

REBERSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ream and two children, Marilyn and Conrad, were weekend visitors in Harrisburg. Miss Jean Hagan of Yarnell, is sending a few days at the Kenneth Ream home. Mr. and Mrs. Don Byers and son Jimmie, and Miss Hazel Bierly spent Sunday in Danville. Palmer Bierly returned home from the Lock Haven Hospital, Saturday p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith and daughters Barbara and Katherine, of Millersburg, called at the Sholl-Diehl home, Sunday p. m. Miss Jean Hartman of Harrisburg, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hartman. Glenn, Leonard and Harold Swartz of Salona, spent Sunday with their father, Orvis Swartz. Mrs. Ida Bair spent Saturday at the Harvey Lamey home in Greenburr. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brungart and Mrs. Mary Frank of Selinsgrove, spent Wednesday with friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. William Rachau and son Larry, of Milesburg, were Saturday supper guests of Mrs. Edith Broom. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers and son Charles, and Mrs. Elizabeth Gephart of State College, were Sunday evening callers in town. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waite of Loganton, and Mrs. Nicholas of Wilmington, Del., called at the C. J. Weaver, Jr. home, Sunday. Charles Fryer, stationed in South Carolina, and his brother, Russell Fryer, stationed in Midland, Texas, called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fryer last Thursday. Miss Madeline Douty of Loganton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wolfe over the weekend. Miss Julia Ocker of Millheim, spent last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bierly. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wagner of Lewistown, and Mrs. Arthur Beals and two children, Donna and Patti, of New Florence, were weekend guests at the M. R. Moyer home. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziegler and daughter Cynthia, of Port Matilda, spent the weekend with relatives here. Richard Meek of South Williamsport, is spending the week at the Paul Winters home. Mrs. Alma Haines, Mrs. Harry Rover, Mrs. William Tarbert, Mrs. William Ziegler and Mrs. Paul Winters were business callers in Lock Haven, Thursday. Mrs. William Fehl of Clearfield, was a Thursday dinner guest at the Wallace Walker home. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Greninger and daughter Nancy, are spending a few days at the Rev. A. J. Miller home in Stoyestown. Miss Sara Jane Reish, accompanied by her friend, Miss Lella Thompson of Philadelphia, both Penn State students, spent the weekend at the John Reish home. Mrs. William Kelly and Mrs. Mary Abbott are visitors in Lewisburg this week. Mrs. Kelly will spend a few days with friends in Harrisburg. Miss Alma Corman returned Friday, after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Wayne Rose in Mansfield, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Moyer and two boys, Wayne and Lynn, of Pleasant Gap, spent Sunday at the J. Fred Best home. Miss Helen Gephart of State College, is spending part of her vacation at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gephart.

SPRING MILLS

Only three weeks until school opens for the 1942-43 term, and children already are trying to pack more activity into each day of vacation they have left. Mr. and Mrs. Percival Tharp left last Wednesday for an extended trip to Lynchburg, Va., where they will visit friends and relatives. Mrs. Harry Allison closed up her store and went out of business indefinitely, last Friday. While there were quite a few cars noted on the highways Sunday, the number was considerably less than two weeks ago. Miss Dorothy Henry has secured employment at Lewistown. Our band has been in demand this summer and still have a number of engagements to fill. Miss Shirley Henry spent a few days visiting friends at Aaronsburg last week. Prof. Charles S. Kniss made a trip to Milesburg last Thursday evening, where he was a speaker at a Township Club meeting. C. E. Ziegler spent last Monday visiting friends at Loganton. Walter Snavely of Lock Haven, was a weekend guest at the Elmer Ripka home. Quite a number of our boys are leaving for induction into the Army over this weekend. Mr. and Mrs. William Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Livingston of Woodland, were guests at the Smith-Corman home on Sunday. Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Smith are sisters. The fourth annual Smith reunion was held on Saturday in the basement of the M. E. church at Spruce-town. Forty of the descendants of Mary Ann Moyer and Henry Rossman Smith were present. William E. Smith of Spring Mills, and Orvis Weaver of Centre Hall, who are employed by the O. W. Houtz Lumber Co. in the Greens Valley district, had an unusual experience a few weeks ago while cutting up a tree into long lengths for the mill. While trimming the limbs from the tree close to a knot hole, a large blacksnake extended its neck out of the hole. Immediately these two gentlemen got armed and dispatched Mr. Snake. After close examination of the center of the tree it was found that it contained many pounds of honey which the snake thrived on, but the makers of the honey were not present. This knot hole was approximately thirty-five feet from the ground. What puzzles their minds is, did the snake eat the bees and how could it get up this height of the tree. Prevent Fruit Drop—The hormone spray has proved successful in decreasing the percentage of fruit dropping before maturity. Fruit specialists of the Pennsylvania State College recommend applying the spray according to the manufacturer's directions as soon as the fruit begins to drop. It is effective for 8 to 10 days. Seed Poultry Ranges—August is a good time to plant mixtures of Ladino clover and grasses on ranges for chickens and turkeys. Leaflet 79, "Poultry Pastures," published by the Pennsylvania State College, gives detailed information on seeding and care. Harvest Clover Seed—Farmers who do not need their second crop of clover for hay or ensilage will help the seed situation by harvesting the crop for seed, say Penn State agronomists. The field should be quite free of weeds and the heads filled with seed. Buy Quality Peaches—Pennsylvania tree-ripened peaches, noted for their high quality, are now being bought by consumers report marketing specialists of the Pennsylvania State College. Buy Defense Bonds now!

