RECEPTIONS, PARTIES, WEDDINGS AND ANNIVERSARIES

PERRY COUNTY S. S. WORKERS

Forty-Ninth Annual Convention Will Be Held at Newport Reformed Church

TWO DAYS' SESSIONS

Complete Program Prepared With Music and Addresses by Prominent People

Newport, Pa., April 28.—Final arrangements have been made for the forty-ninth annual Sunday school convention of the Perry county association at the Newport Reformed Church, Wednesday and Thursday, May 2 and 3. The sessions will open Wednesday morning and continue until the next evening. W. C. Smith, of Andersonburg, will preside at the first session. The motto of the convention will be "Launch Out and Let Down." The music for the convention will be under the supervision of Prof. C. Harold Lowden, of Philadelphia, and a choir of seventy-five voices in charge of the Rev. W. C. Ney, pastor, of the local Lutheran Church, will lead the singing. It is expected that more than 125 out-of-town delegates will be present.—On Wednesday evening, at 6.30 o'clock a Sunday school parade will be held.—The complete program for the occasion follows: Wednesday morning, registration of delegates. Afternoon, music, devotions, the Rev. M. W. Stahl, Newport; greetings, E. D. Bistline, Newport; response, John S. Eby; appointments of committees, address, "Perry County's Goal 100 per cent.;" Cradle Roll, Mrs. C. E. Jeffers, elementary superintendent, Newport; music and offering; address, "A Successful 'Teen Age Class,' Thomas Miller, East Newport; address, "The Secondary Division Field and the Need," Preston Orwig, State secondary superintendent, Philadelphia; elementary conference in charge of Mrs. Jeffers, Mr. Orwig and Miss Daisy Kuhn, county superintendent of secondary division. Evening, W. R. Hench, Millerstown, presiding, music, devotions, the Rev. R. M. Ramsey, Newport; address, "The Rural Sunday School," D. R. Smith, Walnut Grove; address, "A 100 per cent. Teacher-Training Class," J. K. Lupfer, Walnut Grove; music and offering; address, "Teacher-Training and Its Struggles in Perry County," Miss Elizabeth Roath, superintendent of county teacher training, New Bloomfield; address, "The Rural Teen Age Teacher and His Job," Mr. Orwig; Teacher Training Alumni conference. Thursday morning, S. H. Bernheisel, of New Bloomfield, presiding; devotions, the Rev. U. O. H. Kerschner, Newport; business, resume of the year's work by county president; report of secretary, treasurer and departmental superintendents; rollcall of districts and Sunday schools; report of committees; miscellaneous business; address, "Should the County Wide Attendance Contest Be Continued?" T. W. Tressler, Wila; district superintendents will discuss, "How Good Results Are Secured. Afternoon, James Wilson, Loysville, presiding; devotions, the Rev. J. W. Clover, Newport; address, "A Service Program for a Local School," Mr. Orwig; address, "The Holy Bible in the Sunday School," the Rev. H. C. Knox, New Bloomfield; music and offering, address, "The Need of the Home Department in the Sunday School," the Rev. J. W. Weeter, New Bloomfield; address, "The Value of the Organized Adult Bible Classes in Perry County," the Rev. L. A. Fuhrman, county superintendent, Marysville; address, "Practical Results From the Organized Adult Bible Classes," N. W. Bair, Newport; adjournment; Home department and C. A. B. C. conference, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Fuhrman and Miss Long. Evening, E. E. Hamilton, Duncannon, presiding; devotions, the Rev. William Dorwart, Newport; address, "Temperance Education and Training in the Local School," the Rev. Mr. Kerschner, county superintendent; address, "The District Missionary Superintendent Versus Missions," the Rev. S. L. Rice, Marysville; vocal solo, address, "The Necessity of Emphasizing Mission Work of Our Country," the Rev. Dr. Hugh Magill, Chester; music and offering; installation of officers, final adjournment.

