

LINN'S HISTORY

CHAPTER LXXIX PATTON TOWNSHIP

Patton Township was erected while its territory was in Millin County. No record of its erection could be found, but it was in existence as early as 1794, and was called after Gen. John Patton, who, with Col. Miles, owed a large quantity of land within its territory.

The northern tier of surveys from the Benner line west to the Isaac Lambourne warrant of Dec. 29, 1801, was made by Thomas Smith, deputy surveyor of Bedford County, in October, 1790, upon application of Apr. 3, 1789. The Indian path is marked through the northern portion of them, near Muncy Mountain, and called the path to Frankstown. Through the southern portion Buffalo Run is marked but called in the returns "Trout Run". The western one is the Roger Flanahan (P. B. Waddle's place now); north of Roger Flanahan, the Kuhn warrants of Dec. 24, 1792, are connected. They cover Muncy Mountain, running over to Julian, The Robert Kuhn is the connecting warrant with Flanahan South of Flanahan the Thomas West, John White, etc., warrants of July 1, 1784, surveyed in November, 1784, are located. These are parts of what were known as the Iron Company block, covering the whole southern portion of Patton township, late the estate of Gen. James Irvin. West of Roger Flanahan were surveyed warrants of 1766, covered by warrants taken out by Isaac and Josiah Lambourne. The name of "Great Pine Barren", as lying south of Buffalo Run, occurs on the returns of surveys made by Thomas Smith in 1770. The Lambourne one bank and Pine Bank are on the surveys of Lambourne and the Wests.

Early Settlers—The Gray and Hartsock families were the earliest settlers of whom there is any record. They came in as early as 1778 from Frederick County, Md., to what was then known as the Half Moon county, and were assessed and regarded as belonging

to Franklin township, Huntingdon County, not appearing upon any of the assessments of Millin as far as we can ascertain. Peter Gray and Conrad Hartsock were the heads of these families. Gray had four sons—John, Peter Jr., Adam, and George. Hartsock's sons were Henry, Christopher, Abraham, and Daniel. John Gearhart and David Runk, sons-in-law of Peter Gray, with their families, were of the emigrating party. Jacob and Thomas Hicks were in Patton before the arrival of the Grays and Hartsocks, but left soon after. The Lambourns were also of the early settlers, but Conrad Hartsock was the father of the family soon died, and the children have removed to the West, except Isaac and Ephraim, who settled in Stormstown, Valentine Frigale was one of the settlers in Buffalo Run, but removed to Clearfield County. He has descendants in Phillipsburg. One of his daughters, widow of Ephraim Lambourne, died in 1880 at the age of 88. The surveys claimed by what was known as the London Land Company extended into Patton and the settlers were involved in litigation with Michael T. Simpson for a number of years, but succeeded in defeating the claims, or at all events effecting a compromise for a small amount.

Peter Gray, shoemaker by trade, selected for his home the place now known as the old R. H. Meek farm. Conrad Hartsock, carpenter and wagonmaker, made his location near the foot of the mountain, back of where S. P. Gray now lives. His son Henry, of the same trade as his father, settled on the present site of Maltersville. Abraham Hartsock, a carpenter lived in Patton only a short time before removing to Clearfield County. The Hartsocks were recognized masters at woodworking, and are said to have won much popular admiration and fame for their skill. John Gray lived on a farm where S. P. Gray now lives, and Peter Gray Jr. near his father's place. Near the house of Peter Gray Sr., David Runk set up the pioneer blacksmith shop in

Patton. John Gearhart owned and lived on a farm now occupying portions of the lands of S. T. Gray and George Behrer.

The early settlers of Patton experienced the usual hardships of pioneers in a new country. At first their nearest mills were at Huntingdon Furnace and Milesburg. To the latter place the journey was made over an Indian trail on horseback. As late as 1811, John Gray had to go as far as Lewisburg for a ton of plaster, and when he did get it, it cost him \$26.

