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## STATE BOULEVARD.

Governor Stuart Favors the Rebuilding and Improving the Old State Road from Philadelphia to Pittsburg

### WOULD BE GREAT BOON TO FARMERS

CAPE MAY, JUNE 26.—Governor Edw. S. Stuart, of Pennsylvania, in an address before the Pennsylvania bar association on Thursday night, made a plea for rehabilitation of the old state road from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, improving it along the lines followed by the state highway department.

The governor opened with a brief review of the history of Pennsylvania for 150 years past, reciting how the land west of the Alleghenies was reached first by natural waterways and later by Indian trails. Then he detailed events leading up to the construction of the Ohio trading company road; how the pathfinding military expedition of Washington to Braddock carving out a somewhat better road; how Forbes' military road became the next artery and how this was superseded by the famous state road.

"We have no occasion today, to prophesy the passing of the steam railroad; but we do know that never before has progress in transportation facilities made such rapid strides and the benefits of internal communication been so widely distributed and appreciated. The good roads era is in its dawn.

"And now we may approach a subject and project worth to command popular support in proportion of a rehabilitated Pennsylvania highway across the state between Philadelphia and Pittsburg. Separate and distinct from the present method of procedure, the project I have in mind is to survey the old state road, rebuild and improve it and complete the work from one end to the other in its entirety, commencing simultaneously at Pittsburg and Philadelphia.

"Such a modern highway from Philadelphia to Pittsburg would bring a continuous stream of tourists from the far west and west through Pennsylvania territory and would tend to open up many new avenues. It would promote activity in real estate and would be so long that private monopoly would be out of the question. Immigration would follow, as would development and house building and improvement and use of idle land. Production of crops and stock raising would ensue. The usefulness and value of existing farms would be enhanced.

"Between these great municipalities is another one of importance, the capital city of Harrisburg, and the chief place on the Susquehanna; a city whose location makes it the gateway to the bituminous coal fields, the oil and gas fields, the lake regions and the west.

"To the east of it along the old Pennsylvania road, in Lancaster, the banner agricultural county of the United States in point of value of crops produced. To the west of Harrisburg are the agricultural counties of Cumberland and Franklin, whose seats of Government, Carlisle and Chambersburg, are becoming prosperous manufacturing towns. And farther on are the sparsely populated, wooded mountainous counties of Fulton, Bedford and Somerset; beautiful in scenery, possessed of a salubrious atmosphere and noted health resorts. And finally are the extensive coal fields of Somerset and Westmoreland counties, whose mine operations and coke ovens give employment to increasing numbers of men and foster allied industries."

Miss Janet Gamp and Miss Volma Shender, of Everett, were guests of Miss Minnie Reiser from Saturday until Wednesday. They were pupils in Miss Reiser's school when she taught in Everett.

## THE SUN'S ECLIPSE.

The Weather Favorable and Phenomenon Witnessed By Hundreds of People.

Last Sunday's eclipse of the sun was viewed here with much interest and smoked glass was in demand.

While it was billed as an annual eclipse—that is an eclipse in which the dark disk of the moon would be surrounded by a ring of bright light, this phase of it was not visible nearer Pennsylvania than Florida. Here the moon crept only part way over the face of the sun; at the height of the eclipse that visible was a crescent.

The eclipse began here about halfway between 9 and 10 o'clock Sunday morning—at 9:27.4, according to the scientists. It ended at 12:41.2. The middle of the eclipse was about 11 o'clock.

The phenomenon was the first solar eclipse of any magnitude with which our locality has been favored for a decade or more. The weather could not have been better for observance of the moon coming between sun and earth.

The most popular way of observing the eclipse was through smoked or heavily colored glass. Another way to view the eclipse indirectly, was to punch a circle through a small card and let the sunlight through the hole to another card. Upon the second card the crescent which was not eclipsed was faithfully reproduced. This same effect could be noticed anywhere where the sunlight streamed through an opening between leaves or some similar place.

The effect of the partial eclipse was to produce a general gloomy appearance, the sky apparently being overcast without any visible cause, and the strength of the sunlight being considerably reduced.