CHAMPION SNAKE STORY COMES FROM GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD

"Sol" Pittenturf Sees Reptile Fourteen Feet Long Gliding Down Side of Little Round Top; Beats John Rosensteel's Snake by Three Feet

Gettysburg, Pa., April 28.—Another big snake has been seen on Round Top. For years there have been stories of a big snake on Round Top, but since John Rosensteel killed one severa lyears ago that measured eleven feet, things have been very quiet on this subject, but now comes "Sol" Pittenturf with the story that he saw one fourteen feet long going down over the east side of the hill.—Two Adams county boys, Charles Keagy, of near McSherrystown, and Albert Kline, of Midway, were arrested as German spies while traveling through the West. They were able to satisfy the authorities that they were not Germans and were allowed to return to their homes.—Among the gatherings in Gettysburg during the month of May will be convention of the College Presidents' Association of Pennsylvania, which will hold its sessions on the 11th and 12th.—With a capital stock of $50,000 the Gettysburg Cold Storage Company has been organized and J. L. Butt was elected president. The company recently purchased the old foundry site and will erect a large cold storage plant thereon.—In the annual spring cleaning Sheriff Hartman had the prisoners at the jail clean the old graveyard adjoining the jail property.—The County Commissioners will erect a new bridge over the Conewago creek at New Oxford. This is the bridge at which many accidents occur on the Lincoln highway, several people having been killed, and in making the new bridge the hump will be taken away and a bridge level with the roadbed built.—With one hundred and four charter members a branch of the Red Cross has been organized with H. T. Weaver as president.—L. M. Slentz, an owner of fancy horses, has leased the old racetrack at the edge of town and put it in good condition for racing. It is proposed to hold races every two weeks during the summer.—The flag which it was thought vandals had stolen from the schoolhouse in Germany township has been returned, a person living close by explaining that he saw the flag on the building after school had been closed for the day and took it down to prevent its being torn by the wind during the night.

CENTRAL PENNA. PERSONALS

Thompsontown—Miss Annie Patton is visiting friends in Mifflin county.—Mrs. Joshua Gross and Miss Peale, of Aqueduct, were guests of Mrs. D. H. Spotts on Wednesday.—Mr. and Mrs. Thad Bashore, Mr. and Mrs. Blain Bashore, Harry and William Bashore and Mrs. Walter Barclay, of Altoona; Morris Smee, of Akron, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. George Smee, of Lewistown, and Miss Katharine Smee, of Harrisburg, were here attending the funeral of William R. Long on Monday.—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Keister and daughter, Margaret, were guests of Mrs. J. G. Haldeman on Sunday.—Miss Bertha Kearns returned home from Mifflin county.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Conner and little daughter, Lucy, of Barto, Florida, are spending the summer with Mrs. Conner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cameron.—Elmer Dimm and family, of Granville, were guests of his brothers and sisters in Kurtz Valley on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hibbs, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary Gross.—Misses Katharine and Emma Dressler, of Lewistown, are visiting Mrs. W. H. Brubaker.—Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Schlegel and children and Mr. and Mrs. John Dorwart were at New Holland for several days.

Linglestown—Mrs. Alfred Yaple, Mrs. Elizabeth Keefer and daughter, Jean, of Harrisburg, on Sunday were the guests of C. B. Care and family.—Mrs. George Wilson, of Oyster's Point, spent several days with Miss Mary Seiler.—Mrs. Harry Hicks and son, Harry; Miss Myrna Speas and Miss Kathryn Speas, of Penbrook, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wetteroth on Sunday.—Miss Miriam Daniels left for Shippensburg State Normal School on Tuesday.—Walter Neal, of Pittsburgh, was the week-end guest of Meade Juillard.—Miss Wilhelmina Ball left on Sunday for Atlantic Highlands after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. William Ball.—Ferdinand Beck, of Harrisburg, was a visitor here on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. William Feeser and children, of Hainton, were guests of Mrs. Mary Feeser on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grubb spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Grubb near Hershey.—Mrs. Rebecca Baker has returned home after spending several months with her daughter, Mrs. John Geyer, at Middletown.—Miss Mary Lowry and Miss Ethel Cooper, teachers of Swatara township, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smith on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Cassel and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Eshleman at Mount Joy on Sunday. — Mrs. Fanny Backenstoe was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Backenstoe at Mount Joy.—Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bender, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Heimer, of Lititz; Mr. and Mrs. William Lingle and Millie Lingle, of Harrisburg, were guests of G. W. Shriner and family on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Nye and Mrs. Gore, of Royalton, were recent guests of the Misses Cassell.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilbert and children, of Raysorville Heights, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Felty on Sunday.

