INTERESTING PARAGRAPHS

at t scal and General Interest, Gathered at Home or Clipped from our Exchanges.

CONDENSED FOR HURRIED READERS

Dr. F. K. Stevens spent the first of this week at Hustontown. Rev. John Mellott will preach at the Laurel Ridge Christian church next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock,

and Miss Esta Hart-all of Needmore-were in McConnellsburg last Saturday.

have moved to their farm in Belfast and he is busy getting out Saxton, Friday and Saturday, lumber for a new house.

Miss Cora Nesbit entertained the High School last evening, at her home in Big Cove. Cora is a member of the senior class.

Edgar Tritle, Walter Shimer, Howard Lynch, and Calvin and Jacob Clevenger spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Chambersburg.

Communion services will be observed in the Presbyterian church, McConnellsburg, next Sunday morning. Preparatory services, Saturday evening.

Communion services at the Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church next Sunday morning at 10:30. Regular services in Lutheran church in town in the evening.

Attention is called to the announcement of D. A. Black, of Caylor township as candidate for ourth page.

Mrs. Remington Patterson (Dot 'atterson) and little son William, f Philadelphia, are spending ome time in the home of "Dot's" arents, Hon. and Mrs. D. Huner Patterson, North Second itreet.

Frank Snavely has purchased he valuable Garber farm, in ancaster county, near Lampeter containing a hundred acres for £189 25 per acre, which is the nighest price paid for a farm in hat section in many years.

Mrs. Mary Deamer, eightyfour years, who died at Yeagertown, is survived by eleven children, five living; fifty-two grandchildren, forty-two living; 102 great-grandchildren, eighty-two living, and five great-great-grandchildred, all living.

Roy Barber and brother John, County, were in town Tuesday, and they spent the night at Richard Pittman's. Roy said they did not have nearly so heavy a snowfall in Huntingdon County on Monday as we had.

With a view to further improving the strains of cattle in their neighborhoods, James R. Sharpe. of Dott, and John Hess, of Needmore have recently purchased from a stock farm at Syracuse, N. Y., some thorobred Holsteins. Mr. Sharpe purchased a bull and heifers has died since he got it

We notice that our old friend John H. Truax, who lives between Foltz and Mercersburg, is going to have sale of his household effects on the 31st of this month and he and Alice will make their home this winter with his niece, Mrs. Bard McAfeein Mercersburg. When the weather becomes fine next spring they expect to come over and spend some time among heir Fulton county relatives and riends.

Substantial Greeting.

Pastor Jacobs and family were nade to feel Tuesday evening they had cast their lot mong "Good Samaritans" as heir home in the Lutheran parionage was being visited by a ery large number of the mempership-both of the town and 3ig Cove Tannery churches.

Besides bringing greetings of good will, they brought willingly of good things-just such as a reacher and his family need when they are warming a new arsonage.

Card of Thanks.

The family of Mrs. Margaret rnhart deceased, desire to ring her, iliness and death.

FOR SALE -Holstein Bull Calf, Locust Grove, were very pleas- hire a single secretary, and divide stitutes only one of the activities son, Big Cove.

Admiral Dewey Dead.

At the age of 79 years and 21 days, Admiral George Dewey, the hero of Manila Bay, died at his home in Washington Tuesday night of hardening of the arteries. He had been sick about 8

Runyan the Eye Man at

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Peck, Warfordsburg, Thursday and Friday, January 25-26.

Needmore, Saturday, January 27 Mr. Howard Garland and wife McConnellsburg, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 30-31.

February 2-3.

Improving The Egg Yield.

The Department of Agriculture Washington, recommends that crushed oyster shell food be kept before laying hens as a means through which a good hard egg is produced. A record kept at the Government Chicken Yard, of the amount of oyster shells fed to a laying hen, showed that in one year 1-three tenth lbs. per hen was consumed at a cost of 1 cent a hen per year. It is also pointed out, that the calcium mineral matter taken in by the young chicken in the feeding of oyster shells, may have a tendency to strengthen the frame of young pullets and make them stronger and healthier in later life. It is further shown from actual experiment, that when beef scraps was fed to hens, the Associate Judge. It will be found average egg yield was 137 eggs inder the proper head on the per hen a year, and when beef scraps were not fed, 90 eggs was the average yearly yield.

Wheat Will Be Scarce and High, Even With a Bumper Crop.

"This country will be so bare of wheat by next summer that high prices will prevail even if farmers raise a bumper crop," declares the Manufacturers Record. "The farmers will thus have an opportunity to continue to get such prices as they have not had in the past, even if they produce a crop surpassing the that are present or likely to ap score of 69.4 per cent and a yield record yield of 1915. Every bushel they can produce will be needwork' they will simply very nearly, if not quite, double their profits, for the world is short on foodstuffs." Winter wheat may be helped by top-drssing with manure during the winter months of Coles Summit, Huntingdon or with applications of fertilizers high in ammonia early in the spring. Indications are that a greatly increased number of farmers will top dress their wheat fields this year to get the increased yields and resulting larger profits.

