

Echoes From the Past

Fifty Years Ago

Rev. Houck, pastor of the M. E. church, Bellefonte, has been sojourning abroad for the past few months, is expected home by Friday evening of this week when a reception will be tendered him by members of the congregation.

James Cornely, who has been working at California, Pa., the past two months helping to put up the gas plant that originally stood at the Bellefonte Mill Works, is home again. Jim says Mr. Rose, the patient, has contracted for several new plants and they are proving to be a great success.

On Friday evening, 5th inst., the toll house in the gap north of Millheim was discovered to be on fire and the flames gained such rapid headway that the house was burned to the ground. The building was occupied by Andrew Ocker, who had insurance of \$700 on the house-hold goods, part of which were recovered from the flames.

On Friday morning James Solt had a bad fall by a loose board tripping him at the corner of Logan and Allegheny streets. He was taken to Dr. Kirk's office where it was found that his hip had been dislocated. Mr. Solt is a poor man yet he tries to make a living for himself and family by sprinkling the streets. Here is a good occasion for charity which should always begin at home.

W. H. Taylor published the following notice: "On the first of July, last, while engaged in breaking stone on the public road in Spring township, I was struck in the eye by a small piece of stone. This injury has resulted in the loss of sight in that eye and it will require a great deal of attention to save the other. I therefore resign the office of supervisor of the North side of Spring township."

On last Saturday evening the Nittany cornet band held its second festival for his season, and it was a very successful one, the proceeds amounting to over one hundred dollars. When this band was organized less than one year ago they purchased a good set of instruments and were considerably in debt, but by hard work they have managed to pay off the indebtedness and have a snug little sum left, which will go towards purchasing uniforms. They are all good musicians and are rapidly coming to the rank of one of the Centre county bands. The Zion band was present on this occasion and entertained the large crowd with some of their best selections.

Mr. James Judge died on last Friday morning at his residence in Tyrone. He was seventy-six years of age, and was the father of Dominick Judge, of this place. The funeral occurred on Monday. Christopher Heckler died on last Saturday at his home near Jaffa. He was a German and lived by himself; age about 69 years. The Bellefonte bicycle club made a fine turnout on last Saturday with about fifteen men in line. Schaeffer, the photographer, made several fine negatives of the boys. On Friday evening a new camp of the Patriotic Order Sons of America was established at Lemont with a charter membership of twenty-five new men. The new camp is known as No. 663.

Twenty Years Ago

John Renninger, Salona youth, had the third finger of his left hand caught in a thrashing machine and mangled so badly that surgeons at the Lock Haven Hospital were necessary to amputate part of the finger.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith on West Lamb street was placed under quarantine for diphtheria, their 14-year-old daughter, Louise, having contracted the disease. So far as was known the Smith case was the only one serious contagious disease in this area.

Calvin Osman, of Glen Iron, track foreman on the L. & T. branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, reported that while mowing brush on an eleven-mile section near Paddy Mountain, he and his gang of workmen dispatched 166 snakes, many of which were copperheads and rattlers.

Lloyd Harvey, driver of one of the Milesburg Brick Company's trucks, narrowly escaped death one evening when his truck was struck and demolished by a freight train as he was crossing the tracks near the brick plant. Harvey owed his life to the fact that he heard the train in time to leap from the truck before the locomotive struck it.

Two families, occupants of a frame dwelling with a store room attached, at Hecla Park, were made homeless by a fire after midnight, Saturday. The building was owned by Thomas Fulton, who occupied part of the building. The other apartment was tenanted by Mr. and Mrs. John Sheesley and five children. The building burned so rapidly that neither family had an opportunity to save any household goods.

Contractor George Rhoads of Coleville, advertised that the person who lost a dog ring could claim it by calling at his home and identifying the article. The catch to the proposal was that Mr. Rhoads found the ring in his chicken house after he had been missing chickens from the place for some weeks. Mr. Rhoads said it plain that he was anxious to return the ring to its rightful owner.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples: John P. Royer, State College, and Rae E. Young, Boalsburg; John D. Jones and Lulu E. Laird, both of Fort Matilda; Edward J. Immel and Mabel E. Genzel, both of Spring Mills; Charles M. Hockman, Zion, and Alice K. Zimmerman, Mingo; Arthur L. Marshall and Elizabeth M. Rooker, both of Williamsport; Harry L. Barrett, Bellefonte, and Mary I. Braden, Spring Mills; Bayard A. Wright, Jr., Latrobe, and Alice E. Irvin, Pennsylvania Furnace; Edwin T. Weaver, Rebersburg, and Evelyn M. Snyder, Millheim.