Yeagertown—Roy Burns was a visitor at Huntingdon. — Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mauwry were visitors at the former'smother at Middle Creek.—Mrs. Charles Hartzell and sister, Mrs. Stout, of Woolsick, Pa., were recent visitors at the home of their aunt, Mrs. John Miller.—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gibbony and daughter, Frances, were recent visitors at Mrs. Gibboney's parential home near Milroy.—Dr. and Mrs. Roy Kinsley, of Altoona, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee.—Mr. and Mrs. William Smith and children, accompanied by Mrs. William Wear and son, Warren, were Mifflintown visitors on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gibboney were Reedsville visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Werts.—Miss Kauffam spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gray, at Reedsville.—Miss Laura and Catherine Felson, of Lewistown, spent Monday at the home of Miss Ruth Aikens.—Elmer Brown, a student at Susquehanna University at Selinsgrove, was a Sunday visitor with home folks here.—The American Boys met at the home of Paul Swanger on Tuesday evening.—Mrs. Charles Woods and children spent Sunday at her parental home in Lewistown. — Norman Fleisher, of Harrisburg, was a Sunday visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fleisher.—Miss Martha Robison, of Juniata county, is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Preston Allen.—Miss Frances Stuckey, of Barrville, was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Miss Elizabeth Fleisher.—Class No. 11 of the Methodist Episcopal church, held a "Mystic Tea" on Thursday evening in the basement of the church.

Middleburg—Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Marks, of Lewistown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Schoch.—D. A. Kern has returned from the German Hospital at Philadelphia, where he had gone for treatment.—Mrs. A. D. Gougler visited at the home of Mrs. John Amig, at Lewistown, on Wednesday.—Mrs. Joseph Dreese and Miss Edna Klinger visited relatives at Sunbury over Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Stetler were guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. K. Pellman, at Mifflintown, on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Boyer, of Turbotville, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fryer.—Miss Florence Fowler visited friends at Milton.—Mrs. George Moatz spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pulin, at Sunbury.—D. K. Haas, who spent the winter at Winter Haven, Florida, has returned home. Mr. Haas has a large orange grove in Florida and reports a fine yield.—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bickel spent Sunday at Dromatia.—Mr. and Mrs. William Dunkleberger, of Sunbury, were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Dunkleberger, on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. William Roush spent Sunday with the former's parents at Freeburg.—William Dagle and Reuben Haines were at Carlisle this week.—Miss Elizabeth Scharf, teacher in the Middleburg schools, visited friends at Selinsgrove Sunday.—Prof. Burke Herman, of State College, was the guest of his uncle, Dr. A. J. Herman, this week.

Duncannon—Mrs. Mary K. Banks has sold her property on Coover's Hill to William G. Hamilton, Jr., of Duncannon and has removed her household goods to the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kennedy, in High street, where she and her son, Edward, will reside.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Hoffman spent Sunday at Philadelphia and Camden, N. J.—Miss Sally Branyan has returned from a visit to relatives at Philadelphia.—The Rev. S. L. Flickinger, of Shepherdstown, W. Va., a former pastor of the Reformed churches of Duncannon and Marysville, was a recent visitor to his former parishioners.—Mrs. James McGlatherty and daughter, Alda May, of Altoona, spent Sunday with her sisters, Mrs. M. H. Flickinger and Mrs. S. C. Heckendorn.—Mrs. William H. Richter is spending some time at New Bloomfield as the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Shull.—Mrs. Maggie Young has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. L. E. McGinnes, of Steelton.—Mrs. Earl Phillips has returned to her home at Kennett Square after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Wilson.

