

Altoona Historian Voices Approval of Christening New 'Benner Pike'

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est playboy of his day, rode his mettlesome sorrel charger to the attic during a ladies' tea party, and a piece of the wall had to be removed to get the horse down by means of rope and tackle, has been burnt by the "wandering willies," stuck by stick, and even parts of the parquetry floor have been piled up to furnish kindling. The airbrass brassy-trimmed locks have been carried off.

Many a window light, the old blue bubbly glass made on the estate, with lovers' names cut with diamonds, have been broken through by transients to let out the smoke, too lazy to raise the sashes. Thus has Centre County's "Hollywood" deteriorated, until it looked as if nobody cared about General Benner or his glorious memory.

A nephew of Mad Anthony Wayne, Philip Benner inherited the fine courage and vision of the hero of Fallen Timbers, whom he closely resembled, as George Earle looks like both General Benner and General Wayne, though members of the clan think the envoy to King Boris' court looks like old Baltzer von Lohr, his fox hunting ancestor, who led a troop of hussars in the great battle. The British army list of 1689-1690 do not show this, though these rosters probably do not include those regiments recruited on the continent.

It is possible that General Wayne's grandfather went to the Low Countries or Germany from the British Isles, saw service in various countries there like General Bouquet, and later returned with King

William and old Count Schomberg to give King James his day of reckoning. The continental history of the Wayne family would make interesting background research, just like Myrtle Margarete's great "Story of Rock" tells the tale of General Benner's life and achievements in a manner worthy of Robert W. Chambers, an Anthony Hope or a Stanley J. Weyman.

Does the stately Benner home have a ghost? Has been asked. On this Miss Margarete says little, but she does tell of the lovely girl who succumbed to cholera in the cemetery and was buried hurriedly by lantern light, without the rites of the church.

On the anniversary of her passing, which happened to be on New Year's eve, the too hastily buried beauty rises vampire-like out of her grave, says Miss Margarete, and sits on her tombstone, weeping bitterly for the funeral she did not have.

This would remind one of the death of the Baron and Baroness de Beelen Berthoff at their estate in Adams county. The baron was Royal Belgian commercial attaché at Washington who died from the influenza epidemic. Negro slaves carried the bodies to the chapel door at Conewago and left them there.

The priest, possibly it was the sainted Prince D. A. Gallitzin, who had seen worse plagues in his early home in far off Stainland, thought little of himself, but gave the deceased a proper funeral and helped carry the remains to the Crypt of Conewago, where they rested until recent alterations, in putting in a central heating system, caused their removal to the churchyard where now they rest close to their old friends, the Ehrmans, the Schaeffers, the Noels, and the Marshalls.

All honor to those concerned in naming the Benner pike, though Benner Boulevard fits a man of the general's public spirited and lofty patriotic stature. Among the thousands who will travel this fine route between two great towns every day, many will learn about General Philip Benner and his long life of high achievement.

Poets' Corner

THEIR SHEAVES. (Written for Herman Family Reunion)

Their sheaves were garnered, neatly filed— While life was quickly sped When unseen hand prepared for them

And, into heaven, led. Their years were seasoned, lived so well And passing leaves a scar Among our clan, whose missing them Since gate was left ajar.

At gatherings, Mr. Williams came, As very loyal friend— Sincere and cheerful with us all Each valued him, no end.

And Myra, whom the clan well knew When absent, scene would share Then, radiant smile upon her face, Showed Shirks' left etchings, there.

The sheaves were harvested too soon For youthful Herman Keen So much, ahead, was planned for him When death died in between.

This verse had scarcely gone to press When once again, the clan Were deeply stirred by sudden news That death had claimed 'our Sam.'

And thus, in forty-one In gathering of the sheaves Removed our friends to realms unseen Where chosen, He receives. Sara Kaufman, May 18th, '41

EXCHANGE

Stop thief! You cannot have my heart Unless you give me mine. You know I cannot live apart From either yours or mine.

Oh life! It is a pleasant thing Oh love! How can I tell? But if you give me your heart Sure mine will serve you well. —Virginia C. Irvine.

ONE MINUTE

Time, stand still now! Let me but hold this minute. One minute out of time, But Oh, all heaven is in it. One minute of All eternity, Not to return again Ever, to me.

Only an instant of Illumination, Infinity, God Inspiration! Just for an instant The vision is clear Oh, let it not fade! Time, stand still here! —Virginia C. Irvine.

