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## **Fayette County Murderer Electrocuted** on Monday Morning.

Jeremiah Weeks, negro World war veteran, of Fayette county, was electrocuted at Rockview penitentiary, on Monday morning, for the murder of the young son of his sister-in-law. Mary Williams, who he is also alleged to have clubbed to death. The murder took place on January 10th, last, the Pine Hall cemetery. at Lambert, a small mining town. Mrs. Williams and her young son were brutally slain by being beaten on the head with a club; the Williams home was set afire and burned to the ground, and two other children perished in the fire. Weeks was also blamed for starting the fire.

He was tried in March for the murder of Mrs. Williams, was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to prison for life. In June he was tried for killing the child, was convicted and given the death penalty. An application for a new trial was refused and the Board of Pardons, in October, refused to intervene.

When Weeks was brought to the death house, on Saturday, he had about ten dollars in his possession which he gave to the penitentiary authorities and asked that it be sent to his wife for their two-year-old daughter. Weeks was accompanied to the chair, on Monday morning, by Chaplain P. N. Osborne and Captain Goddard, of the Uniontown Salvation Army. To the latter he maintained that he was innocent.

Because of the fact that Weeks was a World war veteran the American Legion, of Uniontown, raised a fund of \$100 and gave the body private burial on a plot near Milesburg.

### New Churches Benefit Penn State Students.

With two new chnrches just completed and two more contemplated in at the Methodist home, in Tyrone, at the borough of State College the religious life for students at the Penn-

M'CORMICK .- Mrs. Mary McCormick, widow of Charles B. McCormick, passed away on Saturday, at her home at State College, following a lingering illness.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Behrer and was born in Buffalo Run Valley in 1856, her age at death being 71 years, 6 months and 6 days. She married Mr. Mc-Cormick in 1884 and all her married life was spent on the farm. Following the death of her husband in January, 1916, she left the farm and moved into a comfortable nome in State College. She was a lifelong member of the Lutheran church and a woman esteemed by a large circle of friends for her open-handed hospitality.

Her survivors include one son, Chester M. McCormick, on the home farm, two brothers and four sisters, namely: John H. Behrer, of Fort Wayne, Ind.; Jacob, of Buffalo Run; Mrs. Richard Palmer and Mrs. John Grove, of Lemont; Mrs. Sarah Blackburn, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. J.

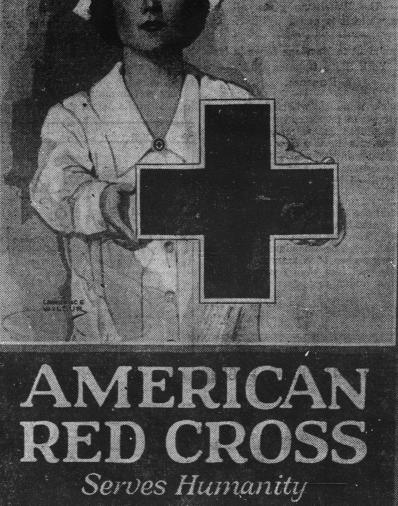
W. Hartsock, of Waddle. Funeral services were held in the Lutheran church, at State College, at 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, by Rev. J. F. Harkins. assisted by Rev. J. S. English, burial being made in

RUNKLE .- John W. Runkle, a native of Centre county, died at his home at Middleburg, Snyder county, on November 11th, as the result of a stroke of paralysis sustained almost two years ago.

He was a son of Daniel and Sarah Runkle and was born in Georges Valley seventy-four years ago. His early life was spent on the farm but tiring of tilling the soil he engaged in the mercantile business at Fiedler, where he lived until thirty years ago when he moved to Middleburg. In 1923 he was elected sheriff of Snyder county on the Democratic ticket and had the reputation of being the best official that county ever had. At the election this year his youngest son, Cyril Runkle, was elected as his suc-

cessor in the office. Mr. Runkle married a Miss Stallacher, of Fiedler, who died twentythree years ago, but surviving him are five children, Carl Runkle, of Altoona; Calvin of Winter Haven, Fla.; Keemer, of Williamsport; Cyril, of Middleburg, and Mrs. George Witmer, of Selinsgrove. He also leaves two brothers, L. Calvin Runkle, of Shamokin, and Daniel Runkle, of Pennsvalley. Burial was made at Middleburg on Tuesday of last week.