Wiconisco—Miss Bernice Eves spent the week-end with Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Shambach.—John M. Foster and son, Mitchell, visited relatives at Liverpool on Sunday.—Miss Anna L. Sheafer is spending the week-end at Pottsville.—R. D. Fisher, of New Cumberland, was a caller in town on Wednesday.—Miss Edna Speary has returned home after visiting relatives at Sonestown.—Nelson Zerfing is spending several days at Philadelphia.—Mrs. C. E. Toole returned to her home at Mahanoy City after visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Prout.—Roy Long, of Philadelphia, spent Thursday with Mrs. William Long.—Mildred Koppenhaver visited Mrs. Ida Romberger, at Elizabethville, on Tuesday.—Albert Foster has resumed his studies at Bloomsburg Normal School.—Miss Beulah L. Pontius, of Williamstown, visited town friends on Sunday.—Miss M. E. Bailey left on Thursday for Wilmington, Del., where she will spend several weeks.—Harvey Batdorf spent Thursday at Loyalton.—Miss Maude Bordner is home from a trip to Philadelphia.—Dr. Chester J. Powell, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. S. J. Powell.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis and Mrs. Samuel Feas were at Harrisburg on Tuesday.—Mary Howells has returned home after a visit at Philadelphia.—Misses Agnes Motter and Esther Batdorf and Olwyn Phillips spent a day at Elizabethville.—Joseph Batdorf, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. A. M. Batdorf.—Miss Bessie Rusbatch spent Sunday at Uniontown.

Enders—Harry Sheetz and family, of Enola, visited the former's brother, Edward Sheetz, on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. William Loudermilch, of Elizabethville, are guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Loudermilch.—Harry M. Sweigard, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sweigard.—Andrew Budd and family, of Williamstown, spent several days at the home of Edward Sheetz.—Robert Fields returned to his home at Lebanon on Monday after spending several days at the home of his wife's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Fertig.

Pillow—A. F. Snyder and L. Snyder were at Rebuck on Saturday.—Mr. and Mrs. John Buflington and two sons were at Sunbury.—Margaret Snyder, Mrs. F. L. Snyder and children and Ruth Reigle spent a day at Elizabethville.—Mrs. J. J. Coleman and Mrs. Arthur Hess, of Gratz, spent Sunday at Frank Snyder's.—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Binganman were at Harrisburg on Saturday.—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dunkleberger and son, Robert, of Shamokin, spent Sunday at B. J. Snyder's.—Paul and John Warner, of Lykens; Charles Hymer and family and Mrs. William Hoffman, of Gratz; Harry Hepner and daughters, Helen and Anna, of Harrisburg, and E. E. Hepner and family, of Lancaster, and John Hepner and son, Russell, of Lykens Valley, all spent Sunday at the home of Isaac Hepner.

New Bloomfield—Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hill and children, of Halifax, spent Sunday with friends here.—Mrs. J. C. Motter and Lillian Heston, who were visiting in Pittsburgh, returned home on Monday.—M. H. Atkinson, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with his sister here.—W. H. Martin, of Harrisburg, spent several days with his son, Harry M. Martin.—E. M. Wagner, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. John Wagner.—A. S. Knox, of Altoona, James McClelland and mother, of Lewistown, visited the Rev. Homer Knox.—Mrs. J. L. Butz spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. George Crazier, of Harrisburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bretz returned Sunday evening from a visit to Indianapolis, Ind.—John Johnston, a student at State College, spent Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Johnston.—Mr. and Mrs. George W. Garber and daughter, Esther, and Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bernheisel spent Sunday afternoon with their daughters at Shippensburg State Normal School

Mount Union Man Loans Valuable Land For Gardens

L. N. CRUM

Mt. Union, Pa., April 28.—L. N. Crum, one of Mount Union's openhearted citizens, has recently donated several acres of valuable land to be farmed by the High School during the summer. Mr. Crum has recently completed the mercantile appraisement of the county and donated the entire proceeds of his work to the Baptist Church. He is president of the School Board and believes that the schools cannot do too much for the young people.