The children of Peter Gray Sr. included four sons and four daughters. Those of Conrad Hartsock were four sons and one daughter. There are today many descendants of Peter Gray Sr. They include in the State of Pennsylvania the heads of 20 families, as follows: George L. Wesley, Samuel P., Samuel T., Jacob, J. Green, Isaac, George S., Thomas, William, J. W., Pierce, Samuel, Miles, Z. B., I. V., John S., Miles G., George T., Edward J. The only one out of the State is John P., president of the insane asylum at Utica, N. Y. Two of the above-named are ministers of the gospel. Henry G. Hartsock, grandson of Conrad, and father to J. C. Hartsock, now of Patton, died in 1879. He and Rush Petrakin are said to have been the first two Abolitionists in Centre County. Mr. Hartsock was a fearless and unflinching advocate of the principles that taught him slavery was wrong. Despite the popular prejudice against his theory, and despite, too, the social ostracism to which his courage subjected him, he never flinched in his outspoken and active zeal on behalf of the American slave. He lies buried in the Stormstown cemetery, and upon his tombstone stands the eulogy, "A friend to the American slave during American slavery." Runa- ada ever found protection and aid at his home, and as this fact was not slow of dissemination, he was frequently called upon to exercise his humane charitable impulses. In 1846 a party of runaway slaves, numbering ten, called at Hartsocks one Sunday morning and in a trice found not only a hearty welcome but a capital breakfast. Fearing that the neighbors might discover and seek to return the fugitives, Hartsock concealed them in the woods near his house until nightfall, and then conducted them to the house of a colored man by the name of Samuel Henderson, whose place was recognized as one of the stations on the underground Railroad. Henderson put them safely on their route to Canada and soon afterwards both he and Hartsock were rejoiced to learn that their wards had reached the happy land without hindrance.

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The man who plays eighteen holes of golf can get awfully tired when his wife asks him to attend a reception.

Legal Notices

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

In the matter of the estate of MARY E. STEELE, late of Spring Township, Centre County, Pa., deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate to present the same without delay for settlement to BOND C. WHITE, Executor, R. D. 3, Bellefonte, Pa., or the attorneys for the estate, CAMPBELL & MILLER, Bellefonte, Pa. x18

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

In the matter of the estate of ARTHUR J. ROCKEY, late of Central City, Boggs Township, Centre County, Pa., deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate to present the same without delay for settlement to CLINTON ROCKEY, Buffalo Road, R. D. 1, Harbor Creek, Pa., Executor, or ARTHUR C. DALE, Attorney for estate, Temple Court, Bellefonte, Pa. x17

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE

In the matter of the estate of KATHRYN L. GROVE, late of Bellefonte, Centre County, Pa., deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate to present the same without delay for settlement to E. M. GROVE and F. ISABEL GROVE, Executrices, 156 East Linn Street, Bellefonte, Pa., or their attorneys, CAMPBELL & MILLER, Bellefonte, Pa. x17

BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m. Monday, April 30, 1951, by the Borough of Bellefonte, Bellefonte, Pa., for a new sewage pump and electric motor meeting the following minimum specifications: 790 gallons per minute, head 20 feet, 900 R.P.M.; suction 8 inches and discharge 6 inches. Pump to be direct connected and installed on same basis as 7 1/2 hp. 220-440 volt motor. Address bids to Borough Secretary, Borough Hall, Bellefonte, Pa., in envelope plainly marked "Bids on Sewage Pump".

The Borough reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid most advantageous to the Borough.

BOROUGH OF BELLEFONTE
Paul M. Dabbs, Borough Sec'y. x17

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Matter of the Incorporation of Girl Scouts of State College, Inc.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, Pennsylvania. No 142 May Term, 1951.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the above Court on Monday, April 30 at ten o'clock A. M. in the Court House at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of obtaining a charter for a proposed non-profit corporation to be organized under the Non-profit Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved May 5, 1933, as amended.

The name of the proposed corporation is Girl Scouts of State College, Inc. The purposes for which it is to be organized are:

To foster, encourage and promote all of the aims and principles of the Girl Scouts of America; to provide equipment and facilities for the uses and purposes of the State College Girl Scout Council; to acquire and hold such real estate and personal property as required for said State College Girl Scout Council; to mortgage, encumber, and otherwise dispose of said real estate and personal property, and to sign and perform all other acts, as things necessary or incidental to the aforementioned purposes.

The Articles of Incorporation have been filed in the Office of the Prothonotary of Centre County.

CAMPBELL & MILLER
Solicitors x17

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 second day of April, to me directed for holding a Court of Common Pleas, Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Over and Terminer and General Jail Delivery in Bellefonte, for the County of Centre.

The Grand Jury will convene on Monday, May 7 at 9:00 o'clock A. M. E.S.T. or 10:00 o'clock A. M. D.S.T., and the Traverse Jury called for the regular meeting of Quarter Sessions Court will convene on the third Monday of May at 9:00 o'clock A.M. E.S.T. or 10:00 o'clock A. M. D.S.T., being May 21, and the Traverse Jury called for the second week of Court will appear on the fourth Monday of May at 9:30 o'clock A. M. E.S.T. or 10:30 o'clock A. M. D.S.T., being May 28, 1951.

Notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Aldermen, Justices of the Peace and Constables within the County that they be there in their proper persons at the time specified above with their records, inquiries, examinations, and their own remembrances to do those things appertaining to their office to be done, and those who are bound by their own recognition, to prosecute against the persons who are or shall be in Jail in Centre County, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand in Bellefonte on the 9th day of April in the year of our Lord 1951 and the 176th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

MARTIN L. KAUFFMAN,
Sheriff x18

Centre Hall—

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Mary Slatterbeck were teachers. The Cold Springs school, located across the road from the Sunset Diner, was sold in 1923, and Kellie Bible was one of the teachers there. At one time this school had an enrollment of 90 pupils.

The Dauberman school, located two miles east of Centre Hill, was sold in 1923. This building cost \$4,500 and was only in use four years. The Manor Hill school, located 3 miles west of Old Port on the Earlstown road, was closed in 1932 and sold. Edna Neff was one of its teachers.

The Pine Stump school, located four miles west of Centre Hill on the Black Hawk road, was destroyed by fire in 1936. Thomas Moore was one of its teachers. This school was built at a cost of \$997.

At one time there were 19 schools in Potter township. Stoves used in these schools were cast in Centre Hall. All of the above mentioned schools have passed out of existence. The following schools still are open.

The Centre Hill school was built in 1893. It was the third school built in this locality, since the second one burned only a few months after its completion.

The Plum Grove school is also the third school in that area. The first one burned, the second one was abandoned due to enrollment increases, and it used for an outbuilding on the Keller farm. David Keller attended this school and was later one of its teachers, at a yearly salary of \$180, which is less than the taxes on the Keller farm today. Some of the furniture used in this school today was in use there 73 years ago. This school was built by M. Zerby.

Tussey's school was closed for a time, but later reopened. The Tusseyville school is an old building also, but the exact dates at this time are unknown.

The Earlstown school was built in 1892 at a cost of \$1,000.

The Potter Mills school is one of the oldest still in use. It is not known when the Colyer school was built. In 1946 these seven schools were re-graded so that Centre Hill and Tusseyville have grades 1, 2 and 3. Earlstown and Tusseyville have grades 4, 5 and 6. Colyer and Plum Grove have grades 7 and 8. Potter Mills school, a two-room building, has grades 1 to 4 downstairs and grades 5 to 8 above.

The first Centre Hall grade school was built in 1873 and was two-room, one-story building located along the line of the cemetery on the south side of West Church street. The first teacher was P. J. Leitzel. The present borough grade school was built in 1877 and was used as a grade and high school until 1924, when the front part of the present high school was erected. Professor Mauger was the first principal, and high school diplomas were first presented in 1898.

From 1918-1923 only three teachers were employed in the high school. The two rooms on the north side separated by a movable partition which was pushed aside to make a larger room for plays and assemblies. The small room on the northeast corner was first a part of the boys' toilet, later a library, and in 1946 became the first-aid room.

Athletic activities in the 1920's were soccer, began under Roy Jamison, track, tennis, dodgeball and volleyball, softball and baseball. Eventually the county track meets passed out of existence and soccer and baseball leagues were formed on a county basis.

Basketball began in 1936 with boys and girls playing in leagues. The girls' league disbanded in 1947, and was replaced by boys' junior varsity basketball. Both the boys and girls won their first championship in 1946, just before the girls' league disbanded. Soccer championships were won in 1934, 1948 and 1949. Baseball championships were won in 1947 (a co-championship with Miles Township), 1948, 1949 and 1950. In the last three years the District 6, PIAA championships were also won in baseball.

The girls had an undefeated softball team in 1950, playing an independent schedule of seven games.

Teachers employed during the year 1924-25 were J. F. Wetzel, Sara Neff (Grove), and Harold Strong. Another teacher was added in 1930, Mrs. Margaret Smith of State College became the first music teacher in 1933-34.

The band was begun in 1938 by David Graybill.

In 1936 the building was enlarged to include a principal's office, gymnasium, stage and a large classroom. The faculty consists of nine teachers in 1950. Pupil enrollment has gradually increased from 61 in 1925 to 160 in 1950. About 63 per cent of the pupils come from Potter township and 37 per cent from the borough. In 1950 the first school yearbook published and it was dedicated to Prof. J. F. Wetzel in honor of his 25 years of continuous service to the school and community.

