

# LINN'S HISTORY

(Continuing Patton Township)

A man and his wife escaping from Virginia slavery passed by way of Cross' tavern enroute to Hartsock's house. At the tavern, however, the slave catchers came up with them and bore them away towards the south. Word of the affair coming to Hartsock's ears, he shouldered his gun and set out to rescue the captives; but his chase proved hopeless, and he was at last compelled to abandon it. A party of abolitionists rescued the unfortunate at Hollidaysburg and returned them to Patton township, where they settled and lived for many years afterwards. When the American negro was freed by Presidential proclamation of emancipation, Mr. Hartsock rejoiced with exceeding great joy to see the fulfillment of a dream he had cherished for years.

The Shively settlement in Patton, was made in 1792 by Andrew Shively, who was born in Chester County in September, 1760. He located in Patton, in the year first named, upon land lying about two miles east of Stormstown, and now on the line between Half Moon and Patton townships. He used to tell his children and grandchildren, when a youth, he lived within the sound of the battle of Brandywine, and how, on the third day after the fight he walked over the field and saw something of the fearful results of a carnage. He was poor when he came to Patton, and for a time worked for others until he could get his head far enough above water to help himself to an independence. He was by trade a weaver, but did not, as far as known, set up a shop in Patton although it is likely that he worked at his trade for his neighbors at odd times. He died on the Shively homestead in 1843, aged 83. His children numbered twelve, of whom three are living. They are Rachel Spencer, of Illinois; Jane Moore, of Clearfield County, and Mrs. Lydia Gearhart, of Clearfield County. Mrs. Gearhart is aged upwards now of 90, and boasts 164 descendants, of whom one is a great-great-grandchild. David Shively was born in 1794, and died in 1873. His son, Andrew, now living in Benner township, was born in Patton in 1828, and located in Benner in 1856.

Thomas and Jacob Hicks are supposed to have come from Maryland to Centre County as early as 1790 and located on Buffalo Run in Patton township, adjoining land now owned by S. P. Gray. Jacob Hicks married one of the daughters of Josiah Lambourne, himself one of the earliest settlers. The Hicks brothers moved to Indiana eventually, and there ended their days. Isaac Hicks did not come to Patton until just before the year 1800. He made his home on Muncy Mountain and died there in 1845. Of Isaac Hicks' twelve children, seven are now living. They are Elizabeth Hardin, Abraham Hicks and John Hicks, of Patton; Jacob Hicks, of Half Moon, and three others living without the bounds of the county. Abraham Hicks, living near Scotia, bought his present farm of Moses Thompson in 1846.

In 1814, Pauler Sellers, of Chester County, came to Rock at the solicitation of Gen. Philip Benner. He was employed at Rock about a

year, and in 1817 moved to the present Caleb Kephart place, which he rented of Gen. Benner. About 1820 he opened at Kephart's Corners the Buffalo Run Inn, on the stage road that passed his place and reached from Tyrone and Bellefonte. There was a good deal of traffic on that highway by freight vans as well as mail coaches, and the Buffalo Run Inn being a stopping place for stages, and being as well as post office, Sellers drove a flourishing business. He remained there until Gen. Benner's death in 1832, when he moved to the place now occupied by the farms of David and Agnew Sellers, his sons. The place was first improved by a Mr. Shorts, and after that occupied by Maj. Andrew Hunter, who died in 1870, aged 87. When Sellers took possession there was, however, but a small portion of the tract cleared. Mr. Sellers died on his Buffalo Run farm in 1853. Of his four children, the living are David and Agnew Sellers, of Patton.

Bartholomew Bush came to Centre County in 1818 from Berks, his native county. He settled in Ferguson township and engaged in mining for Gen. Joseph Miles. In 1828 he moved to Mifflin County, and died in that county in 1868. He was married in Ferguson township, his wife being one of Jacob Brower's daughters. His son, Dr. J. M. Bush, graduated as a doctor of medicine in 1848 at Miami College in Cincinnati, and in 1850 settled in Benner township, where he married a daughter of Edward Purdue, one of the pioneers of that section. After practicing in Benner five years, Dr. Bush moved to his present home in Patton in 1855, where he lives upon land first improved by Mr. Ercheimer.

## Homemakers'

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made. This includes about 150 women from nine communities in the county.

A new feature of Homemakers Day will be the play group for preschool age children in charge of Mrs. Kenneth Frazier, of Centre Hall.

