

Echoes From the Past

Fifty Years Ago

Editor's Note: These items are taken word for word from our files of 1889, in the belief that the method of presenting the news fifty years ago is of almost equal interest to readers as the half-century old news itself.

The Rev. Hector, a colored speaker, addressed a gathering in the Court House on Saturday evening in the interests of the Prohibitionists of the county. This was the only political gathering in Bellefonte during this campaign.

Hon. William Alexander, wife and daughter, who had been in Colorado the past summer, arrived home last week. John F. Potter, Esq., of Milesburg, will make sale of his personal property at Milesburg on Saturday. . . . Our friend Ed. Powers is about again but his voice is very weak from the effects of his recent illness.

Work on the Bellefonte and Eastern Railway has been suspended for the present for obvious reasons, and the Italians have gone to a new field of labor. The work, however, will be resumed early next spring, when the projectors will be better prepared to push the work through to completion. By this time next fall we hope to see the road completely finished and in actual operation.—Sugar Valley Journal. This is exactly what the Democrat predicted several weeks ago. This road is by no means a certainty and the work done this far is a sham to obtain a right of way.

On last Friday evening this community was startled by the intelligence that the body of an infant was found in the woods near town, and that it was placed there by a young woman who was soon placed under arrest and is now in jail to answer the charge of infanticide. The facts as we were able to learn from the District Attorney are as follows: Late Friday afternoon a young woman was seen walking out the Pike from Bellefonte towards the Centre Iron Works, and from there went up the road to William Houser's farm. She carried a bundle wrapped in a newspaper. She passed the house of William Saylor and was noticed by members of the family. The woman went up the road a short distance and laid the package down but noticed that she was being watched, then picked it up and went into the woods and came back without the package. Alice and Bella Saylor went up into the woods and found the package which was covered with dirt, leaves, a large stone and a piece of wood. They untied the bundle and were horrified to find in it the body of a male infant probably two days old. They at once followed the woman to Bellefonte and informed Sheriff Cook of the affair. A warrant was procured on the charge of infanticide and the young woman was arrested at the Bush House where she has been employed for some time as a domestic. She was given a hearing before Justice Linn and noticed that she was being further tried. A coroner's jury was empaneled in the evening, and the verdict was that death resulted from hemorrhage of the cord, either through ignorance or intentionally.

Twenty Years Ago

Rev. D. S. Kurtz, of Centre Hall, pastor of five churches of the Penns Valley Lutheran pastorate, notified his Centre Hall congregation that he would resign at the close of the year.

Lawrence Knapp, woodsman on the McNitt-Huyett lumber operations on Nittany Mountain, severed the second finger of the left hand and badly cut the index finger while working with an axe.

At a public sale of the Empire Lime Company in the Prothonotary's office in Bellefonte, John Mignot outbid his brother-in-law, Conrad Miller, and purchased the one-half undivided interest of the company for \$18,000.

Earl Schreckengast, of Old Fort, was accidentally shot in the face, left arm and hand, Saturday, when James Showers, of Farmers Mills, shot at a rabbit, which was close to Mr. Schreckengast. His injuries were not of a serious nature, since the shot struck him at an angle and did not penetrate deeply.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples: Lester D. Heshley, Karlhaus, and Beatrice E. Kising, Snow Shoe; William D. Brown and Mary Flanagan, both Phillipsburg; Lawrence W. Marshall and Elsie B. Sunday, both State College; Raymond T. Mason, Blanchard, and Josephine Walker, Yarnell; Walter S. Wilcox, Beech Creek, and Charlotte L. Herr, Orviston; Morris K. Minemyer, Plaine, Mont., and Stella E. Snook, Bellefonte.

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crushed that amputation was necessary. Death resulted several days later. He had not been informed of his son's demise. After the crash both men and boy crawled out of the wreckage unaided, the clouds of steam preventing fellow workmen from being able to assist them.

A Children's Aid Society of Centre County was organized at a meeting in the Bellefonte High school building. These officers were elected: Mrs. R. S. Brouse, president; Miss Margaret Cook, Mrs. Alexander Scott and Mrs. John S. Walker, vice presidents; Miss Kathryn Musser, secretary, and Miss Mary Quigley, treasurer.

Exertion resulting from leading an unruly heifer was assigned as a contributing cause of the sudden death of William Heckman, of near Madisonburg, who succumbed to a heart ailment. While leading the animal the heifer threw Mr. Heckman to the ground and was dragged for some distance. Death occurred shortly afterwards.

John P. Charlton, air mail pilot formerly stationed at Bellefonte, was instantly killed on his first solo trip between New York and Bellefonte when his plane, flying at an altitude of about 500 feet, crashed into the side of Scholey mountain near Dover, N. J. The accident was attributed to a dense fog. Charlton was survived by his wife and one daughter.

