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## The Message of the Christmas Seal.

Five years ago the secretary of the State Tuberculosis Society came to Bellefonte to enlist co-workers in the fight against the "white plague" and was doing his best to win a small group of listeners to his cause when one member was called away and, in departing remarked, "I am glad to have met you, Mr. D., and wish you success in your mission, but think it an unnecessary work as I do not know of a single case of tuberculosis."

"That may be true of Bellefonte, Mr. M.," replied the secretary, "but there are 10,000 deaths annually in Pennsylvania from this cause and it is no doubt in your midst but you do not realize it."

Five years have passed and that same group have seen three fine young men and a charming young woman, graduates of our High school, loving to live but, after a desperate fight, laid in their graves, victims of tuberculosis. Four children, ranging in age from six to twelve years, taken from the schools to Cresson for treatment; eleven suspect cases in the High school that needed and received medical attention until discharged; seven advanced cases among adults, not to mention the patients who have been attending the State clinic for a year and are under Dr. David Dale's care.

How does the Christmas seal figure in our story?  
Christmas seal funds are used in combating tuberculosis, through the employing of nurses and educational workers; educational efforts as to the nature, treatment and prevention of tuberculosis; efforts for the establishment and aiding of nursing, clinic, hospital and sanatorium service, summer camps and open air schools; building up of healthy children; conducting of health surveys; medical service, and sending patients to sanatoria.

In this community, the money has been used the past year in paying one hundred dollars for the use of the room in which the tuberculosis clinic is held Tuesday afternoons, and in financing the work of a dental hygienist for four months in our schools.

The seals are now on sale at Lyon & Co., Hazels, and Cohen's dry goods stores, Motts' and Runkle's drug stores, the Bush house and Bickett's pool room in the Brant house, and from volunteer workers who are making a house-to-house sale. The seal is only a tiny bit of paper but it is a wonderful messenger of health and hope as it flies through the mails. Use it on your letters and parcels and help "wipe tuberculosis out of Pennsylvania."

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PARSONS.—Mrs. Frances A. Parsons, wife of William B. Parsons, postmaster at Julian, died at one o'clock last Saturday morning at the home of her brother, V. G. Henderson, at Woodland, Pa. She had not been in good health for some time and several weeks ago underwent an operation at the Clearfield hospital. She recovered sufficiently to be taken to the home of her brother, but suffered a relapse and her death was the result.

She was the daughter of John C. and Elizabeth Henderson and was born in Patton township on October 28th, 1857, hence was 66 years, 1 month and 4 days old. Most of her life had been spent in Huston township and at Julian. She was a member of the Baptist church for forty years and a woman who had the respect and esteem of all who knew her.

She had no children but is survived by her husband, four sisters and one brother, namely: Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, of Altoona; Mrs. Emma Fleck, of Tyrone; Mrs. George B. Stevenson, of Waddle; Mrs. Ollie Gaup, of Tyrone, and V. G. Henderson, station master at Woodland. Her father, John C. Henderson, served two terms as county commissioner.

Funeral services were held in the United Brethren church at Julian at 10:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning by Rev. Parsons, of the Baptist church, after which burial was made in the Dix Run cemetery.

JACOBS.—William Jacobs, a veteran of the Civil war and for many years a resident of Pine Grove Mills, died at noon on Wednesday of last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Thomas, at Osceola Mills, following an illness of nine weeks as the result of general debility.

He was eighty-one years old and was a native of Huntingdon county. During the Civil war he served as a member of Company F, 19th regiment Pennsylvania cavalry. He was with General Sherman's army on its famous march to the sea, was captured by the Confederates and spent five months in Andersonville prison. The suffering and starvation he underwent at that time brought him to the verge of a physical wreck so that he never entirely recovered therefrom. Some years after his return from the war he located in Pine Grove Mills and that had been his home until after the death of his wife, less than a year ago, when he went to make his home with his daughter.

His survivors include one son and two daughters, John H. Jacobs, of Venango county, Mrs. Thomas and Miss Elizabeth Jacobs, both of Osceola Mills. Funeral services were held at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, burial being made in the Umbria cemetery, at Osceola Mills.

SEIBERT.—Harry Seibert, a brother of borough manager James D. Seibert, of Bellefonte, died in the Windber hospital on Tuesday morning following an operation for gall stones.

