IMPORTANT NEWS OF TOWNS IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

KILLINGER COAL YARD EMPTIED

Cry of Famine Causes Great Rush on Boyer & Weaver's Yards

ONE HUNDRED TONS SOLD

Outlook For Next Winter's Supply Very Far From Encouraging

Killinger, Pa., May 12.—A coal famine cry overtook our people last week. They got scared and afraid there would be no coal to be had for next winter's supply, they rushed on the Boyer & Weaver coal yards and cleaned them out in short order. Over one hundred tons were hauled out in less than two days. There are now no prospects of having any for next winter's supply, as the only means of getting the same is on the Midland Pennsylvania railroad, and it shut down in January. The way things look the prospects are not very encouraging.—The township road board has made plans to put the roads in repair. They are in bad shape at some places, but labor is so scarce here that it is impossible to procure any one to work.—Pharos Keiter and family were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred U. Weaver, at Pleasant Hill, on Sunday.—Miss Elva Wert, of Millersburg, spentd the week-end at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas L. Jury.—Miss Lottie P. Weaver, of Pleasant Hill, was the guest of Miss Annie Strawser on Sunday.—Lawrence Kocher and Miss Sallie Finkbone, and Miss Katie Heckert, of Berrysburg, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren I. Miller on Sunday.—The Misses Jennie, Catherine, Annie and Harriet Schaeffer, of Millersburg; Ray and John Yeager, of Pleasant Hill; Miss Carrie E. Ebersole, of Killinger, and Glen Koppenhaver, of Elizabethville, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey C. Zerby, east of town, on Sunday.

Interesting Program For Benefit of Chapel Fund

Linglestown, Pa., May 12.—The following program will be presented in the Union chapel by the teachers and scholars for the benefit of the improvement fund of the Union Chapel Sunday school, on Thursday evening at 7.30: Hymn, "Praise Him, Praise Him," school; scripture lesson, Mrs. Alice Rabuck; prayer, C. Graybill; vocal solo, "Lead Kindly Light," Miss Anna Fishburn; male quartet, selected; pageant, "Christ In America;" address, the Rev. Mr. Lynch; violin solo, "Theme and Variations," Miss Caroline Fishburn, accompanied by Miss Marion Smith; piano duet, Mrs. Lillian Pittman, and Dr. H. D. Rhein; vocal duet, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," Mrs. Cloyd Holland and Mrs. Harry Wetteroth; piano solo, "Ye Banks and Braes of Bonny Dune," Miss Mary Moyer; vocal solo, "O Dry Those Tears," Dr. H. D. Rhein; hymn, "God Be With You," school; benediction, the Rev. Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Philip Arva is accompanist, and David Felty, chorister.—Church services will beheld in the United Brethren Church to-morrow morning by the pastor, the Rev. Clyde Lynch; in the Church of God in the evening by the pastor, the Rev. H. Whitaker, and church services will be held in Wenrich's Church in the morning by the Lutheran pastor, the Rev. O. R. Bittner.—Miss Myrna Speas, Miss Kathryn Speas and Miss Pauline McGarvey, of Penbrook, were guests of Miss Marion Smith, on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Look, of Harrisburg, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Look.—Mrs. Charles Walters and daughter spent Wednesday at Harrisburg.—Arthur E. Brown, of the Harrisburg Academy, on Thursday was the guest of John Smith.—Mrs. Elizabeth Balthaser, of Palmyra, and Miss Kate McIlhenny, of Harrisburg, on Thursday were the guests of Mrs. Annie Smith.—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Care, on Thursday, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Yaple, at Harrisburg.—John McIlhenny Smith left on Thursday night for Ft. Niagara training camp.—Mrs. Whitaker is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Sivass, at Lancaster.—Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Holland and Miss Eby, of Paxtang, on Sunday were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hicks.—Miss May LeVan, of Penbrook, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Carrie Feeser, on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Care, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Care and son, John, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Look and daughter, Fay, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, at Dauphin.—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McIlhenny, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with Mrs. Annie Smith, and family.—Mrs. Clyde Lynch and daughter, Eleanor, of Harrisburg, visited Mrs. Annie Buck, on Tuesday.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Getz, of Mount Joy, spent the week-end with relatives here.

