RECEPTIONS, PARTIES, WEDDINGS, ANNIVERSARIES

RAISING FUNDS FOR FIRE TRUCK

Firemen and Citizens of Mt. Union Co-operating in Plans to Secure Auto Apparatus

POSTMASTER IS BURIED

Loaded Truck Blown on Railroad Tracks and Struck by Freight Train

Mount Union, Pa., Dec. 2.—A committee has been appointed to make plans for special features, such as fairs, tag days, etc., for the raising of money to buy a new auto truck. Samuel Musser and Mr. Chauncey, of the fire company, were appointed on the committee, and Professor W. P. Harley and Professor C. C. Smith, of the public schools, were named to represent the school people in the cause.—Mount Union witnessed one of the largest funerals held here for some time on Wednesday, when Postmaster Alonzo W. Jones was buried. The funeral was led by the Grand Army veterans and drum corps. Services were held in the Methodist Church.—A loaded truck was blown onto the railroad tracks on Sunday night by the high wind and it was struck by a freight train and smashed, also wrecking about five yards of iron fence.—A. A. Minnick, father of Dr. J. M. Minnick, returned to his home at Asheville, N. C., after visiting his son.—The Aetna Explosives Company started work yesterday morning and will continue to employ men until they have increased their forces to about 2,000, it is announced.—The Rev. S. S. Cornell delivered the Thanksgiving sermon in the Presbyterian Church on Thanksgiving Day.—The jitney train on the Pennsylvania railroad started last Saturday to make two trips daily between Huntingdon and Mount Union and yesterday two more trains were added.—The local Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church had as its guests Monday night the sister society from Newton Hamilton.—Dr. C. E. Culver and family and Miss Verna Miller, of town, and Miss Eugenia James, of Arbisonia, motored to Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day to attend the Pennsylvania-Cornell game and visit Dr. Culver's son, Harold, who is in the dental school at the University of Pennsylvania.

NEW CONTRACT FOR PLAYERS

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—Adoption of a new form of players' contract is the chief business before the special meeting of the national baseball commission here to-day. President B. B. Johnson, of the American League, announced that a contract which he believed to be equitable to the players and club owners had been drafted and that it probably woudl be adopted by the commission. He declined, however, to give any hint what the new contract contained.

Old Reformed Church at East Petersburg Rededicated

THE REV. DR. J. R. ROTHERMEL

Marietta, Pa., Dec. 2. — Three days' services were held at the East Petersburg Reformed Church, the Rev. Dr. J. R. Rothermel, pastor, this week, when the edifice was rededicated. A former pastor, the Rev. George W. Walsh, of Spring Grove, was the principal speaker. A fine new pipe organ was dedicated at the Sunday service, Prof. Homer F. Rebert of Lancaster, giving the recital. Former pastors were present from Washington, D. C., Freeland, Frederick, Maryland and Lancaster.

Open Uniontown Speedway; Famous Racing Pilots Enter

Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 2.—To-day will see the postponed inaugural meet of the U. S. A. Speedway at Uniontown, Pa., when a field of the fastest cars, manned by the most famous racing pilots ever gathered at a single meet, will compete. This will be the last big race of the season on the automobile racing circuit and the battle for the Universal Film trophy promises speed far in excess of 100 miles an hour.

Racing started at noon. There were preliminary spins from 9 o'clock on. Hughie Hughes will try for new world's records for a board track of this size (1½ miles) with the Universal Wizard, the 12-cylinder English Sunbeam. At 2 o'clock the big event will start with fifteen fiery monsters in the pack.