He was a son of Jacob and Ann Elizabeth Seibert and was born in Bellefonte on November 12th, 1863, hence was a few days over sixty years old. His early life was spent in Bellefonte but about thirty-five years ago he went to Phillipsburg where he worked in the Edward Tyson meat market for a number of years, later going into business for himself. Fifteen years ago he sold out and moved to Barnesboro. During his residence there he served a number of years as street commissioner.

While still living in Bellefonte he married Miss Mary Heine, who died many years ago. Later he married Miss Olive Brown, of Munson, who survives with six children, namely: Chester, Harry, George, Max, Jack and Mary, all at home. He also leaves three brothers and two sisters, James D. Seibert, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Etta Newlin, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Carrie Kirk, of Hammond, Ind.; Alfred and Frank Seibert, of Phillipsburg. Burial was made at Barnesboro yesterday.

## Brothers Die a Week Apart.

On Thursday, November 22nd, William Longwell died at his home in Gassaway, W. Va., and his brother Thad, who came east from Iowa to attend the funeral, died just one week later at the home of his sister, Miss Elizabeth Longwell, in Bellefonte. Both were sons of William Hamilton and Anna Marshall Longwell, one-time well known residents of Bellefonte.

William H. Longwell, the first to pass away, was born in Bellefonte on July 26th, 1864, hence was in his sixtieth year. His boyhood days were spent here but at the age of twenty years he went to Manassas, Va., where he accepted a position in a large hardware store. That place was his home until about thirteen years ago when he moved to Gassaway, W. Va., where he was in the employment of a railroad company. His death was the result of stomach trouble with which he had been ailing for two years or more.

While living in Manassas he married Miss Elizabeth Alexander Sinclair who survives with six children, namely: Mrs. O. D. Waters, of Manassas; W. H. Longwell, of Clarksburg, W. Va.; Mrs. Omer Frame, Mrs. Asa Carr, Mrs. C. L. Lehnis and Arthur L., all of Gassaway. The remains were taken to Manassas, Va., where funeral services were held and burial made on Sunday, November 25th.

Thaddeus Mitchell Longwell, who came east for the funeral of his brother, came to Bellefonte on Wednesday afternoon of last week for a brief visit before returning home. The day before he left home his family physician told him he was afflicted with valvular heart trouble, but if he avoided strenuous exercise of all kinds there was no reason why he shouldn't make the trip. On Wednesday evening he attended prayer meeting in the Presbyterian chapel and when he retired that night felt as well as ever. At five o'clock Thursday morning he called his sister and said he was very sick. A physician was called as quickly as possible but his condition was such that he was beyond help and he passed away at 3:25 o'clock the same afternoon.

Deceased was born in Bellefonte on July 8th, 1862, hence was 61 years, 4 months and 21 days old. His boyhood life was also spent in Bellefonte and as a young man he learned telegraphy under the late W. L. Malin, who had charge of the Western Union telegraph office. Having mastered the key he was given a job in the railroad office at Milesburg, being later transferred to Snow Shoe. From the latter place he went to Steelton where he spent twelve years in the credit department of the Steelton Store company. Returning to Bellefonte he was with the Central Railroad of Pennsylvania company five years then went to Belington, W. Va., where he was identified with a coal company for eighteen months after which he moved to Des Moines, Iowa, where he has since been in the employ of the Rock Island Railroad company.

While living in Snow Shoe he married Miss Mary Curtis Byers, of Lewisburg, who survives with four children, Mrs. Claude Casebeer, Joseph and Anna, all of Des Moines, and Mrs. Daniel Stearns, of Ottumwa, Iowa. The brothers are also survived by one sister, Miss Elizabeth Longwell, of Bellefonte, and one brother, S. Linn, whose present whereabouts are unknown. Both men were members of the Presbyterian church.

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WARD.—Mrs. Mary Brett Ward, wife of G. W. Ward, of Pittsburgh, died at her home in that city, on Sunday, as the result of an affection of the heart and other complications with which she had suffered the past two years.