Bill Doak, well known Bellefonte blind man, was hoping to enter a school for the blind to learn a trade at which he could earn a living. The hope was raised by an instructor in a blind school who became interested in Mr. Doak during a visit here. If his plans matured, "Bill" hoped to be able to discard the old pencil case by which he had earned a precarious living here for some years.

Election of officers for the Bellefonte Chapter of the Red Cross resulted as follows: Rev. M. DeP. Maynard, president; Rev. Wilson P. Ard, vice president; and executive committee members: Miss Miles Blanchard, Mrs. R. S. Brouse, Mrs. Joseph Cedar, Mrs. John P. Lyon, Mrs. James D. Seibert, Mrs. P. D. Sheffer, Mrs. N. B. Spangler, Mrs. Blanche Schloss and S. Kline Woodring.

Mrs. Edward Zimmerman, of Bellefonte, was carrying a ring into the business section of town to have it made smaller when the ring dropped from her hand as she was walking along South Water street, and rolled into the stream just below the Darius Waite implement store. John Waite spent some time wading the creek in hip boots trying to locate the ring among the stones and moss, but it wasn't until some sharp eyed school boys came along that the ring was finally spotted between two stones. A long wire was secured and the ring was finally fished out of the creek.

Three Bellefonte men escaped serious injury one night when the car in which they were en route to Milesburg to attend a Halloween party struck a freight train at the Pleasant View crossing. Orvis Sholl, driver of the car, suffered only a few lacerations when he was thrown through the windshield. George Austin received a laceration at the back of the head, and Gilbert Haupt had minor bruises and lacerations. The accident happened during a rainstorm when Sholl failed to notice the train on the crossing until the machine was too close to avert a collision. The car overturned in a ditch.

WOLFS STORE

Sunday visitors at the M. W. Wert home were, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sayers and W. H. Gilbert of Rebersburg; Mr. and Mrs. James Hanselman and four children, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eastwood and daughter of Milesburg; Mr. and Mrs. James Hartler, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wert of Coburn, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Erdley and three children of Lewisburg.

Clare Brungart of Erie, is spending a week's vacation at the J. L. Brungart home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bierly visited the Ward Fetzer home one day last week.

Ward Fetzer is having his farm wired for the electric lights.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCool visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kahl at Forrest Hill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Wert attended the Sub-district meeting of the Dairymen's League at Milesburg on Saturday night.

ROMOLA

There were 72 present at Sunday School, Sunday.

Miss Sylvia Heverly has been on the sick list for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. James McCloskey, son Gibson and granddaughter, spent Sunday at the O. C. Weaver home.

Those who called on Mrs. Lloyd Weaver and Mrs. Miles Lucas Sunday, were: Mrs. Malinda Confer, Mrs. Leonard Yeager and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Conler and two sons of Orviston.

Mrs. Anna Barnhart is spending a few days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Heverly.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Robb spent the weekend at the William Butler home.

FAIRVIEW

Quite a number of people from around here visited on Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Ella Lucas at the Bellefonte hospital.

Mrs. Amelia Chapman and daughter Faye spent Thursday with Mrs. Ira Gilbert at Pleasant Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nyman and two children visited on Sunday at the Alfred Lucas home at Pleasant Valley.

We understand that Dick Watkins is coming out at the November 7th election Independent for road supervisor of the East Precinct of Bogs Twp.

Sunday visitors at the Amelia Chapman home were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lucas and children of Orviston, Mr. Benjamin Chapman and Norman Richner of Summit Hill, Mrs. Mary Jane and Oscar Nyman of Mt. Eagle, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jones and son Ernie of Pleasant Valley and Wilbur Lucas of Upper Marion.

ROMOLA

MORE THAN 400 LIBRARIES IN OPERATION IN STATE

Willard P. Lewis, librarian of the Pennsylvania State College, and newly-elected president of the Pennsylvania Library Association, estimates that there are more than 400 recognized libraries in the State.

Millions of books are contained in the 200 public libraries, 50 college libraries and numerous high school libraries that hold membership in the Pennsylvania Library Association.

Mr. Lewis set the number of high school libraries at more than 200.

Formerly vice-president of the association, Mr. Lewis was elected president at a recent meeting held at Hershey. Before coming to Penn State in 1931, he served as librarian at the University of New Hampshire and at Wesleyan University.

Over The County News

Druggist J. LeRoy Forsythe, III for the past week with a streptococcal infection, is recuperating and will probably be out and around within a few days.

The highway from Coburn and through Millheim, to the borough line on North Street, was re-surfaced last week by a State crew, with oil and stone chips.