Mrs. B. F. Nicodemus, of Port Matilda, is chairman of the day and will conduct the meeting. Mrs. Ray J. Sharer, of Centre Hall, is chairman of the hostess committee; Mrs. Fred Markle, of Pine Hall, chairman of the exhibit committee; Halfmoon Valley group in charge of the dining room; Mrs. Fred Davidson, of Warriors Mark, in charge of decorations; Mrs. Crane and Mrs. Roxie Sanderson, of Port Matilda, in charge of registration; Mrs. Ellis Reaick, of Millheim, news reporter; Mrs. L. H. Bull, of Bellefonte, in charge of singing; and Mrs. Norman Stewart, of Port Matilda, pianist.

Mrs. Fred Davidson, Mrs. Ellis Peters, and Mrs. D. H. Way, of Halfmoon Valley, are on the broad-casting committee.

In connection with the Home Demonstration' Week celebration, a tour is being planned to Hershey to visit the rose gardens and museum when the roses will be in bloom. Mrs. Earl Musser, of Bellefonte RD, Mrs. Ray J. Sharer, of Centre Hall, Mrs. Ellis Peters, of Port Matilda, are the committee in charge of the tour.

The women members of the Executive committee of the Centre County Agricultural Extension Association who met and planned the activities celebrating Home Demonstration Week were Mrs. Fred Davidson, Mrs. Earl Musser, Mrs. Ellis Peters, Mrs. Philip Stover, Mrs. George Weight, Mrs. Hugh Wilson, Mrs. Henry Zerby and Mrs. M. T. Zubler.

Whenever gangsters work together, honest people might as well cooperate.

## Dogs Cause Wildlife Tragedies

A game protector's duties take him into the open where he is privileged to view many natural beauties and to witness many interesting happenings. But by the very nature of his occupation the officer encounters some very unpretty situations.

This story of a recent wildlife tragedy that occurred along the First Fork was told by Game Protector Norman Erickson, of Emporium. Said he: "Several farmers heard a commotion and hurried to a point where a dog had dragged down a button buck. When the men arrived on the scene the deer was still alive, though the savage dog had torn the hide from its front shoulders to hind quarters, exposing the raw flesh of its emaciated body."

Incensed at repeated tragedies such as this, Erickson said: "In my years as an officer in Cameron County, the last winter was one of the worst for dogs running deer. Too had such pitiful sights as this are not seen by all the people who allow their pets to run at large—particularly those characters who abandon dogs which are forced, then, to kill in order to live. If these people could see what dogs do to wild creatures, I am sure much needless suffering would be prevented, and wildlife that is lost to canine predators would be saved."


Advertising is most expensive to those who neglect it.

## Bible Fellowship Opens For Countians

The Centre County Bible Fellowship feels it has a rare treat for the people of Centre County in having secured the Rev. R. I. Hummer, of Florida, Ind., a nationally known Bible teacher, to conduct its next Bible Conference to be held May 10 to 13.

The first session will be at the Mortha Furnace Baptist Church next Thursday at 8 p.m. The subject will be: "The Person and Work of Christ." The Friday and Saturday sessions will be held in the Centre County Court House, Bellefonte, at 7:45 p.m. Subjects: for Friday, "Spiritual Blessings in Christ"; Saturday, "A Perfect Salvation." The Sunday sessions will be held in Woodman Hall, State College, at 3, and 7:45 p.m. The afternoon subject will be, "Crowns for Christians." Judgments of Christians; and in the evening the Rev. Hummer will speak on "The Last Judgment," Judgment of Unsaved. The Rev. Hummer is a native of Martinsburg, Blair County, attended Moody Bible Institute and Ashland College, taught in the Altoona School of the Bible for 13 years, pastored several churches, but for the past several years has traveled extensively as a Bible teacher. All are cordially invited to come and hear him. The Rev. L. F. Sheetz, chairman, said.

Study may provide intelligence but it takes thinking to develop wisdom.



## THE OFFICE CAT

"A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished By the Wisest Men."

**True Blue**  
It is told of a staff member of this paper that he is growing tired of lying about people in obituary notices, and then have people call him a hypocrite. However, he's got his eye on an obituary of a prominent figure in the "holier than thou" realm that he intends to write with painful frankness. An advanced copy runs something like this:

"DIED: R--- H-----, aged --- Deceased was a mild mannered pirate, with a mouth for whiskey and an eye for boodie. He came to this night with another man's wife and joined the church at the first chance. He owed us \$7 on the paper. You could hear him pray six blocks. He died singing 'Jesus Paid It All,' and we think he is right as he never paid anything himself. He was buried in an asbestos casket, and his friends threw palm fans into his grave, as he may need them. His tombstone will be a favorite resting place for hoot owls."