She was the eldest daughter of the late Robert G. and Laura C. Brett, and was born near Perry, Kansas, on February 8th, 1871, hence was in her fifty-third year. When a small child the family came to Centre county and located on the well known Brett farm in Ferguson township where she grew to womanhood. Her father was prothonotary of Centre county during the eighties and at that time the family lived in Bellefonte, going from here to Pine Grove Mills. In August, 1888, she married G. W. Ward, a Pine Grove Mills boy, and they took up their residence in Pittsburgh, which had been her home ever since. She was a member of the Methodist church and a most lovable woman in every way.

In addition to her husband she is survived by the following brothers and sisters: J. E. Brett, of Seattle, Washington; Charles and Anna, of Perry, Kan.; Thomas P. and Mrs. Margaret Healy, of Cochranton, Pa. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Homewood cemetery.

WOLF.—J. Benner Wolf died at the Mercy hospital, Altoona, on Wednesday morning, following an illness of several years with tubercular meningitis. He was a son of George C. and Mary Wolf and was born in Bellefonte a little over forty-seven years ago. The greater part of his life, however, has been spent in Altoona where for a number of years he has been a member of the city fire department. He is survived by his wife, his father and three brothers, W. Harry, George W. and John R., all of Altoona. Burial will be made in that city this morning.

BRANDON.—Many Bellefonte people remember Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Brandon, who roomed at the Misses Benner during their two years' residence here about ten years ago, and all will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Brandon, at her home in Youngstown, Ohio. During their stay in Bellefonte Mr. Brandon was salesman for the Oliver typewriter, while Mrs. Brandon taught music and was leader of the choir in the Presbyterian church. Her death occurred on Wednesday of last week following an operation.

## BIRTHS.

Martin—On November 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Martin, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Betty Ann.

Reed—On November 5, to Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, of Coleville, a daughter, Sarah Louise.

Brooks—On November 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Brooks, of Pleasant Gap, a son, Ray Penrose.

Newman—On November 6, to Mr. and Mrs. George L. Newman, of Milesburg, a son, Marlin Lewis.

Hockenberry—On November 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hockenberry, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Anne Elizabeth.

Breon—On November 8, to Mr. and Mrs. William P. Breon, of Walker township, a daughter, Emma Pearl.

Gordon—On November 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Gordon, of Spring township, a daughter, Mary Ruth.

Spicer—On November 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Toner A. Spicer, of Bellefonte, a son.

Flack—On November 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Flack, of Port Matilda, a son.

Dullen—On November 18, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dullen, of Nittany, a daughter, Mary Margaret.

Mongan—On November 15, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Mongan, of Bellefonte, a son, William Joseph.

Torsell—On November 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Torsell, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Caroline Virginia.

Stitzer—On November 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stitzer, of Pleasant Gap, a daughter, Phyllis Elizabeth.

Mott—On November 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Basil J. F. Mott, of Bellefonte, a son, Basil Justin Fontenay Jr.

Woomer—On November 21, to Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Woomer, of State College, a son, Robert Eugene.

Spearly—On November 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Spearly, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Pae Arlene.

Lowry—On November 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Sherman E. Lowry, of Bellefonte, a daughter.

Emel—On November 23, to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Emel, of Spring township, a son, James Robert.

Sagar—On November 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Sagar, of Bellefonte, a son, Elwood Jacob.

Bryan—On November 25, to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bryan, of Bellefonte, a daughter.

Stover—On November 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Joel Stover, of Zion, a son, Robert Carl.

Mite—On November 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mite, of Bellefonte, a son, Joseph.

Hartsack—On November 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hartsack, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Mary Grace.

Eckley—On November 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Eckley, of Benner township, a son, Wayne Elwood.

Lucas—On November 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lucas, of Bellefonte, a daughter, Elizabeth Anne.

Tonahio—On November 24, to Mr. and Mrs. James Tonahio, of Pleasant Gap, a daughter, Grace Mary.

Don't fail to start reading "Diamonds of Malopo" which begins in this issue. It is a story that will interest you very much.

Women's \$8 and \$9 pumps and oxfords reduced to \$5.85—Yeager's. 48-11

## How to Mail Your Christmas Packages.

Postmaster John L. Knisely, in asking the co-operation of the public during the holiday season rush, offers the following suggestions about mailing Christmas packages which, if followed, will be a great help in handling your gifts to friends and practically insure their reaching their destination on time:

In wrapping any tying packages use heavy paper and strong cord or twine.

Fragile articles, easily broken, must be crated.

