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**Patients in Centre County Hospital.**

Frederick Love, aged 12 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Love, of Bellefonte, on Monday of last week was admitted as a surgical patient.

Mrs. Elizabeth McGowan, of Moshannon, is a medical patient, having been admitted on Monday of last week.

Peter Evinski, of Bellefonte, has been undergoing medical treatment at the hospital for the past week, having been admitted on Monday of last week.

John Smead, of Bellefonte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smead, on Monday of last week was admitted as a medical patient.

Mrs. Charles Packer, who had been a surgical patient, was discharged on Tuesday, of last week.

Master Earl Walker, 22-months-old son of Mrs. Ruth Walker, of Milesburg, who had been a medical patient at the hospital, was discharged on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Samuel Stere, of Fleming, on Tuesday of last week was admitted as a surgical patient and was discharged the following day.

Master Ralph Roush, 3-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Roush, of College Twp., was admitted as a medical patient on Tuesday of last week.

Elijah Milton, of State College, a surgical patient for a day was discharged from the hospital on Tuesday of last week.

Howard Martin, of Bellefonte, who was admitted to the hospital on Tuesday, of last week, expired that day.

Miss Catherine Stahl, of Cresson, a student nurse at the hospital who for several days had been a medical patient, was discharged on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Laura Beckwith, of Tyrone, a student nurse at the hospital, who for several days had been a medical patient, was discharged on Wednesday of last week.

Frederick Lose, aged 12 years, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lose, of Bellefonte, who had been a surgical patient for a day, was discharged on Wednesday, of last week.

Mrs. Viola Hazel and infant, wife and child of Larue Hazel, of Bellefonte, were discharged from the hospital on Wednesday of last week.

Willard Emehizer, of Coleville, is a medical patient, having been admitted on Thursday of last week.

Austin Keith, of Bellefonte, on Thursday of last week was admitted as a surgical patient.

Miss Grace Johnson, of State College, a student nurse at the hospital, on Thursday of last week was admitted as a medical patient, and was discharged on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deviney, of State College, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter at the hospital on Thursday of last week.

Miss Helen Mingle, daughter of Mrs. A. C. Mingle, of Bellefonte, died on Thursday morning.

Mrs. Eloise Bottorf and infant, wife and son of John Bottorf, were discharged on Friday.

Mrs. Alfred Shuey, of Bellefonte, is a surgical patient at the hospital, having been admitted on Sunday.

Mrs. Frederick Goss, of State College, is a surgical patient, having been admitted on Sunday.

Mrs. Guy Miller, of State College, who had been a medical patient at the hospital, was discharged on Saturday.

Samuel Bernstine, one of the partners in the B. & B. Underselling store in Bellefonte who had been a medical patient at the hospital for a week, was discharged on Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Wieland, of Linden Hall, was admitted to the hospital yesterday morning for an operation which will not be performed, however, for a few days or until the case has been fully diagnosed.

Penn State's new sheep barn was dedicated last week as a monument to the flockmasters of the State. J. F. Walker, prominent breeder of Gambier, Ohio, and special representative of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, was the chief speaker. He compared the industry in New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, France, and England with that of the United States.

Epley White, of Axe Mann, owner of a herd of purebred Holstein cattle, has chosen a trade name by which all the stock he raises will be identified in the registry of Holstein—Freisian Association of America. The name Mr. White has chosen is "Kon-e-go."

**SHEARER.**—Following an illness of ten days with an attack of the flu and pneumonia Frank (Sheriff) Shearer died at the Spring township poor farm, near Axe Mann, conducted by Mr. and Mrs. John Fogleman, at 7:15 o'clock last Friday morning, and thus passes another personality who for many years has been a prominent character in and about Bellefonte.

Rugged in body and physical capacity he in most ways possessed the intellect of a child. Just what led to the impairment of his mental faculties, or whether he was that way from birth, is not definitely known, but in the more than forty years that the writer knew him he was possessed with the imagination that he was a self-appointed custodian of the peace of Centre county, hence the appellation of "Sheriff."

A son of Thomas L. and Mary V. Shearer he was born at the Shearer home beyond the old toll gate about seventy years ago. With an undeveloped intellectuality he early in life, even before the passing of his parents, became a rover by nature as well as in reality. His wanderings were circumscribed, however, within the limits of two score miles, but his hat was his home and wherever overtaken by night he was content to stay. Perfectly harmless and with never a worry or care, he was known by every man, woman and child for miles around and was never turned away hungry or lacking shelter when needed.