Savings Bank Established in Mount Union Schools

Mount Union, Pa., April 28.—The National Thrift Service installed a school savings bank in the public schools on Wednesday, receiving several hundred depositors.—Ladies of the Presbyterian Church held a market at the office of the Raystown Water Company to raise money to equip the new church parlor.—The public schools are planning to hold a May Day festival next week.—Mrs. Guy Gambel, a teacher in the public schools here for the past ten years, resigned on Wednesday and left for Alabama, where her husband was promoted to a foremanship by the Harbison-Walker Brick Company.—Mount Union is to be well represented in tennis this season. The Mount Union Club organized for the year by electing Dr. Woods, president and R. E. Garner, secretary and treasurer. The Harbison-Walker Brick Company has also built a court, the Refractories Company, two courts and the High school a court.—Office men of the Refractories Company, are organizing a boat club.—Mount Union women have organized a Red Cross chapter, the first in the county. A Red Cross room will be opened in the new Sayler building.—Miss Thelma Wilson, of Orbisonia, has accepted a position as stenographer at the Mount Union Tannery Company's office.—A sixty-foot flagpole is being placed in front of the High school building.

SUPERVISORS BUY ROAD DRAG

Allen, Pa., April 28.—The supervisors of Monroe township recently purchased a road drag for improving the roads.—Mrs. Reba Best and daughter, Gladys, spent Sunday with her parents and sister, Mrs. Moody.—The German Baptists have improved their church property by the erection of a commodious shed for protection in inclement weather.—Miss Clara Hull spent several days with friends at Middletown.—Alpha Engle has inaugurated a "clean-up campaign" for various citizens of the community.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Gensler had a pleasant visit to Coatesville recently. — The rite of baptism was administered to Sara Alice, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Glenn Gehr, at the Reformed church on Sunday morning, the Rev. Mr. Kehl officiating.

LANCASTER COUNTY HORSE DRAGS HITCHING POST THREE MILES

Became Tired Standing and Started For Home; David H. Singer, Florin School Teacher, Has Served 43 Years

Mount Joy, Pa., April 28.—Andrew M. Martin, of Mount Joy, who makes his home at Washington Borough, took a drive to Millersville on Sunday evening to call on a friend. When he wanted to start for home he found the horse was gone and so was the hitching post. An automobilist found the horse walking along the road during the night dragging the hitching post near the Central Manor Hotel, three miles from Millersville. He aroused Mr. Barefoot, who put the horse in the stable where Mr. Martin got him the next day.—Missionary Day will be observed in the Lutheran church on Sunday.—David H. Singer, teacher of the Florin grammar school, will, in a few days, close his forty-third term at teaching. He taught thirty-seven years in Mount Joy township and six years in Rapho. He is a veteran among teachers and there are few in the county that have held the reins for a longer period.—William Hollowbush was at Harrisburg on Monday.—Abraham Stone and James J. Donohue, of Philadelphia, were in town, the guests of J. R. Missner.—The Rev. George A. Kercher, pastor of ahe Lutheran church, is spending a week's vacation at Williamsport. — John Brinesdorfer has shipped a carload of leaf tobacco to the eastern markets.—A marriage license has been issued to Elizabeth Thatcher Hendrix, of Mount Joy, and Paul Christian Bricher, of Philadelphia.—Addison Flowers, 30 years ago, covered his entire lawn with sod and has not had a garden since. This spring he has done away with some of the sod and has converted part of the yard into a garden.—The Grand Army Post and the Sons of Veterans will attend the Presbyterian church in a body on Sunday, May 27, when the pastor, the Rev. Frank G. Bossert, will deliver a Memorial Day sermon to them.—Three Grand Army men, David Wagner, J. G. Metzger and William Bookman, together with three Sons of Veterans, W. D. Chandler, Harry J. Williams and Jacob Brown, all of Mount Joy, visited the cemeteries of Mount Joy, Henry Eberle, Florin, Lincoln, Kraybill's and Donegal, on Sunday afternoon. They also attended the Sunday school at the Donegal church.