BETTER NOT TO KNOW

By Edith Lombard Squires Life is so kind never to let us know The last time we go down the long, steep hill, Never to know when falls the last soft snow, Nor what bright bird will be the last to trill; Never to know what joy will be the last, Nor when fleet youth will turn and wing away, Nor to have presage that the height is past Of that brief passion which no love can stasion. Life is so kind—far kinder than we dream— When bitter pain and overwhelming grief Darken the hours, nor give us then a gleam Of last spray across death-blacked reef. If I had known that day you were to die, I never, never could have said good-bye.

Benjamin Confer Reunion Is Held

The sixth annual reunion of the Benjamin Confer freundschaft was held at Penn Roosevelt Park, July 6. Present were three of the five living children, thirteen grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren, making a total of thirty-eight, and thirty-five more distant relatives and friends.

After enjoying a bountiful spread of food the secretary called for order and made a few statements concerning the activities and changes in the freundschaft during the last year, noting no deaths, three marriages, and three births. He also mentioned the importance of preparation for Eternity toward which we are all going.

Later in the day it was decided to meet at Woodward Cave, July 5, 1942. A few committees were appointed for next year's activities. At a late hour in the afternoon all left for their respective homes looking forward to next year's meeting.

When a man seeks public office, upon a racial or religious prejudice, it is a sure sign that he isn't fit to hold office.

Biggest Growing Bird Bugaboo Is Coccidiosis

The growing age in chicks is the critical age and the biggest problem is coccidiosis. That's why so many poultry raisers always keep Dr. Salsbury's Rakos handy. See us for Dr. Salsbury's RAKOS.

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Wagner Descendants to Meet

The descendants of John D. and Phoebe Wagner will hold their annual reunion at the Port Matilda park, according to an announcement made this week by the president of the reunion, Byron Richards, of Blanchard.

A picnic dinner will be served at 12:00 P. M. after which a short business meeting will be held. In the afternoon there will be games for all. Alfred Isenberg, of Altoona, will be in charge of the games committee. Mrs. Helen (Wagner) Lezell, of Bellefonte, is in charge of the grounds committee. Ball games, and races of various kinds are being arranged for.

Because of the continued and almost astonishing growth of this reunion, it was felt that it should be held at a more central location, and at a place nearer to the old Wagner homestead. On account of better accommodations this year, it is possible to invite not only the descendants of John D. Wagner, but also the descendants of any of the brothers and sisters of Mr. Wagner and his wife.

Adam and Mary (Schreffler) Wagner and their children, they moved to Centre County at Marthas Furnace about 1925 from Union County. Their eldest daughter, Catherine, was married to John Burd of Marthas but later settled in Cooper Township. The second child, Leah married Andrew Rouch.

The next daughter, Mary, married Young, a son of Albert Edgar Young, who came from Holland. Among their descendants are Albert Young and family, of Monument. Eliza Wagner married George Williams and settled at Keerom in Clearfield County. Sarah Wagner married Dr. John Williams. From this marriage came, among others, George Bullock, of Unionville, and Cecilia (Gingery) of Tyrone.

Nancy Wagner married William Eberts of Marthas. From this union came James Eberts, the father of O. D. Eberts Alta (Spackman) of Marthas; Frances (Ross), Blanche (Miles) of Port Matilda; Marjorie (Campbell) ancestor of Frank Dillen, of Huntingdon. The next child was Jane Wagner who married John Beaver whose family records go back to 1542 in Germany. Most of their descendants live in California.

Margaret Wagner married Joseph Williams. From this union came Ebenezer, father of A. Y. Emil, Kenzie, and Edna; also Albert Y. Williams, the father of the late John M. and Edgar Williams, of Port Matilda. Margaret Wagner's second husband was John Jones, father of Bell (Miles). The only son of Adam Wagner was John D., who married Phoebe Ardery, a daughter of James and Elizabeth (Thompson) Ardery. To this union came Mary (Gingery), Jennie (Isenberg), Annie (Smith), Belle (Weaver), Margaret (Overly), Wilbur, the only son, Myrtle (Richards), and Virgie (Adams). All of these children are living but Mary, died June 1941, at the age of 86, and Wilbur died in 1917.

At 1:30 p. m. a roll call of the descendants of Adam and Mary Wagner, by families, will be made. It is hoped that some of each family may be able to attend. In any case the president, who is doing some research along this line, will be glad to correspond with any descendants of the above. Just address letters to, Byron L. Richards, Blanchard, Pa. He now has a number of old letters; one from Mary Wagner to her son John D. and would be glad to have any others, or old documents of any kind, which may add to the collection. All such material will be carefully preserved, and at some future time, their contents will be made available to all who desire them.

