Mathewson, Tyrus Raymond Cobb, Edward Trowbridge Collins, Walter Perry Johnson, Tristram E. (Tis) Speaker, Grover Alexander, George Harold Sisler, and George Herman (Babe) Ruth.

W. F.—What months of the year are best to cut down hardwood trees? Ans.—Logs are less liable to deteriorate through attacks of insects and worms in the coldest months of the year.

J. A.—Must a submarine be at the surface of the water in order to fire a torpedo? Ans.—The Navy Department says that a submarine can fire a torpedo either on top of the water or when submerged.

P. W.—How many books, chapters, and verses are there in the Bible? Ans.—The entire Bible contains 66 books, 1189 chapters and 31,173 verses.

H. P.—Does a mail messenger, carrying mail from the Post Office to the railroad and vice versa, have any special privilege in traffic? Ans.—The Post Office Department says that mail messengers carrying mail from post office to railroad are expected to observe all local and state traffic regulations.

H. O.—What preparation, if any, is necessary to use on calcimined walls before flat paint is applied? Ans.—If a wall has been calcimined and there is a tendency for the calcimine to peel from the wall, it is recommended that the old calcimine be scraped and washed from the wall before any other finish is applied. After the paint has thoroughly dried the plaster may then be painted with an oil paint, if so desired, or the wall may again be decorated with the calcimine or cold water paint.

C. D.—Are relief rolls increasing or decreasing? Ans.—Reports from 37 states and the District of Columbia, for 115 urban areas, showed a decrease of 2 per cent in the number of cases receiving general relief from public funds, and a decrease of 8 per cent in the amount of obligations incurred from March to April, 1939.

L. R.—How soon did the Federal Treasury begin to feel the effects of the 1929 depression? Ans.—Not until the initial payment of Federal income taxes on March 15, 1931. Federal revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1933, were equal to, and in fact, slightly above those of previous years. The full measure of the enormous shrinkage in income in 1930 was not evidenced before 1931.

M. M.—What countries compose the British Commonwealth of Nations? Ans.—Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Channel Islands; Isle of Man, India, Burma and the various British colonies, protectorates and dependencies; the Dominions—Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Ireland (Eire); the British mandated areas of Cameroons, New Guinea, Palestine, Nauru, Southwest Africa, Tanganyika, Togoland, and Western Samoa. The total area is 13,355,426 square miles and the total estimated population is 500,744,000.

J. H.—Are soy beans satisfactory for a diet in which meat substitutes are used? Ans.—Soy beans are perhaps the best and least expensive of the meat substitutes. They contain food materials not generally available in vegetarian diets.

C. W. N.—What is the oldest hotel in the United States? Ans.—The Beekman Arms Hotel at Rhinebeck, New York, is the oldest hotel in the United States. It was built in 1700 and has been operated continuously.

Health and Beauty

BEAUTY: You cannot possess an attractive face if it is covered by an ugly skin. Nothing is lovelier than a fresh, clear complexion, free from imperfections such as blackheads, large pores, pimples, brown spots and other disfigurements. The state of one's health determines to a large extent the kind of skin that will cover your body.

Creams and lotions help to preserve a good skin, and also to improve a bad one, but no external care can take the place of proper diet and correct health habits. No amount of make-up can disguise ill-health, or a poor complexion. You must have the correct foundation upon which to build real beauty. To understand the care of the skin, you should know that it consists of three layers. On the outside is the epidermis, just beneath is the dermis, or true skin, and under that the connective tissues, which lie just over the muscles. The pores are little tubes that lie coiled in the true skin, and run up to the surface, where they pour out impurities and perspiration, which helps to keep you well and make you cool in summer. There are also oil glands in the skin.

Clothing should be loose and porous in order to facilitate evaporation. There is a record in history of a child whose body was glued in order to participate in some festivities. He died, smothered in his own poisons, as a result of this folly. When people die of burns, it is not often due to the injury itself, but to the fact that too much skin has been destroyed to enable the body to function normally. The remaining skin can not throw off enough waste to meet the needs of the system. So you see that the activity of the skin is very great, and that its proper functioning is not only necessary to beauty, but essential to health of even life itself.

Please tell us girls how so beautiful, writing a young seeker after pulchritude. We all love beauty; if we do not, there is something vitally wrong with us. God has filled the world with loveliness just to make us happy. All nature speaks to us in a language so beautiful that sometimes it amounts almost to pain. The delicious radiance of the sunshine, the song of the bird in the rain, finds an answering chord in the human heart. The sunshine brings life abundantly, while the caroling of the brave little songster, on a cold, wet day, bespeaks such faith and contentment that it makes us ashamed to murmur at our lot and helps us to be more thankful of our Heavenly Father, who has provided for the wants even of his little children of the air.

We also love beauty that is spiritual, mental and physical. Somehow when we see a woman with a beautiful face, we are greatly disappointed if she reveals a stupid mind, or a shallow, selfish soul. It is a joy to find a combination of grace; but in this article we shall endeavor to help our feminine readers make the most of the physical attractions that nature has given them, to improve the defects that mar their good looks and detract from their happiness.

We may all improve our appearance by building up our health. Girls, remember, it is much easier to keep your good looks by rational methods of living than it is to recover these gifts after they have been lost. For example, if your teeth are neglected in early life, no amount of after care can repair the ravages. You'll probably be using store-bought teeth by the time you reach forty.

Do not forget that the foundation of all beauty is a healthy body, and a happy, contented mind.

Work, it is often remarked, will be followed by rest; why not take a short-cut and enjoy the rest?

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