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VACANT LAND ON GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD TO BE TILLED

National Park Commission Grants Use to Pupils of Borough Public Schools to Raise Crops This Summer

Gettysburg, Pa., May 12.—The National Park Commission, which controls all the land belonging to the battlefield, will give out all the tillable land on the field not now tenanted to the pupils of the local public schools for the growing of vegetables during the summer, so that the boys and girls may "do their bit" in helping to feed the people.—The high cost of living gets the blame for the raising of the borough tax, the Town Council at their meeting raising the tax from 10 to 11 mills and putting the blame squarely on the high cost they have to pay for everything used in municipal affairs.—Harry Rote, of Harrisburg, a student at Gettysburg College, has left school and taken the examination for the navy. Rote will be sorely missed in the athletic life of the institution, being the best all-round athlete in the school.—Will S. Taylor, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Franklin E. Taylor, pastor of the Presbyterian church, who has been assistant professor in the philosophy and history departments of the college, will give up his position at the close of the scholastic year to take up studies in philosophy and psychology for an advanced degree. He will matriculate at the University of Wisconsin.—An estimate has been made of the men who will be taken from Adams county and Gettysburg under the selective draft and, according to the figures, the town will lose twenty-two of its citizens, while one hundred and seventy will be taken from the county.—The spring examination for battlefield guides has been held and results made known, and there are now 96 licensed guides, ten having been dropped from the list because they did not make the required average.—Littlestown has organized a unit of the Red Cross with fifty members. Several members of the Gettysburg branch were present to assist in the organization.—Prof. Walter D. Reynolds, head of the department of mathematics in the High School, has been elected principal of the school to succeed Miss Helen Cope, who was elected supervising principal.—The trial of the damage suit of Mrs. Annie K. Eline, of Baltimore, against the Western Maryland railroad, was tried in the Adams county courts this week. The suit is the result of an accident in York county when Mr. Kline was killed by a Western Maryland train at a grade crossing. Damages of $10,000 were awarded.—Nothing has yet been learned of the whereabouts of William Timmins, the Getysburg young man who mysteriously disappeared from Pittsburgh on the afternoon of April 25. His parents and grandparents, who live here, have put forth every effort to find him, but of no avail.—When putting an $800 Chickering player-piano in the Eagle Hotel the rope broke when the instrument was up to the second story window and the piano fell to the pavement and was demolished. It was the property of Charles A. Clement, late of Harrisburg, who was just moving in to take possession of the hotel.