Over the County News

Miss Nellie Smith, daughter of J. Frank Smith, of Bellefonte, was visiting in Centre Hall. Miss Smith was an instructor in Columbia Hospital, Wilkensburg.

The Emerick Bus lines announced a regular daily schedule of buses between Bellefonte and Centre Hall during the week of the annual Grange Fair.

Mrs. Frank McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. John Blanchard, and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis L. Orvis were to entertain at musical teas at their homes for the benefit of the Music Study Club and the Bellefonte Hospital.

The following five Bellefonte business men motored to Milton where they transacted business and were guests at dinner of the Milton Manufacturers' Club: Arthur C. Dale, Robert Walker, Russell Smith, John G. Love, and Ebon Bower.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Centre County Commissioners, to G. E. Haupt, of Bellefonte, R. D. 3, tract in Snow Shoe Twp., \$8.

Centre County Treasurer, to R. K. Archer, of Hill Hall, R. D. 1, tract in Howard Twp., \$18.00.

Emma R. Rachau, by heirs, to Jay H. Rachau, et al., of Spring Mills, R. D. 2, tract in Gregg Twp., \$25.

George Boal, et al., to William H. Miller, of Boalsburg, tract in Harris Twp., \$75.

Charles F. Schad, to Florence Pierce, et al., of Picture Rocks, tract in Bellefonte, North Ward, \$1.

Centre County Commissioners, to Harry Quick, of Snow Shoe, tract in Snow Shoe Borough, \$25.

Thomas J. Ocker, et al., to Charles C. Garrett, et al., of Miles Twp., tract in Miles Twp., \$300.

Mary J. Kennedy, to Nevin D. Johnson, of Bellefonte, R. D. 2, tract in Spring Twp., \$1.

George M. Remley, to Jean Abramson, of State College, tract in State College, \$6,100.

BENNER TWP.

We have been having so much rain the past month it is hard on the grain and farmers fear the potatoes will rot.

Fred Neff and family, who have been working down on Maryland, came to their farm here at Rock and spent Sunday on the farm.

Ira Benner and wife raised 80 young chickens this summer and had them ready for market when someone stole the hole back except 12 small ones which were too small for market. Saturday evening last the Benner family were in Bellefonte doing their week's shopping. They also stole all the plums and watermelon apples. The people in the community suspect the thief, and the Benner family decided to have someone stay at the place if the family leaves the house from now on.

Orvis Harris has laid off threatening to sue on account of the farmer attending the Grange Fair.

Francis Benner had the misfortune of tearing a ligament in his left ankle when he stepped off a platform at the lime kilns, where he is working and had to be off work for a few days.

Mrs. John Clark has decided to sell some of her furniture since her husband's death. She will not need the furniture while she is staying with her son, Sawyer's family. The furniture is very nice and she will sell it reasonable. Anyone needing furniture should call to see Mrs. Clark at the Clark farm here at Rock. There will be good bargains for newly married couples needing good furniture.

Relatives held a kitchen shower for Donald Smelter and wife on Thursday evening at the home of Donald's grandfather, Lyman Bickie at Buffalo Run.

Arthur Hull's family and Harry Tresler's family of Mill Hall, spent Sunday evening at the home of Francis Benner.

William Emberton of Williamsburg, has been traveling through here quite a lot on his motorcycle. He and his wife motored to the home of Joe Stover and spent a day there this week.

Sorry to note the death of Mrs. Edward Dugan, who died on Thursday evening in the Centre County Hospital. She was the mother of Frank Dugan of Klondike. She was a kind-hearted and good neighbor and was well liked by every person who knew her. She had hosts of friends and will be greatly missed by everybody. She has two sons in the Army and it was a terrible shock to hear of their mother's death.

Some farmers are boiling apple butter this week, while others are attending the Grange Fair.

Bertha Shuey, who has been on the sick list for several months, is slowly recuperating. We hope for her speedy recovery.