In the summer of 1950 two basement classrooms were added, and in the summer of 1949 the large classroom on the northwest corner was divided by a movable partition. Thus there are six classrooms on the main floor, in addition to the auditorium-gymnasium and the two rooms in the basement, one of which is the music and band room. Statistics point toward a further increase in enrollment in the future, together with the possible need of still more rooms.

130,000 Pricing—

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and television sets, phonographs and records, notions, sporting goods, jewelry, garden equipment, and hair goods.

The grocery trade is covered by Regulations 14, for wholesalers, and 15 and 16 for retailers, with most smaller stores falling under 16.

Restaurants, including retail dispensers of liquor, are under Regulation 11.

All must file and place ceiling prices in effect on April 30.

Price charts and other reports must be signed; many so far received have not been, and OPS has no way of identifying the originator.

They are not to be mailed to Washington, as some are doing. They go to district offices; for southwestern Pennsylvania, 101 6th Street, Pittsburgh; for northwest Pennsylvania, 1005 State Street, Erie; for Eastern Pennsylvania, Commercial Trust Building, Philadelphia; for Delaware, 8 East Third Street, Wilmington.

Do you think, or do you think you think, or do you think you think you think? No immediate answer necessary!

The Soviet plan to reduce armaments would look better if Russia demonstrated some faith in the process.

RECENT WEDDINGS

Solt-Todd

Mrs. Martha Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Summers, of Lock Haven, and Jacob S. Solt, of Bellefonte, were married at 2 p.m. Friday in the East Main Street Methodist Church in Lock Haven by the Rev. Foster L. Pannebaker, pastor.

They were attended by a sister and brother of the bride, Mrs. Dorothy Hardy and William Shelter of that place.

The Solt's left immediately for a wedding trip to Cleveland. On their return they will live in Bellefonte, where the bridegroom is employed by the National Cypsum Company.

A veteran of three years of overseas service during World War II, Mr. Solt was awarded the Silver Star for bravery in action as a machine gunner.

Katherman-Benner

Miss Shirley Marie Benner, of Woodward, and Clair E. Katherman, of Millmont RD, were married in the Evangelical United Brethren Church of Millburg, April 14.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Benner, of Woodward. Mr. Katherman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Katherman, of Millmont RD.

The Rev. Harry C. Kieffel officiated at the double ring ceremony. Her attendant was Miss Pauline Katherman, of Harrisburg, the sister of the bridegroom.

Mervin Eppler, of Harrisburg, served as best man.

A reception for the immediate families was given at the bride's home following the ceremony, after which the couple left for a weekend wedding trip.

The bride was graduated from the Hartley township high school, and has been employed at Laurelton State Village. The bridegroom attended the same high school and is engaged in farming.

The House, we note, by a voice vote, which leaves no record, has practically shelved universal military training.

Give Protein Foods Special Care

Protein foods are perishable and they need good care after you bring them from the store, reminds Miss Helen S. Butler, home economics representative of Centre County.

Meat, poultry and fish need special care. Remove them from the store wrappings and wrap them loosely in waxed paper. Until ready to use them, keep in the refrigerator.

Store carefully dairy products, like milk, cheese and eggs. Keep milk cool, clean and covered. Put eggs in a covered container in the refrigerator. Cover cheese to keep it from drying out and store in a box or container in the refrigerator. If mold appears on the surface of the cheese, just cut it off before using the cheese.

Nuts are among the perishable food protein foods. The oil in nuts, like the oil in peanut butter, can become rancid and develop an undesirable flavor. It's wise to buy only the amount of nuts you can use in a reasonable length of time. Put nuts in a covered container and keep in the kitchen cupboard where the air is dry. Always keep peanut butter covered.

You can keep dried beans, peas and lentils in the kitchen cupboard or some other place where the air is dry. Keep these dried foods, as well as cereals covered.

Good advice: losers should never bet.

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The whole family, including the Greenses' two school-age daughters, enjoy having company on the spur of the moment, so Mrs. Greene says she must always be ready for any number of guests for supper or a late snack. On these occasions her well-stocked freezer is a real "life-saver."

"Dinners have to be on time at our house, since my husband, who is a dentist, has evening office hours," Mrs. Greene says. "With my electric range, I can have steaks broiled and vegetables cooked in a hurry. And we all think food tastes better when it's cooked electrically." By teaming up her automatic electric range and freezer, Mrs. Greene agrees that she has the "perfect pair" for easier, better meal-getting.

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