LITTLE NITTANY

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Clark and daughter Martha, were among those who enjoyed a picnic at Lamar on Sunday. Miss Elizabeth Delaney has postponed her trip to Clifton, N. J. Gloria and Dempsey Dullen have returned home after spending several days at a camp meeting near Beech Creek. Mr. and Mrs. John Waltz of Nittany, called Wednesday evening at the Orvis Clark home.

FARM CALENDAR

Timely Reminders from the Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture

Local Leaders Help—More than 17,000 voluntary leaders are assisting agricultural and home economics extension representatives of the Pennsylvania State College in giving information on present day problems to their neighbors who cannot attend educational meetings because of lack of time and transportation facilities. Feed Wheat to Cows—For dairy cattle, wheat has a feeding value equal to corn, barley or hominy and can be used as a substitute for any of these feeds, say dairy specialists of the Pennsylvania State College. In too heavy proportions, wheat will form a sticky, pasty mass but it can be used in any amount up to 500 pounds per ton of mixture. Prevent Fruit Drop—The hormone spray has proved successful in decreasing the percentage of fruit dropping before maturity. Fruit specialists of the Pennsylvania State College recommend applying the spray according to the manufacturer's directions as soon as the fruit begins to drop. It is effective for 8 to 10 days. Seed Poultry Ranges—August is a good time to plant mixtures of Ladino clover and grasses on ranges for chickens and turkeys. Leaflet 79, "Poultry Pastures," published by the Pennsylvania State College, gives detailed information on seeding and care. Harvest Clover Seed—Farmers who do not need their second crop of clover for hay or ensilage will help the seed situation by harvesting the crop for seed, say Penn State agronomists. The field should be quite free of weeds and the heads filled with seed. Buy Quality Peaches—Pennsylvania tree-ripened peaches, noted for their high quality, are now being bought by consumers report marketing specialists of the Pennsylvania State College. Buy Defense Bonds now!

BENNER TWP.

Ira Benner's family and Francis Benner's family spent Sunday at Spruce Creek Park. Orvis Harris is threshing through Buffalo Run Valley this week. Bertha Shuey, who has been on the sick list for several months, is recuperating slowly. Farmers fear the potato crop in some sections will be ruined. The blight struck the potato crop and the stocks are dead before the potatoes developed, and the earlier potatoes are rotting on account of the rainy weather. William Smith of Bellefonte, has been busy working his potato and other crops he has planted on the Fred Graub farm here. We understand that Fred Neff is working down in Maryland. Quite a number of our boys and married men with families have been called to be examined for the Army. Unfortunately Clarence Johnson's cattle broke out of his pasture field and made way to Francis Benner's track and destroyed his entire crop of sweet corn, beans, sweet

FARM AND HOME

Blight Hits Tomatoes In "Victory" Gardens

A recent survey of Victory gardens by plant disease specialists revealed that the Alternaria blight is very destructive this year, reports County Agent R. C. Blaney. This disease, caused by two fungi, also is sometimes called early blight of tomato. All parts of the plant above ground may be attacked by the two fungi. Usually the first symptom to appear consists of brown-black target-like spots on the stem before the plants are set in the garden. These spots may enlarge and girdle the stem, causing it to topple over several weeks after transplanting. The phase of the disease now most prevalent is the leaf blight stage. Brownish-black spots appear on the lower leaves, causing them eventually to turn yellow and fall. Heavy infection will cause excessive reddening. Heavy rainfall and muggy weather are favorable for the spread of blight. Blossoms, blossom stems, and the fruit also are attacked by the disease which may cause the blossoms to fall. On the fruit, slightly sunken round spots, one-quarter to three-quarters of an inch in diameter, develop and these soon are overgrown with black mold. Control of the disease is found in a program of crop rotation and seed treatment, but if the disease is now present in the garden it may be controlled by spraying with a 6-6-100 bordeaux mixture or a fixed copper spray, for use with water. Fixed copper dust which contains 6 per cent metallic copper. Spray or dust weekly, thoroughly covering all new growth with the dust or spray. Detailed information on the preparation of small amounts of bordeaux mixture may be obtained from the Agricultural Extension Association office in Bellefonte.