During the past eighteen years he had been one of the regulars at the "farm" in Spring township, though he might be away for days at a time on one of his wandering jaunts.

His parents have been dead for years and his survivors include one brother, Jerry Shearer, of Orviston, a half-brother, Leonard Shearer, of Lock Haven, and two or three half-sisters, whose whereabouts are unknown. None of them attended his funeral which was held on Monday afternoon. Services were held at the "farm" at one o'clock p. m., by Rev. C. C. Shuey and burial was made in the Pleasant Gap cemetery.

**TODD.**—John Thomas Todd died at his home in Philipsburg, at 7:10 o'clock on Sunday morning, following an illness of some months, though his condition had not been regarded as serious until three weeks ago.

He was a son of John Oliver and Susannah Nuttall Todd and was born at Powellton on June 25th, 1865, hence was in his 64th year. When he was a child the family moved to Philipsburg where practically his entire life was spent. His active years were devoted almost entirely to operating coal mines, he having been associated with his brother, Harry W. Todd. He was one of the promoters of the Osceola Silica Brick company, in which he was a director. He was one of the first members of the Reliance Fire company and a member of Centre Council, Royal Arcanum.

Forty-four years ago he married Miss Effie Batcheler who survives with the following children: Walter and John Jr., both of Philipsburg; Mrs. Jack Boyer, of Cortland, Ohio, and Mrs. George H. Griest, of Philipsburg. He also leaves two brothers and two sisters, Fred and Harry W. Todd, of Philipsburg; Mrs. J. W. Faucette, of Ashville, N. C., and Mrs. L. E. Rupert, of Florence, Col.

Rev. S. B. Evans had charge of the funeral services which were held on Tuesday afternoon, burial being made in the Philipsburg cemetery.

**YARNELL.**—Mrs. Phoebe Anne Yarnell died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Holt, in Tyrone, at noon last Saturday, following an illness of several months as the result of a general breakdown in health.

She was a daughter of George and Catherine Baker, Shawley, and was born at Howard, Centre county, on August 10th, 1840, hence had reached the age of 88 years, 5 months and 9 days. The greater part of her life was spent at Unionville but during the past eleven years she had lived with her daughter. Her husband was killed while serving in the Union army during the Civil war but surviving her are three children, Mrs. Holt, at whose home she died; Samuel Yarnell, of Union City, and John, of Swissdale.

Funeral services were held at her late home in Tyrone on Monday evening and on Tuesday morning the remains were brought to Centre county for burial in the Advent cemetery, in Boggs township.

**DAVIS.**—Mrs. Margaret Rocky Davis, wife of John Davis, died at her home in Altoona, last Friday, as the result of a stroke of apoplexy.

She was a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Rocky and was born at Tusseyville, Centre county, on July 16th, 1860, hence was 68 years, 6 months and 2 days old. She married Mr. Davis in June, 1882, and most of her life since had been spent in Altoona. She was a member of the Reformed church all her life. In addition to her husband she is survived by one son, Thomas Davis, of Philadelphia. She also leaves two brothers and two sisters, William Rocky, of Tusseyville; Ross Rocky, in the west; Mrs. Catherine Eungard, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan, of Lewistown.

Funeral services were held at her late home in Altoona, at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, by Rev. J. M. Runkle, burial being made in the Rosehill cemetery.

**BAKER.**—Sam W. Baker, a native of Centre county died at his home in Des Moines, Iowa, on January 8th, following an illness of two months. He was born in lower Bald Eagle valley in 1849, and at the age of twenty years went to Iowa with his father, the trip being made overland in a covered wagon. For a few years he worked for his father on the farm then went to Des Moines and became a clerk in an agricultural implement store.

In 1883 he was made a clerk in the office of the city auditor and in 1894 became cashier and clerk to the board of park commissioners. Later he was made a deputy inspector and collector in the U. S. customs office at Des Moines. In those days he wielded a facile pen and frequently contributed interesting articles of the growing west to this paper.

He was one of the best known Masons in Iowa, having been a member of the Masonic order in all its branches for more than fifty years and at one time served as secretary of the State Masonic Veterans association. His wife has been dead for some years but he is survived by four sons, two daughters, two sisters and six brothers. Burial was made in the Masonic cemetery, at Des Moines.

**CARNER.**—William Gibson Carner, a veteran of the Civil war, died at his home at Hublersburg, at five o'clock last Friday morning, following several weeks illness. He was a son of Anthony and Henrietta Carner, and was born at Hublersburg on January 20th, 1846, hence was within two days of being 83 years old.