Interest of astronomers that evening centered in an unusual cluster of planets. Mercury, Venus, Mars, Neptune and Jupiter were visible, nestled closely together in the West shortly after sunset. This phenomenon, it is declared, will not occur again for 100 years.

Among the observations made was that of the star Arcturus, which has been coming directly toward the earth for ages at the rate of more than 300,000 miles a second.

### Sunday School Workers Convention.

A slight change in the date for this conference has been made. Instead of August 5th and 6th, it will be the 6th and 7th. It will be remembered that Mr. W. C. Pearce, of Chicago, Superintendent of Teacher Training and Organized Adult Bible Class work, International Sunday School Association, is to be in charge of this conference. Owing to a recent change of the date at Indianapolis, Mr. Pearce will arrive at Huntingdon a day later than as formerly announced.

The conference will be for two days of three sessions each, forenoon, afternoon and evening. The first day, August 6th, will be devoted to the subject of Teacher Training. Following are some of the phases of the subject to be discussed:—"How to organize and maintain a Teacher Training Class in a school." "How to organize a city for Teacher Training." "The class at work." "Value of examinations and methods of conducting them." "A class for present teachers." "A class for adult scholars." "The value of graduation exercises" &c.

On the second day, August 7th, the subject of Organized Adult Bible Class work will be taken up, under the following heads: "What should organization accomplish?" "The class program: What should it include?" "Activities that develop the spiritual life." "What can the class do to aid the school?" "The class and the church." "Officers and committees, their duties and work." &c.

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## VALUABLE RELIC.

Mrs. Anna Neff, Daughter of the Late Rev. N. G. White, Restores Old Pulpit Bible.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. Anna M. Neff, of New Haven, Pa., daughter of the late Rev. Nathan G. White, who served as pastor of the McConnellsburg Presbyterian church from 1834 to 1864, an old pulpit bible comes again into possession of the church. The bible was printed in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1807, for a large New York firm who placed bibles for sale among the leading booksellers of the United States. This particular book was purchased by the McConnellsburg congregation about 1811, the year that the first Presbyterian church was built within the limits of the borough of McConnellsburg. It might be added here that the first Presbyterian church building erected in McConnells Cove, was built before the time of the Revolutionary War, on the Martin farm about two miles south of McConnellsburg. In 1811, a brick building was erected in McConnellsburg on the site of the present structure, and was used until 1868, when the present church edifice was constructed.

The bible referred to, occupied a place on the pulpit of the Presbyterian church until the present pulpit bible took its place. When Mr. White resigned the pastorate in 1864, the session presented to Mr. White the old bible, and Mr. White had it rebound, and it is now in splendid state of preservation. In its typography the old-fashioned lung's are used except when used as the final letter of a word, when the same form of "s" is used as now.

The bible was received by Senator W. Scott Alexander, clerk of the Session, and will be placed among the archives of the church as a much valued relic.

### LOCUST GROVE.

June 25.—The people are all getting ready for harvest.

David Miller, of Clear Ridge, Bedford county was spending a few days in the Cove visiting his son Jacob Miller and other relatives.

The Children Service at the Whips Cove church was well attended and the program was well rendered.

Calvin Morgret, who has been ill for some time is not improving much.

Mrs. Nancy Layton made a trip to Cumberland to see her son-in-law who is ill.

Elmer Smith and Alfred S. Layton were visitors at John E. Diehl's, Sunday.

James Miller, of Emmaville, was a visitor at E. M. Diehl's, Sunday.

Aaron Layton and wife spent Sunday with Geo. Layton and family.

The telephone men are very busy putting up poles in the Cove. We will soon get the news now.

Mrs. Rachel Diehl and grandson, Logue McKee, spent last Sunday with the former's brother, John McKee, at Millstone, Md.

Lewis Sipes made a business trip to Huntingdon last week.

D. S. Garland and wife, Chas. Shively and wife and little daughter Opal, spent Sunday afternoon at Danton Hoopengardner's.

