

Echoes From the Past

Fifty Years Ago

Next Tuesday Rev. Blackburn leaves Bellefonte to take charge of his new appointment in the United Brethren church at Altoona. He will conduct his last services in the United Brethren church at this place next Sunday.

F. O. Hosterman, of Millheim, and L. E. Stover, of Haines township, have purchased J. C. Smith's hardware store in Millheim and will take charge of it October 1. Mr. Hosterman formerly kept a general store at Feidler. Mr. Smith is the present postmaster at Millheim.

A thirteen-year-old son of Amos Lee, beyond Tusseyville, died on Wednesday of last week of spotted fever. Cases of this disease are rare in these parts. Dr. Emerick is of the opinion the disease was brought about by the too frequent bathing which the lad indulged in during the dog days.

Dr. J. E. Wasson, formerly a resident of Lemont, this county, died at his home in Spruce Creek on Saturday, the result of inflammation of the bowels. He was aged 36 years, a christian gentleman and well up in the knowledge of his profession. He is survived by a wife, father, mother and three brothers.

Company B is taking steps for the opening of the new armory which is rapidly being pushed to completion. They expect to dedicate it on Thanksgiving day with appropriate exercises. A large number of state officials and military dignitaries are expected. Several neighboring companies also will be there.

The University Inn at State College, was struck by lightning during last Saturday's storm. The inmates were badly frightened but no serious damage was done. On Monday the hazy atmosphere disappeared and once more we have a clear, blue sky, with pure sunlight. The heavy rains had the effect of quenching the extensive mountain fires.

Cattle on Sugar Valley mountains are said to be dying in large numbers. As a single instance John Snook, the mountain farmer, on Saturday had already lost three head and more were dying. The farmers think their cattle have been poisoned by eating wild mercury, a rank plant which has taken a second growth in ground burnt over by forest fires.

The fall session of the Bellefonte Academy opened on Monday, Sept. 10, with the following instructors: Miss Julia L. Reed, teacher in young ladies' room; Miss Emily Williamson, teacher in primary and intermediate departments; Miss Katherine Harris, teacher of calisthenics and Deslertian exercises; Mr. James R. Hughes, teacher in charge of young men's room; Rev. J. F. Hughes, principal and teacher of mathematics.

Al S. Garman attended the Democratic State Convention at Harrisburg on Tuesday. Schad Brothers have the contract for fitting out Joseph Brothers' three holed out Curtin street with steam heat. William S. Keller, Esq., of Lancaster, is home on a short visit. He is succeeding as a young barrister. Will Runkle, son of Jacob Runkle, has decided to take up the drug business. He is now clerking in Zeller's store.

20 YEARS AGO

H. W. Chandler, of Millheim, had completed plans for the construction of a greenhouse, and the structure was to be completed before spring. Elmer Lytle, of Pine Grove Mills, escaped injury when his Ford was struck by the L. & T. train on the Jodon crossing, South West street. The car was considerably damaged.

James G. Stewart, of Tyrone, became the new owner of the Hill House in Bellefonte, and A. S. Garman, former proprietor of the Garman House, had been retained as manager. The Millheim knitting mill was running at peak capacity and was producing about 500 dozen pairs of hose a day. The knitting and ribbing machines were in operation 22 hours out of 24 daily.

Miss Mildred Wands and Zella Inhoff, State College girls, were back from their long hike to Niagara Falls and Buffalo, N. Y., as well as side trips into Canada, Cleveland, Ohio, and other places along the way. They were gone five days. Miss Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sumner Miller, of State College, was awarded the McAllister scholarship at Penn State. Miss Miller had graduated from the State College High School in June and was an exceptional student.

A magnificent bowl light installed in the center of the auditorium of St. John's Lutheran church, was the gift of two members of the congregation. The light, said to have cost approximately \$300, provided indirect illumination of the entire auditorium. It was installed by the Electric Supply Company.

Carson H. Dauberman, of Orvinton, was killed at Hyner station, Clinton county, Friday morning, when he was run over by a freight train. The body, with severe injuries about the head, was found by trainmen along the PRR tracks. It was believed that he fell or jumped from the train and landed under the wheels.

Contractor W. S. Williams of Centre Hall, shot and killed a wildcat while hunting down near his home in the Seven Mountains at Colyer. Mr. Williams dislodged the animal from a tree with buckshot and his dogs finished the job. The cat measured about five feet from tip to tip. The bounty paid by the state was \$10 and the pelt was worth about \$4.