Perishable matter will be sent a reasonable distance, and should be special delivery.

All packages addressed to points within one day's travel should be mailed not later than December 21st; two day's travel December 18th; three day's travel December 16th, and more distant points not later than the 14th. Parcels may be endorsed "Do not open before X-mas."

Do not place stickers or Christmas seals on the address side of the parcel, and do not seal packages with stickers.

Use ink in addressing packages and in addition to the name, city and State be sure to put on the street and number. Write your return address in the upper left hand corner of all packages.

By complying with the above you will greatly assist in expediting the mail during the X-mas rush.

Spinet desks, tea wagons, gate-leg tables, Windsor chairs, cedar chests, electric floor and table lamps for X-mas.—W. R. Brachbill. 48-11

All \$7, \$8 and \$9 shoes reduced to \$5.85, at Yeager's. 48-11

Expense Accounts of the Candidates Filed.

The following candidates for county office at the last election filed their expense accounts this week.

They are recorded as follows: John Spearly, Democrat, Commissioner-elect, \$146.80; William H. Brown, defeated aspirant for sheriff on Republican ticket, \$210; James W. Swabb, Democrat, Commissioner-elect, \$189.54; John G. Love, Republican, defeated for District Attorney, \$100.50; Harry A. Rossman, Republican, for Register, \$269.66; Roy Wilkinson, Republican, for Prothonotary, \$150; E. R. Taylor, Democrat, for Sheriff, \$300; Harry P. Austin, Republican, Commissioner, \$74.

## A Girls' Minstrel Show.

The black and white revue will be the name under which the next big amateur theatrical undertaking will be staged in this place. The date for the showing has not been fixed, but rehearsals are well along and from what we hear a sparkling musical and comedy production may be expected.

It will be a girl show entirely. Men are only wanted in the audience and as it is to be in charge of Mrs. R. Russell Blair something worth while is in store for us soon.

The story going the rounds of the State newspapers to the effect that hunters in the Seven mountains recently found, in a secluded ravine, a wrecked automobile bearing a 1916 license plate and containing three skeletons, is a fake. It originated months ago and at that time it was reported that the car bore 1901 license plates, but as automobiles were not licensed in 1901 the fellow who has revamped the wild tale has brought it up to 1916.

George B. Mann and his son Russell, of Howard, who got into trouble with some foreigners at Viaduct, Clearfield county, where they were all working, and were put in jail for appearance at court, have been released on bail. It appears that Russell got into the mix-up first and swung a club that felled several of his assailants. Then his father went to his aid with a gun but did not shoot. The Manns were arrested afterwards.

Meda Torsell, the west High Street shoemaker, with his young son Mike, left Bellefonte on Wednesday for New York city expecting to sail the latter part of the week for Italy in response to a cablegram informing him of the illness of his wife. While he made no definite plans for the future he confessed that if possible he will return in the spring.

## CENTRE HALL.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dutrow, on the 4th inst.

Mrs. Ellen Miller and Miss Caroline McClaskey, of Potters Mills, spent the week at the Bartholomew home.

Prof. Fuhrman motored to his home on Thanksgiving day. Rev. Binman and family ate their Thanksgiving dinner in West Milton.

Rev. and Mrs. Roy Corman, of Sunbury, spent part of the hunting season in this locality. Hunters are numerous hereabouts at present.

Among those who spent Thanksgiving at home were, Prof. L. O. Packer, Miss Elizabeth Royer, J. F. Moore, H. E. Weaver and Miss Miriam Huyett.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Lingle are the proud grandparents of Lucille Lingle, who was born in the James Lingle home, in New York, on Wednesday of last week.

## Church Services Next Sunday.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.  
Services for the week beginning December 9th: Second Sunday in Advent, 8 a. m. Holy Eucharist; 9:45 a. m. church school; 11 a. m. Mattins and sermon; 7:30 p. m. evensong and sermon. These services will be in charge of the Rev. A. M. Judd. The usual Wednesday evening and Thursday morning services will be omitted this week. Visitors always welcome.

Rev. M. DeP. Maynard, Rector.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.  
The pastor will speak at 10:45 on "Some things we learn in the school of experience," and at 7:30 on "The outstanding characteristics of the early Church." The sacrament of baptism for children at 10:45.