Four Graduates in High School Class at Millerstown

Millerstown, Pa., May 12—To-morrow evening the baccalaureate sermon will be preached to the 1917 class of the Millerstown High school in the Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. C. A. Markham, of Westmoreland county. The members of the class are: Misses Sara Hogentogler, Helen Martin, Esther Peifer and Everett Black.—Miss Jessie Kipp left for Altoona, where she will visit friends for several days.—T. V. Diffendafer was a visitor to New Bloomfield, on Tuesday.—Robert Shenk, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Shenk.—James Rounsley was a visitor at Harrisburg on Tuesday.—Charles Noll, of Green Park, was called home Saturday by the serious illness of his father, Martin Noll.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trego, of Houtzdale, are visiting at the home of William Rounsley.—Mrs. Gibson Harris and daughter, Edith, visited several days at Harrisburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Patterson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., were recent guests of Miss Elizabeth Patterson.—Mrs. Harry Lupfer, who had visited Mr. and Mrs. John Ward for several days, returned to her home, at Steelton on Monday.—Mrs. Robert Crane, of Harrisburg, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Ward, on Sunday.—Miss Ada Myers and Miss Leach, of Thompsontown, were guests of the Rev. C. F. Himes and family.—Mrs. Charles Mitchell, who had been visiting her son, Frank, at Harrisburg, for several weeks, has returned home.—Harry Hopple spent Sunday with his son, Herbert Hopple and family, at Mifflin.—Samuel Van Tries, of Union Furnace, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Vernon Tabb, on Sunday.—Miss Lottie Menghes, employed at the State Hospital, at Harrisburg, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Menghes.—Mrs. Hulda Knight, of Duncannon, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Banks Page.—Mr. and Mrs. Grant Patton, of Harrisburg, and Mr. and Mrs. John Brinton, of Camp Hill, were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kipp, on Sunday.—Miss Sarah Kipp was a visitor at Newport, on Monday.—Miss Pearl Roush is visiting relatives at Harrisburg.—Lewis Dimm and daughter, Olive, were guests of Charles Beaver and family, in Pfouts' Valley, on Sunday.—Mrs. John Harris visited her sister, who is ill at Newport recently.—Harry Branyan visited his mother, who has been quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Smith, at Duncannon.—Nelson Rounsley, a student at Bucknell College, Lewisburg, arrived home on Tuesday to spend several days with his mother, Mrs. Samuel Rounsley, before going to Philadelphia, where he will take the United States physical examination for enlistment.

FARM IMPLEMENTS BURNED

By Associated Press

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 12.—Fire of unknown origin last night destroyed the International Harvester Company's office and warehouse building here. The loss is in excess of a million dollars. More than one million pounds of oiled binder-twine ignited, spreading the flames to all parts of the four-story structure. The warehouse was heavily stocked with farm implements and machinery repairs.

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Eight Graduate in Halifax High School Class of 1917

Halifax, Pa., May 12.—Annual commencement exercises of the Halifax High school will be held on Friday evening, June 22, in the auditorium. This year, there are eight members in the graduating class, as follows: Mary Albright, of McClellan; Helen Felt, of Enders; Martin Rutie, of Matamoras; Harvey Warfel, of Enterline; Effie Koppenheffer, of Halifax township; John Clemson, Harry C. Chubb and Howard Neidig, of Halifax.—Forrest Boyer, of Hummelstown, spent several days at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bowman. — Harvey Hess and Master Warren Lebo spent Sunday at the home of the former's brother, Charles Hess, and family, near Enders.—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rettinger and children, of Lucknow, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rettinger.—Miss Blanche Scholl, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin P. Scholl, in Halifax township.—Charles Reisch, of Palmyra, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Reisch.—Miss Ella Rutter, of Harrisburg, spent Sunday at home with her mother, Mrs. Hannah Rutter.—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poffenberger and two children, of Marysville, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kline, near town.—Miss Ida Shoop is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Warfel, at Enders.—George West, a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. West, who enlisted in the United States army several weeks ago, is now at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., taking instructions with the aviation corps.—Harry L. Biever, pitcher; Ephraim Minnich, catcher, and Harry Aderholt, third baseman, have sent their signed contracts to the management of the Halifax baseball team. M. E. Murphy, shortstop, has not yet sent in his contract.—Dr. Ezra S. Lehman, president of the Shippensburg Normal school, paid a visit to the local schools on Friday.—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Gipple, of Linglestown, and Mrs. John Wise and daughter, Ruth, of Small Valley, spent Sunday at the home of J. E. Jury and family.—Telegraph Operator J. Merrill Grove, has returned home from a ten days' vacation at Washington, D. C.—John Butts and his bride, of Newark, N. J., spent several days over the week-end visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Harry Butts, and his sister, Mrs. W. W. Buck.—Mrs. Emma Hess spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Louder, at Millersburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Ross Zimmerman spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hoffman, at McClellan.—Miss Catherine Beiver spent the week-end with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Biever, at Watsontown.—W. C. Heisler was at Harrisburg Monday evening, attending a meeting of Dauphin-Berry League representatives.