**Hey, Girls!**  
Marrying a man to reform him is like drinking liquor to destroy it.

**An Ode to Money Owed**  
Breathes there a man with soul so dead,  
Who never to himself hath said,  
I'll pay before I go to bed,  
The bill I owe the Centre Democrat.

Yes! There was one we knew full well,  
But he, alas, the truth to tell,  
Is dead, and straightway went to—well,  
The place that has no winter.

**A Hair's Breadth**  
This story was told at a church supper and was repeated to us by one of those "electioneering candidates" for a county office who attended it. One of the boarders at a Centre county hotel complained to the proprietor that he had found hair in the ice cream, hair in the honey, and hair in the apple sauce. "That's queer," said the proprietor. "I think I can account for the hair in the ice cream, which must come from shaving the ice. And I presume the hair in the honey must come from the comb. But I don't understand how the hair got in the apple sauce, for I picked the apples myself and they were Baldwins."

**Here's An Elbow Bender**  
In case any Church Council gets an idea to enforce Prohibition next, they won't be able to so long as you have this:  
The canine breed have kept their whine,  
The ships still make port,  
The undertakers tend the bier,  
And the horses have their snort,  
The mountain tops retain their still,  
The Scots get just as tight,  
The woods are filled with swallows,  
And the moon gets full at night.

**The Razor's Edge**  
We note by the city papers of a big shipment of razors to Darkest Africa under the Marshall Plan. Must be going to have a big dance over there.

**"Home, Home on the Brew"**  
Not all the older fellows you see in Bellefonte with a ridge on the bridge of their nose got that way from wearing glasses. Some of it came from drinking home brewed out of mason jars, in days of yore.

**Modern Times**  
Girls may have been harder to kiss in the old days, but it was not so dangerous as it is now. The old parlor sofa wasn't apt to smash into a tree just about the time you got all puckered up.

**A Helluva' Place**  
A colored preacher was trying to impress on his congregation the terrors of Hell.  
"Breder'n an' sistern," he asked, "is any of you evah been in Pitts-burgh, Pennsylvania, where de big steel works is?"  
"Ah been dere, Pahson," said one member of the congregation.  
"Is you ben de mills, and has you ebah seen de hot steel when it comes out ben de furnaces?" asked the preacher.  
"Yes, Pahson, Ah seen it."  
"Well, den you knows how hot dat stuff is. Ah wants to tell all you sinners dat when dat dere stuff comes out ob de furnace, it's hot. In fac' it's so hot dat no one can come anywheres near it without gettin' shrivelled up. Well, Breder'n an' Sistern, in Hell dey uses dat dere stuff for ice cream!"

**The Ice Man Cometh**  
The Office Cat often wonders what the ice man thinks when he drives by the school house and reads the safety sign which says: "Please drive slowly—the child playing in the street may be your own."

**Another Problem**  
Said one bingo card to the other: "Wasn't that a low-down corny trick. What'll become of us?"

That's all, folks: If I see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil, I'll never be a newspaperman.

## BIRTHS

**Announce Birth**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Light of E. Beaver avenue, State College, announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, April 25, in the Centre County Hospital. The infant weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces, and has been named Leslie Anne.

**Third Child Born**  
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Juba, of W. Nittany Avenue, State College, are the parents of their third child, first daughter, born in the Centre County Hospital, Apr. 23. The infant weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and has been named Susan Louise.

**Third Child Born**  
Mr. and Mrs. James V. Sabatello of State College, are the parents of their third child and second daughter, born April 22. The infant, who has been named Lynn, weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces. Mr. Sabatello is an instructor in the physical education department at the College.

**Announce Birth**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fritzing, 218 E. College Avenue, State College, became the parents of their first child, a daughter, in the Centre County Hospital, Apr. 24. Rosanna weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Mrs. Fritzing is the former Emma Fohringer, of Colver. Mr. Fritzing is from Hazelton.

**Daughter Born**  
Sgt. and Mrs. William C. Breon of Millheim, are the parents of a daughter, born in the Lewisport Hospital, Apr. 17. Catherine Elbert weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces. Sgt. Breon, stationed at Tokyo, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Breon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Forsythe, of Lewisport.

**First Son Born**  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Dunn, of Woodstock, Va., have announced the birth of their second child, first son, born Apr. 3. The infant has been named Lawrence Michael. Mrs. Dunn is the former Betsy Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Edwards, of W. Fairmount Avenue in State College.