Mr. J. C. Mann returned to his home last Saturday evening. In April he with three other roller mill specialists was sent to Fredericksburg, Va., by the Thomas McFeely Company to remodel their big 300-barrel flouring mills at Fredericksburg, and the work has been completed most satisfactorily. The big mill gets its power from the Rappahannock river, and has one of the finest powers in the Old Dominion. Fredericksburg is Charlie Wissner's home, and Cal says Mr. Wissner wished to be remembered to his old McConnellsburg friends.

## HEARTS TRUMP.

Pretty Weddings Came With Closing Days of Brides and Roses.

### "NEWS" EXTENDS CONGRATULATIONS.

#### TROUT—JOHNSTON.

"Whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder," were the words solemnly uttered by Rev. S. B. Houston as he pronounced husband and wife, Daniel Fore Trout, son of the late Dr. Jacob S. Trout and Miss May daughter of the late Lieut. J. Walker Johnston, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Eliza J. Johnston, on the old homestead in Ayr township.

The ceremony took place on Tuesday evening, June 30, 1908, in the presence of about one hundred and twenty-five guests. The large parlors were tastefully decorated, and the occasion a most joyous one. The weather was perfect, and the quaint old mansion with its beautiful lawns sparkling with Chinese lanterns and more brilliantly lighted rooms, blended with the soft breezes of that beautiful summer evening, formed a most beautiful picture.

The bride, gowned in Persian lawn trimmed in filet lace, looked charming, as, to the subdued strains of Lohengrin with Maria Dickson Alexander at the organ, she approached the altar with measured tread carrying a large bouquet of sweet peas. Miss Grace Johnston, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Harry B. Trout, brother of the groom, was best man.

After the ceremony and congratulations, elaborate refreshments were served.

The bride was the recipient of a large number of handsome and valuable presents.

The bride and groom were later driven to Mercersburg, where they took a train on the C. V. railroad for their honeymoon trip.

Among the guests from a distance were Miss Wylie, Shippensburg; Misses Ella and Florence Owens, Lewistown; Miss Nell Park and Miss Lucy Noble, Fannettsburg; Mrs. Nell Shoemaker, Chambersburg; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sloan, Buffalo, N. Y.; Miss Lelia Campbell, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Johnston Bradley and Miss Bradley, Mrs. Minnie Bradley and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Johnston and daughter Miss Nannie, Leonard Bradley and sister—all of Mercersburg; Miss Alice Michaels, Everett; Mrs. Neilson Suppington, Philadelphia; Mr. Harry Green, Huntingdon; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnston, Allegheny City, Pa.; Norman J. Johnston, Indiana, Pa.

#### STUNKARD—SIPE.

On Wednesday evening, June 24, at 7 o'clock, in the beautifully decorated home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sipe, of Wells Tannery, Miss Marjorie Elizabeth Sipe and Mr. McClelland Stunkard were united in marriage by Rev. Flegal, of Three Springs. Both the bride and groom were born and reared in Wells Valley. The bride is one of Fulton's most estimable young ladies, a very successful school teacher, and she will be missed greatly both in school and church work. The groom is an efficient electrician, holds a legislative government position in New York city, and is one of Wells, most estimable young men.

The bride was beautifully gowned in chiffon, trimmed in real lace over silk. Miss Helen Spangler, of Mercersburg was pianist, who played the bridal chorus from Lohengrin and the wedding march from Mendelssohn's Midsummer Night's Dream.

After the ceremony a delicious supper was served. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and valuable presents.

The young couple's popularity was demonstrated by the large

#### Another Bachelor.

That Prof. W. Don Morton was entirely in earnest when he said he intended to be a bachelor was proved last week when he went over to Shippensburg, appeared before the State Board of Examiners, took the examination and received the Degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy. Don has just this much to "the good" now, and all because he employed his spare time in doing the necessary studying to make it possible to take the examination—and this preparation was made without interfering with his regular employment. This is another proof that time is the most valuable asset in the world, and one's success or failure depends upon the use made of it.

calithumpian band that appeared on the lawn later in the evening. After a ten days' honeymoon to Boston and other places they will be at their new home in Eaglewood, N. J.