On February 2nd, 1864, he enlisted in Company F, 2nd Pennsylvania cavalry and served until the close of the Civil war, being honorably discharged on July 18th, 1865. Returning home he engaged in farming, an occupation he followed most of his life. His wife died nineteen years ago but surviving him are one son, Franklin Carner, in California, and a half-brother, William Callahan, of Flemington.

Funeral services were held in the Reformed church, at Hublersburg, of which he was a member, at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon, by Rev. Harry Hartman, after which he was given military burial in Hublersburg cemetery, the American Legion post of Bellefonte being in charge.

**MINGLE.**—Miss Helen E. Mingle passed away at the Centre County hospital at 11:30 o'clock last Thursday morning, following two month's illness with a heart affection.

A daughter of Albert and Margaret Hoffer Mingle she was born in Bellefonte on February 5th, 1883, hence was not quite 46 years old. She was educated in the public schools of the town, at the Bellefonte Academy and at Hood college, Frederick, Md. She was a lifelong member of the Reformed church and Sunday school and always took an active interest in all phases of church work.

Her father died several years ago and her only survivors are her mother and twin sister, Miss Roxanna Mingle. Funeral services were held at her late home, on east High street, at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, by Rev. Robert Thoma, pastor of the Reformed church, after which burial was made in the Union cemetery.

**OAKWOOD.**—Mrs. Barbara Brindle Oakwood, widow of John Oakwood, died last Thursday morning, at the home of her son, Rev. Howard E. Oakwood, at Milesburg, following five week's illness as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Brindle and was born in Lancaster county on December 23rd, 1839, hence was a little past 89 years of age. On February 8th, 1876, she married John Oakwood, in Bellefonte, and shortly thereafter they took up their residence in Tyrone. Mr. Oakwood died fifteen years ago and since then Mrs. Oakwood had divided her time between her two sons, Rev. Oakwood, of Milesburg, and Frank, of Tyrone. Burial was made in the Grandview cemetery, Tyrone, on Saturday.

**ARNEY.**—Mrs. Mary Arney, widow of the late Benjamin Arney, of Potter township, died on Tuesday of last week, at her home in Niagara Falls, as the result of general debility.

She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Zeigler and was born at Millheim on June 1st, 1848, hence was in her 81st year. Following her marriage to Mr. Arney they located in Potter township where they lived for many years. Later they moved to Centre Hall and ten years ago to Niagara Falls. Mr. Arney died over five years ago but surviving her is one son, A. Miles Arney. Burial was made at Niagara Falls last Thursday.

**SOLT.**—David P. Solt, a native of Centre county, died at his home in Elyria, Ohio, on January 6th, following an illness of some months. He was a son of Peter and Mary Solt and was born on the farm in Ferguson township 76 years ago. His early life was spent on the farm but following the death of his parents he went to Ohio where he has lived ever since.

He is survived by one son, Wilbur R. Solt, of Elyria, and three brothers, James E. and Conrad F. Solt, of Williamsport, and Cyrus I., of Bellefonte. Burial was made at Elyria, Ohio, on January 9th.

**FORTNEY.**—Mrs. William Fortney died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Sommerville, in Elwood City, Pa., last Friday, January 18. She had been an invalid four years as a result of a stroke of paralysis which she suffered after an accidental fall down the stairs in her home.

Mrs. Fortney, before her marriage, was Hannah Mary Coxey, a daughter of Isaiah and Elizabeth Edler Coxey, and was born in Union county February 8, 1853.

Her parents moved to Oak Hall in 1867 and from there they located in Boalsburg where her young womanhood was spent and she married William Fortney. Later they went to Altoona to make their home and resided there thirty years, or until they moved to Elwood City. Mr. Fortney died four years ago.

She is survived by the following daughters and sons: Mrs. Edward Halley, of Cumberland, Md.; Mrs. J. J. Sommerville, Frank and Raymond, all of Elwood City. Her brothers Jasper, of Aberdeen, Washington; William C., of Bellefonte; and her sister Mrs. Harvey Searson, of Tampa, Florida, also survive.

Interment was made at Elwood City on Monday; services having been conducted by the pastor of the Methodist church of which she had been a devoted member.

**HOWARD.**—Miss Mollie Howard passed away on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, at her home in Bellefonte, following an illness of five days with an attack of the flu and pneumonia.