YOUR HEALTH

Baby's eczema is mother's dilemma. Especially in the summer time it appears that eczema is somewhat hereditary. A parent with hypersensitivity to certain foods, pollens or other agents probably will have children sensitive to the same agent. Eczema is marked by roughness and redness of the skin. Often there are small blisters which form crusts or break and discharge a watery substance. Eczema may spread over most of the body. Usually it is seen on the face, in the bends of the elbow and knees, or in the armpits. When it appears on the scalp of infants, it is in the form of dry scales, known as "milk crust" or "cradle cap." This may clear up with an application of olive oil or mineral oil put on at night. Oil softens the scales and they can be more readily removed in the morning. Infants with eczema want to scratch. Their hands should be tied up. Some foods seem to make eczema worse. The family doctor will discover which foods are causing trouble and will advise what to do about them. Mothers who notice baby's skin becoming rough and scaly should quickly seek expert advice. Simple eczema, in the summer time, may be very irritating. Acute eczema can be serious. DO YOU KNOW According to natural laws, a baby is born 265 days (35 weeks) after conception. Few babies born before the 26th week survive.

World of Religion

Beginning on Rally Day, Sept. 27, and continuing through World Wide Communion Sunday, Oct. 4, thousands of Protestant churches of some forty denominations will observe Religious Education Week with plans that seek "to encourage the home, the church, churches working together with other agencies, and the community to face more adequately their responsibilities for providing a vital program of religious education for every child, every youth, and every adult." An inter-denominational committee, sponsored by the International Council of Religious Education, Chicago, Ill., is planning the observance. Hearing that the United States Government is planning to settle in Arkansas about 10,000 Japanese uprooted from the Pacific coast, some 200 Methodist ministers recently gathered at Conway, Ark., for the Arkansas Pastors' School, adopted resolutions which constitute a welcome to these new-comers. The pastors agreed to maintain a Christian spirit "toward these fellow citizens of ours," to provide them church buildings if necessary, and to ask the Board of Missions and Church Extension to place a Japanese-speaking missionary among them. They have also set up a "Board of Managers" under the chairmanship of Bishop C. C. Seelman, to give effect to this welcoming of the American Japanese. Ploeting along the Burma road ahead of the advancing Japanese army, and suffering from malnutrition, fatigue, and the infectious diseases of this area, thousands of refugees carried cholera and typhoid into the Province of Yunnan, West China, according to reports made to the Church Committee for China Relief by its Chungking representative, Maurice Votaw, by radio. According to Kunming, Yunnan, hospital reports, wards for contagious diseases treated 5,250 cases of cholera by early June, and more than one-fourth succumbed. Other thousands died along the Burma Road or elsewhere in West China. The National Health Administration, the American Red Cross, the National Red Cross Society, the International Relief Committee and other agencies—a number of them using American relief funds—are now assisting the refugees and the hospitals and other agencies serving them. This is the time of the year that the Spring gardener sadly realizes that all seed catalog writers are liars.

Many Changes Apparent in Textiles and Clothing

Already silk and nylon hose are being replaced by rayon and cotton, but these are only a few of the changes we can expect in the clothing and textile field, according to Helen S. Butler, home economics extension representative of Centre County. Foundation garments made of rubberized fabrics will contain more stiffened rayon or cotton, twill and batiste. Bathing suits will be of cotton and rayon jersey, and hats and gloves will be made of fabrics. More cotton and rayon will go into sweaters, and more fabrics will go into the making of shoes. There won't be as much new wool available and fabrics will be woven of various fibers, such as reused and reprocessed wool, rayon, and cotton. Mixed fibers will be woven into soft flannels, worsteds, tweils, and tweeds. Wool linings have been banned, rayon and cotton taking their place. Although ten dyes have been taken out of circulation for civilian use, more still are in 1940 available. Synthetics also used to waterproof fabrics are also used for ammunition. There will be waterproof work clothes, but certain types of shower curtains and fancy dress raincoats will be on the priority list.