About sixty guests were present. Those from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sipe, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sipe, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Henry Spangler and the Misses Spangler of Mercersburg; Dr. and Mrs. Allen Spangler, of Paris; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cook, of Everett; Mrs. J. M. Sipe and children, and Ella and Thomas Sipe, of Saxton; Mrs. Bessie Nichols and children, of Oaks, N. D.; Mrs. Cora Sprowl, of McKeesport; Miss Myrtle Stunkard, of Altoona; Miss Clema Stunkard, of Oakmont; Mr. Wm. Gracey and daughter, of Gracey; Prof. H. E. Seville, McConnellsburg; Mrs. David Winter and son, and Miss Naomi, Showalter, of Huntingdon.

The News extends most hearty congratulations to this estimable young couple.

#### IRWIN—EDKINS.

At ten o'clock Monday morning, June 29, 1908, Rev. H. W. Behney, pastor of the Church of Reconciliation, united in marriage Mr. James Franklin Irwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Irwin, of this place, and Miss Helen May only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Volney Edkins, of 1603 South Twelfth St., Philadelphia, Pa.

The ceremony was performed at the bride's home in the presence of a few of the immediate friends of the family, after which a nice wedding breakfast was served, and the happy couple left for their honeymoon trip, reaching the home of the groom's parents yesterday, and this evening a reception will be given them.

The bride is pretty and accomplished, and the groom is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and holds a nice position with the large drug firm of Farrow Brothers, at the corner of Twenty-ninth and Columbia avenue, Philadelphia.

The happy couple will return to Philadelphia in a few days and begin housekeeping in a beautiful home that is already in waiting for them.

They are most excellent young people, and have the best wishes of a very large circle of friends.

#### COHICK—FRENCH.

At Three Springs, Pa., on Saturday evening, June 27, 1908, Rev. J. T. Flegal, pastor of the M. E. church, united in marriage Mr. Preston Cohick and Miss Maye French, both of Three Springs. The bride and groom are estimable young people and start on life's matrimonial voyage with the best wishes of their numerous friends.

#### GLASS—FRANK.

Alvin S. Glass and Miss Eliza R. Frank, both of Chambersburg, were married in Hagerstown, on Monday, June 22. Mr. Glass is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Glass, formerly of this place.

#### GALLAHER—WINEGARDNER.

At the M. E. parsonage in this place, by Rev. C. W. Bryner, John Gallaher, son of Robert Gallaher, and Miss Anne, daughter of John Winegardner—both of Clear Ridge, were united in marriage yesterday morning. The contracting parties are worthy young people, and the "News" extends congratulations.

## YOUNG WOMAN CRAZED.

By an Assault Made on Her at Doylestown While Returning from Christian Endeavor.

From Franklin Repository.

Screaming and raving in maniacal frenzy as the result of an assault committed upon her near her home in Doylestown on Sunday evening, June 21, Miss Cora Miller was brought to Chambersburg on Saturday evening by Constable Shearer and her brother and taken to the almshouse for restraint and treatment.

When the party arrived in town the patient began screaming loudly and a large crowd collected about the carriage in Memorial Square as a result of the cries. She was taken to the county home and placed in the insane ward.

On the evening named Miss Miller attended Christian Endeavor meeting at her home town in Doylestown, this county. As she was returning home, an unknown man jumped from back of a bush and grabbed her. He placed his hand over her mouth to stifle her cries. The girl bravely fought her assailant and, freeing herself from him for an instant, yelled lustily. The girl's outcry scared the man who ran down the road. Two men responded to Miss Miller's cry for help. They were told by the frightened girl of the attempted assault, and at once pursued the man. He had made good his escape, and the girl was not able to say who it was.

Miss Miller, who was of a nervous disposition, was shocked by the experienced she had undergone. She broke down and rapidly became worse. When her reasoning became disordered it was decided to bring her to the county home, and if there is no improvement in her mental condition she will be taken to Hagerstown.

Word from the home to-day said that Miss Miller is little calmer than she was on her admission. She is being closely guarded and the best of care and attention is given her. All day Sunday she was highly nervous and hysterical, and at frequent intervals broke out into loud wails of anguish and terror.