YOUNG FOLKS AT PARTY

Union Deposit, Pa., May 12.—Misses Alice Silks, Bertha Hoover and Adeline Reager and Earl Whitmoyer, Claud Long and David Long spent Tuesday evening near Hoernerstown at a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Long.—Mrs. Harry Fausnacht and son, Harry, Jr., are spending the week-end at Palmyra with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Snavely.—Mrs. Henry Miller and Mrs. Frank Spotts spent Wednesday at Harrisburg.—John Moyer, of Harrisburg, a former resident of town, spent Wednesday among friends here. — Preaching services will be held in the United Brethren church to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. George W. Hallman.—Mrs. Eliza Blessing, of Middletown, is spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. William Snyder.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Etter spent Sunday at Campbellstown, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Samuel Patrick.—Mr. and Mrs. William M. Long, of Hummelstown, were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Long, on Sunday.—Lester Hawk, Lester Gladfelter and Charles Alleman spent Monday at Harrisburg.—David Gingrich and family, of Hoernerstown, were entertained by Mrs. Gingrich's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Kline, on Sunday.—Mrs. Elias Kaufman spent a day at Harrisburg.—Mrs. Kate Lodge, of Harrisburg, is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. George Rambler, who is ill.

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GROUP PICTURE OF PIONEER FIRE COMPANY OF MARIETTA

Marietta, Pa., May 12.—Pioneer Fire Company, No. 1, of Marietta, is the largest organization in town and one of the oldest in the State. They have donned new uniforms and a feature is that the new Marietta Band are nearly all members of the organization. C. Penrose Hipple is president of the company. The company is among the few organizations paying sick and death benefits.

Hummelstown Pupils Who Work on Farms to Graduate

Hummelstown, Pa., May 12.—Victor Hetrick, Harry Miller and Joseph Cassel, members of the present senior class in High school have left school to work on farms. These boys will be graduated just the same as if they remained in school, as their marks were passing at the time they left. They will take part in class day and commencement with the other graduates.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hummel entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Killinger, of Harrisburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rohrer entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hershey, of Hershey, on Sunday.—Mrs. Florence Myers, of Harrisburg, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Foltz.—Mrs. Henry Holler spent a day at Harrisburg.—Mrs. M. L. Nissley and mother, Mrs. Hummel, were Harrisburg visitors. — Mrs. Krause is spending a week at New York City.—Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Oakum entertained Mrs. George Bouse and children, of Myerstown.—Mrs. William Kennedy, of York, spent Wednesday with relatives here.—Samuel Spidel and son, Edward, of Steelton, visited here on Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McCormick, of Harrisburg, spent a day with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCall.—Miss Ada Walter spent Tuesday at Harrisburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McCall entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Sykes, of Philadelphia.—Mr. and Mrs. Elias Earnest entertained their grandchildren, Edith and Charles Bobbs, of Harrisburg, for a day.—F. B. Graupner is seriously ill at the Keystone hotel.—Miss Freeda Kinley, of New Cumberland, visited her brother, George Kinley, here for a few days.—George Keller spent a few days with his brother, Frank Keller, at Elizabethtown.—Miss Annie B. Nye spent a day at Harrisburg.—Licentiate Alfred Sutcliffe, Jr., of the Gettysburg Theological Seminary, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sutcliffe, of town, has been elected pastor of the Lutheran Church, at Maytown, Lancaster county.—Dorothy Suggett, of Buffalo, N. Y., arrived here on Wednesday morning to see her sister, Alice, who is ill with typhoid fever at the home of the Misses Fox.—Mr. and Mrs. George Fox entertained Mr. and Mrs. Baird Potts and children, of Harrisburg, and Guy Fox, of Philadelphia, over Sunday.—Mrs. Clara Bare spent a day at Harrisburg.—Mrs. May Faling entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Marburger, of Harrisburg.