SNOW SHOE

The Sunshin Sunday school class of the M. E. church held a weiner roast at Beech Creek on Tuesday evening. Those present were: Gladys Wenrick, Ann Haynes, Sara Budinger, Harriet and Madge Lucas, June Cullen, Lois Swartz, Myra Dixon, Chappens, Misses Kathryn Dixon and Pauline Lucas.

The Ladies' Bible class of the M. E. church held a picnic supper on Wednesday evening. After the business meeting supper was served. Those present were: Mesdames Mary Dixon, daughter Kathryn, Sophie David, Elizabeth Harding, Ida Conter, Bea Heshley, Mary Smith, Edith Gilliland, Mabel Preston, Viola McNamee, Marie Quick, Edna Shays, Frances Coner, Ann Musser, Sally Ross, Myra Budinger, Clara Moore, Kathryn Irwin, Carrie Swartz, and Ellen Reese.

The camping party at Hall's hunting camp for a few days last week were: Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, daughter Jane, son James, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wenrick, daughter Shelby Mae, son Warren, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William Wenrick, daughters Dorothy Ann, Billy Lou, sons Dick and Buck, Mrs. Florence Bradley and Mrs. Blanche Wenrick.

Mrs. Charles Weaver is visiting relatives at Philadelphia.

KILLS SNAKE WITH ARROW

Richard C. Hoy, Lock Haven, engineer at the Piper Aircraft Corporation, killed a 39-inch rattlesnake with a bow and arrow last week, at the rear of the Lester Bowes residence on Lockport Heights. It was the first rattlesnake seen in that section for 20 years; the Bowes family said.

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HOLTS HOLLOW

Improvements to the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. were begun last week when workmen started removing the roof from the swimming pool. The roof, which has been in bad condition for some time, will be completely replaced. The wall separating the gymnasium from the hallway leading to bowling alleys will be torn down and rebuilt. Storage spaces will be built in the bowling alley. The work is being done by Lewis Smith, Bellefonte contractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Keeler, of Blanchard street, have just been notified that their two sons in the U. S. Service have been promoted to the rank of Sergeant in both cases. Harry, who is stationed at Camp Cook, Lompoc, California, before enlisting about a year and a half ago, was employed at the West Penn Power Company, Jay, who is at Camp Rapid, Rapid City, South Dakota, was an employee of the Bell Telephone Company before his enlistment the first of this year.

Approximately \$350 was realized at the festival in Millheim last Saturday evening, which was sponsored by the service clubs. All bills have not as yet been paid, so the net receipts are not known at this time. Two Brush Valley farms have changed owners. The W. P. Peteroff farm, formerly the Ed. Bierly farm, at the crossroads in the middle of the valley, was sold by Mr. Peteroff to William Burd, tenant of the Thomas F. Wise farm, west of Madisonburg. The other is the Ira Shultz farm, sold, it is said, to Henry Zerby of Farmers Mills. The considerations involved in these transactions are not made public. Mr. Peteroff, lumberman, probably will move back to his home in Madisonburg while Mr. Shultz will occupy the tenant house now occupied by his mother.

BUSH HOLLOW

Sunday school on Sunday morning at 9:30. Preaching service Sunday evening at 7:30, in charge of Rev. Daniel Cottage prayer meeting this Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Irvin. We are welcome to each and all services.

Are you coming to the Sunday school picnic on Thursday? We are all hoping for a nice day.

Some of the folks from here motored to Fort Matilda, last Friday evening and had prayer meeting at the parsonage there; also had a reception for our pastor and family the same evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Irvin and family spent Sunday at the Thomas Fye home in Runville.

Mrs. Edna Spotts is spending this week at her daughter's, Mrs. Edgar King and family, in Coleville.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniels and two children look Sunday dinner at the Martha E. Jones, Miss Virginia Gray of Coleville, is spending this week at the Spotts home.

Quite a few turned out to help clean the church last Thursday, but the man-labor to work outside was rather scarce. Everyone enjoyed the picnic dinner held at noon.

WOODWARD

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Musser and daughter Wanda, of Selmsgrove, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Musser and father, E. H. Musser of Akron, were Sunday guests at the H. O. Fiedler residence.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Motz, Mrs. C. E. Kreamer and Miss Mabel Wolf left on Friday evening's eastbound Greyhound, enroute for Atlantic City, to visit some of our soldier boys, particularly Carl Motz, Jr. and C. Harwood Kreamer, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Eisenhuth and daughter of Union county, were Sunday guests with relatives in town.