H. D. KOONS BUYS UPPER-END HOTEL

Will Take Possession of Victor Property at Elizabethville Next Spring

SHOT 20-POUND TURKEY

Many Visitors Spend Thanksgiving Holiday With Friends at Halifax Homes

Halifax, Pa., Dec. 2. — C. A. Marsh has sold the Hotel Victor property at Fisherville, to H. D. Koons, of Linglestown, who will take possession next Spring. — Mrs. J. C. Pease, spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kocher at Fisherville. — Mrs. Jacob Sponsler and son, Elmer, of Lucknow, spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lebo. — Jerry Reigle, of Halifax township, on Tuesday shot a wild turkey gobbler on the Perry county hills that weighed twenty pounds. — N. A. Steffen, L. W. Ryan and Dr. L. S. Marshall spent the forepart of the week on a gunning trip in the vicinity of Herndon. — S. F. Bowman lost a valuable cow on Wednesday when it broke one of its legs and had to be killed. — Mrs. Sarah Sweigard is seriously ill of heart disease. — Mrs. H. G. Frank and grandchildren, Raymond Shepley and Clyde Rummel, visited relatives at Lebanon on Sunday. — Arthula Hoffman and Isaiah Fetterhoff are able to be about again after severe attacks of typhoid fever. — Leon Cooper, of Greenboro, N. C., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper. — J. Harry Wagner, of Washington, D. C., spent Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. S. Potter. — Mrs. Lillie Stailey and daughter, Annie and Miss Zella Flickinger, of Liverpool, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Stailey and daughter, Edith Mildred, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. I. H. Bowman. — Verna Moore, Laura, Ella, Catherine and Charles Brosious and Fred Radle, of Dalmatia, spent Sunday at the home of their uncle, O. E. Seagrist. — Little Daniel Poffenberger, of Marysville is paying a visit to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kline. — Mr. and Mrs. William Pike and Paul Bowman, of Hummelstown, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bowman. — Edward Rettinger, of Lucknow, visited at the home of his brother, Charles Rettinger, on Sunday. — Warren Potteiger, of Penbrook spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Potteiger.

Miss Leah Bula Hoover Bride of Fred Bauchman

Miss Leah Bula Hoover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Hoover, of East Hanover, and Fred Bauchman, Bressler, were married Thursday at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. Henry G. Light, uncle of the bride and pastor of the Church of God at East Hanover.

Amid masses of deerlaurel and fern the bride was given away by her father. The bride was attired in a costume of white silk and carried bride roses and carnations. The maid of honor, Miss Tillie Bauchman, wore a dress of sky-blue silk and carried bride roses. Irvin Hoover, brother of the bride, was best man. Music was furnished by Miss Tillie Bauchman and the ushers were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCord.

After the ceremony a dinner was served to the guests. Mr. Bauchman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bauchman and is employed as a machinist at the Bethlehem Steel Works. The bride is a granddaughter of the late Bishop S. R. Smith, of Grantham, manufacturer of noodles and macaroni. A short honeymoon will be spent in Washington, after which the young people will reside in Penbrook.

WEDDING CEREMONY IN EAST HANOVER

MR. AND MRS. FRED BAUCHMAN

CIGAR FACTORY AT LEWISBERRY

Hutton Property, Corner of Market and Main Streets, Bought For Purposes

17 EMPLOYES ENGAGED

Industry Will Be Put in Operation in Near Future and Managed by Orville Bair

Lewisberry, Pa., Dec. 2. — F. B. Crone has purchased Daniel Hutton's property on the corner of Market and Main streets. The house will be used for a cigar factory, which will be put in operation in the near future. The manager will be Orville Bair, of Strinestown. Seven people have already been engaged to work in the factory. — The Rev. Drfl A. S. Fasick, district superintendent, who spent five days with the Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson at the Methodist parsonage, and preached five evenings at the special services in the Lisburn Methodist Church, returned on Wednesday to his home at Carlisle. — The Rev. and Mrs. Paul V. Taylor, of Reading, arrived Wednesday, and are guests of the Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson at the Methodist parsonage. Mrs. Taylor is a sister of Mrs. Wilson. — Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brenneman and son Clair, of Brookside, spent several days with Mrs. and Mrs. Jesse Brenneman. — Mrs. Leah Potteiger has returned home from a several weeks' visit with friends at Washington, Baltimore and Sparrows Point. — Paul Schubauer, who is attending a business school in Philadelphia, is spending vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Schubauer. — On Sunday evening, a wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Simmons, when their son, John Andrew Simmons, of Conewago township, and Miss Florence C. Byerts, of Dover, were united in marriage by the Rev. C. S. Messner of Lewisberry. — Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brenneman spent Sunday at the home of William Baker at Bald Hills.