Lodge of Moose Will Raise Flag at Elizabethtown

Elizabethtown, Pa., May 12.—Next Wednesday evening the Loyal Order of Moose will raise a flag at their home in West High street. The flag is the gift of one of its members, Warren J. Nelson. N. Franklin Hecker, superintendent of the Masonic Home, will be the principal speaker. Music will be furnished by the Citizens' band and the Moyer Brothers' quintet, of Palmyra.—During the past few days the following young men of the borough have enlisted: Clarence Gochnaur, in the coast artillery; Roy Reem, in the reserve engineers; Phares Martin and Bertram Reem, in the marines; Claude Gruber, Henry Hess and Clyde Prescott in the infantry.—The borough has put down brick crossings at Christ Lutheran church and at J. H. Ruhl's store.—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gruber were the guests of friends at Rowenna.—Mr. and Mrs. John Stehman announce the birth of a daughter.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chord and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Herr, a son.—J. O. Euseman, apiary adviser of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, gave a demonstration on the care of bees at the apiary of W. B. Snavely, this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock.—Mrs. David Fenstemacher, of Lancaster, was the guest of her father, George D. Boggs.—I. E. Shoop and family and J. A. Shiffer were guests of relatives at Bachmanville.—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reem and daughter, of Steelton, spent several days with A. B. Reem and family.

Convention of York Co. District S. S. Association

Lewisberry, Pa., May 12.—On Thursday, May 17, the Twelfth district of the York County Sabbath School Association, John E. Whisler, president, will hold its annual convention in the local Methodist Episcopal church here. Three sessions will be held, morning, afternoon and evening.—Miss Lizzie Kunkel, of New Cumberland, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Wise.—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Erney spent Saturday at York.—Services in the Methodist church on Sunday as follows: 9 a. m., Sunday school; 10, sermon by the pastor; 2, Sunday school board meeting; 6.45, Senior Epworth League.—Bruce Downs was a recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Downs.—Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fetrow and Miss Iselene Snyder were Sunday guests of Harry Snyder, of Fishing Creek Valley. — Marion, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weigle, has pneumonia.—Mrs. David R. Crumlic, of New Cumberland, was a guest of her niece, Mrs. G. J. Strayer, several days.—The Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson and son, Warren, are spending the week at New York City.—Miss Lorena Kilmore, of Mechanicsburg, spent the week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. Annie Laird.—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Wise, of York, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Wise.—Dr. and Mrs. Reed Nebinger and daughter, Amy, of Danville, took an auto trip to this place and were guests of Mrs. Margaret Nebinger.—Isaac Rudisill, of Meadowbrook Farm, has been confined to the house by injuries received in a fall from a wagon. He is unable to walk, one of his hips being badly bruised.—Miss Esther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Schubauer, is ill with pleurisy.

Mount Union Girl Will Go to France as Nurse

Mount Union, Pa., May 12.—Miss Olive Grissinger, daughter of W. P. Grissinger and who is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Hospital, at Philadelphia, as soon as she can make the necessary preparations at Philadelphia, will sail for France as a Red Cross nurse. She was called last week.—About forty men attended an informal social given in the new parlor and social rooms of the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening.—The Red Cross auxiliary has started the making of war supplies. The Needle Work Guild is also at work gathering linen for the making of bandages.—The public schools will hold their annual art exhibit on Friday, May 18.—Plans are being made to add a commercial department to the High school next year. The matter of domestic science and manual training is also under consideration for next year.—C. B. Ewing has donated a lot to the High school Athletic association, which will be used as a tennis court.—W. P. Harley spent Thursday and Friday of this week at Tyrone and Bellefonte in the interest of the schools. Friday evening and Saturday were spent at State College, attending the State principals' meeting—The ladies of the Presbyterian Church are preparing for a pageant to be given in the near future.—The Rev. Dr. C. W. Todd will preach in the Second Street Presbyterian Church on Sunday and his pulpit will be filled by Dr. Edwards, of Germantown, Pa.—Miss Mae Jones, one of the primary teachers was off duty this week on account of sickness.—Miss Reba Longacre has accepted a position with the refractories company.—C. B. Ewing with several other men of this section, left Thursday to attend the general conference of the Presbyterian Church, at Dallas, Texas.—Prof. W. P. Harley filled the pulpit of the Baptist Church on Sunday last in the absence of the Rev. N. K. Crossman.