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NOTICE

In the Matter of the Change of name of Adolph Pat Nagelberg. In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, No. 8, September Term, 1941.

In the matter of the petition of Adolph Pat Nagelberg praying for a decree to change his name to Allen Patrick Nagel. Notice is hereby given that on the 20th of May 1941, the petition of Adolph Pat Nagelberg was filed in the above named court, praying for a decree to change his name to Allen Patrick Nagel. The court has fixed the 21st day of July, 1941, at 10 a. m. in the Court of Common Pleas, Bellefonte, Centre County, Pa., as the time and place for hearing of said petition and when all persons interested may appear and show cause if any they have why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

ADOLPH PAT NAGELBERG, Edward L. Willard, State College, Pa. Attorney for Petitioner. x29

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

In accordance with the Act of Assembly passed June 13rd, 1937, Act No. 320, P. L. 1333, Notice is hereby given that the Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 1941, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 8 p. m. standard time in all Election Districts, in all the Boroughs and Townships in Centre County. Nominations are to be made for the below mentioned offices:

Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania—One. Judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania—One. District Attorney of Centre County—One. Jury Commissioner of Centre County—Two.

And the following offices: Election, Assessor, School Directors, Constable, Auditors, Justice of the Peace, Township Supervisors, Councilmen, Burgess and Tax Collector, in the various Boroughs and Townships of Centre County, whose terms of such municipal officers expire before or during 1941.

County Board of Elections CHARLES F. HIPPLE, FRED C. MENSCH, HARRY V. KEELER, Attest: FREDERIC G. HOPFER, Chief Clerk of Elections. x30

COURT PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The Honorable Ivan Walker, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 49th Judicial District consisting of the County of Centre, having issued his precept bearing date of the 30th day of June, 1941, to me directed for holding a Court of Common Pleas, Court of Quarter Session of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, in Bellefonte, for the County of Centre.

And the Grand Jury to convene on Monday, the 25th day of August, 1941 at 10 o'clock a. m. and the Traverse Jury called for the regular meeting of Quarter Session Court will convene on the 2nd Monday of September at 10 o'clock a. m. being September 8th, and the Traverse Jury for the second week of Court will appear the 3rd Monday in September, 1941, at 10 o'clock a. m. being September 15th, 1941.

Notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Justice of the Peace, Alderman and also such Constables (that may have business in their respective districts requiring to report to the Honorable Court) that they be then and there in their proper persons at the time specified above, with their records, inquiries, examinations, and their own remembrance to do those things to their offices appertaining to be done and those who are bound in recognizance to prosecute against the prisoners that are and shall be in the Jail of Centre County, be then and there to prosecute them as shall be just.

Given under my hand at Bellefonte, the 14th day of July in the year of our Lord, 1941, and the 168th year of the Independence of the United States of America. EDWARD R. MILLER, Sheriff.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

Of Curtin Township School District. RECEIPTS: Bal. in Treas. July 1, 1940. \$ 341.39 County Treas. 410.90 State appropriation 3805.78 Calvin Yeager, tax col. 2464.29 Game Commission 19.03 Election rent 10.00 Transportation refund 522.83 Total \$7574.21

EXPENDITURES: Audit for 1940-41 school yr. \$ 20.00 Teacher's institute 48.00 Salaries of teachers 4990.25 Transportation of high school pupils 1610.36 Fuel 125.93 Electric lights 16.90 Secretary's Salary 50.00 Treasurer's Salary 50.00 Compensation insurance 13.13 Tax Col. Commission 194.11 Business administration 17.28 General Control 2.79 Legal service 3.25 Janitors 22.00 Janitor's supplies 12.00 Upkeep of Grounds 3.60 Upkeep of buildings 21.75 Census Enumeration 12.03 Text books 276.29 Postage 1.00 P. R. Post to Hazard Blaine 300.00 Heating system 171.50 Total \$6972.23

Bal. in Treas. July 1, 1941. \$ 601.36 WILLIS THOMPSON LEROY WELCH HAROLD YEAGER Auditors. x29

AUDITOR'S REPORT

For the Centre Hall school district, for the year ending July 7, 1941. Assessed valuation of taxable real estate \$207,180 number of mills levied 20; number assessed with per capita tax 463; rate of per capita tax \$4. RECEIPTS: Balance 1504.15 Tax 5395.68 Delinquent tax 806.90 State appropriation 5074.24 Tuition, etc. 1250.09 \$14,631.06

EXPENSES: (a) Administration 396.69 (b) Instructions 10525.63 (c) Auxiliary 5.00 (d) Operation 413.99 (e) Maintenance 302.98 (f) Fixed charges 202.50 (g) Debt service 1875.56 Balance on hand 905.80

Assets \$14,631.06 Liabilities, bonds 7560.00 We hereby certify that we have examined the above accounts and find them correct, and that the securities of the officers of the board are in accordance with law.