Monday night, teacher training; Tuesday night, class; Wednesday night, church training school.

E. E. McKelvey, Pastor.

ST. JOHN'S REFORMED CHURCH.  
Services next Sunday morning at 10:45; sermon, "The Reward of Faith." Evening at 7:30, sermon, "When He Came to Himself." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., and union C. E. society at 6:45 p. m.

Ambrose M. Schmidt, D. D., Minister.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.  
"The Friendly Church."

Second Sunday in Advent. Sunday school 9:30 a. m., Morning worship with sermon 10:45. Vesper service 7:30, "The Question of the Centuries." Second in a series of Advent sermons. Visitors are always welcome.

Rev. Wilson P. Ard, Minister

AARONSBURG REFORMED CHURCH.  
Services for Sunday, December 9: Millheim—Sunday school at 9:30; regular services at 10:30.

Salom—Sunday school at 1; regular services at 2.

Subject: "The Coming of Redemption and the Kingdom." Are you a reader of the Messenger? If not, you ought to be.

Rev. John S. Hollenbach, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.  
Christian Science Society, First building, High street, Sunday service 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock. To these meetings all are welcome. An all day free reading room is open to the public every day. Here the Bible and Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased.

J. A. Peters is breaking ground for a new house.

David F. Kapp, of State College, spent a few hours here on Sunday.

W. Paul Goss is in Philadelphia, under treatment of an eye specialist.

Mrs. Susan Peters is quite ill, suffering with a complication of diseases.

W. H. Miller was taken to the Bellefonte hospital on Monday as a medical patient.

George Burwell has been secured to teach the Glades school in place of Miss Mary Slagle, resigned.

Miss Maude Glenn, of State College, was a guest of Miss E. V. Dale, on the Branch, on Thanksgiving day.

David Noll, for the past two years farmer on the J. G. Miller farm, flitted to Zion on Monday, his former home.

Mrs. Leland Harpster, of the Branch, spent Thursday with her old neighbor, Mrs. Jacob Reish, at Rock Springs.

Miss Ella Livingstone, teacher of the grammar school at Reedsville, spent her Thanksgiving vacation at the St. Elmo.

Mrs. Ruth Goss Little, who underwent an operation at the Clearfield hospital on Thanksgiving day, is reported as getting along very nicely.

Our hat is off to George Burwell for a nice hunt of delicious venison taken from the first buck killed in this section on the opening day of the season.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ARM FOR RENT.—110 acre farm on State Highway, 5 miles from Lock Haven. Apply to  
J. LYN HARRIS,  
421 West Main St.,  
Lock Haven, Pa.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—A large two-story brick dwelling house on the north side of east Linn street, Bellefonte, Pa. Possession can be given January 1, 1924. Information can be given by the undersigned.

ELLIS L. ORVIS,  
Bellefonte, Pa.

FOR SALE.—The famous Hubler Inn property along the state highway in the village of Hublersburg, Centre county, Pa. This is a two story hotel building, with a frontage of 39 feet, extending back 64 feet, with a commodious barn; all situated on a lot of ground containing about two acres. This is an ideal site for a road-side inn. Apply to ORVIS & ZERBY, Bellefonte, Pa.

KEYSTONE POWER CORPORATION.  
The Board of Directors of the Keystone Power Corporation has declared quarterly dividend No. 7 of one and three-quarters (1 3/4) per cent, upon the preferred capital stock of the Company, payable January 2, 1924, to stockholders of record at the close of business, December 29, 1923.

C. C. McBRIDE,  
Treasurer.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters testamentary on the estate of Louise Gorman Harpster, late of Bellefonte, Centre county, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment and those having claims will present them, properly authenticated.

LULU M. HARPER,  
W. HARRISON WALKER,  
Bellefonte, Pa., Administrators.

## Concrete Mixers for Sale

One 1-bag Boss mixer on trucks, with 6 h. p. gas engine and loading skip.

One No. 14 E steam driven Footo Paving Mixer, on caterpillar traction, with loading skip and chute discharge. STANDARD SUPPLY AND EQUIPMENT CO. OF PA., ALTOONA, PA.

—Genuine Tennessee cedar chests, the lasting X-mas gift, \$15.00 to \$45.00.—W. R. Brachbill's Furniture Store. 48-11

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