Thomas Jodon, of Pleasant Gap, received minor bruises about the hip when he stepped from the rear of his car, parked on Hill street, Bellefonte, into the path of an approaching delivery truck. The truck was driven by Robert McMullen and was owned by the City Cash Grocery. The injured man was taken to the offices of a physician where he was treated for shock.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples: John B. Kachik and Mary Baisel, both of Clarion; Irvin E. McClellan and Elsie Groves, both of Centre Hall; Frederick Branson, Bouburg, and Edwina C. Wieland, Linden Hall; William N. Gorman, Sandy Ridge, and Charlotte Viola Barr, Birmingham; Frank H. Wolfe and Marjorie M. Wooster, both of Bellefonte.

John P. Harris entertained a number of friends and relatives at his home here in celebration of his 92nd birthday anniversary. Among the guests were his cousin, Mrs. Catherine Rhoads, of Williamsport, aged 96; his son, J. Lynn Harris, and Mrs. G. Watson Fredericks, both of Lock Haven. Mr. Harris was the oldest banker in Pennsylvania when he retired on his 89th birthday. Despite his advanced age he was seen daily on the streets of town.

Miss Emily Goodling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Goodling, of State College, won the county gold medal contest at the WCTU convention at Howard. John Brocks and her sister, nolds, a slater, fell from the roof on F. C. Disque's new house in State College, suffering a fractured collar bone and a face laceration which required 31 stitches to close. Mr. Reynolds was 74 years old and was a resident of Tyrone, but was well known in the State College area, having aided many buildings in that community.

"Bellefonte Crepe" was the engraved name on the product of the J. H. and C. K. Eagle silk company of Ebanokin, who operated a branch plant in Bellefonte. The texture of the new product was said to be superior to other silks, and was being manufactured at the Bellefonte plant. H. M. Bidwell, of South Allegheny street, was found dead on the floor of his bedroom, by his son, Morton. Heart trouble was assigned as the cause of the death of the well known Bellefonte upholsterer. Five children and a brother survived.

The children of the second, third and fourth grades of the Allegheny street school, were entertained at a weiner roast held at the Hughes athletic field by their teacher, Miss Hilda Leathers. Among those present were: Irene McClellan, Betty Womer, Marie Nelson, Thelma Shutt, Elizabeth Thompson, Josephine Thompson, Ruth Shutt, Betty Teaman, Jane Curtin, Betty Eckel, Martha Wilson, Phyllis Wagner, Elizabeth Montgomery, Natalie Montgomery, Helen Reed, Beulah Shultz, Mary Baumgardner, Mabel Musser, Helena Bent, Pauline Wilmer, Virginia Auman, Madelyn Purnell, Louise Musser, Ann Lyons, Betty Lambert, Anna McNichols, Vivian Miles, Juanita Baker, Florence Volynch, Virginia Kachik, Marion Morrison, Betty Riccard, Claire Rhoads, Elizabeth Young, Margaret Mills, Eleanor Wilson, Betty Lyons, Melvin Poore, Oscar Garman, Kenneth Hoag, Gabriel Burket, Jack Wilkinson, Donald Johnson, Calvin Purnell, Roy Wilkinson, Samuel McNichols, Robert Bradford, Vincent McKelvey, Budd Moyer, Orvis Daggett, Edward Maloy, Ivan Hansen, James Decker, Paul Ward, Wade Wilmer, John Mills, Harry Davis, Russell Moyer and Richard Allison.

CHURCH SERVICES

Evangelical, Rev. W. K. Hosterman, pastor, Lemont—Church school at 10:00; Harvest Home service at 11:00. Spring Mills—Harvest Home service, 2:00. Tusseyville—Church school, 9:30; Harvest Home service, 7:30.

The 16th annual home-coming service will be held in the Egg Hill ADD: CENTRE HALL—Last Spasm Evangelical church on Sunday, September 24 at 2 o'clock. A half-hour song service will precede the church service. All hymns will be sung at this time. Rev. H. H. Jacobs, pastor of the Bellefonte Evangelical church, will deliver the sermon. Rev. W. K. Hosterman, pastor of the Centre Hall church, will be in charge of the service. The Egg Hill church is part of the Centre Hall Evangelical charge. It has been closed since 1928. Since that time the annual home-coming services have been held regularly.

Penn's Valley Methodist, Rev. Elmer Numemaker, pastor, Spring Mills—Church worship, 9:30; church school, 10:30. Centre Hall—Worship, 10:00; church school, 11:00. Spruce-town Church school, 10:00; worship, 7:45.

Penn's Valley Lutheran, Rev. C. Otto, pastor, Centre Hall—Worship, 7:30; church school, 9:30. Spring Mills—Worship, 9:00; church school, 10:00. Tusseyville—Church school, 9:30; worship, 10:30.

Guy Jacobs of Washington, D. C., was joined by Mrs. Jacobs and their daughter Rose Ann of Steubenville, Ohio, at the home of Miss Margaret Jacobs and Leslie Jacobs, for a weekend visit. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs and daughter left for their home in Washington, D. C.