REFORMED CHURCH SERVICES

Berrysburg, Pa., April 28.—Preparatory services and communion were held in the Reformed church to-day and to-morrow by the Rev. Mr. Lehr. Confirmation and communion will be held to-morrow at the Hoffman's church by the same pastor.—Mrs. Sue Zartman, of Dornsife, is making a visit to her sister, Mrs. John Campbell.—Jacob McCoy, of Sunbury, visited his brother, Jeremiah McCoy, for several days.—Harry App, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with his parents. George App is also visiting his parents.—Miss Lena Hartman spent a day at Harrisburg and was accompanied home by her brother, Harry.—Mrs. John Ladacher and children, of Shickshinney, are visitors at the home of her sister, Mrs. P. F. Deibler.—Quarterly conference was held here in the Evangelical church by the bishop.—Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah McCoy visited her sister at Gratz for several days.—M. S. Daniel and daughter, Helen, are spending several days in Harrisburg.

Lancaster Co. Farmer Lived 58 Years in Same House

JACOB ROHRER

Mount Joy, Pa., April 28.—Jacob Rohrer, a retired farmer living several miles east of Mount Joy, was born on November 8, 1829, and now in his 88th year. He is in good health. He is a native of Landisville, about five miles from his present residence and never lived further away. For fifty-eight years he lived on the same farm. He was married in November, 1857, to Mary Kreider, of Rohrerstown. He has two sons, one daughter, thirty-one grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. A short time ago he held a family reunion at which all his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were present. Mr. Rohrer is a member of the Mennonite church and has often been asked to accept public office, but he has persistently refused to do so.

Patriotic Services Held at Manchester Church

Manchester, Pa., April 28. — Patriotic services were held in the Lutheran church on Sunday evening and were well attended. The subject of the sermon by the Rev. H. L. Gerstmyer was, "Why We Love Our Country and Her Flag." Scoutmaster William Dietz and his troop of Boy Scouts decorated the church. Harry Kauffman read a poem composed by Mr. Frey, of York, and D. V. Ness read a poem called "A Song of the Flag." Lloyd Melhorn, a member of the Boy Scouts, marched up the aisle with an American flag during the singing.—Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Reachard entertained at their home Mrs. Wilson Sprenkle, Master Wilson Sprenkle and Thelma Sechrist, all of York.—Mrs. William Schriver, who has been confined to her home for several weeks by illness, is improving slowly.—Harry and S. D. Winand, of York, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Winand. — Miss Mary Gladfelter spent Sunday at York.—Miss Sarah Dietz and Miss Sadie Buchar attended a meeting and social of the Twenty-third Club at the Pythian park pavilion at York Haven on Monday evening. Miss Dietz was one of the four candidates who were elected to membership.

PARTY AT HEMPERLY HOME

Falmouth, Pa., April 28.—A surprise party was held at the home of the Misses Iva and Marion Hemperly Saturday evening.—Miss Dora Guhl has been ill the past week.—Thomas Couch and family autoed to Steelton on Sunday afternoon.—Mrs. George Blotcher and Mrs. Noss, of Middletown, visited friends in town on Monday.—Mrs. John Horst and granddaughter have been ill the past week but are both now convalescing.—Mrs. Millard Metzgar and daughters, Catherine and Ruth, are spending to-day at Harrisburg.—John E. Smith and Ella Couch spent Saturday evening at Harrisburg.

THREE SYSTEMS FOR BROODING CHICKS ARTIFICIALLY

Merits of the Colony Brooder, Long Brooder House and the Brooder Stove

Study the Tone of the Chick's Voice For a Guide to Its Comfort and Well Being

By G. R. Smith
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It is not enough to hatch the chicks. The biggest business after all is to raise them. That means "brooding." Most poultrymen succeed or fail here. My friend bought twenty-five day-old chicks. They were "as fine as silk." But he had no brooding facilities. Therefore one after another pined away and died. He raised three to maturity!

If it had been twenty-five hundred instead of twenty-five, another poultryman would have "failed." When a baby comes everything should be in order to raise it rightly. A chick is a baby. It is one of the most sensitive things in the world. It is a walking egg. Tenfold more care must be given it than is given the newly-laid egg.

The small colony brooder is mostly used by the amateur and by those who keep small flocks. It is a complete brooding plant on a small scale. Six feet by three is the usual size. It is therefore easily portable and can be used out of doors in cold weather, or indoors, to suit conveniences.