Peck :-- Sipes.

Harry L. Peck, son of Nathaniel H. Peck, and Miss Marvin. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ellis Sipes-all of Needmore, were quietly married in Hagerstown Mr. Hess, two heifers. Unfor- on Wednesday of last week. tunately for Mr. Hess, one of his They returned to the bride's home Thursday evening, where a sumptuous wedding supper and a number of close members of the contracting parties awaited them. Those present at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Myers and son Charles, of Hancock; Mrs. Wilson Myers; Wood Deand family, and Ed. W. Hendershot, Saluvia; R. C. Dixon, and family, and the groom's father. Needmore.

> Notwithstanding the temperature was nat suggestive of the 'good old summer time," serenaders turned out and added merriment to the occasion by fine music.

> The happy couple have already gone to housekeeping-the groom having taken charge of his father's farm (the old Evans farm) a mile east of Needmere.

SIDELING MILL. Early Friday morning death in the form of meningitis entered the home of Mr and Mrs Omar Layton and claimed as its victim their beloved, bright three months' old son, Warren Gliston Burml at Cedar Grove Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Layton have the sympathy of the entire

community. nk friends and neighbors for live with the family of her son cases we understand Representar sympathy and kindness Reuben J. Layton near Dott. Emory Diehl and family, of secretarial work, club together,

Fost, Ralph and Charley Grey, out succees. - The Independent. and Andrew Mellott.

Hazel Hess spent a day recently with Mamie Mellott, Warfords burg R F D

School at Mt Airy is progressing very nicely under the managment of Vergie Gress.

Miss Carrie Hill of Pigeon Cove is spending several days with her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mellott

Mr. Ira Hess who has been suf Harrisonville, Monday January 29 | fering with pneumonia for sever al days is better. Stanley Sharpe, of Dott, visit-

> ed his cousin Frank Carnell Saturday and Sunday. Miss Lucy Hess of Dott, visit ed the family of Mr. Alexander

Bernhardt Saturday. Mrs. John Bowers spent a day recently with Mrs. George Hill.

State Agricultural Notes.

The honey produced by the bees in the State during the past year was valued at over one million dollars.

Pennsylvania ranks seventeenth among the corn producing States having jumped from twentieth place since 1915

Although the osts crop was has increased its ranking from town, Berks County, Pa, won from fourteenth place in 1915 to the first prize with a score of tweifth place last year.

Farmers' Institutes in Somerset county were attended by over 6,000 persons.

Westmoreland county leads ber of registered stallions with prize with a score of 829 per in the county for a saloon and

The losses sustained by the Pennsylvania farmers from hog cholera during the past year were about \$60,000.

An important rule that all or chardists should follow is to spray according to the pests ty, Pa, won second prize with a pear soon. It is as much folly to per acre of 228.8 bushels. George spray on general principle as it E Harris of Newtown, Bucks purposes.

Growing Buckwheat.

Buckwheat is the least common of the grains, yet this crop in New York last year totaled more than 280,0 0 acres, and Pennsylvania stands as a second Michigan, Wisconsin, West Virginia, New Jersey and the other eastern and the New England states also produce large crops of this grain.

Buck wheat has, until recently, been given but little attention by experiment stations and consequently the crop has been quite frequently grown in a very haphazard way. Buckwheat has been called a "poor land" crop. It is true that buckwheat will frequently produce a profitable crop on land too poor to produce either oats or rye profitably, but it will do still better if given good treatment. In fact, the New York Experiment Station finds that "buckwheat when grown on poor land responds well to moderate dressing or even low grade fertilizer and many farmers who neen, Hancock; Emory Hessler do not use fertilizer on other crops find it profitable to purchase it for buckwheat "

Congressional Graft.

Among the forms of petty graft that exasperate people in Washington is one involved in the recent raise in the salaries of the of the work into counties where House of Representative, from end is not yet. This work con-\$1500 to \$2000. If the secretaries themselves got the benefit of it, no one would object. In fact, in probably the majority of cases, it simply amounts to an increas in the salary of the Representative himself. These secretaries are the only employees of the Government who are not on the payroll, and as a result, the Representative himself draws the salary, and pays it out as he pleases. In some cases he em ploys a member of his own fami ly; this is perfectly legitimate provided he pays that member Mrs. Amos Layton has gone to full rates for the work. In many tives, who do not have much

week old, well bred. Geo. K. Nel- ant Sunday visitors among friends the balance among themselves, directed by the department of There have been numerous efforts agricultural Extension at the Among the sick in this com- to get these secretaries on the Pennsylvania State College. munity are Ross Meliott, Marie regular payroll, but so far with-

Pennsylvania Club Boys Receive Honors

Sixty-seven exhibits were entered in the State boys' corn and potato club contest conducted by the Pennsylvania State College in connection with its annual Farmers' Week in December. The clubs whose members figur ed in the contest were organized in most cases by county agricul tural extension representatives under the regulations prescribed by state club leader, C. W. Clem

In awarding the prizes, the following points were taken into consideration: bushelful yield per acre, excellence of report or story of work done and the merit of the exhibit of corn and potatoes, as the case might be. Three prizes are offered in connection with this annual contest at State College. The first prize includes expenses for a winter course, in agriculture at the College; the second prize, expenses to Farmer's Week; and the third three books on agricultural subjects. The judges of the contests are members of the staff of the School of Agriculture.

