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CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

PENN'S VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH
REV. MELVIN C. DRUMM, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR—

SUNDAY, DEC. 9, 1923

Centre Hall, 10:30—How to Kill a Preacher.

Tusseyville, 2:30—A Nation of Babies.
Spring Mills, 7:30—A Nation of Babies.

Centre Hall

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Luther League, 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday at 7.

Evangelist—Tusseyville, 10:30; Linden Hall, 2:30; Lemont, 7:30. Evangelistic services conducted by Evangelist Rev. J. M. Miller, of Myerstown.

Presbyterian—Lemont, morning; Boalsburg, afternoon; Pine Grove Mills evening.

Centre Hall Reformed Charge, Rev. Delas R. Keener, pastor:

Centre Hall—
7:00 Church Services.
9:30 Sunday School.
Friday, 7:00 Catechetical Lectures

Spring Mills—
10:30 Church services.
9:30 Sunday School.
Thurs., 7:30 Catechetical Lectures

Farmers Mills—
2:30 Church Services.
1:30 Sunday School.

AARONSBURG REFORMED CHURCH
(Rev. John S. Hoffenbach, pastor.)

Milheim—S. S. at 9:30; regular services at 10:30.

Salem—S. S. at 1; regular services at 2:00.

Subject, "The Coming of Redemption and the Kingdom."

PUBLIC SALE REGISTER.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, at 1:00 P. M. in Centre Hall. C. D. Bartholomew will sell household goods and some poultry supplies. E. M. Smith, auct.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, at 1:00 P. M. the heirs of Mrs. Eliza Alexander will offer for sale in Centre Hall boro, household goods; also real estate of said decedent, situate in Centre Hall boro. E. M. Smith, auct. See posters.

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 10 a. m., two miles west of Centre Hall. John A. Heckman will sell live stock and implements; clean-up sale. Mayes, auct.

FORTUNE-TELLING OLD "ART"

Delving Into the Future by the Aid of Tea-Leaves Survival of Ancient Superstition.

To tell a fortune by tea-leaves, you turn your cup upside down in the saucer and whirl it around three times after drinking your tea. Turn the cup again and examine the leaf-fragments clinging to bottom and sides. Then you can read your future in what the leaves look like. Of course you can't count on it being true, but you can get some-harmless fun out of it. There were many other old superstitions. In Egypt, a bowl or cup was filled with water and a boy gazed into it until he became hypnotized and "saw things." The magician interpreted what the boy thought he saw. The strolling magicians of North Africa perform the same trick today by means of a drop of ink in a boy's hand. When Joseph sent his messengers to find his silver cup in Benjamin's sack, he instructed them to say: "Is not this my lord's cup in which my lord drinketh and wherein he divineth?" Hence the mystic qualities of the cup. Ceromancy consisted of dropping melted wax into water and divining by the forms the wax assumed in cooling. It is a very old art, but tea was only introduced into Europe in the Seventeenth century; yet the primitive mind still subsisting in man at once seized upon the tea-grounds as a means of foretelling the future, as that same mind had seized upon the melted wax thousands of years before.

SANTA CLAUS.

Omen of a Happy Season—Helping to Bring Light Into Dull Lives.

The time will soon be here when Santa Claus will appear on the streets and in the stores. He is a queer old man, with long white hair falling over his shoulders and mingling with his long white beard. His red nose and cheeks and his bronzed face mark him as an outdoor man. His red clothes with the white fur edges attract the children to him, in no less degree than his jolly smile and laughing chatter. Who is there who does not like to see him, surrounded by a happy group of children?

Santa Claus, even the imitation one on the streets is the omen of a happy season that will soon come or is even now beginning. Memories of the days when the coming of the grand old saint was the beginning and ending of the year, through-back, undiminished by the years the joys and sorrows, the ease or trouble, through which we have since passed.

It has been said, by unbelievers, that there is no Santa Claus. How little they know. Most of us have seen him and many of us know him well. Perhaps we do not call him by his right name. He has many aliases. The Spirit of Giving is one of them. Every man, at some time or another, has himself felt a comfortable glow of happiness come over him after seeing the happy light in the eyes of a child to whom he has given some little toy, some long wished for trinket. All who give for the joy of giving know Santa Claus.

His brothers are many. We meet them every day. They are without the trappings of their trade, minus the show of red and white uniform, minus the tinkling bell, quiet, unobtrusive. But still they are brothers, and sisters too, of the saint. Sometimes they hide, not wishing their good deeds to be known, but day in and day out they perform those small services, not noticed by the world, but helping to bring light into the dull lives of those about them, and incidentally bringing great joy to themselves.

