

WINGATE

There will be preaching service in the Evangelical church on Friday evening of Feb. 9th, at 7:30 by Rev. E. E. Kline. The public in general is welcome.

Mrs. Ellen Harnish passed away on Friday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sara Campbell in Tyrone. Mrs. Harnish was a resident of our own a number of years ago. She was a faithful member of the Evangelical church of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett attended to Harrisburg, recently where they attended the Farm Show. They reported in having a delightful time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reese and children, autoed to Bush Hollow, on Sunday afternoon, where they visited with her sister and family, Mrs. Edward Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacMillan and son, motored to Snow Shoe on Sunday, where they were entertained at supper with his father and wife, D. H. Custer.

Mrs. Miller and daughter, and Mrs. Earl Custer of Milledale, were guests on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Ralph McLaughlin, also they helped Mrs. McLaughlin to quilt.

Mrs. Thomas Summers and Miss Margaret Weaver, of Reedville, were Sunday visitors with his uncle and family Zack Summers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reese and children were callers on Saturday evening at the home of her brother and family, Merrill Watson at Runville.

Mr. John Smith left on Thursday for Williamsport, where he attended the Mason's banquet on Friday. He reported in having a good time and the evening address was given by Senator Davis, that was very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Summers and children of State College and Chester Summers of Tyrone, were visitors, recently at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Summers. They came home to see their father, who has been ill for some time, but who is improving slowly at this writing.

A delicious turkey birthday dinner was held at the home of Mrs. Ida Wimer, on Friday, Jan. 26th at the noon hour in honor of Mrs. Wimer's 78th birthday anniversary. Her children were all present except one daughter, Mrs. Edna Walker, of Youngstown, Ohio, who could not be present.

Mrs. Wimer, who has been post-mistress here for seventeen and one half years, is retiring from service, Jan. 31. She also is still active in church work and C. E. who is the oldest charter member, of the Christian Endeavor that was organized at Runville in 1888, 52 years ago. She has been in the W. C. T. U. work for 30 years. Mrs. Wimer received many useful gifts, and the day was spent in a joyous fellowship.

PLEASANT GAP

Mrs. David Brown who has been a patient in the Centre County Hospital for the past few weeks is reported getting along nicely. LeRoy Smith was able to return to the H. T. Noll residence, Monday afternoon, where he makes his home from the Centre County Hospital where he had an appendectomy performed about ten days before.

Earl King left Saturday for his home in Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. John Myers of Illinois, were guests at the home of their niece, Mrs. Henry Noll, Saturday.

Dr. Frank Henninger moved from the Mrs. John T. Noll residence, where he had his office, to Millheim, where he has taken over the practice of Dr. Houston who is taking a post graduate course.

Russell Spieker motored to Harrisburg, today to see the finals in the series of Boxing Matches held every Thursday in that city recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harris spent Sunday with the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Harris at Snow Shoe.

Mrs. Leonard O'Donnell has been quite ill for the past week or more. The Bigelows moved last week from the Earl Rimmer house to Bellefonte.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Evey were entertained at dinner Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Joanna Decker, Bellefonte.

Mrs. Ray Noll drove Mrs. A. H. Smith and sister, Mrs. Merritt Tate to the Centre County Hospital, Danville where Mrs. Tate received one of a series of treatments which she is taking from a physician in that institution and which seem to be benefiting her.

W. H. Noll has been laid up for a few days with the grippe. Mrs. Hubert Koche was down from State College to spend Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Noll.

Pipe thawing seems to be the popular pastime at present. Never in the history of the town have there been so many frozen pipes. William Dale was here from Lancaster to spend the weekend with his mother, Mrs. David Brown who is ill in the Centre County Hospital.

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Mrs. T. B. Lunger, of Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied the Alabrans home from Punxsunawney where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Alabrans' uncle, Mr. C. H. White. The deceased leaves a record that we all may envy as he passed away while reading the Bible, which book he had read during his seventy nine years 72 times and lived as closely to its teachings as was humanly possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Brooks who has been ill for nearly two weeks is very much improved. Mrs. S. E. Noll spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Paul Stover at her home at Dauphin. It will be remembered Mrs. Stover's husband died several weeks ago and was buried at Millheim.

ACCOUNTANT TO MAKE STUDY OF FIGURES

MEETING LAST WEEK The Bellefonte School Board, three members of which were elected on a platform that made no reference to the school's financial condition, met last week at a special meeting last Wednesday night showed all indications of a majority in favor of banning from the borough schools all students residing outside of Bellefonte.

Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club officials who requested a two-week delay in the action in order to hold a public meeting on the question, were granted one week's time by the Board, final action being scheduled to take place at another meeting last night.

Horatio S. Moore, president of the board and one of the trio elected last fall, in declining a two-week delay intimated that the public had no right to interfere and maintained that the responsibility rested entirely with the school board.