Miss Cora Luse, who is teaching in Altoona, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Agnes Luse. And L. Goldie Rimmey is now stationed in the General Hospital in Liverpool, England. L. Rimmey is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rimmey, of Centre Hall. She had been on duty as a nurse in the Centre County Hospital before enlisting.

Pvt. John Rimmey, who has been stationed at Chanute field, Ill., expects to be transferred soon to Camp Will Rogers in Oklahoma. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rimmey, of Centre Hall.

Relatives who attended the funeral of Mrs. Samuel Gross, on Friday were her grandson, S. C. Arnold, Gros, of Bainbridge, Md.; her sisters, Mrs. Thomas Alters of Williamsport, and Mrs. John Ammerman of Jersey Shore and their husbands, Gen. H. H. Alters and Dr. J. H. Alters.

The Friends'hip Bible class of the Reformed church met with Mrs. Paul Martz on Thursday evening. Members present were: Mrs. George Lutz, Mrs. Bruce Knarr, Mrs. C. H. Kimbrell, Misses Kathryn and Anna Mae Martz, Mrs. Robert Wetzel and Mrs. Harold Bradford. Entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Lutz. Games were played. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Martz.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Rieber, children Mary Frances, Connie and Curtis, Jr. left on Sunday for their home in Woodstown, N. J. after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Rieber, and her sister, Mrs. Ernest Wagner and family. Mr. Rieber made some repairs to his home here which will be rented to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leightley and family.

Thomas Hosterman returned to his home on Thursday from the Centre County Hospital, where he had been a medical patient for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hanna took their daughter, Jean to Johnston on Saturday. She had spent a month's vacation with her parents from her duties as cadet nurse in the Johnston Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Stover of Jintola, visited on Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. John Durst. Lt. Donald Immel is in Southern France, according to letters received by friends here. He went overseas from Fort Meade, Md., the latter part of June. Before that he took special officer's training and rehabilitation course at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va. Other camps where he trained were Post Jackson, S. C. Post Benning, Ga., and Camp Walters, Texas.

Pvt. Chalmer S. Weaver is spending a 30-day convalescent furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Weaver. He landed in Charleston, S. C. some time in July. Until he came home he was a patient in the England General Hospital in Atlantic City. Pvt. Weaver was in the invasion of Sicily, Southern Italy and the Anzio beachhead. He was wounded twice. Each time he was a patient in a government hospital in Naples. He is the possessor of three citations, the Purple Heart and the Oak Leaf Cluster for serious abdominal wounds, and a medal for taking part in three invasions. Col. Robert Faust of Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, visited over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Faust, also with his wife and daughter at Pleasant Gap.

CENTRE HALL

Mrs. Max Herr returned to her home the beginning of the week from Philadelphia, where she visited with relatives. Mrs. Herr went to Rehoboth Beach, Del. in July for a several weeks' stay.

Mrs. William Reid Morrison of Boston, Mass., arrived yesterday for a visit of a week or two with her father, George Benner. Mrs. Morrison's husband is chief surgeon in the Boston Hospital.

Miss Grace Billow of Catawissa, spent a week recently with her sister, Miss Ruth Billow at the Samuel Bitner home. Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Billow joined their daughters at the Bitner home for a weekend visit.

Miss Ruth Billow, who teaches music in the high school, returned home with her parents and sister for a brief visit before resuming her duties for the school year.

Pvt. Spurgeon Hennigh has been assigned to the mechanized cavalry at Fort Riley, Kansas. Mrs. Hennigh is living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bitner.

Mrs. Annie Gilbert of Lewistown, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Harry McClanahan and family near Centre Hall.

Approximately 40 school pupils went by bus Thursday evening to the West End Fair near Laurelton. The bus was driven by William Workinger.

Mahlon McCaleb, WT 3 c, spent the weekend with Mr. McCaleb at her home. They visited on Sunday with relatives in Tylersville.

Clarence Decker of Centre Hall, R. D., purchased the home of the late Mrs. Jacob Sharer at public sale on Saturday.

Mrs. Domes Smeltzer has received word from her husband that he has been promoted to sergeant. Sgt. Smeltzer, who went overseas in July is now stationed in France. Before being sent to an embarkation point he was in training at Camp Hood, Texas. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Smeltzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krupp of Mingo, called on Sunday evening to see Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Delaney near Centre Hall.

Irvin Storer returned recently to his home in Sycamore, Ill. after a visit with his cousin, Mrs. Alma Rickert and her father, David Stoner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Crust, sons Denny and Jimmy of Fillmore, spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Domes Smeltzer and daughter Nancy.

There are a total of 151 pupils in the grade schools. The teachers, grades and number of pupils follow: Miss Bertha Sharer, 1 and 2 grades, 46 pupils; Mrs. James Law, 3 and 4 grades, 37 pupils; Miss Helen Miller, 5 and 6 grades, 35 pupils; J. Ernest Wagner, 7 and 8 grades, 30 pupils.