Unknown, they go about bringing cheer to the world, playing Santa Claus not once a year, but all the year round.

Abandoned Church Sold.

The abandoned Presbyterian church at Spring Mills, was sold by the trustees to Harry Allison for \$260. The pews sold for some forty cents each, chairs an average of ninety-one cents. The other equipments—stoves, carpets, chandeliers etc., were knocked off at nominal figures.

The purchaser of the church building must have it removed from the premises and the lot cleaned up within five months. Mr. Allison will use the timber in the construction of a dwelling house.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

James H. Fox, State College
Ella E. Boyer, State College
Orville Taylor, State College
Isabelle Z. Kerstetter, State College

Dramatic Club Elects Officers.

The Dramatic Club of Centre Hall held their monthly meeting Monday evening at the home of Rev. Drumm. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the ensuing six months. The officers elected are as follows: President, Harvey Flink; vice president, Mrs. J. M. Coldron; secretary, Howard Emery; assistant secretary, Ethel Frank; treasurer, Martha Yearick; business manager, Ernest Frank; assistant business manager, Fred Raymond; pianist, Nancy McWilliams; assistant pianist, Maybelle Sharer.

BOALSBURG.

The grip has been attacking some of our people and putting them on the sick list for a few days.

The Reformed Sunday-school will have their Christmas service on Sunday evening, 23rd instant.

The Moxie hunting party got very much in a hurry about shooting their deer—they had their limit down till 1:30 P. M. the first day. They are now in search of bear.

W. E. Gettig and wife, with their son William and daughters Nellie and Catharine, of Altoona, came from their home in their Buick car Sunday forenoon and took dinner with Mrs. Gettig's brother, George E. Meyer, and wife, and in the afternoon drove down through the Loop to Zion Hill cemetery where Mr. Gettig's parents and one brother are buried, and also call to see Mrs. Wagner at her daughter's, Mrs. Bittner. They returned and took supper with Mrs. Gettig's other brother, N. W. Meyer, and wife and left for home at 7 o'clock.

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DISTRICT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The eleventh district of Centre county will hold a Sunday-school convention in the Lutheran church, Centre Hall, on Thursday, December 13th, at 2:00 and 7:15 o'clock. The program to be carried out will be as follows:

2:00 P. M.—Prof I. L. Foster, County Chairman, Presiding.
E. W. Crawford, Song Leader.

Devotional Services Rev. M. C. Drumm
Address Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt
Election of Officers
Finances Rev. C. C. Shuey
Music—Selection Miss McWilliams, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart
Benediction

7:15—SONG SERVICE

Devotional Services Rev. D. R. Keener
Address Prof. I. L. Foster
Addresses Music Y. M. C. A. Extension Department,
State College, Pa.

Offering; Benediction.
Every Sunday-school in the district is urged to send delegates.

TUSSEYVILLE.

Butchering and deer hunting are all the go in this part of the valley.

Mrs. Mary Rossman, who had been laid up with rheumatism, is able to be about again.

Miss Emily Jordan, of Schuylkill College, Reading, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jordan.

The "day" hunters" from this place shot two nice bucks Saturday, one being an especially large one.

Those who participated in the turkey dinner at the Prof. W. O. Heckman home Thanksgiving day, were Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Rossman. Mr. and Mrs. John Wert and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geary and family, of Altoona.

Those from this place who had the pleasure of attending the services in the Methodist church at Centre Hall conducted by the blind evangelist were very much pleased.

GEORGES VALLEY

The deer season opened on Saturday with the mountains full of hunters. More hunters from outside counties are here than ever before.

James McClay, of McKeesport, spent a week at the home of his uncle, F. M. Ackerman. He joined the L. G. Gun

club and was pleased with the deer he saw although he did not have the luck to kill one himself.

The Locust Grove Gun club got two fine bucks the first day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fetterolf of near Centre Hall spent Sunday at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Ira Langle.

Mrs. Ray Sharer visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reeder, on Sunday.

O. E. Aukerman and E. E. Aukerman left for Lewistown on Monday where they have secured employment.

DEATHS.

SELLERS.—William Sellers died at his home in Pittsburgh at the age of seventy-three years. His wife, who prior to her marriage was Miss Ella Resides, of Buffalo Run, survives, as do also several children and these brothers and sisters, sons and daughters of the late William Sellers, of Oak Hall Station, James, in Colorado; Charles, Downs, Kansas; Mrs. J. H. Weber, Centre Hall; Mrs. Agnes Meyer, Lock Haven, and Edward, State College.

Rain set in Tuesday night and continued until morning.

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