

Echoes From the Past

Fifty Years Ago

The stockholders of the Blair County Banking Company, Tyrone, held their annual meeting last week and after reviewing the year's work expressed themselves as satisfied, and passed a resolution to put up a good building on their lot, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 10th street, the coming spring.

Last Friday afternoon fire was discovered in the second story of Mrs. Mary Gramme's residence, near the Milesburg depot. A crowd soon gathered, but the flames were so far advanced that only the furniture and contents on the first floor could be saved, and all effects were directed to saving adjoining property.

Stript fever has again broken out at Beech Creek, the children of two families having been stricken with the disease during the last few days. The many diseases which have afflicted the borough within the last few years have led many to believe that the stagnant water of the unused mill pond near the town and the swampy condition generally of the ground surrounding the place are responsible for the sickness.

Hon. John T. McCormick, of this county, is reported by the Harrisburg Patriot to follow a story widely circulated concerning the conduct of some students of State College at a concert held at Pine Grove Mills, does great injustice to these young men. This place is near my home and some of the members of my family attended the entertainment referred to.

Many of the older residents of Bellefonte and vicinity will remember the unique style of "The Racket" store advertisements. For them and for those unfamiliar with the store which was an institution here for many years, we reprint the following:

I take my pen in hand to let U know that we just received about 2000 yards of ribbon (to make 2500 yards) Ston short, now, and think what a big lot of ribbon that is; and when we tell U that U can buy it for less than it cost to make, now stop short and think again, and if you are Y.Y.S. U will buy ribbon enough to last a year. Nuf sed.

2638 yards of Embroidery and Laces, just in, at prices that knock the persimmons. Kom and C the Racket now. P. S.—Valentines are here, too.

Private Jones. A delightful party was held at the home of J. R. Mattern, near Julian, the evening being spent in dancing and playing games. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mattern, Mrs. Elizabeth Nason, Misses Helen Swisher, Elsie Williams, Della Shaeffer, Emily Steele, Anna Andrews, Nell Williams, Roxie Johnsonbaugh, May Holt, Florence Steele, Ruth Newman, Ruth Myers, Elizabeth Williams, Elsie Andrews, Selda Maurer, Minnie Gill, Lottie Parsons, Nellie Swisher, Elsie Williams, Elizabeth Andrews, Messrs. O. C. Spackman, Herman Bennett, Hubert Williams, Edward Myers, Dean Andrews, William Crole, Orlando Williams, Edward Lettitz, Linden Miles, Clark Williams, Thomas Turner, Dean Williams, Charles Alexander, David Chandler, John Myers, Lewis Gill, Stanforth Artz, Lawrence Spackman, Roy Morrison, Edward Dillen and John Spackman.

Many Bellefonte people went to the College to see the film "When Knighthood Was in Flower," at the Nittany Theatre. Douglas Fairbanks was featured in the film, which was nationally advertised as one of the finest ever produced.

At the annual organization meeting of the stockholders of the Roberson National Bank the following directors were elected: J. R. Brungart, M. C. Haines, J. N. Moyer, W. J. Kreider, C. H. Smull, S. A. Bierly, C. J. Weaver, Jr., W. L. Barber, and H. A. Meyer.

Pauline, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Witter, of West High street, was confined to the family apartment because of a serious attack of scarlet fever. The Witter home was the first in Bellefonte to be quarantined for this disease in the winter of 1923.

L. H. Gettig, Bellefonte meat market proprietor, was painfully injured when his hand came in contact with the knife on a meat cutting machine. The end of the third finger of his left hand was severed.

Charles Heilbeck, manager of the Bellefonte office of the Bell Telephone Company, went to Harrisburg to attend a conference of local managers. Miss Agnes Carpenter, who had been a surgical patient at Geisinger Hospital, Dayton, Ohio, had returned to her home and was well on the way to recovery.