**Daughter Born**  
Mr. and Mrs. William Beatty, of E. Lamb Street, Bellefonte, are the parents of their second child, first daughter, born in the Centre County Hospital, Apr. 23. Patricia Ellen weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces. Mrs. Beatty is the former Rosalie Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Miller, of E. Linn Street, Bellefonte.

## Pro Oleo—

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must be labeled as margarine. Ira C. Gross, chairman of the State Grange legislative committee, comments:

"It must be apparent to the public that the real purpose of the manufacturers of oleo is not to put on the market an article as good as butter, but an article that resembles butter."  
"What's wrong with white oleo?" he asks.

"People like white bread, white milk and white marshmallows. Why can't white oleo be sold on its merits? And if it must be colored, why insist on yellow? There are other colors, like green, red, blue, pink or even the natural color of oleo before decoloration."  
"Since the superior qualities of butter are recognized by everyone," he insists, "it is apparent that a color which imitates such a popular and wholesome product as butter is the more sought after."

Nature is grand until the weeds begin to grow.

**Become Parents**  
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bohn, of Coleville, announce the birth of their fourth child, a daughter, born in the Centre County Hospital, Apr. 24. Mrs. Bohn is the former Dorothy Justice, of Coleville.

**Fourth Child Born**  
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cox of Stormstown, became the parents of their fourth child, second daughter, in the Phillipsburg Hospital, Apr. 21. The infant weighed 5 pounds, 5 ounces. Mrs. Cox is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wallace of Altoona. Mr. Cox is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, of Millheim.

**Twin Daughters Born**  
Twin daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. James Druck Jr., of Mt. Wolf RD 1, box 144, York County, at the Centre County Hospital on Apr. 19. The infants were named Darlene Doris and Dorene Diana. The latter infant lived one day. Mrs. Druck is the former Evelyn Vonada, daughter of May C. Druck is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Druck, of Mt. Wolf.

**Second Son Arrives**  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Holmes of Camp Hill, have announced the birth of their second child, second son, born in the Polyclinic Hospital in Harrisburg, Apr. 20. Brett Guy weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces. Mrs. Holmes is the former Barbara Polter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Potter, of Centre Hall. Mr. Holmes is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Holmes, of Camp Hill.

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Ben H. Chastaine, et ux, to Harold P. Griffith, Jr., et ux, Harris Twp., tax \$110.  
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Charles E. Rockey, et ux, to Homer A. Grubb, et al, Patton Twp., tax \$5.50.  
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C. Rea Fiorey, exr., to Francis A. McGrail, et ux, Spring Twp., tax \$9.35.  
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J. W. Shook, et ux, to Mervine P. Reed, et ux, Boggs Twp., tax \$1.10.  
James L. Riser, et ux, to Gerald H. Woodring, et ux, Boggs Twp., tax \$5.  
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L. Hall, Snow Shoe boro, \$600.  
William Hoover, et ux, to Donald E. Billett, et ux, Burnside Twp., \$1.  
Harold E. Byers, et ux, to Charles D. Houser, et ux, College Twp., tax \$19.25.  
Treasurer of Centre County to Millheim boro, Millheim, \$29.45.  
ux, Phillipsburg boro, \$13.20.  
Louis Finberg to Ben Selbet, et ux, Phillipsburg boro, tax \$1.05.  
Alma V. Smith, et al, to Jane M. Walker, Liberty Twp., \$1.  
A. J. Rockey, to Clyde Hoover, Sr., et ux, Burnside Twp., tax \$5.  
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Charles M. Graff, et ux, to Paul H. Schweitzer, State College boro, tax \$5.50.  
Susan H. Chamberlain, et ux, to Paul H. Schweitzer, State College boro, \$1.  
O. E. Moore, et ux, to B. L. Moore, et ux, State College boro, \$1.  
C. Otis Cromer, et ux, to Hafer's Garage, Inc., Ferguson Twp., tax \$2.20.  
Clayton L. Shope, et ux, to John G. Shope, Bellefonte boro, \$1.

**County Mine Inspected**  
In a reinspection report released by the U. S. Bureau of Mines, a Federal coal mine inspector recommends several safety improvements at the 50 ton a day Roselawn mine, operated by the Roselawn Coal Company, near Phillipsburg. When inspected in April by Inspector L. A. Perry, the mine had 16 employees. Pellet black powder was used to blast some coal and rock on shift, and Inspector Perry recommended using permissible explosives or permissible blasting devices in an approved manner for all on-shift blasting.

Fashions for women are still in what might be termed the look-and-see era.

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