JOHN WHITEMAN GEO. H. SWEENEY J. LOVAN SMITH Auditors. x30

ORPHANS' COURT SALE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

The undersigned, Administrator of the Estate of Andrew Postle; Bower, late of the Village of Aaronsburg, Township of Haines, County of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, deceased in pursuance of and in conformity with a Decree of the President Judge of the Orphans' Court of Centre County, Pa., dated June 9th, 1941, will offer at public sale on the premises in the Village aforesaid on:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 1941 commencing at 12:00 o'clock noon, (EST), all the personal property and real estate of the said decedent, viz:

A full and complete line of household goods, furniture, china, glass and silverware, linens, etc., including the following: Bed room suite; Marble top dresser and stand; 1 Cherry chest of drawers; 12 Bollinger chairs with original paint; 6 Bollinger chairs re-painted; 6 Rush bottom chairs; 5 piece upholstered parlor suite; Walnut drop leaf table; chest of drawers; 1 flat-top writing desk; 2 cupboards; 2 eight day clocks; small stands; Mirrors; China and glass dishes; Currier and Ives prints; picture frames; 1 Muzzle loader rifle, complete with pouch; 1 Muzzle ram-rodd attached, brass trimmed; hanging lamp; cradle; settee; chest; rocking chair.

REAL ESTATE: ALL that certain lot and parcel of ground being Lot No. 45, in the Village of Aaronsburg, Township of Centre of State aforesaid, fronting on the public road or State Highway, leading through Aaronsburg, from Millheim to Woodward, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Bounded on the North by Turnpike Road, now the State Highway, leading from Millheim to Woodward; on the East by lot No. 46; on the South by Apple Tree Alley and on the West by Chestnut Street.

BEING 60 feet along Turppike Road, now the State Highway and 80 feet along Apple Tree Alley; 200 feet along Lot No. 46 and 200 feet along Chestnut Street; CONTAINING 12,000 sq. ft., more or less.

(See Deed from M. D. Rockey, Executor of Tobias Bailey, deceased, to Andrew F. Bower, dated July 19th, 1899, and recorded at Bellefonte, Pa., October 16, 1899, in Deed Book, Vol. 79, page 282, etc.)

There is erected upon the lot and parcel of ground above described a 2 1/2 story frame dwelling house containing eight (8) rooms and a summer kitchen, together with a two (2) story frame shop building. Water and electric light throughout the premises.

TERMS OF SALE: PERSONAL PROPERTY:—Cash. REAL ESTATE:—25% of the purchase price to be paid in cash to John A. Bower, Administrator of the within estate, when the real

estate hereinbefore described is knocked down and declared sold and the balance of the consideration to-wit: 75% to be paid in cash to said Administrator upon confirmation of sale and delivery of deed. Possession of the premises will be given upon full compliance with the terms of sale.

JOHN A. BOWER, Administrator of the Estate of ANDREW F. BOWER, deceased, Aaronsburg, Pa. MAYES & STOVER, Auctioneers, W. HARRISON WALKER, Attorney for Estate. x30

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The undersigned, administratrix of the Estate of Edward M. Burd, late of Boggs Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, will expose to public sale, on the premises hereinafter described, situate in Boggs Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, about three miles North of Millsburg, off the Moose Run road.

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1941 at 1 o'clock P. M., EST, the following personal property:

Chairs, stoves, cooking utensils, rugs, linoleum, beds, tools, hay fork, rope and pulleys, hay fork, implements, canned goods, barrel of vinegar, etc.

Terms of Sale—CASH. Real Estate: Immediately thereafter the undersigned will expose at Orphans' Court Sale, the premises situate in Boggs Township, Centre County, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at stones, thence North 53 1/2 degrees East 104 1/4 degrees West 107 perches to stones; thence North 63 degrees East 80 perches to post; thence South 25 1/2 degrees East 80 perches to post; thence South 35 1/2 degrees East 121 perches to the place of beginning.

Containing 65 acres and 28 perches. Thereon erected a two story, five room, stone house. Two springs on the property and good orchard. Several acres of good timber.