Men's Bible Class Sells 8,000 Pounds of Paper

Hummelstown, Pa., Dec. 2. — This week the men's Bible class of the Lutheran church shipped over eight thousand pounds of paper to a York firm.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kautz have returned from a visit to Philadelphia.—Misses Lillie Gresh and Marion Burns spent a day at Harrisburg.—Miss Margaret Mullin, a senior at the Cumberland Valley State Normal, is taking part in a Thanksgiving play given by the Normal students. — Proprietor Graupner of the Keystone Hotel, has been seriously ill for several days.—Miss Ruth Moyer, of Lancaster, spent the week-end with Miss Minnie Basom.—Mr. and Mrs. William Shoemaker visted their son, Robert, in Bethlehem during the week. The young man recently returned from the Mexican border where he had been stationed since early summer, with the artillery regiment.—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Geesey are spending the Thanksgiving vacation with relatives in Huntingdon county.—Harold Yingst of the class of 1914, H. H. S., has returned home after spending a year in the employ of the Remington Arms Company, of Eddystone, near Philadelphia.—Miss Annie Burkholder spent Wednesday in Harrisburg.—John H. Wise is slowly recovering from the wounds received last week when hit by a Harrisburg trolley car.—Mrs. Barbara Nye and Miss Annie Nye spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. David Ellinger at Harrisburg.—Mrs. Edgar Hummel spent Wednesday in Harrisburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Neibert spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Neibert's parents.—Mr. and Mrs. Geiman held a farewell party at their home in Railroad street on Friday evening preparatory to moving to Penbrook.—Mrs. Charles Leininger and children left Tuesday for their home in Canton, Ohio, after spending several weeks with Mrs. Leininger's mother, Mrs. William Fackler.—Mrs. John H. Gay, of Philadelphia, spent several days with her sisters, Misses Elizabeth and Mary Fox.—Mrs. Alpheus Seiple has returned to her home at Greenville, after spending several weeks with her father, H. Walls Buser.—John H. Gay, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in town.—William Zeiter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elias Bomgardner at Hershey.—Miss Annie Sutcliffe, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sutcliffe.

"FEAST OF THE RED CORN" GIVEN BY INDIAN STUDENTS

Legend of Tribe Brought Down Two Centuries in Indian Operetta With Native American Music at Carlisle School

Carlisle, Pa., Doc. 2.—Interpreted by some of the descendants of the tribe about whom the legend has been brought down for over two centuries and filled with the plaintive strains of native American music, an Indian operetta, "The Feast of the Red Corn," was given at the Carlisle Indian School by a cast of Indian actresses, forming in entirety one of the most unique events ever held at the Indian school.

The operetta, written by Paul Bliss, embodies in addition to an old tribal legend much of the early Indian music which has come down in cradle and folk songs from generation to generation. The play, with principals and a chorus of full-blooded American Indian maidens, was given under the direction of Miss Donegan, head of the music department of the institution, a special matinee performance being held for motion-picture men.

The story of the piece, which was appropriately staged and costumed, was based on a legend of the Wanta tribe, descendants of which are at the school and took part. Some of the costumes dated back many years in the various families, and were sent here for the occasion.

According to the legend, the maidens of the Wanta tribe once every year at the time of the harvest moon repaired to a secluded spot to celebrate "The Feast of the Red Corn." The one who finds the first red ear expresses her wish to the sorceress, who calls upon the Four Winds to give a sign that the wish will be granted. This year the queen takes part in the celebration, finds the red ear, but her wish is not given for the reason that the Four Winds are angry at a mark of disrespect on the part of the younger sister of the queen. The latter is sentenced to death at the stake, but is saved by the queen, and makes atonement by saving the children of the sovereign from death in the rapids.

Choruses in which the native Indian motif predominated were interspersed throughout the action. In the opinion of authorities, it was this legend, which is known throughout all of the tribes, which is the basis for the familiar "husking bee" of modern times.

DUCK CULTURE IS AS PROFITABLE AS CHICKENS

Game Qualities of the Runner Create an Appeal to the Epicure

Most Ducks Are Prolific Layers; Ducklings Make Rapid Growth

By C. S. Valentine

An Authority on the Indian Runner

No student of economics will deny that the bird that grows twice as fast as all others is making for first place as a business proposition. Money thus invested can be turned over twice as fast. Then, too, the everyday layer outdistances the alternating layer. The everyday layer is the duck.