The debate in favor of the ouster of out-of-town pupils was led by Mr. Moore, who was supported by Franklin B. Schaff, and apparently Walter H. Broome, all of whom became school board members for the first time last fall. Horace J. Hartranft, a hold-over member, vigorously championed the other side in favor of continuing to accept out-of-town students. Mr. Broome made the motion that action be deferred for one week.

Mr. Moore presented figures which he claimed showed that the education of out-of-town pupils for the year ending July 3, 1939, cost the school district \$4,872.39.

In support of his claims, Mr. Moore took the total cost of conducting the high school and divided it by the number of pupils, reaching the conclusion that it cost \$8.87 to educate every high school pupil last year. By the same process he declared that it cost \$7.19 to educate elementary pupils in 1939. Since there were 395 out-of-town high school, and 50 grade school pupils in the local schools, Mr. Moore claimed that the total cost of educating them last year was \$21,693.35. Continuing, he stated that the total tuition received from the pupils was \$16,820.98, leaving the deficit of \$4,872.39 on the transaction.

He added that this loss does not take into account the capital outlay required for housing and equipment.

Mr. Hartranft intimated that the figures didn't take a number of other factors into account. He said that there are fixed costs which are present, no matter how many children are enrolled, and declared that because there are 294 resident pupils and 353 non-resident in the high school there is no reason to assume that the high school can run on half the amount of money with half the building space by excluding the non-resident group.

Mr. Moore declared, and his statement was admitted by all board members, that the State cannot compel Bellefonte to take out-of-town pupils, but in answer to this Mr. Hartranft declared he feels the town has a moral responsibility for offering educational facilities to those in outlying districts and that he is not in favor of denying them those facilities, especially since the tuition receipts are a substantial source of income.

Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club officers told the board that Bellefonte business men realize considerable patronage from non-residents and their families, to which Mr. Moore replied: "It might be better to pension Bellefonte business people; it would be cheaper for the town."

For the same reason, no action was taken on the report given by Director Bossert, DeHaas regarding a fire alarm system for the Academy building. The system was recently approved by Bellefonte fire authorities, he said.

Those who attended the meeting and dinner included: Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Ralston and children, Mary, Helen and Sylvia, Mr. and Mrs. F. Nell, Clarence Mull, Mr. and Mrs. Jay H. Runkle, Oscar Unser, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Herberster and children Gerald and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Johnson and son, Ronald, Frances, asked, Best, and Mrs. Ralph Harold Beckenbaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Zerby. Also: Doris Zerby, John Zerby, Fred Zerby, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis B. Reiber, Mary Frances Reiber, Curtis B. Reiber, Constance E. Reiber, Mrs. Annie Brooks, Mrs. Cora Shook, James Shook, George H. Hosterman, Mrs. Annie Brooks, Mrs. Cora Shook, Justin Shook, George H. Hosterman, Mrs. Mabel Hosterman, George Hosterman, Merrill Hosterman, Earl Hosterman, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Zerby and child, Best, and Mrs. Ralph Harold Beckenbaugh, Sarah Homan, Robert Homan, Lois Homan, Donald Homan, Evan Homan, Clyde Decker, Ruth Burris,

ILLNESS IS FATAL TO S. W. SMITH

Company system. In 1909 he purchased the Centre Reporter from the late Hon. Fred Kurtz, and conducted the paper as its head until 1915 when he became postmaster during President Wilson's first administration. During Mr. Smith's eight years as postmaster, the newspaper was conducted by Edward E. Bailey, who had been taken in as partner in February, 1914. Mr. Bailey continued in the partnership and had charge of the century-old weekly newspaper during the past several years.

Sylvester Washington Smith was a son of the late Dr. Peter and Mary Kopp Smith and was born at Centre Hall on February 21, 1863, making his age at time of death 76 years, 11 months and 8 days. He was the last member of his immediate family and the only survivor is his wife, the former Jennie L. Kuhn.

Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock this Thursday afternoon at the Goodhart Funeral Home in Centre Hall, with the Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, as the officiating clergyman. Interment will be made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

Aside from his many civic activities which are quite generally known in this area, Mr. Smith was particularly beloved in his home community for his many charitable acts. For many years he personally outfitted the children of many needy families so the youngsters could attend school.

His charities were carried on unostentatiously over a period of many years. Similarly, any other worthy cause found him ready and willing to do more than his part. He always was deeply interested in the welfare of the Centre County Hospital, and was considered as one of that institution's warmest friends in the Centre Hall area.

In his death Centre Hall has lost one of its most dependable and best liked leaders.

Pupils Enjoy Vacation. Approximately 400 pupils of the McClure Consolidated school of West Beaver Township, near Middleburg, enjoyed an unexpected holiday.