It is divided into two equal compartments, the central partition being easily removable to double the space run of the chicks as they develop. The heat is furnished by a kerosene lamp at one end outside the brooder. It communicates with a circular hover within.

The small colony brooders now on the market have been improved until they are practically perfect. But, like any other mechanism, they must be handled with knowledge and skill or they can do great damage.

Absolutely cleanliness throughout must be insisted upon always. The floor of both apartments should be covered half an inch thick with clean sand, and over this should be scattered an inch of fine litter, preferably alfalfa or clover. In this should also be placed a good supply of fine oyster shells.

Light the lamp a day or two before the chicks are to be placed in the brooder, so that you may be sure of a steady temperature of about 98 degrees under the hover. The second week this temperature may be reduced five degrees. Work it down to 85 by the third week. A thermometer should be kept constantly in view. There must be no guessing.

The lamp should be filled and cleaned once a day, and it should be trimmed twice a day. There should be no exception to this rule. Remember it is burning twenty-four hours a day. The lamp must be kept absolutely safe and efficient. Otherwise the chicks are liable to be baked or smoked to death.

Long Brooder House

The principle here is the same as that of the small colony brooder, except that it is a large scale plant. The building may be any length desired, according to the extent of the business. The modern aim is to equip the long brooder house for use as a maturing or laying house when it is not required for brooding purposes.

The heat is usually furnished by a system of steam pipes running above the hover shelters. A more recent method sends the heat through steam pipes beneath the floor. The circular hover is used in this system, and the heat is led up to each successive hover from beneath the floor by a galvanized cylinder. The kerosene lamp is used in some cases. The most rigorous methods should be adopted in the care of the lamps. Forty or fifty lamps burning day and night, with such inflammable stuff lying about, put a large responsibility on the care taker. I know of one instance at least where some 1,800 blooded birds were burned up one night as a result of an exploded lamp.

Whatever the heating system may be it should be studied most carefully and thoroughly mastered. The care of a fire of any kind is matter of great importance. It is a curious fact that many intelligent people are not expert "firemen." Children learn the fire art slowly. As a steady and successfully sustained temperature is of vital consequence in brooding, very special attention should be given to this part of the business.

Drafts should be carefully guarded against in the long building. Doors should close automatically. The chicks should be kept well separated as to the different flocks, and especially as to flocks of different ages. Never should the birds be compelled to live on a naked floor. Nothing is more discouraging and more unnatural to them.

Colony Brooder Stove System

The colony brooder stove system is a comparatively modern method. It is coming into very general use, however. The brooder stove is placed in the center of a room from 12 to 14 feet square. Either coal or oil may be used, according to one's preference. The heat is largely self-adjusting. It is reflected downward and outward by a large metal hover elevated above the stove and easily adjustable. The chicks are thus altogether in the open, and draw near to the source of heat, or recede from it, as their comfort may dictate.

The ideal house in use under this system may be 14 by 28 feet. The entire space may be divided into two rooms 14 feet square. The chicks occupy the room in which the stove is located until they are large enough to be permitted the run of the whole house, when the door between the rooms may be opened, thus extending their runway until they are sufficiently mature to get out onto the ground. Such house should accommodate from 500 to 1,000 chicks. The maximum capacity of the big brooder stove is 1,500 chicks; but only an expert poultryman should attempt to brood so many chicks in one flock.

Food and General Care

The litter, sand, and shells should be the same as described under the small colony brooder, whatever the system used. These are as vital to the general welfare of the little flock as heat and food.

The first feed should not come before at least thirty-six hours after hatching. The yolk of the egg furnishes sufficient food for such length of time, or even longer.

Of course clean water should be kept before them constantly. No sloppiness should be permitted. The best patent drinking fountains ought to be always in use.

Oatmeal in any form is a good feed to begin with. Feed five times a day at first. The second day begin to work the feed into the litter. Make them scratch for everything so far as possible. Keep them hungry enough to keep them active. They must exercise from the first. Their happiness and their health depend on their digging day after day for their food. The poultryman forgets this at his peril.