In the corn growing contest, partially a failure, Pennsylvania Clarence D. Donkel of Myers-89 5 per cent and a yield per acre plication for liquor license. of 120 bushels shelled corn. Paul County, Pa., won second prize with a score at 83.1 per cent and as follows: a yield per acre of 106 17 bushels Lewis Dana Rice of Bloomfield applications because, in my judgthe State with the largest num- Perry county, Pa., won third ment, there is no public necessity Crawford and Chester following, cent and a yield per acre of 110 7 because the evils to the young bushels.

Neyman Carey of Sundy Lake, bushels. Clyde Herrick of Cambridge Springs, Crawford couna score of 667 per cent and a yield per acre of 184 4 bushels.

The value of these contests are not to be measured in dollars and cents, but rather in the economic training they give the boys en listed in them in keeping accounts of receipts and expendi tures, in the sense of ownership, achievement and ability which it generates and in the opportunities which club work in general provides for physical, inteliectual, and social development and

for recreation. When it is remembered that the last census fligures give 30 bushels as the average yield of shelled corn per acre in Pennsyl vania and 83 bushels as the aver age yield of potatoes, the yields secured by the winners in this contest are, to say the least start ing The lowest yield of corn in the contest was fifty four bushels and the highest, 120 bushels. For potatoes the lowest yield was 1844 bushels and the highest 394 4 bushels. These results au gur well for the future of club work in Pennsylvania.

The counties represented in the contest are Beaver, Berks, Blair, Cambria, Fayette, Jefferson, Lawrence, Montgomery, Potter and Westmoreland.

The boys' club work will be prosecuted on a larger scale this year by State College. Present plans comprehend the extension secretaries of members of the it was not known last year. The

The New Half Dollar.

The new 50-cent piece made its appearance in our local banks last week-and they are really not much improvement in appearance on the old one.

On the "head" side is a thinly clad woman walking along with a lithe step, her right hand outstretched, and holding in the hollow of her left arm an olive branch. Over her right shoulder hangs the Stars and Stripes. The background is made up of the setting sun, and "In God We Trust." Above is the word "Liberty," in letters far enough apart to form a semicircle around the top edge of the coin. At the bottom is the date.

On the "tails" side is an eagle le-considered by some a bit corpulent-just about to fly. It is perched on an olive branch, and is glancing toward the words "E Pluribus Union," directly in front. Across the top of the coin is "United States of America," and at the bottom, "Half Dollar."

Adams Has Dry Judge.

In the Adams County license court held at Gettysburg last Friday, Associate Judge Miller refused to concur with President Judge McPherson and Associate Judge Dicks in the granting of thirty-one of the thirty-four ap-

Associate Miller, in refusing R Snyder of Reading, Berks to sign his name to the liquor selling, filed a dissenting opinion,

"I refuse to sign liquor license flowing from the saloons are so In the potato growing contest, great; also the changed trend of sentiment in this county is all Mercer County, Pa., won first against the granting of licenses. prize with a score of 94 per cent I have therefore determined to and a yield per acre of 349 4 suppress them as far as it lies in my power to do so."

> An Accurate Description. "Did you ever run into a telegraph pole?" inquired the elderly

"Yes, ma'am," said the chauffeur, ed. Should they 'double their is to take medicine for indefinite County, Pa., won third prize with slowing up the taxiscab to avoid a collision with a street car. bumped into telegraph poles, I reckon, two or three times."

"Brings you to a pretty sudden stop, doesn't it?" "No, ma'am; the machine stops, all right, but I always keep on go-

Friendship.

ing."-Chicago Tribune.

Doctor-Did you sleep well? Patient-Not a wink, Doctor-That is too bad. Sleep is our best friend, and especially to

the sick. Patient-It is a friend like all the others who abandon you at the moment when one has most need of them.-Medical Pickwick.

Handicapped.

"While coming down in the train this morning I noticed two deaf and dumb men sitting opposite me. One of them had an impediment in his

"How could a deaf and dumb man have an impediment in his speech?" "Two of his fingers were cut off." -Exchange.

Western Maryland Railway.

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No. 4—9.07 a. m. (daily except Sunday) for Hagerstown, Gettysburg, Hanover, York-Haltimore and intermediate points, Wash-ington, Philadelphia, and New York. No. 3-2.27 p. m (daily) Western Express for Cumberland West Virginia points, and Pittsburgh, Chicago and the West.

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