When frozen water pipes forced the closing of the school, about half of the homes in the borough are also without water, for the same reason.

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Ralston To Head Dairymen's Group (Continued from page one) men's group on the subject of "Production of Milk," while the speaker at the women's meeting was Mrs. Homer Wagner, of Milton.

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GRANGE NEWS

Centre County Pomona Grange No. 13 was held at Logan Hall at Pleasant Gap, Saturday, January 27, with Bellefonte Grange as host, and an attendance of 300.

The morning session consisted of business. The address of welcome was given by Samuel Homan, of Bellefonte Grange, and the response by Mary Bartley, of Marion Grange.

This being the 65th anniversary of Centre County Pomona Grange it was appropriately celebrated, and will continue to be throughout the Grange year. Sara Grove, of Progress Grange, had charge of a pageant form of History of Granges of Centre county, with Mrs. Harry Potter as soloist and Mrs. George Sweeney as reader. These characters were all dressed in 1875 styles. Worthily Pomona Lecturer, Phoebe Green, had charge of the remainder of the program.

Reading: 65 Years Ago, by Mrs. Olive Bunnard, of Spring Mills Grange; History of Centre County Grange Plenic, by Mrs. Edith S. Dale of Penn State Grange; song, "The Farmer Feeds Them All," Mr. and Mrs. Michael Paul, of Bald Eagle Grange; comic reading on Pomona Grange, Mrs. John Condo, of Spring Mills Grange; interesting Grange papers of 1875-97-86 were on display.

Officers were installed for the two year term of 1940-41 by Earl Cox, P. M. of Logan Valley Grange of Blair county, assisted by Harry Gwin as marshal, Clara Cox as regalia bearer, Tressa Gwin as emblem bearer, and Peggy Markle as pianist.

Pomona Grange Master, L. E. Biddle, gave his eighth annual report as Pomona master. Supper was served by the host Grange at 35 cents per plate.

The evening session opened with a pageant, "The March of the Grange Symbols," The Bible-Canticle, the Christian Flag, Farm laborers represented by Union Grange; sowers represented by Logan Grange; harvesters represented by Bald Eagle Grange; fruits of labor represented by Half Moon Grange. Miss Centre County Pomona, in person, Mrs. Morris Burkholder, Progress Grange, was escorted to the platform and received by the chairman of Home Economics, Mrs. Harry Confer, of Howard Grange. Miss Pomona was presented with a six-ty candle birthday cake by Glenn Wasson, of Victor Grange.

Twenty candidates were instructed in the mysteries of the Fifth Degree. The birthday cake was served at the close of the meeting.

Here is wishing success to all Granges for the coming year.

Rome's Water Clock One of the world's strangest clocks stands in the Villa Borghese, Rome's largest municipal park. It is operated by means of water power. The water drops from a fountain and is caught into a series of descending cups providing the motive power for the mechanism. The clock has been operating for over a hundred years and has kept perfect time.

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LOUISA'S LETTER

I am a woman of thirty and I am going with a widower of forty-five. He has three children and I like them very much, but I wonder how it will be when I marry their father. I am afraid they will not obey me and that would cause contention. Would you advise me to marry him under the circumstances?

UNMARRIED. Del.

ANSWER: If you are in love with the man and he is a sensible fellow, I see no reason why you shouldn't marry him just because he has three children. I'll admit that you'll have a much harder job to get along with a ready-made family than if you had just one person to live with, but probably the man is worth it.

The best idea, if the children are on their own, is to leave most of the management of them to the father—such as when they go out at night and how late they stay, and the amount of money they spend. This will eliminate discord.

Very often children of that age welcome a woman into the house if they have been having to manage things themselves. They are glad for someone to take charge and put things to rights. Your attitude towards them from the first will decide in great part whether or not they are glad you have come into the family.

But a stepmother, to be a success, must have lots of patience and love in her heart for her husband's children.

LOUISA.

Dear Louisa: I have a baby and I have most of the housework to do by myself. I can get through very well unless I take on too many outside activities, such as clubs and parties. Then I get so tired that I can hardly go. I am afraid that if I refuse invitations now that I won't get any after the baby gets old enough for me to want to go again. What do you think about this problem?

YOUNG MOTHER. Iowa.

ANSWER: I certainly don't think that it will pay you to ruin your health just to keep up with society. Why don't you simply tell your friends that while the baby is small, you are giving up parties that come on certain days of the week, but that when he gets larger you will start back again. A small child needs lots of attention and it pays big dividends in satisfaction later on to give it him then rather than to suffer regret in after years.

However, I think even a busy young mother needs a change from the same routine day after day, and if I were you, I would try to arrange my work so that I could get off to a party or club about once a week. In that way you will come in contact with other people and ideas and not get in such a rut. You will have something else to talk about besides the baby and the price of meat.