SHOOP .- Mrs. Mary E. Shoop, better known among her friends at Centre Hall where she spent most of her noon on Monday. ughter of John and El-



# Do We Wan't the Community Nursing Service Continued?

#### The annual enrollment of members of the Red Cross will begin tomorrow and continue for one week.

This is a far more important matter than many of us understand. The Red Cross is only a banner to which we all rally for our mutual good. Its application, locally, is so one-sided that we might be charged with using the insignia of that world-wide agency of mercy as a camouflage of our own selfishness.

Last year Bellefonte and vicinity raised \$1,050 in the enrollment. Of that amount only \$49 found its way into the treasury of the National Red Cross. The balance was spent right here in a service of inestimable value to the community.

We say inestimable, for who is there who could put a price on what Miss Anna F. McCauley, our Community Nurse, has done during the year? Her service in the homes of those who need it most and can afford it least has been God-sent. In the schools this tactful, observing, patient and cheerful young woman has picked out and taken for treatment many a child t have de a into a r hysical derelict had there been no one trained as she is to detect the first symptoms of insidious disease. To many of the expectant mothers among the poor she has been a blessing. Yes, also in many homes of the more fortunate her service has been as a ray of hope at times when it has been utterly impossible to find another nurse in an emergency.

#### **Pine Grove Mentions**

Mrs. J. L. Louck spent Thursday with friends in Altoona

Lester Krebs and wife were guests of relatives in Lock Haven, on Sundav.

George R. Irvin, who has been ill most of the summer, is able to be up and around.

George Shull and wife, of Altoona, were Sunday guests at the J. H. Miller home.

Miss Charlotte Hoy entertained Miss Betty Eyre, of Philadelphia, over the week-end.

Ed Kocher, who has been in ill health for some months, is now on the way to recovery.

Miss Nannie Bailey is recovering to be up and around.

Mrs. O'Bryan is having some dehome on Church street.

J. M. Buffington spent Sunday with his friend, W. B. Nissley, a patient in the Clearfield hospital.

J. G. Miller is putting down a pipe line from a mountain spring to his farm buildings, east of town.

Ellis Bierly has returned home from the Clearfield hospital and is now convalescing at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keller, of Milesburg, were entertained at the Harry Williams home on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wagner and daughter spent Thanksgiving at Mr. Wagner's former home, at Meadville. Mrs. Minnie Wieland and family motored up from Franklinville and

spent Sunday at the M. C. Wieland home. Mrs. Harvey Sauers and son Jack motored to Williamsport, on Satur-day, to visit her sister, Mrs. J. H. Seigel.

The Shoemaker hunting party has returned from the mountains in Clinton county without having bagged a bear.

Frank Krebs spent Sunday in Ty-rone with his wife, who has been ill there for several weeks, but is now recovering.

Charles Goss and lady friend motored up from Harrisburg and spent Sunday with Mr. Goss' mother, Mrs. Frances Goss.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Young and daughter, Eleanore, of Pittsburgh, were guests over the week-end at the W. D. Wilson home.

Word has been received from James O'Bryan, a patient at the Cresson sanitorium, that he is improving and gained fifteen pounds during the past month.

On the last day of the wild turkey hunting season Robert Harpster, of Gatesburg, bagged a fat hen and G. W. Rossman brought in an 18-pound

the evening.

Mrs. Nellie Fenstemacher, of New didates for office and explained that



This column is to be an open forum. Everybody is invited to make use of it to express whatever opinion they may have on any subject. Nothing libelous will be published, though we will give the public the widest latitude in invective when the subject is this paper or its editor. Con-tributions will be signed or initialed, as the contributor may desire.—ED.

## How Little the World Is.

Wadsworth, O., Nov. 21, 1927. Dear Friend:-

Emma Pifer Bucher has renewed her subscription to the Watchman from her recent illness and is able and told you that she was raised in Pine Grove Mills. I want to renew. my subscription and tell you that only cided improvements made to her an old-fashioned picket fence separated my home from Mrs. Bucher's. Our childhood days were spent together.

We found Mrs. Bucher in Akron soon after they located here. With best wishes for your holiday

With best season, I am, Yours truly, C. S. DANNLEY.

Isn't it the truth that the smallness of the world is frequently shown by just such an incident as is referred to in Mr. Dannley's letter above? Who would have thought when he and Mrs. Bucher were children in the peaceful village of Pine Grove Mills that fate had charted their course through the years so that they were to meet again in a busy city in Ohio.—Ed.

## A Letter and an Explanation.

Altoona, Pa., Nov. 21, 1927. The Democratic Watchman,

Dear Editor:-

In a recent issue of your paper you aver that the subscription price would not pay for the paper it is printed on. Well, while that might be so, I insist that I do not owe any man, woman, boy or girl in the broad expanse of this earth a penny, and the only com-modity I have for sale would be the modest home and some shares of good stock I own.