She was a daughter of Daniel and Bridget Howard and was born in Bellefonte fifty-eight years ago. For a number of years during her earlier life she was a maid in the home of Miss Mollie Petrikin later going to Mrs. William P. Wilson where she remained until after the latter's death and her home was closed.

She is survived by three brothers, John and Michael, of Bellefonte, and Daniel, of Danville.

She was a lifelong member of the Catholic church and funeral services were held in St. John's church at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, by Rev. Father Downes, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery. Out-of-town relatives here for the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Miles Stover and daughter Anne and Miss Emma Howard, all of Buffalo, N. Y.

**CORMAN.**—Simon Corman, farmer and shoemaker, died at his home at Fiedler, last Saturday, after an illness of two weeks with a heart affection.

A son of David and Elizabeth Stover Corman he was born in Haines township in 1858, his age at death being 70 years, 2 months and 23 days. Surviving the deceased are two sons and two daughters, David F., Charles B., Mrs. Emory Miller and Mrs. Bruce Vonada. He also leaves four brothers, David, of Pine Creek; Joseph, of Rebersburg; Lewis, of Penn's Cave, and William, in Beaumont, Texas.

Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Reformed church on Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. Griesing, burial being made in St. Paul's cemetery.

**VONADA.**—Franklin P. Vonada, well known resident of Coburn, died at noon, last Friday, as the result of bronchial trouble, following an illness of several weeks.

He was a son of Henry and Mary Rishel Vonada and was born in Haines township on May 27th, 1855, hence had reached the age of 73 years, 7 months and 22 days. In 1899 he married Ida L. Tibbens who survives with no children. He leaves, however, one brother and a sister, Andrew Vonada, of Coburn, and Mrs. Emanuel Eungard, of Farmer's Mills.

Funeral services were held in the Union church, at Farmer's Mills, on Tuesday morning, by Rev. G. A. Fred Griesing, burial being made in the church cemetery.

**CHASE.**—Just four days after the death of her husband Mrs. Lewis Chase, colored, died at her home in Philipsburg last Wednesday, following three weeks illness with heart trouble. She was 55 years old and a native of Prince William county, Va. She was twice married, her first husband having been T. W. Champ, of York. He died in 1906 and ten years later she married Mr. Chase. She leaves one son, Thomas W. Champ, at home. Burial was made in Philipsburg last Friday afternoon.

**ORR.**—Kathryn M. Orr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Orr, died at the family home in Hublersburg, last Wednesday, as the result of heart trouble and other complications, aged 23 years, 2 months and 17 days. In addition to her parents she is survived by two brothers and two sisters, Leo, Blanche, Lester and Almeda, all of Hublersburg. Rev. Mumey, of Bellefonte, had charge of the funeral services which were held last Saturday morning, burial being made in the Hublersburg cemetery.

**ROCKEY.**—Pauline Grace, infant daughter of Edwin J. and Mabel Rockey, of Coleville, died on Wednesday afternoon following two week's illness with grip and pneumonia. She was aged seven and a half months and in addition to the parents two sisters and a brother survive, Elizabeth, Evelyn and William, all at home. Burial will be made in the Meyers cemetery this afternoon.



**BISHOP HUGHES TO LECTURE IN BELLEFONTE MARCH 4.**

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, one of the best known prelates in the Methodist church, has been secured to deliver his popular lecture, "Biography of a Boy," in the Bellefonte Methodist church on Monday evening, March 4th. It is claimed for this lecture that it is second in popularity only to Dr. Russell Conwell's lecture, "Acres of Diamonds." The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Young People's Council of the Methodist churches of the Bellefonte group. The net proceeds of the lecture will be used by the young people in planning for their leadership program at the Methodist training camp at Newton Hamilton. Tickets will be on sale the latter part of this week, and because of the fact that Milesburg, Unionville, Port Matilda, Snow Shoe, Howard, Beech Creek, Pleasant Gap and State College will be canvassed in the sale of tickets, all are urged to make their purchases at once. Sale of tickets will stop as soon as the seating capacity of the church has been sold.

Bishop Hughes fulfills in his ministry a family tradition of preaching covering three generations. His father and his grandfather were Methodist circuit-riders. His brother, Matthew S. Hughes, was also a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, having died in 1920, just a week after having presided at the sessions of the Central Pennsylvania conference.