5000 TULIPS AND HYACINTHS IN GARDEN AT GREENCASTLE

Majority of Bulbs of Holland Variety, at Present Scarce and Valuable; High Prices Offered For Them

Greencastle, Pa., May 12.—P. F. Carl has 5,000 bulbs of tulips and hyacinths in bloom in his garden at his home in South Carlisle street. The majority of the tulip bulbs are of the Holland variety, and he was recently offered almost double the sum he paid for them, because of the impossibility at the present time to secure the far-famed Holland tulips.—Mrs. Annie M. Bitner left on Monday for a trip to Canada.—A library for the younger pupils of the public schools is being established and eight members of the class of 1896 of the Greencastle High School have contributed $25 for the purpose.—Dr. L. M. Kauffman, who was appointed by State Health Commissioner Dixon to examine the pupils of the Greencastle public schools completed his work last week. Dr. Kauffman found the great majority of the pupils in first-class physical condition.—Brinton Lear, of Harrisburg, spent the week-end with his parents.—A. Neil Brumbaugh has returned from Governor's Island, New York, where he successfully passed the examinations and was accepted and sworn in for service with the Quartermaster's Department of the United States army. Mr. Brumbaugh was the first young man to volunteer from Greencastle.—Harry Funk has returned from a visit in Browns Mills, N. J.—The members of the Greencastle Nature Club report that they have already seen a large number of full bird nests in the vicinity of town. The robin nests are the most abundant. Many different species have also been observed by the club members.—Mrs. Belle Palmer has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Harrisburg.—Mrs. A. D. Miller has returned to Washington, D. C., after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Strickler.—Miss Mary Stewart, who has been the guest of Miss Alice Hostetter, left Tuesday for Chicago.—Mrs. E. O. McLanahan left Monday for a visit with her mother at Henry, Ill.—Mrs. Lester M. Conrow has been confined to the Presbyterian manse for two weeks with an attack of laryngitis.—Harold Kauffman, of State College, arrived home on Saturday and will go to work on his father's farm. The students at State College will be given credit for school work during the spring term if they assist the farmers.—Edgar Grove, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Grove, a student at Ursinus College, returned from college this week. Mr. Grove has enlisted and expects to be sent to the training camp at Fort Niagara.—Mrs. John O. Craig has returned from Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, where she recently underwent treatment. She is rapidly recovering.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL WINS

Tower City, Pa., May 12.—The Parent-Teacher Association held a meeting in the High school room. The program included: Song, by the association; piano solo, Miss Effie Hoke; reading, Miss Margaret Powell; violin solo, Miss Ruth Frankenfield, accompanied on the piano by her mother; ladies' quartet, Misses Grace Kantner, Elsie Jones, Maud Henry and Mrs. Charles Henry; a talk on "Thrift" by A. Schreiner. The vote in the contest for picture was taken and the grammar school, taught by Miss Bider, was victorious. Two new members were admitted and nine delinquents paid up, making a total membership of 135.—At 2 o'clock Wednesday morning a fire occurred at Riskis' hotel, in the western part of town. Half of the house was completely burned out and parts of the neighboring houses damaged.