I am not aiming anything at you, but at the people, in general. As I travel up and down the avenues of this life I can say: I am ready to mi-grate and tell them to examine their own souls instead of aping at others as though they were escaped convicts. The money order you will find to be at your option to send the Watchman to

Yours respectfully, EDGAR D. REARICK.

Mr. Rearick's allusion is to the gist of a "Sling" we slung several weeks But as his reply indicates he ago. W. Rossman brought in an 18-pound gobbler. Thanksgiving services were held in the Bethel Reformed church at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, and in the Lutherron church at 7 c'clock in the Lutheran church at 7 o'clock in that we were inconsistent in accepting advertising from Republican can-

sylvania State College is being made more attractive and influential as the Milroy, Mifflin county, on March 8th, young people are drawn into church activities.

Within the past few weeks a Friends Meeting House and a Baptist church have been opened, each with a large number of students participating in their activities. In all parts of the State members of the leading denominations represented in the Penn State student body have shown interest and have given support in the erection of church buildings in State College.

Work has been started on a new structure for the Protestant Episcopal church, and for some time plans have been ready for a new Reformed church structure. State-wide aid has come in both instances. At the present time there are about 90 Baptist students at Penn State; 60 of the Society of Friends; over 200 Protestant Episcopal and about 260 Reformed.

-The rain that started about 5 o'clock yesterday morning had stopped by 8, so that it looked more hopeful for the football players who were to match their strength in the afternoon. However, as this edition went to press at 9.30 yesterday morning we don't know whether the afternoon prooved propitious for the games or not.

-The person who broke the plate glass window in the hall door of the Watchman building Wednesday night will please call and pay for same, thereby avoiding any further trouble.

#### BOALSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement G. Dale, of Pleasant Gap, spent Wednesday in town.

Mrs. Harold Fisher and baby, of Huntingdon, are visiting at the George Fisher home.

Russell Bohn and William Sweet, of C. S. N. S., are spending their vations with parents and friends.

Miss Anna Mary Hess is home from Bloomsburg Normal to spend a number of years past he had been the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents.

Rev. John H. Wagner, of Garrettson Beach, N. Y., spent the week-end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Wagner.

A number of people from State College attended the chicken supper given by the ladies of the Reformed Sunday school, Saturday evening.

William Stuart and family moved into the Mrs. E. E. Stuart apartment and Mr. Nevel and family, of Colyer, will occupy the Dale residence on Main street, vacated by the Stuarts.

Rev. Harnish, of Arch Springs; Mrs. Alice Magoffin, of Hollidays-burg, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Morrow, of Altoona, attended the funeral

1842, hence had reached the age of 85 years, 8 months and 13 days. As a young woman she married William Shoop and the greater portion of the r married life was spent in Centre Hall. On June 17th, 1920, she entered the Methodist home, at Tyrone, and hau been a guest there ever since.

Her husband died in 1900 and her only survivor is one brother. John V. Contner, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Shoop was a member of the Methodist church since girlhood. Funeral services were held at the Methodist home on Tuesday evening by Rev. Emerson Karns and on Wednesday morning the remains we's taken to Centre Hall where services were held in the Methodist church by Rev. G. W. McIlnay, burial being made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

TAYLOR .- Mrs. Jennie Taylor, for many years a resident of Bellwood, died at an Altoona hospital, on Saturday afternoon, following an illness of some years with a complication of diseases.

She was a daughter of Joseph H. and Sarah A. Hoffman, and was born at Zion, this county. Her survivors and sisters: Henry G. and W. S. Hoffman, Miss Bessie and Mrs. W. C. Miller, all of Bellwood; Mrs. William Sweitzer, of Tyrone; Miss Elizabeth, of Albany, N. Y., and Misses Estelle and Grace, of Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Taylor was a lifelong member of the Lutheran church and her pastor had charge of the funeral services, which were held on Monday atternoon, burial being made in the Logan Valley cemetery.

McLAUGHLIN.-Michael J. Mc-Laughlin, a well known resident of Snow Shoe, died at the Centre County hospital, on Sunday morning, following a brief illness, of pneumonia. He Laughlin and was 54 years old. For proprietor of the Snow Shoe Supply company.

prior to her marriage was Miss Susan McGroarty, and one daughter, Mary ers, John, of Kansas City; Patrick, of if we had gotten it out at all. Jersey Shore; Thomas, of Altoona; Andrew, of Tyrone; Joseph, of Rosedale, Cal., and William, of Snow Shoe. Funeral services were held in the Catholic church, at Snow Shoe, at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, burial being made in St. Mary's cemetery.

of Mr. William Goheen, on Saturday. years, aged 71 years, 1 month and 3 Creek.