George H. Fleming et ux to George H. Fleming, Jr., et ux, State College, tract in State College, \$1. Frank P. Phillips et ux to Paul E. Bradford et ux, Centre Hill, tract in Potter township, \$1250.

Waldo E. Homan, et ux, to Edward D. Zong, et ux, of Boalsburg, tract in Harris Twp. \$1. C. A. Long, exr. to A. B. Conifer, Spring Mills, tract in Gregg Twp. \$1.

Timely Reminders from the Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture. 4-H Clubs Mobilize—From February 8 to 14, on a nation-wide scale, rural boys and girls will be given an opportunity to enroll as 4-H Club members.

Prune Fruit Trees—Wherever possible, pruning of fruit trees should be delayed until severe winter weather is past, remind the fruit specialists of the Pennsylvania State College. If shortage of labor makes earlier pruning necessary, apple trees should be pruned first and peach trees last, because apple trees are harder than peach trees.

Production More Milk—Practically every cow will give more milk if she is milked three times a day instead of twice, remind dairy specialists of the Pennsylvania State College. Naturally the higher producing cows will produce the greatest increases, from 10 to 25 per cent more.

Tobacco May Be Rationed. A warning that smoking tobacco and cigarettes may be rationed before the end of the year is emphasized both by leaders of the industry and government officials.

Over the County News

John C. Musser, Pine Creek farmer, is engaged in making logs out of some of the fine pine and hemlock timber at G. O. Nell's summer home, near the Nittany property. It is expected that such timber will be reduced to logs, taken to the Warren Smith mill at Fox's Gap and later sawed into lumber.

James Funk of Bellefonte was elected president of Local Union No. 1981 of the Titan Metal Co. It was announced by Elmer J. Garbrick, recording secretary. Other officers named for 1943 are: Nevin Corman, vice-president; Elmer Garbrick, recording secretary; Russell Amman, financial secretary; John Tressler, treasurer; Clarence Confer, guard; and Donald Markley, guide.

Twenty-seven candidates were initiated into the Bellefonte Chapter, No. 14 of the Moose, at a Chapter Night ceremony at the Moose Hall last Wednesday night. The class was in honor of Miss Kathryn Smith, grand chancellor of the order.

The Neighborhood Garden Club held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. George Hoover, Thursday, January 28. The meeting opened with president Mrs. Harry Marshall in charge.

The program was on cotton, which was very interesting and educational. The meeting opened with the song Carry Me Back to Old Virginia, followed by the Lord's prayer. The president then read the history of cotton, after which the roll was called, each member having the name of some cotton material and responding by telling what could be made out of such material.

The subject of cotton was then taken up, and first was cotton raising. We had a growing plant, cotton seed and cotton displayed which had come from Winnabou, N. C. Mrs. J. H. Crain, who was in a cotton plantation in Texas, picking cotton, she was Mrs. J. H. Crain. We also had samples of sheeting, muslin pillow tubing, gold cloth, percale and some prints, all made out of cotton.

CLARENCE. Mrs. John Lohr has been on the sick list but is better at this time. Visitors at the Steve Bugosh home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. George Handl, Mr. and Mrs. Krusch and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Murnack.

Official board meeting tonight at the Myers home. Mrs. Dewey McLaughlin was in town on business recently. The daughter, Dolores, has now changed her residence and is with the Bell family.

Methodists of Moshannon had a fish supper Saturday evening for their townfolk. A belated item was the following: Sorry it didn't come to your attention earlier. A farewell party was held at the Pete Girardi home for their son John and his friend, Andrew Paul Alexander, both of this place.

The quicker the war ends the better it will suit most Americans, but if we think our problems will end when the fighting stops, we are mistaken.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

You cannot keep beauty long if you break the laws of health, even though nature bestowed it upon you at birth. In order that creams and powders may do effective work, they must have as a foundation a good skin. The hair must be glossy, the eyes sparkling and the teeth clean and white. The person must be neat and well groomed.