The split-tailed barn swallows flew for the sunny south on the 18th and 19th of this month. A few left ones were still seen in town on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kuehlman, Jr., and child of Toronto, Ohio, were guests at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ard, over the weekend. By the way, Mr. Kuehlman is employed as a draftsman by a steel concern at the above-named place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ard of Aberdeen, Md., and Harry Long of near Chambersburg, were home over the weekend.

Sunday was certainly a very inclement day, especially in the afternoon, a drizzling rain most of the day.

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RYNN HAAGEN

Ryann Haagen and son Johnny, of Lemont.

Mrs. Annie Lutz of this place, returned home from a visit with her son, Ben and wife of Pittsburgh, on Wednesday.

Ed Dorman went to Danville on Saturday to receive one of his regular treatments.

G. F. Rogers of Nittany, was a visitor among friends in our town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Flader and granddaughter of Bellefonte, were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Lutz home.

PLEASANT VALLEY (BOGS TWP.)

Sorry to hear of the death of the small child of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Emel. The family have our sympathy.

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Sunday School Lesson

THE WAGES OF SIN
International Sunday School Lesson for September 6, 1942.

Golden Text: "The way of the wicked shall perish."—Psalm 1: 6.

Lesson Text: Genesis 12: 13; 19: 23-25; Deut. 32: 31-33; Amos 6: 1-7.

One of the interesting things about the Bible is that in chronicling the events of the ages, there is no effort to smooth over, or eliminate the evil occurrences. The Bible tells of the evil, as well as the good. In its descriptions of its characters, there is no inclination to make them perfect heroes, but everything, good or evil, in each life is told. This, to us, is one evidence of the authenticity of the Bible as God's word.

As we think of our subject for this lesson, it is well for us to trace the beginning of recorded time down to the present. Our first reference is from the first book of the Bible, Genesis, and takes us back to the days of Abraham and Lot. When the time came that the herds of these two men became so great that they could no longer live together, Abraham, the elder of the two and uncle of Lot, gave the younger man selfishly the choosing of the site he desired. The younger man selfishly chose the best of the land, the Jordan, and Abraham lived in the land of Canaan.

As it happened, the city of Sodom was nearby where Lot lived, and while Lot knew of the city's reputation for wickedness, he foolishly believed that it would make no difference to him and his family. How different he found this to be. He found that the influence of his wicked neighbors resulted in the degradation of his family and the ruin of his own happiness. And the same is true today. Our environment and our companions can make or mar our lives, depending upon whether they are good or evil.

The second reference given for our consideration is known as the "Swan Song" of Moses, who in these verses, compares the possessions of the Israelites, as God's chosen people, with the possessions of the people around them. The rock refers to God; the vine to their national stock; the grapes to their 600,000 Israelites. It is a pity that men are not more cognizant of the fact that righteousness is more advantageous, in the long run, to them as individuals and as a nation than unrighteousness.

Read carefully the selection from Amos. Is there anything in it that reminds you of our modern civilization? With the nations of the world at war, conditions have changed somewhat from a year or two ago, but there is a striking similarity of conditions pictured. We should always remember that "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

The following, taken from Tarbell's Teacher's Guide, should make us think: "When Dr. Daniel Foote was asked if he believed that the present situation in the world was comparable to the period which immediately preceded the fall of the Roman Empire; if our present day civilization were actually in danger of destruction, he replied as follows: 'As to the Roman Empire, one of the greatest historians, Gibbon, in his monumental work, "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," gives five reasons for the decline. His conclusions are significant, since he was not a Christian, but a non-believer.

"First: Rapid increase of divorce, with the undermining of the stability of the home, which is the basis of society.

"Second: Higher and higher taxes; the spending of public money for bread and celebrations.

"Third: The mad craze for pleasure; sports becoming each year more exciting and more numerous.

"Fourth: The building of gigantic armaments, when the real enemy was within; the decadence of the people.

"Fifth: The decay of religion; faith fading into mere form, losing touch with life and becoming impotent to guide.

"These five reasons give a twentieth-century American citizen serious pause. Read them again."