STUDENTS TOUGHEN UP FOR UNCLE SAM'S ARMY

As a pre-induction measure to toughen up muscles of young men for rigorous duty in Uncle Sam's armed forces, the School of Physical Education at the Pennsylvania State College is constructing a 400-yard obstacle course on the campus this summer. Glenn N. Thiel, assistant professor of physical education, says that the obstacle course with its hurdles, vaults, vertical, horizontal ladders and barricades, will give the student a real test and put into play muscles seldom used by even the athletes. Part of the college's plan to de-emphasize its light and informal games by incorporating muscle-building substitutes, the obstacle course will be constructed of logs and will be similar to the one used by Navy pre-flight training centers. Obstacles will include a twisting, quarter-mile course, hurdling and vaulting logs, climbing ladders, running through 15-foot sand pits and scrambling over 8-foot walls, walking along narrow beams, jumping over 7-foot ditches, and climbing horizontal rope runs. There is no danger that the United States will be overwhelmed by the support of its people but there is the chance that it will be defeated in battle by its enemies.

SILK MILL EMPLOYEES HOLD WEINER ROAST

The workers on the day shift of the Spring Mills silk mill and their families, held a weiner roast at the Old Brownie Place in the mountains last Wednesday evening. Refreshments included pickles, cookies, hamburger, weiners and buns. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson, Betty and John Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bailey, Nancy and Richard Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grenoble, Mrs. Clarence Zerby, Mrs. Richard Slack, Nevin and Nadine Slack, Mrs. Ardell Vonada, Mrs. William Empfield, Dick Empfield, Mrs. Earl Heckman, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Condo, Mrs. Esther Miller, Dorothy Miller, Mrs. Newell Miller, Mary Lingle, Martha Kerstetter, Helen Snyder, Tony Snyder, Marian Kern, Melvin Snyder, Bernice Alters, Mrs. Donald Miller, Geraldine Lingle, of Spring Mills; Mrs. Doreen Conter, Johnny Conter, and Christine Conter, Mary Mersinger, and Kathryn Mersinger, of Coburn; Mr. and Mrs. William Spiker, Mrs. Grace Goodhart, Chickie Goodhart, Mrs. Kathryn Bron, Centre Hall; Mrs. Rebecca Smith, Nancy and Carol Smith, of Massachusetts. The evening was spent in playing games and at a late hour departed for their homes.

Farmers Are Urged to Harvest Clover Seed

Home-grown clover seed is a valuable crop for the Pennsylvania farmer this year. With some former producers in other states now growing other crops, the supply from outside sources is therefore uncertain. In addition, home-grown seed is better adapted to the locality in which produced, a valuable quality for farmers who want a sure crop of clover for hay or legume silage. If the second crop is not needed for hay or pasture, it can be saved for a seed crop, says county agent R. C. Blaney. The field should be free of such weeds as white cockles, docks and plantains. A good set of seed depends partly upon warm, bright weather when the clover is in bloom to aid pollination by bees and other insects. Examination of ripe heads will reveal whether the crop is worth harvesting. A good head will contain at least 25 seeds. Mow as soon as the heads are dead ripe but before they start to drop. A swather (windrower) on the mower will throw the clover into windrows or it can be raked before it is dry enough to shatter. The crop then can be threshed when quite dry with a pickup combine or hauled to a stationary thrasher. The easiest method is to cut and thresh with a combine at one operation after the entire crop is dead, but many heads may be lost by dropping. Also, the field must be quite free of green material and dry as possible, or the threshed seed may not be dry enough to keep without special care. Some cleaning with a fanning mill or by a commercial seed company may be needed.

Peaches Require Little or No Sugar in Canning

It won't be long until golden yellow and white peaches will be plentiful enough to can for next winter's use. No Centre County family wants to be without some of this delicious and popular canned fruit, believes Miss Helen S. Butler, home economics extension representative. Because of their size, peaches are one of the easiest and quickest fruits to preserve, obtaining from 16 to 20 quarts per bushel depending on how they are canned. For canning, select peaches with special care, using no bruised or green ones. Dip the peaches in hot water just until you can slip the skins off easily. Cut in halves or slices and pack into clean jars on which the rubbers have been placed. Add one pit to each jar for flavor. You may prefer to cook the peaches in a sirup until tender then pack hot into jars. Peaches contain 12 per cent natural fruit sugar so little extra sweetening is needed. Because of the sugar shortage this year, a thin sirup made of 1 cup of sugar and 3 cups of water is satisfactory. Some homemakers believe a little sugar helps to preserve the flavor and color of the fruit but sugar is not necessary. Peaches keep as well without as with sugar. Honey or corn sirup may be substituted for all or part of the sugar in the sirup. To can without sugar, prepare the peaches as for canning with sugar. Instead of using a sirup, take some of the riper fruit and cook to obtain juice and fill the jars with this juice. Be sure to entirely cover the peaches in the jar with either sirup or juice within one-fourth inch of the top of the jar. This will prevent discoloration of the canned product. Put lids on jars, complete and seal, and process in the hot water bath. If you pack peaches raw, process pint jar 20 minutes and quart jars 25 minutes. If you precook the peaches in sirup, process both pint

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