Above all no one can possess a charming personality who is not kind, unselfish and thoughtful. Goodness is the crowning glory that cannot be worn as a garment to be put off and on at will. Pretense never deceives anyone. The counterfeit will always be discovered, and disgust will take the place of admiration.

Three things are necessary for the beauty-seeker—plenty of sleep, sufficient exercise and the right diet. This list requires knowledge which you may acquire by earnest study. It is most unfortunate, even tragic, that the American diet has been so denatured and devitalized by milling processes that most of the millings, vitamins and minerals have been removed from our breads and cereals.

For example, people are paying large prices for vitamins in pills and tablets, because they contain vitamins that are lacking in many foods besides the white flour, bread, and polished rice that constitute such a large part of their diet. True, the claim is made that some vitamins are put back into the flour.

HOUSEHOLD SCRAPBOOK. Painting Over Glass. When painting over glass it is important that the glass be absolutely clean of grease and this can be done by washing it with benzine or alcohol, and then letting it dry thoroughly.

Care of Leather. Leather can be cleaned and softened by use of a liquid mixture consisting of one part vinegar and two parts linseed oil. Apply with a soft cloth, rub and polish with a dry cloth.

Rust Stains on Porcelain. Brown stains are most difficult, if not impossible, to remove if they are under the enamel. The surface stains can generally be removed by rubbing with a weak solution of alkaline cleaning compounds such as trisodium phosphate or washing soda. Oxalic acid will remove rust stains. This last must be used with caution as it is poison if taken internally.

Chill Sore. Mold will not form on top of bottled chili sauce if before using a few drops of olive oil are put into the bottle. Do not fill the bottle to the top. Leave air space.

Dogs Kill Young Pigs. Dogs that on two occasions have visited the pen of Ben F. Hosier, near Selinsgrove, killed six shoats of about 50 pounds each. One of the dogs was shot after being driven off while tearing the neck of another pig. The license number of a dog which escaped has been secured.

Sunday School Lesson

JESUS AFFIRMS HIS DEITY. International Sunday School Lesson. For February 7, 1943. GOLDEN TEXT: "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."—John 14: 9. (Lesson Text: John 8: 12; 25-36; 56-59).

While the exact setting of this lesson is not actually known, it is probable that this discourse of Jesus took place on the last day of the Feast of the Tabernacles, set apart to commemorate the blessings of God to the people of Israel during the Wilderness wanderings.

The two greatest blessings most vivid in the minds of the Jews were the giving of water and the guidance and protection furnished by the Pillar of Fire. For seven days of the celebration, water was carried from the Pool of Siloam to the temple but on the eighth day, no water was carried, symbolizing the close of the Wilderness wanderings and the entrance into the land where water was abundant.

It was on this occasion that Jesus stood up and cried, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." John 7: 37, thus calling attention to the fact that all of the promises and blessings of God were fulfilled in him, who was the water of life.

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION. BY W.W. REID. A Christian Chinese student is reported to have become homesick while he listened in London to a Bohemian symphony based on American Negro themes (Dvorak's New World), because he had sung the air "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," "Goin' Home" in his college glee club in Fukien Province, China.

YOUR HEALTH. Sprain is caused by a violent movement of a joint, carrying it beyond its normal range of motion. Sprain differs from dislocation in that no permanent displacement results. In children, there is considerable elasticity of the ligaments which alter static conditions—among these being knock knees, bowlegs and flatfeet.

DO YOU KNOW. Penguins, when about to die, often walk inland away from the shore. Regular paths have been found in Antarctic regions where these old birds go for their last walk. At the end of these paths, usually on a rise or hill, are to be found great quantities of penguin's bones and feathers.

One of the "bright boys" from a neighboring town gives us an idea for blackouts during air raid drills. He claims that if the proper authorities would inform the lime works to "blow off" their lime dust when an air raid signal went into effect the town could be totally blacked out without having all lights in the neighborhood turned off.

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