Robert Neff of Tusseyville suffered quite severely with abscesses of both ears, and found relief after being treated by a State College physician. A case of grip aggravated this condition, but at present he is improving considerably.

A big black bear was seen crossing the fields on Ele Wallace White farm, west of Centre Hall, by John Bohn, one day last week. A short bear season is not far distant, yet long enough away for Bruin to find a safe retreat, if he keeps moving.

S. W. Gramley, of Millheim, was taken to Lewisport last Tuesday where, in the office of Dr. Ellis, he had a bone removed from his nose. He returned to his home the following day and was away from his desk at the Farmers National Bank & Trust Company for a day or two.

Forest and Walter S. Vaughn, paid fines of \$100 each last Wednesday after State Fish Warden Grover W. Cross, who is also a special deputy game protector, came upon them in the woods in the Bear Swamp district, near Renovo, preparing a meal of venison. The two were tuffed over to Game Protector T. A. Mosler at Bellefonte, where they paid the fines imposed.

Jane Spzyker and Anna Elizabeth Homan, two seniors in Centre Hall Potter high school, are selling salted peanuts, and thereby hope to raise money to pay their way to the World's Fair where it closes its doors for the winter. It seems like a Herculean task, but the spirit of youth rides high, and success is to those who think it. We predict the girls will see the World's Fair.

Donald McCormick, star center half-back of the Centre Hall high school soccer team, was injured in Wednesday to the extent that it was necessary for him to use crutches several days. The cartilage on the right leg was pulled out of place and some of the muscles were twisted. At the present time he is walking with the aid of a cane.

An operation for an obstruction of the bowel, on S. W. Smith, Centre Hall, was performed by Dr. Cassidy in the Lewisport hospital Saturday forenoon of last week. Several blood transfusions were made prior to and following the operation. Only a local anesthetic was used. Mr. Smith passed through the ordeal in good shape and at present seems to be making progress toward recovery.

RUNVILLE

The ladies of our church did give with the rummage sale last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pooman of Williamsport motored here and visited with home folks over the weekend.

Milligan Lucas purchased a new Chevrolet truck last week.

Richard Furl exchanged his car for a motorcycle last week.

A number of our C. E. folks attended the C. E. Rally at the Bellefonte U. B. church last Friday evening.

The Royal Sons and Daughters Sunday School Class will hold their business meeting at the parsonage Friday evening, Nov. 3rd.

Bald Eagle Grange will meet Friday evening Nov. 3rd, at Milesburg.

John Milton spent last week on furlough with home folks, returned Sunday to COC camp with his brother Cecil.

Merrill Watson got his house wired for electric light last week.

Douglas Brooks put a new steel roof on his house last week.

Fred Wilberite is making repairs at the spring and barn for milk inspection.

Miss Iva Lucas made a call at Donald Lucas' home Sunday.

Miss Minnie Reese was home over the weekend, she is working at Zion P. Ch.

At the C. E. Convention to be held in Bellefonte Friday and Saturday, Mrs. Mary Howell and Miss Erma Tobias will represent our Society.

Mrs. May McClincy and Miss Goldie Walker motored to West Minister, Md., and visited with her daughter and family, last week.

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Preaching here Sunday morning at 10:45.

BENNER TWP.

The weather was very changeable during the month of October.

Orvis Harris is threshing this week in the vicinity of Pleasant Gap.

Many people are suffering with sore throat and gripe because of the damp weather.

Farmers are posting their lands. They say hunters take more than wild game. They have been shooting the farmers chickens and turkeys, and also have been taking apples from the orchards.

Lester Marshall and John Krapp are husking corn on the Marshall farm here this week.

Sorry to note the death of Harry Woomeer of State College who was buried at Meyer's cemetery. He lived at Rock in his boyhood days and had many friends here.

The carpenters have started to build a new barn for Henry Hockey on the farm where his barn burned down a few weeks ago.

Visitors at the home of Ira Benner were James Holderman, of Bellefonte; Edwin Benner, of State College, and Kenneth Thompson and sister, Thelma, of Altoona.

William Worrel and family of Zion, visited with Fred Marshall and wife here on Sunday.

Farmers are busy husking corn. Most of them are using corn huskers. A few are husking by hand.

Alfred Catherman spent Saturday evening in Bellefonte.

Maybe our prayers would be answered if people would ask for what they need instead of what they want.

Francis Benner's family and Mrs. Ira Benner transacted business in Bellefonte on Monday and called at the Centre County Hospital to see their friend Charles Johnstonbaugh who was injured in an automobile accident last week.

Henry Hockey is keeping his stock on the farm where Vincent Speary lives since his barn burned down.

Farmers say the potato crop is way short this year.