The deeply-indented coast lines of New England seem to indicate that nature fitted this locality for duck raising. Yet, strangely enough, this entire section is reported to produce little more than one-fifth as many ducks as Indiana alone. The latter is little larger than Maine, and is almost without water border. The New England States produce less than half as many ducks as Arkansas, a State entirely inland and having 11,000 square miles less territory than New England.

One reason for this may lie in the fact that waterfowl have been given very little publicity in this section. The New England Experiment Stations have made no specialty of ducks that can be recalled; though Rhode Island did important comparative work with geese and tried some crosses. Why a natural specialty of a coast like that of Rhode Island should be so neglected is a puzzle.

Apathy Toward Waterfowl Broken

The apathy toward domesticated waterfowl, extending over much of the country, included the growers, exhibitions and the stations. This has now been broken, by two events: (a) the well-nurtured growth of the "green duck" industry; (b) the advent of the Indian Runner Duck. Green ducks (meaning immature) have been grown for some time in large numbers, and the progressive Long Island breeders have opend a commission house of their own in New York City, handling their own products and those of other growers.

The Indian Runner is pretty thoroughly established in the United States and Canada. Mexico sends many inquiries, and the largest order reported by the Cumberland Penciled Runner Club in 1915 came from Alaska.

It is also reported from Hawaii that the duck industry there had taken a new lease on life, having passed out of the hands of the Chinese. The present demand is for Muscovies; while a large demand has sprung up for duck eggs especially those from the Indian Runner breed.

The Certain Egg Demand

Wherever the attention of consumers is called to duck eggs and to young duck meat in the right way, a brisk demand soon follows. The meat of the ten-to-twelve-week-old duckling is excellent. Some claim the young Runner duck is the best poultry meat to be had.

When the layers are properly handled, duck eggs are so sweet and rich that they equal hen's eggs. No market informed as to the quality and value of duck eggs, will neglect them, especially those of the Indian Runner. The eggs of the Pekin and Aylesbury crowd the large goose eggs for size. The Runner egg sometimes reaches four ounces, averaging nearly three ounces; while the Pekin eggs average four to five ounces.

Add to this three other facts, viz., (a) that ducks thrive on a goodly proportion of cheap food; (b) that the skillful grower seldom loses a duckling; (c) that there is now a steady demand for these products, and it will be seen the duck industry holds a favorable place with the heretofore popular hen.

Producing Market Ducklings

Many growers who raise green ducks for market look askance at the Runner, or at any of the small breeds of ducks. They want Pekins, which weigh ten pounds or more to the pair when ready for market. Pekins, Aylesburys and Rouens, with a standard weight of nine pounds for adult males, are probably the only birds, except geese, that will make an average of half a pound a week of growth for the first ten weeks.

Producers of green ducks want a bird that grows rapidly, fattens easily, has white 'pins" and of which the male and female are nearly equal in size. Even these meat producers demand a breed that lays well, else they cannot get enough young stock.

Despite their size, Runners lead all other ducks, even for meat. Some have said, the smaller the Runner the better. For instance, a grower of Runners for high-class hotel or restaurant trade may be found urging that round-bodied birds smaller than standard should be selected as breeders. There are several reasons for this. One is that the wild birds for which they are sometimes substituted are usually of a small, round-bodied type. Another reason is, if there is too much weight, the charge per portion must be increased to the customer, or the proprietors, buying by weight, will suffer a very small profit.

An important factor in favor of Runner flesh lies in its gamey qualities, which enable restauranteurs to substitute it for real game.