GUINEA RAISING FOR PROFIT; METHODS FOR BEGINNERS

Peculiarities of the Guinea's Temperament Make Rearing Difficult

Wild Flavor of Its Flesh Commends It to the Epicure—It Rivals Quail

By M. L. Longfield

Author and Practical Poultryman

The epicure has discovered the guinea. In metropolitan restaurants and hotels, this fowl now consorts with most select company on the menus. The delicately wild flavor of its flesh and its tenderly plump dark breast commend it to epicurean favor. Whether he eats it honestly as guinea, or persuades himself he is tickling his palate with game, he finds it rivals quail. Hence, more young guineas are eaten now than ever before.

A new and increasing demand has arisen for a fowl whose culture has hitherto been neglected. Generally speaking, the guinea of the past has been merely tolerated on the farm, never esteemed as profitable. It was regarded as a noisy, flighty creature, whose chief recommendation was its well-known habit of sighting hawks in time to set up a discordant chorus. In the warm months flocks semi-wild by nature and profession skirted the edges of civilized poultrydom and multiplied meagerly in distant fields. Frosts and snows stimulated a dormant allegiance and they returned to the barnyard for food and shelter. Here, by one ruse or another, the young ones, plump as partridges, were caught by the farmer. Having cost him nothing, he was satisfied with twenty-five cents apiece when he sold them in an indifferent market. These and the eggs, which are regarded as a great delicacy, were his returns from this branch of his poultry.

Guinea Temperament

The guinea is the most suspicious creature in the poultry yard. It eyes askance the well-known mistress in a new frock, and shrieks hysterically at a shadow. It is always hearing sounds and seeing ghosts. Such behavior is responsible for its hitherto limited list of friends. These peculiarities of its disposition account partly for the general habit of allowing guineas to breed themselves. In no other fowl does the instinct of distrust seem so much a part of cell and fiber as in the guinea.

In spite of this timorousness there is both profit and interest in raising this fowl. Except on limited areas, it requires little feed. They soon yield their confidence to the attendant who feeds them regularly. Rough treatment alienates them beyond hope, and their propensity for flying makes their capture at the proper time difficult.

The male selects his mate and clings to her faithfully. While she attends to the duties of maternity, he hovers near, ready to shrill an alarm at sign of danger. When the brood appears he shares equal responsibility to food, shelter and protection. If misfortune overtakes the hen, he assumes her duties.

Distinguishing the Sexes

At a casual glance, male and female are indistinguishable. She has the preponderance of vocabulary. Besides the cry of "Tck," common to both, she sings "potrack." This cry is the only sure way for the amateur to distinguish the sexes. Those acquainted with the fowl observe the length of the bony protuberance on the head and of the wattle-lobes, which are larger in the adult rooster.

Of the White, Dove and Pearl, the latter seems most popular. The flesh of all is dark and gamey, but that of the white, or of the white crossed with pearl, is a shade lighter. It is believed that their habit of flying at the least excuse and their feeding among the fields contribute to the game favor. In fact, the guinea seems a link between the distinctly wild and the placidly tame fowls. A newly-hatched pearl guinea is the replica of a baby partridge, except in size. Markings, coloring and contour are identical.

There are two methods of raising these fowls, both of which must accord with guinea nature. By one—like Topsy—they just grow; grow wild, fearful, distrustful. They cost no board bill, but when old enough for shipment are as wild as birds. They view traps with suspicion, and are bagged only by a sure shot. Their mother, having no convictions regarding damp feet, has gotten them up betimes on dewy mornings in her energetic attention to the family larder, and dragged them through dank grass. Daily the rollcall shrinks, and at marketing time a small percentage remains. The remarkable fecundity of the fowl is scarcely equal to the inroads of enemies and storms.