### Victims of Bad Road.

Several days ago, P. T. Runyan and John McClellan, of Needmore, went over to Whips Cove to set up a monument at the grave of Mrs. Cornelius Diehl. After they had completed the work, they went down to Squire Layton's and each picked a half bushel of cherries. About six o'clock in the evening they started to drive across Sideling Hill mountain to their home at Needmore. Everything went lovely until they struck a bad piece of road above the residence of David Garland, when the wagon took a slide, and had it not been for the friendly protection of a white oak, there would have been a hair-raising disaster to write up. As it was, the men were pitched off the wagon and the cherries—well, it took a good deal longer to pick them up this time than when they hung in tempting clusters on Squire Layton's trees.

Now, these worthy citizens do not think it is any laughing matter, for it was little less than miraculous that both men were not killed, and the team destroyed. The blame for the bad condition of the road ought to be put upon the supervisors. It should be put upon somebody, and perhaps the supervisors can stand it better than any one else, for they get kind o' used to it.

Among those in attendance at the Trout-Johnston wedding Tuesday evening, were Mr. Leonard Bradley, of Hagerstown, and his sister, Miss Anna, of Mercersburg. Mr. Bradley came over in an auto, leaving Hagerstown at 5:20 in the evening, and getting to the wedding in good time.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

### NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED.

Baltzer Mellott and wife, of Sipes Mills, were guests of Homer and Joseph Sipes over Sunday.

Norman Akers and Miss Margaret Daniels, of Sipes Mill, spent last Saturday with friends in McConnellsburg.

W. B. Stigers, and wife and daughter, of Warfordsburg, spent last Sunday a week with Hays Morgret and family.

Clarence T. Mock of Allentown, Pa., a former typo in the News office, is visiting among his home friends in Tod township.

Mrs. A. J. Wolford, of Rainsburg, Pa., has been visiting her sister, Anna B. Sipe, at Harrisonville, during the past two weeks.

Miss Alice Michaels of Everett came down Monday to spend a few days with friends here and to attend the Trout-Johnston wedding.

Prothonotary and Mrs. G. A. Harris, and Mrs. Geo. W. Hays, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Stevens, in Chambersburg, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Rine-dollar and Reed Ray came down from Everett Monday, to spend a few days with relatives and friends in this county.

Mrs. Jane Gunnels, of Hagerstown, is making a two months' visit to her son, D. O. Gunnels, in Detroit, Michigan, and her daughter Mrs. R. C. Turner in Salem, Ohio.

Mrs. Nell Shoemaker, of Chambersburg, spent several days during the past week with friends in McConnellsburg, and attended the Trout-Johnston wedding on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. G. Hanks, who had been attending the commencement at Shippensburg, spent a day or two in this place, last week, returning to her home at Breeze-wood on Saturday.

Joseph Sipes, who has been visiting his children in Pittsburg for the past three weeks, has returned to his home in Harrisonville, and reports having had a pleasant time.

M. R. Shaffner, Esq., left last Saturday afternoon in his Ford runabout for a trip through Huntingdon county, to be gone several days. We do not think he went out to hunt a job of harvesting.

Miss Jessie Mason, of Indiana Normal, has returned home for her summer vacation. She is one of the four delegates who will represent their school at the Y. W. C. A. conference at Mountain Lake Park, in August.

Mr. A. B. Wilkinson, wife, daughter Miss Mary and son Elwood, drove down to Hancock last Sunday. In the evening Mr. Wilkinson and Mary returned, and Mrs. Wilkinson and Elwood will stay a few days with relatives and friends in Hancock.

Editor and Mrs. Morris Lloyd, of the People's Register, Chambersburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Craven, of Philadelphia, drove over from Chambersburg last Friday afternoon, and after having spent the night in this place, returned home Saturday, via Buchanan's monument. The party were favored in their trip by nice weather, and very much enjoyed the outing.

Mr. Norman Johnston, who is engaged in the dairy business in Indiana, Pa., is spending this week at his old home in the Cove, and attended the wedding of his sister Miss Maye on Tuesday evening. Norman made the trip home with a horse and buggy, driving through. The distance from Indiana, Pa., to McConnellsburg is 102 miles, and he found the trip across the Alleghenies a very pleasant one.