The Bishop is a master of assemblies. His words come tumbling out

a torrent of passion, or are driven home with a deliberation of manner which underscores the importance of every syllable. Into the midst of his lectures there fall illustrations amazingly apt and yet of the homeliest texture, or sallies of wit that shake speaker as well as audience, but leave the truth at which the Bishop is aiming clear in the mind of every listener. He is not bound by customs of the pulpit; he is bound to stir the souls of men. In his lecture, "The Biography of a Boy," he releases for each listener his childhood habits and pranks and revives many choice memories. Recently a college body upon hearing the Bishop in this lecture, so thoroughly enjoyed it that they requested him to stay over a day with them and repeat it the next morning. Thus one sees his mastery of his hearers.

One of the outstanding features of Bishop Hughes' appearance in Bellefonte is the fact that he comes for no personal remuneration. He has instructed the committee having charge of the planning of the lecture to make the check for his share of the proceeds payable to Boston University School of Theology. The Bishop thus turns over the proceeds of this lecture each time it is given to Methodist institutions of learning, thus providing an education for many poor young men and women. Certainly such a man as this deserves being heard by every person in Bellefonte and vicinity. If you are not canvassed in the sale of tickets and desire to purchase same consult the Methodist minister of your community.

**VAIL.**—Allen M. Vail, of Philipsburg, died at the McGirk sanitarium, last Thursday evening, following an operation for appendicitis. He was a son of Orin and Caroline M. Vail and was born in Rush township on May 14th, 1872, hence was in his 57th year. He was a traveling salesman by occupation. He never married but is survived by one sister and two brothers, Mrs. John W. Beals, Edward and Howard Vail, all of Philipsburg and vicinity. Burial was made in Philipsburg cemetery on Saturday afternoon.

**UZZLE.**—J. Frank Uzzle died at his home at Snow Shoe, on Saturday, following an illness of some months with dropsy. He was a son of the late James and Jane Uzzle and was born in Snow Shoe 68 years ago. He married Miss Jennie Rankin who survives with one daughter, Mrs. Charles E. Swartz, of Snow Shoe. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Naomi Musser, also of Snow Shoe. Burial was made in the Askey cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

The changes being made on the first floor of the Bush house are so pronounced as to attract considerable comment. The small dining room in the rear of the office has been completed, equipped and put in service. The repairs on the main dining room are progressing and it will probably be open by Sunday. The old stairway leading to the second and third floors has been closed and a new stairway opened right from the lobby, so that nobody can go up stairs without being seen by the clerk on duty. Entrance to both the main dining room and the small one is from the lobby. The new wash room in the rear of the room formerly occupied by the drug store has been completed and the equipment is the most modern. In front of the wash room is a small private office and in front of that a sample room. These have not yet been fully completed. The front part of the room will be taken by Edward Garbrick for his cigar store, once it is completed, while the space now occupied by the cigar store and the ladies' entrance will be thrown into the lobby.

With the increase in numbers of shoes in almost every woman's closet, bags with pockets big enough to hold a pair are excellent. They can hang on the door or back on the wall behind the clothes.

**Invention to Revolutionize Lighting Seen.**

An electrical machine has been constructed which its inventor claims will enable a whole house or office to be lighted from a tiny battery and six lamps to be burned at the cost of one.

William Harrison, a retired clerk, claims that his new invention turns low-tension battery power into high-tension current on a large scale. "I have discovered," he declares, "something entirely new in the electrical world and which operates contrary to all accepted notions in regard to the idea of amplifying electrical power."

The machine it is claimed, has been amplifying power in this way for the past six months. Harrison is understood to have been working on his invention for the past 16 years. When he believed that he had found the secret of converting static power into current he approached an influential citizen of St. Helens who examined the instrument and professed himself convinced.

Harrison believes that his invention will revolutionize industry through the provision of hitherto undreamed-of cheap power.

It is understood that when Harrison applied to the Patent Office he was refused a patent until he offered to give a working demonstration. Then he obtained a provisional patent, he says.

Harrison's workroom contains a long series of 200-volt lamps which visitors have noticed burning for the last several months. The lights are stated to have been run either from a small low-tension battery or, alternately, from an ordinary light socket with the new machine interposed. The light socket has not drawn more than the normal amount of current.

The machine itself is enclosed in a small box and remains a complete secret.

It is said that numerous firms of high standing, patent agencies, and development concerns have sought to take up a share in the commercial development of the invention.

Willie was dejectedly walking home from school, and his woebegone appearance attracted the attention of a kind-hearted old lady. "What is troubling you, my little man?" she asked. "Dyspepsia and rheumatism," replied Willie. "Why, that's absurd," remarked the old lady. "How can that be?" "Teacher kept me in after school because I couldn't spell them," was Willie's dismal answer.