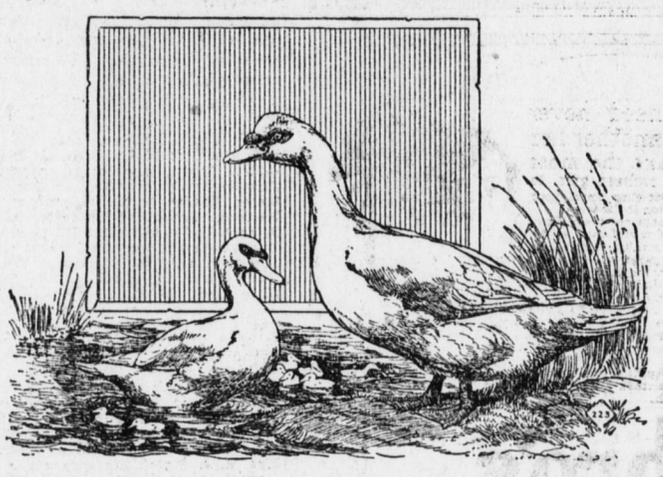
Restrictions on game birds continually increase. The government is resolved to stop the illegal sale of game birds. Restrictions are placed also on the sale of their feathers. It is reported that even the grower of domesticated Millards has not been safe from interference.

The general rule has been no Spring or summer shooting, and a short open season in the Fall. Unless the disappearing wild fowl can be increased by protection, and the more intelligent interest of the people at large, domestic birds must take their place in the markets. Thus, the opening for small ducks of superior quality, like the Runner, is a most important one. And the Runner is equal to the demand.

Furthermore, the grower who produces eggs as a specialty wants small eaters with not too large bodies. Yet he wants a fair carcass to sell when he has obtained the best part of the egg yield from each bird. The quicker this can be done, the greater the profit. And because ducks lay almost daily during the best of the season, they are ideal subjects for crowding for eggs till the molt, when they can be sold for more than it cost to replace them with young stock. A Canadian breeder reports returns of $7 each from his first flock of Runners, in less than a year from table eggs.

The utility grower needs to think more than has been his custom, that he must breed his stock along the lines of weight and type, in preference to feathers. In all breeds weight tends to run down, unless the birds are bred to a standard weight. Moreover, typical birds are likely to be better layers. agricultural schools claim this is especially true of the Runner Duck.

WHITE MUSCOVY DUCK



The Muscovy Duck is claimed by some to be a goose. It is, nevertheless, very ducklike and is so classed. Its history is centuries old. It is found wild in Brazil in the same colors as it is bred in domestic barnyards, and its place of origin is generally credited to that country.

This duck is bred in both white and colored varieties; the former, the subject of this sketch, being most popular. Its plumage is snow white with bright face and knob, the legs an orange yellow. The male carries a tuft of feathers on the top of his head, which under certain conditions he raises. The male is usually very large, often attaining twelve pounds, while the female is rather small, never exceeding eight pounds weight.

Muscovies have long and powerful wings, useful in combats with other poultry, for they are indeed quarrelsome, and for flight. They do not, however, wander far, and will return to the farm buildings at nightfall.

The duck prefers to steal her nest. It is not usual for her to suddenly appear with eleven or twelve ducklings which she has hatched in some remote corner.

White Muscovy Ducks when young are of good gamey flavor and are often served as canvasbacks. When old their flesh is tough, rank and unappetizing. In consequence, they are seldom used as utility ducks on the great duck farms.

The interior fittings of a poultry house are no less important than the construction of the building. For next week, Robert Armstrong has prepared an article on the construction of nests, which is illustrated by working diagrams of a few simple contrivances.

Booming of P. O. S. of A. Camp at Watsontown

Watsontown, Pa., Dec. 2. — Clarence F. Huth Commandery, No. 1, Uniformed Rank, Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Watsontown, will admit a large class of new members Thursday evening, December 7. The floor work will be put on by the celebrated degree team of W. S. Hancock Commandery No. 3, of Philadelphia. Many P. O. S. of A. men from various parts of the State will take part. The meeting will be in charge of Commander-in-chief L. F. Stees, of Philadelphia, assisted by District Commander Ray B. Grove, of Watsontown, who organized this commandery two years ago. Refreshments will be served. This commandery has members from twenty-four subordinate camps distributed among the counties of Clinton, Lycoming, Northumberland, Union, Montour, Snyder and Dauphin.

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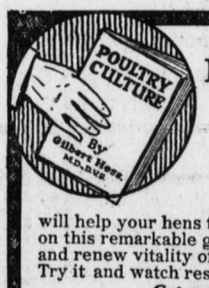

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