The Potter township schools opened with a total attendance of 194. The teachers, schools and number of pupils follow: Mrs. Frank Williams, Pottery Mills grammar, 33; Mrs. D. S. Daup, Pottery Mills primary, 40; Mrs. George McCormick, Centre Hill, 22; Mrs. Roy Dutrow, Plum Grove, 10; Mrs. Harry Potter, Earlstown, 30; Mrs. John Neff, Tusseyville, 17; Mrs. Chester Spicker, Tusseyville, 17; Mrs. Vernon Wagner, Colyer, 27.

Among those who attended the West End Fair near Laurelton, Saturday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bitner, Mrs. Spurgeon Hennigh, Miss Ruth Billow, Mr. and Mrs. Knarr, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Knarr, Miss Dorothy Dashen, Bob Rimmey, Miss Margaret Dastem, Cpl. Richard Young, Mr. and Mrs. John Neff, children Lucille, Janet, Paul and Philip, Mr. and Mrs. John Burkholder, Mr. and Mrs. George Sweeney and son Bill, Mr. and Mrs. John Delaney, V. A. Auman, Helen Decker, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Delaney, Mr. and Mrs. John Schaeffer, Mr. and Mrs. George Pfeiffer, and Mr. and Mrs. Reuten Ricker.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rhoads, children Eurlie, Bobby and Billy, had Sunday supper with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Biddle in Bellefonte.

A herd of 20 cattle, including 11 milk cows and 9 young cattle belonging to J. T. Delaney were poisoned last week after being turned into a field of sweet corn. After being treated by a veterinarian from Bellefonte who specializes in cattle diseases, the herd, with the exception of four milk cows, had recovered by the beginning of the week. It is expected that all will recover from the effects of the poison which formed on the corn stalks after the corn ears were removed.

Mrs. Alwilda Bitner of Tusseyville, was entertained at the home of Mrs. Mary Plink last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sharer and son Marvin, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Porter in Hollersburg. Robert Youkers spent the afternoon with Marion Sharer at the Sharer home.

Miss Jennie Thomas and Mrs. William Reitz spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lowder at Oak Hill.

Harvey Plink is spending a two weeks' vacation at his home from his work in the Keeler book store at State College.

Barbara Rice of State College, spent Saturday afternoon at the W. W. Kerlin home. Her father, Ambrose Rice, attended the Sharer sale.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dashen of Centre Hall, R. D., became the parents of their first child, a son at the Centre County Hospital last Thursday. Mrs. Dashen is the former Geraldine Dutrow.

WOODWARD

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Musser and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, who enjoyed their two weeks' vacation with relatives and acquaintances in town, returned to their homes in Akron, O., on Labor Day.

We were glad to meet C. R. Hartley and C. C. Blotower of Harrisburg, in our Sunday school services last Sunday. Come again.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hess of San Antonio, Texas, in company with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Stover Hess of Millmont, were Sunday afternoon guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kresmer. By the way, Mr. Hess is a first cousin of Mr. Kramer. They also had the pleasure of seeing the beautiful display of large dahlias in their garden. Mr. and Mrs. Hess left for their home in San Antonio this week. We were glad to have them in our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hosterman of Akron, Ohio, arrived here on Saturday night to enjoy their Labor Day vacation. We think of Theodore as the great deer and fox hunter of former days when he used to be one of our town boys.

The public schools opened Tuesday morning for their 1944-45 school term. More school news next week. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Eshenuth and children, Jean and Wayne, arrived from his place of employment at Conneville on Saturday evening. The children were anxious to begin their school work on Tuesday.

On Monday night of last week the stork left a bouncing baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Day. So mark his birthday as Aug. 28 unless intercepted by midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Orndorf, accompanied by their brother-in-law and sister of Philadelphia, occupied their town home on Saturday night for about a week's vacation. It will do them good to get away from the intense city noise.

Miss Beatrice Rishel, who is a member of the WAVE, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ard last Friday. When she returns to her post of duty she will be located at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Musser and daughters Grace and Lucille, of Hartleton, and Grover Musser of York, and his daughter, Mrs. Hazel Strand with baby Linda Kay of Kansas City, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Stover of Millheim, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Musser. Grover Musser and daughter with the baby arrived here on Saturday.

Miss Leah Reffner left here last Friday to visit her brother-in-law and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Adams in Northumberland.

A farewell and birthday party combined was held on Wednesday evening after prayer meeting in honor of Miss Erma Gusewite and Miss Loretta Day, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Reffner. Anna and Candace Booth, Lewis, Reffner, Miss Erma Gusewite, Loretta Day and Mrs. W. E. Reffner were present.

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