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

BY W.W. REID

"Next to our kinship to God, the most basic and significant relationship of life are within the home," says Dr. Aaron Raskin, rural pastor of the Methodist church of "The home is the greatest of all institutions. The right kind of atmosphere within the home, and between parents and children, is the best basis for living a worthwhile life. Certainly there is nothing better than the home to help bring about the best relationship between man and God. Many souls are anemic and hungry today because they are looking outside for the happiness that can come only by way of the home."

Believing that there will be a demand for new churches and chapels in many newly organized suburban and industrial communities, following the present war, the Northern Baptist Convention has launched an effort to raise funds for a long-term post-war building project. An initial amount of \$250,000 is sought, but this will be increased through the months. It is not expected that any funds will be expended until the war is ended, and then only in communities that have permanently increased populations. The Rev. Edwin A. Bell, of Chicago, is in charge of the project.

Dr. Robert McClure, Canadian medical missionary who has for years been directing medical work among West China's military and civilian wounded, has recently been engaged in stemming an outbreak of relapsing fever that first attacked Chinese workers, and with laboratory work and medicines supplied by the Health Training School, Dr. McClure stemmed the epidemic among the soldiers and in a nearby village within three days. Hundreds of people were vaccinated. "It took only 17 cents worth of drugs to 'clear up' each man," says Dr. McClure.

"Every period of mobilization in our nation's life has been a time of wide and effective scripture distribution to enlisted men," says Dr. Francis Carr Stiffer of the American Bible Society. "During the Civil War the Society distributed hundreds of thousands of Bibles and testaments to the armies on both sides of the conflict. Over two million New Testaments were distributed during the first World War. Today the chaplains of the Army, Navy, and Air Forces are sending in their requests and re-orders so fast that the presses are working over time and the books are being shipped the day they are bound—the rate of output being nearly 40,000 a week."

"The Eight Points of the Atlantic Charter are certainly being applicable to Africa," according to Canon Ernest W. Reid, chief of the post-war needs of the African people. "We believe Africa should not be exploited by European or American interests at the expense of the native people. There is still need for outside capital and development, but it must be subject to self-imposed governmental 'controls' to make sure that the major advantage from the commercial development of Africa would go to the Africans. Africa must hereafter be considered by the outsider primarily as a place of service to the Africans rather than as a field for financial gains. . . . It would be fair to consider the land as belonging primarily to the Africans, and that none should be taken from them which would be essential to their self-support."

Miss Anna Agnes Abbott, of Payson, Ill., missionary of the Methodist church in Poona, India, is engaged in translating a number of health and educational books into the Marathi language of India, and seeing these books through the press. Miss Abbott speaks and writes fluently in this major language of the Bombay Presidency. Her recent Marathi publications include three books on the training of children (written originally in Chinese), a treatise on child marriage, and one against the prevalent habit of feeding infants to babies.

DEMAND FOR TIMBER BY WAR INDUSTRIES GROWS

Shipyards, steel mills and other war industries are needing more and more sawed timber, reports County Agent R. C. Blaney.

In spite of the increasing need, production in general is falling. To a large extent this condition is the result of growing shortages of labor necessary to cut, manufacture and transport the timber to points where it is needed.

Farm timber owners can help this fall and winter by cutting and skidding their salable timber in some instances, by using their trucks or teams to haul the logs to the nearest sawmill. By doing this, not only can the woodland owner help prevent a serious drop in timber production, but he also can add considerably to the cash he receives for his timber.

Before cutting the timber the owner can make marketing arrangements with the sawmill operator. The owner should know the kinds of timber needed, sizes, lengths of logs, measuring methods, prices per unit, and other necessary specifications.

In order to aid in the effort to keep war industries supplied with timber, Co. Agent Blaney will give prompt attention to all requests for information on timber marketing or manufacturing coming from either timber owner or sawmill operator.

WHITMORE IS NAMED TO WAR COMMITTEE

Dr. Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the School of Chemistry and Physics at the Pennsylvania State College, has been named as one of 12 prominent American chemists to advise the War Production Board on technical processes related to the war effort.

Dr. Ernest W. Reid, chief of the chemical branch of the W. P. B., said that the committee of 12 chemists would act as advisers upon a number of proposed chemical methods and pass upon the merits of competing chemical processes.

Dean Whitmore was president of the American Chemical Society in 1938 and was awarded the highest chemical award of that society, the Nichols medal, in 1937.

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