But don't keep on getting every day like to keep up with the Joneses. That's a big mistake.

LOUISA.

PINE GROVE MILLS

Samuel A. Homan, Jr., entertained his State College lady friend to supper last Friday evening at his home in the Pines and later in the evening enjoyed a skating party on the Metzgar dam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Given and Mr. and Mrs. George Cox all of Bellefonte were short callers Saturday in our town enroute to Pleasant Gap to install the Centre County State College where they will engage in dairy farming.

Our popular Oliver and Massey-Harris farm equipment dealer, Chester W. Behrens is making extended plans for grand opening of his new place of business in Tyrone on Thursday, Feb. 15, all day farmers are all invited, door prizes, worth money, will be given. A full line of Oliver equipment will be shown. Mr. Behrens will continue as usual his Grayville business and new place will be in charge of George Wilson, his efficient mechanic and clerk.

Farmer Peter Milford Cork braved the winter weather Tuesday and was a business caller at the County Capitol.

"Johnny Grows Up," a comedy in three acts, will be presented by Ninth Grade of the Ferguson Township school in the school auditorium on Friday evening, February 2, 1940, at eight o'clock. Adults 25c, children 15c. The play takes place in the living room of the Stephens home in early spring. Johnny, the kid brother, suddenly becomes "the man of the house" when a serious illness forces father to give up his work, and which demands him to be moved to a milder climate.

Johnny gets into trouble trying to take his father's place, but the rest of the family comes to his rescue, and we find him growing up overnight to shoulder the responsibilities like a man.

Members of the cast are: Betty Stephens, Doris and Lois Shillings; Grace Stephens, Mary Ellen Gilligan; Mrs. Stephens, Ruth Martin; Mr. Stephens, Eugene Knaur; Johnny Stephens, James Gord; Dr. Bates, Merle Rossman; Roger McClain, Russell Harpater; Sister McClain, Emma Barr; Mrs. Johnson, Irene Hlingsworth.

HEAVY PENALTIES FOR CENSUS VIOLATORS A statement from Mr. W. L. Austin, Director of the Census, relates to the fact that considerable circulation has been given recently to an erroneous belief that there is no legal compulsion to respond to the inquiries of census enumerators.

Penalties apply not only to the public but to census employees as well. Census employees are required to treat census information as confidential and divulgence of information about any individual or firm is severely penalized.

Fortunately, in the 150 years of census taking, the records show that it has rarely been necessary to resort to compulsion.

The penalties provided for non-compliance with the 1940 Decennial Census were set by Congressional enactment of 1929. Similar penalties have been provided by Census law for more than 100 years.

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Digging for pipe lines isn't necessary. In practice, the welder uses a small residential service line a four- or five-minute application of current is sufficient. Sometimes it requires 15 minutes. But when a town main freezes it's a different problem. The Sherrys had "the heat on" for 25 hours one day last week before ice in a Pleasant Gap main gave up the ghost. In Coburn an even tougher job presented itself when an ice block in a main held out for 35 hours under the current.

Austin Sherry, the Pleasant Gap welder, one day last week thawed out something like 40 frozen pipes at Shinglestown. Among the towns in which the various Sherry and Austin Sherry of Pleasant Gap has one such machine. In addition, the Middleburg branch is using two generators which are hooked up to house current where such current is available. The generators are the invention of D. P. Sherry, who is now manufacturing them for market in his Middleburg plant. On big jobs, such as large mains, two generators are hooked up together to provide more heat.

The Sherrys have been having a thin time of it as far as eating and sleeping go, for more than a week. The demands for their services are so numerous and so insistent that they have scarcely been in bed for a week, piecing out their sleeping and eating when and wherever possible. Oftentimes they make a one-man while the generators are pouring heat into frozen pipes.

But they're not complaining. The frozen water pipe season is short, and while the work is cold and often exasperating, they have an satisfaction of knowing they haven't yet met a frozen water pipe they couldn't thaw.

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MUNICIPAL MILLHEIM, PA. ONLY TWO DAYS FRIDAY & SATURDAY (February 2nd & 3rd) The Best Picnic of its Kind Since "The James." Be Sure You See "Drums Along the Mohawk" (In Technicolor) Claude Colbert, Henry Fonda, Edna May Oliver and Eddie Collins. LATEST NEWS ISSUE SELECTED SHORTS MONDAY & TUESDAY (February 5th & 6th) WAR AND SUSPENSE "20,000 Men a Year" Randolph Scott, Preston Foster, Lizabeth Scott, Lizabeth Scott. ADDED "The World of 1969" Timely subject of Gen. Motors exhibit at N. Y. World's Fair. Best of Selected Shorts FEB. 9th & 10th—Mickey Rooney "BABES IN ARMS"