Really the community nurse is in a manner a Free Lance, for she is always available to go anywhere, everywhere for an hour or so when no other can be procured and when an hour or so might mean saving the life of someone's dear one.

And what does all this cost? Last year we got it for \$1,050. That was not quite enough, however. The local treasury is dry and no funds are at hand to pay the bills for November and December. Every penny that is given Miss McCauley, either as humble expressions of gratitude or as payments for service by those who can afford to pay something, goes right into the treasury in the First National bank and is used to pay bills of the local chapter. The nurse gets nothing, would accept nothing, but her monthly salary and that, and a few trifling outside expenses, is really all there is to the cost of this wonderful work.

Is it worth it? Ask those needy persons to whom she has been such a comfort during the year. If you are among the more fortunate ask yourself what it might be worth to you tomorrow to know where there is one free nurse who could run to your home on an emergency call, should physical misfortune suddenly befall.

Surely it's worth many times what it costs.

Enroll tomorrow! One dollar, \$5 or \$10 makes you a member. There is only one meeting a year to attend. No dues to pay. Nothing to annoy you or take up your time. All you get out of it is the satisfying thought that you have done unto others in distress as you might hope they would do unto you in similar misfortune.

CENTRE HALL.

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John Foster and sister, Miss Ma-

zie Foster, of Aaronsburg, were Sun-day guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A.

days. He was a son of John F. and Fietta Fisher Heckman and was born include one daughter, Ida J., at home; in Gregg township. He was a farmalso her mother and these brothers er by occupation until his retirement in 1914.

> In 1886 he married Susan Hosterman, who survives with four children: Mrs. Lawrence Runkle, of Centre Hall; W. O. Heckman, of Juniata: Franklin, of Loganton, and Sarah, at home. He also leaves one brother and three sisters, Oscar Heckman, of Camden, N. J.; Mrs. Amanda Netz locality. and Mrs. Mary Miller, of Lena, Ill., and Mrs. William Neese, of Spring Mills. Burial was made in the Salem Reformed cemetery, at Aaronsburg, on Saturday afternoon.

-Both the Odd Fellows' band and the American Legion martial band, was a son of Michael and Ann Mc- accompanied our boys to Lock Haven for the game yesterday afternoon. Fully one thousand Bellefonte rooters were there and, wonder of wonders, Charles L. Gates was among them. He is survived by his wife, who Incidentally, the workers in this office were so wrought up over the contest that had we not gotten the paper out Elizabeth. He also leaves six broth- before noon yesterday it is doubtful

#### Marriage Licenses.

Chester A. Reid and Evelyn Marie Mooney, both of Bellefonte. Charles Pellham Glover, of Laurelton, and Emily Wilson Barber, of Detroit. Mich.

HECKMAN.—Adam F. Heckman died at his home at Aaronsburg, last week, following an illness of five

quite seriously ill at his home at State College.

Twenty-two members of P. O. S. of A. camp No. 620 motored to Bellefonte, last Friday evening, and attended a fraternal meeting of the Bellefonte camp.

Bert Lee and Ralph Gehret, postal clerks of Reading, spent the latter end of the week at the Mrs, John Wieland home, where they will have their headquarters during the deer hunting season.

Bobbie Everhart, who was brought home from the Centre County hospital two weeks ago, on a fair way to recovery, has suffered a relapse, but it is not believed it will result in serious complications.

The Ladies' Circle of the Spruce Creek Presbyterian church will meet in their annual gathering at the Graysville church this (Friday) evening. A chicken supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Sankey, with their son and daughter, of Mc-Clure, Snyder county, were brief visitors here on Sunday on their way home from a motor trip to Tyrone, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Bayard.