Efficiency in Guinea Raising

The efficient way of rearing the fowl in profitable numbers begins as early as the middle of March, before an egg is laid, if one must depend for brooders upon the usual kind of guinea. The flock should be trained to frequent an orchard or a nearby field. This is done by feeding them there scantily several times daily during March and April. They will make their nests there under hedges, bushes, brush-heaps or vines. Laying begins during middle or last of April. Nests can often be located by observing guineas that feed solitarily. The hen is laying nearby. It is unwise to touch an egg till the hen becomes broody. Thereupon all eggs should be removed, preferably during her absence. The empty nest "breaks" her disposition to sit, and she soon resumes laying, often in the same nest if she has had no fright there. The eggs should be given to staid sitting hens, such as Plymouth Rocks, sixteen to each. Four weeks later, the little ones hustle out of their shells, and, true to their heritage of fear, creep slinkingly into corners of the nest away from the explorations of the attendant's hand. For the next three or four weeks the litle chaps require patient care. They seem stupid. The hen's mothcall is a foreign language they find hard to learn. When once it is fixed, it is ineradicable. Guineas never forget their foster mother. Long after she has weaned them, sometimes for years, they play Damon to her Pythias. She finds their devotion embarrassing, and hides, but seldom eludes their pertinacity. Such guineas make good brooders. They roost in henhouses with the foster mother and often lay there. Sometimes they can even be trusted to raise a brood of their own.

Care of Young Guineas

Until the little guinea and the hen learn each other, it must not be allowed to roam. The chicks need range which is best secured by inclosing the hen in a small coop and pen. The coop should have an earthen floor, and the pen be grassy. After two or three weeks the guineas, then boasting well-feathered wings, know the foster mother's "cluck." They then graduate to the privilege of leaving the pen with the mother. After this they require nothing but water and three meals a day.

Besides green food, guineas must have shade from the hot sun, plenty of water to drink, grit and charcoal. They thrive on hard-boiled egg mixed with a bran-and-meal mash, or with fine-ground chick-feed. Owing to its insectivorous nature, it needs a large proportion of animal food. It is possible to raise a hundred or more in a small orchard, but this need of theirs must be supplied. During the first five weeks of their life, guineas must be fed at least four times daily. They are ravenous little creatures; if allowed to become too hungry, digestive troubles result from their intemperance. When they can spend their days roaming, coarser chick-feed, wheat, and, later, corn, are acceptable, and they demand no other care. As soon as possible at this time they should be trained to roost in a house instead of a coop, since, like turkeys, air is a necessity.

As with other fowl precautions against parasites are necessary. If the foster mother be dusted with insect powder and their quarters be clean, there is usually no trouble.

The trap nest is the only absolute index to a hen's capacity for egg production, but for those who are not in a position to trap their birds, there are characteristics to be observed which are almost as positive as the nest, and which if used intelligently, will be of great value in building up a heavy laying strain. Next week's article has to do with this subject.

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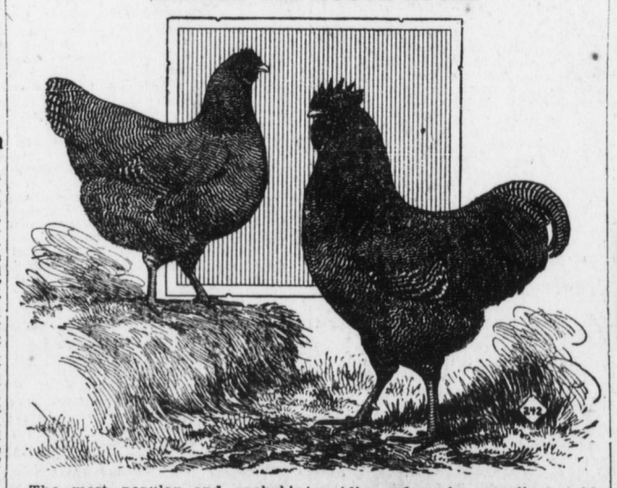

The most popular and probably the widest known of all American breeds of poultry is the Barred Plymouth Rock.

Early in the history of pure-bred poultry in America the Shanghais, Chittagongs, Black Spanish, Games and Dominiques were the only pure-bred varieties known. Many crosses were made from them, until an actual type of shape and color was agreed upon, about 1878, known as the "Great American Mongrel."

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