TERMS OF SALE: 25% at the time the property is sold and the balance on confirmation of such sale and delivery of deed thereof. Mayes & Stover, Auctioneers. M. Wetzig, Esq., Attorney for Estate. ETHEL E. BURD, Administratrix. x29 Bellefonte, Pa. R. F. D. 3

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT OF CENTRE COUNTY

In the Matter of Willis M. Poorman, Jr., a minor. To all persons interested. Notice is hereby given that John C. Poorman, Guardian for Willis M. Poorman, Jr., a minor, has filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court, in and for the County of Centre at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, his petition praying for an order of private sale of the following described real estate:

All that certain message, tenement and tract of land situate, lying and being in the Township of Ferguson, County of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, more accurately bounded and described as follows to-wit:

BEGINNING at an iron pin located at the intersection of the center line of the old Township Road and the West-erly ultimate right-of-way line of U. S. Highway Route No. 322; thence along said ultimate right-of-way line South fifty-two (52) degrees twenty-six (26) minutes East one hundred eighty-eight (188) feet to a point; thence South thirty-eight (38) degrees twenty-one (21) minutes West twenty-five (25) feet to a point, corner of lands of Willis M. Poorman, Jr.; thence along the line of lands above to be conveyed to Willis M. Poorman, Jr., North thirty-nine (39) degrees fifty-eight (58) minutes West one hundred thirty-eight (138) feet to a point in the line of Collins and Kathryn S. Shoemaker; thence along the line of said Shoemaker premises North thirty-six (36) degrees East one hundred twenty-seven (127) feet to an iron pin located in the center line of the old Township Road; thence North sixty-two (62) degrees thirty (30) minutes East along the center line of said old Township Road thirty-five (35) feet and forty-five (45) feet to the place of beginning. Containing 25,452.67 square feet, more or less, and having thereon erected a gasoline service station and apartment building.

BEING Lot No. 10, on the plot or plan of lots of the subdivision of the Mary J. Poorman Estate, prepared by George S. Denithorne, dated February 7th, 1941.

ALSO four small additional strips, according to the plot or plan of lots of the subdivision of the Mary J. Poorman Estate, prepared by George S. Denithorne, dated February 7th, 1941.

At private sale in accordance with the Acts of the General Assembly in such case made and provided. If no exceptions are filed thereto or objections made to the granting of the same before July 23rd, 1941, the order of sale will become final and said property will be sold.

EDWARD L. WILLARD, Attorney for Petitioner, 6 Lettels Building, State College, Pa.

Pittsburgh Outlaws Smoke; Fine \$100 Day

Spurred by the complaints of housewives—wary of cleaning the smoke and soot grimed homes—Pittsburgh City Council on Monday passed an ordinance outlawing smoke, and providing a fine of \$100 a day for violations.

The ordinance becomes effective October 1 for all except railroads, riverboats, homes and apartments. They'll be brought under control gradually by October 1, 1943.

Fuel users will be required to burn smokeless fuel or obtain mechanical equipment to burn soft coal smokelessly.

Bellefonte and Pittsburgh have something in common, for here lime dust and ash dust are the source of increasing complaints on the part of housewives.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER HELD FOR NEWLYWEDS

A miscellaneous shower was held for Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ripka at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stover, near Gratzville, Saturday evening, June 21. They received many useful gifts.

Mary June Fye entertained with guitar music and singing, and at a late hour refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ripka and children, Herbert and Doris, of Pine Grove Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Noll and children, Dickey and Elsie Jane, Kenneth Neidigh, Mary June Fye, Arthur Dolan, all of Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs. John Neidigh and children, Lois Mae and Delvin, Charles Rudy, Jr., of State College; R. D. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Neidigh, and son, Bobby, of Bellefonte; R. D. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McGhee and daughters, Eleanor, Barbara and Martha, of Port Matilda; R. D. Betty Noll, of State College; Earl Ripka, of Carlisle Barracks; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Henry of Spruce Creek; R. D. Mr. and Mrs. George Wheeland and children, Doris, Duane and Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ripka and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stover and children, Arlene and Eugene, all of Pennsylvania Furnace, R. D.

SEVEN STUDENTS NAMED ON COLLEGE DEAN'S LIST

Seven Centre county students were among the 74 in the School of Education at Penn State who earned a scholastic average of 2.50 or better during the last semester named on the Dean's Honor Roll. They are: Miss Ruth R. Lane, Junior, of Lemont; Miss Jean Babcock, Junior, Miss Harriet L. Burnett, special student, Miss Margie King, Junior, Miss Ruth A. Marshall, Junior, Miss Edith A. Wright, Junior, and Miss Ruth H. Zang, special student, all of State College.

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