The new officers of the Lady Ferguson Rebekah lodge will be installed at a meeting to be held in On Sunday Miss Grace Smith rethe I. O. O. F. hall on Monday, Deturned from State College, in which cember 5th, at 1.30 and 7 o'clock P. Members who are not present M Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Hockman are at the afternoon session for initiarejoicing over the arrival of a six and tion will not become charter mem-

one-half pound daughter, last Tues-day-the first child in the family. bers. The bazaar and supper held by the Rev. G. W. McIlnay, now of Cen-Ladies' Aid society of the Lutheran tralia, who preached Auntie Shoop's church, on Saturday evening, was well attended. Briggs Mingle held the lucky number which entitled him funeral sermon, was greeted cordially by his former members in this

to the beautiful quilt presented by Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bartholomew Mrs. H. A. Elder. A total of thirty-six fat chickens had been slaughtered ley from the battery of Big Bill, spent Thanksgiving in Chicago. They were accompanied on their western for the feast and there were few Mayor of Chicago. trip by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barleft-overs.

A family gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stine Walker, on Main street, last Friday Miss Mary Helen Bartholomew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barevening, in celebration of Mr. Walk-er's 79th birthday anniversary. All tholomew, of Altoona, was a guest in the C. D. Bartholomew home for several days at Thanksgiving time. the children were home with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. A. O. Miller, of Johnstown, who was unable Mr. and Mrs. Abner Alexander are at present visiting their daughter, to come. Mr. Walker received many valuable and useful presents. Miss Margaret, who is in training in the U. of P. hospital, in Philadelphia;

## PLEASANT GAP.

Mrs. Elmira Twitmyer is seriously ill at her home here.

Smith, having driven up to Centre Hall to be present at the Communion Christine and David Weaver, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday with friends service in the Presbyterian church in the forenoon. in our town.

Mrs. Clara Corl and son, of State College, spent the past week at the home of Harry Bilger. Miss Hazel Burkholder, of the West

Chester teachers' college; Miss Mir-The Loyal Workers of the Lutheran iam Moore, of Shippensburg State church spent Wednesday at the home Normal school, and Miss Edith Moltz of Mrs. Jack Noll, where they did and Miss Louise Smith, of Williams-port Commercial college, spent the Thanksgiving season at their resome sewing for the bazaar held in the hose company house yesterday. Miss Margaret Smeltzer, a student

Jersey, is visiting her father, the ven-erable Andrew J. Lytle, who is quoted subscription price were it not quoted subscription price were it not for the income from advertising. While we know we couldn't be publishing a paper at all if it wasn't for the advertising we get we are just as conscious of the fact that we wouldn't be getting any advertising if we didn't have subscribers to read it. Both are indispensable.-Ed.

> at the Lock Haven Normal, is enjoying a ten days' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dallas Smeltzer. On Friday evening a number of her young friends gave her a party in celebration of her sixteenth birthday anniversary. Guests were present from Bellefonte, How-ard, Milesburg and Pleasant Gap. The Frank Millward family spent Sunday at the John Wilson home at

> Osceola Mills.

On Tuesday evening of this week the ladies of the Pleasant Gap Civic club and the members of the sewing class gave a dinner at "Ye Olde" tav-ern, at Hublersburg, in honor of Miss Mary Reynolds, county instructor in home economics. The party was composed of Mrs. Martha Noll, Mrs. Maud Herman, Mrs. Elsie Rimmey, Mrs. Lettie Jodon, Mrs. Cecelia Hile, Mrs. Jennie Hile, Mrs. Jessie Mowery, Mrs. Bella Hile, Mrs. Blanche Hock-enberry, Mrs. Nora Eckenroth, Mrs. Bess Stitzer, Mrs. Carrie Barlett, Mrs. Murthe Morgane J. Mars. Mrs. Myrtle Magargel, Mrs. Anna Millward, Mrs. Edna Noll, Mrs. Esther Melroy, Mrs. Ruth Noll, Mrs. Grace Noll, Miss Marian Gettig, Mrs. Ida Kerstetter Mrs. Rena Bilger, Mrs. Esther Sampsel, Mrs. Margaret Arm-strong and Miss Mary Reynolds. A delightful social time was enjoyed by all and the meal was worthy of special mention.

-If Rupert Hughes isn't careful

All kinds of rubbers, priced house. 46-1t

E MECUTRIX'S NOTICE.-Letters testa-E mentary having been granted to the undersigned upon the estate of T. Clayton Brown, deceased, all persons knowing themselves indebted to same are requested to make prompt payment, and those having claims against said estate much mesent them duly authenticated for must present them, duly authenticated, for settlement.

MRS. MARGARET H. BROWN, Executrix, Bellefonte, Pa. J. Kennedy Johnston, Atty. 72-46-6t

There seems to be quite an idea of buying the useful rather than the houses seem to rule. We are pre-pared to assist you in that line. Rugs, Curtains, Dress Materials, Handker-chiefs, Linens, Towels—and what could be nicer?

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