PLEASANT VIEW

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lutz and daughter Miss Joyelyn spent last Sunday afternoon at Tyrone with Mr. and Mrs. Edwood McClellan the newly-weds who have gone to housekeeping there.

Mr. Al Lyle and daughter Naomi spent the weekend with his brother-in-law Jeff Houltz at Lemont.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Witmer and grandson Nelson Goswalt of Pine Grove, and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Decker and daughter Louise and Mary and Mrs. Graves all of State College, were visitors and callers at Charles Shearers on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lyle attended the funeral of her brother-in-law Harry Woomeer, who was buried at Pine Hill on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Alfred Lyle and children Anna and Kenneth spent Thursday afternoon with the John Johnsonbaugh family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnsonbaugh became residents of this place a few weeks ago when they moved into the house vacated by the Charles Meyers family.

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Sunday School Lesson

RIGHTEOUSNESS IN THE KINGDOM

International Sunday School Lesson for November 5, 1939.

Golden Text: "Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect."
—Matthew 5:48.

Lesson Text: Matthew 5:17 to 6:18

This week our lesson is a consideration of another portion of a sermon delivered by Jesus, which we know as "The Sermon on the Mount." The impression of this sermon has been profound and has greatly influenced the conduct of men of all ages. St. Augustine, in the Fourth Century, gave it its name. Other writers have called it the Magna Charta of the Kingdom of God.

In any consideration of the Sermon on the Mount, it would be well for us to remember that it is not, like the Ten Commandments, a code of laws, but it is Jesus' own interpretation of religion in its application to every day life. Jesus did not come to replace the law, as expounded in the Old Testament, with a new code of laws. He declared, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets; I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill." His mission was to confirm the teachings of the Old Testament, to interpret their spiritual significance and to demonstrate their practical application in righteous living.

In recent years, even sincere Christians have shunned the term "righteous." Connected with the word has been so much hypocrisy and sham that few aspire to be considered "righteous." But just what is meant by "righteousness?" We believe that any Christian sincerely and honestly trying to live "right," doing those things which they feel they should do as followers of Jesus and leaving undone some things which are unworthy, may be termed "righteous persons."

What does Jesus have to say about "right living?" First, we think he insists that our lives must live up to our professions—that our religion must be of the heart, as well as of the lips. The Pharisees and scribes of Jesus' day had become professional religionists. They had hedged true religion around with so many barriers and restrictions, that the people had become discouraged and had lost interest in trying to be "good."

Jesus also declares that those who would live "right," should cultivate the habit of non-resistance. The Old Testament law had permitted retaliation—"An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," and yet Jesus prescribes the spiritual principle that we are not to strike back or seek revenge. This is a hard teaching for most of us to swallow. We live in a world that seems to demand an "eye for an eye," and a "tooth for a tooth," and yet Jesus

prescribes the spiritual principle that we should let ourselves be imposed upon. We should remember that the Heavenly Father gives unto the just and the unjust.

In the time of war, when it is so easy to take sides with one faction or the other, the injunction of Jesus to "love your enemies," is timely. "Love your enemies," he says, "bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." Jesus himself was the outstanding example of this teaching. Surely, Christians can do no less than their Master. In place of hate, he gave love; for cursing, he gave blessing; for malice and score, he gave kindness.

In Matthew 6:1-4, given as part of our scripture passage, Jesus again calls for sincerity in religion—for honesty with God. There is no place in our religion for "ostentations and show." If we give alms only to "be seen of men," we will not receive the consequent blessing from God. If we give because of our love of our fellowmen and as an act of gratitude to God for his blessings to us, we shall receive his blessing. After all, love is the only true motive for giving.

SNYDERTOWN

Church notes for Sunday Oct. 29. Worship service at 9:30 a. m.; Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.; Union service at 7:30 p. m. at Zion, (Reformation service); Young People's meeting on Thursday evening. Choir practice on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

The young people of St. Mark's Lutheran church will hold a Halloween social on Monday evening, Oct. 30 in the basement of the church. Everybody come masked. Refreshments of the season will be on sale. A prize will be given for the best and ugliest costume.

The Father and Son banquet of the Nittany Valley Lutheran Parish will be held on Wednesday evening Nov. 8 at 7 p. m. in the basement of St. Paul's church. Tickets 50¢.

Miss Lillie Beck spent Sunday with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Hartsberger.

Miss Hazen Lanen and Ronald Ertel spent Sunday at the Alvin Beck home.

The Walker Twp. High School Soccer team defeated the Spring Mills vocational school team last Wednesday by the score of 2 to 1.

Benjamin Lutz visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lutz on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dreese of Lemont, called at the latter's home on Sunday.

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