The mixed chick feed grain on sale at any supply store should be fed in the little after the first two days. If an extensive business is being conducted the poultryman should buy his grains and mix them himself. A good mixture is as follows: 100 pounds fine cracked wheat, 80 pounds cracked corn, and 20 pounds pinhead oatmeal.

Furnish Abundant Green Stuff

At the beginning of the second week put wheat bran or middlings before them for two or three hours a day. Beginning with the tenth day, keep the following dry mash before them all the time in hoppers; 50 pounds of bran, 50 pounds equal parts corn meal and sifted ground oats, with about 5 per cent. meat scrap. All the green food they will eat may be furnished them every day with profit.

A little clean dirt placed before them in a box will be good. Do not let the dirt get on the floor of the brooder. Keep that clean and dustless so far as possible.

Chills must be specially avoided. Let them out onthe ground as soon as it can be done with perfect safety.

Not more than 75 chicks should be brooded under one hover with the small colony brooder. More will mean crowding, and a consequent danger for the whole flock.

Avoid extremes of temperatures. Keep the birds comfortable. The tone of the chick's voice will always proclaim its general condition. Study this.

When five or six weeks old the toughening process should be so far advanced as to dispense with artificial heat, except in very cold weather. When two months old the youngsters should be ready to go out on range and fight their battles with success. Let the hardening be gradual and well timed from the beginning.

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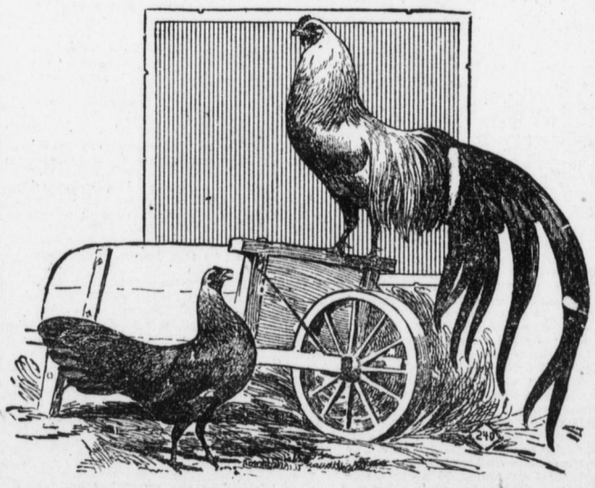
For centuries industrious housewives have preserved small fruits and vegetables for winter use. Why not eggs? They may be similarly preserved, and it is simpler and less expensive than preserving fruit. In next week's article this method of reducing the H. C. of L. will be carefully discussed by a government specialist.

LONG TAILED YOKOHAMAS



This is one of the odd, rare and highly ornamental races of poultry. Yokohamas were originated in that land where the natives delight in producing extremes in plants and poultry—Japan. It is probable that their first importation to England was from Yokohama, and they were consequently so named. This is an Oriental game, bred especially for its great length of tail. In Japan these tails sometimes reach the length of eighteen feet. Such tails are never seen on the specimens exhibited in America and England, but they are often shown with tails from three to six feet long. This extreme development is confined entirely to the males, though the female have extra long and profuse tail feathering, resembling those of a good Leghorn hen.

Yokohamas are not bred extensively in America; only a few are exhibited at the big shows. The chief reason is that their main virtue is as an ornamental fowl; little can be said of their utility qualities. The hens are rather poor layers of small eggs. It is also very difficult to keep the fowls and prevent the long tail plumage of the males from being broken before attaining its greatest growth. Males do not develop their greatest length of tail until their third year.

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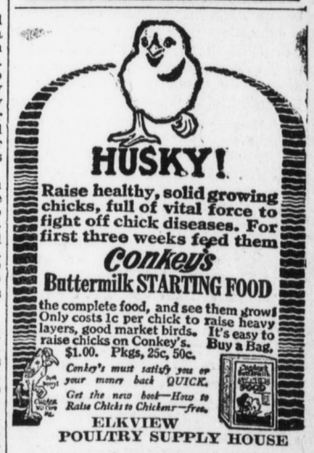

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